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Civil rights complaint refuted

Northville School District responds to Meads Mill parent complaint

By Victoria Sadlocha
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The Northville Public School District determined all necessary protocol was followed and proper action was taken after allegations surfaced an African-American Meads Mill student was racially discriminated against.

Casey Reason, Northville

Schools assistant superintendent for instructional services and Title VI compliance officer, said Northville schools did not find anything to support allegations made in a Michigan Civil Rights complaint filed by Northville parent. Within that complaint, Katherine Kirk said her son was called racial slurs and no appropriate action was taken by the district.

The Northville Record has chosen not to name the minor youth.

The retort was conveyed in the district's official response filed late last week.

"There is no school in America that can promise there won't be

any building that will ever have a child ever use inappropriate language of any kind," Reason said. "The question is whether or not they have a policy and procedure and do use that policy and procedure, and I think in this case we can prove we have a policy, we have a procedure and we did take action."

According to Northville school district enrollment records, about 2 percent of the district's student population is African-American.

The complaint

The complaint filed by Kirk the week of June 7 stated her 13-year-

old son was subjected to harassment by the Northville Public School's Caucasian-American students because of his race.

According to Michigan Department of Civil Rights documents, the document states, "my son has been subjected to threats and racially derogatory names and comments by the respon-

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For Northville Public Schools' official civil rights complaint response, please see Page 9A.

ALLEGATIONS

Meads Mill parent Katherine Kirk has alleged her 13-year-old African-American son has been racially harassed by some of his fellow classmates. Her official allegations include:

- May 19, 2004: son subjected to threats and racially derogatory names by white students.

- May 20: son was suspended for spraying student with aerosol deodorant, an act she said was prompted by another racial slur.

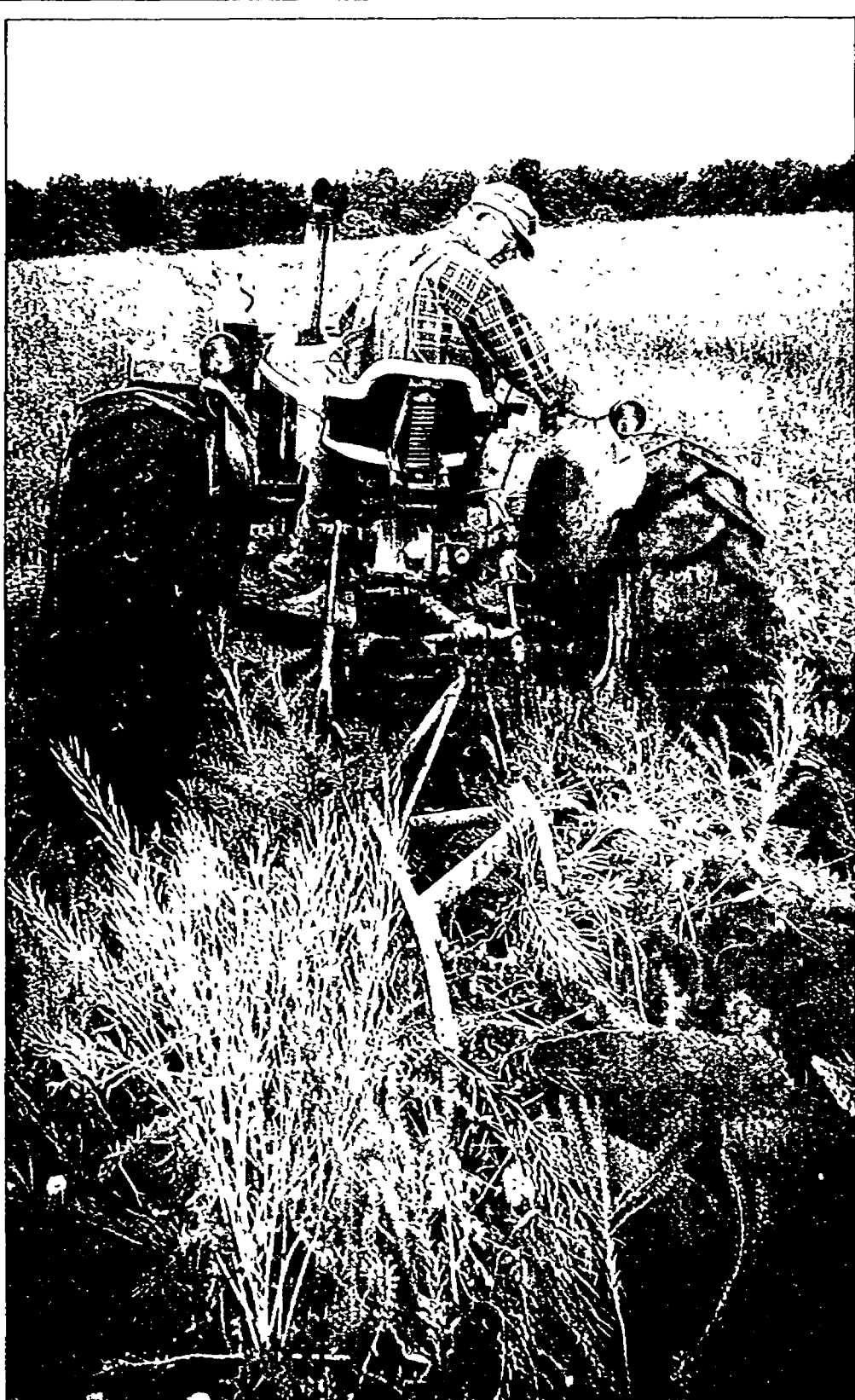


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With a recently-donated tractor, Maybury State Park farmer John Beemer prepared a field in the state park for corn planting. The farm at Maybury is slowly returning to life with a new barn set to be delivered next Tuesday and its farmhouse undergoing complete renovation in which Mr. Beemer and his wife will reside.

Any life on the farm?

Following 2003 fire, plenty of work still remains for Maybury Farm organizers

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The corn was knee-high by the fourth of July. Farmer Beemer is in the field. Animals are back. And the barn is on the way.

The farm is returning to Maybury State Park. Hundreds of hours of effort, thousands of dollars of donations and unlimited support are finally taking root at the former farm site. The vintage operation extinguished 17 months ago by fire is today alive with the sights, sounds and smells of a familiar barnyard.

On the move

Next month's plan for moving donated barn buildings from Novi is a visible milestone for those who have waited patiently for the return of the unique community attraction. The farm is scheduled to re-open on a limited basis by this fall, said Northville Community Foundation president Shari Peters.

"There really is a lot of work going on over there," Peters said. "It's just a huge, huge, huge project."

The foundation in September signed a lease with the Department of Natural Resources, formally taking on the task of rebuilding the farm. The agreement provides additional 15-year renewals, while the state maintains ownership of the park land.

MAYBURY NEWS

FARM FACTS

- Two mares are pregnant, due this fall.
- The main barn is scheduled to move from Napier and 10 Mile roads to the park Aug. 3.
- Products for sale this fall: pumpkins, corn husks, syrup, eggs and honey.
- Farm to open for limited hours this fall.
- Donations to date (including in-kind contributions) \$600,000-plus.
- Animals in residence: horses, chickens, roosters, bees and goats.
- Barn wood is needed.

From the moment the smoke cleared following a February 2003 fire, the community rallied around the effort. School coin collections, spaghetti dinner fundraisers, cash contributions and corporate in-kind donations were collected. "Farmer Beemer, me, the (community foundation) board — there's nobody that wants it open faster than us. Nobody," Peters said.

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Next week barns will be moved from Novi to Northville's Maybury Farm. For complete details, including road closures, see Page 3A

Schools face new budget challenges

\$500,000 short, cuts will be felt in Northville classrooms

BREAKING DOWN THE BUDGET

This is part of an ongoing series examining the Northville Public School District's recently passed budget. Next week, a closer look behind the numbers.

By Victoria Sadlocha
RECORD STAFF WRITER

With a unanimous vote, members of the Northville school board whittled away more than a half-million dollars in excess expenses

from the district's recently adopted budget.

"I would like the community to know how much struggling we have done with this issue," said board trustee Karen Paciorek. "We are now down to being very, very careful. There is not fat in this budget at all."

The largest cuts come from the district's operating and maintenance fund and the K-12 fund.

Two positions will be eliminated from the K-12 budget. A network

engineer and curriculum consultant position was purged saving the district more than \$160,000.

Other cuts include the loss of some teacher assistants from elementary classrooms and noon supervisors at the high school.

More than \$20,000 in teaching supplies and about \$21,000 in capital outlays were also trimmed Tuesday night.

John Street, Northville Schools director of business and finance, said more than a quarter of a million dollars in expenses was saved as a result of the adopted June bond proposal.

"These are painful cuts," said Joan Wadsworth, board vice president. "They are on top of cuts we made in the same areas last year."

The shearing came during the

district's July 13 meeting, less than one month after the \$80 million 2004-05 budget was adopted with the caveat cuts were on the way.

The initial budget adopted to meet the June 31 deadline detailed general fund expenses in excess of revenues by \$478,357.

The excess was plugged into the fund balance, an account board members were not willing to reduce on a permanent basis.

Board treasurer Ken Roth said the district's fund balance, currently about \$5 million, is below the auditor recommended amount.

"It really should be an emergency fund," he said.

Street said the amount in the fund balance would only run the district for approximately one month.

"I would like the community to know how much struggling we have done with this issue."

Karen Paciorek
Trustee, Northville School Board

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Around Town

Ice Cream Party

The Friends of the Northville Library are hosting a Patron Celebration Day from 1 to 4 p.m., Saturday, July 24. Librarians will lead a tour of the library at 1:30 and 3 p.m. to acquaint visitors with all services offered at the library. A make-your-own-sundae station will be set up in the Carlo Room.

Dispatch discussion resumes

The Northville City Council is hosting a special meeting Monday, July 26, to discuss the concept of contracting emergency dispatch services from Northville Township.

The meeting is at 7:30 p.m. in the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main Street.

'Tutto' celebration

New interior design store, "Tutto . . . everything for the home," is hosting a grand opening party this Friday, July 16.

The ribbon-cutting ceremony is at 6:30 p.m. at 141 N. Center, in the courtyard of Old Church Square. Partners Cheryl Nestro and Anna Giammarco opened the store in May, featuring one-of-a-kind decorative objects for the home, including chandeliers, drapery, wall coverings and furniture.

Tentative Mustang?

Northville Youth Assistance in cooperation with Northville High School is hosting a special eight-day program to prepare incoming freshman for the high school experience.

Local and guest educators will present a variety of topics for boys and girls from 9 a.m. to noon, Mondays through Thursdays, Aug. 2-12.

For more information about the free program, call the youth

assistance office at (248) 344-1618.

Skate park open

Northville Parks and Recreation recently reopened the portable skate park inside the tennis court fencing behind the Hillside Middle School.

A great place to practice new stunts, there is a \$2 fee for the drop-in program. An attendant will be on hand to monitor the activity.

Hours are 4:30 to 8 p.m., Mondays and Tuesdays; 1 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m., Fridays, and 1 to 8 p.m., Saturdays.

Get your tickets

The Northville Parks and Recreation Department is offering discount amusement park tickets.

Participating theme parks are Cedar Point, Geauga Lake (formerly Six Flags Ohio), and the Detroit Zoo. Residents can save up to \$10 per ticket by purchasing them at the recreation office at the rear of Hillside Middle School.

Speaking of tickets

Wholesale changes of the downtown parking management program will begin the first week in August.

Look for coverage in next week's *Record* for how local merchants, downtown employees and Northville shoppers will be affected.

Buy one, donate one

Local assistance organization Civic Concern is appealing to area residents willing and able to help re-fill near-empty shelves. The 50 Northville-area families assisted by the program need non-perishable food and household items, said director Marlene Kunz.

Think of it as "change for charity" or use the "buy-one, get-one-free" promotions as a vehicle for charity, Kunz said. Toss an extra box of macaroni and cheese or laundry soap in your grocery cart, she said.

Donations can be dropped at Civic Concern (in the Highland Lakes Shopping Center), 42951 Seven Mile Road, between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and the first and third Friday of the month. For more information, call (248)344-1033.

Home tour returns

The resounding success of the first annual Highland Lakes Home Tour prompted a return engagement this year.

The tour is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 14, at eight homes in the development. Like last year, all proceeds from the \$12 tickets will go toward removal and replacement of diseased ash trees.

Tickets will be available at the clubhouse or can be purchased the day of the tour. For more information, call (248) 348-1139 or (248) 349-4006.

Election approaching

City residents can request absentee ballots for the Aug. 3 primary election at the City Clerk's office.

The deadline to apply is Saturday, July 31st at 2 p.m. at City Hall.

Clock concerts continue

The Northville Arts Commission will continue its weekly concert series at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow.

The Schoolcraft Community College Wind Ensemble will perform in the downtown bandshell, across from the Main Street clock.

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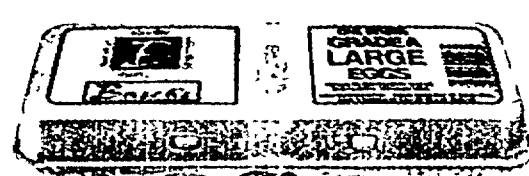
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MAYBURY: planting seeds for a new beginning

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A fresh start

Beemer and his wife, retired school teacher Norma, returned last month to reside in the newly renovated farmhouse on the park grounds. Like he had done for decades before, the farmer this spring plowed and planted corn, then pumpkins and hay, all in preparation for animals returning to feed.

"We think it's great," Beemer said. "It's going to be a great opportunity to do things we always wanted to do."

The restored farm operation will be familiar to visitors returning through the Eight Mile Road entrance, he said. "It still will be an early 1900s operation. There will be some changes — we don't want it to be exactly the same. We want it better."

Through interpretive programs initiated in 1975, 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.

That concept will remain intact, Peters said. Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski is leading efforts of area educators to develop curriculum that will complement school visits to the farm.

"I may see it in August," Peters said. The course content will not be classrooms this fall, she said, because the community foundation board will review it, too. "We want to work out all the bugs first."

Helping hands

On a separate front, staffing and

MAYBURY FARM

FUN RAISING FUNDS

Support efforts to rebuild Maybury Farm

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• help paint the barn?

• replace rotted barn boards?

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(248) 374-0200.

Township into animal pens. The farmer said he is looking forward to the arrival of the barn.

"It sort of scares me that they're moving it down the road whole," he said. "I can work with horses, but when it comes to moving buildings, I'm lost."

Development firm Toll Brothers, which donated the barn buildings, is one of many contributors that is helping to make the farm's return possible, Peters said. "There's so many people to thank. We're so grateful to all the different organizations and corporations."

The vintage barn will be located on the site of the burned building, near the northwest corner of the park. "It's wonderful," Peters said. "The interior's in excellent shape. The exterior needs much, much help."

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Toll Brothers will donate this barn located at their Island Lake development, located at Ten Mile and Napier roads, to the Maybury State Park farm. The barn is being raised on I-beams and will be towed down Napier by the truck seen in the foreground.

"We're going to start small and slow."

Shari Peters

President, Northville Community Foundation

presentations also are taking shape, Peters said. "We do have a lot of people who have volunteered their services," she said. "We're going to start small and slow."

Beemer has been busy the past couple of weeks converting building materials donated by Home Depot stores in Northville Township and Plymouth

Address change: historic barns slated for Aug. 3 move

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

The move of two historic barns at Island Lake subdivision in Novi to Maybury State Park in Northville is tentatively set for Aug. 3.

The City of Novi plans to close Napier Road from Eight Mile Road to north of Ten Mile Road for the move. Northville Community Foundation president Shari Peters stressed the date still is tentative.

Toll Brothers developers has agreed to donate the barns, which date from the 1860s, to the park

after plans to incorporate them into the Island Lake development were abandoned several months ago.

City officials thought it was all systems go a week ago, and then again July 20. A major obstacle has been clearance for the barns to pass under a tower line on Napier between Eight Mile and Nine Mile roads north of Community Sports Park.

Early this week, officials were still awaiting approval on the move from the power company that controls the line. The barns have already been removed from their foundation and are ready to roll, according to Novi city officials.

At the time of the move, homes and businesses along Napier, north of Ten Mile Road and south of the Park Place development, are expected to be without electricity from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Homes and businesses in Lyon, Salem and Northville townships will be affected by the move, and Novi city officials are coordinating information about the upcoming move with officials in these areas.

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SPOTLIGHT ON:
ORTHODONTIC NEWS
by Donald M. Wayne, D.D.S., M.S.
Orthodontic Specialist
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The term "malocclusion" refers to the improper fit and alignment of the teeth and jaws. Such inherited traits as jaw and tooth size largely determine how well the teeth fit together, and it is not uncommon for the jaws to be too small to properly accommodate all the teeth. As a result, the most common sign of malocclusion is crooked or protruding teeth. Other symptoms that may be related to malocclusion in children are permanent teeth erupting out of their normal position, difficulty chewing, problems with biting the cheek or roof of the mouth, speech difficulties, and facial muscle or jaw pain. These symptoms may gradually improve as the jaw grows through adolescent years.

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OBITUARIES

Dorothy King, 77

Dorothy King, a lifelong resident of Northville, died June 16, 2004. She was 77. Ms. King was born September 23, 1926 in Northville to the late Clarence King and Ruth Card King.

Ms. King was a graduate of Northville High School in 1945. Prior to her retirement in 1989, she was a plastic production cleaner for 40 years at Great Lakes Plastic Company in Salem. Ms. King was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Northville since 1941.

Survivors include a sister, June, an uncle, and several cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Jean Paul and Edwin. A funeral service was held June 19, 2004 at the First United Methodist Church of Northville with Rev. John Hice and Rev. Jennifer Bixby officiating. Interment was at Rural Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Northville. Arrangements were made by the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville.

Charles K. Rogers, 66

Charles Rogers of South Lyon, formerly of Northville, died July 6, 2004. He was 66. Mr. Rogers

was born August 21, 1937 in Ann Arbor to the late Harry Rogers and Flora Mae Conklin. He had lived in South Lyon for 25 years, moving there from Northville.

Mr. Rogers was an Independent Tool Distributor for Matco Tools. After retiring he drove the Senior Van for the Center for Active Adults in South Lyon. He attended services at Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hartland, was an avid golfer, enjoyed gardening and took tremendous pride in taking care of his yard.

Survivors include his wife, Carole (Hauck) Rogers; two children, Sandra (Robert) Deaton of Howell and Christopher Rogers of South Lyon; five siblings; and five grandchildren, Emily and Jacob Deaton and Hannah, Sarah, and Ethan Rogers.

A funeral service was held July 9, 2004 at Casterline Funeral Home, South Lyon with Pastor Frank Pies of Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church. Interment will be at South Lyon Cemetery, South Lyon.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division, 18505 W. 12 Mile, Southfield, MI 48078.

Arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home, South Lyon.

Harold A. Koss, 83

Harold Koss died July 3, 2004. He was 83.

He is survived by his wife, Esther; two children, Hal (Susan) and Linda (Dave) O'Neill; seven grandchildren, Jamie, Jeffrey, Shannon, Colleen, Bryan, Lindsay and Hal; and four great-grandchildren, Christopher, Colin, Claudia and Julie.

A funeral service was held July 7, 2004 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 201 Elm St., Northville.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 20300 Civic Center Drive #100, Southfield, MI 48076.

Arrangements were made by the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi. On-line sympathy messages may be sent to www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com.

Dorothy Jane Bowser, 86

Dorothy Bowser of Northville died July 6, 2004. She was 86. Mrs. Bowser was born in Detroit on June 10, 1918 to the late Henry Hoeg and Viola Anderson.

Mrs. Bowser had been a resident of Northville since 1969 (35 years) and was a graduate of Grosse Pointe High School. She had been a secretary of Livonia Public Schools and was an active

member of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. She was a docent with the Mill Race Village in Northville, volunteered with the Friends of the Library in Northville and enjoyed gardening and reading. She was a true patriot; she took voting very seriously and saw it as a privilege. She was a devoted grandmother and great-grandmother.

She is survived by three daughters, Susan Kiss of Traverse City; Nancy Terwin of Northville and Sally (George) Sandusky of Ohio; ten grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles J. Bowser. A funeral service was held July 8, 2004 at First Presbyterian Church of Northville with Rev. Kent Clise and Rev. James Russell officiating. Interment will be at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi.

Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167 or to Focus: HOPE, 1355 Oakman Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48238.

Arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home, Northville.

Drunk driving stats decrease

For the second year in a row, an audit of the state's drunk driving arrests, convictions and crashes and fatalities involving alcohol and/or drugs has shown an across-the-board decrease.

The 2003 Drunk Driving Audit, issued by the Michigan State Police, Criminal Justice Information Center, provides detailed information, including arrest activity by law enforcement agency for each county in the state as well as crash, injury and fatality information by county.

In 2003, 442 people died in alcohol and/or drug related fatalities, down from 463 in 2002. Drunk and impaired driving arrests totals 55,746, a decrease from the 57,789 individuals arrested in 2002. Of the 53,354 people arrested for operating under the influence of liquor (OUIL), 25,127 were convicted of that offense, while 28,181 were convicted of impaired driving.

Injuries resulting from alcohol and/or drug-related crashes also decreased, from 9,830 in 2002 to 9,315 in 2003.

"This report highlights the effectiveness of Michigan's law enforcement officers when it comes to enforcing our state's drunk driving laws," said Michigan State Police Director, Colonel Tadarial J. Sturdivant. "Thanks to stricter laws that carry harsh penalties, we are now experiencing fewer fatalities and injuries on our roadways due to alcohol and drugs."

Educating the motoring public about Michigan's laws has also proven vital to the state's continuing success, said Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land, the state's chief motor vehicle administrator.

"Most Michigan drivers accept the tremendous responsibility that comes with getting behind the wheel," Land said. "Fortunately, our message is getting through to that small segment of the population that disregards the safety of others. The state's emphasis on education and awareness is forcing all motorists to think twice before making a tragic mistake. We must continue working with other stakeholders so that this welcome trend continues."

A key piece of legislation is Michigan's repeat offender law, which took effect in October 1999. This law created harsher penalties for repeat offenders in an effort to limit access to vehicles through license plate confiscation, mandatory vehicle immobilization and vehicle forfeiture.

A recently adopted law has the potential to decrease alcohol and drug-related fatalities even further. In September 2003, Michigan lowered the limit at which a motorist is considered a drunk driver to .08 blood alcohol content.

To view the entire 2003 Drunk Driving Audit, visit www.michigan.gov/ms, then click on Publications, Forms and Statistics.

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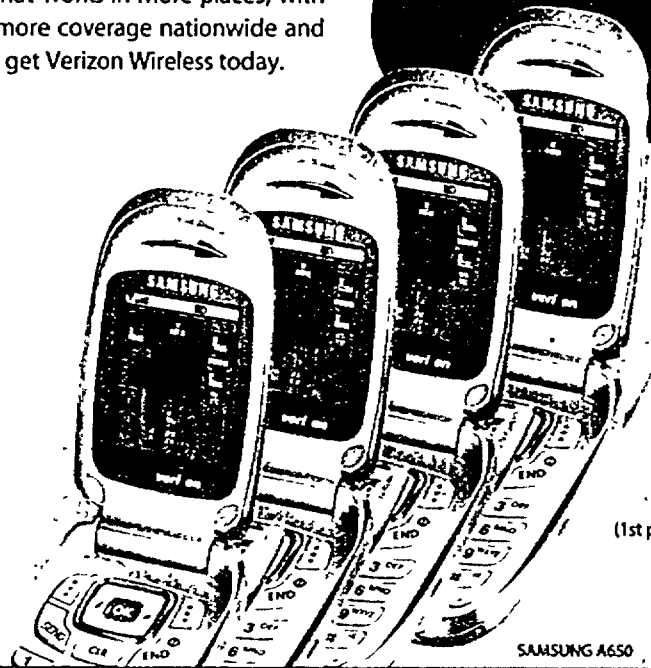
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POLICE REPORT

Missing

A Northville man with a closed head injury was found last week after being reported missing to the township police department. Police were told the 43-year-old male walked away from a Northville group home in the 19000 block of Maxwell at about 3 p.m. Friday, July 9. According to the report, the man left because "he was upset that his checks/money are now going to his brother because he buys marijuana with it." Officers conducting a search of the nearby area including many businesses before the man turned up about five hours later at a group home in Novi.

Wanted

A Northville township officer arrested a wanted man Friday, July 9 following a traffic stop for speeding. The officer was patrolling the area of Haggerty and Cross roads at about 2 a.m. when he detected a car traveling 55 mph in a 45-mph zone. After stopping the driver, the man gave the officer a Michigan Identification Card, stating his license was suspended. According to the report, the man did not match the physical description of the identification card and further investigation was conducted.

The driver's real identity was later revealed. It was also discovered the 31-year-old Detroit male had four prior convictions for driving while license suspended and 13 current suspensions. The man was also wanted by the Wayne County Sheriff Department for failing to appear on a civil charge with a bond of \$7,265.

According to the report, while the man was in custody he told police he purchased the false identification card from a man named "J Rock" for \$40.

Naked visitor

A Northville Township woman received an unpleasant visitor Thursday, July 8 at her apartment in the 18000 block of Innsbrook Drive. The 30-year-old woman told police she received a knock on her door at about 9:45 a.m.

After looking through her peep hole, the resident found a naked unknown male standing on the other side. The woman told township officers she did not open the door and he left entering a vacant apartment. Police checked the vacant apartment and found the back patio door ajar, but were unable to locate the unclothed man.

Missing VISA card

While investigating an unrelated case Wednesday, July 7, Northville Township police officers were approached by a manager at Sunrise Assisted Living Center relaying information about a suspected theft. The manager of the Haggerty Road facility told police the son of one of the resident's reported his 83-year-old mother's VISA card is missing and fraudulent purchases were charged against her account late last month. Officers were able to obtain surveillance video from a convenient store in Detroit showing a possible suspect. Sunrise managers were unable to identify the person using the woman's card from the video tape.

Scat, black cat

What is worse than a black cat crossing your path? A Northville resident has the answer following a peculiar incident occurring early last week. The Northville Township Police Department received a call at about 9 p.m. Tuesday, July 6 from a woman living in the 17000 block of Beck Road saying she was bit by a stray black cat. The resident told officers the cat ran into her home as she opened her back door. According to the report, as she tried to get the cat away from her pets, the cat bit her right hand, puncturing the skin. The cat was not wearing a collar. Police said the woman contacted her doctor and the cat was impounded and taken to Parkway Veterinary Clinic.

Run for the border halted

A Ferndale man who told Northville Police he was headed to the Taco Bell on Halstead land-

ed in a jail cell for drunk driving instead.

An officer driving eastbound on Eight Mile Road approximately 2 a.m. July 4 spotted a green Dodge Ram exceeding the 40 mph speed limit, according to police reports. After clocking the vehicle on radar at 53 mph, police stopped the 29-year-old just west of Novi Road, the report said.

The officer who approached the car reported smelling the "odor of car intoxicants." In response to a question, the driver told police he had consumed five beers throughout the night, the report said. When he said he was headed to the Taco Bell, the officer pointed out that it was six miles in the direction opposite of that he was headed, the report said.

After performing several sobriety tasks, the driver's preliminary breath test showed a .156 blood-alcohol-content, according to the report. Officers arrested the man and transported him to the station. A check in the system showed a prior drunk driving offense, the report said.

Suspension trouble

A 24-year-old Northville man is facing enhanced charges for getting busted a second time driving without a license.

An officer patrolling near Seven Mile and Sheldon roads approximately 9 a.m. July 5 ran the man's plate and found it expired, according to police reports. The report also showed the registered owner's license was suspended.

In response to the officer's request, the man handed over his driver's license, but failed to produce proof of insurance or registration, the report said. He was arrested for driving with a suspended license and jailed, the report said. He posted the \$300 bond a half hour later, the report said.

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 17.

- Anthony John Rocco — Domestic violence, third offense, sentence enhancement (third offense).

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 18.

- Jamar Antonio Henderson — Home invasion - second degree.

- Jeremy Joseph Magrum — Retail fraud - first degree.

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 21.

- Mark Richard Promo — Operating under the influence of liquor/per se, third offense felony.

- Dartagnan Tamar Stanford — Uttering and publishing, attempted uttering and publishing, driving while license suspended, possible altered drivers license, sentence enhancement/second offense.

- James Edwin Sholtz — Operating under the influence of alcohol/per se, third offense felony, driving while license suspended, sentence enhancement/second offense.

- Craig Joseph Hattemer — Retail fraud, first degree.

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 22.

- Jeffrey Curtis Johnson (a.k.a. "Huey") — Delivery/manufacture marijuana (three counts).

- Michelle Marie Krull — Operating under the influence of alcohol/per se, third offense felony, alcohol/open container in vehicle.

- Todd Vincent Andrews — Stalking/aggravated, sentence enhancement/second offense.

- Michael Devon Chouinard — Stolen property receiving and concealing over \$1,000 but under \$20,000.

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 23.

- Eric Anthony Jiskra — Fleeing/eluding - third degree, operating under the influence of alcohol/per se (third offense felony), police officer - assault/resistance/obstruction, sentence enhancement (second offense).

- Christopher Robert Greer — Controlled substance - delivering and manufacture narcotics 50 to 449 grams.

- Justin Philip Berkhausen — Delivering and manufacture of marijuana, controlled substance/possession of marijuana.

- Anthony Carl Gordon — Fleeing/eluding - third degree, driving while license suspended (second or subsequent offense).

- Eric Todd Hall — Obtaining personal identification without author, financial transaction device - false statement, financial transaction device - possession of fraudulent one.

- Thomas Gerard Stark — Retail fraud - first

degree, sentence enhancement (fourth or subsequent offense).

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 24.

- Antoine Jamar Powers — Carrying a concealed weapon, Weapons - dangerous weapon - mics.

- Michael Andrew Howard — Breaking and entering, larceny in a building.

- Brian Anthony Nelson — Controlled substance (second offense/double penalty).

- Robert Joseph Tafelski — Malicious destruction fire/police property, operating under the influence of alcohol/per se (third offense felony), police officer-assault/resistance/obstruction, driving while license suspended - second or subsequent offense, sentence enhancement (second offense).

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 25.

- Gregory Allen Nesbitt — Operating under the influence of alcohol/per se (third offense felony), driving while license suspended (second or subsequent offense).

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 28.

- Tobias Robert Kenyon — Armed robbery, sentence enhancement (third offense).

- Christopher Robert Greer — Possession of controlled substance, controlled substance - possession of marijuana.

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for June 29.

- Carol Audine Morris — Operating under the influence of alcohol/per se (third offense felony).

- Elsie Dalayna Bell — Uttering & publishing, sentence enhancement (fourth or subsequent offense).

- Jessica Brooke Dunkel — Larceny in a building.

- Allison Nicole Kloiber — Financial transaction device - five counts.

- Anthony Michael Long — Larceny in a building, Alcohol - minor possession.

- Dawn Rochelle Cassidy — Possession/controlled substance - under 25 grams, Controlled substance-possession of marijuana, operating under the influence of alcohol/per se, driving while license suspended.

These are the cases scheduled for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for July 1.

- Brian David Hartunian — Possess child sexually abusive - over 4 - five counts.

- Tammie Sue Whitmore — Embezzlement over \$1,000 less than \$20,000.

- Daryl Nelson Wyckoff — Operating under the influence of alcohol/per se (third offense felony), driving while license suspended (second or subsequent offense), alcohol-open container in vehicle.

- Sarah Jean Conrad — Retail fraud-first degree.

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'Our Lady' heads back to planning commission

Planners set to review expanded school plan at next Tuesday's meeting

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Despite legal opposition, Our Lady of Victory is unveiling its latest plan for a new school next week.

Representatives for the local church are scheduled to present revised plans to the Northville Planning Commission during the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 20 in the City Hall council chambers. The applicants have requested preliminary and final site plan approval for the kindergarten-through-eighth-grade school on west Orchard Drive.

The procedural step forward will happen despite recent legal action by six local residents who oppose the school's construction on that site. Local attorney Eric Stempien June 8 filed an appeal on their behalf in Wayne County Circuit Court against the City of Northville.

"I've been told they have every right to move forward and look at the site plan," said city Manager Gary Word. "We'd be remiss if we did not."

City attorney James Kohl is reviewing the

document and will file a timely response, Word said. The city manager said he conveyed questions planning commissioners raised at their July 6 meeting to the attorney. "Nobody has said anything to me that we're doing improper at this point," Word said.

Craig Roney, who lives just down the street from the proposed school, said he will attend next Tuesday's meeting. He is one of the six residents appealing the city's Board of Zoning Appeals May 5 decision that, in effect, allowed the church to proceed with its new school plans.

There is no legal grounds to prohibit them from proceeding, Roney said. "That was not the hope," he said. "The hope is that the decision by the BZA be reversed. The way the decision was arrived at was wrong." The zoning board reversed the Planning Commission's March vote to deny the parish's special land-use permit application to build on the site.

"The decision by the BZA not only puts in jeopardy our neighborhood, but other neighborhoods in the city and the whole process of special-land-use permitting."

The congregation last fall unveiled plans to build the new facility to replace the current school built in 1952 on the east side of Orchard. During a June 1 study session with planning commissioners, church representatives floated ideas and asked for comments on how to accommodate community input in

PLANNING COMMISSION

What: Northville Planning Commission meeting
When: Tuesday, July 20 at 7:30 p.m.
Where: City Hall
Topic: preliminary and final site plan approval for 77,00 square-foot school expansion along Orchard Drive

the project.

"The next move in the whole process is for the planning commission to consider and approve what we have submitted," said the Rev. Father Paul Czarnota, Our Lady of Victory associate pastor. "We look forward to the approval of the planning commission on our site plan."

Among the revisions from the original rendition are: plans for all student loading and unloading on the west side of the street; 80 on-site parking spaces for faculty and guests; a lower roofline, and orientation of the two-story gym at the north end of the property where sloping ground and trees will better shield it from Main Street.

Maureen Johnston may be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 108, or mjohnston@ht.homecomm.net.

ON CAMPUS

Carrie Wernholm

Northville resident, Carrie Wernholm, a senior at Belmont University, has been named to the spring 2004 Dean's List. She is the daughter of Tom and Audrey Wernholm and a 2001 graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy.

Michelle Morelli

Michelle Morelli, of Northville, was named to the Honor's List for the spring 2004 semester at Dominican University in River Forest, Ill. She is a graduate of Ladywood High School, and is majoring in French studies.

Spring Arbor University

Spring Arbor is pleased to announce Northville students named to the spring 2004 Dean's List. They are Cananne Chrenko and Karen VanSlyke. Chrenko also was among the graduates during spring 2004 commencement exercises.

Adam Jones

Adam Jones graduated cum laude from Georgetown University, June 2004. He graduated from Northville High School and is a resident of Northville.

Jessica Maynard

Jessica Maynard, of Northville, has become a member of Phi Sigma Theta National Honor Society at Western Michigan University.

Ann Marie Danko

Ann Marie Danko, of Northville, was among the graduates at Cleary University during spring 2004 commencement exercises.

Lawrence Technological University

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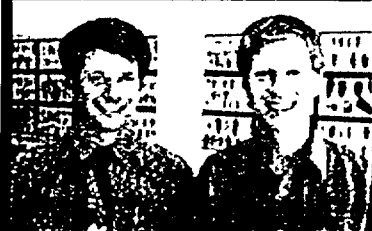
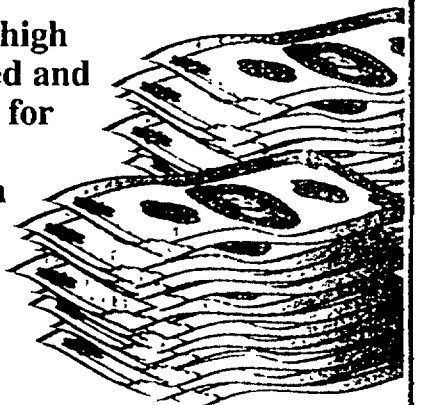
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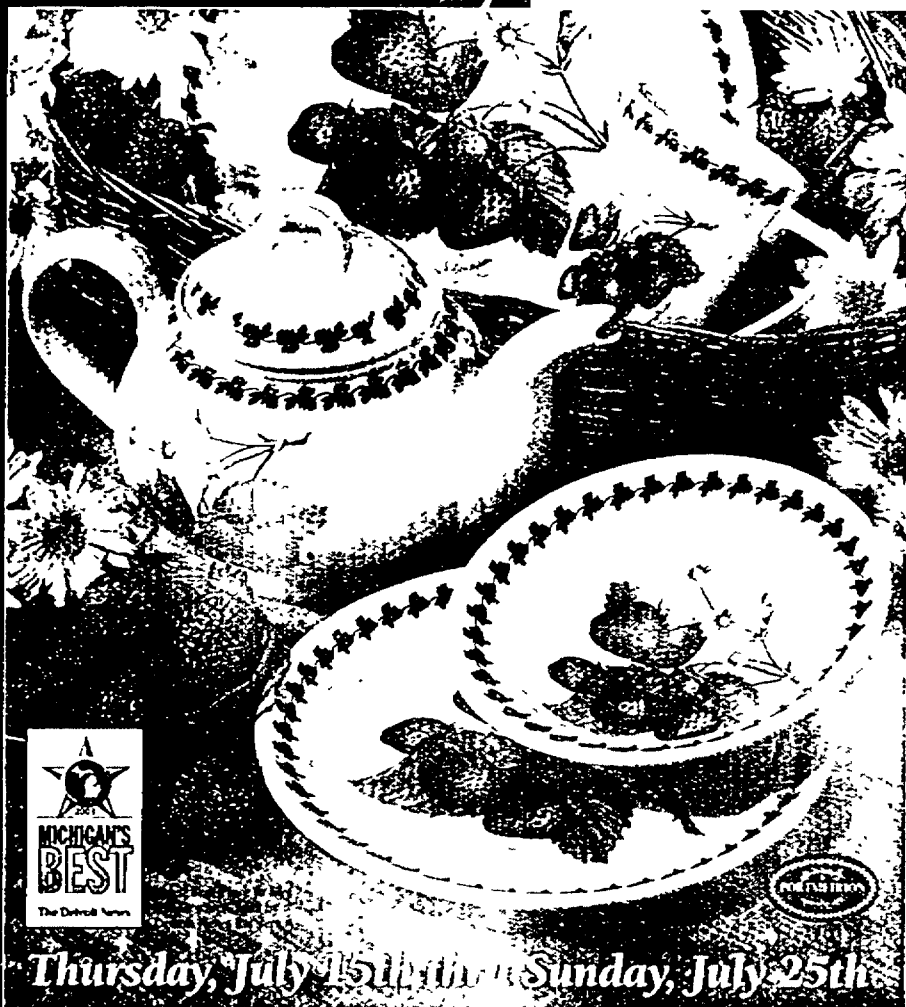
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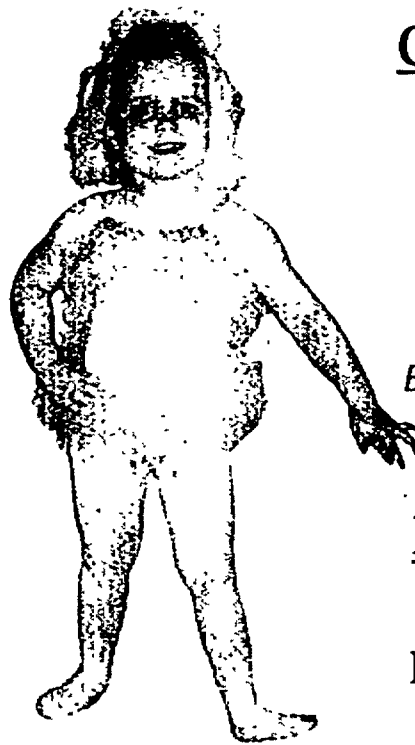
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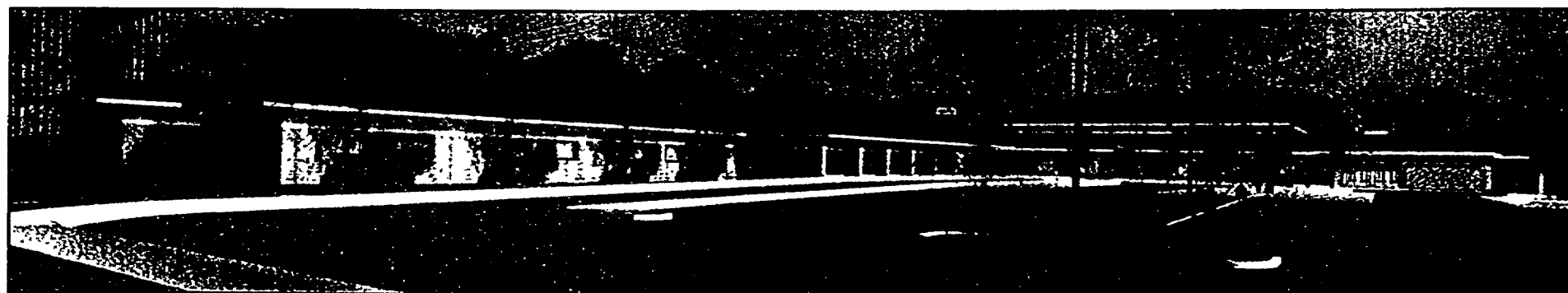


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THANK YOU NORTHVILLE!!

Our Lady of Victory Parish wishes to thank the Northville community for its continued support of our new school building project. In particular, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation to the residents and community leaders who have, along the way, offered us many valuable suggestions, resulting in an improved site plan for our new elementary school building that will be constructed opposite our present facility on Orchard Street near Main. Our revised plan has been submitted to the Planning Commission for final approval at their July 20 meeting. Our Lady of Victory and its students - who will benefit greatly from a new facility that is commensurate with their academic achievements - are gratified to be able to remain in the beautiful city of Northville as a result of this community-wide support.

"We are very pleased to submit a site plan that incorporates the recommendations and suggestions made by the Planning Commissioners at the June 1st study session," said Michael Nedelman, lead counsel for OLV. "The meeting was very helpful in identifying the Commissioners' concerns, and we were very encouraged by the spirit of cooperation at the study session. We are confident that the revised plan meets all of the City's requirements, and will be approved on July 20th."

Pursuant to the Commissioners' request at the study session, the roofline of the building was modified, and the landscaping was enhanced. "We incorporated the Planning Commissioners' recommendations, and then some," said Ronald Cieslak of Merritt McPherson Cieslak, the architects for OLV. "Our plan allows for student pick up and drop off entirely on school grounds, along with landscaping that will provide a natural buffer and an aesthetically pleasing appearance."

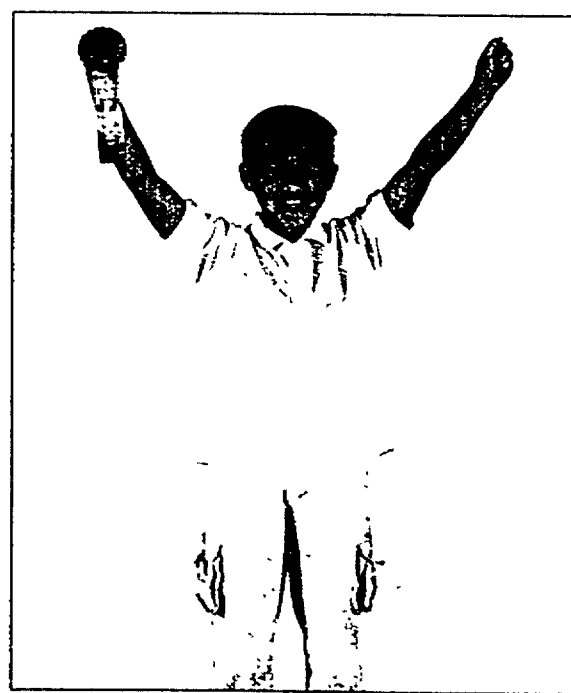
"We look forward to the Planning Commission meeting on July 20 and the final approval of our site plan," said Father Paul Czarnota of OLV. "Our plan is in accordance with all city ordinances, and we look to the future with a new school that will not only benefit our students, but be a great addition to the community as well," Father Czarnota added.



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CIVIL RIGHTS: District responds to complaint

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dent's (Northville Schools) white students."

Kirk alleges in the complaint a Caucasian student made racially derogatory comments to her son on May 19. She said her son was issued a one-day suspension the following day for spraying the same student in the face with deodorant aerosol.

Kirk said the district took no action against the white student, despite being aware he allegedly used racial slurs against her son.

Reason said immediately following the May 19 incident, the allegations were adequately investigated by Meads Mill Middle School assistant principal, Ray Balutowicz.

District officials said the investigation included interviews with many students, meetings with Kirk and a plan including a support system for Kirk's son.

"There was no evidence the two kids that (Kirk's son) said supposedly called him a (racially derogatory remark) did, neither from individual interrogations of kids, interrogations of kids who were peripheral to it and additional interviews of kids who were peripheral to the peripheral..." Reason said.

More to the story

Kirk originally said she was upset because one student admitted

WHAT NOW?

Investigators from the Michigan Department of Civil Rights will now review the district's response.

If civil wrongdoing is found, media spokesman Harold Core said the department is qualified to award monetary damages, bestow penalties and rule on policy changes for offending institutions.

to calling her son a different racial slur and was not suspended.

Balutowicz originally confirmed his investigation revealed one student confessed to using the racial slur. The assistant principal said the punishment issued following the admittance was appropriate.

The punishment included a call to the friend's parents and a lecture.

He said all factors were considered, including statements made by Kirk's son that he was not offended by his friend's racial remark.

"The bottom line is there are two things happening," Reason said. "One he (Kirk's son) was OK with it if it was his friend and two it is his friend and Mr. Balutowicz pulled this boy and informed him that any derivation of that word is incorrect."

The Northville Record has chosen not to publish either of the racial slurs allegedly used.

Reason said the student wasn't suspended because of a couple of

reasons. "One, the breakdown between the accuser and this child made a difference in that case and the issue is did we deal with the kid, was his parent called, was he called on the carpet and disciplined for using the term and the answer is yes," Reason said.

"If he stood in front of him and used any term in just about any other context he would have certainly been suspended without question."

"Our policies and procedures are in place. It is just in this case it made it difficult because there was either denial or sort of like well, 'he was not the one I was worried about, this kid is OK and he is my friend.' We explained to (the student) and his friend, he may be your friend, but he can't call you that either. So that is our position."

Reactions

Leonard Rezmierski, Northville Schools superintendent, said the district would have conducted its own investigation regardless of the mandate by the Michigan Department of Civil Rights.

"Frankly, we had had this on our policy and procedures documentation for quite some time we just never had a chance to exercise it," he said.

Kirk failed to return calls made by the Northville Record.

District responds to civil rights complaint

The following is a statement released this week by the Northville Public Schools in response to a recent civil rights complaint filed against Meads Mill Middle School.

On Friday, June 18th, 2004, Northville Public Schools received a Michigan Department of Civil Rights Complaint filed by Katherine Kirk against Northville Public Schools. A district finding was delivered to the Department of Civil Rights on Friday July 9, 2004. Katherine Kirk is the mother of (the student), a student at Meads Mill Middle School. The finding report was filed by Dr. Casey Reason, Assistant Superintendent, and Title VI Compliance Officer for Northville Public Schools. In the Complaint, Ms. Kirk claimed that Northville Public Schools lacked the appropriate response to racial inappropriate comments allegedly made by two students at Meads Mill Middle School. In Dr. Reason's investigation he reported the following:

On Thursday, May 20th, 2004, the administration at Meads Mill Middle School was made aware of a complaint by Ms. Kirk regarding the use of racially insensitive terms by two students at Meads Mill Middle School.

On May 20th, 2004, Mr. Balutowicz, working in conjunction with Ms. Kirk, established a plan for addressing both the investigation of the alleged students involved and the support system for Mark

in the days and weeks to come.

Mr. Balutowicz began his investigation of the alleged student comments immediately (on May 20th). He followed his investigation up on Friday, May 21st, 2004 with additional student interviews. On Monday, May 24th, 2004, Mr. Balutowicz continued his investigation talking to students peripheral to the investigation in hopes of gaining additional information regarding the accusations.

Mr. Balutowicz indicated that he supported (the student) pursuant to the aforementioned plan established with Ms. Kirk by personally meeting with him on May 20th, 21st, and 24th.

At the conclusion of the investigation, Mr. Balutowicz was unable to find any student or adult witness who could confirm the allegation that (the student) was subject to any racially insensitive comments.

Dr. Reason also confirmed that Northville Public Schools Board of Education has a recently affirmed Board Policy against the use of racially derogatory terms.

Dr. Reason reported to the Michigan Department of Civil Rights that the foregoing findings have established no evidence that school administration failed to properly investigate or address the claims of harassment or discrimination made by Ms. Kirk.

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Recently elected Northville school board members Joan Wadsworth and Judith Wollack were sworn into office Tuesday night during the district's board of education meeting. Both will serve four-year terms. Other official school-board business included naming Comerica Bank as the official depository for the Northville Public Schools; paying \$6,375 in dues to the Michigan Association of School Boards; and adopting the 2004-05 board by-laws and education policy manual.

Meeting schedule

The board of education meeting schedule was announced Tuesday night for the 2004-05 school year. The second Tuesday of the month is designated as the regular meeting of the board and will be held at Old Village School, 405 W. Main Street. The fourth Tuesday of the month is designated as the regular second meeting of the board and will be held at various school buildings. Exceptions: Dec. 14 will be at Winchester Elementary; April meetings will be adjusted for Spring Break; and the Tuesday, June 14 meeting will be held on Monday, June 13. All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m.

School board meeting

The next Northville board of

Class NOTES

education meeting will take place 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10 at Old Village School, 405 W. Main Street. For more information, call (248) 349-3400.

Study workshops

The Institute of Reading Development, in association with The University of Michigan-Dearborn School of Education, will present a series of learning workshops July 26 through Aug. 23 at the First Baptist Church, 217 North Wing St. The workshops are designed to enhance speed reading; comprehension and study skills for students entering sixth through 12th grades. Classes take place on Monday and programs last five weeks. Tuition is \$299. For more information, call (800) 978-9596.

High School Registration

The following schedule lists Northville High School student registration for the 2004-05 school year: Ninth grade regis-

tration and orientation will take place 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17; 10th grade registration will take place 8 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18; 12th grade registration will take place 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18; 11th grade registration will take place 8 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 19; a makeup registration session without photos will take place Wednesday, Aug. 25; and photo makeup will take place Thursday, Aug. 26.

Annual Golf Outing

The Old Village and Cooke schools' Annual Golf Outing will take place at 8 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 2 at Woodlands of Van Buren. Entrance fees include: Golf and dinner for one \$100; dinner only \$30; hole sponsorship \$100; or contest sponsor \$50. Raffle and door prize donors are also needed. Old Village and Cooke schools service handicapped students from 14 school districts in Wayne County. The proceeds from the scramble will be divided evenly between the two schools and will be used to support music therapy, leisure recreation and student equipment needs. Registration deadline is Sept. 13, but advance support from donors and entrants is sought. Registration forms are available from Old Village and Cooke schools.

BUSINESS BRIEF

Northville resident, Dr. Michael Simoff and Novi attorney Jason Waechter have been recognized by Trial Lawyers Care for their "extraordinary" efforts in a nationwide effort to provide free legal service for victims of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

Waechter represented a victim from Yonkers, New York before the federal Victim Compensation Fund and received an award of \$135,000.00. The victim was a police officer who suffered respiratory injuries after responding to the September 11th attacks, performing rescue and recovery measures in the rubble at Ground Zero. At one point, the victim was trapped in the rubble himself for over 30 minutes. Studies have indicated that the air conditions that the victim experienced were "one of the most diverse and powerful toxic exposures in human history." As a result, the victim now carries an exponentially increased risk of developing cancer and other respiratory problems.

Waechter undertook this case pro bono because of his desire to use his abilities to assist people in dealing with a tragedy that affected him, and many others, quite deeply. Residing in Michigan, Mr. Waechter was happy to travel to New York to handle the litigation of the case and enjoyed the experience of practicing law for a purely

philanthropic reason. To aid in the case, Attorney Waechter also retained the assistance of a local expert who also volunteered his services pro bono. Dr. Michael Simoff of Northville was critical to the case. Dr. Simoff, a Board Certified pulmonary and critical care doctor at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, resides in Northville; he reviewed the victim's medical records and consulted numerous research studies. Dr. Simoff's report regarding the long term effects the claimant would suffer was an integral part of the hearing held in New York by a Special Master of the Fund.

"I was hesitant to ask this renowned expert, Dr. Simoff, for his help knowing that he would not be paid and how busy his schedule is. Considering his commitment to this patients, I should not have been surprised when he agreed without hesitation to spend a considerable amount of his valuable time and expertise. Without Dr. Simoff, the claim would have failed," said Waechter.

"Mr. Waechter's pro bono representation of a 9/11 victim is an extraordinary contribution to help the victim and the country start to put that horrific day behind us as much as possible," said David Casey, President of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. "The money is important to help people move ahead but perhaps it is even more important to attempt to put some closure on a terrible episode in American history."

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Thayers Corner debate

Township officials visit Thayers Corner, but solid plans still distant

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The former Clarke home and its attached 56.2 acres of land at 8250 Napier Rd. greeted the township board last Thursday much the same as it has looked since 1999.

That's when the township purchased the former farmland at the northeast corner of Six Mile and Napier roads with sights set on converting it into a park.

Now called Thayers Corner Park — named for its original settlers — finalized plans are still likely years away.

Five board members toured the property prior to a special meeting/study session held at Township Hall at 7:30 p.m. on July 8.

"I think it was worth our while to go through it to see what we have," said Trustee Marvin Gans. "Right now we're just looking at it to see what the potentials are."

Attendees walked the two stories and basement of the 1968

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custom-built house, which is currently used to store files and equipment. It also has office space for Bob LaPlante of the township's maintenance department, who visits the site regularly.

Officials said the home may either be renovated into a community center, or demolished in favor of a new structure.

What next?

During the formal meeting later that evening, board members discussed whether upkeep on the house should occur in the meantime.

Gans supported a home inspection conducted by a third party. He said such an inspection would cost about \$300. Other board

members opted for the township's building department to do the job.

Caulking on the windows and paint for the building was also considered, although no motions were passed.

"We can't treat it as though something we throw away until later," Trustee Shirley Klokenga said. "I do not want to see it deteriorate. We've got to preserve what we have."

Thayers' future

Thayers was purchased by the township for just more than \$1.8 million from Gerald and Esther Clarke. Officials said little money is needed for regular upkeep.

For \$85 per month, the homestead's lawn is mowed by contractors between May and Oct. Minimal utilities and phone services are paid. An alarm system for the house also was installed about four years ago at low cost, according to the township's finance department.

Officials said the home was bought at the same time the township acquired the Community Park land at Beck Road, between Five Mile and Six Mile roads. Current cost-overruns for clean-up being done on that site are contributing to the lack of capital needed to get the Thayers project underway.

"I do not want to see it deteriorate. We've got to preserve what we have."

Shirley Klokenga
Trustee, Northville Township

Last May, clean-up efforts by more than 50 volunteers including picking up trash and dead wood from trails, and transplanting trees to clear a path from the home to a nearby pond.

Future plans include a nature trail system, ice skating, community gardens, and wilderness campsites. An additional 2.7 acres will be decided to the township by Toll Brothers.

Currently, facilities including a large pole barn are used to store maintenance equipment, a police car, a township water and sewer van, and even a horse-drawn sleigh. The latter may one day be used again in the park.

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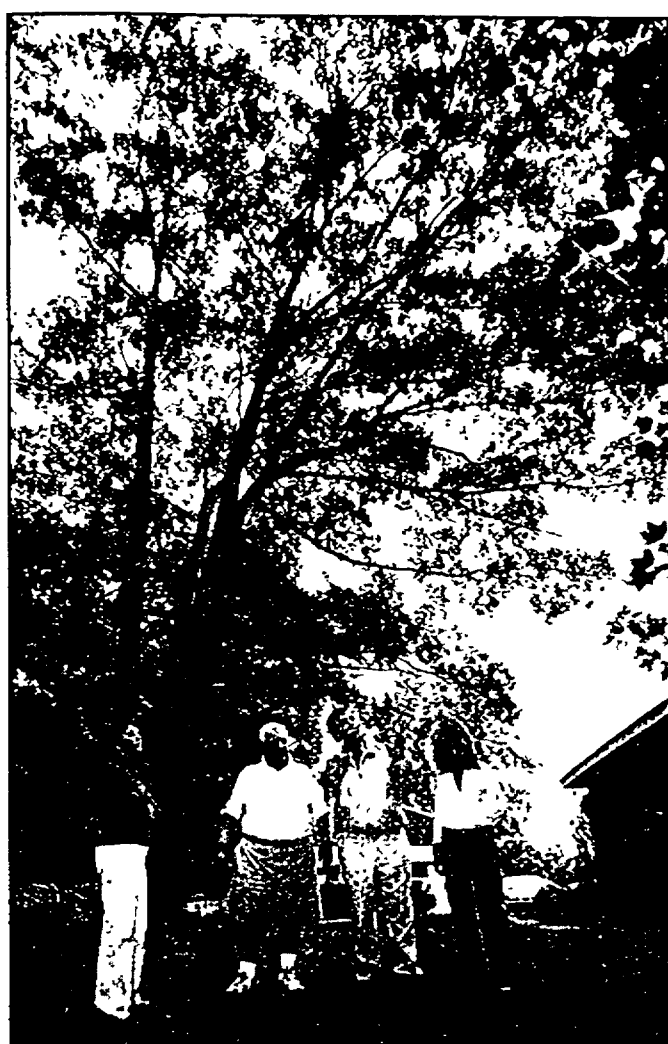


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Members of the Northville Township Board of Trustees visits the proposed "Thayer's Corners" park on Napier Road. The property, which is partially used by the township for maintenance operations, includes a home, barn and many acres of property that may eventually become a township natural area.

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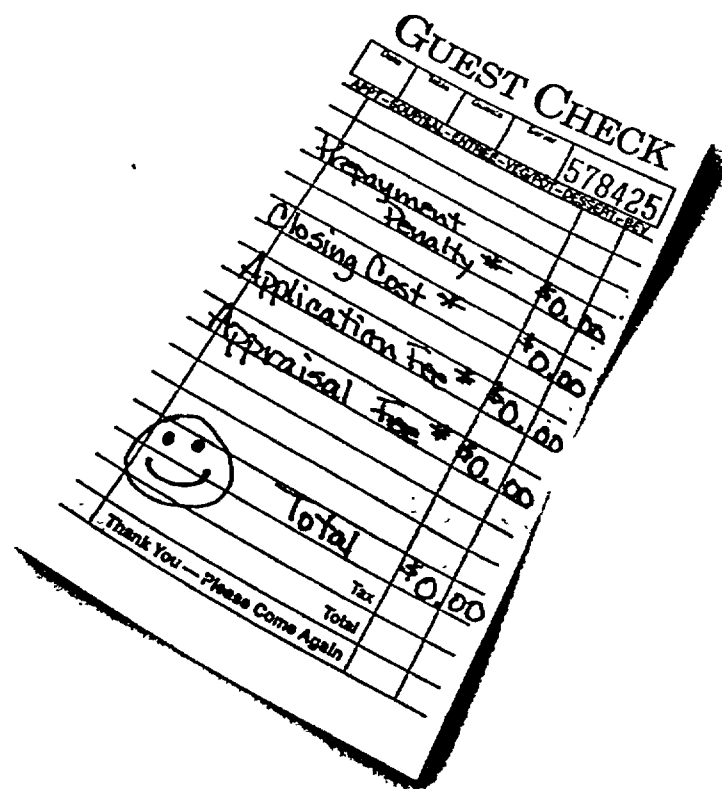
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NORTHVILLE

Highlights of the July 8 Board of Trustees special meeting/study session

Community Park

Cleaning up the unexpected, buried debris left when the state tore down the Phoenix Center at Beck Road between Five Mile and Six Mile roads is projected to push costs for Community Park up \$400,000.

Preliminary ideas to "cut" the project's cost were proposed by trustees Marvin Gans, Brad Werth and Richard Henningsen.

Suggested were: saving \$300,000 by not paving the parking lot, though current township ordinance would first have to be amended; saving \$100,000 by deferring the planting of planned trees; and turning to corporate sponsors for bleacher installation, which could save \$29,000.

Community Park will be discussed at the next board meeting on July 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Home on the gun range

The Michigan State Police Second District's gun range, near current and future housing around the former psychiatric hospital land on Seven Mile Road, is a topic of concern for some residents.

Despite resident concerns about safety and noise, Township Manager Chip Snider said the state police have been contacted, and the range will likely stay.

"That is the only viable range in the second district," Snider said. "Their plan is to maintain that range."

The range township police once used at the former Detroit House of Corrections property closed about three weeks ago. Police will now use a range in Canton Township, under their department of public safety, which has a variety of amenities for practice and training.

Usage of Canton range is free to Northville Township, thanks to an agreement between Snider and Canton Township Director John Santomauro. Snider said one drawback is the eight to 10 mile drive to Canton.

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The couple's children are Jim and Karen Eathorne of Northville and Jill Bahr of Charleston, N.C.

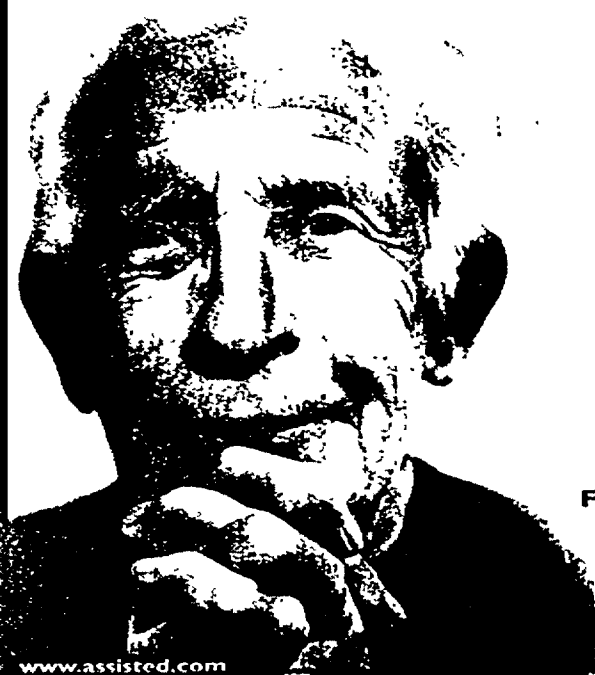


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Mill Race plans museum

Pending federal grant approval, historic village would add local museum

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Juliet Culp envisions a museum adjacent to the Mill Race Village. But the village's office manager will likely need a \$350,000 federal grant to get the job done. Culp expects word later this month about the status of a federal grant that would aid Northville Historical Society efforts to establish a museum adjacent to the Mill Race Village.

Total estimated project cost: \$764,000

On March 1, Culp submitted a 20-page application describing plans for the vintage home the city acquired for that purpose, just north of Griswold Road. The two-story 1876 house currently sits as a little-used warehouse of historical items.

Local historians envision an interpretative center that would document and showcase local development — original settlers of the Northville area, the environment of the Rouge River valley and context of Henry Ford's vision, Culp said.

She worked alongside fellow Northville resident Rod Tabaczynski for more than a year detailing museum plans to submit to the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington, D.C.

The 315 Griswold address is a plum by virtue of its proximity to the village, size, availability, condition and its connection to the Yerkes family, Culp said. One of the attractions in the existing village is a home once owned by the same founding family.

"You always want something larger than you have," she said. "But for our financial status, this size is appropriate. I think we can do something really unique with it."

What's the plan?

The plan describes an office for Mill Race village archivist Sandy Basse, along with exhibits open to the public on the main floor of the approximate 2,000-square-foot house. The former upstairs bedrooms would be used to store historical information and as a research area.

The museum would serve as an entry point to the current setting of structures that depict the area from the late 1850s to 1890s, Tabaczynski said. "To me, it complements and expands the village."

A first goal of the venture is creation of archival storage, Culp said. Contractors would control the humidity and temperature of the existing garage to safely store rare and fragile articles, such as photographs and birth records. Copies would be available for the public to handle inside the house, she explained.

Preparing the grant helped the group think through those types of aspects of the project, Tabaczynski said. The institute wanted details on steps to complete the museum, how the organizers would be accountable, what visitors would get out of the experience and how the facility would

be continuously improved.

"You have to understand what you really want to do," Tabaczynski said. "I think for the first time we understood the extent of the project. You learn a lot in the process."

Work already done

Last year, Mill Race and City of Northville workers together repainted the house's exterior in period-appropriate colors. Hazelwood Green, Plymouth Beige and Phelps Putty accentuate the Federal-style architecture, with its symmetrical lines, tall windows, and box-like and rectilinear elements.

The city partnered with the village to submit the application, Culp said, and now takes care of the home's lawn. The self-sufficient historic village has absorbed the staffing and utility expenses, she said.

"Just like every other non-profit group, we have no money, so we didn't get too far," she said. "At this point, everything is fluid."

Grant, or no grant

Whether or not the historical society receives the federal grant,



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

The home at 315 Griswold in Northville will become Mill Race Village's Interpretive center and archive.

Culp said the group wants to proceed with the museum concept "If we get this grant or not, we have all the information. We could potentially submit it for other grants," she said.

"We're really waiting to see what happens mid-July."

The historical society would

welcome local contributions and/or any type of fund-raising campaign, Culp said.

"Whatever happen with this dictates the next number of steps," she said. To date, local contributions have reached \$430,000.

Grant approval would require the museum project commence immediately, Culp said. "It would take two years to complete everything."

The grant application defined broad areas for the project. An October start would mean immediately hashing out the drawings and timing details, Culp said.

Members of the local Questers group already have contributed time and effort to the project, Culp said.

"They have been looking at more research, who built it, who first owned it," she said. "We know it was the Yerkes family."

Each phase of the plan has been funneled through the city's Historic District Commission, Culp said. The house's location is outside the district limits, but respect for the era is the project goal, she said. "We research it to the ninth degree."

Maureen Johnston can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 108, or mjohnston@ht.homecomm.net.

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Juliet Culp, office manager for Northville's Mill Race Village, looks over some paperwork about the house located at 315 Griswold. That home will one day become Mill Race's Interpretive center and archives.

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To the qualified electors, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Primary Election will be held in the Township of Northville on Tuesday, August 3, 2004, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of nominating candidates of all participating parties for the following offices:

Representative in Congress	State Representative
Prosecuting Attorney	Sheriff
County Clerk	County Treasurer
Register of Deeds	County Commissioner
Delegate to County Convention	
Judge of Circuit Court - 3rd Circuit Court Non-Incumbent	
Township of Northville - Supervisor	
Treasurer	4 Trustees

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PROPOSAL Q

BALLOT ADVISORY QUESTIONS

SHALL SECTION 3.115 OF THE WAYNE COUNTY HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT THE COUNTY COMMISSION MAY PLACE ADVISORY QUESTIONS ON THE BALLOT?

____ YES _____ NO

PROPOSAL R

REMOVAL OF COMMISSIONER FOR CAUSE

SHALL SECTION 3.115 OF THE WAYNE COUNTY HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT A COMMISSIONER MAY BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE BY A 2/3 VOTE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR CONVICTION OR ADMISSION OF A FELONY, AND BE DISQUALIFIED FROM RUNNING FOR OR HOLDING A COUNTY OFFICE FOR 3 YEARS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT A COMMISSIONER MAY BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE BY A 4/5 VOTE FOR MISFEASANCE OR MALFEASANCE OF OFFICE OR FOR MOVING OUT OF DISTRICT?

____ YES _____ NO

Township Polling Locations

Precincts 1, 15	Moraine Elementary School	46811 8 Mile Road
Precincts 2, 8, 9, 13, 14	Silver Springs Elementary School	18901 Silver Springs Drive
Precincts 7, 12, 16	Meads Mill School	16700 Franklin Road
Precincts 6, 10, 11	Winchester Elementary School	16141 Winchester Drive
Precinct 5	Kings Mill Clubhouse	18120 Jamestown Circle
Precincts 17, 18	Ridgewood Elementary School	49775 Six Mile Road
Precincts 3, 4	Northville High School	45700 Six Mile Road

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(7-15-29-04 NR 145270)

NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

A SPECIAL LAND USE PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on July 27, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. The Planning Commission will consider a Special Land Use for drive thru car wash at 17025 Northville Road.

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

(7-15-22-04 NR 148752)

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Notice is hereby given the Board of Review of the Charter Township of Northville; Wayne County, Michigan will convene on July 20th, 2004 at 9:00 A.M. at the Northville Township Finance Building, 41660 Six Mile Rd, Northville Michigan 48167. The meeting will be held in accordance with MCL 211.53b for the purpose of:

- Changes in Taxable Value due to a newly recognized Ownership Transfer as provided for under MCL 211.27a(3) as amended by PA 415 of 1994, which are treated as clerical errors.
- Clerical Errors or Mutual Mistakes of fact as provided under original MCL 211.53b (1)
- Appeals of "Principal Residence" or "Qualified Agricultural Property" as provided for under MCL section 211.7cc and 211.ee as amended by PA 237 of 1994.
- Appeals for Poverty Exemption for the current year (2004), as provided for under MCL section 211.7u and amended by PA of 1995.

MARK J. ABBO
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

(7-15-04 NR 149201)

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TREE PLANTING PROJECT

The Charter Township of Northville is requesting proposals for a community-wide tree planting project for the fall of 2004. Trees will be planted within the right of way at entrances to residential developments and along main roads such as 5, 6, 7 and 8 Mile, Haggerty, Bradner, Northville, Sheldon, Beck, Ridge and Napier Roads. The budget for this project is \$48,000.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Planting a variety of trees within the road right-of-way at the entrances to residential developments and along main roads throughout the Charter Township of Northville.

REQUIRED SERVICES: Planting a variety of trees according to project specifications.

BID SUBMITTAL: Bids may be obtained at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. Bids must be sealed and submitted by no later than August 15, 2004 at 10:00 A.M., at which time they will be publicly opened and read at: Office of the Clerk, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

Northville Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Questions regarding work specifications may be directed to Maureen Osiecki, (248) 449-5095.

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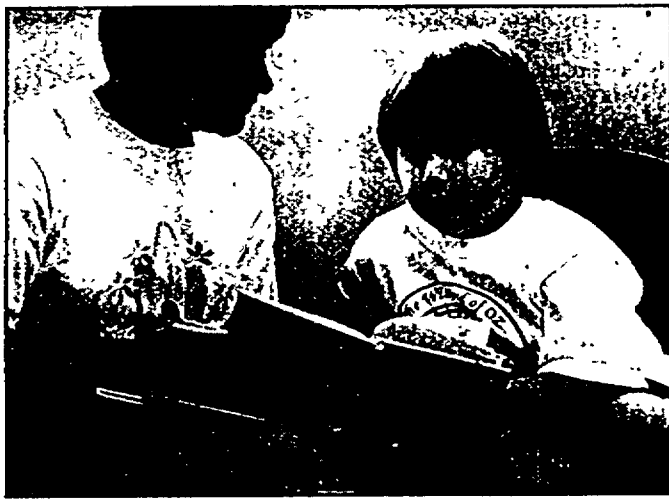


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Skate Park

Northville Parks & Recreation announces the opening of the portable skate park. A great place to practice new stunts, the skate park will be located at the Recreation Center at Hillside inside of the Hillside tennis courts. An attendant will be on hand to monitor all activity. The park is open from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Fridays and 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturdays: This is a "drop in" program with a fee of \$2 per person.

Amusement Park Tickets

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Children's Drawing and Painting

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Aquatics

Registration is continuing for summer swim lessons. Many days and times are still available. For more information, call (248) 349-0203.

Safety Town

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Ernie Harwell

Dodgers' Stadium in Los Angeles to Yankee Stadium in New York City. Now, I'm not about to knock an American institution, but I do want to get a plug in for moderation. After all, the average regular beef hot dog contains 150 calories and 13 grams of fat. Wrapping it in a plain white bread bun adds

100 calories and 1.5 more grams of fat. A tablespoon each of ketchup, mustard, onions and relish adds at least another 50 calories. Throwing on an ounce of cheddar cheese adds another 120 calories and 10 grams of fat. So a hot dog with all the fixings can add up to more than 420 calories and 24 grams of fat - and a day's total allowance of sodium!

For the average person who eats plenty of fruits and veggies and watches fat and sodium intake, routing for the home team is more fun with a hot dog, maybe even some peanuts and Cracker Jacks - in moderation.

And please remember to take care of your health before it's lonngggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

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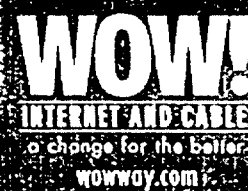
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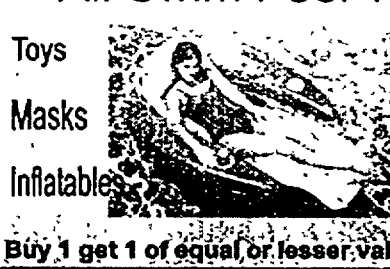
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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Keep election races clean

With less than three weeks remaining until the Aug. 3 primary election, candidates in the Northville community are kicking their campaigns into overdrive.

Some candidates are making phone calls and mailing out literature to residents living in the community. Others are walking door-to-door, talking with residents about the issues that matter most.

That personal contact is what's important during a campaign cycle. This is the best opportunity for the leaders of our communities to find out what residents really think — and really want.

During the four-year terms, more often than not, residents only speak with their elected leaders when there is a big problem. Otherwise, the township board is left on its own to decide what the community wants and needs.

In the midst of their campaigns, officials seem to actively seek the pulse of the community. Unfortunately, campaigning is about more than polling residents. It can bring in the spread of false information. Sometimes political signs disappear. Candidates

bad-mouth opponents. It's unfortunate — and shameful — that every candidate in every race cannot manage their campaigns without reproach.

Of course, it's not solely the candidates who have lowered themselves to such depths. Many times, supporters of a particular candidate will do the dirty deed, unbeknownst to the candidate. Other times, it may be the work of some vandal who is totally unaware an election season is in full-swing.

With only a few weeks left until the primary election, we hope we don't hear of any campaign shenanigans.

Lying or cheating — or worse — to achieve any elected position, or to help a favored candidate do so, is reprehensible.

Do we really want this type of leadership running our communities?

We think not.

We credit local candidates with running clean and above-board races, focused on the issues and mindful of the long-term perspective. Here's hoping that, as election day draws near, those tactics are not forgotten.

Let's keep it clean.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

The eyes have it

Erika Goebel, right, paints some colorful flowers on to the face of Sarah Bidini, 4, during last Thursday's activities at the Northville District Library as Bidini catches a glimpse of the camera. The face painting day and visits by Science Alive are all part of the library's summer reading program for children.

LETTERS

Thanks for saving trees

On June 21 the Northville City Council took a courageous step and rescinded its previous resolution to allow the destruction of five mature trees along Orchard Street. The trees had been proposed for removal so that a non-city resident could move a house down the street.

As a resident of that area who benefits from the shade, the beauty, and the ecological effects that those trees provide, I'd like to thank Mayor Johnson for recognizing the council's earlier error in judgment and showing courage by putting the issue back on the council's agenda. I'd also like to thank council members Tom Swigart and Kevin Hartshorne for actively supporting the rescission of the previous resolution. It was evident from the discussion on June 21 that all viewpoints and all options had not been considered in the initial approval of the request, and I respect these three council members for taking a step back and reconsidering the issue. It is not easy or comfortable to admit to an error in thinking, but these three people stood tall and admitted that the council may have been wrong.

At the meeting, another council member raised a question about what should be the priority for preservation. The neighbors near Orchard Street are indeed faced with a difficult decision: save the trees or save three historic homes that face demolition due to the proposed expansion of Our Lady of Victory school. In an ideal world, a new school of approximately the same size and scale as the current school would be built, and both the homes and the trees could be preserved. However, the board of zoning appeals already has decided that issue by giving unrestricted approval to the special land use permit requested by the Archdiocese of Detroit. The resulting historic home demolitions and destruction of dozens of trees on Archdiocese property cannot be prevented at this point without court action. Now Northville citizens can only strive to preserve what remains of the neighborhood, including the five trees in question which are on public property. The council's decision on June 21 helps that to happen, and takes one positive step toward protecting the interests of city residents over the desires of a single individual. Thank you Chris, Tom and Kevin, for keeping your voters' best interests at the forefront of your thinking!

Donna Pallas
Northville

LETTERS DEADLINE

The deadline for Letters to the Editor regarding the upcoming Aug. 3 primary election will be Monday, July 19 at 5 p.m. The Northville Record will not publish any election-related letters pertaining to the Aug. 3 primary after its July 22 edition.

No small 'Victory'

Ms. Mary Braddock's letter, published in last week's Record, about the proposed Our Lady of Victory School is almost completely incorrect.

Ms. Braddock alleges that there are residents that "refuse to accept the democratic process and are intent on causing mayhem". In fact, the democratic process is still alive. The Planning Commission denied the special use permit and the Archdiocese appealed to Board of Zoning Appeals. Now, several local citizens, supported by hundreds of others, are appealing that decision to the Circuit Court, and to the Court of Appeals if necessary. This appeal is important to all City of Northville residents, in that it will uphold the right of the City to regulate and limit "special use" facilities in residential neighborhoods. With the BZA decision, such ability to regulate is lost.

Ms. Braddock is dreadfully misinformed in saying that the school will save Northville Public School taxpayers approximately \$2,450,000 annually. Using her number (incorrect for several reasons), the fact is that the Northville Public School system would LOSE approximately \$2,450,000 per year in state funding. Local taxpayers will see very little savings, if any, due to reduced public school enrollment. I urge readers to call your public school administrator and ask about the financial effect of taking a few hundred children out of the public school system.

Ms. Braddock also shows very little understanding of the OLV expansion by comparing it to Ridgewood and Northville High School. Ridgewood, by example, has approximately the same student count that OLV proposes, but it is located on 18.8 acres, allowing for appropriate building setbacks per the current public school requirements. OLV's building has a footprint more than 20% larger than the Hiller's store in the city, yet is located on only 3.56 acres. The building will be as little as 25 feet from the nearest homeowner's property line. Northville Public Schools would not put such a large building on such a small site. Please look at the site yourself.

Traffic is already difficult during the morning and afternoon school rush, but OLV's traffic con-

sultant said that it would be so much worse, post expansion, that Orchard Drive should be closed for the safety of the children! But OLV refers to the gymnasium as the "parish life center" and has stated that approximately 50 activities that are currently off-site will come to the facility. Based on their current schedule, increased noise and traffic can be expected until 10 p.m. or 11 p.m. on almost every night.

To Ms. Braddock's question of how we manage to deal with traffic at malls, etc., I say that we go to the malls, but we do not live at the malls. Her comparison is appropriate in that the operation of any school has many of the aspects of a commercial business. It has traffic, noise, parking and safety problems. Perhaps Ms. Braddock cannot see the difference between visiting a mall and living next to one, but we can.

The noise of school children "gleefully playing" has never been an issue. OLV says most of the children will play inside the building because of safety. The combination of the huge building and tiny site leaves only room for a token playground for the lowest grades.

Ms. Braddock states that she was "aghast" when the golf course in her backyard was developed into condominiums. In Orchard Heights, homeowners would relatively be thrilled to face the development of low-density condominiums than a school expansion. The difference in impact to the neighborhood is huge.

There is little question that OLV students deserve a new building, but does it need to be 77,000 square feet, more than two and a half times larger than the entire existing OLV church and school building? Does it need to be stuffed into a micro-site in one of Northville's quiet residential neighborhoods when the Archdiocese had full approval for the facility on 24 acres at Eight Mile and Beck?

It is, of course, a matter of expediency and money. OLV has an "anonymous donor" who is donating \$2 million to this school if certain escrow conditions are met, another \$3 million in matching for building fund contributions, and has offered to pay potential legal fees. For the Archdiocese, it is relatively easy, convenient and (with the donor), less expensive to build the school in Orchard Heights, but the cost to the existing homeowners is the peace and quiet enjoying of their homes. In the meantime, the 24 acres at Eight Mile and Beck, a prime piece of property, sits quietly, waiting for the turmoil to pass.

Mary Reinholz
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Nields set new standard for senior center

At the grand opening ceremony of Northville's senior community center July 3, emcee Jim Nield wore a nametag that identified him as a member of the senior advisory council — and "Martha's husband."

The couple was as at the core of the celebrating crowd. Through the school district, historical society and municipal committees and commissions, this husband and wife are known by many in the community for their contributions throughout the 32 years they have called Northville home. During his turn at the podium, Township Supervisor Mark Abbo called the Nields the "Dynamic Duo" and specifically recognized Jim's effort toward making the concept of a new community center happen.

The unveiling of Northville's new senior community center was an example of cooperation and diligence, first presented by Nield and parks and recreation director Traci Sinecock.

It was fun to watch the faces of those two as the public reacted to their efforts at the center's grand opening. They had pitched the city-township-schools funding angle, lugged carpet samples, e-mailed the contractor's representatives in early morning hours, in short planned every aspect of what was to become a first-class facility owned by the community.

Nield and Sinecock would be the first ones to tell you they did nothing alone. At many senior advisory council meetings they sought approval of details from the volunteer leaders. That group, along with Sue Koivula and Dennis Smith of the senior center staff, came to feel ownership of the project as well. They turned their attention to how to create additional programming opportunities; another subcommittee looked into how to market the facility for public rental.

Still another group, chaired by city councilman Jerry Mittman, effectively and tactfully collected private donations. In all, community members offered more than \$105,000 to help ensure the group's vision would become reality. Frequent visitors of the former Center Iris Antuna and Lois Jaffie became the voice of local seniors, adding their vital input along the way.

The day of the opening, there were tears shed, cheeks sore from smiling, and chests bursting with pride. This is one fine facility to represent what can happen in Northville with effective communication.

Jim Nield gets a lot of credit for leading those efforts. He took some teasing the day of the opening — this project did become his baby. He and Martha were one of the largest monetary donors.



Maureen Johnston

But their contributions went a lot farther than that.

Did Martha mention her husband's early-morning hours at the construction site? Him hauling around the black cherry tree from their yard that became the fireplace mantel? The continual chime of his cell phone? Removal of the just-the-right color slate from their patio for the center's fireplace hearth? His impromptu sketches that became custom light fixtures? His borrowing knobs from their home cabinets for the day of the center opening? Uh-huh.

She complimented her husband's attention to detail and perseverance. "It's been a real team effort," she said. "I think it's like a present for the whole community."

This town has long been full of people who do what they can, when they can for others, Martha said. Hopefully, that trend will continue, she said, and the newcomers will surpass the efforts of the folks who created the race track, Mill Race Village, Main Street '78, excellent schools, the new library and now the senior center. "It is a village that has maintained that feeling into the 21st century."

At the end of that weekend, the two Nields kidded about needing to get reacquainted after his months of devotion to the senior center. Out of their earshot, a source close to the project said someone needs to quickly snap him up to get him started on something else like that.

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COMMENTARY

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Democracy is cast best with a vote, not a remote

America is a democracy, and that's a wonderful thing. Anyone who heard any of the many speeches made over the Fourth of July weekend can have no possible doubt about that.

But a democracy of what kind? That's where the discussion can get plenty tangled. For most conservatives and pragmatists, what we are supposed to have is a "representative democracy." That's what the Founding Fathers invented, and by that they meant a system in which

with another version of democracy lurking out there, something that might be called "direct democracy." Advocates of this method are suspicious of any indirect system that does not sum-



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mon up the direct vote of the people on any major issue that involves governing themselves.

Throughout our political history, the traditional antidote to a boss-dominated, rigid and unrepresentative political system has been a direct vote of the people, the so-called "citizen initiative."

This idea was the main-spring behind various populist movements, especially in California in the early 20th century and in the Midwest in the 1930s. Constitutions in 24 states now guarantee statewide various citizen initiative rights, including the right to throw elected officials out of office or put initiative measures on the ballot. It's a highly desirable safety valve, a remedy to unresponsive and unrepresentative political power.

There is something sinister lurking behind such silliness: An increasingly sophisticated consulting industry that — for a fee, often very large — will draft an initiative proposal, pay organizers to gather the signatures to put it on the ballot, manage the political campaign and erect legal barriers to prevent post-election challenges.

Since many citizen initiatives cannot be amended by vote of the legislature, it's well worth it for a single interest to pay a big fee to hard-wire a measure into the basic apparatus of state government.

Critics (myself included) think this is no way to run a railroad. The average citizen typically has no idea of the ins and outs of any particular proposal, regardless of the simplified and propagandistic TV campaigns the special interests engineer. Moreover, the members of the state legislature, relieved of the requirement for actually

learning enough to cast difficult votes on complex matters, are too often quite happy to duck that responsibility by taking a pass on whatever statewide proposition du jour comes along. I think this predisposition is intensified by term-limited legislatures, both less knowledgeable and more risk-averse than those in the past.

But if lawmakers aren't willing to make the hard choices, voters have every right to ask what the devil are we paying them for?

In Michigan it takes 318,000 valid signatures (10 percent of the total votes cast for Governor in the most recent election), to put a measure on the ballot. But some signatures are always sure to be invalid, and as a practical matter, most experts figure you need to submit at least 400,000 signatures in order to survive scrutiny by the state elections board.

For what it's worth, here's a rundown of the citizen initiatives currently in play in Michigan. The first two are almost certain to be on the November ballot:

• A Constitutional amendment prohibiting marriage between gay or lesbian couples. (Why, you may wonder, do we need this, since there is already legislation on the books prohibiting same-sex marriages? Simple.

Republicans think such a measure will sufficiently excite their base to come out and vote against gay marriage — and vote for their candidates for office while they are at it.

• A group called Let Voters Decide has gathered signatures to put on the November ballot a proposal that would amend the state constitution to prohibit new forms of gambling without voter consent. This is being supported by two groups of unlikely allies: Those who are against all forms of gambling and the casino interests, who don't want any competition.

• There was talk about a statewide vote on dove hunting, but it died when Gov. Granholm signed legislation permitting it in the southern tier of counties.

• The petition prohibiting universities from using affirmative action criteria in making admissions decisions has been withdrawn, but you should expect to see it on the ballot in 2006. Organizers needed more time to gather signatures, and figure they'll have a better chance getting it passed in an off-year election, when fewer people vote.

• Whether there should be more gambling casinos in Michigan (or, indeed, about whether to allow slot machines at race tracks —

"racinos") could wind up on the ballot if the Legislature chooses to place it there, thereby abandoning its responsibility to make a politically hard choice.

There could even be more ballot proposals, though if so they'll have to come from the Legislature, which has until Sept. 2 to place additional items on the ballot. Realistically, there isn't enough time left for voter drives to collect enough signatures.

In the meantime, consider the nightmare world we could end up with, thanks to a citizenry increasingly addicted to "reality" TV shows and a legislature increasingly reluctant to cast hard votes on tough questions. We could be creating a politics in which each person, sitting in the comfort of their living room and equipped with a clicker in hand, will vote in real time on each item of governance. If that happens, and if we are expected to choose what our trade policy toward Uruguay should be during commercial breaks, it may really be time to consider moving to Canada.

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Detroit hoping to reverse technological 'brain drain'

Ninety years ago, Detroit was the Silicon Valley of its day. Inventors, innovators and, highly skilled workers flocked to Southeast Michigan to get in on the automotive boom.

Technology flourished, and everyone got rich...

And that was a long time ago.

For decades now, Detroit's reputation as a center of inspiration has shrunk along with its population. Too often, it has been seen as a center of a mature industry that is in a constant struggle to keep up with new technology, primarily from foreign automakers.

That is why, five years ago, affluent, white-collar Oakland County took the lead in forming something called Automation Alley, which was meant to create a

new climate of innovation and to reverse a high-tech "brain drain."

"The principal reason was to attract and retain technology-skilled workers to the area," said Dr. Thomas Anderson, a soft-spoken, wiry man who directs the Alley's technology center, which will soon move into a gleaming new 12,000-square-foot headquarters in suburban Troy. The economic downturn and the need to fight old-fashioned

perceptions may have slowed things, but he thinks it is working.

"There's obviously a need for confidentiality, but we have a couple exciting projects that are getting close" to the point where a public announcement can be made, Anderson said over a salad at

the Birmingham Athletic Club.

Tom Anderson is not exactly undereducated. At 56, he has a Ph.D. in neuroscience from the University of Michigan (he was a head-injury researcher for General Motors for years), an executive MBA from Michigan State University and several other advanced math and physics degrees.

Two years ago, he dropped in to talk to Ken Rogers, a deputy Oakland County executive who is Automation Alley's top man. Anderson was hoping to do some consulting, and ended up becoming director of the technology center, a job that was shaped in part for him.

He's not making as much money as he once did, he confides with a broad smile, but he is having a lot of fun. What he does in large part is get the message out and help the right people make contacts. "What we are, really, is a high-energy nucleus for business creation," he said.

While there is some limited investment capital available through the technology cen-

ter, it is mainly "a world-class business acceleration process," which offers business counseling and training aimed at helping get products to market and helping sell them once they arrive there.

John Cain, who launched 3IS, a subscription Web service company based in Novi, gives the Alley a lot of credit for getting his firm off the ground, both with seed capital but especially "the 'door-opening' effect that the partnership with Automation Alley had," especially with the financial community.

Indeed, the Alley is perhaps strongest in its abilities to provide networking opportunities, professional development seminars, and various other services, including help in winning grants.

Panels of experts in any particular field review every application for aid; though for now they are giving heavy priority to innovations aimed at the automotive industry, especially those with international applications, this may gradually change. So far, Automation Alley claims to have attracted

more than \$21 million in new business as a result of international trade missions alone.

Anderson thinks the perception of the area as one of bleak, obsolete factories manned by poorly educated workers is changing rapidly. "What's been harder to change is the perception that this is exclusively for Oakland County."

On the contrary: Though Oakland took the lead in establishing the Alley, most of its funding now comes through the state, and it is approaching the point where it will be entirely economically self-sufficient. It has nearly 500 members, ranging from Genesee County and the city of Detroit to the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

Companies can also join — but a firm or an inventor doesn't have to be a member or be based locally to apply for aid; they merely have to be thinking about a project based in Southeastern Michigan.

"We intend to create a regional technology cluster that attracts the creators and consumers of diverse

technologies from a variety of industries around the world," Automation Alley says in its promotional literature.

But is it really competitive with Silicon Valley. "Yes," said Anderson, a Chicago native. "This is really a great place to live."

Edwards' tie to state

John Edwards' Michigan connection: One of the people most delighted with John Kerry's vice-presidential selection was Geoffrey Fieger, the flamboyant attorney and 1998 Democratic nominee for governor. Both men are medical malpractice attorneys, each has two young children and Fieger was a strong supporter of Edwards' brief presidential campaign.

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Take a summer moment, and do something good

I cannot do everything, but I can do something; what I can do, I ought to do; what I ought to do, I will do.

Summer is loaded with things we want to do: cookouts, watersports and lounging on a hammock for long mid-afternoon naps.

But sometimes summer is about getting out of the hammock, and helping others.



David Aguilar
RECORD EDITOR

Local residents inclined to do just that are fortunate. On Sunday, July 25, two local causes could use your help: the American Red Cross, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at the First United Methodist Church in Northville between 7:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The Muscular

Dystrophy Association, whose Michigan Goodwill Ambassador this year is Northville resident Natalie Lomske, will be hosting golf outings at the Links of Novi.

Each event represents an important community cause. And each can't move forward unless you help them.

Blood thirsty
The American Red Cross, currently under what it calls "critical appeal" status, desperately needs donors to show up to places like First United Methodist, and give blood.

The Detroit-based organization, located near Mack and Woodward avenues, ideally likes to have a five to seven-day blood supply on hand. Currently, it holds in

reserve a supply that would last less than a day.

Why is that important? It's not really, unless you or someone you love plans on visiting one of the area's many local hospitals for surgery or an emergency visit, where 700 units are typically needed just to make it through the day.

Trouble is, who plans things like that? Who plans getting into an automobile or boating accident?

"It's very critical," Andrea Ward said, Red Cross spokesman. "It's a challenge for the Red Cross to keep blood on the shelves. This is urgent. We need donors."

First, United's effort is a first step, something the church does four times per year. Their goal is 60 units. That's 60 people, local residents can either walk-in or call ahead to schedule an appointment. It takes about an hour.

"It's pretty much a civic responsibility," Ward said. "Donors are our main source of blood."

Janet Malinowski agreed. The 35-year Northville resident and obstetric nurse at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital said the church's quarterly blood drive is simply the right thing to do. "We feel strongly that we should give something back to the community," she said.

"There are all kinds of people who need blood... sometimes surgeries have to be canceled because a hospital does not have enough blood. It's a wonderful feeling to know your contribution could make the difference in someone's life."

First United Methodist Church is located at 777 W. Eight Mile Road, near Taft Road. For more information, or to make a reservation, call (248) 349-6592.

Friends of Natalie

In Novi, Northville resident Natalie Lomske will be hosting a second annual golf outing.

The soon-to-be Hillside Middle School sixth grader has Merosin Deficiency, a

disease which weakens her muscles. She was diagnosed at age 2 and today uses an electric wheelchair to retain her mobility and personal independence.

But that's not stopping her. Lomske, 11, was chosen this year by the Muscular Dystrophy Association as Michigan's Goodwill Ambassador. The Troop No. 1276 girl scout who enjoys soccer, hockey and swimming, along with reading Michigan Chillers and shopping locally at places such as Northville Candle & Gifts and Rebecca's on Center St., will be featured on WB-20 this August during the annual telethon. She may even appear nationally.

In the meantime, the upcoming golf outing, which will accept reservations right up until the July 25 event, is being held to benefit the fight against muscular diseases.

The need for such an event is a solemn reminder not every child has the same opportunity to get out and enjoy the summer the way

their peers do. Some play with their family pets — a work dog named EJ and a family dog named Spud — from a perpetually seated position.

And though all the golf outings in the world may not immediately change that fate, the willingness of those who are able to step forward and help those who need assistance is often the difference.

The \$125 shotgun-start golf outing includes golf, lunch, dinner and an auction. There will also be plenty of prizes, and opportunities for corporate sponsorships.

It's a good cause. And a good reason to get up one day this summer, and help someone who might not have it quite as good as you.

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WHAT'S GOING ON?

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NORTHVILLE'S OFFICIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

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Charity Event

Red Cross Blood Drive

The American Red Cross is having a blood drive at Northville First United Methodist Church, on Eight Mile and Taft, in Fellowship Hall, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, July 25. Call (248) 349-6592 for an appointment or walk-in after 11:30 a.m.

Classes & Workshops

Clay Pot Classes

The Bee's Knees studio and gallery is having a "Clay Camp" summer program where participants will learn the different techniques of making clay pots. Open to ages 10 through adult, you keep your original art work after the class. The Bee's Knees is located at 141 E. Main. For more information, call (248) 347-6718.

Library Lines

Library Hours

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

Library Board Meetings

The Northville District Library Board of Trustees typically meets at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month. The public is welcome to attend.

Teen Summer Reading

The Teen Summer Reading Program will be featuring a program on S.E. Hinton's classic novel "The Outsiders," with a showing of the movie, followed by a discussion, from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 28. Please register at the Information Desk. Pizza will be provided.

Summer Reading Program

The Northville District Library summer reading program is open to kids ages 2 to 12, and will feature a variety of fun activities including the "Discover New Trails... READ!" Reading Game, and a weekly prize drawings. Register in person at the library to receive a Summer Reading Program activity guide. The program ends Saturday, July 31.

Fantasy E-Fex Puppets

Children of all ages are invited to enjoy the delightful musical puppet show "City Mouse, Country Mouse" at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 20. Free tickets for this half-hour performance will be available at 1:50 p.m. at the library's information desk.

Summer Storytimes

Summer storytime sessions will be featured as part of the Youth Summer Reading Program

on a "drop-in" basis with no need to register. The free 30-minute programs are best suited to children ages 3 and older, but everyone is welcome. Join us at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 21. The full schedule of storytimes will resume in September.

Local Events

Farmers Market

The Farmers Market is open every Thursday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. until Oct. 28. Arts and crafts, garden art, baked goods and various handmade items are for sale. It is located in the Northville Downs parking lot at the corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon Road. For more information call (248) 349-7640.

Family Night at Maybury

Maybury State Park is having a family night every second Sunday of the month at the Hickory Shelter from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. through Oct. 10. Each night features a new theme. Activities vary from crafts to stories and songs. Bring a flashlight, bug spray and blanket. The program is free. The events are sponsored by the Friends of Maybury State Park.

Vintage Baseball

The Eclipse Baseball Club is playing against the Ft. Wayne Civil War re-enactors at Historic Ft. Wayne, Saturday, July 24 and against the Mead's Mill Ratchatchers Aug. 8 at Mill Race Village. Both games will start at 1 p.m. The vintage baseball team



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Poonam Goel works with a maple branch and rose floral arrangement during an Ikebana class at Hillside Recreation Center last week. Ikebana, or a style of Japanese floral arrangement, is taught locally by Susan Gutowski and emphasizes, in a precise manner, the beauty and harmony of nature in one's home. The type of Ikebana arrangement that Goel works on is an 'inclining style' where all the leaves of the maple are slightly forced in one direction.

plays by 1860s rules. For more information, visit www.eclipsebbc.com.

Movie at the Park

Enjoy the animated adventure "Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas" Friday, July 16 at Hines Park-Waterford Bend Area located on Northville Road north of Six Mile Road. The movie begins at dusk. Bring chairs, blankets and a picnic basket or buy your dinner from one of the concession stands.

Victorian Clothing Sale

There will be a Victorian clothing sale from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 12 at Mill Race Village in preparation for Northville's Victorian Festival. For more information, call (248) 348-1845.

Victorian Festival

Northville's 16th annual Victorian Festival takes place Friday, Sept. 17 to Sunday, Sept. 19, beginning Friday at 6:30 p.m. with a parade. The streets will be closed to traffic for the next two days as the community is transformed into a Victorian village, complete with period costumes, free horse and carriage rides, trackless train rides, strolling musicians and storytellers. Festival hours are 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call (248) 349-7640.

Art Market

Northville's annual Art Market held Saturday, Sept. 18 and Sunday, Sept. 19 during Northville's renowned Victorian Festival, is a juried art show featuring over 50 fine artists from around the country. The Art Market lets residents and visitors show, sell, and purchase high quality original art in this important fundraiser to benefit the activities of the Northville Arts Commission. For more information, call (248) 449-9950.

Looking for You

Open Basketball

Open basketball is coming to the Northville Senior Community Center, Tuesdays in the summer months from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. It is \$3 per person to play. Dates: July 27, Aug. 3, Aug. 17, Aug. 24, and Aug. 31. The Northville Senior Community Center is located at 303 W. Main Street. For more information, call (248) 449-9947.

Grief Center Needs Volunteers

The BraveHeart Grief Center is having two, one-hour informational meetings about their volunteer opportunities from 1 p.m. to

CLOCK CONCERTS

Rock Around the Clock

The Northville Arts Commission presents Northville Clock Concerts at The Bantshell every Friday to the end of August from 7:30-9 p.m. The events are free and open to the public. For more information visit www.northvillearts.org.

July 16: Schoolcraft Community College Winds Ensemble

July 23: Bugs Beddow, rockin' rhythm and blues

July 30: Farmington Jazz Band

August 6: Oak Park Band

August 13: One Flight Up, folk music

August 20: Ick & Erk, pop/folk music

MARQUIS THEATRE

Theater Day Camp for Children

Have fun while learning a wide range of theater skills and be part of a musical production. For children ages 7-14.

- Session 3
July 19-30 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Session 4
August 2-13 from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Tuition is \$365 per session. For more information, call (248) 349-8110.

Raggedy Ann & Andy the musical

Tickets are \$7.50.

- Tuesday, August 3 at 10:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 4 at 10:30 a.m.
- Thursday, August 5 at 10:30 a.m.
- Friday, August 6 at 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, August 7 at 11 a.m.

2 p.m. Wednesday, July 21 and 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23. RSVP to (248) 443-8232. The BraveHeart Grief Center is located at 126 Main Center.

Sidewalk Sale Vendors Needed

Vendors are wanted for Northville's Sidewalk Sale held from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Aug. 7. The cost for an eight-foot space is \$40 per booth for crafters and \$100 per booth for food vendors. For more information, call (248) 349-0522.

Woman's Club

The Northville Woman's Club is looking for members. The club is a group of women from the area who meet every two weeks. Various programs are provided. For information on joining, call (248) 449-6319.

Regional

Kids Club

Kids 12 and under can sign up for the Little Oaks Kids Club at the Twelve Oaks Mall Center Court Information Desk. The membership card gets you a free prize, quarterly newsletter with discounts and information on upcoming events and fun games. Twelve Oaks Mall is located in Novi at I-96 and Novi Road.

Day Camps

The Oasis Golf Center in Plymouth welcomes Camp Mirage, a summer day program for kids ages 8 to 14. There are 19 different camps offering everything from model rocketry to theater. All camps, with the exception of horseback riding, will take place on the redesigned former golf course. For more information, call (734) 420-4655 or visit www.mirageadventurechallenge.com.

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Northville High School student Andrew Slater will be preparing for his singing role as the Tin Man in an upcoming production of "The Wizard of Oz" to be performed in Royal Oak.

The Tin Man cometh

Northville's Andrew Slater takes on 'Oz'

By Larissa Barlow
RECORD SPECIAL WRITER

A love of singing and acting took 16-year-old Andrew Slater from performing in school plays to the Baldwin Theater in Royal Oak.

The Northville High School student will be starring in the Stagecrafters Youth Theater production of "The Wizard of Oz" as the Tin Man from Friday, July 16 to Sunday, July 25.

Slater, who had only ever appeared in school plays, chose to audition over attending summer camp.

"A family friend invited me and my brother to audition," Slater said. "My mom said we could either audition or go to summer camp."

Slater's brother opted for camp, while the Northville teen was called back and offered a role in the musical.

"It's definitely my biggest role," Slater said.

Interested in singing, Slater has taken voice lessons and is a

"There's a lot of camaraderie. It's great having ever one rooting for you."

Andrew Slater
Tin Man in "The Wizard of Oz"

member of the Northville High School choir. He said it was his experience with the choir that gave him confidence during audition process.

That confidence was ever present last week as Slater still wasn't feeling too jittery about opening night.

"I'm not that nervous yet," Slater said. "But it is getting to the point where everyone is starting to feel it."

Slater's fellow cast members are youths 8 to 18 and are from communities all over the area.

Slater is the only Northville resident in the play.

"This has really been fun. I've met a lot of great people," Slater said.

The experience has been so positive for him, that he recommends other teens interested in acting try out for a production at the theater.

"There's a lot of camaraderie," Slater said. "It's great having everyone rooting for you."

Slater is hoping all his friends and family make it out to opening night to see him in action, and in costume.

Slater will be covered head to toe in silver, including covering his face in silver makeup.

"I can never get it completely off," Slater said of the face paint. "It takes about 20 minutes to put on my costume."

And with all the excitement and experience of performing in a community play, Slater isn't letting a starring role go to his head. Having fun is his number one priority, not planning a career in the theater.

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Tuesday, July 20: Stone Gang (9 a.m.), Weavers Guild (7:30 p.m.)

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Eagle Scout Fred Oehmke planted and has kept watering hundreds of red pine trees in Northville Township's Millennium Park on Six Mile Road.

Soaring Eagle: scout plants 1,000 seedlings

Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Zippering through the Boy Scout ranks in less than three years and freshly graduated from Northville High School, Fred Oehmke decided to give back to his community for his Eagle Scout project.

Oehmke teamed with the township last month to plant 1,000 red pine seedlings throughout Millennium Park, off of Six Mile Road. The idea came after his father Mark — a troop leader — attended a troop committee meeting where the seedlings were discussed. He gave his son the tip.

Oehmke then got in touch with the township, shifting gears from his original plans to do a canned food drive.

"I thought this might be a little bit more beneficial for the community," said Oehmke. "I was looking for an Eagle Scout project, so I volunteered."

He researched how the seedlings should be spaced, and received guidance from township employees Maureen Osiecki and Jeff Moon.

Osiecki said the township had received a grant for the free seedlings from the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

"The red pine used to be very popular in the Michigan area, so they're bringing it back — it died away and ... it's indigenous to the area," Osiecki said. "We had to make it practical for him and we had to put it in an area that the seedlings have the best opportunity to grow."

Millennium Park was selected because landscaping is still in progress.

Getting the job done

Oehmke worked for three weeks with a group that totaled 18 people. He logged 96 hours the first week alone. The group planted and staked the small seedlings in the June heat for five hours at a time, with Oehmke's mom, Dawn, making regular Costco and Little Caesars pizza runs.

Moon, superintendent of parks and facilities who helped Oehmke select areas, said if half the seedlings survive, it will be "pretty good" considering the high-clay soil content. "It gives them a sense of putting into the community and it gives us extra help," said Moon of the group's work. "I would have never been able to get to putting in those trees if it wasn't for them."

For Oehmke, who participated in

track and cross country while at Northville High School, the decision to join the Boy Scouts was prompted by his dad and younger brother. He joined Troop No. 755, attending every camping trip and working hard at merit badges.

Fast-rising eagle

Now, he only needs to earn two more to have 21, the number required for the Eagle rank. He plans to finish the job at his final trip to Camp Rotary, and then make it before the Board of Review before Sept. 15 when he'll turn 18 — the Eagle cut-off.

"If I do make it, I'll be the fastest person through the troop as an Eagle," Oehmke said.

He recently sent out a report to the state on his project, and now treks to the park three times a week — typically in early morning — with two-liter bottles and gallon milk jugs full of water.

Once Oehmke heads to Western Michigan University in the fall, Charles will take care of the pines. Oehmke has enjoyed scouting, and might consider being a leader someday.

"It's taught me to be a leader for younger kids," he said. "(Eagle) was just an accomplishment I

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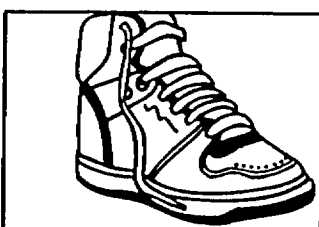


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Earning their accolades
The Novi Wildcats were very well represented on this year's HomeTown All-Area Soccer Dream Team. The Player of the Year? That's an obvious answer.
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Hop to it!
Working out is almost as difficult as getting up on a Monday morning — but it has to get done. Sports writer Sam Eggleston and his trainer update readers on progress being made.
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Bike safety helps keep Northville injury-free

With summer vacation finally here, now is the time to brush the dust off your bicycle and go for a ride.

Many families have already started the fun and fit activity in neighborhoods, downtown and in area parks.

But what many area bike riders may not have done is brush up on bicycle safety tips.

According to documents issued by the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, every year, more than 500,000 people in the United States are treated in emergency rooms and more than 700 people die as a result of bicycle-related injuries.

Children are in the highest risk category.

Center documents show, in the past, people 15 and younger accounted for 59 percent of all bicycle-related injuries seen in United States emergency departments.

Below are some tips from kid-health.org to make sure your next outing is a safe one.

Bicycle Safety Checklist

- Make sure your bicycle is the right size for you. When you are on your bicycle, stand straddling the top bar of your bike so that both feet are flat on the ground.

- There should be 1 to 3 inches of space between you and the top bar.

- The bike seat should be adjusted so after sitting on the seat with your foot on the bike pedal, your knee will be slightly bent.

- Tighten your bike's seat, handlebars, and wheels. Make sure the wheels are straight.

- Check and oil your chain regularly.

- Always check your brakes before riding to make sure they are working properly and do not stick.

- Check your tires to make sure they have enough air and the correct tire pressure.

- If you will need to carry something while you ride, attach a basket to your handlebars or a rack over your rear tire.

- Put reflectors on your bike to help people see you. You should put a red reflector, 3 inches across, behind your front seat. There should also be a white reflector in front of the handlebars, and other reflectors in the spokes of both wheels.

- Always wear your helmet and appropriate pads.

Riding Safely: The Rules of the Road

- Always ride on the right side of the street in the same direction as cars do. Never ride against traffic.

- Always stop and check for traffic in both directions when leaving your driveway, an alley or a curb.

- Watch traffic closely for turning cars or cars leaving driveways.

- Don't ride too close to parked cars - doors can open suddenly.

- Stop at all stop signs and obey street lights just as cars do.

- Always walk your bike across busy intersections using the crosswalk.

- It's fun to bike with your friends, but always ride single file on the street.

- When passing other bikers or people on the street, always pass to their left side.

- Never change directions or lanes without looking behind you and using correct hand signals.

- Know your hand signals (below) and always use your left arm.

- Left turn: Look behind you, hold your arm straight out to the left and ride forward slowly.

- Right turn: Look behind you, bend your elbow, hold your arm up in an "L" shape and proceed.

- Stop: Look behind you, bend your elbow, point your arm down in an upside down "L" shape and stop.

- Only one person should be on your bike at a time - this means don't have your friend sit on the back of your seat or on the handlebars. You could easily lose your balance and fall over with the bike, or suddenly swerve into the path of moving cars while riding.

- Never wear headphones while biking - you need to hear everyone else on the road at all times.

- Compiled by Record staff writer Victoria Sadlocha.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Can't we just blitz in this game?

Northville High School football head coach Clint Alexander warms up with a sand wedge as his players watch and enjoy his progress during last Monday's pre-season golf outing banquet at Meadowbrook Country Club. Check back next week for complete coverage on the event.

We're going to Disney World!

Northville soccer stars headed to nationals

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

It has been one heck of a year for Northville soccer.

Not only did the high school team win the state championship in Division I this year, but members of that team combined with other talented players to win their respective Regional soccer titles with the Michigan Hawks — a premier soccer program.

The U15 Hawks team earned a Region 2 title with three members of their squad hailing from Northville. Vanessa Bailey, Casey Pedersen and Dani Toney helped their team to a championship.

The U18 squad earned the same honor with three of their own Northville players. Lindsay Hill, Deanne Kubas and Nicole Cauzillo used their immense abilities to push their team to a major victory.

The two teams are going to be headed to Orlando, Florida to compete against the best teams in the nation in the national championship tournament.

"We leave in about a week," Hill

said Monday. "We're all going to Disney World."

Both teams are ranked first in the nation according to the website www.nationalsoccerranking.com, making them major fixtures in the sights of many teams.

"I think everyone is always shooting for the Hawks," said Hill. "I think that's funny because our team doesn't look intimidating but I guess we are."

The U18 Hawks are slim, yet powerful. Hill said the team doesn't bring the size other teams are known to sport on the field. In the end, it's not the size of the Hawk in the game.

"We have a much smaller team, but we've got the skills," Hill said. "We're determined too."

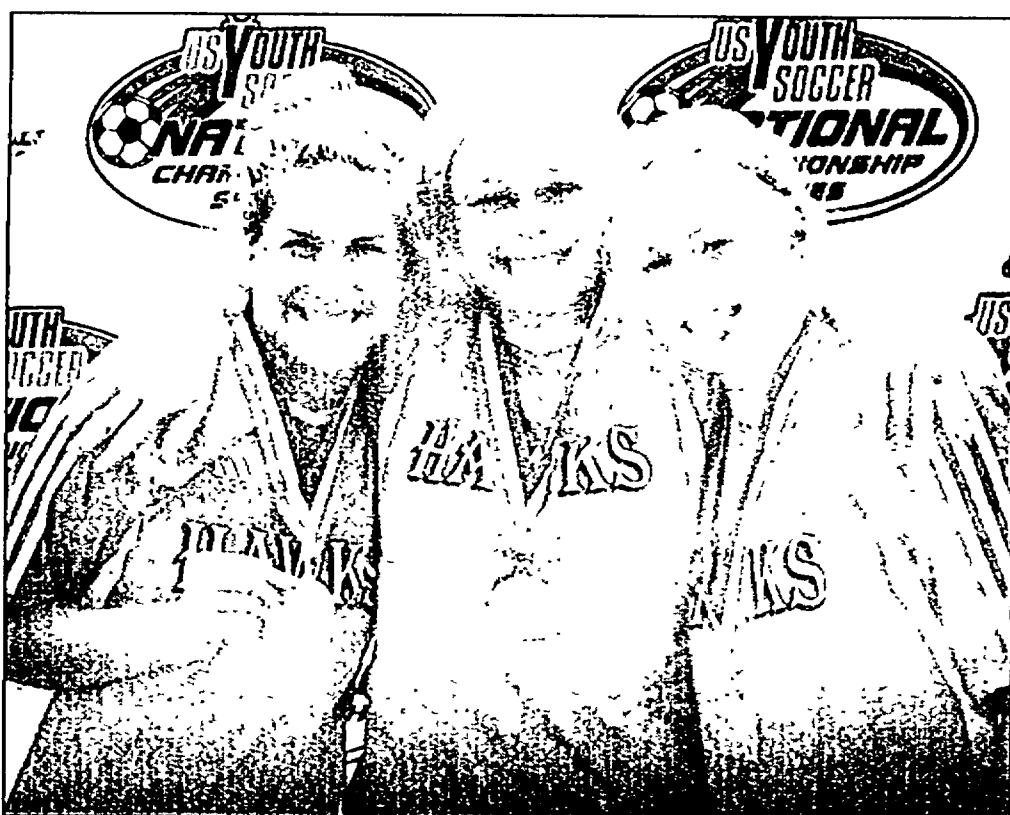
Younger, but just as good.

The U15 squad brings plenty of talent to the table as well. Such notable names from the area include the Northville girls along with Emily Esbrook, Jessica Barndt, Stephanie Crawford and the Walker twins in Katie and Kellie — all of neighboring Novi.

Though the team is younger than their U18 counterparts, they just go to show soccer is up and coming despite having so many players in the game in this area already.

In fact, Hill said she can see the future and it is good.

"I'm hoping it overtakes football with all its glory," she said. "Football gets way too much credit. I'm glad girls' soccer finally showed them up. I'm proud of it."



Courtesy Photo

The U18 Hawks include Northville's Lindsay Hill, Deanne Kubas and Nicole Cauzillo, pictured from left to right.



Courtesy Photo

The U15 Hawks include Northville's Vanessa Bailey, Casey Pedersen and Danielle Toney, pictured from left to right.

years.

"The high school is going to be good again," she said of Northville. "They've got a lot of talent coming back. Some of it is right on the Hawks already."

You win some, you win some more.

The U15 Hawks started the Region 2 tournament off with a win over Ohio South, 3-2, before moving on and defeating the northern counterparts with a 2-0 shutout over Ohio North.

The squad then beat Iowa 3-0 before advancing to the semifinals. There, they topped Indiana, 3-1, to advance to the regional final.

To move on into the national tournament, the U15 Hawks had to go into overtime against Missouri. They topped their foes with a 2-1 win in the sudden-death overtime.

The U18 team had a similar path. The team took on Wisconsin and beat them, 4-2, before moving on and crushing Nebraska, 9-0.

"I don't think there are a lot of soccer teams in Nebraska," Hill noted.

Hill started her squad off on the right foot in the Region. Having played defender for Northville's state championship team, she didn't have much of a chance to score

a goal. As a midfielder for the Hawks, the chance presented itself and she jumped on it.

Hill scored the first goal of the tournament as she came in hard on a corner kick, tapped it around her defender and fired it home for a 1-0 lead over Wisconsin before her squad finished them off.

Against Illinois, the U18 girls escaped with a 1-0 win to advance to the semifinals and then topped Ohio South, 3-1, to move onto the finals.

There, the squad had their hands full, but walked away with a 1-0 win over Illinois MWL for the Region title and a berth into the national tournament.

"Illinois was really good," Hill said. "It was definitely some intense competition."

Hill, who will be playing against the best competition in the nation at the Division I University of Maine this fall, will join Michigan State preferred walk-on Kubas and Kansas' Nicole Cauzillo to help try and take home a national title.

"This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance," she said. "We just have to keep playing the way we have been playing. That's the only thing we can do. We'll hopefully pull it through. I think we have a really good chance."

Fancy footwork

2004 HomeTown All-Area Soccer Dream Team

Whitney Guenther

Senior
Northville

- All-State Dream Team selection
- All-WLAA, All-Region, All-District
- Mustang MVP

"Whit played every central field position this year, but was our most consistent effective midfielder all season is a year of outstanding Mustang talent," Northville coach Ron Meteyer said. "Whitney is the heart and soul of this team. She is one of the most mentally disciplined players I've coached at Northville and has emerged this year as a true leader. Whit was as great a factor in our drive for the state championship as was any other single factor. Although she has decided to pass up several college scholarship offers and end her career, Whit will always be remembered at NHS."

Nikki Hermann

Senior
Novi

- Second-team All-State
- All-Region, All-District and All-KVC
- Career marks of 54 goals and 56 assists

"This year, Nikki played mid-field and defense instead of forward," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "That is what made her so special. She was a great leader that was willing to do whatever was best for the team, even if it meant a sacrifice to her own numbers. She was a 4.0 student and will attend Michigan next year."

Lindsay Hill

Senior
Northville

- Third-team All-State
- All-Region, All-District, All-WLAA
- Most Outstanding Defender
- MHSSCA Scholar Athlete
- One goal, six assists and 20 defensive saves

"Lindsay has excellent field presence and vision to complement her exceptional speed," said Ron Meteyer, Northville's coach. "She has accepted a scholarship to play and study at the University of Maine next year, and I would expect that she will have an instant impact there. Lindsay is one of the most thoughtful and deliberate players to have led the Mustangs. Her biggest save of the year came when Grand Blanc was threatening early in the championship game. With our keeper on the ground, Lindsay stepped back to the goal mouth and cleared a shot that was headed for the net with a one touch volley, allowing our team to regroup at counter attack. Lindsay has gotten better every year and as a defender was outstanding."

Kristi Timar

Junior
Novi

- Second-team All-State
- All-Region, All-District and All-KVC
- Recorded 20 goals and 11 assists

"She is a very smart player that sees the field very well," said Brian O'Leary, Novi's head coach. "She knows when to pass and when to attack with the ball. She is very versatile and can play and forward or midfield position. She is a good leader and will be a captain next season."

Loren Tacconelli

Senior
Northville

- All-Western Division
- One goal, seven assists and 14 defensive saves

"Loren has been the perfect complement to Lindsay Hill as the two anchored a defense that led to the state championship," Northville coach Ron Meteyer said. "She has consistently shown our underclassmen what it means to play tough and give no ground. 'Tacco' is frequently overlooked but played with outstanding determination and toughness as our premier outside markingback. She will be sorely missed."

Danielle Toney

Freshman
Northville

- All-District
- All-Western Division
- Notched 27 goals and 10 assists

"Dani has had an instant impact on our team with her outstanding speed, a knack for the goal and her playmaking ability," Northville coach Ron Meteyer said. "Her 27 goals is a single-season record for the Mustangs. Her ability was



Photo by John Heider

Wildcat Maureen Pawlak heads in her third goal within the first sixteen minutes of last week's home game against Hartland.

Moe Pawlak

Senior
Novi

- Second overall in Ms. Soccer voting
- All-State Dream Team
- All-Region, All-District, All-KVC
- Recorded 30 goals and 27 assists
- Career totals of 129 goals and 81 assists, giving her 211 points — the second most in Michigan history

"She is an unbelievable talent that is great in

every area of the game," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "When she has the ball, she is difficult to defend, but most good players are. What makes her a great player is how good she is when her teammates have the ball and when the other team has the ball. When other players on her team have the ball, she is always moving and when the other team has the ball, she does a great job of causing turnovers."

Player of the Year

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Lauren Hill

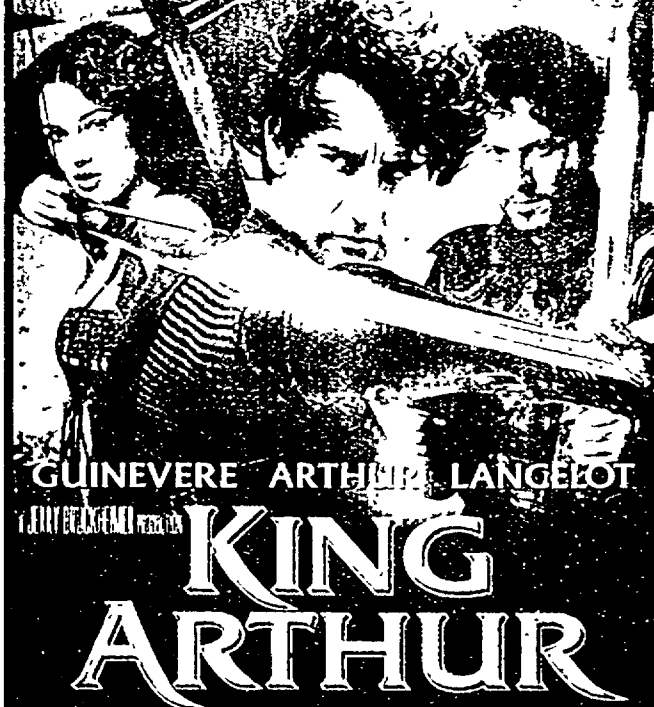
Sophomore
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- Second-Team All-State
- All-Region, All-District and All-Western Division
- Most Outstanding Forward

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- Recorded 18 goals and 20 assists

"Lauren was our second leading scorer this year and our team leader in assists," said Ron Meteyer, Northville's coach. "Lauren has exceptional speed, quickness, and determination. She simply will not be denied. Her picture-perfect goal in the finals sealed the game for us. Lauren is a slashing player with a knack for creating scoring opportunities for herself and for others. She was a threat anytime she was on the field and when other teams made the mistake of misjudging her small size, she made them pay in big ways. Her two goals against Novi in the District finals, was the exclamation point on our District championship."

Dani Bregar

Senior
South Lyon

- Named first team All-Kensington Valley Conference
- Named first team All-District

"Dani was our defensive MVP this year," Lions head coach Tracee Senter said. "And what's so interesting is that she was our offensive MVP last year. She made first team All-KVC as a midfielder last year, and first team All-KVC as a sweeper this year. She's fairly tall and when she has to play physical and body someone up, she's great. She was fantastic in her ability to play physical and take over the game."

Amanda Girkin

Senior
South Lyon

- Scored eight goals and registered six assists
- Named first team All-Kensington Valley Conference
- Named first team All-District
- Named first team All-Region
- Named honorable mention All-State

"Amanda was our offensive MVP this year," Lions head coach Tracee Senter said. "She scores big goals. At the beginning of the year, when we were struggling a little bit, she was still scoring. She's been a clutch player for us for four years. She's very composed in the offensive end, and that's the big difference between her and a lot of other players. When she gets the ball in a position to score, she doesn't panic. She's very cool, calm and collected, and she finds her spots. We're going to miss her leadership and, obviously, what she brings to the field."

Karen Marcotte

Junior
South Lyon

- Registered seven shutouts

- Named first team All-Kensington Valley Conference
- Named first team All-District
- Named first team All-Region
- Named honorable mention All-State

"Karen was our team MVP," Lions head coach Tracee Senter said. "She has been the best keeper in the KVC the last two years. I haven't ran up against a coach yet that doesn't like her abilities and doesn't say she's a fantastic keeper. She will make the tough save, but what makes her so good is her ability to read angles. Some people will say 'Well, they kicked the ball right at her.' But the reason they kick it at her is because she's playing that angle, and she's reading the game. And that's what makes her a great goalkeeper. She's athletic as well. And for a goalkeeper you need somebody who's tough, and she's extremely tough."

Crissie Strohmaier

Senior
Milford

- Scored team-high eight goals
- Named first team All-Kensington Valley Conference
- Named second-team All-District

"Crissie is going to attend Spring Arbor on a scholarship," Mavericks head coach Marty Neighbors said. "She's an outstanding player with great skills. She had a great game in our 3-2 win over Farmington Harrison — she scored a hat trick (three goals). She's going to be missed a bunch. She's a formidable player, possessing great skills. And she's got a real tenacity to win. She's a real hard-nosed player, and real smart, too. I'm sure she's going to be successful at Spring Arbor."

Nicole Wilson

Junior
Lakeland

- Led Eagles in points with 19 goals and two assists
- Named first team All-Kensington Valley Conference
- Named first team All-District

"Nicole has another gear that she can turn," Eagles head coach Dave Woityra said. "And now she's adding skills to that speed. That's what the difference between this year and last year was. Last year she had speed, but no control. But now she's combining speed, control and smarts. She's able not only to run with the ball, but she's also able to run without the ball — she's able to get into spots to score. Half of the game is knowing what to do when you don't have the ball — getting yourself into position to get the pass. And that's why Nikki made such a quantum leap in her game from last year to this year."

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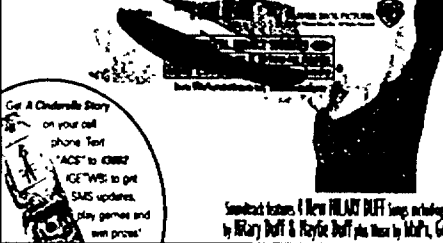
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Shaping up the Record's staff

It's a long journey, but it can only be made step by step

Weight loss has turned into an interesting beast at this point. Some hills to climb, some mountains to topple and some obstacles to tackle.

I've failed in a few steps. Two weeks ago, I gained a half of a pound. Really, that's not a ton. It's a mere eight ounces. It disappointed me though. I felt as though I failed in a quest that I had chosen to undertake by myself. A half a pound? I was angry with the program and I was angry with the world. What's the point?

Aaron Pinter, my personal advisor in all things lean and fit at the Water Wheel Health Club, gave me two options: I could throw it all out the window and gorge myself on mom's apple pie and chocolate cake or I could make up for what went wrong by standing above the adversity.

The choice

I pride myself in being the kind of person that looks adversity in the face and then schemes behind it's back until I can defeat it with an ingenious play. It's a tactic that has worked well for me in the past and one that I was determined to make work for me again.

In other words, I chose to stand above adversity and conquer it.

In my original meal plan, Aaron set me up with a "low day" and a "high day" of eating. On the low day, I intake 2,550 calories while I top 3,000 on the high days. The first is the best option while the second was generated to keep me going strong by allowing pizza to be consumed twice a week.

I was incredibly happy with both meal plans and even more so when I learned about exchanges and the value of using them. I turned light days into a great day for eating the things I love instead of just pasta and sauce. In



Sam Eggleston

fact, I was basically eating mini-pizzas whenever I wanted.

That's when it hit me. Why worry about the heavy days? For a week straight, I pounded out light day after light day. I made mini-pizzas when I wanted them and pasta and such when I didn't.

I was feeling great, working myself as hard as I could without over doing anything.

That doesn't mean I didn't have rough moments. I had some car trouble, which led to me eating some chicken wings and egg rolls because I didn't have time to prepare anything else before rushing off to do this and that.

It was also a co worker's birthday. I consider Victoria Sadlocha, who is our education reporter, to be one of my closest friends. When her birthday rolled around last week, I did what I could to make it enjoyable. The process of doing that included buying her a bakery cake, something she professed as her favorite.

I went to Sue Crawford at the Northville Gourmet and ordered one and it was a huge hit. Unfortunately, I know exactly how good her baking is, and I had to fight the urge to snag a slice every time I walked past Victoria's desk. That was one of my toughest battles yet I'm proud to report I won

The day of reckoning

The process of getting your weight checked at the Water Wheel is basically the biggest production of my week. I go in and do a five-minute warm up on the elliptical machines before coming down to the main floor, grabbing a drink of water and stepping into Aaron's office.

I take off my shoes, hop up on the scale and wait as the machine not only registers my weight, but zaps me with an imperceptible shock that reads my body fat.

Aaron always covers the readout and checks it before I can see it, asking me how I think I did every time. This time was no different.

"All right," I answered. He looked down at the read out, arched his eyebrows in surprise before he glanced back up at me. "Just all right?" he asked.

Without another word, Aaron moved the paper.

330 pounds and 51-percent body fat.

That's 15 pounds lost in a month. That's 8 1/2 pounds after gaining a half of a pound.

I'm proud of how I've done and I'm glad to report that I'm 10 percent through my long journey of dropping 150 pounds. I know there are a lot of obstacles left ahead for me. None will be easy, that's for sure.

I'm full of confidence thanks to the support of my wife and daughter as well as Aaron, my co-workers and all of the readers out there who have given me words of encouragement and have stopped to congratulate me at the Water Wheel and in the street.

Thank you, everyone. That's one small step for Sam and one giant leap for kicking Samuel's butt to the curb.

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Step it Up!

Step it Up is a part of a public fitness challenge. The Northville Record has accepted the challenge as part of the ongoing "No Stopping Northville" challenge available to all Northville residents. To get involved, visit online at www.wtrwheel.com.



PARTICIPANTS	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	TOTAL
Victoria	16,100	20,700	24,300	33,400	36,500	131,000
Larissa	9,600	52,678	65,440	78,740	65,000	271,458
Sam	32,310	28,510	36,820	32,120	69,130	198,890
Kim	0	43,420	49,770	39,930	40,950	174,070
David	27,358	36,400	45,500	48,500	56,700	214,458
Maureen	37,600	50,800	60,500	76,900	57,100	282,900
Karen	27,736	45,000	84,070	95,100	94,500	346,406
Marcia	0	31,100	50,000	55,400	75,400	211,900
Christie	45,430	59,830	71,480	77,560	76,200	330,500
Lisa	38,000	97,200	67,480	69,150	60,920	332,750
Ed	49,740	103,570	66,920	97,410	93,290	410,930
John	24,000	29,750	57,220	68,720	62,500	242,190
Grace	14,100	68,000	74,200	72,200	84,200	312,700
Tammy	0	22,000	64,100	85,400	86,400	257,900
Mystery*	0	0	69,530	0	10,000	79,530

*Mystery participant: Ramez Khuri (Staff Writer, Novi News)

From steps to weight-loss goals, staff is up to challenge

It's all about fitness — and the challenge.

It's really simple when it's broken down: The goal is to walk as much as possible and have a pedometer keep track of how many steps you take. The City of Northville's employees averaged, according to the Water Wheel Health Club, 135 miles per person, per month.

The Northville Record staff has been challenged by the Water Wheel to beat that.

Of course, lackluster efforts aren't helping the cause. An agent bent on sabotage by the name of Ramez Khuri, who is employed by the Novi News as an education reporter, volunteered to be the

Mystery Walker last week and put up a suspect performance with a mere 10,000 steps — an average of five miles for the entire week.

Others are trying to make up for such destructive efforts though. Northville ad representative Ed Fleming has put up over 410,000 steps to this point, fueling the entire team and pushing them to better their own numbers. His secret is a simple one: Fleming doesn't get to watch his favorite sport of auto racing at home, so he goes to the Water Wheel and watches the entire race while walking on a treadmill.

Others have been consistent as well: Karen Whikehart, Christie Eggleston, and Grace Perry have

had some impressive numbers along the way while staff photographer John Heider has given a renewed effort the last three weeks and sports writer Sam Eggleston finally quit eating cheese puffs and put up nearly 70,000 steps with a trip to Mackinac Island.

Some numbers are suspicious and every effort is being made to blow open editor David Aguilar's scheme, which finds him sitting at his desk all day yet recording big numbers. It's a story that should be breaking any week now.

So far, so good for the Northville Record. The team is halfway there and looking good!

Stay tuned for regular updates.

Life is full of choices



Aaron Pinter

changes to his program after the bad week, and came in 8.5

pounds lighter the following week! In fact, in our 4 weeks together I have given Sam the tools he needed to lose 18 pounds of body fat.

I succeed when Sam does. When he smiles and cheers for himself. When he leaves the gym with a happy handshake. When he comes to the gym and increases his intensity on his own. When he plays with his daughter. When he makes the choice to live.

Aaron Pinter is the Director of Fitness at the Water Wheel Health Club. Comments can be directed to (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.

The Obstacles

Sam's program was based on many different factors. Why is it that he has gained the weight that he has? Well I could choose any one of many factors that he mentioned: no time, frustration with failed attempts, sedentary job, genetics, sport coaches always pushing to gain weight, fat diets. Sound familiar? There are thousands of reasons that people gain weight and one reason why they don't, personal choices. Instead of accepting his failures I made Sam make a choice to empower himself in his quest for health. Weight loss is never about losing a number, it's about why the number is important. What will happen when you lose the weight? What things can you not do now that you will do when you lose the weight? Choose to live a healthy life. Choose to do the right things. Choose to live.

Sam's Failures, My Failures

I told Sam early on in our meetings that weight loss, more importantly body fat loss, is a slow process. Whereas some weeks will display great results, some may not. I am throwing foods and exercises at his body that he has never seen before. It takes time to adjust and when Evil Sam figures things out, he'll try and sabotage all the gains he's made. The first challenge came in Week 3 as Sam's weight increased a half pound. "This program is crazy," he told me. I determined that my failure to help him plan a long car trip forced poor food decisions. Instead of regressing, we made the changes necessary in the program and worked on food planning for the next trip.

Sam's Success, His Success

My role is only to guide Samuel through this adventure. When construction closes one road, I help show him the detour. The success of his program is directly related to his actions. Case in point, he took it upon himself to make the necessary



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Northville Record sports writer Sam Eggleston works out on a rowing simulation machine at the Water Wheel health club on a Thursday afternoon.

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Look out for debit card fees

"Credit or debit?" It's a familiar question to millions of consumers who use debit cards to make purchases. With more than 285 million now in circulation, debit cards have become a popular form of payment.

When a consumer uses a debit card to make a purchase, the amount and sales tax are deducted from the cardholder's checking account. Some cardholders, however, are discovering that financial institutions are debiting their accounts for more.

About 25 percent of all financial institutions charge cardholders a fee for making purchases using their Personal Identification Number (PIN). PIN-use fees range from 25 cents to \$1, according to a study by Boston-based research firm Dove Consulting. The financial institutions surveyed impose no fees for signature-based transactions, which require cardholders to sign for their purchases.

In fact, some banks and credit unions are rewarding their members with perks such as free air miles and cash rebates for selecting "credit" instead of "debit" on the point of sale device keypad. And it's pretty clear why. Financial institutions impose fees on merchants to cover the costs associated with the debit card transaction process. Where merchants pay a pittance in processing fees for PIN-based transactions—just 10 to 38 cents per transaction—they can pay as much as 2 percent of the total purchase in processing fees when customers sign for the purchase.

Fees appear to have deterred few debit cardholders from using their PIN to conduct transactions. Given the choice of either credit or debit, 45 percent of cardholders prefer to enter a PIN, and 38 percent prefer to sign for the purchase, according to the American Bankers Association-commissioned "2003/2004 Study of Consumer Payment Preferences."

Disclosure issues

Unlike ATMs, points of sale devices don't disclose fees associated with PIN-based transactions. Cardholders find out these fees in their monthly statement.

The Federal Reserve Board has, at the request of the United States Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, undertaken a study about disclosures of debit card fees. They're asking the public to weigh in on whether existing disclosures adequately inform consumers of fees imposed by the financial institution that has issued the debit card.

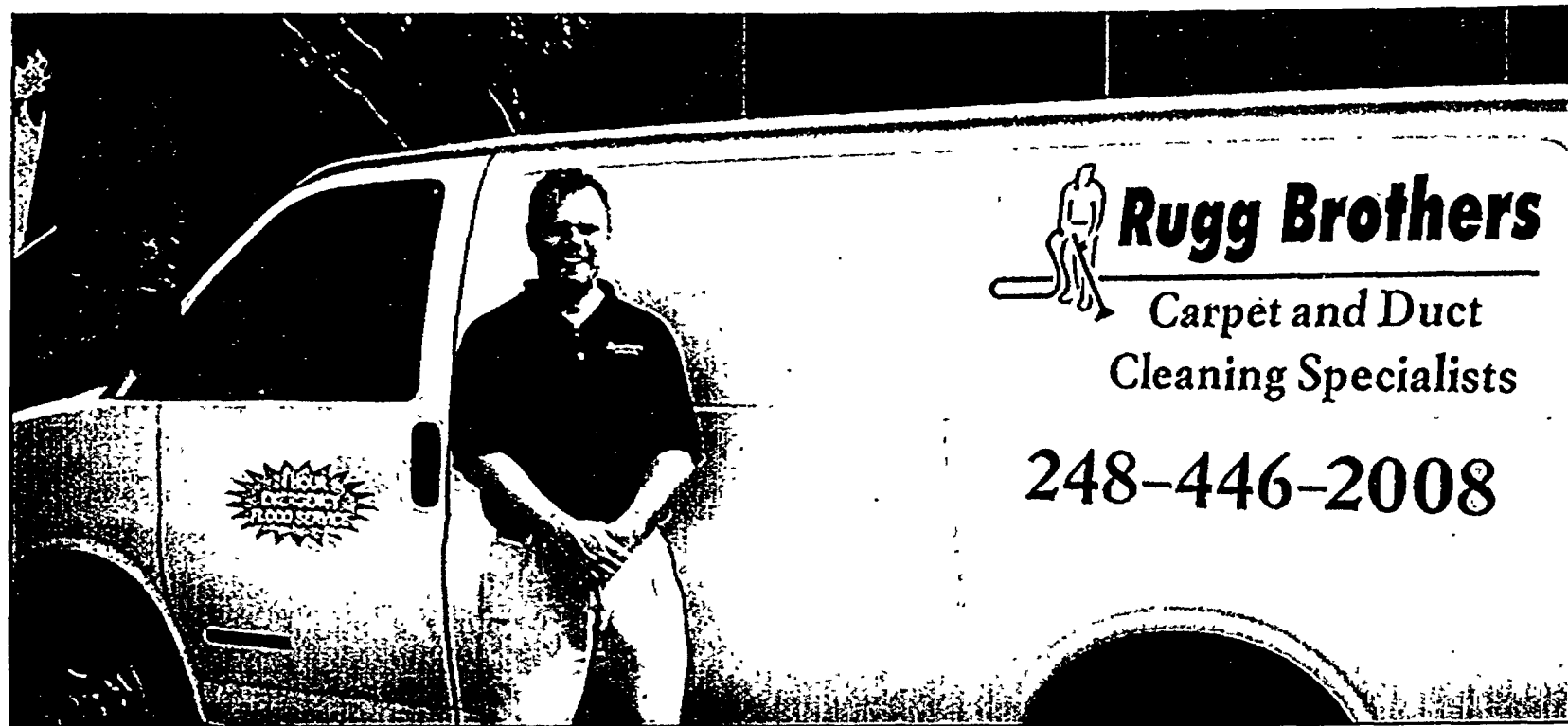
If you've been socked with a fee and think current disclosures aren't adequate, consider logging on to the Federal Reserve's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov/generalinfo/foia/ProposedRegs.cfm>. Click on "Other Proposals" in the middle of the screen and look for "Study on Disclosures of Debit Card Fees." This isn't the appropriate forum for complaining about bank fees; rather, it's an opportunity to let policy makers know how you feel about the way in which fees are disclosed to you. You have until July 23, 2004, to express your views on the matter. (For a description of the study go to <http://www.federalreserve.gov/boar/docs/press/bcreg/2004/20040518/attach.pdf>.)

One final thought: additional disclosure could likely lead to more signature-based transactions, which could cost you more in the end. Merchants may feel compelled to increase prices of goods and services to cover the cost of debit card processing fees.

Separately, look for your paycheck to have a little more girth. Effective Thursday, July 1, the Michigan Income Tax rate will drop one-tenth of a percentage point to 3.9 percent. The reduction marks the final phase of the 0.5 percent reduction enacted in 1999. The reduction was delayed from Jan. 1, to help balance the state budget. For more information visit www.michigan.gov/treasury.

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Submitted photos

Michael Ruggiero founded Rugg Brothers Carpet Care with his partner and brother Michael. The brothers have more than 15 years of combined experience in cleaning carpets, with another 10 years of practical experience in cleaning home ventilation or duct systems.

Rugg Brothers offer clean sweep

Rugg Brothers Carpet Care, Inc. was founded by Patrick and Michael Ruggiero. The Ruggiero Brothers have more than 15 years worth of combined experience in cleaning carpets, with another 10 years of practical experience in cleaning home ventilation or duct systems.

In addition to carpet and ventilation cleanings, Rugg Brothers offers emergency water removal. The business has available for rent high-speed carpet fans to dry your house and carpet quickly and effectively.

Michael Ruggiero said that among the frequent questions asked is how often a residential carpet should be cleaned. Depending on the amount of traffic and the frequency of vacuuming, Ruggiero said that home carpeting should be cleaned every six to 12 months.

The business is certified through the Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification. (For information, visit the group's web site at www.iirc.org.)

Ruggiero said that the company offers several types of cleaning packages, tailored to best suit the needs of a home. The most preferred and popular method is through hot-water extraction, commonly known as steam cleaning.

Ruggiero said steam cleaning is also the method most frequently recommended by leading carpet manufacturers.

Other methods of cleaning include Showroom Preconditioning, which applies safe, non-toxic, non-flammable pre-conditioning agents to loosen dirt and oils that vacuum cleaners cannot remove. Once cleaned, the company offers a Scotchgard™ carpet protector.

The confidence of the Rugg Brothers is demonstrated by the company's guarantee policy.

"You get the most thorough cleaning ever or it's free," Ruggiero said. "If you are not completely satisfied with the service experience you received from our company, we will rush back to your location to remedy the situation. If you are still unimpressed, you owe us nothing and we will provide a 100 percent refund."

Rugg Brothers will give you a fair price for your carpet and duct cleaning needs. Call them at (248) 446-2008 for a free carpet or duct cleaning quote with no hidden prices.

How often should duct systems be cleaned?

The frequency of duct-system cleaning depends on several fac-

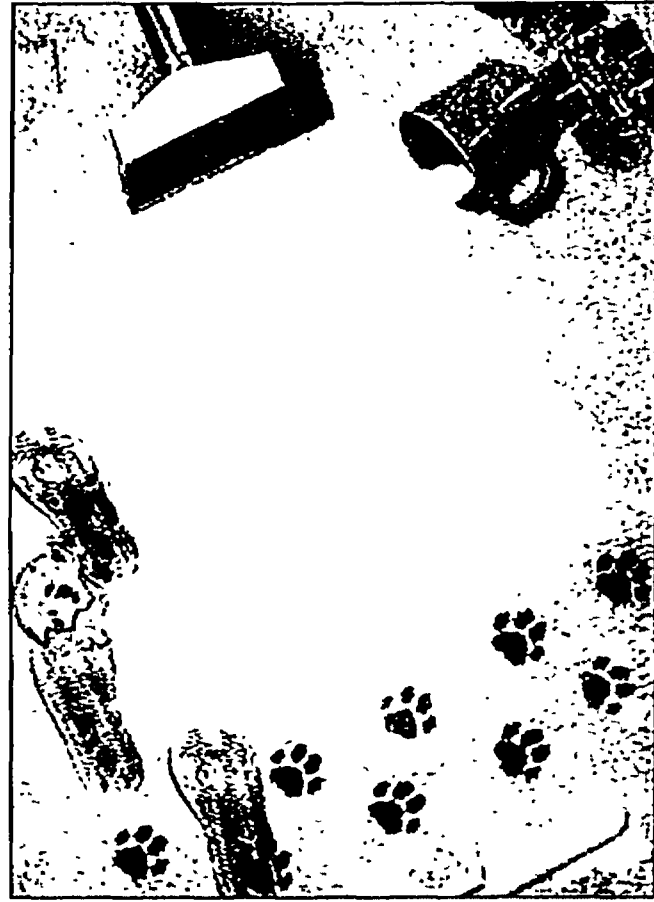
tors, not the least of which is the preference of the homeowner. Some of the things that may lead a homeowner to consider more frequent cleaning include:

- Smokers in the household.
- Pets that shed high amounts of hair and dander.
- Water contamination or damage to the home or HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) system.
- Residents with allergies or asthma who might benefit from a reduction in the amount of indoor air pollutants in the home's HVAC system.
- After home renovations or remodeling.
- Prior to occupancy of a new home.

Free audit available

Rugg Brothers Inc. offers the following pledge to its customers:

For those who demand excellence — the cleaner cleans for health and provides you with the best service. If you are tired of companies that bait and switch, call us for a free carpet audit. Rugg Brothers can clean your carpets, upholstery, and duct work/air vents. Call Rugg Brothers for emergency water extraction, pet accidents and all your mini-disasters.



From spills to ground-in dirt, Rugg Brothers has solutions to clean the toughest jobs.

Common mistakes when hiring a cleaner

It is to your advantage to use professional carpet cleaners because their experience enables them to do a better job than you can do yourself. Their equipment has more extraction power than the rental units available to individuals, and the carpet should dry more quickly.

True professionals also understand the equipment, know the proper cleaning agents for the situation at hand, and recognize the differences in fibers and carpet construction.

However, as with all trades and businesses, some cleaners may not be as honest as others. Rugg Brothers offers the following tips for avoiding the wrong cleaner.

Mistake #1: Choosing a cleaner based on low price.

Don't be scammed by a low price offer. As shown on 20/20, low price ads and coupons are commonly used to bait you into a high priced rip-off. Reputable carpet cleaners don't advertise at prices that sound too good to be true. Don't risk the thousands of dollars of carpeting in your home to low-price come-ons.

Mistake #2: Hiring a cleaner over the phone.

Professional carpet cleaning is not a one-size-fits-all service. Professional cleaners insist on

knowing if your carpet is nylon, wool, polypropylene, olefin, or a blend of fibers, before prescribing the best cleaning method. Reputable cleaners inspect your carpet, answer questions, and give you a written quote.

Mistake #3: Not asking for credentials.

The Institute of Inspection, Cleaning, and Restoration Certification (IICRC) is the certifying body for professional carpet cleaners. IICRC certified firms have committed to cleaning by industry-accepted guidelines, and passed certification exams. Ask if your cleaner is IICRC certified.

Mistake #4: Hiring a cleaner that does not offer a written guarantee.

A written guarantee backed by a reputable firm takes the risk out of hiring a carpet cleaner. Make sure the cleaner you hire offers a written guarantee, and has been in business long enough to assure you he'll be around to back it up.

Rugg Brothers offers: A free carpet inspection and written quote; a 100 percent money-back guarantee backed by years of service; fabulous carpet and upholstery cleaning at a fair price; and the credibility of being an IICRC certified firm.

TEST YOUR CARPET-CARE KNOWLEDGE

Question 1) Tan colored residential carpeting can hide an entire pound of dirt in only a single square foot of carpet before it looks dirty. True or False?

Question 2) According to IICRC Standards, how often should homeowners with children or pets have their carpeting cleaned? Is it every 3 months, every 6 months, or annually?

Question 3) What is the best time of the year to clean your carpet if fleas from pets are a concern? Is it winter, spring, summer or fall?

Question 4) What is the most important reason to clean your carpet regularly? A) To prevent carpet wear. B) To improve indoor air quality. C) To improve appearance.

Answers

1) True! A single square foot of carpet can hide an entire pound of dirt. If you wait to clean until you notice soiling, your carpet is very dirty.

2) The IICRC issues standards for professional carpet cleaning that recommend cleaning every six months.

3) Fall or winter after the first frost is the best time to clean for fleas.

4) All are equally important reasons to clean your carpeting on a regular basis. Clean carpet lasts longer, looks great, and helps keep the indoor air you breathe healthy.



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Worms in oak branches have homeowner worried

Q: What is happening to my oak tree? I go out in the morning and there are a half-dozen small branches on the ground, and all have green leaves. I looked at where they came loose from the rest of the twig, and the break is really clean. These have little white worms in them. What's killing my tree?

A: I'm more worried about your health than the tree. You have just met the small but determined Oak Twig Pruner. They don't kill trees; in almost all cases, their damage is minor. If you pruned off one branch, you would do more damage than they do during an entire season. By removing the ends of the twigs, branches become bushier by producing lateral growth, so it isn't tragic damage. This tiny wood-boring beetle tunnels in twigs during its larval development. The twigs are partially severed by the larva so they break off easily. If you examine the break, it looks like it was done with a miniature circular saw. The edges are clean and even. The center of the twig will look ragged. Their handiwork can be seen on other types of trees, too. These include maple, hickory, locust, some fruit trees and a couple of other ornamental trees. Some years, we see more activity from this insect than others. This seems to have been a very good year for twig pruners. There is no preventative, but if you want to ruin their dinky party, immediately pick up the fallen twigs with them in the wood and barbecue or bury them. They can't complete their life cycle successfully because you ruined their event. Classify this insect in the "owner annoyance" category.

Q: I have a lot of flowers in beds but I have some weed problems that I don't know how to handle. In some ground cover, I have grasses that come poking through and are taller than the ground cover. When I try to pull the grass, I pull up ground cover. I also have some places where poison ivy has come up, and I

Home Grown

Gretchen Voyle



really don't know what to do. Any ideas?

A: Here are a few to contemplate. If grasses and weeds are coming through a dense ground cover, it would be impossible to spray an herbicide and not get every body. You can purchase a disposable foam paintbrush cheaply. Put some nonselective weed killer like Roundup in a cup and slop some up with the foam brush. Gently wipe the moist brush over the offenders. Just make sure the brush doesn't drip. Your cuties have been spared and the bad guys are croaked. When you're done, get rid of the cup or wash it and put the paintbrush and herbicide somewhere little children can't reach it. It can be quite effective. This is weed killing for those with patience and a bit of time. You can also just pull the weeds and water gently afterwards to firm the soil. Poison ivy is different. Keep in mind that you can get an impressive rash from dead poison ivy. The plants exude tiny droplets of oil while alive. During the winter and even after they die, the oil is still there. It's like the junky car that leaked oil on your driveway — it's still there long after the car has gone. You can bop the poison ivy with weed killer and the foam brush, but it's still there and needs to be avoided or removed. If it is a small plant, you can put a plastic bag over your hand. Pull up the poison ivy and turn the bag down over the plant. A heavy plastic bag with no holes is a must for this job. Your dermatitis-on-a-stem is bagged and ready for disposal.

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Shades beat the heat, stop glare

By Rose Bennett Gilbert
 COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q: How should I handle windows that wrap around our family room? The light is nice in the morning, but the sun pours in all afternoon.

The windows are too high for us to reach up and draw shades. Should I put up curtains with a long wand I can use to pull them closed when the sun's too bright, or would that look too "hotel-y?"

A: The 21st century has provided a better answer. Instead of curtains, consider shades that can be operated by a remote control just like the one you use for your TV.

The windows in the room we show here are wearing Duette honeycomb shades by Hunter Douglas (the company that invented them in the mid-1980s). Celebrated for their energy efficiency, honeycomb shades trap air in their accordion pleats and effectively insulate windows against heat loss and gain, and protect against sun and glare.

All this can be achieved from your armchair — the shades can be motorized. Click the remote and they rise to the occasion. Click again and they lower to shield your windows. While hard-wired motorized window treatments can be expensive, these are battery operated and much more affordable.

For more details, check the Hunter Douglas Web site at www.hunterdouglas.com, or call (800) 327-8953.



You can save some energy — the planet's and yours — by installing these battery-powered Hunter Douglas honeycomb shades that rise at the touch of a button.

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Q: We're adding a great room and want to have hardwood flooring. What we'd really love is old hardwood that looks antique — we collect Early American country furniture and accessories such as crocks and tinware.

There are two things we'd like your help with. First, is it smart to put down old wood in new construction? And, is it possible to put radiant-heating mats under a wood floor — especially an old one? Where we live the winters are really cold. Our contractor has recommended a radiant heat sys-

tem, but we're hesitating because we have no experience with it.

A: Hesitate no more — and that goes for both of your questions. Yes, hardwood that's been recycled from old buildings and barns — or from underwater storage where logging mills used to preserve it — is being remilled into high-quality flooring that will make the perfect backdrop for your antiques and collectibles — maybe even better than new wood that's merely been distressed to look old. You may luck into older-growth wood, which afforded wider

planks, or avail yourself of a species such as chestnut, that are simply no longer on the market.

To learn more, go to www.toolbase.org and type in "recycled wood."

Radiant-heat systems have been warming home floors since the Koreans first figured out how to pipe heated water under tiles. Frank Lloyd Wright himself borrowed the technology for his leading-edge designs and you, too, can enjoy the all-enveloping, inexpensive warmth of a radiant-heat system beneath your "new" old hardwood floors.

Highly efficient, totally silent and completely compatible with hardwood, most of today's radiant-heat systems work like an electric blanket. They warm the wood, which in turn gently radiates heat upward into the room. A radiant-heat system ranges from \$3 to \$10 per square foot, plus installation, according to John Fantauzzi of the Radiant Panel Association. And, you stand to cut your energy costs by an estimated 10 percent to 40 percent.

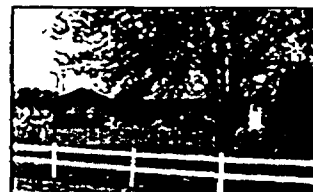
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NOVI - Charming Cape Cod - truly delightful! Lovely home with nice kitchen and breakfast area with hardwood floors, island. Formal dining room, spacious great room, 3 large bedrooms and loft, great master comfortable den and nice deck.

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NOVI - Great home close to schools. Charming home with updated kitchen & breakfast area, formal living room & dining room, family room with fireplace & built in book cases, finished basement with a lot of storage & full bath. Four season sun room.

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WATERFORD - New paint, hardwood flooring, commode, vanity sink, carpet, deck, stairs, soffers, reverse osmosis, fireplace surround 2 story beamed garage. Magnificent lot too!

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NORTHFIELD TOWNSHIP - Beautiful rolling five acres of country living at its best. This well-cared for farm house has all the updates. Newer roof, siding, windows, bath, carpet and well. Abundant flowers and perennials. Take a stroll through the woods and see the deer and wildlife play.

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HAMBURG - Unique field stone Ranch with a cozy cottage feeling. New carpet, laminate floors, ceramic tile, paint and windows. Extremely large lot ready to be finished for more living space. This one with a spacious triple lot is a MUST SEE!

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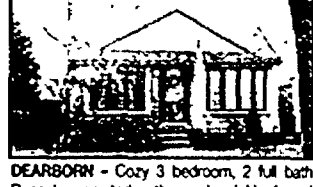
REDFORD - Pleasantly updated 3 bedroom Bungalow! Totally redone in past year. New kitchen with oak cabinets, ceramic floor in bath, new windows. Newer roof, siding and gutters! Fresh paint and new carpet! Move in and enjoy!

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BRIGHTON - Exceptional location. Beautiful home on large cul-de-sac. Great room with cathedral ceiling and gas fireplace. Second floor loft, 2 bedrooms and full bath, first floor master suite. Professionally finished basement. Many upgrades.

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DEARBORN - Cozy 3 bedroom, 2 full bath Bungalow painted with sunshine! Hardwood floors under carpeting, huge master with a lot of storage & sky lite. Many newer features!

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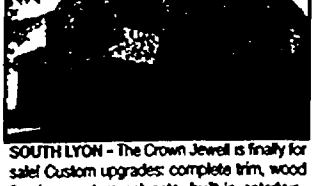
NORTHVILLE - Walk to downtown. This lovely 1600 square foot Colonial is within walking distance to the elementary and middle schools. Updates include newer kitchen, furnace and vinyl windows. Finished basement with hardwood floors.

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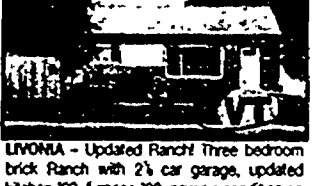
PONTIAC - Great starter home! This 2 bedroom, 1 bath home has been totally remodeled, freshly painted. New bath, kitchen, flooring, furnace and air conditioner, all new appliances stay!

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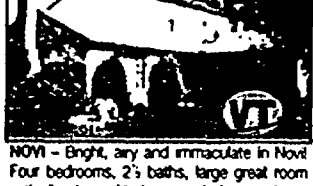
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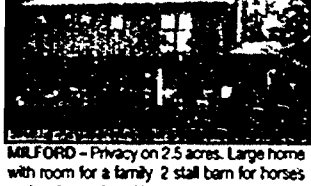
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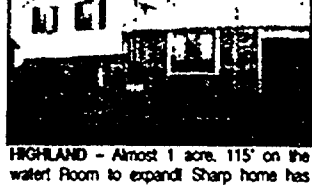
NOVI - Bright, airy and immaculate in Novi! Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, large great room with fireplace. Updates include: windows, roof, carpet, new kitchen/foyer floor, counters in kitchen, bath and lavatory. New oak trim baseboards on first floor. Cedar deck.

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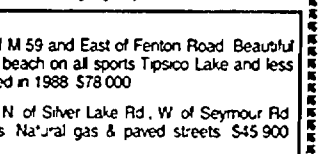
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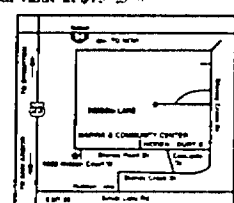
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3 BR, 1 bath, full bsmt, lg lot, \$149,900 w/ possible tennis/land contract (810) 229-5954

3 BR, 1.5 bath, 2 story built 2003, 1344 sq ft, c.a. deck, \$182,500 (517) 546-7276

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Milford **\$240**

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Milford Village Bungalow - 4 Bed w/Fireplace, hrdwd, party fin Bsmt. New: 150 Amp, copper plumbing, C/A, carpet, sprinklers, deck, fenced lot. \$215,000 (L-746)

Milford Ranch, 5 Splittable Acres - 4 Bed, 3 Bath, fin w/o, 2 fp's, 2 car Gar. Frontage on 2 roads, easy splits. Call for details! (R-959)

Milford Village Historic - Center foyer staircase, very unique Kit, skylights, hardwood. New furnace, roof & windows. \$289,900 (F-215)

Milford Village Ranch - 3 Bed, 2 Bath. Fin Bsmt w/tp & Bath w/Jacuzzi tub, 2 car Gar, appliances stay. Newer roof, furnace & C/A \$163,900 (D-773)

South Lyon Colonial - 3 Bed, 1.5 Bath w/cust. townhome, paver patio, gas fp, hardwood, 2 car Gar, C/A, Bsmt, sprinklers. Great neighborhood! \$238,754 (S-852)

White Lk Colonial, .75 Ac- 3 Bed, 2.5 Ba in Whispering Meadows. Loft Lib, C/A, 3+ Gar, Gazebo, 9 ft Bsmt, 2400 sq ft \$329,754 (T-1028)

Milford Village Ranch - Fenced yard on corner lot. Living Rm w/corner brick fp & Bay window, main fl Ldry, shed Wonderful neighborhood! \$155,200 (N-286)

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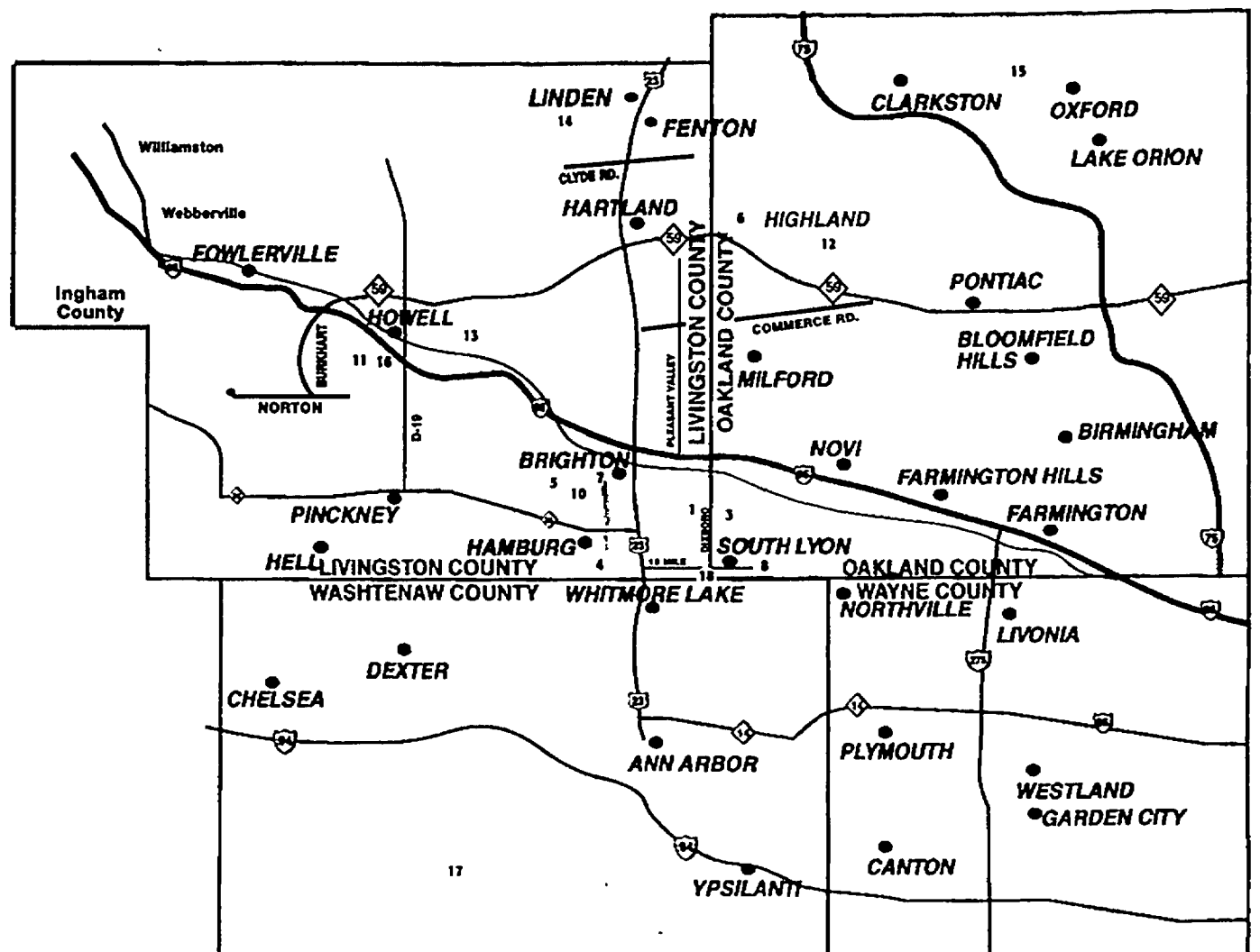
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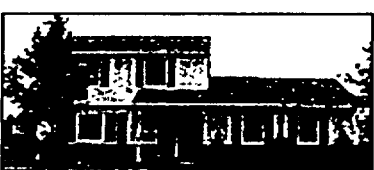
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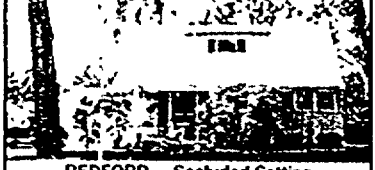
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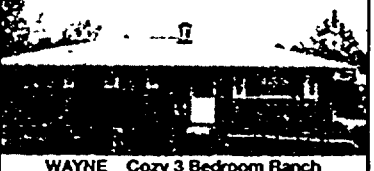
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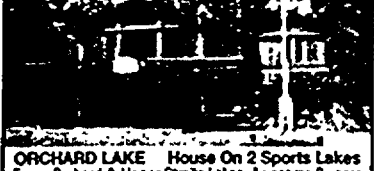
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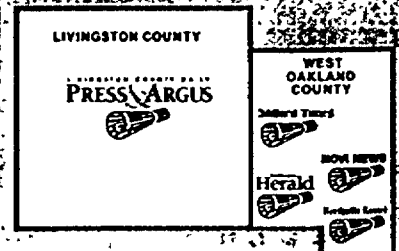
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Full time, benefits available. Apply within: Gelick Glass, 7106 Kensington, Brighton, (248) 437-7696

CUSTOMER RELATIONS

Brighton based Internet Retailer looking to fill a customer relations phone position w/ potential to lead to a retail management position. Full time salary position w/ full medical benefits. Normal job tasks involve answering customer phone & email inquiries, processing orders, & handle customer service issues. Please email resumes to: chris@us-mattress.net or fax to (810) 229-2388

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We are looking for a part time CSR who is detail oriented, works well with people and can multi-task. Computer knowledge in Excel, Word, email and the Internet is a must. Printing knowledge helpful, but not required. Flexible hours. Robot Printing and Communications, 12085 Dove, Redford, MI 48239. Fax: (313) 255-0470. cblonk@robotprinting.com

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50 yr estate July 15-18, 9 to 5 p.m., 27050 E. Pleasant Rd. G of Inquirer Rd. W of Warren, enter off Warren House packed everything must go! No early birds! Home for rent, 3 bedrooms, all appliances, 2 car garage, 248-761-6849

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IF YOU LOVE ANIMALS

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Growing insulation company needs reliable, motivated exp. Insulation installers. Exp. Insulators. Call Crown Insulation, (248) 486-9296

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To Learn Pipe Fab Year Round Benefits Don't Pass This Up! 248-336-9116

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Howell, MI 48843

FULL TIME Inside showroom

help. Good with colors, Brighton Area. Fax resume to 248-683-2295

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Growing co. needs lead carpenter ALSO CARPENTERS w/3-5 yrs exp. (517) 402-4270

LOOKING FOR A job that

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Must have knowledge in excel, desktop mailer, and current postal regulations. Position is full time with benefits. Must be flexible to work on a variety of machines. Robot Printing and Communications, 12085 Dove, Redford, MI 48239. Fax: (313) 255-0470. cblonk@robotprinting.com

MANAGEMENT

Exp. & self-motivated motel manager Wixom. Fax resume, salary req. at 248-569-9535

MANAGER AND ASSISTANT MANAGER

Seeking persons experienced in group home management, consumer services, personnel management. Manager - \$11.35/hr. Asst. Manager - \$8.70/hr. Plus health, dental, life, disability, 403(b). Home located blvm Novi and Brighton. Call Livonia office, (734) 458-8140. Fax: (734) 458-8195

MECHANIC

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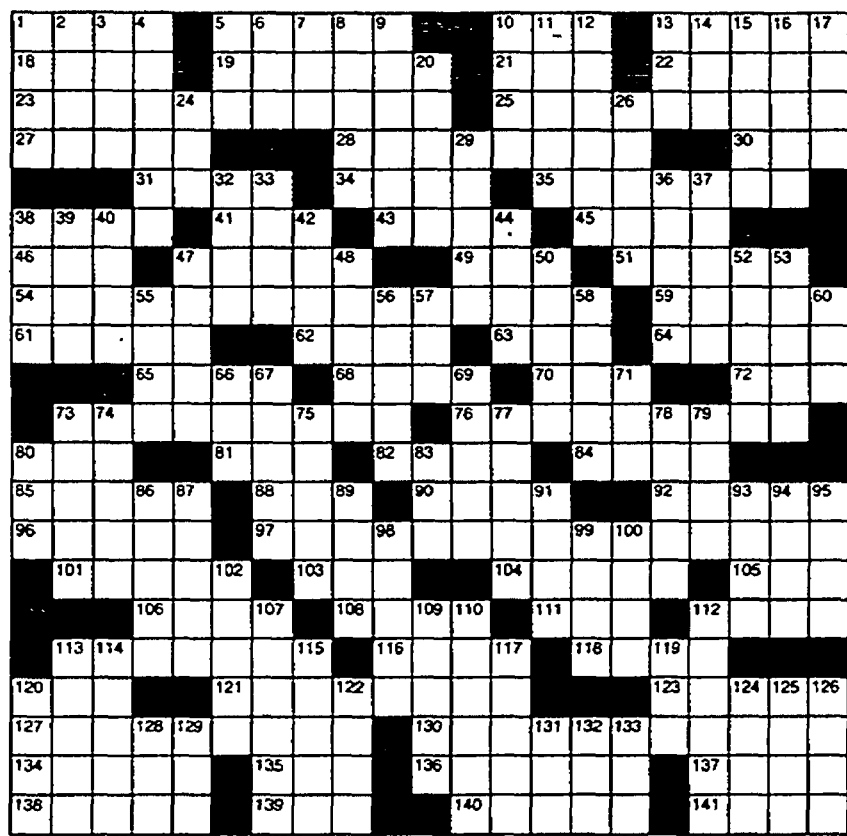
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MEDICAL BILLERS
Fast growing Medical Billing Company seeks experienced biller for immediate full time position. Must have 3+ years billing experience and be detail oriented. Starting salary \$30,000 with full benefits. Please send resume to: HR Manager, PO Box 1111, Novi, MI 48376-1111.

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST
Needed full time for busy internal medicine practice. Mail Resume to: Internal Medicine Assoc., 820 Byron Rd., Suite 200, Howell, MI 48843, or call 517-548-1246.

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST/ASSISTANT
Experienced only full time for busy Highland Pediatric office. Some evenings & Saturdays. Fax resume & salary requirements to Office Manager, (248) 684-5220.

MEDICAL RECORDS PERSON
Immediate part-time opening at 37 bed nursing home in Northville. Exp. preferred. Salary & benefits commensurate. Fax resume 248-349-1663 or mail Star Manor PO Box 206, Northville, MI 48167.

PART-TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT
Previous medical office exp. preferred but not necessary. (248) 474-3470 Ask for Jenna.

PHYSICAL THERAPY TECH
Needed for outpatient orthopedic clinic in Livonia, full or part time. Experience preferred but will train. Flexibility a plus. Call Annette at 734-524-3580, ext. 10, or Fax resume to 734-524-3666.

Respiratory Therapist
for home equipment company. Delivery set-up, and clinical services of medical equipment. Must have excellent driving record. Applications available at 106 W Grand St. Mon-Fri between 8:30-5:30 Mon-Fri.

RN/PA's FOR BRIGHTON AREA
Lovely Christian home. Exp. call (586) 726-6661.

RN/PA's - Start \$25-\$32
11pm to 7am shift. Care for wheelchair-bound woman. Her Pinkney home. BJ's Home Health Care 734-878-9588.

S.L.P.
Contingent speech therapist for South Lyon clinic. Fax resume 248-486-3318.

THERAPISTS, PT/OT/PA's, COTA's
needed for outpatient rehab and home care in area senior communities. Full & Part Time. Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Southfield Northville/Westland and Adrian. Please fax resume to 734-324-2405. Actn Rd.

VETERINARY RECEPTIONIST
Exp. preferred. Full/part time even-weekends. Highland Vet Hospital Fax resume to (248) 529-6161.

Help Wanted-Food/Beverage (580)
ASSISTANT MANAGER, Exp. Nights & weekends. Full time. Apply at Don's of Traverse City, 48730 Grand River, Novi.

BUFFALO WILD WINGS
Grill & Bar Coming soon to Howell MI. We are now accepting applications for greeters, cashiers, kitchen, servers & bartenders. If interested please call Mike Ludd 734-644-7725 or Doug Blair 734-552-9555. Applications also avail at 900 S. Latson Rd.

CHEF Full time, North Oakland Restaurant. \$30,000 a yr w/benefits. "A Career" 9155 Highland Rd. White Lake (248) 6

<p>Garage Sales (7110)</p> <p>MILFORD 1920 South Hill Rd. Fri. & Sat. 8-4. Furniture, equip., household goods, etc.</p> <p>MILFORD Washer/dryer, beds, dresser, 18-horse tractor. 248-342-6667, 248-684-4667</p> <p>MILFORD 860 S. Main. 7/16-17/17. Fri. 9-4, Sat. 9-2. Books, kids items, home show close-outs, many misc. Many new.</p> <p>MILFORD Barn & Moving sale. 2 houses. Sat. & Sun. 9-4. Antiques. 1041 Adams Rd. Mafford, by Dawson & S. Mafford Rd.</p> <p>MILFORD TWP. - Our 17 & 18th. 9-6pm. 150 Our Land Lane, off Wixom Rd., bet Burns & Duck Lake. Misc.</p> <p>MOVIE & GAME SALE!!! 10,000+ items. Restocked Daily! VHS, DVD, XBOX, PS2, GC July 15, 16, 17, 10am-8pm Entertainment Tonight. 6600 Cooley Lake Rd., Waterford - 248-360-4418</p> <p>NEW HUDSON Huge Multi Family Sale! July 16 & 17, 9-5pm. 30114 Cobblestone Ct.</p> <p>NEW HUDSON - Multi family! Arts & crafts, clothes, furniture, antiques, ladies gold clubs, Wagon wheel chandeliers. July 22-23, 9-5, 24th, 9-12. 54500 Grand River bet South Hill & Old Plank</p> <p>NORTHVILLE Sat. 9-5 Furniture, crib, antiques, appliances, bedding, lamps, & much more! 16963 Birchwood Dr., 1 blk W/Sheldon, S/S Mile</p> <p>NORTHVILLE - MOVING Snowblower, piano, couches, dining tables, pool table, patio furniture, Plasma 42in. monitor, accessories, clothes, garden tools, framed pictures. July 16, 17, 8-3pm to 5:30pm 17711 Stonebrook Dr. off Six Mile, between Beck & Sheldon.</p> <p>NORTHVILLE - Multi Family. 341 Baseline, 1 blk. S of 8 Mile, E. of Center. Large/small appliances, sports equip., furniture, art, much more. All items priced to sell. Must Go! Fri & Sat, 9-3pm.</p> <p>NORTHVILLE - 520 Butler St., at the dead-end by Mill Race Village. Remodeling Sale! Many quality items to choose from. July 22-24, 9-4pm</p> <p>NOVI 45750 W 11 mile Rd. Bet. Taft & Beck. Sat. & Sun. 8-1pm-July 10, 11, 17 & 18 Baby furniture, toys, fridge, sporting goods</p> <p>NOVI North hills Sub Sale. Furniture, toys, tools, lots of stuff! July 15 & 16, 9-2pm. Center/Sheldon bet 8 & 9 Mile</p> <p>NOVI Multi-family sale. July 16 & 17, 9-4pm. Island Lake of Novi Sub, off Wixom between Grand River & 10 Mile</p> <p>NOVI Sat. 17th. 8-1. Sporting equip., tools, misc. 8 1/2 & Meadowbrook, Carriage Hill Sub. 40558 Coventry Rd</p> <p>NOVI - Multi Family Sale! July 23rd & 24th, 9-4pm. at 24161 Nisan Dr. off 10 Mile, bet Haggerty & Meadowbrook.</p> <p>NOVI - Huge Charity Garage Sale! July 15, 16 & 17, 9-6pm. at 24161 Nisan Dr. off 10 Mile, bet Haggerty & Meadowbrook.</p> <p>NOVI - 2 Family Sale! 21958 York Mills Circle, Barclay Estates, 9 Mile & Beck. Sat. only July 17, 9-4pm. Good Stuff!</p>	<p>Garage Sales (7110)</p> <p>NOVI-NEIGHBORHOOD SALE Fri/Sat. 16th/17th. 9am-4pm. Creek Crossing Sub., W. of Novi Rd., S. of Grand River, off 11 Mile. Lots of kids stuff!</p> <p>SOUTH LYON - July 16, 9-6pm. 1044 Gentry, N. of 11 Mile, E. of Pontiac Trail. Proceeds benefit Breast Cancer Research.</p> <p>SOUTH LYON Barn Sale. Western Saddles, 3 wheelers, antiques, furniture. July 8-10 & 16-17, 9-5. 9225 Spencer.</p> <p>SOUTH LYON - Thurs-Sat. 7/15-7/17. 9-5 Avon products clearance, adult clothes, childrens books, more! Behind S Lyon Motors. 115 Elm Place</p> <p>SOUTH LYON Sub. Sale. Pembroke Crossing 7/16-9-4/17-9-1. S side of 10 Mile, 1/2 mile before Rushton</p> <p>SOUTH LYON Big garage sale. 15th, 16th, 17th, 9-6 pm. Tools, musical, household, furniture, etc. 7670 Seven Mile Rd. bet. Tower & Currie</p> <p>SOUTH LYON - Multi Family Baby items, household. Bearies maternity, baby, child, adult clothes, books, craft supplies. Thurs-Sat., 9-4 Hadden Creek Sub at 9 Mile & Dobbins</p> <p>SOUTH LYON - 2 family - Fri-Sat., 8:30-4pm. 25713 & 25725 14Cory Lane Carriage Club Sub.</p> <p>SOUTH LYON - MULTIFAMILY. Antiques, furniture, home decorating & lots of treasures new & old. 11622 Ridge Rd. near Doane & Silverdale near Silver Lake. Thurs. & Fri. 7/15-16, 9-4</p> <p>SOUTH LYON - MOVING OUT. Furniture, household misc. & more! July 15, 16 & 17. Thurs/Fri. 9-5pm. Sat. 10-2. 567 Woodland Dr. off 10 Mile W of Pontiac Trail</p> <p>SOUTH LYON - MULTIFAMILY. Village at Eagle Heights, E. of Pontiac Trail. July 16-17, 9-4 pm. Fri/Sat. July 16-17, 9-4 pm</p>	<p>Moving Sales (7130)</p> <p>HOWELL Something for everyone, incl. kids clothes, household, books, toys. June 16-17, 9-5. 6200 Cherry Ridge Dr. 1 mile N. of M-59 off Argentine Rd. Just past Brophy</p> <p>HOWELL July 16-17, 9-4. 1260 Penny Rd., off Mason Rd. Clothes, toys, sports, lots of misc.</p> <p>HOWELL Yard Sale July 15-16, 9-5. 1122 Curzon.</p> <p>MILFORD 3 Family Sale. 1 day only! Thurs., 9-9, 2830 Debbowood Ct. off Duck Lake Rd. between Commerce & Colley Lk. Rds. Misc. household, books, toys, clothes; girls 6-10, boys 10-16, jr. girls, all name brands, great shape. Category O garden tractor, 3 pt hitch & attachments.</p> <p>NOVI Moving Sale. Art, furniture, antiques, player piano. 248-935-7867. Photos at www.estatetagsale.com.</p> <p>SOUTH LYON July 15-18, 9-6. 1072 Shetland Dr., Trotters Point Sub. Furniture, lawn, etc.</p> <p>SOUTH LYON July 15-17, 9-5. 60688 Sue St., off Pontiac Trail bet 9-10 Mile</p>	<p>Household Goods (7140)</p> <p>BR. SET, 7 pc. by Kincaid. Solid oak. Exc. Cond. Must sell \$2,000. (734) 449-5188</p> <p>BUNK BED SET Avonite desk/drawers, bookshelves, 2 twin mattresses, \$399 firm. 810-229-8349</p> <p>Children's "Ranch House" left bed with desk and dresser with shelves, worn well, but still in good shape (4 years old). One bunk mattress included. \$200.00 or b/w Tel: 810-229-8065</p> <p>DINING ROOM SET 43" round, dark oak table (no leaf) w/ 4 high back cane chairs, w/ new neutral upholstery \$150. 248-780-7896</p> <p>KING BED Pine platform w/8 drawers, \$500/best. Double bed. Money finish, 1" double dresser w/mirror, \$800/best for set. 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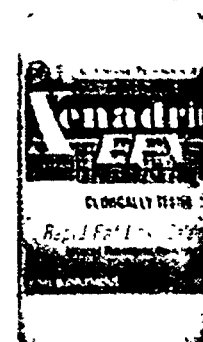
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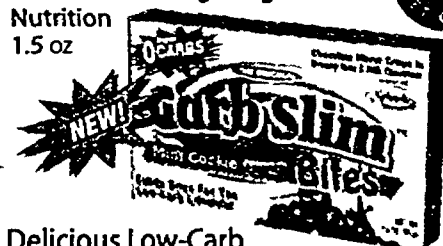
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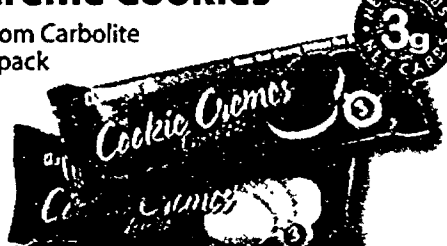


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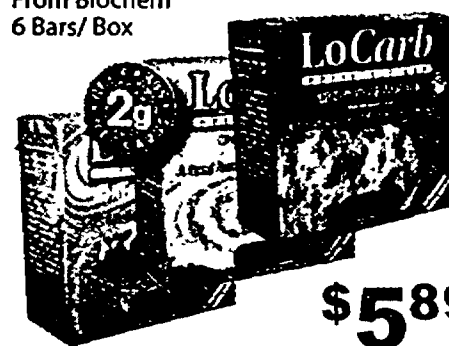


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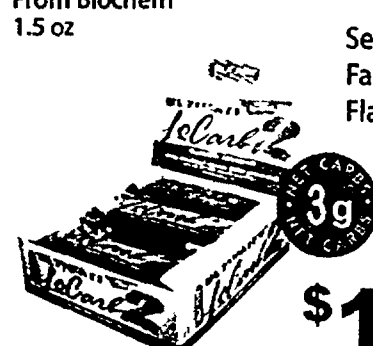
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6 Bars/ Box



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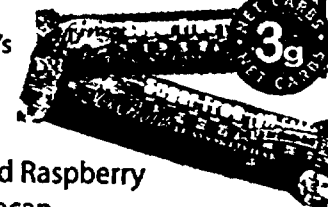


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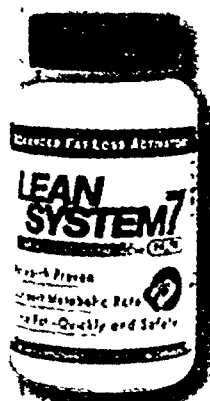
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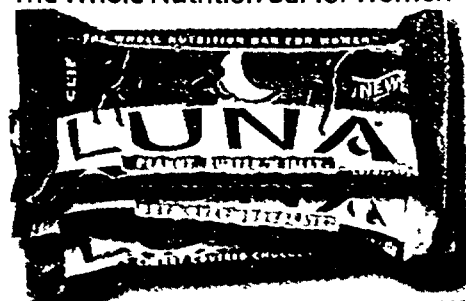
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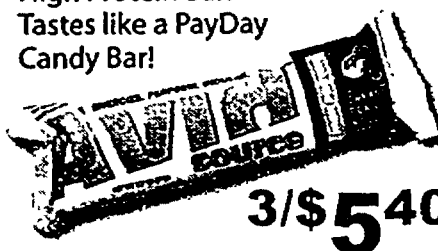


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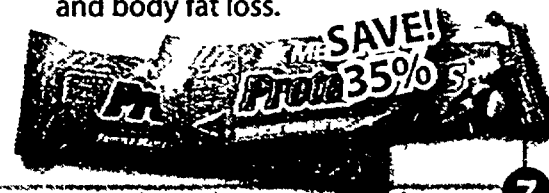
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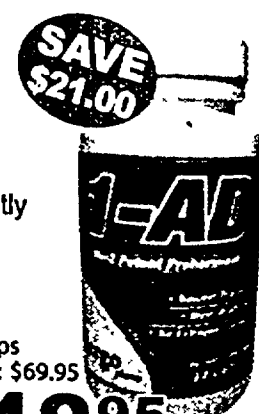
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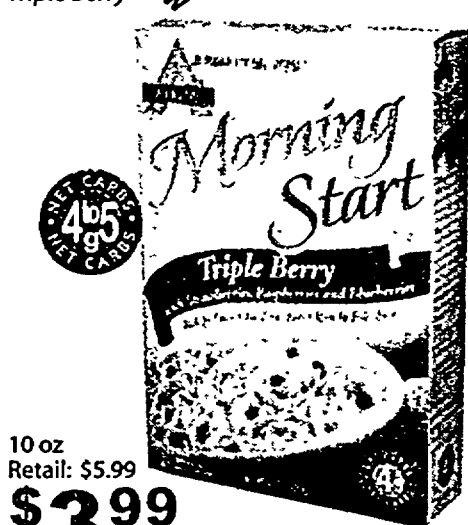
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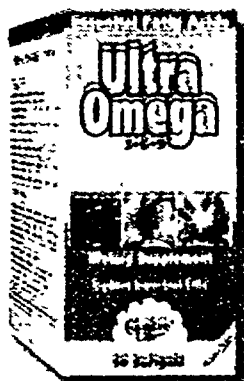
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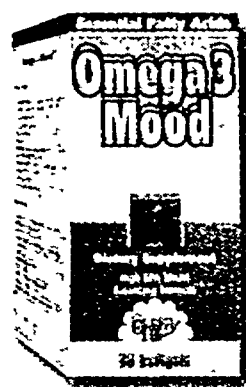
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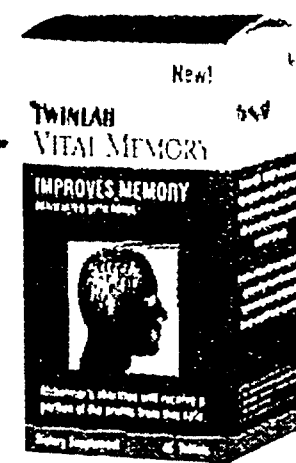
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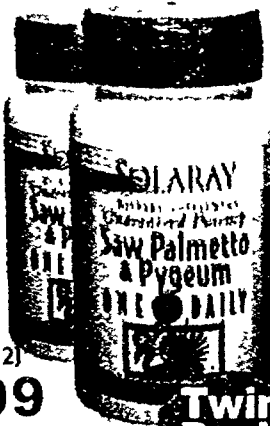
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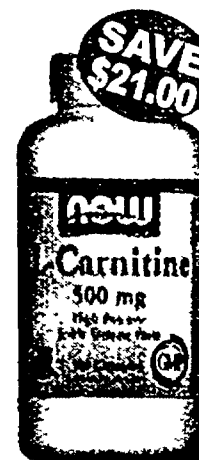
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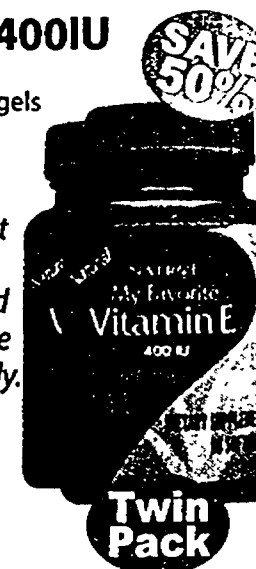
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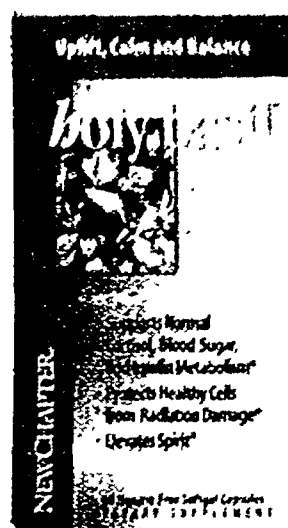
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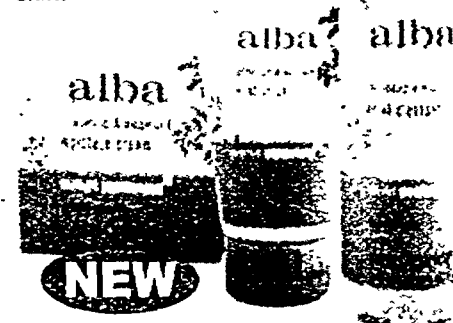
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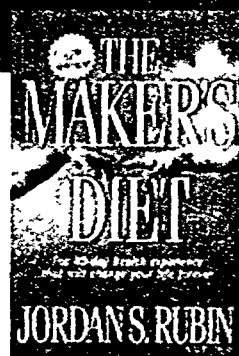
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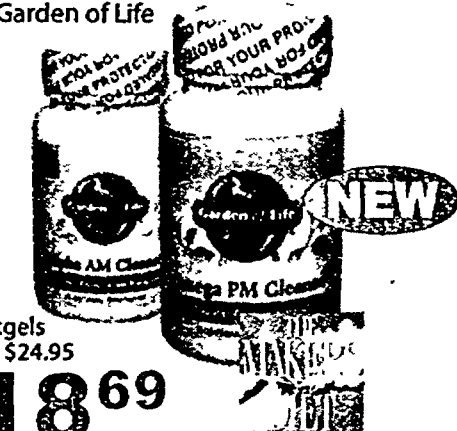
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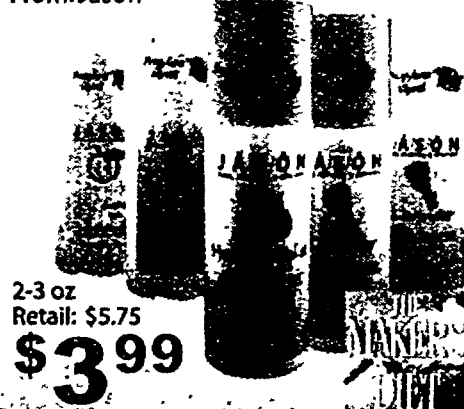
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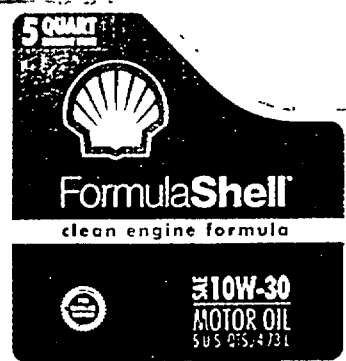
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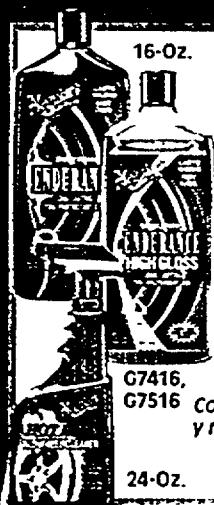
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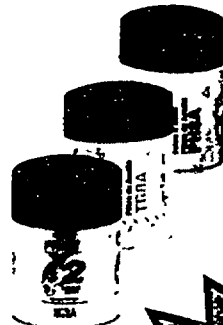
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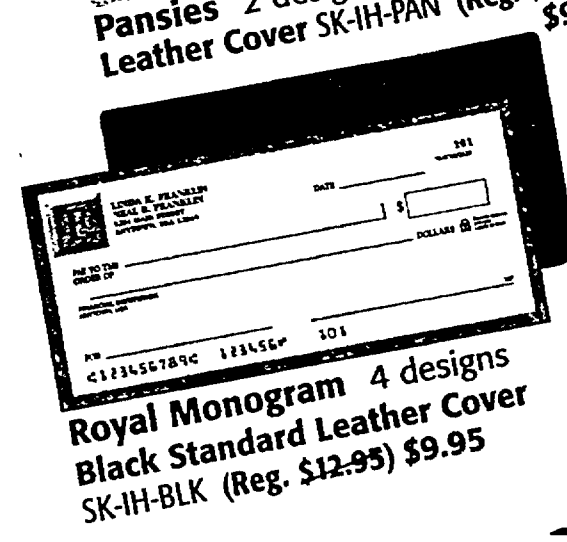
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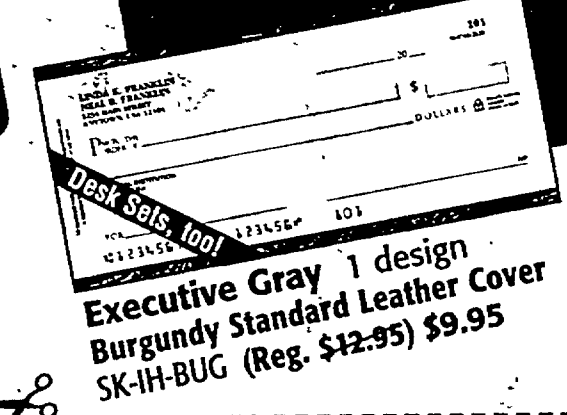
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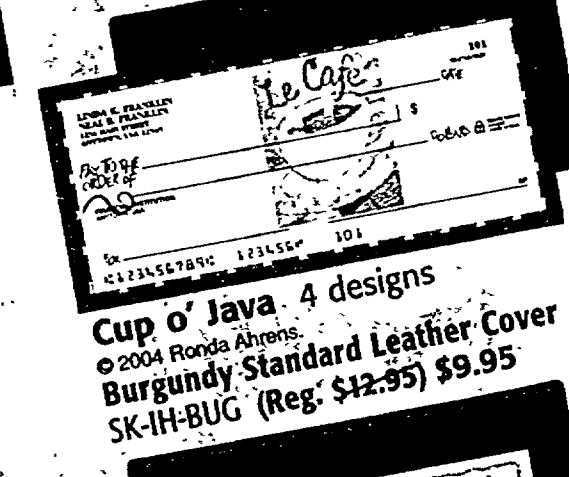
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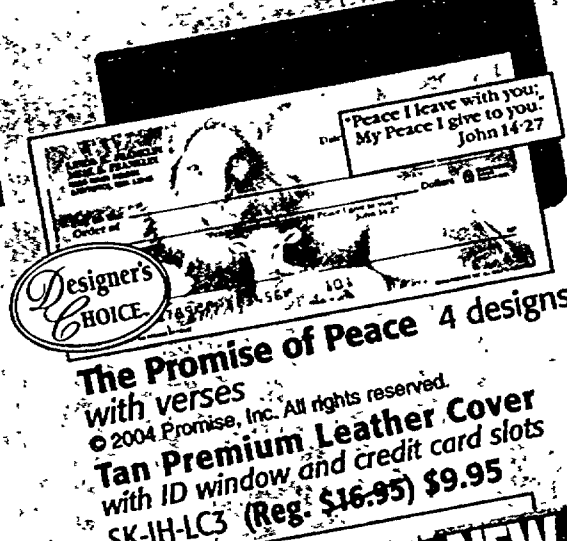
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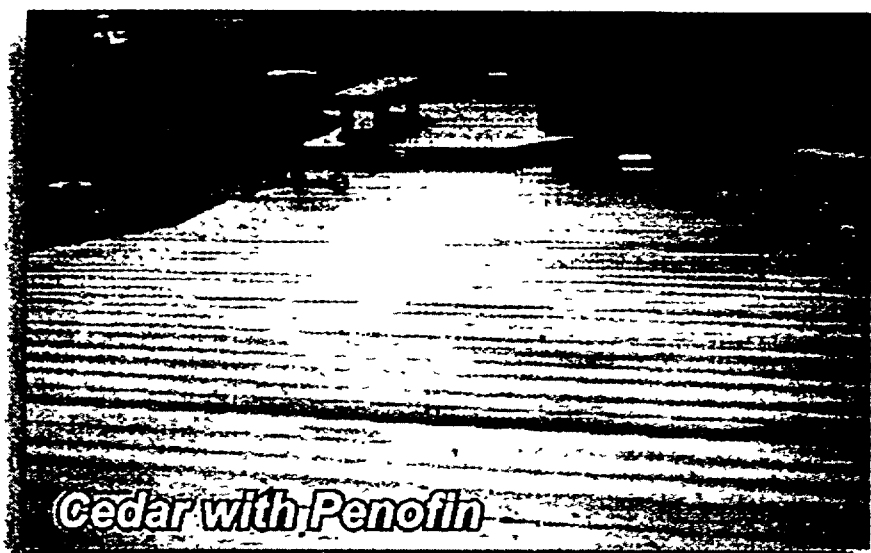
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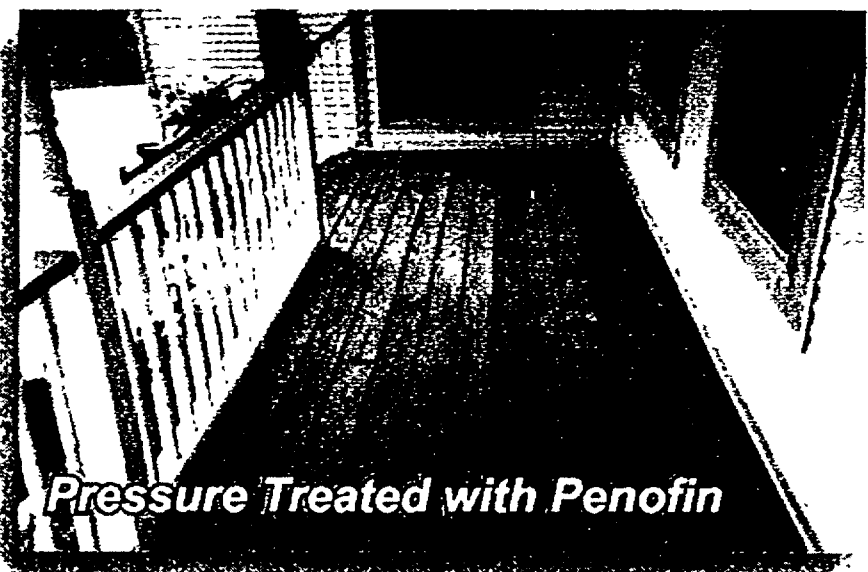
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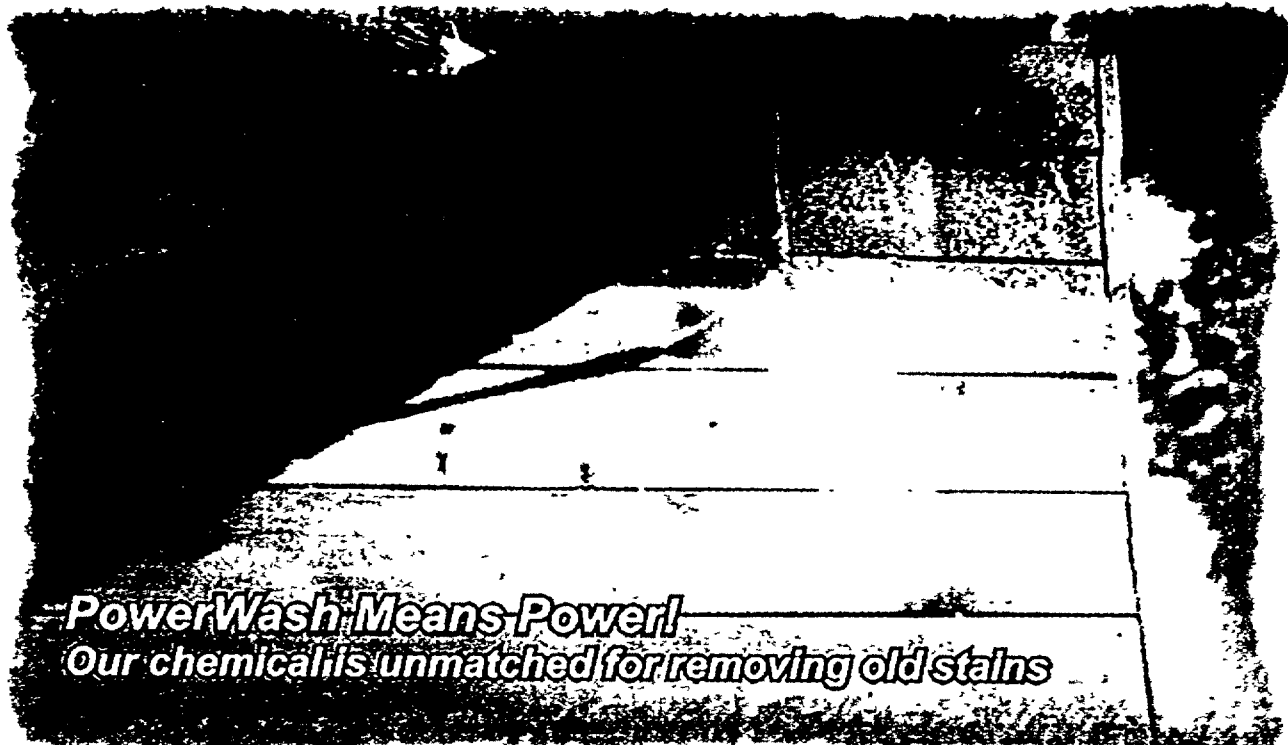
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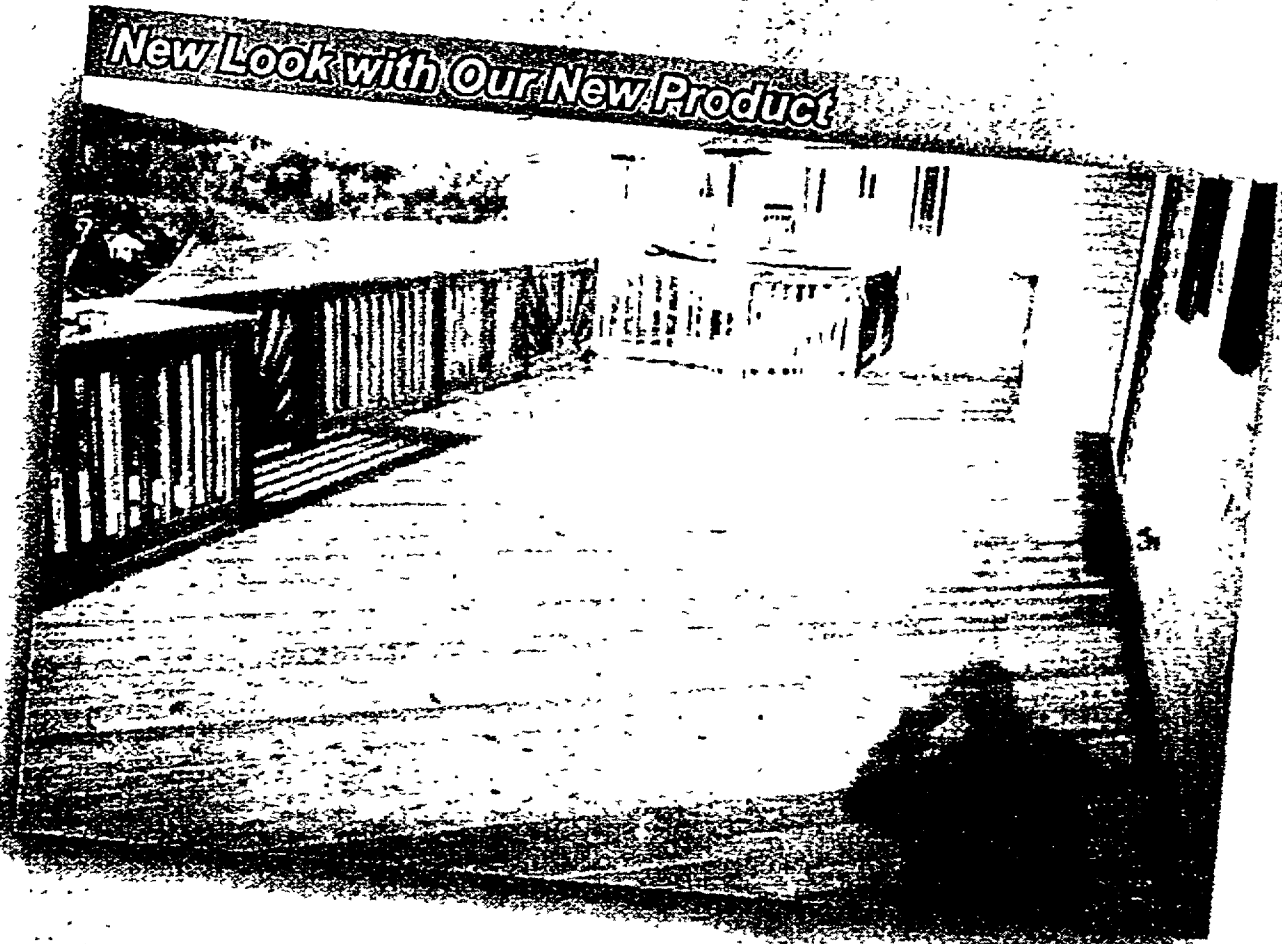
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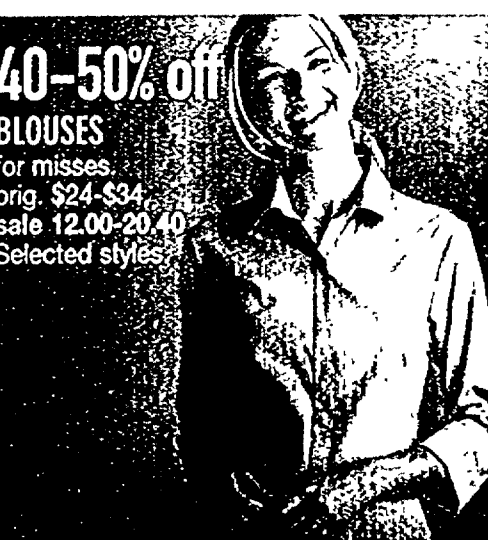
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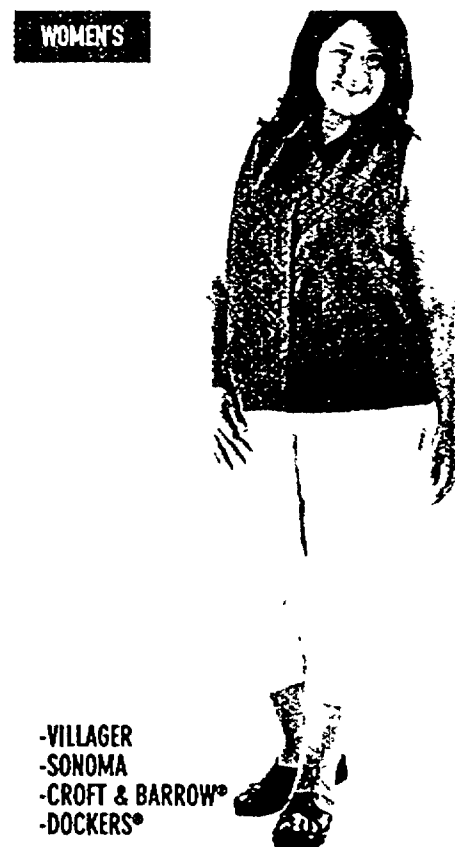
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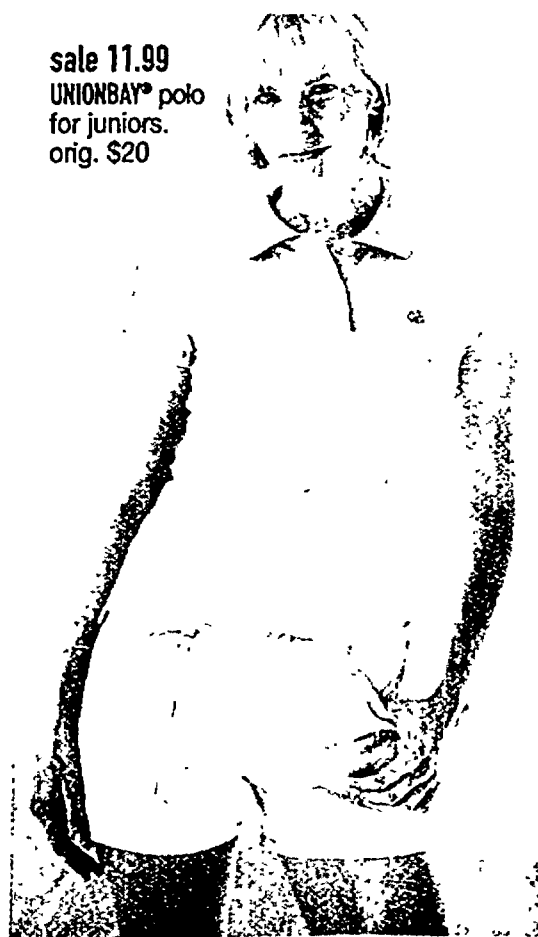
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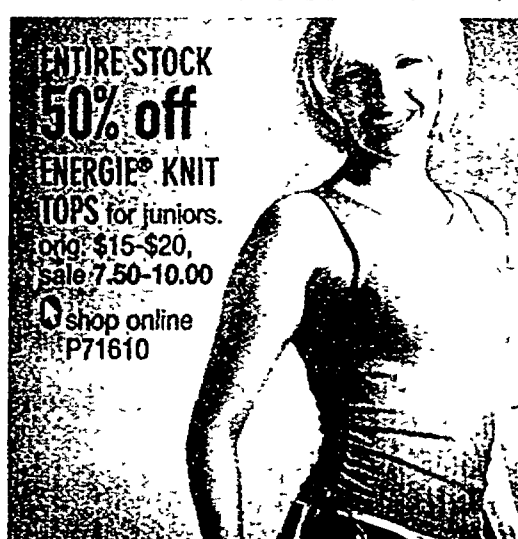
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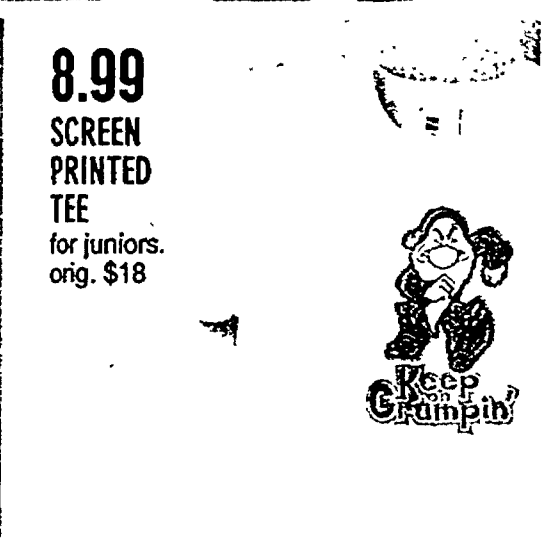


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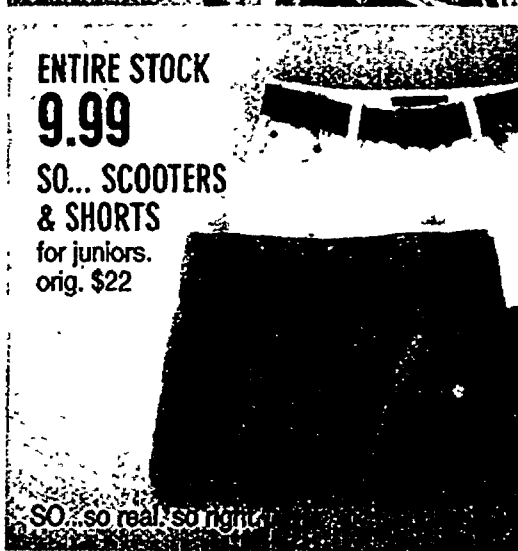
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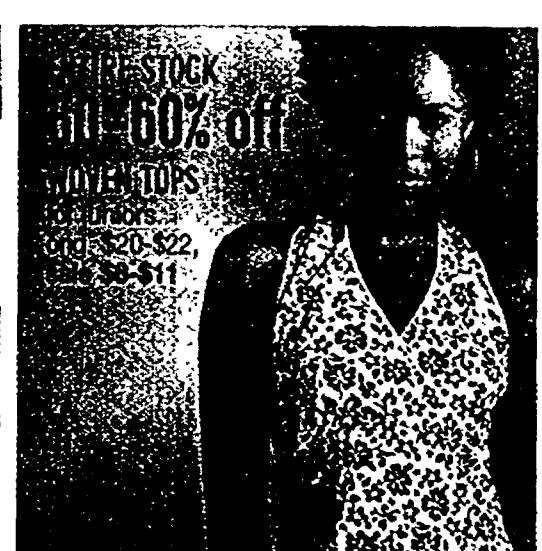


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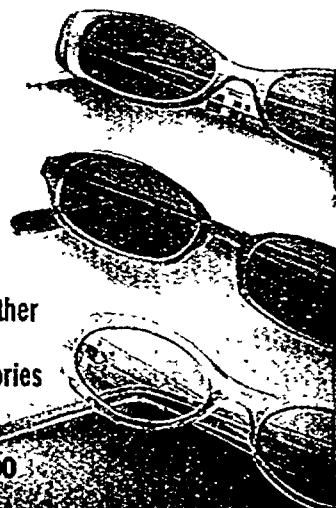
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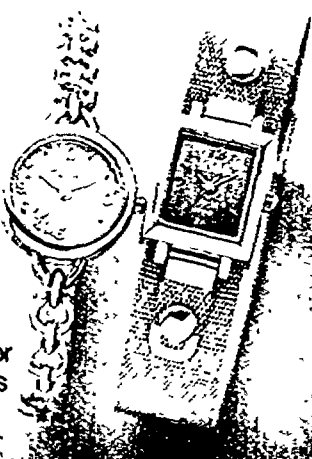
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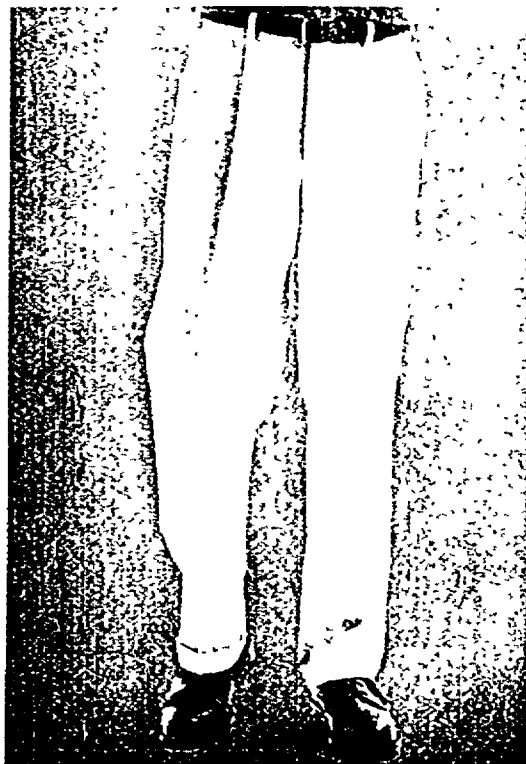
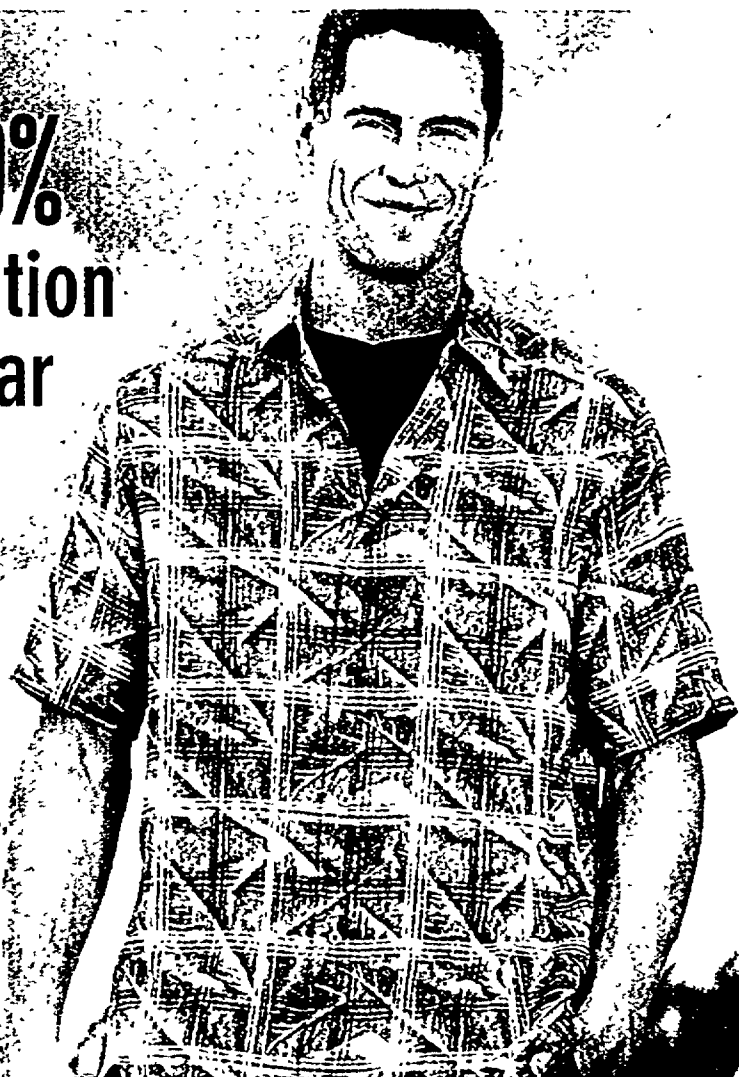
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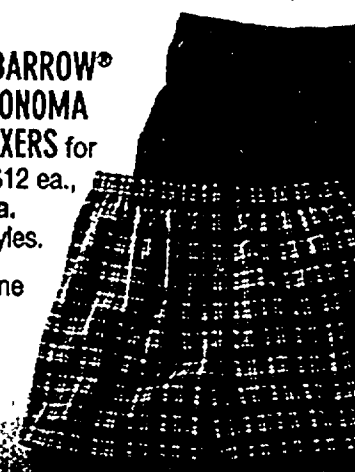


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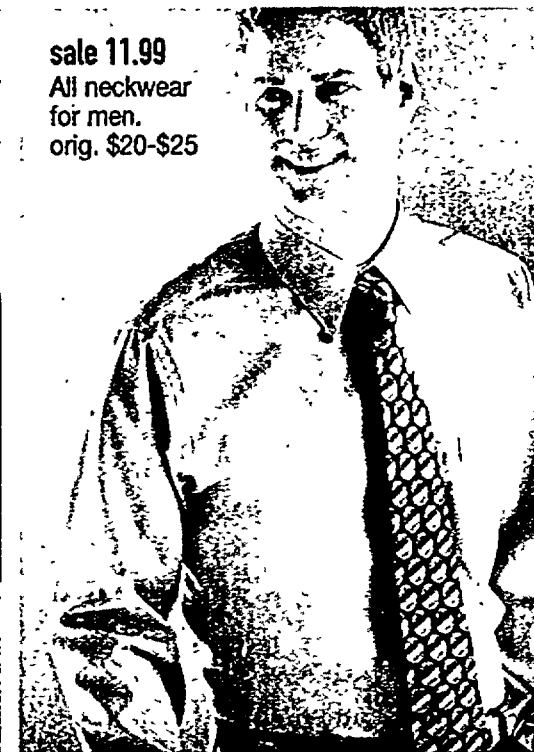
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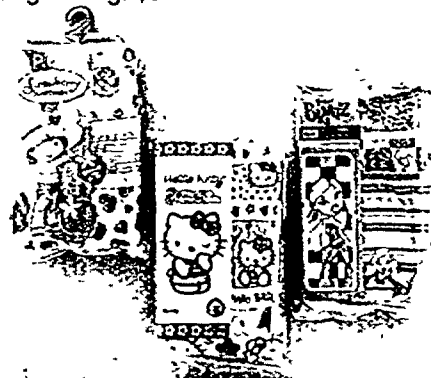
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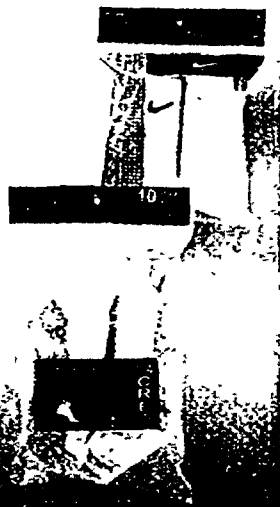
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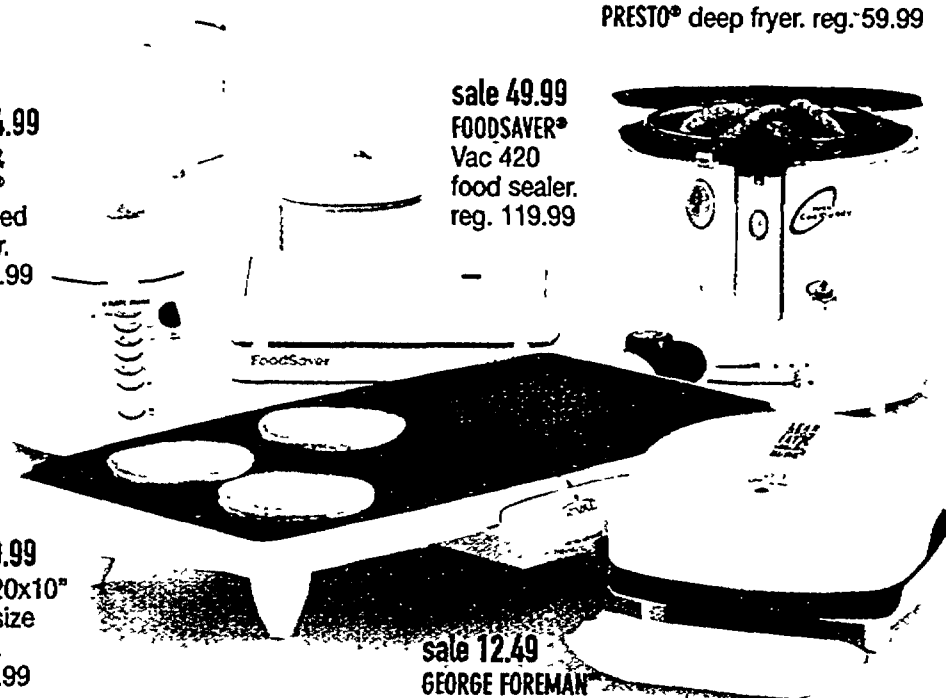
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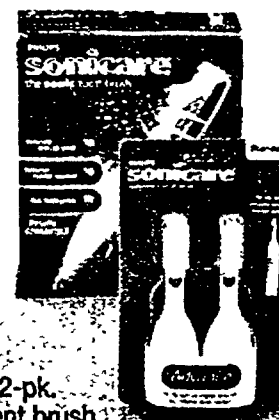


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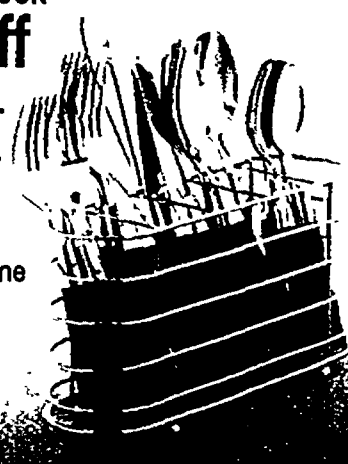
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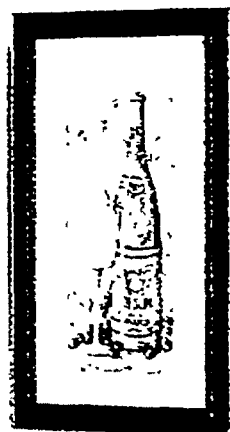


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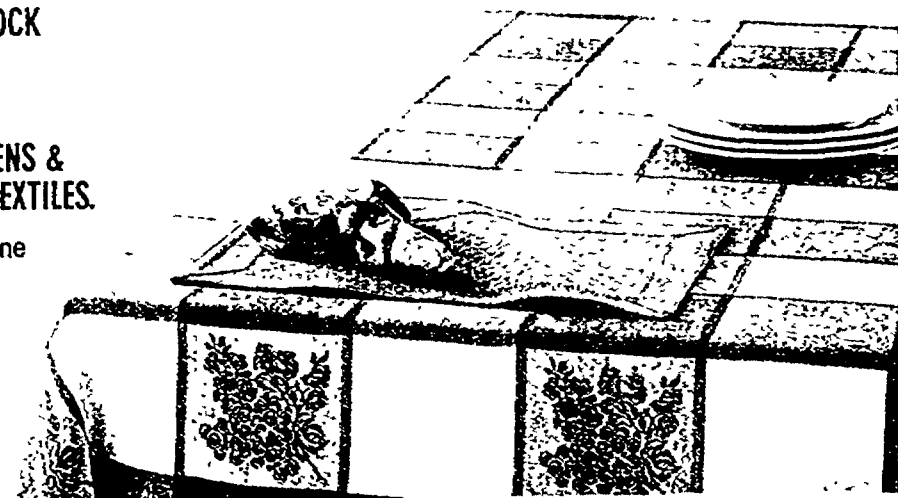


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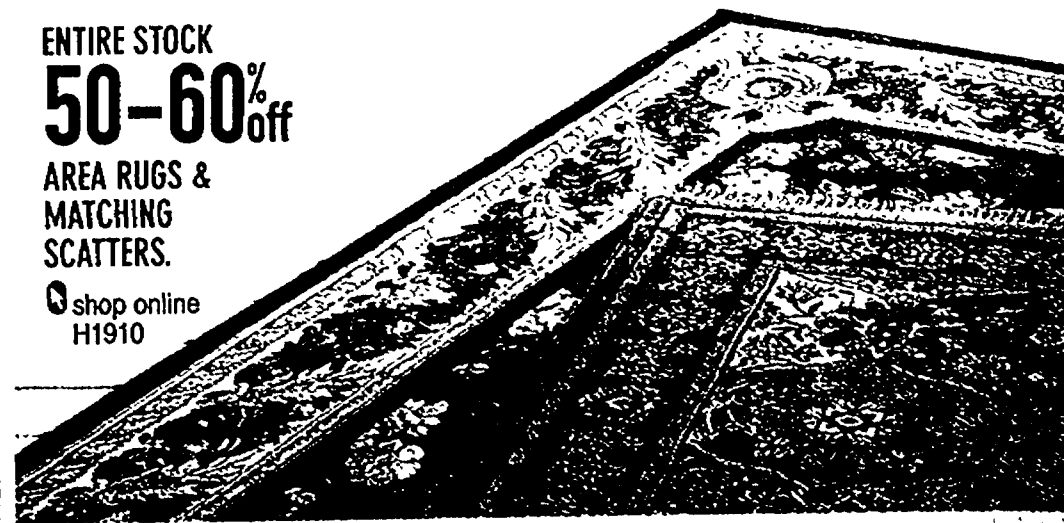


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Ask American Profile

Q I was hoping to get some information on Nashville recording artist Lucky Shy.

—Elisha H., New Mexico

Lucky Shy lives in St. Louis, Mo., where he was born. He may sport a cowboy hat while onstage, but it's a captain's helmet he wears on his day job as a professional firefighter, commanding a rescue squad. He first imagined being a musician when his father's best friend played country songs on his guitar for the neighborhood kids. "I was hooked," he says. "That passion just got inside of me very young." But he also dreamed of becoming a public servant. A much-decorated firefighter, he also works to raise money for the Backstoppers, an organization that assists the families of fallen policemen and firefighters. On a trip to Nashville, Tenn., Lucky met producer Joe Stampley, who helped him get his music recorded. "My goal is to entertain to the best of my ability and to take my career as far as my fans allow me to," he says. His CD is available through his website, www.luckysby.com.



Singer Lucky Shy is also a Missouri firefighter.

Q I understand Patricia Cornwell has sold her copyrights to a filming company. Is this true?

—Tom J., West Virginia

Authors don't actually sell their "copyrights" to film companies—they sell secondary rights, such as motion picture rights, giving studios permission to adapt their story to the screen. Cornwell's agents shopped the rights to her Kay Scarpetta novels for years, but it wasn't until summer 2000 that they finally struck a deal. Sony Pictures reportedly paid \$5 million for a five-year option to 11 Scarpetta books to produce a series of films. No word on who will play the brilliant Scarpetta. At one point, both Michelle Pfeiffer and Susan Sarandon threw their hats into the ring, but the author desperately wanted Jodie Foster, who passed. Cornwell's latest novel is *Blow Fly*. ☆



Author Patricia Cornwell.



Brad Garrett (left) and Peter Boyle ham it up on the set of the TV sitcom, *Everybody Loves Raymond*.

Q What can you tell me about Rick Rubin, the eccentric genius behind Johnny Cash's last records?

—Clay S., North Dakota

Rubin, 41, is head of California-based American Recordings and admits to being a vegetarian who studies Eastern mysticism and follows wrestling. He was born on Long Island, N.Y., and grew up listening to the Beatles, an experience he says taught him everything he knows about music. In 1984, while attending New York University, he co-founded Def Jam, a rock and rap label which boasted the Beastie Boys, Run-D.M.C. and the Black Crowes. By the time Cash hooked up with him in 1994, Rubin was known as one of the major figures of hip-hop, rap, and metal. Cash, who died last year, seemed an odd fit in the roster, but Rubin approached him as a fan. "The goal was always to create a safe environment to work in where Johnny would feel comfortable being vulnerable," Rubin explains. "It was being able to see into that personal side that makes the albums so beautiful." Cash's final sessions yielded about 50 songs, still to be released.

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Music Binds the Family Together

The smiles coming from the Cherryholmes family are almost as infectious as their vibrant music. They kick up their heels, buck dancing while blazing through an instrumental breakdown. For onlookers of the animated performance, it's hard to imagine that the bluegrass band's existence was born out of tragedy.

"Our daughter's death was the catalyst," says Sandy Cherryholmes of the band's genesis. "It was the motivation to want to get closer together."

That closeness among the Cherryholmes—Jere, 54; Sandy, 48; Cia, 20; B.J., 16; Skip, 14; and Molly, 12—was put to the test in 1999, when eldest daughter Shelly died at age 20 from chronic heart problems.



The Cherryholmes, adorned in their vintage-style wardrobe, perform at Fan Fair in Nashville.

"It wasn't just music, it was the whole performance that was uplifting. And we were coming off a funeral."

Saddened by the loss, the family attempted to lift their spirits by attending a bluegrass festival. Jere and Sandy recall seeing bluegrass legends Jim and Jesse McReynolds and being struck by the warmth and fun the brothers shared on stage.

"They made you feel good, joked with each other, laughed," says Sandy, who plays mandolin and makes the Cherryholmes' vintage-style wardrobe.



The Cherryholmes family—B.J., Sandy, Molly, Jere, Cia and Skip—find solace and joy in bluegrass music.

The event inspired the Los Angeles family to start playing music in an effort to spend more time together, and to have some fun. It wasn't long before musicians at festival campgrounds began telling the Cherryholmes they should perform for audiences. Then the owner of Oak Tree Village, an apple orchard that was a tourist attraction in California's San Bernadino Mountains, hired them to provide weekend entertainment.

"Everything sort of grew from that," says Jere, who plays upright bass, sings, arranges and emcees. "Pretty soon we won a couple of contests and were playing a lot of festivals."

"Once we all started playing together, we really enjoyed it," says Cia, who started on guitar, then switched to banjo and taught brother Skip to play guitar. "None of us realized we were going to be doing as much as we are now. It was just kind of a new family activity."

Only eldest son Tyson, 24, who was away in the Air Force when the family started the band and now has his own family, doesn't play with the band.

"The overall atmosphere of the whole bluegrass community is one of family," says Jere, a retired carpenter with the Los Angeles school district. "My children have hundreds of surrogate grandparents and aunts and uncles when we're on the road."

Since forming five years ago, the band's highlights include playing the Grand Ole Opry, completing a national tour, and recording three CDs—*Still a Little Rough Around the Edges*, *Dressed for Success* and *Bluegrass Vagabonds*. Another feather in the family cap came courtesy of youngest daughter Molly, whose song, *Frankie Belle*, was recorded by renowned bluegrass artist Rhonda Vincent for her album *One Step Ahead*.

At Fan Fair 2003, one of Nashville, Tenn.'s biggest music events, the Cherryholmes played on the bluegrass show hosted by Vincent. Molly even joined Vincent onstage to perform *Frankie Belle*, which was originally penned as a school assignment.

Fan Fair attendee Patsy Simmons of Provencal, La., says she saw Molly on the Grand Ole Opry, too. "She's something else. The whole family is terrific."

The family recently moved to an apartment in Goodlettsville, Tenn. (pop. 13,780), to be closer to the music industry in Nashville.

However, the family doesn't see much of the place, considering they're already scheduled to perform more than 50 shows around the country this year.

Still, Jere says that no matter where they're at, the band is their real home. "It's a family project," he concludes, "everybody has a part to play and every part is very crucial." ☆

Vicki Brown is a freelance writer in Nashville, Tenn.

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Singer Rhonda Vincent (right) recorded Molly's song, *Frankie Belle*.

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MICHIGAN—The Scottville (pop. 1,266) Clown Band, which traces its roots to a 1903 city band, performs to raise money for scholarships and community projects.

MINNESOTA—The oldest of seven children when her father died, Wanda Gag turned to art and writing to support her family and created the popular children's book *Millions of Cats*. Gag was born in 1893 in New Ulm (pop. 13,591).

MISSOURI—The first permanent, publicly funded kindergarten in the United States began in 1873 at Des Peres School in St. Louis.

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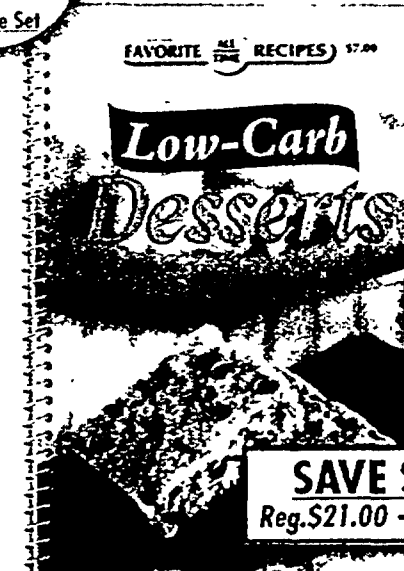
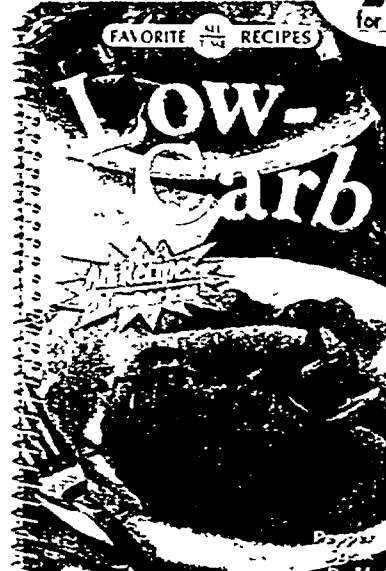
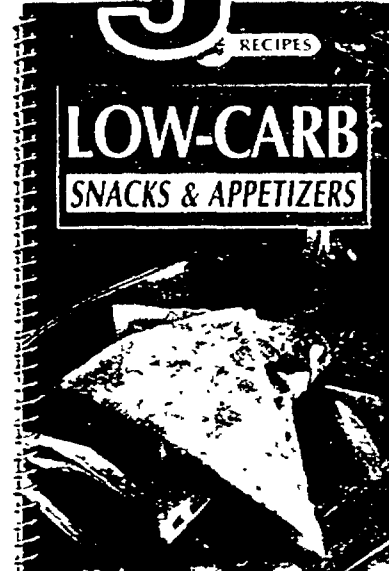
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Riding is second nature for Vold, who grew up in the saddle.

Above a tangle of corral gates, cowboys in black hats, bright Western shirts and frilly leather chaps stretch their legs and steel their courage. Below them are a half-dozen livestock chutes loaded with rambunctious bulls and spirited broncos ready to bolt into the small rodeo arena in eastern Colorado.

It's easy to pick out Kirsten Vold inside this maze. She's the one who isn't a he.

The rodeo world remains very much a man's world. Young men test their strength and skills in a battle against nature as their fathers and grandfathers did.

So, when Vold, 31, took over as manager of her father's legendary rodeo stock company, the Harry Vold Rodeo Co., in 1998, heads turned, rumors flew and even some tempers flared. Vold handled it all the same way she handles an uncooperative bucking horse: with patience, determination and Western moxie. Over the last six years, she's managed to convince even some stubborn cowboys that there's a place for a cowgirl in the rodeo world.

"She's a pioneer; not an easy thing," says her mother Karen Vold, 65. "And when she first decided to do it, it was very tough. You have to prove yourself to a crew that's been there longer than you or is older than you, and to the cowboys. But she did prove herself. She never asked anybody to do anything that she won't do right alongside them. So she's earned their respect."

Before the cowboys drop into the saddle and long after they've hit the dirt, Vold is at work in the chutes. Stock companies such as hers provide the bulls, steers, calves, and bucking horses to rodeos and get them ready to give the cowboys the ride—or roping—of their lives. As fresh horses gallop snorting from a stock truck into the rodeo gates, Vold rushes in as other cowpokes run for cover.

"Hey! Hey! Hey!" she shouts, staring down a wild, whirling bay and chasing it into a pen as it wheels.

"Kirsten, you're scaring the horses," one cowboy jokes. "At least she's not scaring the cowboys," says another.

Or maybe she is. After taking over her father's company, she faced scorn from some cowboys who thought women didn't belong in the arena. She's had ranch hands—men and women—hang up their hats rather than work for her.

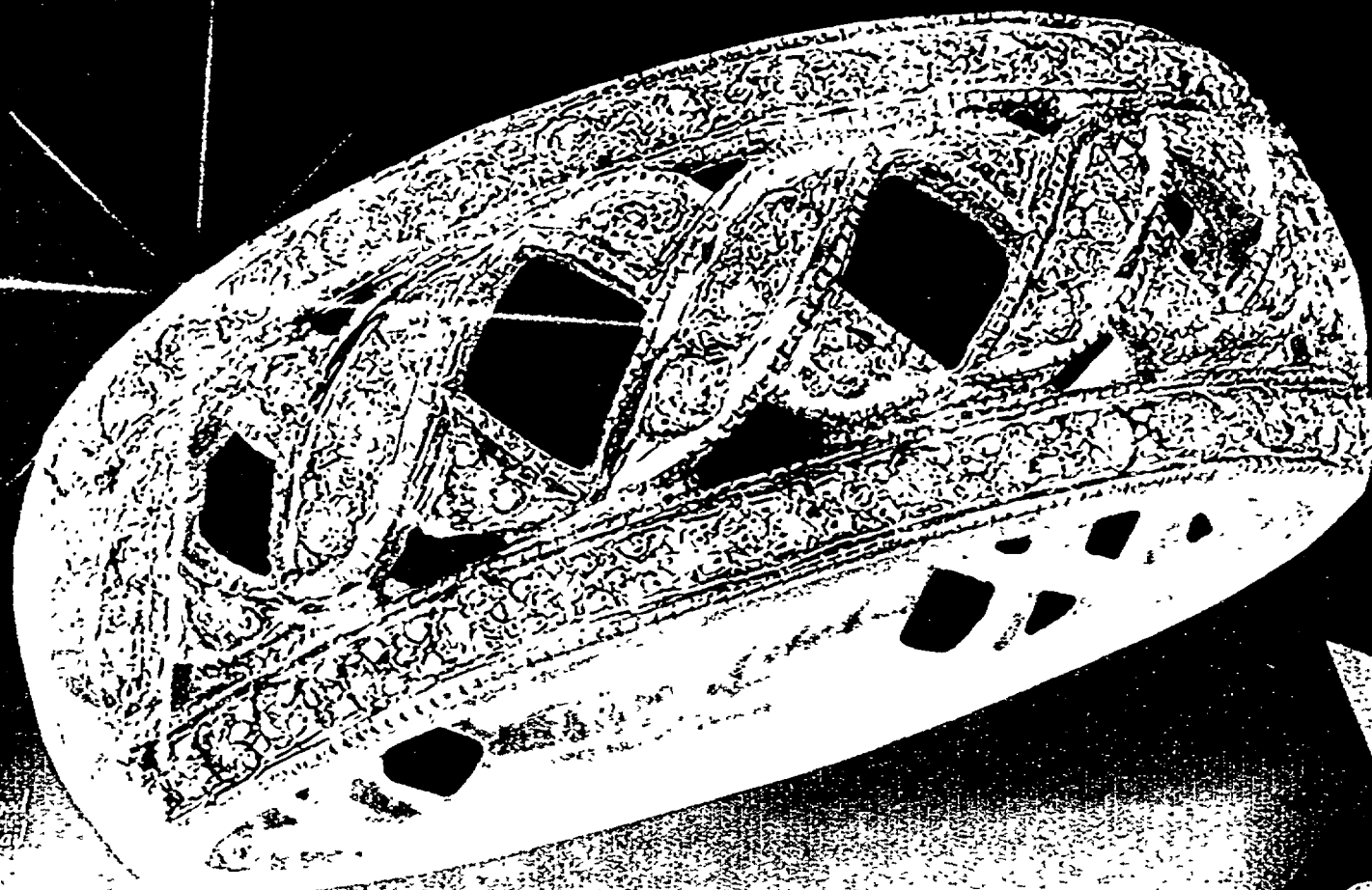
There's nothing easy about the rodeo business, says Harold Dean, who raises bucking bulls in Beulah, Colo. That's especially true for women. "They have to prove themselves more than some hairy-legged, pot-bellied fool who's been doing it for 40 years," he says. "But that's true in anything."



In 1998, Vold took the reins of the Harry Vold Rodeo Co., founded by her dad in 1941.

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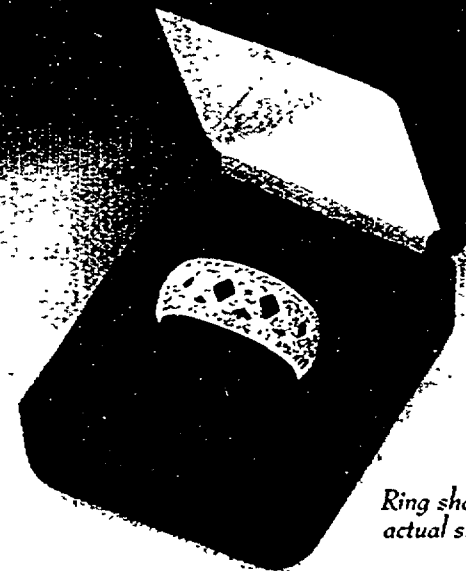
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Vold at the 2004 championship.



Herding steers is routine for Vold, who provides livestock for rodeos around the country.

Bucking tradition

Kirsten Vold is an unlikely personality in the chutes. Never mind that she's a woman. She's effervescent and quick with a laugh in a stoic Western world.

Sometimes her wardrobe's more Calvin Klein than cowboy, her musical tastes more Aerosmith than Alan Jackson.

"I've never been a very good traditional little cowgirl," Vold says, laughing. Young and a tad more hip than the traditional sport of rodeo, Vold may saunter around the arena wearing a skinny visor instead of a cowboy hat, flip-flops instead of boots. Facing down a stamping bronco, though, she's tough and unyielding, qualities that help her in her business, too.

Vold's company is the stuff of rodeo lore and the life's work of her father, Harry Vold, who started in the rodeo business in 1941 as a teenager in his native Canada. At the urging of cowboy actor Gene Autry, who was also in the rodeo stock business, he moved his operation to Colorado, the center of the rodeo world. Since then, it's become one of the biggest and most respected in the industry, raising some of rodeo's greatest bucking horses.

The company has supplied livestock for shows across the country, including the giant Cheyenne Frontier Days in Wyoming, known in the rodeo world as "the Daddy of 'em All," and to every National Finals Rodeo since it began in 1959. In a business where deals are often sealed with nothing more than a handshake, Harry Vold has earned the respect of rodeo organizers across the West, and the nickname "the Duke of the Chutes."

When he decided it was time to pass on management of his namesake company, he turned to his daughter, Kirsten, then just 25, but with a lifetime in the chutes. A director of a Pueblo, Colo.-based bank, Harry Vold says he'd seen plenty of women take on management roles in the business world, so why not the rodeo world?

"It hasn't always been easy for her," says Harry Vold, who at 79 still takes an active role in his company and inspects his horses in white cowboy hat, black boots and fancy green kerchief. "Not everyone has been ready to accept her and take orders from a woman. I'm very confident with the decision now."

Today his daughter oversees the legendary operation, raising some 650 bucking horses on 30,000 acres of short grass prairie outside of Avondale, Colo. (pop. 754). There, the Great Plains fold into rolling hills to meet the Rocky Mountains that shimmer in the distance. Horses share the pastures with prairie dogs, coyotes and deer.



Each summer, Vold operates a guest ranch for women.

les, saddles, lassos and awards that make the house a museum to the legacy of the company that the youngest Vold now manages.

The cowgirl life

When she's not working rodeos, Vold is busy showing other women the ropes. Two years ago, she started 9 Lives Ranch, a guest ranch geared exclusively to women. Women from across the nation spend weekends getting a taste of Western living—riding, cutting and branding rodeo horses on the plains.

There were lots of dude ranches for people who wanted to experience cowboy life, Vold says, but not many that offered the cowgirl life. That's where Vold came in. After spending most of her life in the male-dominated rodeo world, she spends a few weekends each summer in an all-woman world at the ranch she calls home outside of Boone, Colo. (pop. 323), 30 miles from her parents' ranch.

"It's a chance to live out your dreams," Vold says. When people think about the West, it's usually a man's world they picture, she says. "It's 'the cowboys ride the range,' and stuff like that. But there are so many women who have that desire and there's just not a place to express it."

In many ways, Vold was a natural to take over the family business. She grew up in the saddle and traveling the rodeo circuit with her parents.

"I don't remember learning to ride," she says. "It was like learning to walk or talk."

Vold didn't attend public school until her freshman year of high school. Instead, she was tutored so that she could travel from rodeo to rodeo. Her two brothers and three sisters also are in the rodeo business.

After college, Vold thought about leaving behind the rodeo. She worked for a California sports marketing firm,

and later for a New York-based record label, but rodeo was never out of sight or mind; both companies promoted products with rodeo themes. She soon found herself returning to the rodeo world she grew up in, just as her father was ready to hand over the reins.

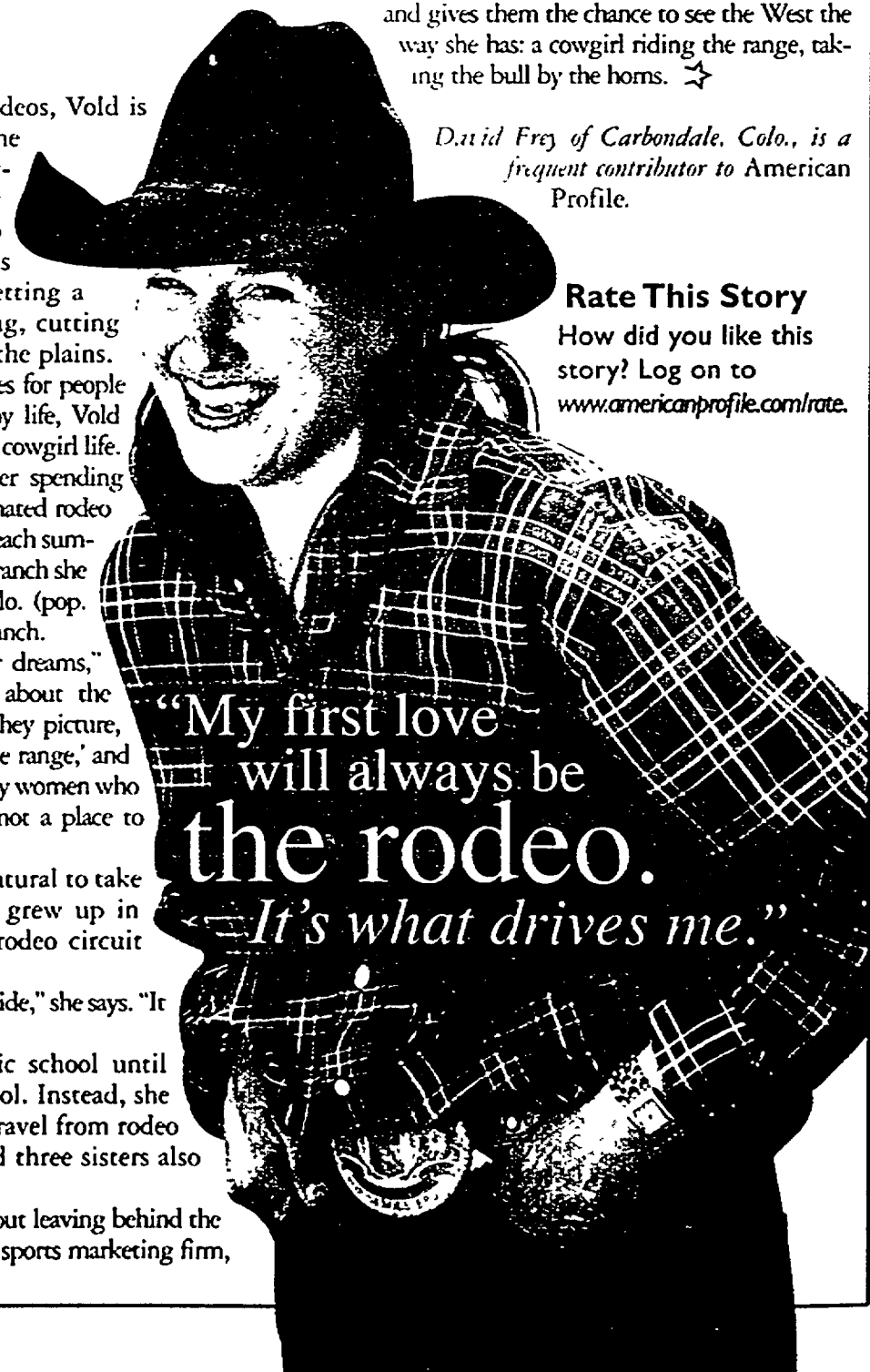
"My first love will always be the rodeo," she says. "It's what drives me."

At her guest ranch, Vold shares that love with others, and gives them the chance to see the West the way she has: a cowgirl riding the range, taking the bull by the horns. ☆

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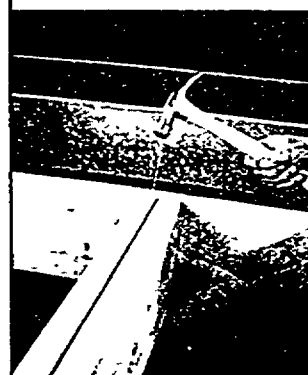
Longer pegs for bigger stuff

Create longer Peg-Board pegs by drilling holes in the ends of 1/2-inch dowels and using construction adhesive to hold them in place. The extended pegs are great for holding extension cords, rolls of tape and string and other bulky items.



Need an extra hand?

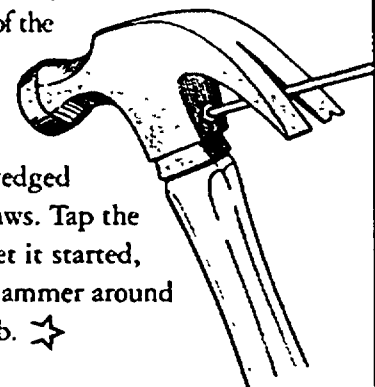
Bent-over nails can act as an extra set of hands for positioning the far end of a beam or joist.



One-handed nail starter

If you need to start a nail in a hard-to-reach or high place, but find yourself coming up short, try this:

Place the head of the nail against the base of the hammer head with the nail wedged between the claws. Tap the nail tip in to get it started, then turn the hammer around to finish the job. ☆



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Hometown Spotlight

In the Shadow of Mount RUSHMORE

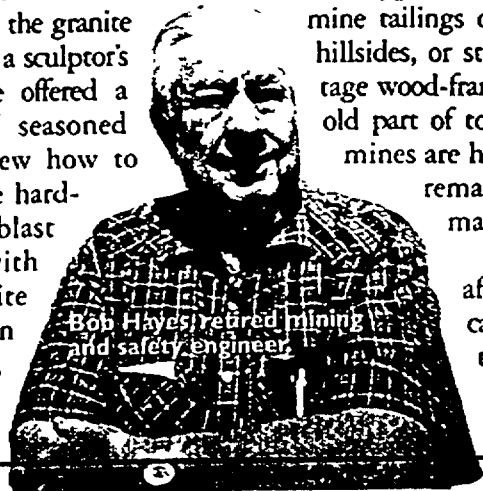
Residents of Keystone, S.D. (pop. 311), love the craggy mountain ridges and the pine and spruce forests surrounding their Black Hills home. They appreciate the town's colorful history of gold, feldspar, and tin mining. But when it comes to pride, nothing tops Keystone's reverence for nearby Mount Rushmore, three miles southwest of town.

That's because the quartet of 60-foot heads—of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Abraham Lincoln—carved high into mountain granite, might not exist except for the blasting skills of Keystone's gritty hard-rock miners 70 years ago.

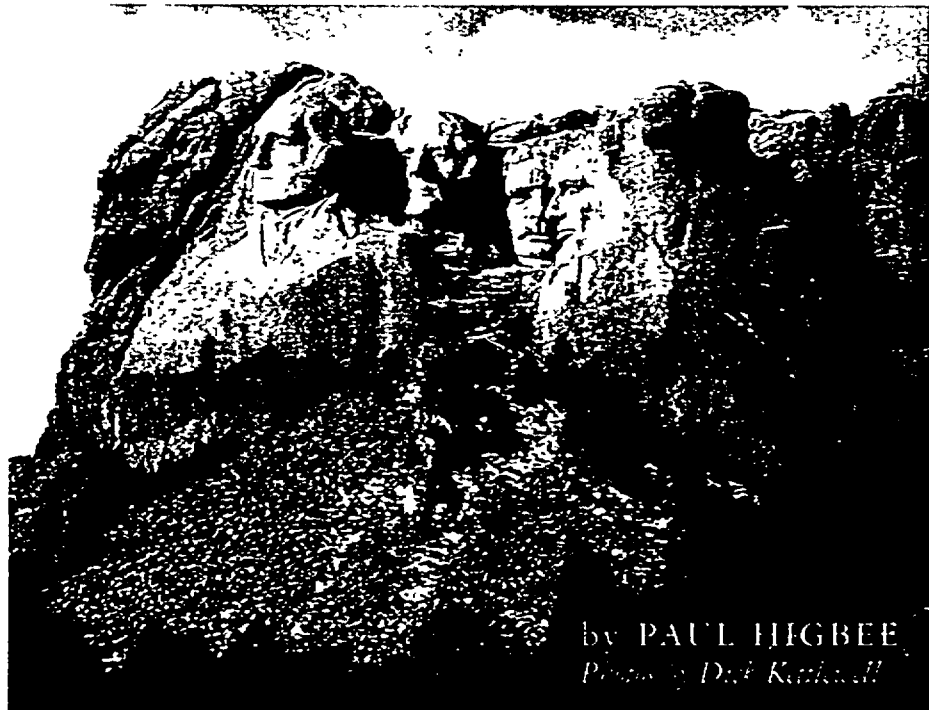
Widely known sculptor Gutzon Borglum began creating the presidential likenesses with drills and dynamite in 1927. That same year, Bob Hayes was born. He grew up watching the sculpture take form as his father, the late Ed Hayes, assisted Borglum.

"Dad used to work at Mount Rushmore in 1932 for 35 cents an hour," Hayes recalls, adding that the wage was contingent on his father supplying his own pick, shovel, and wheelbarrow. "Eventually he ran the hoist for a tramway that took supplies up to the mountain top, and later it carried carvers up, too. Once in a while I'd ride it so I could watch them work."

In addition to the granite outcrop that was a sculptor's dream, Keystone offered a work force of seasoned miners who knew how to cut through the hardest rock or blast away stone with precise dynamite charges. Between 1927 and 1941, thanks mostly to federal funding



Bob Hayes, retired mining and safety engineer.



by PAUL HIGBEE
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Giant presidential faces protrude from a granite outcrop near Keystone, S.D.

secured by South Dakota's congressional delegation, nearly 400 workers found jobs helping create Mount Rushmore National Memorial.

"A good share of them had local mining experience," says Hayes, a retired mining and safety engineer. "They usually lived right here, because people didn't commute to work long distances like they do now. For the most part, I think they didn't learn to appreciate what they brought about until years later."

As work on the giant sculpture progressed, Keystone transformed itself from a mining town into a tourism town. In the early 1930s, residents Josephine Hesnard and Rose Reddick began selling pretty souvenir rocks, soda, candy, and gasoline in an open-air building to visitors coming to see the giant faces taking shape outside of town. Other tourist businesses followed and a quiet residential avenue evolved into a bustling street lined with gift shops, eateries, and motels.

Visitors still can get a feel of Keystone's bygone days by glimpsing old mine tailings on the surrounding hillsides, or strolling among vintage wood-frame buildings in the old part of town. But today the mines are history and tourism remains the town's primary industry.

On a summer afternoon, cars and campers from across the nation ply State Highway 16A, a sightseeing heli-

copter whirs overhead, and a whistle blast announces the arrival of an antique steam locomotive delivering more visitors. Two bewhiskered cowboy actors walk the strip, firing blanks and snapping a bullwhip in announcing their re-enactment of an 1870s shootout. More than 2 million people



Cathy Koch peddles sweets at Old Fashioned Fudge.

pass through town annually, but Keystone entrepreneurs aren't presumptuous enough to claim their businesses are the big draw. Credit goes to the granite faces of Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt, and Lincoln.

While some motels, restaurants, and retail shops remain open to travelers year-round, the helicopter and locomotive go silent before winter snows fall, and the cowboy actors head to Arizona. Then, townspeople say, the quiet seems to invite them to rediscover the best part of living in Keystone: the stunning natural world of trees and rock outcrops, most untouched by miners or sculptors. ☆

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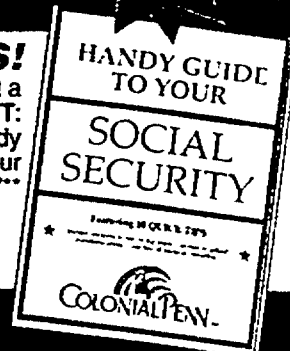
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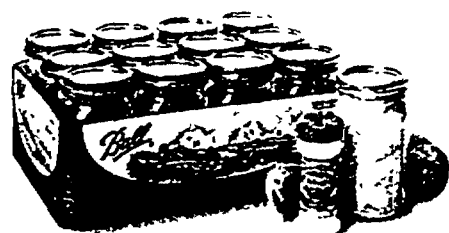
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Pear Relish

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"This delicious pear relish recipe was given to me by a retired school teacher and friend. It's great on pinto beans. I like to add some to my barbecue sauce too."

1 peck peeled pears (a peck equals 2 gallons, or 1/4 of a bushel)

4 green peppers
4 red peppers
4 hot peppers
5 medium onions
2 pounds sugar
5 cups vinegar
1 tablespoon salt

Process, or finely chop pears, onions and peppers. Place in a large kettle and add remaining ingredients. Add spices to taste. Boil for 40 minutes over medium heat, stirring occasionally to avoid burning. Yields 12 pints.

Carefully follow the canning directions supplied with your jars to guarantee sterile jars, well-sealed flavor, and a long shelf life.

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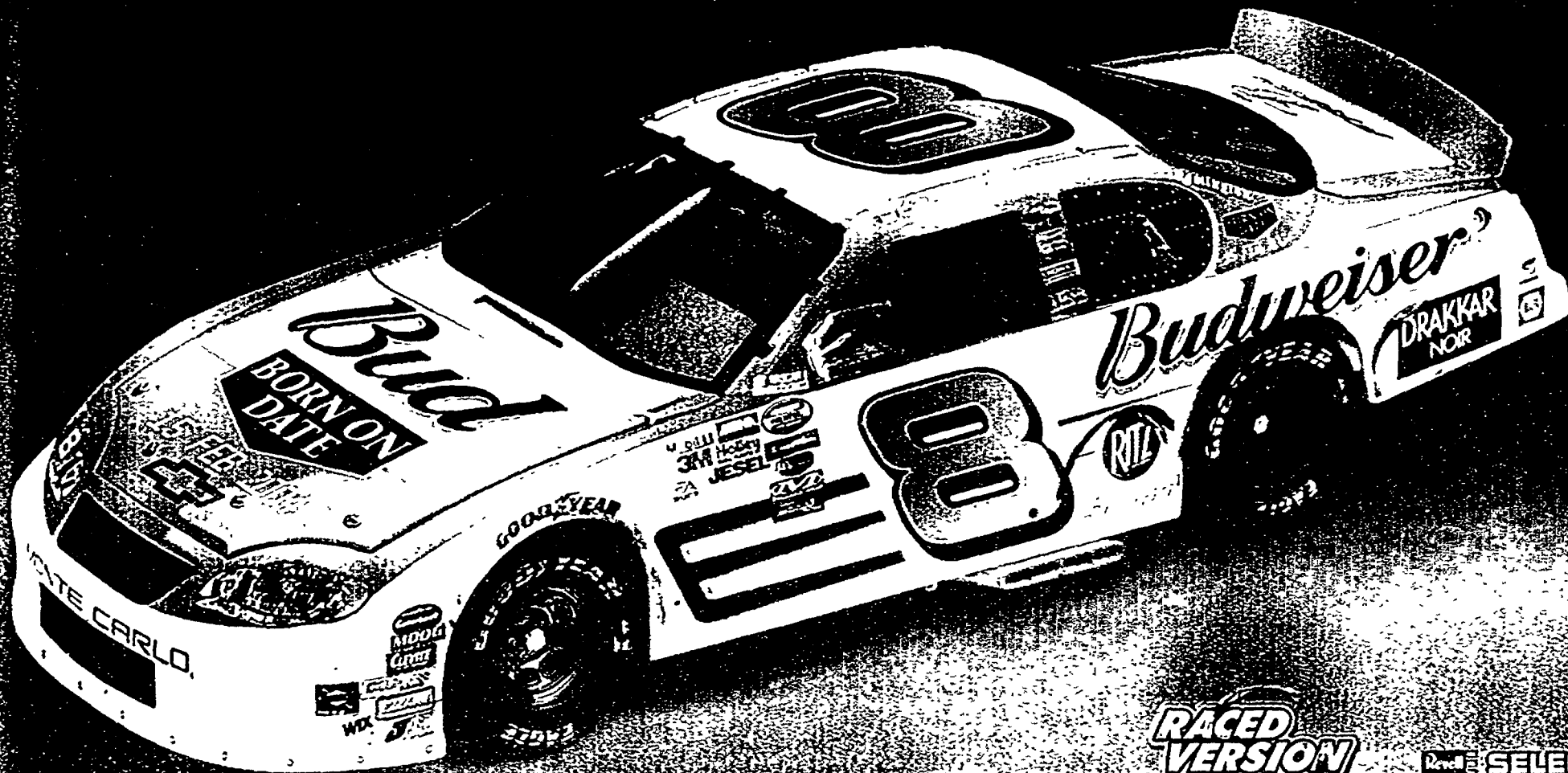
For a chutney-styled relish, add a combination of dry mustard, cumin, cinnamon, cloves and all-spice. Add 1 tablespoon of each spice except the cloves. Add only 1 teaspoon of cloves. When the relish is cooked, add 2 cups of golden raisins, if desired. This relish also is delicious with East Indian food. ☆

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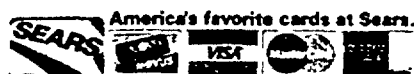
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