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# Parking deck gets silent OK

By Maureen Johnston  
STAFF WRITER

Northville's Downtown Development Authority Monday night received a silent nod of assent to continue for another couple of decades enhancing the business district.

Silent — as in no one spoke at the public hearing on the fate of the agency. The city council at the regular Oct. 6 meeting hosted the hearing as part of the legally-mandated process of extending the life of the authority's tax-increment-financing plan, the main revenue source for programs and projects.

City leaders had set the council chamber scene with 80 audience chairs, anticipating comment in light of recent petition efforts to challenge the development authority's latest project. None of the approximate 30 residents assembled took the opportunity to comment on the proposed Wing Street parking deck — which is now on the Nov. 4 ballot — or the body that backed it.

Council members likely will formally extend the authority's life at their next meeting, Oct. 20. Mayor Christopher Johnson said he expected consensus support for the agency that has done so much to restore Northville's economic vitality during the past 25 years.

The downtown development authority, created in 1978 by

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council ordinance, undertakes public improvements with the goal of preventing the deterioration of the downtown, stimulating the downtown economy and encouraging private investment in the downtown.

When it was the council's turn to speak, mayor pro-tem CarolAnn Ayers said the 1975 state legislation that allowed for the creation of a downtown development authority "perfectly fit" aging Northville's needs at the time. The vehicle for long-range planning and improvement led to the economic growth and conditions today's residents enjoy, she said.

The mayor opened the meeting with a 20-minute slide show, during which he contrasted today's downtown with the Northville of the early 1970s. He pointed to buildings in disrepair, debris in alleys, overstated signage, and lack of a consistent theme.

"This...becomes this," he said, advancing to the next slide.

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## Get your game face on



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville High School seniors Jennie Ecclestone, left, and Becky Thompson got into their school spirit last Friday for the Homecoming pep assembly by painting their faces black and orange. For more homecoming photos, see pages 6 and 14.

# SHE'S AN EVERYDAY HERO

Resident lauded by township police for thwarting auto theft attempt

By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

Northville resident Carolyn Nieuwkoop received a citation from the Northville Township Police Department Sept. 29, but it's not the kind that raises insurance costs.

Northville Township police officials have recently instituted a "Civilian Citation Award" to reward local residents for aiding police in

catching criminals.

In September, the Kings Mill resident called 9-1-1 at approximately 3:30 a.m. after she noticed several individuals outside her window that appeared to be breaking into a car.

Officers responded to the woman's call and later arrested five men who were attempting to steal three cars, police said.

The vehicles were returned to the owners. The van the five males were using was report-

ed stolen out of Detroit.

An award ceremony was hosted for Nieuwkoop in late September at the Kings Mill Clubhouse and was attended by approximately 75 people.

She was recognized for her level of alertness and informing the police quickly of suspicious behavior. She received a letter signed by the police chief John Werth and a framed certi-

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# Cavanaugh molds her students



By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

When Judy Cavanaugh isn't teaching the fundamentals of art at Northville High School, the 51-year-old South Lyon resident is busy serving her students as an intellectual leader and mentor, always with a warm smile and open ear.

Cavanaugh — who teaches ceramics, drawing and painting and a new sculpture class—has been selected as September's "Feature Teacher" in a monthly Northville Record contest recognizing excellence in Northville educators.

She was nominated by Kai Brodersen, a Northville High School sophomore.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

With her high school framed high school portrait nearby, Northville High School art teacher Judy Cavanaugh talks to her students about how she viewed herself as a young woman and the importance of self-worth.

For Cavanaugh, teaching and interacting with her current and former students brings a high level of personal contentment.

"I love all my students," she said. "They're all like my children."

"It's neat being here and getting the younger siblings of students I've

had."

Referring to them as her own "babies," Cavanaugh takes special measures to look after her students' well-being.

"I call my kids up if their sick from school. We have a wonderful opportunity to be a good influence on our kids," she said.

In his written nomination, Brodersen said, "In my opinion, Judy Cavanaugh stands out as one of the most caring teachers I have ever encountered in my schooling years. Her teaching abilities are only exceeded [by] her love for ceramics and caring for the students who enroll in her classes. 'Cavs' as her students like to call her, cares for all the students she teaches, as well as giving them a top notch education in the fine art of ceramics."

News of receiving her newest teaching accolade left Cavanaugh feeling honored.

"It choked me," she said. "It was very touching that our students felt that way. I owe my students more than they owe me. They make my life so full by just watching them grow into the young men and

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# Maybury begins farm funding campaign

By Maureen Johnston  
STAFF WRITER

Efforts to recreate the vintage farm at Maybury State Park soon will benefit from the expertise of professionals familiar with fundraising for a cause.

Countless individuals have volunteered in the eight months since fire destroyed the unique farming operation, said Northville Community Foundation president Shari Peters. Now that her non-profit agency and the Department of Natural Resources signed a 15-year lease agreement, the fundraising efforts can begin in earnest, she said.

Stephen Moore, senior vice president and director of business development for Standard Federal Wealth Management, will lead the effort to secure revenue sources to effectively sustain the farm, Peters said. Audrey Mistor, president of Northville's Main Street Bancorp Inc. will aid Moore on the newly formed Maybury Farm Fund Development Committee.

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# Police intervene, stop suicide attempt

A routine turnaround in a county park Tuesday turned an early morning patrol into a life-saving opportunity for a Northville police officer.

When Officer John Shier pulled into Hines Park near Seven Mile Road at approximately 2:30 a.m. Tuesday, he planned to spin back toward the city. Instead, he found a woman sitting alone in her vehicle with a hose running from her tailpipe into her car's window.

"He intervened, of course," said NPJ Capt. Norm Kubitsky. "She was conscious."

A 16-year veteran of the department, Shier called to the scene fire rescue and ambulance, which transported the woman to St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia. The Northville department petitioned for the Plymouth woman, in her 40s, to be evaluated by the psychiatric department, Kubitsky said.

She did not leave a note, the officer reported. She mentioned "financial problems" and "problems with her boyfriend," according to the report.

Kubitsky complimented Shier's quick response. "It was very good work," he said. "You can't really see down there from Seven Mile."

"Had he not intervened, we would have had a dead body down there this morning."

The local officers are not often faced with attempted suicide, the captain said. "Over the years, it's happened."

"That hasn't happened down there in a long time. It is definitely out of the ordinary."

## POLICE REPORTS

### NORTHVILLE POLICE

**PEDDLERS PUNISHED:** Northville police cited two 24-year-olds attempting to sell coupon books door-to-door last Friday.

A call to department dispatch alerted officers that a young man and woman were soliciting on the west side of the city, according to police reports. An officer caught up with the Ann Arbor woman and Belleville man approximately 1 p.m. after observing their behavior and description corresponding to the phoned-in complaint.

Questioned by the officer, the two described their task of selling coupon books for a Livonia advertising firm on behalf of the National Wheelchair Basketball Association, the report says. They did not have a permit and none of the information they had with them indicated that this was a non-profit organization, the officer reported.

The two suspects accompanied the officer back to the Andover home of one woman who had written a \$20 check, the report says. She told them she realized after the solicitor left that some of the coupons had expired. The suspects returned her check, the report says.

After the officer ticketed the pair for peddling without a permit, he released them at the scene, according to the police report.

**BAGGIE LEADS TO BUST:** A carload of six lost their driver to handcuffs after a traffic stop turned into a drug bust approximately 3 a.m. Sept. 28.

A Northville officer on the lookout for red-light violations near Seven Mile Road and S. Center watched a green Chevrolet roll through the flashing red signal, according to a police report. Upon approaching the vehicle, the officer reported the odor of burnt or burning marijuana from the interior.

When the officer asked the 23-year-old Garden City man driving to be honest about the smell, he said they "had been at a party that was very smoky." He proceeded to talk with each of the four passengers in the back seat and two in front, the report says.

While one officer stood by, a second searched the vehicle, the report says. After finding a baggie of what appeared to be marijuana under the front passenger seat, the officer field-tested it positive. The six companions stood silent during repeated questions about ownership of the marijuana, the report says, despite warnings the driver would be arrested.

The officers released the car to the front-seat passenger after 0.0 results of a blood-alcohol test, the report says. The driver was transported to the police station where he was held until posting a \$200 bond and released with an Oct. 10 court date.

### NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE

**A FEW TOO MANY:** Northville Township Police were headed eastbound on Seven Mile Saturday when the officer observed a vehicle also heading eastbound on

Seven Mile cross over the eastbound fogline on four separate occasions as well as the center lane marker on one occasion within an estimated quarter-mile distance.

Police effected a traffic stop, approached the vehicle and requested the drivers license, registration and proof of insurance from the driver, a 23-year-old Farmington Hills man. Upon speaking with the man, police detected the strong odor of intoxicants coming from the interior of the vehicle. The man's eyes were bloodshot and watery. Police asked how much he had to drink and the man replied, "Two, three, four beers."

The man was asked to perform several sobriety tests and complied. While speaking with the man, police could detect the odor of intoxicants coming from his person. The subject recited the alphabet with several pauses and had trouble counting backward. A PBT test was administered, with results of 0.16.

The man was placed under arrest for operating a vehicle while intoxicated. Upon arriving at the Northville Township Police Department, his chemical rights were read and a second breath test was done, with results of 0.18.

**DUDE, WHERE'S MY CAR?** A 29-year-old Northville man came to the Northville Township Police Department Saturday to report an unknown person(s) stole his 2001 black Ford F150. The man stated the vehicle had been parked in front of his home on Seven Mile, within the semi-circular

driveway. The man was uncertain if the vehicle was locked. He said he did not observe any signs of forced entry at the location where he parked his vehicle.

The man said no one had permission to take his vehicle. He presented a vehicle key to police and said he didn't know the whereabouts of a second set of keys. The officer asked the man if he desired to prosecute if a suspect is identified and he replied, "It depends on who it is." Police questioned the man about his response and the man expressed interest in prosecuting any subjects.

Several tools and a cell phone were inside the missing vehicle.

Later, police responded to the man's residence. The man stated that his friend took his truck while he was asleep. The friend didn't tell the owner and took the truck because his ride didn't show up. The owner said nothing was missing or damaged.

No action is being sought by the owner.

**CREDIT CARD FOUND:** A 17-year-old girl found a credit card at Wendy's restaurant on the floor and turned it in to the Northville Township Police Department. Police were able to find a phone number and address of the owner. An officer notified the owner's family of the situation.

The owner of the card later came to the police department, identified himself with a Michigan operator's license and retrieved his credit card.

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# Northville resident brings New York to Novi

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

We're all products of our upbringing, and Gus Shukeireh is no different.

The Northville resident who grew up in New York missed the hero sandwiches he used to eat at his father's delis.

The solution? Open your own place.

Shukeireh and his partner, cousin Mike Shukeireh, introduced the New York Deli Cafe July 15 at Fountain Walk shopping center on Twelve Mile Road west of Novi Road.

The new eatery is located on the center's promenade across from the Bamboo Club Restaurant.

The decor represents a street theme, with New York City street signs and a facade of an apartment building inside. A "Beware of Dog" sign sits in one of the windows. Fencing with traffic signs top one of the room dividers. Yellow "no parking" markings are painted on the concrete floor. An image of the Statue of Liberty is painted on one of the walls.

"I was going for a feeling like the cafe on Friends, one of my favorite TV shows," Shukeireh said.

Quite the entrepreneur, the 27-year-old who dropped out of Thomas Cooley Law School in Lansing with a year to go, already owns more than 20 other businesses, including 16 Mrs. Fields Cookies shops and four Pretzel Time snack bars.

So, why did he pick Fountain Walk for his latest venture?

"I really feel like this is going to be the marquis shopping area for the western Detroit area," Shukeireh said.

"There's a place like this in Columbus, Ohio, called Easton, and it's really doing well," he added. He believes once a few more tenants come on board at Fountain Walk that the center will



Gus Shukeireh, owner of Novi's Fountain Walk Plaza's New York Deli, makes a 6" New Yorker submarine last Wednesday afternoon. Baskets of fresh-baked bread are seen at right.

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Gus Shukeireh  
New York Deli

begin to take off.

The new cafe serves 19 different varieties of hero sandwiches — the New York name for submarine sandwiches — and is the only deli in the area that offers Boar's Head meats, which contain no preservatives such as nitrates.

Rueben's are one of the house specialties, and, according to Shukeireh Michigan sells more corned beef than any other state in the U.S.

Bread dough is flown in from

New York and is baked fresh daily.

Salads include the Fattoush with lettuce, parsley, tomatoes, toasted pita chips and Mediterranean dressing and the New York Deli Cafe Salad with mixed greens, walnuts, bleu cheese, mandarin oranges and a special dressing.

All types of gourmet coffees, including espresso, cappuccino and latte's are served, plus fruit smoothies and desserts, such as

tiramisu, New York cheesecake, cakes, tortes and rice pudding.

The cafe will deliver on orders that total \$25 or more and offers a full catering service that includes meat and cheese trays, hero platters and salad trays.

Shukeireh was born on Long Island and moved with his family to Livonia at age 13.

"Since leaving New York, I keep going back because I love the city, and I love the food," he said. The graphic designer who created the cafe's menu and architect are even from New York.

He noted that his wife, Andrea, is also from Long Island, and, in fact lived right next door to him.



The interior of the New York Deli at Novi's Fountain Walk Plaza.

"We just got married a year ago, and she missed the New York deli food, too."

His father owned more than a dozen delis in the New York area after coming to the U.S. from Palestine in 1972. But he decided to go west when the neighborhood got too rough. "There were too many killings," Shukeireh said.

"I love this area. That's why I chose Fountain Walk as my landmark store," Shukeireh said.

The New York Deli Cafe will also be the first stop at the Fountain Walk Halloween Party set from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 25. The Emagine Theater will also

show a free family movie at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. that day.

Shukeireh even has plans to take the concept nationwide in the future.

New York Deli Cafe hours are Monday through Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; and Sunday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

For more information about catering services, call (248) 347-6722.

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# Fundraising starts for Maybury farm

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"Both of their backgrounds are excellent for this," Peters said. "Both have extensive careers in marketing."

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Approximately \$45,000 has been donated so far toward the Foundation's first goal, Peters said, which is to raise \$1 million by May 2004. That would allow construction of the barn to begin in the spring, she said.

"We hope to have the farm restored to working order in the next two years, depending on donations," she said. "What we're looking at is to replace what was here."

Through interpretive programs, farm hands led tours of school children and families inside the daily operation of a farm from a bygone era. While experiencing farm life hands-on, Maybury Farm visitors also learned the purpose of each animal, crop and

product.

The Foundation's larger goal is to accumulate \$3 million, which would fund the farm operation for the long-term. Moore and Mistor have experience in achieving financial goals, Peters said.

"They will be rolling out a program sometime this month, a fundraising program," the foundation president said. "They're looking at corporate leaders to assist them at this point."

"I haven't heard the full scope of everything yet," Peters said.

Peters said members of the fund development committee likely will put their heads together again this week, as well as continue to initiate networking opportunities.

"I think the farm and foundation are incredibly fortunate to have these people lead the committee," she said. "They're giving and caring individuals."

Peters said she still is amazed by people's response to the loss of farm.

"People have been coming to us since the fire, volunteering to help in various areas," she said. "We've kind of kept track of all that."

For example, she said, about every two weeks the foundation receives a \$2 money order from a woman in Mt. Clemens. She does not sign her name to the donation, but you can tell by her distinctive handwriting.

"To me, that is a very special donation," Peters said. "All those \$2 add up."

"Every donation is so incredibly important, whether its \$5,000 or \$5, it will all help to rebuild."

During the Sept. 16 press conference when the foundation and natural resources department announced the collaborative effort, state officials cited the local organization's ability to tap into community support, volunteers and business connections.

The state maintains ownership of the park land, while putting in local hands control of the vintage farm operation. The lease, with additional 15-year renewal options, also establishes an advisory committee to include representatives from the state natural resources department, community foundation, and other community groups supportive of the Maybury Farm.

The foundation is ready to assume the day-to-day duties associated with supervising the historic farm when the time comes, with oversight by its seven-member Foundation board, Peters said.

In addition to financial contributions, she listed the following items needed: paint, lumber, tractors, farm equipment, roofing, seed, feed, a windmill, picket fencing, split rail fencing, wheelbarrows, incubators, gravel, hitches, horse trailers, horse plows, a gravity box wagon, 8-foot wooden tables, sheep, dairy cows, beef cows, calves, sows, an observation hive of bees, smoke detectors, and fire extinguishers.

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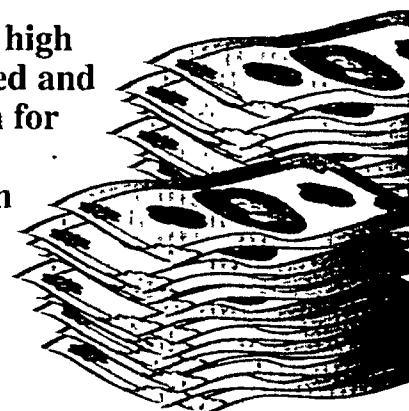
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Lowen Schuett, left, acting chief of parks and recreation for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Shari Peters, President of the Northville Community Foundation discuss their plans with the press for the NCF to lease and take over operations of the Maybury State Park farm.

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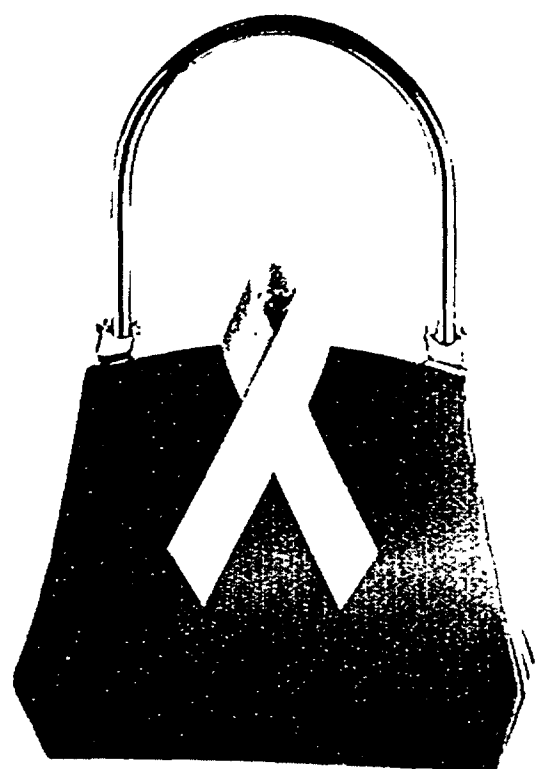


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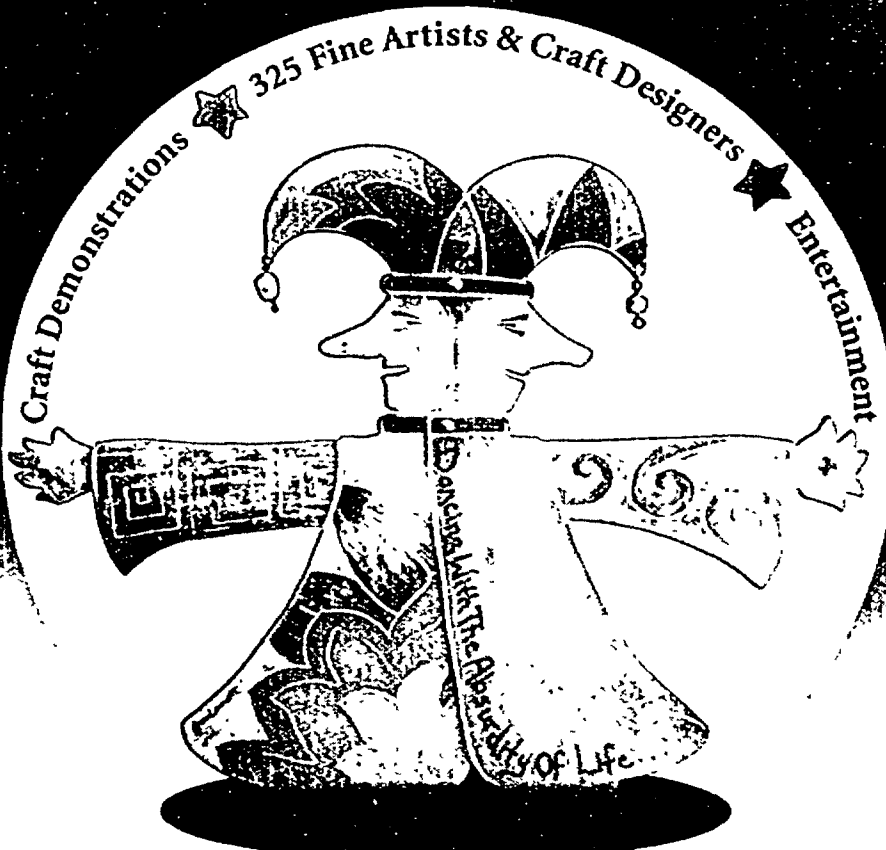
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# Rain doesn't dampen NHS homecoming spirit

By Maureen Johnston  
STAFF WRITER

It was hat-and-gloves cold and drizzly, nostalgic and once-in-a-lifetime nonetheless, for those attending Northville High School's 2003 Friday night homecoming festivities.

The fourth-quarter within-reach disappointment of the varsity football game against the Wayne Memorial squad in their faux Wolverine helmets may be the part of the night players long remember.

The crush of camaraderie along the sidelines, the enthusiasm of the half-time exhibition and the contest culminating of a week's worth of spirited competition forever registered for the hundreds of Mustangs past and present assembled at the Eight Mile Road field Friday.

Despite the inclement conditions, parents, students, friends and siblings crossed the footbridge from Hillside or parked on the Cooke front lawn to gather in the homesteads on the west side of the athletic field. An hour earlier, the weather made for a hasty parade down Main to Center.

The marching band music had spirit and the cheerleaders' shouts were clear, but a club banner became an unreadable leg blanket and the speed of the passing floats prohibited close inspection of the hours of effort invested in the creations.

The finery and smiles of the elected homecoming court remained concealed inside the line-up of convertibles procured for the event. Waving hands, an occasional pom and candy-throwing hands poked from the windows of quickly passing vehicles. The few dozen parade watchers who perched beneath awnings and umbrellas saw it all in approximately five minutes.

Zita and Gary Flohr watched two of their children pass as parade participants. Sophomore Ashley Flohr, a junior varsity squad member, bounced by in a nylon warm-up suit like the rest of her cheerleading counterparts. Meanwhile, senior Aaron Flohr drove his dad's white Mustang top-up with elected royalty inside.

"We're the die-hards," said Zita, describing the couple's attendance at the high school pep rally earlier in the day. "We make a whole day of this."

Both parents laughed at their children's "embarrassment" of their enthusiastic attendance. Ashley had to admit she appreciat-

ed his videotape footage of the cheerleading routine, Gary said. The couple was armed with blanket and umbrella on their way to the game.

Homecoming queen Katie Beger was easy to spot in front of the bleachers at the game, shivering in her strapless, sparkling, deep-blue gown and cream-colored mittens. The senior and student congress president kept warm with the continuous hugs of classmates, shouts of "Beger!" and passing congratulations.

Beger said riding inside the car during the parade was "a bummer," but she reveled in the half-time ceremony, escorted by her parents Marianne and Dave. Walking in the homecoming 2003 procession was an exciting change of pace for the senior who usually hangs out at the games with her friends.

The north end of the stands was filled with rowdy students, standing and shouting during most of the field action. The other sections were crowded with spectators huddled under blankets, sheltered by umbrellas, and hooded and capped against the alternating mist and sprinkle. In close to the black uniforms and orange helmets, the ever-present row of standing fans lined the chain-link fence.

Allen Benish sought a front-row view for his daughter's half-time pompon performance. A dad of three, he said he knew the girls were a little disappointed by the weather.

"It is a bummer when it rains," he said. "The kids are all hyped about it."

Emily Benish, a squad co-captain, helped lead the group's synchronized movements to "Come Out and Play (Keep 'Em Separated)" by The Offspring. Senior Nicole Timmermann's parents, Paulette and Ed Anderson, also came for the half-time show.

"I wouldn't miss it for the world," said the proud mom, citing her daughter's friendships from childhood. "When you know all the girls, it's fun to see who's on court."

When the formation of orange and white pleated skirts turned into a well-timed kick-line, then "wave", the crowd hooted appreciatively. Likewise, there was attentive applause when the four tuxedoed leaders of the band led the uniformed troupe out for "Crazy Train."

Through the steady mist, homecoming images were captured on

video, disposable, and state-of-the-art cameras. Through the steady mist, the cheerleaders in their all-weather gear kept up the pep.

The grassy hill adjacent to the grandstand was a continuous movement of the student body. Northville police officers on foot a steady presence, youngsters a range of ages made hasty introductions, hugged greetings, or tried to saunter.

Matt Watza and Jeffrey Lewis Varley from Western Michigan University, and Katie Abbo from Michigan State, said they returned for the homecoming game to visit with friends.

"It's kind of a bad turnout due to the bad weather," Varley said. Just before halftime, they said they had not seen many of their peers from the class of 2003.

"We came to see a bunch of the kids who just graduated," said Jim and Virginia Long. They watched in the throng for their daughter Allison, also a June graduate who came home from WMU to attend the game.

During the halftime break from the game, the omnipresent public-address-system voice revealed the winner of the float-building competition, introduced members of the homecoming court and their escorts, previewed the Saturday night dance, and related the results of the Spirit Week competition. Queen Beger and King Steve Mnich, in their tiara and crown, rounded out the ensemble.

Senior Nathan Cramton, clutching a white rose, was keeping his eye peeled for classmate Andrea Watts. He was sorry he missed the decades-old Spirit Week tradition of carnations delivered during class. He planned to make up for the oversight with a personal delivery.

It was the tradition of homecoming, a sports contest and more than that creating excitement at the Mustang game Friday. One young voice piped up as he and his father approached the field, "Dad, is Michigan playing Northville?" Eying Wayne's helmet design, the probably not-too-distant alumni affectionately responded to his son, chuckling, "No, Northville's not playing Michigan."

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

As the royal crown flies off his head, Northville High School senior Steve Mnich, right, is gang-tackled by well wishers moments after being named 2003 Homecoming King. Among his assaulters are last year's King John Campbell, top, and Tim Downing, bottom.

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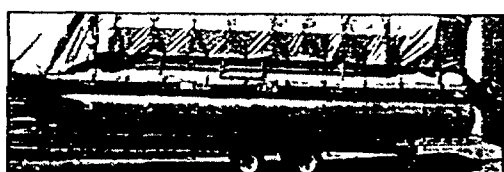
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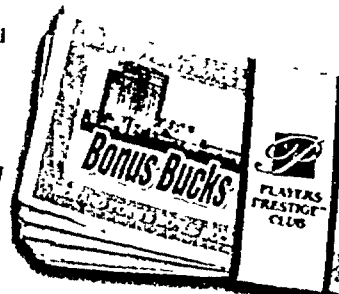
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# Character with character visits school



By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

When it comes to teaching youngsters lessons in responsibility, honesty and integrity, Jerry Jacoby has a knack for mixing laughs and learning.

Jacoby, a Jackson resident, presented two renditions of "Real Character is No Accident" at Ridge Wood Elementary Oct. 1.

"I just love kids," said Jacoby, 51, who has been performing at schools throughout the U.S. for nearly 20 years.

The assembly — orchestrated by the school's Junior Enrichment Series program — was the first to commence at the district's newest elementary school.

A self-described "kid-motivator," Jacoby's program combined humor, props, songs and plenty of student participation as he taught students the basics of building good personal character.

**"He keeps all [the students] engage. They really do relate to him. It's unbelievable."**

**Lisa DiRado**  
Junior Enrichment Series coordinator

Lisa DiRado, Junior Enrichment Series coordinator at Ridge Wood, commended Jacoby's message and demeanor.

"He keeps all [the students] engaged," she said. "They really do relate to him. It's unbelievable."

"The teachers like him, too." A former elementary, high school and college teacher, Jacoby tours approximately 250 schools, the-

aters, civic groups, churches and camps a year.

Jacoby also presented at Silver Springs Elementary in Northville last week.

"There are lifelong benefits to choosing the way of integrity," he said.

Jacoby believes a student's future is ultimately shaped by their current choices and he's happy to help steer children to "good stuff" as illustrated in his many songs.

"I know I will have an opportunity...to guide them [toward] healthy decisions," he said.

For more information on bookings for Jerry Jacoby, call (517) 529-9110.

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Jerry Jacoby presents his program called "Real Character Is No Accident" to an assembly of Ridge Wood Elementary School students last Wednesday morning.



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# Club wants to get city moving

Water Wheel initiative aims to have residents get off couch and exercise

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

Okay, all you couch potatoes in Northville. It's time to put the remote control down, get off the sofa and start moving.

Several local groups are bringing "No Stoppin' Northville," a health and fitness initiative to the community in the hopes of making area residents healthier and thus happier.

The initiative will start with a kickoff party at 9 a.m. to noon Nov. 8 at Northville High School. The free event will include entertainment; snacks; plus free health screenings, such as cholesterol, blood pressure, bone density, spinal assessment and body composition.

Free deep muscle tissue massage sessions will also be provided at the event.

Interactive fitness demonstrations on Pilates, yoga, group cycling and use of resistance bands and flexibility balls will also be offered. There will also be education on how not to gain weight during the holiday season and another educational package on how to eat healthy when dining out and ordering healthy fast food.

Every participant will receive a free T-shirt and also a program book, which will include a list of resources available in the community for health and fitness.

Participating members involved in the health and fitness awareness campaign are Water Wheel Health Club in Northville; Northville Parks & Recreation Department; Northville Chamber of Commerce; Schoolcraft College and St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia; Providence Hospital in Novi; Hillside Middle School Physical Education in Northville; and Main Street Family Chiropractic Center in Northville.

The program is open to Northville and Northville Township residents only or those who are part of the Northville or Northville

Township school districts.

Chris Klebba, owner and general manager of the Water Wheel Health Club, serves as chairman of the "No Stoppin' Northville" Committee. "Our goal is to get over 2,000 Northville residents of all ages involved," Klebba said. "This will be a huge community event that will run throughout the year."

Clay Cutchins, membership advisor for the Water Wheel Health Club, said the committee was formed in response to recent studies that show that obesity has become a nationwide problem.

In July 2003, the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate began hearings after studies revealed that more than 60 percent of the country's population is either obese or overweight.

Julie Gerberding, head of the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, said on a CBS television news program last summer that, "The biggest problem we face in America is not terrorism. The biggest health problem we're facing is obesity."

And, U.S. Surgeon General Richard Carmona said, "Obesity is the fastest-growing cause of illness and death in the U.S., and it deserves more attention than any other epi-

demic. We need an individual cultural transformation, and we can't let it be dwarfed by the other headlines of the day."

"A lot of communities have done similar things trying to get the community more aware and active," Cutchins said. "We thought this initiative would be a good way to involve the whole community."

The event will open with a fitness challenge between Mark Abbo, Northville Township Supervisor and Chris Johnson, mayor of Northville.

"We want to make this an annual community event," Cutchins said.

"No Stoppin' Northville" has three objectives.

"The first objective is to raise awareness about obesity and inactivity at all ages. Secondly, we really want to get people moving and get them involved in activities. Thirdly, we want people to be aware of all the resources available to them for health, fitness and nutrition education in the area," Cutchins said.

"This initiative will help people find out what they can do to combat obesity and inactivity. We're trying to do anything we can to help area residents increase their fitness level," Cutchins said.

"We're trying to give people

an idea about where they're at as far as their overall health and fitness," he said.

"Our bodies are all victims of the modern lifestyle," he said. "If we don't make an effort to concentrate on our health and fitness, all of our other goals are meaningless," he said.

"Getting in shape is also confusing. There are so many fad diets as well as fitness and exercise fads that people don't know where to start, especially seniors," Clay said. "We hope to end some of that confusion for people."

The committee also plans to have an event in February. "We plan to have a winter activity involving getting families moving in downtown Northville. And, in May, we're going to have a moonlight bike ride."

Those who would like more information or would like to register for the event, can call Water Wheel Health Club at (248) 449-7634. Or, visit the Water Wheel Health Club Web site, which has frequently asked questions about the event, at [www.wtrwheel.com](http://www.wtrwheel.com).

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Roxanna Mary, a worker at Northville Water Wheel Health Club, jogs near Northville's clock on a rainy Friday afternoon. A new fitness initiative "No Stoppin' Northville" will begin Sat. Nov. 8 at Northville High and hopes to get the city moving and exercising and healthier.

## NORTHVILLE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING PARKING EXPANSION PROGRAM

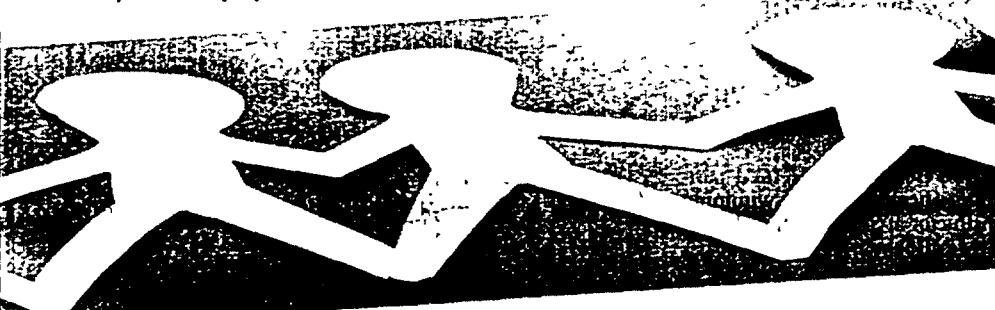
The Northville Downtown Development Authority is hosting a Public Information Meeting to be held on Monday, October 13, 2003, 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan to provide information and respond to questions regarding a parking expansion program proposed for downtown Northville. The DDA has proposed to build a parking structure on the site of the current Wing and Main Streets surface parking lot. Two development projects are planned to anchor each end of the parking structure. The question of whether the City should issue bonds to construct the parking structure will be put to the voters on November 4, 2003. The bonds will be repaid by the Downtown Development Authority's tax increment revenues. No millage increase is being sought, nor anticipated at any time in the future, for this project. This meeting is open to the public and all persons present at the meeting shall have an opportunity to be heard.

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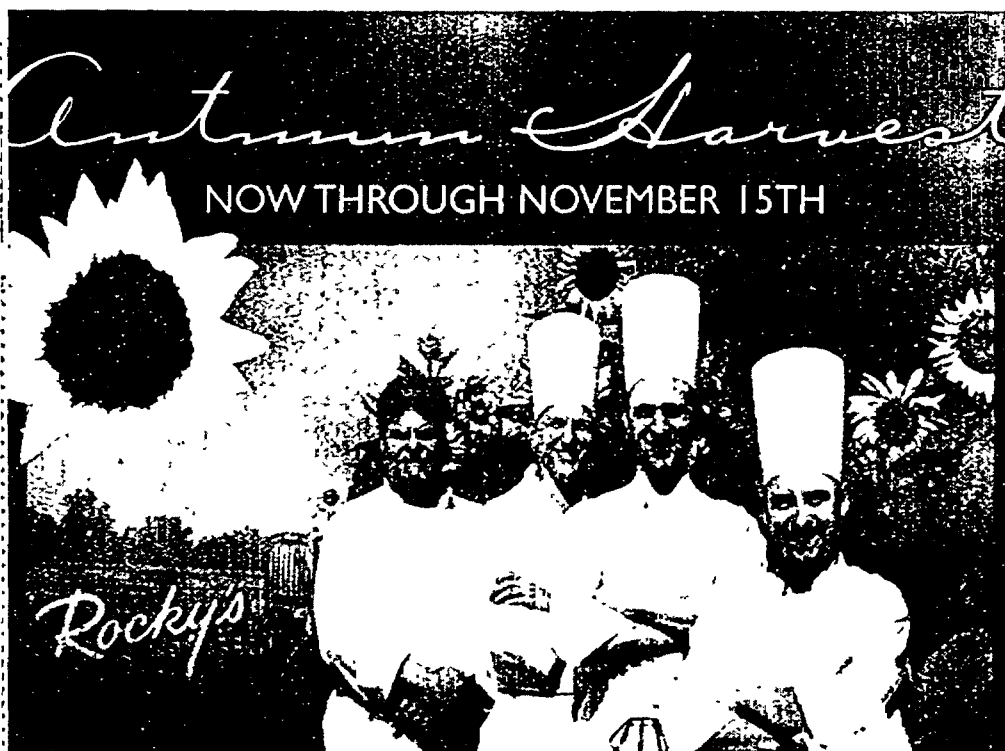
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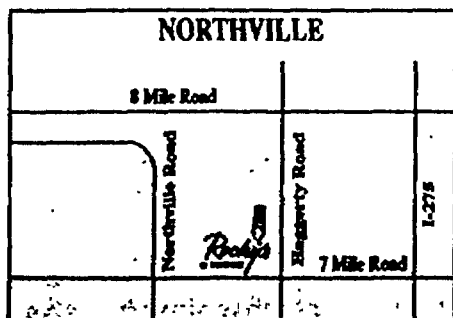
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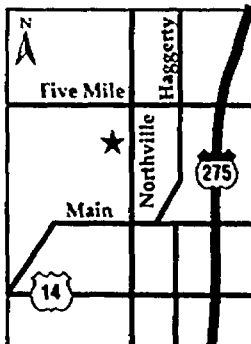
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## BIRTHS



Ellie Ann Misiak

Matt and Kyle (Pepino) Misiak of Grand Blanc announce the birth of their daughter, Ellie Ann Misiak, on Sept. 5 at Genesys Health Park of Grand Blanc. She weighed 7 pounds and measured 19 inches at birth.

Ellie is the sister of Duncan, 3. She is the granddaughter of Dennis and Tina Pepino of Northville and Marvin and Barbara Misiak of Clarkston. Her godparents are Todd Misiak of Sterling Heights and Shelly Lane of Grand Blanc.

## ENGAGEMENTS



Scrook-Rosaen

Susan Enot announces the engagement of her daughter, Sarah Scrook, to Alex Rosaen, son of Erik and Cheryl Rosaen of Ann Arbor.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Susan Enot of Northville and David Cook of Riegelsville, Pa., and is a resident of Ann Arbor. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan and a 2002 graduate of Michigan State University, and is currently enrolled in a doctoral program at MSU.

The groom-elect is a 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan and is employed by Williams International.

A July 24 wedding is planned.

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## GENEVA A. EUBANKS

Geneva Eubanks of Northville Township died Oct. 5. She was 87.

Ms. Eubanks was born October 15, 1915 at Ross County, Ohio. She had worked in administrative at Awrey Bakery until retirement in 1981. She was a member of United Dist. Workers, Council 30 Union.

Survivors include her daughter, Jerrie Lee (Don) Valentine of South Lyon; two grandchildren, Russell and Barry Semon; two great-grandchildren, Desmond and Jeremy; and two sisters, Betty (Joe) Hess of Springfield, Ohio and Mayme (Ray) Bruner of Dayton, Ohio. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held Oct. 8 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home of Farmington, which handled funeral arrangements. Chaplain Jacquelin Gailiff of Arbor Hospice officiated the service. Interment will be at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

Memorials may be made to Arbor Hospice, Northville Office, 200 N. Center Street, Northville, Mich. 48167.

## WEDDINGS

Eileen MacInnis and Kevin Smith were married Sept. 5 at the St. John Center in Plymouth.

The bride is the daughter of John and Marisa MacInnis of Northville. She is a 1990 graduate of Northville High School and a graduate of the University of Michigan. The groom is the son of Patrick and Janet Smith of Warren and a graduate of Michigan State University.

Maria Pierce, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Patrick Smith served as best man for his son.

The couple honeymooned in Hawaii and now make their home in Warren.



MacInnis-Smith

## ACHIEVEMENT



Troop 777, chartered to the First United Methodist Church of Northville, announced Michael Cullen and Elliot Njus were honored for receiving the Eagle Rank on Sept. 21 at Mill Race Village. Both led service projects benefiting Northville Civic Concern, totaling over 200 volunteer hours. They are the first scouts to earn all of their Scouting ranks — including Eagle — as members of Troop 777 since the troop was founded in 1999. Both earned the Ad Altari Dei religious medal and attend Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church.

## LUCY C. BOHM

Lucy Bohm of Northville, formerly of Livonia and Huntington Woods, died Oct. 2. She was 75.

Ms. Bohm was a retired part-time health and swimming instructor at Schoolcraft College.

Ms. Bohm is survived by her husband, Henry; two children, Victoria Rie Bohm and Jeffrey Ernst Thompson Bohm (Elaine Powell), a niece, five nephews and many cousins.

A memorial service will be held Oct. 18 at 1 p.m. at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church of Livonia. A lunch will follow.

Memorials may be made to University of Windsor, Dept. of Human Kinetics, 401 Sunset Avenue, Windsor, Ontario N9B 3P4, or Northfield Mount Hermon School, 206 Main St., Northfield, Md., 01360-1089.

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12:00, 3:30, 5:40, 7:45, 9:50  
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**COLD CREEK MANOR (R)**  
12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30  
FRI/SAT 11:50

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FRI/SAT 11:20

**THE FIGHTING TEMPTATIONS (PG-13)**  
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FRI/SAT 11:40

**MATCHSTICK MEN (PG-13)**  
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FRI/SAT 11:40

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

## • THIS WEEK •

**Free VFW membership opportunity**  
**DATE:** Ongoing  
**LOCATION:** VFW Post No. 4012 (438 S. Main Street)  
**TIME:** Call for info  
**DETAILS:** A free membership is available to all armed forces who have or are serving in hostile action.  
**PHONE:** (248) 437-0777

**Co-ed Over 50 Volleyball**  
**DATE:** Ongoing — Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
**LOCATION:** Northville Parks & Recreation (303 W. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 10 a.m. - noon  
**DETAILS:** All levels of play are welcome.  
**PHONE:** (248) 449-9947

**"Miss Halloween Patch" stage production**  
**DATE:** Ongoing through Nov. 2  
**LOCATION:** Marquis Theatre (135 E. Main Street)  
**TIME:** Call for info  
**DETAILS:** Tickets are \$7.50. Shows are not recommended for children under age 3.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-8110.

**Free mental health screenings**  
**DATE:** Oct. 6-10  
**LOCATION:** 215 E. Main Street, Ste. 201  
**TIME:** Call for appointment  
**DETAILS:** Free anonymous screenings for depression, bipolar disorder, generalized anxiety disorder and post-traumatic stress disorder will be offered. This is an opportunity to take a self-test for depression, talk with a mental health professional and to analyze the suicide risk of a friend or family member.  
**PHONE:** (248) 895-8888

**Country Garden Club of Northville presentation**  
**DATE:** Oct. 7  
**LOCATION:** Mill Race Village /

Got a non-profit or community event coming up you'd like people to know about? We'd be happy to help you. Send basic information (date, time, cost, overview and a contact telephone number) to:

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 104 W. Main Street,  
 Northville, Mich. 48167  
 or fax to  
 (248) 349-9832

Listings can be publicized for up to four weeks in advance of the event. Promotional photos may also be submitted and will be published, space permitting.

**Flu shot clinics / health fair**  
**DATE:** Oct. 9, Nov. 14  
**LOCATION:** Northville Downs (301 S. Center Street)  
**TIME:** 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Oct. 9); 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. (Nov. 14)  
**DETAILS:** The event is sponsored by the Northville Senior Center. The event works only for persons with Medicare Part B, or for persons bringing \$17 to be paid at the fair.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-4140

**Handcrafters Arts and Crafts Show**  
**DATE:** Oct. 10, 11, 12  
**LOCATION:** Northville Recreation Center (303 W. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. (Oct. 10); 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Oct. 11); 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Oct. 12)  
**DETAILS:** Admission is \$2. Lunch will be available. More than 70 juried artisans will participate. Baby strollers are not permitted.  
**PHONE:** (734) 459-0050

**Library mural painting**  
**DATE:** Oct. 11, 12  
**LOCATION:** Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street)  
**TIME:** Various times  
**DETAILS:** A mural on the library's atrium will be painted in-house.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-3020

**Gardeners of Northville / Novi meeting**  
**DATE:** Oct. 13  
**LOCATION:** Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street)  
**TIME:** 6:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Sue Grabba will speak on night lighting in gardens. The event is open to the public.  
**PHONE:** (248) 348-2426

**Northville Chamber of Commerce Morning Mixer**  
**DATE:** Oct. 15  
**LOCATION:** TCF Bank (39725 Six Mile Road)  
**TIME:** 8 a.m.  
**DETAILS:** Chamber member admission is \$10. Potential members or at-the-door admission is \$15. Reservations by credit card may be faxed to the Chamber office at (248) 349-8730  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-7640

## • COMING UP •

**Northville Woman's Club meeting**  
**DATE:** Oct. 17  
**LOCATION:** Mill Race Village (Griswold / Main Street)  
**TIME:** 1:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Barbara Louie will be speaking on "Our Northville."  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-5446

**Sarah Ann Cochrane Northville-Plymouth chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meeting**  
**DATE:** Oct. 20  
**LOCATION:** Northville District Library (212 W. Cady Street)  
**TIME:** Noon  
**DETAILS:** All Daughters' and potential members are welcome. The program will discuss healthy women and will feature guest speaker Andrea Vanderveen  
**PHONE:** (248) 442-2679

**Northville Chamber of Commerce annual meeting**  
**DATE:** Oct. 22

**LOCATION:** VisTaTech Center, Schoolcraft College (Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads)  
**TIME:** 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Recognition of the Chamber's Citizen of the Year will take place at the meeting.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-7640

**57th Sunday School & Church ministries convention**  
**DATE:** Oct. 24, 25  
**LOCATION:** First Church of the Nazarene (21260 Haggerty Road)  
**TIME:** 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Registration turned in by Oct. 24 is \$50. Several Christian education-style speakers will be on hand. Food and music will also be provided.  
**PHONE:** (248) 557-5526

**Monster Mash Bash**  
**DATE:** Oct. 27  
**LOCATION:** Water Wheel Health Club (235 E. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** The free event will allow visitors to see Water Wheel and its staff. Halloween-related events will also be held at the Bash and prize drawings will be held. There is no obligation for attending.  
**PHONE:** (248) 449-7634

**"Growing Through Grief" grief recovery seminar**  
**DATE:** Nov. 1 (Advance registration deadline is Oct. 26)  
**LOCATION:** Cornerstone Evangelical Presbyterian Church (9455 Hilton Road, Brighton)  
**TIME:** 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** The event, sponsored by Northville-based New Hope Center for Grief Support, will offer support and encouragement for persons in grief and those who wish to help others who are grieving.  
**PHONE:** (810) 227-2319

**Flu shot / pneumonia vaccine clinic**  
**DATE:** Nov. 1  
**LOCATION:** First United Methodist Church (777 W. Eight Mile Road)  
**TIME:** 9 a.m. - noon  
**DETAILS:** Payment may be made via Medicare Part B, or \$17 for a flu shot and \$25 for pneumonia. Registration is recommended, and all insurance cards should be provided.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-1144

**Northville Woman's Club meeting**  
**DATE:** Nov. 7

**LOCATION:** First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 1:30 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** The meeting's topic will be "Hindu Temple Rhythms." The event's chairperson is Rigmor Cuolahan.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-5446

**Northville Historical Society Christmas workshop registration**  
**DATE:** Nov. 7  
**LOCATION:** 218 W. Dunlap Street  
**TIME:** 7 p.m. (6 p.m. for Northville Historical Society members)  
**DETAILS:** Children in grades 1-6 can make seven old-fashioned handmade gifts for persons on their gift lists. The craft session will be held 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 6 at Mill Race Village, accommodating a total of 150 children. Enrollment is \$14 per child, or \$12 if a empty 5-inch coffee can is brought to registration.  
**PHONE:** (248) 349-2833

**Turkey Trot**  
**DATE:** Nov. 12  
**LOCATION:** Great Harvest Bread Company (136 E. Main Street)  
**TIME:** 4:15 p.m.  
**DETAILS:** Call for info  
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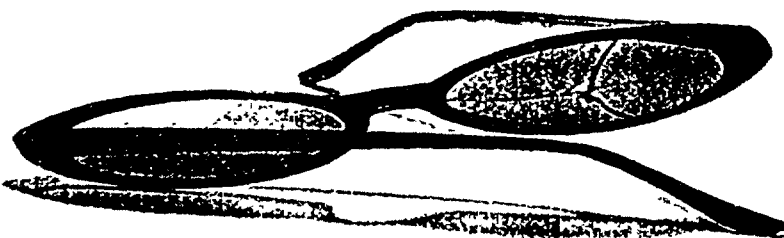
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## NORTHVILLE SCHOOL BRIEFS

### NHS FALL CONCERT

The Northville High School Choirs will present a fall concert "Then and Now" Oct. 14-15 in the high school theater at 7 p.m. both evenings.

Tickets are available for \$5 assigned seating and can be purchased on the evening of the concert or purchased between 2:15 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. in the NHS Theater Ticket Booth Monday through Friday. Tickets may also be placed on reserve by contacting the NHS Choirs at (248) 344-8420 ext. 711. Advance purchase of tickets is highly recommended.

### CHAMBER CHOIR NEWS

The Northville High School Chamber Choir, directed by Mark Krempski, has been invited Saturday to participate in a private vocal workshop with Joseph Jennings, music director of Chanticleer. Under the direction of Jennings, Chanticleer has released 20 critically-acclaimed recordings ranging from Gregorian chant to Renaissance masterworks to jazz, including the Grammy award-winning Colors of Love. Chanticleer, a 12-voice male ensemble, is one of America's finest professional choirs.

On Saturday, the NHS Chamber Choir will be singing in the workshop for Jennings as well as visiting the Detroit Institute of Arts, singing at St. John's Episcopal Historic Church of Detroit and attending an evening concert of Chanticleer at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Detroit.

### FALL SOCIAL OCT. 10

Winchester Elementary plans to host their annual fall social event

tomorrow from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. The event will feature a silent auction, face painting, children's games, a magician and a deejay.

There is no charge for admission. For more information, contact Karen Heiser at (248) 449-6497.

### BOTTLE DRIVE OCT. 11

The Northville High School Music Boosters plan to conduct their annual returnable can/bottle drive Oct. 11 from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

Funds raised directly support the high school band and choir. This is the eleventh year the boosters have conducted the bottle drive.

### RIDGE WOOD PARENT SOCIAL/AUCTION

Ridge Wood Elementary School's P.T.A. plans to host its First Annual Parent Social and Auction on Oct. 24. This gala event begins at 7 p.m. at St. John's Conference Center near Five Mile and Sheldon Roads. It features musical entertainment, hors d'oeuvres and an opportunity to bid on live and silent auction items.

The cost is \$50 per person with beverages extra.

All proceeds from this event will fund programs sponsored by the P.T.A. Donations to the auction are welcome. For tickets and additional information, call (248) 735-9591.

### BUILDING STRONGER FAMILIES

A family activity and learning fair is slated to take place Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Northville High School. The workshop is for families with children from pre-school to high school.

For more information, call Judy

Prain at (248) 348-2073.

### RECORD SEEKS OUTSTANDING TEACHER NOMINATIONS

The Northville Record is seeking readers to inform us of local teachers who have demonstrated academic excellence in the classroom.

To nominate a teacher, send the teacher's full name, school address and school phone number along with a statement of no more than 200 words indicating why this instructor deserves to be our Feature Teacher. Nominations are to be sent to 104 W. Main Northville, Mich. 48167 or via e-mail to [jnorris@ht.homecomm.net](mailto:jnorris@ht.homecomm.net)

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

### HILLSIDE SCIENCE FAIR

Judging for eighth grade science fair projects is planned to occur Monday, Nov. 17. A parent open house for the science fair projects will be the evening of Nov. 19.

### SKATIN' STUDENTS

Moraine and Winchester Elementary are teaming together to offer several evenings of roller skating at Riverside Arena, an indoor skating facility. Food and rental equipment is available. This year, the skate time from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Nov. 5 and Jan. 20.

### STROLLERS NEEDED

The Old Village School leisure recreation program is in need of large strollers to accommodate children 50 to 100 pounds. For more information, call (248) 344-8460.

# Cavanaugh's students are 'her babies'

Continued from 1  
women that they are."

She also lauded the character and disposition of Brodersen.

"He's like a man among kids," said Cavanaugh. "To me, he's always thinking of the other person. He's very intelligent. He really throws himself into his work."

Cavanaugh, along with her husband, are both employed by Northville Public Schools.

And for her, the opportunity to interact with students and teach is so appealing, she finds it hard to imagine ever retiring.

"It's not a paycheck to us, it's our life. I don't like going home to an empty house. I want to teach till I'm forced out of here when I'm 100 and

**"It's not a paycheck to [my husband and me]. It's our life."**

**Judy Cavanaugh**  
Northville High School

then I'll work in the cafeteria," she said with a smile.

Jennifer Norris is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 107 or by e-mail at [jnorris@ht.homecomm.net](mailto:jnorris@ht.homecomm.net).

### GOT A NOMINATION?

Do you think your Northville teacher makes the grade?

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To nominate a local teacher you believe deserves recognition for their academic abilities, nominations can be e-mailed to [cdavis@ht.homecomm.net](mailto:cdavis@ht.homecomm.net) or [jnorris@ht.homecomm.net](mailto:jnorris@ht.homecomm.net).

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# The smart money's on CTE Pension Advisors

By Maureen Johnston  
STAFF WRITER

The financial planners at Northville's CTE Pension Advisors emphasize the catchphrase "surety of income" when describing their investment option to potential customers.

The five advisors and their support staff, based on the MainCentre building downtown, have tapped into a stream of clients seeking an alternative to higher-risk stocks and bonds, or lower-percentage-return savings accounts. For them, it is all about private real estate investment trusts, known in the industry as "REITS".

For 14 years, CTE primarily served institutional pension-fund clients interested in putting money in real estate programs, said CTE president and Northville resident Brian Barriger. He and CTE executive vice president Robert Lorente of Novi had been based in Southfield and Dearborn, respectively. When they opened their local storefront three years ago, they continued to focus their efforts on those clients.

It was earlier this year, when Darrell Rau of Washington Township joined the team as vice president of developing markets, they began offering the opportunity

to individuals with investible assets. The same way they screen property management firms to guide investing for their big fish, the CTE team now offers private real estate investment trust opportunities for people looking to get started with as little as \$2,000.

"It's a very conservative, very balanced asset to include in a portfolio," Barriger said. People are always seeking a return on their investment, the planners concurred, yet are adverse to the volatility of stocks.

"These aren't here to make you rich," Barriger said. It is a preservation of capital, Rau added.

Part of the planners' pitch is that baby boomers need to establish for themselves a steady income, given the shaky outlook for the system of social security.

One of the most attractive features of the trusts is their dividend payments, monthly or quarterly, depending on the program manager. Dividend payments average 7 to 8 percent on the principal, Barriger said. By opting to reinvest, the dividend is compounded as high as 9 percent, he said.

A client's direction to receive the periodic payment or defer it can be revised with a phone call, Lorente said.

Since all REIT shares are \$10, an



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Offering their financial advising services to clients are CTE Pension Advisors Brian Barriger, left, Robert Lorente, and Darrell Rau, right. The trio, along with other associates at their Northville Main Centre office location, specialize in high-yield Real Estate mutual funds.

example of how it works is \$10,000 purchases 100 shares. A trust paying 8 percent would result in an annual return of \$800. Typically at the end of a program, investors realize a gain on the growth in the value of the property as well, Barriger said.

The company president said he often fields questions about what additional charges investors will incur. There are not any, he said. CTE makes its money on advisory fees or commission paid by the pro-

gram managers, Barriger said.

The trusts are actually a company that owns and manages real estate properties, names such as Wells or Inland. The management of the REIT company uses pooled investment dollars to buy and manage an array of properties. Collectively, all shareholders indirectly own small

pieces of each of the properties that the REIT owns and operates.

CTE steers clients to a limited number of managers, companies they have watched perform consistently and effectively for 10 or more years, Barriger said.

"None of the managers we represent have ever missed a dividend payment," Lorente said.

Barriger added, "We've never lost money for a client."

Within that select group, client preferences further narrow which trust might be a good investment fit. The planners look at the type of properties with which the investor is most comfortable within the real estate market breakdown of hospitality, warehouses, health care facilities, shopping malls, or government buildings, for example.

CTE advisors do not propose exclusive investment in private real estate investment trusts.

"We're not out there to replace their relationship with their stock broker," Barriger said. The features of stability and steady cash-flow are meant to complement their existing portfolio, Rau said.

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Edwards or Paine Webber, will tell their clients about because they do not deal in private REITS, Barriger said. Most of CTE's new customers come by word of mouth referrals.

It is a new concept to many people, the CTE president continued. People of retirement age have grown accustomed to hanging on to their familiar investments, even as the markets tumble. "They would rather lower their standard of living than give up a stock," he said.

Rau, who travels to conferences on behalf of CTE describing his firm's investment strategy, recalled his exasperation watching an older gentleman deposit thousands of dollars in a bank. He might earn 1 percentage point, he said.

There are misconceptions the CTE advisors battle when describing their investment option. Some real estate investment trusts are traded like stocks, Barriger said. Those are publicly held, as opposed to the private variety promoted by the local firm.

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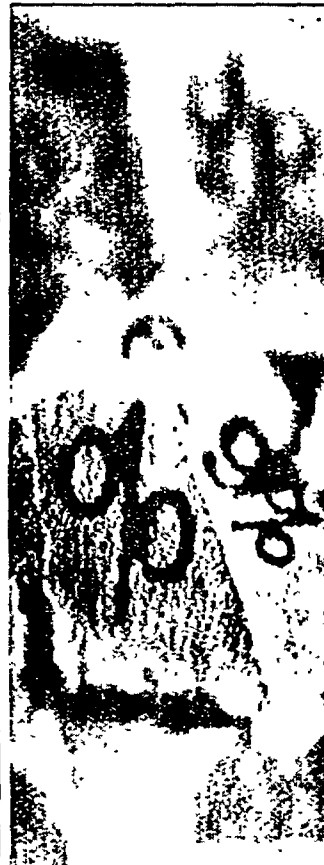


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# Quick 9-1-1 dialing earns her an award

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Nieuwkoop said she awoke in the middle of the night and activity outside caught her attention.

"I saw a car go by," she said. "I thought, 'that's not the news person.' Then I got up and looked and saw people trying to break into cars and then I called 911."

In her darkened home, she stayed on the phone with the dispatchers and described what she saw through the window.

"They caught them right at the end of my court," she said, adding that she is nervous about possible repercussions.

"I only did what I felt I had to do and I'd do it over again," she said. "I hope anybody'd do it. The good Lord has looked after me all these years and I think he will continue to do so."

Werth along with Northville Township's community liaison officer, Samantha Bowlin, presented Nieuwkoop's award and spoke to the assembled crowd on the importance of neighborhood watch and being pro-active in notifying police of odd circumstances.

"You're not bothering the police



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**Carolyn Nieuwkoop receives recognition from Northville Township police chief John Werth for her 9-1-1 call that thwarted an attempted car theft.**

when you actually see a crime in progress and call 911 at that time," said Bowlin. "We were able to capture the criminals stealing the cars at that time."

Too often, she said, residents wait days to inform police of suspicious people and by then, it's too late.

Werth concurred.

"We need more citizen involvement," he said. "It's so important for them to call us. Don't think someone else will call. Don't think the police department is too busy."

"No matter how big or small you think it is, call us. Let us get an officer there to evaluate it."

Werth also said Nieuwkoop's 911 phone call led to the arrest of five individuals without incident.

"They were caught in their tracks," he said.

Bowlin said the Civilian Citation Award will be awarded as often as warranted.

"We want to do it at least once a year, depending on the situations that occur," she said.

# Moraine Elementary given AT&T grant for playground

By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

The playground at Moraine Elementary in Northville just got a \$15,000 shot in the arm.

The AT&T Family Care Development Fund awarded a grant in the amount of \$15,000 to the Early Childhood center program offered at Moraine Elementary.

The funds are earmarked for playground equipment, which will impact the entire Moraine population, said Sally Flayer, a Moraine parent and staff manager at AT&T. Flayer said employees of AT&T have the ability to make a grant application to the AT&T Family Care Development Fund.

A seven-person team prepared the grant proposal that was submitted for consideration.

Flayer said she was notified Moraine was a grant recipient during the summer.

"In all honesty, I was thrilled," she said. "We decided we would apply for a grant to help additional funding for playground equipment at Moraine."

"I'm very proud to work for a company that invests in the communities where their employees live."

Flayer said the \$15,000 grant will assist with constructing another phase of the Moraine playground.

"The addition of this will provide the opportunity to bring the full

project to completion sooner than anticipated," she said.

Previous work on the playground was constructed during a community build in June.

Flayer said the Moraine PTA organization is continuing their fund-raising efforts to acquire the balance of the playground funds needed.

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# homecoming

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riday concluded a week of spirit festivities at Northville High School and began a weekend of many Homecoming 2003 memories.

On that day, an all-school assembly was hosted and resulted in standing-room only as parents, school staff, administrators and students flooded the gymnasium to revel in orange and black Mustang excitement.

Musical performances by BackBeat and TrebleMakers, school band members and athletic shows by the JV and Varsity cheerleaders, Freshman cheerleaders and the JV and Varsity Pom Pon squads fired up the spectators despite chilly temperatures outdoors.

During the pep assembly activities, the fall champions were introduced along with the commended National Merit students. Relay races and a tug-of-war competition also took place with school staff members scoring a victory over students.

Surrounded by family and classmates, Northville High School seniors Katie Beger and Steve Mnich were crowned Homecoming queen and king, respectively.

Other senior homecoming court members included Alli Gray, Katie Hietala, Allison Jenney, Katie Kudyba, Jamie Somerville, Nick Derych, Tim Downing, Brei Eathorne, Taylor LeBeis and Matt Tanski.

Adnan Ahmad and Andrea Stoner represented the class of 2005.

Sophomore homecoming representatives included Mark Morrow and Molly O'Brien.

Freshman court members included Heather Quick and Tom Wooderson.

Beger, who also serves as president of Student Congress, the group responsible for planning all of the Homecoming festivities, said she never thought the crown would



2003 Northville High School Homecoming King (Steve Mnich) and Queen (Katie Beger) pose for a quick photo during the halftime of last Friday's game.



The junior class battles in a tug-of-war with the seniors during last Friday afternoon's Homecoming pep assembly at Northville High.



2003 Northville High School Homecoming Queen Katie Beger, left, reacts after being crowned by last year's royalty during Friday's pep assembly.



Mustang seniors Jillian Johnson, left, and Tim Singleton compete in the relay race portion of last Friday afternoon's Homecoming pep assembly.



Members of Northville High's Treble Makers singing group perform during last Friday afternoon's Homecoming pep assembly.



Mike Howell, right, and the rest of the Northville High School select acapella men's singing group "Backbeat" perform a song during last Friday afternoon's Homecoming pep assembly.

be placed on her head. "It was a nice way to end all of my hard work," she said.

Following the pep assembly, Beger was congratulated by teary family members and overjoyed classmates.

Mnich, who serves as

Student Congress Historian, was equally shocked to be selected as Homecoming king for 2003.

"I thought it was a mistake," he said.

Shortly after his name was announced as the winner, Mnich was play-

fully tackled to the ground by fellow students.

Later that day, Northville students and alumni braved chilly and wet weather to observe the annual parade and football game against the Wayne Memorial Zebras.

story by jennifer norris • photos by john heider



# Fall color is golden age for Friends of Maybury

By Maureen Johnston  
STAFF WRITER

If falling leaves and dropping temperatures have you thinking pumpkins and pretty walks in the park, the Friends of Maybury have a suggestion for your next two Sundays.

The group is hosting a fall festival, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Oct. 12 and 19. With a backdrop of fall colors and acres to harvest, the Friends' annual fundraiser in the state park setting will provide outing opportunities for families and friends.

Volunteers stationed at the concession stand, accessible from the Maybury's Eight Mile Road entrance west of Beck Road, will sell a variety of items to benefit the Friends, including cider, donuts, popcorn balls and sticker books. This is the support organization's main fundraiser each year, said Friends president George McCarthy.

Past projects paid for from the proceeds include purchasing playground equipment, performing limited grounds work, and providing materials for the interpretive staff.

The group timed their event to coincide with the for-profit seasonal adventures of pumpkin picking, hayrides, and a trip through the corn maze currently hosted at the park by "Farmer Butch" George.

The lifelong area resident, who planted 12 acres of pumpkins to prepare for the season offers more than 10,000 to pick from ranging from 10 to 35 pounds. There are wheelbarrows for customers to haul off their future jack-o-lanterns. Depending on the weight, the pumpkins cost \$2

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For people who do not want to pick their own in the patch, there are 1,000 to choose from near the concession building, George said.

Invited by the Maybury staff to plant and till for the fall harvest, the farmer also created a 5-acre maze in the cornfield. "I've had all good reviews," he said. "We've had a 1,000 people through there probably."

In the past, the pumpkin picking, hay ride and maze were set up and supervised by the park employees, with Farmer John Beemer driving the horse-drawn hay wagon, McCarthy recalled. With the loss of the farm to fire in February, the wagon this year will be tractor-driven, he said.

George commenced sales of pumpkins, Indian cornstalks, straw and gourds at the start of September. His enterprise was caught amidst the transition when the state Department of Natural Resources Sept. 15 agreed to lease the farmland to the Northville Community

Foundation. That is smoothed out now, he said.

"We appreciate the DNR allowing us the opportunity to what we've done," George said. "We appreciate both groups."

Through October, the farmer will provide a hayride through the woods and unlimited time in the maze for \$7 per adult and \$3 for children up to age 12; children under age 3 ride free.

Anyone interested in group tours can call George directly at (248) 515-7649.

During the Friends Fall Festival Sundays, there will be plenty of free activities. Club members invited back from previous years the Northville Weaver's Guild. The weavers will bring portable looms to show youngsters the techniques of their craft.

Friends member Selena Brown, a former park interpreter, will demonstrate for children the use of herbs from the farm's herb garden, which she has tended on a volunteer basis throughout the summer. Pumpkin decorating and other children's crafts also are planned.

On the second Sunday, Oct. 19, Wendy Bair will entertain youngsters with her dog, "Plinke," from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Although the two Sundays will not be the scale of the harvest festival that the park used to host at the barn, Friends members concurred that the concept of gathering as a community to celebrate a season remains a worthy tradition, farm or not.

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Each year, the Northville Chamber of Commerce celebrates the dedication and support shown by our volunteers through our Citizen of the Year award. Once again, we're asking the community to nominate individuals for this award. Nominations should include the name of the individual and a brief outline of the reasons they qualify for Citizen of the Year status. Send nominations to the Northville Chamber of Commerce, 195 S. Main Street, Northville, Mich. 48167, or fax them to (248) 349-8730.

The award was started in 1976 as our way to honor a special individual whose effort made a difference in the community. The following are criteria for the nomination: (please return materials to the office by Oct. 5.)

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## It ain't pretty, but it's needed

The saying, in some way, says, "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder."

Finding truer words to describe resident and business owner feelings about the proposed parking deck in downtown Northville is quite a challenge.

Both supporters and opponents to the multimillion-dollar project have called into question the practical value of constructing the deck and adding spaces. Understandably, those footing the bill want to make certain that what they'd be paying for is worth the money. But beyond square footage is the question of aesthetics and the way in which a structure fits into the scheme of a community. Many of those concerns were answered, thanks to mayor Christopher Johnson's poignant presentation on the evolution of downtown Northville over time.

While it's certainly well within the public's right to disagree with Mr. Johnson's politics, it's difficult to debate his knowledge of how the city of Northville has evolved the last 30 years. His background as a resident and school board member (let alone the years he's spent as the city's mayor) has granted him a broad base of knowledge into

Northville's transformation.

That transformation was put on display for the community to see last week, during a slideshow that showed how projects once considered controversial and risky paved the way for creating a Northville we have today.

Mr. Johnson's presentation showed how ideas like the burial of utility lines and the establishing of a theme in the downtown area ushered in a new era of Northville prosperity. Yes - without question, projects like Main Street 1978 caused serious headaches for business owners and visitors, and certainly cost the community a lot of money. But does Northville look better today than it did prior to that and similar projects? Even if beauty is in the eye of the beholder, we believe most people would say "Yes, it does."

A parking deck will never be as pretty to look at as a fountain or a garden. Unfortunately, it's not fountains or gardens that Northville needs.

Northville needs parking spaces, and we believe the parking deck as proposed is about as easy on the eyes as projects of its type come.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville and Northville Township businesses were recognized this past Tuesday afternoon during a Northville Rotary luncheon at the Northville First Presbyterian Church at the 15th Annual Northville Community Beautification Award Luncheon for their efforts. In this photo are Cheri Palmerchuk, Paula Conrad, Diane Jefferson, Robert and Margene Buckhave, Jim Murtfeldt, Sandy Tanner, Harriet Welland, Patty Cooper, Bob Geake, and Nancy Belanger. Those receiving recognition for the City of Northville are Buckhave Church Square, Corriveau Professional Building, Country Fare, Dr. A.F. Dick, First Presbyterian Church, Little Italy, Matthew Thomas Salon, Motor City Wash Works, Northville Downs, and Starbucks Coffee. Township awardees are Alterra Wynwood, Belangers #2, Bonfire Bistro, Brighton Gardens, Deadwood Bar and Grill, Harbour Village Apartments, Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic, Hiller's Shopping Center, Mason Pro Inc., Michigan Credit Union, Mobil Gas Station, Township Civic Center, Township Fire Station #2, Township Public Services, Township Finance Building, Oasis Golf Center, Papa Vito's, Park Place of Northville, Sunrise Assisted Living and Wendy's.

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Carol Poenisch  
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### Forget Iraq, please — Social Security plan?

There is so much to discuss concerning current events, Iraq, the huge bill for its reconstruction, the attack on the environment — but I would like to bring attention to the aim of this administration: the elimination of Social Security. This will be done, they hope, by letting workers invest the money they would otherwise have to pay Social Security, but then not be eligible for defined benefits as we have today. What a bonanza for Bush's investment supporters — billions of money to handle for huge fees.

But one aspect of the present system seldom discussed is its insurance covering workers who become disabled or die. My mother became a widow with two teenage children at the age of 53. She had been strict-

ly a home-maker during her long marriage and had no marketable skills. Social Security paid for her and her underage children until they were adults and then just for her. It wasn't much, but with the help of us older children, we were able to make it. Personally, I represented many workers who became disabled, some at an early age, and received benefits from Social Security to help them survive. One was a 28-year-old woman with multiple sclerosis. A couple more were in their early forties. There were some with juvenile diabetes and some with adult diabetes. One was a man who had been "mugged" and could no longer stand and was unable to do any other work because he was illiterate.

The list can go on and on. With Bush's plan, none of these beneficiaries would have had more than just a few thousand dollars at most at the time of the onset of their disabilities, assuming their investments were positive. In conclusion, when Bush says he wants to "reform" Social Security, what he is saying is that he wants to give a bonanza to the investment companies and not only wants to put a worker's retirement at risk, but is eliminating the security afforded to him or her and their families if the worker becomes incapacitated. It is very important to keep this in mind when the subject comes up.

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# OTHER OPINIONS

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Thursday, October 9, 2003

## All is not Great on the Lakes

As astute readers may have noticed a recent flurry of announcements from the Environmental Protection Agency, most of them undercutting environmental protections such as the Clean Air Act or the Clean Water Act.

How come so many just now? Simple. And very clever.

There's nobody heading the EPA. Former administrator Christine Todd Whitman resigned a couple of months ago. The Bush Administration's nominee, Utah Gov. Michael Leavitt, has yet to be confirmed by the Senate. So if there's nobody in charge at the EPA,



Phil Power

there's nobody to blame for all the bad things announced in recent months, right? Instead, merely "administrative regulations" is the preferred public explanation for this little game.

And when Gov. Leavitt gets asked about them during his confirmation hearings, he can truthfully say that they all happened before he took office.

Nifty, eh? The latest example came to light last month when the EPA ruled that ocean-going ships do not need permits to discharge ballast water in American seas, including the Great Lakes. According to the EPA, there are just too many ships docking at U.S. ports to make permitting practical. Moreover, the EPA has transferred jurisdiction over discharge of ballast water to the U.S. Coast Guard — a federal agency not particularly well known for its intense interest in protecting the environment.

The Coast Guard "requires" ships to discharge ballast water before entering U.S. waters, but compliance is not "mandatory." How come? Probably because the Coast Guard is one of those federal agencies that have over the years been captured by the constituency they are supposed to regulate, and making sure ballast water is discharged before ships enter the Great Lakes is costly and offensive to the shipping interests.

Thousands of ships come into the Great Lakes each year to deliver and collect cargo. Most of them arrive with water in their ballast tanks that they took on in foreign ports. That water often contains living creatures that originated abroad in places like the Baltic Sea. But once in a Great Lakes port, ships often dump ballast water to increase buoyancy. In the process foreign organisms — hitchhikers, in effect — are discharged into our lakes, where without natural enemies they can grow and flourish. The fancy term for such things is "nonindigenous species," i.e. relatively harmless critters that live quietly in their natural habitats, but turn into environmental terrors once here.

Two cases in point: The zebra mussel, which first invaded Lake St. Clair in a load of ballast water dumped in 1988. The mussels have clogged water valves, covered rocks and pipes and generally made nuisances of themselves. They have also cost the State of Michigan an estimated \$1 billion over the past decade.

The quagga mussel is less known but maybe worse. Its excrement increases phosphorus levels that provoke damaging algae blooms. The quagga mussel may well be to blame for the dead zone now growing in Lake Erie where almost nothing lives.

So this is not a trivial issue. The Great Lakes represent one of the largest bodies of relatively uncontaminated fresh water on the planet, but the best estimate is that under present conditions a new species invades the lakes every eight months. And it isn't just a bunch of tree-hugging (water sloshing?) environmentalists who are worried. The

sport and commercial fishing community looks at damage done to the fish food chain by the round-nosed goby or the spiny water flea and sees real threat to fish populations.

So I was delighted when U.S. Rep. Candice Miller, R-Harrison Township, introduced legislation to reduce the amount of ballast water dumped in the Great Lakes. Her Great Lakes Water Protection Act of 2003 would prohibit any ship from entering the Great Lakes if more than 5 percent of the capacity of its tank contains ballast water. Enforcement of the Act would be up to the U.S. Coast Guard, according to Rep. Miller.

"It's been voluntary up to now, but under my bill it would be mandatory. The master of every boat entering the first lock of the St. Lawrence Seaway would have to certify that at least 95 percent of its ballast water has been dumped at sea," she said.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., has introduced legislation along similar lines.

I tried to reach G. Tracy Mehan, III, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Water in the EPA to ask what he thinks about his agency's recent ruling. Mehan was Director of the Office of the Great Lakes in the Engler Administration and, by all accounts, an able and sensible guy. I figured he might have something interesting to say about whether the rule changes promulgated on his watch really made sense.

But the PR gatekeeper in Mehan's office refused to let me speak with him and instead tried to steer me toward the Coast Guard. Maybe there was something Mehan's gatekeeper wanted to hide. Perhaps she might have wanted to keep Mehan away from any embarrassing questions I might have asked.

Given what's been going on recently at the EPA, I'm not at all surprised.

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.

## Losing someone is really hard, even if it's a pet

I have been walking around with a very heavy heart in the past month and a half. My pet cat, Mango, who I loved very much, was really sick and my mother and I had to put her to sleep. It was one of the hardest experiences I have ever been through simply because we regarded her as one of the family, even though she was a cat.

In November Mango would have turned 16 years old. We adopted her from the Michigan Humane Society when she was only seven weeks old, and at the time she could fit in the palm of your hand. We didn't even name her because she came with a collar around her neck that read "Mango," and we kind of liked the name, so we kept it.

Being half Siamese, Mango had white fur with brown markings on her back, a long black tail, and big blue eyes. With her blue eyes, pink nose and white whiskers, she almost looked like a clown. Another Siamese characteristic of hers was a tendency to be very vocal and very territorial. She would constantly meow until she got her way.

A perfect example was whenever she was hungry, she would rub her fur against my grandmother's or my mother's legs and look up at their faces and scream. Everybody knew what she wanted but if those two were too busy at the time, I would volunteer to go to the basement to give her some food — but Mango wouldn't come down with me. She would only go down with mom or grandma, so one of them would have to drop what they were doing and cater to Miss Mango's needs. It wasn't as if she was hungry every time



Mango

either. She had plenty of food in her dish already; she just wanted take the trip downstairs with one of them.

Mango also picked a few places in the house that she claimed as her own. If she was in the family room, she would only sit on one corner of the couch and nowhere else. If anybody else was sitting there and she saw that, she would get up on the couch right next to the person and stare at them until they moved. Time wasn't a factor for her either; she could stare for a very long time.

Other parts of the house that she claimed were the rocking chair in the living room and the hallway right outside my bedroom door. There were many mornings where I would wake up and open my door only to find Mango sitting there ready to greet me, then beg me to change her water dish. Needless to say, I was always happy to do it, even if I woke up on the wrong side of the bed and

was cranky.

My crankiness didn't last very long after I looked in Mango's eyes however. She always had a way of cheering me up and that's one of the things I miss most about her.

She got sick this past December. I remember I picked her up on Christmas day and felt a lump on her side. My mom and I found an emergency veterinarian open in Southfield and braved the snow and cold weather to take her out there that same day. They took an X-ray and determined that it was most likely cancer. There was a procedure that they told us about to remove the lump, but they would have had to take part of Mango's rib cage out as well and we didn't want to put her through all of that pain. So, we decided to take her back home and care for her the best we could.

To make a long story short, Mango lived for about eight months after that. You could tell she wasn't feeling well in the end because she stopped eating and was losing a lot of weight. That was when we knew we had to do the right thing and put her out of her misery. It was a very hard decision, but I think we did the best thing for her.

Who would have ever thought a little cat like Mango could touch somebody's heart so much. Anyhow, I just hope that wherever she is now, that she is being well taken care of.

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## GUEST COLUMN

## We're growing older, and here's how

Yes, we are growing older. In a time when we are told to look younger, act younger, dress in a younger fashion but appropriate to our age, and gain back our young appearance and body,



Paul Melrose

we are still growing older. There are several theories as to why we age. It might be that cells are programmed to die after a certain number of divisions. Another theory says that time itself will wear a cell out, just by sheer usage repetitively. A physiological theory speculates that organs age and wear out. Probably we age because of a combination of these three factors. It also seems clear that aging is not a disease. Everyone ages and everyone seems to inherit a particular life span. It is also assumed that stress is the most important factor in the environment that will affect aging.

There are three models of aging. One proposes that after a certain point of maximum functioning there progressive and inevitable decline of abilities. Another suggests that some of the increasing declines in certain abilities as one ages can be overcome with interventions. Most researchers, however, believe in a stability model which

says that once a person achieves his/her level of maturity behavior remains stable. Each of the theories as to why we age and these three models of aging all suggest that as one ages one declines and loses something. The culture, with its emphasis on youth, seems to want to fight against the inevitable and hold on to that which is passing, youth.

It is true that in the areas of sensory and psychomotor areas losses will happen. The rate of decline of abilities varies from person to person, and from one person to another. It is also true that the person can compensate in some ways. While some sensory and psychomotor loss may occur verbal facility may increase. As some other examples, cited in the Dictionary of Pastoral Care and Counseling, "Hearing impairments are the most common and most debilitating of sensory losses, but only occur in twenty-six percent of persons over age seventy-five. Reaction time increases with age, as does cautiousness, but generalized creative endeavors increase through the sixth and seventh decades." Even the fear of loss of memory is greater than the actual loss itself.

It is no wonder that there is so much emphasis on staying young when the prevailing attitude of aging is of decline and loss. It is not only fear of decline and loss that often drives us want to stay young but it is fear of our own mortality. The older we get the closer we come to the end of our own lives. When our parents decline and then die we have the feeling that we are next. Death is inevitable. But the richness of life and what we can do will be cramped if we fall victim either to the fear of aging

or to an unrealistic sense of trying to stay young.

What to do to navigate these waters? Know that the largest group in our population is nearing retirement. So, be responsible in how you manage your life. Eat well, get exercise, get regular check ups. But pay attention to what you do with your life. Where and how do you find meaning and what is meaningful for you. The older person fears isolation, lack of meaning in his/her life. The older person fears being ignored, and fear becoming useless. How we age is in large part influenced by how we have lived as younger people. Many of the faith traditions and major world philosophies expound the virtues of aging. We are in danger, with the overstated emphasis on youth, of realizing that with age comes wisdom and the ability to advise, counsel and mentor those who are coming along after us. If the younger generations, who are also aging, fail to acknowledge the inevitability of the aging process they will not be able to take advantage of the experience and knowledge of those who have gone before. Perhaps instead of staying young we want to stay active, healthy and engaged in life, even as we grow older.

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Registration will be Nov. 7 at 7 p.m., 6 p.m. for Historical Society members. Last year it sold out with the members. Registration is always the first Friday in November at 218 W. Dunlap in Northville. Children in grades 1-6 are invited to participate in the opportunity to make seven old fashioned, handmade gifts for the special people on their Christmas list. The intent of the workshop is to surprise family members with the gifts that the children have worked on and made themselves. There will be a morning session from 10 a.m.-noon and an afternoon session from 1 p.m.-3 p.m., accommodating 150 children total. Enrollment is \$14 per child. \$2 off is you bring an empty coffee can that measures 5" across the top, payable by cash or check made out to the Northville Historical Society. This year the 25th annual Workshop will be Saturday, December 6, 2003 in the New School Church at Mill Race Village. Call (248) 349-2833 for more information.

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(10-9-03 NR 88649)

DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

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Date: October 28, 2003  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Northville Township Civic Center  
41600 Six Mile Road

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(10-9-23-03 NR 89241)

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(10-29-03 NR 87495)

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In accordance with Public Act 197 of 1975, published notice is given for the Northville Citizens District Council (CDC) meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2003, 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan. The purpose of the meeting is to review the proposed 2003 Amendment to the Downtown Development and Tax Increment Finance Plan of the City of Northville Downtown Development Authority. An optional meeting date has been set for Thursday, October 16, 2003, 7:00 p.m. in the event that the CDC has not concluded all of its business. The second meeting date is also scheduled for City Council Chambers. These meetings are open to the public and all persons present at the meeting shall have an opportunity to be heard.

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### LIBRARY MURAL PAINTING

You are invited to watch the artists at work, as they create a specially commissioned mural on a free-standing wall of the library's atrium. Karri and Mike Mohr from The Painted Garden will spend two days creating this mural, on Oct. 11 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Oct. 12 from 1 to 5 p.m. They will create a Bookshelf, and eventually the book spines will be lettered with the names of donors to the library's Endowment Fund. Refreshments will be served, including a special birthday cake for the library's seventh year in the new building.

### BETWEEN THE LINES

For a lively discussion of interesting books, save each second Monday night at 7 p.m. Join us on Oct. 13 to talk about the memoir "A Girl Named Zippy." Author Haven Kimmel describes with humor her quirky memories of growing up in a small mid-western town in the 1960s.

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### LITTLE ME STORYTIME

Little ones, from 10 months to 2 years old, along with their parents or caregivers, can enjoy music, beanbag fun, and simple stories on Oct. 17 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. Offered once a month, this special activity requires no pre-registration. Infants and older children are also welcome to attend.

### JUNIOR BOOKS CHAT & CHOW FOR 4TH AND 5TH GRADERS

Make friends, have treats, and enjoy a lively discussion of the book "The Night the Bells Rang" by Natalie Kinsey-Warnock. Join us on Oct. 29 from 4:15 to 5 p.m. Registration begins Oct. 1.

### TEEN READ WEEK SCAVENGER HUNT

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### TEEN POETRY SLAM

Show your creative side on Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. Bring your own original poems to read before the audience, or just come and listen. Everyone who reads will get a prize, with special prizes going to the top 3 performances, as determined by a small panel of judges. Please register in advance at the Information Desk or call (248) 349-3020.

### LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Northville District Library Board of Trustees will be on Oct. 23 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.

# AAUW hosts Arab forum

Middle East, depths of Islam focus of Oct. 14 Hillside discussion

By Jennifer Norris  
STAFF WRITER

Local residents are invited to hear Deana Rabbah, Education Outreach Coordinator of ACCESS Cultural Arts speak on "Arab Culture, Islam and the Arab American Experience" Oct. 14 at Hillside Middle School.

The event, which is the first in a series hosted by the local branch of the American Association of University Women, will commence at 7:30 p.m.

According to Mary Ann Stewart, AAUW communications chair, Rabbah develops and

## THE ARAB-AMERICAN EXPERIENCE

**DATE:** Tuesday Oct. 14, 2003  
**PLACE:** Hillside Middle School, Center St. at 8 Mile Rd., Northville  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**PRESENTATION:** Arab Culture, Islam and the Arab American Experience  
**PRESENTER:** Deana Rabbah, Education Outreach Coordinator, ACCESS Cultural Arts

coordinates workshops, tours, and consultations on Arab culture, Islam and the Arab American experience for educators and other groups throughout southeastern Michigan. Urban centers where substan-

tial concentrations of Arab Americans live and work are also focal points for her work. In addition, Rabbah conducts workshops in Metro Detroit and assists in the development of educational materials to support

the program's educational goals, said Stewart.

Rabbah received a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Policy and Behavior from the University of Michigan and a Master's degree in Public Health from the University of Michigan School of Public Health.

For more information on the AAUW presentation, call (248) 449-7602.

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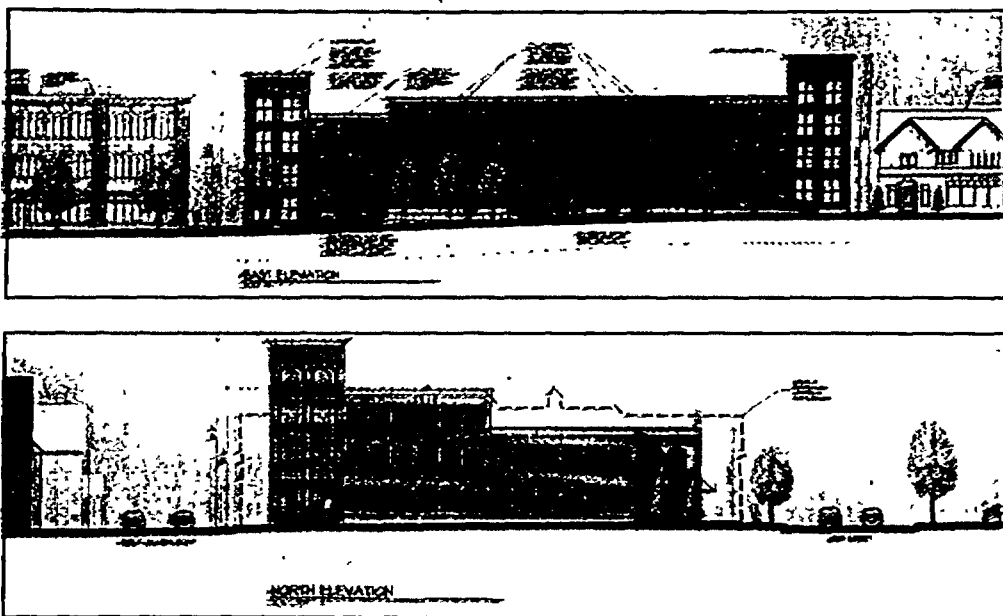

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# Parking deck proposal aided by '79 slideshow



Architectural renderings show the east (top) and north elevations of the proposed parking deck at Wing and Main streets.

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"This...turns into this. It's a dramatic improvement." Audience members murmured among themselves, gasped in recognition and chimed in their memories.

The photos Johnson took 35 years ago as part of a high school project showed how declining business cycled into lack of investment, therefore declining tax base. Now, the mayor said, he regularly fields calls about how to "set up a downtown development authority that functions as effectively as Northville's."

Among the mayor's photo memories were 1979 portrayals of downtown streets turned into trenches as crews buried utility lines and created a solid infrastructure. City planners turned their attention to creating green-space and a "downtown feel."

"That was not a fun summer for the merchants of downtown Northville," he recalled. "It was a struggle to hang on." But, it spurred a trend of individual investment that 30 years later has

transformed the downtown, he stressed.

It is not until you see illustrations like these contrasting the conditions that you realize how the town has slowly evolved, Councilmember Tom Swigart pointed out.

The development authority most recently has focused on expanding the downtown parking system at the Wing Street and Dunlap lots. Council action before the Nov. 4 election to extend the life of the DDA to 2024 would be required to ensure the existence of the authority to repay the 20-year bonds to be issued to cover the cost of the project. Opposition to the plan to extend the life of the development authority could have rendered the ballot proposal moot.

As a result of the council's Sept. 15 decision to put the deck on the ballot, it will take voter approval to issue \$5 million in general obligation limited tax bonds to finance the parking expansion plans. The remaining portion of the \$6.2 million project — including a multi-level deck on Wing Street between Main and Dunlap streets, as well as reconfiguring the lot behind the Marquis Theater — would be paid for with funds accumulated by the DDA.

Given Monday's endorsement of her agency's efforts, DDA Director Lori Ward will go-ahead with plans to host a public information meeting on the parking deck proposal at 7 p.m. next Monday, Oct. 13, at City Hall. City administrators Monday confirmed that information on the deck proposal is posted on the website at <http://downtown-northville.org>.

Related to the development authority, council reactivated the Citizens District Council. State statute requires establishment of such a body if the development area has 100 or more residents within the district. The 64 units in the MainCentre complex, combined with the other downtown apartments and condos, exceeds that limit.

Within 20 days after the public hearing on a development or tax increment financing plan, the citizens council is required to notify the governing body of its findings and recommendations concerning the proposed development plan, the law says.

The residents the city leaders named to the district council are: Joy Blake, Ron Bodnar, Robert Buckhave, Marvin Conrad, William Demray, Lindsey Dogonski, Gary Simmons, Debbie Simmons and Bill Wood.



Lori Ward

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# Queens of the WLAA



Northville #2 doubles player Jackie Taylor hits a forehand during a home game against Wayne-Westland in late September.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

## Mustangs have little trouble securing tennis titles for conference, Western division

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

It starts as a light throbbing in your chest, and then it rises into a loud thumping that seems to even be in your ears. Soon, you can feel your heart rise into your throat as a smile crosses your face — yup, it's a conference championship.

The Northville Mustangs girls' tennis team sealed the Western Lakes Activities Association with a conference title as well as a Western Division title. The Mustangs escaped with a 25-point victory over Stevenson's second place of 21 points and Walled Lake Central's 17 points for third.

The victory came off of some

impressive play throughout the doubles flights as the girls swept through and took every-flight championship for the doubles teams.

Amanda Darish and Jen Harkness had little troubles at first doubles as they crushed Stevenson and Canton 6-1, 6-0 and dispatched Walled Lake Central 6-1, 6-2. In second doubles, Jackie Taylor and Jonnie Powers pounded past Wayne Memorial 6-0, 6-0 before downing Central 6-1, 6-0 and then Canton in a hard-fought 6-3, 6-1 final.

Kate Thomas and Laura Krstevich quickly made it clear they weren't about to be stopped in the third doubles flight. The duo blanked Plymouth 6-0, 6-0

before topping Central 6-1, 6-1 and Canton 6-3, 6-4 in the closes doubles match-of-the-day. The fourth doubles team of Maria Rice and Catalina Oaida earned their flight championship with a swift dispatch of Salem, 6-1, 6-0, before pounding Stevenson 6-2, 6-1 and Walled Lake Central 6-0, 6-3.

In singles play, Chelsea Johnston was the only Mustang to earn a flight championship, but that doesn't mean her fellow singles players didn't give it their all. One other flight took second-place as well to give Northville enough of an edge to pull out the WLAA title.

Johnston came away with the flight title in the third singles bracket as she dominated a

Plymouth foe 6-0, 6-1 before edging Stevenson 6-4, 6-3 and then Walled Lake Western 6-3, 6-2.

The second-place finish that helped push Northville over the hump and to the crown came from the fourth singles flight as Amy Knoth pounded out a win over John Glenn, 6-1, 6-3, before beating Walled Lake Western 6-4, 6-3. Knoth eventually fell in the championship match to a strong Stevenson opponent in three sets, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 to take second place.

At first singles, Erica Dobson went to work with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Walled Lake Western before falling to the eventual flight champion in Stevenson's Ashley Moccia, 6-2, 6-0.

The second singles flight found Shannon Farris falling in the first

round to an extremely strong Canton player in three sets, 0-6, 6-4, 6-3.

The Mustangs will no doubt savor the championships in both the conference and the division but their minds won't be far from the Regional, which is slated for this weekend. The top two teams will automatically escape from the Regional to compete in the state finals in Midland, as will any team that scores over 18 total points.

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# Oh, that sweet taste of victory

## Northville basketball team makes it three wins in a row in WLAA play

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

Those winning ways are still continuing for the Northville Mustangs girls' basketball team, but they don't mind one bit.

The Mustangs, who are coached by Pete Wright, are much like many other teams throughout the state. A rough start in the year found the team looking at what they needed to fix and where they needed to improve — and those things seem to be coming together as the squad notched yet another Western Lakes Activities Association victory with a 45-21 drubbing of the Livonia Franklin Patriots.

"Certainly, you like to have some success along the way and

in the last couple weeks we've been able to do that," Wright said of three straight victories. "We want to build on that and we want it to continue this week. We have a couple of pretty good caliber teams in Stevenson and Walled Lake Western, but we want to keep it going and maybe get on a winning streak."

The Northville cagers managed to take a 20-13 lead by the half on their own court as they strutted their stuff for their fans, friends and family during Homecoming week. The victory, which was a conference and Western Division win, found the Mustangs climbing to 5-4 overall and 2-2 in the WLAA over that Pats, who are 2-8 and 0-4.

"It's hard sometimes, playing in an off week were you only

have one game," Wright said. "We did a good job of working through that, as well as all the stuff that is associated with Homecoming."

The deciding factor in the contest was the third period, when the Mustangs puled out a dominating 17-5 run over their conference foes.

Scoring came around the bench for the Mustangs, but the team was led by the stellar post play by both Domonique Desira and Evonna Karchon, as each scored 11 points. The Toney sisters, Danielle and Simone, scored seven each to help Northville to victory, while Andrea Watts added three and Sarah Comai, Chrissy Castelli and Tracy Garfield added two apiece.

"It's nice to give everyone an

opportunity to play," Wright noted. "In a game like last week against Franklin, it's nice to see some of those kids step up and score and do things we work on every day in practice."

Notching steals for the Mustangs were both Toney sisters and Comai, who grabbed three each, while Simone Toney had four assists. Meaghan Higgins collected three and Watts added two.

Leading the way on the boards were Comai, Desira, Emily Weaver and Karchon. Desira hauled down 13 on the night, while Comai pulled down 12. Weaver added nine rebounds to her statistics, and Karchon grabbed seven boards.

"We definitely have a handful of kids that can lead us on any

given night," Wright said. "We've been seeing that, and we've seen more of it in the last couple weeks with our success."

Leading Franklin on the offensive end of the court was Carly Muney, who collected just seven points to lead her team in the losing effort.

The Mustangs will return to the court when they visit a very strong Walled Lake Western team today at 7 p.m. before hosting another strong squad in the Plymouth Canton Chiefs October 16 with a slated 7 p.m. tip off.

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## Keeping those wins rolling in

I'm just one of those writers who keeps rambling on about the same thing week after week after week. Be it the progress of the this team or that, or the development of this player or that one, you can bet that when I notice it I keep tabs on it.



Sam Eggleston

Well, early in the season for the girls' basketball team, they were no doubt getting tired of me going on and on about the improvement they need to see and how quick they need to see it in. I am taking these conference wins the Northville girls' basketball team has gathered in the past two weeks as a sign that they want me to shut my trap on what they need to work on and why, and focus on who they are going to beat and when.

The Northville Mustangs, under the guidance of Pete Wright, have grown leaps and bounds, putting together the team they have been looking for since the start of the 2003 season. With the shooting finally starting to come under control and their defensive game having become capable of closing off their opponents, the Mustangs are eying a year full of possibilities.

One of the first things I have noticed when glancing over the stat sheets provided week-to-week by Wright is the fact that the girls are sharing time on the court as well as shots at the basket. For a team to be successful, they sometimes have to spread the ball around and find the hot player for the night. Lately, those hot players have been the Toney sisters. Freshman Danielle and sophomore Simone (I have heard there is another sister too, but I don't know her name or grade in middle or elementary school) have shown that they are capable of controlling not only the tempo of a contest, but the scoreboard as well. Throughout the season, they have swapped the lead various times in this game or that as the scoring leaders, and both are quick to collect steals to help their team along with their scoring.

Beyond the Toney girls, there are a slew of impressive players on the team. I have to say that I have been commented to more than once about the play of Evonna Karchon, Andrea Watts and Domonique Desira. These girls are impact players in more than one sport, and they aren't afraid to put it all out on the line when it comes to trying to earn a win, and it's players like them that are lined up on the bench and are always eager to do their part.

The Mustangs are going to be looking to keep things rolling along and in the right direction when they take on a very strong and determined Plymouth Canton squad October 16 at Northville with a 7 p.m. tip off.

The Chiefs are not the kind of team you scoff at, and they know the WLAA courts as well as any team out there. It's not going to be an easy task at all for Northville.

I am, of course, picking our Mustangs to get this win. I'm confident they are going to continue to tell me to keep my mouth shut on what improvements need to be made and earn yet another win come this contest.

Northville 44, Canton 40

## GAME OF THE WEEK



Northville Mustangs Basketball vs Canton

Thursday, October 16 7:00 p.m. at Northville

Domonique Desira  
Senior  
Basketball

It isn't easy to try to lead a team that struggles in the early games of the season, but Desira has never seemed to mind. She's fairly quick on her feet and quicker to take advantage of her opponents' weaknesses as she takes the ball to the hoop for the score. Of course, she doesn't always take it in — sometimes she pulls up and drops the shot from a few feet out too. And, then there's always the pass for the assist. Really, Desira doesn't mind how she helps her squad, as long as she and her Mustangs are winning.



## Athletes OF THE Week



Greg Jones  
Junior  
Golf

One of the first things the reading public has probably noticed about Jones is his ability to play some very consistent golf on some very tough links. The thing we have noticed about him is his ability to lead his team and do so while having fun. As anyone noticed in the paper last week, he was playing the role of Tiger Woods while tapping a golf ball on an iron with a big smile on his face. The ability to keep morale up on a team is just as important as being a leader, and Jones manages to do both.

# Raining on their parade

Football loses game by one yard as rain dampens homecoming matchup against Zebras

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

It's so cliché as it gets, but Northville found out just how much football actually is a game of inches — 36 inches to be precise.

The Northville Mustangs football team under the guidance of second year coach Clint Alexander came within one yard of winning their homecoming game October 3 but ultimately fell short and took their fifth loss of the season. This one came against the Wayne, Alameda Zebras.

I'm proud of the way our guys played tonight, Alexander said as he stood in the rain that had hampered both teams throughout the night. We asked the defense to keep them in 10 points but they basically gave up 14. It was as good of a performance as we can ask for and we just came up a little short.

The first quarter of play was really the deciding factor in the contest. Wayne managed to put up all of their 20 points in those 12 minutes and made it look as though it were going to be a very long night for the Mustangs.

The first score came off of a bad punt snap that Bill Brown grabbed at before being knocked to the ground by a Zebra defender. Wayne's impact player T.J. Dillard snatched the snap, fumbled off the grass and hauled it three yards from that point into the endzone. The extra point was miscalculated and the Mustangs smothered it to keep the score at 6-0 with 10:40 left in the first quarter.

Just five minutes later Dillard hauled the ball 54 yards for another score this time outrunning two Northville defenders on their pursuit angles after breaking through two tacklers. Wayne quarterback Brad Wilson picked up the two-point conversion running in the ball for a 14-0 lead.

"Our defense did what they could, junior receiver Mike Jameson said after the game. We finally had our offense playing like we know it can in the second half but we just couldn't make up for the points Wayne had already put up."

The Zebras added their final score of the night with just 20 seconds left in the quarter. Dillard took the hand off up the middle of the line darter through a quickly closing hole before rushing into a hard hit by Brandon Buckley who yanked the football loose as Dillard's helmet hit his feet beneath him. The ball bounced off the grass and Dillard grabbed it on the rebound before gaining the rest of the way on a 24 yard run for the touchdown. The ensuing extra point was blocked by Northville's Joe Pratt.

The second quarter found the Mustangs and the Zebras ending in a stalemate through vicious punting. Mike Sika hauled the ball on an impressive 54 yard carry after turning through a gaping two hole and scampering to the right of the field before being knocked out of bounds.

The Mustangs then ended their drive as senior quarterback Mark Sorenson threw a hard ball that skipped off a receiver's fingers and into the waiting hands of Wayne's Alabam Goodie.

As the quarter came and went the Mustang defense came out



Northville's Charlie Thomas, center, runs into a mass of Wayne players during last Friday night's homecoming game

with a vengeance. A hard hit by Northville's Bill Brown found Dillard's line in the ball and the Mustang defense came out, the fumble up the line. Wayne's defense did the same to Northville. With 6:05 left in the fourth quarter, the Zebras defense finally broke Thomas' lead up in the pocket and stepped to his right and fired a hard pass to Brown down the right sideline of the field. Brown shook one defender and then reared the rest of the endzone on a 79 yard scoring play. Brown then tackled on an extra point to his own touch down cutting Wayne's lead to 20-14.

Charles was hitting us in stride, James said. The sophomore quarterback had a lot of composure and it showed in his pass.

The Mustang defense held the Zebras' drive and outflowing the cone. Northville went on the march with 3:39 left in the game. Thom found Jameson on the sideline for a 15 yard pickup before the young quarterback led James on once again for a 13 yard gain.

Another Thomas-Jameson completion found Northville inside the Wayne 40 before James tore around a defender and caught a pass behind him for a seven yard gain. Jameson then took another pass to the 23

yard line of the Zebras before Sika held the ball four more yards.

With 1:55 left in the game, Thom hauled the ball 14 yards on a draw to the Wayne five yard line before Pratt hauled down by a Zebra defender.

With receivers spread wide and James on the left, Thomas

kept the ball up the middle and was rumored for a one yard gain with 1:43 left in the contest. The following play was another keeper up the middle for another one yard pickup before the Zebras tore through the line on third and goal and hauled Thomas down for a two yard loss on a bootie, to the right.

With under a minute left in the contest and the Mustangs facing a fourth and goal from the five the Mustangs opted to run Thom to the right. The sophomore sprinted around the right end and shook a tackler and dove for the endzone before being stuffed at the one yard line with just 29 seconds left in the game and the ball back in Wayne's hands before the Zebras ran out the clock to win the game 20-14.

Everyone played their heart out tonight, Jameson said. "It was our homecoming game and we wanted this win. Sometimes a game comes down to one yard and one play but you don't want to be on the losing end of it. Northville just has to learn from this and come out with even more desire next week."

The Mustangs don't have it easy in the coming weeks. They are slated to visit Walld Lake Western tomorrow at 7 p.m. before hosting Canton October 17 at 7 p.m. Both teams appear poised for post season play this season but Northville has a chance to set their records before that time comes.

"We want to get some more wins, Jameson said. "We're not going to give up and we still have a lot of fight left in us."

The Mustangs gathered 198 yards on the ground with the majority coming from the work horse that is Sika. The junior hauled the ball 20 times for 121 yards.

The Zebras, who are now 5-1 overall and 4-1 in the WLA, are on the verge of making the play offs for the first time since 1992. They were led by Dillard with 158 yards on 22 carries and three touchdowns.

Northville dropped to 1-5 overall and 1-4 in the conference.

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## It's all part of the game

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

There's no doubt about it, a coach that brings a 1-5 record in his second season is going to be criticized.

Northville head football coach Clint Alexander knows it and isn't about to shy away from that criticism.

They can say what they want, he said after his squad fell 20-14 in a close game against likely playoff contender Wayne Memorial. "It comes with the territory."

Alexander, who came here from Concord after leading his squad to the state finals in the past season said that getting comments from people face to face is one thing but seeing them on the Internet is another.

I checked out mine today (www.mlive.com) and saw that I am being ridiculed over the loss," he said. "It hurts a little but it doesn't hurt me. I come to work every day and I have to deal with these comments. Instead of writing all of these comments on the computer, people should just come to our meetings on Monday and give their opinion. I'll listen to what they have to say."

But quite often writing things in the comfort of one's home and behind the shade of an anonymous screen name is much easier than facing some one to berate them.

For Alexander the comments are just part for the course at this point. His squad isn't winning, and he's the first to admit there are things that have not been corrected like he has hoped throughout the year.

"We've been close in every game," he said. "It's one thing to lose by six points or 14 and it's another to get blown out by 30 points. We're in every game."

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Mustang Bill Riegner, center, and other teammates pursue and Wayne ballcarrier during last Friday night's Homecoming game

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Mustang golfer Brandon VanHeyde warms up with some practice putts before a match at Novi's Tanglewood golf course.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

## 'Stangs playing well on the road

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

The Wayne Memorial Zebras, until next year, were led by a who will not be conference foe score of 45.

There are always two sides to every coin.

The Northville Mustangs boys' golf team are currently far from playing their best golf at home, but their game on the road is some of the best it has been all year. Though that means they have walked away from Tanglewood slightly disappointed, as they did with a 185-186 loss to Wayne Memorial September 29. But, it also means they are looking good for the Regional meet, which is on the road like the recent 155-159 win over Walled Lake Western was October 1.

The Mustangs found themselves playing some impressive golf at Bay Pointe Country Club as they found Brandon VanHeyde shooting a 37 to earn the medalist position with the match. Greg Jones and Ryan Hunt, who have been the two most consistent golfers on the squad thus far this season, each shot a 39 in the winning effort. Also getting his score counted was Ryan Gideon, who recorded a 40.

For the Warriors of Walled Lake Western, on their own course, their lowest score was a 38, which was shot by Andy Baum. Rich Saferian shot a 39 to help his team along, while Brad Robertson and another, unidentified player, shot 41s.

The Mustangs are currently 7-5 overall and 6-3 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

### Wayne 185, Northville 186

Two strokes meant all the difference for the Northville Mustangs as they fell to conference foe Wayne Memorial September 29 at Tanglewood.

The Mustangs managed to earn the medalist honors for the day, with Andrew Bishop shooting a 44 to lead all scorers. Also scoring for Northville was Matt Lewicki, who shot a 46, as well as Jones and Hunt, who both recorded 48s on the day.

# Riegner doesn't mind doing the 'Dirty Work'

By Brett Asher  
SPECIAL WRITER

Sometimes, it takes a lot of dirty work to get a job done.

Northville senior Bill Riegner isn't afraid of getting dirty. The hard-hitting senior has started for the Mustangs on the football field this season, but there is more to Riegner than the bone-jarring tackles that he puts on opponents every Friday night.

Riegner, or B-Rizg as he is called by friends, is also a member of the Northville varsity wrestling team. In his free time, Riegner enjoys lifting weights, watching sports, especially football, and just hanging out with his teammates, who have become his closest friends.

Riegner stayed busy this summer working hard for his own landscaping company, "Dirtywork." The company, which was started by Riegner and fellow Northville senior Mike Arnold was a great success, and according to Riegner, "actually made a lot of money."

While Riegner spent his summer working hard off the field, he has also put in a ton of work to prepare himself for his long nights on the field and the wrestling mat. During the offseason, Riegner spent hours and hours in the weight room to improve his strength and speed, which has



Bill Riegner

helped him to become one of the top athletes at the high school.

His work has paid off, as any player Riegner has tattooed can attest to. Riegner also looks to be a real powerhouse in the 171-189 pound weight class this winter and hopes that the wrestling team will build on their district championship title from last year.

Some of Riegner's favorite memories from his high school sports career include the district championship in wrestling and also the huge victories over Plymouth Salem this year and Walled Lake Central last year on the football field.

And sports and summer work

isn't all that is important to the senior athlete — family is too. Riegner noted that his parents, Nancy and Bryan, have been there to witness all those moments, and have supported him throughout his life as well as his athletic career. Riegner also has a good relationship with his brother Rick, who graduated last year, and also played football and wrestled with Riegner during the past three years.

As with many athletes, Riegner has a role model he likes to look up to. His favorite athlete is Zach Thomas, a linebacker who plays for the Miami Dolphins.

"He plays like me," Riegner said. "He plays linebacker, is extremely tough and is undersized for his position."

Riegner is hopeful that all of his hard work will pay off and is looking to continue playing football at the next level.

He plans to attend, and play football at Albion, Hillsdale or Grand Valley State University next year, and you can be sure he will continue to do the dirty work that has made him successful throughout his high school career.

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## UNDERCLASSMEN SCORES

### Junior Varsity Football

The Northville junior varsity football team defeated Wayne Memorial in an away game Thursday night and came away with a 24-6 victory.

After punting the ball away on its first possession, the Northville defense forced Wayne into giving up the ball on downs. Starting at his own 23, quarterback Derek Mohacsi led the Mustangs on a sustained drive. A long completion from Mohacsi to Evan Corbeil opened up the Wayne defense, then runs by David Bandy and Ren Tukys moved the ball steadily downfield. Five first downs placed the ball at Wayne's two yard line. From there, Mohacsi passed to Bandy in the right flat who raced in for the game's first score.

On Wayne fumbled on their first play in their next possession. Corbeil recovered for Northville on the Wayne 28 yard line. A pass from Mohacsi to tight end Mike Burke

advanced the ball to the Wayne eight. Two plays later, Bandy carried for another touchdown from following big blocks by the entire offensive line of Todd Schoenhilde, Joey Perpich, Evan Dewey, Mike Kosztowny and Mark Stuber.

The ensuing kick off was muffed by Wayne and recovered on the Wayne 44 yard line by Corey Patterson of Northville. The Northville offense stalled, and the punt by Corbeil pinned Wayne back to the two yard line. On third down, Doug Hasse intercepted a deep Wayne pass over the middle. Two runs by Mohacsi set up a third Northville touchdown, this time by Tukys.

The Northville defense forced another turnover late in the second half, when on their third play Ryan Smith intercepted a pass and returned it twenty yards to the Wayne 35 yard line. Corbeil kicked a 22 yard field goal as time ran out and the halftime score was Northville

24, Wayne 0.

The second half was one of long drives that saw neither team score until late in the fourth quarter. The Northville defense led by Shadi Deaibes, Brad Moss, Nate Simmons, Chris Estes, Matt Wollack, Cory Patterson, Steve Clark and David Anderson were brilliant all day as they shut down a very talented Wayne backfield. A touchdown by Wayne finished the scoring with the final tally being Northville 24, Wayne 6.

The win improved the Northville junior varsity record to three wins, two losses and a tie. After dropping the first two games of the season, Northville is now undefeated in its last four games.

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# Northville's Arielle Greenlee: just add water, let her swim

By Matt Simich  
SPECIAL WRITER

For many people swimming is leisure a activity on a hot summer's day. But for senior Arielle Greenlee this activity is as important as breathing and sleeping.

This year Greenlee is one of the captains for the Mustangs swim and dive team, which she earned after swimming at the varsity level for four years at NHS.

Greenlee got her start in swimming from Ford Landtrucks. She

comes from a large family with three brothers, two sisters, a dog and three cats. As the second oldest child, Greenlee considers her younger sister Alandra, one of her biggest supporters since they are both on the varsity squad. Other family members have been involved along the way by attending meets and participating as timers for events. When asked about her support throughout the season, included "... the 70 girls on the swim team," as family members.

Like many other people in the

community, Greenlee remembers taking her first swimming lessons at the Northville Swim Club. Before high school she swam with the Bulldogs Aquatic Club at Schoolcraft College for four years. There she swam with future teammates Sarah Carr, Ava Ohlgren and sister Alandra.

Greenlee's freshman year at Northville was awesome. She earned three times the points necessary to receive a varsity letter for the season. Greenlee achieved a personal best time of 5:36 in the 500-yard freestyle events as a freshman. Her favorite event is the 100-yard breaststroke. One of the funnier memories was during a race when she dove in and both her swim cap and goggles flew off. Like a true competitor, she continued the race anyway.

Each morning Greenlee is up at the crack of dawn to get to swim practice that is held before school. After school is another practice and she likes to squeeze in weight training a couple times a week and Saturdays.

"Don't listen to what anyone says, we're not crazy," said Greenlee. "We're just extremely dedicated."

Greenlee likes to spend time with the other swimmers and friends, including Michelle Grimmer and Sarah Yanachuk.

One of their favorite activities to do in the fall is to go to Parmenter's Cider Mill. They also hang out together and have the occasional sleepover bash.

Greenlee likes to listen to different kinds of music, especially when getting ready for the big meet ahead. Between school, swimming and friends, Greenlee doesn't have much spare time and doesn't like to waste it on TV. She also tries to spend quality time with boyfriend Matt Korich. In addition, Greenlee works for the Northville Parks and Recreation Department as a lifeguard.

When it comes to school, Greenlee's favorite class is science. Math is another subject all together, however, and is the one she likes the least. She also likes foreign language as well. Greenlee's favorite teacher is Mrs. Sadikot in the Spanish department at Northville.

For the future, Greenlee would like to become a doctor and she is applying to Oakland Community College and the University of Michigan.

This year, Greenlee takes her role as team captain very seriously. Her goal is to provide leadership to fellow teammates through more of a coaching point of view. Her philosophy towards swimming is:

"Don't stay with the team just because you enjoy swimming. Stay with the team for the support, the friendships, and the feelings of achievement," said Greenlee.

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Arielle Greenlee isn't all about swimming — she finds times for other things as well, such as school, family and friends.

## YOUTH RESULTS

### Girls' soccer

The match-up between the Northville Hot Spurs and Express was anything but boring. Both teams had numerous scoring opportunities, keeping both goalies on their toes, but the Spurs ultimately came out on top with a final score of 5-4. Finding the net for the Spurs were Jessica Accardo, Kristen McNamara, Kendall Bick (assisted by Peggy Abraham), Kelsie Kaiser and Courtney Benoit, who was assisted by a few team members in a kicking shoot out. Getting the nod for MVP were Alexi Fisher and Courtney Benoit.

The game between Northville United and Huron Valley was sure to be a tough one, and it didn't disappoint as Huron Valley snuck away with a 1-0 victory. With the lone goal of the game coming off a penalty kick, the United girls did an outstanding job of holding their own against a tough Huron Valley team. Nora Naughton and Kelly Logan had their best games of the season, supported with solid play from Hannah Deacon, Chelsea Atzinger and Johanna Poterala. MVPs were Nara DeMuro, goalie, and Samantha Curry.

The Northville Lightning won a hard fought contest against the Huron Valley Hawks 1-0 September 27. Hailey Hanke scored the lone goal of the game while the defense of Laura Kallil, Emily Kempa, Adrianna Petrucci, and Ashley Chiu kept the Hawks without a shot on goal. Game MVP honors go to Hillary Pijls, Kirsten Schipper and Jessica Galski.

The U9 Northville Rockers defeated the Plymouth team in a close 1-0 game at Fish Hatchery Park. Rebecca Snively and Kaitlyn Hilmer shared the shutout in goal, aided by a strong defensive squad consisting of Grace DeRidder,

Emily Hoekstra, Isabella Sdao and Alexandra Rodriguez. Sonya Williams, Emily Boczar and Rachel Lewis covered both ends of the field and controlled the mid-

field. Hanna Ferree had perfect position and scored on a rebound after a great initial shot by Tenley Mustonen.



Courtesy photo

(Front row, left to right) Adam Tehranisa, Jordan Selva, Mark Wagner, Mark Zheng, Blake Tschirhart, Andrew Ukrop and Chris Wollin; (back row, left to right) Coach Bob Pavlovic, Tenki Yamada, Anuj Rama, Matt Johnson, Kristian Kala, Jon Bauer, Josh Kirby, Chris Song, Craig Demshuk, Nick Kalweit and Asst. Coach Jerod Cummings.

## Novi Jaguars boys win tournament

Despite stiff competition from teams throughout the Detroit area, the Novi Jaguars under-12 boys white team came out winners at the Oakland University Global Soccer Tournament held September 13-14 in Rochester, Michigan. The 4-1 decisive victory in the finals against Waza East was a great team effort by all of the players.

The Novi Jaguars U-12 boys white team played with great determination and effort to advance to the finals of the Oakland University Global Soccer Tournament in Rochester, Michigan and defeat Waza East in an exciting 4-1 victory for the championship on Sunday, September 14. The Jaguars earned a trip to the finals by tying the Metrostars 1-1 in the first game of the tournament with Andrew Ukrop scoring for Novi. Game 2 against Rochester was won 2-1 with Chris Song providing both Jaguar goals. Game 3 was a shut-out against

Canton with a 2-0 victory, advancing the team to the finals to face Waza East. Jordan Selva scored the first Novi goal followed by Andrew Ukrop. The rain did not stop the Novi Jaguars from coming out on fire in the finals match to defeat Waza East 4-1 in a decisive victory that left no doubt who was the champion. Jordan Selva, Josh Kirby, Andrew Ukrop, and Blake Tschirhart scored consecutively for the Jaguars. A rock solid defense in Jon Bauer, Anuj Rama, and Nick Kalweit with a solid performance from goalie Matt Johnson helped ensure the victories throughout the tournament. Hard work and great team effort by all of the players provided an incredible, unforgettable performance and a well-deserved victory for the Novi Jaguars U-12 boys. Congratulations Global 2003 Champions!

## COLTS FOOTBALL

### Freshman Colts 35, Livonia Falcons 13

On a perfect fall day for football, the Northville/Novi Freshman Colts (3-2) returned to their winning ways with an impressive 25-13 victory over the Livonia Falcons. With contributions from everyone on the team, the Colts followed what has become their trademark: a stifling defense, a punishing offensive line and hard running by its backs.

The Falcons struck early by scoring on their first play from scrimmage on a 39-yard run. Unfazed, the determined Colts responded with their own scoring drive. Connor Pollifrone jumped-started the Colts with a spectacular 15-yard punt return. The offensive line, led by Bradley Stegmeyer (7 plus pancakes), Garrett Wiska, Jake Bates, Derek Mully, Robert Paciocco and Derek Ince opened huge holes for the backs all game. Ends Joe Carroll, Zach Vidra and Connor Pollifrone also contributed punishing blocks. Jeffrey Hewlett (17 carries/ 124 yards) scored from 8 yards out behind the blocking of running mate Cormac Littleton (11 carries/ 48 yards). The frisky Colts kept things rolling when Connor Pollifrone scored a 25-yard touchdown on a reverse play, sprung by a great block by end Cameron Thomas.

Now leading 12-6, the Colts defense continued its dominant play. Alex Turner recovered a fumble on the Falcon's 45-yard line and Frankie Mastrangelo broke up a possible touchdown pass just before half time. Defensive end Michael Walukas was unstoppable, as he recorded 7 tackles, many of them sacks, and he recovered a fumble in the second half to snuff out another Falcons drive.

The Falcon's offense wasted no time taking back the lead on a 63-yard run to open the second half to go ahead 13-12. The Colts answered quickly on a 54-yard touchdown run by Jeffrey Hewlett. Cormac Littleton added

another touchdown on a 10-yard sweep, which was punctuated by Dawson Laabs 3-yard quarterback keeper for the extra point to expand the Colts lead to 25-13.

The swarming Colts defense then took over the game. Trevor Maresh had a monster game, registering 15 tackles, including several jarring hits. Robert Paciocco (13 tackles), Derek Ince (10), Jim Cowart (7), Brad Currier, Hamilton Cauffiel and Matt Wright also had great games for the defense. Defensive backs Connor Pollifrone, Nick Wieland and Sean Gomillion made several outstanding plays in the secondary to help preserve the victory.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### For a quick and easy sale, make your house the belle of the ball

A charming Santa Fe style house with crisp canvas awnings and a high-pitched shingled roof is the backdrop of many of my childhood memories. Its polished wood floors creaked under the footsteps of four generations of my Irish clan. We gathered there to celebrate countless Christmases and Easters, births, baptisms and marriages. And in times of illness and death, its fortress-like adobe walls provided us solitude and comfort.

Though we felt we all owned a part of this house, it belonged to my aunt who inherited it from her parents. And when she died 10 years ago it was sold to a young family. It sold in a matter of a few short weeks. Prospective buyers were eager to look inside the house because its outside was inspiring. The lawn was green and healthy, the shrubs were neatly trimmed, and the outside—both front and back—was absolutely free of clutter. The house was also priced appropriately and it was in a good location. All reasons, say real estate experts, homes sell quickly.

First impressions do matter - If you're preparing to sell your house, make sure the outside of your home looks appealing to potential buyers who may be driving down the street. Are the lawn and shrubs maintained? Are there sizeable cracks in the foundation? Is the siding in good condition? Are the gutters clean and free of debris? Are window casings, shutters or doors in need of a fresh coat of paint? Is the property free of garbage and debris? Removing detractors from your home will help pave the way to quick sale.

Make the place spic 'n' span - We used to joke that my aunt would come back in her next life as a box of Spic And Span. Cheery Lynn's floors always gleamed, the silver sparkled and the windows were spotless. My aunt's super cleanliness paid off. Because she'd maintained the home so beautifully over the years, we had to make very few improvements before placing it on the market.

Even if your home isn't in tiptop shape, the few hours you spend cleaning and organizing it will go a long way with potential buyers. Consider applying a fresh, neutral coat of paint to tired walls. Scrub floors, wash baseboards and clean windows so they sparkle. Shampoo dirty carpets, clean bathtubs, replace unsightly caulking and make sure to fix dripping faucets and oil squeaky doors. Is your oven clean? Some prospective buyers may judge the overall cleanliness of your home by how clean you keep your oven. Inspect areas that are junk deposits, like closets and basements and attics. You want to give potential buyers the impression that there's ample storage space in house.

Clutter can be the kiss of death - If potential buyers have to perform gymnastic moves to avoid running into extra furniture and boxes, you may have to wait a while before you sell your house. Bric-a-brac and too many personal items are also detractors. From the minute prospective buyers walk into your home, you want to them to be able to imagine themselves living comfortably in the house surrounded by their belongings and keepsakes.

Set a fair price - Naturally you'll want to get as much as you can for your house, but be careful not to overprice it. An artificially high price may cause your house to sit on the market for too long. And the longer it sits the harder it will be to sell. When setting a price for your home you'll need to consider your home's location, the current economic conditions, the local housing market, your school district and average home prices in your neighborhood. Consider asking a real estate agent to perform a market analysis that shows the selling prices of three properties in your neighborhood comparable to your own. The agent can help you appropriately price your home taking into account any unique features your home may have - fireplace, pool, or professionally finished basement. In case your home doesn't move as quickly as you like, be prepared to facilitate the sale by paying the buyer's closing costs.

Mary Davis manages public affairs for the Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL), a statewide trade association representing Michigan credit unions. Send your financial questions to "Your Money Matters" c/o the Michigan Credit Union League, P.O. Box 8054, Plymouth, MI 48170-8054, or e-mail them to [mcd@mcu.org](mailto:mcd@mcu.org).



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Seven models are available in Trotters Pointe Village, ranging from 1,900 to 2,900 square feet. Prices start at \$260,000.

## New home community has value and quality

By Elizabeth Heer  
SPECIAL WRITER

The Estates of Trotters Pointe Village, Toll Brothers' luxury home community in South Lyon, has released the last 10 home sites available for sale. The final homes in this highly desirable community are expected to sell fast.

Trotters Pointe Village, a community of 340 homes, was created as a result of extensive focus group studies and national tours of other developments. The resulting upscale development promotes home-town charm and appeals to move-up families and young professionals.

The location is just one of those many charms. "South Lyon has quickly become one of the most desirable locations for new home construction in Metro Detroit," says Charlene Bargert, Sales Manager for The Estates of Trotters Pointe Village. "Our location provides the small town charm that is so appealing to new homebuyers, plus we are just minutes from the expressways and major business centers like Novi and Southfield. The combination of location,

unbeatable value, and quality Toll Brothers construction has made Trotters Pointe Village the most sought-after new home community in South Lyon."

In all, seven models are available, ranging from 1,900 to 2,900 square feet, with prices starting in the affordable \$260,000s. In addition, several homes are already under construction and available for occupancy in the next few months for those relocating or just seeking to move soon.

All of the magnificently appointed, single-family homes are set on large home sites within the rolling natural woodlands. Each home is appointed with stylish design features which includes master suites, ceramic baths, and hardwood flooring in the grand entrance foyer, kitchen, and powder room. Dramatic nine-foot ceilings on the first floor and formal dining and living rooms or great rooms allow for spacious family living. In addition, each home is designed with a five-point energy plan that reduces the amount of energy needed so precious resources are preserved.

"The quality of our homes exceeds all other builders in the area," said Bargert. "We take that extra step with customer service to ensure that our customers are delighted with their home."

Those extra details show in the many standard features built into the homes at Trotters Pointe Village, like deluxe kitchens appointed with GE appliances, Andersen windows throughout, wood-burning fireplaces, central air, gutters, and attached two-car garages.

"We take pride in providing nice finish work, such as molding and trim work," she added.

Hundreds of other options allow homeowners to select the features that perfectly suit their lifestyles and tastes. "We give people that flexibility in predetermined options to customize their own home. For example, homeowners can choose among brick, stone, or marble finishing for their fireplace," Bargert said.

Environment is equally important at The Estates of Trotters Pointe Village. The exclusive community was designed to preserve the natural environment with a wind-

ing site plan that incorporates wooded home sites and cul de sacs. By preserving open spaces, woods, and wetlands, a 22-acre nature preserve complete with a nine-acre pond was set aside for residents to enjoy. Walking trails, children's play area, tot lot, and a private tennis court provide recreation and exercise opportunities. Lighted sidewalks, street lights, and full city services complete the community.

The amenities and location of Trotters Pointe have quickly made it one of South Lyon's most prominent addresses. Located within the exemplary South Lyon school district and adjacent to the high school, the Estates of Trotters Pointe Village is just minutes from quaint, historic downtown South Lyon.

Numerous golf courses, the nearby South Lyon Rail Trail into Kensington Metro Park, bustling shopping centers and a variety of restaurant and dining options are also nearby. Convenient access to I-96, U.S. 23, I-696 and I-275 make for easy commutes to major business centers, health facilities, and Wayne County Metropolitan International

**DETAILS**

The Estates of Trotters Pointe Village, a Toll Brothers' luxury home community in South Lyon, is located on Eleven Mile Road, west of Pontiac Trail.

The Sales Center is open daily from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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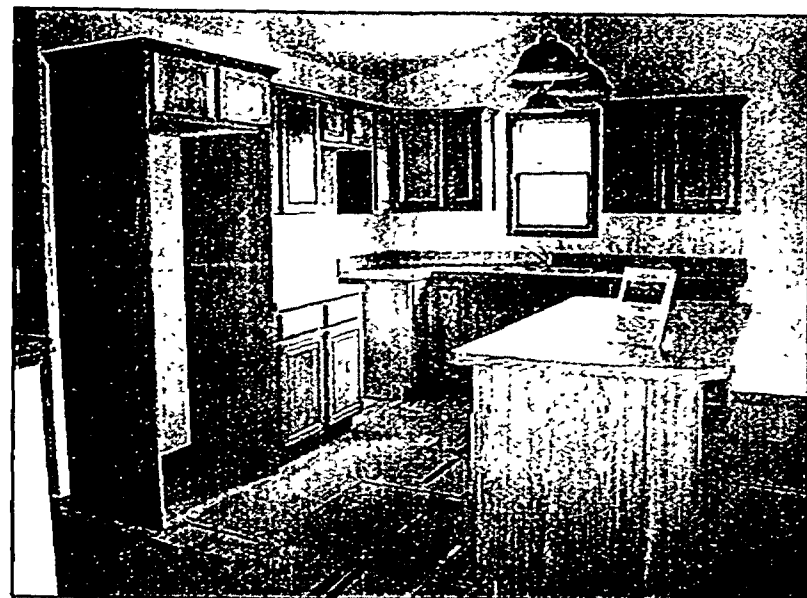
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## Dreamy seclusion

Secluded Acres the right new development for country lovers

By Veronica Straus  
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Located in Fowlerville off Fowlerville Road and Love Joy, Secluded Acres is a country lover's dream development. 52 home sites are surrounded by 68 acres of mature wooded, common land yielding a sense of being in the northern woods with an abundance of privacy and serenity. Paved roads meander around the subdivision yielding every home site a spectacular view.

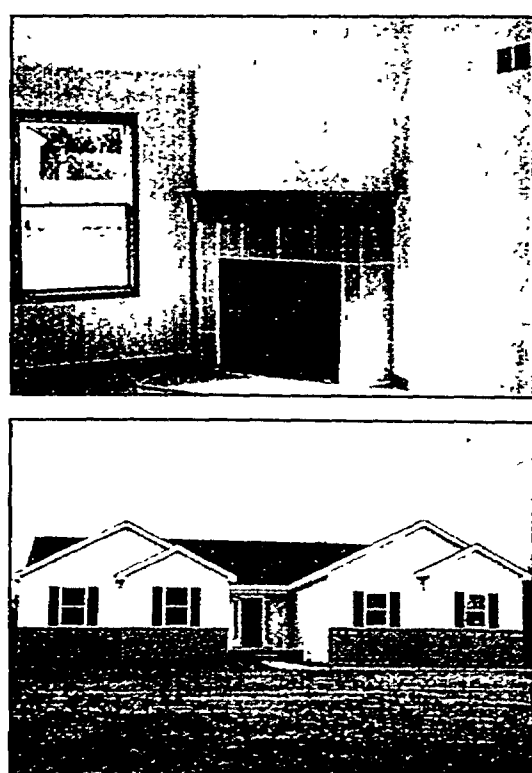
This tranquil development is developed by Bob Burke who has hand picked five local builders to carry out his concept of this hidden paradise of homes, including A. Randle Builders, Cedar Brooke Homes, KEP Builders, Aurora Homes and Ramsey Building Co. Secluded Acres is architecturally controlled with a 1400 square foot minimum and with the variety of builders, there's a variety of styles from story and a half, colonials and ranches.

7729 Hidden Knoll Ct. is a representative home of Secluded Acres. This quality built ranch features a balanced design on its exterior with the front entry set back under a covered porch. Multiple roof lines and set backs enhance the elevation of maintenance free vinyl siding.

The entry door has side-lights flanking it and opens to a sumptuous 12' wide oak floored foyer that extends out into the main living area in a half hex pattern and provides access to a side hall containing a double coat closet and entry to the two-car side entry garage. This ranch has an open floor

plan that extends across the entire rear of the home. The great room is directly opposite the entry hall and features two large double hung windows to let the outside light in and enhance the corner fireplace with its ceramic surround and hearth and elevated, wide oak mantle. The studio ceiling adds to the sense of spaciousness that extends into the dining area with its polished oak floors and French doors with enclosed Pella window blinds for easy maintenance.

The kitchen is accessed from the dining area and also from the foyer along an oak floored, open hall that runs along the great room and into the kitchen. Aristokraft oak cabinets with open soffits and cove molding, and a studio ceiling accent the laminate counter tops and double stainless steel sink with



Pictured here are views of the kitchen area (top left), the fireplace and an exterior view of one of the Secluded Acres sites.

Moen fixtures. A 3'x6' island counter provides additional food preparation and serving area with its under the counter cupboards and overhand suitable for bar stools.

Located off the kitchen and adjacent to two bedrooms is the first floor laundry room and across the hall is the main bathroom with a 6' vanity and ceramic tiled floors and a tub/shower enclosure. Both bedrooms have large windows and double closets for storage.

The master suite is located on the opposite side of the home off the great room and features large double hung windows, a studio ceiling overhead fan and a large walk-in closet. The master bath has a 6' vanity with wall mirror, ceramic tile floors and a shower/tub enclosure.

A half wall with an oak shelf is located in the great room and leads to the stairway to the full basement with daylight windows, that's plumbed for a future bathroom.

Added features of this Secluded Acres ranch are oak trimmed windows and doors, air conditioning, and asphalt driveways. The square footage is 1640 and it's priced at \$189,900.

Walkout and daylight sites are available and average 34 acre to one acre parcels with private paved roads and gutters. All sites have excellent sandy perks, and underground utilities. Byron and Fowlerville schools service the community.

For more information on this country living development contact Bob Burke at Secluded Acres, (517) 294-1857.

## Shedding old needles a normal, ageless process

Q: My beautiful white pines are dying. There are tons of yellow needles on the inside of the trees but the outside needles are still green. It appears to be working its way out. What is it and how do I stop it? I have never seen this happen before.

A: Ah, the pathetic powers of observation. This has been going on every fall for almost as long as the trees have been on the planet. This is a very normal process of shedding old needles. They are called "evergreens" and not "live-forevers."

The tree keeps needles all year and is evergreen. The needles have a relatively short shelf life of about two to three years, depending on which pine it is. Spruces and firs keep their needles longer but they still shed needles in the fall. White pine needles turn a brilliant, lemon yellow and then are shed off. Other types of evergreens are a bit more subtle and the needles turn brown quietly and are dumped.

The most important part of that evergreen isn't the needles on the inside of the tree. The big, important parts are the needles on the ends of the branches. They are giving you an indication of the future for the tree. All the growth takes place at the ends of the branches. Nothing is going to happen close to the trunk. If the needles look healthy and green and you can see tiny buds for next spring, things look cheery. If the needles are skimpy or the tree hardly put on any new growth or the ends of the branches are brown or bare, evil things are going on. Check to see how many years of needles are on your tree. It's easy to see where this year's growth ended. It's the end of the branch. Follow the twig back to some small wrinkles that surround the twig. These look like someone pushed up their shirt sleeves. That's where it started. Keep looking back for more wrinkles. You can count the years of needles. Drive around your neighborhood and notice all the white pines that are doing the same thing. And don't apply for the Sherlock Holmes position.

Q: I have a number of ornamental grasses that I planted a few years ago. Some are getting kind of big and I would like to split them. Is fall a good time and how do I do it? When and how to I cut back the grasses?

A: Patience is a virtue and it's the time to be very virtuous. Resist the temptation to divide the grasses in the fall. The best time is in the spring as new growth begins. At this time of the year, there is no time for root establishment and grasses need that. Wait. Then, when you do split the grasses in the spring, step down on a shovel and cut them into chunks. If the roots are too dense, haul out the hatchet or ax. Leave the tops of the grasses up over the winter. This is done for several reasons. Grasses add winter interest to the garden. Little birds like to jump around in the big grasses and hang on the seed heads. You can also see where the beds are so crazy children of cross-country skis or snowmobiles will stay out or suffer the Wrath of Mommy. The grass tops offer the roots protection from the freeze-thaw cycle of Michigan winters. The also act like a snow fence and keep snow where it falls for more winter protection. Wait until March or April and take out the pruning tools. For small grasses, a good pair of scissors will do. For larger grasses, pruners, loppers or sometimes weed whips can do this. Don't cut the big grasses flush with the ground. The new grass shoot will be coming up the inside of the old one. Cut them back to about a foot tall and look down inside. You don't want to be hacking up this year's leaves.

Gretchen Voyle, MSU Extension, Livingston County horticulture agent can be reached at (517) 549-1570.

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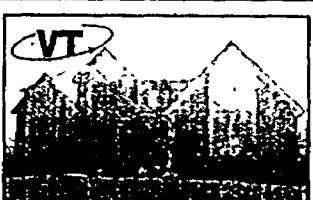
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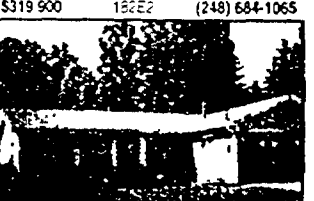
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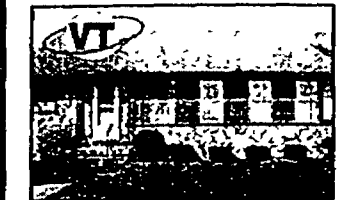
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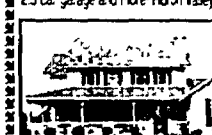
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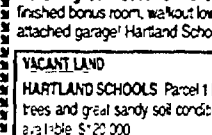
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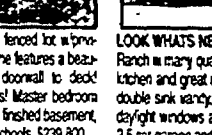
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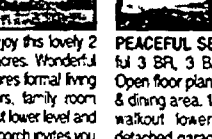
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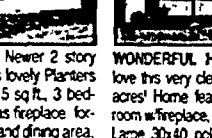
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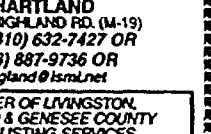


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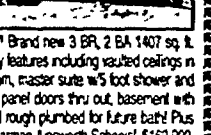
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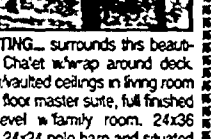
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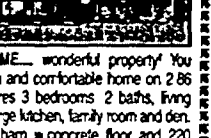
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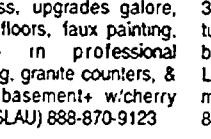
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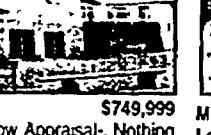


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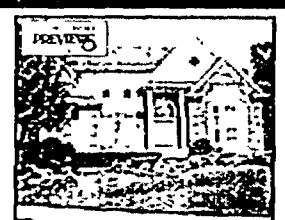
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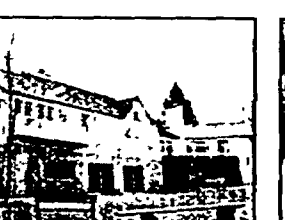
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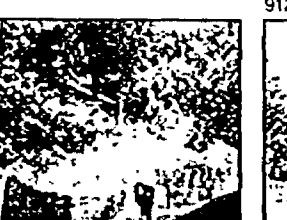
**NORTHVILLE** \$629,900  
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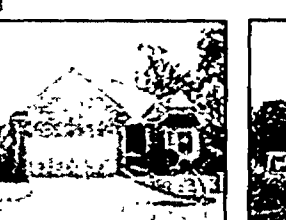
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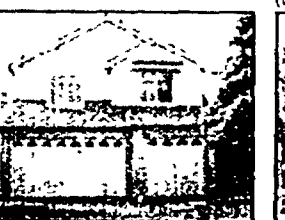
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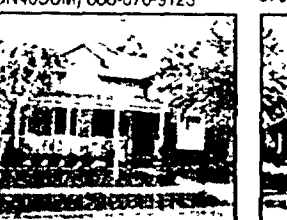
**NORTHVILLE** \$629,000  
Magnificent 4br, 3.5 Bath! 1st flr mstr on a premium treed lot. Extensive upgrades-granite counters, custom lighting & cabinetry, 21p's, oak floors, relaxing trex deck & brick paver patio. (BGN54WIL) 888-870-9123



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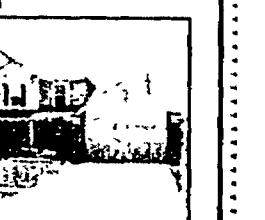
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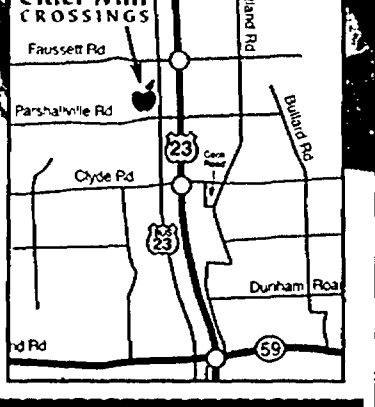
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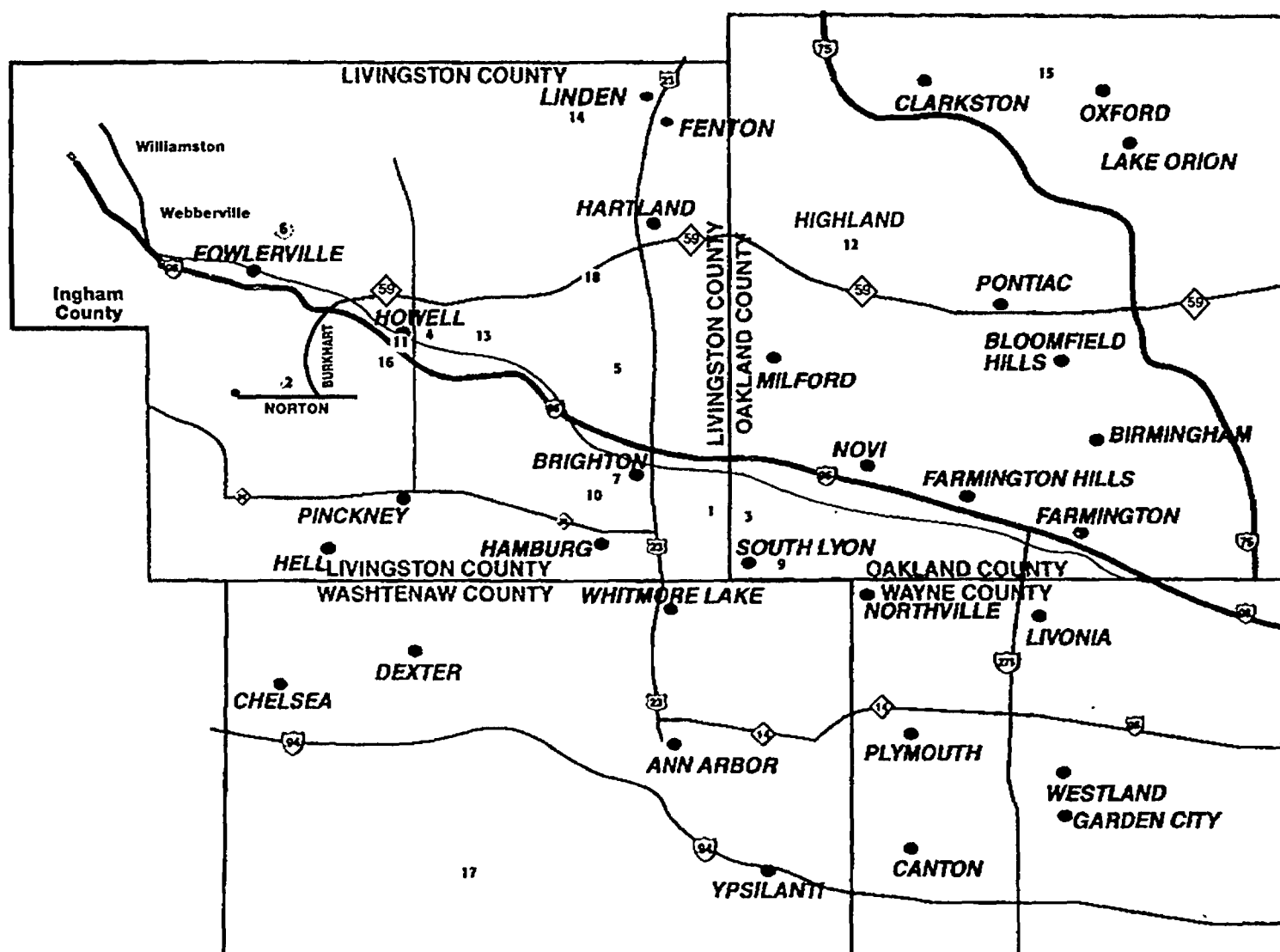
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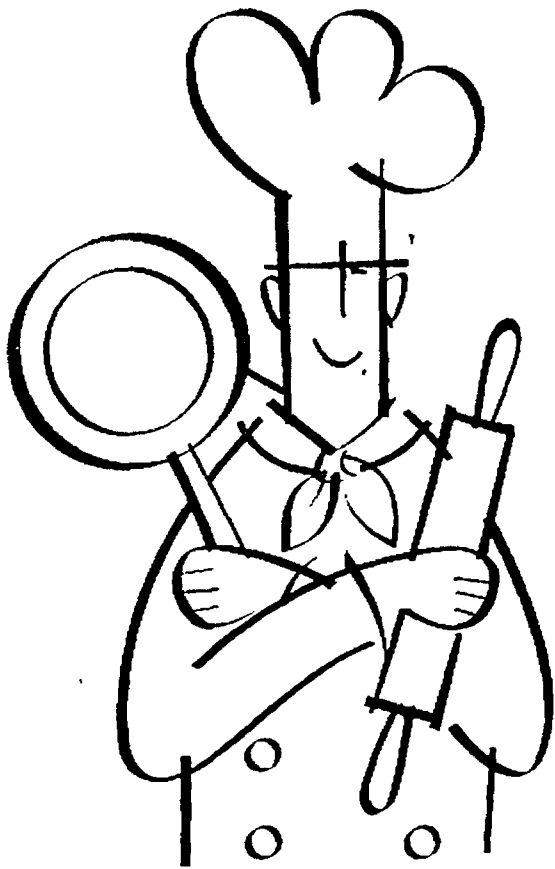
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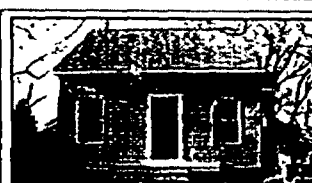
**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** Lease \$1,500  
Former builder's model for lease. Spacious newer ranch on full basement. Master suite w/walk-in closet, 2 other spacious bedrooms. Ceramic tile in baths, upgraded wood flooring and upgraded cabinets in kitchen and nook area, gas fireplace. 1/2 acre lot. (23084423)



**DETROIT SCHOOLS** \$60,500  
Nicely updated, 2 bedroom ranch ready for immediate occupancy. Hardwood and ceramic flooring, central air, full basement. A pleasure to stay. Freshly painted, all appliances stay. Great for first time buyers or rental investment. (23097818)



**WATERFORD SCHOOLS** \$103,000  
2 bedroom, 1.5 bath lakeview condo featuring a fireplace and mantle, 2 bedrooms, boat slip included in association dues, immediate occupancy, central air, all appliances, and more. (23078136)



**WATERFORD SCHOOLS** \$107,000  
Updates galore. New roof, windows, siding, carpet, freshly painted, great location. Full basement, appliances and a home warranty included. (23030452)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$147,900  
This home was just remodeled and shines like a new penny. Beautiful new white kitchen cabinets, stainless kitchen sink, beautiful ceramic tile floor in kitchen and bath. Fresh paint throughout. New bathroom fixtures, & more. (23076777)



**LIVONIA SCHOOLS** \$149,900  
Clean and well maintained home in nice Livonia neighborhood. Freshly painted throughout including basement. Some hardwood floors are exposed and the basement has been tiled and includes a 1/2 bath. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. (23078904)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$149,900  
Gorgeous new construction, lived in only 6 months. Built in 2003 featuring 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, fantastic master suite. Stove, fridge, washer and dryer all stay. Fireplace in great room and attached garage. Immediate occupancy. (23078409)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$150,000  
Cute and cozy describes this home on a quiet dead-end street in the Village of Pinckney. Mature trees in the front and back of home. Newer carpet and freshly painted. Full basement and a large 2 car garage for a storage space. 3 bedrooms, private backyard, play structure and home warranty. (23066412)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$159,900  
Adult living. Landscaped w/sprinklers, total lawn care and snow removal. Common area w/gazebo and sidewalks. Single family ranch homes. 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Don't miss this great home! Bike paths, wooded surroundings. (23052857)



**STOCKBRIDGE SCHOOLS** \$159,950  
New construction home w/4 large windows in basement, rough plumbed for 3rd bath. Quality oak cabinets, vinyl siding, Formica countertops. You pick colors and flooring. Hurry! Currently being roughed in 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,028 sq ft., located on 1.5 acres. (23076882)



**STOCKBRIDGE SCHOOLS** \$153,900  
New construction starting 4-20-03. 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 1,028 sq ft. ranch w/full walkout basement on 1.5 acres in Stockbridge. Located 3/4 miles west of M-52 off Dexter Trail. (23040805)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$165,000  
Great views, 2 bedroom cottage on all sports cedar lake. Green belt nature at its best. Common area, beach, park where owner parks his boat out in his backyard. Basement area for storage or all your water toys. This deck is perfect for a morning cup of coffee. (23059282)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$168,000  
One and a half acres of a nice country setting. Sought after ranch in an area of very nice homes. Close to everything but feels like an Up North setting. Very well maintained 3 bedrooms, 1,575 sq ft., and more. A must see! (23076619)



**HURON VALLEY SCHOOLS** \$174,500  
Totally rebuilt in 1999 including drywall, 2nd story, electrical, plumbing, windows, septic, well, furnace, central air, and roof. Landscaped large private lot, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, and more. (23087143)



**ROCHESTER SCHOOLS** \$174,900  
Super ranch located in well sought after Rochester Hills. Recently landscaped with many perennials on super large lot w/fenced backyard. Home has recently had new carpet and flooring ready to move-in. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. (23080632)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$178,900  
All access pass to fun in the sun. 2 bedrooms, 1,140 sq ft. in-level. Exterior completely redone in 2001. New vinyl windows, siding, and new roof. Includes lot across the street perfect for a garage or parking. Excellent buy for lakefront. (23098081)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$179,500  
First time buyers take a look at this! Great home on one acre. Freshly painted, new water softener, newer furnace, plumbing, roof, and electrical. Great buy for the price! 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, 1,352 sq ft. Sellers are ready and willing to look at all offers. (23058243)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$189,900  
New Construction! Haycreek development in Pinckney by Mitchell building. Great area close to schools and recreation. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, basement, and a 2 car garage. (23069929)



**SOUTH LYON SCHOOLS** \$199,900  
Unique 2,419 sq ft country home w/5 bedrooms, 2 baths, and 2 kitchens. New roof, siding, furnace, water heater, and water softener. Heated garage. Home warranty included. (23072440)



**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** \$208,000  
Pleasant ranch condo w/a great location. End unit offers views of common area and gazebo. Living room w/fireplace framed by windows. Kitchen w/appliances. Basement w/daylight windows. Dining room w/downdraft leading to deck. One year home warranty. (23062026)



**BERKLEY SCHOOLS** \$208,000  
Great home in the city of Berkley. Great family neighborhood. Just minutes to I-196. New roof, siding, large backyard for kids. Could also make a great rental property. 1,400 sq ft., 2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. (23096230)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$209,900  
Easy condo living w/premium location overlooking Lake George. Features 2 generous sized bedrooms w/private baths and walk-in closets, solid stone fireplace w/raised hearth, 1st floor laundry, custom lighting, full walkout basement, & more. (23077991)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$211,900  
Beautiful 1,475 sq ft. ranch on a spacious 1.16 acre lot, which backs up to additional open space. Built by Baywood Custom Homes w/an anticipated completion date of November 2003. Sit line to customize and pick your own colors. Open floor plan w/large room w/fireplace, dining area, and bar seating in kitchen. (23060408)



**DEXTER SCHOOLS** \$214,900  
Outstanding value in the Dexter School System. 1,500 sq ft including lower level, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, huge master bedroom, open living room, kitchen 3/4 acre lot. Home protection plan provided at closing. (23087668)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$217,280  
Impeccably maintained home w/living room featuring a bay window, sunken family room w/fireplace, large lot, minutes to schools and highways. (23090536)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$219,900  
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**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$229,900  
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**SOUTH LYON SCHOOLS** \$235,500  
Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Cape Cod on over 1/2 acre. Full basement, 2 car attached garage. First floor master suite, and a first floor laundry. 2112 sq ft. (23084340)



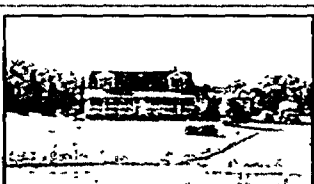
**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** \$239,500  
Contemporary 2-story overlooking Crooked Lake. 2 balconies, wrap-around deck, Andersen windows, finished walkout, Jenn-Air range, maple cabinets, central air, central vac, 10' doored access to Crooked Lake, ceramic tile floors. Home warranty included. (23086255)



**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** \$239,900  
Beautiful park-like setting 5 acres in Brighton Township. Bridge over creek at the back of the property. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, screened breezeway, 1+ car garage, farm style Bungalow home, 1,136 sq ft. (23049101)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$244,900  
Still like new, 2001 Colonial, side entrance garage and large pole barn, pond view and access. Beautiful kitchen w/wood floors, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, walk to downtown. Dining room now being used as an office. Great front porch. Home warranty included. (23011068)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$264,900  
All American Homes 1 1/2 story Cape Cod. Finished basement w/4th bedroom and 1/2 bath. Master w/bath and walk-in closet. 2nd car garage, central air, oak kitchen, and flooring. Andersen windows. (23051463)



**LINDEN SCHOOLS** \$269,900  
Stunning new construction! 2,247 sq ft., 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. 1/2 story home w/1st floor master suite. Daylight windows in basement and much more. (23083864)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$273,900  
4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home includes 10' ceiling in living room, fireplace in family room, formal dining room, glamour master suite, park, sidewalks, city water/sewer, and township taxes. (23049953)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$277,900  
New construction, elegant Colonial on 1.24 acre wooded lot on a paved road. Featuring a 1st floor master suite, 2.5 baths, open floor plan. Great location, 9' ceilings and much more. (23076804)



**SOUTH LYON SCHOOLS** \$279,450  
Wow, what a value! Absolutely gorgeous new construction Colonial on 3.85 acres. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 1,650 sq ft., 1st floor laundry, 2.5 car garage, basement plumbed for additional bath, large oak kitchen, large master suite w/walk-in closet, & much more. (23094809)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$279,900  
Gorgeous 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 1.5 story Contemporary in Brighton. Spacious living room and den. 1st floor master bedroom, suite lovely neutral decorating. Gorgeous landscaping. Invisible fence system installed, great location! (23059263)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$289,900  
New construction in unique 13 home sub with city sewer and water on paved roads. Almost 1/2 acre lot, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2,047 sq ft., and more. Immediate occupancy. (23041063)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$294,900  
New 2-story dramatic roof lines, August occupancy. 3/4 acre lot in unique 13 home sub on paved road. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, optional finished bonus room, 12'x15' keeping room w/fireplace. 30 day occupancy. (23041428)



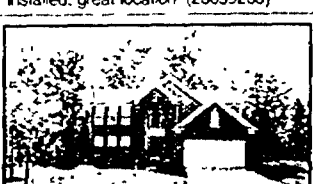
**SOUTH LYON SCHOOLS** \$319,500  
4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home built in 2000. 2,500 sq ft., extensive landscaping, brick patio, and pond with a waterfall. 2-story great room with fireplace. (23081835)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$321,500  
Turn of the century Colonial beauty. Over 2,500 sq ft. 4 bedrooms, 2 bath, charming décor of the early 1900s. Hardwood floors, large kitchen w/cherry cabinets and much more! 12x17 screened in back porch leads to a private fenced backyard w/a 20x40 in-ground pool. 3 car garage w/workshop and pool changing room. (23069874)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$322,900  
This classic Victorian style Colonial is beautifully situated on a private 5 acre site. Features include ceramic, marble, and hardwood floors, top of the line cabinets, and much more. (23059657)



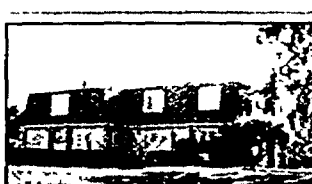
**SOUTH LYON SCHOOLS** \$324,900  
Lots of upgrades make this home absolutely stunning. Fabulous interior, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, gourmet kitchen, large center island, deck w/TV. Master suite w/valued ceilings, custom painting, large 2nd deck and much more. (23094741)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$328,900  
New construction featuring 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 21x28', 2.5 car garage located on 2 acres. 2,450 sq ft. of quality tile and wood floors. See thru fireplace to great room with a wall of windows and 9' ceilings. Basement w/daylight windows and 9' ceilings. (23040979)



**LINDEN SCHOOLS** \$339,000  
Best living at Lake Shannon at best price. Highly energy efficient home. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, full finished walkout lower level, GE Monogram kitchen appliances all stay (\$18,800 value), privacy and nature abounds. (23093786)



**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** \$344,900  
This is the dream home your growing family has been looking for! Almost completely updated with room for everybody. 5 bedrooms including just completed 800 sq ft. deluxe master suite that is pure heaven. Walk to schools, Mt. Brighton, or downtown. Also has Lime Lake access. (23043241)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$363,900  
Custom home w/professional landscaping on 5+ acres. Pole barn w/2 stalls (horse ready). Pond, art studio w/220 amps, and 10 gas. Extra 10x10' acres available. 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 1 half bath. (23074917)



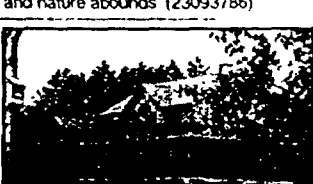
**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$379,900  
Custom built, 2,724 sq ft. brick and cedar 2-story home, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage located in Woodland Lake West. Master bath w/terrazzo floor, 2 person whirlpool and separate shower, 9' basement walls w/garden windows. Boat slip available on Woodland Lake. (23091286)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$429,777  
3,100 sq ft., 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath, home w/a 22'x12' bonus room w/closet. W/freshed walkout w/brick paver patio. Wraparound deck overlooks beautiful landscaping. (23093595)



**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** \$434,000  
Awesome custom, one owner home on 4 acres. Features 3,500 sq ft., 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, finished walkout lower level, Florida room, luxury master suite, 3 car garage w/2 car door. Easy commute. (23054145)



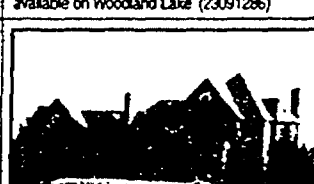
**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$499,000  
10 acre sanctuary, wooded, and high, 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2,800 sq ft., walkout basement. Cedar exterior, wrap-around porch to decking. Gourmet kitchen. Ultimate master suite. (23091134)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$899,900  
Custom lakefront home featuring 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3,200 sq ft., central air, fireplaces in master bedroom, family room, and living room. Master suite w/bathtub, & luxury bath. Permanent dock, never maintenance free dock. Additional 56'x16' garage made to house a motor home including 50 amp service, and dump station. Amenities galore! (23011758)



**PINCKNEY SCHOOLS** \$1,495,000  
Location includes over 2,007 of water front plus golf course and equestrian center. Luxury master suite w/stone, fireplace, huge walk-in shower, walk-in closet, double Jacuzzi tub, and private master deck. 20 acres, family room w/wet bar, study including fireplace, fireplace in living room, over 4,000 sq ft. in decking. (23086057)



**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$1,650,000  
Country estate w/all brick 5,000 +/- sq ft., 2-story home w/walkout lower level, 20 rolling professionally landscaped acres, in-ground pool, & tennis courts. Home tastefully appointed w/numerous rooms to roam. (23093554)



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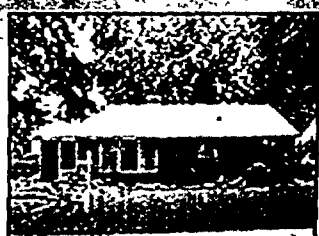




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**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Best condo value in town. This beautiful 3 BR, 2 BA unit features a great floor plan, spacious rooms, a huge in-unit laundry + storage area. Master bedroom suite w/WIC & glamour bath. Neutral decor w/ Garage and carport. Near complex pool \$174,900 (52BRE) 248-349-5600



**GARDEN CITY** - Don't miss this one! Newer roof, vinyl siding, windows, CA, front porch & newer appliances + home warranty in this cute 3 bedroom home w/2.5 car garage \$124,900 (38DOV) 734-455-5600



**WILKSTER** - Stunning brick ranch offers partially finished basement w/fireplace & glass block windows, newer furnace, CA, roof, hot water heater & all appliances. All this in this great 3 bedroom home \$99,900 (930AK) 734-455-5600



**REDFORD** - Move right in! Very clean & well maintained home that's bright & airy, offers 3 bedrooms, partially finished basement w/workshop, garage + newer roof, furnace & CA. \$114,900 (42NOR) 734-455-5600



**NOVI** - Comfortable condo 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 2-story located on a private setting in a desirable 20 unit complex w/Northville schools. Neutral and move-in ready 2 car attached garage and basement. Private deck faces secluded wooded area. Well maintained & ceramic tile foyer \$244,900 (23CHE) 248-349-5600



**SOUTHFIELD** - First Class 2 bedroom luxury condo. Huge rooms, 2 car heated garage w/car wash, dining room, balcony & master bath. Community pool, clubhouse, elevator & in-unit laundry. Most square footage for the money \$148,900 (33ARB) 248-349-5600



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**CANTON** - Beautifully maintained Cape cod backing to woods & golf course offers 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths 3+ car attached garage, basement, private patio. 1st floor master suite w/his & her walk-in closet, great room w/gas fireplace & cathedral ceiling \$405,500 (36GLE) 734-455-5600



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**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Here's your new home. Outstanding 4 BR, 2.5 BA brick ranch on almost a 1 acre lot w/pool. Offers a newer Grabbill cherry kitchen with Sub Zero refrigerator, Corian tops & sink. Updated baths & excellent floor plan. Beautiful gardens & much more \$379,500 (51WEL) 248-349-5600



**DEARBORN** - Terrific bungalow 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home offers hardwood floors, updated master bedroom, dining room w/ceramic floor, CA & appliances. Partially finished basement w/full bath & glass block windows. Home warranty \$154,900 (28ROB) 734-455-5600



**CANTON** - Great location. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath townhouse w/upgraded baths, remodeled kitchen, newer carpet, fireplace, numerous updates, finished basement, attached garage, 2 doorways leading to private deck & all appliances stay \$145,300 (74BED) 734-455-5600



**ROYAL OAK** - CHARM & CHARACTER. 3 BR, 1.5 BA home on a double lot w/2 backyards. lg master suite with WIC. French doors lead to all year sunroom, decking & privacy surround. Amenities include HW flrs, frplc, fantastic fn lower level w/separate office space. A pleasure to see \$214,900 (10ALE) 248-349-5600



**SOUTH LYON** - Welcome Home. Beautiful 3 BR, 2.5 BA Amish brick colonial offers spacious MBR w/awesome bath. Great room has natural frplc, cath ceilings & 9' doorwall to deck. Open kitchen w/oak cabinets. Walk out lower level. Professionally landscaped. Incredible wooded private lot \$299,900 (32PLU) 248-349-5600



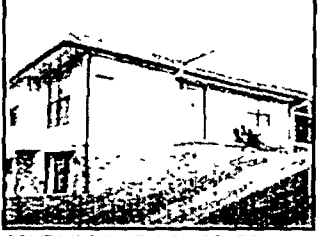
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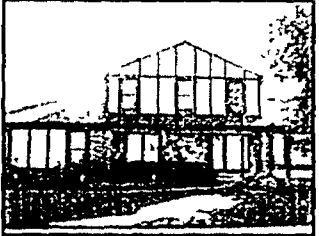
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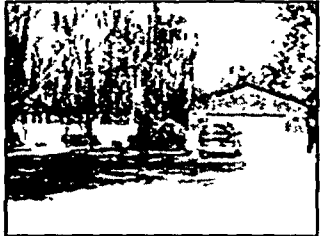
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Club Pet Too in Commerce Exp. w/ dogs & cats, will be assisting w/ boarding, daycare, & grooming/bathing services. Must be kind, dependable & hard working. (248)669-4501

**POST INSTALLER**  
needed, part time. Could turn in to full. Must have truck. You will get paid by each installation. Call (248) 887-4118 leave name & number

**PRESS OPERATOR**  
Experienced & required. Days/Evenings, full time benefits. Apply at: 30529 Anderson Ct., Wixom (W of Beck bet West Rd. & Pontiac Trail)

**PRESS OPERATOR NEEDED**  
People to train as Press Operators in our hot metal working plant. No exp. necessary. Will train. Good wages & benefits. Apply: **Danley Steel**, 4878 Technical Dr., Milford (248) 684-0555

**Repossession Field Agent**  
for Milford company. Must be 25 yrs of age & have a clean driving record. No exp. needed. Please call (248) 684-9499

**ROOFERS & LABORERS**  
Courteous & professional, watches language around women & children. Will train. Call American Budget Roofing, 810-231-3916, ask for James.

**ROUGH CARPENTER**  
Farmington Hills based remodeling co. seeks Rough Carpenter/Laborer to join existing crew. Fax resume to 248-538-5401

**ROUGH CARPENTERS**  
With at least 1 year of actual framing exp. 586-924-4107, 810-688-7131

Help Wanted General 5000

**SALES ASSISTANT**  
Established Commercial Roofing Company looking for an experienced Office Assistant. Must be computer literate, pleasant phone voice, organized & reliable. Excellent wage and benefit package. Email resume to: **Elzngacpa@gmail.com**

**SALES CLERKS**  
Hands-On Employment, Inc. is looking for dependable, mature people for all shifts at **Buddy's**, **Footlocker**, **Fun Mart**, **in Footlocker**. Full or part-time positions available. We offer paid training, health benefits, 401k plan, competitive wages. Sales clerk pay starts at \$6.50 per hour, fifty cent shift premium for third shift and the opportunity for monthly bonuses. Apply in person at: 203 W. Grand River, Farmington E.O.E.

**SECURITY GUARD**  
Novi area. Part time. No criminal record, must be 18. (800)469-7074.

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**Production Positions Part Time Hours**  
HomeTown Newspapers™ is seeking 2 people to work in our Bindery department in part time positions. You will be loading pages into a machine so that they may be inserted into the newspaper. The ability to regularly lift up to 20 lbs is required for this position.  
These are the regular hours for the positions:  
**Afternoon shift:**  
Wednesday and Saturday:  
4pm - midnight  
Friday: 8pm - midnight  
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Shift begins at midnight and ends at 8am on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.  
If you are interested and available for these shifts, please apply in person to HomeTown Newspapers™ at 1551 Burkhart Road in Howell. These positions include benefits and have the potential to develop into full time.  
**HomeTown**  
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**ASSISTANT CIRCULATION MANAGER**  
Needed for Grand Ledge & St. Johns publishing circulation areas. Working knowledge of newspaper circulation & delivery needed, including hiring carriers.  
**Lansing Community Newspapers** offers competitive salaries, benefits package including 401K, health, dental and one week vacation after 6 months continuous employment.  
**LCN**  
A part of HomeTown Communications Network  
**Human Resources Manager**  
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or fax to: 517-543-3677  
or email to: **jkoch@cn.hometownlife.com**  
EOE

**OUTSIDE SALES WAGES**  
The award-winning Observer & Eccentric Newspaper is looking for enthusiastic, result-oriented sales professionals to sell advertising to community retail businesses in Oakland County. The ideal candidate will have a bachelor's degree or equivalent work experience with at least 2 years of outside sales experience (media experience preferred). Must have own transportation.  
Do you have a flair for presenting creative sales presentations and know how to close a deal? If you are a highly motivated, self-starter who is also organized and persistent, you are the talented sales professional we're looking for. We offer a great work environment and excellent benefits.  
Please submit resume to:  
Email (preferred): **employment@oe.hometownlife.com**  
The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers  
36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150  
Fax: 734-953-2057  
Please reference job code: OSR





## Help Wanted General \$500

**INSURANCE AGENCY**  
In Plymouth needs licensed inside sales person. Property & casualty license required (734) 453-6000

SEEKING loving, experienced caregiver for 17mo. old in our home or your home. Great references required 3 days/week. (248) 231-8676

**SERVICE TECHNICIAN**  
Needed for busy sewer & drain cleaning business. Will train ambitious, responsible & strong person. Year round employment & benefits. Call for interview, 248-685-8440

**SHINGLE ROOFER**  
Experienced. Must have own crew, equipment, transportation, insurance, new construction exp. (248) 478-9500

**SHIPPING/RECEIVING**  
Experience a must, 8:30-4:30, M-F. Benefits. Woom area. (248) 380-6275

**SHOW BARN** in Holly seeks person for full time groom/caretaker position. Includes feeding, turn out, prep for training, stall cleaning & barn maintenance. Must have previous work exp in equine facility & ability to work independently. Call 810-750-2902

**SIDING INSTALLERS**  
Fiber cement exp only. GENERAL CARPENTRY help wanted. Remodeling. Must have exp., tools, good work history. (248) 374-3560

**STOCK ROOM HELP**  
Part-time. Sals, Sals & possible evenings. Call Tom Teske at Gorman's in Novi. 248-344-0880

**SUPERVISOR** Second shift exp. necessary. Injection molded plastic. Co. Brighton at 1351 Pickett Rd. Brighton

**SURGICAL INSTRUMENT REPAIR** Experienced and apprenticeship positions now opening for the mechanical repair of hand held surgical instruments. SIGNING BONUS AVAILABLE. Fax resume to (734) 661-0010 or call (734) 662-2488.

**TEACHER/CHILD CARE**  
Lead Teachers & Assistants for learning center in Northeast Suburbs. 800-90-LEARN or fax 248-373-5745 EOE

**TELLER, LOCAL COMMUNITY**  
bank has an opening for a part-time teller. At least 1 year of exp. preferred. Desire to work in a customer service oriented atmosphere is required. Send resume to Brighton Commerce Bank, 8700 N Second, Brighton, MI 48116. Attn: Linda Lavelly EOE/MF

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Person needed for Milling & Drilling work in our tool room. Some exp. helpful. Room for advancement. Good wages & benefits. Apply Quality Steel, 4978 Technical Dr., Milford (248) 684-0555 or fax (248) 684-0688

**TREE CREW LEADER**  
Grounds people Oakland County 40 hr wk. Must have drivers license. (248) 855-4648

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Farmington Hills based remodeling firm seeks trim carpenter with min. 5 yrs exp. Fax resume: 248-538-5401

**WAREHOUSE**  
Reliable, energetic self-motivated Truck Unloaders wanted for palletizing product. Very physical work for great \$\$ Rewards. Brighton area. Call (248) 446-1507

**Warehouse/Production**  
Experience helpful. Apply in person, 1360 W West Maple, Walled Lake, MI 48390

**Office Clerical \$500**

**\* ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE \***  
See ATWELL-HICKS, INC. ad under class "Help Wanted General" class \$500

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
Immediate opening for assistant to work in a fast paced Real Estate office in Brighton. You should be an organizer, a positive person, a good communicator - both written & verbal, computer proficient & experienced with all MS Office programs, database mgmt., have a good sense of humor, be a fast learner w/ a quick mind & be willing to work hard & smart. We offer an exciting atmosphere in a people-oriented business. This is NOT an entry-level position. Fax resume & salary requirements to Human Resources 810-900-6500

**CLERICAL**  
Art Van Furniture is currently looking for highly motivated people who are interested in working in a fast-paced office setting. Full-time positions available evenings and weekends required. Some typing and computer knowledge required. Full time positions include:  
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• Major Medical  
• Profit Sharing  
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• 30-40 Hr Work Week (avg)  
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These openings are available at our beautiful Novi store.  
Please apply in person dressed for success at ART VAN FURNITURE  
27775 Novi Rd  
Novi, MI 48377  
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**CLERICAL PERSON (248) 685-8731.**

**CREDIT ANALYST (full time) & RECEPTIONIST (part time 1-5pm)**  
Non smoking office Exp preferred. Will train. Call (810) 229-2075 or fax resume to (810) 229-2296

**Customer Service Rep GROWING INSURANCE AGENCY**  
We are looking for an outgoing person to provide quality insurance and service to our clients. Experience Preferred. Send resume to Shawn Pipoly Insurance Agency 10049 E Grand River Suite 400 Brighton, MI 48116

## Office Clerical \$500

**CUSTOMER SERVICE - INSURANCE**  
Full-time Customer Service Rep needed for growing Insurance Brokerage Division of 25 years, located in Milford, MI. Duties include customer service, data entry, seminar planning and multi tasking of assignments. Qualified person will need strong organization skills and work independently. Knowledge and good skill level of Microsoft and Outlook programs required. We offer competitive wages and a comprehensive benefit package. For consideration, please email resume to: mitch@bunge.com or fax to 248-676-0953 EOE

**CUSTOMER SERVICE REP**  
for med supply co. Retail sales exp necessary. Extremely fast paced environment. Qualified applicant will be detail oriented, a self starter, and have strong organizational skills. Please call, (517) 548-0186

**LEGAL SECRETARY**  
Brighton. Experienced. Fax resume to (810) 229-0796

**MORTGAGE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT**  
Mortgage processing and closing exp necessary. Accounting background helpful. Fax resume to Bonnie (248) 848-9958

**OFFICE ASSISTANT**  
Battery Solutions, Inc. 734-467-9110, ask for Susan

**OFFICE ASSISTANT**  
Full time. Answer phones, lead follow up calls and general office work. Email at: shawm@batt.com or fax 248-437-5249

**OFFICE HELP** Good phone & basic computer skills required. Part-time to start. Fax resume to (248) 926-8018

**OFFICE MANAGER**  
Well established consulting firm seeking exp office manager for its Brighton, MI office. Responsibilities include supervising admin staff & performing general office tasks. Qualified applicants will possess proven supervisory experience, solid understanding of customer service, exp verbal & written communication skills, proficiency in Microsoft Office, proofreading/editing skills, professional phone etiquette, & ability to handle multiple priorities. Minimum 5 yrs exp in similar position preferred. We offer competitive wage, complete benefits package including 401k & terrific working environment. Please submit resume, Atwell-Hicks, Inc., Attn: HR, 7927 Nemo Way Suite 100, Brighton, MI 48116, fax to (810) 227-6942 e-mail to: resumes@atwell-hicks.com EOE

**PROPERTY MANAGER**  
Needed for Tri-County area firm. Exp in multiple site residential community management. Send resume, if sites being managed & salary expectation. Observer & Electronic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Box 0707 Livonia, MI 48150

## Office Clerical \$500

**OFFICE/DISPATCHER**  
Needed. Must be organized with good computer skills. Call (810) 229-6596 or fax resume: (810) 229-1663

**PART TIME exp. Medical**  
Biller for nursing home. Knowledge of Medicare & Medicaid necessary. South Lyon Home (248) 437-2048 fax 248-437-8556

**RECEPTIONIST**  
Experienced receptionist needed for high volume law office in Southfield specializing in collection matters. Job duties include telephone answering and incoming/outgoing mail. Fax resume to Ann Chudnow, (248) 353-1447 or mail to 3000 Town Center, Suite 2390, Southfield, MI 48075-1387.

**Engineering \$500**

**MULTIPLE POSITIONS - ME - CE - DESIGNER**  
Progressive research and manufacturing company seeking several professionals to grow its Engineering staff. All will participate in research, new product design and product improvements for electronic measurement, gauging, automated systems and support software. The Mechanical Engineer and Designer positions require Auto Cad skills for design and production support. The Computer Engineer will be responsible for hardware/software integrations using NET, Visual Basic and C++. Candidates must have a minimum of an associates degree or equivalent. Comprehensive benefit package. Competitive salary commensurate with experience. Please send resume and salary history/requirements to LMI Corporation, 101 N Alloy Drive, Fenton, MI 48430 or to HR@lmi.com

**Dental \$500**

**DENTAL ASSISTANT/ ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A (JOB) OR A "CAREER"?**  
High energy practice seeks unique, expanded duty experienced chairside assistant, smiles a lot, willing to go the extra mile for quality, high tech patient care, expert in kindness. Full to part time hours. Fax resume to 810-632-2116 attn: Barbara, Kenneth McDaniel, DDS PC

**DENTAL RECEPTIONIST**  
Seeking an experienced dental professional team member. For quality-oriented office. If you are self-motivated with excellent customer service ability and share in our philosophy and commitment to our patients. Call (248) 474-0224

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**  
Our modern Southfield office is seeking a full time Dental Assistant who is detail oriented & will commit to patients, team & career. Mon-Thur Great salary & benefits for the right person. 248-356-8790

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**  
Experienced, Pinckney office (734) 878-3167

**DENTAL ASSISTANT - EXP.**  
Part time, for a friendly Livonia office. Self motivated. Are you the one? 734-425-1121

**Medical Assistant \$500**

**Medical Assistant**  
Busy orthopedic practice seeks Medical Assistant 3 yrs + working in a private physician office setting. Surgery boarding a plus. Certification preferred. Flexible person with a stable work history. Fax: (248) 937-5150

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Part-time pediatric office in Novi. General office skills. 1 yr exp. Fax resume 248-851-7305

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Part time, to work 3 days in our Nov. office. Exp is preferred. Call Debbie at (248) 348-8808

**DENTAL LAB/CEMENTIST**  
Dental lab seeks exp cementist. Full benefits. Call Laura for immediate interview at 734-595-7000

**Ramsey Dental**  
Now hiring experienced Waxed, with 5 yrs. experience minimum. Must have ability to wax full Contour for All Porcelain Crowns and Veneers. Full time/Excellent benefits. Call Pam: 248-442-4848

**Medical \$500**

**2 POSITIONS AVAILABLE:**  
Full-time Receptionist and Part-time Medical Assistant, experience preferred. Howel/ Brighton office. Fax resume to 517-546-5652

**DIRECT CARE GIVERS**  
For Group Homes in Livonia (all shifts), Garden City and Northville (afternoon shifts) \$7.30-\$7.80/hr Good benefits. Call Gann at 248-980-3309 or Cynthia at 248-980-3305

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**\* MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
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**Immediate Opening for Novi**  
physicians office. Phones, filing front desk. Full time, experience preferred. Please fax resume with cover letter to 248-347-6440

**MASSAGE THERAPIST**  
Experienced - to work in Milford Chiropractic office. Call (248) 685-2623

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Nursing Manager opportunities available at Marywood Nursing Care Center in Livonia. MDS Nurse needed Mon-Fri, exp necessary. Unit Manager needed, exp preferred. Call Cheryl 734-464-0600 or fax resume 734-464-0646

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## Medical \$500

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Orthopedic exp. Motivated to research claims, recover aged receivables, exp w/inital entry, follow up, claims status, accounts receivable. Stable work history. Fax resume 248-337-5150

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A busy established family practice in Brighton is seeking a full time Medical Receptionist. The qualified candidate will greet and assist patients obtain and communicate necessary information to the billing staff, schedule appointments and facilitate efficient patient flow. Must have a strong customer service background and be a team player. Knowledge of billing insurance, and referrals is preferred. We offer a competitive salary with an excellent benefits package. Please send your resume to Practice Manager, 7575 Grand River Suite 210, Brighton, MI 48114 or fax to 810-844-7701 www.hiacares.com

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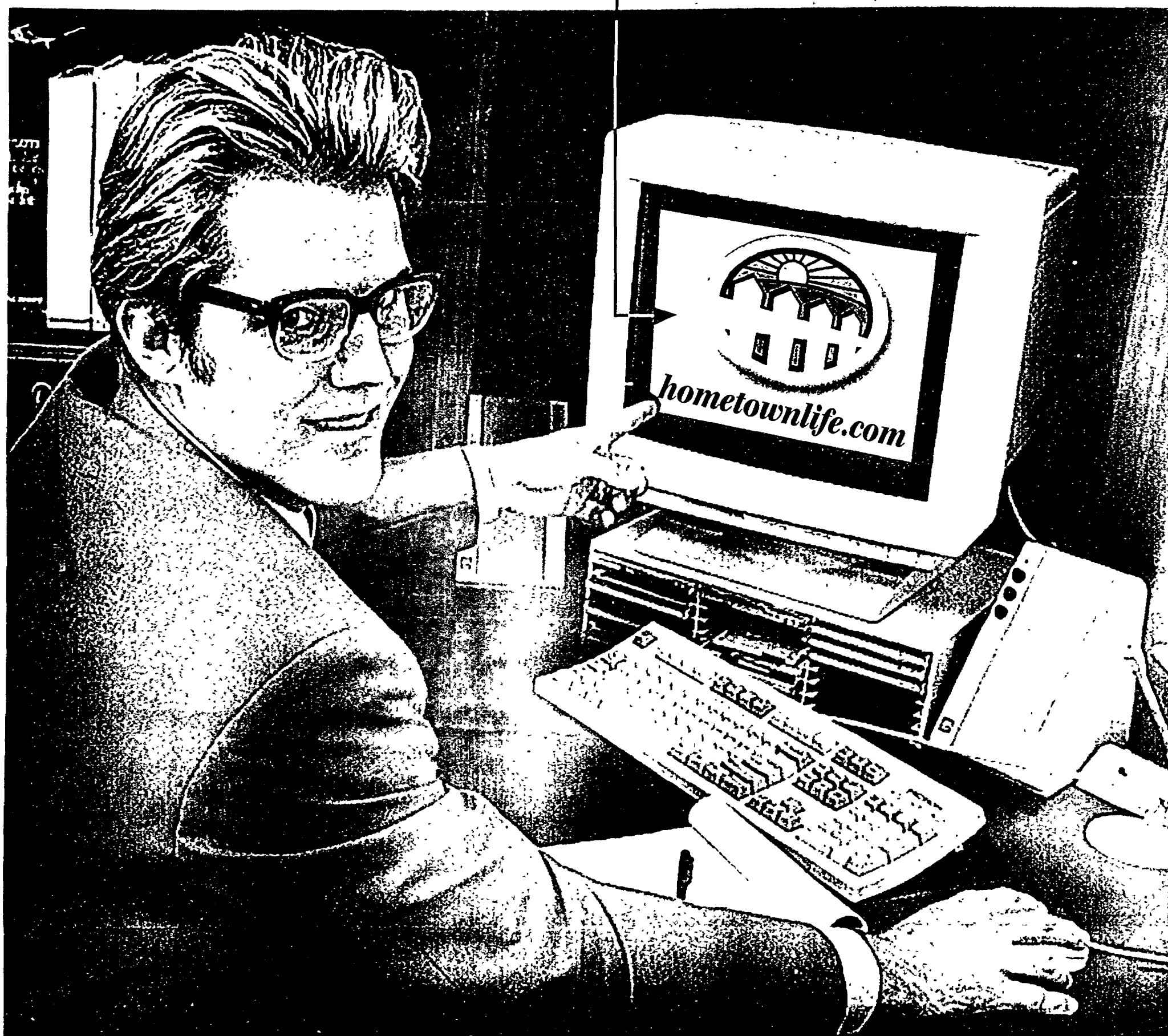
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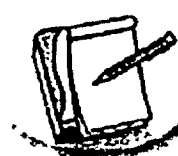
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# Down to Earth

## Realizing a dream, this homeowner goes underground

**By Lisa Coon**  
**Cooley News Service**

For someone who owns a roofing company, Ben Whistle has little roof upkeep on his own home. He just gets the lawn mower out.

Whistle and his family live in an earth-sheltered home built by Davis Caves Construction of Jannington, Ill.

Davis Caves has been building earth-sheltered homes since 1971, when the energy crisis of the 1970s and resulting skyrocketing costs to heat and cool homes created a business opportunity for the family, which was recently featured on an HGTV special on southwestern homes.

But back to Whistle and his own earth-sheltered home. The family built theirs in 1996. It was something Whistle had long dreamed of doing.

"I had dreamed of it ever since high school," he said. "I used to sit in study hall and draw earth-sheltered homes."

The first home for the family, which consists of Whistle, his wife, Kim, and their four

kids, ranging in age from 3 to 13, was a traditional, aboveground home. When it came time to build a new home, Whistle was ready to see his dream come true.

"Sooner or later, I knew I was going to build what I had always dreamed of," he said. They built a 1,600-square-foot home underground. The layout is that of a traditional ranch-style home with a kitchen, living room, dining room and four bedrooms and two

baths shooting off from the long main hallway of the home. A fifth bedroom was added recently by reducing the size of the living room. A third bathroom is located at the top of the stairs as visitors enter the home at ground level.

The couple plans to add a 1,200-square-foot addition to the top of the house, creating one large open room.

"We just need some more room for the kids to run," Whistle said.

The home, however, has been everything Whistle had dreamed. It stays cool in the summer and warm in the winter. They didn't install central air until last summer, and that was just to combat the humidity. Heated

floors help keep the home extra cozy in cold months.

In building the home, Whistle was most surprised at how much rebar was used in the walls and ceiling areas to reinforce the concrete.

The biggest challenge in building the home was getting enough material — dirt — to cover the construction.

"They dug into the ground quite a bit, but they didn't have enough to go back over it," Whistle said. "We had 60 truckloads of dirt and sand hauled in."

An earth-sheltered home is one in which the top as well as most sides are covered with earth. An earth-bermed home utilizes a conventional roof, with only the sides of the home protected with earth.

The makers of earth-sheltered homes, say a homeowner sees savings in energy and maintenance costs. They also have increased safety from fire and tornadoes.

Whistle likes the energy efficiency aspect of his home.

"I tease people that I could heat my home with a candle," he said.

He recently had his propane gas tank topped off, and it took 130 gallons. That was the amount the family has used this year. At about \$1 a gallon, the savings are obvious.

Skylights in the dining room and large windows out the back side of the home bring in plenty of light. Those bedrooms without windows have porthole-sized skylights in the ceiling, allowing some natural light to come into the room.

"I'm surprised more people haven't put in more earth-sheltered homes," Whistle said. "If we ever sold this one, we'd definitely build another one."



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"We wanted to use some antique pieces," as highlights, recalled the lady of the house.

"But as we got further along and as the design evolved, we realized we had to carry it (the antique materials) through the house, or we'd lose the authenticity."

She and her husband took Wilson on his first trip to Italy "so he could see, touch, feel what we wanted to capture in the house. We wanted colored plaster walls; textures, not shiny surfaces; and materials we wouldn't have to worry about with kids or when we entertain."

In all, they bought and shipped home about six commercial shipping containers full of old treasure. Among their finds: dozens of foot-worn paving stones from the south of France for their courtyard; oversized forged-iron strap hinges (now fitted to a massive, new walnut door in the wine room); and a newfangled trough nearly as big as a bathtub carved from a single block of limestone (now a hot pond).

The hundreds of roof tiles atop this house developed a soft patina during perhaps two centuries of domestic service under the Tuscan sun near Florence. They cost about the same as tiles made to look old today, but a modern asphalt-shingle roof was laid first to seal the roof and to satisfy local building code.

The earthiness of old, smooth terra cotta also entices rooms inside. In the spacious kitchen, which comfortably accommodates acres for preparing, cooking and consum-

ing food, dark rafters appear to hold rows of 100-year-old rectangular tiles against highlights, recalled the lady of the house. These peckmarked and mottled tiles were used this way and actually formed the roof.

"We didn't know how we were going to duplicate that look and meet local building codes, until we got to that point in construction," said Wilson, laughing.

Similar tiles have been set like bricks for flooring. Once upon a time, a French or Italian dog left a paw print in one tile, now installed in the master bedroom floor.

The imprities in the clay used to make these tiles decades ago "gives them coloration and texture," Holmes said, pointing to glimmerings of green and gold in the creamy buff-to-sandstone-colored tiles. A sanding process used to remove old paint from some tile surfaces did no visible harm and may have enhanced their rusticity.

Easily swept clean, the house's tiled floors feel cool to those who go barefoot. When the weather turns chilly, the tiles warm up and release heat, thanks to a radiant heating system under the bricks.

Sometimes the couple searched for specific items on their trips, such as the living room fireplace (which is new, but carved of reclaimed stone in France) or a hammered-copper bowl, used for candy making, to convert to a kitchen sink.

"They came back with a box of hardware and a big, old brass spigot and asked me, 'Can we use this somewhere?' Or they'd show me photos they'd taken of

building details, and ask, 'Can you incorporate something like this?'" recalled Wilson, who relished these challenges.

Occasionally, Wilson and contractor Steve Bedford were stumped by an unexpected wrinkle during construction, such as when a wide, exterior window sill interfered with the placement of another planned detail. The detail had to change, but how?

"All right, we're in Tuscany 100 years ago," Wilson told the crew that day. "What would we do here?"

The answer, he said, came easily: Use available materials (brick, stone, mortar) and ingenuity to transform that clashing detail into something a Tuscan farmer might have built.

So, Wilson fashioned a narrow ledge of layered stone and antique roof tiles above a courtyard door. The ledge perfectly fits the house's character, cleans the window sill and provides a sliver of shade for the doorway. While the idea came to him subconsciously, Wilson was pleased when he later returned to Italy and spotted something similar in very old buildings.

With details like this at every turn, the house echoes old Tuscan country houses in materials, form and spirit. The owners say they couldn't have accomplished this without a highly creative and collaborative design and construction team, who worked hard and ate well on this job. Several times, the owners treated the entire crew to catered Italian lunches at fresco — that is, at the construction site.

They commissioned another friend, Michael Cooley, a fine cabinemaker, to make and carve the kitchen cabinetry. Then they decided to have him make country-French or -Italian carved furniture for one bedroom, then another, then the entire house.

After all the effort they'd made in customizing their home, they wanted the convenience of moving into a furnished house, and the assurance that a single furniture maker would unify the furnishings. Cooley began making the furniture the same week construction started on the house. Both projects finished at the same time.

So, three years ago, this family stepped into a new home already decorated with colored plaster walls, large, carved armatures built to fit twin alcoves, an elaborately carved mirror above the fireplace and a four-poster master bed carved with an intricate basket-weave design.

A master craftsman's tour de force, the bed pays tribute to the owners' appreciation for fine wine: Carved bunches of fat grapes hang on carved vines above their heads as they sleep.

Even the contractor was moved to contribute his own artistry to the project. A glass artist, Bedford blew amber-colored glass shades for half a dozen scones mounted on custom-made brackets.

Brimming as it is with stories of passion, adventure and invention, this house is a work of art worthy of its country of origin.



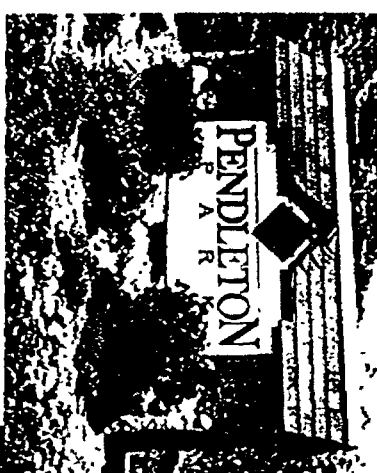
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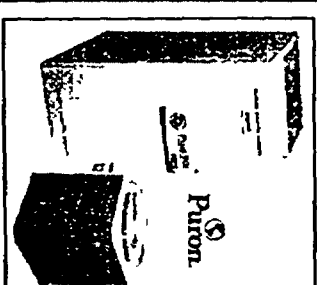
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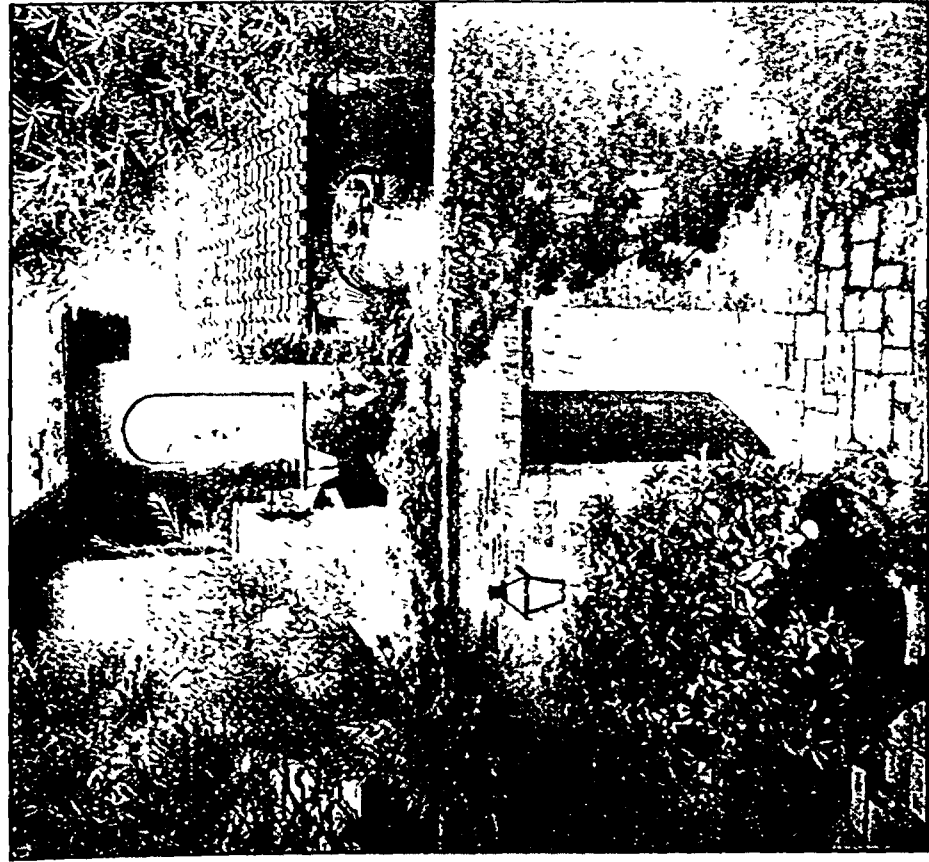


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## Casa Bella

Bringing Old World charm home — brick by brick

By Ann Jarmusch  
Copley News Service

Every year, thousands of travelers fall in love with Tuscany: its rustic, old buildings and fragrant walled gardens, rolling fields and narrow cobblestone paths, fresh pasta and vintage wine.

One San Diego couple found a remarkable way to satisfy the fabled tug of Tuscany and the country life they've enjoyed there on visits spanning 20 years.

Taking cues from our region's Mediterranean climate and landscape, they built a Tuscan-style country house with gold-enhanced plaster and limestone walls, arched windows and a two-story tower.

Inside, the rooms may be stately in scale, but they're also inviting and comfortable. Subdued colors gleamed from nature — moss and sage green, deep crimson, ochre — run through the rooms like a tapestry.

As in Italy, life in this house is mostly hidden from public view by a stone wall and several mature olive trees out front. Its weathered tile roofs vary in height and shape, suggesting a tiny, compact Italian village.

Behind the front wall lies an intimate

stone-paved courtyard with potted lemon trees, a trickling fountain and antique Italian bricks set into walls of limestone from a source the architect of the house is keeping to himself.

The courtyard leads to front doors with panels of translucent, leaded art glass. When open, the doors reveal an inviting sequence of earthy-colored indoor spaces (entry hall and sunken great room) and, beyond that, an uninterrupted view of the family's broad patio and pool and the public waterfront.

This home's striking resemblance to a real Tuscan beauty is more than skin deep. The owners (who asked to remain anonymous) went to extraordinary lengths to make it so, traveling several times to Italy and the south of France to gather dozens of antique decorative elements and building components to use inside and outside the house.

Allan Holmes, a family friend and importer of antique architectural elements, guided the couple and their architect, Tim Wilson of Wilkon Architecture, and landscape architect Josh Chandler on whirlwind buying trips to old stone yards and other sources in France and Italy.

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By John O'Connell  
Copley News Service

Cleaning gutters, caulking windows and checking the furnace are annual rites of fall for many homeowners.

Performing a few maintenance chores can turn a drab home into a cozy one with the added bonus of saving energy and reducing heating bills. And this is the time to assess your home with a critical eye looking for problems from the roof shingles to the furnace.

One of the best ways to have a comfortable home and to control heating costs is to have the furnace checked each year. But this chore should be left to a qualified person. Autumn is an especially busy time for service technicians Russ Long with Starnes Mechanical Inc. in Peoria Heights, Ill. Long will do between 8 to 10 furnace checks a day during early fall.

"This really is the best time to have your furnace checked," Long said. "Problems often arise when the furnace is running continuously in really cold weather. You don't want to wait until you have a problem in the middle of the night when temperature is below freezing. Those calls get expensive."

One of the things Long checks for is a crack in the furnace's heat exchanger. This is not only a waste of energy, but unsafe as well. As part of his check, he cleans and adjusts the burner assembly, lubricates the moving parts, checks for gas leaks and examines the flue.

To save on natural gas bills, lowering a furnace's thermostat by 2 degrees results in a savings of 3 percent, according to the Central Illinois Light Co.

Ellen Burton, extension educator with the University of Illinois Extension, recommends installing a programmable setback thermostat, which can automatically lower the furnace thermostat when people aren't home or asleep and raise it at times when they are in the home and awake. She also recommends changing regular furnace filters once a month and high-efficiency filters every three months. Here are some other winterizing tips from the University of Illinois Extension:

— **Roof and gutters:** Check roof for loose shingles and valleys and cracks in and around the chimney.

"Not everyone should be climbing on a roof," Burton cautioned. "But if something that should be done. Rainwater can get into the house through loose shingles and flashing and cause quite a bit of damage. When my husband was doing our roof check, he installed a screen at the top of the chimney to prevent leaves and small animals from getting in it."

While you're on the roof, take time to clean out your gutters. Rain gutters and downspouts get clogged by falling leaves, causing gutters to overflow, which leads to wet basements or

Batten down the hatches, cold weather's on the way

ice dams that cause leaky roofs. This chore may have to be repeated several times during the fall.

— **Weatherization:** Seal cracks around windows and doors.

Caulking joints between window frames or around door frames will pay dividends in comfort and energy savings.

"Anywhere you have pipes coming into the house, like a dryer vent, should be checked," Burton said. "Make sure they are sealed properly. If they are not, clean out the old caulk and re-caulk."

If windows are not properly insulated, consider covering them with plastic. Local home centers and hardware stores sell kits to insulate windows. Don't forget basement windows, said Jay Solomon, an engineer with the University of Illinois Extension.

"A lot of air comes through my basement windows," Solomon said. He recommends covering them with plastic.

Another source of drafts is through electrical outlets on outside walls. There are kits especially made to insulate them. Doors, too, should be checked. If you can push a quarter through the bottom of the door and the door-jamb, you need weatherstripping.

In many homes, money is going through the roof with insufficient insulation. This is especially true with older homes, Solomon said. The higher the R-value of the insulation, the less energy it will take to heat or cool.

He also suggested an insulation blanket for the water heater tank to improve its efficiency.

— **Pipes and faucets:** Pipes in unheated areas like a basement or crawl space may need to be protected with heat tape. And outdoor faucets are especially prone to freezing and breaking in very cold winters.

"Never leave hoses on outside faucets," Burton said. "You should remove them, drain them and store them away for the winter."

Shutting off outside faucets and draining them is the best way to prevent freezing. Solomon said there are covers that can be purchased to fit over the spigots to help protect the pipes from freezing.

— **Inspect chimneys and fireplaces:** Another job that should be done annually is

checking and cleaning the fireplace and chimney. As with the furnace, this task should be best left to a qualified person.

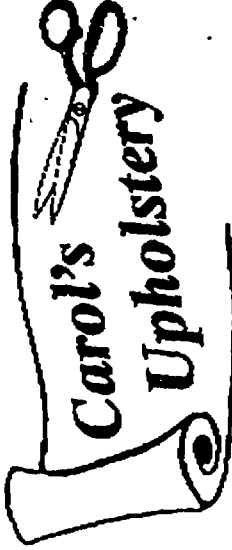
"When you burn wood, creosote can build up inside the chimney," Burton said. "This has the potential to catch on fire. A chimney sweep will clean the creosote out and check for cracks."

When not in use, keep the damper closed to prevent heated air from escaping up the chimney. And if the fireplace is never used, consider sealing the chimney flue, the University of

Illinois Extension advised.

While winterizing your home, check the batteries in the smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector, Burton said. She also advised keeping an emergency heat-supply source on hand in case the electricity goes out on a cold winter night.

"You should have emergency supplies on hand," Burton said. "That would include such things as a battery-operated radio, candles, a lantern, extra canned goods and even a mechanical can opener."



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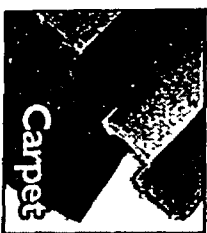
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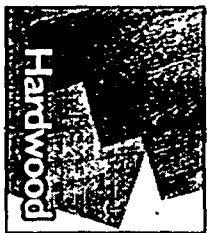
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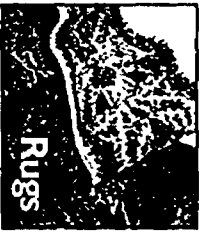
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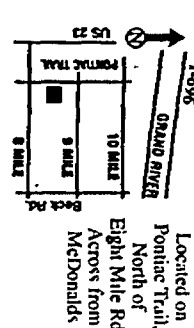
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## Tips and trends for home improvement and design

### Stop the drip

Whether it's time to replace that bathroom faucet because it constantly drips, or you simply want to change the look, new faucet installation is a relatively easy project which can be accomplished in one weekend, according to Lou Manfredini, Ace Hardware's "Helpful Hardware Man" and national home improvement expert. Before tackling the task, follow these handy tips:

— Research the various design options available. Manufacturers introduce new style faucets every year.

— Make sure you know the correct fit for your particular sink. Some faucets are installed into a single hole, while others fit into two holes. But not all two-hole openings are spaced identically, however.

— Have the right tools on hand to complete the job.

— Don't forget to turn off the water supply on both the hot and cold lines under the sink before you begin. If there's no turn off valve, turn off the main water supply.

— To make the job easier, remove cabinet doors, hook up a work light or use a flashlight, and cushion the floor with a drop cloth or towels.

### Lowell's paint ideas

Christopher Lowell, the Emmy Award-winning host and motivating force behind the Discovery Channel's "The Christopher Lowell Show," provides paint project ideas on [www.Paintideas.com](http://www.Paintideas.com), a site designed to inspire do-it-yourselfers to get creative with their own projects.

Each project provides step-by-step instructions for transforming everyday items into decorative home accents. Here are some examples of Christopher Lowell's projects:

— Cinema Chic Coffee Table: A modern, out-of-the-ordinary, eye-catching coffee table made of a wood bottom layer and a Plexiglas top.

— Tencap Chandelier: Add a "cup of tea" to your kitchen decor by turning teacups into decorative light fixtures.

— Bathroom Box Storage Cubbies: These architecturally appealing storage cubes are a fun accessory to any bathroom. Additionally, the idea gallery includes indoor and outdoor decor and fix-up ideas, seasonal and kids' projects, workshop, home office and auto fix-ups, as well as the newest category, "tummy stuff." For example, do-it-yourselfers can find tips to give an ordinary tabletop a contemporary feel or unify mismatched candlesticks by adding some silver magic.

Lowell's projects for Paintideas.com support his philosophy that "where there is fear, there is no creativity."

### Do it in bamboo

Lowell says, "Remember that fear is the number one reason why things remain the same in the house. Where there is fear, there is no creativity. By dispelling fear, you unleash your creativity. Your environment should be a reflection of who you are. This has less to do with money and more to do with your spiritual well being. We are how we live. Who knew?"

Style and sensibility need not be mutually exclusive. Bamboo is evidence of that. Architect Cate Beth Goldberg is spreading the word about bamboo's virtues in "Bamboo Style," a book that encourages design and building professionals, as well as homeowners, to incorporate bamboo into architecture, decor and landscape design.

Goldberg touts bamboo as a renewable, economical resource that grows quickly and, therefore, can be harvested and regrown faster and more easily than hardwood trees. She also makes a case for bamboo's beauty when it's used in furniture and accessories or made into laminated flooring or panels that resemble hardwood.

"Bamboo Style" combines design inspiration, education on the plant's characteristics and traditional uses, instructions for growing bamboo, an overview of bamboo products and photos of bamboo artisans' work. It even includes instructions for a few decorative and useful items readers can make.

The book is published by Gibbs Smith, and is priced at \$39.95.

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To find out more, call (800) 448-6837 or see the company's Web site at [www.hunter-fan.com/](http://www.hunter-fan.com/).

## The Heat is On

In the kitchen, Tulikivi ovens Finnish strong

By Pat Stein  
Contributing Writer

Nothing says "home" like something from the oven — especially if it's from a contemporary version of the old-fashioned wood-fired oven that has been used throughout Scandinavia and northern Europe for centuries.

Tulikivi — combination bake ovens, fireplace and stove units from Finland — are what's hot when it comes to cozy cooking combined with efficient household heating. The Tulikivi (pronounced "TOO-lah-KIE-vee") is now gaining favor in the United States because of its clean-burning efficiency, healthy heat output and versatility.

"A two-hour fire will provide heat for 24 hours," said Ron Phil, a Tulikivi distributor in Montana. Phil is not only a Tulikivi distributor and installer but a fan of the unit that he uses to heat his own 2,000-square-foot, two-story home and to bake goodies ranging from roasted chicken to sourdough bread.

"There's a huge movement in the United States to this rustic way of cooking and baking. It's environmentally correct style because you're using a renewable resource (wood) for heat and it's a healthy way of baking, cooking and heating. I love to spend my days off baking in the Tulikivi oven. It's more trouble and time-consuming than microwaving a meal, but it's more satisfying. I like the idea of cooking a lot of things with one little pile of wood. It's an experience that grounds you," Phil said.

He usually starts by baking sourdough bread, then roasting a chicken and ends up making pies. Of course, he also makes wood-fired pizza.

"You wouldn't believe how moist the meats cooked in the oven are and how good the breads are with their thick, crunchy crusts and moist insides. Vegetables roasted in the oven are fantastic," Phil said.

Because the Tulikivi unit is made of soapstone — a heat retentive stone that has been quarried in Finland for centuries — it's an efficient household heating unit as well as a cooking unit, according to Phil.

"You burn a fire of any kind of split wood for two hours, they allow the stone oven to soak up the heat for 30 minutes to an hour. The oven can get up to 600 degrees while the fire is burning. After the fire is out and the oven has soaked up the heat you can bake in it for up to eight hours. It bakes at about 400 degrees. It's efficient and even because it cooks by conduction, convection and radiant heat," Phil said.

The Tulikivi combination fireplace and bake oven units typically have two fireboxes. The fireplace, which features an open fire-viewing area, has its own firebox, which Phil uses to heat his home. The heat from the fireplace will also heat the oven to about 325 degrees. But if you want to do serious cooking in the bake oven, you need to build a fire in the oven's firebox, according to Phil. This means starting the fire at least two hours before you intend to start baking, so Tulikivi cooking is definitely not about fast food.

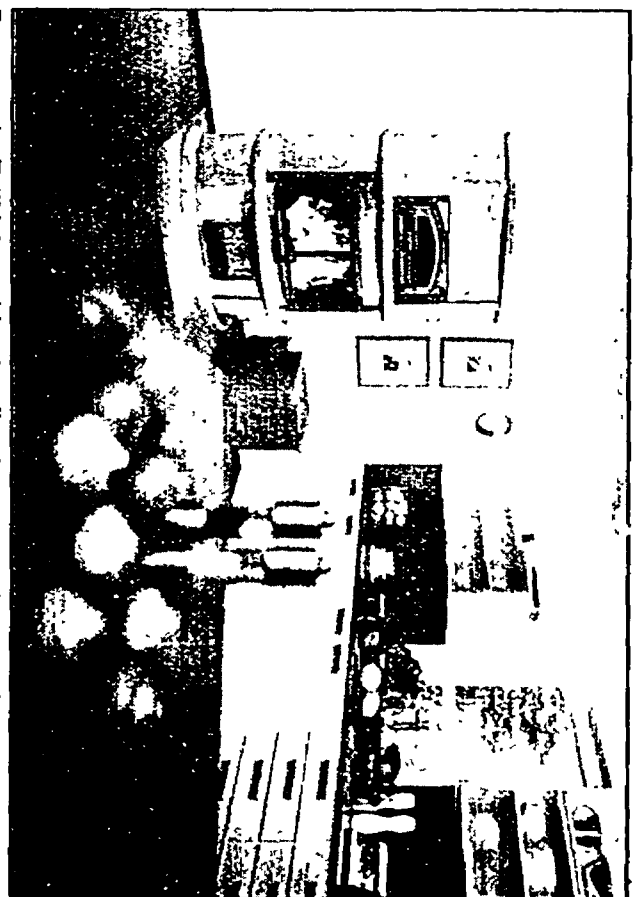
The units, which are custom-built and installed on site by professionals like Phil, cost from \$7,000 to \$20,000 installed, depending on size and amenities.

"It's really not all that expensive, especially when you consider the savings in the cost of household heating," Phil said, adding that he burns three to four cords of wood per year in his Tulikivi and spends next to nothing on other heating sources.

The units are fairly massive and often function as room dividers between family room and kitchen.

"The most popular model is a fireplace with a wrap-around bench for sitting by the fire on one side (typically the family room) and a bake oven on the kitchen side," Phil said.

Because they weigh about 2,200 pounds, Tulikivi's require structural support and are better suited to new construction than remodels. Installation takes two to four days. "You have to plan for a Tulikivi structurally. You wouldn't just install one in an existing room," Phil said.



Because the Tulikivi combination fireplace and bake oven is made of soapstone it's an efficient household heating unit as well as a cooking unit.

For those who want to do truly vintage cooking there's a Tulikivi stove that features a cooking top Phil describes as "similar to your grandmother's wood stove" and a wood-fired oven.

"Water boils in eight to 10 minutes on the cooking top," Phil said.

Unlike the open hearth wood-fired ovens often seen in restaurants, the Tulikivi bake oven has a door that closes to seal in heat — so it's not dramatic to watch. But Phil says you can't beat the flavor of the food baked in

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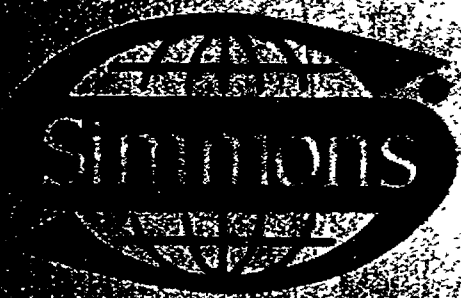
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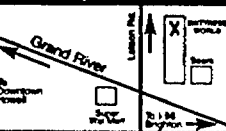
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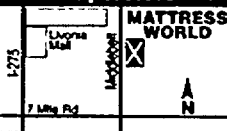
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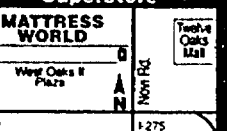
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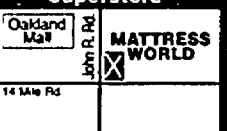
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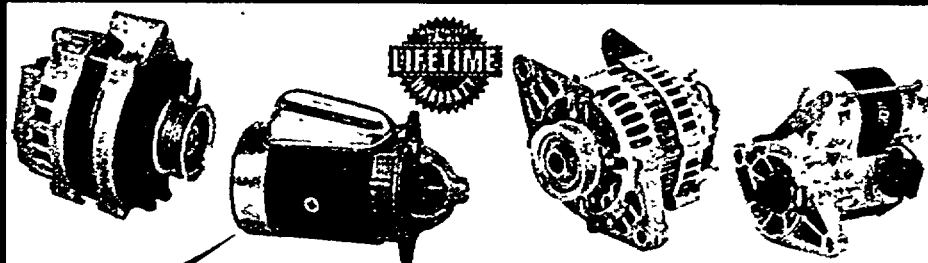
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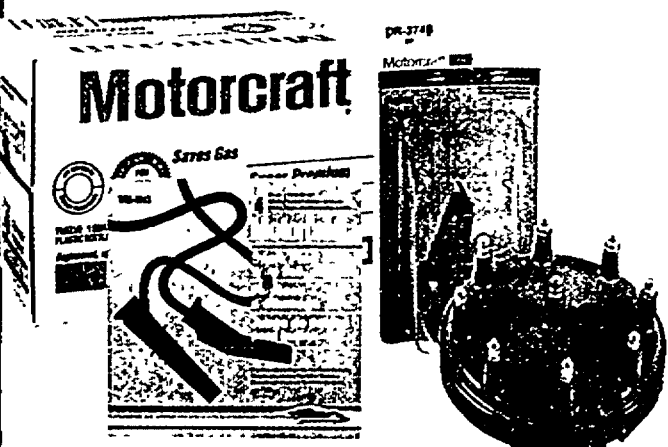
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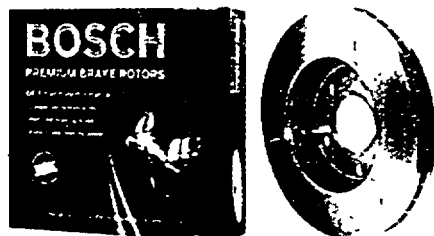
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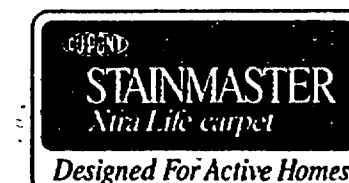
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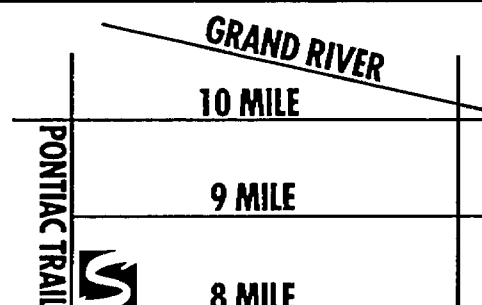
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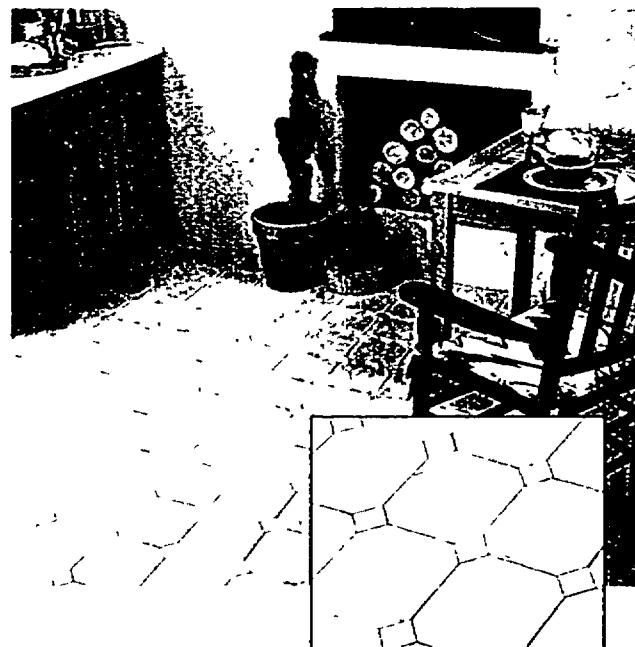
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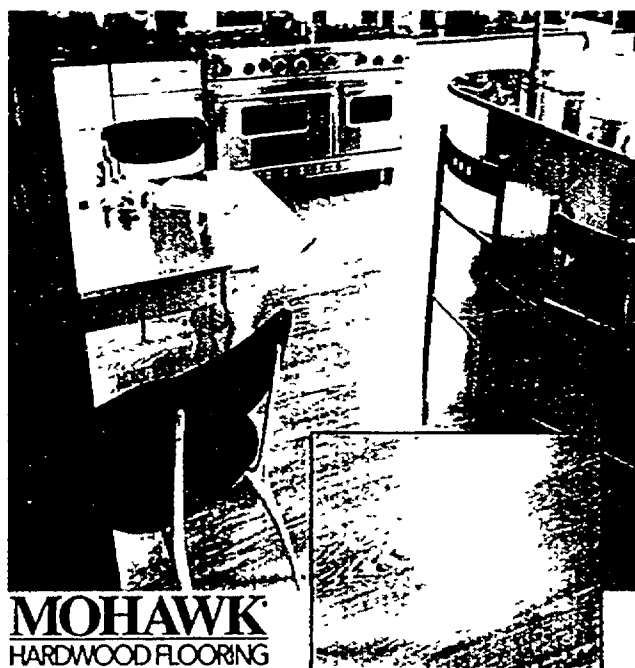
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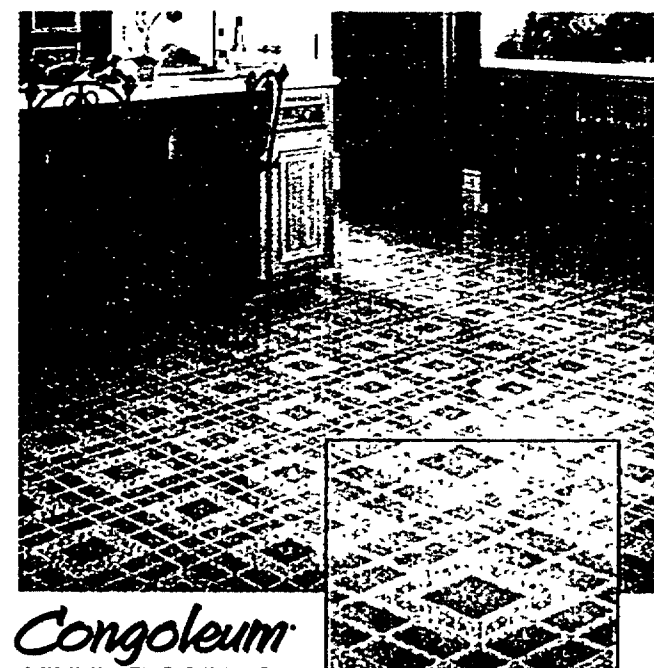
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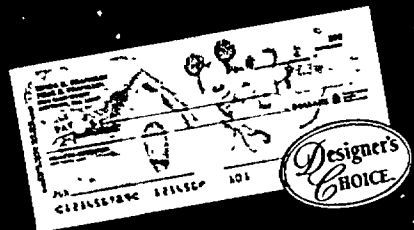
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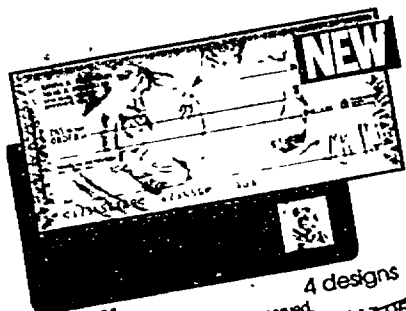
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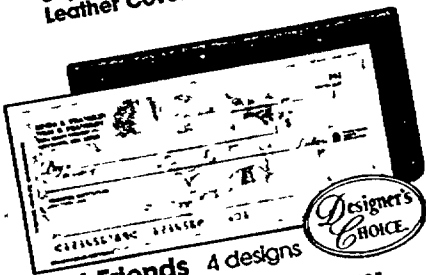
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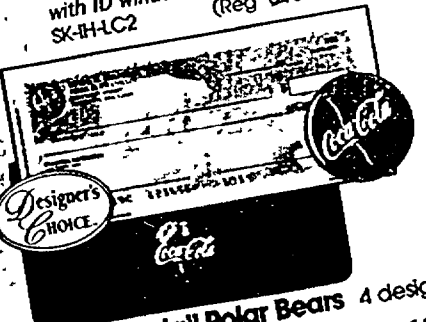
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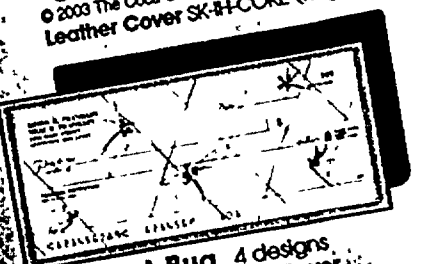
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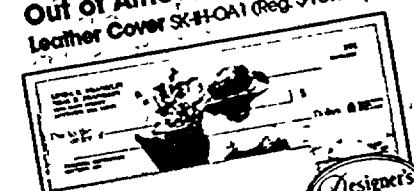
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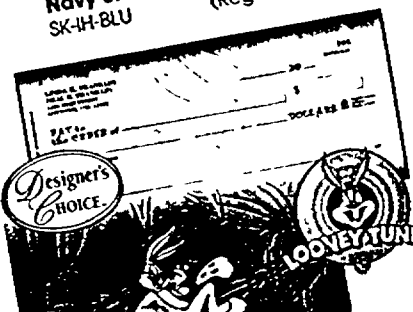
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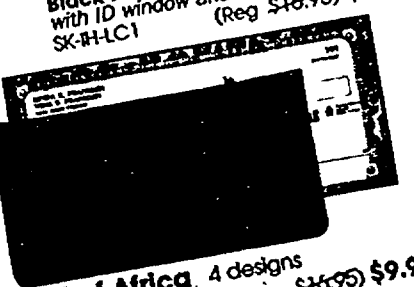
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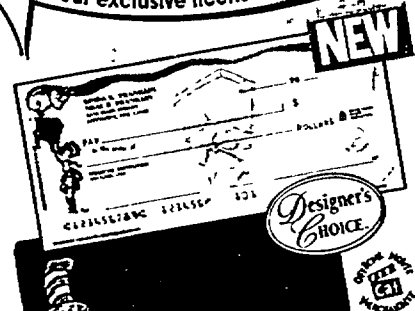
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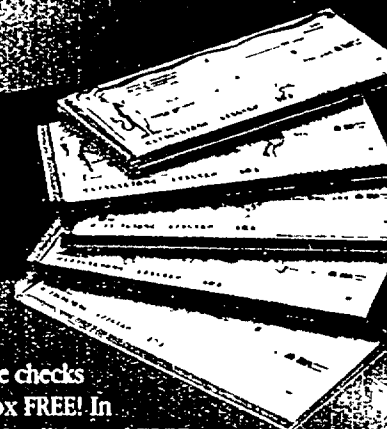
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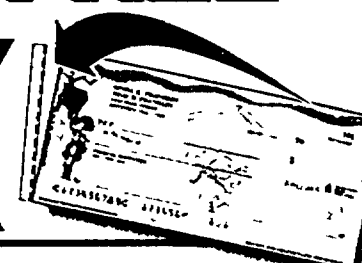
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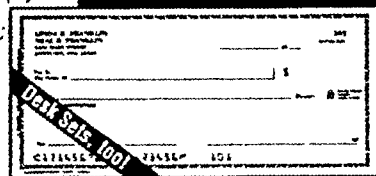
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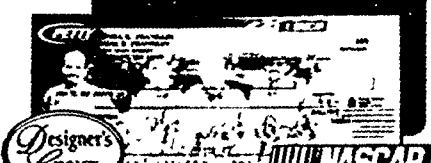
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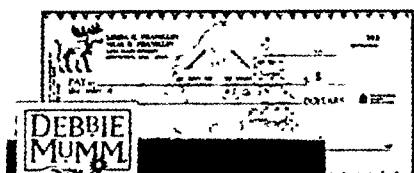
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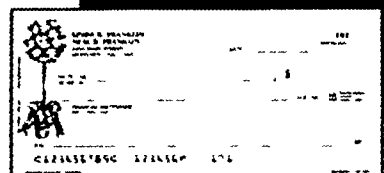
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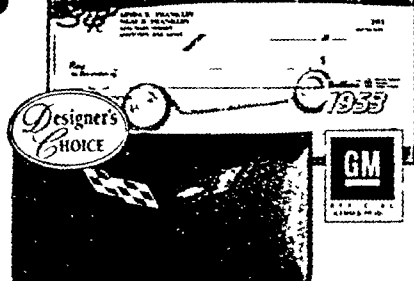
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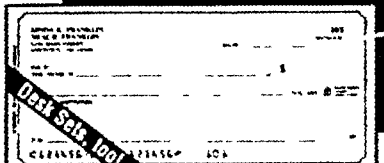
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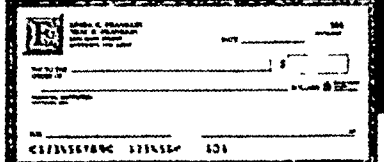
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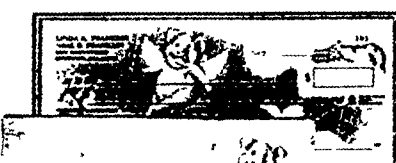
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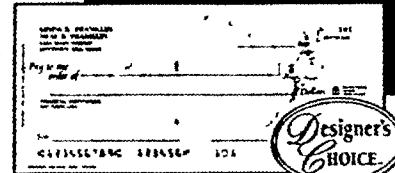
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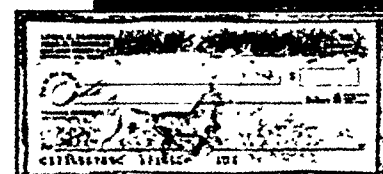
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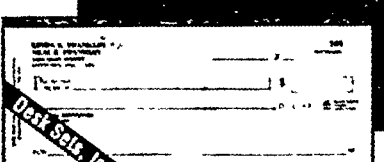
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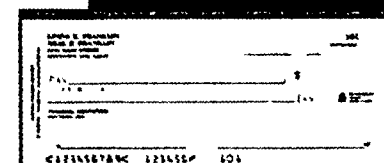
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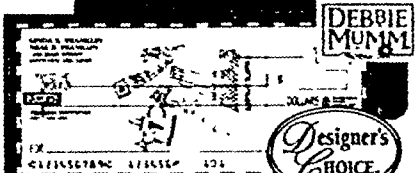
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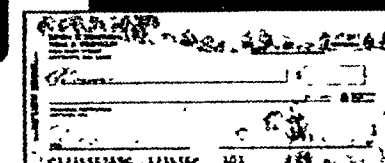
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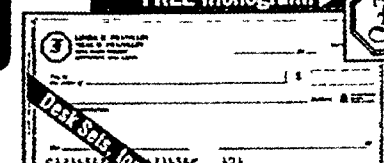
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# Ask American Profile

**Q** I would like to know if Ray Price is still touring and recording. I really love to hear him sing.

—Bertie D., Tennessee

Price, 77, is considered one of the greatest country singers ever and is known for hits such as *Crazy Arms*, *Danny Boy* and *For The Good Times*. However, he's not content to rest on his laurels. He recently released two new CDs, a solo record called *Time* and a duet album with Willie Nelson titled *Run That By Me One More Time*. "Willie and I have been friends for so long that it was like sitting down with a brother and feeling comfortable in whatever you say or do," he says of the recording sessions. Price will perform nearly 100 shows this year, most to sell-out crowds. "I always wanted to be the older people's singer anyway," he says. "I wasn't going for the younger people. When things got so bad in the record industry that only the younger people would get to play, the older people were ignored. We've gone back to doing straight old country-type songs." He may begin work on a new album soon. "I'm an older person but I'm still real active and entertainment is my life," he says. "I want to continue singing for the older people, the old songs they liked so much." Price, who has one son, lives on a horse farm in Mount Pleasant, Texas (pop. 13,965), with Janie Mae, his wife of 35 years. When he's not singing, he's raising thoroughbred horses. "I love all horses, but the thoroughbred to me is a great creature."

**Q** Someone told me Robert Redford refuses to salute the American flag. He is my all-American hero. Please tell me this isn't true.

—Ruth B., California

Absolutely false. "He loves this country tremendously and that's why he's working so hard to protect the environment for future generations of Americans," a spokesman for Redford says. Redford, 66, known for his acting talents in films such as *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*, also is a successful director who won an Academy Award in 1981 for his direction of *Ordinary People* and received a 1994 nomination as director of *The Quiz Show*. More recent projects include *An Unfinished Life*, a family drama co-star-

Robert Redford devotes his time to preserving the environment.



Ray Price performs 100 concerts a year and recently released two CDs.

ring Jennifer Lopez scheduled for release next year, and *The Clearing*, a kidnapping thriller with Helen Mirren and Willem Dafoe that will be out later this year. Redford, a divorced father of four who lives in Utah, also founded the Sundance Institute, which holds an annual film festival that has become one of the world's most influential showcases for new movies.



TV host Gene Rayburn.

**Q** I would like to know about Gene Rayburn, the host of *Match Game*. Let me know if he is alive and if he is married and has children.

—Leona W., Florida

Sadly, Gene Rayburn passed away in 1999 at the age of 81. His wife, Helen, died three years before he did and they have one daughter, Lynne. You can still catch reruns of his most popular game show, *The Match Game*, on the Game Show Network. Rayburn was born in Christopher, Ill., (pop. 2,836) and moved to New York City to pursue a career as an opera singer. When that didn't work out, he attended an announcer's school, and after serving in World War II, got a job as a page for NBC. Eventually he worked his way up in television, getting his first big break when he was hired to be the announcer for *The Tonight Show* with Steve Allen.

He hosted a number of game shows, but *The Match Game*, which began in 1962 and—aside from a three-year break—ran for nearly 20 years, was the one that stuck. And here's an interesting fact: the ultra-slim, long microphone that Rayburn used on the show—he invented it. ☆

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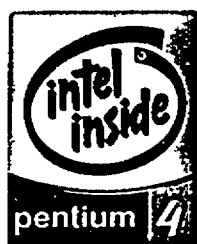
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## Home to Heroes

# Paradise in the Pines

by KARA CARDEN

As keyboardist for The Rolling Stones, Chuck Leavell will take Manhattan when he has to. But at the end of a concert tour, give him that good old countryside—specifically, the 2,200 acres he shares with his wife, Rose Lane, outside of Macon, Ga. “People ask me, ‘Chuck, you’ve been all over the world. What’s the most beautiful place you’ve ever seen?’ I tell them: ‘Bullard, Georgia.’”

Rose Lane agrees wholeheartedly. Though she enjoys accompanying her husband on flashy rock ‘n’ roll tours, she feels just as strongly that the plantation they share is paradise.

The couple inherited half the acreage—and their historic 1800s house—from Rose Lane’s grandmother in 1981. “At that time, we were happy living in Macon,” Rose Lane says. “We had a lovely home, (daughter) Amy was in school there, Chuck’s music career was thriving, and I had a successful clothing boutique. But the minute my grandmother died, that part of my life didn’t exist anymore. We moved out here within a week, because we realized ... this was the big picture,” she con-



Chuck Leavell grows trees in Bullard, Ga., when he's not on the road rockin'.

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They now grow a variety of pine—southern yellow, loblolly, longleaf, and shortleaf—which are harvested on a 60-year rotation. But they leave a portion of their forests untouched for native wildlife, including turkey, deer, and bears.

Chuck and Rose Lane developed a strong belief that with proper management, wood is a resource that can, and should, be used forever.

“It’s natural for us to take these things and use them and craft them, to build with them, and maintain them, and be the stewards we’re meant to be of this world,” Chuck says.

“But we can’t go cut everything we want,” he adds. “It takes a long time to grow a tree, so when you decide to harvest, you have to be really careful. What I try to do is give a balanced view, a balanced response, and a balanced answer.”

Chuck shares this message in his book, *Forever Green: The History and Hope of the American Forest*, and with those he meets while traveling with the Stones and other bands. He also serves as the Georgia Forestry Association’s (GFA) spokesperson now, and he and Rose Lane both serve on the American Forestry Foundation’s national operating committee. They sponsor a forestry scholarship at the University of Georgia at Athens, and have built a nature trail on their property to educate students about environmental issues.

“Chuck and Rose Lane are great stewards of their land,” says Sharon Beningsfield, of the GFA. “It’s amazing how people will start thinking about forestry in a whole other light when they hear our messages through Chuck.”

That’s partly because there’s more good news about our forests than people sometimes believe, Chuck says.

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“As a matter of fact, there are more forests now than there were back in the ‘30s,” he adds. “There are great new management techniques, and we’re learning all the time. The beautiful thing about the resource of wood is it does grow back, and with proper care and maintenance and attention, these things will be here forever.”

Kara Carden is a regular contributor to American Profile.

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## Tidbits

### Did You Know...

**ILLINOIS**—Actor Eddie Albert is best known for his role as Oliver Douglas, a New York attorney living in Hooterville, on the 1960s sitcom *Green Acres*. Albert was born in 1908 in Rock Island (pop. 39,684).

**INDIANA**—Six-letter last name of the only person with a degree in enigmatology? Shortz. Will Shortz, crossword puzzle editor for *The New York Times*, earned the individualized degree at Indiana University in Bloomington in 1974.

**IOWA**—In the late 1930s, physics professor John Atanasoff and graduate student Clifford Berry built the world's first electronic digital computer at Iowa State University in Ames (pop. 50,731).

**KANSAS**—In a 1913 exhibition game, the Chicago White Sox played the New York Giants in Blue Rapids (pop. 1,088).

**MICHIGAN**—Rosie's Diner in Rockford (pop. 4,626) was featured in 1970s television ads for Bounty paper towels starring Rosie the waitress (Nancy Walker). The 1946 diner was moved from Little Ferry, N.J. (pop. 10,800), and reopened in 1991.

**MINNESOTA**—Dr. Robert Good, pioneering immunologist and native of Crosby (pop. 2,299), performed the world's first successful bone marrow transplant in 1968 at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

**MISSOURI**—The state's oldest covered bridge was built in 1858 at Burfordville near Cape Girardeau (pop. 35,345).

**NEBRASKA**—A cantaloupe-sized hailstone measuring 18.75 inches in circumference fell from the sky in Aurora (pop. 4,225) on June 22 and is believed to be the nation's largest hailstone.

**NORTH DAKOTA**—A trapper's cabin, homesteader's shack, blacksmith shop, and one-room school re-create pioneer life at Heritage Park in Warford City (pop. 1,435).

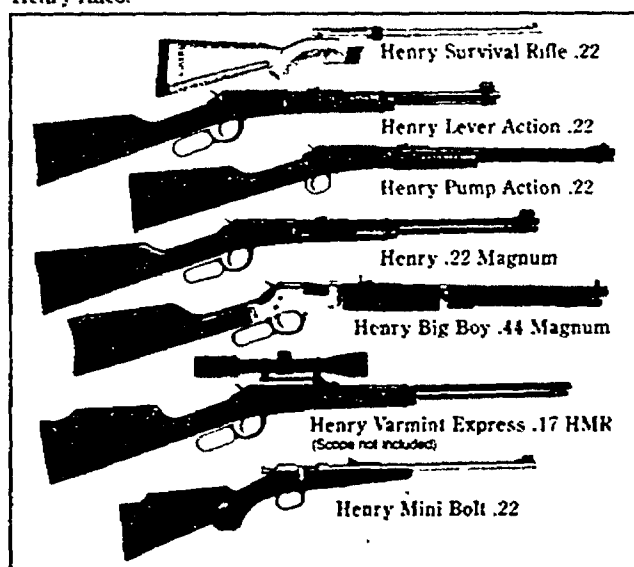
**OHIO**—Bactrian camels and fringe-eared oryx roam the 10,000-acre Wilds near Cumberland (pop. 402), the nation's largest conservation facility for endangered wildlife.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**—In 1876, John Brennan and other unlucky gold miners founded Rapid City (pop. 59,607) to "mine the miners."

**WISCONSIN**—Ten Chimneys, the summer retreat in Genesee Depot where actors Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne lived from the 1920s to 1960s, opened to the public last May after a \$12.2 million restoration. ☆



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# Saving a Grand Hotel

by CAROL DAVIS

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When Dan and Mary King bought the old boarded-up Beaumont Hotel, part of its roof was collapsed, layers of paint hid exterior brickwork, and shattered glass panes littered the floors.

Long gone was the grand hotel, built in 1886, which once served as the social center for Ouray, Colo., and welcomed guests such as Sarah Bernhardt and Theodore Roosevelt. Ouray (pronounced Yoo-RAY), a high-country mining town named after a Ute Indian chief, was once proud to have the region's "flagship hotel."

But more than a century later, what remained of that proud establishment was a white elephant wearing a very worn coat of pink paint.

Except to the Kings. "We never looked at it the way it was, just the way it could be," Mary says. "The minute we walked into it, there was a sense of people who had been here before you."

Now, five years and some \$4 million later, the glasses tinkle in the main ballroom and guests marvel at the elegance around them. Once again, the Beaumont is resplendent

in its rotunda encircled by balconies, grand oak staircase, cathedral glass skylights, and rich wall coverings.

## 'It was spectacular'

When Roger Henn's father took his family to the Beaumont for Sunday dinner, it was a special occasion, Henn recalls.

"My earliest memory of the Beaumont was about 1921," says Henn, 86, a Ouray native. "I was 4 years old and we would go to the Beaumont several times every year after church until my father died."

Henn, who played on the hotel's back stairs as a child, easily remembers the details of Ouray's finest hotel.

"It was a fantastic thing," Henn recalls. "You walked in a big lobby area and at that time there were (display) cases around with mining samples from various mines around there."

The grand staircase particularly captured his attention. "It was a perfectly marvelous staircase, something that looks like it came out of the South," he says. "Overhead was an open atrium that went up to the sky. When reflections were just right, you could see in the glass the reflections of the mountains that surround Ouray. It was spectacular



Proprietors Mary and Dan King.

## Other Restored Historic Hotels

**A**cross the country, the doors to historic hotels are once again opening as their rich history and value are recognized. The National Trust for Historic Preservation keeps track of some of these treasures, such as:

### Mendocino Hotel & Garden Suites—Mendocino, Calif.

Originally called The Temperance House, the Mendocino Hotel, built in 1878, is the town's only remaining hotel

from its heyday as a logging boomtown. The yellow clapboard hotel with an ocean view eventually became run-down until local resident R.O. Peterson bought it in 1975 and hired designers, craftsmen, and local artists to restore its physical structure and Victorian atmosphere.

The hotel's original structure—the lobby, dining room, kitchen, and upstairs rooms—remains intact. Newer rooms have been added, yet

they still provide the Victorian flavor of the town's pioneer past.

### Hotel Pattee—Perryville, Iowa

The Hotel Pattee, built in 1913 with amenities such as telephones in each room and a basement bowling alley, underwent several incarnations until Perryville native Roberta Green Ahmanson and her husband, Howard, bought it in 1993. Until the couple acquired it, so many changes had

been made and facades added that the only original piece remaining from 1913 was the "Pattee" inscribed at the top of the building.

But after a 2 1/2-year renovation, the hotel reopened, with its canopy, bowling alley, and lobby—with chandeliers and Persian rug—restored.

### The Windsor—Americus, Ga.

The Windsor, occupying nearly an entire city block, was a five-story, 100-

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Glass skylights illuminate the Beaumont Hotel's interior, while outside the brick structure blends with the natural surroundings in Ouray, Colo., since the pink paint was removed.

Henn has more than simply a passing interest in the renovation; as head of Ouray's historical society, he was instrumental in getting the entire downtown listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

"I'm so thrilled that the Beaumont's open again," Henn says. "I can hardly tell you about it."

The Beaumont's rebirth has sparked a renaissance around its part of town. "It's alive now, and it wasn't alive five years ago," Henn says. "All of that end of town now has become a focal point and active part of Ouray instead of something you skipped and went down to the next block."

## Taking stock

The Beaumont indeed has injected new life into parts of Ouray, but it first had to be brought back to life itself, and that was no easy task.

When the Kings bought the three-story wood and brick structure in 1998 at a silent auction, it was just months away from demolition, despite its inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. The Beaumont had been closed since the late 1960s, so more than 30 years of dust and neglect awaited them.

But the Kings treasured the hotel's history, so they looked at old photographs of the hotel, documented every layer of wallpaper, and took stock of all the Beaumont's original hardware. The goal was to restore it as authentically as possible while upgrading its infrastructure to meet modern-day codes. That meant enlarging rooms and doors and upgrading the original electrical system.

The Kings, who employed local craftsmen and artists, took extra steps to maintain authenticity and take care of their invest-



Light fixtures and cornices were authentically restored.



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ment. Going brick by brick for nearly eight months, workers used butane heaters to heat the exterior paint until it bubbled and could be scraped off, Dan says. They also had a special knife made that replicated a particular wood pattern.

Most of the Beaumont is original, Mary says, such as the skylight, door sashings, railings, the tin ceiling in the bookstore—one of the hotel's handful of businesses that include a bistro, fine dining, and a gift shop.

"The windows alone were unbelievable," Henn says. "Rather than rip out the old windows and replace them, they restored the old ones."

And the Kings have achieved their goal of authenticity, Henn says. "It's very, very close to what it looked like originally," he says. "I can't believe how well they did."

That's because the Kings spared no expense. "It's something you do and you try to make sure it's done right," Dan says. "We didn't take any shortcuts."

The state of Colorado recognized such attention to historic detail by awarding them the first Governor's Award for Historic Preservation.

Restoring the Beaumont has been a labor of love for the Kings, who had been part-time residents of Ouray (pop. 813) before buying the hotel and making the scenic mountain town their permanent home. They understand the connection local residents have to the Beaumont.

"There are strong emotional ties," Mary says. "Many old-timers worked here back then, or their parents worked here."

Townpeople are proud that the Beaumont is back in business, Dan says. "There's a sense of pride (that) now we have a place that's second to none." ✨

*Carol Davis is a Nashville, Tenn.-based writer.*

room Victorian structure built in 1892 to attract visitors from the wintry north. The castle-like hotel, with balconies, turrets, and a three-story atrium lobby, once hosted balls and celebrations.

But after eight decades, the once-splendorous Windsor was well into decline, closing in 1974. Four years later, its owners donated the Windsor to the city of Americus. In 1980, the incoming mayor had two choices: either demolish the hotel or restore it.

The community overwhelmingly favored restoration, and for the next decade, organized the multimillion-dollar project that would become a catalyst for downtown revitalization. Restoration began in 1990 and the hotel reopened in September 1991 to its original grandeur.

## Wentworth by the Sea—New Castle, N.H.

Daniel Chase, a Boston distiller, built the large hotel in 1874 at the mouth of

the Piscataqua River. Wentworth became a world-class resort, attracting political and entertainment figures. But in 1981, a Swiss company bought the Wentworth and closed the resort. It subsequently was passed around to multiple owners.

Locals, outraged at the idea of losing the historic hotel, formed Friends of the Wentworth to seek a buyer who would restore it—a task that proved difficult. Eventually, the company that owned the

hotel announced its imminent demolition, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation placed the Wentworth on its List of America's Eleven Most Endangered Places.

Negotiations prolonged the life of the Wentworth until Ocean Properties Ltd. purchased it in 1997 and began restoring it back into a premier destination. It opened last spring.



# Hometown Spotlight

by PAUL  
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## Pierre's First Order of **Business**

On Friday afternoons, pickup trucks sit in the state Capitol parking lot loaded for outdoor adventure, some with Labrador dogs in back wagging their tails in anticipation of sniffing out pheasants. Elected officials and bureaucrats spotted whispering in Statehouse corridors are just as likely to be discussing hunting, or where Missouri River fish are biting, as political gossip.

"If you live in Pierre, it's almost a prerequisite that you own a pickup, a Labrador dog, and a boat," says Toby Morris, who moved to South Dakota's capital city in 1997 to accept a state government job. Now he can't imagine living anywhere else, "because I fish nine months a year. The other three are for hunting."

Few state capitals match Pierre (pop. 13,876) for geographic isolation and rural lifestyle—qualities residents boast of at every opportunity.

Viewed from across rolling brown prairies, Pierre is a patch of green along the Missouri; from that distant perspective the town's structures, mostly one- and two-story buildings, are hidden in the trees except for the towering Capitol dome. No interstate highway links the capital city to the rest of the state, and getting to other towns of comparable size means driving two-lane roads a couple hours through grain and cattle country.



Fall is pheasant season—for sportsmen and dogs—in the vast farm fields around South Dakota's capital city.

The town was named for Pierre Chouteau, a Frenchman who built a trading post and fort just across the river in 1832, but visitors today learn no one locally pronounces Pierre like a Frenchman. It's said "pier," like a platform for docking boats or fishing, and that's entirely appropriate when you understand Pierre's true character. Sure, state government happens here, but pulling walleyes and northern pike from the river, and from the vast waters behind Oahe Dam immediately north, always seems Pierre's first order of business. Hunting pheasants, ducks, and grouse might be second, along with catering to sportsmen from across the nation.

Pierre people "might be Republicans and Democrats Monday through Friday, but we all get together on the water Saturday and Sunday," Morris says. "I think that makes Pierre a friendlier place than some people might guess a capital city to be."

Teacher Frank Curnow agrees. "Even in election years, you don't hear much bad-mouthing of politicians, because these people are your neighbors in a small town," he notes. "You know them on a first-name basis, you're involved in community projects with them, and it becomes natural to think you should be able to access top government officials one-on-one."

During the legislative session each winter, state Sen. Marguerite Kleven always appreciates Pierre's welcoming ways. She drives to the capital from Sturgis, 175 miles west, via lonely state Highway 34; there's not a single town of more than a few dozen or so people between Sturgis and Pierre.

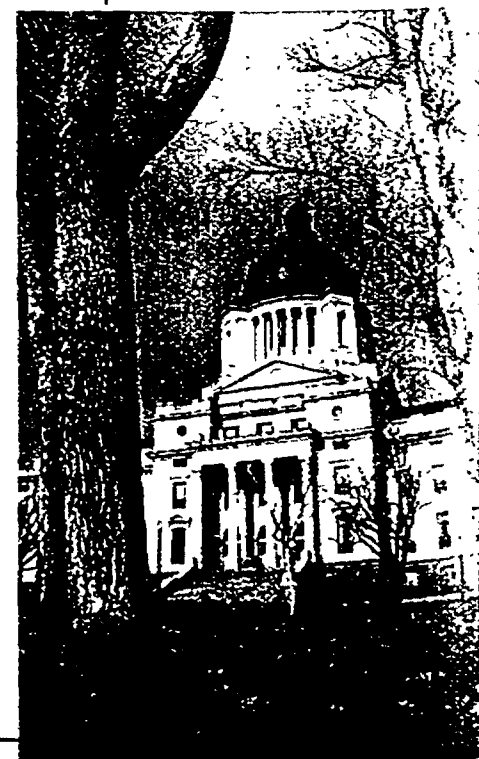
South Dakotans voted isolated Pierre their capital in 1890, a year after statehood, citing its central location. Despite appearances on the map, rival towns unsuccessfully argued that Pierre was hard to reach and had a reputation as a rowdy cowtown. In those years, cowboys herded cattle from as far away as Montana to the west bank of the Missouri, and the animals were ferried across the water to Pierre and its stockyards on the east bank. Fourteen saloons served cowboys celebrating the trail's end, and those businesses gladly welcomed lawmakers, too.

The riverside stockyards are long gone now, replaced by parks and a remarkable system of walking and bicycling trails. Pathways run along the river and over a causeway to La Framboise Island, where the sounds of cars and boats give way to the kinds of bird calls Meriwether Lewis and William Clark heard while passing through in 1804. Another popular walk begins just east of the Capitol building, winding alongside Capitol Lake, past memorials to soldiers, policemen, firefighters, and other South Dakota heroes.

"You see people walking at Capitol Lake year-round," says Twila Merkwon, who lives nearby. "It's a beautiful spot with flowers and geese, but not everyone is walking for recreation. Pierre's small enough that lots of people choose to go to work on foot." ☆

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The Capitol towers over Pierre, S.D.



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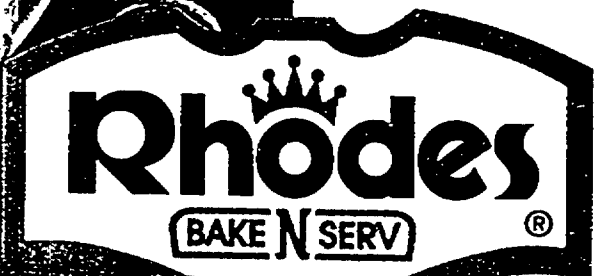
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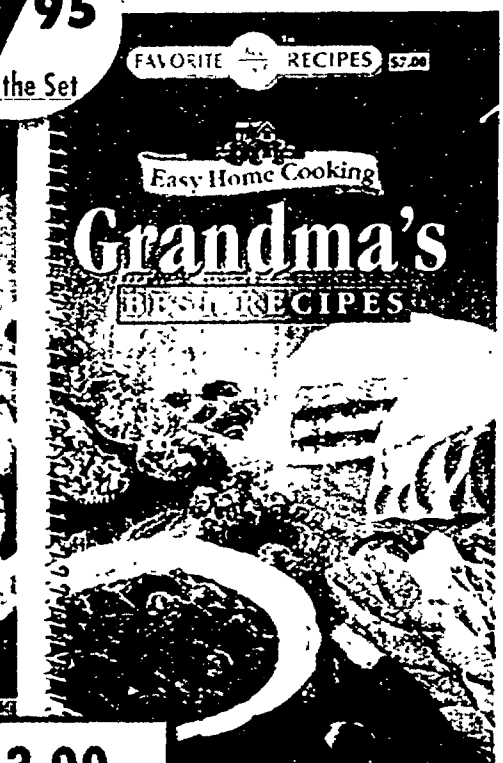
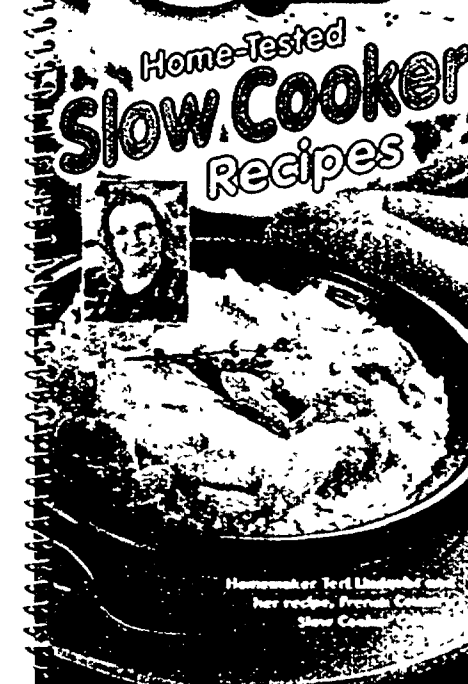
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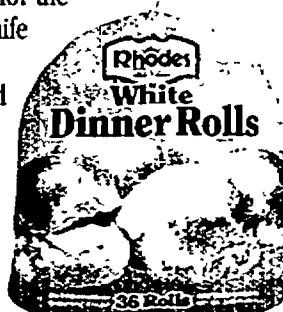


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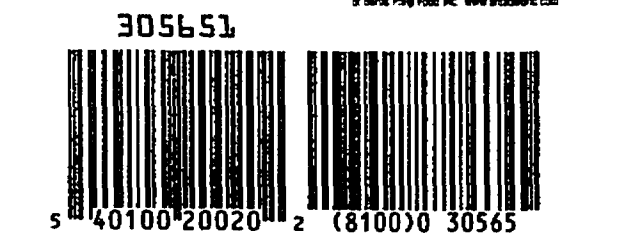
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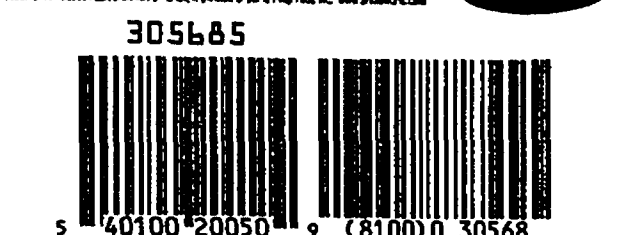
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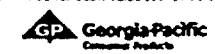
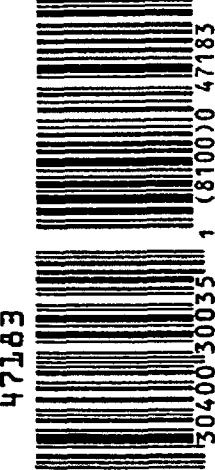
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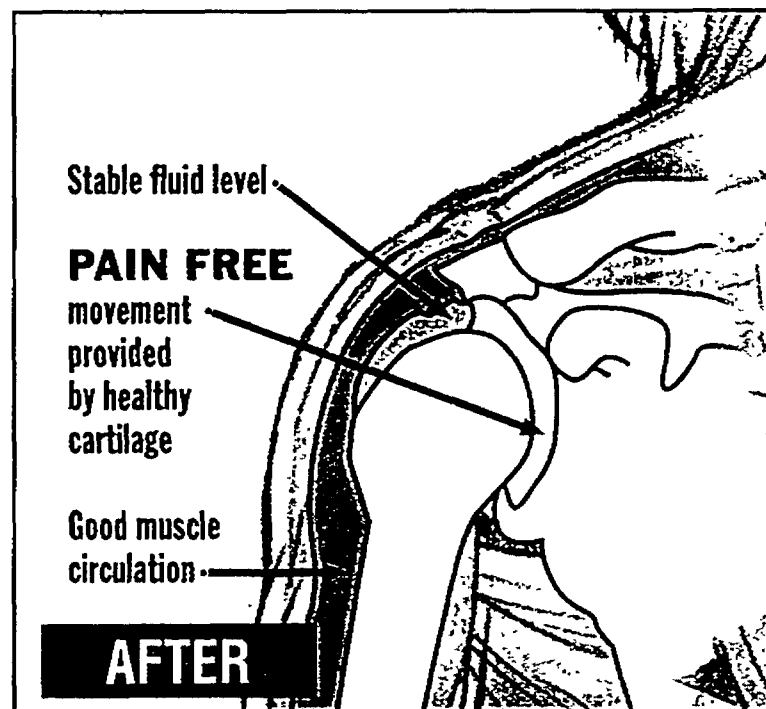
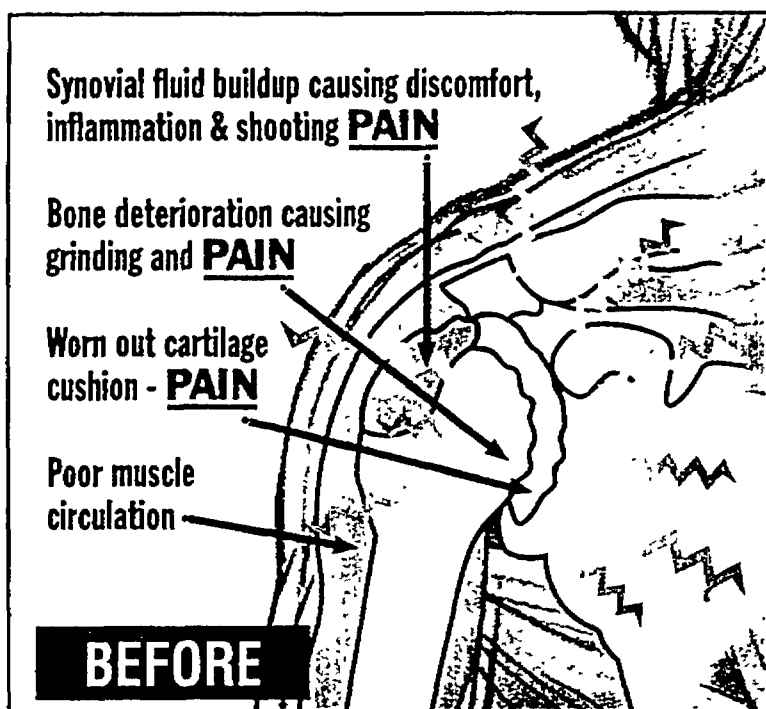


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## Hometown Recipes

## Family Dinners: 2 Great Ideas

by STUART ENGLERT

Home-cooked meals can bring families together. While reviewing the many recipes submitted to *American Profile*, these two stood out as perfect for a family dinner in the fall. They can even be baked in the same oven if you maintain a temperature between 350 and 375 degrees.

Baked ziti pasta with Italian sausage, a recipe submitted by Carrie Lee of Tahlequah, Okla., is a delicious entrée that will please most any palette. "I was tired of trying ziti recipes that didn't taste good, so I made up my own," Lee says. "My family loves it. My dad says it is his favorite."

Zucchini with cheese and mushroom stuffing is a super side dish and ideal accompaniment to Lee's baked ziti pasta. "This recipe is a delicious alternative to the breads and cakes I usually prepare with zucchini," writes reader Toni Monton of Custer, Mich.

Add toasted garlic bread and you've got a homemade meal that's tasty, nutritious, and will give your family a great reason to sit down for dinner together. ☆

Stuart Englert is *American Profile's* senior editor.

### What's your FAVORITE recipe?

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### RECIPE: Baked Ziti Pasta



12 ounces ziti pasta, cooked  
12 ounces spaghetti sauce  
1 pound Italian sausage, cooked  
1/2 pound mozzarella cheese, shredded  
1/4 cup Parmesan cheese, grated

**Ricotta cheese mixture:**  
15 ounces ricotta cheese  
2 eggs, beaten  
1/2 teaspoon each dried basil, dried oregano, parsley flakes, ground pepper  
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Grease a 9-by-13-inch baking dish with olive oil. Combine ricotta cheese mixture ingredients together in a bowl. Layer sauce, pasta, Italian sausage, ricotta cheese mixture, and mozzarella cheese. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese on top. Cover and bake for 20 minutes. Uncover and bake an additional 20 minutes. Serve with bread sticks and salad. Serves 5 to 7.

**Tips From Our Test Kitchen:**  
Fresh herbs and fresh garlic are good in the dish when available.

### RECIPE: Stuffed Zucchini



3 medium-size zucchini  
2 tablespoons chopped onion  
1 tablespoon butter  
1 cup provolone or Monterey Jack cheese  
4 ounces chopped mushrooms  
2 tablespoons each flour, sour cream, Parmesan cheese  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon dried basil

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cut off ends of zucchini and cut them in half, length-wise. Cook zucchini in 1-inch deep salted boiling water for 5 to 10 minutes, until crisp, yet tender. Drain. Scoop out pulp, leaving 1/4 inch shell. Chop enough pulp to make about 3/4 cup. Sauté onion in butter. Combine with remaining ingredients, including pulp. Spoon evenly into zucchini shells. Place shells into greased 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Bake uncovered for 25 minutes.

**Tips From Our Test Kitchen:**  
This dish is especially delicious when served with garlic bread.

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# From our table to yours.

This week is "National Eat Dinner Together Week" and America's Pork Producers have gotten together some of their favorite family recipes for you to enjoy with your family.

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On the right, Margaret Ledger, Apple & Spice Pork Roast recipe author, Margaret Ledger, with her family, including her youngest daughter, Ashley, 10 years old.

## Margaret Ledger's APPLE & SPICE PORK ROAST

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| 3 to 4 pound boneless pork roast  | 1 tablespoon flour               |
| 1 cup applesauce                  | 1/2 teaspoon salt                |
| 1/2 cup packed brown sugar        | 1/2 teaspoon sugar               |
| 2 teaspoons vinegar               | 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder       |
| 1 teaspoon yellow mustard         | 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper |
| 1/2 to 3/4 teaspoon ground cloves |                                  |

Heat oven to 350 degrees F. Stir together applesauce, brown sugar, and cloves in small bowl. Refrigerate half of the applesauce mixture. Remaining applesauce mixture. Combine flour, salt, sugar, garlic powder, and mustard in another small bowl.

Roll flour mixture evenly over entire surface of pork. Place pork on roasting pan. Roast uncovered until internal temperature is 140 degrees. Brush applesauce mixture over roast. Roast until internal temperature is 160 degrees. Cook 10 minutes. Transfer roast to serving platter. Let stand 10 minutes before slicing. Heat chilled applesauce mixture in small bowl. Drizzle over roast. Sprinkle reserved applesauce mixture over roast.

# Happenings

OCT. 19-25



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### ILLINOIS

**Punkin' Chuckin**—Morton, Oct. 18-19. Toss pumpkins by hand or build catapults to hurl them as far as they will go during this competition, which also features a food tent and hayrides at Uhlman's Pumpkin Farm. (309) 263-2491.

### INDIANA

**Old-Fashioned Day**—Terre Haute, Oct. 19. Celebrate the old days with quilt displays, an antique car show, carriage rides, talks on growing and cooking with herbs, craft demonstrations, and live music at Collett Park. (812) 232-2727.

### IOWA

**Family Halloween**—Urbandale, Oct. 16-26. Costumed children can "trick or treat" through the 1875 town of Walnut Hill, enjoy marshmallow roasts, free popcorn, and storytellers, and take wagon rides at Living History Farms. (515) 278-5286.

### KANSAS

**South Central Draft Horse and Mule Sale**—Kingman, Oct. 24-25. Bid during this live auction for riding and draft horses, mules, farm antiques, covered wagons, and tack equipment at the Kingman County Fairgrounds. (620) 532-1853.

### MICHIGAN

**Comic Book & Sci Fi Show**—Novi, Oct. 18-19. Browse through vintage comic books, Japanese animation, science fiction items, and toys, watch movies, and listen to talks by comic book writers and artists at Novi Expo Center. (248) 426-8059.

### MINNESOTA

**Birding Festival**—Grand Marais, Oct. 24-26. View as many as 150 bird species during guided field trips along Lake Superior, and enjoy bird presentations and talks. Register at North House Folk School. (218) 387-2524.

### MISSOURI

**Cuba Fest**—Cuba, Oct. 18-19. Named after the island of Cuba, this town's 42nd annual event features wine tastings, a quilt show, bed races, apple butter making, a chili cookoff, and 5K run in the Recklein historic district. (573) 885-2721.

### NEBRASKA

**Halloween With the Wild Things**—Bellevue, Oct. 23-25. Kids ages 3 to 10 can hike on a trail, meet "creatures of the night," watch fun skits, find the "Great Pumpkin," and enjoy treats. Reservations required. Buffett Forest Learning Center. (402) 731-3140.

### NORTH DAKOTA

**Haunted Fort**—Mandan, Oct. 24-25. Get spooked with scary stories, ghosts, and gremlins, mock shootouts and surgeries "gone wrong," and pumpkin carvings on Calvary Square at Fort Abraham Lincoln State Park. (701) 667-6340.

### OHIO

**Apple Butter Stirrin'**—Coshocton, Oct. 17-19. Taste apple butter cooked in cast iron kettles over open fires, enter a pie-baking contest and spelling bee, and browse traditional arts & crafts during this event at Roscoe Village. (800) 877-1830.

### SOUTH DAKOTA

**Nordefest**—Watertown, Oct. 25. Enjoy Norwegian treats, including *lefse* (sweet pastry) and *rommegrot* (cream pudding), during this food fair, which also features a bake sale, and crafts and quilts at Grace Lutheran Fellowship Hall. (605) 886-9187.

### WISCONSIN

**Gourmet Wine Tasting**—Hayward, Oct. 23. Sample domestic and imported wines, beer, and specialty coffees, and enjoy hors d'oeuvres, cheeses, and desserts during this event at the Hayward Inn and Suites. (715) 634-8662. ☆

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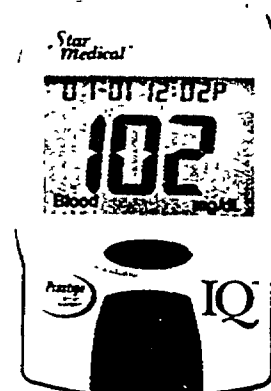
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# Home

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## Cut Food Costs

Whether you are eating at home or eating out, you can eat well and still save money. There are many ways to save besides coupons, rebates, and shopping the sales. Here are some other tips for reducing your food costs.

### When you eat at home

- Stretch meat: Add pasta, rice, or beans to casseroles, stews, and soups.
- Allow time: Cheaper cuts of meat take longer to cook. A crockpot comes in handy.
- Plan carefully: Tonight's beef roast can be used tomorrow for a delicious new meal, such as beef sandwiches or beef vegetable soup.
- Eat vegetarian: Make hearty no-meat meals at least once a week. Tempt your family with favorites such as corn chowder, bean burritos, or baked potatoes.
- Shop the sales: Stock your cupboard with non-perishables when they are on sale.
- Reduce waste: Buy perishable foods in small quantities. Learn how to better store items.
- Consider store options: Food co-ops, day-old bread stores, salvage stores, warehouse stores, bulk sales, and farm stands.
- Freeze sale items: Use a deep freeze to store sale items such as meat, bread, and perishables.
- Buy store brands over name brands: The quality is often comparable, and the price is less.

### When you eat out

- Take advantage of restaurant specials: Early bird specials, "kids eat free" nights, buy-one-get-one-free coupons, all-you-can-eat buffets.
- Join a national restaurant program that offers discounts on restaurants in your area. Example: [www.idine.com](http://www.idine.com).
- Drink water: Water is a cheaper, healthier choice.
- Buy wisely: Order the entree and soup or salad at the restaurant. Eat dessert at home.
- Share often: When restaurant portions are huge, order one meal and two plates. Share side dishes, such as fries.
- Think outside the meal: Appetizers cost less and are the right portion for a light meal. Tell your waiter to bring the appetizers when others are served their entrees.
- Order soup: With a few rolls and a hearty bowl of soup, you can satisfy your hunger for much less than the cost of a meal.
- Lunches cost less: Restaurants usually offer lunch at a lower price than the same meal at dinner.
- Everything in moderation: Limit the number of times you eat out per week. A balance of eating out and eating at home is healthier, as well as cost effective. ☆

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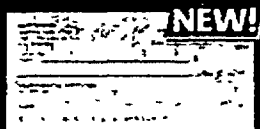
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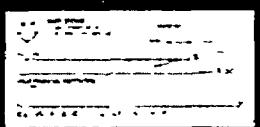
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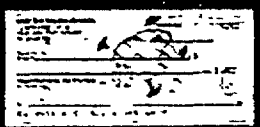
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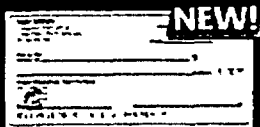
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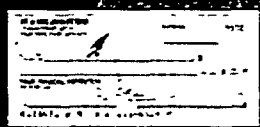
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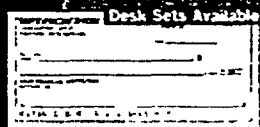
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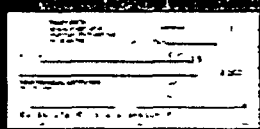
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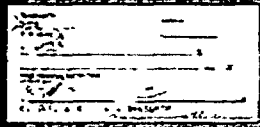
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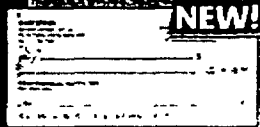
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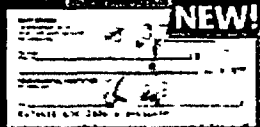
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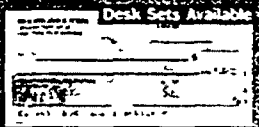
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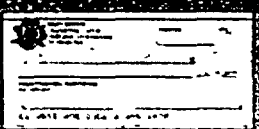
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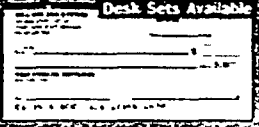
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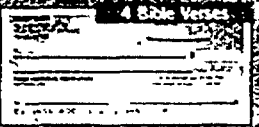
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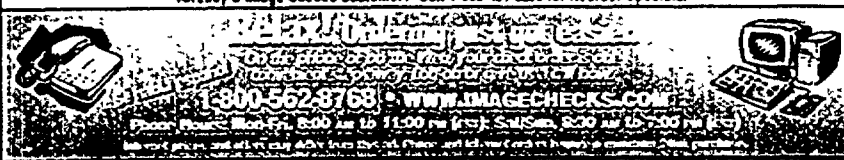
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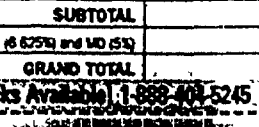
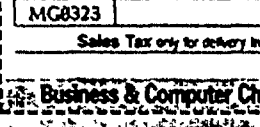
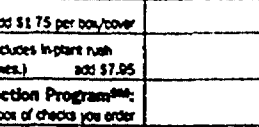
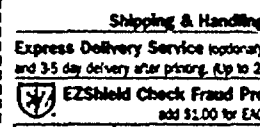
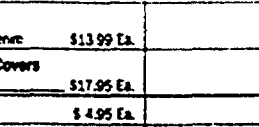
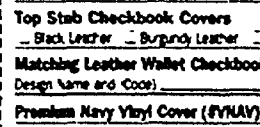
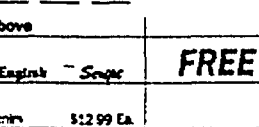
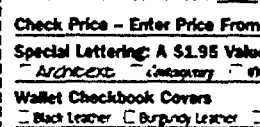
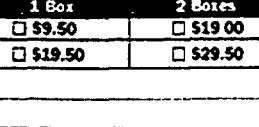
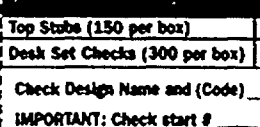
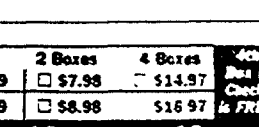
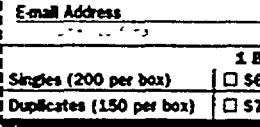
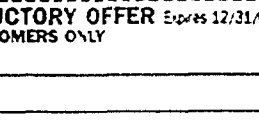
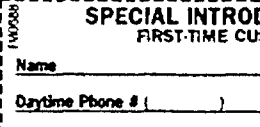
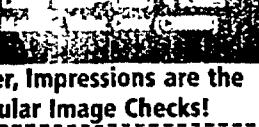
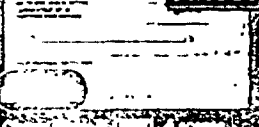
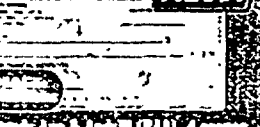
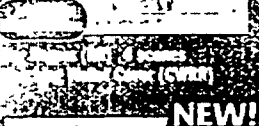
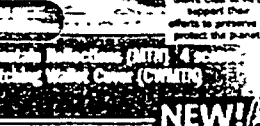
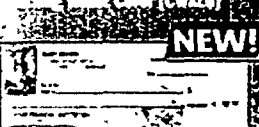
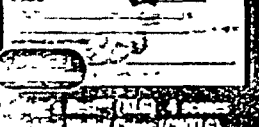
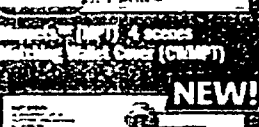
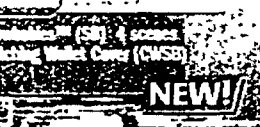
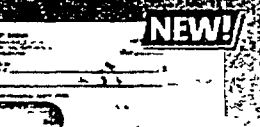
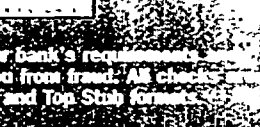


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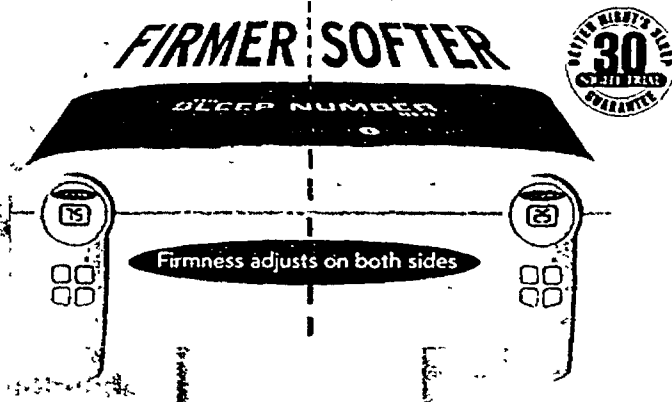
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## Volunteering as a Family

Charity may begin at home, but it doesn't need to stay there. Increasing numbers of families are giving to their communities as a unit—and finding they reap the benefits as well.

College freshman Anna MacDonald travels from campus to her Durham, N.C., home three times a year for Host Week. During that week, she and her parents Katy and Roy eat, sleep, and spend time with their "guests"—homeless families sheltered in their church, which is part of the Family Promise network.

The MacDonalds prepare meals, make beds, play board games, or help search help wanted ads. Teen-age son Zack also pitches in, moving furniture to provide a sleeping area in the church. "We've learned you cannot measure the quality of life through economics," Anna says. "Life is complex, and we're all a community."

### True quality time

"Many people find the barrier to volunteerism is available time," says Bob Goodwin of the Points of Light Foundation. "People don't want to take time away from their families."

The simple—and often overlooked—solution is to include your children in volunteer activities. "Volunteering together is true quality time, teaching values and selflessness," Goodwin says.

"We like doing things as a family," says Sandy Lish of Walpole, Mass., who attends walkathons with her husband and children. "The walks are something we can do together, and we can teach our children at the same time."

Though her children are too young to grasp the concepts of philanthropy, Lish explains the walk in terms they understand. "We tell them the March of Dimes helps babies be healthy."

"Any time a child is old enough to grasp the concepts of self versus others, it's not too early to teach charity," Goodwin says.

### Fringe benefits

Charities aren't alone in benefiting from family volunteerism—the family benefits as well. "Volunteering together helps strengthen





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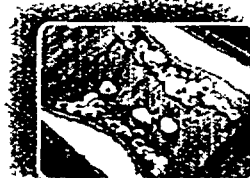
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