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Looking up!



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Katherine Purcell relaxes outside Northville's Main Street Starbucks. Purcell is currently undergoing breast cancer treatments and hopes to soon return to her job at Northville High School and daily visits to the coffee emporium.

BATTLING BACK

Active mom, Purcell heads for cancer recovery — one day at a time

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

A wide smile, sparkling blue eyes and a snappy sense of humor are Katherine Purcell's personal trademarks.

But the self-described "rough-housing" mom of 4-year-old Ellie has slowed her pace considerably. A bandana has replaced her long blond hair.

Breast cancer has interrupted a previously active life.

Purcell has good days and not-so-good days, the side effects of aggressive breast cancer treatment. She fights to stay upbeat as she endures the

transition from her life as a wife, mother, friend and secretary.

"I'm always optimistic," she said. "I've always had kind of a naughty sense of humor. I can't let anything get me down."

Purcell said she bounced back after a couple of days of initial "doom and gloom," when she first heard the diagnosis. She said her husband, Bob Jackson, supported her through the initial shock. "I couldn't comprehend it all," she said.

It was during an impulse check-up this summer that Purcell's new doctor told her a lump needed immediate attention. Previously it was described as a harmless cyst. Within 10 days, she had a mammogram, an ultrasound, a biopsy and began chemotherapy.

"If I would have waited six to eight months, my quality of life would have been greatly diminished," she said. Purcell agreed to an aggressive treatment for what doctors described as a fast-

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Resident recall cancelled

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Weekend phone calls told Northville city leaders all they needed to know: they could return to work Monday without distraction.

Northville resident Larry Parks has called off plans to recall four members of the city council. Parks has been spearheading an effort to recall Mayor Christopher Johnson and council members Jerry Mittman, Kevin Hartshorne and Carol Ann Ayers.

Parks said his decision does not mean he's revised his opinion of the council members' performance.

He said timing and petition deadlines played a large part in his decision. He said since following through with the effort would have, in some cases, bumped into the expiration dates of current council members, his energy could be better spent.

Johnson, Mittman, Hartshorne's terms expire in November 2005. Ayers was elected through November 2007.

Parks said his attention will now be drawn directly to the way business is conducted in the city.

He said he personally has no interest in running for a council seat, but encouraged others to do so.

"There are priorities set behind the scenes that we're not aware of," he said. "This whole thing has

An official statement from recall organizers appears on Page 4A.

brought an awareness about what's going on.

"There is definitely dissatisfaction."

Parks said the topic spurring the recall — contracting public safety dispatch to Northville Township — is an example of poor city official communication with residents.

"I'd like to see the bigger picture," he said. "We're seeing it through a veil. Opaque."

Johnson, Ayers, Hartshorne and Mittman voted July 26 in favor of an agreement contracting public safety dispatch services from Northville Township. Councilman Tom Swigart voted against the agreements.

While the four maintained the city would reap budgetary and organizational benefits, Parks said their failure to listen to resident concerns raised the ire of those who opposed the plan.

Monday Mittman was the only member to acknowledge Parks' news.

"We all love the community," Mittman said. "We all want what's best for the community, we may not agree on how to get there."

After the meeting, the mayor said

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Citizens of the Year

Swigart, Nield selected by Northville chamber

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Sonia Swigart is known around town for wearing many hats.

Jim Nield's dedicated fingerprints are pressed all over the recently renovated Northville Senior Community Center.

Now they are being honored for their Northville commitment. The two long-time residents were named last night by Northville Chamber of Commerce as co-recipients of the 2004 Citizen of the Year award.

The board felt they were equally deserving, said chamber president Jody Humphries.

"Both of them are so impressive in what they've done for the community," Humphries said.

"It's our honor to honor them."

"It's pretty amazing what people are willing to volunteer to do."

The chamber hosted its annual meeting at St. John's Golf and Conference Center to elect board members, offer a networking opportunity and announce the board's Citizen of the Year selection.

Honorees are judged on criteria including status as a role model and showing concern for their community, environment and family. This is the fourth time since the award's creation in 1976 that two people shared the honor.

Since becoming chamber president six months ago, Humphries said she has encountered Swigart at work on numerous projects. "It seemed like in the very beginning, I ran into her everywhere. You name it, she was there."

Hats off!

Indeed, Swigart's pages of nomination detail contributions during the past 24 years to several

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Marquis owner offers \$1,000: 'Who shot Billy Bob?'

By David Aguilar
RECORD EDITOR

Inge Zayti is offering a \$1,000 bounty to anyone who can help her identify the person who last week shot her three-year-old Beagle-Bulldog with a bow and arrow.

"I just want to catch whoever did it," Zayti said, owner of the Marquis Theatre in Northville, located on Main Street. "Who would do something like this? It's just the cruelest thing."

Zayti said her dog, Billy Bob, was shot Wednesday morning, Oct. 13 with a mechanical broad-head arrow while roaming a field near her home. Zayti's home sits on 10 acres along the north side of Eight Mile Road, near the posh Maybury Estates subdivision.

She said subdivision construction workers first noticed the dog limping through an adjacent field with what appeared to be an arrow shoved in one side and protruding out the other.

Workers unsuccessfully tried to catch the animal, but did contact Zayti's son who lives nearby. In turn, he contacted Zayti, who was at

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Providence Hospital in Novi with her daughter, Christina.

Her daughter immediately left the hospital to find the wounded dog.

"It took us about 20 minutes to catch him," Christina said. "Eventually, he limped back around by our barn... the arrow was just sticking out of him and he was foaming at the mouth. He had lost a lot of blood."

"If we hadn't found him, he would have died."

She scooped the animal up, she said, and headed immediately for the Salem Veterinary Clinic where doctors performed emergency surgery to remove the arrow whose tip featured three impact-sensitive prongs. The prongs ensure the arrow, commonly used for hunting, cannot be removed by an animal once struck.

"It's definitely an arrow to kill with," Zayti

said, adding the animal also received a second unexplained puncture wound near its chest.

Christina said the person responsible needs to be identified. "If this person did this once, they will do it again," she said.

Both women said there's no chance Billy Bob was mistaken for a rabbit or a deer. They're even more concerned, they said, because last year another of the family's dogs was shot and killed with a firearm.

No one was ever caught.

"It's scary, because more and more people are moving into the area, and we have something like this happening," Christina said.

She said Michigan DNR officials told her no hunting is permitted in the field adjacent to her mother's home.

"This time I'm going to catch this person," Inge said, who filed a police report with the Novi police last week. The dog was expected to return home today.

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Christina Zayti comforts Billy Bob.



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CITIZENS: Swigart, Nield honored

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service organizations, including the Northville Historical Society, Northville Community Foundation, Chamber of Commerce, Northville Arts Commission, Northville Women's Club, Northville Public Schools, Mill Creek Church and Northville Community Dog Park.

"Sonia thinks and breathes Northville," read one letter of nomination. "Her contributions are so extensive and integral yet so quiet, she works under the radar." Her behind-the-scenes roles are as councilperson's wife of Tom Swigart, loyal downtown shopper and tireless Northville promoter.

Last month's Victorian Festival saw Swigart at work on several fronts, from the vintage clothing sale at Mill Race Historic Village to the special events for the students to participating in the parade and hat contest. The nomination detailed her fundraising efforts on behalf of the downtown dog park and establishing the Art House on Cady Street.

"While the dog park is perhaps Sonia's most personal cause, the Northville Historical Society represents her longest and most extensive commitment," the nomination says. She volunteers in many roles at Mill Race, as docent, school tour guide and assistant at weddings and rehearsals.

Swigart and Nield continue the fine tradition of giving by previous Citizens of the Year, Humphries said. Like thousands of community residents, the director admired the final product of Nield's efforts to steer renovation of the former Main Street community center.

Behind-the-scenes

"His work since December 2001 with Northville schools, city and township electeds and employees to



Submitted Photo

Sonia Swigart was honored last night as Northville's 2004 Citizen of the Year, along with Jim Nield.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Jim Nield is Northville's 2004 Citizen of the Year, along with Sonia Swigart.

create the in-town senior community center which opened July 2004 on-time and on-budget deserves this recognition," read a letter nominating Nield.

At the time of the building dedication, dignitaries teased the 32-year-resident about the early morning hours he logged at the Main Street construction site. In addition to countless meetings with the contractor and involved officials, Nield personally laid fireplace stone, hauled the cherry beam that became the mantel and ran the tractor to move dirt for the landscaping.

Nield's ongoing contributions include service as township planning commissioner and chair of Northville's senior advisory committee.

"He is a mentor to neighborhood widows and a helper to neighborhood widows," the nomination read. "He very often puts service to others ahead of his own needs."

Nield's past titles include township representative to the Parks and Recreation Department, president of the Northville Swim Club and committee chair for Boy Scout Troop 755.

His behind-the-scenes efforts include work during the 1990s on the Northville High School homecoming and all-night party projects, negotiation in lawsuit settlements, and on design teams for the new high school, Ridge Wood Elementary School, and the township hall and fire station.

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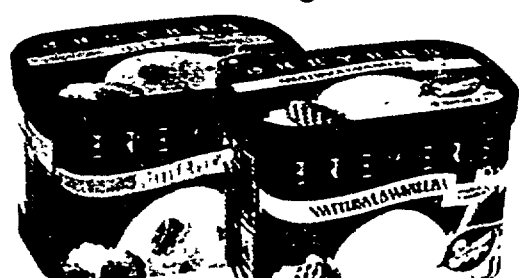
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With medical paperwork in hand, a long line of mostly senior citizens waits for their chance to get a flu shot at last week's clinic at the Lake Pointe Pharmacy on Five Mile Road.

One flu over the vaccination nest

By Pam Fleming
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

No doubt the lack of flu vaccine is the health story of fall 2004.

But Oakland County residents in one of the high-risk groups can obtain a flu shot for \$7 at a community flu shot clinic this Saturday in Waterford.

Residents in one of the priority groups can receive a flu shot at the clinic from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 23, at Summit Place Mall on the south side of Telegraph Road just north of Elizabeth Lake Road.

The clinic will be held in the former Montgomery Ward building. Attendees should park on the Telegraph Road side of the mall between Ruby Tuesday's and Kohl's.

Flu shots will be available to Oakland County residents in the following high-risk groups:

- Parents and siblings living with children less than 6 months old
- Children 6-23 months old
- Children and adults 2-64 years old with chronic medical condition
- Adults age 65 or older

- Pregnant women
- Children age 6-18 years receiving daily, chronic aspirin therapy

The flu vaccine is not recommended for those allergic to eggs or the vaccine itself, have a past history of Guillain-Barre syndrome or who have a fever.

Proof of Oakland County residency is required to receive a flu shot at the clinic. Attendees should bring photo identification, such as a driver's license or state issue identification card with current addresses and all insurance cards. Medicare and Medicaid insurance can be billed to cover the cost.

Those not in one of the priority groups are asked to forego or defer flu vaccination this season because of the shortage.

"We have reserved the limited amount of vaccine that we had available to us for our senior sites. Now, those sites have already called asking for more vaccine, and we don't have it," said Kay Renny, manager of community programs, Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan.

"We were just able to deliver what we had originally agreed upon

before the shortage hit," Renny said.

"There are two producers of vaccine — Chiron, which produces flu vaccine in England, and Aventis, which manufactures vaccine in the U.S. Chiron vaccine was pulled from the market because there was a sterility issue. But the Aventis vaccine was fine," she said.

"This is the first time they've pulled vaccine to my knowledge," Renny said. "We have literally been receiving hundreds of calls a day."

Renny said there are other manufacturers of flu vaccine, but Chiron and Aventis are the only two companies approved by the Federal Drug Administration to distribute vaccine in the U.S.

"Our flu shot clinic was canceled by the Oakland County Health Division. They gave us a couple of numbers for seniors to call. Inquiries about flu shots are taking priority over all of our other phone calls," said Rachel Zagari, senior services manager for the City of Novi.

"I think our seniors are concerned about not being able to receive a flu shot," she said. "But

I'm positive that the ones who need to receive them will be able to get one."

FLU SHOTS

The Oakland County Health Division will have a flu shot clinic for those in high-risk groups from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at the former Montgomery Ward's at Summit Place Mall, located on Telegraph Road north of Elizabeth Lake Road in Waterford. Cost is \$7. Proof of Oakland County residency is required.

For more information, visit the County's Web site at www.co.oakland.mi.us/health for prevention information, frequently asked questions, flu fact sheets and more. Or call Farmer Jack grocery stores for information about flu shots at their locations at (877) 435-7142.

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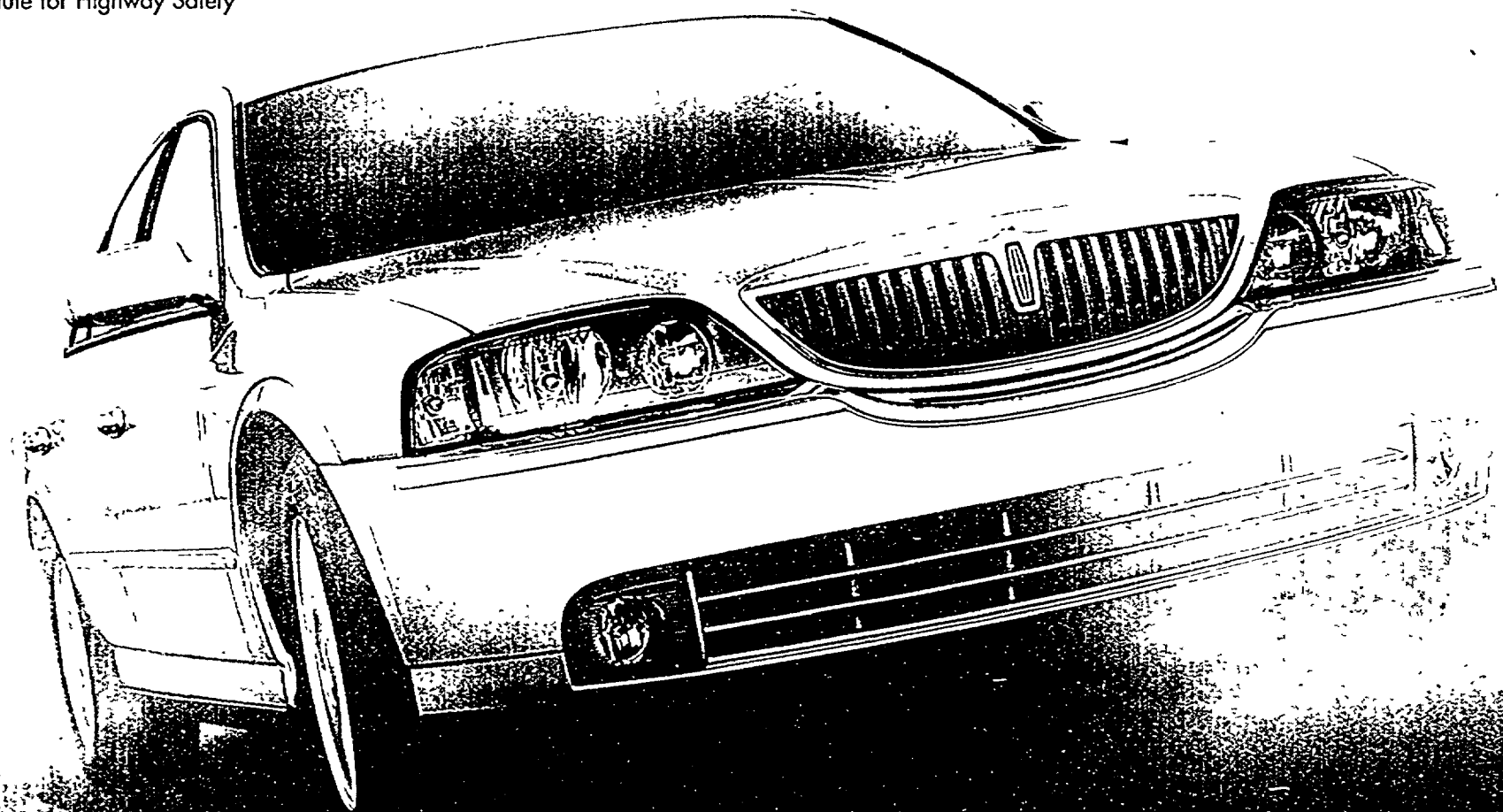
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Around Town



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Northville Arts Commission chairman Ken Naigus will continue his travelogue from 7:30-9 p.m. tonight, Oct. 21, at the Art House, 215 Cady St.

His slide presentation will focus on national parks of Arizona, Utah, New Mexico and Texas. The cost is \$5 per person. Naigus, who has been photographing the park system for more than 25 years, will narrate the presentation.

Final market days

The Farmer's Market, hosted by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, will wrap up next Thursday.

The vendors will fill the parking lot at the corner of Seven Mile and Center Street today and

Oct. 28 for the final weeks this season, said chamber spokesperson Janet Bloom. The hours are 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Leaf reminder

Northville's Department of Public Works has scheduled leaf collection two times throughout the city this fall.

Until then, city residents — as well as township homeowners through the season — should brown bag their leaves and place them at the curb. The Saturdays and Sundays before each area's assigned leaf collection week are the only times a year that residents should rake into the streets.

The schedule is:

Area A (north of Eight Mile Road, west of Center Street) — Oct. 25 and Nov. 22

Area B (south of Eight Mile, west of Center) — Nov. 1 and Nov. 29

Area C (north and south of Eight Mile, east of Center) — Nov. 8 and Dec. 6.

Goblin & ghost goodies

First through fifth graders are invited to make scary treats for Halloween! Participants will be able to make cookies and candy 2-3 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 30, in the Hillside Home Economics Room. For costs and registration information, call the Northville Parks and Recreation Department at (248) 349-0203.

Attention, members

The Country Garden Club of Northville will host master gardener Edie Saunders at its

monthly meeting, Nov. 2. Pest management will be the topic of her talk, starting at 2 p.m. in the Cady Inn at Mill Race Historic Village.

There is no charge for the members-only event. For more information, call (734) 420-0766.

Pick up a gift

Northville Civic Concern is planning its annual Christmas Adoption Program providing gifts for families, singles and seniors in Northville community.

People interested in participating can adopt a family or individual or donate items to ensure the agency's clients have a gift to open on Christmas day.

Suggested gift items are: gift cards or gift certificates, gasoline vouchers, food, theater

vouchers, telephone cards, book certificates, restaurant certificates, hair cut certificates or gift cards from stores such as Target, Kohl's, Kmart or Meijer.

For more information, call (248)344-1033.

Watershed planning

The public is invited to an Oct. 25 meeting on potential recreational and watershed-based education opportunities related to the Johnson Creek.

The Coldwater Springs at Johnson Creek master plan meeting is 6:30 p.m. Monday in the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. For more information, contact Northville Township engineer Anne Naszrad at (248) 348-5820.

Ancient Egypt

Renowned art historian, lecturer, and world traveler, Michael Farrell, will discuss the art and architecture of the Ancient World when he returns to town Tuesday, Oct. 26.

The presentation is 7:30-9 p.m. at the Art House, 215 Cady St. The cost is \$10 per person.

His talk will cover ancient Egypt — the longest continuous culture in Western Civilization — the mysteries of the pyramids, the Sphinx, and the splendor of Tutankhamen's tomb.

To contribute an item for consideration in this column, e-mail mjohnston@ht.homecomm.net.

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In this statement, it is our intent to provide an update for the residents of the City of Northville regarding the recall of Mayor Christopher Johnson, Mayor Pro Tem Carolann Ayers, and Councilmembers Kevin Hartshorne and Jerome Mittman. As initiators of the recall effort, we feel it is our responsibility to our community to set the record straight by providing accurate information regarding the Northville Volunteer League (NVL), and the rationale and present status of the recall initiative. In addition, we would like to provide our perspective on the impact that the recall initiative and related events have possibly had on our community. The information provided here represents our perspective, that of Kathi and Larry Parks, and does not necessarily represent the views and actions of what has become known as the NVL.

The Northville Volunteer League: Origin and Purpose

Last May, as we strolled through our city enjoying a beautiful spring day, we stopped to visit with a friend who shared some disturbing news with us: The Northville City Council was planning to dissolve our Emergency 911 Dispatch operation and contract this service to the Township. Having no knowledge ourselves of what City Council was planning to do, we suspected that our Northville friends and neighbors were also unaware. And indeed, we were correct. In fact, in the 2 weeks following, not one person who we approached on this subject had any idea what our City Council was planning to do. And they were planning to do this very soon. We were all shocked!

Public Safety in a city such as ours is highly valued by its residents. However, in our city it is not Public Safety in general, but rather, it is the "level" of public safety service that the City of Northville has provided its residents for years; and now that was at stake. The dispatch transfer was to soon be voted on, and we knew that as committed residents of Northville, we had to get involved. Other residents needed to know what was being planned. And, like other issues that would have had a critical impact on the residents of this city, our local government was not making information about the transfer of dispatch readily accessible to its tax-paying citizens. So, we took it upon ourselves to spread the word. The two of us, along with a couple of Northville neighbors developed a single-page flyer that was designed to simply inform city residents of the plan for City Council to carry out a June vote to transfer the city's dispatch operation to the township. Inasmuch as we personally opposed this transfer of services, the flyer simply stated what was happening and encouraged citizens to attend the next City Council meeting to learn more. Armed with 2,000 bright yellow flyers, the two of us, along with 7 volunteers hit the streets on June 5th and 6th, 2004 to spread the word. In our passion and drive, we felt a need to call ourselves "something". And it was during this initial flyer distribution that the term NVL (Northville Volunteer League) emerged. The letters "nvl" made sense since they represent a common abbreviation for Northville. The term "volunteer" was appropriate for obvious reasons. And finally, the term "league" was fashioned after The League of Women Voters, an organization whose primary purpose is to "inform others".

The Northville Volunteer League is not an official organization and it does not have an official charter, membership, or treasury. As we've described above, the name "Northville Volunteer League" was appropriately selected to identify a group of "volunteers" that were opposed to the outsourcing of the city's Emergency 911 Dispatch operation, and were willing to take actions to inform others of the potential consequences of this outsourcing. Our initial actions involved flyer distribution, creating a web site (www.NVL48167.net) so we would have a formal place to make information more accessible to the general public, posting our views on the Northville Notices web site (www.northville.net/notices/notice.htm), and participating in City Council meetings. Our work eventually involved the collection of opposition signatures, researching alternatives to outsourcing City Dispatch and Lockup, and presenting our resultant ideas to City Council and residents during a July 26th Special Council meeting. Volunteers supporting this effort came from many corners of our small city and contributed what they could towards this initiative.

In terms of the relationship between NVL and the recall initiative, it is important to note that the residents volunteering to support a recall initiative were not necessarily involved in the initial Dispatch opposition campaign. Conversely, not all volunteers in the Dispatch opposition campaign intended to support a recall. Expectedly, some volunteers that were involved in the Dispatch opposition campaign were interested in recall activity. We would like to make clear that the "group" that banded together to oppose the outsourcing of the City's 911 Emergency Dispatch operation were and can continue to be referred to as the NVL. Residents that chose to support or actively participate in any recall activity did so based on their individual volition.

Rationale for the Recall

First, to set the record straight from a legal standpoint, the recall of any elected official can be based on a single legislative act (see Martin v. Oakland County Election Commission, 1983). In the Northville recall initiative discussed here, the "single legislative act" is therefore the vote by an elected official to contract the City's Emergency Dispatch Operation to the Township. Under Michigan law, citizens are afforded the right to recall their elected officials. Coon & Kurt of Cascade Communications (2003), remind us that... "Being elected to a term in office is a privilege granted by voters; voters should be able to revoke that privilege when they deem it necessary."

Over the last few months we have been accused of initiating a one-issue recall. In fact, Mayor Johnson has gone on record to describe that "Recalls are really for situations where things are so bad you need new officials immediately." The phrase "so bad" is subjective. What may seem "so bad" to some, may not seem "so bad" to others. We observed this discrepancy last July 26th when Council was presented with 333 resident signatures opposing the contracting out of the City's Emergency Dispatch operation. It was clear on that evening, in a community center that was packed to the walls with concerned and outraged Northville residents, that 4 members of City Council had already made the decision to

move forward with the plan to transfer Dispatch operations to the Township, and what their informed constituency had to say was of no consequence. Yes, the recall petition language suggests a one-issue initiative; however, the rationale supporting the recall effort has more to do with City Council's overall behavior toward their constituency on July 26th and again on August 2nd of 2004. At that time, we were forced to ask ourselves some critical questions: How can we support members of a City Council that do not listen to their constituency? How can we support members of a City Council that fail to openly provide to the tax-paying citizens information that might support a rationale for Council decision-making? How can we support members of a City Council who wait for things to get "so bad" in our city, that in the public eye, there appears to be no other solution except that of City Council's?

Present Status of the Recall Initiative

Based on the single circumstance of timing, we are not proceeding with a recall of Mayor Johnson, Mayor Pro Tem Ayers, or Councilmembers Hartshorne and Mittman. We believe that at this time is simply not practical. We have made this decision based on the following: While the Oakland County Election Commission approved the recall petition language for Mr. Mittman and Ms. Ayers on August 30, 2004, the identical language for Mr. Hartshorne and Mayor Johnson experienced an initial setback at the first Wayne County Election Commission hearing when the language was rejected. The next strategy was to revise the language and re-submit to Wayne County for Mr. Hartshorne. We expected that if the revised language for Mr. Hartshorne was accepted, the same language would be accepted for the Mayor in a separate and subsequent hearing. This is the reason why recall petitions for Mr. Hartshorne and the Mayor were not submitted together on September 10, 2004. After the revised petition language was accepted by the Wayne County Election Commission for Mr. Hartshorne on September 27, 2004, identical language for the Mayor was submitted on that same day. On October 14, 2004, the Wayne County Election Commission met and finally approved the recall petition language for Mayor Johnson.

Early in the recall effort, recall supporters agreed that it made most sense to circulate all 4 recall petitions at the same time. Initially then, our plan was to wait until petition language had been accepted for all four members of City Council before starting the petition circulation. As the recall effort continued to unfold however, and as we continued to research what our options could have been with regards to contracting our City's Emergency Dispatch operation (e.g., a binding petition that would have allowed a vote by the people), it became clear that the person most responsible for the direction in which our city is headed is the Mayor. This continues to be our view. Thus, late in the recall effort, we made the decision to recall only the Mayor. This has presented a problem however, due to Michigan's newly amended election law that is to take effect January 1, 2005. This dictates that any election in Michigan can only be held every three months. Thus, the earliest date that a recall election could be held would be February 22, 2005. In the event of a successful recall election, the earliest date a "replacement" election could be held would be May 3, 2005. Given this time-line, a mayor elected for the purpose of fulfilling the remainder of the present term would hold office for only six months until a regular election is held to elect a mayor for a new two-year term. In light of these circumstances, we had to ask ourselves if a recall at this time made sense in terms of financial expenditure. Was recall a financially responsible path, or might the next regular election in November 2005 be a better opportunity to effect change?

A Lost Cause or a More Proactive Constituency

As has been the case with other "hot" issues in the City of Northville, we suspect that some members of the community, including perhaps members of our local government, believed that the passion, energy, and concern driving NVL would simply fade away in the days following the final vote and approval of the Dispatch Agreements. Our work, along with all the hard work and support of many others should not be considered a lost cause. Although we were not successful in convincing 4 members of City Council to vote "No" on the outsourcing of our city's Emergency Dispatch operation, it is our belief that we were successful in awakening a constituency, ourselves included, which had become a passive recipient of a local government's decision-making. It is our personal goal to continue to involve ourselves in ways that support the future development of our city — development that needs to be guided by a plan that reflects a collective voice, including that of the tax-paying residents.

One of the most important things we have learned over the past six months is that communication is one of the most critical factors in maintaining a healthy level of trust between local governments and their constituencies. Residents of this city need to know what's going on and how our tax dollars are being spent. It is not realistic to expect that all city residents will attend City Council meetings on a regular basis in order to have access to information. So what can our city government do to improve communication? And how can residents help in this effort? How can we change the "reactionary" cycle we have fallen victim to, and create more open lines of communication between our city government and its residents? We don't have all the answers, yet we are willing to support this effort in any way we can. We do know however, that the breakdown in communication and the failure to fix it will have a definite impact come the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 2005, the 4th "regular" election date of the year.

We would like to thank each and every person that has helped out these past six months. Whether it was time offered, time pledged, monetary contributions, or an encouraging phone call or email, all of this has made and strengthened relationships. And strengthening relationships is the key to maintaining a strong community here in our city.

Respectfully,
Kathi and Larry Parks
Northville, Michigan

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BATTLING BACK: Purcell's fight is for family, love and coffee

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growing and fast-spreading cancer.

There was no other choice, she said.

"I'm not at all concerned about having breasts," she said. "I wanted to be proactive. I have a four-year-old daughter to think about."

A day at a time

Her treatment regimen started with four-hour intravenous therapy every other week in a room with two to six other patients. The experience was both dim and enlightening.

"It's kind of depressing," she said. "You don't even worry about yourself. You feel bad for the other people."

Her current treatment includes one-hour chemotherapy doses. Surgery and daily radiation over six months will follow this regimen.

"It's less debilitating," Purcell said. "Even on a good day I have minor discomfort. I think the most dramatic (thing) is losing the hair — I used to have thick, blond hair."

Doctors initially worried about Purcell's physical stature. Would her 5-foot, eight-inch frame endure rigorous chemotherapy?

The news, so far, is good. Progress is being realized. Screens of her bones, chest and heart have come back clear, she

said.

"I was blessed with a good heart," Purcell said. "I was in no distress upon my original diagnosis."

Purcell said she is looking forward to the November surgery. It's the next step in her healing process. "At this point, they don't know if it's going to be a mastectomy or a lumpectomy. It's in one lymph node for sure."

"I don't know yet exactly what it will entail."

Purcell handles her prognosis one day at a time.

She endures nausea and vomiting, weakness and bone and joint discomfort. Compared with other cancer patients, she said she has it easy.

What she longs for most, though, is her old routine — playing on the monkey bars with Ellie, chatting with Northville High School students and caffeine fixes from Starbucks.

Continuing education

At Northville High School, the sympathetic ear students have sought in the counseling office for 15 years now listens to words of support and encouragement from students, parents, co-workers, friends and family.

"Northville Schools administrators have been sincerely concerned and compassionate," Purcell said. "I don't think as many workplaces would be as

considerate to me."

Ellie calls her "Chemo-Mommy." Purcell said with a laugh. Maybe Santa will bring her some hair for Christmas, she's suggested to her mom.

Purcell said her immune deficiency has limited her outgoing activities. When possible, she still frequents Starbucks where the staff is aware of her condition. Occasionally she will see a student she has talked with about college choices or a personal confidence.

"The students are just phenomenal," she said. "Every day, I'd just wake up with a smile (ready) to go to work. Now, it's more of a grimace — what's today going to be?"

In hindsight, Purcell said she should have visited the doctor within four years following her daughter's birth. "You can't always go by the mammogram coming back unremarkable," she said. "I was not pro-active in that."

She said her only symptom was fatigue. "I felt like I had mono(nucleosis) for six months," she said.

Purcell said her battle has made her acutely aware of how much people don't know about breast cancer. "I think people need to be more educated," she said. "It's hard to have cancer, let alone be stared at — 'what's up

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Katherine Purcell
Northville Resident

with you?"

"I'll meet their stare head on and say, 'Yeah, it's cancer.'"

For now, Purcell said she feels more comfortable with a bandana, instead of her wig. Ellie wants a wig, too, she said. It's a gesture of support for her upbeat mom.

And maybe yet another way of saying out loud to a world looking in: we're in this together.

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BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

What are the signs of breast cancer?

Often there are no outward signs of breast cancer you can see or feel. If there are outward signs, the more common ones include a lump, an area of thickening, or a dimple in the breast. Less common signs include breast swelling and redness or an enlarged underarm lymph node.

If detected, does that mean I have cancer?

But even if you have one or more of these signs, it still doesn't mean you have breast cancer. Remember, most breast lumps turn out to be benign (not cancerous).

Still, it's extremely important that you see your doctor right away if you're worried you might have breast cancer. Having your doctor take a look will ease your worry, and if anything is found, you'll be able to take care of it quickly.

Source: breastcancer.org

Ash tree replacement book available

A new tool is now available to help Michigan homeowners, landscapers and urban foresters decide what tree species to plant to replace ash trees lost to emerald ash borer.


"Recommended Alternatives to Ash Trees for Michigan's Lower Peninsula," bulletin E-2925, is a Michigan State University publication created by campus horticulture and forestry specialists to provide information on tree species that grow well in Michigan. It is illustrated with line drawings of each tree's mature form and gives information on its size and other noteworthy characteristics of the species. Many of the species recommended are readily available.

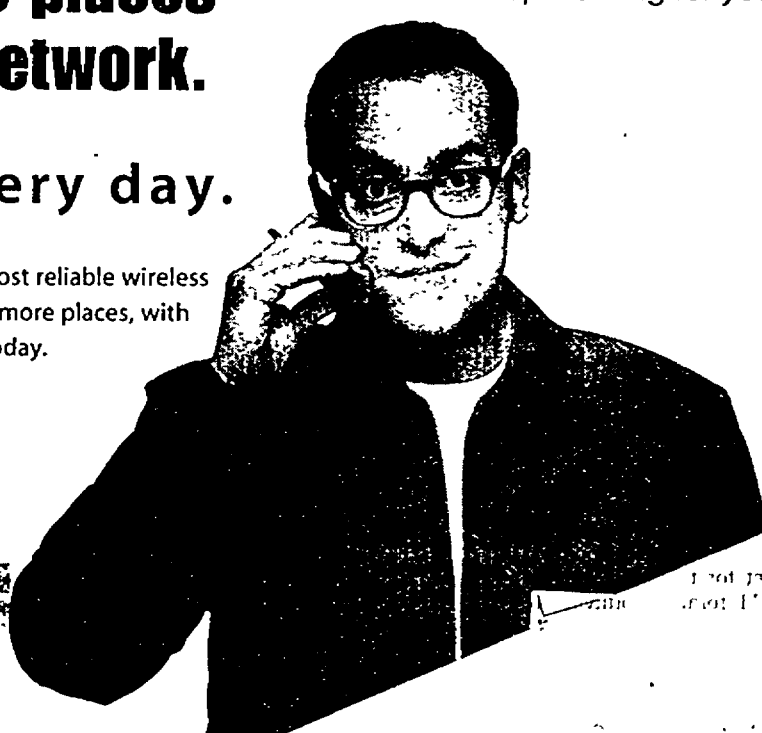
The Michigan nursery industry is increasing production of many of the trees. It will take a few years for large quantities of larger landscape sizes to become available, but homeowners should be able to find what they need.



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POLICE REPORT

No soliciting

Northville police issued a statement that the department is not fund raising by phone.

A resident reported he had received a telephone call seeking a donation on behalf of the local force, said senior clerk Susan Hatch. "We would like it known that we are not participating in any program that calls seeking any donations."

Proper procedure

An alcohol decoy sting conducted last Thursday by Northville police officer Richard Rogowski and an underage decoy turned up no takers.

"We are happy to announce that every store she went into her identification was checked and she was not sold any alcohol," according to a police statement. Stores included in the decoy operation were: CVS, 133 W. Dunlap; Good Time Party Store, 567 Seven Mile Rd.; Hamlet Food Mart, 1051 Novi Rd.; Hiller's, 425 N. Center St. and Northville Gourmet, 680 W. Eight Mile Rd.

Reckless driver

A 31-year-old Northville man is facing up to two years in prison on felony reckless driving charges after a wild motorcycle ride.

Just before 7 p.m., Oct. 7, the male suspect headed westbound on Seven Mile Road from south Main Street, according to police reports. As he passed an officer parked on Seven Mile Road running radar duty, the cyclist popped a wheelie and exceeded 60 mph in a 35 mph zone, the report said.

A chase ensued west on Seven Mile Road, then southbound on Hines Drive. The Suzuki-riding suspect exceeded 90 mph while passing joggers and bicyclists, the report said. As the two drivers neared Northville Road, the motorcyclist crossed left of the center line, passing traffic, the report said.

The chase eventually ended near Reservoir Road with the suspect's surrender, the report said. Reckless driving charges were submitted to the Wayne County prosecutor's office, a police spokesperson said.

Baggies of trouble

The Oakland County prosecutor's office Monday approved a warrant for the arrest of an 18-year-old former Northville resident on charges of drug possession with intent to deliver.

The incident began when a Northville officer on duty Oct. 2 ticketed a black Chevy Cavalier for overnight parking without permission on Jeffrey Lane, according to police reports. Police reports indicated the officer noticed suspected marijuana and plastic bags inside a dark gray backpack on the car seat.

Stake-outs by a series of officers eventually led to the return of the car's driver around 11 a.m. the next morning, the report said. A positive test at the station showed the 2.5 ounces of the suspected substance to be marijuana, the report said.

The youth's mother, who had moved to Redford Township, had agreed to let him move in with a Northville friend for the summer, the report said. She reported to the station to reclaim her car that had been seized, the report said. In return, the man and his mom turned over to police \$1,605, which will be deposited in the

department's forfeiture account.

Motorcycle pile-up

A 74-year-old motorcyclist was taken to an Ann Arbor hospital with serious injuries after a noon accident on Hines Drive Oct. 10.

While traveling southbound down Hines, the male motorist attempted to pass several other motorcycles, police said. As he entered the northbound lane, an oncoming Jeep was driving in the opposite direction.

The motorcyclist sideswiped the Jeep and, going back to the southbound lane, struck three other motorcyclists attempting to avoid collision, police said.

Two were taken to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries, and two others were treated and released at the scene.

Bomb threat at Depot

What police believe was a handwritten bomb threat was discovered on an application desk at Northville Township's Home Depot on Oct. 14.

The note said a bomb would go off in the store the next day, the report said. A name was signed, but did not match a police search or store employees. Loss prevention searched the store for suspicious objects but found nothing, police said. Nothing further was reported. The case was closed.

Wounded deer shot

A wounded deer found in the 18000 block of Stonewater Blvd. Oct. 17 was shot by police.

The 100-pound doe had been lying in the brush behind a house for about two days, according to reports. When police arrived at about 1 p.m., they said the animal made attempts to run but couldn't due to a broken hind right leg.

Police fired one shot into the deer. A kill tag was issued to a River Rouge man, the report said.

Trash can of stolen clothes

Two Detroit males allegedly attempted to steal about \$1,117 in Meijer merchandise on Oct. 12.

At about 10 p.m., one of the men left the store with two sweaters, five pairs of tennis shoes, three of boots, three jackets and a full suit, police said. The items were in a \$12 plastic trash can. The man ran to his van and attempted to make an escape, where the other man was waiting, police said.

Meijer's loss prevention manager followed the men and called police. The duo was arrested in Livonia.

Steak smuggler busted

A Farmer Jack employee was arrested after he allegedly stole \$95.40 in meat on Oct. 5.

Police said the 47-year-old male wrapped two steaks, put them in the break room and then took them to his vehicle at around 5 p.m., as his shift was ending.

When approached by the asset protection specialist, he admitted to stealing, and said he had stolen meat previously, the report said. He was arrested.

Big damage at former Big Lots

A broken window and extensive indoor damage at Northville Plaza was reported to police on Oct. 4.

At about 7 p.m., a male resident from nearby apartments called police after noticing a hole in the window of the former Big Lots, police said. The male said he didn't see anyone. Police said the damage was large enough to gain entry.

Two officers reportedly found the building unoccupied, but found broken lights and holes in walls.

The landlord was called, and told police he learned of the damage that afternoon. He reportedly had the window boarded up at around 10 p.m. that night. Earlier this week, boards were still up.



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Northville Township police Sgt. Matt Mayes looks at one of the four-panel drug screen test kits the department is offering concerned parents. Using the tests, parents can test thier children for drugs. For more information, call (248) 349-9400.

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Northville takes preliminary look at possible Baghdad relief effort

Rezmierski says McCotter will report back from Iraq; several hurdles remain

By David Aguilar
RECORD EDITOR

Northville Public Schools could one day be part of a collaborative relief effort designed to help special needs children in battle-torn Baghdad, Iraq.

And though still in its formative stages, district superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said the effort has potential, thanks to the Cooke School teacher who originally made the suggestion and the school principal who forwarded the request.

Cooke School is a special needs school located in Northville.

"We are still very early in the process," Rezmierski said. "Right now there does seem to be a specific need in Baghdad on behalf of special needs students. That happens to be an area where we have talent and expertise."

He said Northville's participation would require several evolutionary stages, not the least of which is security clearance from the U.S. State Department.

Last week Rezmierski contacted U.S. Congressman Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia) about the idea.

McCotter, already part of a congressional delegation on its way this week to Baghdad for a three-day trip, said he would explore the possibility once on the ground.

"It was serendipitous that (McCotter) was already going to Iraq," Rezmierski said. "We will know more when he gets back."

Six years ago, Northville Public Schools began an extended relief effort in Afghanistan. The effort resulted in construction of a 1,200-student school which now also serves as a clinic, an orphanage and a community center, complete with fresh water.

Rezmierski said any Baghdad relief efforts would likely be collaborative involving other U.S. schools and might be fashioned after relief the district recently offered to Haiti special needs students. During that effort, Northville donated wheelchairs and an original special needs stu-

dent curriculum.

McCotter en route to Baghdad Monday night, said during a conference call in Livonia he would talk to Iraqi officials about the idea. He said security remains a critical linch-pin to undertaking any such effort.

Ensuring U.S. resources will be properly distributed is another concern.

"Is there education ministry capable of working with this group to make sure funds are properly dispersed? That's what we have to find out," McCotter said.

He lauded the attempt. "I think it's important because kids are kids and education is critical when it comes to establishing the building blocks of democracy."

Rezmierski said projects like those in Afghanistan and Haiti are important. They inspire community outreach opportunities and increase global awareness, he said.

"They are marvelous opportunities for student learning," he said.

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Reaching out across the great divide nothing new for Northville Schools

By Victoria Sadlocha
STAFF WRITER

Northville Public Schools boasts a history in lending educational aid across the world.

In 1998, then Meads Mill Middle School teacher, Khris Nedam, along with the school's sixth-grade students decided building a school in Afghanistan would be the best way to address the population's condition of their economy, education and family life.

Nedam began a fund-raising effort that continued on when she transferred to Amerman Elementary School in 2000. After a successful fund-raising effort, a six-room school house was

built in 2001, housing 465 Afghan boys and girls. The enrollment has since grown to more than 1,200.

Many of the children walk more than four hours each way to reach the school. Efforts of the group now titled "Kids 4 Afghan Kids," have resulted in the construction of a clinic, orphanage and a deep-water well in Wonkhai Valley, a mountainous region three hours southwest of Kabul.

The school district is now joined by schools across the United States, UNICEF, rotary clubs and churches — all providing support.

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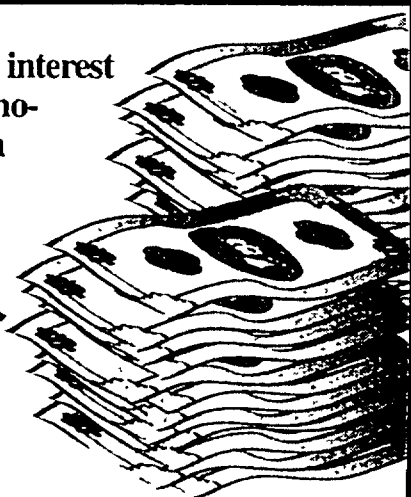
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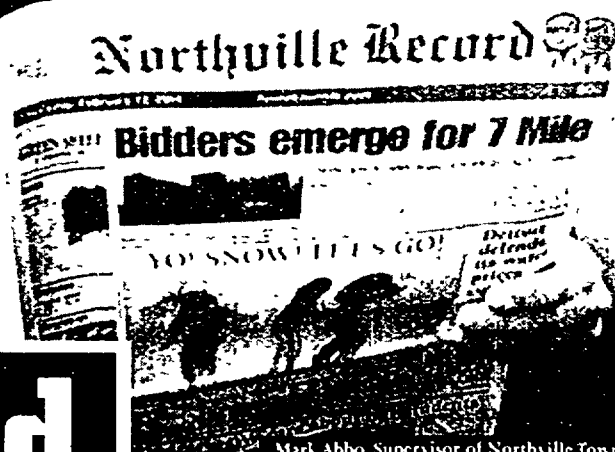
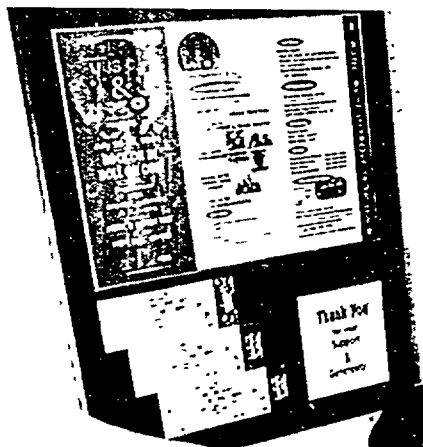


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Lucas: Republican vies for county sheriff post

By Hugh Gallagher
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Bill Lucas says while serving as a visiting circuit judge over the last year, he has noticed a troubling increase in crime.

"I've noticed the increased intensity of the crimes, the cruelty of the acts," he said in a meeting with Observer editors. "I think the beginning of this year crystallized for me, because of the high murder rate in Detroit. Everyone was helpless to do anything."

Lucas, 76, said that sense of "hopelessness" led him to run for sheriff, a position he held from 1969-82, when he was elected Wayne County's first county executive. In 1986, Lucas switched from the Democratic Party to the Republican Party to run for governor.

Lucas served with the FBI before joining the sheriff's department. After losing the gubernatorial election, he worked in the Justice Department and was later

appointed to the Recorder's Court and elected to the Circuit Court.

He is running for sheriff as a Republican in the Nov. 2 general election against Democrat incumbent Warren Evans and Robert Czak of the U.S. Taxpayers Party.

"I was sheriff for 14 years and in law enforcement most of my life, and in the past when something happened in a Wayne County community there was an outcry. Now there is an acceptance, a morbid acceptance of death," he said.

Lucas said he supports such highly visible programs as the sheriff's department as the Internet sexual crimes unit, but he said the department isn't doing enough to deal with serious crime.

"Most of the crimes in our community are committed by the same people, that's the reason I thought with the experience and know-how I have, I could do something," he said.

Lucas said the sheriff's office carries a lot of historical impor-

ance. He said many people trust the sheriff more than they trust local police officials.

"When I was sheriff, I found people came to me. They would make the complaint to me where they found the police chief off-putting," he said.

Lucas said as both a former sheriff and county executive, he has a special perspective on the sheriff's budget problems. County Executive Robert Ficano has complained Sheriff Evans overspent his budget for the last fiscal year. Evans has complained his budget last year and this coming fiscal year, hasn't been adequate to meet department mandates.

"I understand what the sheriff might be going through on the budget, but as county executive, I knew the county was going bankrupt and knew I had to set a budget," Lucas said.

Lucas said when he became county executive and Ficano was sheriff, he appointed a trusted liaison who could bring an under-

standing of the sheriff's needs to the county executive's office.

He said he expects to work well with Ficano in their reversed positions.

"I expect we'll be working toward the same goal, we'll be able to sit down and he'll be able to explain his situation with me and mine with him," Lucas said.

Lucas said he thinks special federal grants are good for the sheriff's department, but the department can't depend on temporary grants.

"What happened here, with the desire to make a good showing with an election coming up, you want to get as many things going as possible and you forget you have to pay," Lucas said. "You begin going into overtime. You go to the county executive, and he knows, he's been there."

Lucas said he is concerned about the morale of sheriff's deputies. Several deputies opposed Evans in the primary election. Lucas said many of those assigned to the courts hang around his office.

"They were concerned about morale, overtime uses for grant task forces," he said. "They saw that coming."

He said there is an aura of fear in the department.

Lucas said he would support more coordinated programs with the state and other counties. He said two problems he would like the department to address are identity theft and removal of abandoned houses.

Lucas and his wife, Evelyn, have been married 56 years. They are the parents of six children and have 16 grandchildren.

"Most of the crimes in our community are committed by the same people, that's the reason I thought with the experience and know-how I have, I could do something."

Bill Lucas
Candidate, Wayne County Sheriff

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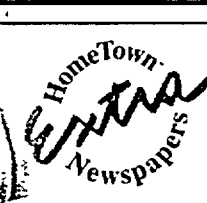
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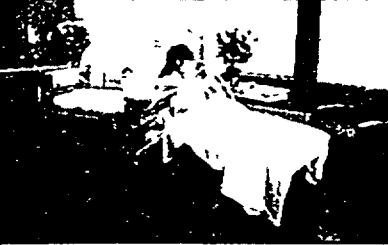
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Stewart asks voters for third two-year House term

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

State Rep. John Stewart said establishing stable funding for public education and stable funding for local governments are priorities one and two if he is re-elected Nov. 2.



John Stewart

The Republican faces Democrat challenger Marc Coriveau for his 20th District seat, which encompasses Northville and Plymouth, and parts of Canton and Wayne. Term limits would make this Stewart's final term.

Calling himself a fiscal conservative, the Plymouth resident said he is in touch with his residents' priorities. Stewart resides in his district rather than in Lansing; he said he is readily accessible to residents and in regular contact with local leaders.

The legislator said the communities he represents are unique in the growth they are experiencing and residents' acknowledgment they get what they pay for. Rightfully so, their demand is stability from their government, he said.

"I am receptive and I am open," he said. "We're going to have to

look at other sources to maintain the revenue stream."

Fiscal priorities

Stewart said he has a record of support for properly funding local entities, citing specifically his December opposition to cutting "20-J" per-pupil supplemental school funding.

"Maybe it's time for me to ask for credit for that," he said. "They have to be accountable, but we have a growing school district."

The School Aid Fund is one-third of the state's budget, Stewart said. Sales tax is not a dependable way to fund education, he said.

"We're going to have to take another look at Proposal A," he said. "Apparently the sales tax is not stable in the kind of economy we're having."

Stewart called himself "ruthlessly honest." Without an increase in revenue from new sources, he said, present fiscal times demand tough cuts.

"Everybody's got to tighten their belt," he said. "We've been saying this, 'the economy's going to turn around...'"

His experience in the appropriations arena acquainted him with possible increases in inheritance or so-called "sin" taxes. "I would possibly vote for a higher tax on liquor." Restoration of the temporary rollback in state income tax is another potential source for strained state finances, he said.

That type of measure 20th District voters can more easily swallow, Stewart said. His vote

last month against accelerating collection of the county property taxes was in direct response to his constituents' outcry, he said.

"There's a hypersensitivity to anything that is perceived as a tax increase," Stewart said.

However, the lawmaker said, he does not expect threats of local cuts in the face of state budget deficits to subside soon. "I think we'll have to go through this every year."

Learning the ropes

Meanwhile, there are still potential areas to be cut, Stewart said, with scrutiny by a conservative eye. He said one-third of the state's workforce is Department of Corrections employees. Installation of electronic cameras reduced the number of tower security guards necessary.

That was a cost-cutting measure with no negative consequences, he said. Likewise, the state will save money with the transfer of inmates from the

Western Wayne County Correctional Facility by the end of the year. "We've got to look for consolidations that will save the state money," he said.

In addition to his knowledge of the appropriations process, Stewart said he has invaluable judicial and higher-education experience that he has applied on his constituents' behalf.

Considering the learning curve in Lansing, Stewart said he supports a current legislative proposal to lengthen the term a representative can serve, from six to 12 years. That support is contingent on a vote by the people, he said. "Do I think it is in the best interests of the voters? Yes."

"You just learn the process in four years," he said. "I think you can just use my experience."

On recent tight votes, Stewart said he has taken on a role as mediator between the two parties to accomplish a needed margin.

Part of that know-how comes in handy dealing with state bureaucrats and lobbyists, the represen-

tative said. "They laugh at the legislators who think they are the only ones who have a parking spot behind the state capital."

Gambling is an area where the legislator calls himself particularly conservative. "Northville Downs is too close to Main Street Northville," he said. "I do not want to see slot machines in Northville."

A local referendum on the issue is the only way to make the proposal palatable, Stewart said. "I am not for any more gambling. I would vote yes for people to be able to vote on it." The representative said he has an ability to bring people together. "They know I'm not looking for credit. I can get along with anybody."

"There's a hypersensitivity to anything that is perceived as a tax increase."

Rep. John Stewart
(R-Plymouth)

Maureen Johnston can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 103, or mjohnston@ht.homecomm.net.

NORTHVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 2004 - 2005 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Northville Parks and Recreation is currently soliciting bids for round trip transportation services from December 1, 2004 through November 30, 2005 for Northville Parks and Recreation programs.

Northville Parks and Recreation will accept sealed bids until Wednesday, October 27, 2004, 10:00 a.m. local time, at Northville City Hall, 215 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, at which time all proposals received shall be publicly opened and read aloud. Bid specifications and proposal forms may be obtained from Northville Parks and Recreation. For further details contact Nichole Passmore, Recreation Supervisor at 248-349-0203 x1408.

The City of Northville reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids which is the best interest of the Northville Parks and Recreation program.
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ISSUE DATE: October 15, 2004
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(10-21-04 NR 173025)

CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OAKLAND COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FY2005

Notice is hereby given that the City of Northville City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 1, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. The purpose of the public hearing is to obtain public input on the proposed uses of FY2004 Oakland County Community Development Block Grant Funds.

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(10-21-04 NR 173583)

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A mandatory pre-bid meeting and park tour will be held on November 1, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. local time, at Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

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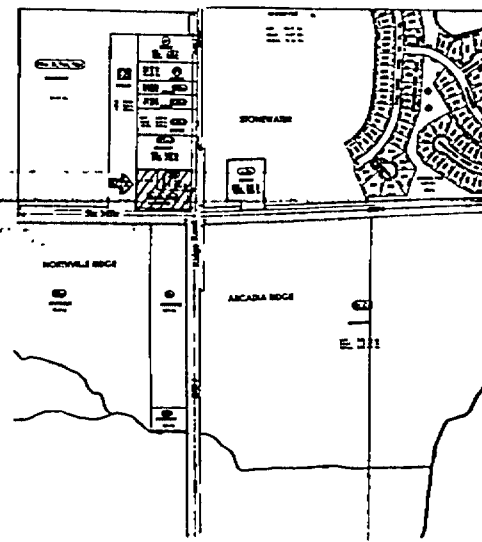
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The Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Northville has scheduled a Public Hearing for Tuesday, October 26, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Township Civic Center, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan, on a proposed rezoning.

This request is to rezone property located on the northwest corner of 6 Mile and Ridge Roads, Northville Township, MI, from R-2 One Family Residential to B-1 Local Business. The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments and questions. Written comments regarding the proposed changes will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 41600 West Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

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PLANNING COMMISSION



(9-30 & 10-21-04 NR 168154)

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Library Board: Northville District Library Board

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Qualified electors may obtain an absentee ballot at the Office of the City Clerk, 215 W. Main Street. The deadline for receiving applications for ballots to be mailed is 2:00 p.m. Saturday, October 30th. The City Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, October 30th from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of absentee voting. Qualified electors may obtain an absentee ballot in person until 4:00 p.m. Monday, November 1st and the ballot must be voted at the City Clerk's Office. To obtain an absentee ballot application, visit our website at www.ci.northville.mi.us or contact the Elections Clerk at 248-349-1300, ext. 1962.

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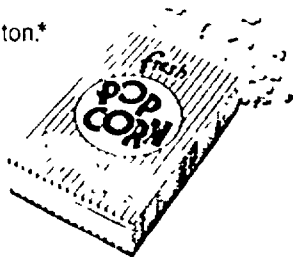
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McCotter, Truran square-off during debate

By Hugh Gallagher
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Few sparks flew last week when 11th District congressional incumbent Thaddeus McCotter and challenger Phil Truran met for a League of Women Voters' candidates forum at Canton's Summit.

"I agree," was a regular refrain during the more than an hour-long meeting between the two candidates. The other candidate on the Nov. 2 ballot, Charles Basso of the United States Taxpayers Party, was invited but did not participate.

McCotter, 39, a Livonia Republican, and Truran, 37, a Novi Democrat, agreed on the recent lifting of the ban on assault weapons, support tax reforms and reductions, oppose amnesty for illegal aliens and support changes in trade agreements to reduce off-shoring of jobs.

Debating

But the candidates still found many areas of difference on everything from the war on terror to stem-cell research to the

role of government.

Truran, president of the Communications Workers of America Local 4013, said he supports changes in trade agreements.

"There is no such thing as free trade, we've become the world's largest consumer market," Truran said.

He said he supports tax credits for small businesses that provide jobs in the United States.

McCotter, who is completing his first term in Congress, also criticized unbalanced trade agreements. He said he has successful trade agreements with countries that have policies similar to our own such as Australia, but are at a disadvantage in dealing with India or China.

"We are punished for having a social safety net. We need to restore reciprocity between nations," he said.

Truran said the government needs to do more to create jobs.

"We have a fundamental disagreement on the role of government," McCotter responded. "The people who create opportunity are not government

bureaucrats but entrepreneurs."

He said government must continue to support the social safety net of Social Security and Medicare but needs to be less active in directing the economy.

Truran and McCotter both said they support tax reform. McCotter said the government had a role in creating a place to "grow the economy."

"Trickle down doesn't work," Truran said. "We do need to get the government off people's backs, but we need to fill the tank from bottom up."

McCotter said there is a consensus that the government needs to reform the tax code.

"But there is no consensus on which way to reform — flat tax, sales tax. The best thing we can have is tax reform that simplifies the tax code. I agree with the concept but I want to see the details," McCotter said.

Different views

The war on terror and the war in Iraq drew the biggest contrast between the candidates.

"We need to get a new commander in chief," Truran said. He said there needs to be more

involvement by other nations and the United Nations.

"I disagree with the premise that we should have UN support," McCotter said. "We trust these people to do the right thing to enforce sanctions (against Iraq under Saddam Hussein). I propose we support an American track."

McCotter said that terrorism wasn't confined to al Qaeda but that there were other groups and the "terrorists states that support them."

"Terrorism is a tactic, not a force," Truran said. He said the government shouldn't be outsourcing the job of getting Osama bin Laden.

In response to a question about Bush administration policies that have opened up government lands for harvesting natural resources, Truran said he supports keeping parks and wilderness as they are, calling the Great Lakes "one of our great treasures."

"I go up north every deer season I can," McCotter said.

"Conservation is a balancing act we do with our energy needs."

McCotter said he supports energy exploration on public land and he also supports opening public land for more recreational use by snowmobilers and others.

On stem-cell research, Truran said he supports adult and embryonic stem-cell research as a way to find a cure for many diseases and does not regard embryonic stem-cell research as destruction of human life.

"I do believe it is the destruction of human life," McCotter said. "Great advances are coming from adult stem cell research, not embryonic cells."

On No Child Left Behind, Truran said he was concerned about the emphasis placed on testing when there are so many variables involved in a child's life.

"I disagree with the fundamental premise," McCotter said. "Education is best left in the hands of teachers, parents and students on a local level."

Local church offers marriage workshop

Residents are invited to hear Sandy Pourcho, from Access Christian Counseling, discuss the challenges of marriage and provide tools individuals can put into action immediately. Attendees will go home with a game plan for a stronger relationship. Refreshments will be served and babysitting will be provided. Visit St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 201 Elm St. in Northville, Tuesday, Oct. 26, 7-9 p.m. For more information, call Margo at (248) 349-3140.

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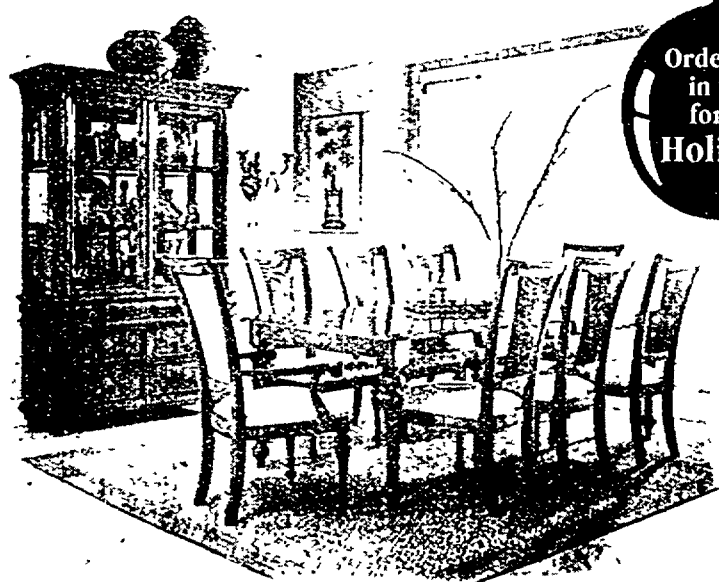
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Former hospital land sale put on hold again Developer gets April deadline

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

With the state's blessing, the buyer of 415 acres of former hospital land now has at least six more months to wrap up the purchase.

On Tuesday, the State of Michigan Department of Budget and Management said it's extending the deadline on the sale of the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital.

Instead of a previous Nov. 1 deadline, Bloomfield Hills-based Real Estate Interests now has until Apr. 30.

In the agreement, Real Estate Interests also has the option to extend the deal until next May or June, at a cost of \$250,000 per additional month.

Unlike their first extension, which cost \$100,000 for an extra 30 days, there won't be any monthly penalties until May.

Bridget Medina, spokeswoman for the state department, said the deal was arranged late last week.

"It's in the state's best interest in terms of keeping the earnest money deposit, which is \$2.8 million," Medina said. "In this instance, if they (Real Estate Interests) do not

close, the state keeps the... money."

The prospective developer had until Oct. 15 to independently assess the property.

"We're assuming that they have checked everything out to their satisfaction," Medina said.

Real Estate Interests did not respond to phone calls by press time.

Township Manager Chip Snider said he talked to Real Estate Interests partner Jon Weaver Monday.

"It's not a surprise," Snider said. "I think clearly the complexity of that piece of property dictates that Mr. Weaver and REI take every measure to keep an optimistic view and make sure they made the right decision."

"My impression... is they're in the game, they want to remain in the game. All of the staff at the township will be standing by in any effort."

Real Estate Interests has not yet scheduled a meeting with the township's planning commission.

Kim Kovel can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 107, or via e-mail at kkovelle@ht.homecomm.net.

ON CAMPUS

Howe Military School, a private co-educational school, grades fifth-12th, located in northeastern Indiana, has announced their Headmaster's List for the first six week grading period of

the 2004-05 school year.

Cadet Casimir Huyck, a 12th grader at Howe and the son of Kathy and Edward Huyck of Northville received this special award by attaining at least a 3.0 B average in his studies in a college prep curriculum.

Cadet Huyck has been attending Howe Military School since Aug. 2001.

Township meeting

With the delay of the new township hall, the current hall's meeting room will be closed for election work the rest of the month.

So, the township will hold tonight's 7:30 p.m. board of trustees meeting in the new fire headquarters at 41600 Six Mile Rd., across from Northville High School.

On the agenda are progress payments and change orders for the new municipal buildings and Community Park. The board also is expected to approve the 2005 budget.

The locale will be the same for next Thursday's planning commission meeting. When the new hall finally opens at 44405 Six Mile Rd., then meetings will be held in the 132-seat community room there.

Bank robbery updates

Northville Township detectives said there still are no solid leads on two suspects that targeted banks for robberies within the past month.

On Oct. 1, a black male allegedly stole an estimated \$2,000 from a

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TCF Bank at Haggerty and Six Mile roads. Police said he has a salt and pepper "funchu" mustache and was wearing a light-colored ball cap, dark suit and light-colored shirt.

"We're ... at an impasse right now," Lt. Ray Garbarino. "We have no additional leads. Nobody's called and given us the name of the suspect." He said police are "almost certain" the man also robbed a TCF in Livonia and Royal Oak.

On Sept. 21, a white male allegedly attempted to rob a Standard Federal Bank on Six Mile Road. He left the bank without cash.

"Some people have come in and said, 'Oh, he looks familiar to me, but I can't put a name on it,'" Det. Joe Hetu said. "I really don't have anything concrete."

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Northville Township Police Department at (248) 349-9400.

Tecnomatix gets certified

Tecnomatix Technologies Ltd. recently announced its Northville operations achieved 9001:2000 certification as a provider of manufacturing process management software, services, customer maintenance and product customization.

The certification recognizes the company's implementation of ISO's quality management standards. Tecnomatix implements customer manufacturing services and software for automotive, electronics, aerospace and related industries. It has offices in more than 20 countries.

High-achieving Hayes

Northville-based Hayes Lemmerz International, Inc. last week announced senior management team changes and award recognition.

Effective Nov. 1, James

Stegemiller will retire from his position as vice president-president of the company's North American Wheel Group. Edward Kopkowski will step up to assume that work while continuing to serve as president of Hayes Lemmerz's Commercial Highway and Aftermarket Group and Operational Excellence.

Hayes also has been ranked in Quality magazine's "Top 100 in Quality." The survey cites Hayes as a top company that improves processes, empowers workers and satisfies customers through quality and process improvement initiatives.

Hayes Lemmerz is a leading global supplier of automotive and commercial highway wheels, brakes, powertrain, suspension, structural and other lightweight components.

Have a news tip or story idea about a person, group or place in Northville Township? Contact Kim Kovel at (248) 349-1700, ext. 107, or via e-mail at kkovelle@ht.homecomm.net.

Consumers Energy offers home heating tips

Natural gas prices are expected to remain at higher levels this winter and Consumers Energy is urging customers to act now to help control their heating bills.

To help reduce energy use and save money, particularly during winter's coldest months, Consumers Energy and the Michigan Public Service Commission offered the following suggestions to customers.

Customers should look at:

- caulking around windows and doors
- installing storm windows
- adding insulation to ceilings and walls
- wrapping an insulation blanket around their water heater
- installing a programmable thermostat

Consumers Energy, which serves 1.6 million natural gas customers, offers online home energy audits at its website, www.consumersenergy.com.

The website also features an Energy Library that provides detailed information on energy-related topics to help customers make their homes more energy-efficient, comfortable, and safe. The utility also offers a free brochure titled "More Than 100 Ways to Save on Your Energy Bill." The brochure is available on the utility's website or by calling (800) 477-5050.

Consumers Energy's November

bills include an insert that describes the various assistance programs available for low-income customers and senior citizens, according to Paul Preketes, senior vice president of gas operations.

Consumers Energy, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy, provides natural gas and electricity to more than six million of the state's nearly 10 million residents in all 68 Lower Peninsula counties.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FY2004

Notice is hereby given that the City of Northville City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 1, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. The purpose of the public hearing is to obtain public input on the proposed reallocation of former rehabilitation funds from the Wayne County Community Development Block Grant Program

Proposed uses include:

City Hall Ramp Replacement	\$10,000
Allen Terrace - 1st & 2nd Floor	
Wallcovering Replacement	\$37,206
Public Restroom Renovation	\$ 7,000
Total Estimated Allocation	\$54,206

(10-21-04 NR 173586) JOANNE INGLIS, HOUSING DIRECTOR

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOVEMBER 2, 2004 GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

To the qualified electors, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a General Election will be held in the Township of Northville on Tuesday, November 2, 2004, for the purpose of nominating candidates of all participating parties for the following offices:

President and Vice President
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State Representative - 20th District
State Board of Education
University of Michigan Regents
Michigan State University Trustees
Wayne State University Governors
County Prosecuting Attorney
County Sheriff
County Clerk
County Treasurer
County Register of Deeds
County Commissioner - 10th District
Township Supervisor
Township Clerk
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Justices of the Supreme Court
Judges of the Court of Appeals - 1st District
Judges of the Circuit Court - 3rd Circuit - Incumbent
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Judges of the Probate Court - Incumbent
Northville District Library Board - Trustees

And to vote on the following two state proposals:

PROPOSAL 04 - 1

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL OF ANY FORM OF GAMBLING AUTHORIZED BY LAW AND CERTAIN NEW STATE LOTTERY GAMES

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Require voter approval of any form of gambling authorized by law after January 1, 2004
- Require voter approval of any new state lottery games utilizing "table games" or "player operated mechanical or electronic devices" introduced after January 1, 2004
- Provide that when voter approval is required, both statewide voter approval and voter approval in the city or township where gambling will take place must be obtained.
- Specify that the voter approval requirement does not apply to Indian tribal gaming or gambling in up to three casinos located in the City of Detroit

Should this proposal be adopted? Yes No

PROPOSAL 04 - 2

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO SPECIFY WHAT CAN BE RECOGNIZED AS A "MARRIAGE OR SIMILAR UNION" FOR ANY PURPOSE

The proposal would amend the state constitution to provide that "the union of one man and one woman in marriage shall be the only agreement recognized as a marriage or similar union for any purpose."

Should this proposal be adopted? Yes No

Polling Locations for Northville Township

The following polling locations will be open at 7:00 am and will remain open until the close of polls at 8:00 pm.

Precincts 1, 15	Moraine Elementary School	46811 Eight Mile Road
Precincts 2, 8, 9, 13, 14	Silver Springs Elementary School	19801 Silver Springs Drive
Precincts 7, 12, 16	Meads Mill Middle 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	Ridge Wood Elementary School	49775 Six Mile Road
Precincts 3, 4	Northville High School	45700 Six Mile Road

Absentee Ballots for said election are available to qualified electors at the Office of the Township Clerk, 41600 Six Mile Road. The deadline for receiving applications for ballots to be mailed is 2:00 p.m. Saturday, October 30, 2004. The Township Clerk's office will be open on Saturday, October 30, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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Northville shows its beauty

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

After scouting and scrutinizing, Northville's beautification commissions celebrated their beautiful businesses.

On Sept. 28, the township awarded 22 local businesses and the city commended 10, with a special award given to the revamped Northville Community Senior Center.

City chairperson Linda Lestock said the businesses were picked from about 25 finalists.

"The Senior Center had gone way over ... our expectations," she said. "They did reconstruction, landscaping. It was just unbelievable."

In the township, Commission Chair Marie Barr said criteria included window upkeep, landscaping, following ordinances and overall appearance. Scores ranged from 1-3.

"We attempt to visit every busi-

"The Senior Center had gone way over ... our expectations."

Linda Lestock
Chairperson

ness establishment in the township," Barr said. "It's pretty difficult to pick out any one particular place."

This year, two township strip mall shops were awarded because of landscape creativity with potted plants.

The city also gave 144 residents certificates of appreciation for curbside appeal. Winners received plaques at the 16th annual event.

BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS

The following Northville businesses and municipal centers were recognized for their beautification efforts:

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• Mechantronics Inc.
• Northville Chamber of Commerce
• Northville Clock Shop
• Second Streets Hair & Tanning Salon
• Northville Community Senior Center (special award)

Northville Township
• Addington Place
• American House

• B & W Variety
• Barnes & Noble
• Belanger Abrasives
• Bonfire Bistro
• Castle Landscaping
• Deadwood Bar & Grill
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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.

Return McCotter to Congress

At a forum last week for 11th District congressional candidates, a questioner asked incumbent Thaddeus McCotter and challenger Phil Truran if they would ever vote against their party's position if it went against their conscience.

Truran answered, "I would." McCotter answered, "I have."

The record shows that in McCotter's first term as a congressman, he has voted consistently to support the Republican leadership and the Bush administration. According to the nonpartisan Project Vote Smart, McCotter draws consistently high ratings from conservative groups.

Yet in interviews, the congressman frequently offers nuanced differences with administration and party leadership positions when he sees those positions in opposition to the interests of his constituents.

McCotter is probably more conservative than the average voter in the 11th District, but he has been an active, vocal member of Congress in support of positions important to his constituents.

We respect Phil Truran, a union local president, for, in his words, "stepping up" to offer a viable alternative to McCotter in a district that is heavily Republican. Truran is a conservative Democrat with honest concerns about the direction of the nation's economy and about the Bush administration's foreign policy. Though a political novice, he has run a good, issues-based campaign. We hope he remains politically active.

McCotter has a long history of public service as a Schoolcraft College trustee, Wayne County commissioner and state senator. He has a strong command of the issues, a keen sense of history and strong contacts in the community. He understands the legislative process and, as a member of what will probably remain the majority party, he will have an opportunity to make a difference. He has also been a highly visible and responsive representative, providing good constituent service and communication.

For those reasons, we support the re-election of Thaddeus McCotter.

We suggest that it is time for McCotter to step up as a leader and bring his nuanced differences with his party leadership to the table. As a conservative who strongly supports the "social safety net," he needs to make a better case for how best to do that. As a conservative, he needs to take a closer look at how the government can rein in deficit spending and provide necessary services. As a conservative with real concerns about jobs going overseas, he needs to take a closer look at his party's relationship to big business interests. As a conservative who strongly supports taking democracy to other countries, he needs to step up in defense of preserving civil liberties here at home. As someone committed to the war on terror, he needs to voice his real concerns about the prosecution of that war.

We recommend a vote Nov. 2 for McCotter.

Evans for Wayne County Sheriff

Wayne County voters have a choice between two sheriffs Nov. 2.

Warren Evans, appointed in January 2003 to replace Robert Ficano when Ficano became county executive, is being challenged by Bill Lucas, Wayne County's sheriff from 1969-82 and the first Wayne County executive from 1982-86.

Both candidates have long careers in law enforcement, both have extensive administrative experience and both have law degrees. At 76, Lucas is still energetic and offers perceptive criticism of current department operations. Evans, 55, is the first to say that age is not a factor and that he welcomes his former mentor's interest in remaining an active citizen.

While we respect Bill Lucas' service and enthusiasm, we endorse the election of Warren Evans to a full term as sheriff.

In 18 months as sheriff Evans has put an emphasis on programs that help county police forces fight crime. He has worked with local police agencies to develop programs to centralize fugitive apprehension, created the Last Call unit to apprehend drunken drivers who have failed to appear in court, created a missing and exploited children's program and restored the Internet crime program to target sexual predators. He continues to advocate for creation of a central crime data base and more cooperation and coordination with local

police departments. He has been aggressive in pursuing state and federal grant money for innovative crime fighting programs.

The \$115 million budget continues to be a point of contention between Evans and Ficano. Evans has made extensive cuts in positions and reduced overtime at the jail. Still, there needs to be more communication between the sheriff and the county executive and less political maneuvering.

Evans maintains that morale in his department is generally high. He faced opposition from several deputies in the primary, but he said they do not represent the majority in his department.

We like Evans' theme of collaboration with the sheriff's department being a central service agency for county police operations and believe he has made the right moves in that direction.

The position pays \$128,768 a year.

We recommend a vote for Warren Evans.

County Prosecutor Kym Worthy and Treasurer Raymond Wojtowicz are running unopposed. Democrat incumbent Clerk Cathy Garrett is opposed by Republican Lannell Buffington and Democrat Register of Deeds Bernard Youngblood is opposed by Republican Willie Cambell. We support Garrett and Youngblood for re-election against their token opposition.



From the ground, up!

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Work begins in earnest Monday morning in the construction of Jim Long's new building at the northeast corner of West Main and Wing in Northville.

LETTERS

Vigil unrest

Sadly, the peace vigil we have conducted with honor and dignity for over a year on Monday evening at Eight Mile and Novi Roads from 5-6 p.m. and authorized by the Northville Police Department, the City of Northville and Oakland County, was marred by troublemakers calling themselves Bush supporters who deliberately set out on Monday, Oct. 11 at 5 p.m. with the intention to disrupt and intimidate our peaceful vigil. No concern was given by this hostile group that their dissenting participation could cause an accident at this busy intersection.

Driving through neighborhoods in Northville I see signs on the lawns promoting John Kerry and George Bush, Democrats and Republicans. Neighbors disagree politically but have respect for their neighbors' political choice living together in peace and harmony. The people who harassed our vigil are not typical of our Northville residents.

Yes, we will be out again next Monday to continue our vigil of peace. We are confident that this angry group of politically challenged activists have thought it over and realized that confusion and discord hinders their and our efforts, to speak nothing of endangering the motorist.

Michael Clancy
Northville Township

Think again about OLV

A recent letter from M.E.P. Hollis demonstrates a continuing lack of understanding of the situation facing the Orchard Heights neighborhood from the proposed monster school expansion by Our Lady of Victory.

There seems to be a disquieting suggestion by Mr. or Mrs. Hollis that bigfoot homes are acceptable, but a Catholic school is not. Readers surely understand that no matter how large a private residence might be, it has a microscopic impact on the neighborhood, compared to the proposed expansion. With the expansion, hundreds of cars will descend upon Orchard Heights every morning and every afternoon. The current plan locates all student pick up and drop off on the school property on the west side of Orchard, all school traffic will have to go through a parking lot with single lane of moving traffic, competing with vehicles pulling into and out of curbside spots. The only traffic study done for the current proposal was performed by a professional consultant paid for by the people of Orchard Heights (OLV refuses to submit such a study to the city). It found that traffic in the area would be a disaster.

Mr. or Mrs. Hollis apparently celebrates traffic, including car horns and street racing, as a form of entertainment, but most of their neighbors would not agree. You may recall that the City of Northville posted "no parking" signs for blocks around Hillside when it was the old high school, at the insistence of homeowners. Of course, OLV's school will not be the old high school, as the children do not drive. Neither will it be Hillside, where the majority of kids either walk or ride the bus. Rather, OLV's school is a regional school, with about 80 percent of the children driven by parents from areas as far away as South Lyon and Livonia. With the 450 student cap promised (but not formally committed to) by OLV leadership, traffic will increase significantly in Orchard Heights, in violation of the master plan and the zoning ordinance.

The daily school traffic will be further compounded by the 50-plus OLV organizations currently meeting off-site that will come to the "Parish Life Center" (gym). These functions will give OLV's Parish Life Center outside-of-school hours operations similar to the recreation center, where many of these functions currently meet. Imagine this facility next to your house.

Finally, Mr. or Mrs. Hollis says that the block of Orchard Drive between Main Street and Thayer has no pro-neighborhood lawn signs and says "That sends a message to me." I'm not sure what message Mr. or Mrs. Hollis is receiving, but here is the situation. Three of the homes between Main Street and Thayer are owned by the Archdiocese of Detroit, these being 116, 132, and 224 Orchard. All three of these homes will be demolished to make way for the school and the parking lot, which will extend from Main Street to the southern edge of the property at 224. Readers are urged to drive by and see for themselves the size of what is proposed. The school's length will be the same as a football field, and the size of two Hiller's Markets.



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sanctions had worked to defang Saddam, the President insisted in the Oct. 8 debate that the UN sanctions had not worked?

This election is not about small or big government. Lives are at stake. Please consider voting the Bush Administration out of office.

Lynn Parklan
Northville

War and peace

My views on the war in Iraq are very mixed, but I think that the pro-war Bush administration is made up of individuals who have never served in any branch of the service. I was not either, but while searching for my father's WWII record on the Internet, I found a high school friend, Brian Marshall, on www.thewall-usa.com. He was 19 and he was killed in Vietnam the day after he arrived. That's what I remember about war; the death and destruction.

So is this why someone keyed my neighbor's van when he parked it in the city with a John Kerry bumper sticker? Because they are pro-war? Is this the way to win an election by a cowardly attack? Do Republican supporters feel so threatened by the democratic process?

That's why I say, please vote responsibly this November, for it is our children, siblings, parents, and friends who are at risk when they are sent to war.

Cathie Longan
Northville

Rezoning concerns

I live in Northville Township near Six Mile and Ridge Roads. I am concerned about the proposed rezoning of property on the northwest corner of Six Mile and Ridge Roads from R-2 One Family Residential to B-1 Local Business.

Within a two-mile radius, this area is exclusively residential except for Ridgewood Elementary School on the southwest corner. Putting a business on this property overlooking Stonewater would not fit in with the surrounding homes and the increased traffic would be dangerous for parents and children attending Ridgewood. Locating a business at Six Mile and Ridge would also increase traffic noise and light pollution at this intersection.

I believe that businesses should stay on main roads like Beck or Five Mile that already have business zones. Please contact the Northville Planning Commission to express your views on this issue and help keep Ridge and Six Mile residential. The public hearing is at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2004.

Peter Smith
Northville

Vote prudently

Over the years we've stopped talking about politics. But I feel as if I must try to persuade you all that this is an election where you should vote to tell your party it has moved too far away from the responsible governance you expect. This one time, please don't vote for the Republican incumbent.

I'm not asking you to forgo your conservative values, but to demand from your party that it groom conservative leaders who are respected in the world the way Eisenhower was. In doing so you would be among other normally reticent diplomats, scientists, military and intelligence officers, and some Republican leaders who have tried to persuade the Bush administration that it treads a dangerous path.

For me, President Bush has disappointed on almost every front. But there is one area which I believe you find so important that missteps in it would trump your urge to have Republicans in all offices possible, that is, safety.

We are not safe. President Bush and the majority Republican Congress have not done all they could to keep us safe. The majority of shipping containers and cargo holds can be inspected rather than a few and none. We can fund more first responders, not fewer. We can work with Canada to inspect cars before they cross the Ambassador Bridge into the U.S. rather than after they cross it. We can demand a ban on assault weapons.

Further, the President suggested in the Oct. 12 debate, "We'll be safe if we spread freedom and liberty around the world." This doesn't sound like the war will end in Iraq and Afghanistan. We will not be safer destabilizing more and more countries. And doesn't it worry you that in the face of the exhaustive report by his own weapons inspector stating that UN

Thank you, volunteers!

Northville Parks and Recreation would like to thank these outstanding community volunteers for their incredible work on another phenomenal Pumpkin Walk at Mill Race Village; the Northville High School Rotary Interact Club, Boy Scout Pack 755 Amermine, Girl Scout Troops including Junior Troops 71 & 1075, Troops 1227 Amermine & 1279, and Cadette Troops 1240, 1278 & 1556 who magically transformed Mill Race into a friendly haunted Village.

Special thanks also goes to Tom Alexandris, Tammy Busse, Marcia Sherman, Paul and Traci Sinecock, Pat Brown, the Northville High School National Honor Society and Northville Youth Assistance Volunteers who helped the event run smoothly and safely for all 450 trick-or-treaters.

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COMMENTARY

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Our nation is more politically divisive than ever

Like all of us, I've been swamped by the torrents of fact, opinion, spin and diatribe surrounding this presidential election. And I've been trying to figure out just why we as a nation are so deeply and narrowly divided. I've concluded there is something important — but little noticed — going on that is shaping the very structure of our politics in a profound way.

For the past 70 years or so, America has operated under a kind of consensus social contract. The parties have squabbled about the details a bit, but the core has largely kept us together as a nation. Ever since they came in, however, President Bush's administration has mounted a comprehensive, powerful,

well-organized and utterly focused national effort to restructure that. They would revise:

- The distribution of the tax burden among our citizens. (Namely, via the tax cuts for the wealthy.)
- Which generation pays our common debts. (The current record deficits will be paid down not by us but by our children and grandchildren, if ever.)
- The legal status of sexual preference (reflected in support for a Constitutional amendment forbidding gay marriage.)

• The definition of life itself (through opposition to a woman's right to choose an abortion.)

• Our traditional reliance on a network of alliances and

support for the existing international system (jeopardized by the administration's unilateralism and willingness to advocate a doctrine of preventive war.)

The underlying truth is that not only is it far from being particularly "compassionate," the Bush Administration is most certainly not "conservative." Instead, it is proposing the most radical set of social, economic and legal changes this country has seen at least since the days of Franklin D. Roosevelt, substituting the events of Sept. 11 for the Great Depression.

Given the extraordinary reach of this attempt to undo our traditional social contract, is it any wonder the nation is so profoundly divided, that our politics are so acutely partisan and that President Bush is widely regarded as the most polarizing president of modern times?

Sure, Karl Rove's brilliant political machine and national grief and rage at Sept. 11

have been big contributors to this administration's success. Beyond these, however, lies two fundamental facts: major developing changes in national demography and the reality of direct democracy for all people, regardless of where they live or go to college.

The great demographic shift in America over the past 70 years has been the enormous population growth in the South and West at the expense of the Eastern seaboard and the Midwest. Back in the 1970s, Michigan had 19 seats in the House of Representatives; today we're down to 15, and may lose more. Florida, on the other hand had eight congressmen in 1960 and has 25 now.

It's always hard to make generalizations, but people who live in the South and West are unlike those who live in the East and Midwest. They're inclined to be more religious, and their religion tends to be more socially conservative. They're less likely to have attended elite univer-

sities like Harvard, Yale and even the University of Michigan. And historically they've been left out of the "Eastern Establishment" that has largely run the country for generations. But now there is a steady and undeniable influence of these rising regions on our politics.

Consider the trajectory from Franklin D. Roosevelt (a WASP aristocrat from New York) to Richard Nixon (a lawyer from small-town California) to Jimmy Carter (a sometime peanut farmer from Georgia) to Bill Clinton (Arkansas by affect, Oxford by education) and George W. Bush (assertively Texan, despite his heritage.) The political center of gravity of the country is shifting.

And to their surprise and chagrin, members of the Eastern Establishment, accustomed to governing, now find themselves in competition with folks from the South and the West. And this gives rise to feelings of class: Eastern elites (snobs, to southerners and westerners)

versus populist folks (lower class rednecks, to Eastern elitists). And when you add the emotional energy of class conflict to a far-reaching policy agenda, it's no surprise our politics are as divisive and nasty as they are.

So perhaps the largest and most puzzlingly unspoken issue in the current campaign is not who would be best at winning the war on terror or providing jobs, but who can bring our nation back together. Neither George Bush nor John Kerry has done more than dance around that very important issue.

Too bad the debates are over. Wouldn't you just love to hear what both men would really say about that?

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Casinos work hard — mostly to protect themselves

This just in: Michigan's casino operators were shocked — shocked — to discover that other folks want to start more gambling in the mitten state! Not to worry, though; they are spending millions backing a state constitutional amendment that would effectively prevent new forms of it.

However, it would — just coincidentally, of course — preserve their near-monopoly on "games of chance and the suckers' wallets. If you think the last two paragraphs sound sarcastic, you win today's prize for perceptiveness.

Proposal 1 on the November ballot would not actually prohibit new kinds of what gamblers like to call "gaming." It would just set

impossibly high hurdles. Anyone wanting to start something would have to win approval both from the voters in that particular community and in a statewide referendum.

Would voters in Marquette be apt to approve gambling in Monroe County, 500-some miles away? Almost certainly not. That doesn't mean that there isn't wide-spread agreement that Michigan doesn't need a roulette wheel on every corner. Polls show most voters think that there is already too much legal gambling in the state: three casinos in Detroit, casinos owned by Native American tribes elsewhere; horse racing tracks and a state lottery. The lat-



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ter, incidentally, was sold to voters in 1972 as a way to solve state education funding, (ho ho) which has remained a sore point.

Yet there are those who oppose more gambling, but are leery of enshrining the casino monopoly in the state constitution.

The petition drive to put Proposal 1 on the ballot began when the state's cash-strapped racetracks, which have been losing the competition with the casinos, began talking about putting video gambling terminals in their establishments, turning them into so-called "racinos." The casinos didn't like that, and so this latest drive for direct democracy was born.

The issue has made for strange bedfellows. Former Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus generally opposes gambling and was against the referendum that approved Detroit's three casinos in 1992. But he backs Proposal 1, not, he says because he likes gambling but because this would

help limit it.

However, Gov. Jennifer Granholm is supporting (although not too loudly) a no vote. Reason? There is general agreement that the proposal would severely restrict the state's ability to offer new lottery games.

Accordingly, Proposal 1 is also opposed by Michigan's two teachers unions, which fear a potential loss of lottery revenue for the schools.

But when it comes to money, Proposal 1 opponents have far fewer chips than supporters. An ad hoc group called No Casino Monopoly has ponied up barely more than \$1 million, nearly all of it from horse racing interests. Supporters, who call their group "Let Voters Decide," are awash in dough.

The Soaring Eagle Casino in Mt. Pleasant and owners of MGM Grand Casino in Detroit have each kicked in more than \$3 million, with more from other casinos reportedly on the way. Not surprisingly, polls show that

voters favor Proposal 1 by a roughly 2-1 margin. If it passes, some have questioned whether the state's racetracks can long survive.

Detroit Education Follies: Latest Round: Five years ago, the Michigan Legislature stepped in and took control of Detroit's public schools away from the duly elected board of education, and gave all power to a "reform board" mostly appointed by the mayor, but with one additional appointee by the governor.

That board then hired an all-powerful CEO to run the schools. Under the rules, the board could fire the CEO if need be, but was not allowed to meddle in day-to-day operations of the schools.

Most Detroiters were offended by the legislature's action and called it racist, although there was widespread agreement that the old board was corrupt and the schools were a dysfunctional failure. Now, that is about to change again.

Proposal E on the Detroit ballot gives voters a choice between two futures for the schools: A "yes" vote would reinstall an elected board, but permit the mayor to appoint a school CEO; the board could accept or reject his choice.

If voters say no, however, an old-fashioned board would be elected, with both district and at-large members, and they would hire a school superintendent. The contest is now being seen as a referendum on Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, who would like to appoint the schools chief, and his side is likely to lose. One reason: as all Detroit knows, he refuses to send his twin sons to city schools.

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GUEST COLUMN

Asbestos reform urged by veterans

When members of Congress return to Washington for work next month, there will be just a few weeks remaining to wrap up their work for the year. As a veteran, I hope their short list of things to do includes approving a bill that will provide relief to our men and women in uniform who were exposed to deadly asbestos during their tours of duty gone by and now find themselves fighting a powerful enemy: asbestos-related disease.

For more than thirty years from World War II through most of the Vietnam War, asbestos was used widely in military constructions. Aboard Navy ships of that era, it could be found from the boiler rooms to the bulkheads.

The military stopped using this substance in the mid 1970's when it was becoming apparent the substance was dangerous and even deadly. But too late for the many thousands of veterans who had already been exposed.

Today, veterans battling asbestos related illnesses have literally nowhere to turn for compensation or relief. Unlike other workers, who can seek relief in the courts from the employer responsible for their exposure, veter-

ans are prohibited from suing the government for compensation. While veterans could, in theory, sue the companies who sold asbestos to the U.S. military, in fact, those companies have disappeared into bankruptcy.

Congress has a rare opportunity today to fix a badly broken asbestos litigation system that leaves sick veterans and other victims of asbestos exposure stranded in our courts. A proposal in the U.S. Senate would create a \$140 billion privately funded victims' fund to compensate the truly sick fairly and quickly.

And it responds specifically to the plight of veterans, by creating a simple avenue for them to seek compensation.

While asbestos exposure is mostly a thing of the past, asbestos-related diseases most surely are not. Because of the long latency periods of these illnesses, many of our veterans who were exposed years ago are only learning today that they are sick.

And sadly there may be another generation of veterans that will wrestle with this problem. According to recent news reports, a National Guard unit in Iraq was exposed to asbestos in the

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military base outside Mosul where they were stationed for nine months. It could be decades before these soldiers learn whether they will become sick from this exposure. But these brave soldiers need assurance that they will be taken care of if they do wind up sick with asbestos-related diseases.

I urge senators Stabenow and Levin to support asbestos victim compensation fund legislation when they go back and to make sure that this bill is approved and sent to the President this year. Our soldiers and our veterans deserve nothing less.

Eric Halverson

Past State Commander, Michigan Department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars

October: enjoy a national month of stamp collecting

Since 1981 the U. S. Postal Service has designated October as National Stamp Collecting Month.

Developed to introduce children ages 8-12 to this popular and educational hobby, the program is intended to raise awareness about the recreational benefits of stamp collecting among all age groups.

The Postal Service traditionally kicks off the month by issuing new commemorative stamps in late September or early October. This year the Sickle Cell Awareness stamp was released on Sept. 29.

The Sickle Cell Awareness stamp continues a tradition at the U.S. Postal Service of raising public consciousness of health and social issues.

Cloudscapes, released Oct. 4, are arranged according to altitude. Nine of the 10 basic cloud genera are pictured on a pane of 15 stamps.

Other subjects featured for NSCM over the years included Reptiles and Amphibians, American bats, Looney Tunes animated film characters, endangered animals, insects

and spiders and many others. Stamp collecting, also known as philately, is considered the most popular hobby in the world. Collectors can specialize in new or used stamps, stamps issued by different countries, or stamps featuring a specific theme (called topical collecting).

I have been collecting stamps since I began working for the Post Office 19 years ago. The most popular modern U. S. Commemorative stamp was the Elvis stamp, issued in 1993. Stamps never lose their value. As long as they have not been used, they will always be worth their stated denomination.

To learn more about U.S. stamps and stamp collecting, visit www.usps.com/shop. To locate a stamp show near you, visit the American Philatelic Society's Web site at www.stamps.org or go to the American Stamp Dealers Association site at www.asdaonline.com.

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Editorial wrong!

You cannot begin to imagine the dismay that PTA leaders in the Northville Schools felt when we read your editorial in the Oct. 14 edition of the *Northville Record*. After three years of reporting on budget shortfalls due to massive state wide cut backs, you decided to question one of our most successful local tools to protect our children's education.

As the editors of the *Northville Record* should already know, PTAs are non-profit organizations. Therefore PTAs do not raise money for any other purpose other than to support education of kids. Northville PTAs undertake this endeavor with the full cooperation and support of the Northville School Board and Northville school administrators. Several of our school board members, including current School Board president Judy Wollack, are past presidents of Northville PTAs. Most of our PTA meetings are attended by our superintendent, a representative from our school board and our principals. All our publications are subject to approval from Northville school administrators.

Did the editors of the *Northville Record* actually examine any PTA budgets to find out where the fundraising money goes? In the case of Moraine, half of it is used to support a school wide assembly program, voluntarily administered by a former teacher with full input of Moraine staff. In this day when teachers are asked to be more accountable and teach children more than ever before, teachers

would certainly not be willing to lose valuable class time to programs that were not helpful. Our assembly program is highly regarded district-wide and our chair acts as a coordinator for the rest of the Northville schools assembly organizers. The remainder of our Moraine budget is used to support our monthly newsletter informing parents of activities in the school, mini-grants to teachers who have suffered for three years with supply budgets drastically reduced and to fund educational enrichment opportunities in the areas of science, reading, writing, fine arts and physical fitness. All of these programs have support and cooperation from our staff as well as our parents.

For the past three years Moraine PTA has undertaken the additional burden of raising money for the playground that was removed from our grounds to conform to current safety laws and to make room for our addition. Along with a grant from AT&T and site work donated by a generous Moraine parent, Moraine PTA funded half of our new playground as well as assisting in its installation with a community build. These were all reported by the *Northville Record*. Additionally, Moraine PTA supports some of our technology purchases, purchases equipment to be used at recess and helps fund our Media Center in its purchase of new materials. We care for our own grounds by watering, weeding and mulching. We do this in addition to working in our children's classrooms as room parents, providing clerical help and directly with students to support our teachers. The *Northville Record* should consider the money saved by the Northville community by the spirit of volunteerism within our school.

Northville schools are included among the top 50 school districts within Michigan to receive all A's on their "report cards" from the state. The *Northville Record* might consider that the commitment our parents show to our schools through their support of PTA activities, underwritten by the necessity of fundraising, is part of that reason. Every PTA volunteer I know considers fund raising the least appealing part of our role, yet it is the necessary evil that makes all our other activities possible.

The editors of the *Northville Record* have every right to wonder whether fundraising is appropriate, but it is outrageous to discount the efforts of so many without finding out how the money is actually used. Visit the schools, go to a PTA meeting - meeting dates and times are published on the Northville schools website. I urge you to find out what PTA actually does to help the Northville schools provide a quality education for our students. You will find that the Northville schools are excellent in part because our PTAs are strong.

Marnie Mertz
Moraine PTA President

Wedding a success

In a recent issue of the *Northville Record*, Maureen Johnston wrote about our preparations to hold the first wedding reception at the Northville Senior Community Center. The wedding took place on Saturday, Oct. 16, and I would like to report to the community that with

the help of many dear friends, Cheryl Donovan and her staff at Epoch Events Catering (a true find, Wow!), and the helpful staff of the Senior Community Center, the day far exceeded our expectations.

After a lovely ceremony at the First Presbyterian Church, the church bells rang and the wedding party left for pictures. But then the heavens opened with blasts of frigid air. Rain and sleet pelted the photographers, wedding party and guests alike. We were afraid everyone would be wet, cold and unhappy.

And then we stepped into the Senior Community Center. Votives twinkled all about while a roaring fire in the fire place invited us in to warm up, dry off and enjoy the wedding and baby pictures from both families on the mantle. We filled our Irish coffee mugs with cinnamon sticks and hot, Parmenter's cider from silver urns. Waiters presented bites of fresh Parmenter's donuts on silver trays. We felt like we had been given a warm invitation into someone's living room.

The dining room was the perfect size for our guests who included 109 adults and at least eleven children. The delicious food matched our fall harvest theme and was presented with beauty and elegance. The stage, with its large wooden dance floor, gave us plenty of opportunity to watch or participate in dancing. Several of the little girls present couldn't wait to get up on the stage and dance with our daughter, "the princess." In the mean time, the living room provided a comfortable place to sit and visit away from the music.

One aspect of the Senior Community Center that I had not

expected to appreciate was the side meeting room where several children went to calm down and color on scrap paper while their fathers checked on football or baseball events on the wide screen television. You see, the groom's family is from Massachusetts, and apparently they think Red Sox games are important. It was nice they didn't have to leave the party to stay informed. The father of the groom was quite surprised to learn that events like ours have not been a regular occurrence at the Senior Community Center. I expect that they will be in the future.

Phyllis J Heckemeyer
Northville

Get facts right

To all the strident liberals who are fixated on calling the president a liar, a reality check is in order. First, to be labeled a liar one would have to know that what is being said is untrue. Unlike Clinton, who knew he was telling a lie about his formation, this is not the case when applied to Bush and weapons of mass destruction. All of our so called allies, Clinton and CIA director Tenet (who assured the president it was a slam dunk) all believed Saddam had them. How can that be construed to be a lie when Bush relied on the same intelligence community Clinton did when he ordered the 1998 bombing of Iraq (which Kerry supported).

During the six months of debates and foot dragging by the U.N., Saddam could have moved half the country to Syria or Iran. Under Clinton our enemies labeled the

U.S. a paper tiger, because of his repeated rhetoric of retaliation accompanied by his lack of action. In '98 Clinton said, Saddam would go right on and do more to rebuild an arsenal of devastating destruction, and some day, some way, I guarantee he'll use the arsenal.

It was true when Clinton said it, it was true when Bush said it. The difference is Bush did something about it. In '98 Kerry stated we should remove Saddam with or without U.N. approval, and he voted for military action. Now he says we shouldn't have gone to war without U.N. approval. He also says we should repair relations with the axis of weasels (our allies).

Kerry would have us kow-tow to the old European countries, even knowing their motives are driven by greed; as evidence is surfacing they had their hands in Saddam's pockets via the oil for food scam. On the issue of taxes, voters need to be reminded Kerry voted for the marriage penalty, for the tax increase on social security income, against tax cuts for all Americans and against the repeal of the death tax; issues that impact the middle class.

As to no child left behind funding, this administration increased educational payments by 36 percent in the first three years in office. That's in addition to the huge largess the educational community was receiving when Bush assumed office. Those grants were dispersed without strings.

And finally, to all my liberal friends... Kerry is the wrong candidate at the wrong time. He's not presidential material.

Ned Hart
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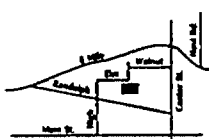


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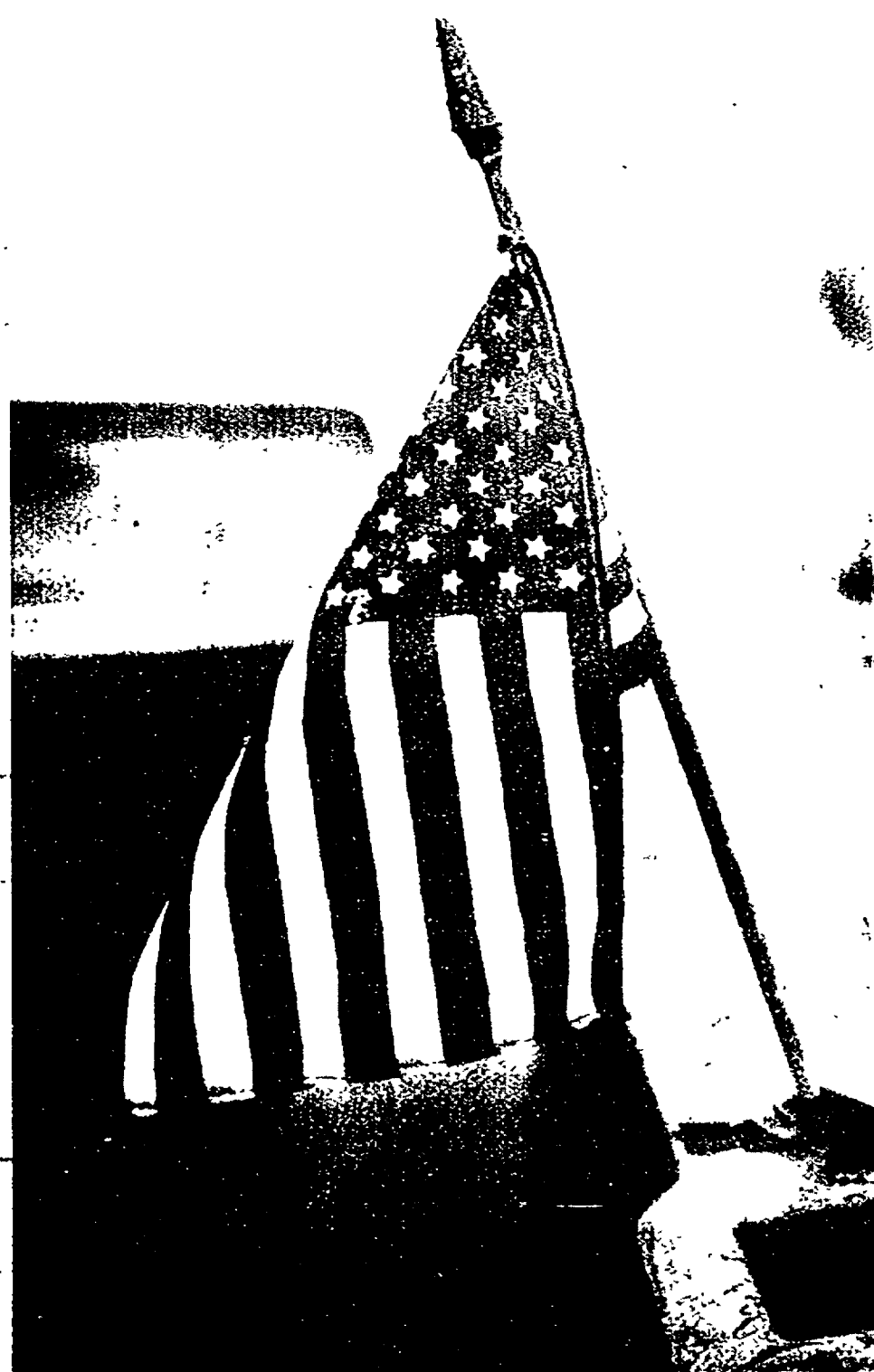
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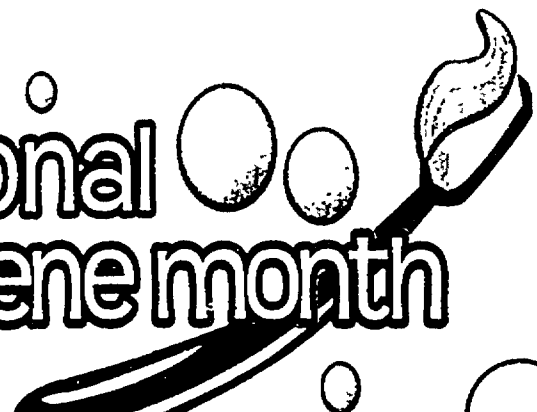



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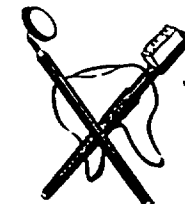
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OBITUARIES

Karen K. Howard, 70

Karen Howard of Northville died Oct. 13, 2004. She was 70. She was born on December 29, 1933 in Northville to the late Arnold Jaska and Kathleen VanAtta and was raised in Northville. She was a resident assistant at Independent Village Assisted Living Home. Miss Howard was a member of the Northville Eagles Club, enjoyed playing bingo and cards and loved cats.

Survivors include her cousins, her friends at Tonquish Creek Manor and her co-workers and friends at Independent Village.

Private services were held. Interment will be at Rural Hill Cemetery, Northville.

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Stanley P. Wesner, 79

Stanley Wesner of Northville died Oct. 10, 2004. He was 79. Mr. Wesner was born on Sept. 11, 1925 in Detroit to the late John Wieszowski and Antonelle Gileski Wieszowski.

He along with his brother owned and operated Tops Market in Detroit for 25 years. He then owned and operated Stans Meat Market in Detroit from 1974 to 1989. He served with the Marines during World War II in the South Pacific. He was a member of the V.F.W. Post in Dearborn Heights, the Polish League of American Veterans and Msge. Hunt K of C Council.

Survivors include his wife, Beatrice A. Wesner of Northville; four children, David (Dr. Catherine Upton) Wesner of Ann Arbor, Janice (Michael) Linck of Fenton, Susan (David) Snizik of Novi and Keith (Karen) Wesner of East Hampton, Conn.; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and

two siblings, Frank Wieszowski of Northville and Stella Woolsey of Allen Park.

Memorials may be made to the Oncology Department of Cancer Research at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Arrangements were made by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home, Northville.

Pauline M. Wagner, 101

Pauline Wagner of Northville died Oct. 15, 2004. She was 101. She was born on Dec. 19, 1902 in Pennville, Ind. to the late Edward Whitacre and Ethel (Thom) Whitacre.

She moved to Northville in the early 1930's and lived here all her life. She was a bartender and cook at the Northville Eagles Club. Mrs. Wagner was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Northville, liked to play cards with her friends, loved baseball and basketball; especially the Detroit Tigers and the Detroit Pistons and

also enjoyed reading.

Survivors include one son, Walter "Bud" (Claire) Wagner of Fla and one daughter, Wanda Schwab of Glennie, Mich; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter J. Wagner; one daughter, Betty Hallock; and one brother.

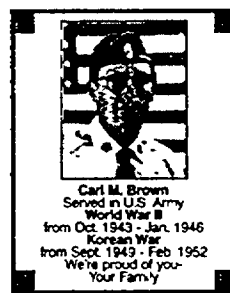
A funeral service was held Oct. 19, 2004 at Casterline Funeral Home, Northville with Rev. Lisa Cook of First United Methodist Church of Northville officiating. Interment will be in Rural Hill Cemetery, Northville.

Memorials may be made to Heartland Hospice, 401 Center Ave., Suite 60, Bay City, Mich 48708.

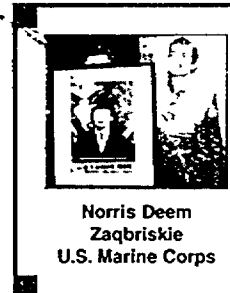
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Nearly 450 kids turn out for Pumpkin Walk

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Costumes and candy a couple of weeks early? Nearly 450 kids said "you bet!" Sunday night when the Northville Parks and Recreation Department hosted its fourth annual Pumpkin Walk at Mill Race Historic Village.

Laughter at the magic show, little crafters proudly waving their creations and candy counters smiling at their loot told event organizers they had succeeded with their preparations. Parents bundled for 40-degree weather watched the youngsters scoot from building to building, collecting treats, playing games and chatting with pals.

Northville resident Tom Patterson escorted his son TJ and playmate Brandon Swofford. The two 4-year-olds, "Spiderman" and "Batman," were among several superheroes at the Griswold Road park that night.

"TJ came last year," the senior Patterson said. "He wanted to bring his buddy this year. So, they've been jazzed for weeks."

Crime fighters, princesses, scary creatures, cheerleaders — all kinds of characters entered the village over the bridge from the parking lot.

Firefighter Connor O'Meara, 6, and his sister, princess Maggie, 4, attended the event for the first time. They looped through the Pumpkin Walk route with their parents, Lucy and Bernie, greeting friends and relatives as they walked along the Mill Race path.

"We've had a lot of compliments," said Emily Sherman, recreation department special events and arts programming supervisor. She said the revised route through the historic buildings lent to the event's success.

"People love the new flow," she said. There

were actually more children, but it seemed less crowded than in previous years, she said.

Popular return Pumpkin Walk entertainer, magician Justin Hudy, drew a crowd with his antics near the last stop on the tour. Working with volunteers plucked from the audience, the magician drew gasps of mock horror as he stretched his helper's arm into a miniature guillotine.

Inside the Cady Inn, Ashley Martin-Borgh, 3, patiently glued little pumpkins and cats on two masks at one of the craft tables. "One is for my brother and one is for me," she said.

Six-week-old Carter was at home with his dad, said Ashley's mom, Kimberly Martin. "She's doing pretty good with the little brother idea."

Her daughter had enjoyed the Pumpkin Walk in previous years so she wanted to bring her again, she said.

"The kids are so nice that work here," Martin said. "It's the perfect location to have it, too."

Northville High School trio Bethany Flayre, Sarah Northcutt and Katherine Reaume were among the girl scouts who volunteered to staff the event. From their perch on the Yerkes House porch, the girls distributed coloring books and candy.

The wet weather of early Sunday cleared in time for service organizations to decorate the lawns leading up to the historic buildings with spider webs, luminaries and other spooky objects. Volunteers in the New School Church assisted youngsters with Halloween-theme games of bowling, a bean-bag toss, putting and croquet.

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FAMILY RECREATION

Northville Parks and Recreation is offering other family fun. For more information, call (248) 349-0203.

Dec. 17-19 — "Babes in Toyland" musical production at the Northville Community Senior Center, \$6.

Dec. 31 — Northville Nite at the Recreation Center at Hillside. \$5/tots, \$10/kids, \$15/adults.



Photos by MAUREEN JOHNSTON/NORTHVILLE RECORD

TJ "Spiderman" Patterson and Brandon "Batman" Swofford (above), both 4, were among the superheroes who attended the Northville Parks and Recreation Pumpkin Walk at Mill Race Historical Village Sunday. Inside Cady Inn. Three-year-old Ashley Martin-Borgh (right) creates masks as part of the craft activities.



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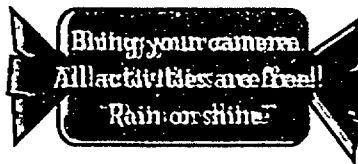
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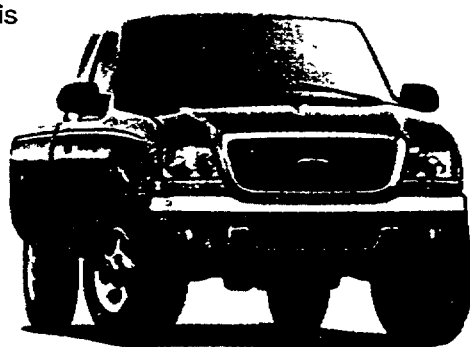
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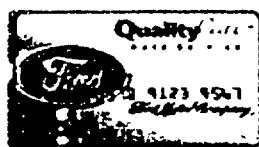
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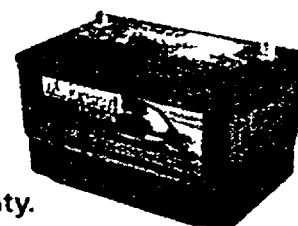
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Save everyone the trouble, Cal. Just add Novi to the list now.

No apology necessary. No shame in your game for stepping up. No harm, no foul.

After all, it's an impressive victory list, seven total. It includes Saline, Plymouth, Wayne Memorial, Livonia Stevenson, John Glenn, Walled Lake Western and Livonia Franklin.

Like you, they too once foolishly believed Northville was a victory waiting to happen, low-hanging fruit waiting to be plucked.

Instead they got bit by the hand that was supposed to feed them, by a defense that refused to quit and an offense with no apparent "off" switch.

It's a list, Cal, replete with doubters and naysayers alike, with the newly awakened and the recently converted. And you and your band of stray 'Cats are about to be unceremoniously added to it.

The woodshed is this way.

Believe it, folks. Northville's back. Hallelujah! Can an editor get an amen?

And yet still you doubt, Cal. Why?

You worship false prophets and you mutter beneath your breath, "Fluke!"

You look at Northville's 7-1 record and smirk. You blaspheme the Mustangs potent spread offense, then openly wonder which Northville Mustangs football team is most likely to show up Friday night.

Is it the one that gives up the occasional big play, you mention in passing? Or is it the team which unapologetically scores 20 unanswered points, en route to ruining your homecoming dreams?

Novi is about to find out. They're about to find out what an Orange Crush feels like up close. The writing is on the scoreboard, my good friend.

Gang Green? That's what you call your defense? Ha! More like green, with envy.

The prophecy is already written, Cal. Tomorrow night the Baseline Jug is coming home. The all-time ledger will get evened at 17 wins apiece and the world will be right once again.

Prattle on, if you want, about the Wildcats stingy defense. And their scary team speed. Ooh! Scary!

Is that the same team that laid an egg last week at Milford? For a second there I wasn't sure. I thought maybe it was Easter.

Save all your KVC chatter and football fodder for the choir to which you preach. Nothing worse than a yapping editor doing silly human tricks.

The Wildcats are a solid team, no question. Fair is fair.

But Northville is destiny's child. Tomorrow night the Mustangs will prove there are plenty of ways to skin a 'Cat.

Buckle up for a ride along Mustangs head coach Clint Alexander's spread offense. Triple wideouts to the short side. Mac Stillec up the gut.

Gang green? Oh, please. Spare me. The jug is coming home tomorrow night.

It's coming home because junior quarterback Charlie Thomas is going to tuck it beneath his arm and run for daylight, then drop back in the pocket and toss it 30 yards downfield to a wide open Mike Jameson.

It's coming home via fumble recoveries and interceptions, pressure defense and special teams play. It's coming home because Northville is where it belongs.

Gang green? No way.

Paint it orange, Cal. A new day is born.

Northville 36, Novi 31.

GAME CONDITIONS

A perfect football night is expected tomorrow when the Novi Wildcats and the Northville Mustangs face off in the annual Baseline Jug game. Game time is 7 p.m. at Hillside Field, located off Taft Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads. Game time temperature is expected to be 52 degrees with mostly cloudy skies and a 20 percent chance of precipitation and 10-11 mile-per-hour southerly winds.

JUG or NOT?

NORHTVILLE HOPES TO EVEN ALL-TIME SERIES



Mustangs receiver Mike Jameson stretches for a catch during last Friday's victory over Livonia Stevenson.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Mustangs roll over Livonia Stevenson, 35-9

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

If Northville football coach Clint Alexander's calculations are correct, he and his Mustangs are the second-place finishers in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The Mustangs secured their finish with a 35-9 drubbing of the Livonia Stevenson Spartans last Friday night.

Canton earned the top spot with a win over the John Glenn Rockets, who Northville beat earlier this season.

"We physically handled Glenn and then turned around and physically handled Stevenson," Alexander said. "In our eyes, we're second place in the conference."

With cold winds and pesky rain assailing the field, the Mustangs had to find a way to win despite the conditions. The answer? Northville's defense.

Junior defensive back David Bandy made a statement — throw against the Mustangs and you're

going to get picked. He snagged two interceptions in the game, while senior Mark Hudson grabbed one of his own as did Chris McGuire.

"Bandy is having an outstanding season," Alexander noted. "He's been playing great football for us."

Also putting up impressive numbers were Joe Hogan and Ryan Xuereb. Hogan recorded 11 tackles and a sack in the game while Xuereb blasted through the line for 10 tackles. Both players are defensive linemen.

The Mustang defense allowed just 59 yards passing and 140 yards rushing. Stevenson previously had been averaging approximately 36 points a game.

Even with such solid defensive play, it's common knowledge defenders don't get the glory. That's reserved for offensive powerhouses like senior runningback Mac Stillec and junior quarterback Charlie Thomas.

Stillec pounded out 273 yards on just 16 carries and hauled in two touchdowns. Thomas didn't have

Wildcats fall to Milford, 21-14

The Novi Wildcats didn't fare as well as their Baseline rivals last Friday.

The 'Cats, who earned a KVC conference title this season, fell to the Milford Mavericks, 21-14 last week.

Novi fell behind 14-0 with just 3:33 left in the first quarter of the game before senior quarterback Kevin Cisllo broke loose for an 86-yard scoring scamper just 21 seconds later to cut the lead to 14-7.

Milford, however, wasn't about to go silently into the second period of play. Instead, they added their third touchdown of the game with just 2:21 left on the clock on a 31-yard sprint into the endzone for the 21-7 difference.

Novi fought back in the second quarter, scoring against on a Cisllo touchdown from 19 yards away, but that would prove the last time the Wildcats would see the endzone.

The defense gave up 219 yards on the ground and 26 yards through the air. The Novi offense ran 33 times for 227 yards and completed four passes for 42

near the yardage, but ventured three times into the endzone himself.

"It all goes to the offensive line," Alexander said. "They know the system so well it's like having coaches on the field."

The Spartans scored early in the contest on a fade pass to the south

endzone. Their second score came as a snap flew over punter Rick Birdsell's head and out of the endzone for a safety.

Northville (7-1) is slated to play Novi (6-2) tomorrow at home. Kickoff is 7 p.m.



Photo by JEREMY KINDY/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Runningback Josh Woods breaks a tackle against Milford last Friday night.

Defense
will topple
Mustangs

I have only been to one Novi football game this year, and that was by accident. I worked a little later than usual one Friday evening, and just happened to head toward the freeway up Taft. I saw the stadium lights and thought, "Why not?"

I only saw the first half of the Wildcats' 42-6 dismantling of Pinckney, but that was enough to know that Tab Kellepourey's squad is plenty tough once again.

Last year, I saw several games, including the annual battle for the Baseline Jug. I predicted a 52-14 'Cats victory, and they wound up on top of rival Northville 35-16.

Calling for a 38-point win margin probably wasn't the brightest thing

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NOVI NEWS EDITOR

to do, but my cohort at the time,

Northville Record Editor Chris Davis, left me no choice but to make it very clear that Novi was going to win and win big.

This year I won't be so reckless, although I'm sure Davis' successor, David Aguilar (aka Fresh Blood), would love for me to go out on the limb big time.

The Mustangs are sporting a 7-1 record and one of the most dangerous Western Lakes Athletics Association offenses of recent memory. These guys run and they gun. In fact, they've scored three times as many touchdowns as Novi has allowed all year.

The 'Cats, too, are no slouches with the ball in hand. They've

scored three times as many TDs as they've allowed. Of course, that probably says more about their defense, which is brutal.

There are some other factors to consider, however. This is for the Baseline Jug. It's like when Michigan State University and University of Michigan go at it. Records and stats don't seem to matter as much as pride and bragging rights. For the record, Novi is on top of the series — but only slightly, 17-16.

Even though Novi and Northville share a common border, and many of these guys grew up playing with each other, this is a home game for the 'Stangs. Yes, Novi will bring a strong contingent, but they'll need it to fend off the sea of black-and-orange.

While Northville was slapping Livonia Stevenson, 35-9, last Friday, Novi was struggling with Milford, losing 21-14. This could mean several things. Northville is feeling cocky and ready to even the Baseline score. Novi is out to show why they're the outright Kensington Valley Conference champs.

With 939 passing yards, Charlie Thomas is toting a canon for Northville, and he's got a pair of great targets in Mike Jameson and Richie Neiman. If he can't find them, Thomas will run it himself (575 yards) or hand it off to Mac Stillec (927) or Cody Sivic (423). Ouch!

But Novi has many ways to stop the run, mainly brothers Josh and Jarrell Woods, and Robbie Carter, and Sean Costello, and... on and on. You get the point. The 'Cats are going to need their speed in their secondary, however, or it's going to be target practice for the 'Stangs.

On average, Novi has allowed 11 points per game this year. Northville will score more than that — I'm figuring around 24 — but not enough to top the Wildcats' 27. Close, David — but no cigar.

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JUG HISTORY

The Baseline Jug Northville and Novi play for the ninth week of each football season is actually the replacement for a ceramic jug which was destroyed. The Northville Record and the Novi News enlisted the help of Guernsey Dairy Farms, who donated a milk jug, which was painted and returned to the game for the victor to hoist. Novi's won the last three years and letterman wear jacket patches to make note of each victory. No Northville players were in high school the last time the Mustangs won the jug in 2000.

BATTLE *of the*

Can Northville spread and shred Wildcats?

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

From front to back: Senior runningback Mac Stilec, junior quarterback Charlie Thomas and senior tackle Mark Yassay.



By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

For the Northville Mustangs football team, the spread offense has been the vehicle with which they have traveled to all of their destinations so far this season.

Led by junior quarterback Charlie Thomas, the Mustangs have been able to spread and shred seven of their eight opponents. They are hoping to make it eight by the end of tomorrow night.

"If they concentrate too much on the run, we'll throw," Thomas said. "If they try to stop the pass, we'll run. If they concentrate on Mac (Stilec), then I'll run the ball. If they concentrate on me, then we give it to Mac."

The spread offense makes Northville dangerous because they are confident they have an answer for every situation they face.

With nearly eight yards per rush this season and two of the top rushers in their conference, the top passer in the WLAA and two of the top receivers, one has to wonder where it all starts.

"It all starts with the line," Stilec said. "We couldn't do any of the things we do if it wasn't for them."

Mark Yassay, a senior offensive tackle, isn't about to say those things though. He lets his actions speak for him by slamming defensive players into the ground with pancake blocks.

"We're a family," Yassay said. "We have to trust the man next to you. You just have to trust them."

Yassay said he would trust his fellow offensive linemen with anything and everything. So would the rest of the team.

"They are just amazing," Thomas said. "I'm extremely comfortable when they're blocking for me."

With such blocking taking place, Thomas has had to opportunity to lead the league in passing. Stilec and runningback Cody Sivic have become two of the top rushers in their division along with their quarterback.

"You can have a great receiver, great runningbacks and even a great quarterback, but it doesn't mean anything if you don't have any blocking," Thomas said. "They make huge holes for us and give me plenty of time to throw. They're just phenomenal."

Taking on Novi and the possi-

bility of beating them means a lot more than just the opportunity to hoist the Baseline Jug over their heads. Instead, it means the chance for home-field advantage in the early rounds of the playoffs.

To some, it means even more than that.

"Personally, I'd like to beat them because I haven't beat Novi in football since seventh grade," Stilec said. "It's kind of a personal thing. That's my reason to want to beat them."

The last time Northville earned a victory over their rivals was in 1999. This year, the whole team seems to be able to taste the blood in the water.

"Our coach took us this far, and now it's up to us," said Yassay. "The coaches have done everything and they've prepared us. They've done an outstanding job and now we have to go out and execute."

Novi isn't hesitant to say they are looking forward to a win as well, especially considering they bowed out against Milford last week to put their record at 6-2.

The Wildcats are speedy, and every member of the Northville team recognizes that and the threat it poses.

"They are extremely fast," Thomas said. "We'll have to push it and push it against them."

The Mustangs admit that there is a special relationship between them and their foes from across Eight Mile Road — they know each other. Many of them even played on the Novi-Northville Colts football team together.

"Normally you play against kids you don't know," Stilec said. "We know these guys. We're playing for pride. We want to make a statement."

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"We're playing for pride. We want to make a statement."

Mac Stilec
Senior Runningback

Northville

Mustangs

PASSING

Player	Yards	TDs
Charlie Thomas	939	4

RECEIVING

Player	Yards	TDs
Mike Jameson	455	3
Richie Nejman	245	0

RUSHING

Player	Yards	TDs
Mac Stilec	927	14

Charlie Thomas	575	13
Cody Sivic	423	4

TACKLES AND SACKS

Player	Tackles	Sacks
Mike Kelleher	46	0
David Bandy	45	0
Chris McGuire	45	0
Ryan Xuereb	40	0
Ricky Birdsall	38	0
Joe Prain	38	3
Joe Hogan	29	3

Joe Perpich	18	4
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INTERCEPTIONS

Player	Interceptions
David Bandy	6
Ousama El-Saadi	2
Three others	1

TEAM TOTALS

Category	Total Yards	TDs
Passing	975	4
Rushing	2060	33

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Tennis takes eighth

The Northville tennis team brought home an eighth-place finish in the state last Saturday, finishing behind Ann Arbor Pioneer and Ann Arbor Huron.

"We ran into some tough draws," Sandy Woolfall said. "It wasn't anything our players did wrong. It was just the players we went up against were on fire."

The top showing of the day for Northville came in the third singles flight. Chelsea Johnston clawed her way through the second and third rounds, defeating players from Holland West Ottawa and West Bloomfield along the way.

In the semifinal round, Johnston ran into flight runner-up Saamee Chung of Ann Arbor Huron and fell, 6-2, 6-1.

Making the quarterfinals was Christina Ruiz, the Mustangs' sophomore one singles player. There, she fell to Catrina Batui in a hard fought match, 7-6(5), 7-5.

"That girl played a tremendous match," Woolfall said. "Christina did nothing wrong, but that girl just played outstanding."

Also in the quarterfinals was the one doubles team of Jen Harkness and Amanda Darish. The duo made a strong run, but fell to a strong couple from Midland Dow, 6-2, 6-3.

Two doubles, three doubles, four doubles, two singles and four singles all fell in the second round.

"There's nothing for our players to be ashamed of," Woolfall said. "This has been a great year."

Northville graduates five players this year, including Erica Dobson, Shannon Farris, Amy Knoth and the doubles team of Harkness and Darish.

Woolfall said Northville should have a strong line-up again next year.

"Single will remain very strong," she said. "We should be as good of a team as we were this year."

Golf bows out in regional

The Northville Mustangs golf season came to an end in regional play recently, finding the members of the squad who will be returning next season looking ahead and those who won't looking back.

The Mustangs graduate All-Western Division player Jimmy Gates as well as Greg Jones, Nick Guerrero and Justin Kolbow.

"Of course all the seniors will be missed because of their leadership both on and off the course," coach Tom Shaw said. "But losing Gates and Kolbow will be huge because they are our captains and a great help to me as a coach."

Northville finished 8-3 in the Western Lakes and 9-4 overall on the season. Next season, the squad is hoping to have even more success. But, there will have to be some hard decisions right out of the gate for the coach.

"We will have eight sophomores returning to compete for varsity and six juniors returning as well," Shaw said. "That means I will have to make some very tough decisions early in the season as to who will be making the 10 spots for varsity."

"I haven't ever had a situation like that where I will have that many returning players competing for varsity."

Mustangs cagers split week

The Northville Mustangs girls basketball team found themselves overpowering one team by 10 points and falling to another by the same point-spread last week.

The Mustangs upended Wayne Memorial, 34-24, but fell to Canton, 35-25.

Against the Wayne Zebras, senior forward Evonna Karchon led the team with 18 points. She pulled down 11 rebounds for a double-double on the night.

Simone Toney scored five points, while Chrissy Castelli added four and Danielle Toney added three. Scoring two points was Heather Cox, Lindsay Blair and Megan Beger added one.

Against Canton, the Mustangs were trailing just 15-11 at the end of the half but could not erase the deficit as they fell to their division rivals.



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Mustangs Jasen Turnbull and Liz Hrivnak hope to keep running away with races as the cross country season continues with state competition.

Ramadan: 'fast' times at Northville High

El-Saadi, Deaibes
keep Muslim
promise during
school — and
between snapsBy Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

At 7 p.m. last Friday night, the Northville Mustangs and the Livonia Stevenson Spartans started their football game with the opening kick.

Four minutes later, supper was being served on the sidelines.

For Northville senior Oussama El-Saadi and junior Shadi Deaibes — who practice the Islamic faith and celebrate Ramadan, a Muslim holy tradition — it was the first time they had been able to eat for almost 11 hours.

"Someone turned around and asked why we were eating," Deaibes said. "They

thought the coach was going to kill us."

But he didn't. Coach Clint Alexander and his staff know the fasting El-Saadi and Deaibes undertake during the holy month.

"We are very aware of it," Alexander said. "We've given them the green light to step out of any drills they need to. We've been through it for three years with Oussama and we want to support them in any way we can."

Based on Muslim tradition, fasting occurs from sunrise to sunset every day. According to the Holy Koran, one may eat and drink at any time during the night "until you can plainly distinguish a white thread from a black thread by the daylight; then keep the fast until night."

When nightfall arrives, the two Mustang football players are ready.

"We just brought some food with us," El-Saadi said of the football game. "We know when it's time to eat and we're prepared."

From bananas to apples to peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, the athletes were quick to eat and even quicker to get back into the game.

"I'm always so impressed," Alexander said. "I'm impressed with how disciplined

those boys are and I'm impressed with how much their faith means to them. They're devout. Those character traits are why they're great players."

El-Saadi said the key to a successful school day and football practice is preparation.

"We wake up early and eat and drink," he said. "I had a bad first day, but yesterday and today have been a lot better."

Ramadan officially started Oct. 15 and the fast will run the entire month, ending Nov. 13 with Eid al-Fitr, a Muslim holiday that translates roughly to the Holiday of Fast Breaking.

The fast is challenging. During the month, Muslims focus on their faith.

The real slim Shadi

While El-Saadi has the benefit of his family to support him, Deaibes does not.

"I'm the only member of my family who fasts," he said.

Still, the junior does have someone looking out for him.

"Oussama calls me at four in the morning to wake me up and make sure I get something to eat and plenty to drink."

Deaibes said. "He's like an older brother to me."

Both players said they typically lose about 10 pounds during the fast. They also said it can prove to be a challenge during school.

El-Saadi and Deaibes both hit the books in the library during lunch at Northville. That way, they won't have to watch their friends eat.

"They are very supportive and very considerate," El-Saadi said of his teammates and friends. "They try to avoid eating in front of me."

With three full weeks of Ramadan remaining, both El-Saadi and Deaibes will have to focus themselves on eating smart and right before the sun comes up and after it dips below the horizon in order to continue as impact players on the gridiron.

They said it's all worth it. "It's part of our faith," Deaibes said. "We're going to work through it. It's only a month."

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Team unity is always main course for hungry Mustangs

Watching one teenage football player gobble down breakfast can be an amazing experience. They pile food on their plates and inhale it as though they're starving.

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ing into the basement to watch game tapes.

The McGuires, who are the parents of junior Chris McGuire and coach Greg McGuire, were more than happy to do it.

"I love it," Martin said. "I come from a family of 14, so big groups are not unusual."

And neither is feeding big groups. The McGuires and their family are the owners of Guernsey Farms Dairy on the border of Novi and Northville on Novi Road. There, they constantly serve break-

fast, lunch and dinner to hungry throngs — all while managing to keep milk and other dairy supplies available to businesses and customers throughout the area.

"Fifty people is a small group for us," Martin said with a laugh.

The McGuires, along with daughter-in-law, Kim, and grandson, Mason, teamed up with Cindy Yassay and her youngest son, Mike, to make the breakfast possible.

The team appreciated it, wiping out the massive supply of food like a tornado ripping through a trailer park. They inhaled everything in sight and then packed themselves in front of a television to prepare themselves for their game against Stevenson later that night.

"That just shows how much they enjoy being around each other," Cindy said. "They are willing to practically sit on top of each other down there to watch game tapes."

And that wasn't the end of their time together. Following their review of previous contests, the Mustangs jumped in their cars and went to the movies to watch "Friday Night Lights," a movie about high school football of all things.

Their closeness could easily be attributed as one of the reasons the team sits at 7-1 for the first time



Photo by SAM EGGLESTON/NORTHVILLE RECORD

The Mustangs are poised for a Baseline Jug matchup and a state playoff run.

since the 1993. It's the first year since 2001 the squad has made the playoffs.

"It was a dream come true," Martin said. "So many hours and all the work they put in. It really means a lot to these kids and the parents."

Though winning can better the mood of any football team, Cindy Yassay said she can't see any difference in how the players treat each other even come next season.

"There are no seniors, juniors, sophomores or even freshmen," she said. Her son, sophomore quarterback Mike Yassay agreed. "There

Back to back

Turnbull, Hrivnak pace
Mustangs to division titlesBy Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

WLAA MEET

The Northville Mustangs boys' and girls' cross country teams will compete tomorrow at Willow Metro Park for the WLAA conference title. The girls begin at 4:10 p.m., the boys at 4:45 p.m.

Two individual Western Division and two team division champions means one thing for the boys' and girls' cross country teams — they are one of the favorites to win their respective conference races.

Senior harrier Liz Hrivnak and sophomore Jasen Turnbull won their respective division titles and also led their teams to the crown last week. Tomorrow, they run against the rest of the Western Lakes Activities Association in hopes of winning once again.

"It felt good," Hrivnak said of her division victory. "I didn't get my best time, but it was still a good race."

Hrivnak said with a run against the Lakes Divisions' Churchill, Salem and Stevenson, she may find herself running her best time of the season.

"I'm really hoping it will," she said. "With all the other runners pushing me, my time should drop. It's going to be some tough competition though."

Turnbull's comments were similar.

"I'm looking forward to it," he said. "I think (if I'm pushed) I can run in the low 16s."

Turnbull said he will be coming out of the gate strong and hopefully putting up his best performance of the year. He also noted that he may not push himself to the limits in the first two miles as he has done in the past.

"I came out slower than I ever have before and I had my best race," he said of last week's race. "I'll probably do the same thing."

The WLAA conference meet will be held at Willow Metro Park, which is an undulating course much like Northville's home track of Cass Benton.

"I just have to pace myself," Hrivnak said of keeping up with the favored girl from Stevenson. "I think it just adds to it. I know what I can do, but running against tough competition pushes me to do more than I can do."

Both Turnbull and Hrivnak know what it means to push themselves beyond their limits. Both have set their best times this season and both are looking to improve on those times.

Hrivnak has conquered her limits on more than one occasion.

"Two years ago I ran a 19:16 and then I didn't hit that again for the next two races," she said. "I thought that was probably as fast as I can go. I also heard senior year wasn't always the best. I definitely wasn't expecting it to be."

For Northville boys' and girls' cross country, the message is clear — never give up and never quit trying. It's the difference between running home and racing for a state title.

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Mustang goalie Steve Besk makes a stab at a save during warmups before facing the Rocks of Salem.

ONE GOAL IN MIND

Mustangs soccer team eyes tonight's Stevenson rivalry matchup, state title

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Losing to the Stevenson Spartans in the conference title game last week could have been considered a crushing defeat by many Northville soccer fans.

Players and head coach Henry Klimes see it as a springboard.

"I'm looking forward to it," Klimes said of playing Stevenson for a third time tonight at 5 p.m. The game will be played at Stevenson's home field. "We ended up with a bloody lip and hopefully that has us fired up for the (district) tournament."

No one argued that it stung to lose the conference title to their bitter rivals — a team the Mustangs beat earlier this year. The season series is tied at 1-1.

A second Northville win last week would have meant a possible sweep — and more fuel for the competitive fire.

"That would have just given them more fuel to beat us," Klimes said. "Now, it added fuel to our fire. Hopefully our guys are a little pissed off."

Junior forward Mike Cornelius is. He knows the true value behind his squad's loss to Stevenson.

"Yeah, it adds a lot of fuel to my fire," he said. "We're looking at it as a motivator. Instead of it being such a bad thing, it's motivating some guys to play harder."

Beyond having it count against them as a failure to secure their conference title, the Mustangs are feeling the sting of their first loss of the season.

"It's the first loss for everyone on the team," Cornelius said. "We're using it to our benefit and we're learning from our mistakes."

The Mustangs will have a completely healthy squad today when they play Stevenson. James Hannah, Mike Blasius and even Cornelius are back. Phil Yutzy returns as well for his first game since Aug. 28 when he broke his foot.

For Northville, this game is going to prove to be the biggest of their season.

"It's all or nothing," Cornelius said.

Klimes agreed.

"No offense to the other teams in the state, but this is a game that will be played much like a regional or state semi-final match-up," the coach said. "It's unfortunate to see these two teams play so early in the tournament."

The key will be for Northville to score more goals than the powerful Spartans — but the Mustang defense will have the opportunity to control the game as well.

"I don't think they get enough credit for the success the team has had so far," Cornelius said. "I have so much confidence in them."

Northville ended their season with a 17-1-1 mark and finished with a first-place ranking in the state.

"No one cares if we are 17-1-1 or 18-0-1," Klimes said. "We're all going to be 0-0 when the tournament starts."

"It doesn't matter who's ranked number one or who isn't ranked at all. The only thing that matters is who wants it more and who's willing to work for it."

Klimes said the Mustangs definitely want it. If so, getting past Stevenson is the first step.

Sam Eggleston can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.



Mustangs head coach Henry Klimes hopes a recent loss to league rival Livonia Stevenson will serve as motivation for tonight's game and pay long-term dividends — a state soccer title.

TONIGHT'S MATCHUP

The Northville Mustangs will try to avenge a loss last week to Livonia Stevenson when they travel to the Spartans' homefield tonight for a 5 p.m. game. Both teams are staunch WLAA rivals and favorites for a state soccer championship. The season series is tied 1-1.

Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record



Mustang soccer head coach Henry Klimes talks to his team before they take the field against the Salem Rocks.



Mustang Scott Hammerle warms up before Northville's game against Salem.



Senior Mustangs forward James Hannah keeps his eye on the ball near the Rocks' goal. Hannah received a red card from the referee for disputing the Rocks' alignment on a Mustangs' penalty kick.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

Library Lines

Storytime

Registration for the fall series of storytimes for children who are 4, 5 or in Kindergarten begins on Sept. 14. Designed for children who are comfortable attending without a caregiver present, these six-week series feature stories and creative activities. Each session lasts 45 minutes and is limited to 20 children. Select from one of the following series: Mondays at 4 p.m., until Nov. 8; Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m. or 2 p.m., until Nov. 9.

Library Hours

The Northville District Library is open 10 a.m. - 9 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday. 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.

Local Events

Halloween Madness

This October enjoy an afternoon of "Halloween Madness" at Northville's historic Marquis Theatre. The show is about some average, fun-loving creatures who live in an old castle with their servants and pets. You won't want to miss this comedy! Bring the entire family and come dressed in your favorite Halloween costume. Performance dates and times are Saturdays at 2:30 p.m., Oct. 23 and 30; Saturdays at 11 a.m., Oct. 23 and 30; Sundays at 2:30 p.m., Oct. 24 and 31; Friday at 7 p.m., Oct. 29. Tickets are \$7.50. Please no children under age 3. The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main St. For group rates and reservations call (248) 349-8110.

Hollows Eve Dance

All 9th-12th graders are invited to dress in (church appropriate) costume and attend the dance at Our Lady of Victory Church in Social Hall, 770 Thayer Blvd., Oct. 23. The cost of the 7-9:30 p.m. dance is \$5 and includes swing dance lessons and refreshments. For more information, call (248) 349-0216.

Halloween

Halloween Trick or Treat Hours for the City of Northville are Sunday, Oct. 31 between the hours of 6 and 8 p.m.

Halloween Open House

Food and fun for all! Hours are 6-8 p.m. in conjunction with trick or treating. The siren will sound to start and end trick or treating hours. During this time the fire department will be serving popcorn, cotton candy, cider, doughnuts and pop and will hold a costume contest for all ages. Judging starts at 7:30 p.m. For further information on any of these events you can contact the Fire Department at (248) 449-9920.

Goblin and Ghost Goodies

Get ready for a spooky time that will have you making very scary treats for Halloween. All supplies included to make cookies and candy. Grades 1-5 are welcome. The fun will take place Saturday, Oct. 30, 2-3 p.m. (check in at 1:45 p.m.) at the Hillside Home Economic Room. The cost is \$25, \$30 and \$35.

Howl-o-ween Pet Festival and Parade

Dress up your pet and come on out to Ford Field from 2-5 p.m. for games, contests, prizes and more - all to celebrate Halloween! Then walk your pet up to the downtown bandshell for the Howl-o-ween Pet Parade at 5 p.m. Walk around Northville with you and your pet in costume. You can meet other pet owners and help support a really great program - the Northville Dog Park. Parade participants require registration (either in advance or at 4:45 p.m. the day of the parade). Costume contests and prizes for parade participants will follow. The event takes place Saturday, Oct. 30, 2-5 p.m. at Ford Field, the parade begins at 5 p.m. at the Bandshell. The parade participation fee is \$10.

Corn Maze

The Corn Maze, sponsored by Farmer Jack stores, opened to the public Friday, Sept. 17 and will be open every weekend through Oct. 31.

The Maze is at Maybury Farm, 50255 Eight Mile Road (half mile east of Napier Road) in Northville.

Please use the Maybury State Park entrance in the Maybury Farm Welcome Center.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children, children under 3 are free. Tickets are available at the Maybury Farm Welcome Center, the Northville Chamber of Commerce or the Northville Community Foundation. All proceeds will go towards the feeding of the animals and the rebuilding of Maybury Farm.

Turkey Shoot

This year's 11th Annual Turkey Shoot will pair up kids and adults to give their best free throws during the family free throw contest. Points are awarded for each basket made, rim shot and miss. Groups are determined by child's age. Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams in each age group. The cost for this event is the donation of canned goods or other non-perishable items to be forwarded to the Northville Civic Concern for distribution to those in need during the holidays. Pre-register at the Northville Parks and Recreation Office by Nov. 12. Join the family fun Saturday, Nov. 13 from 4-5 p.m., final registrations from 3:30-4:00 p.m., at Hillside Middle School Gym. Bring the canned good donation to the door the day of the event.

Holiday Lighted Parade

Sponsored by the Northville Central Business Association will take place Nov. 19. For more information, please call (248) 349-0611.

Christmas Walk

Begin your holiday season with a special visit to downtown Northville. Wrap yourself in the warmth of Northville and attend the 23rd Annual Christmas Walk on Sunday, Nov. 21 from 12-5 p.m. Various downtown merchants will be welcoming visitors with free holiday treats and special activities in their stores. Local organizations will be selling Christmas items. There will be free horse and carriage rides with Santa and his reindeer. Holiday performances in the Bandshell include Roy Scoutz and the Center Stage Dancers. The Plymouth Community Chorus and a strolling minstrel will be spreading the holiday spirit throughout town.

Children's Christmas Workshop

Registration for the Children's Christmas Workshop begins on Nov. 5 at 6 p.m. for members, 7 p.m. for non-members. The Children's Christmas Workshop will take place at Mill Race Village on Dec. 4 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1-3 p.m. For more information, please call the Northville Historical Society at (248) 348-1845.

All A-Glow/Illumination for

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD High & Elm Streets, Northville T. Luback, Pastor Church 349-3140 School 349-3146 Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Contemporary Service at 11:00 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Classes 9:45 a.m.	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 200 E. Main St. at Huron - (248) 349-0711 Worship & Church School - 10:00am Childcare Available at All Services Youth Group Wed. 4:15 Gr. 1-5, 5:00 M/S/S/H Singles Place Ministry - Thurs. 7:30pm Rev. W. Kent Cline, Pastor Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor
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CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL (Anglican) 10 Mile between Taft & Back, Nov Phone: 349-1175 Sun 7:45 & 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Sunday School & Nursery 10 am Rev. Karen Henry, Pastor www.churchoftheholycross.com	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 349-1144 8 Mile & Taft Roads Worship Services 8:00am & 9:30am Rev. John Hice Rev. Lisa Cook
FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 44400 W 10 Mile, Nov. 248-349-2345 1/2 mile west of Nov Rd. Dr. Richard J. Henderson, Pastor Worship & Church School 9 & 10:30 am Sunday	FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE on Haggerty Rd. North of 8 Mile Rd Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Celebration 10:50 a.m. (248) 348-7600 Dr. Ron Blake, Pastor
ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI 45325 10 Mile Rd Novi, MI 48374 Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Reverend George Charkley, Pastor Parish Office 347-7778	BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place." - Luke 2:15 35300 W. 8 Mile, Farmington Hills, MI (248) 478-6520 (2 mi. E of Haggerty, N side of 8 Mile) Sunday Morning Worship 8:30 & 10:45 AM Sunday School (All Ages) 9:30 AM
CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Nov. MI 48375 Masses Sat 5 pm, Sun 7:30 a.m. 8:45 am, 10:30 am, 12:15 pm Holy Days: 9 am, 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm Fr. John G. Budda, Pastor Fr. Paul Bollen, Associate Pastor Parish Office: 349-8847	OAK POINTE CHURCH Northville High School on 6 Mile Sunday 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Casual, contemporary live band (248) 615-7050
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CHURCH DIRECTORY

For information regarding rates call The Northville Record or Novi News (248) 349-1700

Education

Sponsored by the Mother's Club will take place Dec. 10. For more information, please call (248) 349-6364.

Candlelight Walk

Sponsored by the Northville Central Business Association will take place Dec. 10. For more information, please call (248) 349-0611.

Babes in Toyland - Northville Youth Theatre

This holiday classic will run at the Senior Community Center on Dec. 17, 18 and 19. Tickets go on sale Aug. 18. Presented by Northville Parks and Recreation and Serendipity Productions.

A Little Charm and Grace

Learn the ABC's and 123's of good manners. In this class you will be taught basic table manners, the value of a thank you card, the importance of a proper introduction and other etiquette tips. All of these things brought to you in a fun and interactive class. Includes a snack, for ages 6-10. Come to the Recreation Center at Hillside Crow's Nest, Saturday, Nov. 13 from 10-11:30 a.m. The cost is \$15, \$20 and \$25.

Holiday Home Tour

The Holiday Home Tour is upon us once again and the homes are gorgeous - and that is without holiday decorations. Five absolutely beautiful homes have been selected and will be decorated by the most requested decorators over the past several years. The homes selected are breathtaking and worth seeing as they will truly be a dream when our decorators finish. This tour has been a sell out each and every year and we anticipate the same this year.

The tour will take place Nov. 12-13 at 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tickets are available for \$18 at the following locations: Northville Chamber of Commerce, 195 S. Main St., (248) 349-7640; Preferences, 103 E. Main St., (248) 344-8790; Gardenviews, 202 W. Main St., (248) 380-8881 and Northville Community Foundation, 18600 Northville Road, (248) 374-0200. You may also purchase your tickets by charging them to your Visa or MasterCard by calling (248) 374-0200.

Skiing and Snowboarding Club

Skiers and snowboarders of all abilities in middle and high school, are invited to join the popular Northville Ski and Snowboard Club. Students in grades 4 and 5 are invited to join the Juniors Ski and Snowboard Club. Club membership fee includes: Luxury motor coach transportation for all trips, four pre-paid rope tow tickets and instructional lessons at Mt. Brighton, and two rope tow tickets for Alpine Valley.

Registration fees: Residents

\$155, School District Residents \$160 and Nonresidents \$165. For more information, call (248) 349-0203.

Used Children's Sports, Play and Arts Equipment Sale

Get together your child's recreational gear, sports, play and arts equipment of all kinds and bring them out to the sale. You'll decide what your stuff is worth and we will sell it for you for a 35 percent fee. For those who have a lot of stuff to sell, pick up price tags from the Parks and Recreation office now. Drop off the gently used equipment Friday, Nov. 26 from 3-7 p.m., Sell it Saturday, Nov. 27 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and pick up the money or unsold equipment the same day from 1-3 p.m.

Memoir Writing

Have you ever hankered to write your life's story for your kids, your grandkids or for posterity? Try your hand at it in this class with Kathleen Ripley Leo, and make your memories come alive again. Refreshments will be provided. Adults are welcome to attend this four week class that meets Tuesdays, from Nov. 9-30, at the Senior Community Center in the Mainville Room. Cost is \$83, \$88 and \$93.

Handcrafter's Craft Show

More than 90 juried artists will display their wares. At the Recreation Center at Hillside Middle School, 700 W. Baseline (enter on Sheldon/Center Street), Friday, Dec. 8, 6-9 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 10, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 10, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Admission is \$2. For more information, please call (734) 459-0050. No strollers please.

Looking for You

Mentors Needed

Northville Youth Assistance, a program dedicated to preventing the problems faced by youths by matching them one-on-one with a volunteer mentor, needs volunteers. Mentors undergo 15 hours of training before being matched with a Northville youth.

They are then asked to spend 1-2 hours per week with the youth for the period of approximately one year. The training session began Sept. 30, 2004. NYA also offers free tutoring to elementary students. To volunteer as a mentor or tutor, please call (248) 344-1618.

Tutors

Northville Youth Assistance

(NYA) is in need of adult volunteers for a new program that provides free tutoring for elementary school students in Northville. Volunteers should be able to commit to one hour per week. This is a great opportunity to show our local students that their community cares about them and their success in school. If you are interested, please call the NYA office at (248) 344-1618 or e-mail the NYA office.

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.

Camera Club

Join the Northville Arts Commission and Northville Camera the second Tuesday of the month to show your work! Meetings will feature guest speakers and opportunities for members to receive feedback. Contact Tom James of Northville Camera at northvillecamera@sbcglobal.net or Ken Naigus of Northville Arts commission at kdn@Comcast.net

The next Northville Camera Club meeting will be held Nov. 9, 7:30 p.m. at the Art House, 215 Cady St.

Maybury Stables

Bring the family to Maybury Park to enjoy horseback riding. The riding stable is open Tuesday-Sunday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. (closed on Mondays) until Nov. 21. Riders must be on a horse by 6 p.m. to make the last ride.

Kids must be at least 54 inches tall to ride. There is also a 240 pound weight limit for all of the horses. For more information, call (248) 347-1088 or visit www.mayburyridingstable.com.

Cider Mill

Parmenter's Northville Cider Mill is opening this season from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., until Nov. 21. Gather the family and get into the spirit of fall with fresh apple cider, doughnuts and caramel apples. Wine tasting is also available. Parmenter's Northville Cider Mill is located at 714 Baseline Road. For more information, call (248) 349-3181.

Vine2Wine

Customize your own bottle of wine to suit your taste. The downtown Northville winery carries red and white wines and is open year round, closed on Monday. For

MOOSETRAP

Parlour Theatre Productions returns to the Novi Sheraton in a new mystery play: "Moosetrap," by writer-director Angela Krist. Parlour Theatre is a Northville-based repertory company that has been performing locally and throughout eastern lower Michigan for over 12 years. For "Moosetrap," Krist has assembled a motley group of actors at Moose Lake Lodge, located on a remote island in the middle of a large northern lake. As the story goes, they are there to rehearse for the first American production of "The Mousetrap." Soon it becomes clear some of the cast members are harboring some unsavory little secrets - and someone is out to make sure "The Mousetrap" never hits the boards. The audience is invited to solve the murder before darkness reveals the final ending. "Moosetrap" will premier Oct. 30 at the forum in the Novi Sheraton, Haggerty Road at Eight Mile. There are two performances, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Admission is \$10. For information, call Parlour Theatre at (248) 449-6540.

more information, call (248) 465-9463.

Arts Commission

The Northville Arts Commission serves the Northville community by providing quality events and activities to enrich its citizens' lives through the arts. The organization is volunteer based and open to residents and employees of businesses located in Northville and surrounding communities. Meetings are open to the public and held at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at Northville City Hall. For more information, call (248) 449-9950, e-mail esherman@ci.northville.mi.us.

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Northville

Pets on Parade is planned

The Howl-O-Ween Pet Festival and Parade is scheduled from 2-5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 30. Costumed pets and their owners will have the opportunity to participate in games, contests and more at Ford Field in downtown Northville. The pet parade will begin at 5 p.m. Ford Field is located just north of Main Street and to the east of Sheldon Road/Center Street. The event is being organized by the Northville Department of Parks and Recreation.

Pumpkin Walk set at village

The 2004 Pumpkin Walk will be at the Historic Mill Race Village in downtown Northville. The Mill will once again open to provide young children with a safe and non-scary chance to trick-or-treat, create craft projects, and play games. The event will take place between 6-8:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 17. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Mill Race Village is located north of Main Street on Griswold Street, east of Sheldon Road/Center Street. Tickets are available through the Northville Department of Parks and Recreation.

Corn Maze helps Maybury

The Pumpkin Patch at Maybury Farm is open for early pumpkin shoppers. Tractor rides to the patch are available for a \$2 donation per adult, \$1 per child (4-11), under 4 free and \$3 per pumpkin. The Corn Maze is still going strong and is open on Fridays, 5-9 p.m., as well as Saturdays and Sundays, 2-9 p.m. Tickets are \$4 per child and \$8 per adult. All of the proceeds from these two events will go toward rebuilding Maybury Farm. For additional information call 248-374-0200.

Canton

Family Fright Night Fiesta set

Do the mash-the monster mash, from 7-9 p.m., Oct. 22 at the Summit on the Park grand ballroom. The First Annual Halloween Dance will feature music, light refreshments, door prizes and a costume contest. Tickets will not be sold at this event and walk-ins will not be accepted. Tickets must be purchased beforehand through the leisure services office and are priced at \$5 for residents and \$6.50 for non-residents. Children 3 and under will be admitted free. For more information, call leisure services at (734) 394-5460.

Pumpkins on the Pond

Carve a spooky jack-o lantern and bring out to Hentge Park

from 6-9 p.m., Friday, Oct. 15. The pumpkins will be lined up around the pond and lit up in the dark. The event is free of charge. Pumpkin drop-off begins at 5 p.m. There will be music and refreshments as well. For more information, call leisure services at (734) 394-5460.

Octoberfest

For those who want to keep their little ghouls and goblins safe this Halloween, Octoberfest offers a trick or treat alternative. From noon-4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 16, children will be treated not only to candy, but to Barnyard John as well as a variety of games, contests and refreshments. This event is free. For more information, call leisure services, at 734-394-5460.

Plymouth

Costume contest

The Great Pumpkin Caper costume contest will be 5:30-6:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29 at the Band Shell at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. To register, pick up a ticket number at the Band Shell between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and winners will be announced at 7 p.m. For more information contact the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-1540 or visit www.plymouth-mi.org.

Candy giveaway

There will be trick or treating Friday, Oct. 29, 5:30-6:30 p.m. at downtown Plymouth merchants. There will be members of the Plymouth Rotary Club serving as crossing guards to help keep children safe. Children can dress up. For more information contact Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at 734-453-1540 or visit www.plymouth-mi.org.

Wagon rides

Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill offers wagon rides on weekdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. for \$1 per child and free for children 0-3 years. Weekend rides are from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. are \$3 per child. The orchard is located at 10685 Warren Road in Plymouth. For more information about the orchard call (734) 455-2290.

Haunted House

Estate of the Damned is a haunted house located at 13001 Eckles Road in Plymouth. For more information call (734) 453-8404.

Wayne County Hines Park

Wayne County Parks presents Halloween Festival on Saturday, Oct. 23, 1-3 p.m. There will be games, entertainment, hayrides, and candy at this special event. Come out and join the spook-free fun. New to this year's festivities

are a Finding Nemo Kiddy Crawl, 9 hole Putt-Putt Golf and two moonwalks. There will also be special performances by Harpbeat at 1:15 p.m. and Comedian/Juggler Josh Casey at 2 p.m.

The Nankin Mills Area of Hines Park is located in Westland off of Hines Drive, east of Ann Arbor Trail. For more information call (734) 261-1990 or visit www.waynecountyparks.org.

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• 31505 Grand River, Farmington (248) 477-8833
Oct. 8-10, 15-17, 22-24 and 28-30; Fri-Sat 7:30 p.m. to midnight; Thursday and Sunday 7-10 p.m.

\$9 per person, \$5 for children 52 inches and shorter
Group rates available

Barn of Horrors - Erwin Orchards

• 61475 Silver Lake Road, South Lyon (248) 437-0150
www.Erwinorchards.com
Oct. 2-31 Saturday and Sunday 1-5 p.m.

\$5 per person (includes wagon ride)

Features state of the art animatronics, special effects and robotics; no live actors.

Halloween Hayride and Spook Village

• 2125 Denby, Waterford (248) 674-2119
Oct. 22-23 and 29-30, 7-9:30 p.m.

\$6 per person

Haunted Winery

• 31505 Grand River, Farmington (248) 477-8833
Oct. 8-10, 15-17, 22-24 and 28-30; Thursday and Sunday 7-10 p.m., Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m.-midnight.
Group rates available.

Night Realm

• Newton Road, between Oakley Park and Commerce Roads (248) 363-9109
Oct. 21-23, 28-30; Opens at

dusk
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Ages 7 and older

Realm of Darkness

• 79 S. Glenwood, Pontiac (248) 338-0029
www.therealmofdarknesshaunt.com

Oct. 7-10, 14-17 and 21-31; 7:30 p.m.

Group rates available

The Realm of Darkness is an interactive haunted house. Using the clues found in each room, find the wizard and win a prize.

Redford Jaycee's Slaughterhouse

• 15534 Beech Daly, Redford
www.Redfordjaycees.org
Oct. 8-9, 15-16, 21-24 and 28-31; Sundays and weekdays 7-10 p.m.

\$10 for adults and \$8 for 12 and under

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www.terrorified.com
8 p.m. to Midnight
Costs: \$15 for Haunted Forest, \$7 for Haunted Manor, \$20 for the combo
Group rates are available, call for more details or visit the Web site

Recommended for children 12 and up
This haunted attraction fea-

tures a haunted forest and manor complete with both animatronic features and scaractors. Ghoulish cuisine is available at the site.

For the kids, every Saturday and Sunday from noon - 5 p.m. children are welcome to come with a parent to check out this attraction. The cost is \$5 per person. No scaractors are used during this event, only animatronics. Parents who keep their tickets, can use them during the evening for a \$5 credit toward their admission.

The Haunted Opera House

• 123 W. Grand River, Howell
www.hauntedoperahouse.com
Sept. 30 - Oct. 30; Thursday 7-10:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday 7-midnight

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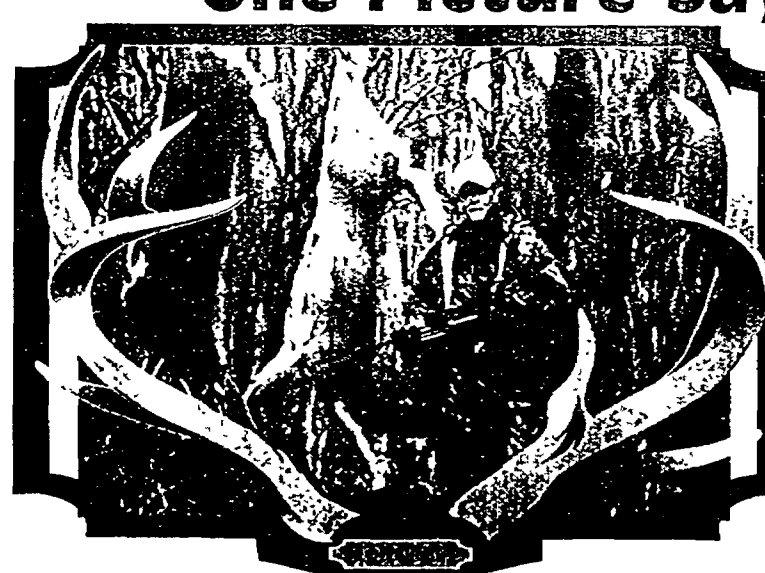
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BASELINE

'Cats aren't afraid to face Northville spread

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

There is one thing for sure in Novi — they aren't afraid of the big, bad spread.

Though Northville has scored three times the amount of touchdowns all of Novi's opponents have put on the board altogether, the Wildcats' defense seems fairly confident of their ability to shut it down.

"Northville is supposedly a really good team so the game might be close," senior defensive end Sean Costello said. "I just don't think they're going to be able to handle it."

Confidence is what has helped Novi's defense keep their opponents at just 10 touchdowns all season. Northville has scored 33 with confidence of their own.

The Wildcats, however, feel they have the necessary tools.

"Last year, our linebacker crew stood out," senior Robbie Carter said. "This year, our entire defense is playing great. We have the best defensive backs since I've been in Novi."

The expectations are high for the Wildcats. So far this season they have scored over three times what their opponents have. Their defense has helped secure every victory the team has earned.

"Our defense has been playing solid," said senior linebacker Josh Woods. "I have complete confidence in our ability. We're smart defense, which is why we can adjust to offenses like the spread when we need to."

The key for Novi's chance at yet another Baseline victory depends on how well they can interrupt Northville's spread offense.

"I think we'll have to get to the quarterback," Costello noted. "He won't have time to throw to his receivers if we do. A quarterback can't throw with hands in his face."

"Defense wins championships. That says it all."

Robbie Carter
Senior Linebacker

Defense, it seems, is the name of Novi's game. They use their aggressiveness, impressive schemes and some blazing speed to make them one of the most feared defense's in the Kensington Valley Conference.

"I don't feel any team can outrun us," Carter said. "In any position we are as fast, if not faster, than any team. We have a lot of playmakers on our team, and they all want to win this game."

The Baseline Jug is currently Novi's, something the team wants to make sure remains that way. The squad isn't worried about being on Northville's home field either — the Wildcat faithful have been making plans to neutralize the advantage.

"Our fans right now are putting together a huge 500-person tailgate party before the game," Carter said. "They are passing out fliers and getting everyone involved. To us, this is just going to be another home game."

Though the Wildcats are fully confident in their abilities, the boys across Baseline are confident too.

"Every year they talk crap," Costello said. "Every year, we beat the crap out of them. We're not looking to lose to them this year."

The loss against Milford last week, which dropped Novi to 6-2 on the year, was like a bell ringing for this team, Carter said his squad didn't have the best practices the week prior, but will rectify that situation this week.

The question is, can Novi put the loss behind them?

"We already have a winning record. We're focused on winning, not on our loss last week."

Novi has won the Jug from their rivals since 2000 — the first year head coach Tab Kellepourey took the reins of his squad. Since then, Novi has made the playoffs every year as well.

"We know what it's like to win," Costello said. "We don't go onto the field ever thinking it's possible we could lose."

And that's exactly why Novi is such a threat. Their offense is potent, led by senior quarterback Kevin Cislo — and their defense is tenacious.

"Defense wins championships," Carter said. "That says it all."

Novi Wildcats

PASSING

Player	Yards	TDs
Kevin Cislo	351	5

RECEIVING

Player	Yards	TDs
Brandon Carnegie	162	3
Chris Dalton	118	1

RUSHING

Player	Yards	TDs
Kevin Cislo	661	10

Jarrell Woods	515	9
David Carnegie	331	5
Josh Woods	302	1

TACKLES AND SACKS

Player	Tackles	Sacks
Josh Woods	53	2
Robbie Carter	47.5	2.5
Jarrell Woods	36	4
Sean Costello	34.5	3.5
John Favorite	32	1
Brandon Buff	23	1

Ryan Pritchard	19.5	1
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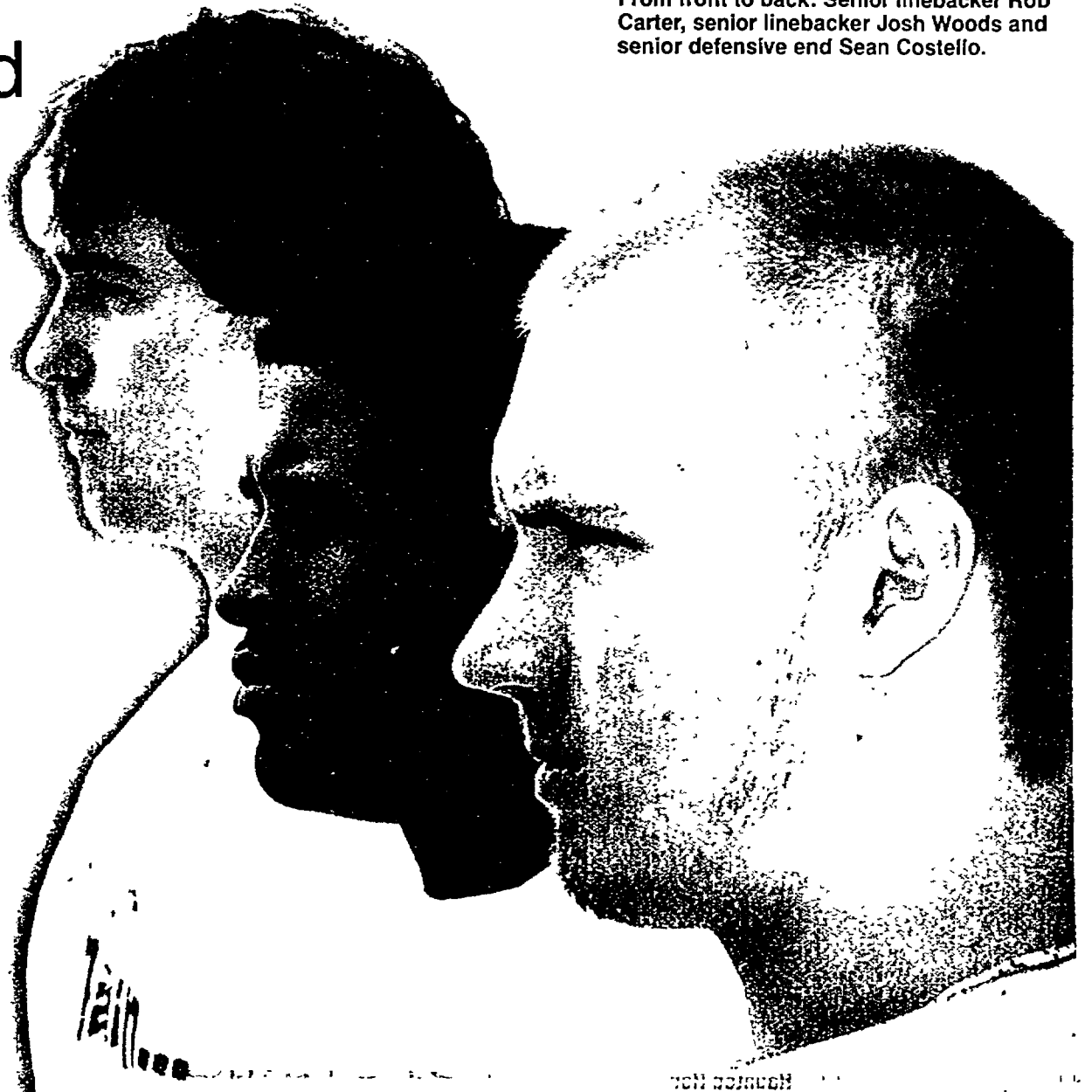
Player	Interceptions
Brandon Carnegie	3
Kevin Cislo	2
Seven others	1

TEAM TOTALS

Category	Total Yards	TDs
Passing	394	5
Rushing	2160	27

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

From front to back: Senior linebacker Rob Carter, senior linebacker Josh Woods and senior defensive end Sean Costello.



Plan for debt-free holiday season

Dare we say it, there are fewer than 85 shopping days left until Christmas. If "spending ghosts" of Christmases past still haunt you, consider taking proactive steps now to ensure you make wise choices this holiday season.

Make a preliminary gift list

Make a list of people you're considering buying gifts. If your list at first seems long, don't fret; you can always whittle it down. Next, assign each person a dollar amount and then total the amount you want to spend on gifts.

Craft a budget

Once you've determined how much to spend, draw up a written budget for gifts and incidental items you want to buy such as Christmas cards and postage, a Christmas tree, decorations, crafts and any outfits you want to buy for you or your kids. If you're planning to throw a holiday party, don't forget to include food and beverages. Next to each item jot down how much you're financially capable of spending and then total the cost of all the items — gifts included.

Prioritize and think creatively

Can you throw a big Christmas bash and buy gifts for all of your nieces, nephews, colleagues and neighbors without going into debt? If your answer is "no," revisit your preliminary gift list and make decisions about how you want to spend. If it's important to buy just for the kids, think about alternatives for the adults. Bake cookies for neighbors, or volunteer to faux paint or wallpaper a room. For friends in your life who need a much-needed break from kids, donate a night of babysitting.

Shop wisely

Here are some tips from the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to help you shop wisely.

1. Know who you're dealing with. If you're shopping online or by phone, confirm an address and phone number in case you have questions or experience a problem. Shop with merchants you've heard good things about. If you've never heard of a merchant, check their reputation and location with the Better Business Bureau at www.bbbonline.org.

2. Protect privacy. Give personal information only if you know who's collecting it, for what purpose and how it will be used. When online, look for the merchant's privacy policy; reputable online merchants will clearly state privacy policies in an easily accessible place on the Web site. When placing a telephone, ask the customer service representative to explain the company's policy.

3. Look for symbols indicating the online retailer, uses security technology to protect credit card numbers. An unbroken key or padlock at the bottom of your Web browser indicates your transmission is protected.

4. Shop for the best deal. Don't buy a gift at the first store you see. The same holds true for Internet shopping. Use the site's shopping cart feature to hold the item, and then take note of the item's details and price and visit other sites.

5. Look for price-matching and sale adjustment policies. Some store merchants will match or even beat a competitor's price.

6. Watch for price scanner errors. Electronic scanning isn't error proof.

7. Keep good records. Retain store receipts and printouts of Web pages with details about your order, including warranties and return and refund policies. Your records can ensure reimbursement.

Mary Davis manages public affairs for the Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL). Send questions to "Your Money Matters" c/o the Michigan Credit Union League, P.O. Box 8054, Plymouth, MI 48170-8054, or mcu@mcu.org.

Correction



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Michael and Patrick Ruggiero are carpet and duct cleaning specialists. A cutline in last week's edition misspelled the brothers' last name.

Advertorial



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Add living space, value to your home

Remodeling Remedies makes your home a better place to live

By Annette Jaworski
SPECIAL WRITER

One of today's most popular home remodeling projects has become one of the most versatile. Homeowners now have numerous options when finishing the basement or lower level. A new recreation area, family room, play room, audio visual room, spare bedroom or even a second kitchen are just a few of the options available, when you basically add an entire floor of living space to your home.

"We don't even call them basements anymore, they're known to us as lower levels," said builder Jim Faydenko of Remodeling Remedies in South Lyon.

These improvements can add from 30 to 50 percent more living space while increasing the value and beauty of your home. With a creative imagination and years of experience, Faydenko can offer numerous suggestions to clients throughout the planning stages.

The Faydenko's own lower level is a typical example of what he can do for clients - create a functional and fun family area. A recreational area is probably one of the most popular options, according to the South Lyon builder. As hockey buffs, they enjoy the air hockey table as well as a game of pool. For the younger set there's a children's play area. A built in fireplace adds focus to a sectional sofa seating area and a big screen TV. Wife, Karen, has her own craft

room as well.

The recreation area creates a perfect environment for entertaining and parties. Faydenko finds that today's remodels are more family focused with "snack areas," instead of bars.

Keith and Margie Pankow of Brighton decided to call Remodeling Remedies to improve their lower level and increase living space. They appreciated Faydenko's creativity and flexibility while working on their project.

"Quite often, we would come up with an idea, and he would go with it and expand on it," said Margie Pankow.

They appreciated that Remodeling Remedies crews were reliable and showed up when promised. When complete, the renovation surpassed all their expectations.

"We're so happy because we had the idea that we would end up with a fixed up basement, and it ended up being a living space, a part of our home," she said. "He put enough care and thought into it as though it was his own home."

Pankow's finished renovation resulted in an entire living area, dining area, bar, and full bathroom. Faydenko even converted wasted space into a small storage area.

Small details are what give a more polished look when designing a lower level.

"The idea is to have it not feel like a basement," Faydenko points out.

For example, instead of the traditional dropped ceiling with fluorescent lighting, he prefers the finished look of drywall and recessed lighting. Track lighting is used over the pool table. Lush carpeting with thickly cushioned padding adds warmth and insulation against noise.

Like the Faydenko's, many of today's newer homes enhance

their spaces with higher 9-foot ceilings. That doesn't mean older homes can't enjoy a fresh new look. Remodeling Remedies will use their years of experience and knowledge of spacial relations to make the best possible use of existing space. This entails working around ductwork or support poles, if necessary. It's a bit trickier, but it can be done.

"I'm good at camouflaging," Faydenko adds.

Using a licensed builder is crucial for these kinds of renovations. A licensed builder will ensure that all proper codes are followed and permits are pulled. In case of insurance claims, homeowners may not be able to collect on work where permits were not pulled, for example, in a case where faulty wiring was not inspected. Do your research, Faydenko recommends. Ask to see their credentials, particularly if they're licensed and insured. Remodeling Remedies includes theirs in an informational packet for clients.

Randy Sapelak, building inspector for the Village of Milford, states that an egress window is necessary for all lower levels finished off as living space. These windows are now a requirement mandated by the State of Michigan. "Basically it prevents someone from getting trapped if there's a fire." Codes require that certain requirements are met. Minimum size of windows are 20 inches wide and 24 inches tall. Height can be no more than 44 inches high, opening up to a minimum of 5.7 square feet of space. The well area needs to be no smaller than 3X3 feet. If the bottom of window to grade is higher than 44 inches, it requires a ladder. "You have to know how to excavate and install these windows or your newly finished space may flood," said Faydenko. "While there is some expense in adding



Jim Faydenko of Remodeling Remedies can make your basement into a great new living space.

egress windows, the safety precaution makes it worth every dime."

Jim Faydenko is a licensed, insured contractor and a Member of the Oakland County Building Industry Association (BIA) and the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID).

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Look for Remodeling Remedies to appear in a kitchen remodel segment on Channel Four "WDIV / SAVE on everything" Kitchen remodel giveaway sometime in December.

Steps to planning a lower level renovation

First, imagine how your family might use the space, whether you enjoy entertaining, crafts, or movies can determine your choice. Consider the ages of your children, but plan for the future. Young children enjoy a play area, while older kids may enjoy an audio-visual zone to

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Schedule an appointment and Faydenko will do a walk through to discuss your ideas and what the plans might entail, as well as offer suggestions. Determine your budget for the project. Remodeling Remedies will provide a thorough, detailed written estimate of all costs involved. If the project isn't feasible within those costs, they'll be straightforward, rather than disappoint a client in the end.

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ADVERTORIAL

Genitti says service is key in real estate or restaurant business

By Duane Ramsey
 SPECIAL WRITER

Having a family name that is associated with a well-known restaurant, Andy Genitti is looking to make a name for himself in the local real estate business. In fact, he conducts a lot of business from Genitti's restaurant in downtown Northville as well as from his office at Remerica United Realty.

"The restaurant contacts and customers help my real estate business," Andy said. "And my real estate contacts help the restaurant business."

Andy believes there is a natural progression from the restaurant to the real estate business, citing the friendly service, hard work and family atmosphere in the local community.

"I serve people in the real estate business just like I served them in the restaurant," Andy said. "Service is what the real estate business is all about."

The restaurant attracts people not only from within Northville but also from outside the community with many who are looking to live there. People, who don't know a Realtor, know the Genitti family and will come to a name they recognize and trust, according to Andy.

"I'm talking about my business and listings directly to more people every day," he said. "A lot of deals are done in person. People come into the restaurant to talk to me about buying or selling a house."

Andy says that he listens to what the client wants and provides his personal brand of service. He tailors that service for each client and coaches them on home buying and selling.

"If they want to hear from me every day, get a weekly report or only hear from me when I have a

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showing or an offer, that's what they'll get from me," he said.

"Honesty is the No. 1 factor in the real estate business."

Genitti also believes that being in the multiple listing, having the correct price on a home and having a good marketing program are three important factors in real estate.

"Marketing is important. No one else can offer advertising on Main Street in downtown Northville 24-hours a day and 7 days a week," he said, referring to all his listings displayed with his Remerica United Realty sign in the window at Genitti's.

Andy and his family have deep roots in the community where he grew up and went to school. He knows that his real estate business has the support of the entire family.

His grandma Clare, aunt Mary, parents John and Toni, and his two sisters Laura and Christina all live and work in the community. He and his wife Leslie recently bought the family home where he grew up and they now live with their son Andrew and daughter Mia.

However, his real estate business is not limited to Northville and Novi but he focuses primarily on Oakland and Wayne counties. His background working with the commercial property at the restaurant and his own personal



Photo by DUANE RAMSEY

Andy Genitti stands outside Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall Restaurant in downtown Northville where he displays all of his listings in the front window.

property has helped him in the real estate business.

Andy works out of Remerica United Realty's state-of-the-art office in Novi. The office is known as a "boutique" realty business which suits the local

communities.

Genitti invites prospective clients to visit his Web site at www.andygenitti.com, call him at his office or mobile phone numbers or drop by Genitti's and meet him in person.

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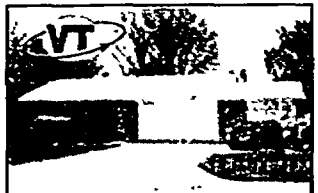
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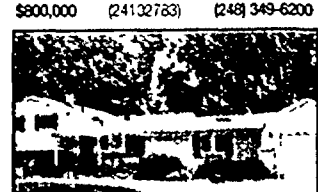
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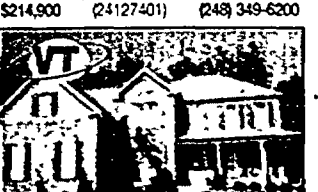
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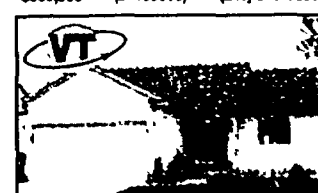
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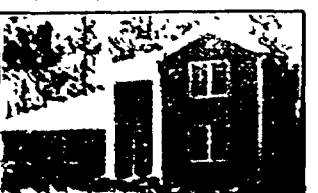
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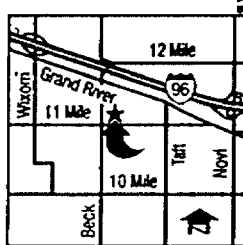
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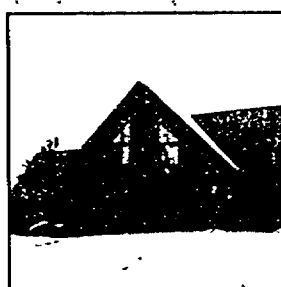
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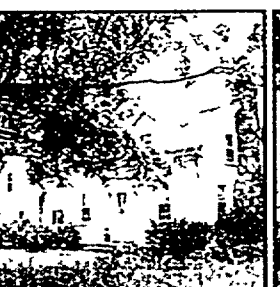
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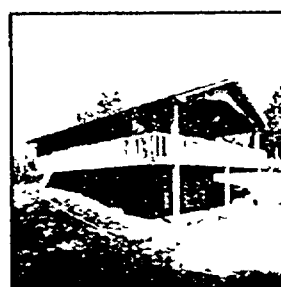
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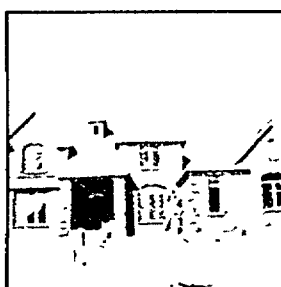
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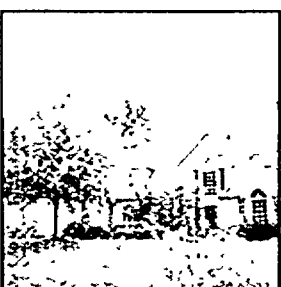
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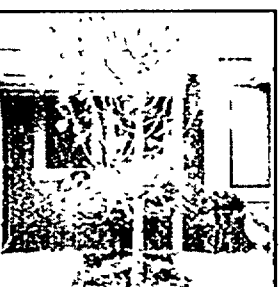
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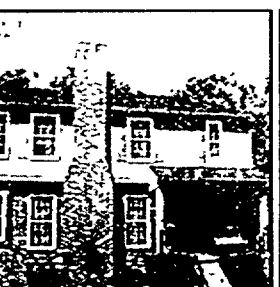
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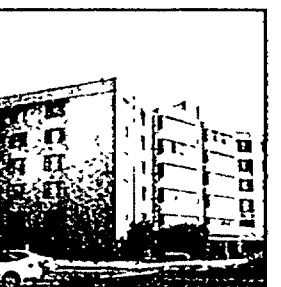
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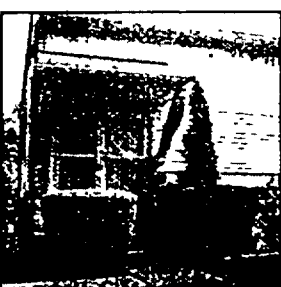
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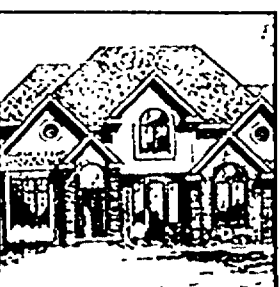
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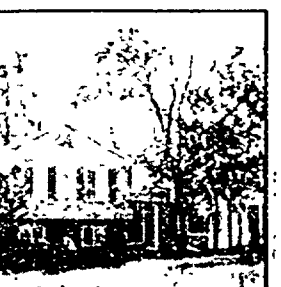
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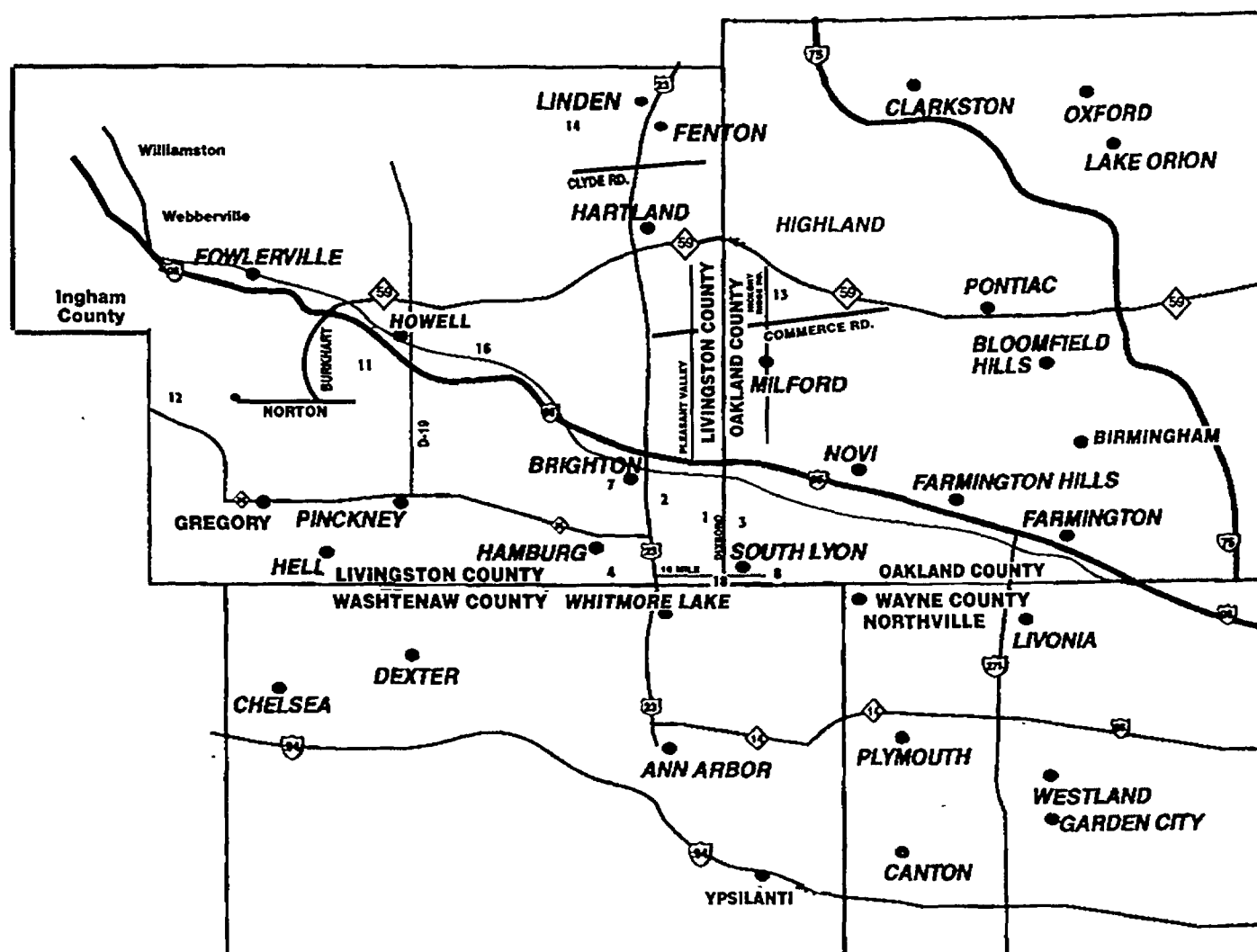
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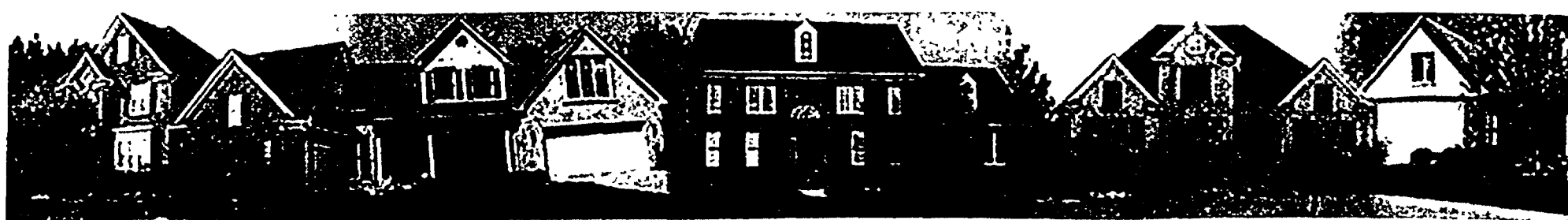
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Spacious bungalow. The size of most homes w/2 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Large kitchen & breakfast room. Beautifully remodeled bath. 2nd floor MBR w/perfection. Covered front porch w/brick patio. Fenced yard & 2 car garage.
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CANTON Wow, What Hasn't Been Done
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LIVONIA Most Wanted List
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ALLEN PARK A Move Right In Ranch
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Clean & beautiful maintained house w/beautiful yard! 3 bedrooms, finished basement, garage, many updates & amenities. Bright & cheerful kitchen. Hardwood floors & all appliances.
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SOUTH LYON Ranch Condo
Central area and unit w/2 bedrooms & 2 full ceramic baths. Extra sink in dressing area. G ext view from DR w/ndow. Never dishwasher. Lg patio. Stone car garage. Enjoy clubhouse & beach on Crooked Lake.
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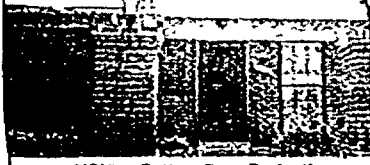
NORTHVILLE Condo
Exquisite masterpiece best described this Tuscan inspired condo. Hickory kitchen offers Sub Zero frig. Viking cooktop. Custom marble floor and backsplash. Custom lighting. Finished lower level. Awesome.
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DEARBORN Super Sharp Ranch
2 bedroom, 1 bath ranch, roomy living room, separate dining room w/Pergo floor, updated bath, newer kitchen floor. 2.5 car garage w/newer roof. Vinyl windows.
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PLYMOUTH Nestled In The Woods
Very private setting 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Large LR & DR w/corner fireplace. First floor laundry. 2 private bedrooms in basement. Beautiful oak cab w/appl's to stay. Neutral decor. Deck overlooks beautiful setting.
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NOVI Pottery Barn Perfect!
Spacious updated home. Custom updates include: Ceramic entry, HW floors, carpet, 1.5 bath, 2 closets in LR w/FRY & office. Lg patio. 1st fl. tile. 2nd fl. to high ceilings. Home's a must see!
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NORTHVILLE City Ranch
Soaring ranch built into a hill to facilitate a wonderful view. Custom amenities include natural stone fireplace, large gourmet kitchen, hardwood floors. Wrap around deck w/patio. Sunroom and much more.
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REDFORD Just Move In And Enjoy
Maintenance free exterior and just as nice inside and out. Updated kitchen with oak cabinets, stove, fridge and dishwasher included. Full basement w/glass block windows & workshop. Home warranty included.
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GROSSE ILE Ready To Move In!
Wonderful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick ranch on large treed lot. Master bedroom w/full bath, finished basement w/5 bath, family room, deck w/hot tub, some appliances & more.
(F18JOH) 734-455-5600 \$214,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Fabulous Colonial
Charming 4 bedroom w/abundance of cabinets in eat-in LR, FR w/tile, hwd flrs in BRS, freshly painted. Pella windows w/built-in blinds. Furn CA & MWH new 02. Brick paver patio. sprinklers. 2 car garage.
(F36SIL) 734-455-5600 \$344,900




LIVONIA Cape Cod
Lovely cape cod on huge shady lot in wonderful neighborhood. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. 1st fl. master first floor laundry, oversized 2 car garage, updated kitchen and bath. Let's move in!
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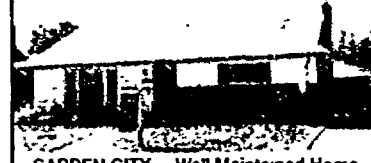
MACOMB TWP. Ground Floor Ranch Condo
Newer home w/2 BR, 2 BA, 1 car garage w/opener. Prime loc. Open floor plan w/updates. Neutral decor. CA, FF & LR w/tile. Open kit w/maple cabinets. Appl's stay. Full basement. Low assoc. fees. Pool & fitness ctr.
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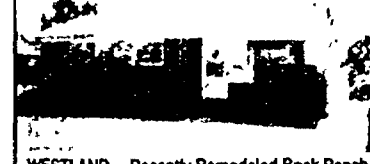
GARDEN CITY Well Maintained Home
And updated with roof-single layer circuit breakers, furnace & CA, windows & more. Newer kitchen w/appliances. 2 car garage w/attached out building. All this in this 3 bedroom brick aluminum ranch.
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NORTHVILLE Location, Location
Great family home w/room to spare. Spacious LR w/athletic ceiling & fireplace. Full 1st floor master suite. Large deck off living room. Lg patio. 2 car garage. Full FR w/HAM w/decks carpet & part wood d.
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WESTLAND Recently Remodeled Brick Ranch
Remodeled kitchen & bath, refinished hardwood floors, newer roof, HWY windows, CA, plumbing, driveway & porch. All updates are energy efficient. Nice fenced yard w/great landscaping.
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LIVONIA Move In Condition
Super brick ranch, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, office, LR, FR, large deck, 2 car garage, deck, beautiful landscaping completely redecorated to update windows, CA, H2O BW, carpet, paint, kitchen fixtures, window treatments.
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PLYMOUTH Beautiful Updated
3 bedroom, 2 bath home w/abundance of cabinets in eat-in LR, FR w/tile, hwd flrs in BRS, freshly painted. Pella windows w/built-in blinds. Furn CA & MWH new 02. Brick paver patio. sprinklers. 2 car garage.
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NORTHVILLE Walk To Downtown
Location, location - a rare find. This ideal setting everyone looks for when buying a home. Only a short drive to downtown. Full 1st floor master suite. Large deck off living room. Lg patio. 2 car garage. Full FR w/HAM w/decks carpet & part wood d.
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REDFORD Ready To Move?
Quick occupancy 3 bedroom ranch w/LR dining area plus eat-in kit w/oak cabinets & neutral counters. Full basement. Paved driveway under carpeting. Garage. Home warranty. Home cleaner & CA.
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WESTLAND Country In The City
2 lots gives you almost 1 acre of gorgeous landscaping & your own wooded park. 1st floor master bedroom. 2nd and 3rd bedroom on 2nd floor, newer roof, windows & siding. Large full clean basement. Spacious.
(F60VAN) 734-455-5600 \$127,900



WESTLAND Great Open Floor Plan
3 bedrooms, 2 full baths in this well cared for ranch offering finished basement for additional living space. Many updates include kitchen w/center island & Pergo type floors. Oversized 2 car garage.
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GROSSE ILE Wonderful Colonial
Large 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home on wooded lot offers master suite w/Jacuzzi tub & vaulted ceiling. Formal living room, dining room, FR w/whiteplace. FF laundry. Finished bsmt. 2 car garage. sprinklers & back patio.
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NORTHVILLE Spectacular Colonial
Huge 4 BR, 2.5 BA home w/enormous gourmet kitchen w/maple cabinets & hardwood floors. Winding staircase. MBR w/master BA & WIC. 2 fireplaces. 3 car garage w/basement & dual heating & air conditioning.
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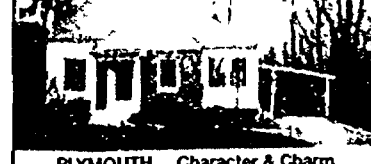
WAYNE Perfect Large Family Home
4 bedroom, 2.5 bath cape cod on approximately 1/2 acre. Fenced corner lot. Spacious bedrooms. Finished lower level. Room for additions.
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Brick home in peaceful location, updates include: roof, furnace, HWY windows, CA, plumbing, driveway & porch. All updates are energy efficient. Nice fenced yard w/great landscaping.
(F83ARL) 734-455-5600 \$103,900



GARDEN CITY Super Clean Bungalow
Updated 3 bedroom bungalow, nicely finished basement w/1st bedroom & additional living space! 2 car garage w/workshop & 220.
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PLYMOUTH Character & Charm
Plus curb appeal in this 3 bedroom, 2 bath bungalow w/updated kitchen w/maple cabinets & appl's. Partially finished basement, master suite w/updated bath & h/s & her WIC, newer roof, siding & trim. Treed yard, patio.
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MILFORD Custom Built 2001
This custom built 3 BR, 2.5 BA contemporary shows like a model. Top quality custom moldings, library w/French doors, double doors & coffered ceiling. Custom deck. Located on approx 3 acres w/horses and pond.
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SHELBY TWP. A Little Bit Of Country
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WESTLAND Premium Lot!
Wonderful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial built in 2000 presents 2 car attached garage, spacious kitchen opens to family room w/fireplace & sliding door to brick paver patio. All backing to nature preserve.
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DETROIT Great 1st Home
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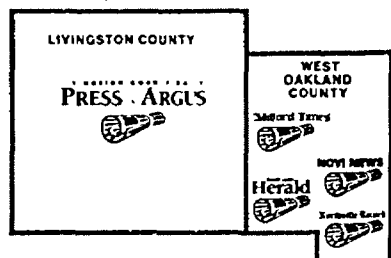
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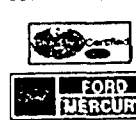
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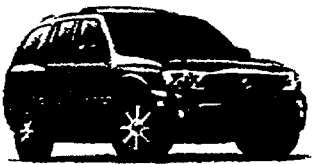
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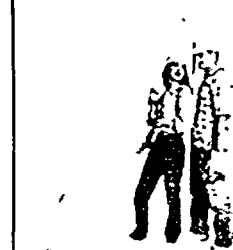
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Help Wanted-Food/Beverage (5080)

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NEW Livonia Location
HOURLY TEAM

(Servers, Server Assistants, Hosts, Cooks)
Bravo! Cucina Italiana, an award-winning, high-volume, upscale-casual and high-energy Italian restaurant is coming to the Livonia area! We are seeking all hourly team members for our new location. We offer great pay, paid vacations, tuition reimbursement, health insurance, 401K and dining privileges! **Apply in person at our hiring site, Toward Place Suites, 1745 Fox Dr. (just off 6 Mile Road between the Fairfield and Residence Inns), Monday-Saturday, 9am-7pm, or call 734-542-7400, Room 201**

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Help Wanted-Medical (5040)

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8 & 12 Hour Shifts and Contingent Shifts Available. Afternoons/Midnights RNs earn up to \$28.50/hr. LPNs earn up to \$24.25/hr.

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Part time, Contingent. Leading patients down the road to recovery, we're Heartland Health Care Center - Plymouth Court, a strong team of clinical professionals working together to achieve measurable results for patients following serious illness or injury. Put your expertise to good use and join us for a rewarding career.

We offer wages based on experience and a generous benefits package after 30 days for full time nurses. Please call or fax your resume to:

Heartland Health Care Center-Plymouth Court
105 Haggerty Rd.
Plymouth, MI 48170
Phone: 734-455-0510
Fax: 734-455-7359
Email: 4040-hr@hcr-manorcare.com
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PHYSICAL THERAPIST
Willowbrook Rehabilitation Services provider of Brain Injury Rehabilitation is looking to add a Full or Part-Time Licensed Physical Therapist to our growing interdisciplinary team. Responsibilities include evaluation and treatment of adult TBI patients. Looking for dynamic outgoing individuals with Brain Injury, Behavioral and/or neurological experience. Interested Candidates should forward resume to fax (810) 227-0801 or e-mail info @ mynacker@willowbrookrehab.com

RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANTS
Willowbrook Rehabilitation provides all disciplines of outpatient rehabilitation and off-site residential care to adults recovering from Traumatic Brain Injuries. We are currently seeking dynamic individuals to work at one of our beautiful residential facilities in providing assistance to our clients in the development and promotion of life skills. CENA's, Direct Care Workers, CENA's Rec. Therapists or Psych majors preferred. Full or part-time morning, afternoon or midnight shifts with rotating weekends available. Call (810) 227-0119 ext. 212 or 206 for an interview.

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RESPIRATORY THERAPIST
Full time, Part-time or on an as needed basis. Flexible scheduling. Located in Howell - non ventilator facility. Fax resume or letter of interest with work experience to (517) 646-7068 or Email rmagill63@aol.com

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST
Willowbrook Rehabilitation Services provider of Brain Injury Rehabilitation is looking to add a Full or Part-Time Speech Language Pathologist to our growing interdisciplinary team. Responsibilities include evaluation and treatment of adult TBI patients. Looking for dynamic outgoing individuals with Brain Injury, Behavioral and/or neurological experience. Interested Candidates should forward resume to fax (810) 227-0801 or e-mail info@mynacker@willowbrookrehab.com

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COOK
Waltonwood of Royal Oak, a senior apartment community, is in need of a full time afternoon cook. Prefer previous cooking experience. EOE. Apply in person at 3450 W. 13 Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI 48073 or fax resume to (248) 549-6426

COOK, some exp. preferred. Small family restaurant in Northville. Part Time days, good pay. (734) 459-5394

Help Wanted-Food/Beverage (5880)

FOOD SERVICE STAFF
Independence Village of Brighton, a leader in luxury retirement living, is presently interviewing for positions within the Food Service Department. Positions include cooks, hostesses, dishwashers and servers. Competitive wage with benefits and 401k available. Interested parties may fax their resume to (810) 229-7721, or visit 833 E Grand River Ave., Brighton.

MATURE experienced help needed. Coffee & sandwich shop. Apply in person. Sandy's Coffee Spot, 4608 S Old US-23, Brighton.

PART TIME COOK & WAITRESS
Nights & weekends. Apply within at Howell Bowl-E-Drome. 907 E Grand River.

RESTAURANT

BARISTAS
Your new career is brewing at indoor cafe! A licensed concept of Starbucks, indoor cafe is an upscale coffee shop within "The Great Indoors". We're seeking dedicated people to cover a variety of full time & part time shifts including AM, PM & weekends.
Wake up and smell the aroma of sweet opportunity. Stop by 44075 12 Mile Rd in Novi (just inside "The Great Indoors"), or call 248-348-1657.

WAIT-STAFF
Full & part-time, Nights, Apply Starting Gate Saloon, 135 N. Center St., Northville.

WANTED: FUN PEOPLE!
Now hiring SERVERS!
Be yourself, be cool, be at 8522 W Grand River. Taking applications now! Open interviews Tue 2-4. Only happy people need apply.

**Help Wanted-Sales** (5120)

A NEW CAREER?
REAL ESTATE IS BOOMING
Excellent Commission
Great Training
TIM COURTNEY
Oakland/Livinston area
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Booming real estate offices in Northville & Livonia have openings for outgoing Salespeople!
Training available
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REMERICA-INTENSITY
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Help Wanted-Sales (5120)

AVIO, an audio video specialty retailer, is seeking motivated sales professionals who are looking for a rewarding & long-term opportunity with a successful & growing business. Exc. communication skills & the ability to develop & grow customer relationships required. We offer exc. compensation & benefits incl. 401K. Please fax resume to 810-225-9674, or Email to eherp@avioinc.com

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ESTABLISHED seeks Loan Officer/Top commission plan. Call Mike for confidential interview (810)225-7777, ext. 1503

LOAN OFFICERS
Livingston City mortgage lender seeking to expand its sales staff. We offer top compensation & full benefits. Call Rick Hernandez at 248-982-4440

REAL ESTATE CAREER

Building Expansion!
Doubling in Size!
Looking for someone who loves working with new people & new situations.
Looking for those with good problem solving skills.
Looking for "Sky is the limit" mentality.
Call Mike Today!
Kathy Solan
(248) 684-1065

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Residential semi-custom home builder seeks results-oriented, outgoing, high-energy New Home Sales Representative for neighborhood in the Lansing area.
You will be representing the absolute best product in the price range, with community amenities second to none! You will be responsible for learning the features and benefits of our outstanding new homes and presenting them to a steady stream of potential customers. Real Estate License required.

Impeccable customer contact skills, telephone sales skills, computer skills needed. Organizational skills a must. New home sales experience is required.

Please send Resume to: selhousen@46yahoo.com or Fax to: (248) 684-4974

Help Wanted-Sales (5120)

SELL THE AMERICAN DREAM
Real Estate is Booming!
We're looking for self-directed individuals who want unlimited earning potential with an industry leader. Training available, flexible hours.
Northville/Novi Area
Kathy O'Neill
(248) 348-6430
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RETAIL Bird feeding knowledge helpful. Some week-ends. Call (248) 624-7210, 10-6pm. Apply in person. Wildbirds Unlimited. 39700 14 Mile Rd. Walled Lake

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Little Valley Homes, the state's largest retailer of manufactured homes has two openings for full time commission sales consultants. Only sales pros need apply. Sales exp. a must. Will train right individuals. Excellent pay program with benefits. Fax resume to Attn: Sales (248) 349-4519

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Please call
Bonnie Spicher
810-844-2634

Help Wanted-Sales (5120)

Brighton Real Estate Office
seeking two energetic self starters in high volume real estate office.
Real Estate License required.
Please call
Stephen Scholes
810-844-2329

Looking for an energetic self starter bilingual person to sell in our South In. office.

Real Estate License required.
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Stephen Scholes
810-844-2329

TOBACCO SHOP/SMOKING LOUNGE

Mature person with exceptional people skills needed for permanent part time position. Some knowledge of cigars and pipes is helpful. Please fax a short cover letter and/or resume to 248-348-3485

Help Wanted-Part Time (5200)

PART TIME HELP NEEDED
Counter, pns and cook. Apply within Brighton Bowl, 9871 E Grand River, Brighton.

Job Opportunities (5310)

WORK FROM HOME
International Company needing Leaders and Supervisors Full and Part time available. Residual income. Full training included. Please visit for details. www.GoodByeJob.com 1-888-705-4725

Position Wanted (5340)

EXPERIENCED LADY
Looking for Caregiver/House Manager position. 10 yrs exp. Ref avail. 586-286-4871

Nanny Position Wanted

Childcare evenings (231) 723-7670 or anytime (231) 557-4015

Childcare Services-Licensed (5360)

ABC CHILD CARE has 2 openings. Preschool activities, meals & snacks included. Please call (248) 486-8865

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A home away from home. Small group setting exc. references. Paula, 248-486-9262

Childcare Services-Licensed (5360)

CHILD CARE opening in Midland state of the art licensed facility for 12 children. Exc. parent references for over 15 yrs. of operation. CPR, first aid, preschool program, food provided, awesome program with competitive pay. Infant thru school age. Bus service to area schools. Limited openings. Call (248) 685-7889

Full Openings

Loving home, Preschool, 0-12 Mths incl. Latch Key, Kent Lk. 248-437-0652

MOTHER HEN'S DAY CARE

has full & part time openings. Flex care also avail. Toddler & preschool programs. Weekly field trips. CPR & first aid certified. FFA welcome. "Where kids learn & play everyday" Please call (248) 437-3046.

Childcare/Baby-Sitting Services (5370)**ALL ADS APPEARING UNDER THIS CLASSIFICATION MUST BE PREPAID****LOVING NURTURING environment**

for your child to play & grow. Salem's Lyon area. Call 6am-6pm. (248) 616-6139

Childcare Needed (5380)**BRIGHTON LOCATION**

Fitness program for child care provider, on Tues. Thurs. Fri. mornings from 9-15-10 45 am. Short hours, good pay. (810) 225-3449

HOUSEKEEPER/BABYSITTER NEEDED

For 3 & 7 yr. old in Novi. Driving req. (248) 347-3463

IN-HOME CHILD CARE NEEDED

Teacher needs capable person to care for 2 boys and light housework. Mon.-Fri. 12:30-4pm. Call, Novi/Northville area. 248-388-8959

NANNY NEEDED

In our South Lyon home for 2 children, full-time, Mon-Fri. Non smoker, dog friendly. Offering paid vacation, paid holidays & more. 248-761-7518

NORTHVILLE TEACHER

Living in Livonia, working AM only, is looking for in-home child care for 4 yr. old. Exp. a must. 734-464-4523 after 5pm

Elderly Care & Assistance (5400)

NURSE AVAILABLE for private duty. Caring, compassionate professional specializing in the elderly. Reasonable rates. 517-304-0765

ENTHUSIASTIC & EXP.

Teacher wants to tutor your K-8 student in all subjects, please call Tonia (734) 525-4786

MUSIC LESSONS

Master's degree, piano, organ, voice, guitar, strings, reeds. WEDDINGS 248-363-6233

QUERRE APPRENDER

o meyor ras su ingles? Ya es tiempo! Clases para su nivel. Descuentos para grupos. Llame al 248-437-3526

Education/Instruction (5600)

TAKING A TRIP to Mexico or just wanting to learn Spanish? Classes and tutoring for adults and children. Special group discounts. Call 248-437-3526

TEACHER

Immediate opening for Kindergarten/Elementary teacher at the Charly Stockwell Academy in Hartland. Email resumes to: sstockwell@charlystockwell.com, call or fax Diane Pickren at fax 810-632-2201 or phone 810-632-2200

Business Opportunities (5740)

ABSOLUTE GOLD MINE!
80 Machines + Locations!
ALL FOR \$9,995
1-800-344-1277

ALL ADS APPEARING UNDER THIS CLASSIFICATION MUST BE PREPAID**ALL CASH CANDY ROUTE**

Do you earn up to \$800/day? Your own local candy route. Includes 30 machines and Candy All for \$9,995. Call 1-800-814-6472

ARE YOU MAKING \$1710 per week?

All cash vending routes with prime locations available now! Under \$9000 investment required. Call Toll Free (247) 800-333-2254

CHANGE YOUR CAREER

in six months. Blue Heron Academy offers classes in Massage Therapy. Enroll now! Call for a free catalog 616-285-9999 toll free 888-285-9999 or visit www.blueheronacademy.com

OWN A PET SUPPLY STORE

Join a 34 billion dollar industry. \$350,000 investment. No royalties. No annual fees. Complete retail operation at your site in 30-45 days. Call 248-842-9669 for details.

READERS:

SINCE many ads are from outside the local area, please know what you are buying before sending money

WORKING MOM?

Tired of daycare? Mom of 5 earns \$8,000/mo working part time at home. Call today for more info. (734) 513-5794

6000-6780 ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES (6200)**INDY SUPER SUNDAY**

Automotive Swap Meet and Car Sale. October 24, Indianapolis, IN. Indian State Fairgrounds. All makes & models. 8AM-3PM. Spaces all indoors. Call 708-563-4300. 8AM-4PM Mon-Fri. mudamerapromotions.com

******* CLASSIFIED AD ON-LINE**

Check out our website, www.888-999-1288.com

***********Announcements & Notices** (6200)

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Adoption (6230)

ADOPT A Childless, Loving Financially Secure Couple wish to provide a Warm, Caring, Happy Home. Expenses paid. Joann & Peter, (800) 416-9312

PREGNANT? CONSIDERING ADOPTION?

We can help! We specialize in matching families with birthmothers nationwide. Toll Free 24 hours a day 866-921-0565. One True Gift Adoptions

Cards Of Thanks (6300)**ALL ADS APPEARING UNDER THIS CLASSIFICATION MUST BE PREPAID****FOUND RING**

Howell area. Call to describe (810) 225-4883

LOST men's wallet

Brown 1/4 fold leather 10/15 Rino Dance Pub (248) 437-4780

Tickets (6380)

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Health/Nutrition/Weight Loss (6420)**ARE YOU A SLAVE**

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Has not had flu shot in 25 years. Want to know my secret? (810) 231-8274

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The world's fastest growing home based health supplement business. Help supplement your income & health. Retiree's welcome. 810-923-6038 or home 810-632-7105

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Will deliver locally. 517-545-8036

ADORABLE

pups, Lab/Shepherd & St Bernard/Collie (517) 552-1962

ATTENTION: PET LOVERS

Hometown Newspapers encourages ads which offer pets for free. Hometown Newspapers suggest you charge a nominal price for the ads as they draw response from individuals who might use your animal for research, breeding or other purposes. Please be sure to screen respondents carefully. Your pet will thank you!

Absolutely Free (7000)

CARPENTRY, 8x10 beall good shape. Northville, call 248-348-1243

CATS

BLACK, YOUNG. Black, black/white, grey tiger (810) 231-2171

COCKER SPANIEL

5 yrs old, well behaved & trained, to good home. (248) 830-4385

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To good home only. No cage (517) 546-5345

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You cut & haul. Brighton. Call Gary 810-923-2500

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Interior/Exterior (248) 446-3366

FREE telephone directories

for different counties. Call (517) 552-0505

HEATLATOR

oil burner/heater broder, Sears outdoor window air. 248-634-5452

HORSE MANURE

Ready for the garden. Will load Milford/Highland (248) 887-2892

KITTENS

for a Halloween Treat, 7 weeks, black & white (517) 545-9024

KITTENS

To a good home (517) 223-1203

KITTENS

8 wks old, litter trained, adorable. ready to go! (248) 687-1342

LABRADOR DOG

4.5 mo. old male, great w/dogs. To good home only. (248) 685-1177

OLD FURNACE

good for (2) 1/4hp motor, blower for barn (810) 229-5173

RABBITS

5 or 6 for pets or meat (810) 231-3314

SOFA

recliner. Brown. Also matching. (248) 486-3299

SONY stereo component system

w/ speakers & complete instructions. 810-225-2290

STOVE, GE, ELECTRIC

(248) 349-7290

TV, Sony 27" console, works fine

you haul. 248-437-7861

WOOD SECTIONAL GARAGE DOORS

(2) & a hardware. 811/90R (517) 548-1371

Antiques/Collectibles (7020)

Antiques Bought! Postcards, paper dolls, dishes, perfume bottles, Shelley bone china, factory badges. 248-624-3385

OAK 1930's counter/stove

display case w/glass front. Good cond. \$350. (989) 828-5804

SHIPANEWANA ON THE ROAD

ships containers to Traverse City at the Grand Traverse Resort & Spa October 30th & 31st. Saturday 9am-5pm, Sunday 10am-5pm. \$300 adults, 12 and under Free. For more details and map to show go to www.shipanewanaontheroad.com or call 269-979-8888

Auction Sales (7060)

Construction Equipment Auction
2 Vermeer T600C Tractors
Boat & Motor - Cement
Tools - Shop Tools
350 JD Dozer - Trailers - Iron
Welder - Much More!
Wed. Oct. 27th @ 11:00 AM
4254 Bentley Lk. Rd.
Howell, MI
Owner: DVOMAB LLC
Details with Pics @
braunandhelmer.com
Braun and Helmer
Auction Service Inc.
Jerry Helmer (734) 368-1734

Auctions by Past Presents

Surplus Liquidation Auction
Sat., Oct. 23, 2004, 10:30am
9411 M-36, Whitmore Lake
Exit 54 off US 23, go W to
Barnstomer Restaurant
Equipment, Arcade Games,
Amateur Displays, Sound &
Lighting Equipment, Trucks
auctionsbypastpresents.com

CLOSING SHOP AFTER 30 YEARS

Auction, Sun, Oct 24, 11AM
6316 Executive Drive
Westland, N. of Ford Rd, E. of
Hix, look for signs. Antiques,
Collectibles, Video Games,
Jukeboxes, Cases of Beanie
Babies, 100's of VHS & DVD
Movies, Cases of Old Comics,
Household Items, Plenty of
Box Lots & Much More!
734-722-3127

QUALITY AUCTION

Howell - 25 yr collection.
Antiques, ad signs, clocks,
glass, pottery, 99 Dodge conversion van. Off Coon Lake, 3.6
miles W of I-19 Sat, pre-view
9am. Cash only 810-220-1856

Rummage Sale/ Flea Market (7080)

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FOWLERVILLE- Attic Treasures

Sale. St. Agnes Catholic Church, 855 E. Grand River Ave. Fri., Oct. 22, Noon-4pm, Sat. Oct. 23 9am-4pm. 1000's of items

Novi Church Rummage Sale

Oct 21-23, 9-6
4400 W 10 Mile Rd.
Sat. 11:00 A.M. 9-12

7100 Estate Sales (7100)

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DISCOVER THE DEMMER DIFFERENCE

7100 Estate Sales (7100)

AN ESTATE SALE EVERYDAY BARGAINS ALWAYS

Bedrooms, dining room sofas, tables, chairs, wall hangings, wall units, oil paintings, prints, china, flatware, crystal, figurines collectibles, etc.
If it does not meet our High Standard of quality and condition it isn't in our showroom.

RE-SELL-IT ESTATE SALES

34769 Grand River Farmington
248-478-7355
Lay-Aways & Delivery Available
12-4pm Major Credit Cards

Estate Sale-Exquisite pieces 9am-5pm Sat. Oct. 23rd
Branford Village Sub. off of 10 Mile & Beck. 24261 Scarfett Ct. Furniture, artwork, china, books, plants. (248)347-3607

HIGHLAND 65 yr. antique, all glass, all furniture. Great Prices!! Baby grand, accumulation, misc. household. 2016 LKO. Aford Acres off Hwy 10. Rd N of M-59. Fr-Sat. 10-4

PINKNEY Estate Sale w/Anchors, Oct. 23 & 24, 9-5pm. 1851 Kingston, off Farley, bet. M-36 & Swarthout.

WHITE LAKE TWP Fr. Oct. 22, Sat. Oct. 23, 9-6 1940's mahogany br. set, 40's blond br. set, old & new books, 200's glassware & dishes, 72 Johnson snowmobile & sled, sofa, chairs (A&F, Old Navy, A.C.), games, tools, avon, etc. 6625 Cedar Island Rd. corner of Bogie Lk & Cedar Island Rd. W.

Garage Sales (7110)

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BARN SALE! Horse tack, antiques, garage items. See classification 7860 10/23-24

BRIGHTON Fr. 9-4pm, Sat. 9-3pm. 8100 Wynans Lk. Rd. Shp. woodchipper, window air conditioners, yard tools, furniture, books, punching bag, games, mirrors

BRIGHTON. MOVING SALE. Fr. Sat. 9am to 4pm. 224 S. Knott, west of Rockert Rd. south of railroad tracks

FARMINGTON HILLS-End of Season! 2 Family Garage Sale 28287 Montpelier Ct. Fri. Oct. 22, 10am-6pm, Sat. Oct. 23, 10am-4pm

FARMINGTON HILLS-Sat 10/23 9-4pm 35945 Castlemeadow w/Drake's houseware, sideboard, dresser, chest, Mod dining set, 30's pressed glass, Wedgwood, Rayo, silver, baby stuff.

HOWELL Garage Sale Furniture, toys, household goods, computer stuff, comic books, games, and more. Oct. 22 & 23 9am-5pm 4790 Stillmeadow Dr

HAMBURG 2 family sale. Misc., clothes, wooden folk art, Fri-Sat, 9-12. 5511 Arapaho Pkwy. Arrowhead Sub.

HARTLAND, SAT. ONLY 10/23, 9-4pm. 2 FAMILIES merging. Two beds, dishes, decor, clothes, skateboards, kids stuff. M-59 to Hartland Rd to 10357 Crouse Rd. off from Hartland Post Office

HIGHLAND Bag Sale! Thurs 10-12 to Sat 10-23, 9-5pm. Children to adult clothing, toys, bunk bed & many misc items. Highland Hills Sub (N. Milford Rd to Clyde Rd) 950 Intervale

HIGHLAND GREENS Moving. 215 E. McGreger, off McLaren. Thurs-Fri, 9-5, Sat 9-1. No tools

HIGHLAND-Moving Sale. ALL MUST GO Furniture, tools, yard stuff, etc. Thurs. Oct. 21st - Sat. Oct. 23rd. 8am-6pm. 687 White House Dr off Harvey Lk. Rd. across from Holy Spirit Church.

MILFORD. 1004 Burns Rd. bwn. Commerce & Cooley Lk. Rds. Oct. 23, 24, 10 to 4pm

MILFORD. LOTS of everything 2940 S. Milford Rd. bwn. Buno & 93rd Maple. Oct. 22, 23, 24, 9 to 3pm

NORTHVILLE BIG SALE! 4922 Galway. Oct. 21-23, Between 8 & 9 Mile, off Novi Office supplies furniture.

Northville - 20450 Woodcreek Blvd S of 8 Mile. W of Meadowbrook. Furniture, baby equip., collectibles, dishes, Nordic Track treadmill, & other misc household items. Fri & Sat. Oct. 22 & 23, 9-4:30pm

NORTHVILLE - Gigantic Sale! Household, furniture, misc. Fri & Sat. Oct. 22 & 23, 8-4pm. 985 N. Center St. 2 bks N of 8 Mile

NORTHVILLE-Nord Furniture. household, clothes, size 12, skis. 43885 Galway, off Novi Rd., bwn 8-9 Mile. Oct. 22-23, 9-4. Cash only

NOVI 22712 Meadowbrook. Thurs-Sat 9-4pm. Baby stuff, double stroller, carseat, boys clothes (0-31), toys.

NOVI- Rummage Sale. Fri 10/29, 9-5 & Sat. 10/30 9-1. Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook, bwn 8 & 9 mile

NOVI- Back yard sale. 24895 Denier Dr. off Delmont. Oct. 23 & 24, 9-4. Toys, misc.

NOVI- Thurs & Fri 9-4. 24076 Greening Dr. Orchard Ridge Estates. W of Novi Rd S of 10 Mile

NOVI-SAT. ONLY. 10/23, 8-5. Remodeling clean out. Misc. appliances, youth bed, furniture, doors, toys, clothes. Turtle Creek Sub. 22070 Cascade Dr. 9 Mile & Meadowbrook

Garage Sales (7110)

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SOUTH LYON. Tues. 10/26, 9am to 2pm. 1114 Appaloosa Court, north of 11 Mile, west of Pontiac Trail. Dryer, furniture, clothes, toys, etc.

Moving Sales (7130)

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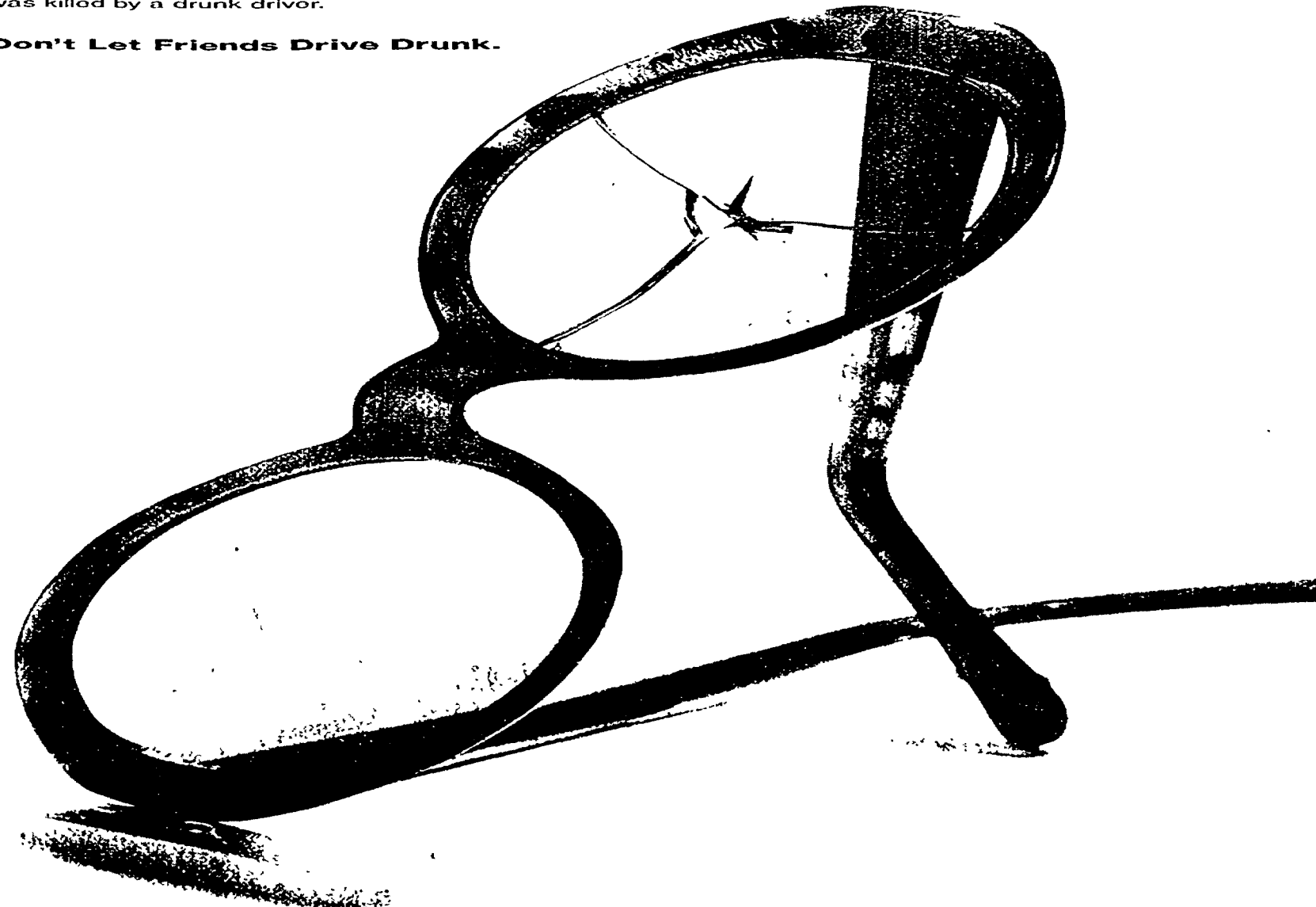
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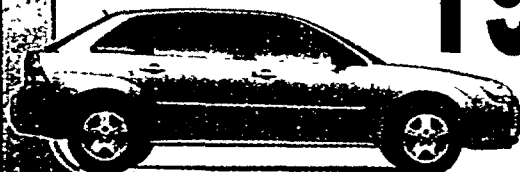
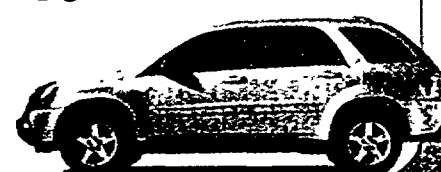
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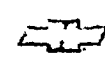
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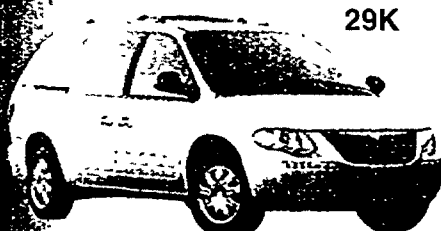
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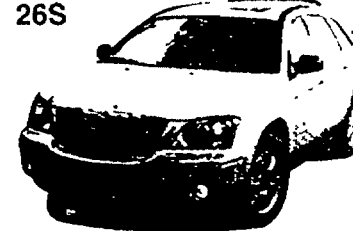
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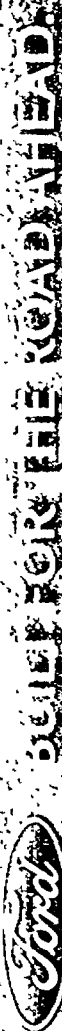
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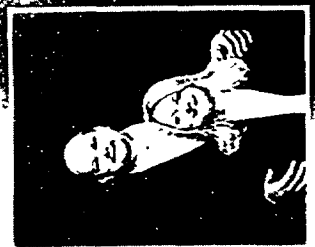
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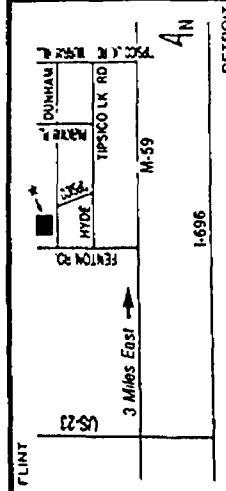
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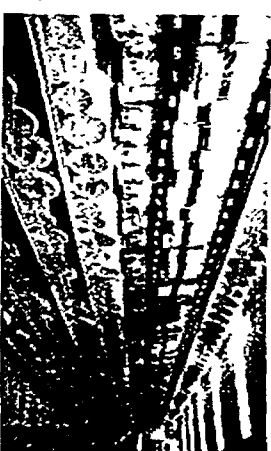
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What's hot for the bride-to-be?

By Cynthia Grochowski
DAILY PRESS & ARGUS

Elizabeth Clancy has seen trends come and go in the 16 years she has operated Elizabeth's Bridal Manor in Northville. This coming bridal season is no different.

"We are seeing some of everything," Clancy said. "Full ball gowns for first-time weddings, and shimmering destination gowns for exchanging vows on the beachfront."

Clancy agrees that the strapless look is still hot, but returning slowly for the less daring brides are gowns worn just off the shoulder. The classic portrait collar, off the shoulder with a stand up cuff, is making a respectable comeback.

"Sleeves are not being shown on market," Clancy observed. "They can always be added later, or if added, taken off after the ceremony."

More cap sleeves, which can be converted to straps, are being offered to accommodate religious ceremony etiquette.

"Low cut and strapless continues to be the rage," Clancy pointed out. "Most of the gowns are still floor length."

This year bridal gowns on the market are being seen in pinks and blues. "Color isn't for everyone," Clancy cautioned. "It's for the girl who dyes,

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According to Clancy, gloves were not last year, but not this year.

Most brides continue to wear veils. The cathedral veil set on a hair comb with Velcro can be worn through the reception or replaced with a shorter veil attached to a comb.

"Not too many wear flowers in their hair anymore," Clancy said, adding those headpieces do not hold up well.

"The train continues to lead," Clancy summed up. "The princess look is very dominant."

How a bride looks in the gown is the determining factor as to whether or not she will walk down the aisle wearing it.

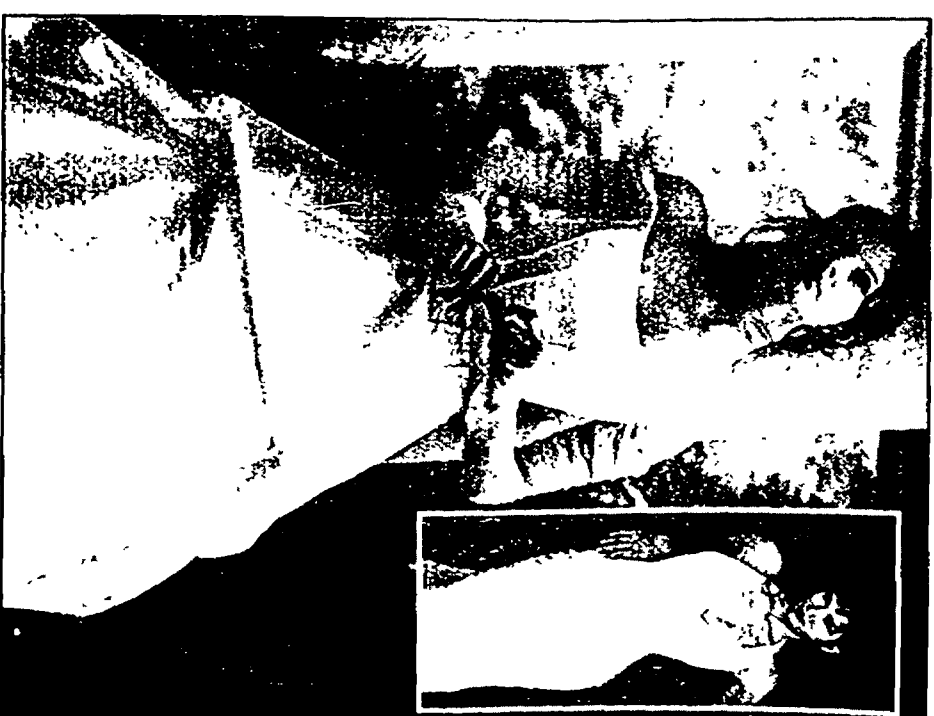


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"Many styles come with a lace-up gown," Clancy said. "They sell because they create a slimmer figure and make the bride look so good in them."

Many brides-to-be have magazine pictures in hand when they walk into the bridal shop, but they leave with something completely different.

"Brides don't always buy what they like in pictures," Clancy explained. "They buy what looks good on them."



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Some flowers have better staying power than others

By John O'Connell
COPYLEY NEWS SERVICE

Your bridal bouquet will last the wedding, but it won't last the marriage unless you have it preserved.

Many brides are refusing to toss their bouquets, preferring to keep them to remember the day, according to Mary Ellen Betson, an owner of Floral Expressions in Peoria, Ill.

"Drying wedding bouquets was really popular five to 10 years ago, when the popularity of dried flowers was at its peak," Betson said. "But we still get requests to dry wedding bouquets, and even funeral flowers on occasion."

Not all fresh flowers make good dried flowers, the florist said. So if the bride wants to turn her bouquet into a keepsake, select the right flowers, Betson advised.

"Roses are among the best fresh flowers to air dry," she said. "Larkspur, peonies, hydrangea and baby's breath are also good. On the other hand, orchids, gardenias and stephanotis are not particularly good candidates for drying, at least I feel that way. They are primarily white flowers that will brown when they dry."

Some bouquets can be preserved intact. But others may need to be reworked.

"If a gift brings me a bouquet made of orchids and roses," Betson said, "I will dry the flowers that will work and redesign a smaller bouquet or create a dried arrangement. It wouldn't be the same bouquet, but it would be the flowers from her bridal bouquet."

Most bridal bouquets have little or no water source. They will wilt quickly. If planning to preserve a bouquet, it's paramount that it be done before wilting.

"One way to keep them from wilting quickly is to put the bouquet in a plastic bag and put it in a refrigerator," Betson said. "They can stay in pretty good shape for several days, like that."

Drying Methods

Pressing.
The most popular method of preserving flowers is pressing them.

This entails sandwiching flowers and foliage between layers of an absorbent material — generally non glossy paper — and placed in a plant press.

Flowers like violets, pansies, larkspur and ferns preserve well in this manner. And they can be arranged in framed display.

A time-tested method is to press flowers between the pages of a book, which is closed and weighted.



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Many brides opt to preserve their wedding bouquet by drying it. Floral experts say a clutch arrangement of roses is the best candidate for creating a dried keepsake, which can be achieved by simply hanging the flowers upside down in a cool, dark place.

Air drying

"One of the simplest ways to preserve a bouquet is to air dry it," Betson said. "A clutch (round shape) bouquet of roses is ideal for this. The bride can easily do this herself. You simply turn the bouquet upside down and hang it to dry. A cascade bouquet will have to be broken apart and the flowers dried individually. Once they are dried, you can put a cascade bouquet back together again."

In a warm, dark, dry place flowers will take a few weeks to dry.

A dark environment helps preserve flower color.

Blue and yellow flowers retain their colors best.

"Air drying flowers has a natural look," Betson said. "But flowers that are dried are naturally going to shrink. You may have to tighten a bouquet with a rubber band around its stem."

What do the flowers say?

By Tessa Erickson
MULT-AD

You're getting married in a few months and the time has come for you decide on your bouquet.

Maybe you want to carry a fresh hand-tied bouquet of wild flowers or perhaps you want something more traditional, like an all-white gardenia bouquet.

Whatever you choose, whether it be a simple lily or a cascading bouquet of roses and lilies, you can make it meaningful.

Certain meanings have been attached to flowers since ancient times. Many Romans and Greeks chose specific flowers to celebrate special occasions.

Centuries later, the Victorians took the concept a step further, using flowers to express intense emotions, like love. Flower dictionaries became quite common during the Victorian period.

Today the tradition of using flowers to express emotions has become popular once again. Many brides now pick flowers for their bouquets that express the way they feel about the groom and marriage in general.

Some of these include:

Anthrora returned love
 Bachelor's button ... devotion, hope, love
 Camellia fidelity and love
 Chrysanthemum love and truth
 Daisy innocence
 Dillan of Crete passion
 Fern sincerity
 Forget-me-not true love
 Hawthorn hope
 Heliotrope devotion and eagerness
 Holly domestic happiness
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 Hyacinth constancy
 Ivy fidelity, friendship and marriage
 Orange blossom
 chivalry, eternal love, marriage
 Plum blossom abundant love
 Rose love
 Sepianthus happiness in marriage
 Tulip perfect love
 Blue violet faithfulness, love, loyalty

This is just a short list of the meanings of some flowers. For a more extensive list, conduct a search on the Web or contact your local florist.

Don't become a Bridezilla

You once had a best friend who always had a smile on her face and a laid-back attitude toward life. She was a pleasure to be around and you enjoyed doing things together. But then ... her boyfriend proposed. And sooner than he could say "Will you marry me?" she became ... a Bridezilla.

The word "Bridezilla" is a combination of "bride" and "dread" — the thinner the girl, the better.

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Before you get married, consider these money-management issues

Here are some money-management issues couples tying the knot need to consider:

- Explore your financial personalities. Are you a disciplined saver, while he can blow a wad without guilt?
- Put your finances on the table. It may not be romantic, but it's good sense to reveal annual income, assets, debts, pensions, retirement accounts and life insurance policies. If you really want to be honest, exchange personal credit reports. Then calculate your combined net worth.
- Review your financial goals: saving for retirement, reducing debt, buying a new home, etc. Plan new goals as a couple and discuss what you're willing to trade off in order to achieve them.
- Set up a budget. Make a concerted effort to save for short- and long-term goals. Couples should establish an emergency fund of two to three months' worth of combined income.
- With the instability of corporations, these days, they need to build reserves, says financial planner Bill Lervae.
- Discuss the importance of maintaining a separate credit identity. And remember, adding your name to your spouse's premarital account makes you liable for the existing debt.
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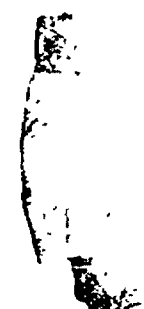


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Newest china patterns feature platinum highlights



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When it comes time to choose fine china, don't go for the gold. Think platinum.

High drama marks many of the new styles and old favorites this spring, with platinum highlights a common theme. Some of this season's selection includes (all prices are for five-piece place settings):

- **Amesbury** from Wedgwood. This set features a delicate interlocking motif inspired by lily of the valley. The pattern's platinum band adds contemporary style to the graceful, crisp aqua pattern. The suggested retail price is \$185.
- **Atlanta** from Royal Doulton is a bold, sophisticated pattern suited to both casual and formal dining. The Greek key-bead design is inspired by motifs popular in ancient Greece, updated by adding a more contemporary textured border in deep denim blue. Each piece is edged in platinum. The suggested retail price is \$114.
- **City Lights** from Mikasa is bold and beautiful. It will "set the stage" for contemporary dining at its best with this luxurious pattern. Also trimmed in platinum for an elegant touch, it can enrich any formal setting. The suggested retail price is \$180.
- **Federal Platinum** by Lenox is the epitome of elegance. In pristine bone china with double bands of platinum, this classic pattern will transform any table setting from ordinary to extraordinary. Each serving piece is distinguished by a footed stand, creating a beautiful presentation. The suggested retail price is \$130.

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If you have a specific pattern or maker in mind, the best way to ensure that you receive the set you want is using a gift registry.

"It's best to register in national department or specialty stores, or stores that offer online wedding registries, says etiquette expert Peggy Post at WeddingChannel.com.

Such registries are especially convenient for out-of-town guests and others who prefer the ease of ordering gifts online. However, when

• Earthenware is made from clay that has been baked at a relatively low temperature. It is very porous. Typically, earthenware is glazed and used in more informal designs.

• Porcelain is fired at a very high temperature, glazed and then fired again. Porcelain possesses a beautiful translucency and is considered to be the most refined grade of china. Also, porcelain is very malleable before being fired, therefore designs are often very detailed.

• Bone china is similar to porcelain, with the addition of finely ground animal bone ash to the clay base. It is the strongest and whitest of all chinas.

According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, the Chinese first made porcelain to withstand the great heat generated in certain parts of their kilns. The two natural substances used were kaolin (a white clay free of impurities that melts only at very high temperature) and a type of feldspar called petuntse that forms a glassy cement, binding the vessel permanently.

Some of the earliest examples of this kind of porcelain dates from the eighth century. The Chinese exported the pottery to the Islamic world, where it was highly prized.

Porcelain was known throughout the Western world from the Middle Ages onward, but it was extremely rare. Starting with the Ch'ing Dynasty in the 17th century, porcelain designed especially for export to the West first appeared.

In Europe, porcelain was first commercially produced in Meissen, Germany. By the 18th century, English makers such as Wedgwood perfected the manufacture of fine bone china outside of the Orient, revolutionizing its use through mass production and lower prices.

Follow these tips to the perfect refreshments

By Cynthia Grochowski
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Choosing who, what, when, where and how are up to the bride and groom. But the question of what to feed everyone becomes a stickler.

"It comes down to the budget they have and what they can provide for their guests," Denise OKopski, general manager of Mystic Creek Golf Club, said.

Alcoholic Beverages

"After the bride and groom complete their guest list, they need to evaluate how many drinkers there will be," OKopski advised. In the catering industry, guests who consume alcoholic beverages are referred to as drinkers.

When planning a wedding reception, OKopski asks if there are drinkers on both sides of the family. Perhaps there are 250 guests, but the bride's side of the family does not drink, so the couple should budget for 125 drinkers, rather than 250.

Once the number of drinkers are determined, the couple should estimate how many drinks each guest will consume. If they will probably drink more than three each, OKopski advises the couple choose to pay by the hour. However, if they drink less than three per person, it will be cheaper to run a tab, she said.

Food

"The bride and groom tell me what they want, I give them a quote and we go from there," Julie Jordan, catering director for Taorello's Marketplace in Brighton, explained. "Couples are commonly unprepared for how

much food costs. It is the biggest shock for them."

Jordan reminds couples that linens, china, serving dishes and other items must be added to the cost of the food if they are not available at the reception hall.

Appetizers are a good idea if the wait is expected to be more than 30 minutes. Light munchies, such as cheese and crackers, veggies and dip, and fruit are perfect for morning receptions and buffets, said Julie Jordan, catering director for Taorello's Marketplace in Brighton. "Light appetizers keep guests from becoming too full before dinner arrives."

For something heavier, opt for mini quiche, shrimp cocktail, stuffed mushrooms or Swedish meatballs.

"You'd want to coordinate the appetizers with your dinner," Jordan said.

Dessert

"Dessert is usually wedding cake or possibly

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Couture touches latest in bridesmaids' fashions

By Deidre O'Shea
CORLEY NEWS SERVICE

In a bridal boutique, and dress shop, from Beverly Hills to Brooklyn, garment bags, rulle, champagne flutes and good friends laugh and pique in pique gowns. The search for bridesmaids' dresses is on.

The good news, for bridesmaids is that the latest collections, many from bridal and couture designers, are utterly contemporary and will be reasonable additions to a wardrobe beyond the wedding day. These elegant dresses and separates will work for any special occasion — formal gowns for another wedding, a benefit or a night at the theater or casual separates for an evening out.

A bride should be sure to consider the style and color preferences of her attendants, as well as their figure types, since more than ever there truly is something for everyone.

Contemporary touches include wrap tops, one-shoulder tops, belted waists, contrasting trim, soft plaids, even palazzo pants. Classic styles are still represented in every collection: A-line, empire waists and bateau necklines. Rich tones are the new palette for bridesmaids' dresses, yet for every bride swayed by plum and red, there's another option for a warm yellow, orange or lilac shade.

Stock and trim are in, as are fabrics with movement like silk, chiffon, crepe and matte jersey. But traditional tulle and organza live on, if in more modern, unsully styling.

The collection can be viewed online and purchased at Elizabeth's Bridal Manor in Northville.

• **Lazaro**, www.lazarobridal.com, a Cuban-born New York bridal designer is known for his perfect cut and beautiful fabrics and details. The bride who appreciates exquisite construction, fit and tailoring will want to look here first.

His designs have touches, one would expect in couture design, such as a wrap sash at the waist and a flower at the back of an iridescent tulle trumpet gown with spaghetti straps. A silk shantung stripes' trumpet gown comes with a matching wrap jacket with full-length bell sleeves. More modern options include a champagne gathered halter blouse paired with a satin trumpet skirt with satin belt. Another standout style is an iridescent tulle top with a curved neckline that has a wonderful tie belt with a flower at the waist. The matching A-line skirt has an inverted kick pleat at the back.

• **With Jim Hjelm's Occasions and Just Separates line**, www.jimhjelmoccasions.com, finding a gown to flatter each attendant's figure and complexion is easy.

Naasha Adonizio, who also designs the Jim Hjelm Couture Bridal Collection, Glamorous and contemporary, Jim Hjelm's new collection has a palette full of soft pinks and two-tone chiffons, which are accented with understated bow trim or rosettes.

Consultants take the stress out of the wedding

By Cynthia Grochowski
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

The engagement ring would be even more precious if it came with two more things: The time to plan the wedding and the knowledge to pull it off.

Most people work full time. Who has the time to plan such a detailed, budget conscious, memorable, life-time event like a wedding?

A wedding consultant does. "We can plan everything from the time of the engagement to the time they leave the reception," Julie Hall explained. People like Hall, a professional bridal consultant with Jewel Occasions, sit down with the bride and groom to work out a budget and establish the framework needed to put on the wedding.

"More and more women don't know what to do when planning a wedding," Hall explained.

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ferent colors around the dress, light plaid prints and belts add interest. The Just Separates line gives the option to mix-and-match tops and skirts; by creating different styles using the same fabric, a bride can choose to have a bridal party with complementary outfits, increasing her chances of fitting everyone well.

• **Walters & Walters**, www.walters.com, with possibly the most diverse selection of dresses, offers so many colors, textures and patterns that a bride should be forewarned. There's plaid silk tulle, a beige-and-maroon floral in iridescent silk chiffon, brocade, crystal-beaded tulle, and scalloped pattern French Alencon lace, for starters.

The dress styles are numerous and lean toward gowns, with separates available in the Woo line. With so much variety at the tips of her fingers via the Internet, today's bride can indulge in hours of private shopping trips and maybe, just maybe, find dresses that will make everyone in her bridal party feel like hosting a champagne glass.

Candy Spiegel contributed to this report.

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A wedding consultant guides the engaged couple with their choices and gives them suggestions to get the most for their budget.

The consultant's professional association keeps him or her current on the latest trends in wedding and proper etiquette, as well as consideration of ethnic backgrounds and religious ceremonies. "In families that are divorced, does her father walk the bride down the aisle? Does her stepfather? Who sits where? How will pictures be tactfully posed? I can handle that," Hall explained.

"I am the bride's gofer," Hall explained. "I research the photographers, the florist, invitations, caterers, everything and prevent the

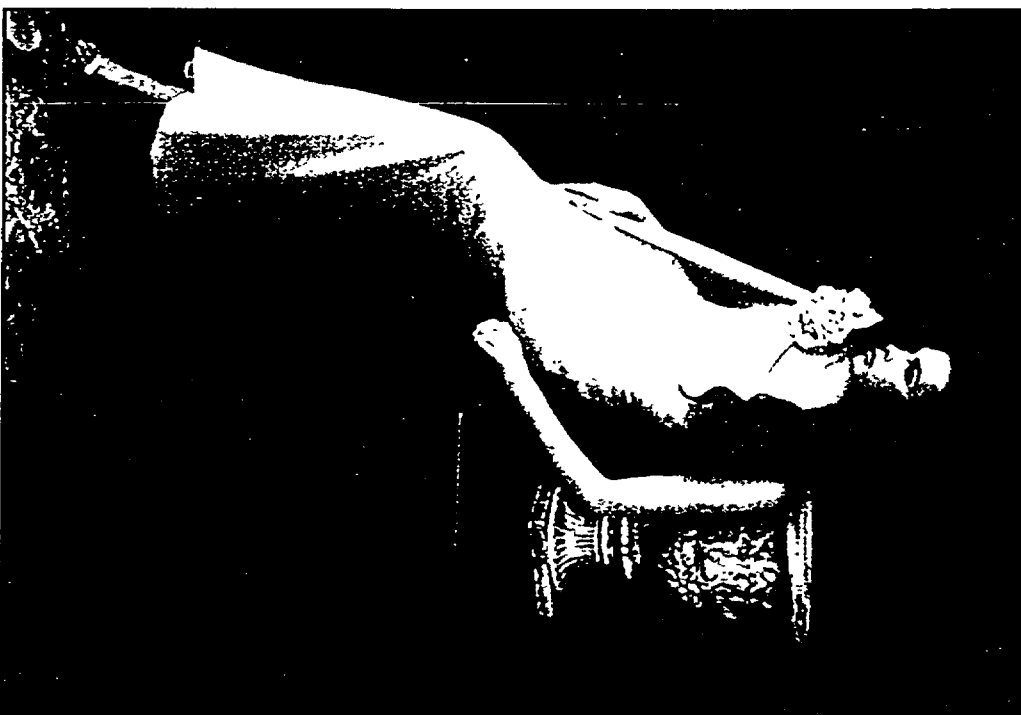


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This maize chiffon bridesmaid's gown by designer Lazaro is subtle and chic. It's slender silhouette and floral accent with illusion sleeve overlay lends added grace and style.

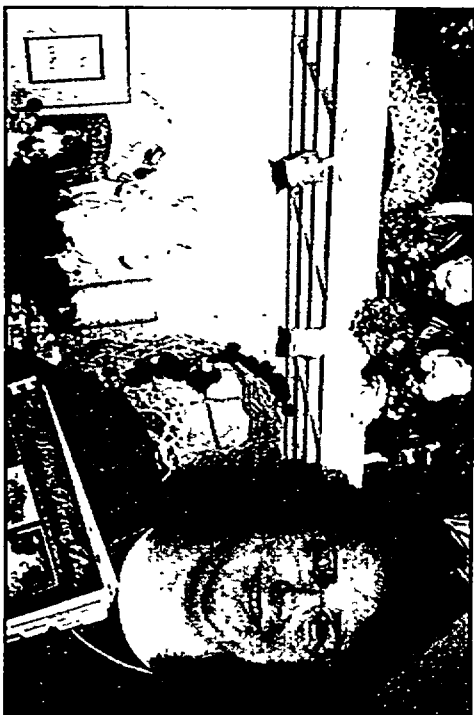


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Wedding consultants like Julie Hall of Jewel Occasions take the pressure off the bride and groom in planning and executing the perfect wedding. "I am behind the scenes making sure things are done according to the couple's wishes."

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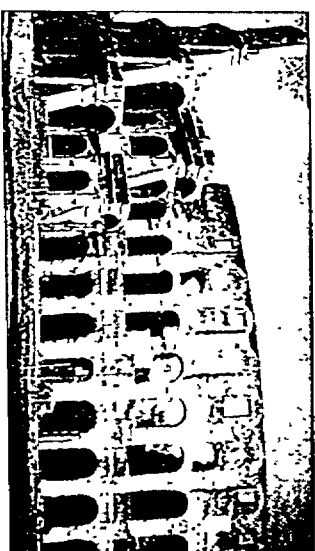
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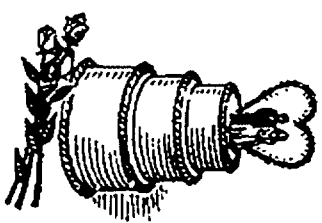


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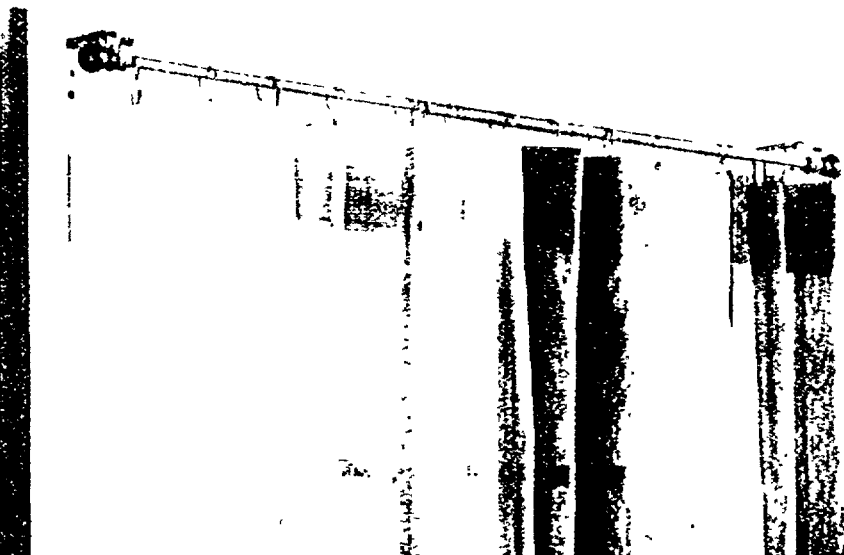
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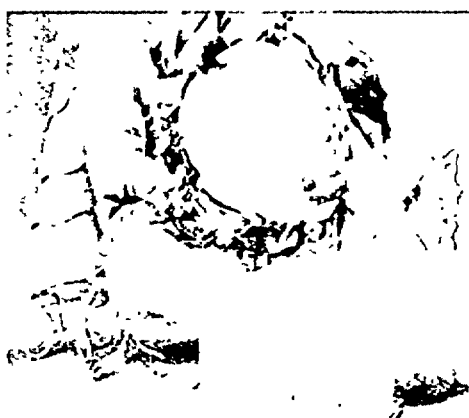
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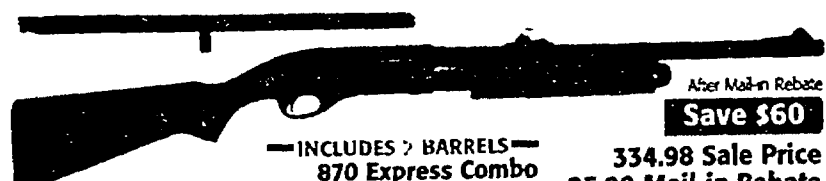
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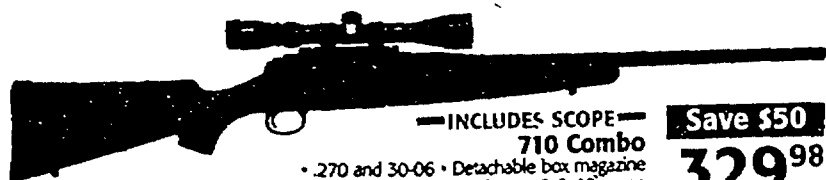
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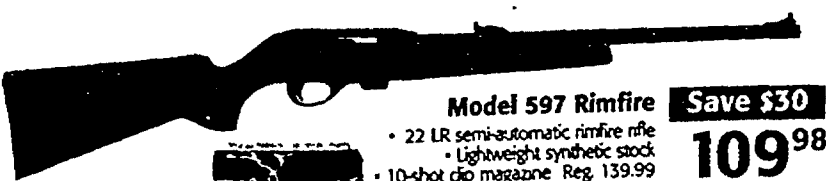
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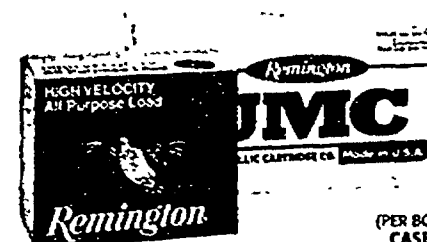
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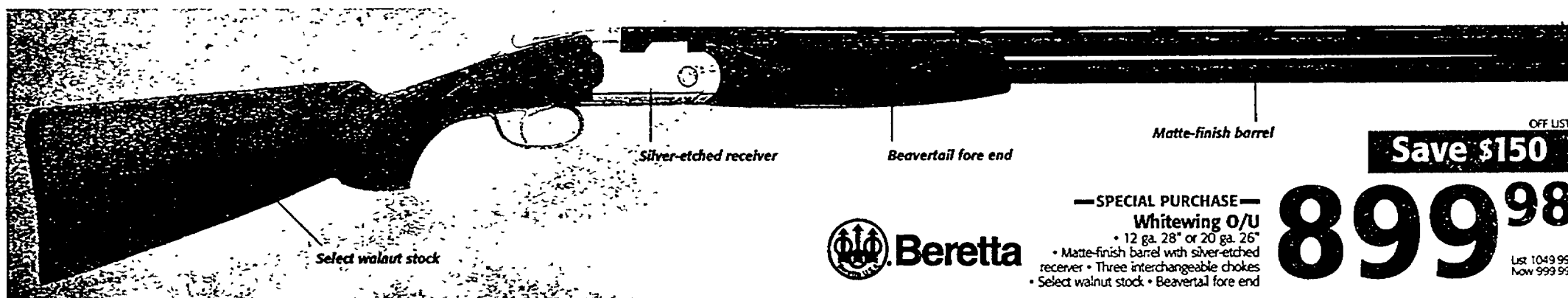
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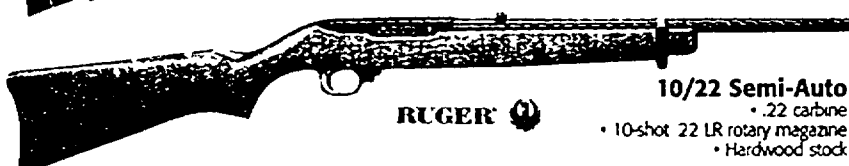
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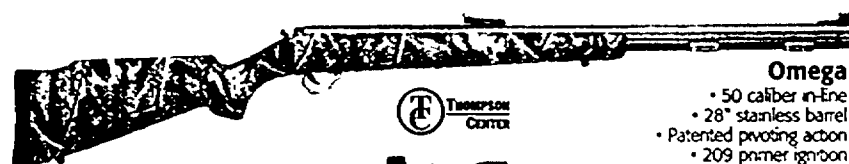
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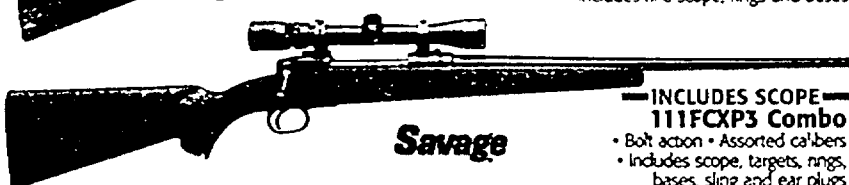
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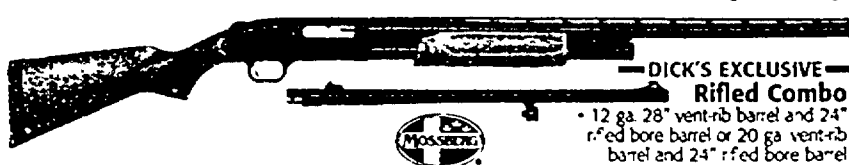
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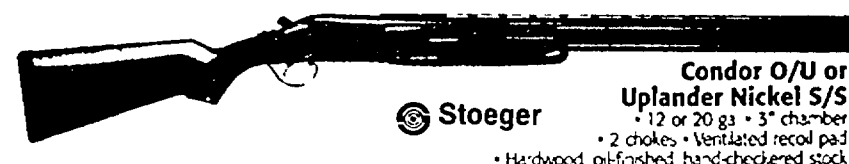
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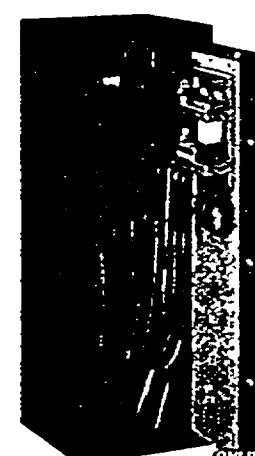
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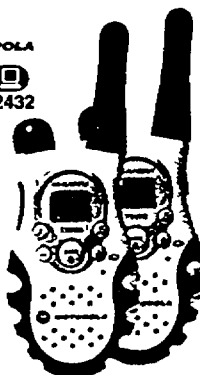
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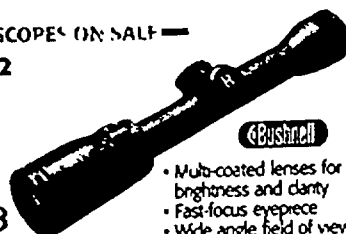
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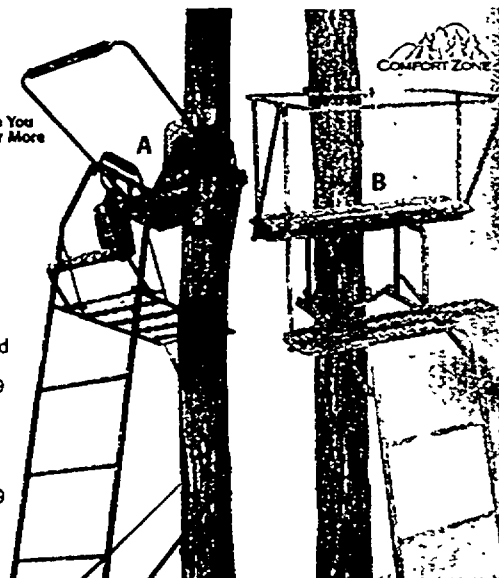
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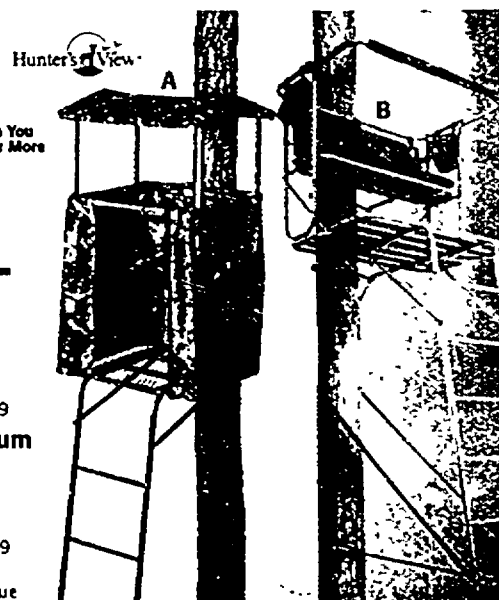
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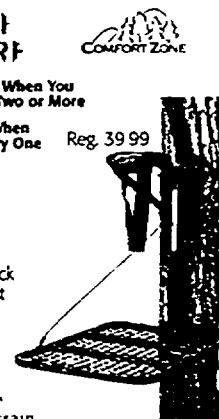
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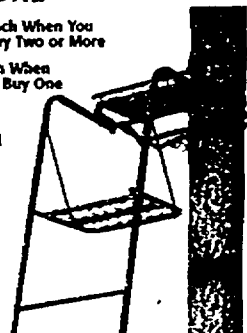
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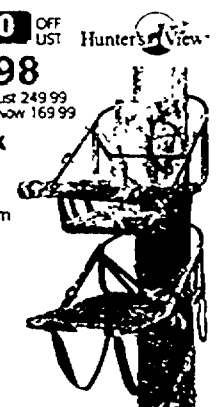
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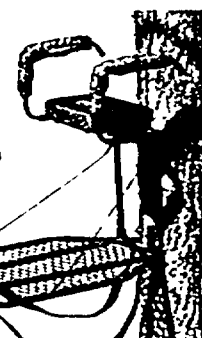
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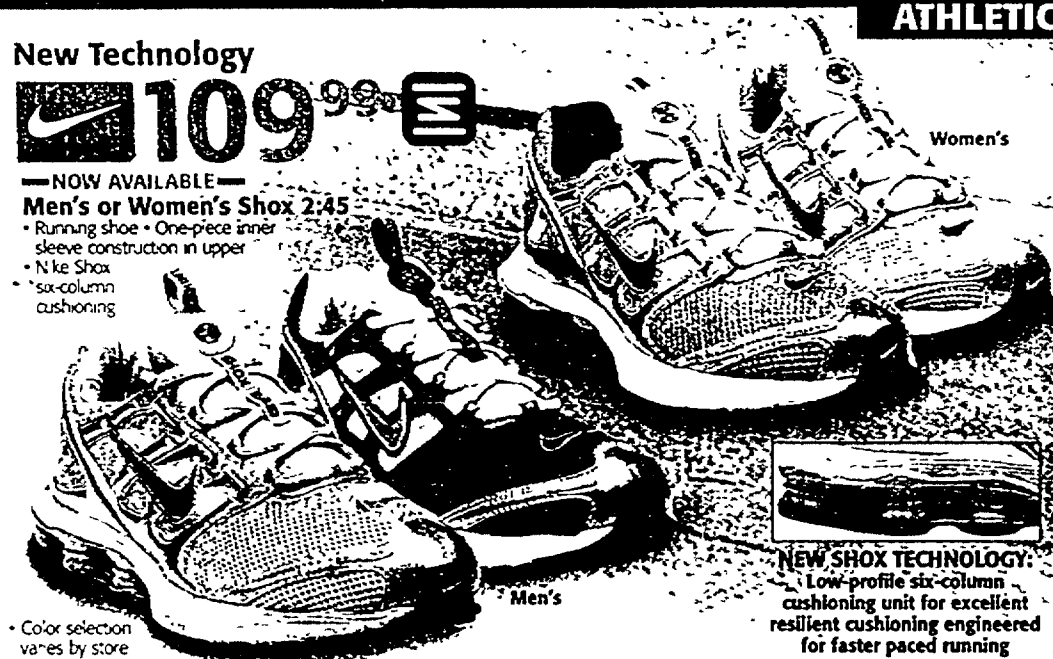
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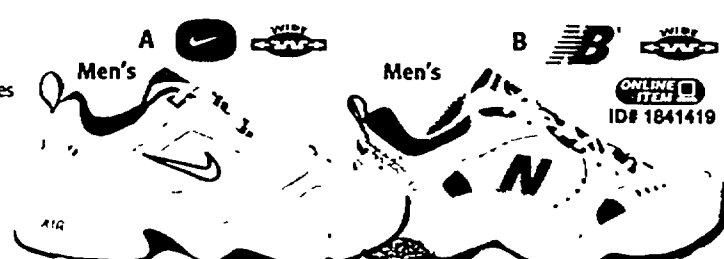
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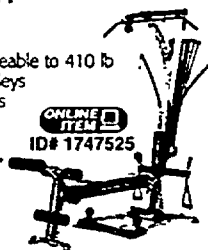


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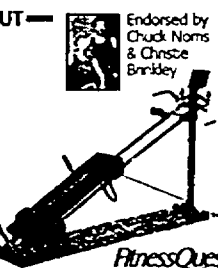


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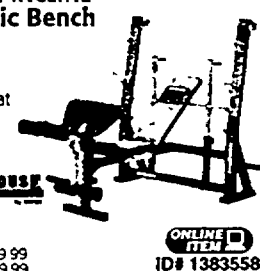


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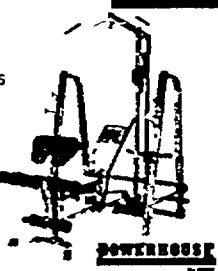


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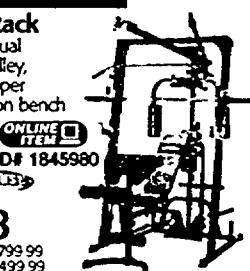
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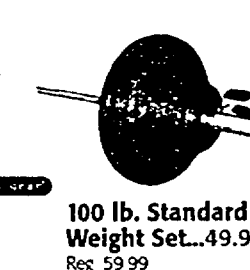
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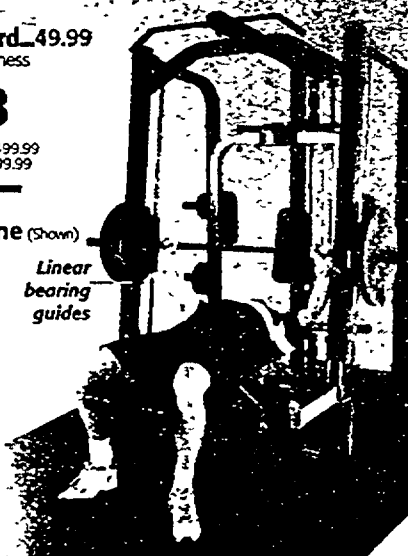
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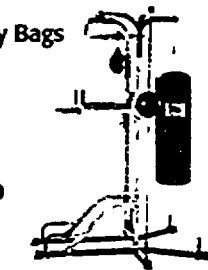


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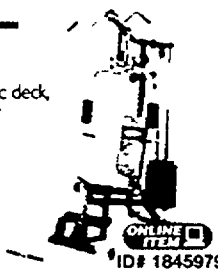
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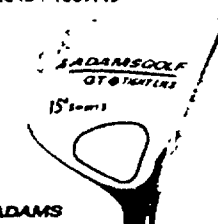
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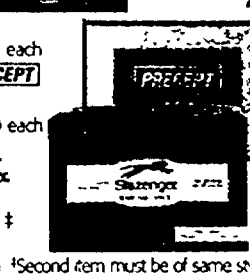
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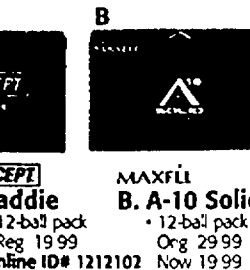
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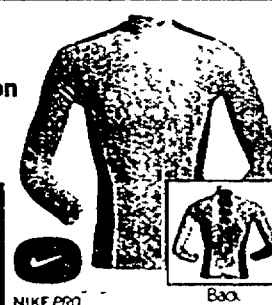
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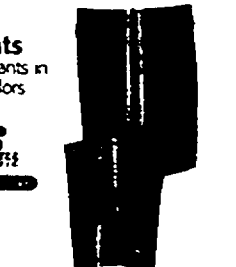
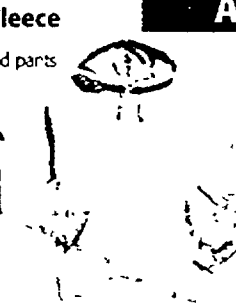
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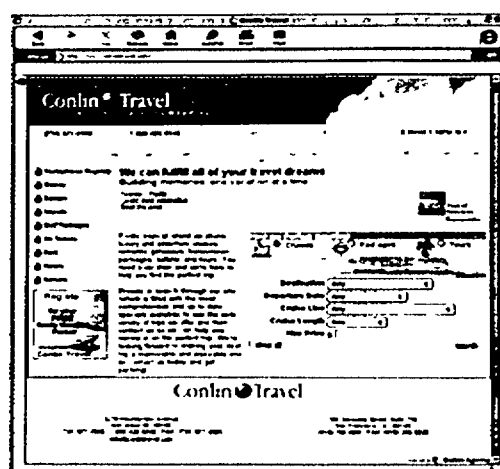
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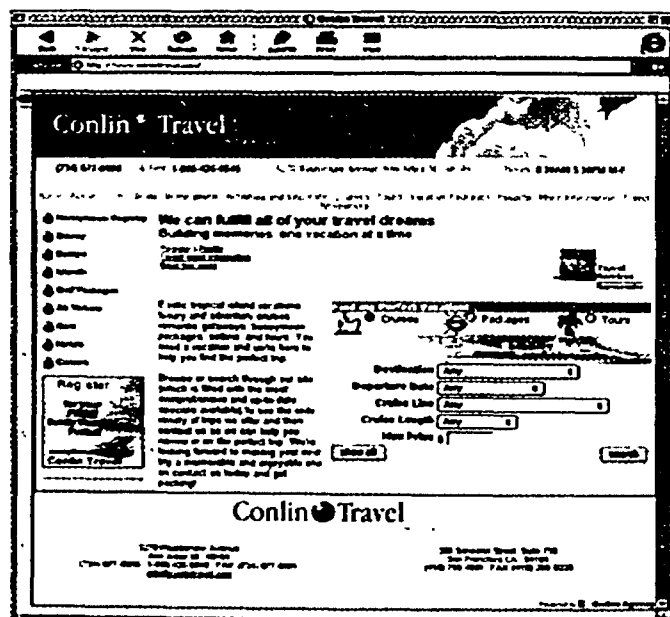
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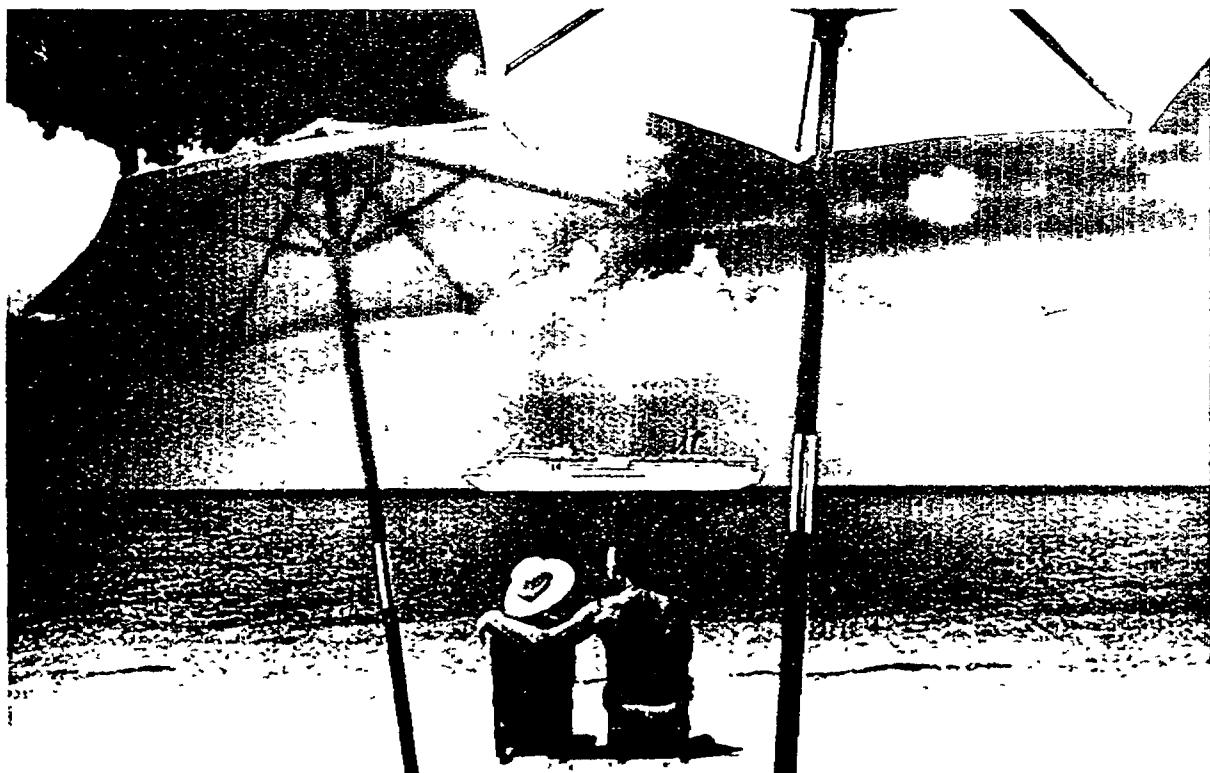
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Greetings from Antarctica!

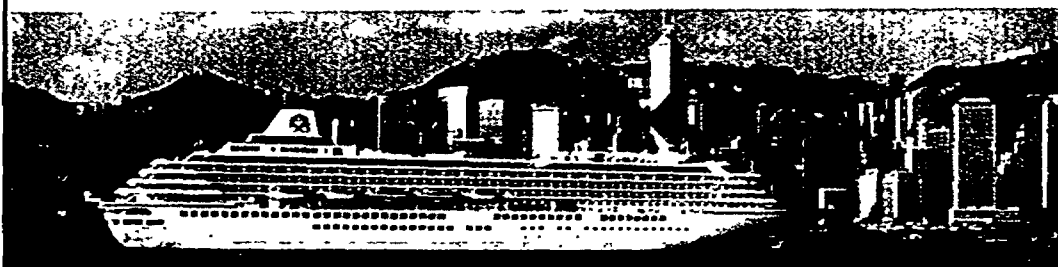
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Bill Mitchell

Bill Mitchell has been helping people plan vacations at Conlin Travel for 18 years. His specialty is Europe, with particular expertise in France. His clients benefit from his intimate knowledge of Venice, Florence, and Rome. Bill has also planned many Alaskan cruises and enjoys helping people discover exotic getaways.



Nanette Rudd

Nanette Rudd is a history buff and freely shares with her clients her knowledge gained from 19 years of travel planning, and her own journeys to fascinating locales. She is well-versed in Eastern Europe and the Middle East. A true world traveler, Nanette counts Australia as a favorite destination.



Margie Likert

Margie Likert began in the travel industry in 1957, and brings a wealth of experience to her clients. She especially enjoys planning trips to Malaysia, Thailand, and China, and cruises to exotic regions around the globe. Some of her favorite destinations include Hawaii and Australia, and she also has an extensive background in planning travel for those visiting Europe.



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Sandy Kulenkamp

Sandy Kulenkamp has been with Conlin Travel for over 12 years, and has earned the enviable reputation as a "cruise expert." But along with the world's waterways, she is also well-versed in European travel, as well as Asia. She enjoys setting up trips to "all parts of the world," including Russia, which she has visited personally.

Laura Clausen

Laura Clausen has spent 22 years perfecting the art of travel planning. Scotland is one of her favorite travel destinations, but she also enjoys arranging trips to the African continent and to locations throughout the Indian Ocean. She has firsthand knowledge of Peru and China and also has extensive experience with European travel.



Kenna Kramer

Kenna Kramer is a vital resource when planning a visit to popular vacation spots like Disney World or Las Vegas, or when selecting the perfect honeymoon to Hawaii, or the Caribbean. Her knowledge of the Hawaiian Islands and Caribbean ports-of-call will make these exotic destinations familiar and inviting. As a graduate of the College of Disney Knowledge, she can bring the world's most popular theme park and all of Orlando's attractions to life for children of all ages.



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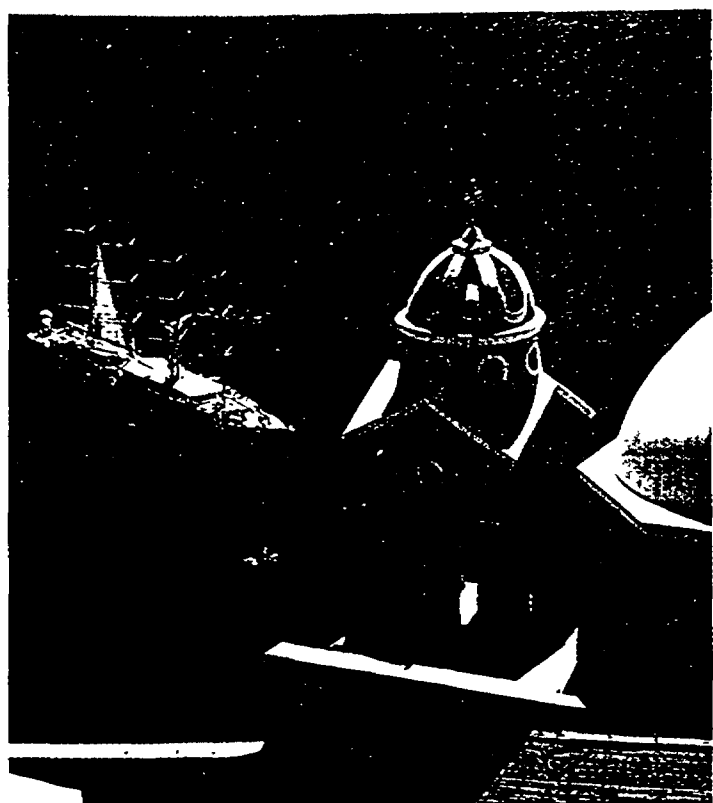


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— CLIENT CORNER —

The World Is Full of Exciting Places!

Jeannine and I both love the adventure of global travel, especially the intellectual challenge of understanding different cultures, life styles, grasping problems that people face around the world. Depending on our destination, sometimes an escorted tour is best, other times independent travel works well. Our destinations have included China, India, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Southeast Asia, Egypt, Israel, Africa, as well as the more common travel destinations. But to achieve the maximum travel benefit, we do not want unpleasant surprises, wasted time, unexpected costs, or disappointments that could have been avoided by proper planning.

We want to clearly understand the cost in advance, also want the confidence that we are receiving full value for our travel resources; both time and expense. As a physician, I believe that very specific needs can only be managed by a skilled professional. Nothing can replace experience for proper planning. These are the reasons why we have found that Conlin Travel is best able to manage our travel plans.

The world is full of exciting places, places to visit, to love, to visit again. We have the confidence that the people at Conlin Travel are here to help us get there.

Jeannine and Bob Buchanan



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Bob and Jeannine Buchanan at Taj Mahal.

Cabo San Lucas, Puerto Vallarta, and Mazatlan. From sport fishing in Cabo San Lucas to snorkeling among sea lions at Los Islotes Sea Lion Colony to shopping for unique, hand-crafted pottery – you can look forward to some very exciting and fun shore excursions. Some itineraries will also include Pichilingue (La Paz). Other sailings will showcase the dramatic Sierra de la Giganta mountain range to Topolobampo where you take part in an exclusive Copper Canyon tour. Ports of call on the *Ryndam* may also include Acapulco, Zihuatanejo, and Manzanillo.



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Additional special amenities include 50 new Adventures Ashore® programs –including a variety of tours exclusively for

Princess guests – such as "Deluxe Berlin." This exclusive tour offers a truly deluxe experience, beginning with a private train car for the journey from the ship to Berlin. Once in the city, you'll visit many of Berlin's most popular sites – such as the impressive Pergamon Museum, huge Altar of Zeus, and the famous Ishtar Gate from Babylon. Other exclusive tours will be offered in St. Petersburg, Athens, Amsterdam, Nice/Cannes, Ireland, as well as other unique and historic destinations.

For those of us Alaska-bound for next season – and eager to combine an Alaska cruise with a land vacation – Princess will debut a unique new travel opportunity that is truly "Direct to the Wilderness." Starting with the 2005 season, trains will transport you directly from the Whittier dock to either the Denali Princess Wilderness Lodge or Mt. McKinley Wilderness Lodge. So, not only will this be the fastest way to the wilderness, every tour will now offer at least two nights in the magnificent park area. Other options that will include this exclusive "Direct to the Wilderness" service are cruise/tours that feature train service to the Kenai Princess Wilderness Lodge. For those of you considering the Copper River Princess Wilderness, you will be able to board your catamaran for Valdez right at the Whittier dock. This season, Princess will be offering "Gulf of Alaska" and "Inside Passage" cruise itineraries with optional land packages easily added.

If you have never enjoyed the luxury of an onboard suite, let us share with you some very special amenities to entice you for your next cruise: Expedited embarkation, afternoon tea served en-suite, complimentary fine liquors stocked in your mini-bar, deluxe canapés served daily en-suite, complimentary Internet access, and complimentary laundry service – and that's just a sample! Please call us now for more information and to book your next Princess cruise to Europe or Alaska.

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Shopping and dining have no equal: It is simply world-class. Whether you're shopping for precious pearls or fine antiques, you're sure to find them in Hong Kong. Savor your dining options, which range from fusion fare in five-star surroundings to succulent seafood at casual dockside cafés. Cantonese, French, and American cuisine top the list, but you're also sure to find everything from Szechuan to Shanghaiese without ever leaving the city's center. Besides the unending excitement of Chinese New Year festivities,



2005 is the 10th anniversary of Hong Kong's Chinese New Year parade.

Hong Kong hosts a variety of vibrant festivals and extravaganzas throughout the year that just about guarantee there is always something happening! Yet, before you leave, take the time to view the glittering harbor lights at sunset, feel soft breezes off the water as you lean against the railing of the famous Star Ferry, and stand in awe as you look down over the city from atop Victoria Peak.

Ready to “Discover it! Live it. And Love it?” We recommend one of Pleasant Holidays' exceptional packages: *Chinese New Year Festival in Hong Kong*. This 8-day/6-night vacation includes roundtrip air from Los Angeles (economical air add-ons available from your hometown) aboard either United

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We think you'll agree: Hong Kong is the place to usher in the Year of the Rooster. Besides showcasing an entire week of festivities and activities – flower markets, feasting, horseracing, dazzling fireworks displays, and the fantasia floats of the world's largest night parade – 2005 is the 10th anniversary of Hong Kong's Chinese New Year Parade. For more information about Pleasant Holidays' exceptional Chinese New Year package and limited departure dates, as well as details about their popular *Hong Kong Culinary Experience* vacation, please call us now.

Hong Kong is, indeed, a destination where you will “live it and love it!”

Spas – The Latest Trends

From “destination” spas to upscale spa resorts that welcome teens, men, and even our pets for treatments, how do we choose the spa vacation that's right for us? We'll give you some tips and suggestions.

With all of the choices and options available now, we can suggest the perfect spa vacation for your needs. Activities and services may include yoga, pilates, skin care, massage, hiking, and creative workshops such as food preparation and learning how to eat every meal out, and still eat healthy. Another thought . . . now that spa treatments have become popular with men – consider taking your spouse.

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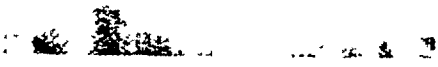
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For those of us who would prefer not to venture to the Continent to enjoy our wintertime getaway, we can recommend an incredible choice of resorts – ranging from ski-in/ski-out deluxe resorts to value-added lodges. If you have family members eager to learn how to ski or snow-board or improve their skills, we can recommend resorts that offer instructions for students of all ages and proficiencies. Please give us a call...and before you know it, we will have you set to enjoy the perfect wintertime vacation.

— DESTINATION: NEW ZEALAND! —

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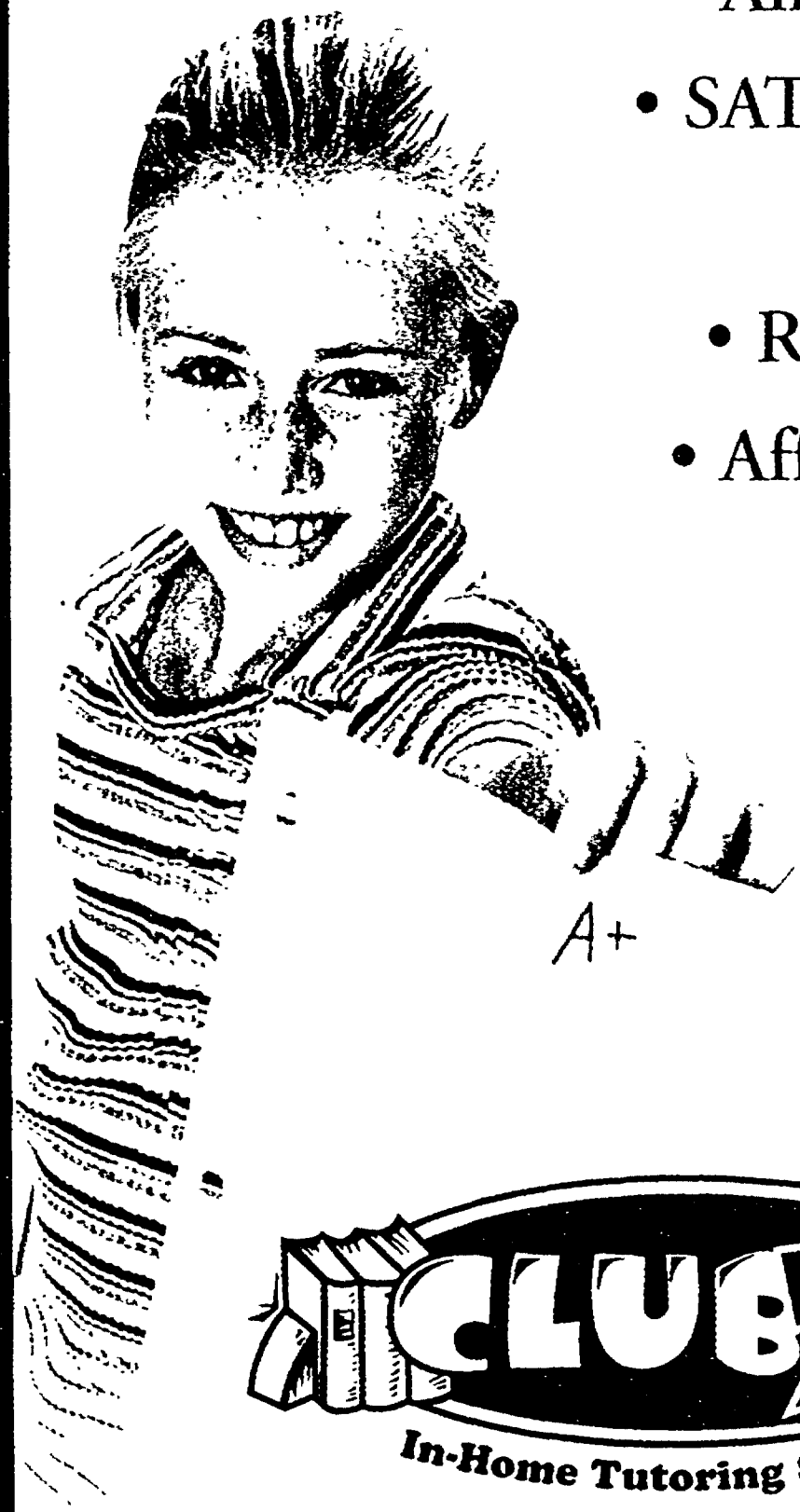
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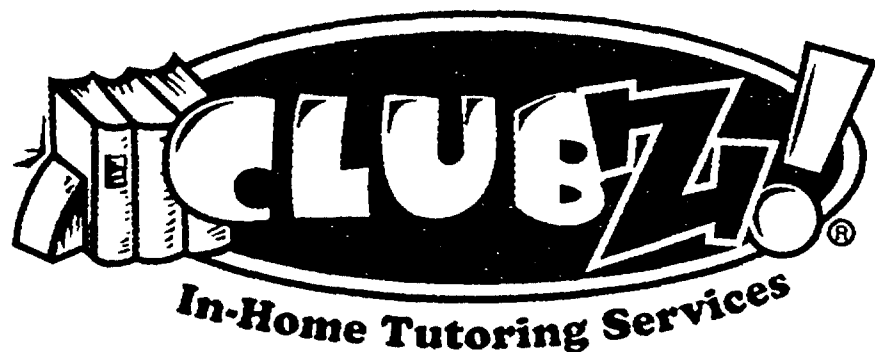
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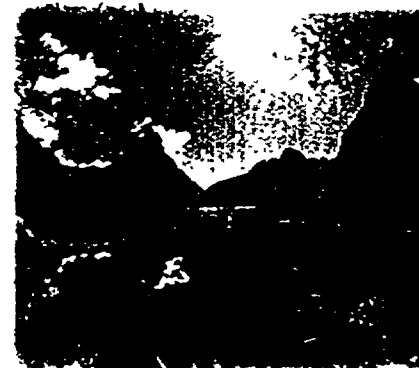
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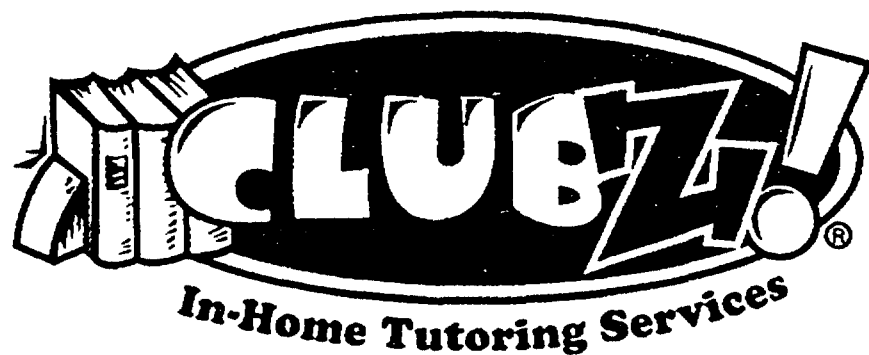
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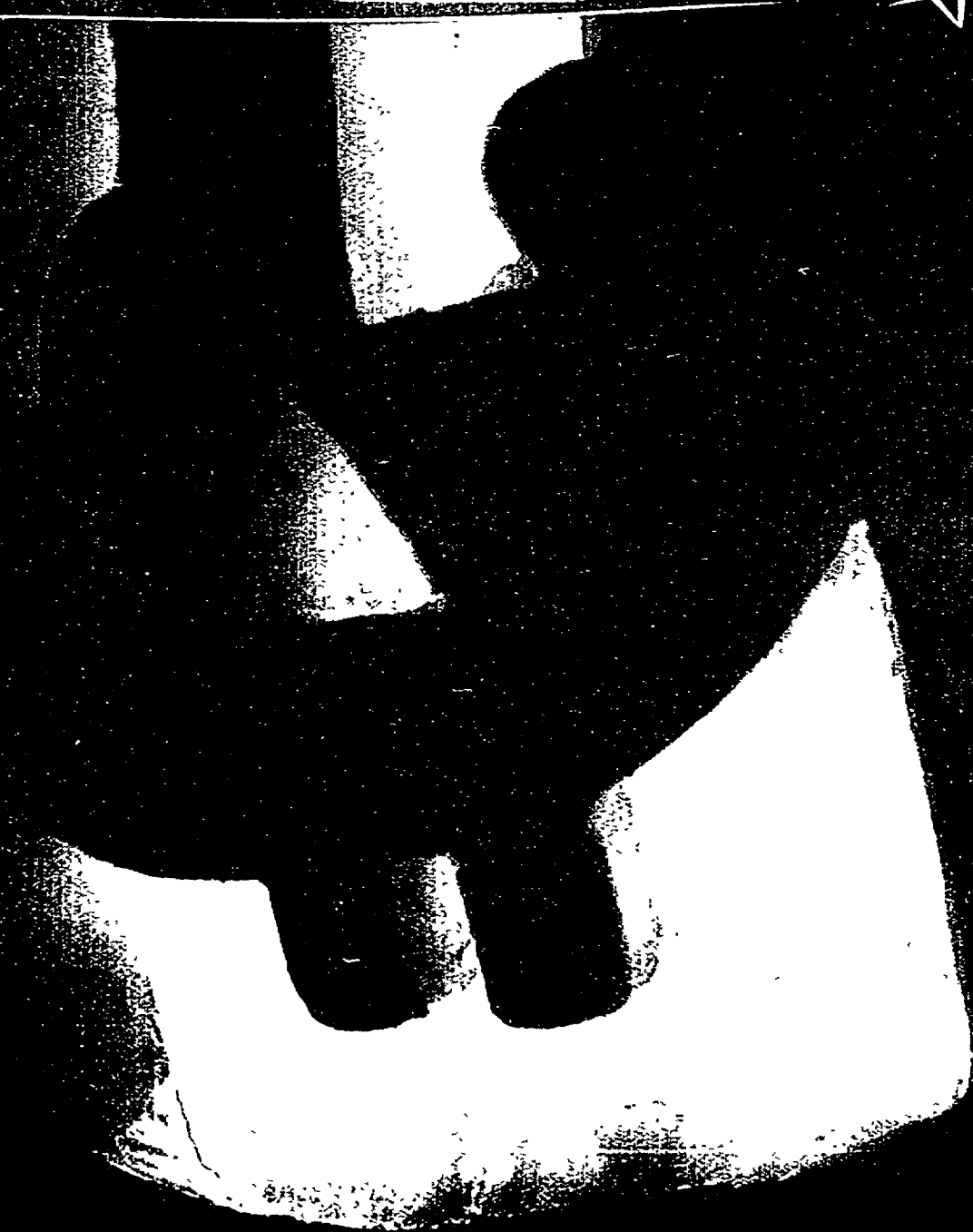
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Singer Do sings two remakes of Heaven.

Q Can you please tell me who sings the remake of the song *Heaven*? Bryan Adams sang the first version.

—Angela K., Indiana

Actually, two versions of *Heaven* are on DJ Sammy's album of the same name. One is the chart-topping dance mix, which features Sammy and singer Do (Dominique Rippma van Hulst) as the female vocalist. The other is a "candlelight mix" of *Heaven* featuring Do's vocals, accompanied by a soft piano. Do, a native of the Netherlands, is now on tour, performing *Heaven* and songs from her forthcoming album, due out early next year. DJ Sammy, or Sammy Bouriah, grew up on the Spanish island of Majorca. In 2002, his dance-mix version of the well-known Bryan Adams' song perched in the No. 2 position on the *Billboard* sales chart. "The success of *Heaven* proves that there's a huge popular interest in techno/trance music. It's a crossover track that works in clubs and radio, and I hope it has made people curious, because I have a lot more great songs and ideas in the pipeline," says Sammy, one of Europe's leading disc jockeys.

Q Could you tell me what happened to Amanda Blake, who played Kitty Russell on *Gunsmoke*?

—Peggy E., North Carolina

Born Beverly Neill in Buffalo, N.Y., in 1929, Blake worked as a telephone operator before finding success in show business. Called "the Young Greer Garson," she appeared in 15 films, including *High Society* and *A Star is Born*, before she became Marshall Dillon's love interest on *Gunsmoke*, where she worked from 1955 until 1974. When the show ended, she returned to films, but she spent most of her time working for animal rights, forming the Arizona Animal Welfare League and hosting the first Annual "Saro" Mutt Show, an answer to purebred dog championships. Married three times, she died of AIDS-related throat cancer at 60 in 1989.



Amanda Blake was best known as Miss Kitty on *Gunsmoke*.

Q I would like to know if Jeannie and Royce Kendall are still singing and making recordings.

—Marvin E., Missouri

Sadly, Royce died May 22, 1998, at age 63 after suffering a stroke on tour. The pair scored 37 *Billboard* singles from 1970 until 1989, including their best-known hit, *Heaven's Just a Sin Away*. Jeannie, 49, released a self-titled solo album last year that features her father on two songs. "We got just a few tracks done," she says. "We were in the middle of doing our final vocals on some of them when he passed away." Kendall, who is releasing a new CD soon, lives in Omaha, Ark. (pop. 165), with husband Mack Watkins, a musician who plays in Jeannie's band. ☆

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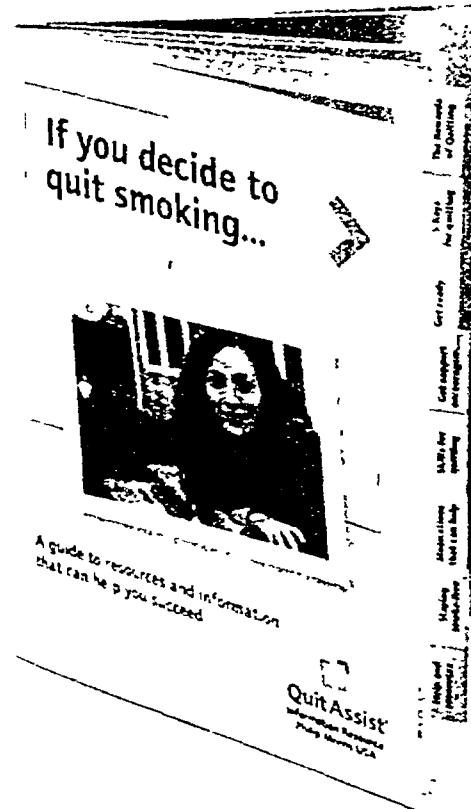
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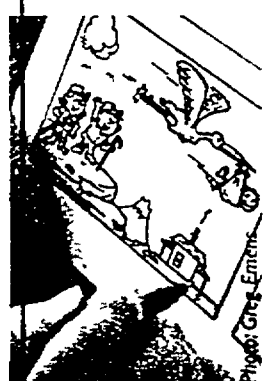
An Artist for the Ages

by KARA CARDEN

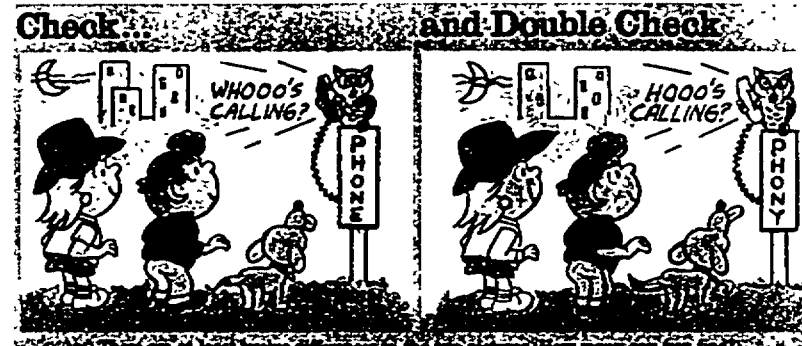
Martin Filchuck smiles easily, as if he's ready to burst into full-fledged laughter. "I've been sort of a fun guy all my life," he says of his 92 years. "I like to dwell on a subject, twist it around in my head and see how I can make it humorous."

With that outlook, it's no wonder Filchuck chose an unorthodox career. For more than 75 years, he has worked from home—whether living in Pennsylvania, New York, Florida or, for the last 30 years, in mountainous eastern Tennessee—as a cartoonist and illustrator.

His most famous creation is "Check...and Double Check," a regular feature in *Highlights for Children* magazine since 1973. The cartoon consists of two nearly identical scenes, with a few subtle differences inserted to challenge the reader's perception. The simple game embodies the publication's long-standing motto: fun with a purpose.



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"Check...and Double Check" has been a favorite in *Highlights* since 1973.

Filchuck is the longest continuous contributor to the monthly periodical. "At *Highlights*, we sort of have the philosophy that if it's not broke, don't fix it," says Kent L. Brown, Jr., the magazine's editor-in-chief. "'Check...and Double Check' has worked so well for us for so many years. Martin Filchuck's work really captures the spirit of our magazine."

Brown says Filchuck's artistic style is accessible and appealing to children of any age and skill level. The feature's simplicity and wit helps get kids excited about reading, though it actually has few words.

"Studies have shown that if kids have a sense of accomplishment, they will continue to learn. 'Check...and Double Check' gives our earliest readers that feeling and keeps them turning the pages," Brown says.

Though Filchuck is most proud of his work for *Highlights*, his art has been published in hundreds of other magazines, including *Reader's Digest*, *The Saturday Evening Post* and *The Weekly Reader*. He also has illustrated comic books, posters, advertising, greeting cards, book covers and trade magazines, working with editors by phone and mail. For Centaur, a large comic book publisher, he produced the superheroes "Mighty Man," "Fire-Man," "The Owl" and "Electro Bolt." He drew a religious strip called *Denny and Diane* for the National Research Bureau for more than 40 years.

"I don't have to work now, but I still enjoy it so much," Filchuck says. "A sense of humor has prolonged my life and kept me looking and feeling and thinking much younger than I am. I plan on being an active cartoonist when I'm 100."

Filchuck, who lives in Rogersville, Tenn., began his career as a boy, entering—and winning—amateur art contests that awarded boxes of candy he shared with his five brothers and two sisters. At age 13, he also earned a bit of money for the family when he sold a drawing to *Tidbits* magazine for \$5.

He continued to draw as a soldier during World War II and afterward while working for the Civilian Conservation Corps. Like many men of his generation, Filchuck dropped out of high school at age 16 to work. But the jobs he found were exhausting and monotonous. It was his stint as a railroad hand, working 12 hours a day, seven days a week, with a daily five-mile walk to and from the job site, that convinced him to pursue a more rewarding lifestyle.

"I decided I was not going to punch a clock my whole life," he says.

While visiting a sister in New York, he met an editor who encouraged him to pursue art. He made friends with other artists, learned the business and soon was earning a living by combining paper, brushes and pens with his lively imagination. At the peak of his output, he sold more than 700 drawings in a single year.

Filchuck is now recognized as a pioneer artist and has been featured in *Men of Mystery*, a publication dedicated to preserving the history of comics. He also was the subject of a TV documentary called *The Comic Book Project*. His greatest honor, he says, happened in 1997, when the Tennessee General Assembly passed a resolution celebrating his artistic contributions.

Brown says the accolades are well deserved: "Martin Filchuck himself is as captivating as his artwork." ☆

Kara Carden is a regular contributor to *American Profile*.



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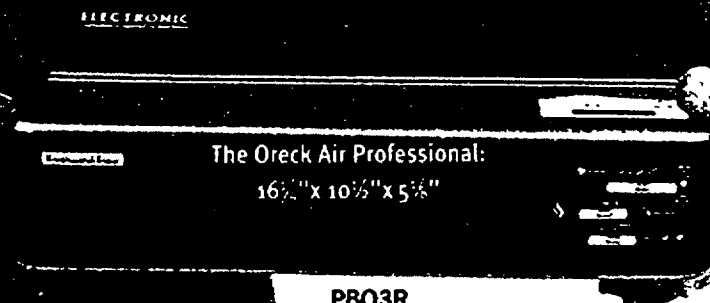
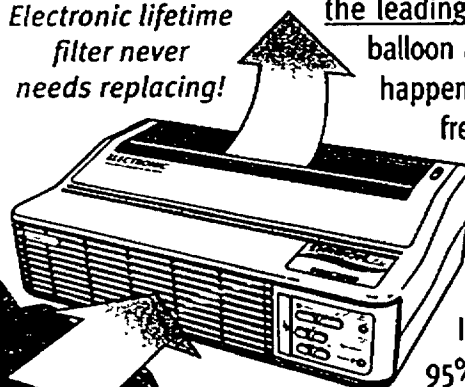
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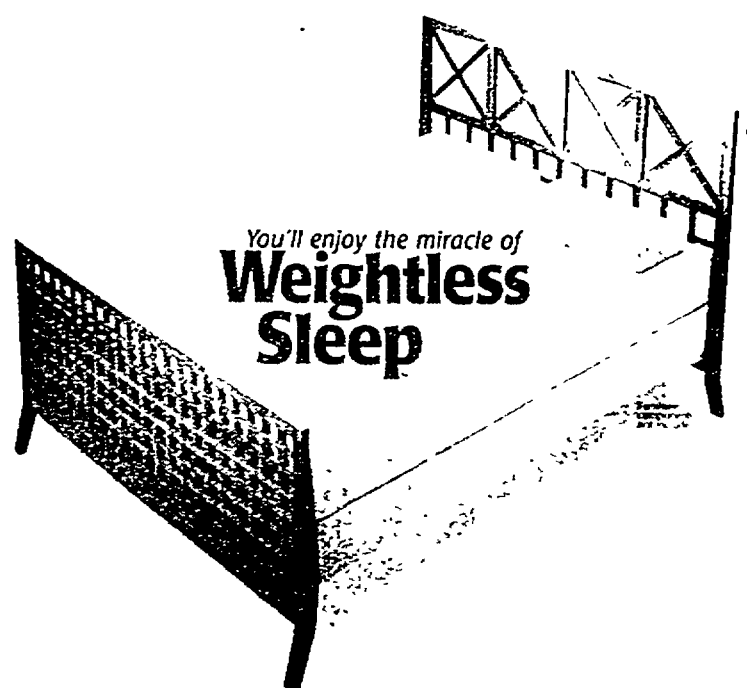
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Deciding to quit can be the most difficult part of breaking the habit. But once you quit, the rewards begin almost immediately. Within just 12 hours, your heart and lungs start to repair the damage caused by nicotine and tobacco. After a few days, your sense of smell and taste slowly improve.

Staying committed and motivated also influence your chances of kicking the habit. Smokers who survive a heart attack are most likely to quit forever because they're extremely motivated to remain healthy.

Your health care provider can suggest ways to help you quit. The American Lung Association recommends these effective strategies:

- Develop a "quitting plan." Decide on a day to quit and stick with that date. Reward yourself when you reach certain milestones; after your first smoke-free week, try out a new hobby.
- Pick a good time to quit. Don't try to quit when you're under a lot of stress or around the holidays.
- Join a stop-smoking program such as Freedom From Smoking, sponsored by the American Lung Association. The program provides many ideas on how to quit successfully. Check your local hospital or community center for program availability.
- Exercise every day to improve your mood and help stay fit. Walking is a great way to reduce the stress of quitting.
- Ask family, friends and coworkers for support. Their encouragement can provide much-needed motivation on a rough day.
- Consider trying nicotine-replacement therapy. Nicotine gum, patches, inhalers and nasal sprays help by easing the nicotine addiction so you can break your habit over time.

Most smokers need to "practice" quitting several times before making it for good. The best guidance is to keep trying because practice helps smokers learn what to do the next time they have the urge to light up.

Be aware that you may feel sleepy, anxious, lightheaded or irritable when you first stop smoking. You may also crave tobacco, sweets or experience frequent headaches. The American Lung Association (1-800-LUNG-USA) can help you quit by providing information on support groups and other helpful resources. ✨

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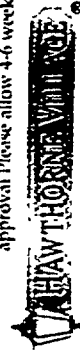
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by MARDI FONES

Knowing the difference between colds and flu and how they're spread can help you stay healthy this winter.

"Both colds and flu are caused by viruses," says Dr. Kevin Pellosie, executive medical director for the Lake County Health Department in Eustis, Fla. (pop. 15,106). "But the viruses and symptoms of cold and flu are different."

A cold usually includes a stuffy nose, sore throat, mild fever and sneezing, while symptoms of the flu include tiredness, a fever of 102 degrees and higher, headache, and major aches and pains. Both flu and colds can cause coughing. Colds usually last three to seven days; the flu can hang around longer.

An ounce of prevention

Washing your hands often is the No. 1 key to avoiding colds and flu. But it takes more than a quick splash to do the job right.

"Use hot water and soap," Dr. Pellosie advises. "Scrub while singing *Happy Birthday* to yourself.

That's about the right length of time to wash away viruses."

Moist wipes, sprays and soaps promising to kill bacteria are fine, he says, when soap and water aren't available, but they don't work as well as hand-washing. Innovative new products, such as tissues that trap and kill cold and flu viruses, also may help to stop colds and flu from spreading.

Other colds and flu preventions, according to the Centers for Disease Control:

- Avoid people who are already sick.
- Stay out of crowds when possible.
- Don't touch your nose, eyes or mouth with your hands.
- Discard or disinfect toothbrushes.
- Use disposable drinking cups, especially in the bathroom, to avoid spreading the virus.
- Get plenty of sleep, eat a balanced diet and exercising regularly.

To avoid spreading colds and flu, cover your nose and mouth when you sneeze and wash your hands

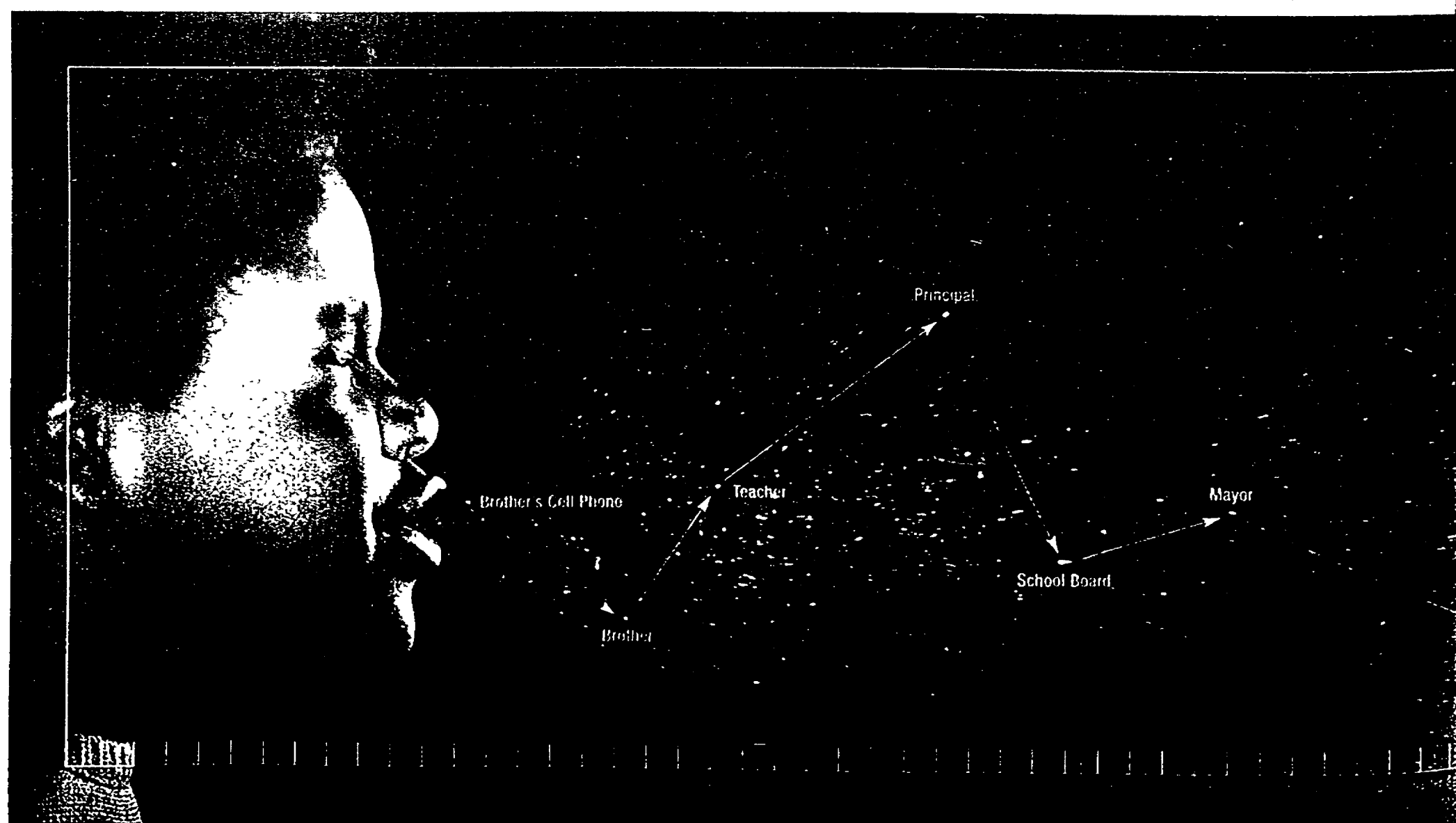
often. Throw tissues away after a single use and stay away from others as much as possible while you're ill, especially if you have a fever.

An annual flu shot is the single most important thing people can do to protect themselves against the most common strains of flu, says Dorothy Voght, a public health nurse in Del Rio, Texas (pop. 34,611). She says it's especially important for children ages 6 to 24 months, senior citizens, people with chronic diseases such as diabetes, those who have trouble fighting off infection and people who live in the same household as those in high-risk groups.

The flu season typically starts in late fall. It takes about two weeks after getting a flu shot for the body to build up resistance, so get your shot as soon as vaccine is available.

Bouncing back

While antibiotics can work wonders to fight bacterial infections, they're useless against colds and flu, says Missy Pangallo, a nurse practitioner with the North-



ern Kentucky Independent District Health Department in Florence, Ky. (pop. 23,551). "That's because antibiotics are only effective against bacteria, not viruses," she says, advising against using antibiotics unless your doctor thinks your cold or flu has led to a bacterial infection.

The best treatment is resting under a cool-mist vaporizer, drinking plenty of fluids and treating symptoms with over-the-counter medication. However, Pangallo cautions against giving children or teenagers aspirin or medications called "salicylates" while they have cold or flu symptoms because they can increase the risk of a rare, and sometime fatal, condition called Reye's syndrome.

Once you've caught a cold or the flu, your body's immune system usually can fight it. If you know you've been exposed to the flu in the past day or two, your doctor may prescribe a new product that can shorten the length of time you're sick with the flu, but only by a few days.

"If your symptoms last a long time or get worse, you should see a doctor," Pangallo says. Indications that you need to see a doctor include being sick to your stomach, vomiting, having a high fever or shaking chills, chest pain, or coughing with thick yellow-green mucus. ☆

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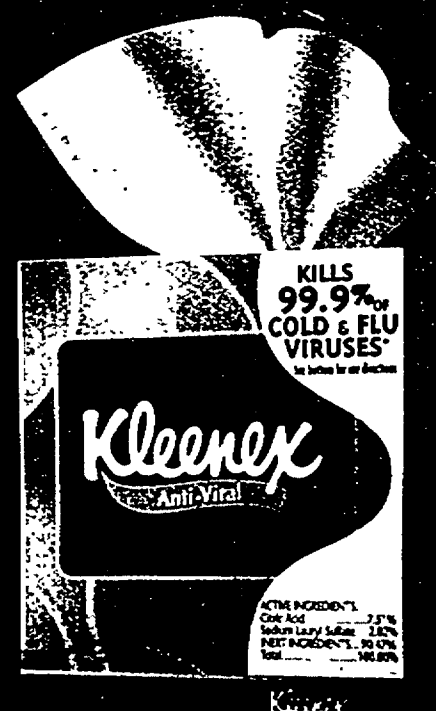
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After a few minutes of intense concentration, she asks, "Is this right?"

Her father bends down and makes a few minor adjustments to the mouth. Katherine smiles. The face begins to take on the scary appearance she had imagined.

Hollowing out a pumpkin, carving a silly or ghoulish face, and placing a candle inside is a fall tradition for Katherine and her parents Paul Solomon and Lisa Thiesing of Rosendale, N.Y.

(pop. 6,352). Each year, they travel to Wallkill View Farms, a family-run, pick-your-own patch in nearby New Paltz, to select pumpkins for the annual ritual.

When Katherine is content with the face she has drawn, her father takes a large carving knife and cuts a circle around the stem in the top of his daughter's pumpkin. Then comes Katherine's favorite part. She pulls up the sleeves of her windbreaker, sticks her hand inside the pumpkin and grimaces.

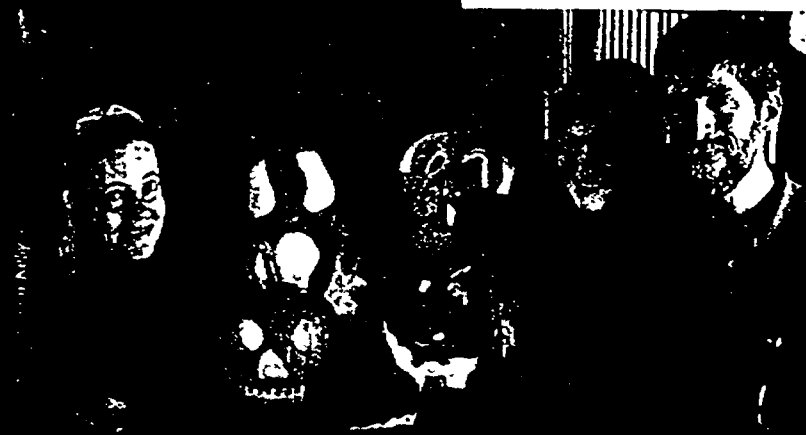
"Ewwwww!" she screams with delight as her fingers touch the cold, slimy pulp, strings and seeds inside. "It's so messy."

She scrapes the inside walls of the pumpkin with a plastic tool and dips out the innards with a soup ladle. The family's black cat, Wizard, switches her tail as Katherine and her parents each go about carving their own jack-o'-lantern.

"I love the goofiness of carving a pumpkin," says Paul, who majored in



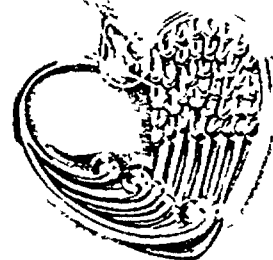
Katherine and Katherine's father Paul visit a pumpkin patch in New Paltz, N.Y., before carving their Halloween creations.



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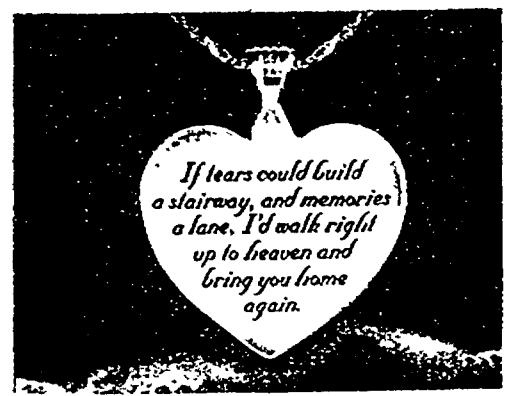
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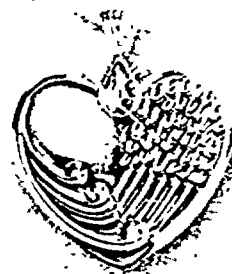
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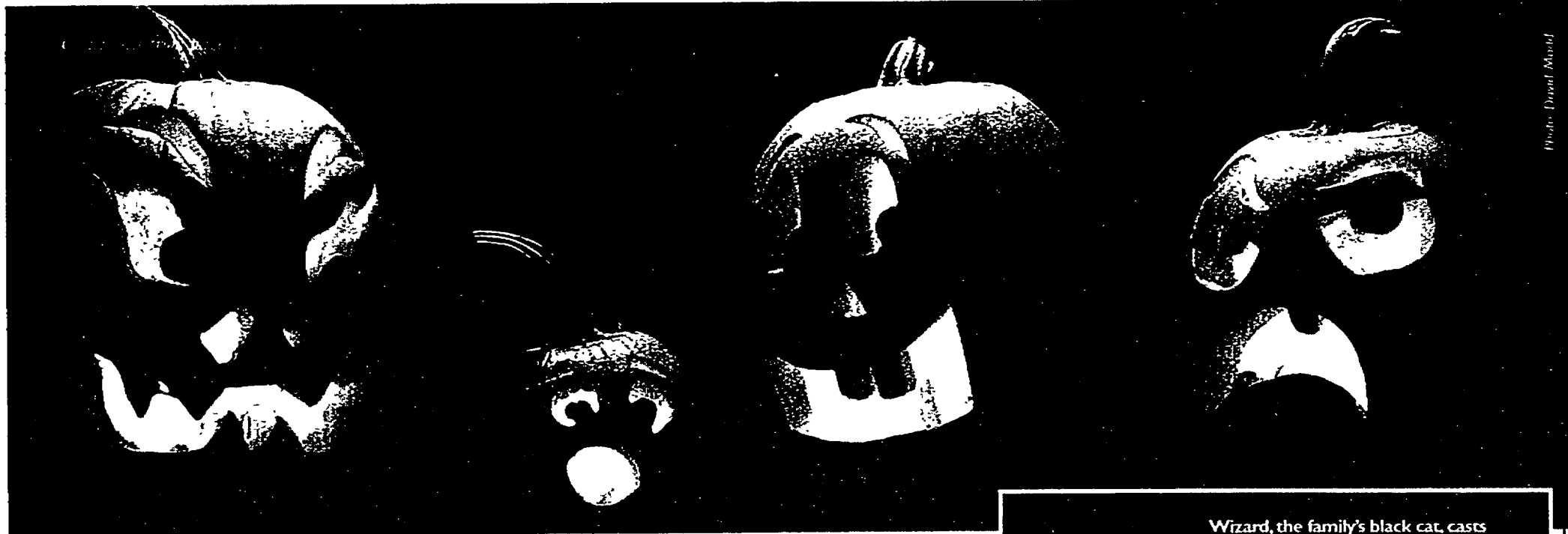


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To understand the jack-o'-lantern story, it's important to know the history of Halloween, which has its origins in ancient Celtic religious practices.

On Oct. 31, the Celts celebrated the eve of "The Day of the Dead." Over the years, with the spread of Christianity, Oct. 31 became Halloween, or All Hallows Eve, the day before All Saints Day.

On All Hallows Eve, glowing lanterns, carved from turnips or gourds, were set on porches and in windows to welcome deceased loved ones and to ward off evil spirits.

One Irish folk tale tells of a miserly man named Jack who played a trick on the devil. As punishment, Jack was doomed to roam the earth until Judgment Day, carrying a chewed-out turnip glowing with a lump of coal, which the devil had thrown to him to light his way.

When Irish and Scottish immigrants settled in America in the mid-1800s, they brought their Halloween customs with them. In New England, they found pumpkins were more plentiful than turnips and better suited to making jack-o'-lanterns.



Lisa and Paul ponder a ghoulish expression in the family's back yard.

art in college. "It's a chance for a creative outlet with no wrong answers."

Paul maintains a "jack-o'-lantern box" with appropriate carving tools—cutting saw, poker tool, and caving, paring and serrated knives—which the family uses to sculpt their one-of-a-kind creations.

"What we decide to carve varies greatly from pumpkin to pumpkin," says Lisa, a writer and illustrator of children's picture books. "We don't do many with basic triangle eyes, nose and grinning mouth, though variations of that show up occasionally."

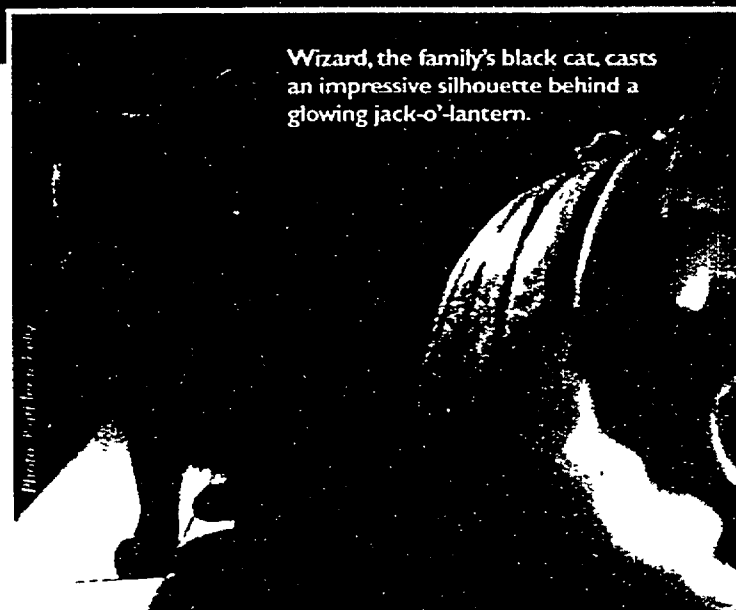
The entire process takes about an hour, although Paul may spend an entire afternoon working on his artistic creation. On Halloween night, Lisa, Paul and Katherine light the candles in their jack-o'-lanterns on the porch to welcome trick-or-treaters, adding magic to the night.

"I think it's important to experience this tradition," Paul says. "It's a creative family activity and fun to do together." ☆

Ann Houts is a frequent contributor to American Profile.



Wizard, the family's black cat, casts an impressive silhouette behind a glowing jack-o'-lantern.



Tips for Carving and Lighting a Pumpkin

- Use a red grease pencil for drawing your design, as it doesn't show after carving.
- When cutting the top opening, cut at a 45-degree angle, so the top won't fall in as the pumpkin dries out.
- Tea light or votive candles in a clear glass holder last a long time and don't fall over.
- Use caution when carving a pumpkin with children. A child can scoop out the strings and seeds. An adult should do the cutting.

For pumpkin cooking instructions and recipes, turn to page 14.

Tips for Choosing a Pumpkin

- Reject any pumpkin with soft, rotten spots; choose one that is firm to the touch.
- Suggest to your children that you will buy any pumpkin they can carry.
- Do not carry your pumpkin by the stem, as it can break off.
- Buy two: one to make a jack-o'-lantern and one to cook. (The medium to small sizes are better for cooking; large pumpkins contain stringy pulp.)
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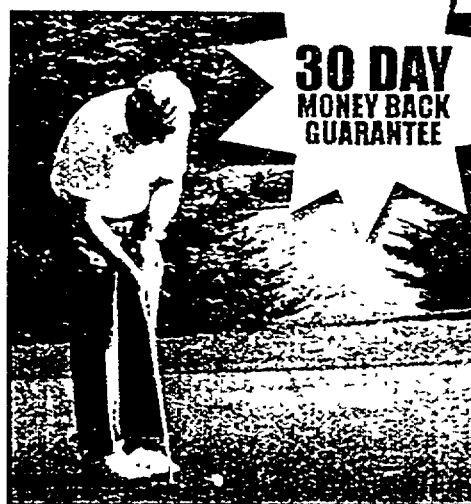
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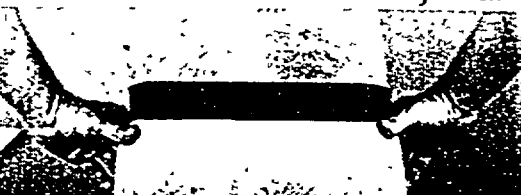
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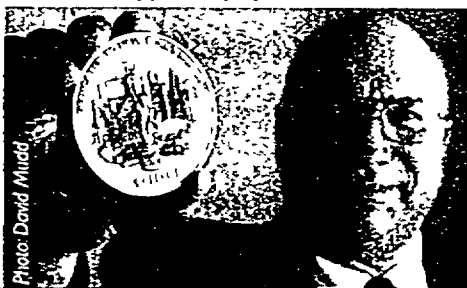
Hometown Spotlight

To the Rescue

When the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, struck New York City, killing 343 members of its fire department, it rocked the tight-knit community of Clintonville, Wis. The town of 4,736 is home to Seagrave Fire Apparatus, which manufactures vehicles for fire departments around the country, including the New York City Fire Department (FDNY).

"When this terrible tragedy happened, it felt like they attacked our brothers and sisters," says former Clin-

tonville Mayor Richard Koeppen displays a 9/11 medallion.



tonville Mayor Richard Koeppen. "It had such an impact because we're the ones building the trucks for them, and over the years so many of these firefighters and fire department officers in New York were here in town. They hung out here, they ate here, they had refreshments at the local pub."

Seagrave, founded in 1881, produces about 200 fire trucks a year for clients in towns and cities across the nation, including Baltimore, Los Angeles, St. Charles, Ill., and Milford, Ohio. Usually it takes 10 to 12 months to build a truck, but when New York City placed an emergency order for 54 vehicles, Seagrave's 360 employees pulled together to build the trucks faster than they ever had.

In less than four months, on Jan. 22, 2002, the first fleet of four replacement

by ANN HATTES



Cab welder Jacob Gibbs helped build fire trucks for New York City in record time.

vehicles departed Clintonville for the almost 1,000 mile drive to the East Coast. Though they departed at a cold and dark pre-dawn hour, workers, school children and citizens turned out to cheer the informal parade.

"In Wisconsin, that's not a fun time to be out," says George Kanugh, Seagrave's marketing director.

"About 10 percent of our Clintonville facility workforce are volunteer firefighters and EMTs, so our employees feel quite a close bond with the FDNY," Seagrave President Jim Hebe says.

A specially designed cast bronze commemorative medallion displaying New York City landmarks and the words, "Dedicated to New York's Bravest 9/11/01," was proudly mounted to the cab front of all 54 Seagrave fire trucks manufactured to replace those destroyed when the World Trade Center collapsed.

Wanting to do even more, Clintonville residents came together to pay tribute to New York City's fallen firefighters by donating a new rescue pumper to the FDNY. Seagrave employees and Clintonville residents raised \$340,000 over two years to pay for the dual-purpose rescue truck, a custom vehicle with a pump, ladders, hose and water tank.

"I thought it was far-fetched to raise that much money that fast," says Connie Crain, a Seagrave electrician, "but they had a goal sheet out there, and it just kept rising and rising and rising." (Continued on page 19)

Seagrave employees pose with a fire truck donated to New York City as a tribute to its fallen firefighters.



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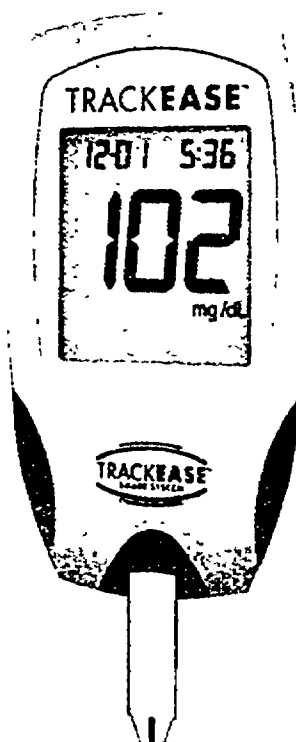
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RECIPE: Caramel Corn

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Caramel Corn

- 7 and 1/2 quarts popped popcorn
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 1 cup butter (not margarine)
- 1/2 cup light corn syrup
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda

Preheat oven to 200 degrees. In a saucepan, heat butter, sugar, corn syrup and salt. Stir occasionally. When mixture comes to a full boil, cook for 5 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in baking soda. Pour caramel mixture over popcorn and mix until evenly coated. Bake for 1 hour in large, greased roasting pan, stirring every 15 minutes.

Tips from our test kitchen: Maple-flavored syrup is a nice substitute for the corn syrup. For some extra crunch, stir in 1 cup of pecans or peanuts.

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Electrician
Connie Crain is
one of Seagrave's
360 employees.

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To raise funds, replicas of the medallions were sold by Kathy Schmoll in her Trophies and Treasures store on Clintonville's Main Street, and nearby in Cindy B's Pub and Grill, where visiting firefighters often gather. Cindy Beery had some available for purchase. Seagrave, the largest employer in town, also sold them on the company's website.

Seagrave vendors made generous donations, and local businesses and farmers donated food for potluck meals, chili cookoffs, a pork barbecue, bratwurst fry and an ice cream sundae fundraiser.

"I was at every one of them," says Jacob Gibbs, a Seagrave cab welder. "To be honest, I didn't think there would be that much support for what we were trying to do. These trucks are quite expensive, but the community and everybody here, we all pulled together and we got it done."

On Oct. 24, 2003, Hebe proudly made the presentation of the donated fire truck to the New York City Fire Department. "Fire trucks have a heart and a soul," Hebe said as he turned over the truck's keys to the FDNY. "They're built to tirelessly support firefighters in their mission to protect their communities . . . I can assure you, the heart and soul of this truck is committed to protecting the crew of Squad 61 every day until it is retired." ☆

Ann Hattes is a freelance writer in Hartland, Wis.

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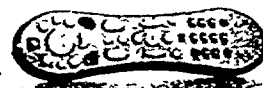
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