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GRIEF: friends, family help those who struggle during holidays

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Center, 126 Main Centre, are two Northville agencies offering comfort and support to grieving adults and children. Both centers host support groups and provide referrals year-round.

During the holidays, the professionals and empathetic volunteer staffs try to offer hope at a time when feelings of loss are magnified.

Season's grievings

The season to be jolly most people look forward to can become a time of dread for many grieving the recent loss of a friend or loved one. The person who said the prayer, set up the tree or carved the turkey is so obviously missing.

"Without that person there, the loss is more evident than during the day-to-day," Clough said.

Most important is taking time to remember your loved one that day, she said. It can be simply lighting a candle or sharing a story.

"Everyone is thinking about that person anyway, so you might

as well bring him or her up," she said. "What's important is to include that person's memory in the day."

Another key is to do what is comfortable, said BraveHeart's Rebecca Koharz. One person may feel comfortable surrounded by friends and family while another person may want to begin a new tradition and change their holiday routine altogether, she said.

"There are some who don't want to talk, but the majority of people do," Clough said.

Family members need to talk about their expectations to avoid potential conflict, said the director, who hosts November and December presentations on coping with the holidays. After a recent workshop, a group of family members agreed to go out for coffee to discuss where to hold what type of gathering in this the first year after a parent's death, she said.

"When you think of the holidays, you think of happiness, you think of traditions," Clough said. "When someone dies, all that changes."

Holiday helpers

This also is a time to put priorities in place, Koharz and Clough agreed.

The first holiday after a loved one dies might be the year to skip or limit the amount of baking, writing greeting cards or hosting guests.

A suggestion Clough shares with recently bereaved clients is sending a Christmas letter to describe how the family is doing and requesting a story about the deceased person in return.

"I think that's a wonderful idea," she said. "You can let them pile up, put them in a stocking, then it's like opening gifts."

Faith is important for recovery, Clough said. Focusing on the true meaning of the holidays also can help people through.

"Take the focus off yourself," she said. "Focus on others — helping others in some small way — helping others helps you."

"There's so many ways people can reach out."

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WHAT DO I SAY? WHAT DO I DO?

• Do talk about the person who died. Grieving individuals feel worse if you don't. It makes them feel like others didn't care about him or her.

• Don't feel you need to "protect" your friends from pain during the holidays by avoiding mentioning their loved one's name. Rest assured, they are thinking about their loved one constantly and need and want to hear your stories and memories.

• Don't put up a tree or decorations in your friend or family member's home without asking. They may not want the tree and all the trimmings this year. Do offer to help them decorate.

• Don't expect they'll do everything the same as they've always done — decorating, sending Christmas cards, baking, etc. Allow your grieving friend or relative to do only what they can manage this year and that may not be very much. They may not feel like celebrating.

• Do offer to help them with their necessary Christmas shopping this year or offer to take their young children shopping. Grieving individuals often find it difficult and overwhelming to go to places where holiday cheer is evident and expected.

• Do let them know that it's fine with you if they choose to go away for the holidays this year and

not attend the typical holiday family gathering. For some, this is the way they "get through."

• Do include them on your holiday card list. In that card mention their loved one and how he or she is missed. If you have a picture of that person or a special memory, share it.

• Do include your bereaved friends in your family gatherings. Setting extra plates at dinner is a simple thing for you to do and means a lot to the griever. Don't assume others are including them. Give them the chance to decide if they are up to it or not.

• Don't forget your grieving friend or family member when you're doing your holiday baking. They may not feel like baking this year, but would like to have cookies for guests who stop by.

• Do call your bereaved friends on Christmas Eve or Christmas morning and tell them you're thinking of them. Bereaved individuals, even those surrounded by family, need to know that others care and are thinking of them on special days.

• Do give your grieving friend options. Instead of saying, "Call me if you need me," say "We can go out to dinner Friday or I'll make dinner for you. Which would you prefer?"

FOR SALE: local developers sign Gift Mart purchase offer

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ments — combination residential/shopping communities which siphon retail business away from small downtown communities such as Northville.

Attracting well-recognized retailers — including national chain stores — is key for the building's long-term success, Margene said.

"Our downtown is going to have to take steps to stay viable," she said. "Hopefully, this is going to bring more people that will benefit everyone downtown."

Right now, the central business district is a tourist destination, Bob Buckhave said. To thrive long-term, the downtown needs to capture the interest of residents surrounding the city, he said.

Ideally, the mix of tenants will appeal to families, said Barbara Tonch, a mother of four. "I would love to come in here with them," she said. "I would love to have something interesting for them."

Although the couples have discussed a joint venture for more than a year, they focused on the hometown building only a month ago. Their collective brainstorming about how to revise the use of the two-floor building proceeded at a rapid pace, culminating in their offer.

"This is happening very quickly," Erwin Tonch said. "We can better the business atmosphere for the whole downtown."

First things first

With their offer pending, the couples are now pursuing financing, exploring avenues to secure tenants and meeting tomorrow with Michigan Gift Mart representatives to talk about their future in the building.

"We're hoping to perhaps get them on the lower level," Tonch said. "That would work great for both of us."

Long-time residents remember the mall's 1973 origin as Northville Square, home to: Elias Brothers restaurant, Cheese and Wine Barn, Land of Hi-Fi, Perko Shoes, Jack Legoff bookstore, Pant Hut, Alcove and Target International arcade.

The building briefly served as Northville's public library during city hall renovations. It subsequently was closed to the public when the Michigan Association of Gift Salesmen, later renamed Michigan Gift Mart, moved in.

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'Gift Mart' mall purchase: Who are the local players?

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Margene and Bob Buckhave and Barbara and Erwin Tonch are no strangers to each other.

The two couples originally met in 1997 when the Buckhaves purchased from the Tonchs the former First United Methodist Church building at Center and Dunlap streets. The Buckhaves renovated and added on, creating Old Church Square, now home to nine retail tenants.

A plumbing contractor by profession, Buckhave co-owns with Margene their home and retail operations based there: Stampeddler Plus and Memories by Stampeddler.

The Tonchs of Northville Township likewise are partners in a variety of ventures. A developer and commercial real estate investor, Tonch co-owns with Barbara the Center Street New Bangkok Cuisine building and neighboring strip mall in Northville, commercial properties in Livonia and a 60-lot residential development outside Brighton.

The foursome is looking forward to bringing their varied experience to the former Northville Square shopping center.

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Dennis Engerer	\$1,907,670	\$1,374,802
Northville Square Association	\$3,483,500	\$1,742,031
The Czech Republic (Dubuair residences)	\$2,359,300	\$2,337,449
Hiller Luty Inc.	\$1,830,600	\$1,663,299
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John Jameson	\$1,680,160	\$1,144,672

*About half the true cash value.
**Value taxable according to Proposal A limit to the rate of inflation.

SOURCE: City of Northville

Reaction: downtown neighbors pleased with 'Gift Mart' prospects

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville's indoor mall — home to wholesalers, open two or three days per month — has been something of an unknown entity on the downtown landscape for more than 20 years.

The deal pending for local property owners Margene and Bob Buckhave and Barbara and Erwin Tonch to purchase the 133 W. Main Street building prompted the following comments:

Gary Word, city manager

"I think it's great. I'm really excited about what the future might hold for that building."

"There's a gap if you go past Bloom's (insurance agency). This should fill in the gap, extending the business district one full block. I think it's a great thing for downtown Northville. The fact that it's local ownership, it just enhances it. It's good for Northville."

Lori Ward, director of the Northville Downtown Development Authority

"I think it's very exciting for a couple of reasons. Here we have local developers with a proven track record. I think they are entering this project with a realistic outlook on what can work in the downtown."

"They're very sensitive — they live here. They have a big stake here. It's someone who really cares about what they put up."

Jim Long, developer of property at 120 W. Main Street and downtown business owner

"I think it's wonderful news for the city of Northville. We have a local owner, not an absentee owner. They will take real pride in what goes in there. I was really happy to hear about it."

Lou Mascolo, owner Gardenviews, 202 W. Main St.

"It sounds like it would be exciting for Northville and for us too, for walk-around traffic. It will get us back into the business community."

"I think we have to put a major effort on recruiting the right type of retailers to round out the current offerings for the type of places that people want to shop. We want quality stores, not just to fill the space."

GIBBS REPORT

LOCATION CHANGE

Bob Gibbs of the Birmingham-based Gibbs Planning Group returns tonight to deliver the results of his downtown Northville retail planning study. The special Northville Downtown Development Authority meeting is 7 p.m., in the City Hall council chambers, 215 W. Main St.

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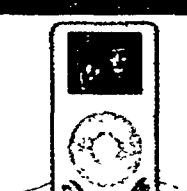
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Demolition began Tuesday in preparation for a new Our Lady of Victory school.

"...Our Lady of Victory committed the biggest sin of all by not giving the houses to someone that could have used them."

Bridget Solomon
Resident, Orchard Drive

Church demolishes houses to make room for new school

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Tuesday morning they were there. Wednesday morning they were gone.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church plowed ahead this week with plans to build its new school near the corner of Orchard Drive and West Main Street, demolishing two of three houses occupying the 3.56-acre site for decades.

The fate of the rectory remains uncertain.

Neighbors of the proposed school, some of whom are opposed to the school they describe as too big for the site, could not believe the pace at which 132 and 224 Orchard Drive residences disappeared.

A Southfield demolition contractor pulled City Hall permits Monday after providing the required releases from gas, electric, telephone and water providers. The first house was down Tuesday by 10 a.m.

"They did that so quick that no one could say, 'We can use that,'" said Orchard Drive resident Bridget Solomon. "Regardless of what my preference would be whether they build a school or not, those two houses were sturdy, wonderful houses."

"As far as I'm concerned, Our Lady of Victory committed the biggest sin of all by not giving the houses to someone that could have used them."

Another option?

The 20-year Northville resident said she could not believe her eyes when she left her driveway Tuesday morning. The houses should have been moved rather

STILL PENDING

• Dec. 13 — Wayne County Circuit Court hearing on Board of Zoning Appeals May decision to reverse the planning commission's March vote to deny the parish's special land-use permit application to build on the site.

• Jan. 5 — Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, including appeal of the planning commission's Nov. 2 final site plan review.

• Our Lady of Victory's lawsuit claiming the city and planning commission had unnecessarily delayed the project and had requested from the applicant items beyond their jurisdictional scope.

than leveled, Solomon said.

"Churches are supposed to help people," Solomon said. "Someone at the church just wasn't thinking straight. My concern has zero to do with what's going to be there."

"They should have used those houses for someone less fortunate than themselves."

A May plan presented to the City Council to move the 1922 house from 132 Orchard down the street unraveled after neighborhood residents objected to the associated tree removal. The house was too wide to clear six of the trees growing in the city right-of-way.

The city council in June rescinded its initial approval to cut the trees.

While church officials called in the cranes and trucks to haul away the debris Tuesday, lawsuits, zoning appeals and court hearings loom over the proposed 77,000-

square-foot kindergarten-through-eighth-grade structure.

Vacant lots

For now, the southern portion of the site will be a winter playground for the 50-year-old school across Orchard Drive. It is not yet a construction site.

"I think you have to look at the demolition permit at face value," said City Manager Gary Word. "It has little to do with building a new structure or the approval thereof."

"Just because they have a demolition permit doesn't mean they have a building permit."

Our Lady of Victory's Father Terry Kerner said he viewed the planning commission's Nov. 2 final site plan approval as a project go-ahead. The congregation is working toward collecting another \$1.7 million to reach the 75 percent funding requirement the Archdiocese set to approve the project start.

"We hope to break ground in the spring," Kerner said. The contractor will back-fill the site of the two houses and two garages removed this week, he said.

The \$14 million project includes construction of the school, church renovations, and demolition of the rectory on the southwest corner of Main and Orchard and the convent on the southeast corner. Kerner said demolition of the clergy's home is not yet scheduled.

"We may sell it — someone would have to move it, of course," he said. "Otherwise, it would have to come down."

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TAXES: city, township residents receive winter bills

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rates remained the same from last winter.

County-imposed tax shifts from winter to spring won't begin until next year. Shepardon said they'll occur over three years, at a rate of one-third per year.

Township taxpayers also will see township hall's new 44405 Six Mile Rd. address on the letterhead.

Despite no extensions, Feb. 14 postmarks are still honored, though meter stamps are not.

"There is a state statute that is requiring us to accept postmarks," Kubitskey said.

A delinquent fee currently applies to summer taxes, which were due in September. Township and city are accepting them until Feb. 14.

One final tip: "A lot of people will try and pay their taxes before Dec. 31, because then they can claim it on their income tax," Shepardon said.

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TAX INFO

Tax department contact
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Township: system glitch
Summer came early for some taxpayers. According to the township tax department, about 60 residents called by Monday to report their winter tax bills incorrectly read, "Summer 2004."

"It should say 'Winter 2004,'" Township Director of Finance Thelma Kubitskey said. "We print in blocks. We figured out the block."

The statements, she said, were printed from a tax clerk's computer in the old township hall before the move to 44405 Six Mile Rd. The error could have happened there, since an outside phone line provides distractions.

"In our new building we have our whole printing system set up in the basement," Kubitskey said. "There's no distractions. Somebody wouldn't have to answer a telephone call. That's pretty much what happened. You (were) using one computer to do multi-purpose jobs."

In all, 1,200 new bills are being sent out to those included in the block. If you received an erroneous tax bill and have not had a new one mailed, call the township tax department at (248) 348-5810.

Buildings ready for close-up

Ribbon-cutting ceremonies for Northville Township's new municipal hall and fire headquarters will be held Thursday, Dec. 16.

Building tours are scheduled from 3:30-6:30 p.m., with a municipal senior bus carrying visitors every 20-30 minutes.

"I will have public safety personally on that bus," Township Manager Chip Snider said. He said he hopes to have elected township officials will conducting tours.

Tours wrap up at about 6:15 p.m. to prepare for a 6:30 p.m. ribbon cutting at the hall, located at 44405 Six Mile Rd.

Complementary refreshments will be provided by architect French Associates; township consultant Plante Moran also will help with expenses, Snider said. There will be no cost to taxpayers.

An invocation will be provided by local pastors or ministers.

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Flagstar announces dividend

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Have-a news tip or story idea about a person, group or place in the township? Call (248) 349-1700, ext. 107, or e-mail kkovelle@ht.homecomm.net.

Local Brownies earn 'Honor' award

Brownie Troop 50 recently earned the "Challenge Honor Troop" distinction. The first graders, some of whom attend Thornton Creek Elementary School, will complete specific activities to fulfill the requirements of this highest level distinction.

"We're aiming high by trying for this honor during our first eligible year," said Tami Carlone, the troop's leader. "We believe that by working to earn this distinction, we will help our girls grow as strong as possible."

A "Challenge Honor Troop" completes the standard "Growing for Success" troop

program requirements, plus undertakes 25 additional activities. These include having at least half of the troop members attend a Girl Scout overnight camp, a troop outing to visit a worksite to learn about career opportunities for women and participating in programs to learn about different cultures.

"Our troop is having the best time completing these additional activities. One that we really enjoyed was a field trip to FOX2's news station to see a live newscast and learn about all the different careers for women available at a news station," Carlone said.



Top: Maren Simonte, Leah Tappan, Colleen Hadley, Emily Duckworth, Becky Henning, Lily Roush. Middle: Kaleigh Carlone, Laura Trumbore, Claire Matthews, Olivia Hoffman. Bottom: Brooke Allgeier, Andrea Bartlett, Erica Meister.

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Shipping out?

Package shippers say the sooner, the better

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The sweetest parcel Barbara Davies wrapped so far was a Santa hat destined for a military serviceman stationed overseas.

The manager of Northville's UPS store said the package is on its way to a mobile military post en route to its final destination. Her job was to help her local patron send the familiar white-fur-trimmed red cap in time for Christmas.

"We've been sending a lot of things to our people overseas," Davies said. About two-thirds of the packages are headed to Iraq, the remainder Afghanistan, she said.

Loads of technology gifts have crossed the threshold of the UPS store, 143 CadyCentre on south Center Street, Davies said. But nothing yet compares with previous years' requests to ship a completely decorated tree, five-foot swordfish or Harley Davidson motorcycle.

The specialty shipping store and the U.S. Post Office, 200 S. Wing St., in these final weeks before the holidays will become a gorged clearinghouse for gifts and routine packages destined for 48167 parts and beyond.

Store traffic has been regular, but erratic, Davies said. Saturday, Sunday and the first part of Monday, Northville-area residents brought in 225 parcels to ship, she said.

"We're not even busy, busy yet," the manager said. "We've had days (in previous years) we've been over 200 in one day."

Mike Ladwig, an 11-year holiday shipping season veteran who owns the UPS store, offered the following guide to gift givers:

- Beat the holiday rush: For the best value, ship as early as possible. Ship while the options are many and the lines are few. Hint: Mondays are the busiest shipping days.

- Pack like a pro: Use a new shipping box. Protect gifts by wrapping items separately, using adequate packaging materials, such as foam packing "peanuts" and plastic bubble cushioning (at least two inches of cushioning on all sides of each item).

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and electronics to prevent suspicious noises and worn-out batteries. Also, be sure to use packaging tape (duct tape and masking tape are no-nos).

- Practice shipping etiquette: Avoid confusing gifts and the wrong recipients. Before you ship, double-check the contents and address. Use a single address label that has clear, complete delivery and return addresses. Place a duplicate label inside the box in case the outer label becomes illegible.

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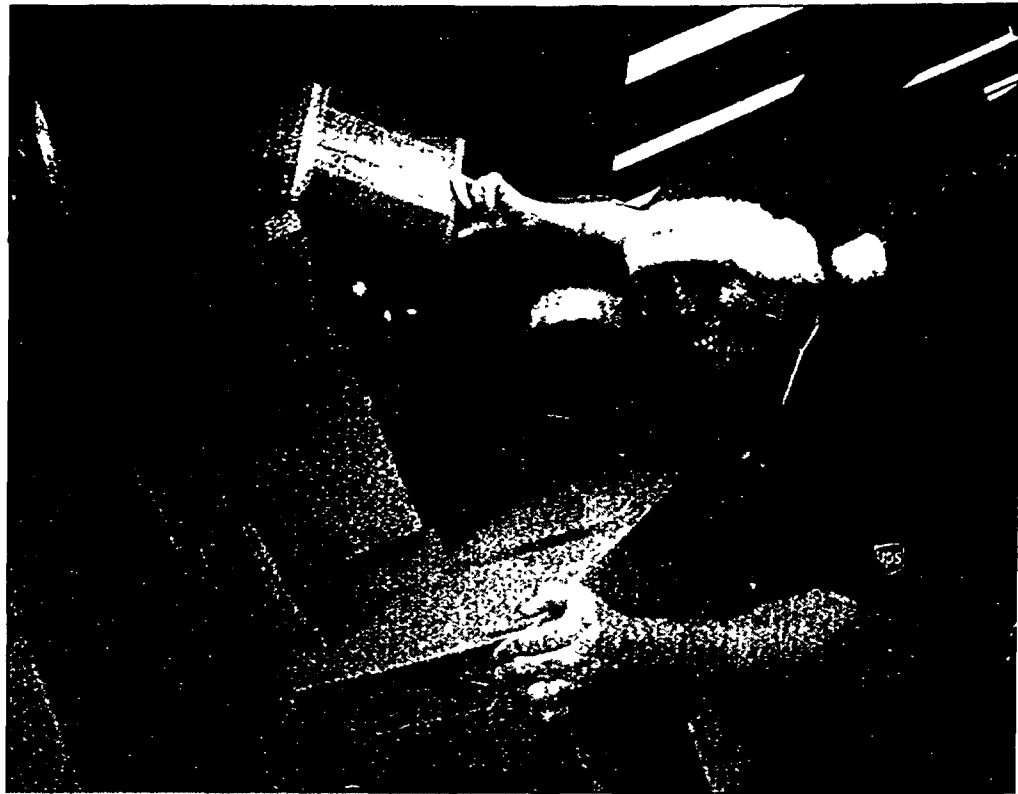


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Mike Ladwig and Barbara Davies of the UPS Store in downtown Northville prepare packages for daily pickups.

presents or shopping on-line.

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Alexander, how great?

History students war-game ancient battles

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

By the age of 19, Alexander the Great had conquered much of the known world.

At the age of 17, Northville High School students were busy finding out just how much strategy and decision was involved. They did so by playing with toys. "It's called historical miniature war gaming," Northville history teacher Clint Alexander said. "Basically you play out historical battles with miniature soldiers."

History repeats itself

Bob Beady, a managing project representative from the University of Michigan, was brought in to the history of the ancient world class to help set up the war gaming experience and give the students a crash course in how it all works.

The concept is basic. A battlefield is recreated with props such as small trees, artificial turf and terrain. Armies are built with small soldiers such as, in the case of the Greeks and Alexander the Great, soldiers with spears, archers, chariots and even elephants.

In the class, teams were formed: one to control the Greeks and one to control their foes.

Dice are rolled by players to decide the number of troop movements. When the two

armies engage each other, dice are again rolled to decide who is victorious in the skirmish.

"It's a lot of fun," said junior Dane Rupley. He successfully led his army of Alexander and the Greeks against the Persians, led by senior Evonna Karchon. "It helps you see how things played out. You can see how troops and cavalry moved and how they were used."

Junior Ryan Smith, who was the general of Alexander's armies in a separate game, comes from a military background. His family has deep roots in the Air Force. Smith, too, plans on making his way into service one day.

He found the exercise enjoyable and thought-provoking.

"It helped me realize that you just can't charge in an expect things to work for you," he said. "You have to constantly change your tactics. You can't have a set agenda. No plan survives the first contact."

For many of the students in the history class, it was an eye-opening experience not only to the sudden decisions that have to be made or the way a plan can utterly collapse, but to the hobby of miniature war gaming as well.

"I'll definitely play it again if I get the chance," said Smith.

History lessons

That's something Alexander was happy to hear. As a history buff, he has found himself enjoying the recreation of his favorite moments in battles. Sometimes, they even have a different outcome.

"I won the battle of Waterloo



with Napoleon once," he said. "It wasn't easy, but I did it."

Beyond playing with toys, the Northville students were given a chance to see history without watching television or reading text.

"It's a nice break away from the books," Rupley said. "I hope we do something like this again."

If Alexander has his way, all Northville High School students will have the chance to do so in the near future. The history teacher said he'd like to set up a club where students can enjoy war gaming.

"I have the gauge the interest of the kids, but I plan on putting a club together," he said. "I think the kids would enjoy it. It's like chess, but just at a much higher level."

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TOP: Senior Evonna Karchon measures the distance her spear-wielding hoplites can move in a miniature war-gaming battle against the Greeks. Seniors Kate McClymont and Caitlin Wixted watch with history teacher Clint Alexander.

LEFT: Senior Jeff Richardson confers with junior Dane Rupley and junior Mike Burke.

RIGHT: Northville senior Steve Bennett surveys the battlefield.

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Just hear those wallets jingling

Holiday season calls for cash management

Managing the Holidays

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Jeri Johnson of Northville has found one way to avoid reckless holiday spending: every Christmas Eve, she donates cash to a charity as gifts for her family.

"I pick a charity that... I think will mean something for the kids," Johnson said. "It sounds like a small thing, but it really has grown. The kids now kind of give me clues throughout the year."

Donating is one way to keep the Christmas buying blizzard in perspective. But when it comes to inevitable shopping lists for friends, family and co-workers, most financial experts say good planning is key.

"Set a budget before you go out

and stick with it," Wayne Titus said, a Northville-based personal financial specialist. "People overspend at this time and they put themselves in a situation where they're stressing."

"If you have a plan you can always adjust that plan. To make one big adjustment is very painful."

At his AMDG Financial Services office, Titus said he helps clients develop a budget based on goals, values, expenditures, income and unexpected expenses. When gift-giving, he recommends spending budgeted surplus funds.

At Northville's Edward Jones, investment representative Todd Knickerbocker said a realistic limit is no more than 2-5 percent of annual income.

Beyond a budget, he said a fine-tuned spending plan is the way to go.

"I think the word 'spend,' people take more literally," Knickerbocker said. "I ask, 'How much you can afford?' (Make) a list of the presents you want to buy. You match that up with that spending plan."

He emphasized never borrowing money for gifts; rather, spend what you've planned for and can afford.

"I tell people, 'Don't be tempted by the buy now-pay later advertisements.' It's good for the

retailer, it's terrible for the consumer," Knickerbocker said. "It comes down to discipline."

For shop-a-holics, Knickerbocker gave a thumbs-down to credit card spending. "If one is disciplined, there's no reason they can't use their credit card. If they're not disciplined, cash is king," he said.

Both planners recommended an educational approach for all ages: saving investment accounts, mutual funds or stock investments. It can also put the brakes on excess spending.

Titus said a woman he knows did just that for her grandchildren.

"The grandchildren have so many toys," Titus said. "She said, 'I don't think my purchasing an additional toy is going to increase their happiness.' We don't share with our kids how to invest."

If getting professional financial help, the duo said comfort is vital.

"Seek out a referral from a trusted friend," Knickerbocker said. "The No. 1 downfall is peo-

"Set a budget before you go out and stick with it."

Wayne Titus
Personal Finance Specialist,
Northville

ple don't have the time to do it. There are many good people out there that can help."

And volunteering or donating is always an option.

"It's kind of a unique thing you don't see or hear a lot about," Titus said. "It's a season of giving, but it doesn't have to be from a financial or monetary (stance)."

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Some practical tips to watch holiday expenses:

- Budget: determine how much you can realistically afford
- Make a gift list of people and charities, what you want to buy and the amount
- Don't impulse shop: bringing a calculator or getting gift certificates can help
- Don't count on money you don't have
- Start shopping as early as possible
- Or, for big-ticket items, start shopping late: think after-holiday sales (and let the recipient know)
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Aggie Richards will speak on "Expectations - Reality = DIS-APPOINTMENT" at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 10. Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church will host discussion on the reality of what we think and how it affects the outcomes in our lives. Refreshments will follow. Free childcare is provided.

For more information, call Ward's Single Point Ministries at (248) 374-5920.

Meeting Monday

The Johnson Creek Protection Group will meet at 7 p.m., Monday, Dec. 13, in Northville High School's Forum Room, 45700 Six Mile Rd. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Michelle West at (734) 761-1010 or mwest@alnm.com.

Camera Club

Meetings of the newly formed club continue 7:30-9 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 14, at the Art House, 215 Cady St.

Join the Northville Arts Commission and Northville Camera the second Tuesday of each month to show your work! Meetings will feature a "technical tip of the month" and a "member's forum" where everyone shows one image. This month's theme is "holidays" where Camera Club members will be displaying holiday-themed images.

For more information, contact Tom James of Northville Camera at northvillecamera@sbcglobal.net or Ken Naigus of the Arts Commission at kdn@Comcast.net or call the Northville Arts Commission at 248-449-9950.

Studio 427 opens

Owner Regina Abraham Dec. 17 will celebrate the grand opening of her new art gallery in town.

The studio, already open to the public, is located at the southwest corner of Dunlap and Center streets in the Old Church Square second floor at 141 N.

Center St. The Northville resident will feature works by local artists.

Ho, ho, ho at the park

Just received: word that Santa Claus will arrive at Maybury Farm at 1 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 12.

Farmer John Beemer has been asked to pick him up on his hay wagon or sleigh (weather cooperating) and deliver him to the Maybury Farm Welcome Center.

Children should arrive before 1 p.m. to see Santa arrive. He will remain at the welcome center until 4 p.m.

Northville Camera staff members will be on hand to document Santa's arrival and donate sittings by interested parents. Proofs for purchase will be available one week later with a portion of the proceeds going to rebuild the Maybury Farm destroyed by fire in February 2003.

Santa will also be at Maybury Farm 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19. Children of all ages are invited to bring homemade ornaments for the farm's Christmas tree.

Maybury Farm is selling fresh greens shaped as candy canes, swags and wreaths this holiday season.

The wreaths, ranging from \$20-30, are available through Dec. 20. Each wreath purchased will have hung on one of the Maybury Farm barns. The welcome center also has a variety of candles, votives and other items for sale.

Maybury Farm is located on Eight Mile Road, 1.5 miles west of Beck Road. For more information, call (248) 374-0200.

On the way to bowl

Novi Bowl, 21700 Novi Rd., is selling snowflakes to raise cash for Northville Civic Concern.

They also are collecting gift cards, toys and clothing through Dec. 31 for the local agency. For more information, call (248) 348-9120.

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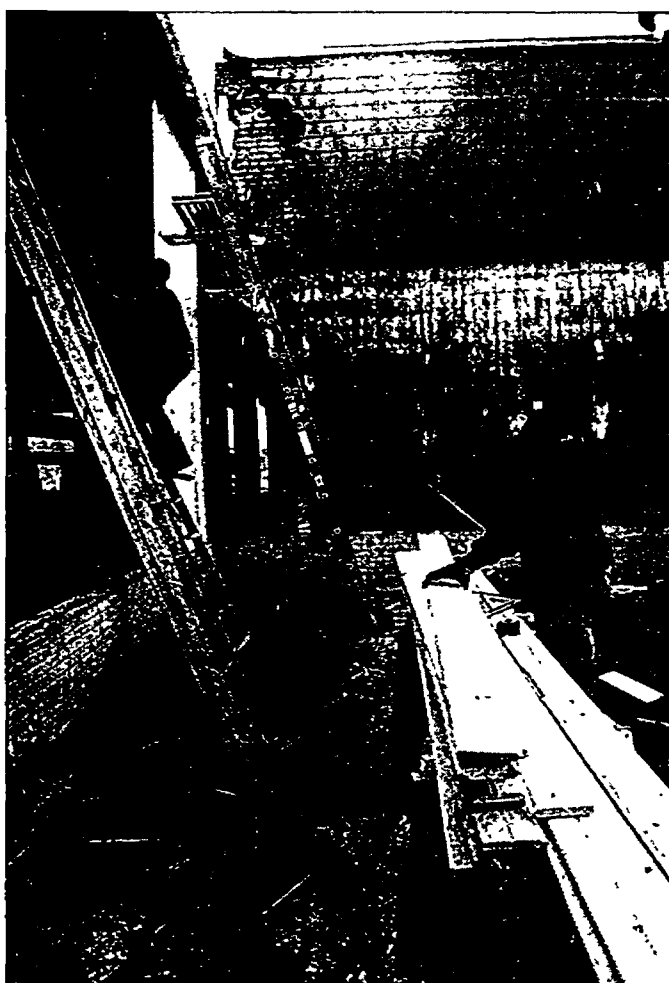


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Dave Copp, right, and Al Berkopec work on replacing the siding of the new Maybury Farm barn last Saturday afternoon. A fund raiser took place at the farm that day, too, with visitors buying wreaths, ornaments and the farm's honey to raise funds for its restoration.

preparing a special presentation for wounded service personnel.

The dance studio, located at 43334 W. Seven Mile Rd., Suite 250, will be accepting the following items through Friday, Dec. 10, to create care packages

to be sent to soldiers:

- new or used DVDs
- microwave popcorn packets
- candy
- AT&T phone cards.

Center Stage will package the donations and mail them, in time

for the holidays, to the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany where serious casualties coming out of Iraq and Afghanistan are flown. For more information, call (248) 380-1666 or write CSDC5678@aol.com.

Giant gingerbread

Northville Gourmet is renewing a Christmas tradition by giving away a giant gingerbread house.

The store's pastry chef Sue Poster, formerly of Crawford's Bakery, is creating the oversized sweet. The gourmet store, 680 W. Eight Mile Rd., will draw the gingerbread house winning name Dec. 23.

Customers placing orders for Christmas hors d'oeuvres, pies, pastries and dinner rolls can fill out an entry form while at the store. For more information, call (248) 349-5611.

Good corporate citizen

Northville resident Doug Necci recently was named the Northville Community Foundation's Corporate Citizen of the Year.

Necci is an architect and executive vice-president of JCK and Associates of Novi. He was credited for extensive involvement with the foundation. He has been instrumental in maintaining the historical integrity of the Maybury Farm buildings and assisting with the Foundation with engineering needs.

Paul Olexa, last year's corporate citizen, presented the award.

City Hall notes

Northville city winter tax bills will be mailed this week. Taxes are payable without penalty through Feb. 14, 2005.

The city is auctioning off printers. For more information, visit <http://my.bidcorp.com/NVileMI/Index.asp>

Donation drop-off site

The agents at Century 21 Town and Country are working

with Northville Civic Concern to provide food and household items of needy local families.

The real estate firm's 175 Cady Centre office will serve as a drop-off point for donations through December. The lobby door is accessible from the public parking area off Mary Alexander Court, just east of Center Street.

Items needed are: household cleaning products, baby care products, diapers of all sizes, health and grooming products and non-perishable food.

For more information, call Amy Zubor or Karen Woodruff at (248) 349-5600.

Call-ahead, please

The Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St., recently kicked off a new luncheon program 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The cost is \$5 for seniors (age 60-plus) and \$7 for all others. Meal tickets must be purchased a week in advance.

Plan ahead for a luncheon at the SCC Cafe. The Northville Public Schools catering staff varies the full-course meal throughout the month. Examples are: crispy chicken salad, broccoli soup, a roll and ginger cookie; tuna pasta salad, a fruit cup, roll and chocolate cake, and tossed salad, beef stew in a bread bowl and a sugar cookie.

Blankets needed

Edward Jones investment representatives David Boyd, Todd Knickerbocker and Chris Willner are supporting the American Red Cross Blanket Days program by using their offices as a drop-off location for this year's blanket drive.

Local residents can help the homeless in the area by bringing in a new blanket to their Northville offices at 117 E. Dunlap, 128 N. Center St. and 1039 Novi Rd. Hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. through Jan. 31.

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

BIRTHS



John Wesley Wilds, Jr. (Jack)

John Wesley Wilds, Jr. (Jack) was born Sept. 21, 2004 at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Chicago. He was 6 pounds, 9 ounces and 19 inches long. He was born to Amy (Sinclair) Wilds, formerly of Trenton and John Wilds, Sr., a 1994 graduate of Northville High School. The couple now reside in Troy.

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POLICE REPORT

Township

Just out driving?

A Livonia male ended up in custody after township police said they found evidence of stolen property and burglary tools.

Pulled over for an expired plate Nov. 29 at 2:01 a.m., the 20-year-old male told police he was "just out driving." Police said his license was suspended due to unpaid tickets. In addition, authorities said the vehicle's ignition was missing and they found two screwdrivers, a flashlight and Leatherman tool during a pat down. The male allegedly said someone tried stealing the car and he needed the tools to start it.

Police reportedly discovered a wallet in the car that didn't belong to the man. A call to Livonia's police department found the wallet stolen, as well as a \$200 audio theater in the car. The male was arrested and put in Wayne County custody.

Carts' cargo prompts arrest

What started as an impromptu game of bumper cars ended in retail fraud charges for two of three teenage Livonia males.

On Nov. 28, one 16-year-old

and two 17-year-olds were at Northville Township's Meijer. At 7 p.m., a female worker reportedly saw the boys in the store's motorized carts, designed for the handicapped, riding around the grocery section and running into each other. She told police she one 17-year-old drove out of the store with \$54.22 in beer and liquor in his cart's basket.

The other 17-year-old was found with an \$8.93 bottle of Scotch. Both have court dates today.

TV repair gone wrong

Television repairs apparently went awry for a Northville male.

On Nov. 18, a 45-year-old male repairman came to the male's house to pick up the chassis of a \$6,000 television, police said. When he returned with the part the next day, reports said, the TV began smoking and the part burned up. The repairman then allegedly took the whole unit to fix, promising to return it Nov. 23; the owner reportedly hadn't heard word as of Dec. 2.

The company is listed in the phone book as being on Wayne Road in the city of Wayne, police said, but when the victim tried locating the address, he found it was a youth center. The case is open.

Drive-by egging

While driving down Eight Mile

Road, a South Lyon female found her Trailblazer a target for raw eggs.

At 9:45 p.m. Nov. 27, the 25-year-old told police she heard a "thud" against the side of her car. She reported her driver's side mirror was dangling by wires, and, rolling down her window, she saw egg yolk on the side of the vehicle and eggshells in the grill and under the hood.

Unable to roll the window back up, she drove her SUV to the station, where police said they covered it with a poncho to keep out rain. There are no suspects.

City

Illegal procedure

Lions fullback Stephen Trejo is facing fines and jail time after Northville police recently arrested him for alleged drunk driving.

An officer stationed near Eight Mile and Novi roads spotted the 26-year-old making an illegal right turn around 2:30 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 11, according to police reports. After detecting a strong odor of intoxicants from inside Trejo's vehicle, the officer requested the Northville Township resident perform a variety of sobriety tests, the report said.

Trejo refused to take a preliminary breath test where he was stopped, the report said. He told the officer he had "about five beers" at a Novi establishment

Northville Township Population and Households Overview

COMPONENT	1990 CENSUS	2000 CENSUS	NOV 04 SEMCOG	2030 FORECAST
Household Population	15,611	19,411	23,711	27,752
Group Quarters Population	1,702	1,625	1,238	1,806
TOTAL POPULATION	17,313	21,036	24,949	29,558
Households	6,141	8,119	10,007	13,286
Housing Units	6,526	8,480	10,664	N/A
Household Size	2.54	2.39	2.37	2.09

SOURCE: Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG)

and was "trying to get home safe," the report said. A subsequent test at the station showed a .19 blood alcohol content, the report said.

A dispatcher's check revealed Trejo had a previous drunk driving arrest and his license revoked in his home state of Arizona, the report said. Northville police charged him with felony operating while under the influence and driving without a valid license.

He posted bond and pled mute at his video arraignment. He is scheduled to appear Dec. 17 in 35th District Court.

If convicted, the enhanced drunk driving charge entails a fine \$500-\$5,000, from 30 days in county jail to five years in prison, 60-180 days community service, rehabilitative programs, repaying costs of prosecution and emergency response, and immobilizing his vehicle by impound or boot.

The misdemeanor charge carries a penalty of 90 days in jail and/or a \$100 fine.

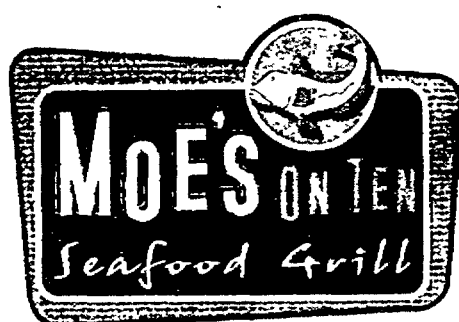
Lesson learned

A Novi man who recently left

educational tapes and books behind in a downtown coffee house reported them stolen.

The 32-year-old called the store the day after he realized he had left behind 20 educational audio tapes and six soft-cover books, but no one had turned them in, according to police reports. The man told Northville police Nov. 29 the instructional real estate packet was valued at \$3,300, the report said.

When the man reported the loss to his insurance company, he was instructed to file a report, police officials said.



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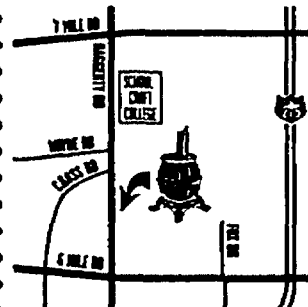


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Deck the season's halls — with plenty of electrical caution

Holiday lights call for safety reminders

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Township Fire Chief Bill Zhmendak has seen his share of holiday decorating malapropisms in 26 years with the department.

A recent tragedy involved a tree catching fire.

"The people actually tried to pull it out of the house," Zhmendak said. "It was just

spreading fire. Once they got it to the door... they couldn't get it out."

From trees and candles to lights and stoves, Christmas decorating calls for caution reminders.

John Drengenberg is consumer affairs manager for Underwriters Laboratories, an independent, not-for-profit product safety certification organization.

"Ladders are a very good start," Drengenberg said. "Outdoors at this time of year... it can be wet, it can be slippery, it can be either icy or snowy."

When hanging lights, don't lean too far on the ladder, he said. Also, use plastic hooks, not nails.

"Staples from your staple gun could pierce (the) insulation," he said. Also, look before you string up the mini bulbs.

"Inspect your lights each year for frayed wire, bare spots... broken or cracked lights, excessive kinks in the wiring," Zhmendak said. "Most electrical outlets are good for like three strands of lights. Anything more than that, you could possibly overload that socket."

Outdoor extension cords — marked red by Underwriters — should be used, and not roped through doorways or windows.

"With heat and mechanical pinching...that traps heat,"

Drengenberg said. "It's a domino effect."

Not to be taken lightly

Decorative candles are another potential hazard.

"People like to decorate evergreen boughs below (a candle)," Drengenberg said. "If (it) burns down close to the evergreen, then you've got a terrible scenario."

He and Zhmendak recommend keeping candles away from children, in sturdy holders, out of hallways where the can be knocked and always attended.

Christmas trees are also cause for pause.

"I really don't like to see (natu-

ral trees) only because people fail to water them," Zhmendak said. "A burning tree can rapidly fill a room with fire and deadly gas. The artificial trees are so much safer."

When picking a natural tree, needles should be hard to pull back and the trunk sticky to the touch, Zhmendak said. Keep them away from heat sources.

Drengenberg said dry trees ignite in about 15 seconds. Ornaments should be flame retardant.

"I hate to say it, but stuff that's made in schools" can be dangerous, Zhmendak said. "I'm going to be the Scrooge on this one."

Finally, be mindful during

Christmas cooking — and test smoke detectors monthly.

"The tips there are, keep children away (and) the old adage that mom taught all of us: 'Turn the pot handles in,'" Drengenberg said. "Another thing we suggest is don't use your oven or your microwave as a storage container."

Said Zhmendak, "Overall I think the fires around the holidays have been very minimal for us. I think people are becoming more aware I do."

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Picking the perfect Christmas tree sometimes means taking a little needling

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Cone-shaped, brilliant green trees are the envy of living rooms far and wide in Christmastime.

Compared to plucking a tree off a store shelf, hunting down the perfect tree can demand a bit more work.

With 3,000 Scotch, Austrian and White Pines on 21 acres, the Northville Tree Farm offers plenty of options — and advice, on behalf of owner Gary Lisowski.

First, make sure the needles are green and trunk straight.

"Tug on the needles and see if they fall off," Lisowski said. "If they readily fall out, you know the tree's already dried out."

At Northville Tree Farm, 24-30-inch bows are provided to slice through soft pine.

When transporting the tree, Lisowski recommends a three-ply twine to secure the tree to vehicles' roof racks at the front and back.

"We put the (tree) trunk to the front for

wind resistance," Lisowski said. "Most trees are difficult to get into the trunk. Easiest way is to bring a pick-up truck. A lot of places do netting to try to rescue the size of it."

Doug Polidori, nurseryman with Terra Bella Landscape Contractors in Novi, said unless temperatures exceed 60 degrees, trees on the lot are in a dormant state.

Once the tree's safe at home, it should be cut again before being placed

in a heavy-duty, cast-iron stand.

"When you cut it, you just put a 30-degree angle on it, about two, three inches up," Polidori said. "When you set it into your pan full of water, it doesn't set flat on the bottom of the pan."

"You cut it just before you put it up in your house. (Sap) plugs up all the new pores. They start to heal over."

Both agree: never let the tree run out of

water. It's usually a daily task. Even so, most trees will last 30-45 days after they're first cut.

"When the needles start falling, it's time to move it outside," Lisowski said. "Set it to the street."

The Northville Tree Farm is located at 9236 Hickory Ridge, five miles west of Northville off Seven Mile Road. Call (313) 909-7808 for more.

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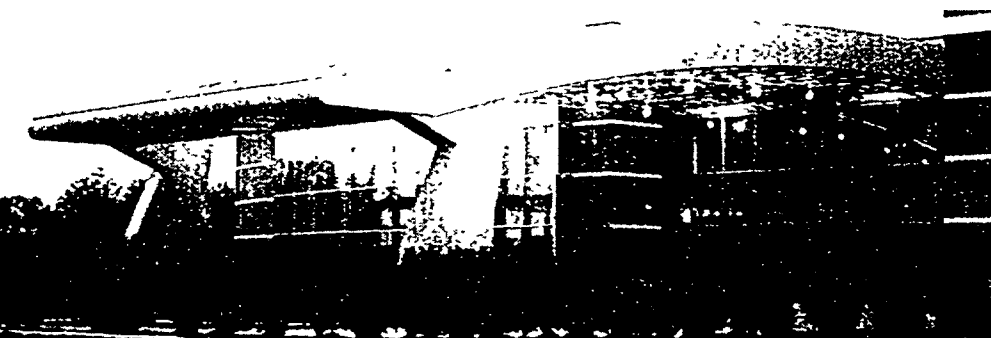
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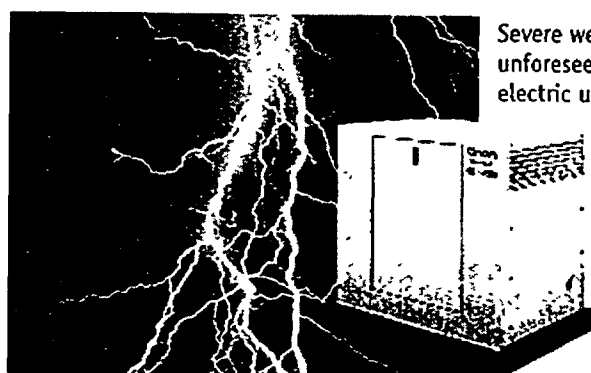
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Season's Greetings

Being thankful is not enough. Worldwide, families celebrate the holiday season by eating too much and enjoying time spent with family near and far.

But the holidays should also serve as a catalyst for renewed community involvement.

Many people within the Northville community still need your help. They are hungry or homeless, tired, sick or lonely.

They are in despair. And needing of someone to simply remember that despite their misfortune, they are still worthy of dignity and personal respect.

We believe to make a difference you must be the difference. That's why we urge local residents to get involved locally with organizations whose efforts are geared toward helping those in need this holiday season.

This weekend's Goodfellows effort is one simple way. Buy a special edition newspaper and donate what you can.

All the money goes to Northville Civic Concern, a

local agency well-known for helping those who need it most.

Senior centers are also a good place to help. So, too, is the Salvation Army and Meals on Wheels, each offering valuable community-based assistance.

But your efforts need not be made through an organized group.

Sharing the holiday spirit can be as simple as baking a pie for a lonely co-worker, sending a holiday card to an anonymous neighbor or shoveling the snow-filled driveway of someone who has neither the means, nor wherewithal to do so.

The holiday season has arrived. And while many of us have much for which to be grateful, too many others sorely crave a simple slice of hope and a morsel of individual compassion.

If not during the holidays, then when? If not you, then who? Be true to the holiday season: give back to those who need it most.

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With First-Class Mail, you can insure your gift, certify that it gets delivered, confirm the delivery or the recipient, and even register it for up to \$25,000.

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Express Mail shipping supplies are available for free at your post office, or you can order them via the Internet. Express mail items are automatically insured for up to \$100 at no additional cost. Signature proof of delivery and tracking are available upon request.

For more information on holiday services from the postal service, visit the Northville post office or go to www.usps.com, and choose "Send Mail and Packages," then "Domestic Shipping Options."

Wherever you are, postage stamps are nearby! You can get the stamps you need online (www.usps.com/shop), or by phone (1-800-STAMP-24), from select ATM machines, and from vending machines in shopping malls and retail stores, and at many grocery stores and drug stores.

Don't let the holidays weigh you down this year. Let the Postal Service deliver for you!



Native traditions!

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NORTHVILLE RECORD

Reg Pettibone, a member of the Palute tribe, brought an informal demonstration of Native American dance and dress to Northville's Ridge Wood Elementary School last Friday. With some help of Ridge Wood students, he danced the "Men's Traditional," telling a tale of a hunter who fell a buffalo with one arrow and the importance of not wasting the animal; using its pelt and bones in addition to its meat.

What fresh fiscal disaster is this?

Here we go again.

News of fresh fiscal disaster for Michigan came out of last week's "revenue estimating" meeting between the House and Senate fiscal agencies and State Treasurer Jay Rising. This year's state budget, which took effect on Oct. 1, is already \$370 million in the red as a result of less money coming in than was forecast. The deficits show up in both the General Fund (\$257 million) and the School Aid Fund (\$113 million.)

The Michigan Constitution requires the state budget to be balanced, so the new forecasts will require Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the legislature to cut spending in the current year by at least \$370 million. And the governor is already talking about whacking another half-billion out of the budget she is preparing for the fiscal year that starts next October; she has already put state departments on notice to expect cuts from 5 to 7 percent.

Sound familiar? Yup. We've seen the same dreary show played out in Lansing for three years running. First the revenue estimating meeting projects a deficit, usually bigger than expected because the state's economic recovery is lagging. Next, the governor and legislative leaders moan about how dire the situation is. Finally (and after much to and fro) our leaders cobble together a mixture of mid-year spending cuts, tax and fee increases and miscellaneous accounting gimmicks.

Over the past three years, the state has undergone \$3 billion (that's "billion" with a "b") in budget cuts. That's serious money; you've gotta lose a million a thousand times to be out a billion. The autopsy shows multiple malformations. State general fund revenue has fallen from \$9.75 billion in fiscal 2000-01 to an estimated \$7.85 billion this year, a drop of nearly \$2 billion, not even considering inflation.

Revenue sharing — the money the state

doles out to counties and communities — has taken a \$429 million or 27 percent cut over the past three years. State spending on our 15 public universities has dropped from \$1.91 billion to \$1.69 billion over the same period, a \$220 million hit. For a glimpse at the bigger picture: The state today contributes around 40 percent of the universities' total revenue; it was 75 percent 10 years ago.

There isn't much more down to get, as they say in the south. Reality check:

Sorry, but it is really not the time for "here we go again." We need to recognize some simple realities that our leaders would rather gloss over.

1) What we have been doing for the past three years is little more than rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic. Budget cuts here and there, tax and fee increases and accounting gimmicks might be sufficient to get Michigan through a temporary period

of a down economy. But it's now clear that our economic situation is not temporary, and that we are undergoing a profound and lengthy change in our economic base. Short term nips and tucks here and there are not going to cut it, long term.

2) The underlying cause of Michigan's budget problems for the past three years is a chronic structural deficit between what the state takes in tax revenue and what services it provides to its citizens. This structural deficit is estimated by the experts at the non-partisan, non-profit Citizens' Research Council (the best in the business) at more than \$1 billion each year!

Basically, that means we are set up to automatically earn less than we spend. The general fund, over which lawmakers have direct control, is about \$8 billion. So our built-in deficit is more than 12 percent. No household I know of can withstand a shortfall like that for very long without making serious and drastic changes. Normally, in fact, if they are already on a tight budget,

they try to find ways of bringing in more money.

3) We have yet to see the worst. It now looks as though the City of Detroit's budget shortfall is around \$300 million, with the red ink at the Detroit school system adding up to another \$200 million. Rumor is that the accounting firm that just finished the audit of the schools is considering an opinion that questions whether the school system can continue as a "going concern."

If the finances of Detroit or its schools or both implode, somebody is going to get stuck with the tab. One of the most thoughtful and knowledgeable observers I know told me last weekend that Michigan is now on the cusp of the largest crisis we have faced since the Detroit riots in 1967. I think he's right.

The scariest thing about all this is that the political class doesn't seem to get it. Legislative leaders continue to blather on and on about cutting state spending. The Michigan Chamber of Commerce keeps bleating about cutting more taxes. Gov. Granholm keeps appointing more advisory commissions. Nobody seems interested in saying we've got big problems and that we've got to take some serious steps to deal with them.

The axiom is that democracies usually fail to deal seriously with big problems, until a crisis becomes so large enough that even the most expedient politicians can't sweep it under the rug. This is what is then called "leadership." Well, the water is lapping at our ankles, and Michigan's leaders need to start leading and stop fudging. Now.

Psychiatrists say that a good clinical definition of insanity is when people keep doing the same damaging thing over and over and over again. I wonder how a competent mental health professional would diagnose our present leadership.

What I am certain about is that treatment needs to happen, soon.

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

Bouchard may be best candidate against Granholm

When he was a young cop on the beat, Michael Bouchard wasn't always cautious. "I always wanted to be the first guy through the door, you know, and I was getting hurt a lot."

His ear and hand were grazed by one bullet. Once, while chasing down criminals, his police cruiser was broadsided and sent reeling into two trees, striking them so hard that the engine block cracked.

"Had it moved another 18 inches either way, the investigator said it would have wrapped around a tree and killed us," remembers Bouchard, now sheriff of the state's second-largest county, as his screen saver presents a montage of images from various versions of Star Trek, his all-time favorite TV show.

Later, when asked if he was hurt at all, he says, as an afterthought, "Well, yeah. About a year later, I had to have a piece of my spine removed."

One senses that part of him would like to ditch the paperwork, jump out the door and into a police cruiser and go bust a crack house. But that was then, and now he presides over a \$110 million department — and, some say, a large part of the hopes for the future of the Michigan GOP.

For it is no secret that many state Republicans think that Mike Bouchard would be the strongest possible candidate they could field against Gov. Jennifer Granholm two years from now. Others would like to see him take a crack at U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow, although a consensus is building that Lansing-area U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers is a slightly more likely Senate nominee.

Running for either post would be relatively low-risk, in one way, for the 48-year-old sheriff. He wouldn't have to give up his

day job; last month, he was re-elected to a new four-year term as sheriff, winning more than 60 percent in a county that voted for John Kerry for president.

Bouchard had left police work and was busy building a career in the state senate when Oakland County's elderly longtime sheriff dropped dead six years ago this month. Appointed by a special panel, he resigned from the legislature and hit the ground running.

Since then he has won wide notice for modernizing a sleepy sheriff's department that was built for a sprawling rural area and hadn't kept up with the urban explosion that has transformed Oakland into one of the nation's largest and richest counties. Clearly ambitious, he admits he is thinking about higher office, though he has mastered the politician's modest "it depends on where I thought I could make the greatest contribution," and on what's best for his wife and three young children.

His decision, he says, won't depend on whether he thinks he can win. But the truth is, nobody likes to lose.

And the polls have shown that Michigan's first woman governor is still hugely popular. In the only head-to-head matchup, a survey last fall designed to explore a potential Bouchard run had her killing him, 55 to 33 percent.

Yet his supporters note that he is still fairly unknown statewide.

Republicans now are roughing out the beginnings of a strategy against the governor, portraying her as a do-nothing executive who is more fluff than substance and who is out of touch on many issues. She opposed a constitutional ban on gay marriage, which passed overwhelmingly last

month.

Some think that may give them an opening. And many think that Mike Bouchard, a onetime star guard for Brother Rice High School's basketball team, needs to come off the bench for the state GOP.

The Michigan Republican Party, after all, is in somewhat of a candidate crisis that in many ways, resembles the plight of the national Democrats. Last month, they lost the presidential race in Michigan for the fourth straight time.

Democrats control the governor's office and both U.S. Senate seats. In fact, Republicans have lost nine of the state's last 10 U.S. Senate races. Though President George W. Bush made a major effort to win Michigan, he failed, and his party lost seats in the legislature.

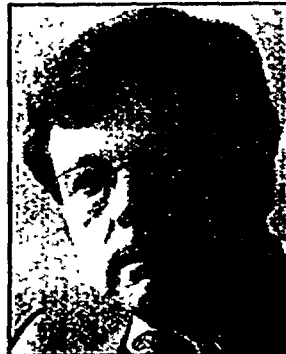
L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County's salty, longtime county executive, thinks that in large part is because middle-class voters are increasingly leery of Republicans who appear too close to the religious right and appear more concerned with monitoring their neighbors' morality than respecting their privacy.

Bouchard is himself a fairly conservative Roman Catholic, and a man who, like many Republicans today, says his political hero is Ronald Reagan.

But he doesn't come across as doctrinaire. Asked if he is more an ideologue or a pragmatist, he smiles and says "about 50-50," and then adds, "I have always believed you shouldn't sacrifice the good when you can't get the perfect."

Two years from now might not be the perfect time for Bouchard to run for governor. But increasingly, state Republicans feel that his doing so might be a very good thing.

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Support local Goodfellows

Rotary's community service nets a positive 'exchange'

Nina Kongstad is a world away from the Denmark island named Fyn where her family lives.

The 16-year-old is for the moment a Northville High School foreign exchange student, brought to Michigan this past August by the Northville Rotary Club.

Each year the rotary sponsors a student as one of many community-oriented tasks the group takes on. The goal is simple: sponsor for one year a student whose personal curiosity is exceeded only by their willingness to immerse themselves within another culture.

David Aguilar
RECORD EDITOR

For Kongstad, America is a unique opportunity, a chance to see for herself another culture at work — and at play. So far, she's marveled at the size of cars and homes — and the scope of American freedom.

Her hometown of Faaborg is much like Northville, she said. Its 7,200 residents make it the 87th most populated place in Denmark, a destination itself which dates back to the Viking era, somewhere around the 900s. It's also home to the world's oldest monarchy.

(Denmark itself can be traced back to the Ice Age, c. 12500 B.C. when hunter's settlements could be found, but that's another story.)

In all that time, Denmark remains a fairly sedate place, where Danish students rarely continue their formal education beyond the seventh grade. Few in Kongstad's country glimpse more than basic employment.

That's why the Northville Rotary Club's foreign exchange student program is so important. It opens the door to exchange students like Kongstad can walk through and see the world with open eyes.

The effort underscores Rotary's basic tenet: "Peace through understanding."

"If you live in another culture, it increases your awareness and you are not afraid," Joanne Inglis said, Rotary president and the City of Northville's Housing Director. Inglis manages Allen Terrace, the city's senior housing development.

Having once studied in Spain as a foreign exchange student herself, she said the effort was one of the main reasons she joined Rotary in 1999.

Foreign exchange

Kongstad first thought about becoming a foreign exchange student a few years ago when her parents sponsored an American student from Colorado.

GOODFELLOWS EDITION

This weekend the Northville Rotary Club will join local residents and business owners, selling the 2004 Goodfellows Edition at various public locations around the city. All local Goodfellows proceeds will be donated to Northville Civic Concern.

"I wanted to get away from my home and travel a lot," Kongstad said, her English hiccupping momentarily before finishing each spoken thought. Her interests include gymnastics, choir and ice skating.

She thinks often of her parents and the sister who remain in Denmark.

Since August, Kongstad has been living with Jim and Lorna Gallogly. Jim is a Rotary member and the City of Northville's Department of Public Works director. In February, she will live with Rotary members Bob and Margene Buckhave, who own the Old Church Square and the Stampedder.

Kongstad said at first she felt like a fish out of water, the new person at a high school where student counts approach 2,000. Her school back home boasts 175 students.

"I like it here," she said, already having visited Cedar Point and the University of Michigan campus, where she saw students not much older than herself lounge beneath large shade trees and drift from one class to another, one opportunity to the next.

Goodfellows effort

This weekend, the Northville Rotary Club — quietly responsible for Northville's weekend Santa Claus visits, foreign exchange students, restoration of the old Main Street clock and sending \$20,000 to Afghanistan children — will be stepping up again.

Not for foreign exchange students; for those locally who need a helping hand.

Rotary will spearhead a group of familiar local faces selling Goodfellows Edition newspapers for whatever donation passersby can muster. The Goodfellows is a long-standing non-profit organization helping those who need it most, especially near the holidays.

Its a good group formed for a worthy cause. Be a Goodfellow this weekend and chip in what you can.

The holidays mean the most when well-intentioned groups and individuals join together, contribute small amounts — and together move mountains.

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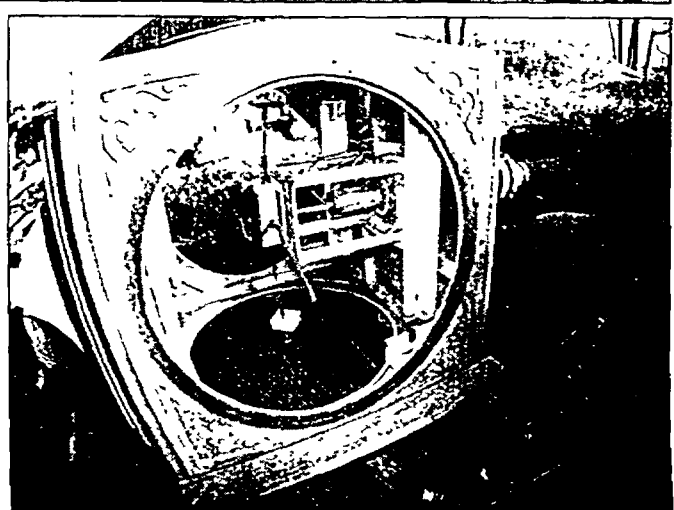


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The Northville Rotary Club, along with many other local business owners and residents, will lead the community service charge this weekend, selling annual Goodfellows Edition newspapers. All proceeds raised locally will be donated to Northville Civic Concern, an agency which year-round helps those less fortunate. TOP: Foreign exchange student Nina Kongstad, 16, stands with Rotary president Joanne Inglis. ABOVE LEFT: Rotary member and Department of Public Works director Jim Gallogly will be selling Goodfellows newspapers this weekend. ABOVE RIGHT: The former Main Street clock is a Rotary project destined one day soon for Ford Field.

Civic Concern: Goodfellows are 'angels of hope'

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Monday morning Marlene Kunz paid past-due bills, restoring utilities to two Northville households.

One was the home of two children, Northville Civic Concern's director said. Back bills in one case had topped \$400 before the clients came to the 21-year-old non-profit agency to ask for assistance.

"Those monies don't come to us easily," Kunz said. The director embodies the volunteer organization's namesake concern; she also scrutinizes every request, double checks for double dipping and talks about how circumstances will change.

This weekend, Northville's Rotary Club members will sponsor Civic Concern's annual fundraiser, distributing Goodfellows newspapers. Volunteers stationed throughout town will collect donations to turn over

to the organization.

"That is one of the largest contributions we get all year," Kunz said. "We rely on that."

"They are our angels of hope."

Economic demands of medical costs, housing, gas and utilities can compound the stress of circumstances such as recovery from substance abuse, unexpected job loss or a sudden illness. Assistance from Civic Concern might be just the ticket to help a family past temporary troubles, Kunz said.

The organization provides food and household staples to more than 50 local families whose financial obligations are stretched too tight. Qualified clients twice a month pick up pre-loaded bags of groceries so they can use cash-on-hand to pay bills due.

This summer, the agency relocated from the former Cady Street senior center to the Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza. Owner

"They are our angels of hope."

Marlene Kunz
Director, Civic Concern

David Karoub donated the space at 42951 Seven Mile Road, just east of Northville Road.

The doors are open for people donating items 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., the first and third weeks of the month. Items also can be dropped off 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. all Mondays and Wednesdays.

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

CANDLE: Northville aglow Friday night

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the community tree in preparation for tomorrow night.

Children of parent-teacher association members collectively "flip the switch" at the appointed hour, said All Aglow chair Debbie Grant-Kelterborn. "It's really cool. It's really a special moment."

The moms have been hosting the annual illumination event to raise funds for local school children for 10 years.

People purchased nearly 500 tree lights in memory of a family member or friend, Grant-Kelterborn said. They will be noted on a Mothers' Club board near the gazebo and in an advertisement in the Northville Record.

"The specialness of this particular fundraiser is recognizing someone special to you or memorializing them," the Mothers' Club member said. "The community seems to really like that aspect of this particular fundraiser."

"It's so exciting to see people making their donation — it's a great view into people's lives — who they want to honor, the Hillside teachers, the children of Northville, someone who has died."

Following the lighting and

Christmas sing-along, Mothers' Club members will serve hot chocolate and cookies.

Also in Bandshell Park, youngsters will be able to take their turn on Santa's lap as he visits 6-9 p.m. in his Rotary Club-sponsored house near the gazebo.

Decorated storefronts, street lamps and candles along the sidewalks will light the way to shops open until 11 p.m.

Mark Trudeau, owner of Fine Threads, 105 E. Main St., has supplied 100 boxes of battery-powered candles to his fellow merchants, trying a new type of lights this year.

"We're hoping the sidewalk is going to be lit up nice," he said. In his fourth year as the town's haberdasher and tailor, Trudeau said he expects a good turnout for the Candlelight Walk.

"It stays pretty heavy at least until 9 or 10," he said. "Always, it's weather permitting. If it's not flat-out raining, you're going to see a lot of folks in town."

Downtown merchants were meeting mid-week to finalize plans for the annual holiday event. Like his peers, Trudeau said he will provide incentives for stopping in his store tomorrow night: 20 percent discounts, sweets and wine.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Heidi Cone and her children Isabella, 3, and Mason, 1, stop by for a visit with Santa at his downtown Northville house last Saturday afternoon.

"It's another great night for the community to get the strollers out and go see Santa," he said. "I think whenever there is something going on to bring bodies in, it's good for everyone."

The later-than-usual hours provide an opportunity for couples to visit stores together, Trudeau said, maybe for the first time.

"It's a way to expose the store to new faces," he said. "Each new set of eyes that come in potentially leads to a sale."

"Next week, I'll see the women coming in to buy what the men picked out," he said. "Hopefully, it's here."

For more information, call the Northville Chamber of

SANTA HOURS

Santa Hours

Santa will be at his house located in the middle of downtown, near the Main Street gazebo, through Dec. 19. Fridays 6-9 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays Noon-3 p.m.

Commerce (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.

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Ridge Wood readers!



Submitted Photo

Balancing the books!

Northville resident Lindsey Rathsborg won \$500 for Ridge Wood Elementary in the Farmer Jack Halloween coloring contest. Rathsborg donated the area most in need at the school was the library. Rathsborg and Principal Nancy Raynes shopped for new books, including plenty of animal books — Rathsborg's favorite. She will now be entered in the next drawing which could win the school \$6,000.

Look out, Elmo: season's hot toys come in all shapes, sizes

Local shops weigh in on Christmas picks

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

By now you know: the red-furred, high-pitched Sesame Street monster is back, and he's singing.

But the rush for the latest Elmo toy — this time dubbed "E-L-M-O," which he sings to the tune of the Village People's "YMCA" — may not be as frantic as in years past.

"We've had the Elmo for, gosh, several months," Vicki Lynch, store director of Novi's Toys "R" Us, said. "For the people that shop here, most of them have already got one."

In the 16 days before Christmas, that could change. However, this season, toyshops around town listed many popular options for all ages, with no brand or gimmick leading the pack.

Getting technical

Electronic gizmos are making a strong showing. Thus far, this year's sell-out at

Toys "R" Us has been Vtech's "V-Smile," an electronic learning system.

Hooking into a television set and operated by joystick, the device, which retails \$50-60, uses \$20 "Smartridges" to give preschoolers lessons from music to math.

"It looks like a video game system... but it's actually educational," Lynch said. "It helps the develop high-end coordination skills."

Mirroring a miniature laptop computer, the dual-screened, \$170 Nintendo DS game system is also hot, Lynch said, as is the orange, radio-controlled Terrain Twister by Tyco.

"It's a remote control vehicle that is a hard to find," Lynch said of the \$80, sleek-shaped toy. "It's one of those things that's taken off."

Old-fashioned fare

Some toys making a comeback have been around for years.

Thanks to televised celebrity poker, gambling games are one.

Northville resident Lou LaChance, owner of online "Ultimate Toys and Gifts," said poker and craps sets, playing foley and even monogrammed chips are snapped up.

TOY TIPS

Local toy connections

• Toys "R" Us: 43460 West Oaks Dr., Novi; (248) 344-1300. Christmas hours are Monday-Sunday, 8 a.m.-midnight; Closes at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve.

• Ultimate Toys and Gifts: (248) 348-9077; www.ultimate-toysandgifts.com.

• Your Toy Box: 43283 Crescent Blvd., Novi Town Center; (248) 449-6000. Open Monday-Saturday, 1-8 p.m., and Sunday, noon-5 p.m.

"The casino items are very popular," he said. "That now is not only at the upper end in terms of the age bracket."

Prices range from \$15 for a sleeve of chips to \$30 for a roulette wheel.

Craft kits, fetching \$13-20, top the list, he said; metal erector sets, such as working merry-go-rounds and oil barracks, also are in demand.

At Novi's Your Toy Box, owner Bruce Weiner said educational toys "with a twist" are en vogue, like board games "Labyrinth" and "Rumis."

"(Rumis) is a strategy game,"



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Cooper Mills, 2, checks out a Brio toy train set at Your Toy Box in Novi.

The back-up plan

What to do if the toy of your child's dreams is sold out?

"Our staff can make great recommendations that the child would enjoy," Lynch said. "We don't want any child to be unhappy during Christmas."

There's a Magna Doodle to replace the popular Aqua Doodle, for instance, or Bratz for Dora the Explorer.

Making a Toys for Tots dona-

tion at the store instead might put a different slant on the frenzy.

Or try Weiner's suggestion: "Perhaps buy a board game. Make a game night so everybody spends time as a family. We don't really do that."

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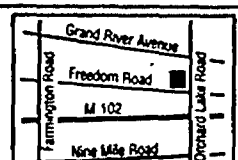
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Holiday shopping 101

Good timing crucial to handling holiday pandemonium

By Kim Kovellev
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Strolling in Downtown Northville last week, Sally Chestnut was perhaps the envy of some Christmas shoppers: she was just browsing.

"I like to do it before December," Chestnut said. "I try to pick things that would suit anyone. Maybe I have a gift on hand for the unexpected."

With only two weeks left, last-minute shoppers plunged into the fray may not have the same luxury. However, getting organized and being aware of options can help — especially at the area's big shopping magnets.

Right place, right time

Half the buying battle is beating the crowds. At Northville Township's Meijer at Eight Mile and Haggerty roads, Sharon Kidd, store director, said nighttime traffic can pile up at the 24-hour locale.

"During dinner hours, generally between the hours of 6 and 8, we have a little bit of a slow down," Kidd said. "A lot of the moms especially like to come in... after they've put the kids to bed for the night."

The post-lunch lull also affords some downtime. Early hours are best at Twelve Oaks Mall, Marketing Director Peggy Hayes said.

"Typically if people can get in early in the morning, particularly early in the week, you tend to find it's a little less crowded," Hayes said.

She also suggested allotting time to drop off purchases in a vehicle.

"Don't try to carry everything at once," Hayes said. "It's much better to make a couple trips to your car and lock everything in your trunk. Re-park."

Mind the minutia

Once you're in, the challenge is remembering the details. Having a list can jog the memory when it comes to stocking stuffers or wrapping paper.

"We have a cafeteria area," Kidd said. "We find a lot

of people will come in and they have our ad papers. They'll go over there (and) get their list out.

"They'll ask team members for ideas, suggestions." As part of the plan, be sure to take note of return policies — particularly in a mall, where retailers often differ — and take advantage of gift receipts.

"Most stores now will also issue a gift receipt which is a real handy thing," Hayes said. "The price isn't on there. You can give it without being embarrassed."

Gift certificates are available, too. Meijer and Twelve Oaks offer them in any amount; at the latter, they're mall-wide for more options.

At Meijer, a jeweler is available 24 hours a day to provide pointers. "We find a lot of male customers take advantage of that," Kidd said.

Also, don't discount the value of practical extras like scarves or hats (which are less size-dependent), a bottle of wine or a calendar.

"A lot of times too you can find interesting items at the kiosks in the malls," Hayes said. Magic trick sets are popular this year.

Shop safely

No matter how intense your quest for the Holy Grail of gifts, keep your eyes peeled.

"This is the time of year you have to be alert," Hayes said. "Some will sit down for a coffee and then walk off, leave a bag."

The mall's lockers help to that end. Leaving coats in the car is another option: "It's just one less thing to remember," said Hayes. "Obviously if it's freezing... you might not want to."

To keep tabs on purses, Kidd suggested using shopping carts' child safety straps.

"Just strap your purse right to it, weave right through the strap," Kidd said. "We also offer a new service which is called curbside service."

For free, Meijer personnel will help transport larger items to your car.

Ultimately, although time's running thin, now is better than later.

"The last week of Christmas will be absolutely tremendous," Kidd said. "They day before Christmas Eve we will go right around the clock."

Both centers are closed Christmas Day.

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SHOPPING TIPS

Avoid shopping lines

Try these tips to avoid holiday pow-wows in mile-long lines:

1. Use catalogs and/or the Internet whenever possible

2. Get to stores at opening or near closing; avoid midday "shopping rush hours"

3. In general, park in the section of the lot that's as far as possible from most popular entrances

4. Make each trip multi-purpose, with several purchases planned

5. Reduce/eliminate purchases from stores that require standing in two or more lines for a single purchase

6. Favor stores that merge lines rather than those with parallel lines (this results in stressful "queue calculus": guessing which line will move fastest)

7. In a department store, assemble as many purchases as possible for one point of sale transaction

8. In a gift-wrap line, arrange to wrap all purchases at one time

9. Leave plenty of time to mail presents; avoid post office on Saturday mornings and lunch hours

10. Buy supplies early, including stamps, wrapping paper, tape, etc.

SOURCE: Researcher Dr. Richard C. Larson/Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences



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Angel Tiley of Livonia cruised through Novi's Twelve Oaks Mall last week. Tiley had not yet begun her Christmas shopping this year.

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The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will close at 1:00 p.m. Friday, December 17, 2004 for an Employee Appreciation Luncheon.

The administrative offices are located on the S.W. corner of Six Mile and Sheldon Road, 44405 Six Mile Road

The Department of Public Safety and the Fire Department will remain open. All offices will re-open on Monday, December 20, 2004 at 8:00 a.m.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to State Statute MCL 41.724a, a public hearing will be held at the Township Hall, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville Township, Michigan on Thursday, December 16, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. regarding the Quail Ridge Subdivision Paving SAD. This type of public hearing is necessary when project costs exceed original estimates in excess of 10%. This public hearing is being held for the Township Board to approve the additional costs associated with the construction of the project.

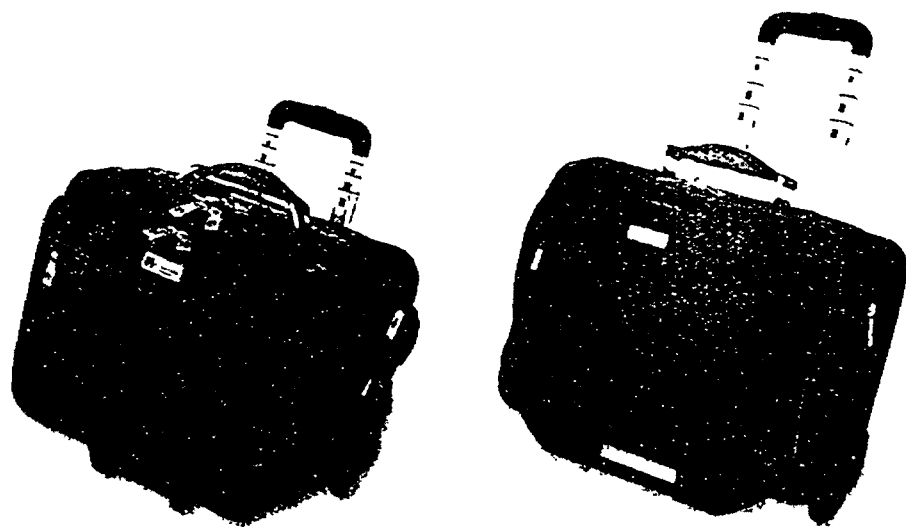
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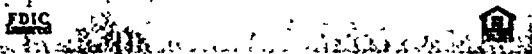
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NORTHVILLE'S OFFICIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

— To submit information about local events to 'What's Going On?' please e-mail to nrevents@ht.homecomm.net. —

Local Events

Daughters of the American Revolution

The Daughters of the American Revolution, Sarah Ann Cochran Chapter of Plymouth-Northville are hosting a Christmas Tea on Monday, Dec. 20, 2004 at 1 p.m. This will be at Greenmead, Hill House, Livonia with Sue Daniel as the speaker.

Marquis Theatre Presents

This holiday season enjoy a musical adaptation of "Rumpelstiltskin" at Northville's historic Marquis Theatre, through Jan. 16, 2005. Performance times and dates are: Saturday at 2:30 p.m., Dec. 11, 18 and Jan. 8, 15, 2005; Sundays at 2:30 p.m., Dec. 12, 19, 26 and Jan. 2, 9, 16, 2005; Weekdays, Monday through Friday at 2:30 p.m., Dec. 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31. Tickets are \$7.50. Please no children under the age of three. The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main St. For more information, call (248) 349-8110.

Genitti's Dinner Theater

"Cowpoke Holiday" showing at Genitti's. Cost is \$45 per person for dinner and show. Call for reservations, (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com. Also: For widowed men and women, come see "Michigan Hold Em" at this Northville interactive dinner theatre and meet new friends on Saturday Jan. 8 at 7 p.m. The cost is \$45, call (248) 967-3422 to reserve your seat as soon as possible or by Dec. 26. Genitti's is located in downtown Northville at 108 E. Main St.

All A-Glow/Illumination for Education

Help illuminate Northville during this holiday season. We invite you to honor or memorialize people you care about by purchasing tree lights as a symbol of your recognition. Your donation will go to support Northville school children. Names of the people you are honoring or memorializing will be listed on a board in front of the Mothers' Club Tree near the gazebo in downtown Northville and in the Northville Record. Donations can be made in the amounts of \$100 (diamond), \$50 (ruby), \$25 (emerald), \$10 (sapphire), or \$5 (pearl). Thank you for your support of Northville school children. Through its fundraising last year, the Mother's Club of Northville was able to donate more than \$35,000 to Northville Schools. All

donations are tax deductible. For more information, please contact Debbie Grant-Kelterborn at (248) 347-1954 for more information. Illumination Ceremony will be held at 6:15 p.m. on Dec. 10 at the Main Street Gazebo. For more information, please call (248) 349-6364.

Candlelight Walk

Enjoy the festive atmosphere of luminaries lining the streets of Downtown Northville while you shop until late in the evening. Downtown merchants are keeping their doors open until 11 p.m. so you can complete your friends and family's wish lists! Sponsored by the Northville Central Business Association. For more information, please call (248) 347-0807.

Fourteenth Annual Hearts of Remembrance Program

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Individuals wishing to purchase an ornament may do so by contacting Arbor Hospice and Home Care at (888) 992-2273 ext. 152. Minimum suggested donation is \$20. Arbor Hospice has two Northville locations: Arbor Hospice and Home Care, 331 N. Center St., (248) 348-4980; Braveheart, 126 Main Centre, (248) 449-8232.

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.

Little Elves Workshop

Make three cool gifts in this sparkly holiday workshop. Kids will build and paint a wood toy, create an awesome stained glass goblet and decorate some holiday (or year-round) sun catchers. Then they can give them away as gifts or keep them as early holiday treats! Parents this is a good opportunity to do some Christmas shopping, or just relax for a quiet Saturday morning without the kids. A \$6 supply fee is due to the instructor at the workshop (cash only please). For

ages 6-12 at the Art House, Mosaic, Saturday, Dec. 11 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. The cost is \$22, \$27 and \$32.

Handcrafters Arts and Crafts Show

Handcrafters will be sponsoring its 22nd annual Christmas show on Dec. 10, 11 and 12 at the Northville Hillside Recreation Center, in Hillside Middle School located at Eight Mile Road and Sheldon Road/Center Street. Over 90 juried artisans will display their talents with such works as florals, stained glass, seasonal items including Christmas decorations, jewelry, wood items and clothing. Show hours are Friday Dec. 10, 6-9 p.m.; Saturday Dec. 11, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday Dec. 12, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is \$2, no baby strollers, please. For more information, call (734) 459-0050.

Mitch Albom

Newspaper columnist and broadcaster Mitch Albom will be appearing at the Barnes and Noble in Northville to sign copies of his latest book "The Five People You Meet in Heaven," on Saturday, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m. For more information, contact the store at (248) 348-0696.

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Jeff Daniels

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Taking advantage of some sunshine and decent temperatures, Niko Palazeti, 12, lofts a pass to his Adam Bentley along Linden Street last week.

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Holiday Cookie Walk

First United Methodist Church of Northville is having its Holiday

Cookie Walk, Dec. 12 from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

For \$8 per pound, "let us take care of your holiday baking." Proceeds will be used to send youth to repair homes (Appalachian Service Project).

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Senior Calendar

Thursday Dec. 9:
9 a.m. Massage
10 a.m. Pinochle
Friday Dec. 10:
12 p.m. Euchre
11 a.m. Michigan Birds Seminar
1 p.m. Movie
Monday Dec. 13:
10 a.m. Blood Pressure Check
12:30 p.m. Pinochle
1 p.m. Line dancing

Tuesday Dec. 14:
9:30 a.m. Meijers
11:30 a.m. Lunch
12:20 p.m. Pinochle
1 p.m. Movie
Wednesday Dec. 15:
9 a.m. Foot Reflexology
9:30 a.m. Westland Mall
11 a.m. Red Hat Club Christmas Party
12 p.m. Bridge

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Holiday Crafts for Kids

Children of all ages are invited to make a fun holiday card, a paper bag reindeer puppet and a gingerbread man magnet on Thursday, Dec. 16 at 4 p.m. Children younger than age 5 must be accompanied by a caregiver. No registration required for this free one-hour program.

Little Me Storytime for Little Ones

Little ones, from 10 months to 2 years, along with parents and caregivers can enjoy music, beanbag fun and simple stories. Friday, Dec. 10 from 10:30-11:15 a.m. This special activity offered each month, and no registration is required. Infants and older children are also welcome to attend.

Evening Family Storytime

Kids, wear your pajamas and enjoy a lively storytime! This half-hour program is best suited for chil-

dren 3 and older, but all ages are welcome. Just drop in and enjoy on Wednesday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m.

Between the Lines

Join us on Dec. 13 at 7 p.m. for a discussion of the best-selling novel "The DaVinci Code" by Dan Brown. This evening book group meets the second Monday of each month, and all are welcome.

Visit the Friends Store for Unique Gifts

Looking for unique stocking stuffers or a gift for that literary person on your list? Stop in at the Friends store for great gift ideas. All proceeds from this volunteer-run store benefit the library.

Mill Race Historical Village

Mill Race

Having family in town for the holidays? Think about scheduling a Private Tour of the village during the month of Dec. while the buildings are decorated for the holiday season. Private Tours are approximately an hour to an hour and a half, and are

\$3 a person (minimum of \$30). All proceeds go to maintaining the village.

Thursday, Dec. 9: SUM Unit A Scouts (9:45 a.m.), Mill Race Quarters (6:30 p.m.)

Friday, Dec. 10: Brownie Scouts (4:15 p.m.)

Saturday, Dec. 11: Christmas Party (6 p.m.)

Sunday, Dec. 12: Mill Creek (10 a.m.), Rug Hookers (1 p.m.), Santa Party (1 p.m.), Venture Scouts (4 p.m.)

Monday, Dec. 13: Junior Scouts (3:45 p.m.), Lion's Club (6:30 p.m.)

Tuesday, Dec. 14: Stone Gang (9 a.m.), Brownie Scouts (4 p.m.)

Wednesday, Dec. 15: Mill Creek (7 p.m.)

Thursday, Dec. 16: Brownie Scouts (3:30 p.m.), Rehearsals (5 & 6 p.m.), Northville Historical Society Board Meeting (7 p.m.)

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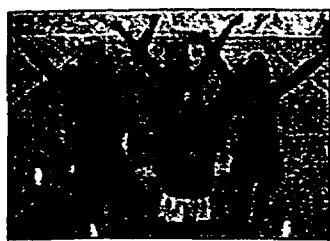
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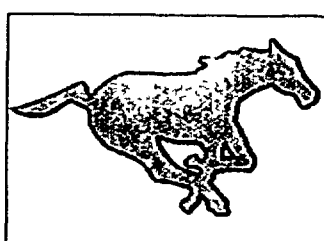
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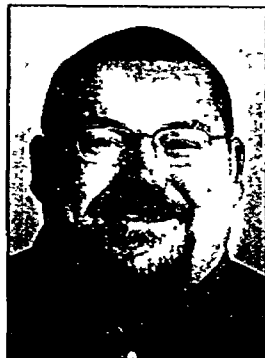
A good problem for Northville

Mustangs hockey has to pick from two stellar goalies

It's a problem most coaches wished they had.

To start an All-Conference senior goalie in Jimmy Gates or a would-be-All-Conference goalie in junior Scott Ozog?

"As far as being a coach it's a great situation," said Northville coach Brad O'Neill of his tandem quandary. "They're both strong goalies and we couldn't ask any more out of them than we're already getting. They have great talent, they do the job and play well and I'm completely comfortable with either one of them in the game."



Sam Eggleston

The first thing any coach looks for in the upcoming class is if there are any goalies to help fill in on the team.

Some teams have decent goalies. Other teams have goalies that need one heck of a defensive front to keep them from being shelled.

Northville is blessed. "If you get one goalie it's something," said O'Neill. "If you get two solid goalies it makes your job, as a coach, a whole lot easier."

And Northville's tandem definitely makes O'Neill's job a little easier. If something were to happen and Gates, the starting goalie, went down with an injury, O'Neill said he's perfectly comfortable with option number two.

"It doesn't matter who is in the net," he said. "The team will play hard for both guys, which is good for us."

Some teams worry when the

"back-up" goalie is in the net. Do they have to make sure not to get burned? Do they have to play safe defense to stop shots on goal?

With Northville, the defenders can play as aggressive as they want. If a shooter slips by them, there is a solid player waiting between the posts to stonewall them.

"There's no difference in having Jimmy or Scotty out there for us," O'Neill said. "It definitely benefits the team."

The two goalies have a lot in common. Both are intense. Both hate to lose. And, yes, both put way too

much pressure on themselves.

"They are their own worst critics," said O'Neill. "That can be good and it can be bad. It's good because a coach doesn't have to talk to either one of them too much regarding what happened. It's bad because they blame themselves for things they couldn't control."

O'Neill said goalies aren't the end all when it comes to the final score. Though they have much of the spotlight put on them, there are numerous factors that play into a win and a loss.

Gates is a goalie that won't hear of it. After losing to Trenton last year in the state semifinals he was the first to raise his hand for blame.

"After that game Jimmy was extremely hard on himself," said O'Neill. "There was a lot more to that loss than how well Jimmy played."

"They are their own worst critics. That can be good and it can be bad."

Brad O'Neill
Hockey Coach

Having Gates start is a no-brainer for O'Neill. He was an All-Conference selection and was a likely candidate for All-State. Having Ozog as a back-up goalie doesn't complicate the situation, it just makes it interesting at times.

"Last year Scotty played about one-quarter of our games," O'Neill noted. "We'd like to see him play a little more, but it's hard when you have a goalie like Jimmy too."

Ozog can sit back and take a deep breath though. No matter how much he played last year or this year, he still has his senior season.

"I think he understands that," O'Neill said. "He knows his year will come where he'll be the number one guy."

Beyond being two of the best goalies in the conference, O'Neill said Ozog and Gates bring something else to the table.

"Above all else they are really good kids," O'Neill said. "They adjust well to their teammates and they're extremely coachable. We just couldn't ask for two better goalies."

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Mustang net-minders Jim Gates, left, and Scott Ozog will have to share time between the pipes this season.

Northville grad Chris Melvin finds dream job

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Some people dread going to work. Chris Melvin is working a dream job.

The 1997 Northville High School graduate works for the National Football League's Arizona Cardinals as a member of the media relations department.

"I majored in public relations at Arizona State University and interned for two years with the Cardinals while going to school," Melvin said. "After I graduated, they created a position for me in the media relations staff."

Melvin grew up interested in sports. He collected baseball cards, followed his favorite teams and played sports through his sophomore year in high school.

It was then he realized some dreams don't come true.

"Of course I wanted to play sports for a living," he said. "I realized quickly that a lot of people just aren't cut out for it. From then on I just wanted to do something with sports. I just didn't know what avenue to take."

Melvin admits that he "fell into" the internship with the Cardinals and eventually into the full-time position with the NFL franchise. At 25, he is entering his fifth year with the team.

"I've been extremely lucky," he said. "I get to deal with players, fly all over the country and spend an entire season watching professional football. I had to learn a lot really fast, but it's been worth it."

But Melvin is the first to admit it hasn't all been what dreams are made of. Melvin said there has been some dark times for the Cardinals.

"The day Pat Tillman died I got a call from a person I work with at 6 a.m.," he said. "They told me Pat Tillman was killed in action."

Tillman was a member of the Arizona football team. He left to join the military to serve his

country following the events of Sept. 11, 2001. He was killed in action in Afghanistan in April of this year.

Melvin had to keep on top of the national media, arranging interviews and stories. He was

also present at Tillman's funeral in San Jose.

"It was a whirlwind," he said. "It was a crisis. You don't learn about things like that in college. It's still such a national story now. I'm not sure it will ever

end."

Beneath the tragedy of Tillman's death, Melvin said he had the honor of getting to know the man before he departed for service.

"He was a great guy," he said

"Everything you've ever heard about him being a hero is true."

Though Melvin grew up as a Lions fan, he said all the dealings with the players and the team have turned him into a Cardinals fan.

"I definitely like to see the team win," he said. "The first couple of years I still backed both teams. Now, I'm more of a Cardinals fan."

Last Sunday, when the Cardinals lost to Detroit, 26-12, Melvin still managed a smile.

"It's a tough business," he said after watching the media frenzy with former University of Michigan quarterback John Navarre, who threw four interceptions against the Lions. "One week you're up, the next you're way down."

Melvin and his family spent many years in Northville, but now they're scattered across the globe. His brother, Adam, lives in North Carolina and his sister, Maureen, attends Michigan State. Their parents recently moved to China.

"I was able to see Adam when we played Carolina and I'll see Maureen when we play in Detroit," he said. "I just need the team to schedule a game overseas now."

There are downsides to Melvin's job too. This Christmas he'll be traveling because the team plays Seattle the next day.

"It's a seven-day-a-week job during the season," he said. "You do what the team does. It's one of the evils of the job, but compared to everything else it's not that big of a deal."

Melvin said he hopes to continue working for the Cardinals as long as he can. He misses Northville, but Arizona has grown on him.

"Northville will always be home," he said. "My friends are still there and I love coming back. Arizona is where I work. It's my second home. I love it here, but I try to get back to Northville as much as I can."



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Northville graduate Chris Melvin takes a moment to pause at the podium at Ford Field. Melvin works for the Arizona Cardinals, a team that lost to the Detroit Lions Sunday.

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Grapplers start season strong

The Northville Mustangs wrestling team started the season off on the right foot with a strong showing at the Lakeland Quad meet.

The wrestling team did exactly what first-year coach Matt Thomas expected.

"I was really happy and proud of all the guys," Thomas said. "They came together and really showed that they are a team. I liked how they supported one another on the sidelines and fed off the success of others."

Practice makes perfect, or so they say. Thomas said it was refreshing to see the kids working on the things he had taught them.

"It really makes me happy, as a coach, to see the guys using and being successful with the things that we've been working on in the room," he said. "It's a testament to their coachability and potential."

Though Northville started their season with an impressive display, Thomas said his squad still has "plenty to work on as a team."

"It was nice to have a couple victories, but it's a long season and we need to keep progressing throughout," he said. "I hope this will add to the motivation and leave nobody content."

The Mustangs are led by captains Dave Cain, Sean Hughes and Justin Swanson.

"They have all proven to be the coaches and teammates their great work ethic, positive attitude and pride in Northville wrestling," Thomas said.

The Mustangs are still looking for interested wrestlers to join the team. Though the squad is larger than it was last year, Thomas said the grapplers could always use a few more bodies.

"We try to get as many people out that we can and we hope they will develop a love for the sport to share with others," he said. "It would be great if we can get even more people interested and out for the team, whether this year or next."

Mustangs ice Walled Lake Central

The Northville Mustangs hockey team knew going into their game against Walled Lake



Central that if they played to the best of their abilities they'd earn a convincing win.

They did just that. The Mustangs skated off with a 7-1 shelling of the Vikings last week.

"We were fortunate enough to get four lines rolling about midway through the second period," said Northville coach Brad O'Neill. "We had a goal scored by each line."

In fact, the Mustangs had seven different skaters notch goals for them. Leading the way was Donnie McKinnon, who had a goal and an assist, along with Joe Vitale, who was moved back to defense. Nick Guerro added two assists.

Scoring a goal each was Matt Long, Max Lenn, Derek Mohacsi, Ryan Pyatenko and Mike Monticciolo.

"It was a good game for us," said O'Neill.

The Mustangs are about to enter a rather tough stretch of play. They have just four games between now and their break including Chippewa Valley, a 6-0 team, Plymouth, Novi and Canton.

"Those are tough teams," O'Neill said. "It's going to be a challenge for us."

Scott Ozog, a junior, earned the victory in the game, which found Northville scoring three goals in the first two periods and four in the third.

Northville is currently 3-1 overall and 2-0 in league play.

Compiled by Sam Eggston.
Scores must be submitted by 5 p.m. Monday for Thursday's edition.

AMBLERS: A cheerful family

By Matt Simich
RECORD SPECIAL WRITER

Most students have some school spirit, but for the Amblers it's a whole family affair.

Sisters Marie, Sarah and Rachael all cheer for Northville Public Schools, practicing their routines in the kitchen and giving each other pointers and tips. Even their mother, Kathy, was a cheerleader and still gets involved learning the cheers and supporting the girls.

Marie, a senior, has been cheering the longest, since the eighth grade at Hillside Middle School. As a freshman she was moved up the junior varsity.

Marie has been on the varsity the last two years and has served as a captain. Over the years Marie has taken on the teacher role in helping her younger sisters learn to cheer.

"Before tryouts I made Sarah do the routine over and over to make sure she was doing it right," said Marie. "We're pretty close so it worked out great to have her on the team with me."

When she graduates this spring, Marie plans to attend Grand Valley State University. She is not sure whether or not she wants to be a college cheerleader. She may also check out available dance programs.

For sophomore Sarah, being on varsity has given her the chance to meet many new people, as well as get closer to her sister. Sarah also cheered for Hillside in both seventh and eighth grade. Last year she cheered for the junior varsity team as a freshman and this year had enough points during tryouts to qualify for the varsity squad.

The two girls are usually seen cheering next to each other at games.

"We got to spend a lot of time together and that is really important to me since Marie is going



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The Ambler family ladies are, or all were, involved in competitive cheer in the Northville School District. From left Sarah, sophomore, Kathy (mother), Rachael, 7th grade, and Marie, a senior.

away to college soon," said Sarah. "I like being with her and being able to talk about everything."

Kathy and her husband, Rick, attend every game, supporting their daughters and the teams for which they cheer.

"It was great having the two girls on the same squad," Kathy said. "I think they have a lot of school spirit and we couldn't be prouder of them."

Sarah said Marie has taught her everything she knows; both girls have helped their younger sister Rachael learn the ropes.

Rachael is a seventh grader at Hillside and is just starting out in cheer. She is also an avid tennis player, which means eventually she may have to choose between high school tennis and cheerlead-

ing. "Marie and Sarah both helped me a lot with what to expect at tryouts," Rachael said. "My favorite part of cheering is half-time when we get to go out and do a pom-pom routine."

Having two older sisters with experience meant nothing when tryouts arrived. Rachael made the team on her own merits.

"Rachael worked really hard

and did a great job making the squad on her own," said Kathy. "We were all excited and happy for her."

The Amblers said they are a family content to remain on the sidelines. Maybe because that's where all the action is.

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Wednesday	11-10-04	Home	Waterford Kettering	7:20 p.m.
Saturday	11-13-04	Home	Utica-Eishenhower	3:00 p.m.
Friday	11-19-04	Away	Metro Invite	TBA
Saturday	11-20-04	Away	Metro Invite	TBA
Saturday	11-27-04	Away	W.L. Western	6:00 p.m.
Saturday	12-04-04	Away	W.L. Central	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	12-08-04	Home	Chippewa Valley	7:20 p.m.
Friday	12-10-04	Away	Plymouth High School	8:30 p.m.
Friday	12-17-04	Away	Novi High School	6:25 p.m.
Saturday	12-18-04	Home	Canton High School	3:00 p.m.
Wednesday	01-05-05	Home	Riverview High School	7:20 p.m.
Friday	01-07-05	Home	Franklin High School	7:20 p.m.
Monday	01-10-05	Home	Stevenson High School	7:20 p.m.
Wednesday	01-12-05	Home	W L Northern	7:20 p.m.
Wednesday	01-19-05	Home	W.L. Western	7:20 p.m.
Saturday	01-22-05	Away	Allen Park	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	01-26-05	Away	Churchill High School	8:00 p.m.
Friday	01-28-05	Away	Franklin High School	6:00 p.m.
Saturday	01-29-05	Away	Redford Union H. S.	2:15 p.m.
Wednesday	02-02-05	Away	Canton High School	8:00 p.m.
Saturday	02-05-05	Home	Milford High School	3:00 p.m.
Saturday	02-12-05	Home	Saline High School	3:00 p.m.
Wednesday	02-16-05	Home	Plymouth High School	7:20 p.m.
Friday	02-18-05	Away	Salem High School	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	02-23-05	Away	West Bloomfield	7:30 p.m.
Friday	02-25-05	Home	Crossover	7:20 p.m.
Monday	02-28-05	Away	Regionals	TBA

BOYS BASKETBALL

Tuesday	12-07-04	Home	South Lyon High School	7:00 p.m.
Friday	12-10-04	Home	Hartland High School	7:00 p.m.
Friday	12-17-04	Away	Milford High School	7:00 p.m.
Monday	12-27-04	Away	Dexter Tournament	TBA
Tuesday	12-28-04	Away	Dexter Tournament	TBA
Tuesday	01-04-05	Home	Novi High School	7:00 p.m.
Friday	01-07-05	Away	John Glenn High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	01-11-05	Home	W L Northern	7:00 p.m.
Friday	01-14-05	Away	Stevenson High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	01-18-05	Home	W.L. Western	7:00 p.m.
Friday	01-21-05	Away	Franklin High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	01-25-05	Home	Wayne Memorial	7:00 p.m.
Friday	01-28-05	Away	Canton High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	02-01-05	Away	Plymouth High School	7:00 p.m.
Friday	02-04-05	Home	Salem High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	02-08-05	Away	W.L. Central	7:00 p.m.
Friday	02-11-05	Home	Churchill High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	02-15-05	Away	WLAA Playoff	TBA
Friday	02-18-05	Away	WLAA Playoff	TBA
Tuesday	02-22-05	Away	WLAA Playoff	TBA
Monday	02-28-05	Home	Districts	TBA

WRESTLING

Wednesday	12-01-04	Away	Lakeland High School	6:00 p.m.
Saturday	12-04-04	Away	Lake Orion Invite	9:00 a.m.
Thursday	12-09-04	Away	Novi High School	5:30 p.m.
Saturday	12-11-04	Away	Davison High School	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday	12-15-04	Away	Allen Park High School	5:30 p.m.
Thursday	01-06-05	Home	Plymouth High School	6:30 p.m.
Saturday	01-08-05	Away	South Lyon Invite	10:00 a.m.
Saturday	01-08-05	Away	Canton JV Invite	9:00 p.m.
Thursday	01-13-05	Away	Franklin High School	6:30 p.m.
Saturday	01-15-05	Away	Brighton High School	8:30 a.m.
Saturday	01-15-05	Away	Garden City High School	9:30 a.m.
Thursday	01-20-05	Away	Canton High School	6:30 p.m.
Saturday	01-22-05	Away	Franklin High School	8:00 a.m.
Thursday	01-27-05	Home	W.L. Western	6:30 p.m.
Saturday	01-29-05	Away	Dexter High School	8:00 a.m.
Saturday	01-29-05	Away	Fenton JV Invite	8:30 p.m.
Thursday	02-03-05	Away	Wayne Memorial	6:30 p.m.
Saturday	02-05-05	Away	Stevenson JV Invite	9:00 a.m.
Thursday	02-10-05	Home	WLAA Crossover	6:30 p.m.
Saturday	02-12-05	Away	WLAA Finals	TBA
Wednesday	02-16-05	Away	Team Districts	TBA

BOYS SWIMMING

Saturday	12-11-04	Away	WLAA Relays/Salem	TBA
Tuesday	12-14-04	Home	Churchill High School	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	12-16-04	Home	W L Northern	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	01-08-05	Away	Salem Invite	TBA
Thursday	01-13-05	Away	Stevenson High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	01-18-05	Away	Salem High School	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	01-20-05	Home	Plymouth High School	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	01-27-05	Away	Franklin High School	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	02-03-05	Away	Canton High School	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	02-08-05	Away	Novi High School	6:00 p.m.
Thursday	02-10-05	Home	W.L. Western	7:00 p.m.
Friday	02-11-05	Away	MISCA	TBA
Saturday	02-12-05	Away	MISCA	TBA
Thursday	02-17-05	Away	Wayne Memorial	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	02-24-05	Away	Conference Prelims	TBA
Friday	02-25-05	Away	Conference Prelims/Diving	TBA
Saturday	02-26-05	Away	Conference Finals	TBA
Tuesday	03-01-05	Home	WLAA MEET	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	03-08-05	Away	State Diving	TBA

Friday	03-11-05	Away	State Prelims	TBA
Saturday	03-12-05	Away	State Finals	TBA

VOLLEYBALL

Saturday	12-11-04	Away	Airport Invite	9:00 a.m.
Saturday	12-18-04	Away	North Farmington HS	TBA
Saturday	01-08-05	Away	Saline Invite	8:30 a.m.
Monday	01-10-05	Home	John Glenn High School	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	01-12-05	Away	W L Northern	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	01-15-05	Away	Hartland Invite	9:00 a.m.
Monday	01-17-05	Home	Stevenson High School	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	01-19-05	Away	W.L. Western	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	01-22-05	Away	Waterford Kettering HS	8:30 a.m.
Monday	01-24-05	Home	Franklin High School	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	01-26-05	Away	Wayne Memorial	7:00 p.m.
Monday	01-31-05	Home	Canton High School	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	02-02-05	Home	Plymouth High School	7:00 p.m.
Monday	02-07-05	Away	Salem High School	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	02-09-05	Home	W.L. Central	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	02-12-05	Away	Bishop Foley High School	TBA
Monday	02-14-05	Away	Churchill High School	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	02-19-05	Away	WLAA Conference	TBA
Friday	02-25-05	Home	Districts	TBA

GYMANSTICS

Monday	12-13-04	Away	John Glenn High School	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	01-06-05	Home	Canton High School	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	01-08-05	Away	Salem High School	9:00 a.m.
Thursday	01-13-05	Away	Brighton High School	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	01-15-05	Away	Hartland High School	TBA
Monday	01-17-05	Away	Salem High School	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	01-19-05	Away	Farmington High School	6:00 p.m.
Saturday	01-22-05	Away	Farmington High School	TBA
Thursday	01-27-05	Home	Livonia Co-op	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	02-02-05	Away	Hartland High School	6:30 p.m.
Saturday	02-05-05	Away	Canton High School	9:30 p.m.
Thursday	02-10-05	Home	Plymouth High School	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	02-16-05	Away	W.L. Central	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	02-24-05	Away	WLAA Conference	TBA
Saturday	03-05-05	Away	MHSAA Regionals	TBA

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Sunday	11-07-04	Away	Mid American (EMU)	TBA
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CHEERLEADING

Saturday	02-12-05	Away	WLAA-Conference	TBA
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Thursday, December 9, 2004

Watch out for fee-loaded gift cards

Over 133 million consumers nationwide "shopped off" Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 26 — "Black Friday" — the day retailers hoped to see the ink in their ledgers change from red to black. Shoppers spent about \$22.8 billion on toys, electronics and apparel, just a fraction of the \$220 billion the National Retail Federation (NRF) predicts that consumers will spend this holiday season.



Mary Davis

A popular item that's topping gift lists is the gift card. According to the NRF's Gift Card Survey, conducted by BIGresearch, the average consumer will spend

\$80.45 on gift cards this year, 11.5 percent of their holiday budget.

While gift cards can be the easy solution to the oft-faced dilemma of shopping for someone who is difficult to buy for, they're not without their drawbacks. When selecting a gift card, you'll want to read the terms and conditions of the gift card program, paying close attention to expiration dates and fee structures.

Specific or general purpose? There are two kinds of gift cards: retailer-specific gift cards and general purpose gift cards. A retailer-specific card, like it sounds, can only be used to purchase merchandise or services sold at the store or through the store's Web site.

A general purpose gift card, such as a VISA, MasterCard or American Express gift card issued from a bank or credit union, can be used almost anywhere the card is accepted. (Exceptions can include online and phone airline ticket purchases.) The downside to general-purpose gift cards is that they can come loaded with fees — account maintenance fees, balance inquiry fees and replacement card fees.

Expiration dates

Find out if the gift card comes with an expiration date. With some cards, once the expiration date has passed, you won't be able to use it, regardless of how much money is still left on the card. With other gift card programs, you'll be sent a new card with your remaining balance, but the fees associated with replacement cards can be as high as \$10.

Service fees

Some companies will charge a monthly service or "inactivity" fee if a balance remains on the card after a certain period of time. The fee is applied until the card is used, or there is no balance left on the card. Anyone receiving the card should immediately check for service fees. An unused \$25 gift card can be whittled down to next to nothing in a matter of months.

Lost or stolen cards

You'll want to keep your original purchase receipt in case your recipient loses his/her gift card. Some retailers encourage gift card recipients to register their card through the store's Web site, which enables them to check their balance and order a new card in the event they lose their original card. Beware of replacement card fees. They can run anywhere from a couple of bucks to as much as \$10.

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Advertorial



Photo by Duane Ramsey

At Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Barb Scheffler administers a glaucoma screening for a feline patient held by Dr. Xuan Mai Vo.

Hidden Spring helps families care for pets

By Duane Ramsey
SPECIAL WRITER

For 30 years, the Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic has provided the best care and medical treatment for cats, dogs, other small animals and some exotic pets from the same rural location in Northville. The veterinary clinic has a fine reputation in the community and is highly regarded by many local residents.

Dr. Carol Geake, who founded the veterinary practice, still owns the local business. Although she does not practice any longer, she keeps in touch with the practice located on the property where she lives.

The veterinary clinic has grown from the small practice founded in 1970 by Dr. Geake to a flourishing business with a staff of more than 20 employees. The daily operation of the practice is managed by Janet Talbot who joined the business in 1991.

The practice has four qualified veterinarians who provide the best care and treatment for the animal patients, including Doctors Kim Berrie, Cynthia Eichman, Barb Scheffler and Xuan Mai Vo. Dr. Berrie is currently on maternity leave but is due back in January.

"Today, most people view their pets as members of their family and are more attuned to

their pet's health needs due to that special bond with them," said Danielle Schreckengost, assistant manager of the Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic. "We try to help educate people about taking care of their pets so they can find any problems sooner."

To achieve those goals with pets and pet owners, Hidden Spring has developed a Senior Pet Program and has provided some precautions for pet owners to take during the Christmas holiday and winter seasons.

The new Senior Pet Program, developed for cats and dogs over the age of seven, includes recommendations for twice yearly exams, an annual blood screening, dental care guidelines and a nutritional consultation. People can learn more about this program by checking it out at the practice's Web site at www.hiddenspringvet.com.

The staff at Hidden Spring wants to remind pet owners about some precautions to take during the holiday and winter seasons to keep their pets safe. More than 60 percent of pet owners include their cats and dogs in holiday festivities, according to the American Animal Hospital Association.

Unfortunately, thousands of pets will suffer a holiday-related accident or illness this season. Hidden Spring's staff offers the following potentially dangerous items that pet owners should be aware of during the holidays.

- Christmas tree lights and electrical cords can cause fatal shocks and/or burns to pets that chew on them.
- Loose cords can lead to choking hazards for pets or can allow pets to pull over the tree or other decorations.
- Decorative plants such as holly, mistletoe and poinsettia are toxic to pets
- Holiday foods such as choco-

late, nuts, alcohol, and spicy sauces can be toxic and cause gastrointestinal problems.

- Bones and plastic food wrap can cause choking or obstruct a pet's digestive system.

- Tinsel, ribbons and some wrapping paper can also lead to choking or digestive obstruction.

- Keep pets away from candles, fireplaces and any other open flames that are potential burn and fire hazards.

- Be cautious about dressing pets in holiday-related costumes.

Different seasons bring different concerns for all pets. The cold weather air, dampness and other challenges complicate life for many different species of animals.

Don't leave pets outside for long periods of time in cold weather. When animals are kept outside during all seasons, extra care needs to be taken such as making sure pets have adequate shelter to help keep them warm.

Groom pets regularly and make sure they are completely dry before they go outside. Use a towel or blow dryer on low setting to dry off pets that are damp or wet. Pet birds should never be exposed to drastic drops in temperature.

The ears, feet and tail of all animals should be checked upon coming in from outside. Preventive care should be taken to prevent frostbite on pets as well as people.

Since it takes more energy in the winter to keep an animal's body temperature regulated, it is necessary to increase the calories or food quantity for pets. This practice is important for pets that are very active or that remain outside during the cold weather.

Provide plenty of fresh water for your pets and check the water supply, especially to prevent the pet's water outside from freezing. Dehydration can be a prob-

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Saturday, 9 a.m. – Noon

lem for pets during winter and snow is not a substitute for fresh water.

Don't keep pets exposed in the back of a pick-up truck or even inside a car alone with the engine running. Wind chill can quickly freeze your pet and carbon monoxide can kill a pet quicker than it will affect humans.

Hidden Spring offers a variety of services on a year-round basis, including x-ray, ultrasound, surgery, laboratory testing, micro-chipping for identification, behavioral counseling, internal and external parasite control, dentistry, and wellness programs. More information is available on the practice's web site, www.hiddenspringvet.com, from which they have received new clients.

If unable to provide the appropriate care or treatment, the vets will provide referrals to specialists when such care is needed. Pet owners are fortunate to have access to other services in the local area such as 24-hour emergency service, neurology, cardiology, orthopedics, ophthalmology, oncology and dermatology.

Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic

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Colorful murals will be magical in baby's room

Q. I'm doing over the nursery for our (last!) baby, and would love to be able to hire an artist to paint an original story mural on the wall.

Unhappily, with three girls under 10, the budget won't let me. Do you know of any great wallpapers or decals that might give the effect of a mural?

A. Painted, papered or otherwise, murals work great decorating magic in a room, breaking through the finite dimension of a flat wall to open the room to a view, to another time and place, and a feeling of space that goes beyond your actual floor size. No wonder murals have been a popular form of wall decoration, from the Lascaux caves to Pompeii to 18th century dining rooms.

Today, murals come prepested and ready to go up in any room that needs a new decorative dimension. One of the top mural resources is York Wallcoverings of York, Pa. Have a look at their Web site, www.yorkwall.com, and click on "products" tab to search their library of sample books. Another new feature, "search by room" offers inspiration room-by-room.

Like most magical products, wallcovering murals are not inexpensive. So if your budget is your driving concern, you might consider contacting a local college or high school art class. Ask the teacher to recommend a promising student. Chances are he/she will thrill to a commission.

The newest mural idea of all, a new category of innovative art called transForms fine art transfers, makes it easy for anyone to become an artist, as long as you can follow simple instructions: peel, press in place and rub to transfer the art to any smooth surface. The whimsical scene in this tot's playroom we show here was



CNS Photo

New press-on art forms energize a playroom now; can be peeled off later.

created with transForms Transfers, which are available at home centers, department and specialty stores for \$20 to \$1,200. Have a closer look at www.trans-forms.net.

Q. My husband has dragged home a couple of old solid oak or chestnut doors and wants to install them in place of the doors that came with the house, which are some sort of plastic, I think, but look OK to me. In order to install the old doors, we'd have to replace the moldings, too. I told him if you say it's a good idea, we'll do it (but think hard: it will cost a bundle).

A. A no-brainer, this, go for it. The old doors, they will make a huge difference in sound-

control, yes, but most important, in the architectural "heft" of your house.

Top New York designer Jeffrey Bilhuber told me that one of the first things he does in a home makeover is to replace flimsy, run-of-the-mill doors with heavy, quality millwork. (He also replaces standard hardware like doorknobs and switchplates, for the same reason - "It gives the house a feeling of quality.")

Q. We are painting the upstairs TV room and wonder if we should choose a dark color, even for the ceiling? We mostly watch TV at night, and would like the room to feel warm and cozy.

A. Warm, cozy, and much smaller, too, especially if

you paint the ceiling dark. That's because light colors recede from the eye (so you see more space than actually exists) and warm color advance (closing in the space). If you decide that's the ambience you want to create; consider painting the ceiling with a semi- or gloss paint. The sheen will give life to the dead space and keep the dark color from pressing oppressively down on your head.

Rose Bennett Gilbert is the co-author of "Hampton Style" and associate editor of *Country Decorating Ideas*. Please send your questions to her at Copley News Service, P.O. Box 120190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190, or online at copleysd@copleynews.com.

ADVERTORIAL

Rugg Brothers make customers top priority in carpet, duct, upholstery cleaning business

By Duane Ramsey
 SPECIAL WRITER

Rugg Brothers Carpet Care provides carpet, upholstery and duct cleaning services for commercial and residential customers, specializing in stain removal, pet odor and stains, water damage and restoration.

Rugg Brothers sets itself apart from the competition by using the most advanced equipment and supplies for cleaning carpeting, ducts and furniture, according to Michael and Patrick Ruggiero, brothers who have been cleaning carpets and ducts for the past eight years.

"We always make customers our top priority and want them to be satisfied with our work," Mike said. "We get a lot of referrals and repeat business from our customers."

Located in South Lyon, Rugg Brothers serves customers in Oakland, Livingston and western Wayne counties. As well as being licensed, insured and bonded, the company is certified in the latest technology for cleaning carpeting, ducts and furniture.

The business operates four vehicles with the most advanced equipment to serve its customers 24 hours a day and seven days a week. They are committed to educating their employees to keep up with the latest technological advances in cleaning and restoration, Mike said.

Unlike many carpet cleaning services that offer specials but end up costing more when the work is complete, Rugg Brothers charges a flat rate of 25 cents per square foot with a \$75 minimum charge for one or two rooms, according to Mike.

"We follow the manufacturer's guidelines for cleaning carpet and returning the pH content to 7.5 or the appropriate level," Mike said.

Rugg Brothers uses a hot water extraction method with truck-mounted equipment that removes the deepest and toughest dirt gently and safely. Mike said no other method can provide a better cleaning that will last longer.



Michael and Patrick Ruggiero are carpet and duct cleaning specialists. Ducts and ventilation systems should be cleaned every seven to 10 years, and Rugg Brothers has the experience, equipment and expertise to do the job right.

They use Styrofoam blocks or plastic tabs to keep wood or furniture from contact with the carpet. Corner guards are used on all walls and woodwork to protect them against any damage during the cleaning.

A specially formulated pre-spray is injected deep into the carpet with high-pressure equipment. Mixed with a fiber softener and brightener, a powerful suction extracts the dirt, allergens and cleaning solution.

Rugg Brothers also offers a Teflon coating that is raked into the carpet leaving a protective coating on the carpet fibers to make vacuuming easier, Mike said. The optional Teflon coating costs an additional 14 cents per square foot.

"In addition to cleaning their carpet, people should clean their ducts every seven to 10 years. It is just as important to maintain

clean ductwork in your home," Mike advised. "The ventilation system is the biggest culprit of poor indoor air quality. Dirty ducts help circulate odors and contaminants such as dust, dust mites, dander and pollen."

Rugg Brothers offers a free inspection of a customer's duct work to determine if cleaning is necessary. Although they do not perform service work on furnaces, they vacuum out the furnace and visually inspect it for any possible maintenance problems.

The company cleans and sanitizes the entire heating, ventilation and cooling system in businesses and homes using truck-mounted mechanical cleaning equipment. An air turbine-powered vacuum agitates and removes dust, mold and debris from all the ducts.

After all ducts, vents and registers are cleaned and degreased,

DETAILS

Rugg Brothers Carpet Care, Inc.
 Carpet and Duct Cleaning Specialists
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 make appointment online
 at: www.ruggbrothers.com

they use a combination sanitizer, disinfectant and deodorizer designed for hospital and industrial use to sanitize the entire system. The EPA-registered formula is found to be effective in killing microbial organisms.

Additional information about the company's services is available on its Web site — www.ruggbrothers.com — where customers can make an appointment for carpet or duct cleaning.

Recently Sold Homes

Information provided by First American Real Estate Solutions

Highland

2441 Amelia	\$160,000
3495 Lido	\$198,000
3401 Ramada Dr	\$202,450
3035 Allison Lane	\$77,500
417 King	\$168,500

Lyon

59514 Sunridge Dr	\$245,500
25985 Cobblers Lane	\$67,000
25985 Cobblers Lane	\$70,000
59446 Doral Dr	\$90,000
59440 Doral Dr	\$90,000
54240 Belcrest Dr	\$236,500

Milford

1340 Valley Crest Ct	\$143,250
478 Burns Road	\$215,000
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1340 Valley Crest Ct	\$850,000
812 Friar Dr	\$130,000
729 Liberty St E	\$139,000
757 Manordale Ct	\$152,500
482 Village Lane	\$166,635
464 Village Lane	\$184,400
124 Houghton St S	\$207,000
628 Hillcrest Ct	\$263,000
440 Stone Wood Ct	\$338,550

Northville

858 Yorktown Ct	\$175,400
549 Langfield St	\$218,000
343 Ely Road	\$258,900
21255 Summerside Lane	\$262,450
996 Springfield Ct	\$295,000
1036 Portsmere Ct	\$473,200

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41794 Broquet Dr	\$150,000
22000 Taft Road	\$242,000
47650 Bellagio	\$250,000
47329 Butler Lane	\$282,500
21830 Worcester Dr	\$330,000
25869 Lochmoor Lane	\$400,750
25857 Lochmoor Lane	\$410,000
26127 Island Lake Dr	\$436,978
25003 Samoset Ct	\$487,377
22249 Erin Circle	\$503,000
25029 Acorn Trail	\$559,484
25730 Island Lake Dr	\$565,910
25504 Dogwood Lane	\$589,170
49275 Braeburn Lane	\$595,690
25732 Island Lake Dr	\$601,451
25734 Island Lake Dr	\$606,586
49800 9 Mile Road	\$825,000
49550 Timber Trail	\$873,248
24491 Bashian Dr	\$145,000
23625 Stonehenge Blvd	\$153,000
22697 Shadowpine Way	\$184,000
40649 Heatherbrook	\$215,000
40159 Oak Tree	\$220,000
40510 Heatherbrook	\$239,000
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22359 Sunrise Blvd	\$297,000
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44646 Ford Way Dr	\$332,500
44751 Roundview Dr	\$347,500
25507 Sullivan Lane	\$375,000
24383 Cavendish Ave W	\$457,000
21943 Picadilly	\$585,000
30153 Sterling Dr	\$100,000
44895 Lindbergh	\$100,676
44790 Larkspur	\$100,676
44900 Bayview	\$155,000
1740 Paramount St	\$169,000
1317 Lake Dr E	\$170,000
41615 Kenilworth Lane	\$221,000
43061 Emerson Way	\$300,000
28751 Hearthstone Dr	\$315,000
43144 Emerson Way	\$343,345
42830 Sandstone	\$388,500

South Lyon

510 Reese St N	\$150,000
535 Lake St W	\$150,000
400 Orchard Ridge Road	\$170,000
1051 Colt	\$256,900
1084 Equestrian	\$275,000
1102 Cantor Lane	\$305,200
1072 Shetland Dr	\$318,000
1195 Corral Lane	\$323,206
1069 Colt	\$325,000
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\$299,000

Priced Reduced \$45,000! owner Must Sell! Check Comps Underpriced! End Unit! Condo Overlooks Nice Sun Pond! Least Unit w/almost 2500 Sq ft X-lrg Eat in Kit, upgraded w/granite Counter (OEN93WIN) 248-347-3050



DEARBORN HGTS

\$115,000

Gorgeous ranch in school district 7! presently 2 bedrooms, can be converted back to 3! You will love open floor plan! Completely updated and fresh! Screened in porch! Too many updates to mention (OESLY57CL) 248-437-4500



FERNDAL

\$129,900

Great 3 BD bungalow w/full basement. Separate DR. Huge master bedroom. All A/C windows cooling stay! Newer Wainside windows 12/03 All appliances stay! Cute home very neutral, 1mm possession available. (OESLY54PIN) 248-437-4500



GENOA

\$249,900

This is the perfect family home! Fin walkout basement. A full bath on every flr. A patio off basement rec room & another patio off the family rm, both open to a very lg back yard! On a cul-de-sac w/66 acres (OESLY36FOR) 248-437-4500



GENOA

\$112,500

Great starter home with a lot of updates including roof, furnace, central air, heated garage, Hartland schools. (OESLY90CHE) 248-437-4500



GREEN OAK

\$489,900

Immediate Occupancy! All That's Left Is Picking Colors! Transferee Perfect. This Is The Breckenridge Model W/2-story Foyer & Fam Rm, 3-car Gar, Elevation B. Dimensional Roof Shingles, Designer Kitchen W/42" Cabs. (OEN26FOR) 248-347-3050



GREEN OAK

\$309,900

Lovely 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath, Cape Cod! Finished bsmt w/wet bar, 2 car gar, 2 story GR w/fireplace. French door to den tray ceiling and jetted tub in mstr br. Fabulous 16'x40' fiberglass inground pool. Must see (OESLY87EAG) 248-437-4500



GREEN OAK

\$175,000

Beautifully updated home in Green Oak Township. The perfect home for a growing family! Beautiful main bath with Jacuzzi tub glass shower and ceramic tile. Nicely updated kitchen (OESLY09STE) 248-437-4500



Vacant Land

GREEN OAK

\$175,000

Secluded 3 wooded acres at end of private road on all sport lake connecting to chain of lakes. Walkout building site. (OESLY42SAN) 248-437-4500



HAMBURG

\$184,900

Spacious, peaceful ranch on almost an acre. Lrg living rm, lrg family rm w/fireplace, lrg heated Florida rm, 1st flr laundry, open basement w/work rm, nestled in border of pine trees. Priced to sell quick! (OESLY14HAM) 248-437-4500



HARTLAND

\$364,900

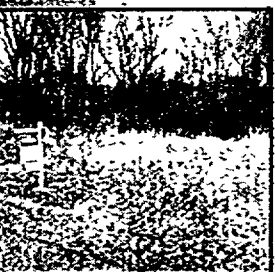
Enjoy The Tranquil Retreat Of Dunham Lake! This Completely Remodeled Home On Approx 1 Acre Surrounded By Mature Trees. Open And Airy Floor Plan, Lrg Entertaining Rooms Incl Fam Rm W/tp (OEN238RI) 248-347-3050



HARTLAND

\$177,000

Attractive historical home on 1.5 acres with new landscape, updated kitchen, beautiful hardwood floors, new roof, newer furnace and central air, windows and updated bathroom. Very clean. (OESLY80HIG) 248-437-4500



HARTLAND

\$94,500

Seller to contribute \$20,000 towards septic field. Call the architect! This one has your name on it! Build your dream home! Beautiful wooded 2 acre parcel backing to small 5 acre lake! Walkout bsmt avail (OESLY05WIL) 248-437-4500



HOWELL

\$174,900

Wow! Great family home great lot and curb appeal galore! Newer roof furnace air H2O heater and gutter helmets. Excellent location! Partially finished basement with possible 4th bedroom (OESLY61GLE) 248-437-4500



New Listing

HOWELL

\$90,000

The Palm Cafe. Turnkey and profitable! Brand new equipment strong client base pre-paid advertising. Want your own business? Here is your chance. (OESLY60GRA) 248-437-4500



IOSCO

\$264,900

Peaceful and serene! Outstanding 1900 sq ft Cape Cod on 10 acres. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, basement and 48 X 24 pole barn w/220 line. Newer burning stove in living room. Newer furnace and central air, windows ect. (OESLY01ROB) 248-437-4500



LIVONIA

\$174,900

Two-three units! Office, sales, retail income property. Small office in back, rentals in front. Call for floor plan, 3 newer furnaces, 4 bathrooms. Possible rent of \$500 each side (OESLY167MI) 248-437-4500



LYONS

\$674,900

Gorgeous Estate Home, 4+ Acres, Tranquil Setting W/lg Swimming Pond W/dock, pole Barn W/heated Workshop, new 40-yr. Roof (03), redecorated (03/04), custom Marvin Windows, meticulously Maintained (OEN15CUR) 248-347-3050



MARION

\$299,900

Beautiful home in newer sub that features city water and sewer, walking trails and playground. Home has huge island kitchen, hardwood floors. Large master suite w/jetted tub (OESLY70FA) 248-437-4500



MARION

\$239,900

Beautifully decorated throughout, 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths. Open floor plan, great for entertaining! Fabulous fin walkout bsmt w/full bath & 2 car attached garage. Built in 2001. You will not find a nicer buy! (OESLY09HUD) 248-437-4500



MILFORD

\$450,000

Location, Condition, Million Dollar Views! Stunning Private W/O On The Water Overlooking Woods! Dramatic 2 Story Ceiling W/lot Area, Arched Doorways & Windows Everywhere! (OEN87COM) 248-347-3050



MILFORD

\$323,000

Incredible Opportunity To Own A Huge Home On Nearly 2.5 Acres. Huge Updated Kit, w/nook. New Hwd Flrs In Lr, Dr, Kit, Nook, Entry & Hall. Newer Quality Carpet T/O. 4 Lg Bdrms Mstr Ste W/private bath. (OEN20OLD) 248-347-3050



Vacant Land

NORTHFIELD

\$180,000

Gorgeous new development in Northfield Township. Private road, perk, surveyed. Ready to go. Land contract available (OESLY00AVE) 248-437-4500



NORTHVILLE

\$1,699,000

Magnificent Stone Estate W/quality & Perfection European Style Kit W/granite, Commercial Grade Appl, Lrg Eating Area W/2 Way Fp To Gr Rm, Liv Rm W/tp, Dn Rm W/butters Pantry Huge Mstr Ste W/tp, Sitting Area (OEN70AUT) 248-347-3050



NORTHVILLE

\$829,900

Immediate Occupancy Stonewater Lakelakefront Home! Over \$130,000 In Upgrades, Brazilian Cherry Floor In Foyer, hall Bath & Kit, 2-story Foyer, gour Kit W/42" Cherry Cabinets W/french Country Accent Cabinets. (OEN44CLA) 248-347-3050



NORTHVILLE

\$519,900

Private Setting On This Enderly Hills Colonial Deep In Sub! New Roof (tear off), new Skylight, new Furnace, new C/a, paver Patio, paver Walks, exterior Painted, 2.5 Car Garage, insta Hot In Kitchen (OEN55EDE) 248-347-3050



NORTHVILLE

\$545,000

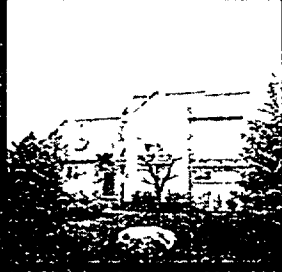
Located In Gas Lamp District Of Prestigious Pleasant Hills Sub Of Oakland County, Take A Dip In The Indoor, Inground "endless" Pool In The Fin W/O LI Or Sooth Those Aching Muscles W/the Push Of A button (OEN01COL) 248-347-3050



NORTHVILLE

\$399,900

Enjoy Features Of More Expensive Home When You Move Into This Traditional Home On Beautiful Tree Lined St. Nestled Deep In Sub. Features Incl Ceramic Foyer, Sunny Kit, Private Off/den (OEN44CRE) 248-347-3050



NORTHVILLE

\$344,900

Totally Custom W/tp Of Line T/O! Immed. Occupancy! Backs To Commons W/trees For Privacy! Huge Deck, 1st Fl Laundry W/cous. tom Cab., euro Custom Cabinets T/O Note Gourmet Kit W/pull Outs (OEN08ST) 248-347-3050



NORTHVILLE

\$299,900

Desirable Lexington Commons - this 4 BD, 2.5 Bath Home is Ideally Located A Short Walk To Historic Downtown. Updates Include New Roof W/dimensional Shingles, new C/a, Newer Carpet Most Rooms. (OEN75LEX) 248-347-3050



NORTHVILLE

\$139,900

Gorgeous, Updated & Clean - what More Could You Ask For? Move Right In, Well Maintained Unit W/ vaulted Ceilings, Newer Neutral Carpet, Paint, Kitchen & Laundry Flrs, Hwh, Updated Mstr Bath A/C (OEN27NOR) 248-347-305



NORTHVILLE

\$135,900

Sitting Among Treed Hills & Bordering Woods, Fab. 2 bdrm, 2 Bath Condo, Very Clean & Neutral Wonderful Updated Eat-in Kitchen & Formal Dining Too! A Relaxing Patio Fit For Summer & Fall Socials (OEN75NOR) 248-347-3050



NOVI

\$630,000

Make A Grand Entrance Spect 2-story Home Custom Bld w/detail & Quality Workmanship T/O. Dramatic 2 Story Foyer, Formal DR, Custom Rm, Brck Paver Patio, Stunning 2-story Entry, Gourmet Kit W/42" cabinets, Mstr Ste W/glamour Bath (OEN46SUN) 248-347-3050



NOVI

\$500,000

Too Big For A Stocking! Stunning Custom Home Makes A Great Family Gift! Superb Setting On 3/4 Acre Scenic Treed Lot W/3 Season Rm, Brck Paver Patio, Stunning 2-story Entry, Gourmet Kit W/42" cabinets (OEN60BUR) 248-347-3050



NOVI

\$369,900

Original Owners-1st Flr Mstr Add'l W/sep St. Area & Bath, 2nd Mstr Ste Up, New Pella Windows-except Front, New - Roof, Deck, 90+ Furnace & Ca, Hwh-70 Gal, Wood Laminate Fl In Kit & Carpet (OEN19AMH) 248-347-3050



NOVI

\$359,900

Cust Bt/energy Eff. Full Brk Ranch W/med Occup Backs To Park w/woods! New Vinyl Clad Casement Wind (8/04), new Roof-tear-off W/25 Yr Dm Shingles (01), ex Deep Bsm't, sprinklers, Alarm, cedar Deck. (OEN85HIG) 248-347-3050



NOVI

\$339,900

Luxury condo living at Island Lake of Novi Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath unit w/greenhouse kitchen, formal dining, gorgeous master suite, 2 car garage and full basement. (OESLY84ISL) 248-437-4500



NOVI

\$260,000

Change Your Life Style!! Remarkable Cust Blt Detached Condo W/beautifully Landscaped Yard Private Entry, Formal DR, GR W/tp! W/marble Surround Hdw Flrs In Foyer, Kitchen, & Great Rm (OEN05SAND) 248-347-3050



NOVI

\$229,900

Lovely Ranch W/take View Located In Village Oaks Sub. Many Updates Siding Complete Stp Off & Redone W/lifetime Warranty, Insulation Windows Carpet, Hwh, Int Paint Landscape Laundry Rm Kitchen & Baths. (OEN72VIL) 248-347-3050



NOVI

\$144,900

Wow! Super Privacy Facing Woods Stand Alone Camague Ranch All In Neutral Tones. Updates Incl some Windows, Furn, A/C, Hwh & Gar Door Huge L.R Opens To DR-cathedral Ceiling Great Open Flr Plan (OEN28GLE) 248-347-3050



NOVI

\$132,500

This Is The One! Charming Neutral, Clean 2br+ Bath Condo W/fantastic Deck Overlooking The Area. Bath May Be Accessed From Mbr Or Halfway Cathedral Ceiling Newer Carpet In Lr & 1br (OEN40GLE) 248-347-3050



PINCKNEY

\$339,900

Golf course frontage plus lake access! Great floor plan, 1st floor master, huge kitchen and mud room. Full stone fireplace with full wall of windows looking at course! Lower level close to finished! (OESLY69FEB) 248-437-4500



Vacant Land

SOUTH LYON

\$830,000

Great Investment opportunity! Almost 7 acres of development friendly land in the city of South Lyon. All utilities to property (OESLY00STR) 248-437-4500



SOUTH LYON

\$364,900

Let's talk quality! Gorgeous home, spacious kitchen with granite thru-out atrium, wet bar, 2 story foyer with hardwood floors. Large master with jacuzzi and glass shower. Sprinklers and landscaping included. (OESLY00GLE) 248-437-4500



SOUTH LYON

\$380,000

New Custom 2 Story Backs To Protected Land, Oak Kil W/ceramic Tile, Center Island, Spacious Nook, Formal Dining Rm W/bay Window Family Rm W/vaulted Ceiling (OEN09BIR) 248-347-3050



SOUTH LYON

\$345,000

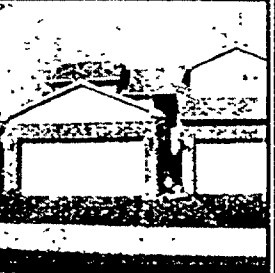
Wonderful home! Everything you're looking for is right here! 4 beds, 2.5 baths. Great master suite. Nice island kitchen that flows into family room w/fireplace. Formal dining and living rooms (OESLY90POL) 248-437-4500



SOUTH LYON

\$225,000

Go Ahead & Fall In Love...this Time You Can Afford It! Adorable 2 Story On Oversized Tree-lined Lot. GR W/brand New Wainside Windows. Spacious Oak Kitchen, Breakfast Rm, 1st Flr Laundry, bath W/jacuzzi tub. (OEN76STO) 248-347-3050



SOUTH LYON

\$179,900

Dynamic Cape Cod condo w/ walking distance to downtown! 2 BD w/lot that could be 3rd bedroom. 3.5 baths, 2 car garage, fin walkout basement. Dramatic 2 story great room, ceramic tile in kit & baths. (OESLY07REE) 248-437-4500



WALLED LAKE

\$99,000

Why rent? Great condo with lake access! Boat dock and launch available with this nicely updated one bedroom condo in Wall'd Lake! (OESLY75PON) 248-437-4500

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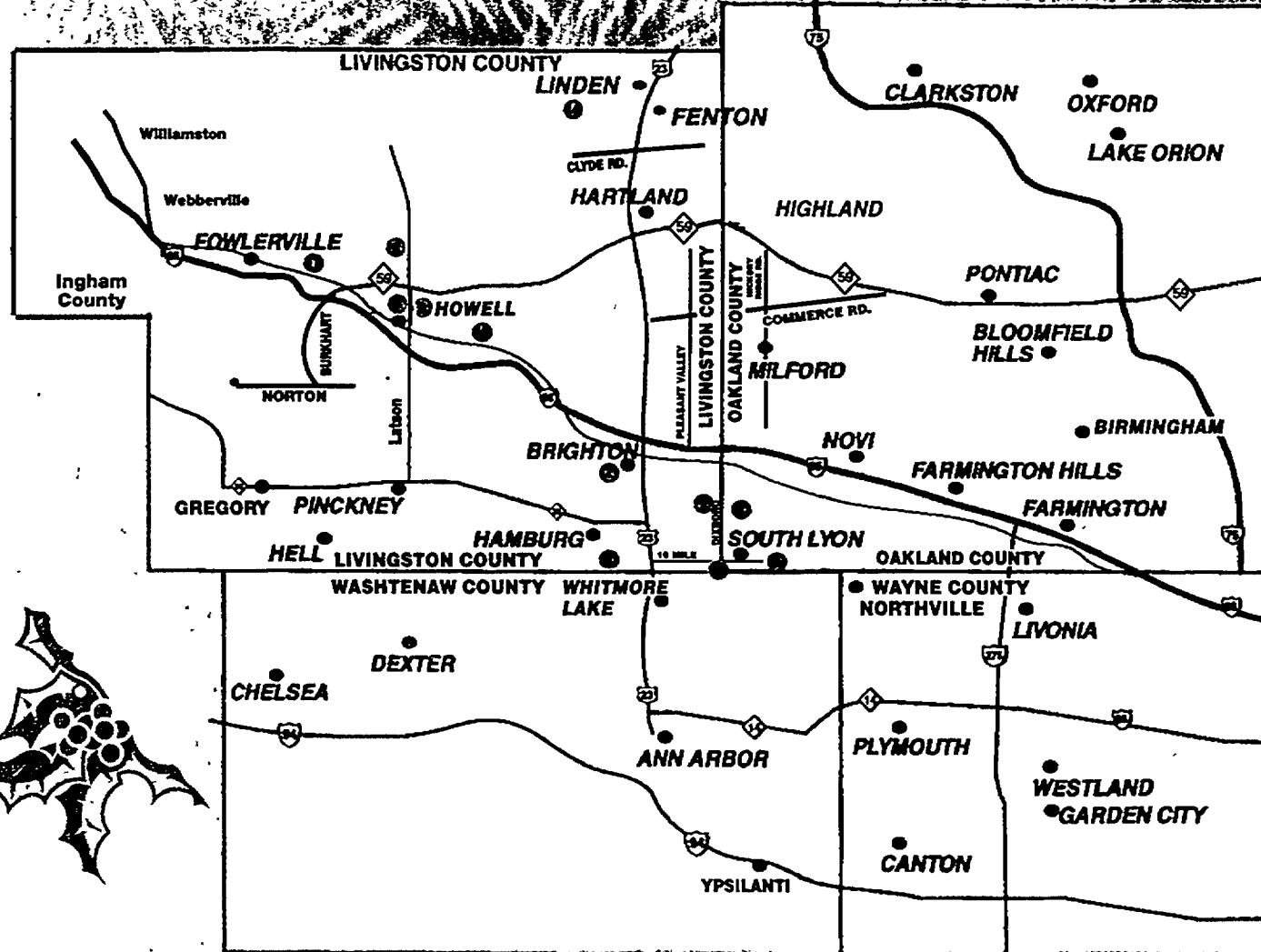
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WESTLAND Move Right In
3 bedroom ranch w/updated bonus room in basement. Updates include roof, bathroom, C/A, HWH, electrical, siding and more. Freshly painted. Covered patio w/landscaped yard. Great kitchen w/eating area.
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4 bedroom colonial to move in. Wonderful lot. Great kitchen w/large cabinet. French doors lead to gorgeous family room. Master suite w/WC. Wonderful master bath. Must see home. Looks like a model.
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LIVONIA Live In Livonia
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DETROIT Updated Bungalow
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CANTON Edenbrooke Estates
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MILFORD Terrific Colonial
3 bedroom, 2.5 bath 1995 built colonial with view of Huron River. Pergo flooring in foyer, kitchen, hall & lv. Fin bsmt w/full bath. Deck w/hot tub. Cathedral ceiling in FR w/gas FP. Open kit w/eating area & access to deck.
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CANTON Condo Comfort
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REDFORD Newer Brick/Vinyl Ranch
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LIVONIA Livonia Rosedale Gardens
3 bedroom brick colonial w/old world workmanship, plaster walls, covered ceiling, hardwood floors. Updates include: windows, HWH & electricity, 2 car garage & home warranty.
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REDFORD Great Opportunity
Updated 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, hardwood floors, remodeled bath, newer windows, siding, HWH, furnace, '96, circuits '97. Formal dining room C/A, 2 car garage cedar closet in finished basement & S. Redford schools.
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LIVONIA Welcome Home
Immaculate 3' bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch. New carpet, roof and custom triple pane redwood windows. Open kitchen w/wooden island to large deck. 2.5 car extra deep garage. Fin bsmt w/bar area, FR & exercise room.
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DEARBORN Mrs. Clean Is Moving!
Wonderful 3 bedroom brick bungalow that is clean as a whistle. Hardwood floors, partially finished basement. Remodeled kit w/g DR. Cedar closets, updates T/O home. Walking distance to Levogood Pk & Divine Child.
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WESTLAND Westland Condo
Nice upper unit condo in Westland w/Livonia Schools. Deck, quiet surroundings, tennis courts & pool. Nice sized rooms, low association fee.
(F50WOO) 734-455-5600 \$87,500



MELVINDALE Fantastic Buy
On this sharp 2 unit brick income property. Both units identical w/2 bedrooms, living room, dining room, kitchen & bath. Separate basements w/sep furnaces. Nice sized fenced yard.
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NOVI Sunset's On Walled Lake
View of Walled Lake from wrap around porch. Open floor plan, neutral decor in foyer, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Stove & refrigerator. Home warranty. Lake privileges.
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NOVI The Best In The West
Convenient location to x-way & shopping! 2 bedroom ranch condo - only attached by garage. Everything's been done: maple kit, bath, HW floors, furn, windows. Lots of storage. Open floor plan w/vaulted ceiling.
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YPSILANTI Affordable Condo Living
2 bedroom, 1.5 bath unit ranch close to everything. Freshly painted, newer flooring in kitchen, all appliances & storage room.
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LIVONIA Location! Location!
Across from park & community pool! Newer roof, LR carpeting & dining room carpet, kit & DR w/newer laminate fgr, counter, oak cabinets, newer vinyl windows, fin bsmt w/4th BR/office, 2 full BAs, newer drive.
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VAN BUREN Awesome Cape Cod
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LIVONIA Wooded Premium Lot
4 BR, 2.5 BA on cul-de-sac. Lg MBR w/WC & full BA. Birch wood flrs in foyer, LR & DR. 03 Kit fr '99 & counters '00. Front entry lead glass door & FR door w/2 03 HWH. 04 roof (ten year) & gutters '01 Lg FFL.
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NOVI Won't Last - Honest
Superior 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial in excellent location. New this year kitchen, patio doorways, some carpet. Newer roof, windows & more. Great finished basement, carpet, drywall & full bath. Move in condition.
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WATERFORD Curb Appeal & Incredible Updates
Lake privileges in this beautiful 3 bedroom ranch home. Custom entry doors, newer roof, windows, doorwall, kitchen cabinets & counters w/appliances. Partially finished basement & more.
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PLYMOUTH Woodlore South
4 bedroom colonial. Full brick elevation. Foyer w/curved staircase & hwd flr. GR has 2 story ceiling, marble trimmed gas flr, Dr. LR w/bay window, French doors to kit, kit w/cherry cabinets, master w/BA, 3 car att gar.
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SHELBY TWP. Outstanding Open Floor Plan
Spacious 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial on lg premium part wooded lot presents 2 story GR w/bay, large kitchen w/island, 2 car attached garage, partially fin bsmt, downhill to lg deck & stamped concrete.
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LIVONIA One Look Will Do
Beauty awaits in an open floor plan. Living room w/downhill to deck & brick paver patio. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, finished LL w/BR or office, hardwood floors updated bath. 2 car gar large lot, fenced yard.
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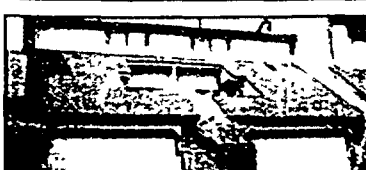
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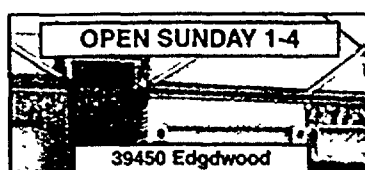
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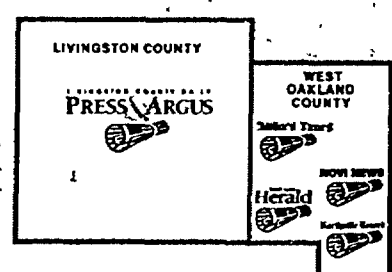
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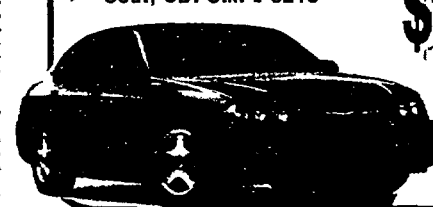
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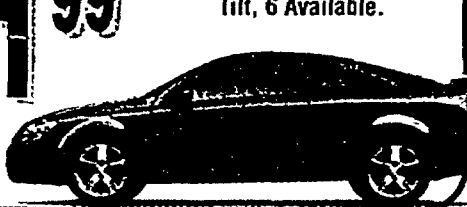
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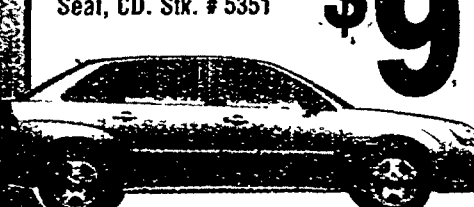


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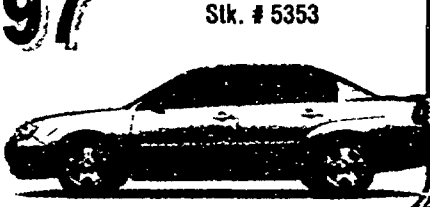


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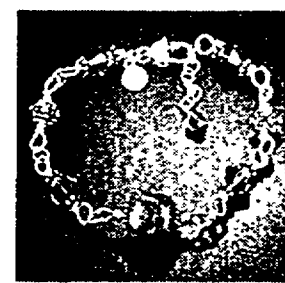
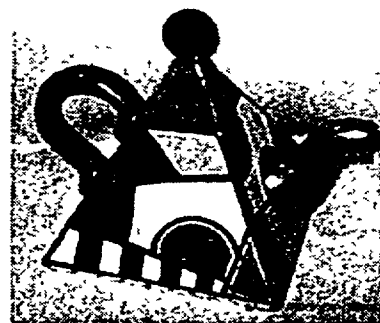
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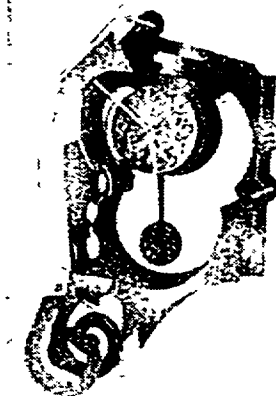
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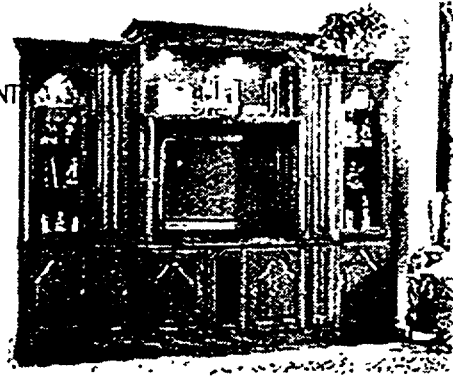
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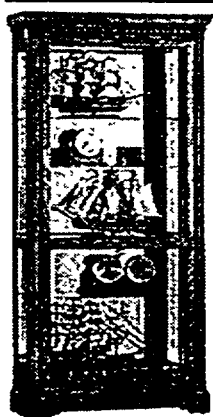


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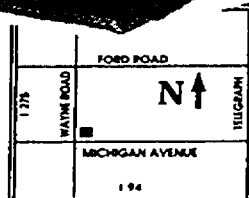
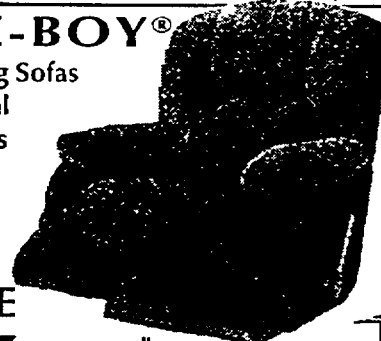
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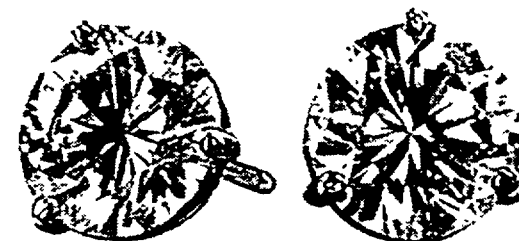
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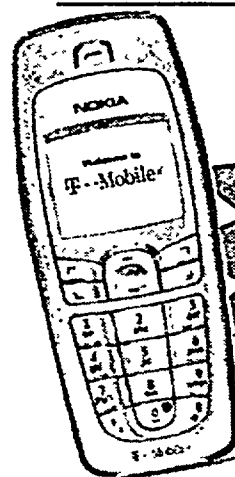
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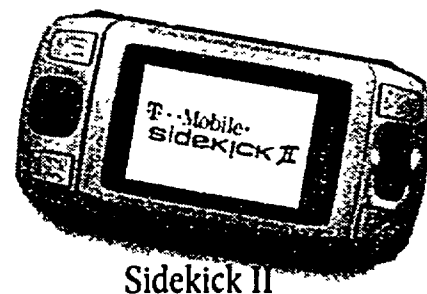


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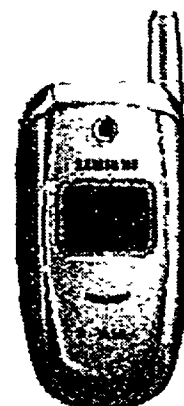
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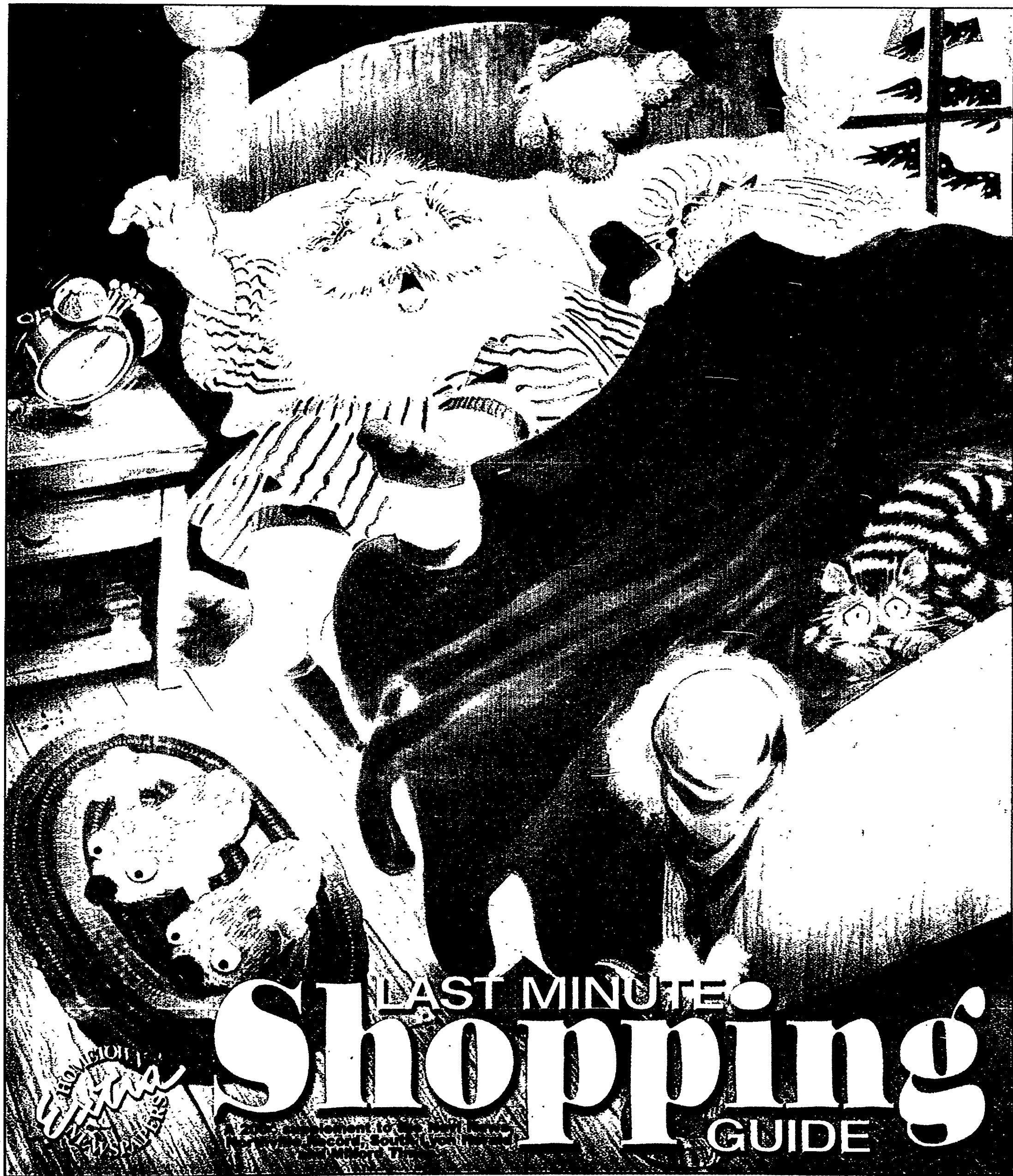
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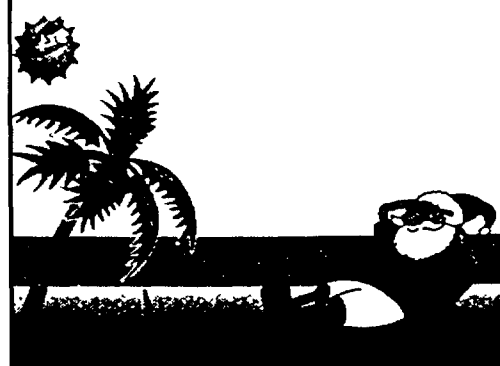
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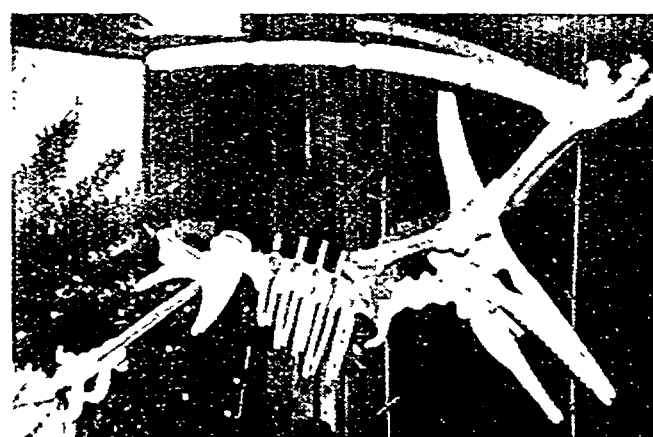
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By Catty Spiegel
HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

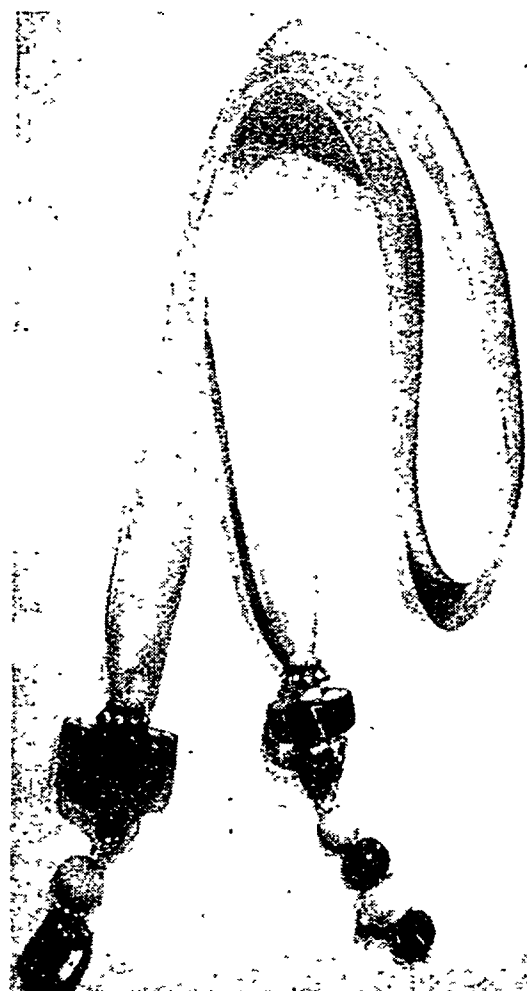
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Put a dab of glue on each knot and place into bell cap. Squeeze the prongs of the bell cap with your fingers around each knot.

To make the dangle ends, stack a few assorted smaller beads onto one of the head pins. Leave enough wire at the top of the beads to form a ring at the top of the head pin using small round nose pliers. Cut off the excess wire with wire cutters. Repeat this step for the second dangle.



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Make or purchase a bookmark like this from Art & Soul in downtown Milford.

Gratuities take care of those who take care of you

By Kristy Eckert
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Escaping the winter chill in a coffeehouse in downtown Springfield, Ill., Don Peck paid \$5 for a fancy coffee, then dropped a \$1 bill into a tip jar sitting beside the register.

"Twenty percent," said the state worker, who was on a mid-afternoon break.

The tip jar seems to be filling more quickly these days, the baristas said.

Sitting at a corner table sipping his concoction, Peck said that while he and his wife do give their mail carrier cookies as a holiday gift, he makes tipping most everyone — servers, people who help with luggage, his barber — a year-round habit.

Whatever the reason, people give holiday tips — and they get confused doing it.

"It's very obscure to a lot of people," said tipping expert Jacqueline Whitmore, founder and director of The Protocol School of Palm Beach, Fla. "They're not sure who to tip, and they're not sure how much to tip."

Whitmore's suggestion: "Take care of those who have taken care of you."

Everyone's holiday tip list is different, she said. People should tip service providers they see often. For some people, that may mean tipping a housekeeper. For others, it may mean tipping the woman who manicures their nails every two weeks.

Other service providers that people might consider tipping, according to various etiquette groups, include teachers, pet groomers, overnight delivery people, trash collectors, parking-garage attendants, handymen and lawn-care workers.

Fifteen percent of a bill for general services — dinner, hair cut, taxi cab ride, pet grooming — is usually the tipping benchmark, according to The Original Tipping Page at www.tipping.org. Holiday tips should be on top of these, it suggests.

Tip suggestions vary but are generally \$5 to \$15 for delivery people, about the cost of one service for service people such as hairdressers and manicurists, one or two night's pay for baby-sitters and a week's salary for nannies and housekeepers. Etiquette International suggests that restaurant regulars generously tip their servers at the holidays.

While a couple of servers said people tip less because they are being more frugal at this time of the year, others said the opposite.

"People are always a lot more generous during the holiday season," said waiter Steve Sowers.

Restaurant owner Michael Higgins said members of his wait staff get extra from their regulars during the holidays. Laughing, he noted that he "reverse tips" regulars by giving them extras, too, such as free desserts.

"That's the time of year that you really take care of the people who take care of you," he said. "And you're conscious of that."

Most people agree that holiday tipping, whatever the amount, should come from the heart — not from guilt.

"The pressure, I think, comes from within," Whitmore said. "People feel a little more stressed through the holidays to send cards, to send gifts, to make phone calls, to make meals, to go to parties ... So there is a little bit of pressure, but it usually comes from within."

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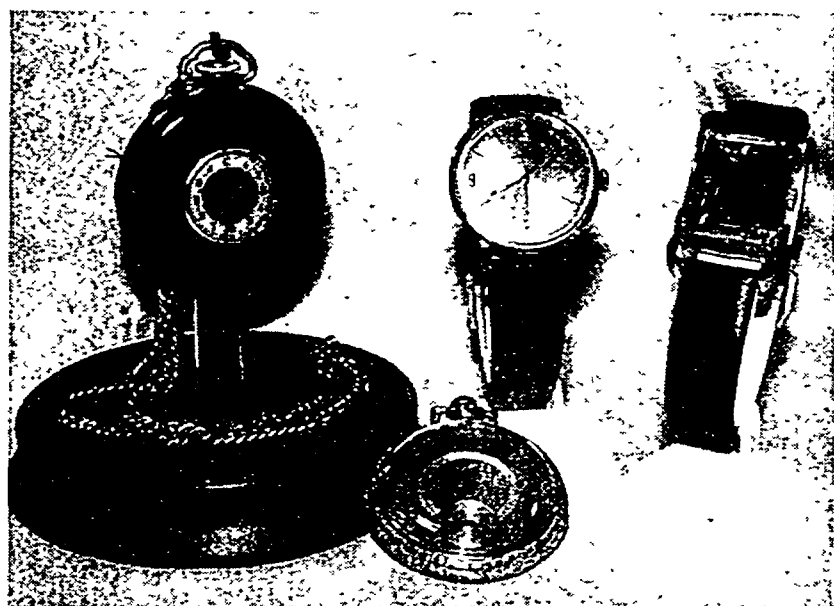
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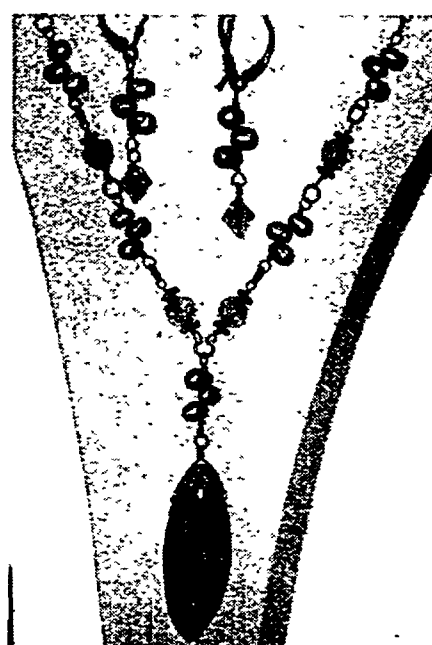
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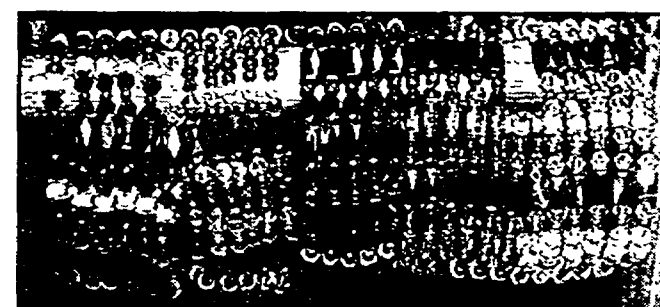
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Give the gift of elegance with this beaded necklace and earring set from Charlie's Jewelry Creations in downtown Milford. The set sells for \$88. Call (248) 684-6841.



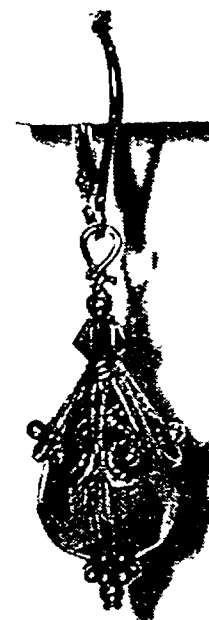
Rolex Watches

Put a Rolex from Rotterdam Jewelers, located in downtown Milford, on his wrist. Pictured, from left, Rolex Air King, \$3,100; Datejust, \$5,775; Daytona, \$10,600; and President, \$19,300. Call (248) 685-1150.



Magnetic Bracelets

These bracelets are actually strands of beads and magnets. The magnets allow it to take on any shape the wearer desires including necklaces, bracelets or even a belt. 50-inch strands sell for \$29; 33-inch strands sell for \$20 at Charlie's Jewelry Creations in downtown Milford. Call (248) 684-6841.

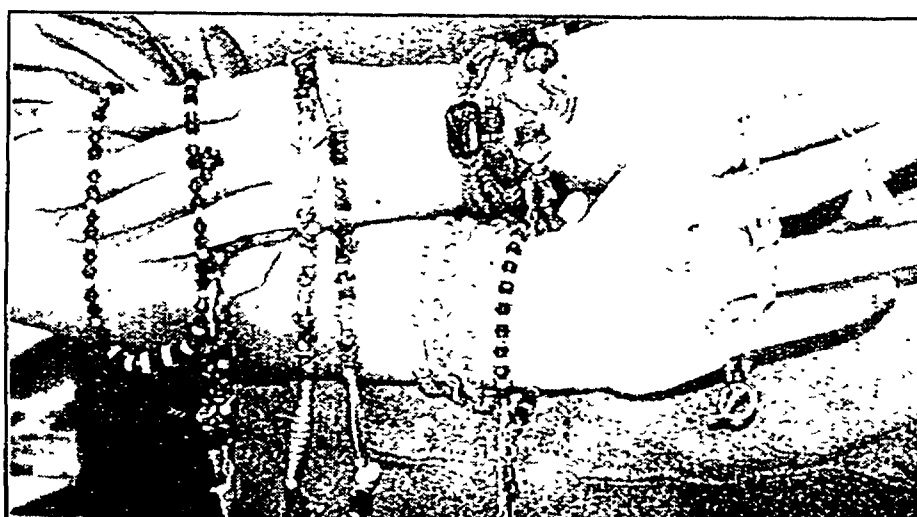
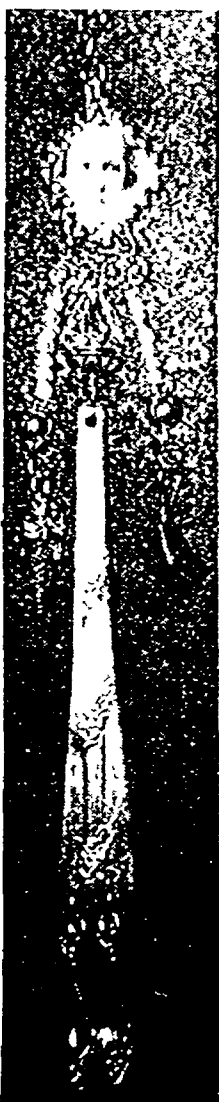


Amethyst Earrings

These 14 karat white gold earrings with oval cabochon amethysts, \$520, are made by John McMartin, (248) 684-8895, www.jewelryarts-gallery.com

Earrings

Handmade earrings, like this one, provide elegance to any outfit. Art & Soul, (248) 684-8777.



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Necklaces

Give a one-of-a-kind gift with one of these elegant ladies made from silverware. Available at Art & Soul in downtown Milford, these sell for \$47 with the chain. (248) 684-8777



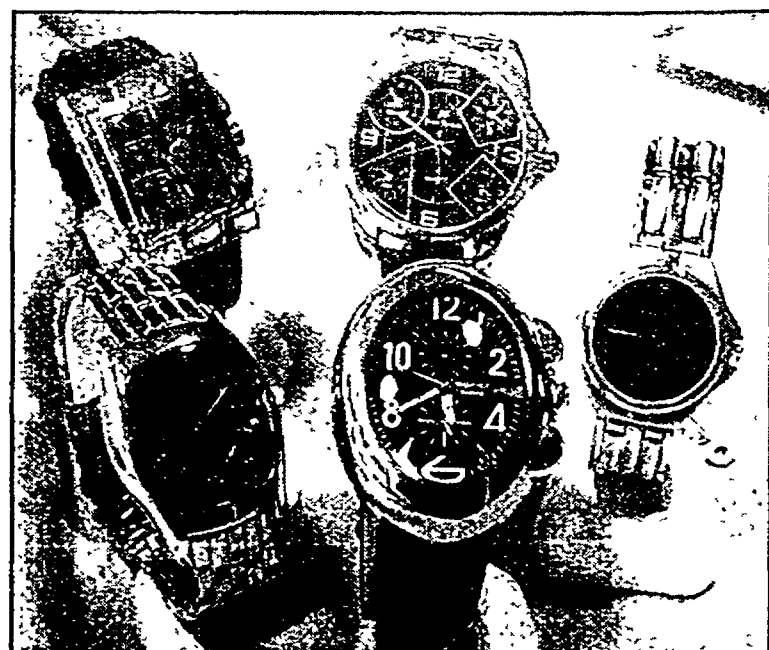
Diamonds

Show her how much you love her with three diamonds, representing your past, present and future together. Cooper & Binkley Jewelers offers pendants starting at \$700 and bracelets for \$795. Call (810) 227-2221.



Ring

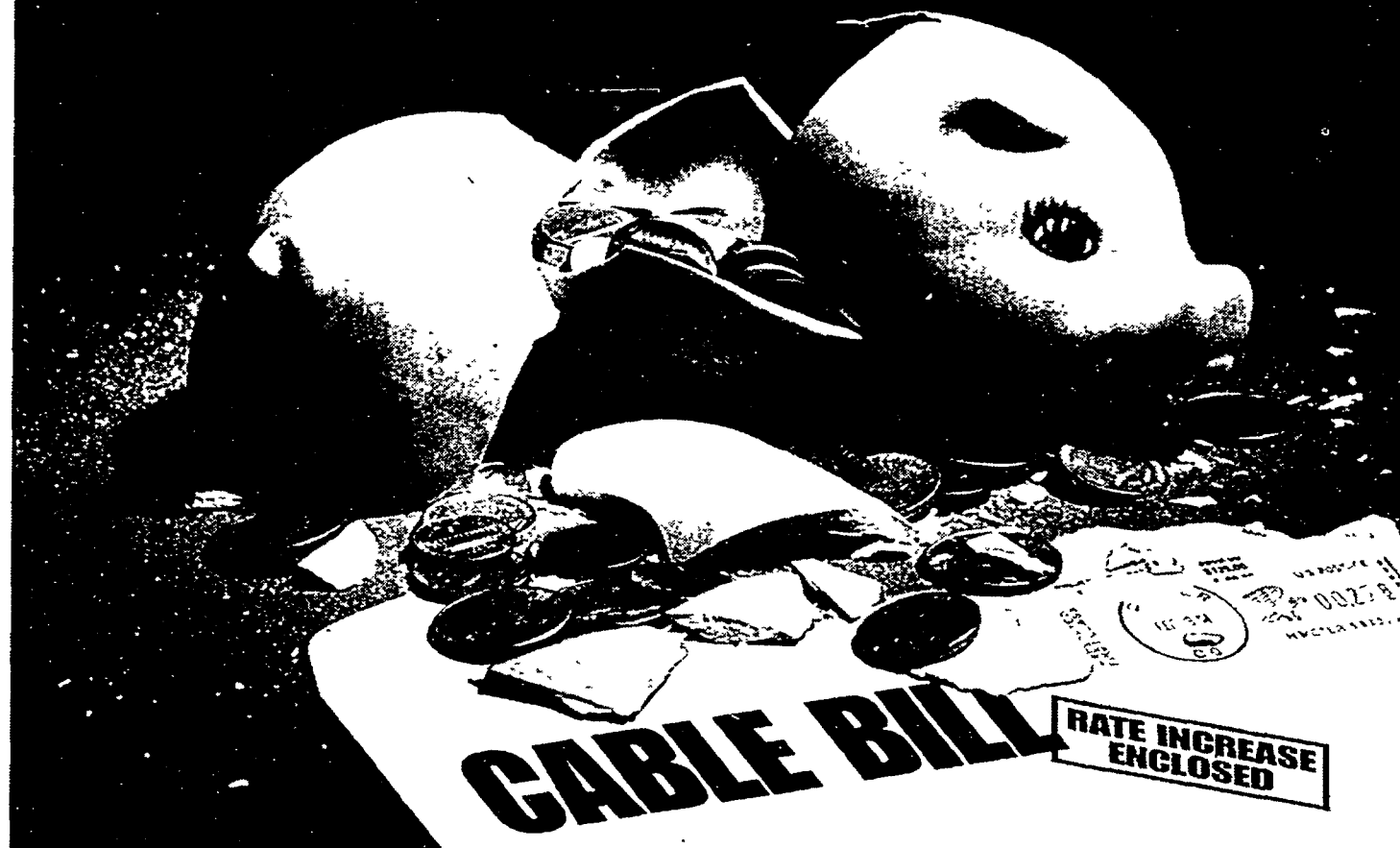
One-of-a-kind jewelry from John McMartin is on display at McMartin Jewelry Arts Gallery in Milford and is available for walk-in sales. This ring, \$2,528, features Brazilian tourmalines in three colors. Visit www.jewelryartsgallery.com or call (248) 684-8895.



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You can't get much cuter than this. These stuffed gingerbread are magnetic and can add a holiday touch to the refrigerator. They sell for only \$3 at Wind River Gallery in downtown Milford. Call (248) 684-6044.



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Pick up a little pick-me-up gift on the way to the party. Tiny aroma therapy candles make a big impact when lit. Several scents and long matches are available for under \$5 each at Taorello's Marketplace in Brighton. Call (810) 225-8900.



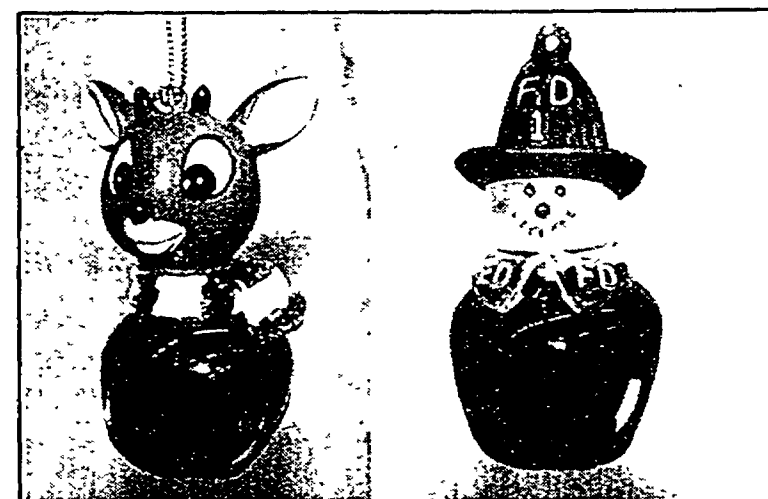
For the Garden

This adorable resin cherub sculpture can add a touch of whimsy inside or out. It is available at Leppke Nursery & Garden Center in Brighton and sells for only \$3.99. Call (810) 227-2566 for more information.



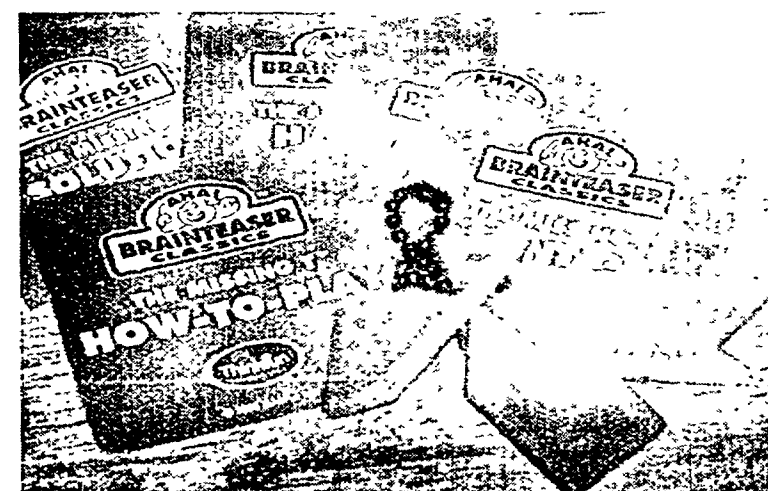
Hot Chocolate

The packaging on these special packets of cocoa make them an elegant, inexpensive way to remind someone you are thinking of them. They retail for \$1.25 per packet at Sweet Retreats Chocolate Shoppe in downtown Milford. Call (248) 685-9201.



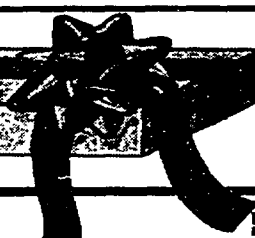
Jingle Buddies

Jingle Buddies ornaments for \$3.95 to \$5 are best sellers at Touch of Country, located on M-59 between Hartland and Howell. Call (517) 546-5995 for more information.



Brainteasers

Can you put these plastic pieces into the shape of a "T"? It's harder than it looks. Have them guessing for hours with this or several other brain teasers from Think Fun. Games start at \$3.95 and are available at Village Toy Shoppe in downtown Milford. Call (248) 684-8697 for more information.

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Collector edition Monopoly sets fun for all

By Ronda Addy
MULTI AD

It was 1934, the height of the Great Depression, when Charles B. Darrow of Germantown, Pa., walked into the offices of Parker Brothers with a game that he had designed.

They rejected it because of its 52 design errors, but that didn't get Darrow down. He saw the promise in the game and decided to produce it on his own. Darrow managed to sell 5,000 handmade sets of the game to a Philadelphia department store. It was an immediate hit. Unable to meet the demand on his own, Darrow went back to Parker Brothers, who saw the error of their ways, and thus a legend was born.

During 1935, its first year in production, Monopoly became the best selling game in America. Today, Monopoly is sold in 80 countries and is available in 26 languages. Over 200 million games have been sold worldwide.

Since 1935, over five billion green houses have been built. The tokens, the four gameboard corners and the Railroad, Community Chest, Chance, Boardwalk and Title Deed designs are all legally protected as trademarks. With over 70 special versions of Monopoly available, there is bound to be one out there that will appeal to anyone on your gift list.

Here's just a sample of available editions:

- **The Monopoly Astronomy Edition** allows players to buy, sell and trade Halley's Comet, Saturn, the Pleiades, the Milky Way galaxy and the Orion Nebula. Instead of houses and hotels, players put scope sheds and observatories on their property. Tokens include the Meade telescope, a radio telescope, the Hubble space telescope, a lawn chair, an observation dome and Meade binoculars. Also included are tips on how to get started in astronomy and facts about the objects that are featured on the board.

- **Elvis' 25th Anniversary Collector's Edition** allows players to buy Graceland and land on GI Blues and the 1968 Comeback Special. Tokens include Elvis' guitar and sunglasses.

- **Ford Mustang 40th Anniversary Collector's Edition** allows players to buy, sell and trade models from the history of Ford, including the 1962 Roadster Concept car, the

2004 40th Anniversary Cobra and the 1965 Mustang GT. Tokens include the 1964 Convertible and the Mustang Pony.

- **Corvette 50th Anniversary Collector's Edition** allows players to buy silver garages and black dealerships. Instead of Community Chest and Chance cards, players choose from 1953 and 2003 emblem cards. The pewter tokens include a 1953 convertible, a 1963 split window, a 1968 L88, a spinner wheel, a 1958 front clip and the bow tie emblem.

- **Garfield Monopoly** allows players to buy, sell and trade Pookie, Grandma's rocker and Garfield's mirror. In place of Community Chest and Chance cards, there are refrigerator and potluck cards. The board has 32 bakeries and 12 Italian restaurants to buy. Tokens include Garfield's food dish, a hamburger, Jon, Odie, Garfield's bed and Garfield with Pookie. Also included is an exclusive comic strip.

- **Looney Tunes Collector's Edition** allows players to buy, sell and trade Tweety's bird cage, Yosemite Sam's Wild West, Elmer Fudd's hunting grounds, Foghorn Leghorn's farm and Bugs Bunny's rabbit hole. The pewter tokens include an anvil, dynamite, an Acme crate, Daffy Duck's director's chair, Marvin the Martian's ray gun and Bugs Bunny's mailbox.

- **I Love Lucy Collector's Edition** has photographs from the TV show and allows players to buy episodes from the show. Players advance around the board, using pink dice and a pewter token of a bottle of Vitameatavegamin.

- **Justice League of America Collector's Edition** allows players to buy, sell and trade the powers of Wonder Woman, Superman, Batman and The Flash, to name a few. The Metropolis Bank supplies the money and there are custom Chance and Community Chest cards. The pewter tokens include Aquaman, Wonder Woman, Batman, The Flash, Green Lantern, Martian Manhunter, Green Arrow and Superman.

- **The Lord of the Rings Monopoly Game** allows players to buy territory in Middle-earth, gather powers, build fortresses and acquire relics. Players may choose from the classic version or a special optional play by using the power of the one ring. In place of the Community Chest and Chance cards, there are people and events cards. Instead of money, there

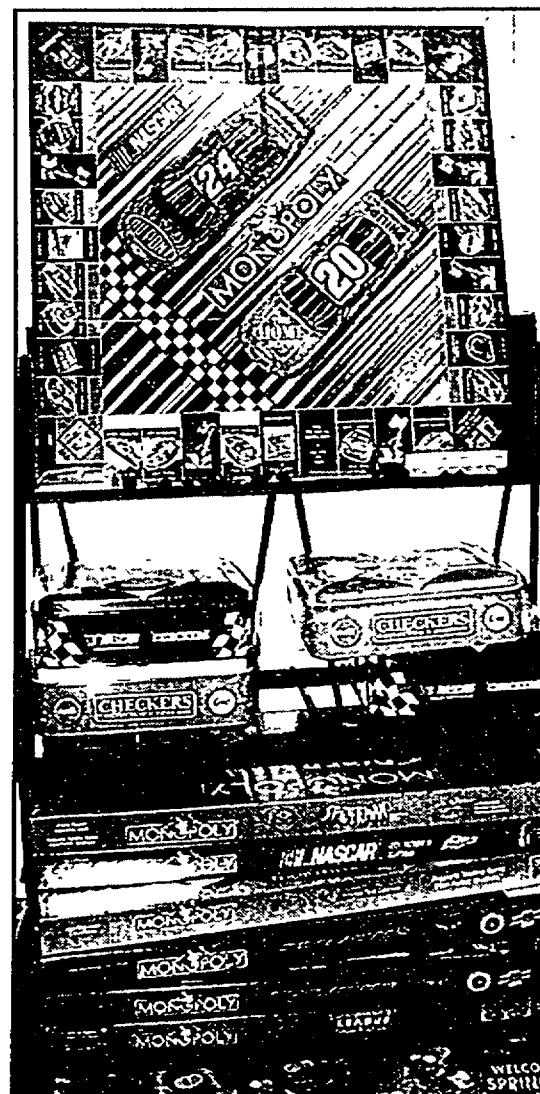


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Diane's Doll House in downtown South Lyon offers many collector edition sets for around \$35. Contact the store at (248) 486-0450.

are seven denominations of power, and instead of hotels and houses, players buy strongholds and fortresses. A gold-tone pewter ring as well as a die with the Eye of Sauron is also included. The pewter tokens include Aragorn, Frodo, Gimli, Galadriel, Legolas and Gandalf.

The longest Monopoly game in history lasted 70 straight days.

Scotch tape offers wrapping ideas

- If the gift is a bicycle, wrap a toy bicycle in a small box. In the box, include a short poem containing clues that will lead the recipient to the garage or spare bedroom where you've hidden the real bicycle. (Use the same method for other large gifts.)

- Dress a package with "ribbon" made of pleated wrapping paper. Using the same roll of paper with which you wrapped a box, cut a piece of paper that's roughly twice the size of what you needed to wrap the gift. Fold the sheet of wrapping paper in half lengthwise. Pleat the sheet of paper: fold the sheet "back and forth" along the longest edge of the paper, making each creased section approximately 1/2-inch wider than the crease before. Wrap the strip of pleated paper around the box and affix the two ends to the bottom of the box with tape.

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Mistletoe is especially interesting botanically because it is a partial parasite. As a parasitic plant, it grows on the branches or trunk of a tree and actually sends out roots that penetrate into the tree and take up nutrients. But mistletoe is also capable of growing on its own.

Mistletoe, however, is more commonly found growing as a parasitic plant. There are two types of mistletoe. The mistletoe that is commonly used as a Christmas decoration (Phoradendron flavescens) is native to North America and grows as a parasite on trees from New Jersey to Florida.

The other type of mistletoe, Viscum album, is of European origin. The Greeks and earlier peo-

ples thought that it had mystical powers and down through the centuries it became associated with many folklore customs.

Kissing under the mistletoe is first found associated with the Greek festival of Saturnalia and later with primitive marriage rites. Mistletoe was believed to have the power of bestowing fertility, and the dung from which the mistletoe was thought to arise was also said to have "life-giving" power.

And for those who wish to observe the correct etiquette: a man should pluck a berry when he kisses a woman under the mistletoe, and when the last berry is gone, there should be no more kissing! — Copley News Service



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By Chandra Orr
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Tattered cardboard boxes stacked away in basements and attics — that's no way to treat cherished Christmas keepsakes.

Whether wrangling wreaths or trying to account for all those ornaments, these creative storage solutions can help get the Christmas clutter stowed away safely until next season.

■ Those seeking storage solutions for cumbersome Christmas trees have often resorted to flimsy trash bags or ragged cardboard boxes — until now.

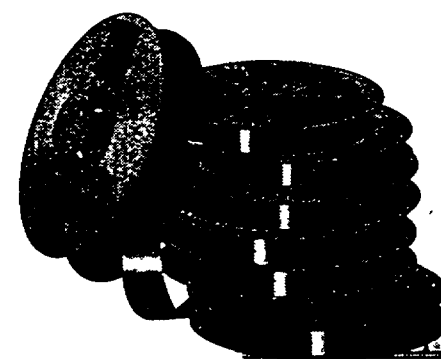
The Artificial Tree Storage Bag keeps those pesky pines from poking through too-thin garbage bags while shielding the contents from dust and moisture. Designed to fit trees up to 10-feet tall, the storage bag is made from rugged water-resistant polypropylene. With its zipper closure and carrying handles, the bag makes storing trees a snap. (\$9.99, The Container Store)

■ Holiday revelers with more lights than the Griswolds can take charge with a standard extension cord reel. The Bayco Cord Storage Reel, which holds up to 150 feet of lights, features a handle and reeling mechanism to get the job done fast. Snag a second reel to stow strands of garland. (\$5.97, Home Depot)

■ Treasured tree skirts and seasonal throw pillows need more protection than a cardboard box can provide. Guard against moisture and mildew with the As Seen on TV Space Bag. Airtight and waterproof, the Space Bag keeps cloth items dry and dust-free while shrinking them to a manageable size. Simply seal the bag and use any household vacuum to remove the remaining air and shrink the items inside to a fraction of their original size. The bags are reusable year-to-year. (\$19.99 and up, Bed, Bath & Beyond)

■ A collection of gift trimmings can become unwieldy quite quickly if not given a proper home. The Rubbermaid Vertical Wrap 'N' Craft Box solves the dilemma of how to store those bulky rolls of wrapping paper and the accompanying ribbons and gift tags without taking up precious storage room. The translucent container holds up to 20 rolls of wrapping paper. The removable hood features a storage compartment for tape, scissors, bows and more. (\$7.97, Lowe's)

■ Those who want more protection for priceless heirloom ornaments can opt for the study plastic Sterilite Ornament Box. The see-through box holds 54 ornaments in cardboard dividers. The snap-on lid closes securely to protect against water damage, dust and other dangers. (\$9.99, SpaceSavers.com)



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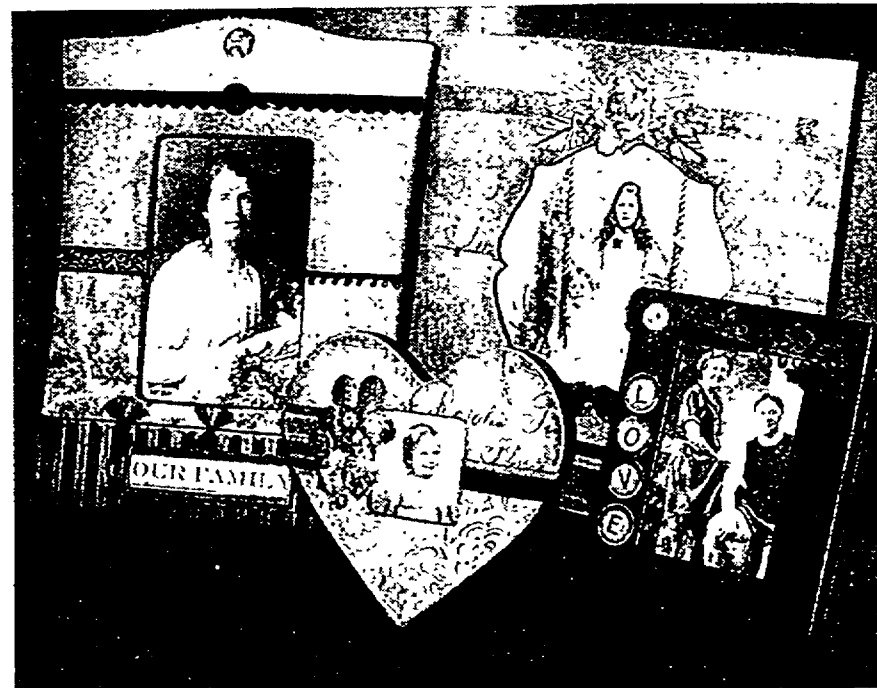
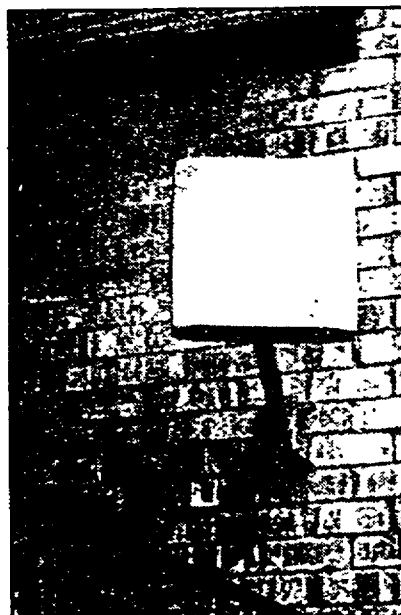
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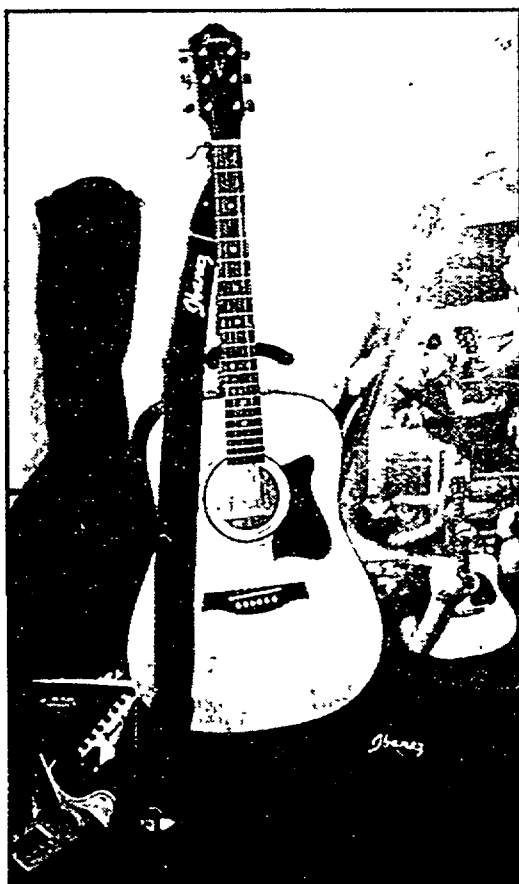


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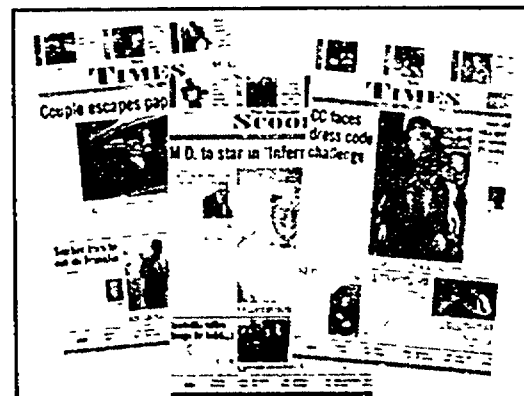
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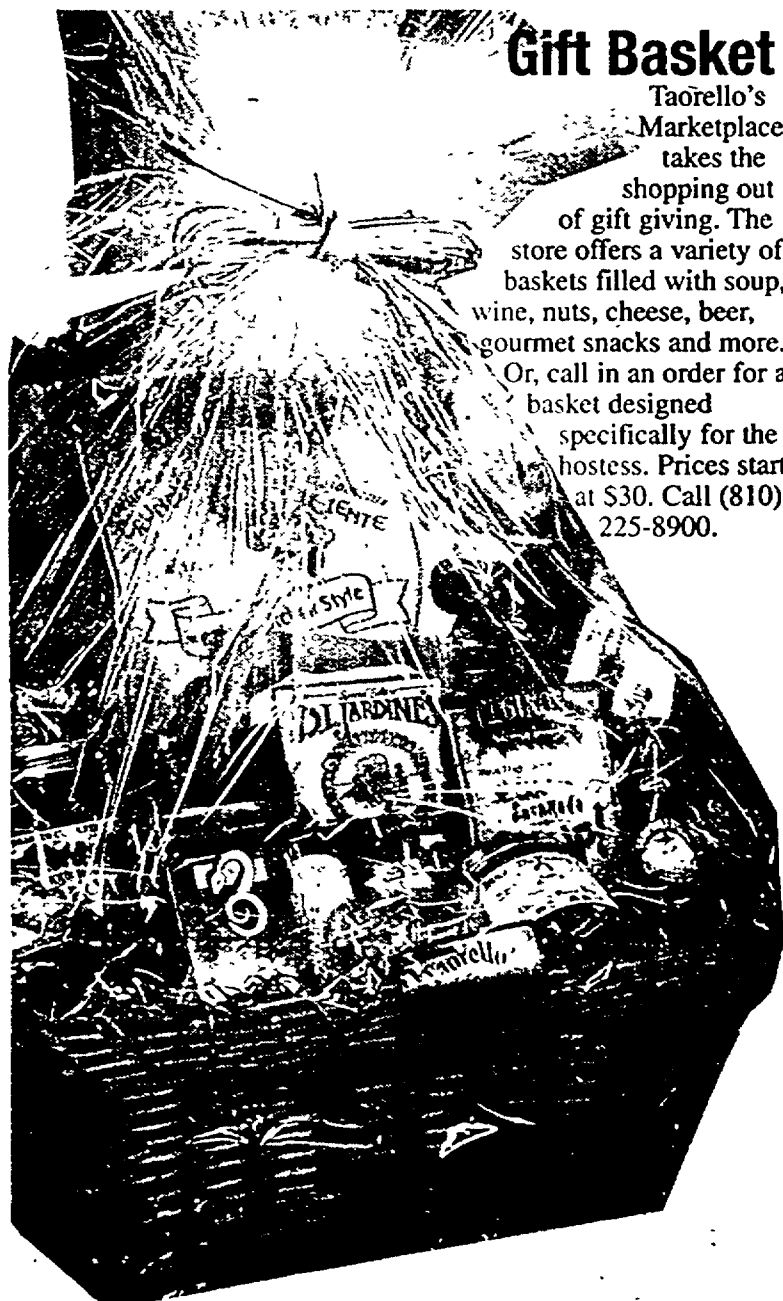
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Made from silver knives, these little vases are designed to be hung on the window. They hold water and are perfect for fresh greenery or flowers during the holidays. Available at Art & Soul in downtown Milford, they sell for \$12 each. Call (248) 684-8777 for details.



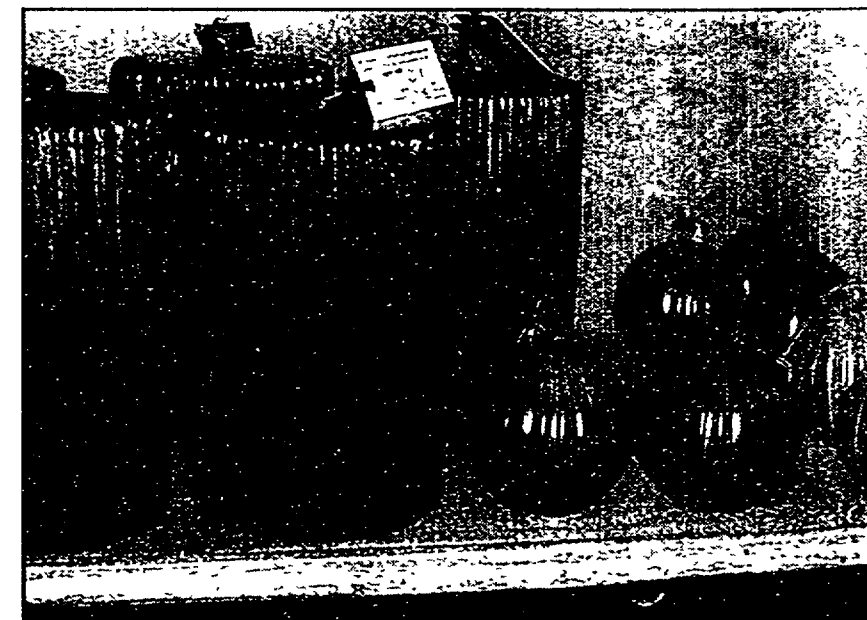
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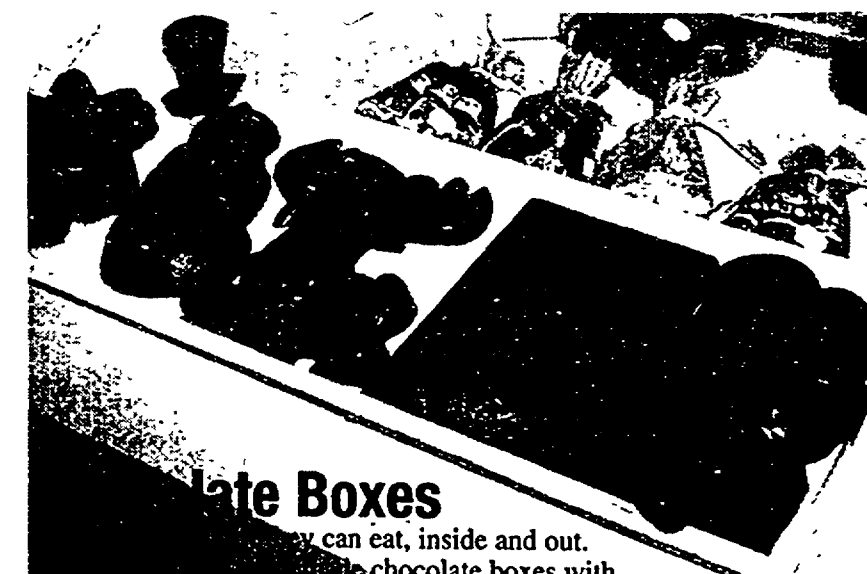
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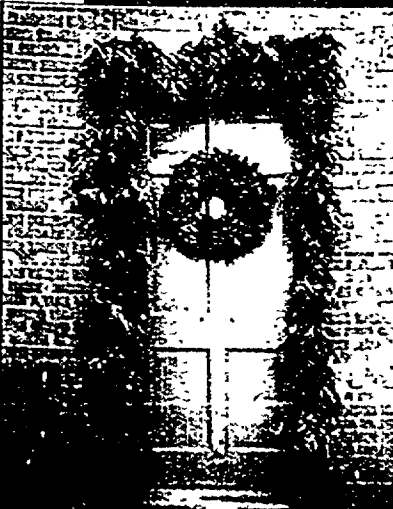
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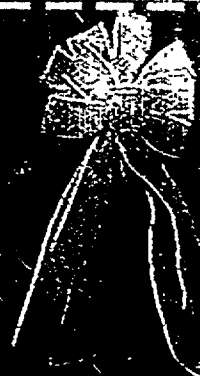
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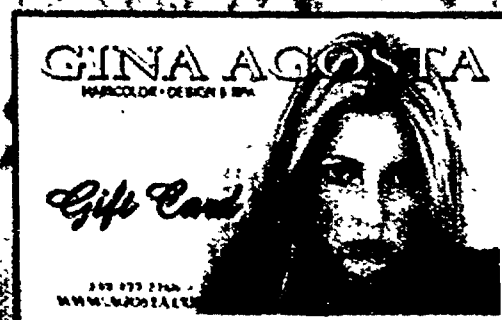
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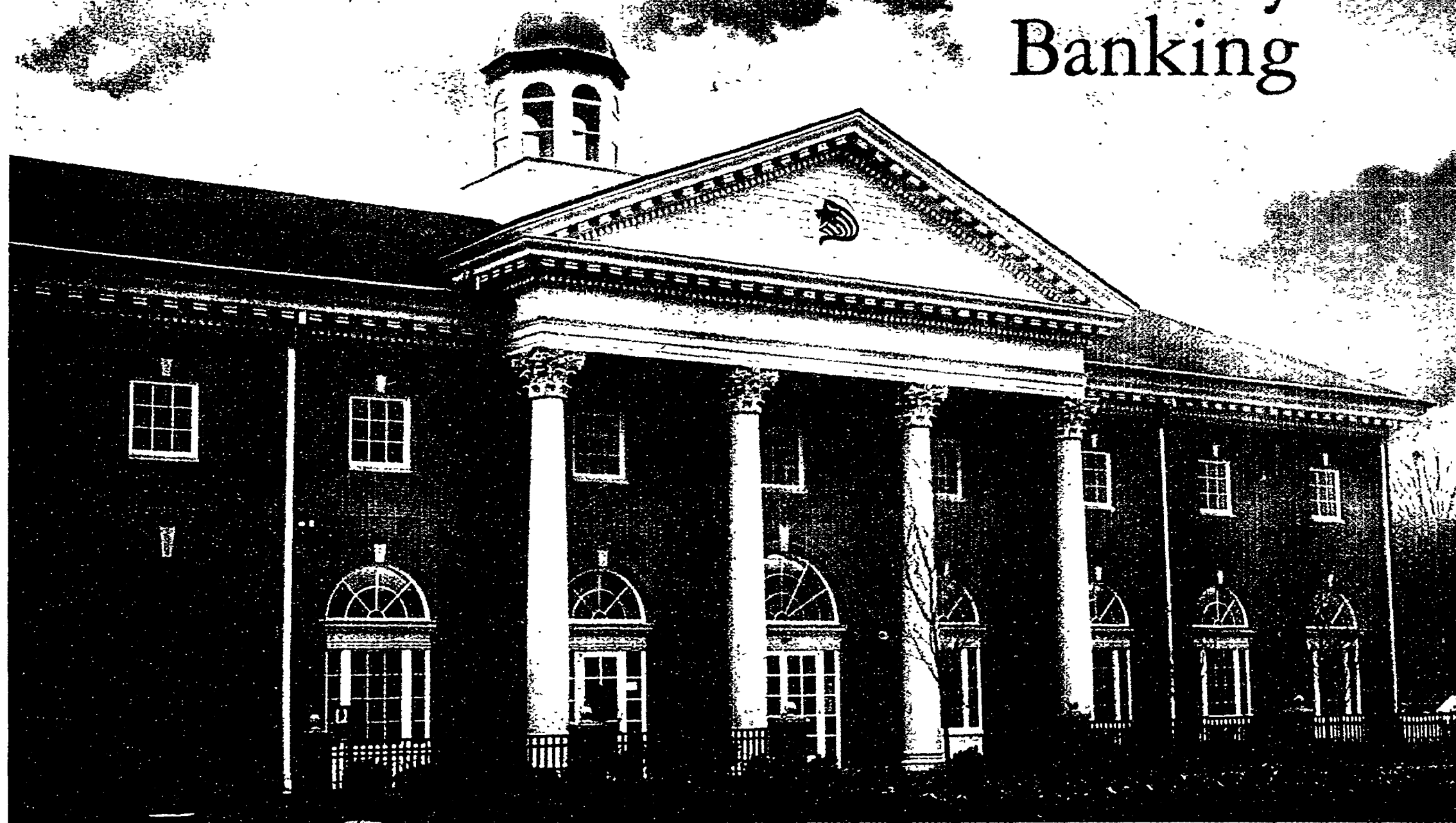




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In planning our new facility, we wanted to expand on our reputation for excellent customer service. We applied some innovative ideas to that effort and I think both existing customers as well as new visitors will find New Liberty Bank is a great place to do business.

When a guest walks into our bank, they are greeted by the concierge who can provide answers to their questions and a complimentary cup of coffee. Right now, our concierge desk also has gift items perfect for the holiday season.

Parents will appreciate our kids' corner. They can keep an eye on their kids from about any angle in the branch, including our meeting room. Kids will appreciate it, too.

Our cybercafé provides a comfortable place for online banking. Not sure how it works? We'd be happy to show you. Online banking is a free service provided with all New Liberty checking accounts.

We have also updated our website, www.newlibertybank.com, with a new look, easier navigation and interactive features. We recently added online banking for business to our portfolio of business banking services.

Our new banking center will provide our customers with more convenience and an overall more enjoyable banking experience. If you're not already a New Liberty Bank customer, we hope you'll visit us during Grand Opening week. Bring in the entry form on the back of this special newspaper section and join us for complimentary refreshments. We think you'll like the new tradition of community banking.



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Community Banking...a Plymouth Tradition

Dec. 12, 1837 The first bank in Plymouth, Wayne County Bank is chartered and located near the southeast corner of Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail.

Nov. 18, 1871 First National Bank organized in Plymouth with E.J. Penniman as president.

Nov. 4, 1891 First National reorganized to First National Exchange Bank with George A. Starkweather as president.

Spring, 1903 Plymouth Exchange Bank and Plymouth Savings Bank consolidate to become the Plymouth United Savings bank with \$75,000 capital.

July 1, 1926 Peoples State Bank chartered to First National Bank in Plymouth.

2001- New Liberty Bank, the first independent, community-owned bank in Plymouth since 1952, opens in downtown Plymouth.



Nov. 15, 2004 New Liberty Bank opens new banking center on Ann Arbor Road.

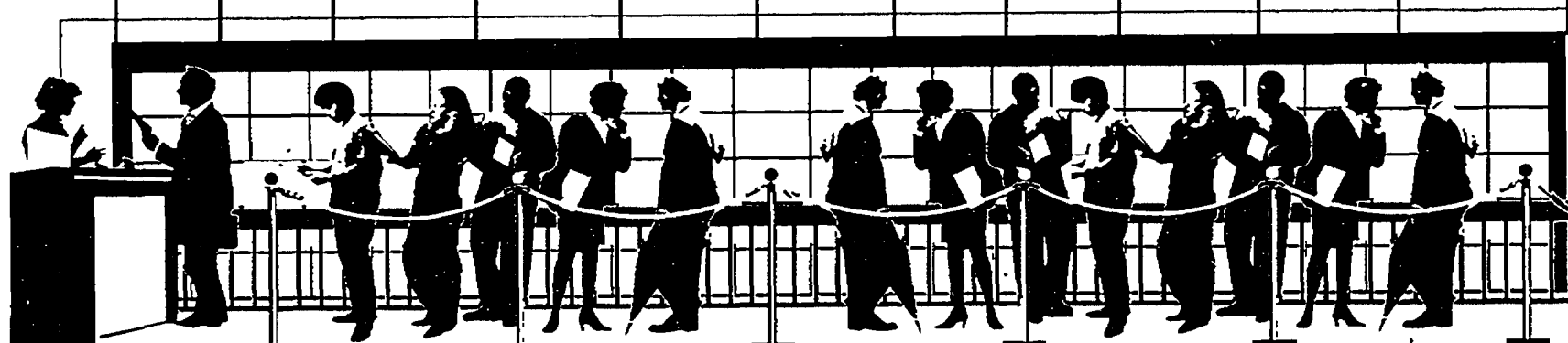
1838-1870 There are no banks in Plymouth

Jan. 18, 1884 Plymouth National Bank is formed with T.C. Sherwood as president.

May 13, 1890 Plymouth National reorganized under state charter to Plymouth Savings Bank.

May 26, 1924 Peoples State Bank opens for business with \$50,000 capital.

1952- United Savings Bank, Plymouth's last independent, community-owned bank, is acquired.



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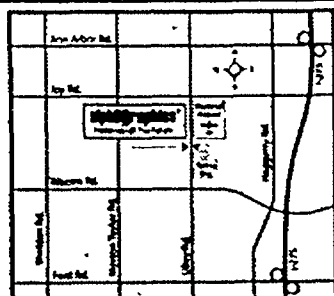
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New Liberty Bank Boardroom Captures Plymouth's History

A step into New Liberty Bank's board room is like a step back in time.

To demonstrate NLB's charm as a community bank, some of Plymouth's first publicly-held companies are displayed on the room's walls in black and white photos along with reproductions of the companies' stock certificates.

"This collection illustrates our identity as Plymouth's locally owned and operated bank," said NLB President and CEO Michael Weaver.

Included in the collection are two of Plymouth's early banks: The First National Bank and Plymouth United Savings Bank.

First National Bank was

organized in Plymouth Nov. 18, 1871 with E.J. Penniman as president. Plymouth United Savings Bank was formed through the consolidation of two local banks in the Spring of 1903.

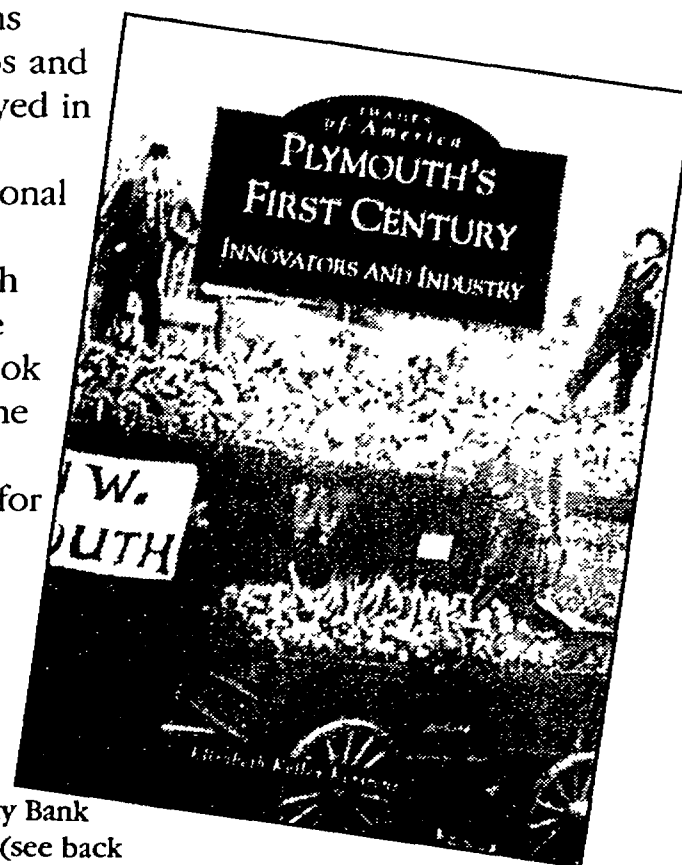
Other companies displayed are Flint Peré Marquette Railroad Company, Plymouth Fair Association, Alter Motor Car Company and Plymouth Iron Windmill Company (also known as the Daisy Air Rifle Factory).

Guests attending NLB's ribbon-cutting ceremony will have the opportunity to view the gallery and meet Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens, author of *Plymouth's First Century: Innovators and Industry*

(Arcadia, 2002). Kerstens helped select the photos and stock certificates displayed in the gallery.

Kerstens is a professional genealogist and head archivist at the Plymouth Historical Museum. Five signed copies of her book will be given away in the NLB Grand Opening Sweepstakes (see back for details).

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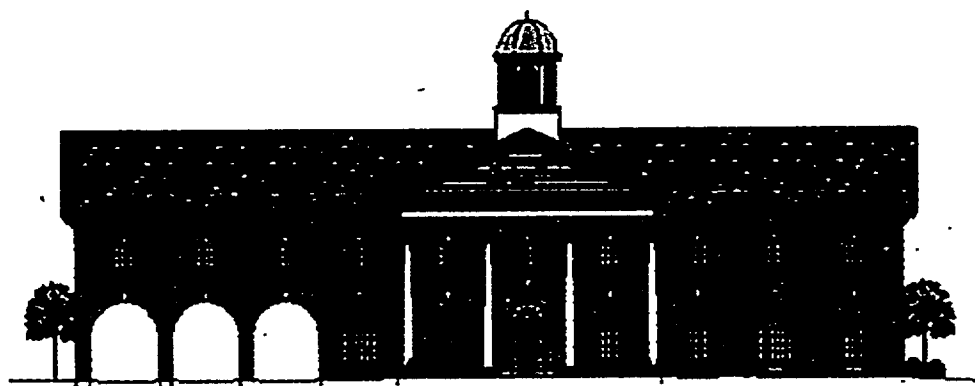
New Liberty Bank Opens New Headquarters On Ann Arbor Road

New Liberty Bank has opened its new headquarters and banking center at 1333 West Ann Arbor Road.

The 20,000 sq. ft., facility was built by Prestique Custom Builders of Canton. The project broke ground June 12, 2003.

"The community has watched the construction of our new banking center on Ann Arbor Road during the past year and soon they will see an increased presence of New Liberty Bank," said President and CEO Michael D. Weaver. "The completion of this project is just the beginning or an effort to expand our reach in servicing the community."

The new facility will have several features not available at the original



location including a drive-up ATM, three drive-thru teller lanes, and some unique amenities such as a cybercafé, concierge and kids korner.

The front of the building is customized with a backlit stained glass window featuring the NLB logo, created by Joseph Slezak. His wife, Margaret Slezak, is vice president and senior lender at NLB; both are longtime residents of Plymouth.

Since opening in March 2001, New Liberty Bank occupied a suite at the Charlestowne Square Plaza in downtown Plymouth. That branch has closed but may be a potential site for a second branch in the future.

The space of the new branch allows the bank to entertain its customers with innovative customer service concepts.

A concierge desk provides

customers with complimentary gourmet coffee and assists them with questions or in purchasing from the bank's collection of retail items.

The cybercafé is a convenient place for online banking or reading up on financial news. The staff also provides assistance with using the online banking system. The kids korner provides entertainment for children and is visible to parents from most of the bank lobby.

Locally owned and operated in Plymouth, New Liberty Bank provides a full range of personalized services for business and retail customers. New Liberty Bank reported total assets of \$61 million in October 2004.

A New Tradition of Community Banking



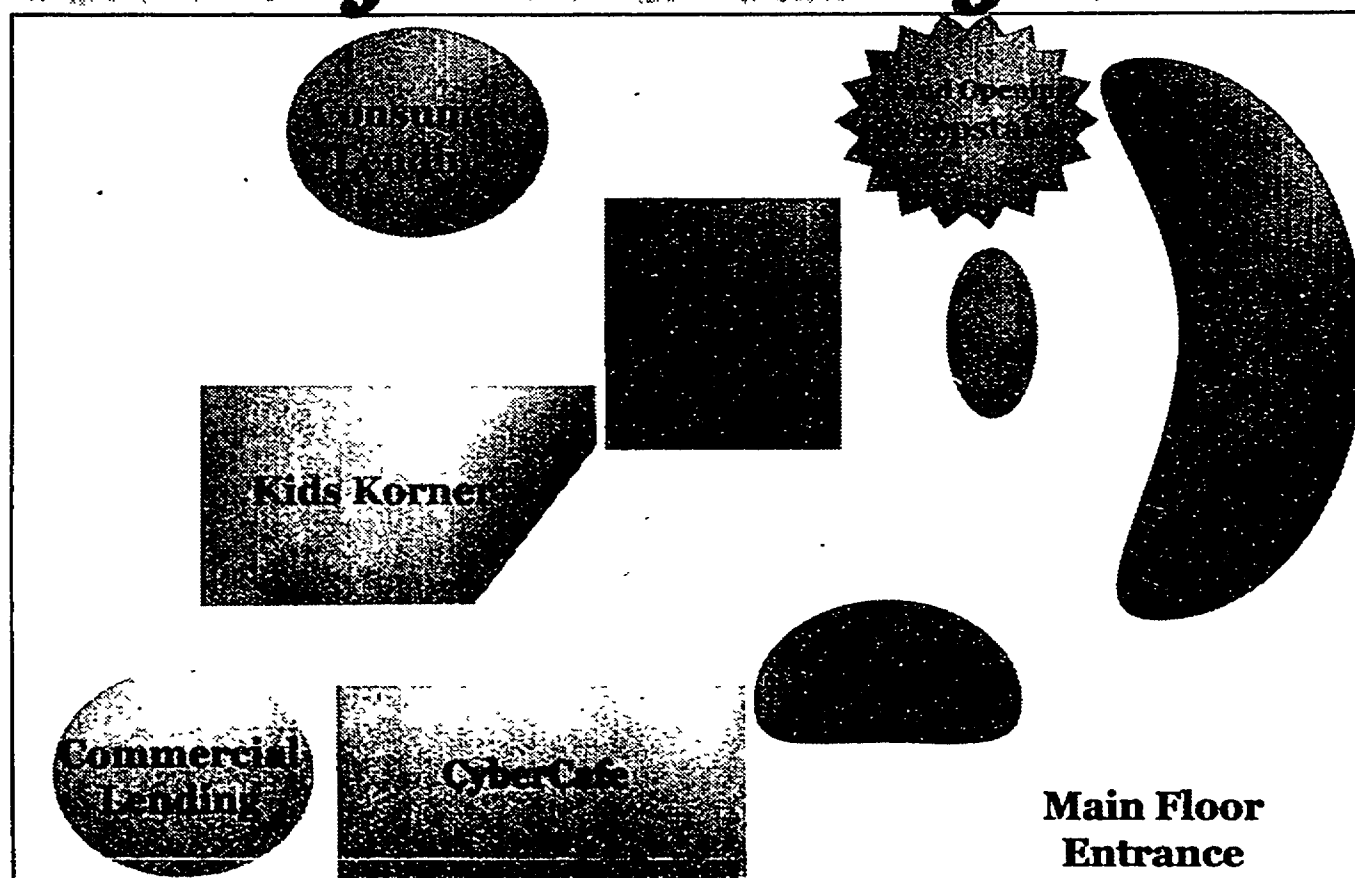
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Our team of experienced and courteous tellers is waiting to help you. We have several tellers available in our lobby in addition to three drive-thru lanes. You can also access our drive-up ATM 24 hours.

New Liberty Bank Celebrates Grand Opening December 6th-10th

In 1999, a group of veteran bankers came together to form a new community bank in Plymouth. Plymouth Financial Corporation was established as a bank-holding company and raised the capital for a new bank through

a private stock offering to Michigan residents.

Michael D. Weaver and William S. Graham, former regional bank president and a former vice president with Peoples State Bank, respectively, left their positions

after agreeing to purchase the Plymouth branch of that bank. Margaret Slezak, a senior lender at People's, played a key role in the acquisition, which included approximately \$16 million in deposits in addition to a loan portfolio.

"The trend was moving toward mega banks," Weaver said. "Above all, banking is a business about people. We wanted to refocus on that concept."

In addition to Weaver and Graham, the original Plymouth Financial Corporation/New Liberty Bank Board of Directors consisted of Wallace E. Smith, John E. Zafarana, Paul T. Bohlander and Genesio Masciulli.

NLB opened in the Charlestowne Square Plaza in March 2001. The management and staff included many longtime Plymouth bankers and a wealth of experience. The staff gained a reputation for knowing customers by name and providing personalized service. The bank operated from that location until moving to Ann Arbor Road in November.

"We realize the need to differentiate ourselves as a community bank," Weaver said. "We offer as many banking products as the national banks but our most important feature is our connection to the community."

Banking at New Liberty is good for the local economy. Deposits at New Liberty are re-invested locally through our lending."

In 2003, NLB doubled its assets and began building a new 20,000 square foot banking center on Ann Arbor Road (between Sheldon and Main). The bank will celebrate its Grand Opening Dec. 6-10.

NLB is still locally owned and operated and reported total assets of \$61 million in October 2004.

At a Glance:

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New Liberty Introduces New Site, Online Business Banking

New Liberty Bank has upgraded more than its new location.

The bank's website, www.newlibertybank.com, has been revamped with a new look, interactive features and more information about the bank's products and services.

"We have improved our presence in the community with our new building and we wanted to emulate that with our website," said Nancy Foutch, NLB information systems officer.

The site's navigation includes Personal Banking, Business Banking, Online Banking, Community and About Us.

Under the Personal Banking tab, visitors will find calculators

for college planning, home affordability, rent vs. buy comparison, retirement planning and installment loans.

"The calculators help make our site a desired location for

people engaged in financial planning," Foutch said. "They are also easy and fun to use."

The bank has also increased its product portfolio with the addition of online banking for

business. Business customers have 24-hour banking access while improving time efficiency and reducing their workload. An online demonstration is available.

"This product allows our business customers to focus more time on their business," said Pam Hendrickson, NLB operations specialist. "Our personal banking customers have been using a similar product for some time and have been very happy with the convenience."

The revamped site came online in November and was designed and developed by Crowe Chizek and Company of Grand Rapids.



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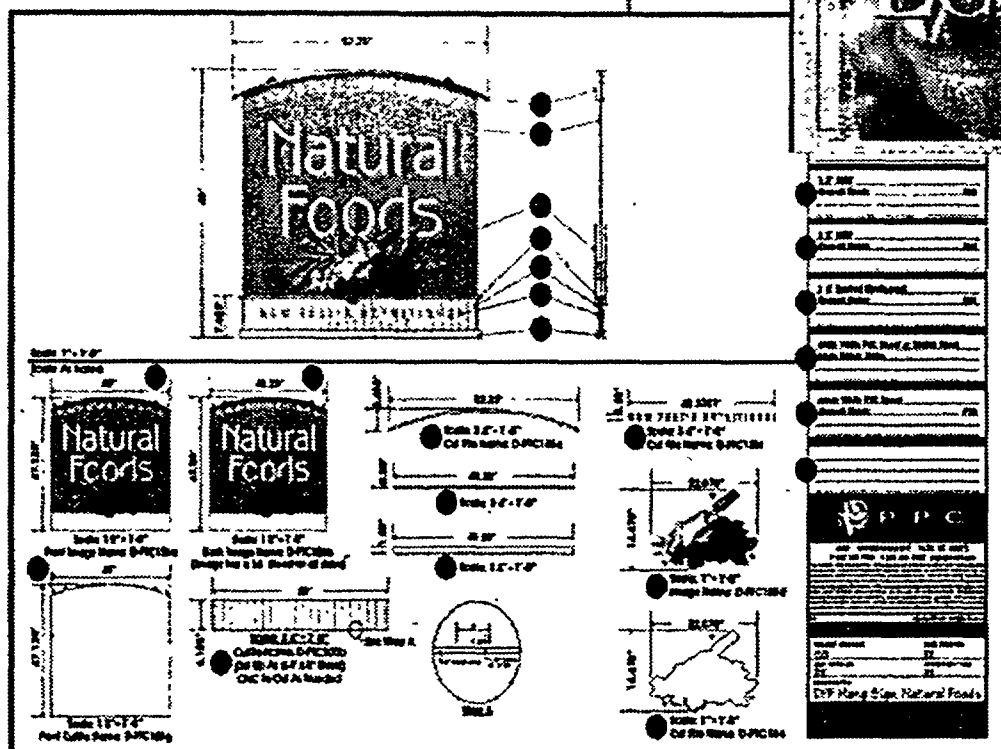


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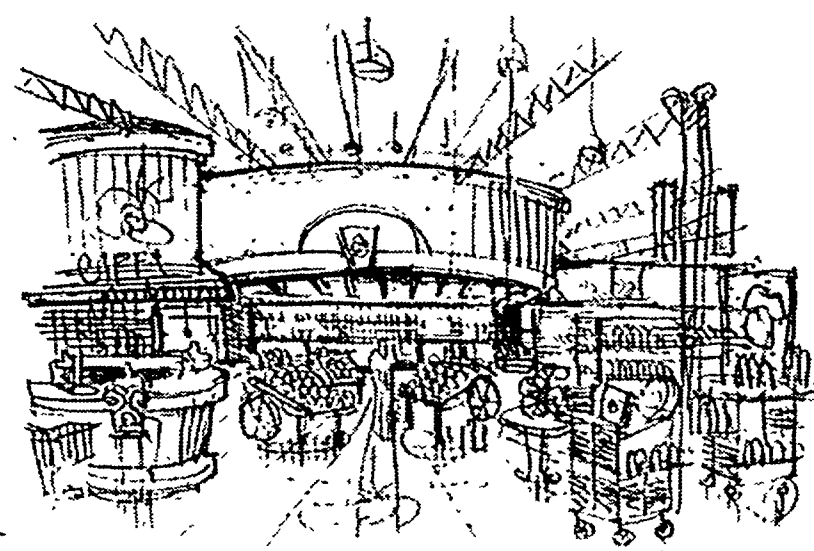
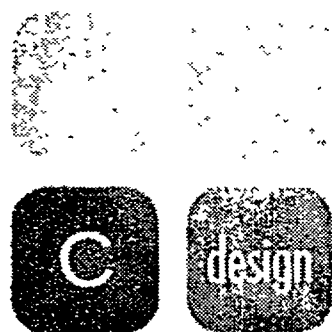
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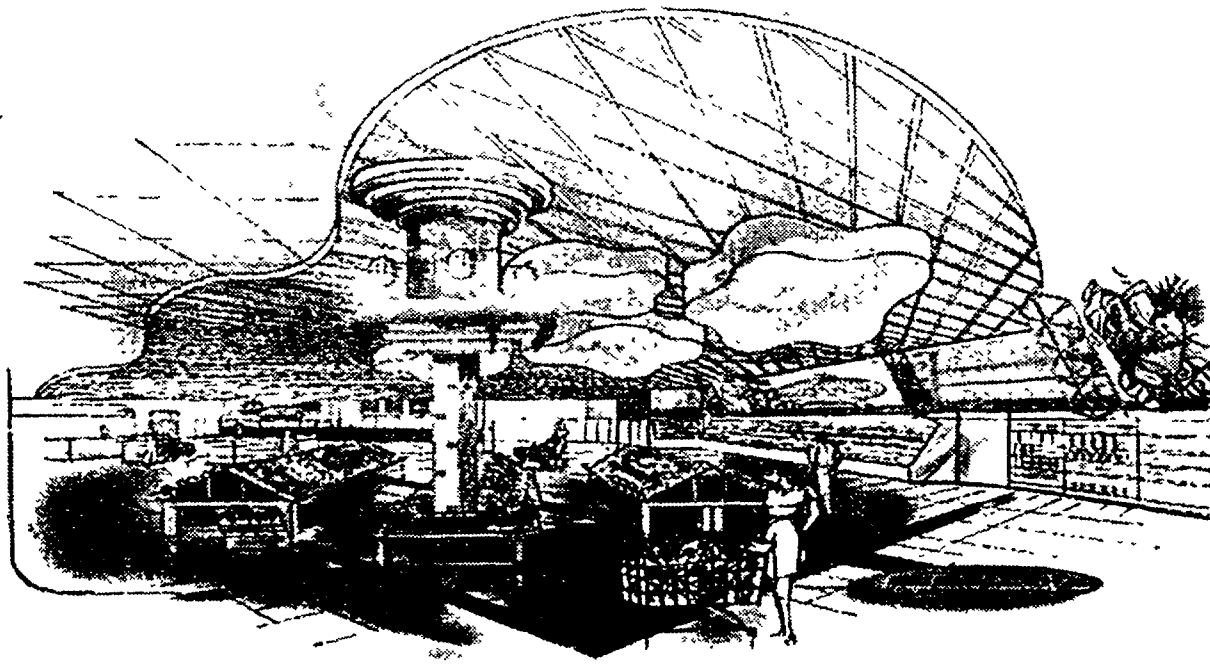
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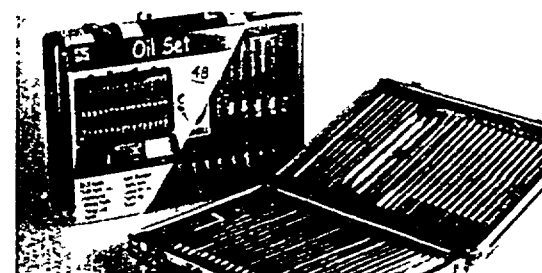


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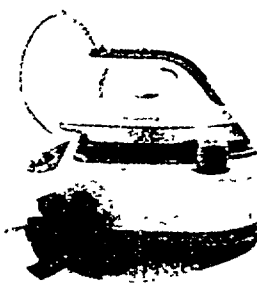
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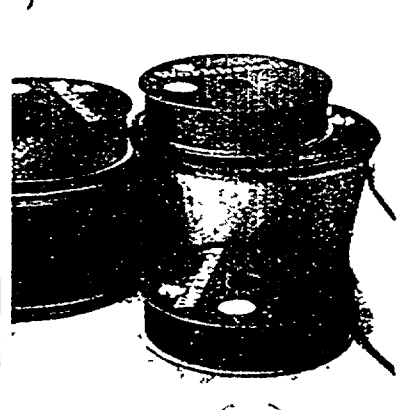
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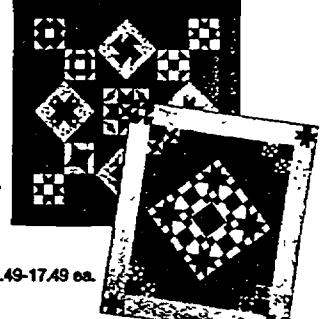


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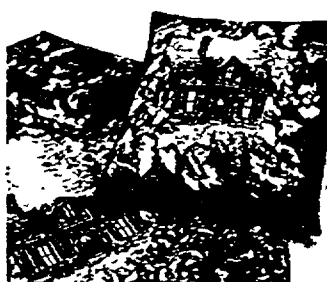


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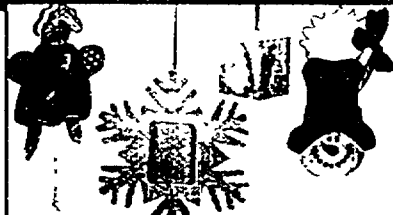
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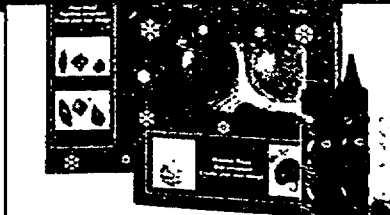
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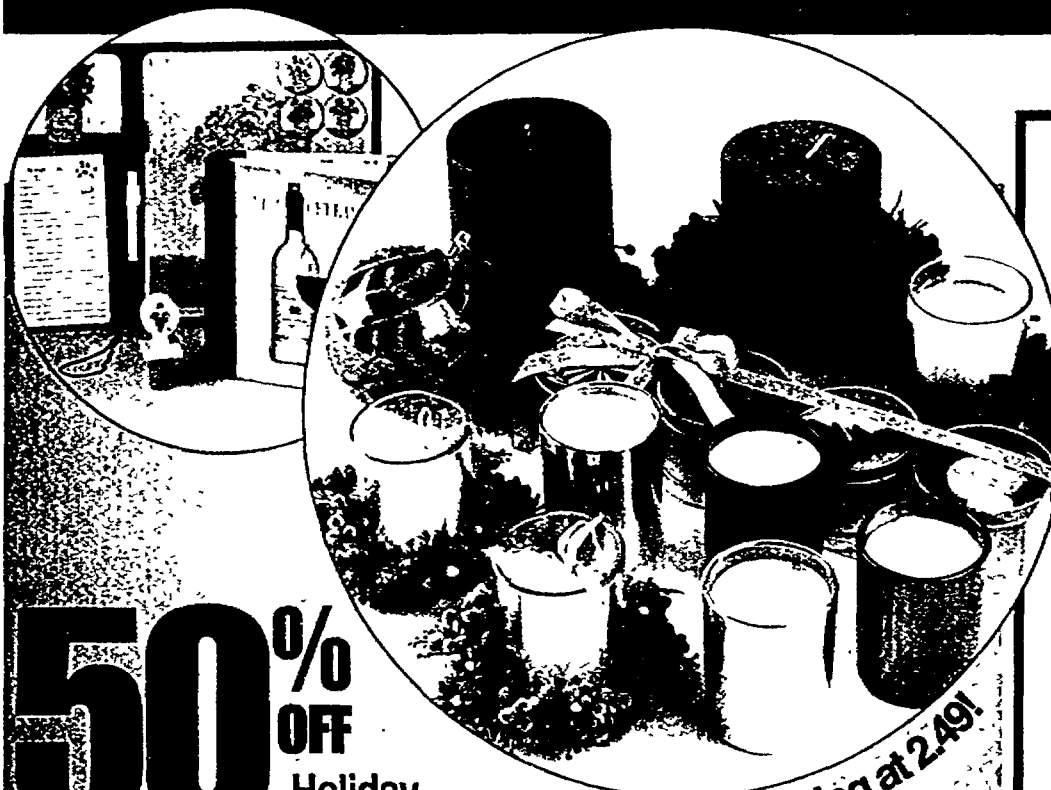
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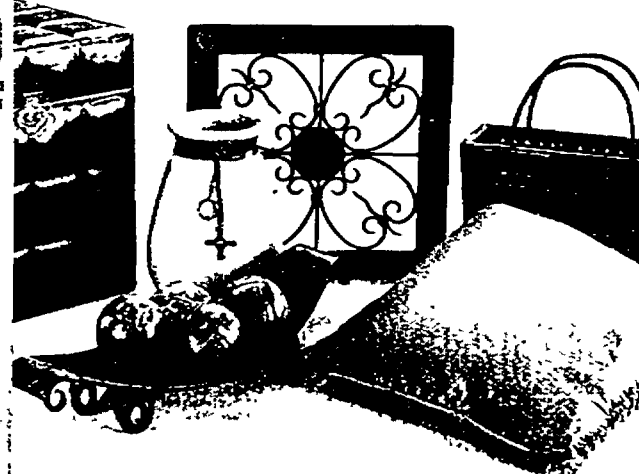
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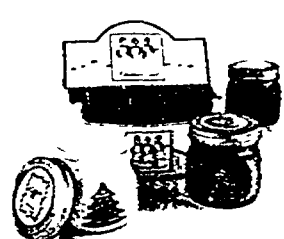
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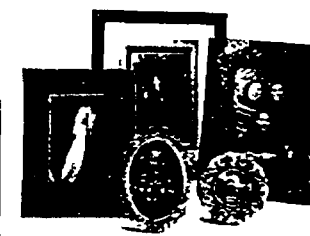
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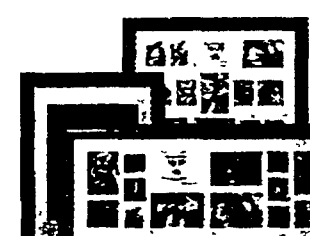
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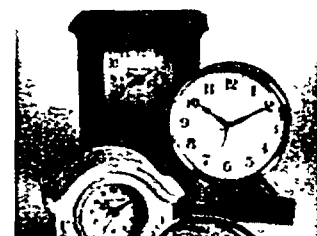
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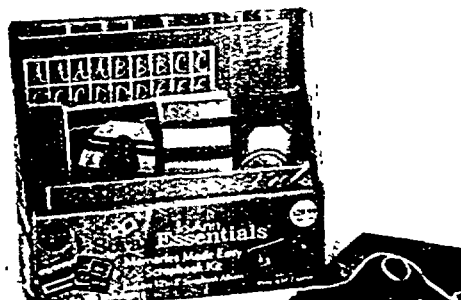
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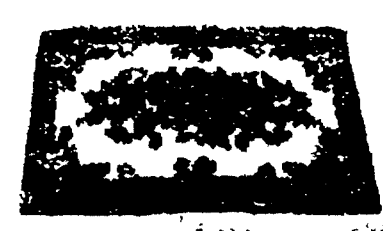
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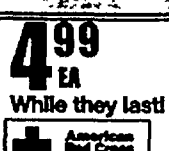


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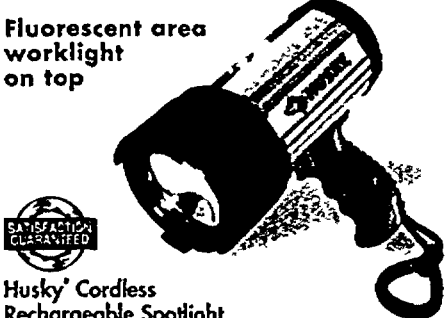
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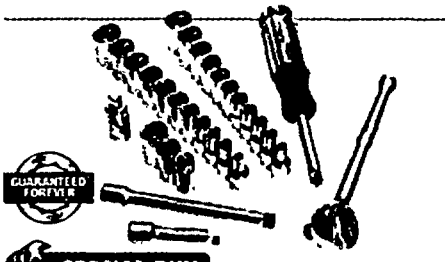
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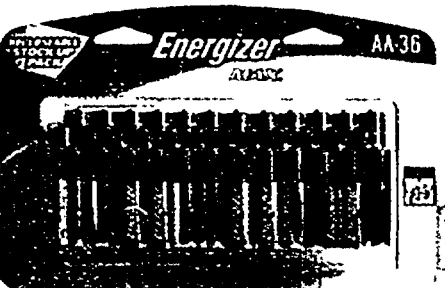
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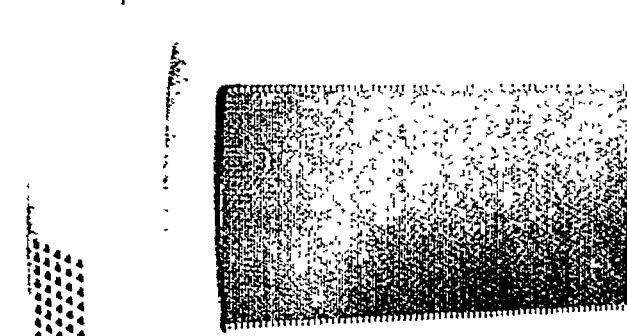
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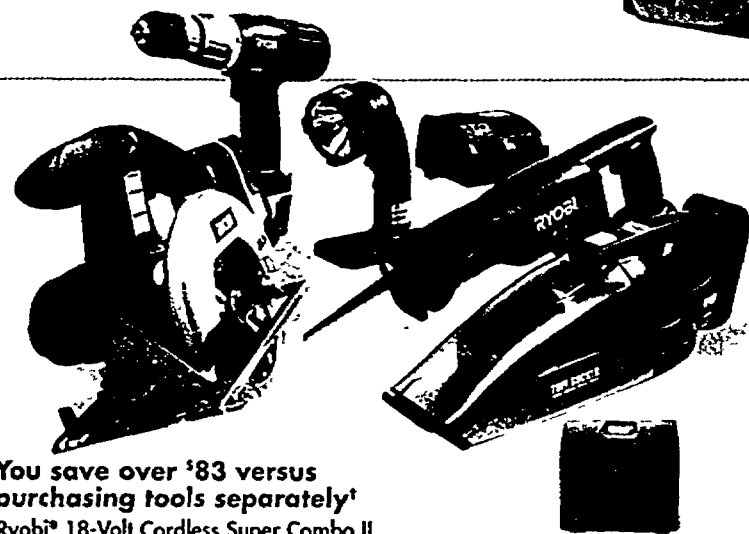
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Ryobi® "The Works" Cordless 18-Volt, 8-Piece Combo Kit Includes 1/2" drill with 2-speed gearbox and 445 in./lbs. of torque, reciprocating saw with variable speed and toolless blade change, 5-1/2" circular saw with carbide-tipped blade, jigsaw, chainsaw, flashlight, sonic measuring device, TuffSucker™ wet/dry vac with tools, 28-piece bit set, 2 rechargeable batteries, 1-hour charger and rolling duffle bag CK818K (167144)

\$249

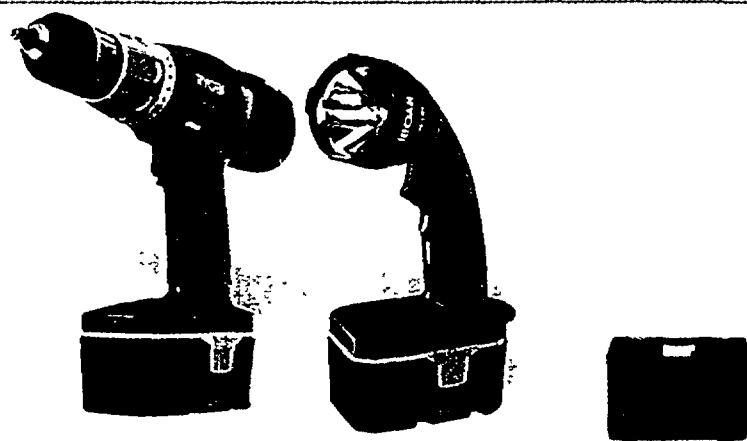


You save over \$83 versus purchasing tools separately!

Ryobi® 18-Volt Cordless Super Combo II

Includes 1/2" drill with bits, 5-1/2" circular saw with carbide-tipped blade, edge guide and wrench, reciprocating saw with tool-free blade change and 2 general purpose blades, Tuff-Sucker™ wet/dry vac with crevice tool, brush and squeegee, flashlight, 2 rechargeable batteries, 1-hour charger and case.

\$169 HP518MK2 (200706)



NEW Ryobi® 18-Volt Drill/Driver Kit with Flashlight

2-speed range gear box for high torque applications, 0-350/0-1300 RPM. Die cast clutch cap with 24-positions to control torque output. 2-position level with removable top mount for convenience and accuracy. Includes 2 rechargeable batteries, 1-hour charger, 2 double ended bits, flashlight and case.

\$89⁹⁷ P810 (338116)

Total savings based on individual retail price of all tools in combo kit. Not all combo kit tools are stocked for individual retail sale, but may be special ordered upon customer request.

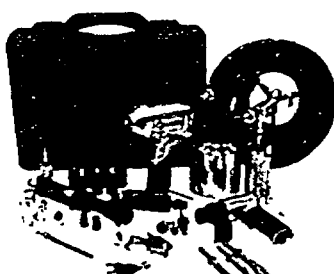
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A Home Depot Exclusive
Husky® 32-Gallon Oil-Free Compressor with Tool and Accessory Kit
The easy way to put the power of Husky air-tools in your hands and the included accessory kit makes it an even better value. The compressor has 5.5 Peak HP/1.7 Running HP and 150 PSI maximum pressure. VL660899AJ (559202)

\$299 Only \$13 a month*



6-Piece Air Tool Kit
Included - over a \$220 value.

Includes New Deflation Feature and Accessory Kit.



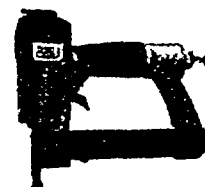
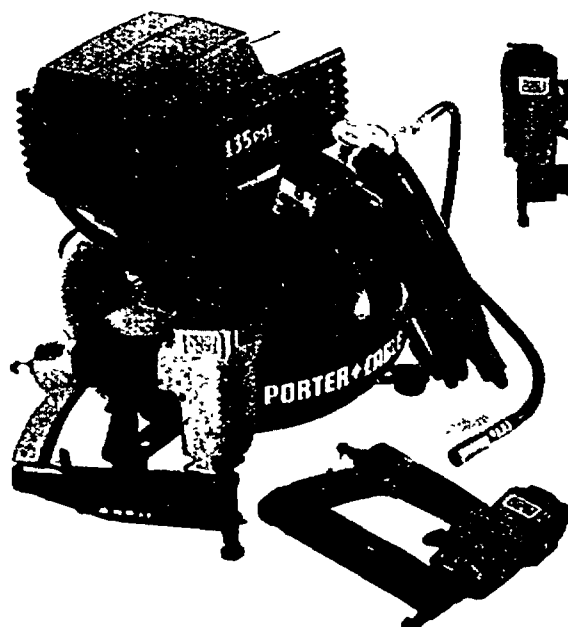
NEW
A Home Depot® Exclusive
Husky® Easy Air To Go™ Fully Shrouded Compressor
Telescoping handle and wheels for easier mobility. 135 max PSI and 2.0 SCFM @ 90 PSI.

\$119 Y1010 (496555)



NEW Stinger® 1.75 Peak HP 2.5-Gallon Wet/Dry Vac
Blowing feature for cleaning hard to reach places. Compact, lightweight, maneuverable. Includes 10' cord, 1.25" utility nozzle, car nozzle and a 6' hose.

\$26⁹⁷ WD2000 (335204)



FREE Narrow Crown Stapler, an \$89 value.
By Mail-In Rebate with Purchase of Combo Kit

Now 3 Nailers for the price of one! Over \$250 in savings versus purchasing this kit separately!

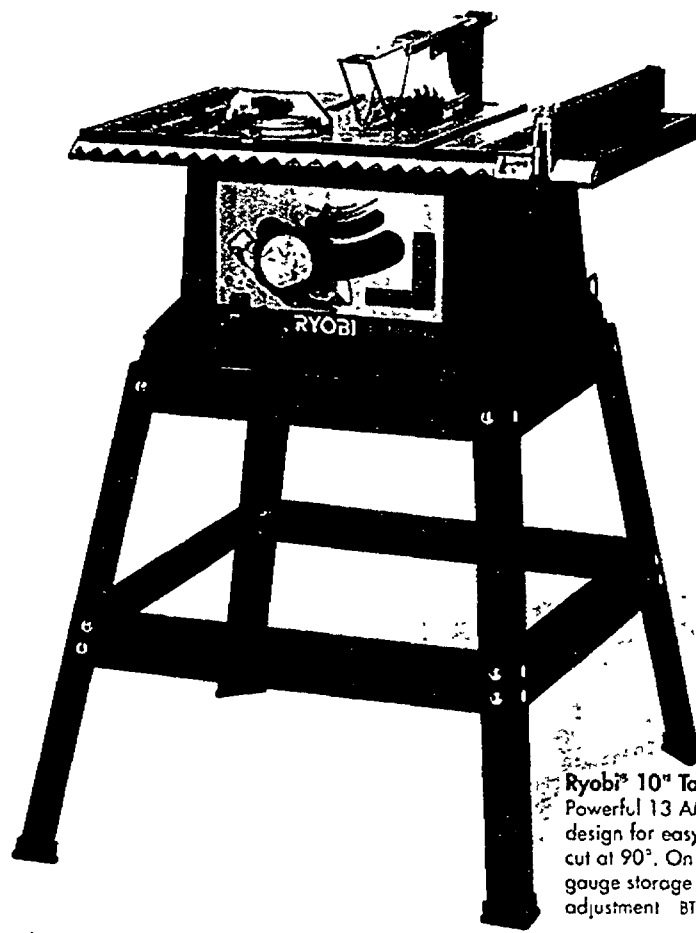
Porter Cable® Finish and Brad Nailer Combo Kit
Includes 2-1/2" finish nailer, 1-1/4" brad nailer, 6-gallon compressor, 25' PVC hose, nail gun oil, wrenches, 1/4" plug, all couplers and fittings and box of 1000 count finish nails. CFFN250N (250578)

\$299 Only \$13 a month*

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YOUR CHOICE \$87

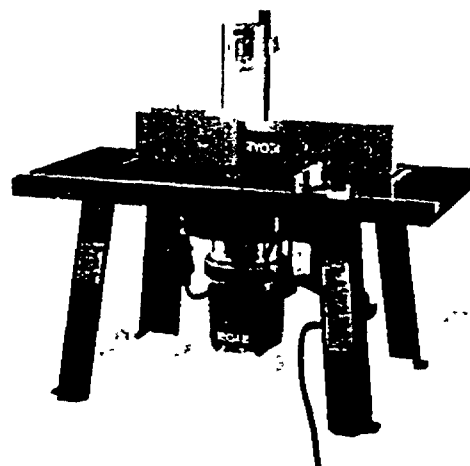
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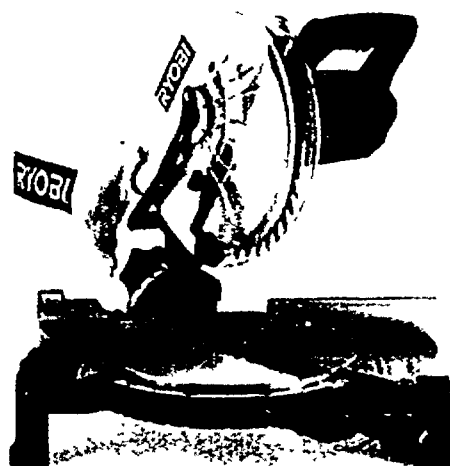
Ryobi® 10" Table Saw with Stand
Powerful 13 AMP motor. Lightweight design for easy transport. 3" maximum cut at 90°. On board wrench and miter gauge storage. Rack and pinion blade adjustment. BTS10S (418826)



Ryobi® 4"x36" Belt and 6" Disc Sander
Belt can be positioned horizontally or vertically between 0° and 90°. Adjustable die cast aluminum table with miter gauge. BD4600 (281657)



Ryobi® Router Table Combo
8 AMP router with die-cast aluminum base and spindle lock. Use router under the table or as a hand held router. Durable cast aluminum table construction with 336 sq. in. of work surface. R161RTA (402114)

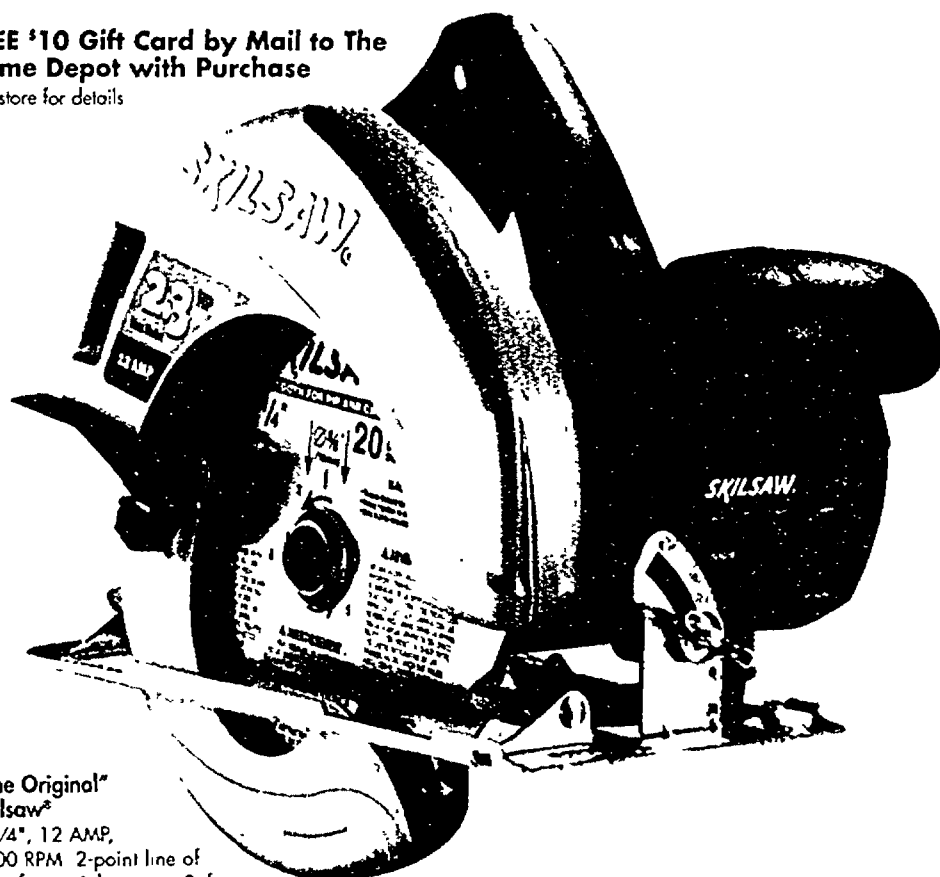


Ryobi® 10" Compound Miter Saw
Heavy-duty 14 AMP motor. Horizontal D-handle for improved comfort. Dual-view bevel scale can be seen from either the right or left side. Spindle lock for easy single wrench blade changes. 9 positive stops at the most common miter cutting angles. Carbide tipped blade. TS1340 (179469)

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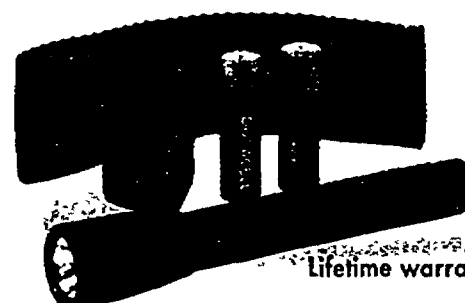
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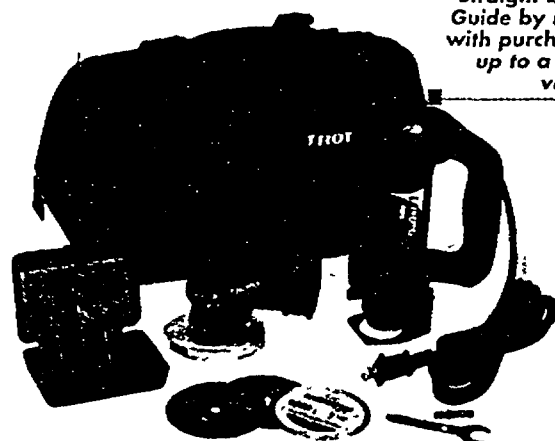
"The Original" Skilsaw®
7-1/4", 12 AMP, 4600 RPM. 2-point line of sight for straighter cuts. Safety lock-off reduces accidental starts. Clear-view depth adjustment and anti-sag lower guard. Includes on-board wrench and 20 tooth utility blade.

\$38.66 5400 01 (343803)



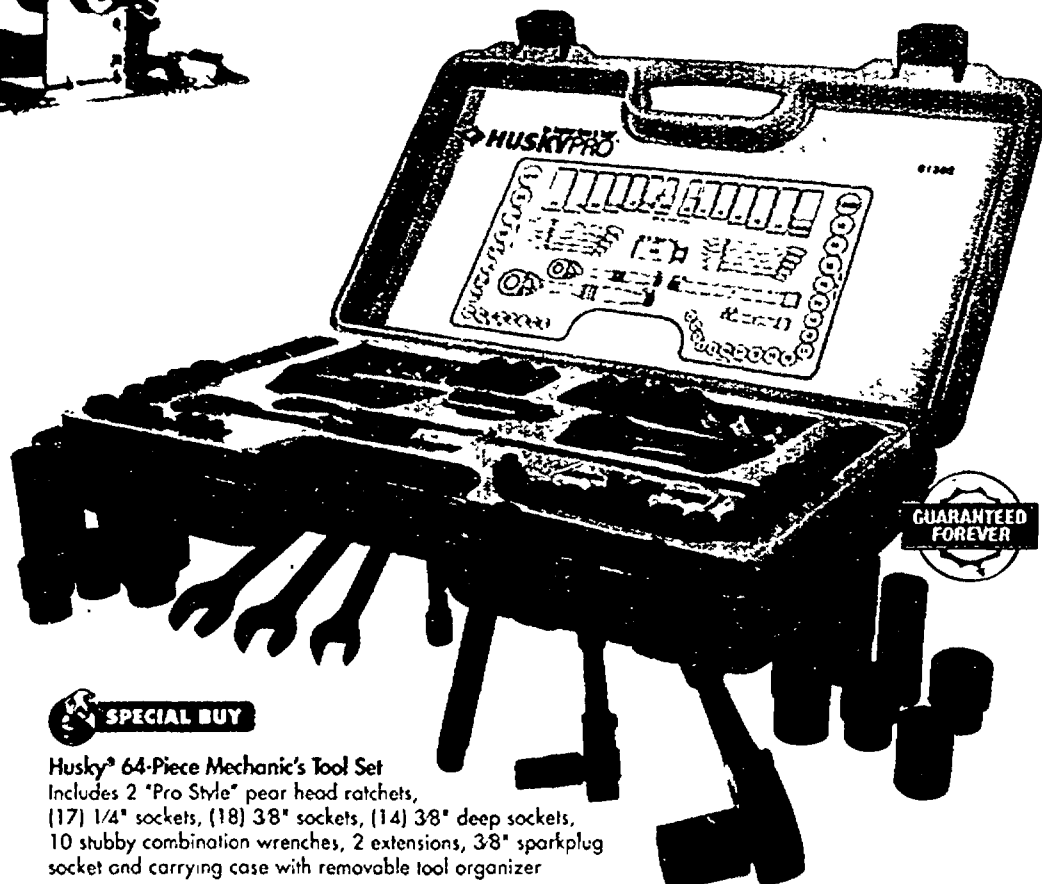
AA Mini-Mag-Lite® with Holster
Assorted colors to choose from. Spot to flood focusing beam. Spare bulb in tail cap. Includes 2 AA batteries, spare lenses, anti shock/anti-roll ring and holster.

\$7.68 JM2AHNR (122963)



Rotozip® RZ5 Cut-Off Kit
Quick-release detachable handle. Dust-sealed switch. Soft grip body for comfort. High strength plastic adjustable foot allows depth of cut up to 1". 3 jaw chuck for quick, easy and wrenchless bit changes.

\$99.97 RZ05 2100 (471382)



SPECIAL BUY

Husky® 64-Piece Mechanic's Tool Set
Includes 2 "Pro Style" pear head ratchets, (17) 1/4" sockets, (18) 3/8" sockets, (14) 3/8" deep sockets, 10 stubby combination wrenches, 2 extensions, 3/8" sparkplug socket and carrying case with removable tool organizer.

\$59.96 was \$89.99 61305 (256510)

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Circle Cutter and
Straight Edge
Guide by mail
with purchase,
up to a \$30
value

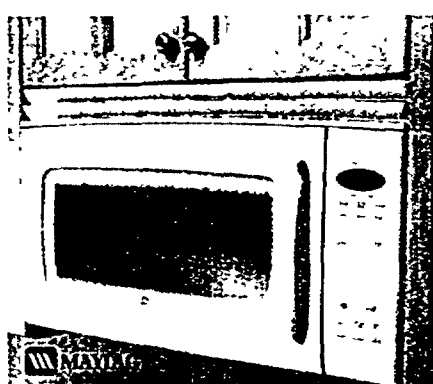
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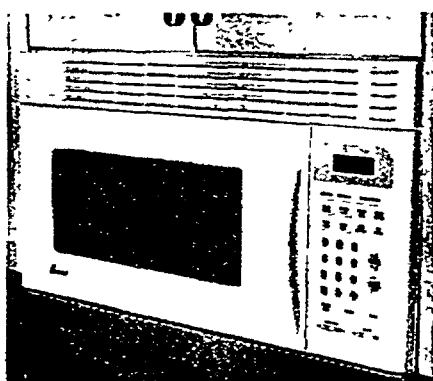
You can do it. We can help.



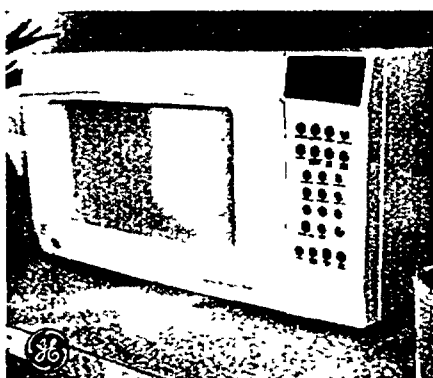
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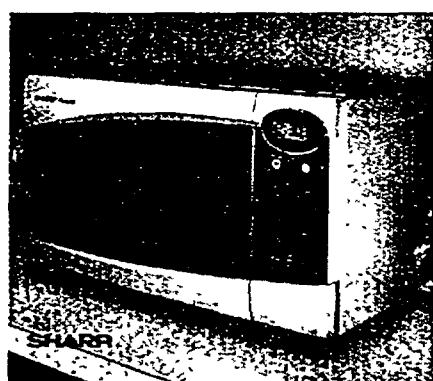
Only at The Home Depot
2.0 Cu. Ft. Over-the-Range Microwave
1,150 Watts Auto-Cook options Available
in white, black or bisque Stainless
steel available at additional cost
MMV4205AAW/B/Q
\$299 Only \$13
per month.*



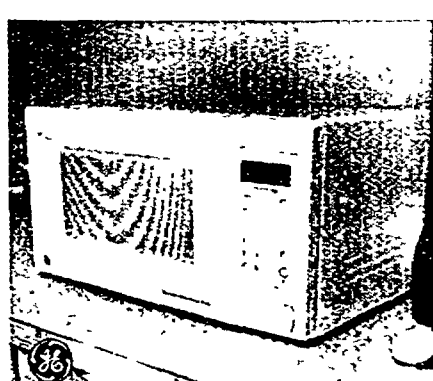
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1.5 Cu. Ft. Over-the-Range Microwave
1000 watts. Available in white, black
or bisque Stainless steel available at
additional cost
MC0153UW/B/Q (430618 436240, 444282) \$149



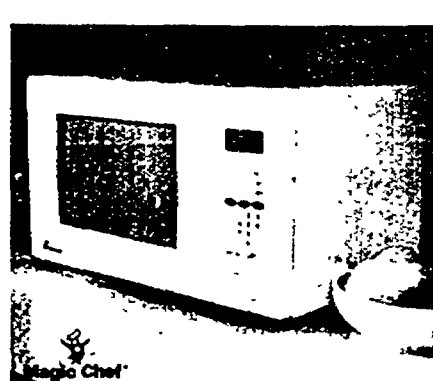
1.4 Cu. Ft. Microwave Oven
1100 Watts Sensor controls Auto
and time defrost Child lockout
JES1456WJ/BJ (266655, 267399) \$79.99



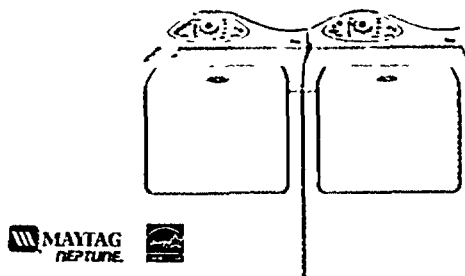
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1.0 Cu. Ft. Silver Microwave Oven
1100 Watts 11 variable power levels
Programmable for 3 cooking stages
R303JS (22227) \$69.99



.8 Cu. Ft. Microwave Oven
800 Watts 10-power levels 3 menu 1-
touch pre-programmed cooking options
JES831WF (276039) \$49.99

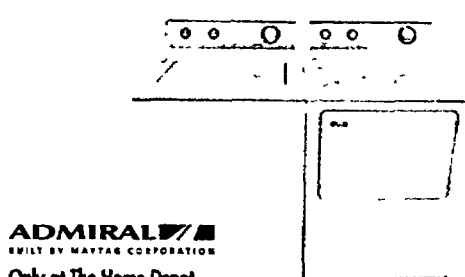


.7 Cu. Ft. Microwave
700 Watts 10 variable power levels 1 touch
pre-programmed cooking options
MCD760W (343605) \$39.99



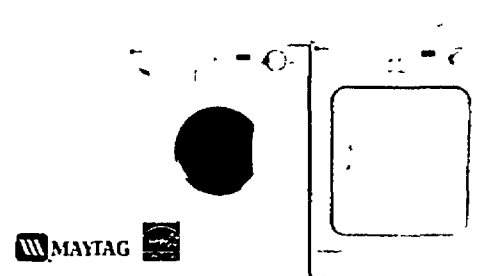
Neptune® Washer
Saves up to \$100 per year
in water and energy*.
MAH55FLBWW (Depot Direct 185546)
\$799
Only \$23 per month.*
*See page 5 for details

Neptune® Dryer**
Gas dryer available at
additional cost.
MDE5500AYW (Depot Direct 204396)
\$699
Only \$22 per month.*



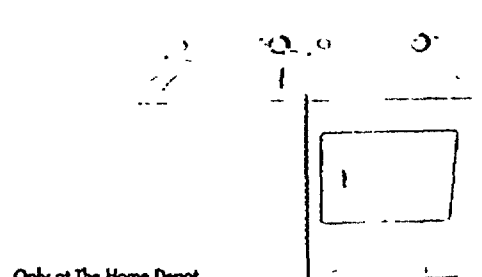
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Super Capacity Washer
3.3 cu. ft. super capacity
washer. AAV7000AWW
(583967, Depot Direct 573207)
\$319
Only \$13 per month.*

Super Capacity Dryer**
7.1 cu. ft. capacity. Automatic
dryness control. ADE7000AYW
(584035, Depot Direct 573210)
\$299
Only \$13 per month.*



NEW!
Front-Load Washer
TurboClean™ wash system
cleans without an agitator.
MAH2400AWW (389674, Depot
Direct 390029)
\$699
Only \$22 per month.*

Front-Load Dryer**
Fits in tight spaces, under
counters or stacked
MDE2400AYW (389725, Depot
Direct 390059)
\$499
Only \$16 per month.*



Only at The Home Depot
Super Capacity Washer
Electro-mechanical controls
Single action agitator. 2
speed combinations.
(155570, Depot Direct 326177)
\$259
Only \$13 per month.*

Super Capacity Dryer**
Auto Dry — Uses thermostats
to monitor air temperature
and reduce fabric wear
(575292, Depot Direct 561986)
\$239
Only \$10 per month.*

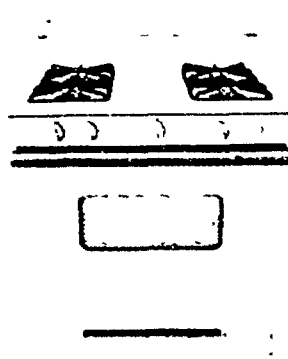
NO PAYMENTS NO INTEREST UNTIL Plus FREE Delivery in as little as 48 hours**



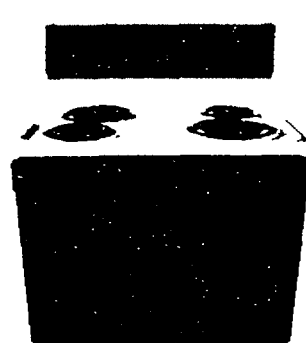
MAYTAG Legacy Series

Only at The Home Depot
Super Capacity Washer
With a FlexCore™ agitator, you can expect
outstanding cleaning that is gentle on
clothes. Commercial quality 11 cycles and
extra time option. FlexCore™ agitator
(421094, Depot Direct 544372)
\$399 Only \$17 per month.*

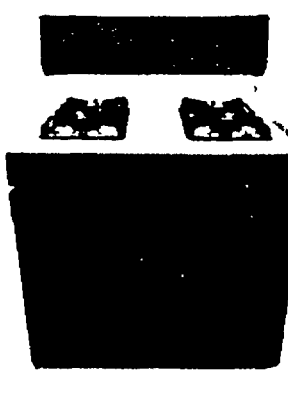
Super Capacity Dryer
This commercial-quality dryer has a soft side
too. The GentleBreeze™ drying system
expertly cares for your delicates. 4 temperature
settings 7-15 cu. ft. capacity 12 cycles.
SDE305DAYW (421103, Depot Direct 546038)
\$379 Only \$17 per month.*



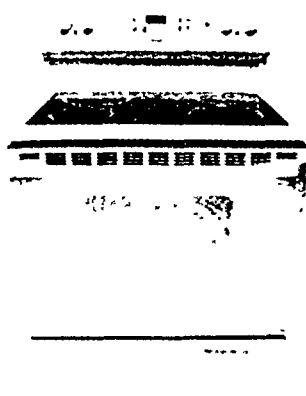
Americana
30" Gas Range
Extra large oven
capacity All purpose
burners Standard grates
Porcelain upswept cook-
top. Lift-up cooktop
AGB300PWV
(221203, Depot Direct 206939)
\$269
Only \$13 per month.*



HOTPOINT
30" Self-Cleaning
Electric Range
Super-large oven capacity
Coil heating elements
Electronic oven controls
Standard window
RB7576HWH
(171016, Depot Direct 343264)
\$319
Only \$13 per month.*



HOTPOINT
30" Self-Cleaning
Gas Range
Sealed burners. Extra
large oven capacity.
Maximum output burner.
Precise simmer burner.
RGB740BETHWH
(130949, Depot Direct 523449)
\$399
Only \$17 per month.*



HOTPOINT
30" Self-Cleaning
Electric Range
Radiant glass cooktop
Super-large oven
capacity. Monochromatic
styling Ribbon
heating elements
RB787VHWW
(440055, Depot Direct 343825)
\$399
Only \$17 per month.*

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25.6 Cu. Ft. Side-by-Side Refrigerator
Electronic cubed/crushed ice. PuriClean II retractable water and ice filter. QuietSeries 100 sound silencing system.
MSD2651HEW
(331463, Depot Direct 571725)

\$999

Only \$28 per month.*
Stainless steel available at additional cost



17.9 Cu. Ft. Refrigerator
Upfront temperature controls. Adjustable glass shelves. Vegetable/fruit crispers. Gallon door storage. NeverClean™ condenser. Quiet design.
GTS18GBRWV
(513247, Depot Direct 504791)

\$399

Only \$17 per month.*

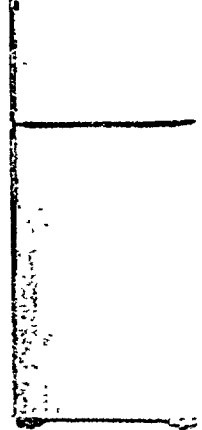


15.8 Cu. Ft. Refrigerator
Upfront temperature controls. Adjustable glass shelves. Vegetable/fruit crispers. Gallon door storage. NeverClean™ condenser. Quiet design significantly reduces operating noise.
(513112, Depot Direct 502485)

\$319

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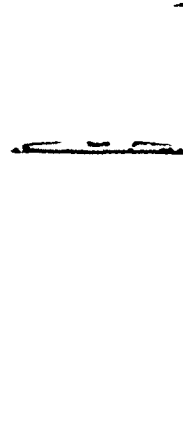
Only \$13 per month.*



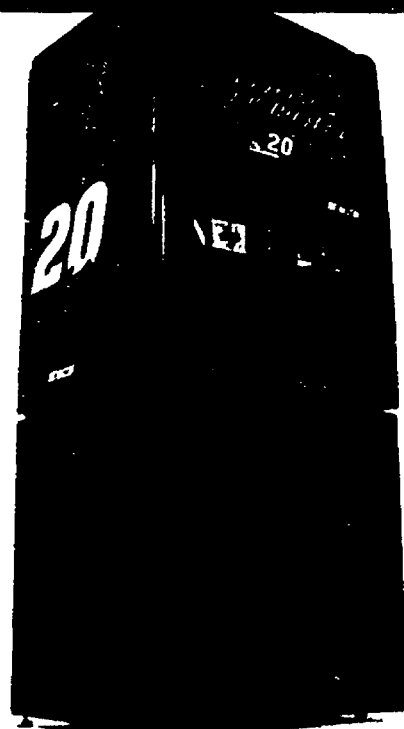
Only at The Home Depot
10.0 Cu. Ft. Refrigerator
Frost free. 2 wire racks. Can storage rack. 2 liter bottle storage. Reversible doors.
MCBR1000W
(544474)

\$279

Only \$13 per month.*



The Coolest Gifts!



Choose your favorite team!

Stand provides extra storage!



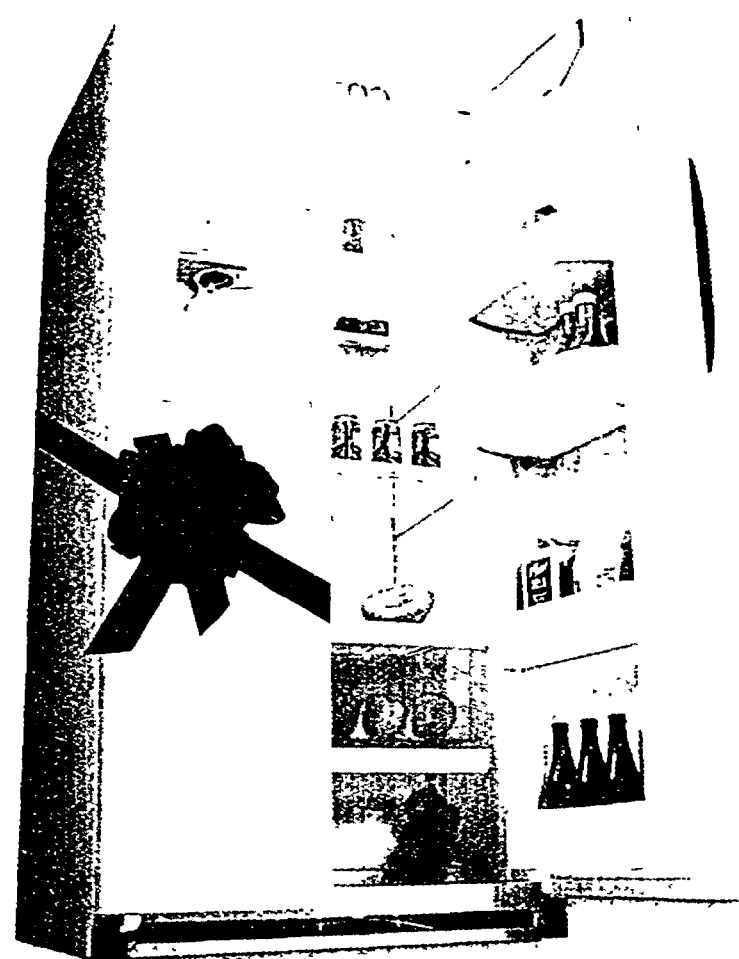
Skybox™ by Maytag™
Personal Beverage Vendor
Holds 64 12-oz. cans, 32 12-oz. bottles or a combination of each. Available in black or platinum.
*Stand and team panels sold separately.
MBV1976AAB/P (171860, 181602)

\$499 That's only \$16 per month.*

Skybox Stand! \$699
(181565, 181628)

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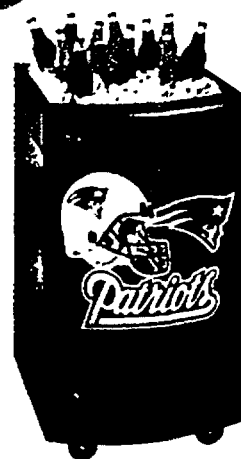


\$699

Only \$22 a month.*

24.9 Cu. Ft. Refrigerator

Water and ice dispenser. 3 adjustable fresh food glass shelves. 4 fresh food door shelves, 2 with adjustable gallon storage. 5 wire freezer compartment shelves, 3 are adjustable. Filtered ice and water.
(119832, Depot Direct 329002)



Removable snack/ice tray



Only at The Home Depot
"Rookie"
The perfect mini-fridge for a sports fan. 2.8 cu. ft. with rack for 30 bottles or cans. Top holds CDs or fill with ice.
MBR1980AAB (266544)

\$199

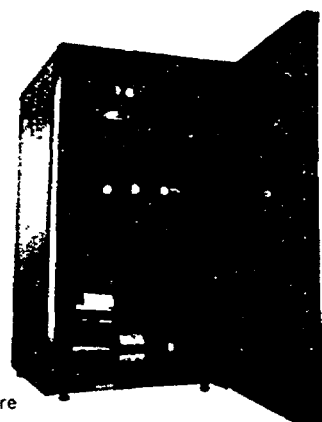
*Sports logo panels for The Skybox and Rookie are only available for purchase online at homedepot.skyboxbymaytag.com

Bonus



Special Buy
Only at The Home Depot
52 Bottle Wine Cooler
With Bonus Opener
Adjustable temperature control. Auto defrost system. On/Off interior light. Sculpted shelves. Amber glass door.
MCWC52B (600068)

\$149



Only at The Home Depot
Jetclean II Dishwasher
This dishwasher's tall tub has the largest usable capacity*, so you can wash more dishes with a single cycle. 3 wash arms / 4 wash cycles.
MDBH940AWW/B
(581750, 581739 Depot Direct 581717, 581701)

\$349

Only \$13 per month.*
Stainless steel available at additional cost



Only at The Home Depot
Built-In Dishwasher
Available in black, white or bisque. Standard wash system with 2 wash levels. HotStart™ option. Pushbutton controls with dial. 5 cycle/22 option selections.
GSD2600GB8/WW/CC
(114206, 114174, 519460, Depot Direct 109917, 108937, 480021)

\$259

Only \$13 per month.*
Priced lower in stores



Only at The Home Depot
Built-In Dishwasher
Trimless Door for a seamless look. Deluxe lower rack accommodates large plates and broiler pans. QuietPower™ motor. Available in white, black, or bisque.
ADW1000KWW
(387282, Depot Direct 381286)

\$179

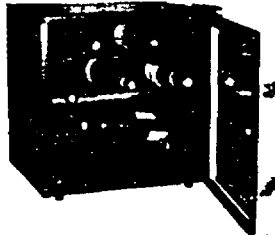
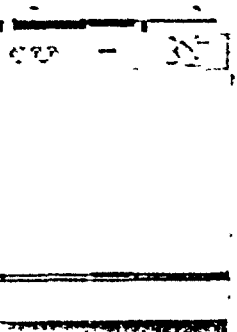
Only \$10 per month.*



Built-In Dishwasher
Trimless door design. Deluxe lower rack accommodates large plates and broiler pans. QuietPower™ motor. Available in white, black, or bisque.
HDA3400GWW/B8/CC
(265405, 180469, 258492, Depot Direct 446097, 172774, 172888)

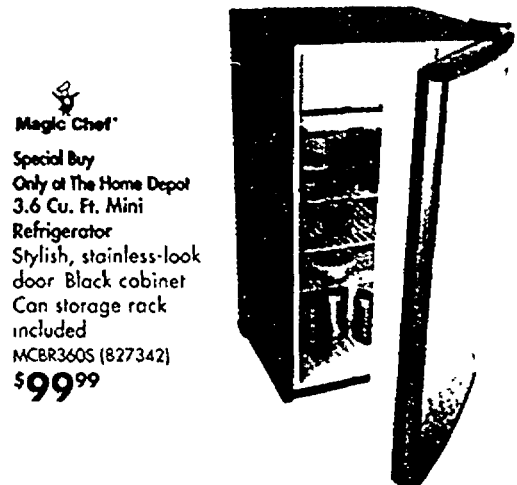
\$219

Only \$10 per month.*



Only at The Home Depot
16 Bottle Wine Cooler
Deluxe stainless steel handle. Variable temperature control for white and red wines.
MCWC16MCG (394112)

\$999



*Based on DOE test method compared to competitive conventional washer, 10 loads per week, average water and sewer rates, 20 oz. electrical rate and dryer saving. Savings will vary depending on utility rates, model replaced and usage.

*Offer valid through 2/21/06 by mail-in rebate with any appliance purchase totaling \$399 or more delivered through Depot Direct. Normal Depot Direct delivery terms apply. Delivery not available in some areas. Offer valid in US and Puerto Rico. Not valid with any other offer. Offer only available at The Home Depot. See rebate form for redemption details. Maximum rebate \$50.

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*As measured by usable rack volume, based on standard size dishwashers.

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OVER 2000 APPLIANCES - PLUS FREE DELIVERY



FREE Laser Level
by Mail with Purchase
See Store for Details



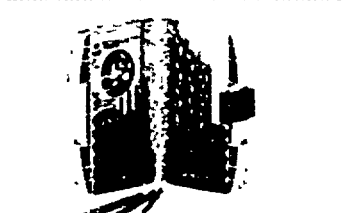
Black & Decker®
14.4-Volt GelMax™ Drill Kit
Includes 3/8" drill, studfinder, flashlight,
(6) 1" bit tips, magnetic bit tip holder,
2 rechargeable batteries, charger, (2)
AA batteries and storage bag
\$79⁹⁷ CD14GSF-2 (359327)



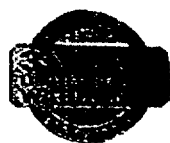
Black & Decker®
6-Volt Pivot Plus™ Screwdriver
3-position drill and driver. 5" integrated
tape measure. Integrated light illuminates
work surface. High-speed for drilling
holes and low-speed for driving screws
\$29⁶⁶ PD600 (165861)



Ryobi® 6" Grinder with Work Light
3 AMP, 3600 RPM. Quiet, smooth
operation. Includes cast iron tool rests,
eye shields, spark guards, and
(2) 6" grinding wheels
BGH615 (625555)
\$29⁹⁷ was \$39⁹⁷



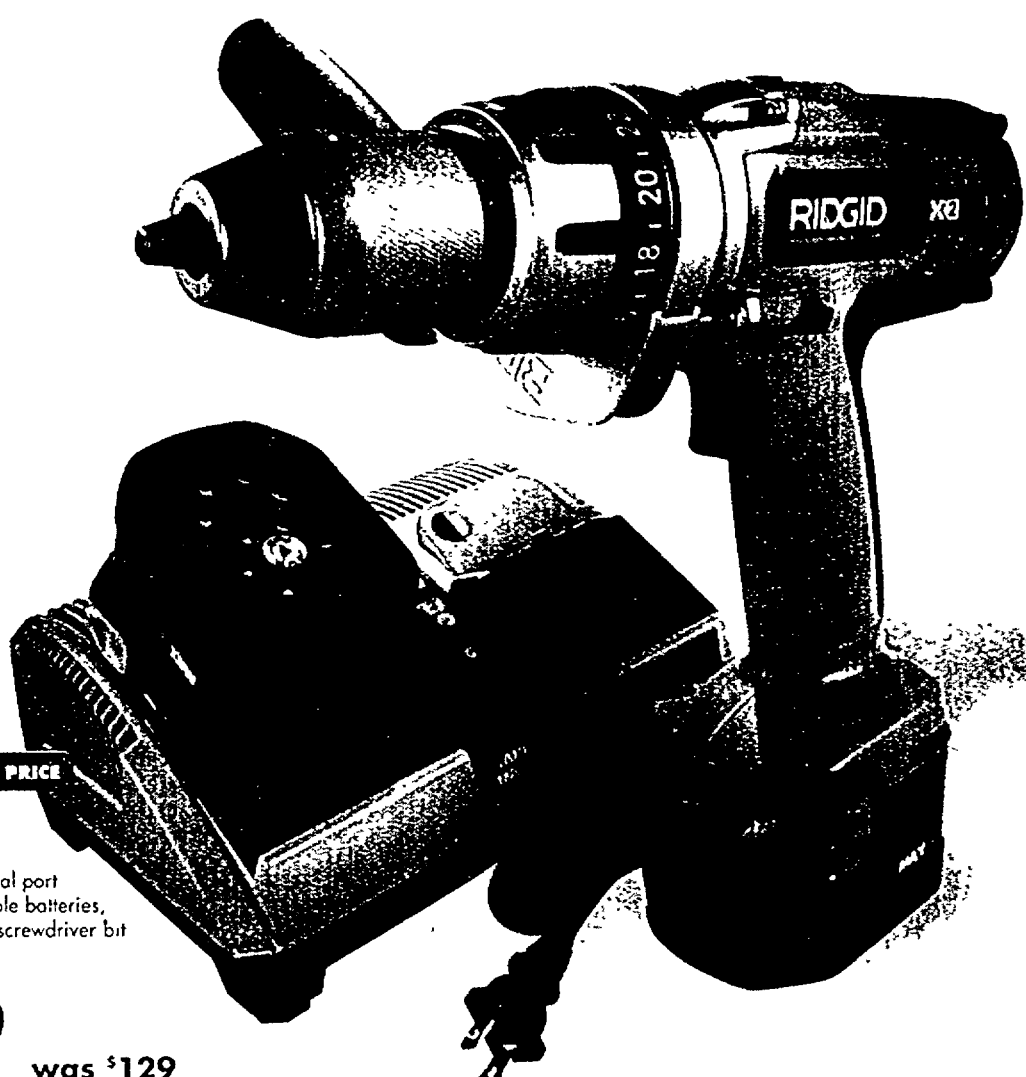
Dewalt® 14-Piece
Gold Ferrous Drill Bit Set
Gold ferrous oxide finish for
longer life. DW1169 (416457)
\$16⁹⁷



NEW LOWER PRICE

RIDGID® 12-Volt
X2™ Drill Kit
Includes 30 minute dual port
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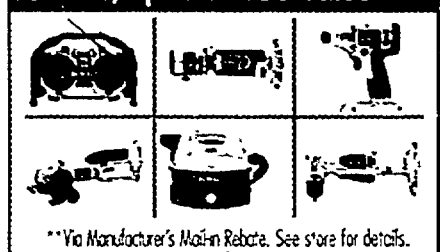
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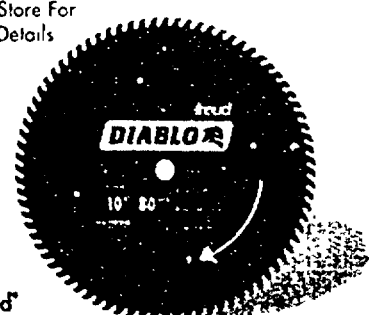


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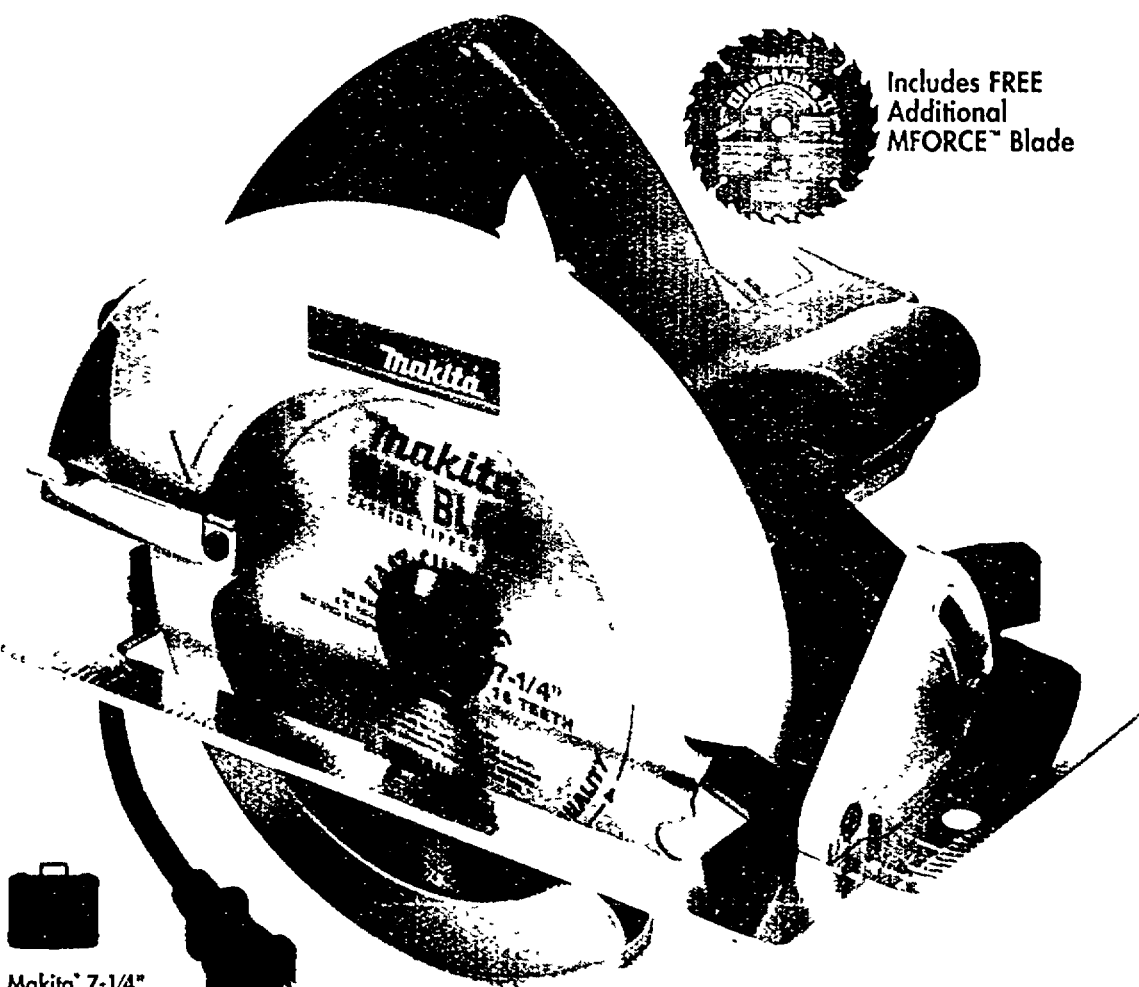


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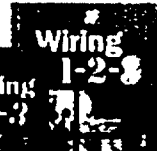


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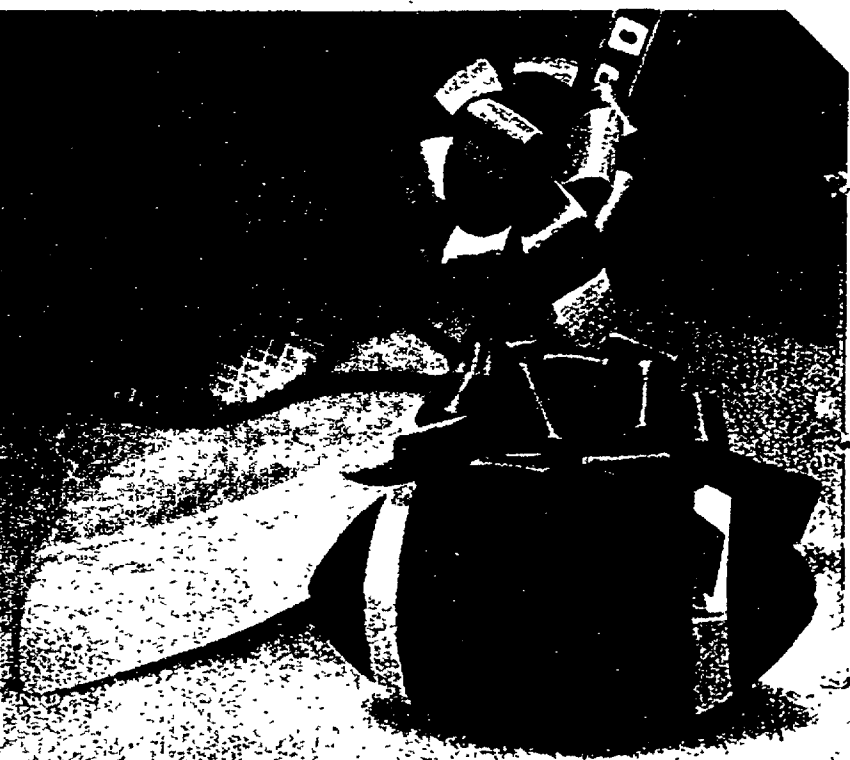
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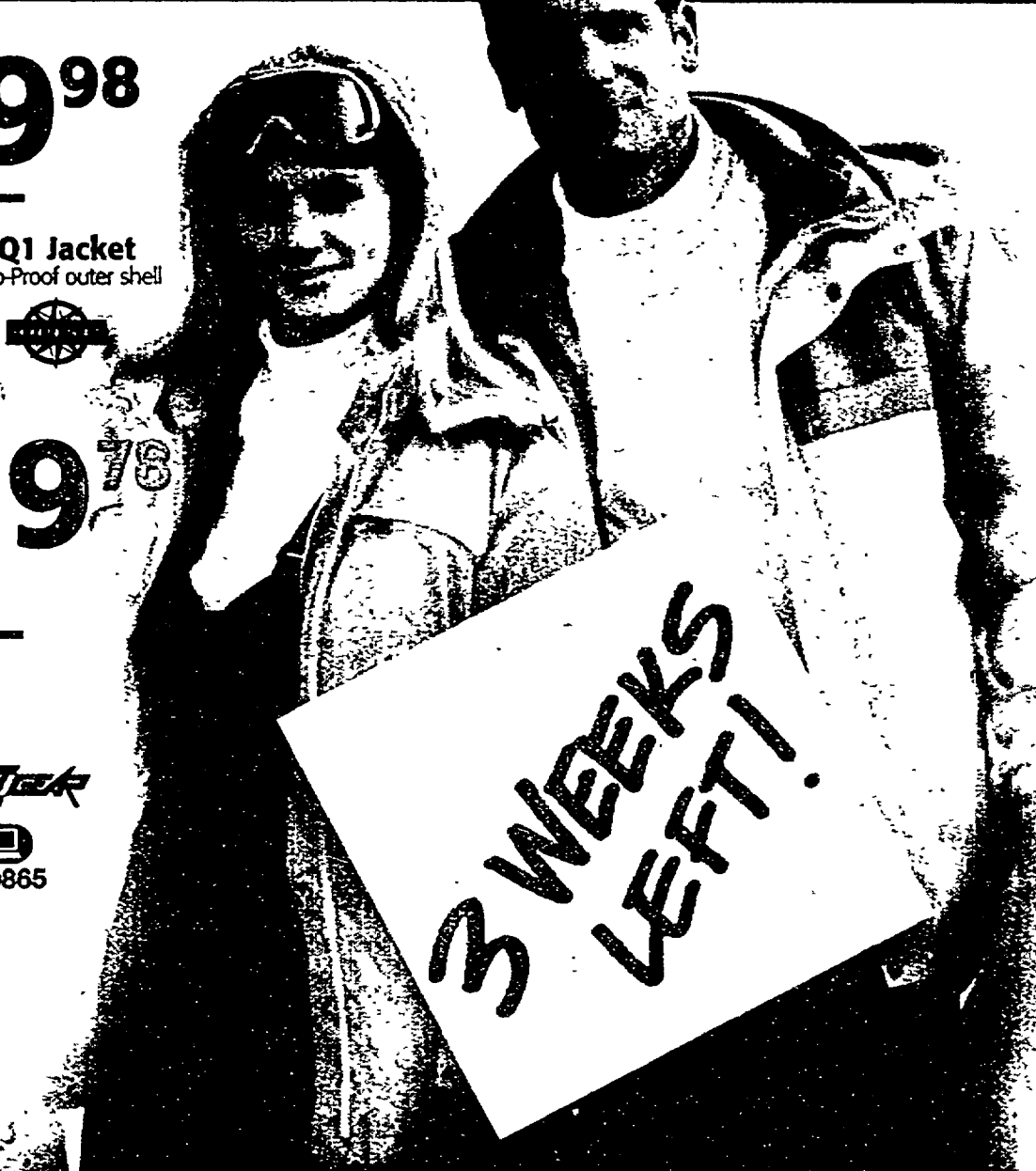
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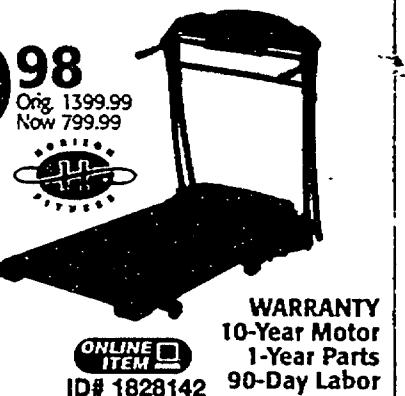
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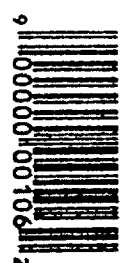


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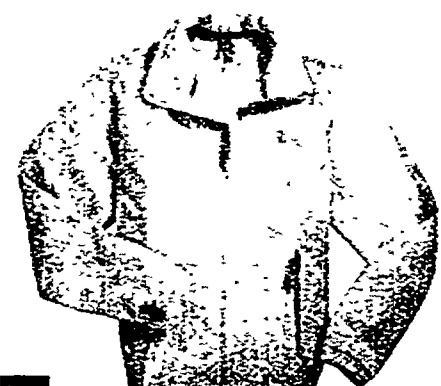


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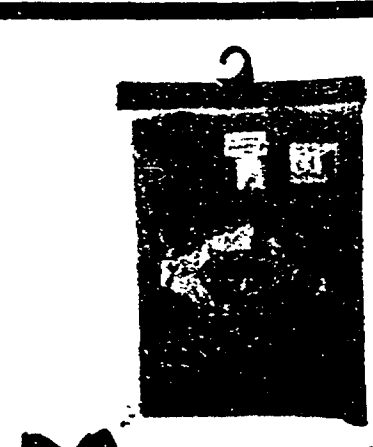
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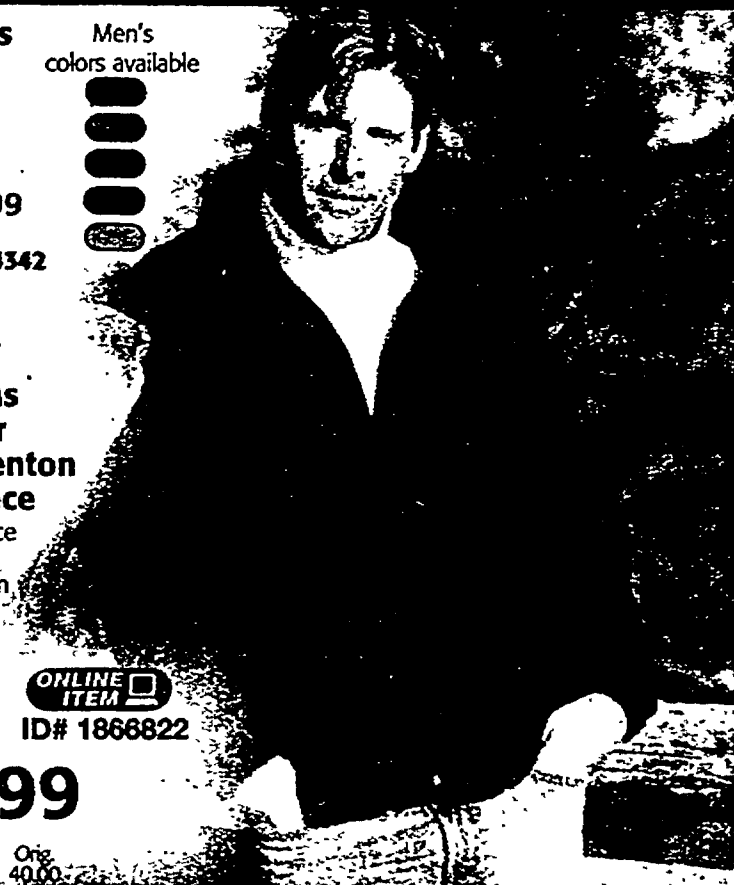
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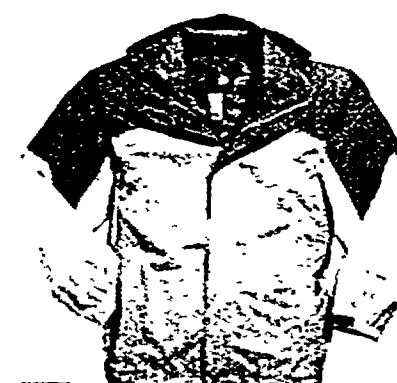
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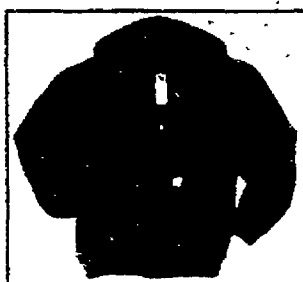
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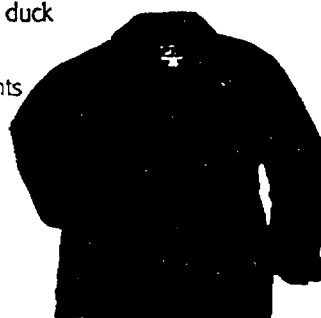
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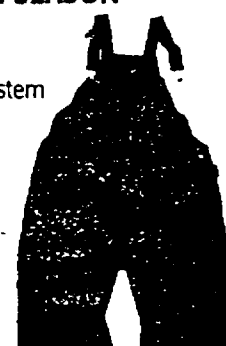


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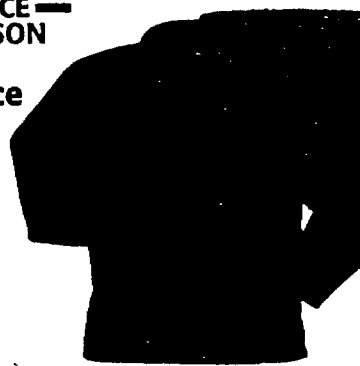
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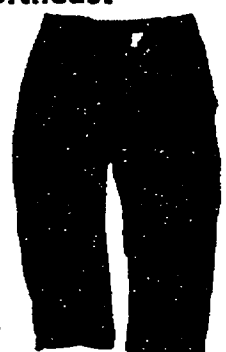
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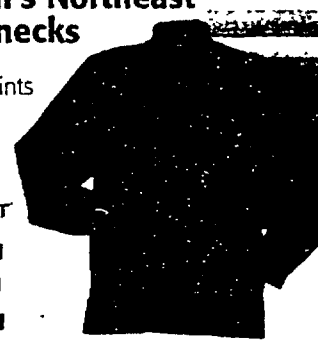
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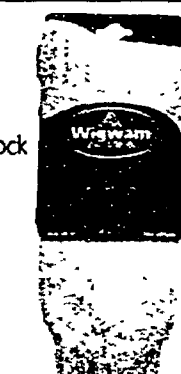


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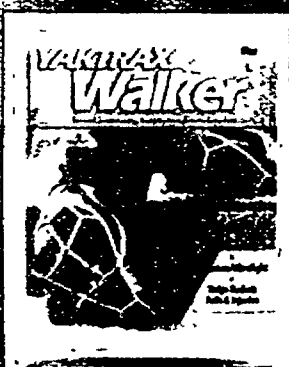
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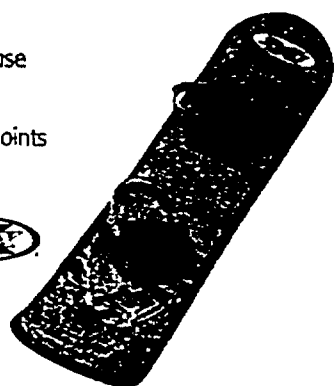
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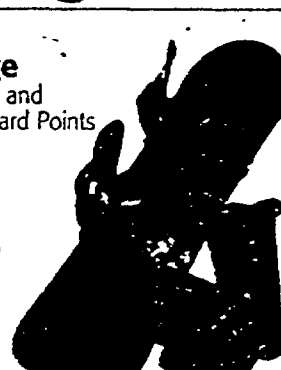
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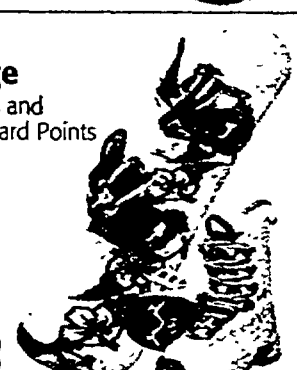
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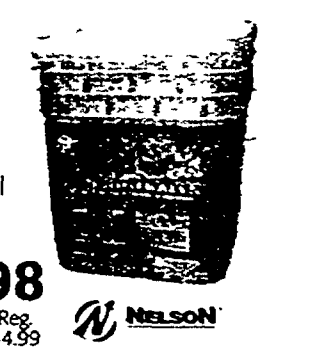
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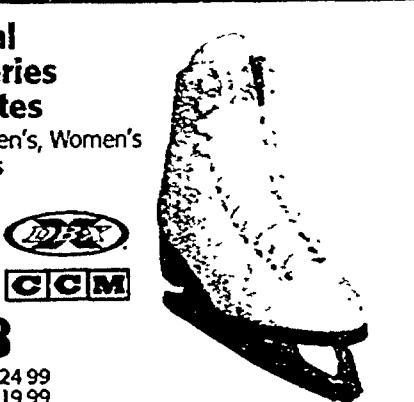
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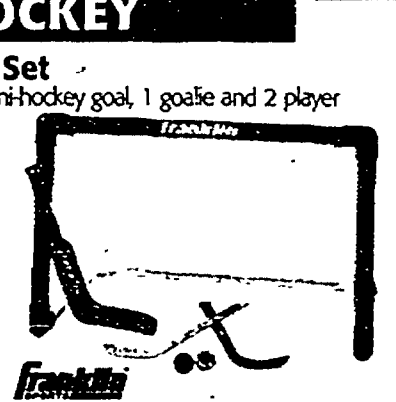
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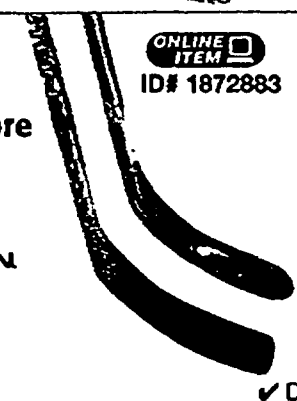
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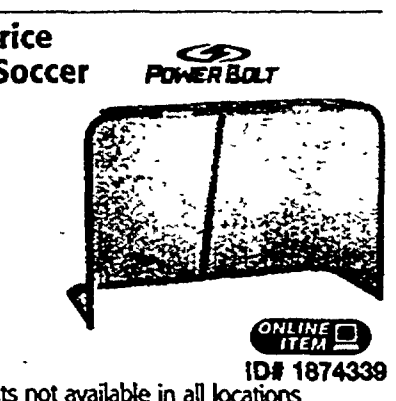
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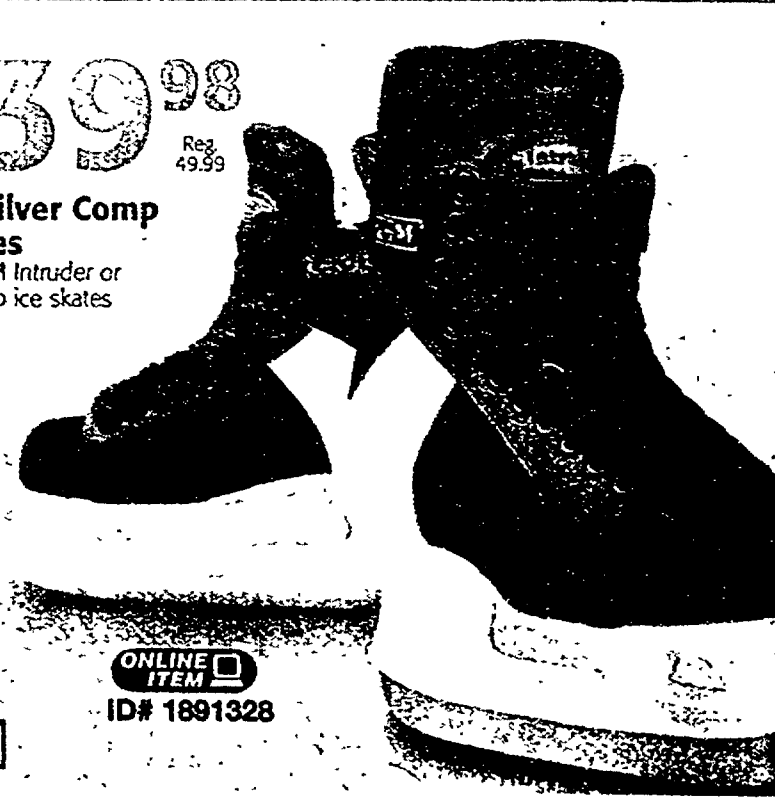
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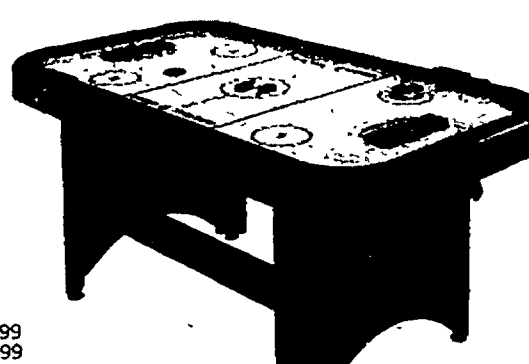
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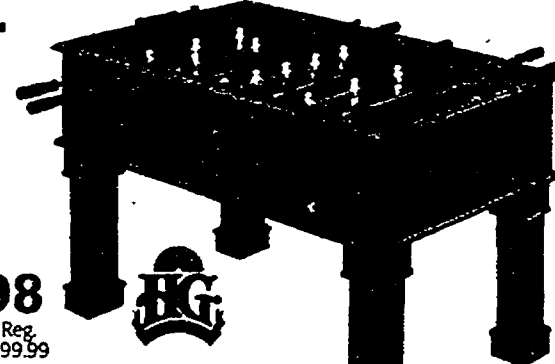
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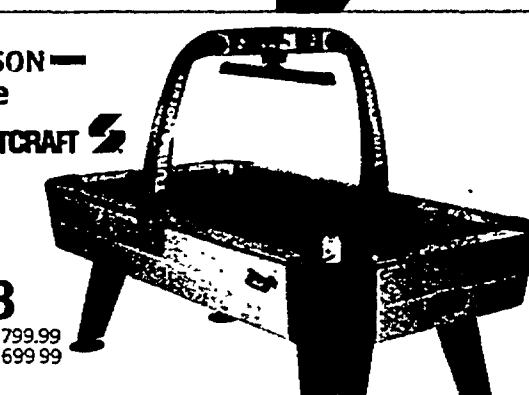
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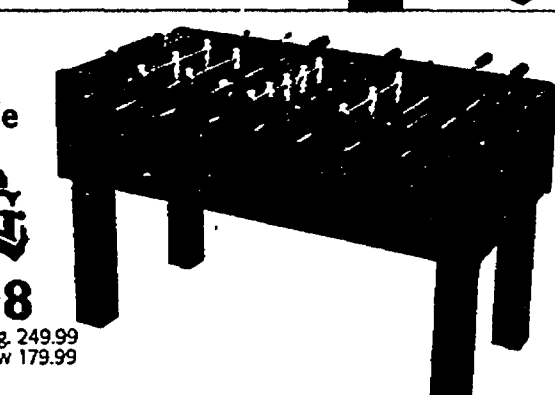
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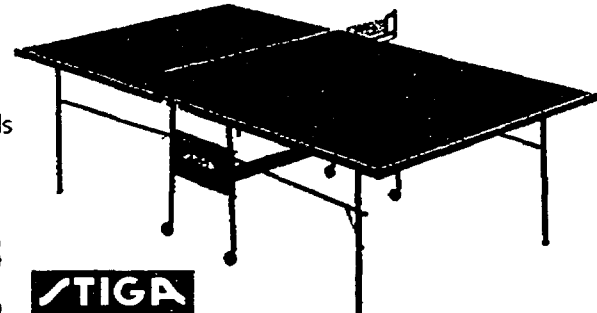
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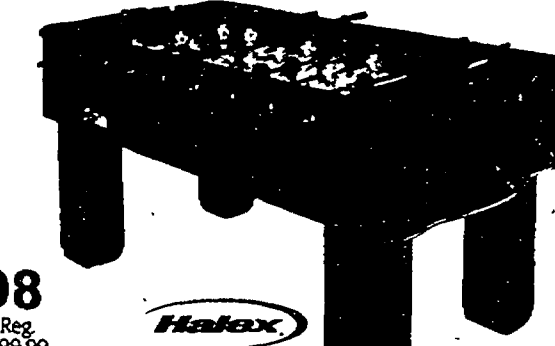
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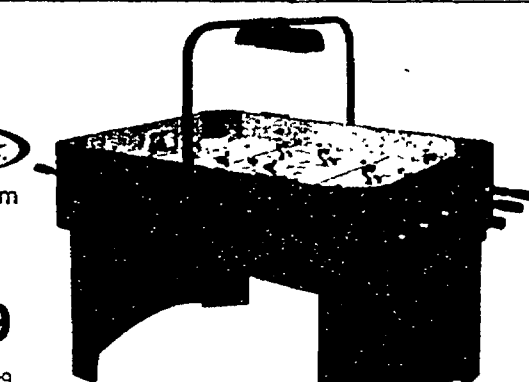
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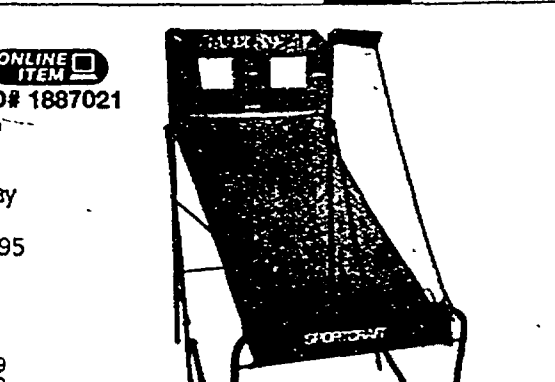
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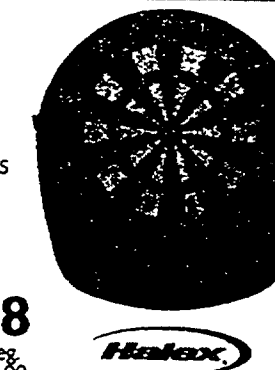
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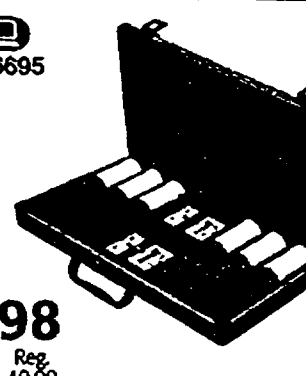
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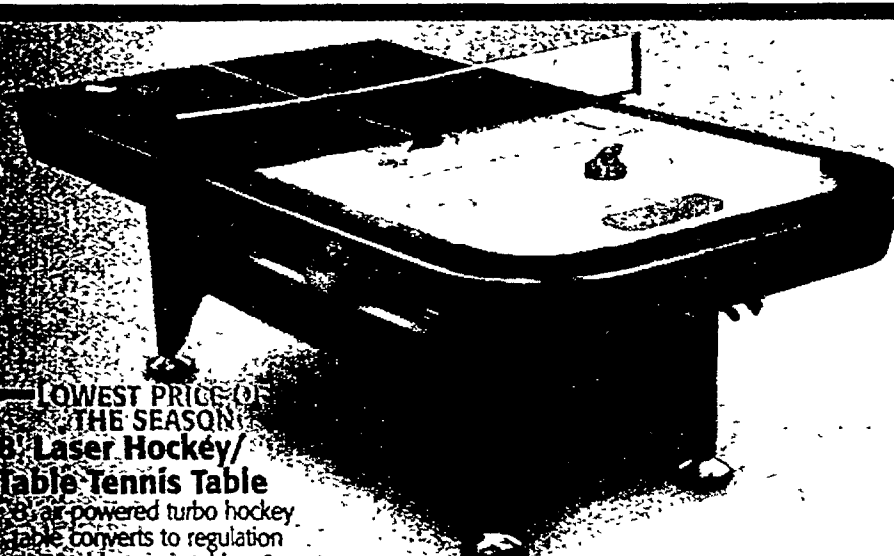
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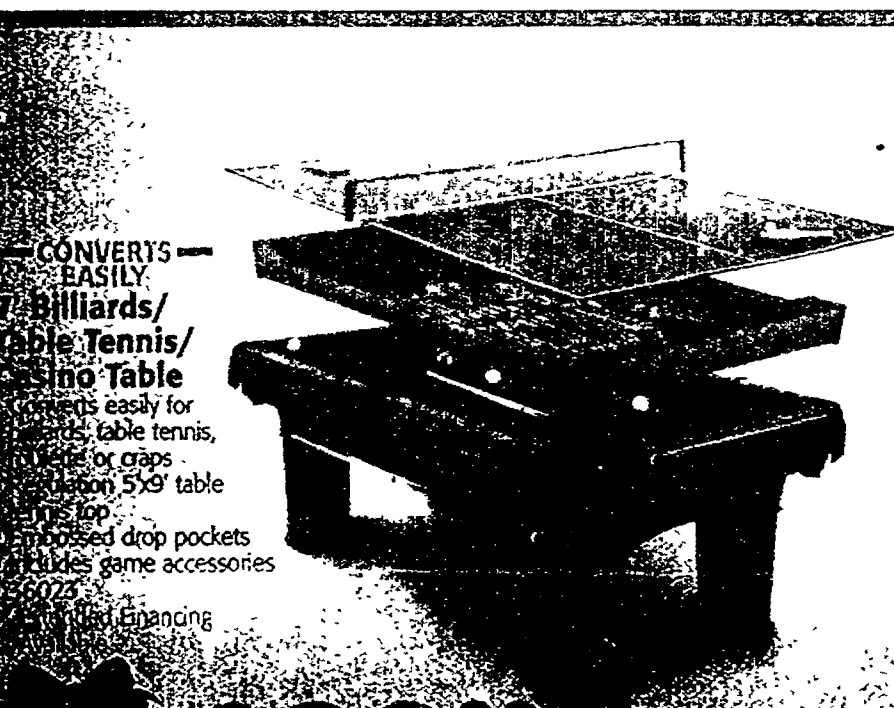


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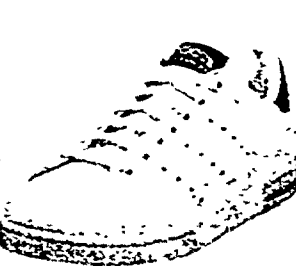
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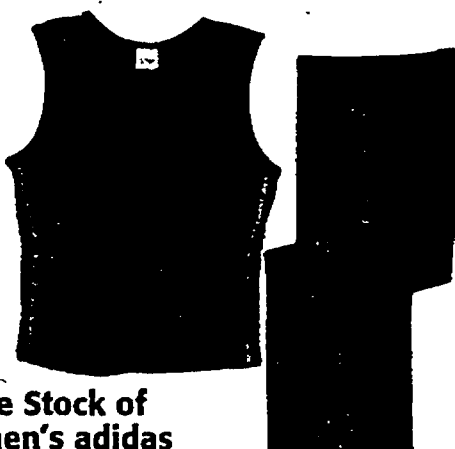
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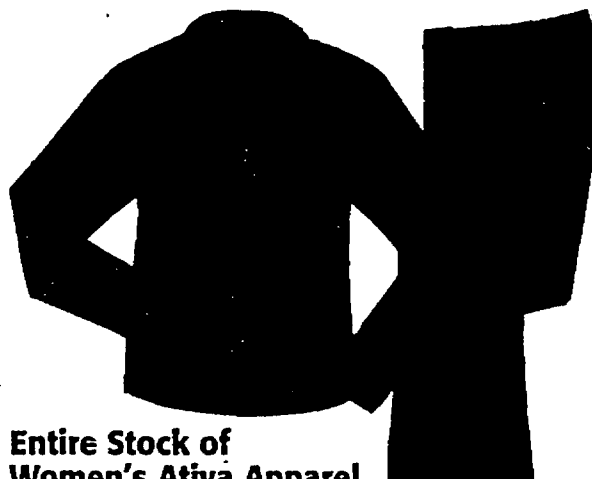


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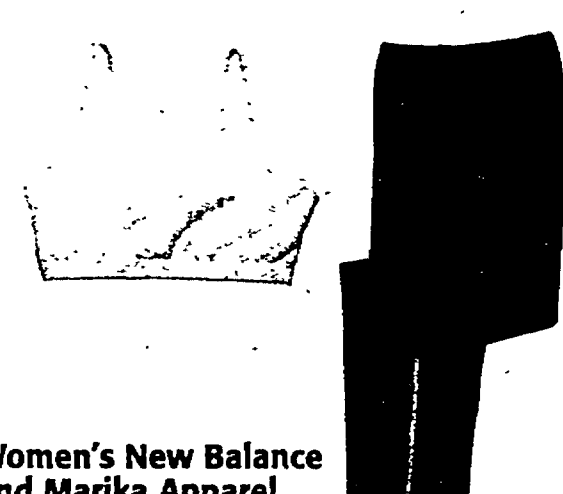


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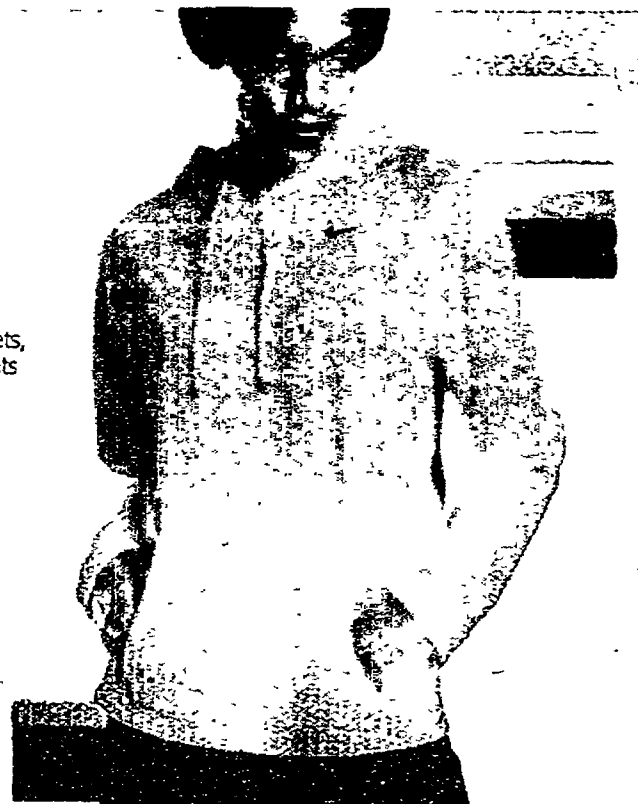
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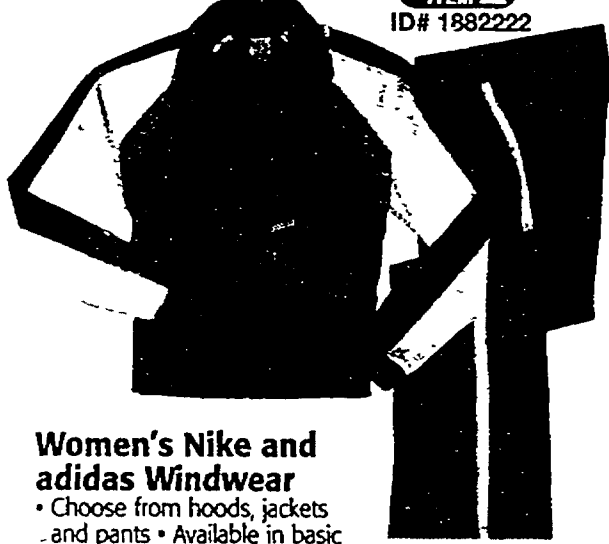
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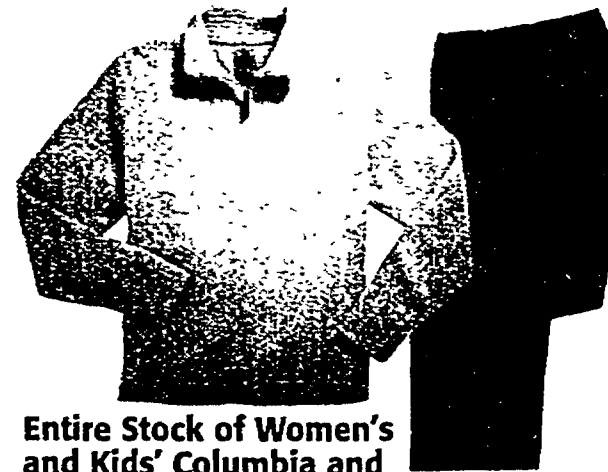
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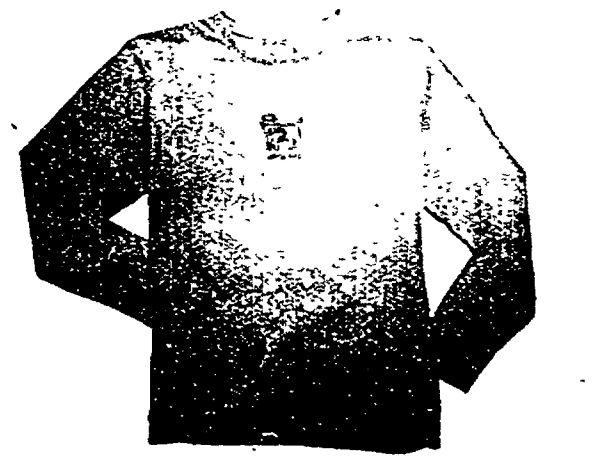
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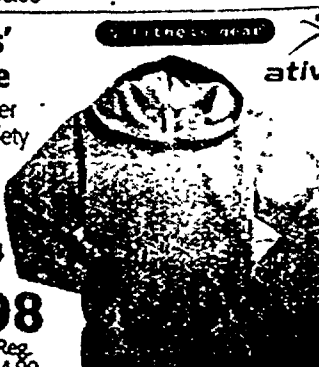
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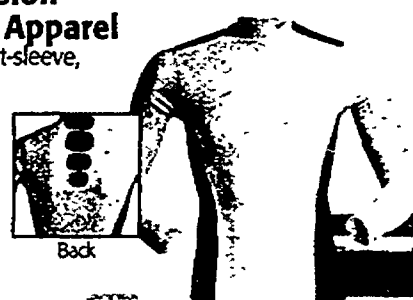


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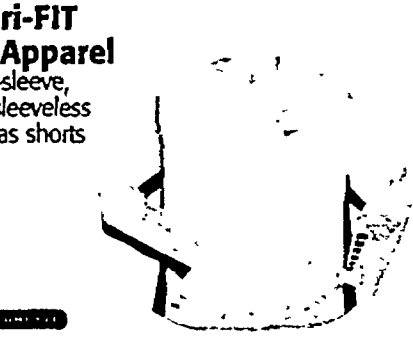


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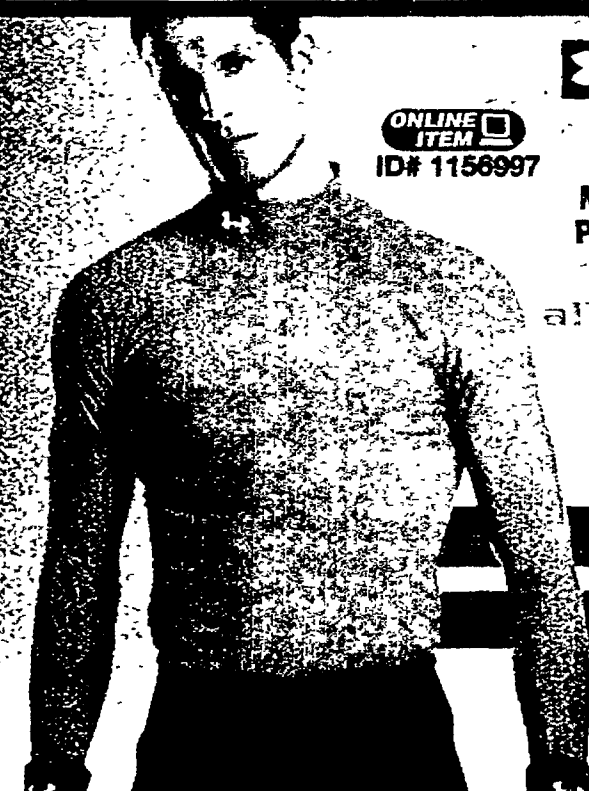
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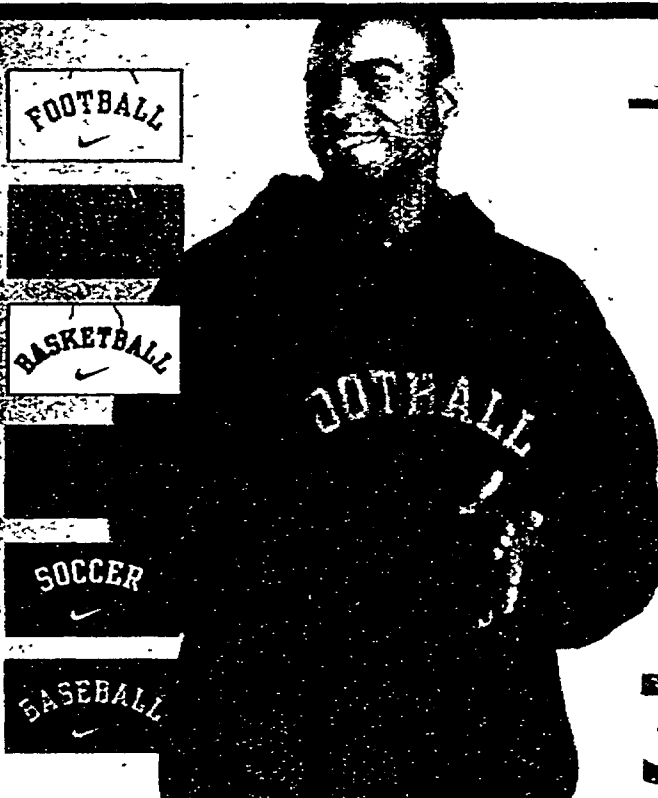
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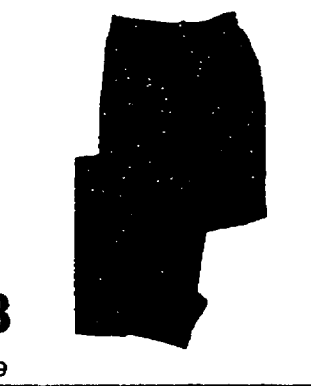
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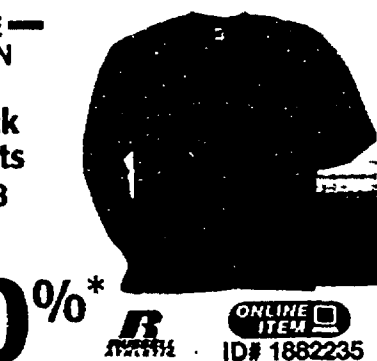
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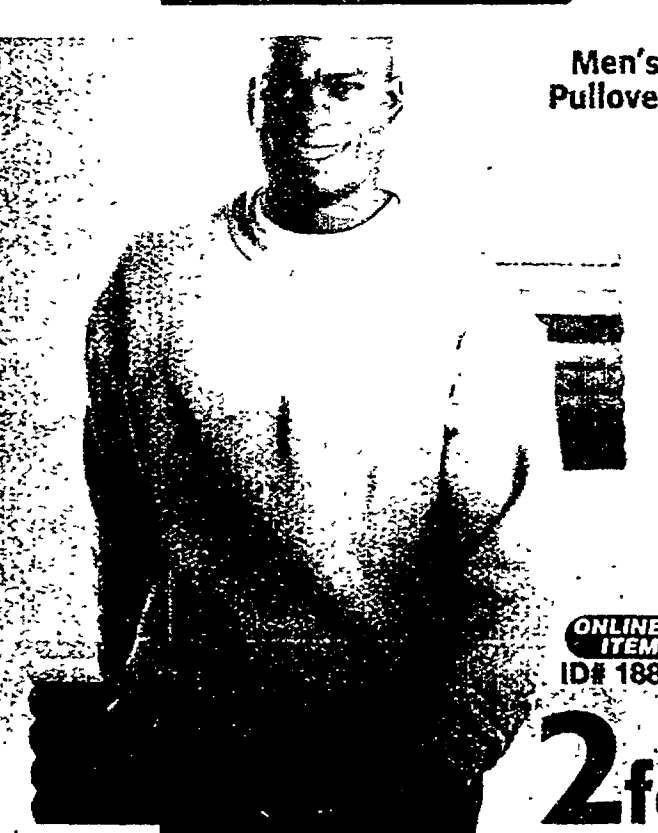
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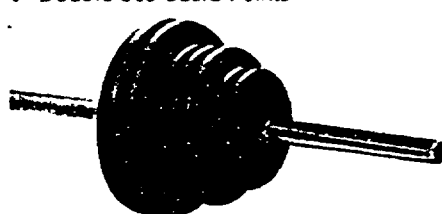
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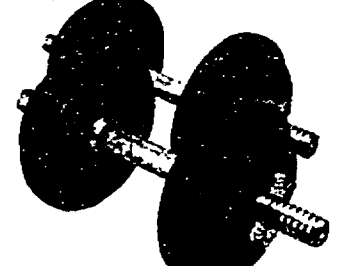


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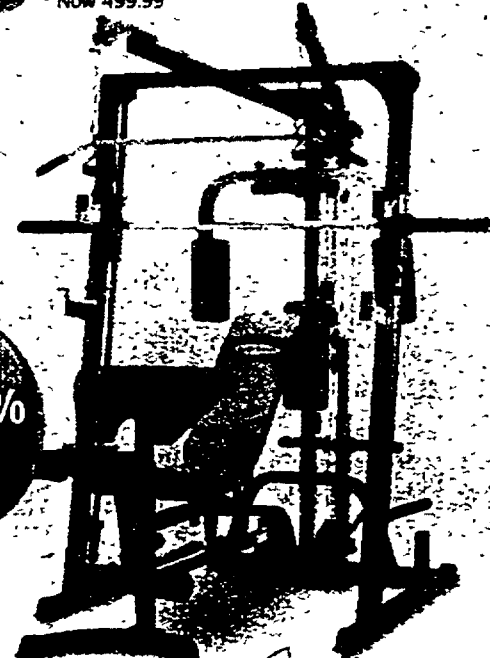
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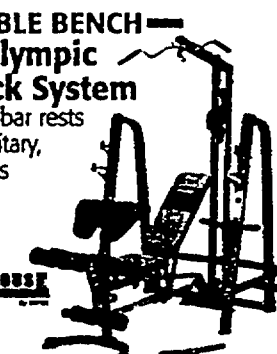


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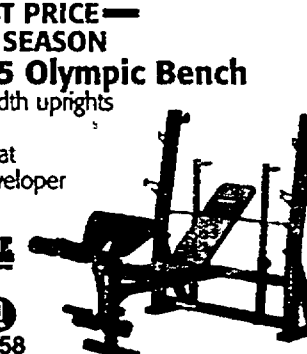
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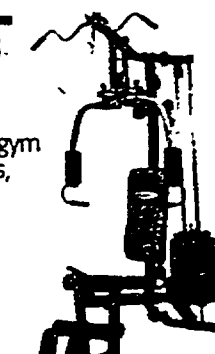
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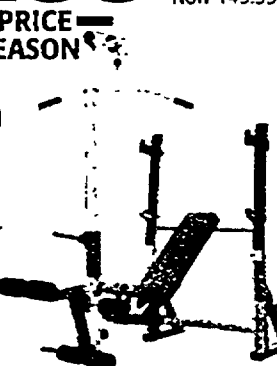


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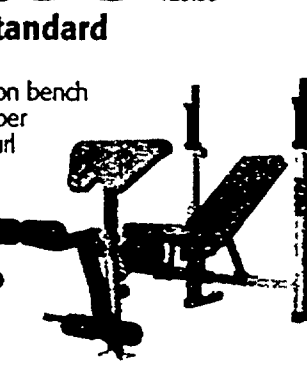


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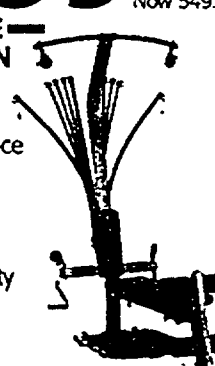


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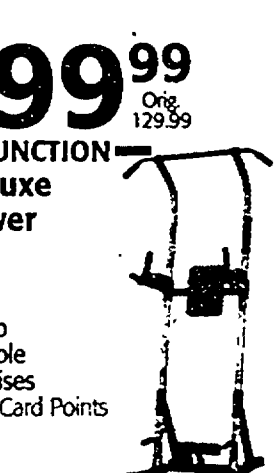


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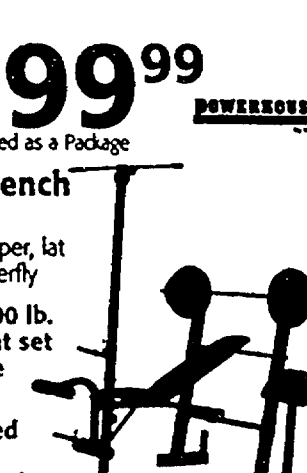
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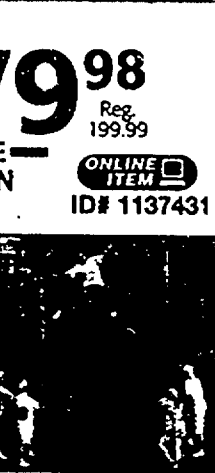


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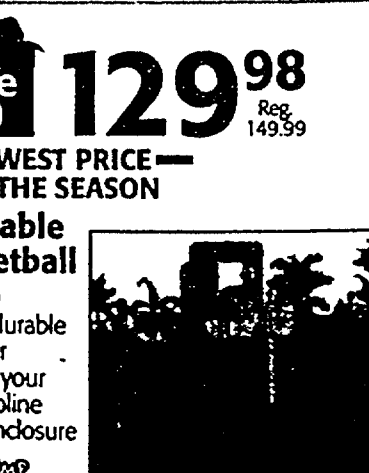


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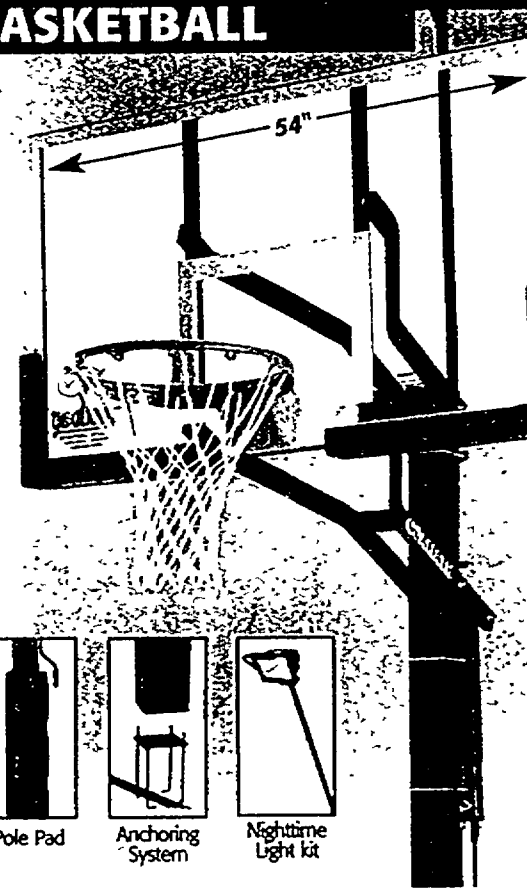
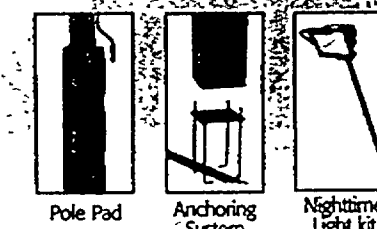
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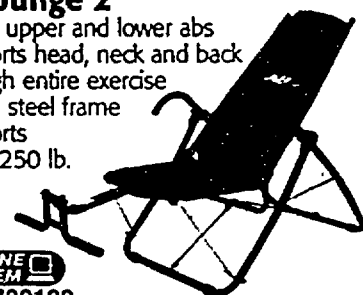
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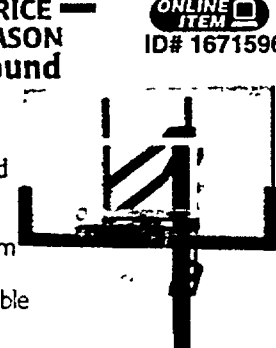
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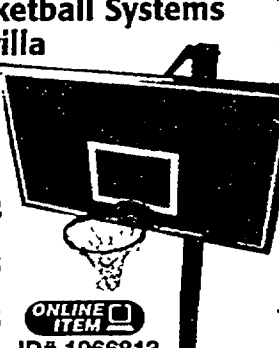


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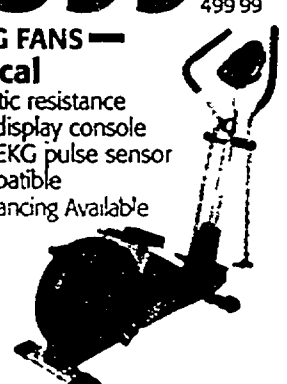
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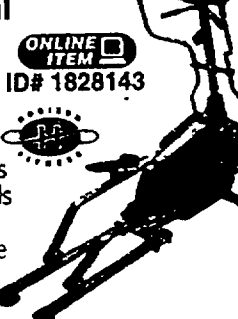
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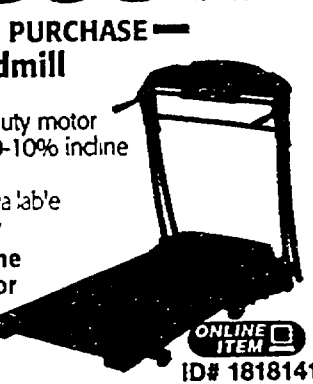
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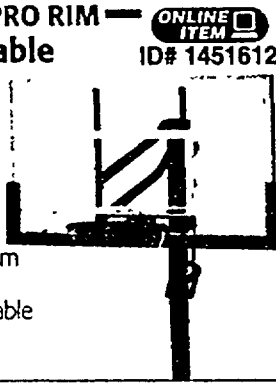
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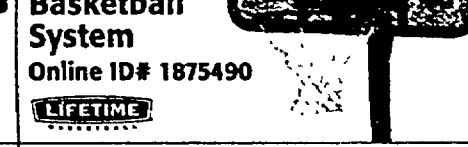
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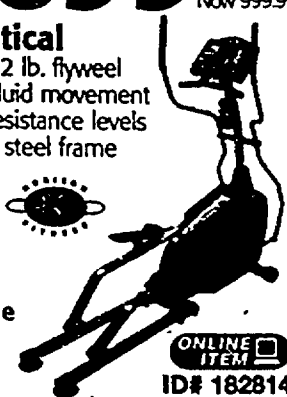
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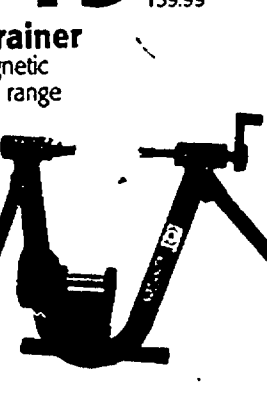
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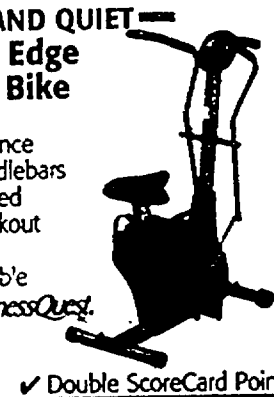
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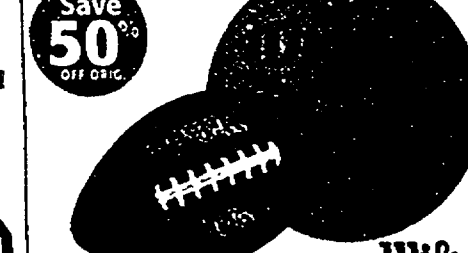
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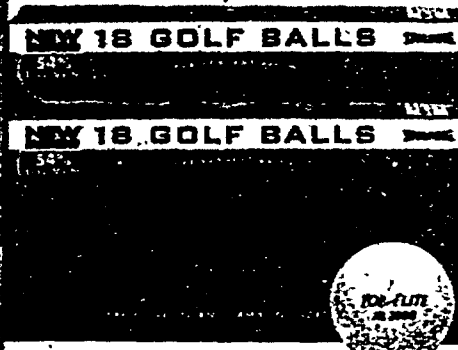
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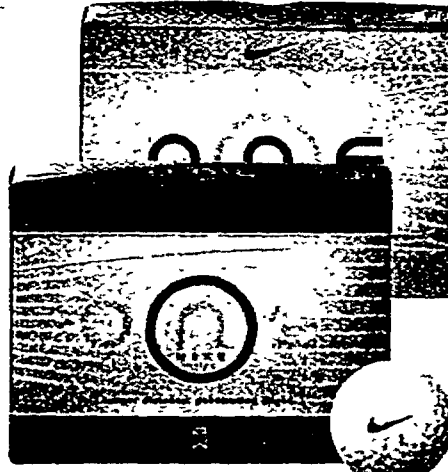
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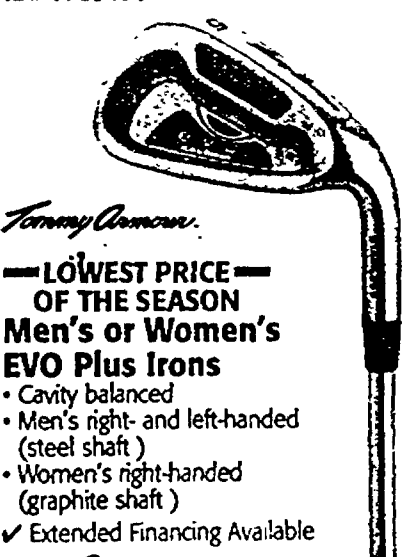
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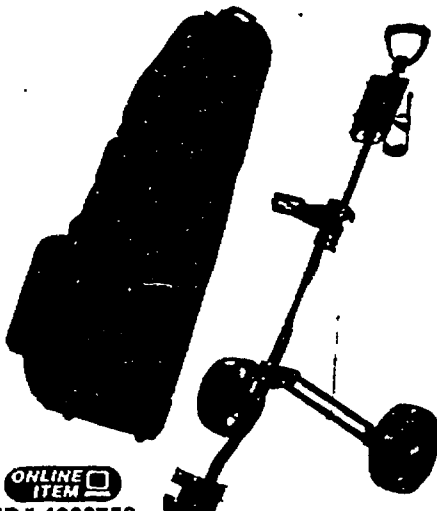
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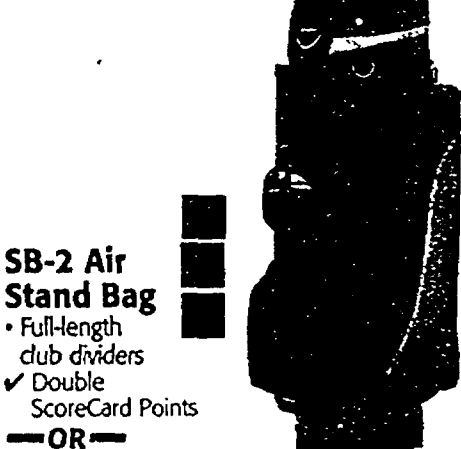
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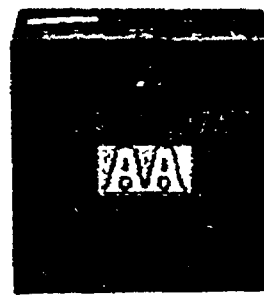
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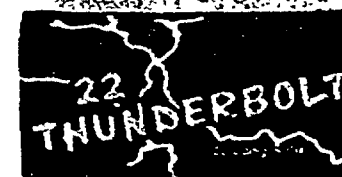
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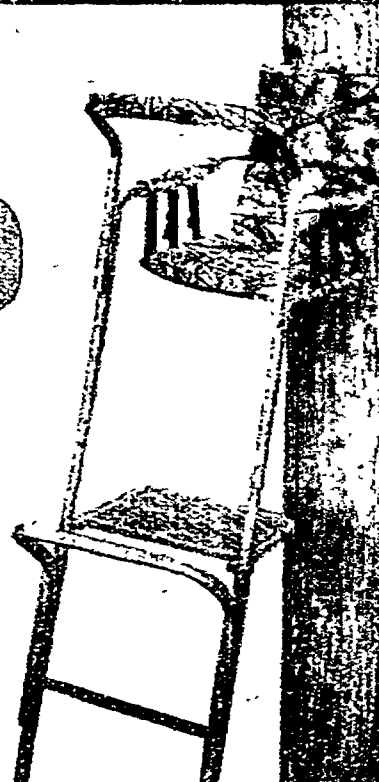
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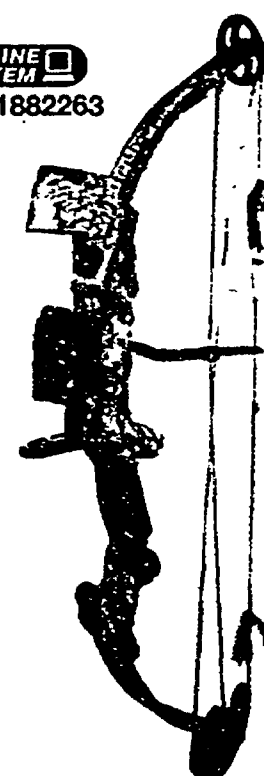
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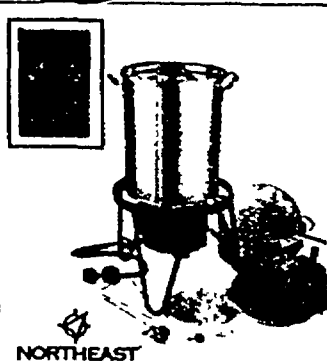
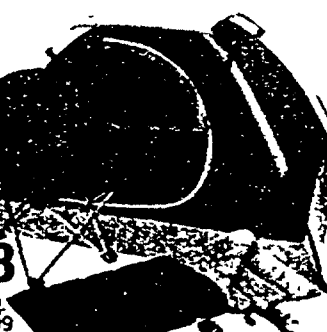


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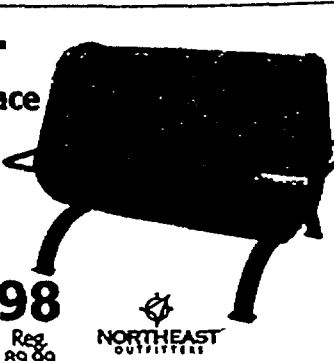
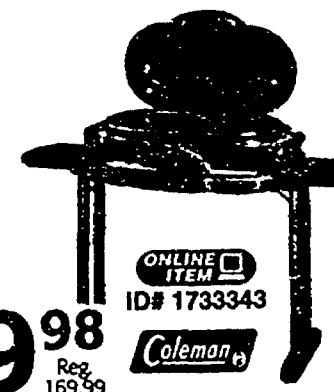


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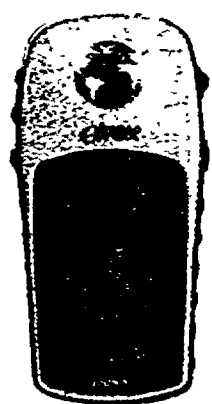
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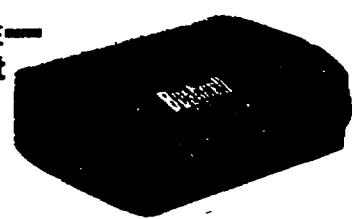
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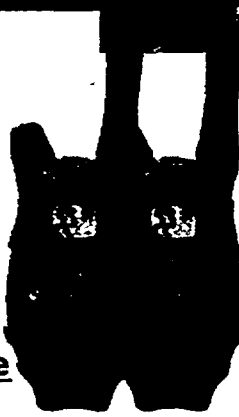


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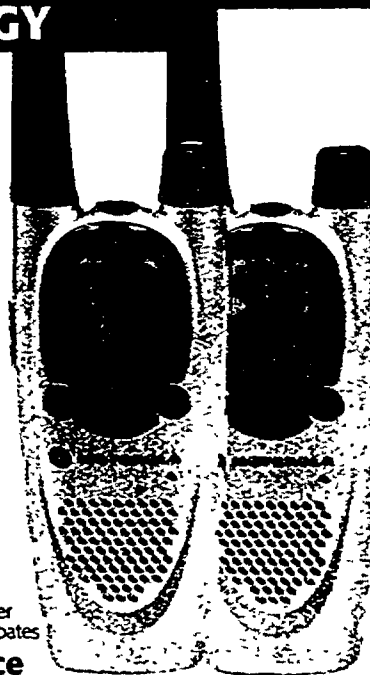
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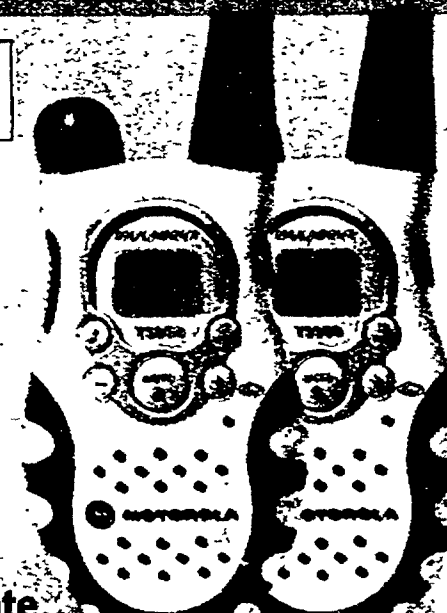
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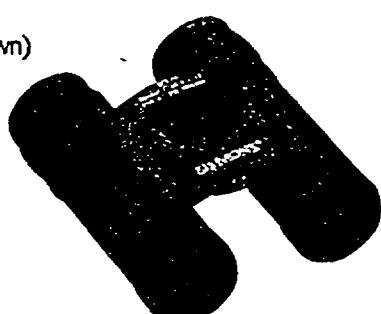
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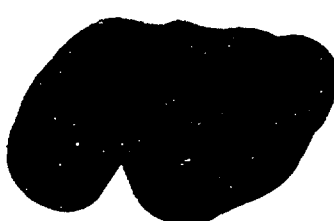
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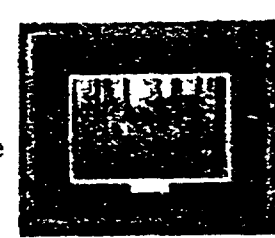
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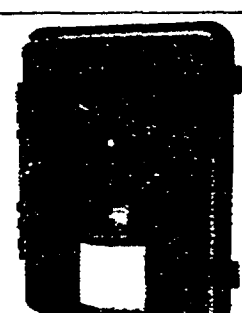
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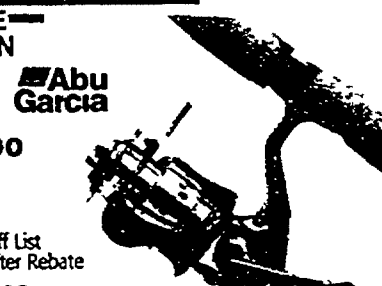


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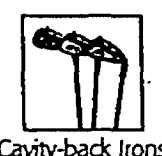
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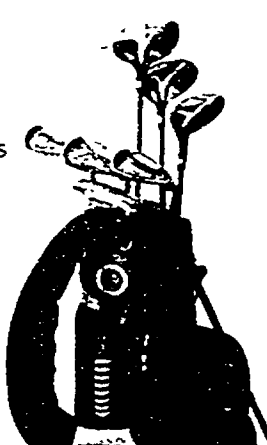
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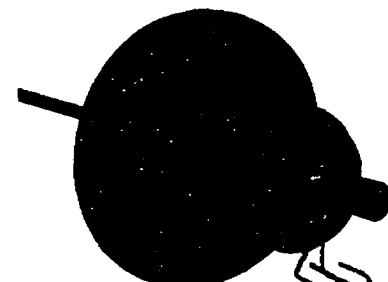


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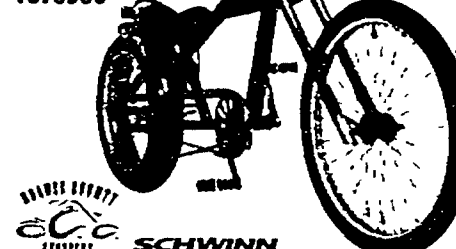
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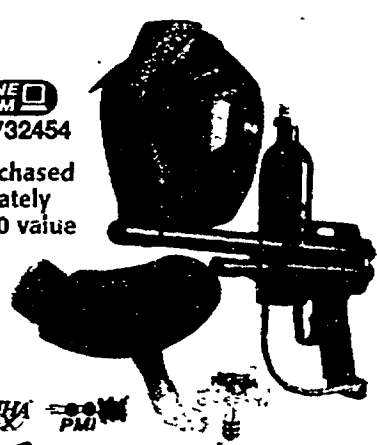
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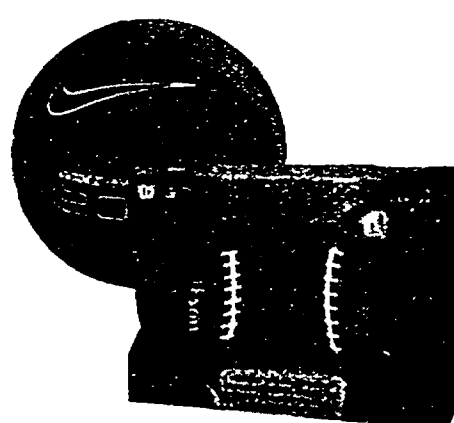


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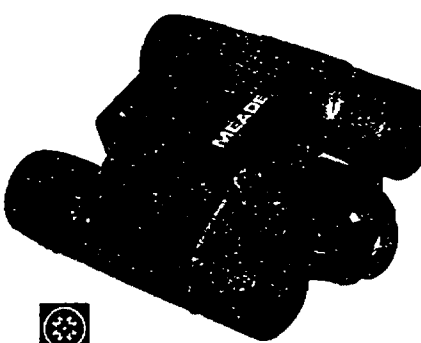
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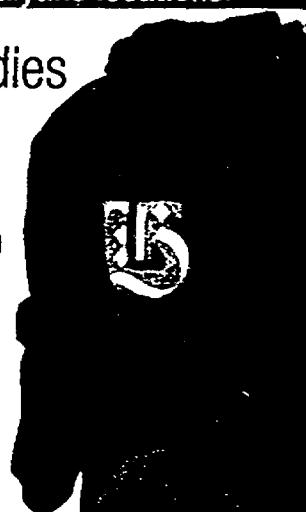


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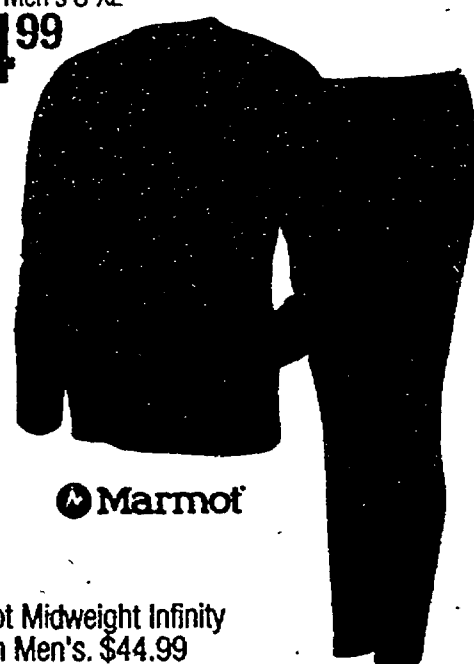
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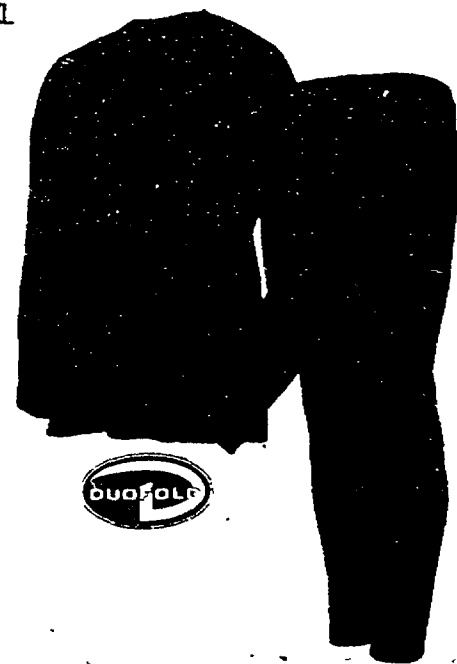
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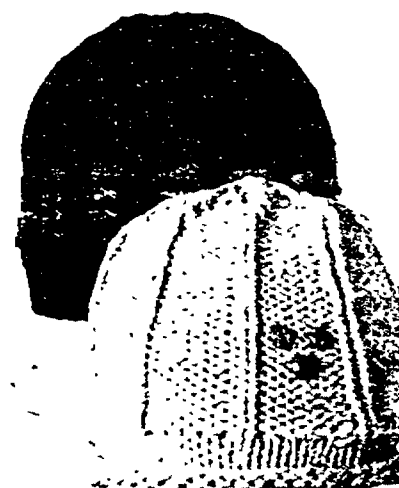


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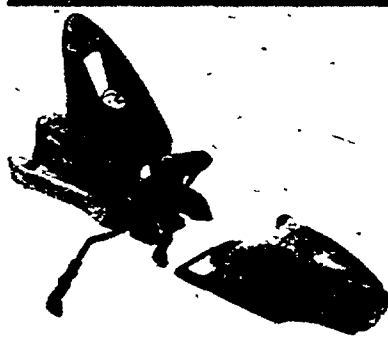
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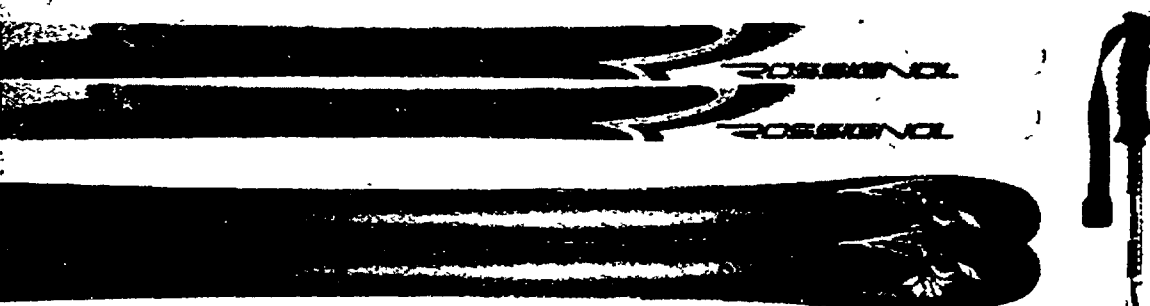
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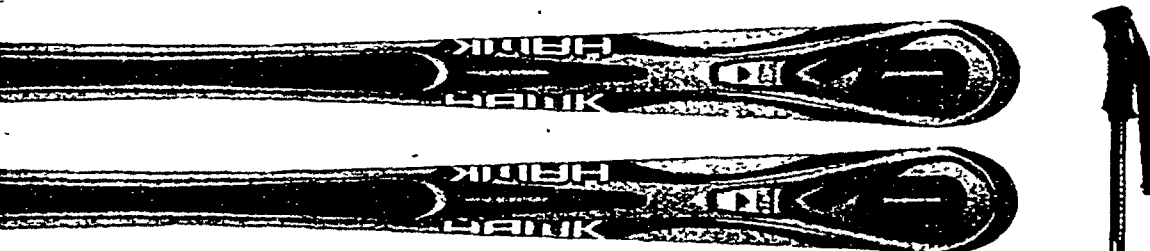
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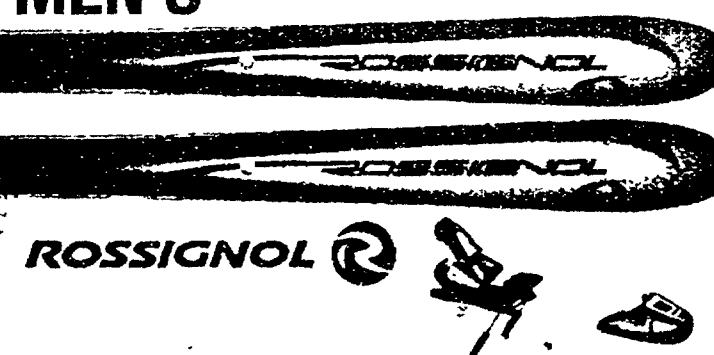
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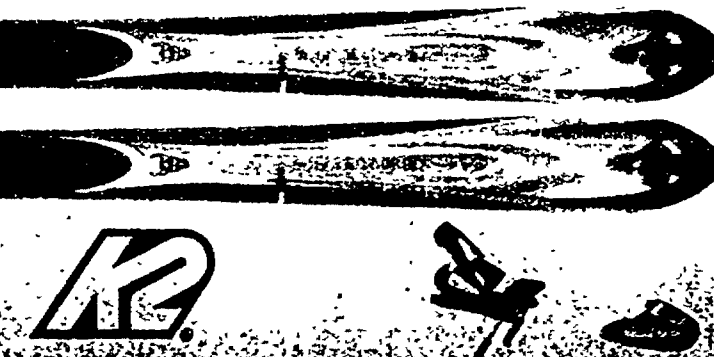
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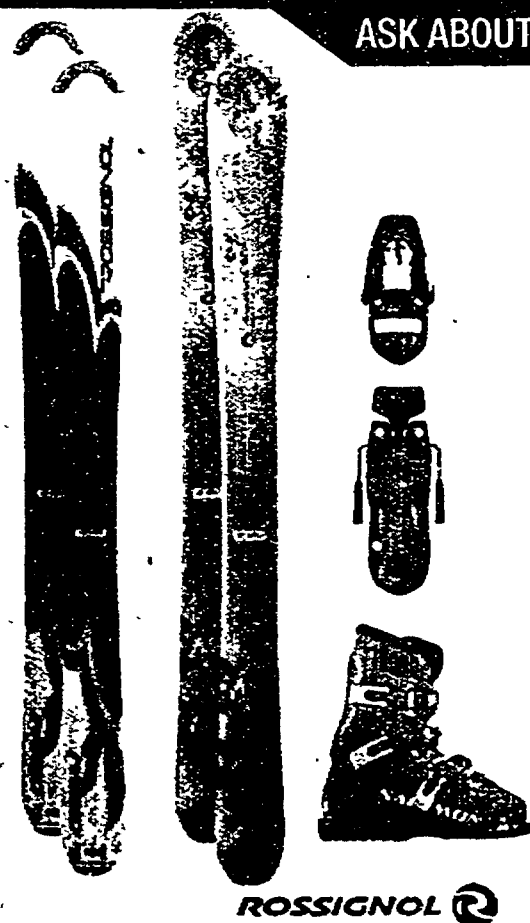
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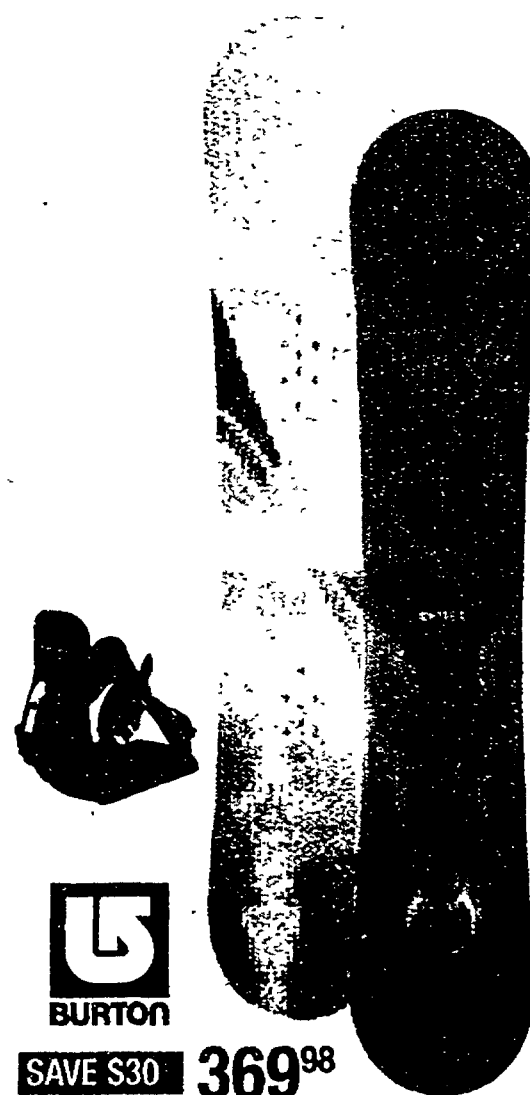
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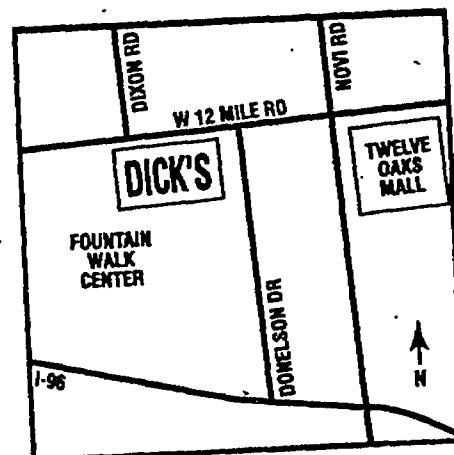
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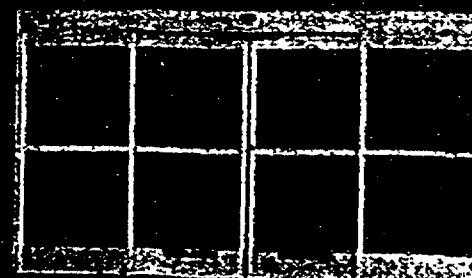
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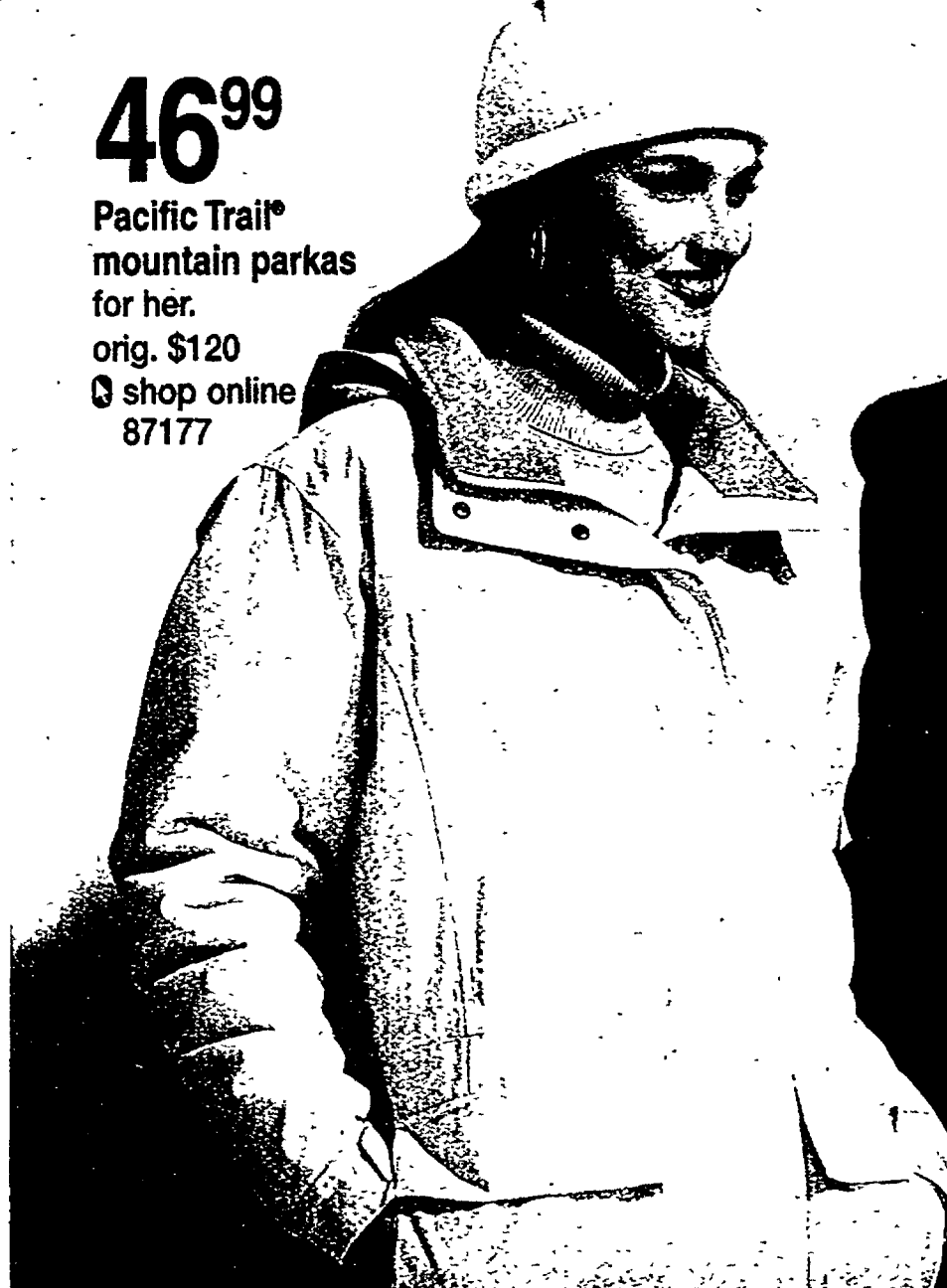
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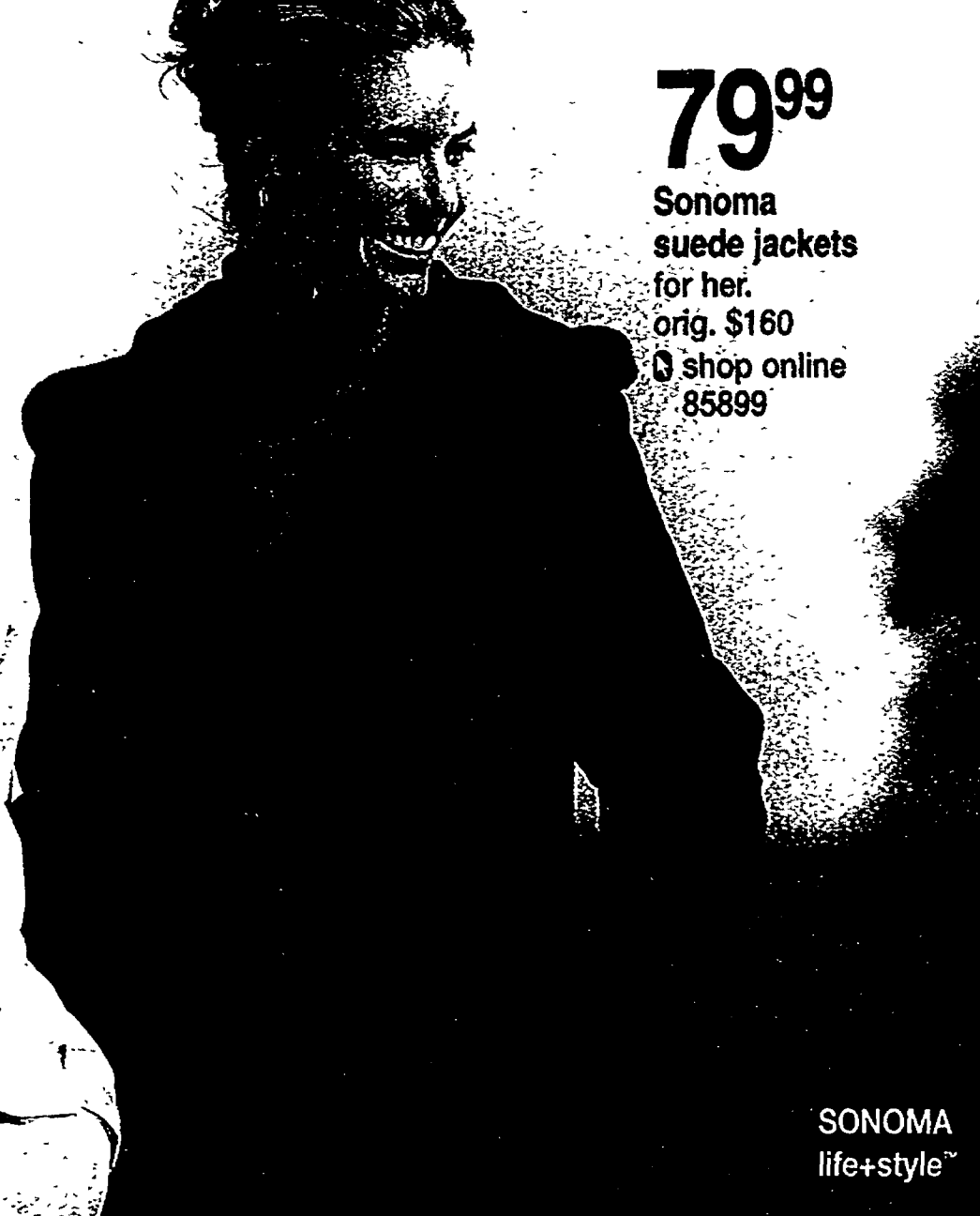
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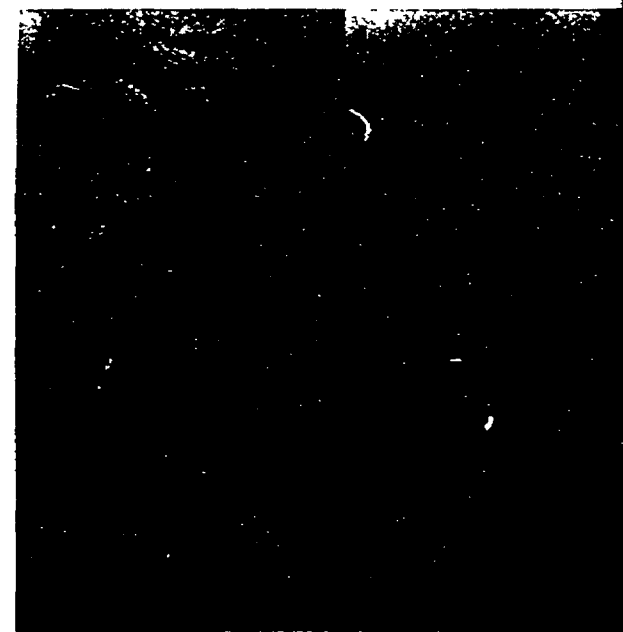
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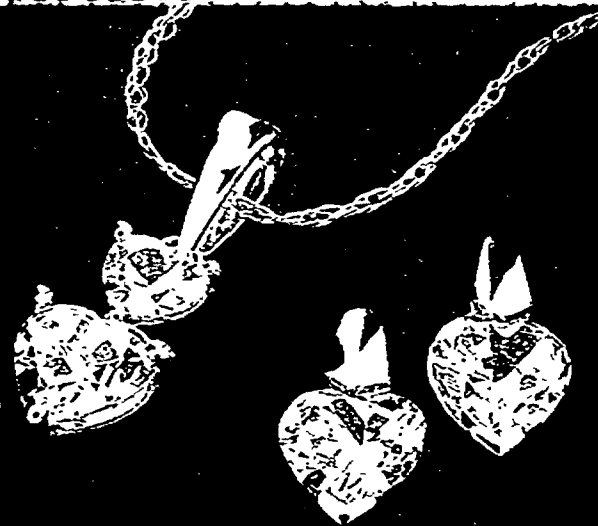
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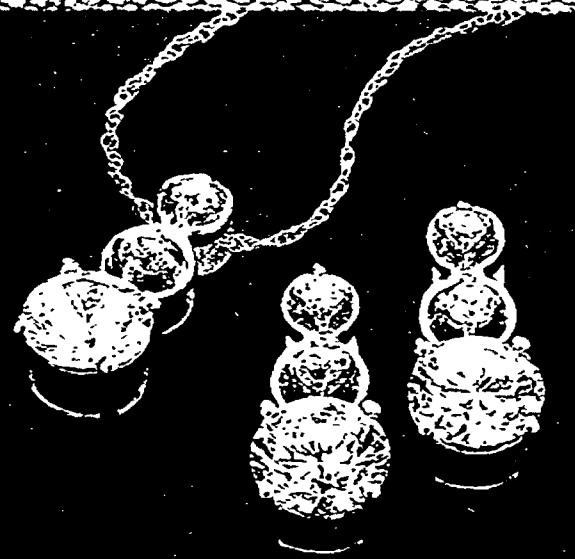
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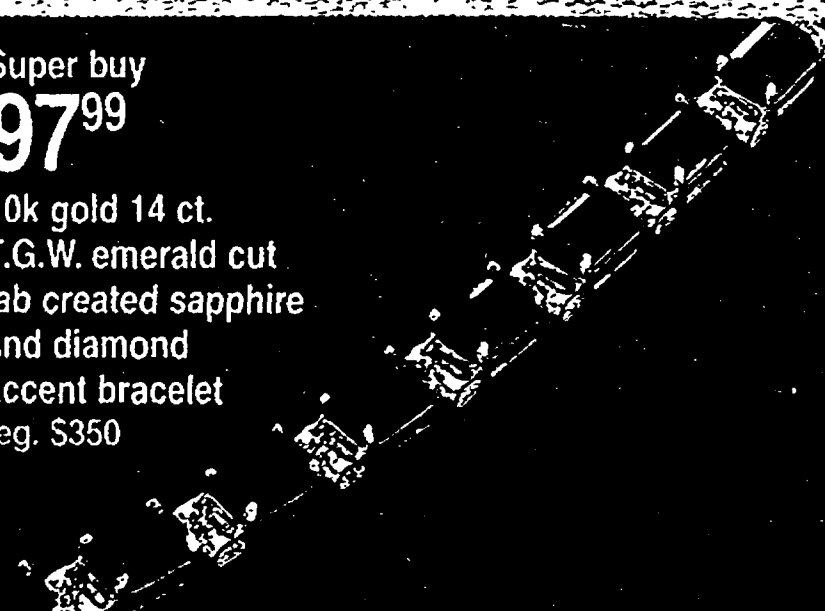
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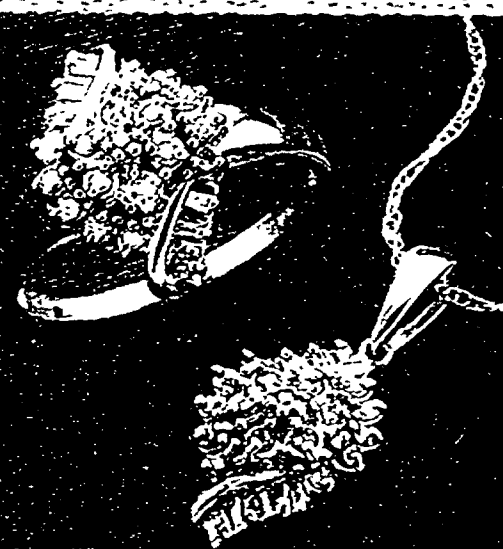
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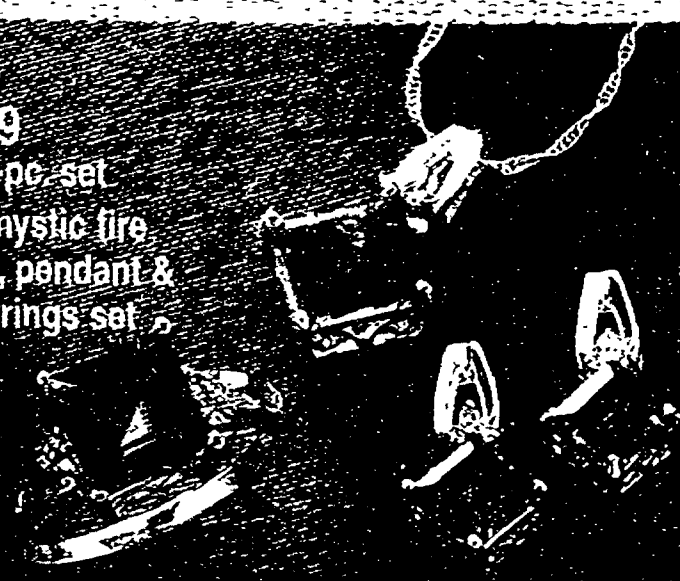
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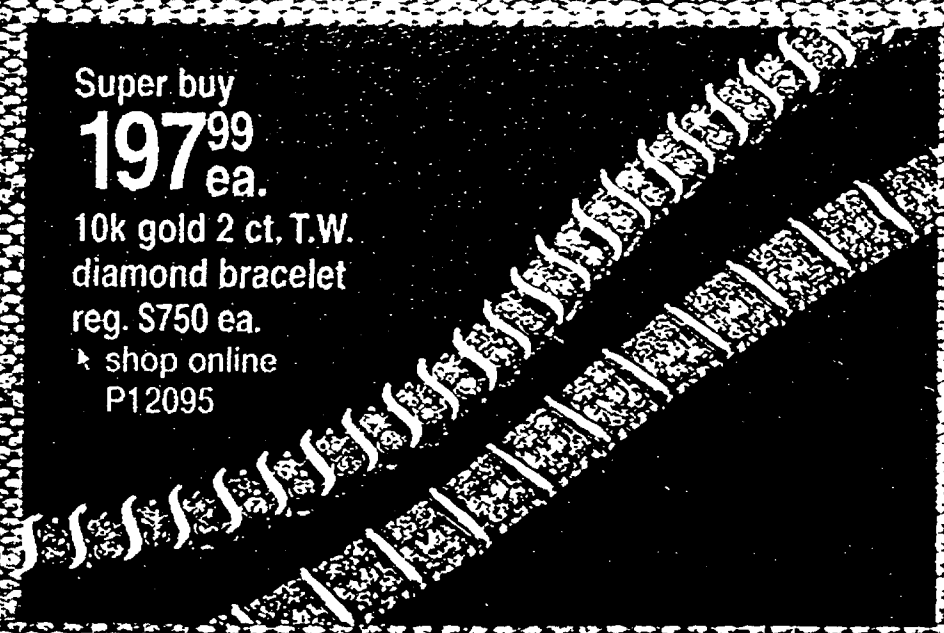
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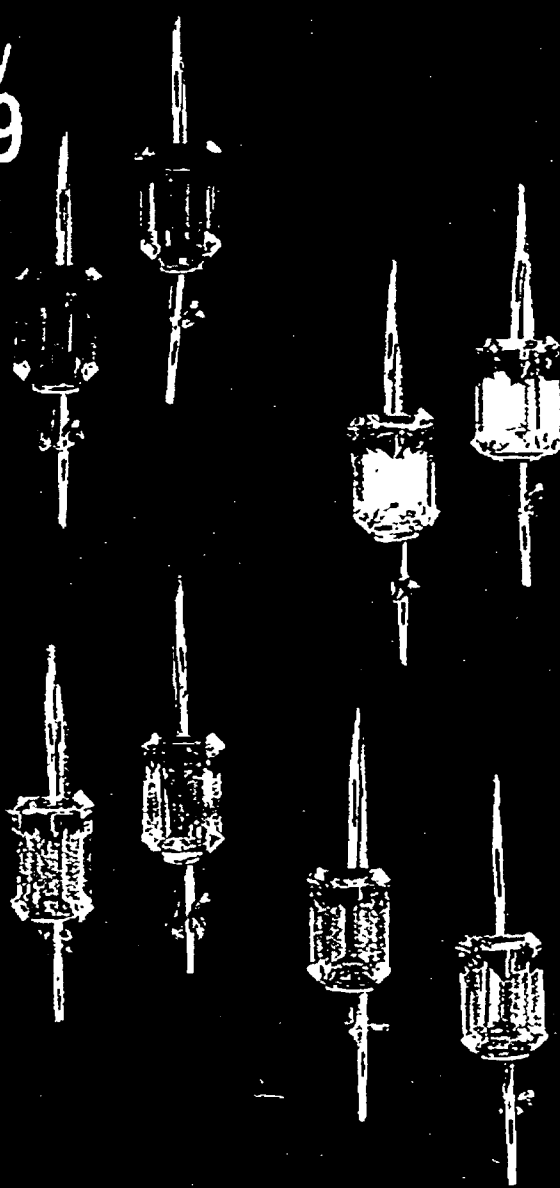
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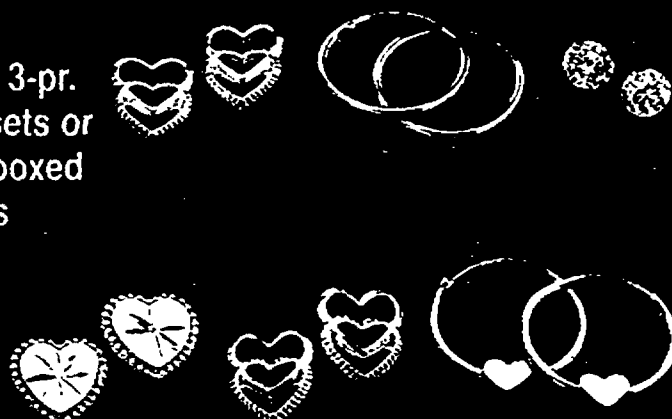
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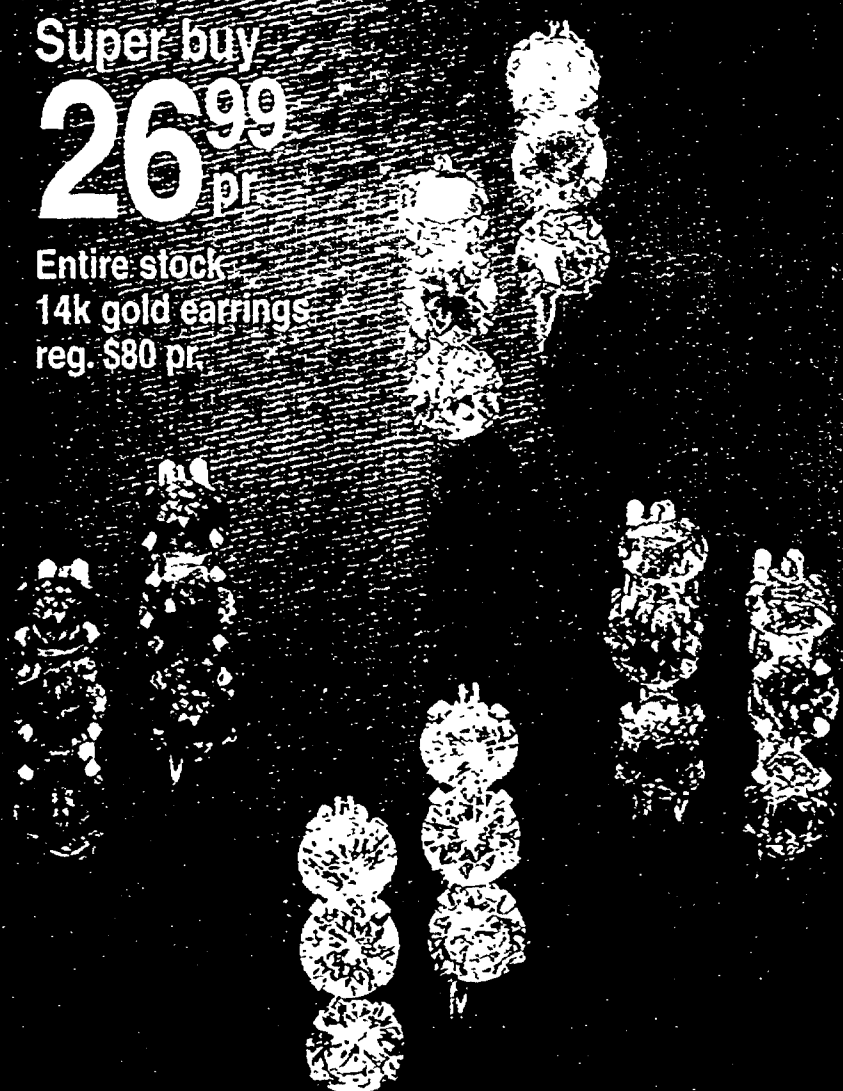
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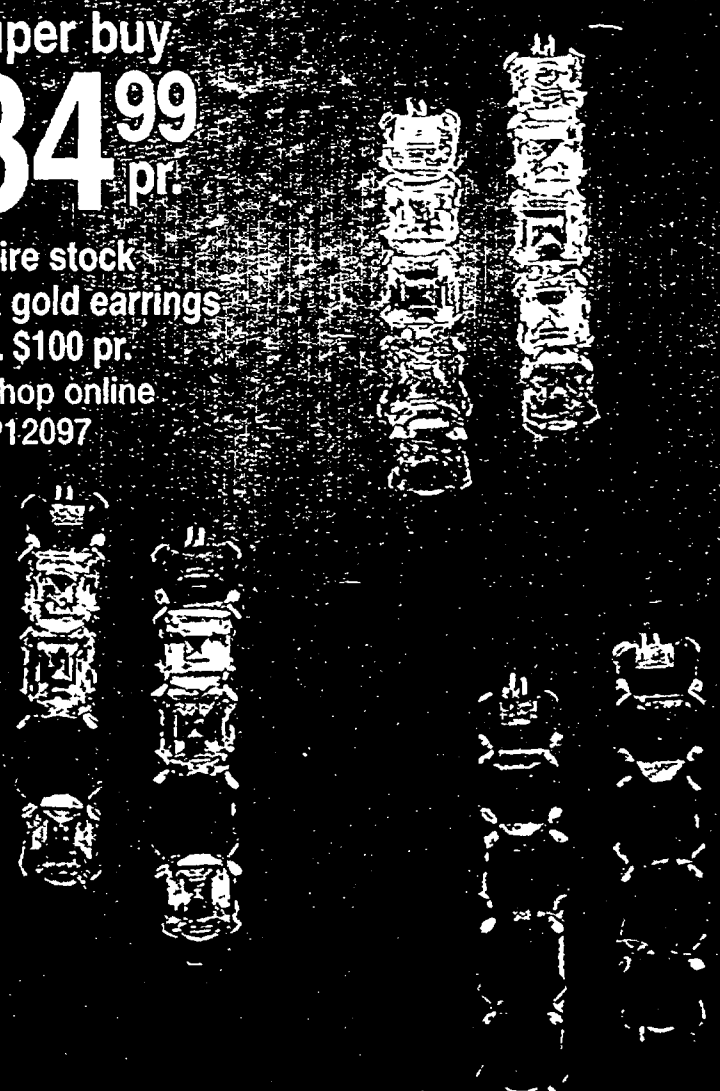
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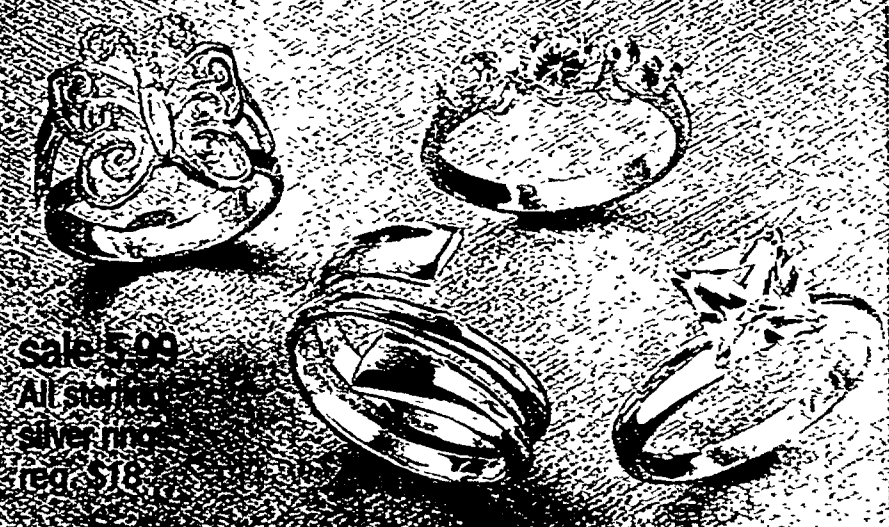
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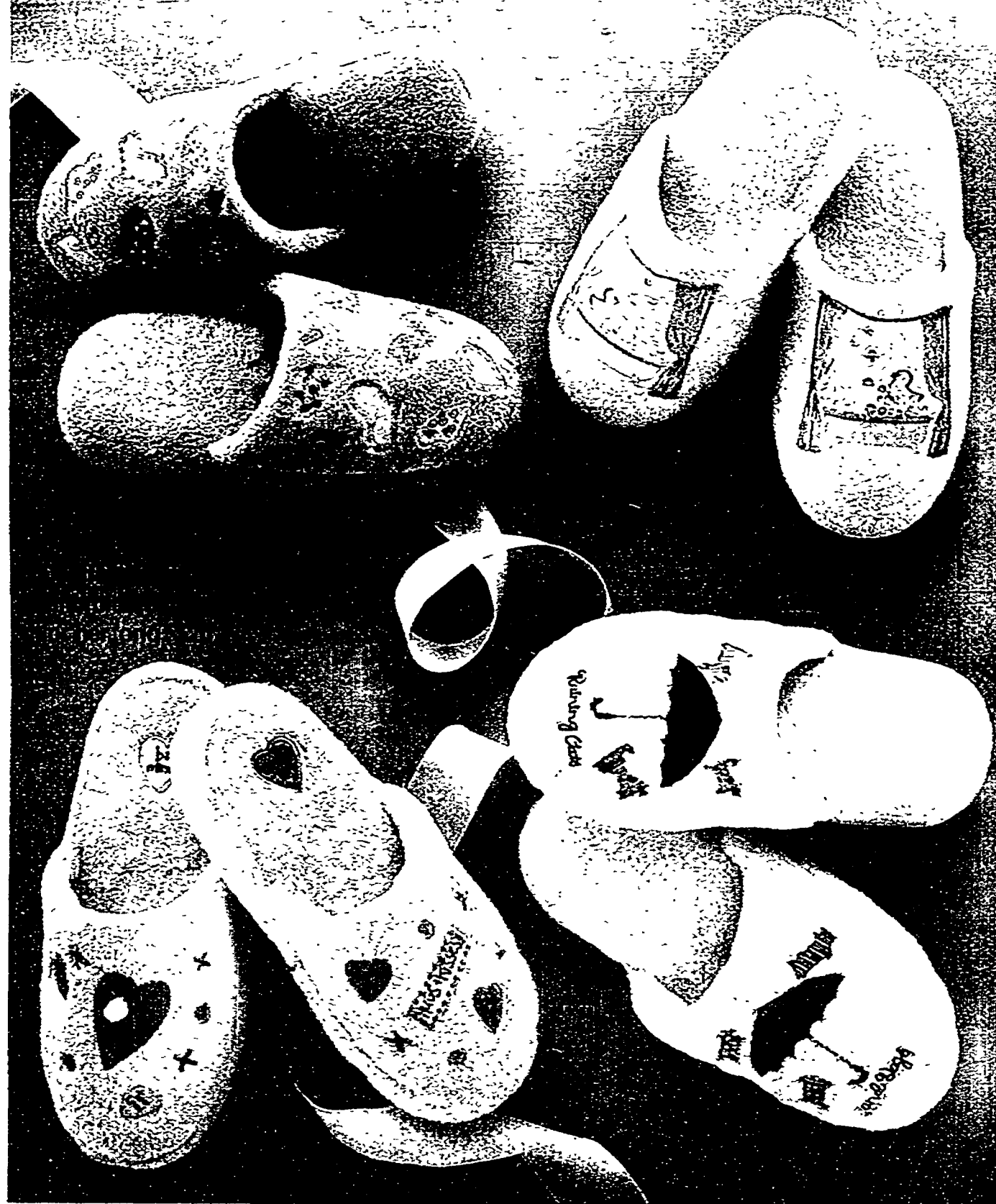
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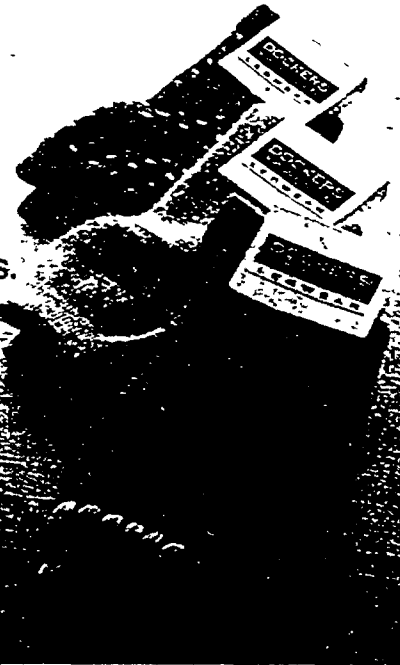


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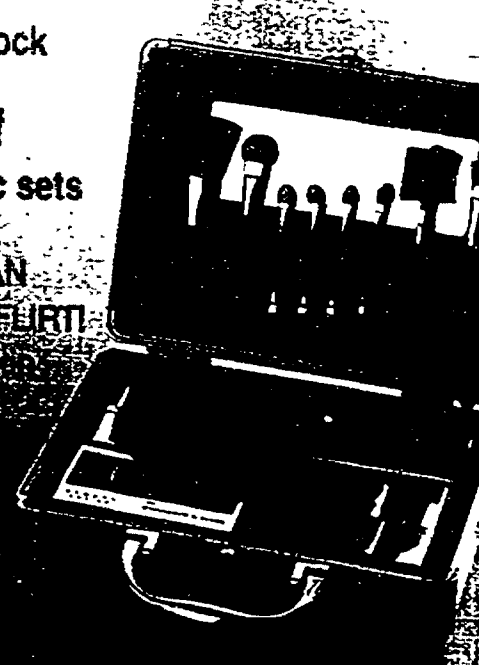
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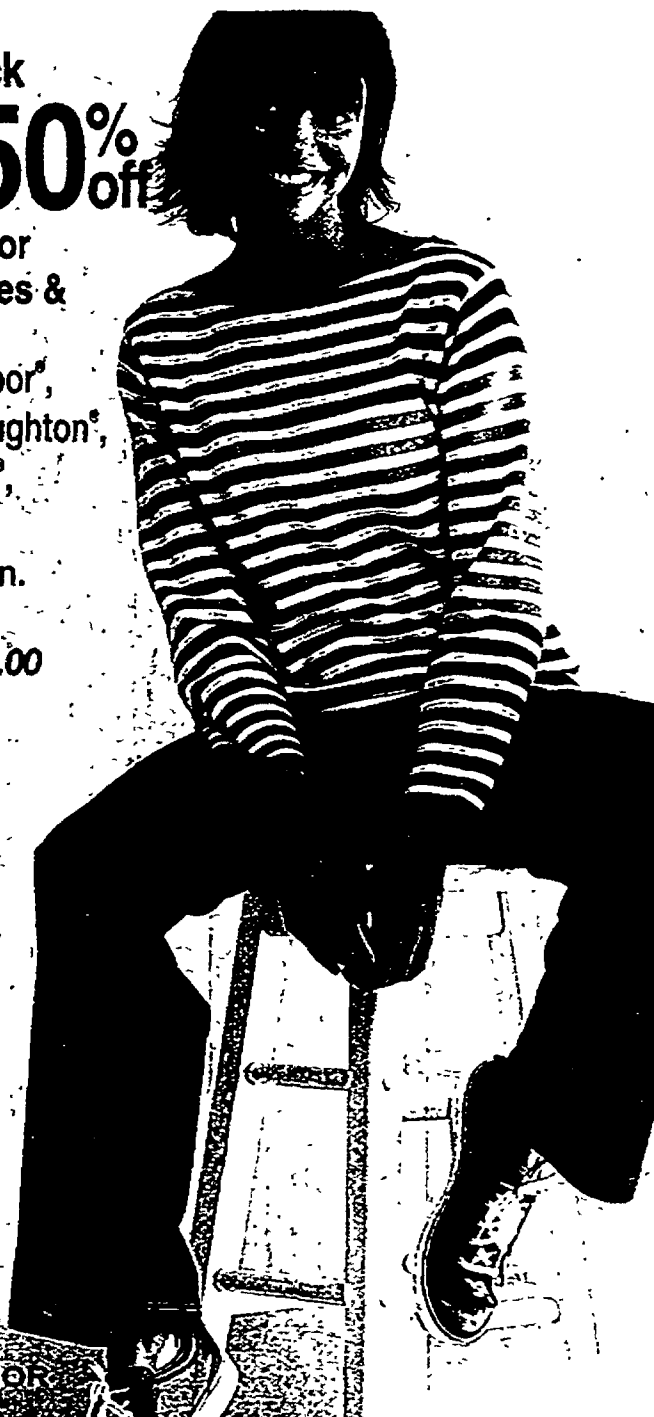
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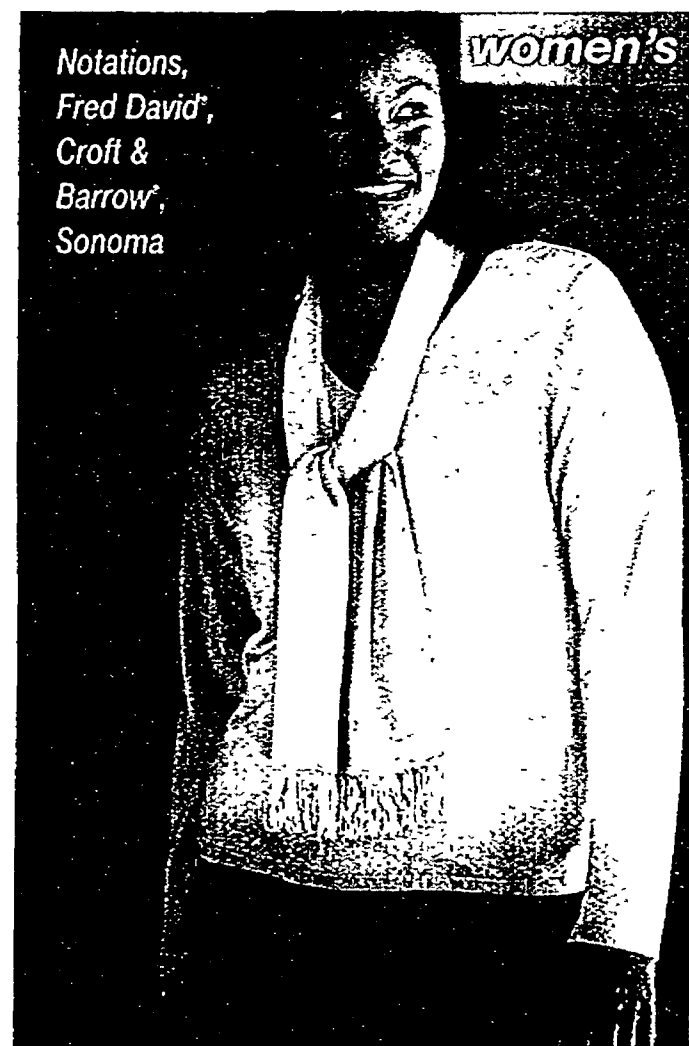
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from Briggs*,
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Notations
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P120946

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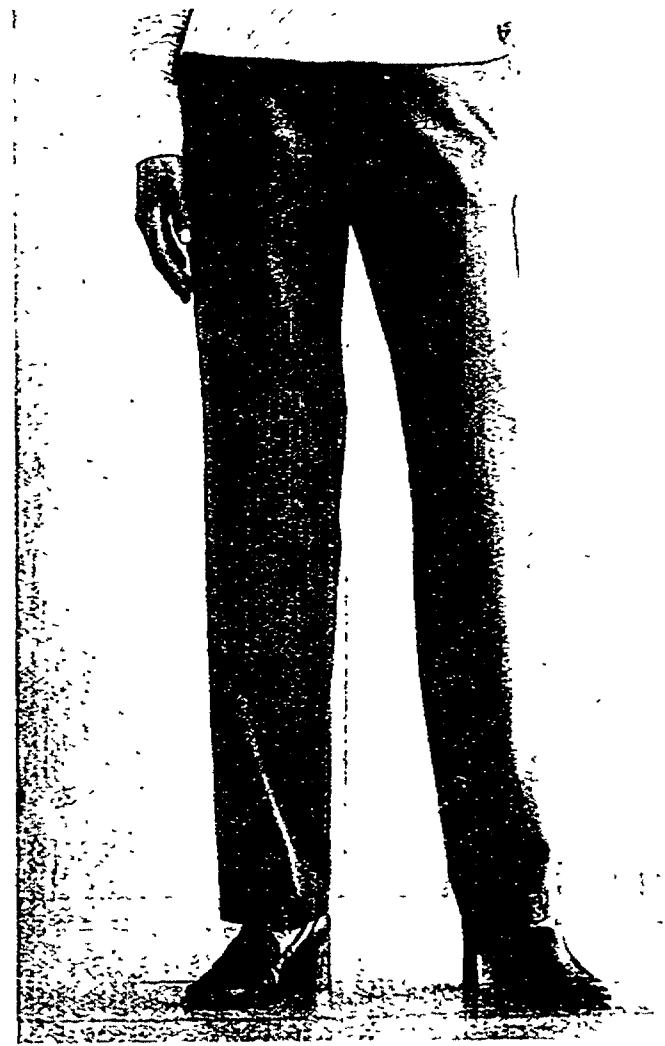
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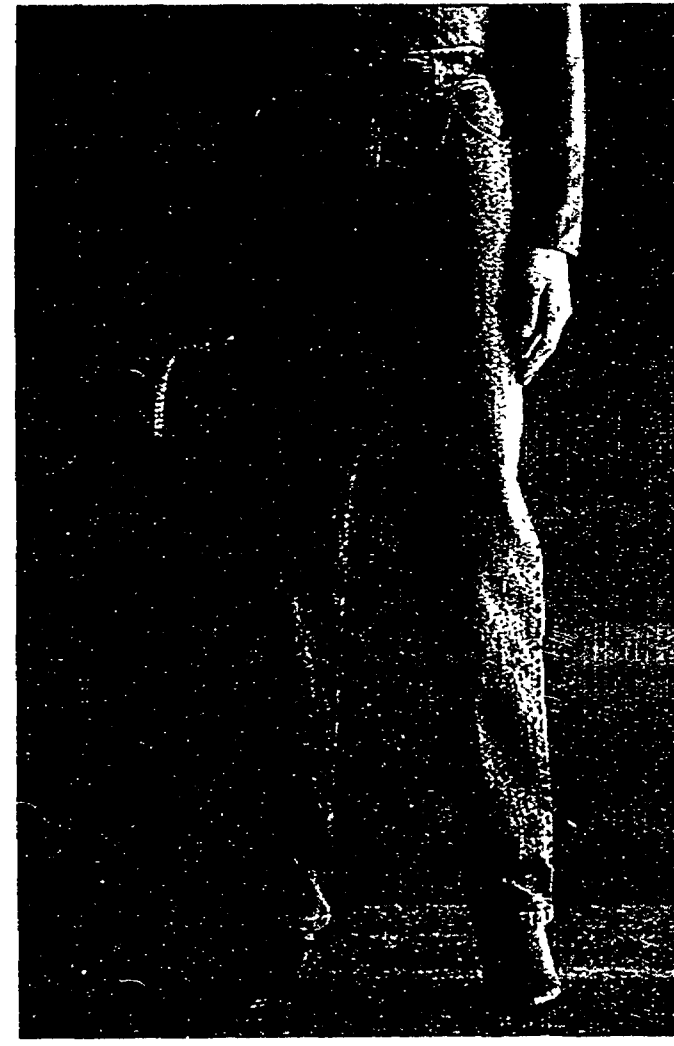
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Flat Front twill Pants
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19⁹⁹

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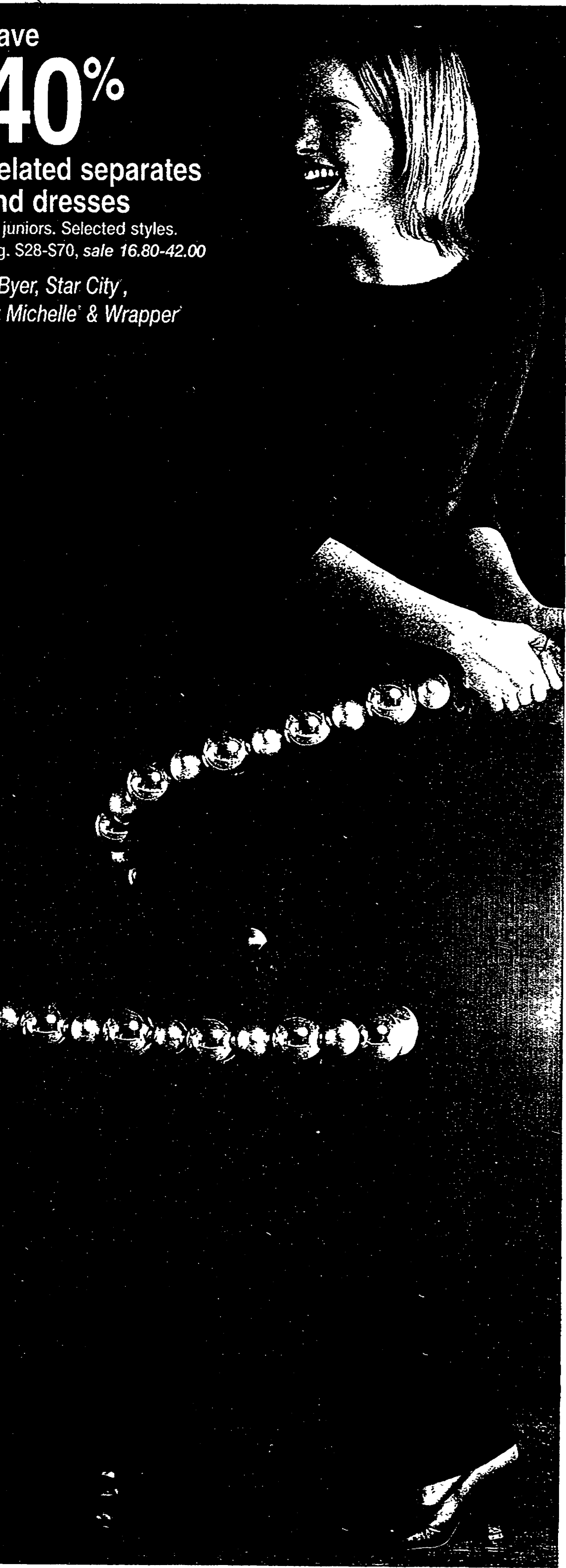
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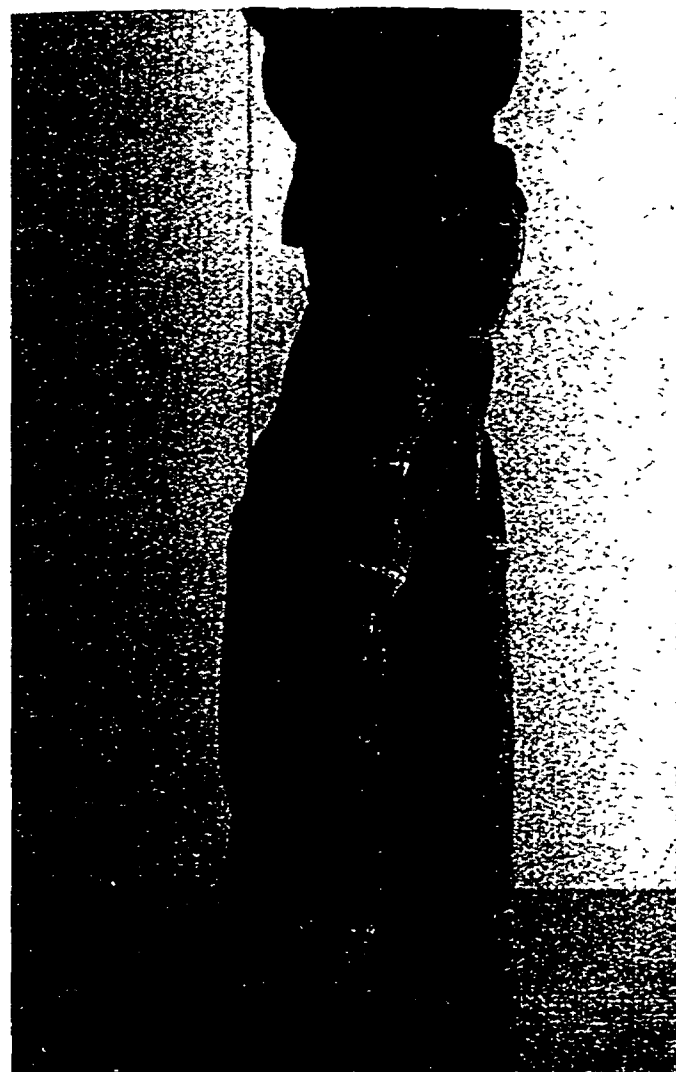
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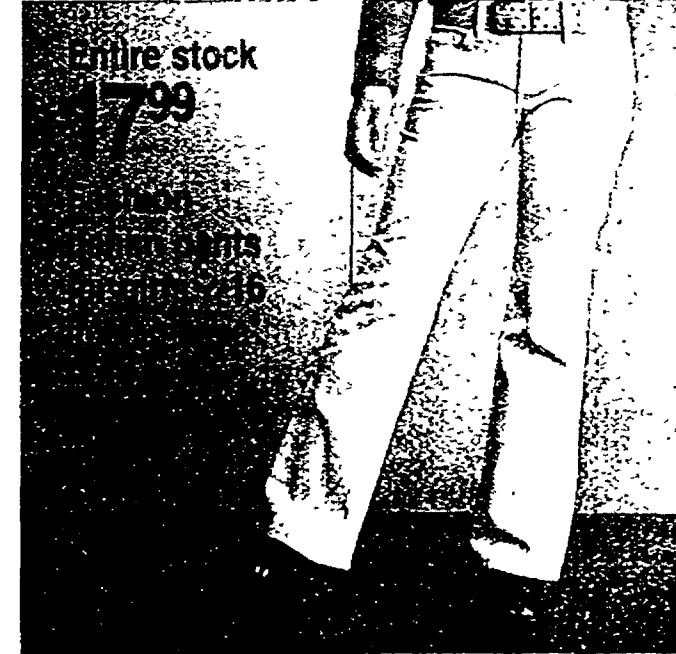
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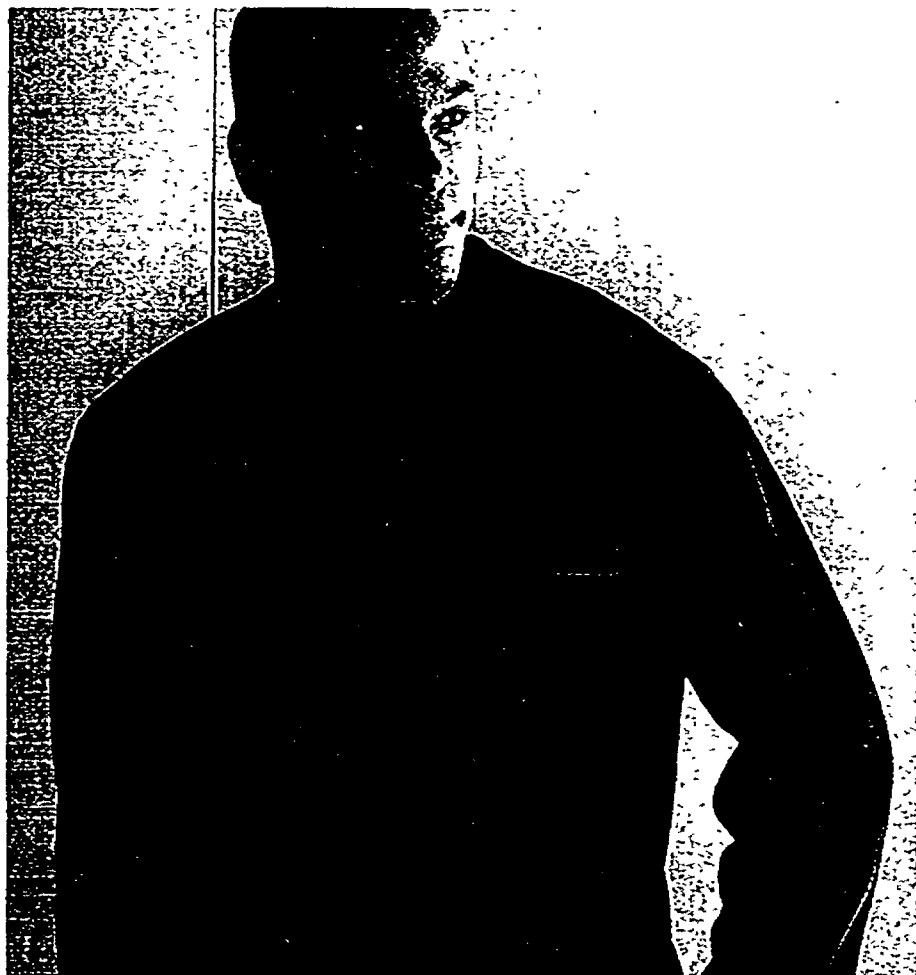
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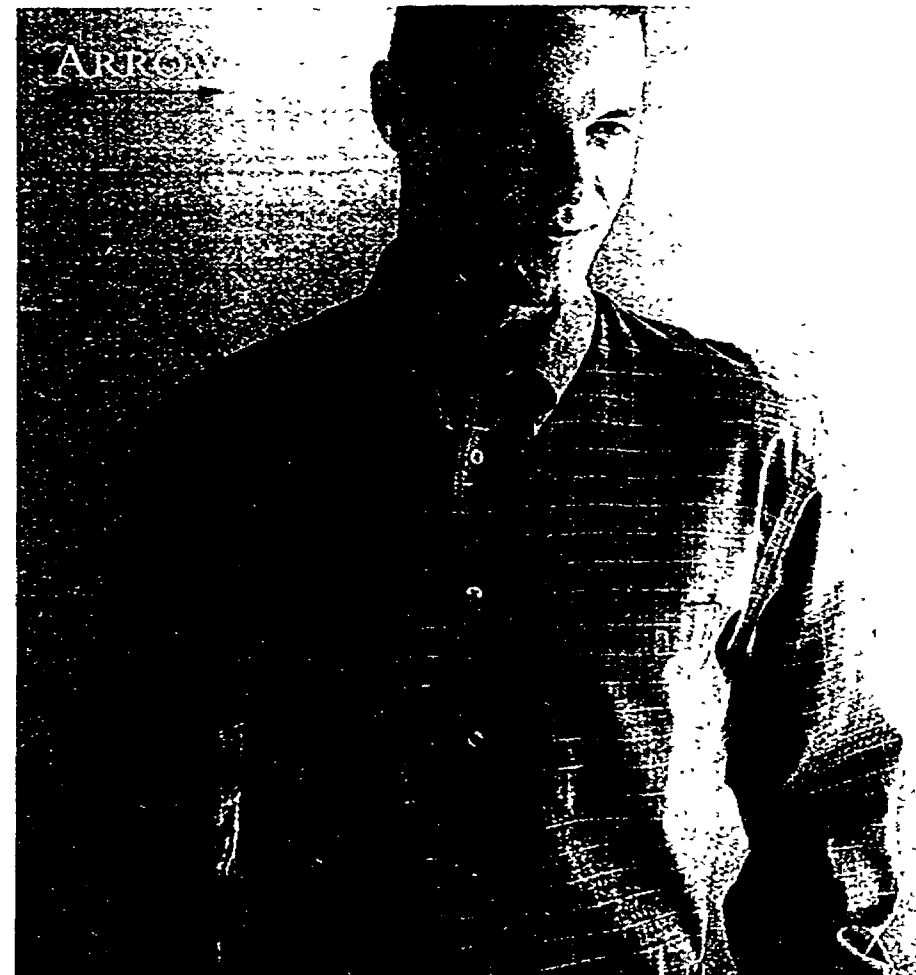
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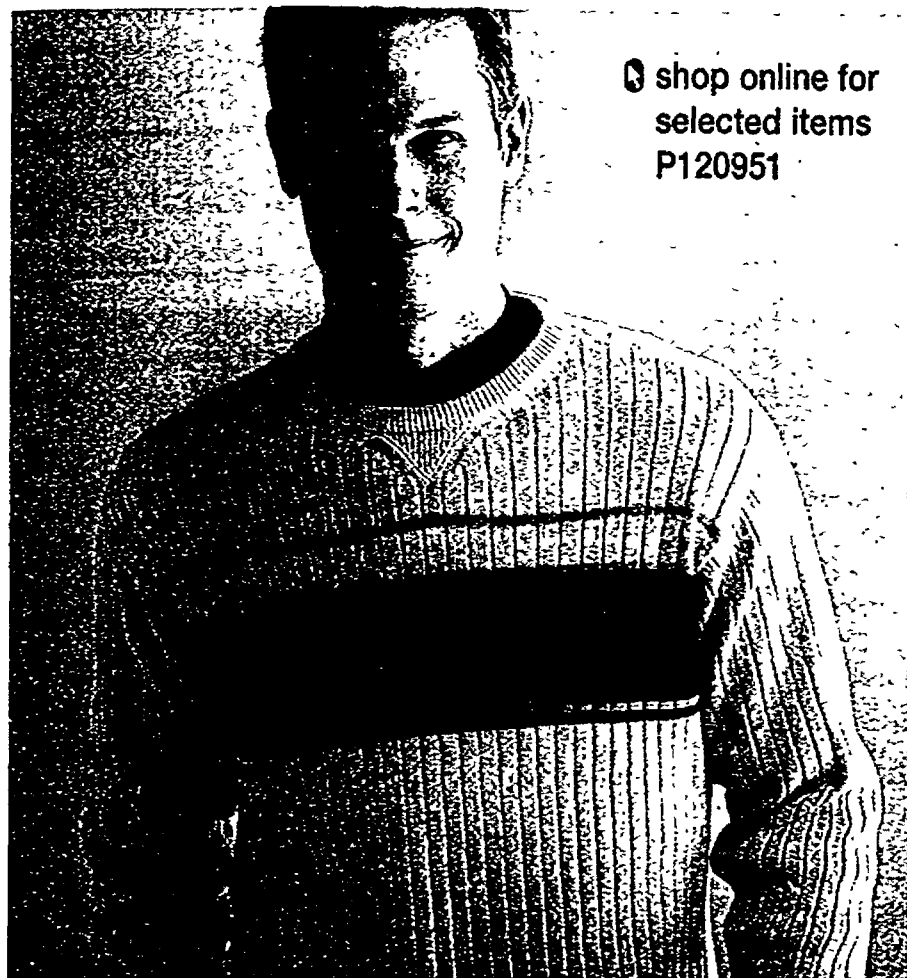
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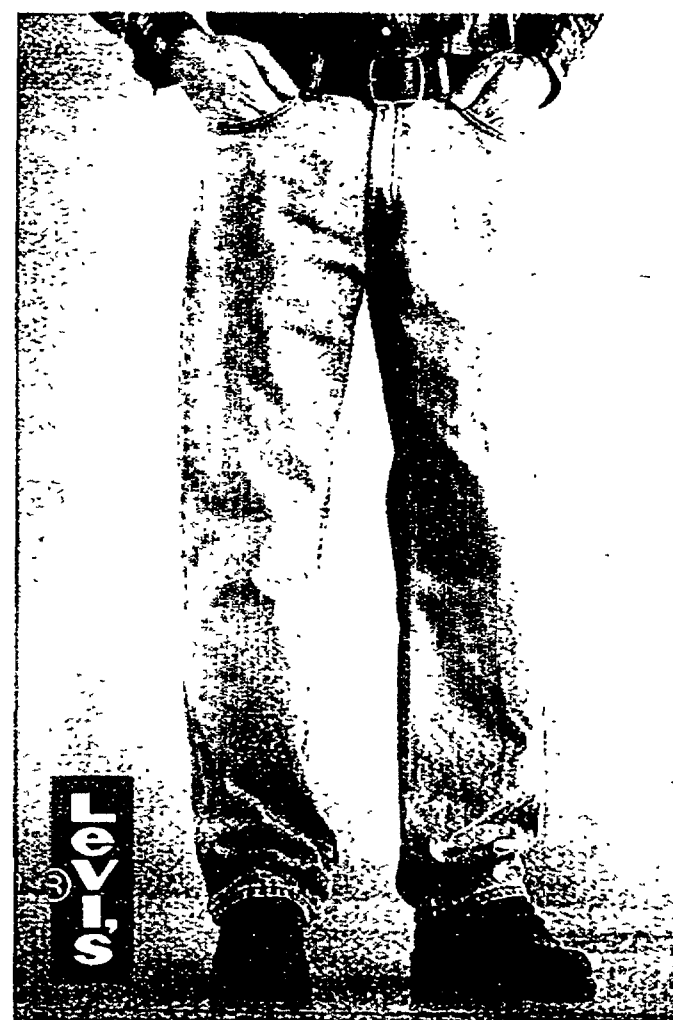
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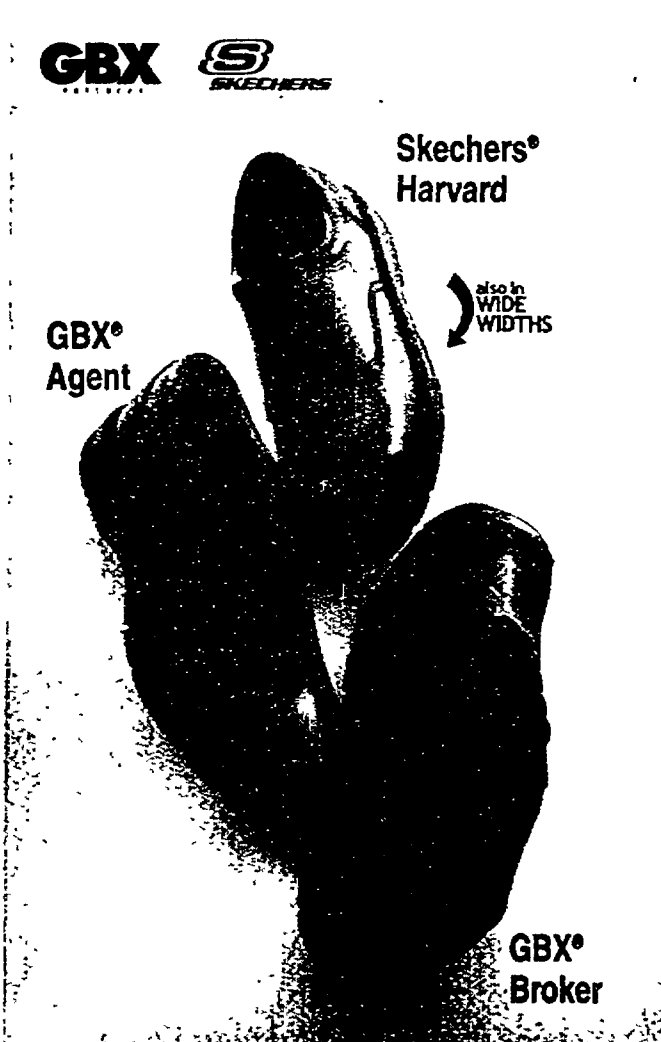
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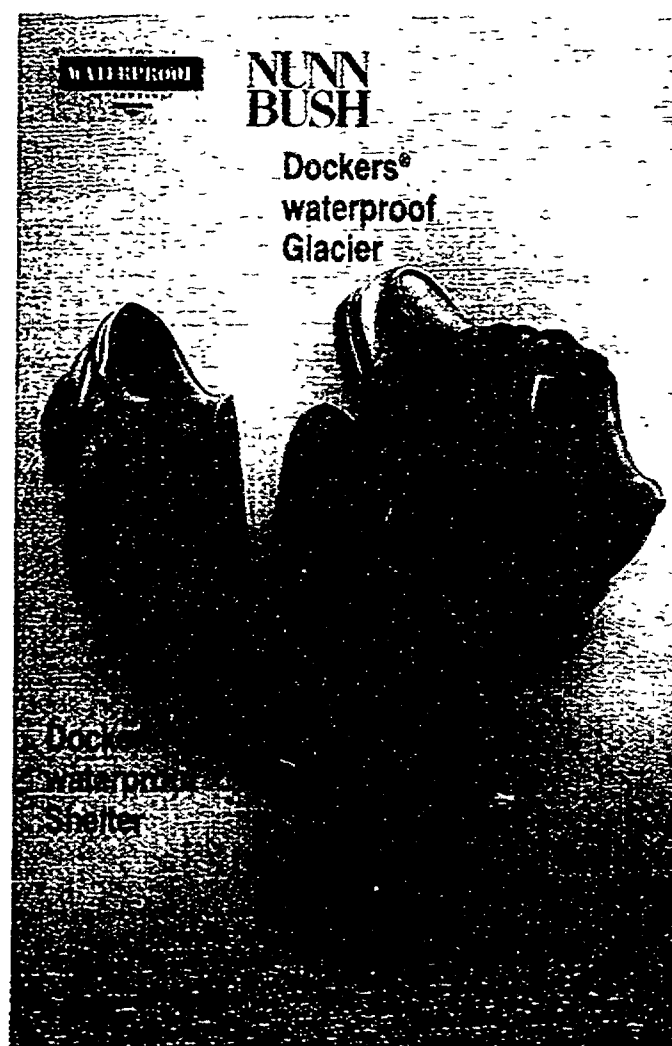
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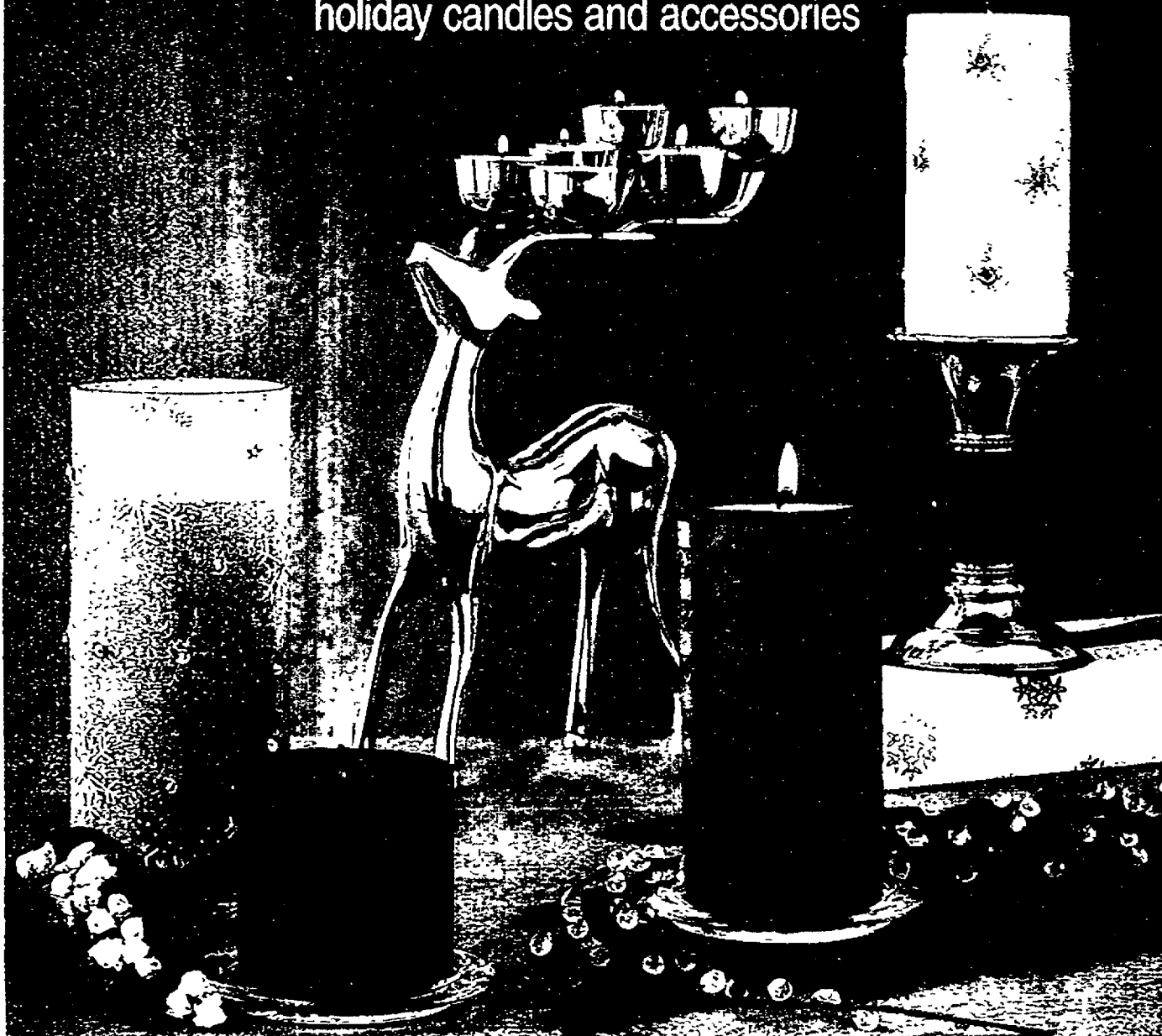


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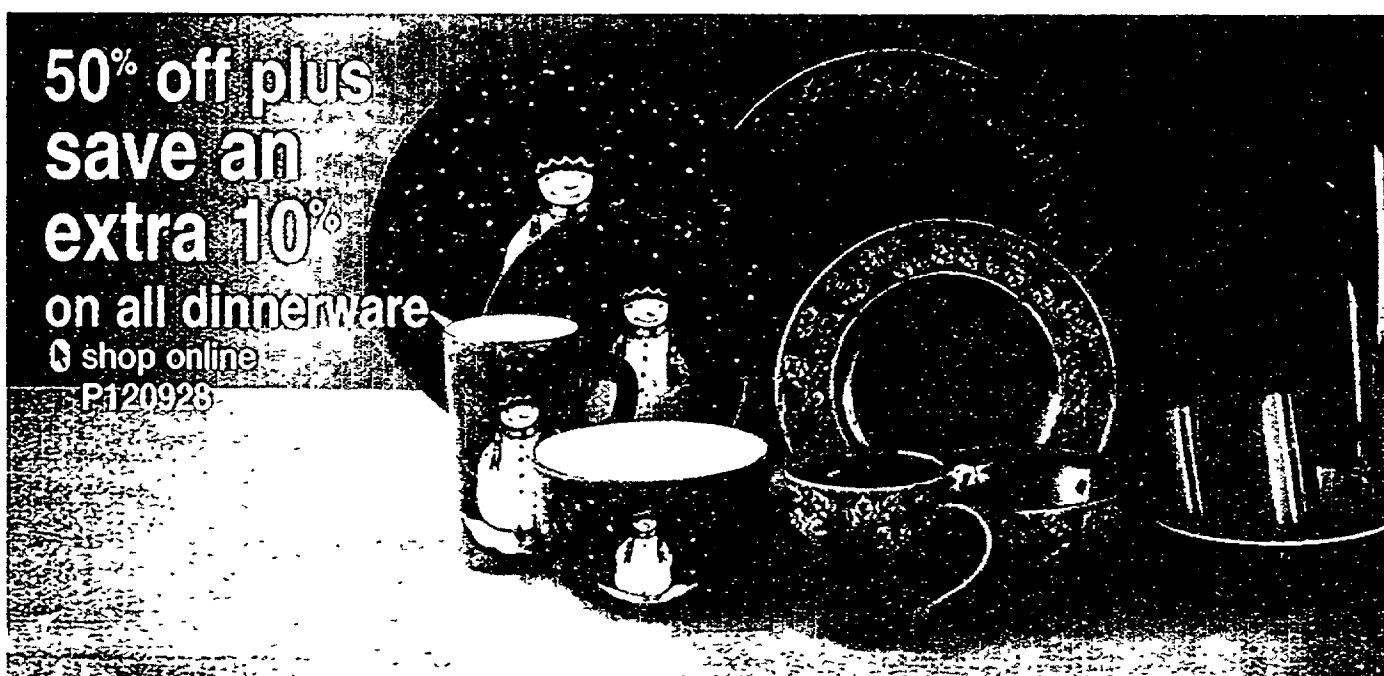
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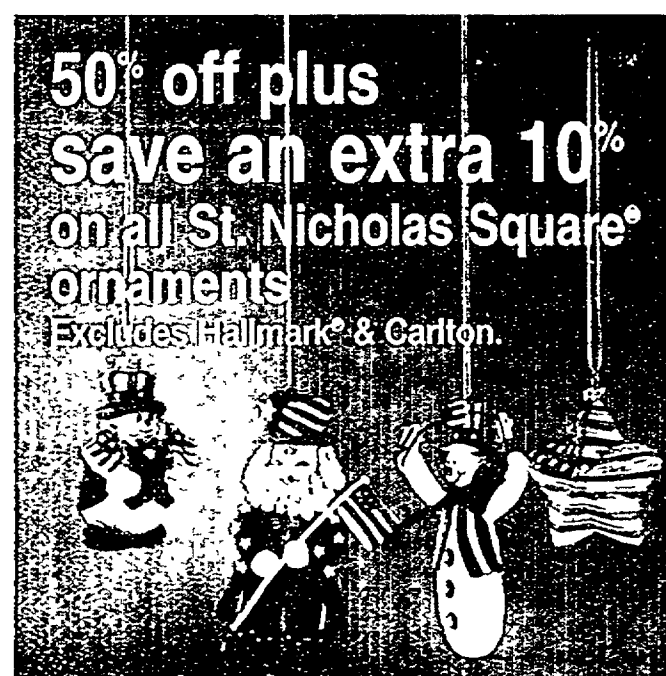
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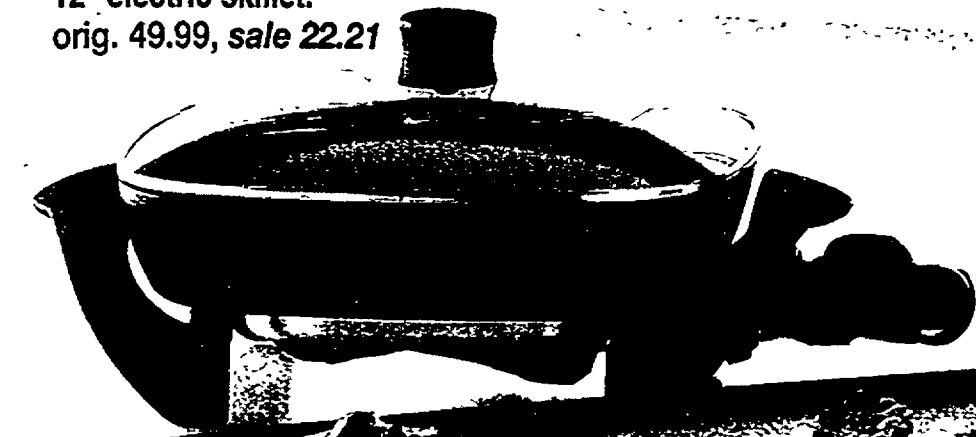
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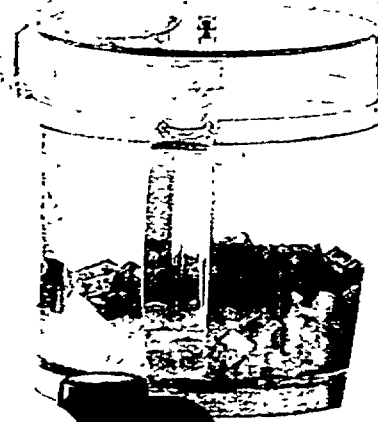
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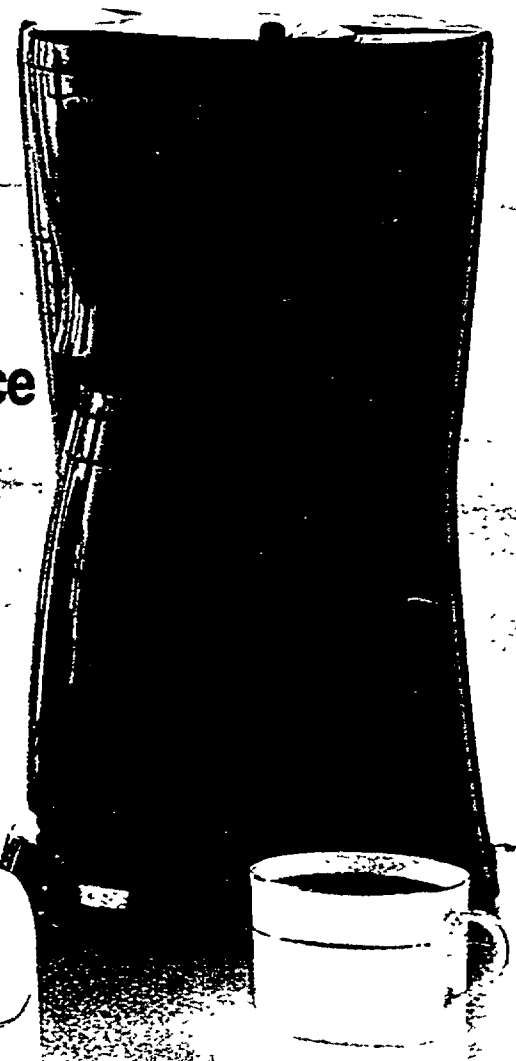
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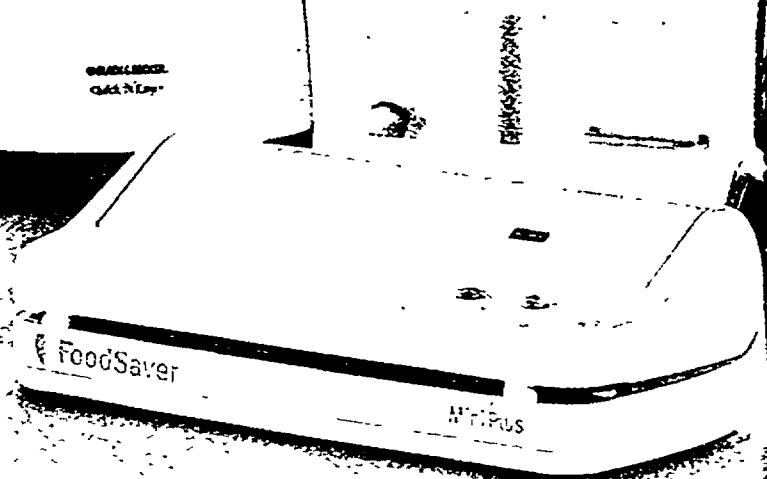
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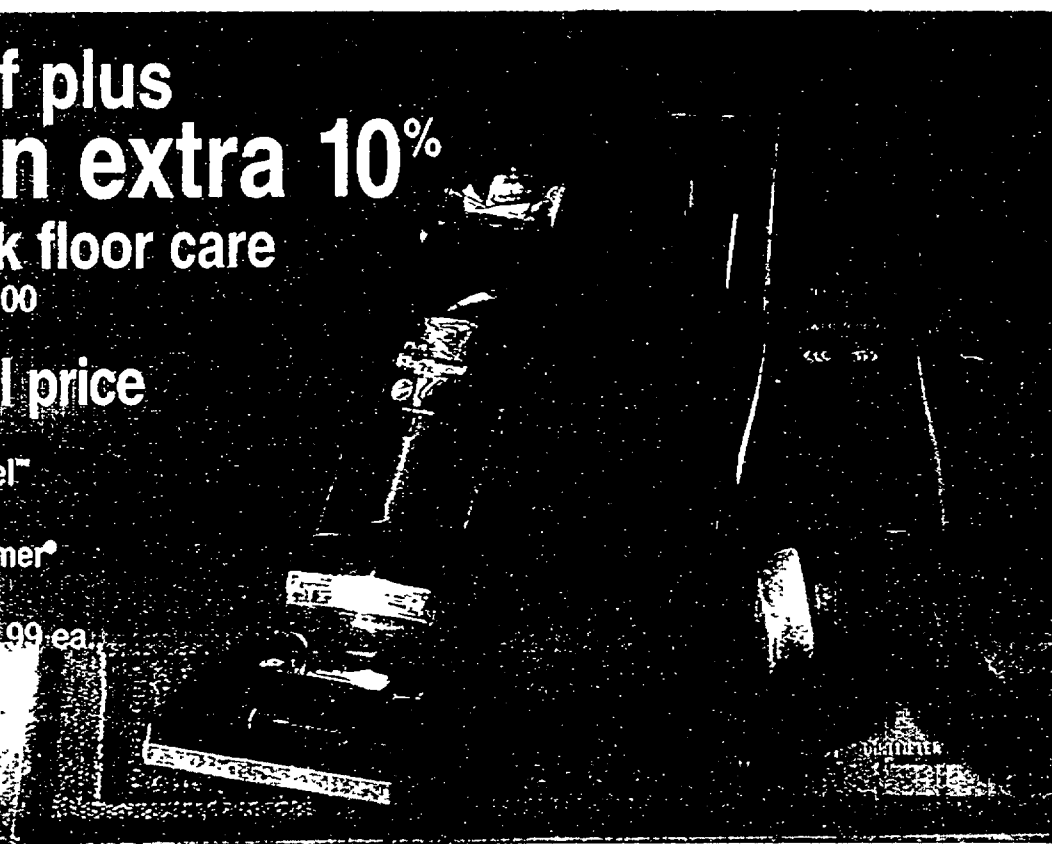



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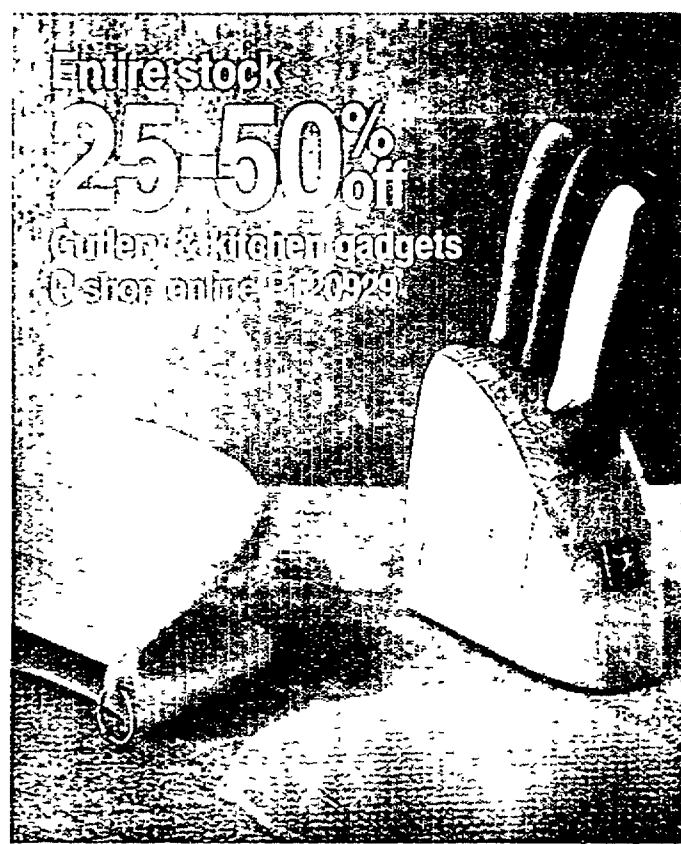
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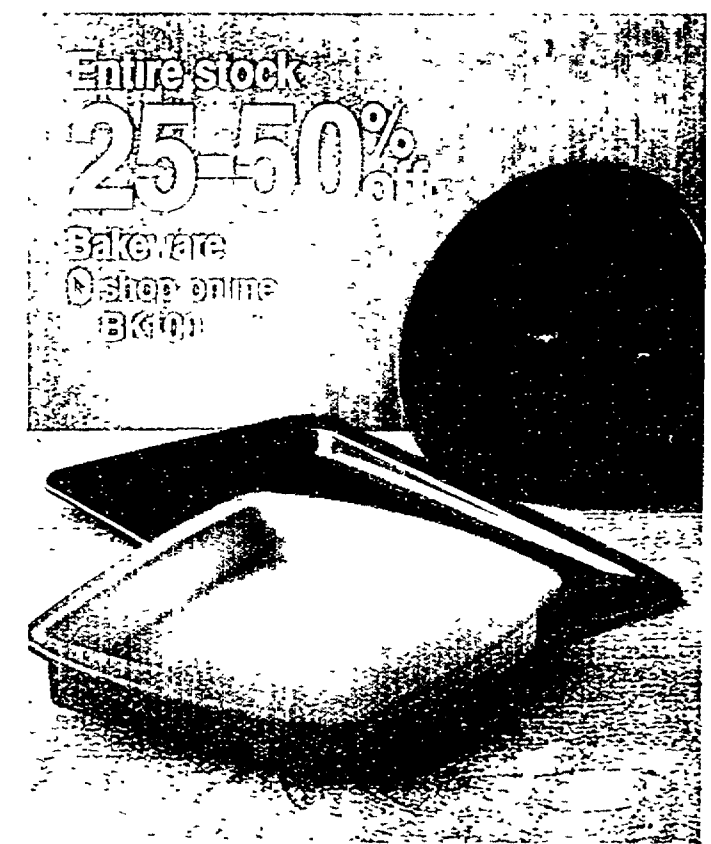
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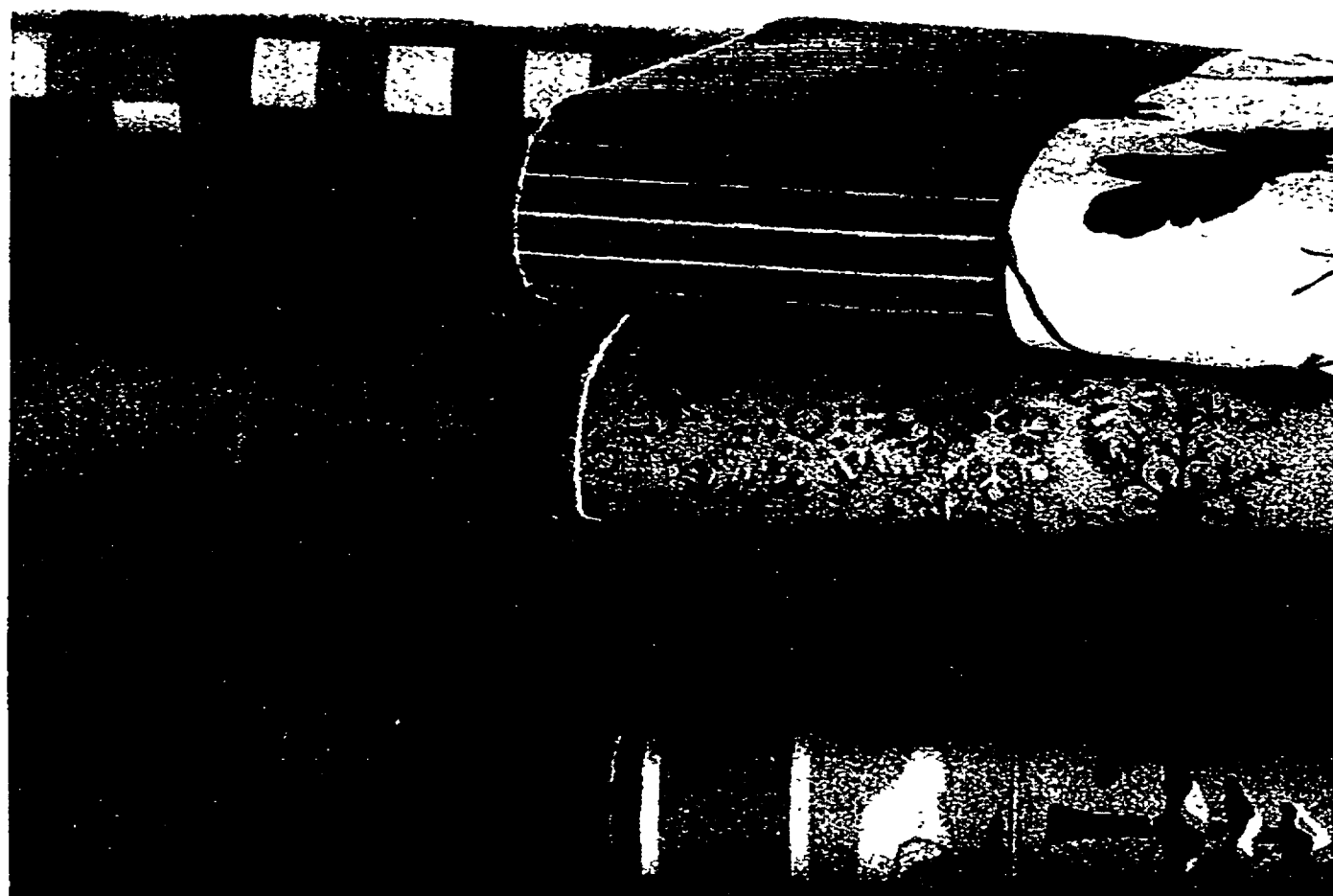
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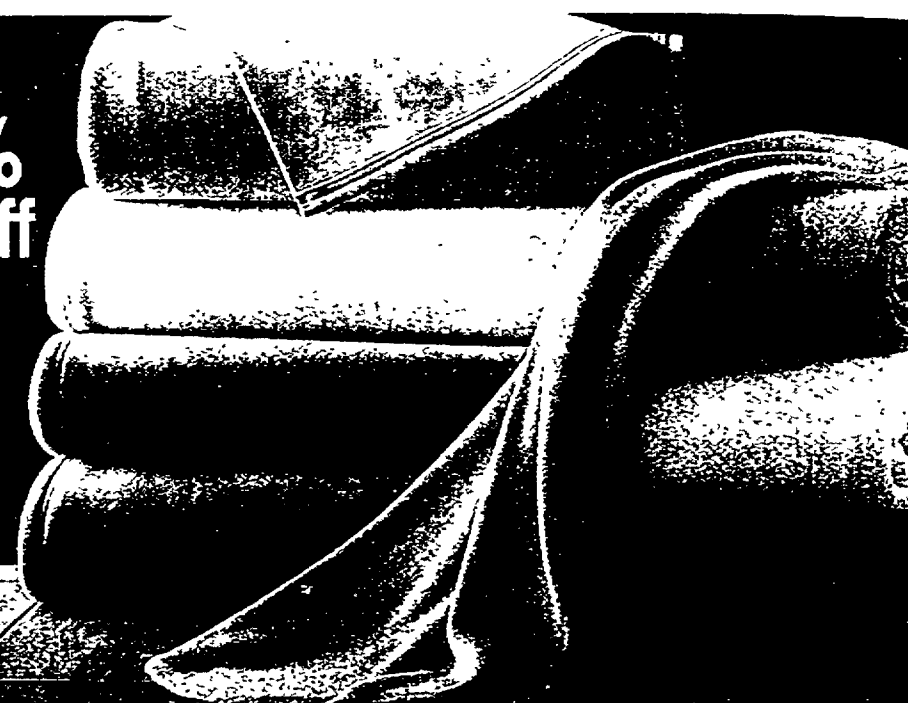
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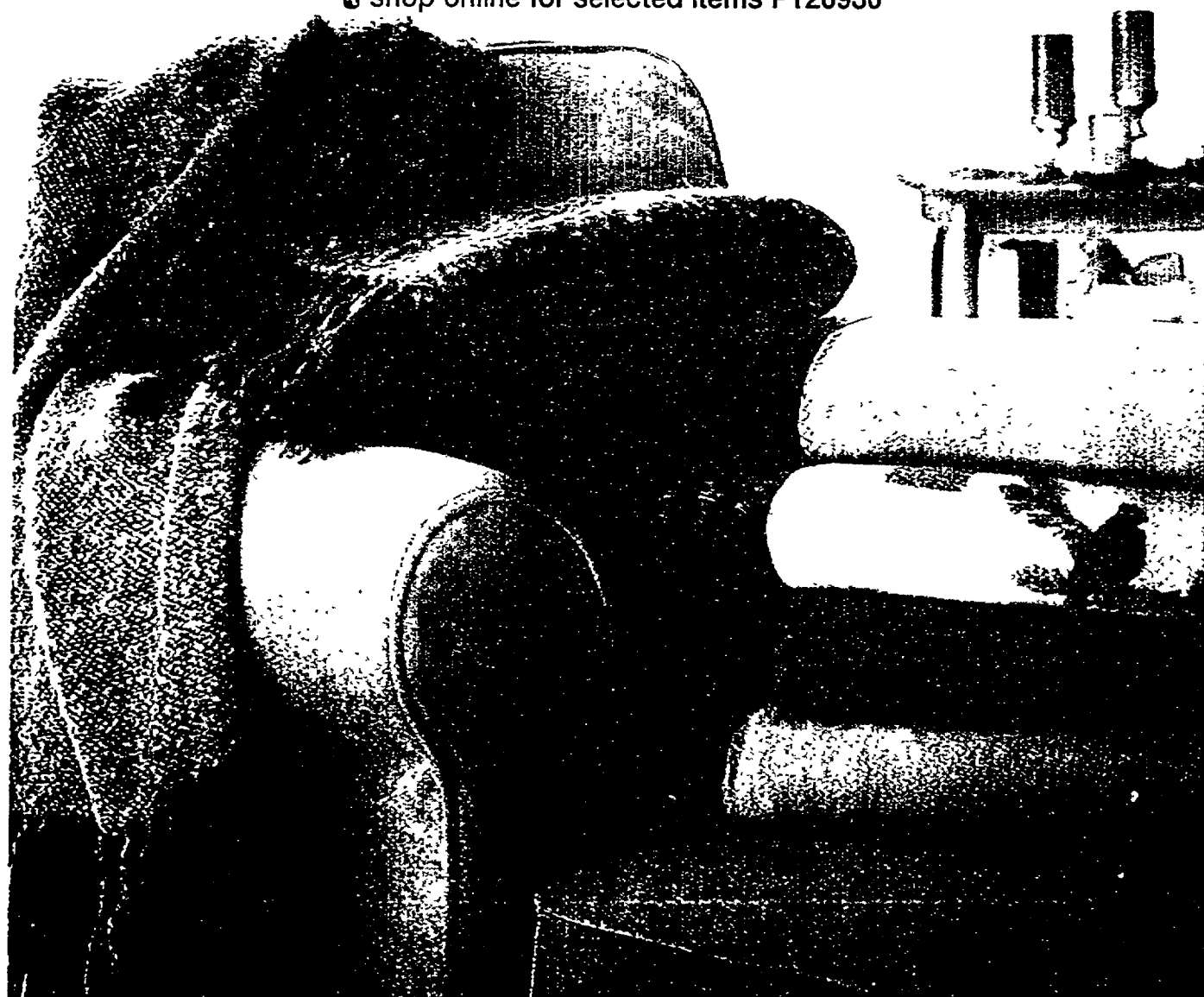
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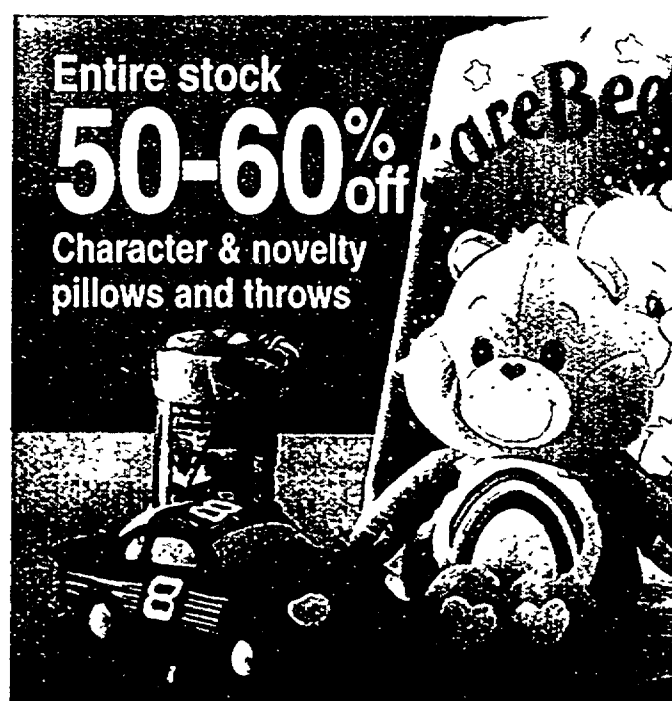
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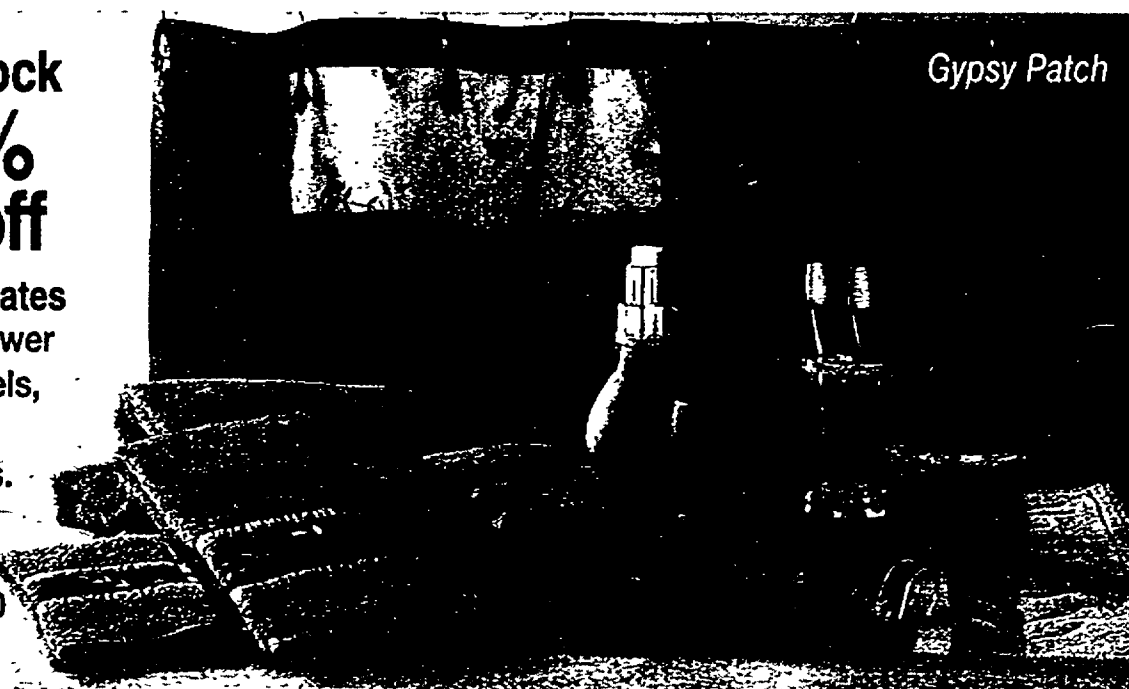
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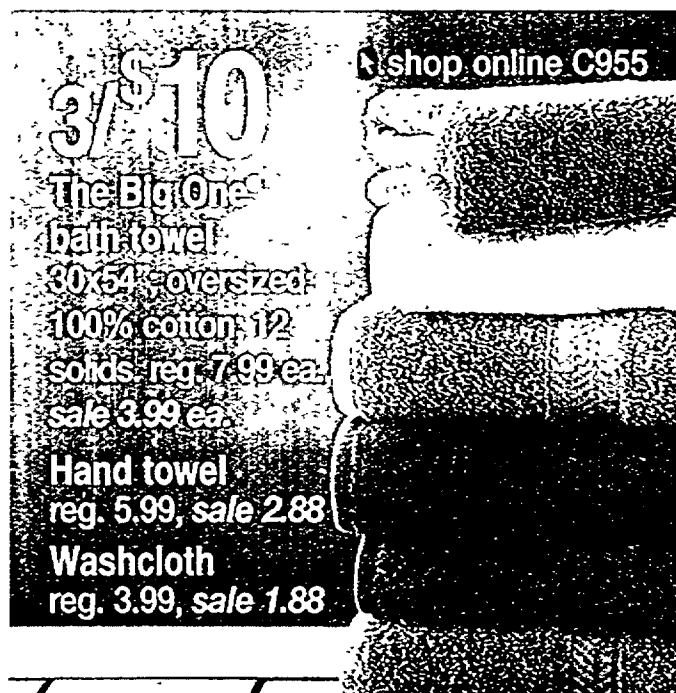
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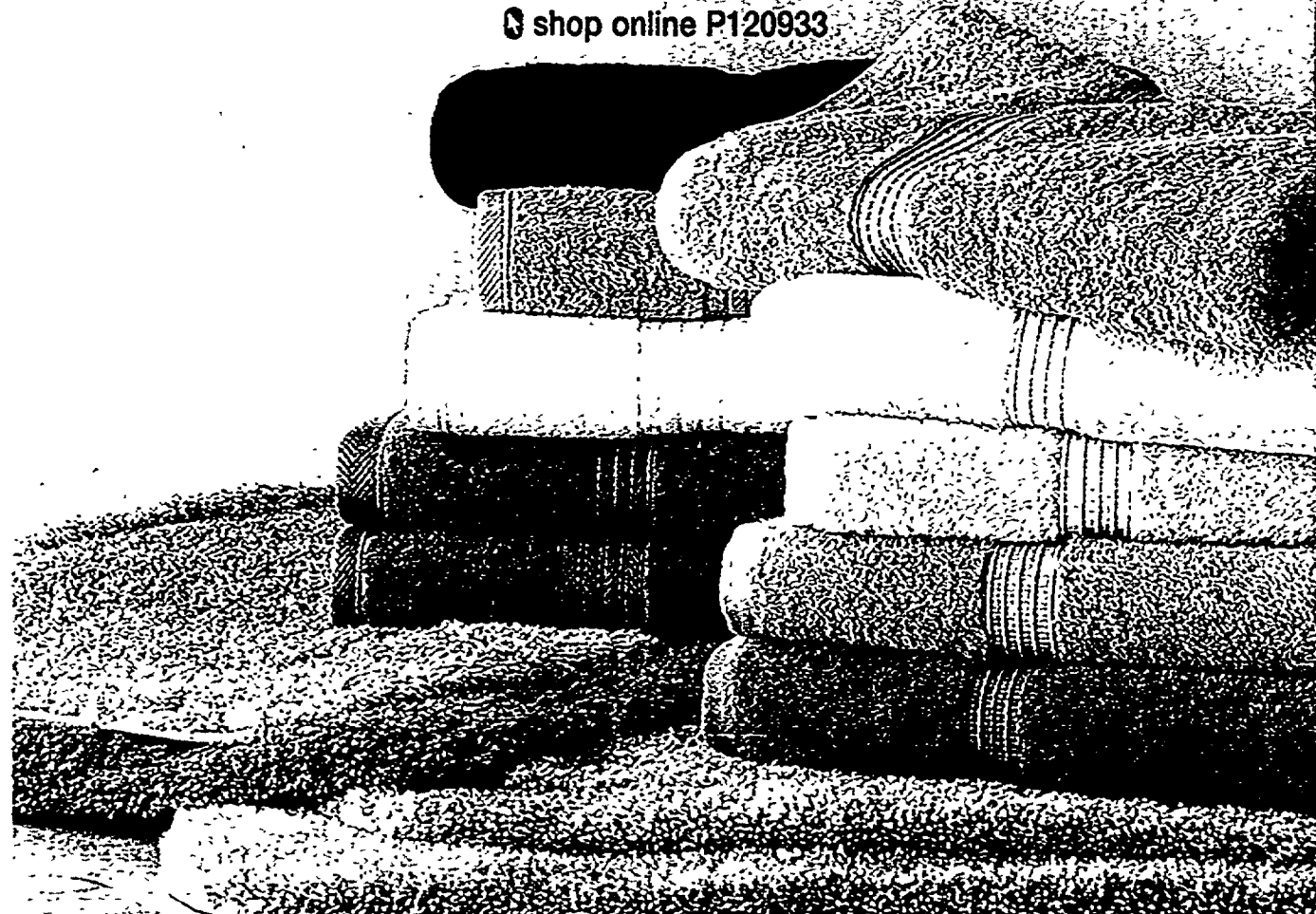
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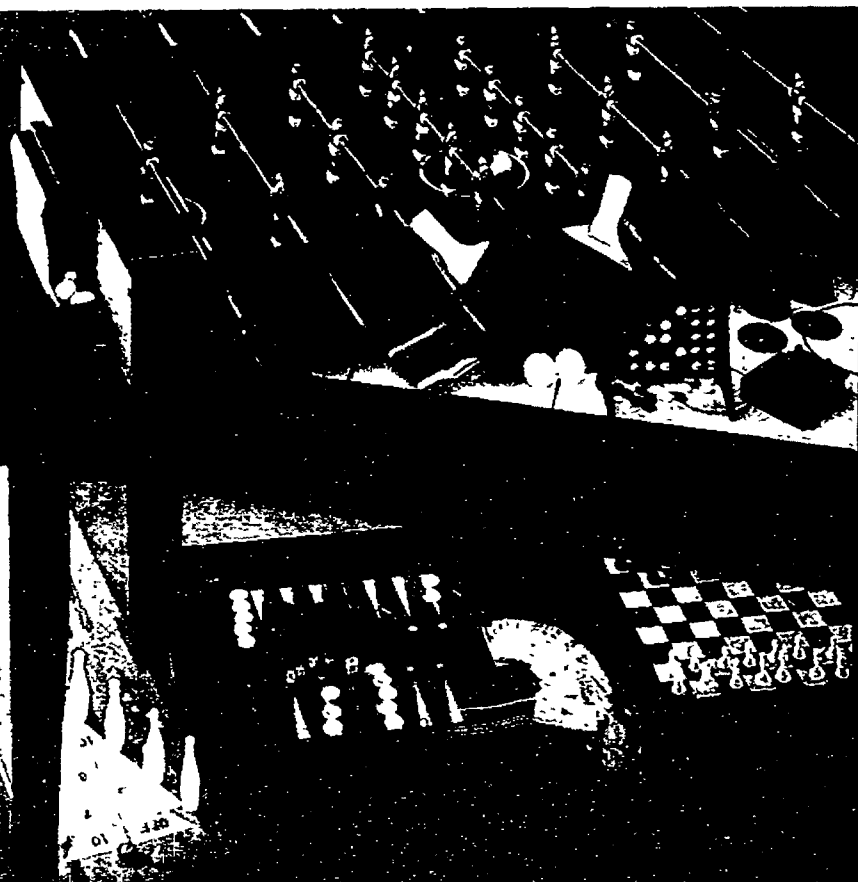


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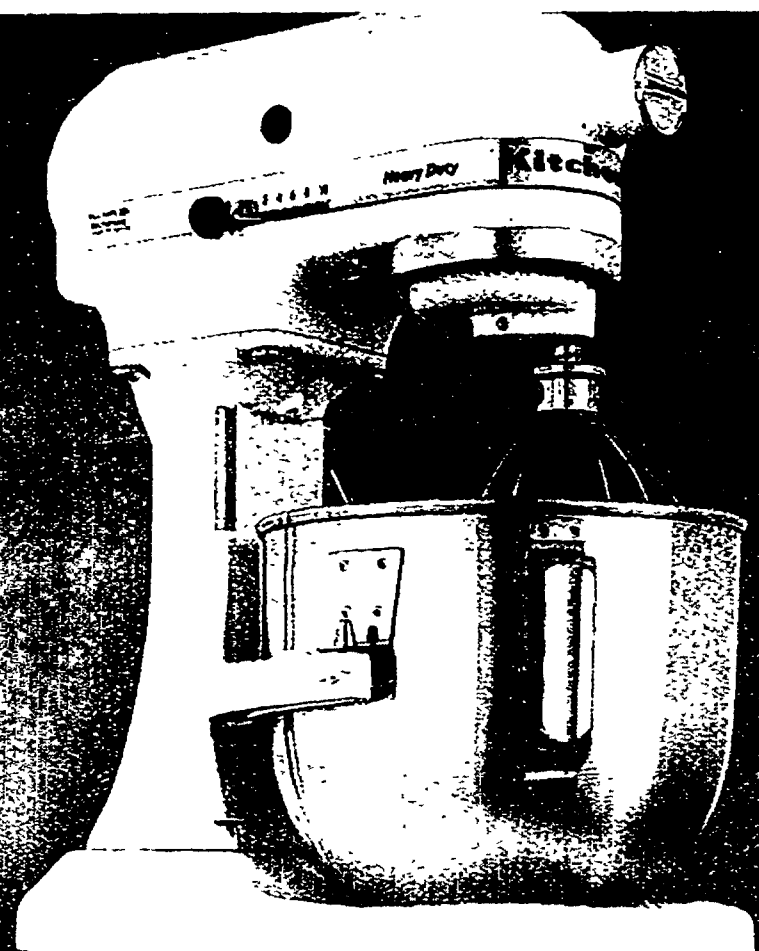
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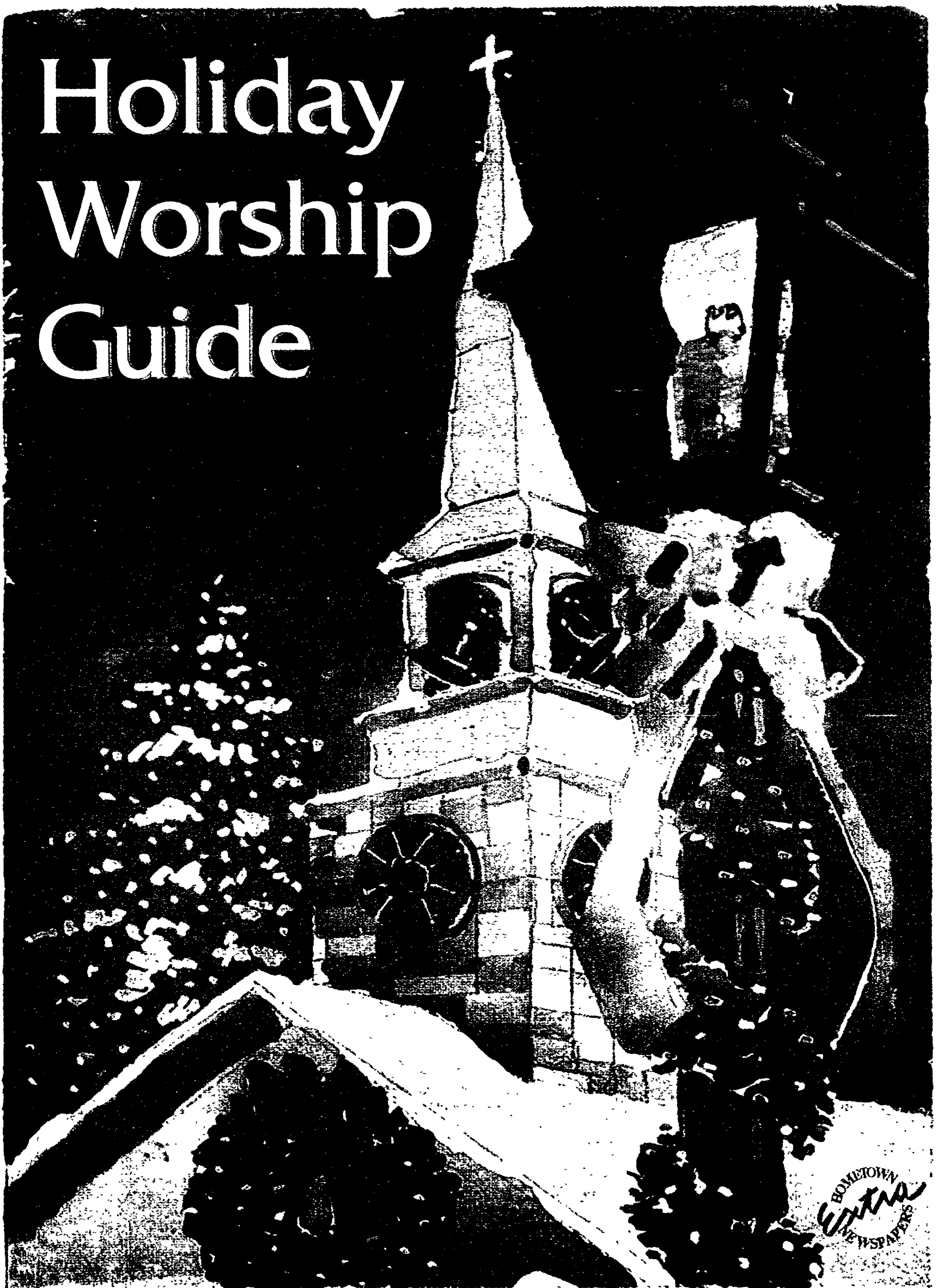
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Christmas Eve

5:00pm Family worship
with Children's Participation

7:00pm Candlelight Worship
with Youth Participation

9:00pm Candlelight Worship
with Handbell Choir

11:00pm Candlelight Worship
with Adult Choir

Sunday Dec. 26
One service at 10:30am

Sunday Jan. 2
One service at 10:30am

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6:00pm Family Service - Holy Communion

**8:00pm & 10pm Christmas Cantata
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Saturday December 25, 2004

10:00am Christmas Day Service - Holy Communion

Sunday December 26, 2004

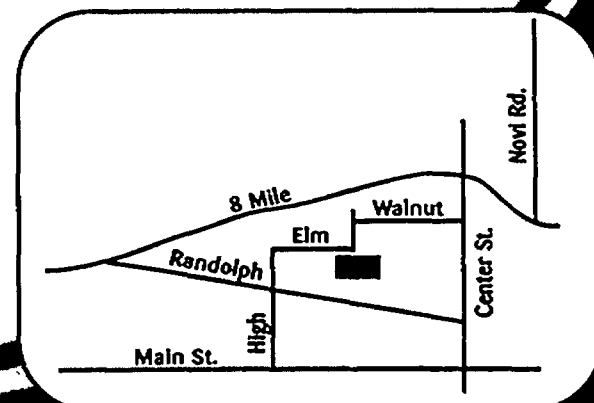
10:00am Festival Service

Friday December 31, 2004

6:00pm New Years Eve Service - Holy Communion

Saturday January 2, 2004

Regular Times Resume





Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

Our Lady Of Victory Christmas Liturgy Schedule

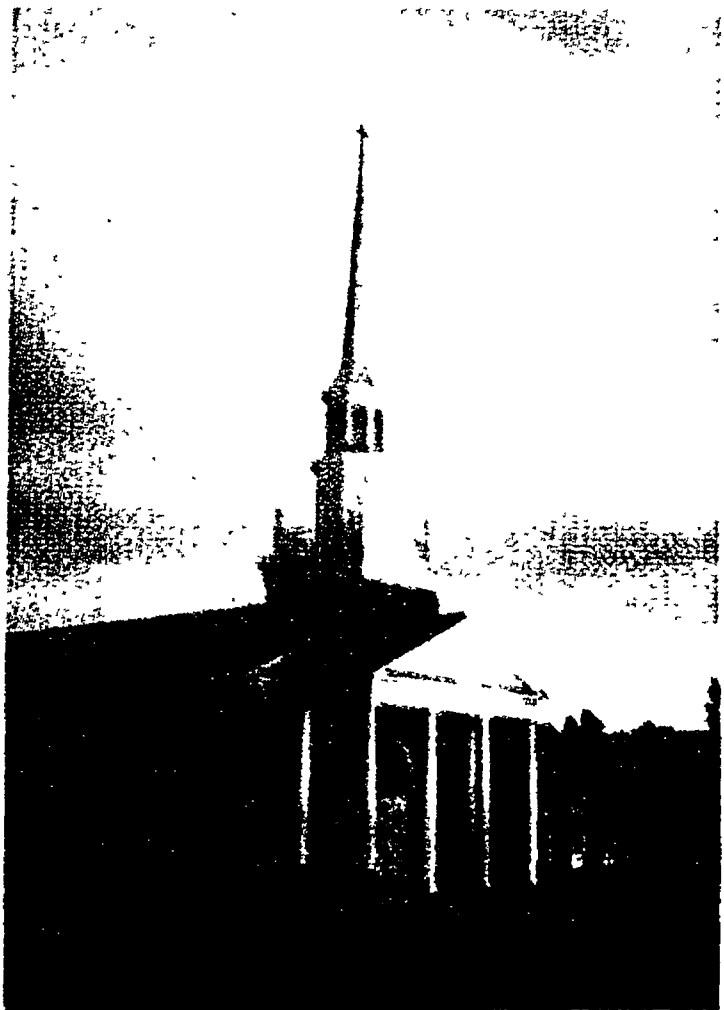
Christmas Eve Fri. 12-24
4pm Children's Mass (Church)
4pm Children's Mass (Hall)
6pm Mass • 12am Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Sat. 12-25
8am Mass
10am Mass

News Year's Eve Fri. 12-31
6pm Mass
News Year's Day Sat. 1-1
9am Mass

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Meadowbrook Congregational Church Advent Celebration



Sunday, December 12

10 a.m.

Children's Christmas Pageant
"Beneath the Shining Star"



Friday, December 24
Christmas Eve Services

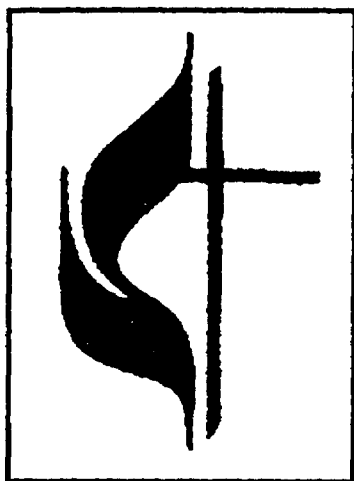
6 p.m.

Nativity Pageant & Candlelighting

9 p.m.

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Sunday, December 12, 2004

Third Sunday in Advent

8:00-9:15 & 11:00am services

"Blossoms in the Sand"

Isaiah 35: 1-10

Sunday, December 19, 2004

Fourth Sunday in Advent

8:00-9:15 & 11:00am services

"Hopes as Certain as Birth"

Isaiah 7: 10-16



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Friday, December 24, 2004

4:00 p.m.

The Joy Musical & Christmas Pageant

Friday, December 24, 2004

8:30 p.m.

Traditional Festive Worship Service

Friday, December 24, 2004

6:00 p.m.

Joyful Celebration Contemporary Service

Friday, December 24, 2004

11:00 p.m.

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Christmas Service Schedule

Christmas Eve Service
Fri. Dec. 24 7pm

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Sat. Dec. 25 10am

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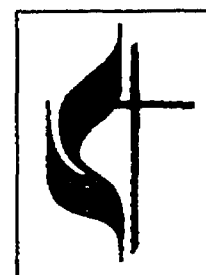
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Schedule of Services:

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During worship -
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"Season of Hope" -
a short drama with music.
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by Ruth Anne Zimmer

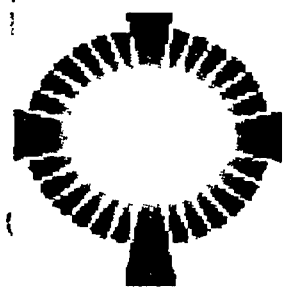
Sunday, December 19, 2004
During worship - Chancel Choir
will present "God's Son is Born",
a Christmas cantata with music
and narration. Directed by
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Christmas Eve Services
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11:00pm Celebration
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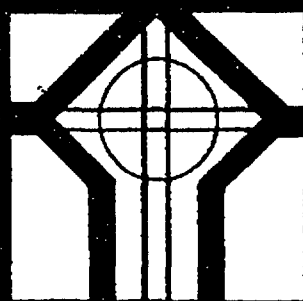
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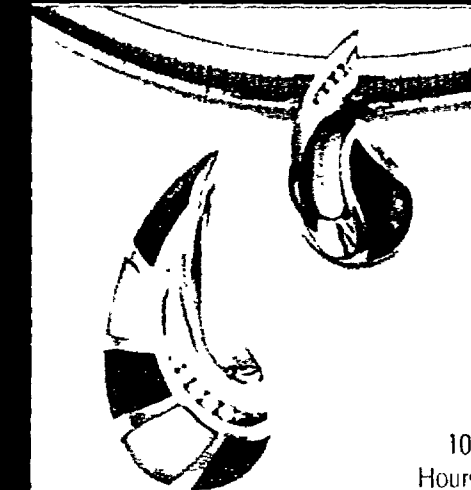
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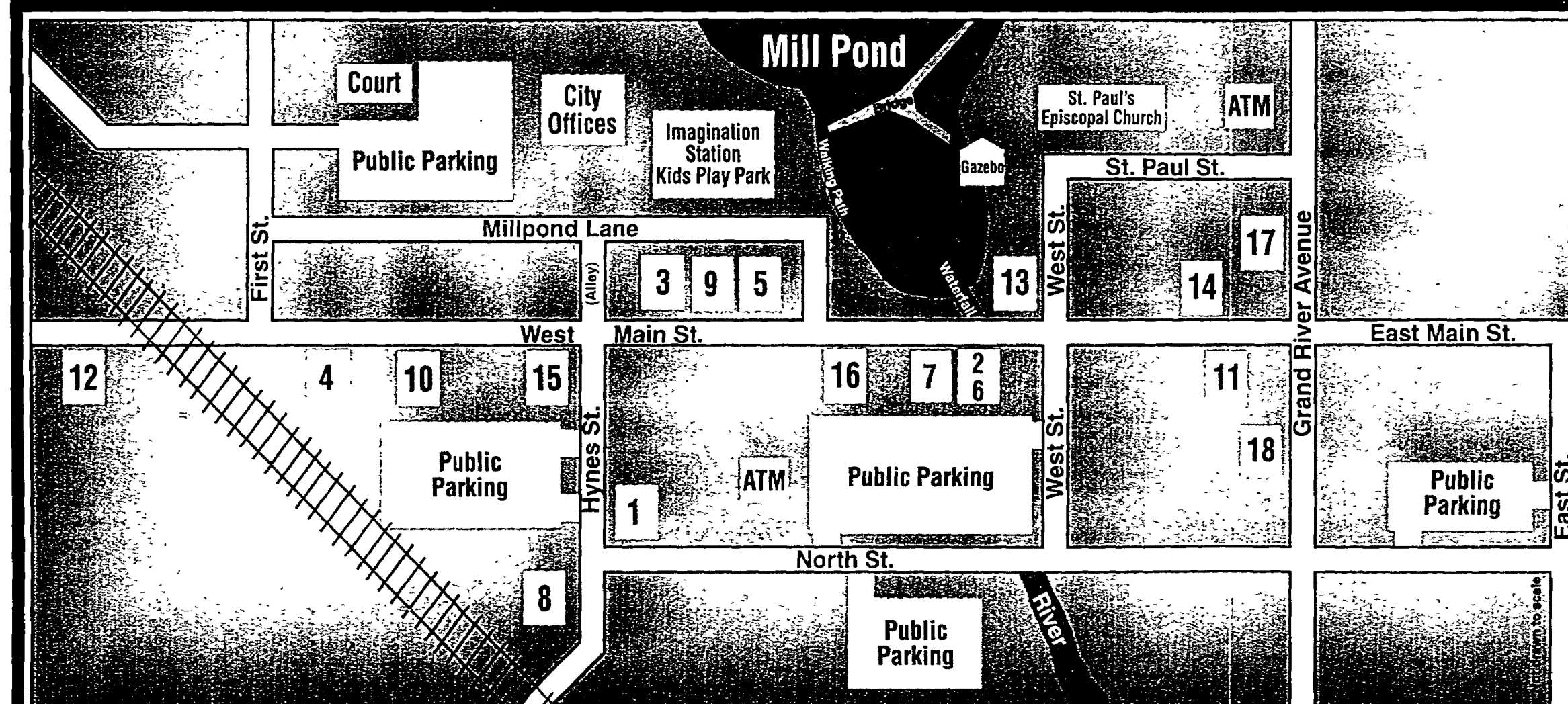
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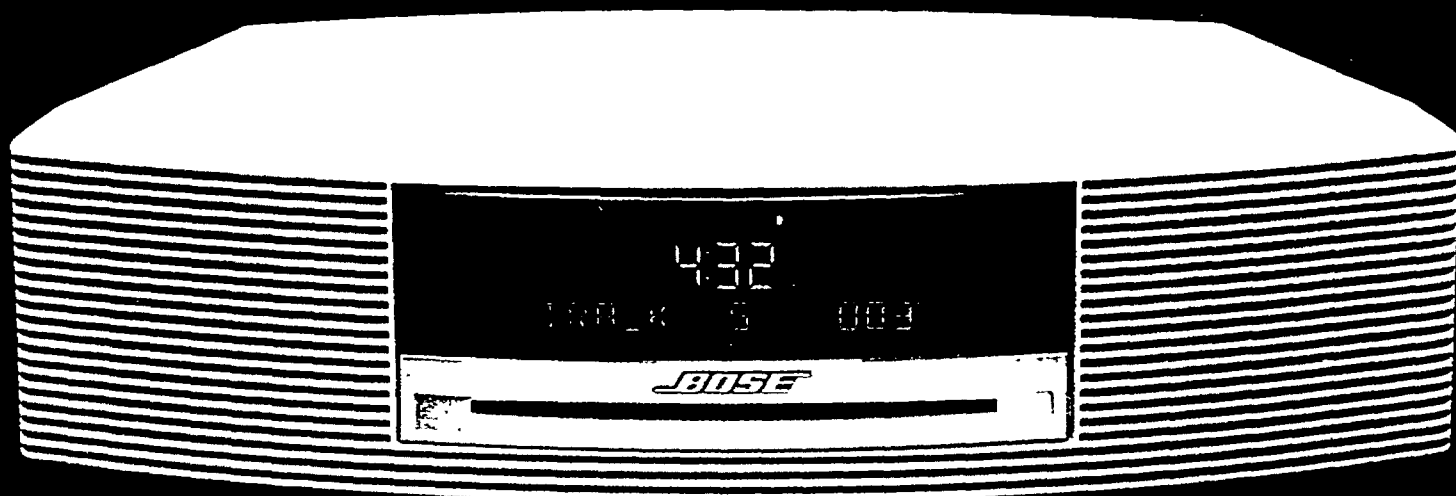
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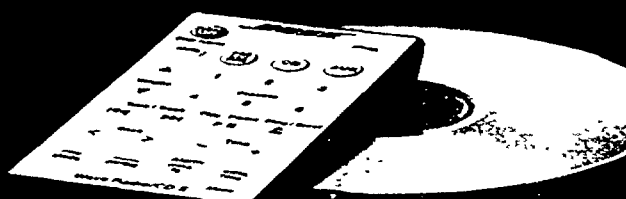
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Q I would like to know more about the co-host on *Lingo* with Chuck Woolery.

—Catherine C., Indiana

She's Stacey Hayes, a 28-year-old actress/model who grew up splitting her time between London, England, and Lincoln, Neb. "In Nebraska they used to call me Casper—as in the friendly ghost—because I was so pale ... that British-never-seen-the-sun skin!" she says. Hayes did her first commercial at age 3, figure-skated competitively, worked as a stand-up comedian and took acting classes. She had roles in daytime dramas *Sunset Beach*, *The Young and the Restless* and *Days of Our Lives* before joining the Game Show Network's *Lingo*. Now a tan California girl, single and living in Los Angeles, she spends her free time rollerblading, hiking, running on the beach and snorkeling.

Q I would like to know where *The Weather Channel's* Kristina Abernathy got her start, and anything else about her.

—Joseph H., Missouri

The 34-year-old Atlanta native credits her father for steering her toward her career. "My dad was a bit of an outdoorsman, and he was always very interested in weather," she says. "When it came time for me to go to college, he encouraged me to study meteorology." Taking his advice, she graduated from the University of North Carolina at Asheville with a degree in atmospheric sciences. Next, she sent tapes of herself to television stations throughout the Southeast and was hired by WALB in Albany, Ga., in 1993. Two years later she was hired by *The Weather Channel*, which is based in Atlanta, so she was thrilled to be back in her home city. Abernathy met her husband, who works behind the scenes, at *The Weather Channel*.



Stacey Hayes co-hosts *Lingo*, GSN's highest rated original game show, with Chuck Woolery.



Kristina Abernathy has been with *The Weather Channel* for nine years.

Fireman's Music Career Heating Up

For years, fireman Anthony Michael James, 36, had two dreams: to help people and sing country music. He served with the fire department in Bethlehem, Pa., for nine years while pursuing a music career on the side. Perhaps he didn't expect his music career to become so successful that he would be forced to choose between his two loves. His music caught the ears of several music executives, which led to a record deal with V-Tone/Compendia Records. In August, he moved to Nashville, Tenn. "I think the time is right to concentrate on my music," says James, the father of a 4-year-old son. "As a professional firefighter, I've seen many things that I wish I could forget, but now those memories are a part of me and will forever affect who I am." His current video, *Sweet Sarah*, is being aired on the Great American Country (GAC) network. For more information on his new CD, *Old Friends*, visit his website, www.anthonymichaeljames.com.



Anthony Michael James

Q Does the Rev. Robert Schuller broadcast "live" on Sunday at 8 a.m.? Especially of interest was the Easter service. Was this an authentic Easter service?

—Joanne S., Florida

Robert Schuller, who has been an ordained minister in the Reformed Church in America since 1950, conducts Sunday services at the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, Calif., at 9:25 a.m. and 11:05 a.m. The service you see on television is one of those services on tape that's broadcast a week later. The Easter service is from the previous year, with a more recent sermon dubbed in to replace the original. Services at the Crystal Cathedral are open to the public, and while there's lots of room, most people arrive about 15 minutes before the service starts to park and settle into their seats. ☆

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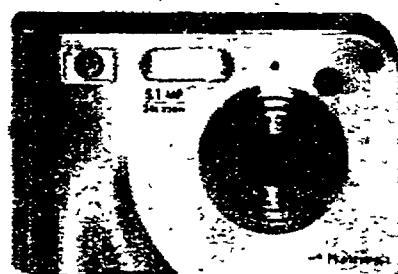
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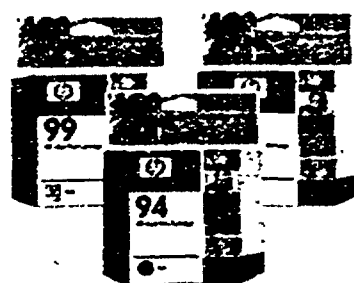
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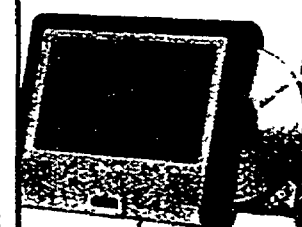
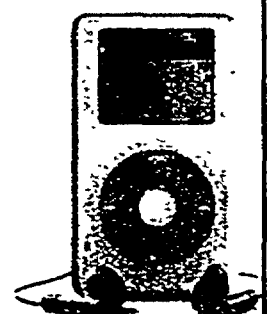
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Holiday Tech Gift Guide

Most families have one— that tech-savvy person who's impossible to buy for at Christmas. Therefore, *American Profile* is taking all of the guesswork out of it, offering a guide to four gifts that will make any technophile smile with Yuletide glee.

Apple iPod (20GB) Digital Music Player

This is the ultimate gift for a music lover. Weighing a mere 5.6 ounces, this portable jukebox stores up to 5,000 songs and fits in a shirt pocket. It boasts a 12-hour rechargeable battery, simple navigation, and songs are quickly added and organized by hooking up to a PC or Mac computer. For quality, simplicity and utter coolness, nothing beats the iPod. *Cost: \$299.*

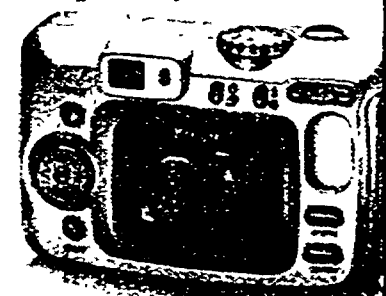


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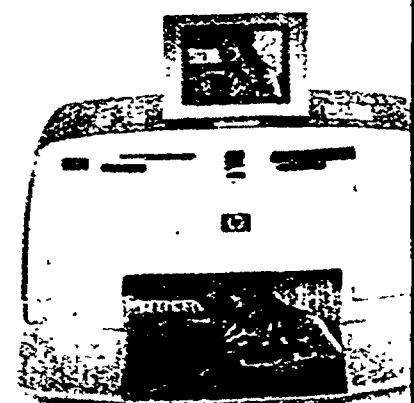
Kodak Digital Camera CX7330

Thanks to a 1.6-inch color display on the back of the camera, you can instantly decide whether you've captured a great photo. Multiple settings allow you to customize your shot, whether it's an action photo or a sweeping landscape. There's even an "auto" setting, which does everything but make your mother-in-law smile. *Cost: \$199.95*



HP Photosmart 375 Compact Photo Printer

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Hometown Hero

Educating His People

Vernon Masayesva is a man on a mission to educate American Indian children.

Raised in Hotevilla, Ariz. (pop. 767), on the Hopi Indian Reservation and educated at Arizona State University and Central Michigan University, he returned home in the early 1970s and helped found the Hotevilla-Bacavi Community School, the first Indian-controlled school on Hopi land.

Masayesva was the school's first principal, inspiring talented teachers, artists and musicians to come to his remote village. Among his students were his own daughters. Among his teachers were world-renowned katsina carver Brian Honyouti and painter Ed Mell.

Running a small school in rural Arizona wasn't just about filling out forms. It was about meeting with teachers and parents, politicians and government agencies, about building playground equipment and helping out the entire community.

"We also turned the school into a community school," says Masayesva, 64. "We allowed people to come in and use the gymnasium, we had art classes, GED classes, and we even trained teachers to help people with their tax returns."

In 1984, Masayesva was elected to the Hopi Tribal Council. In 1989, he began a four-year-term as tribal chairman. By the early 1990s, he had a distinguished career—school principal, tribal councilman and chairman—complemented by a busy family life. Masayesva and his wife, Becky, had raised four daughters and were looking forward to grandchildren.

It might have been time to retire from public life. But when the University of Arizona identified American Indian student retention as a high priority, they wisely contacted Masayesva.

In response, he helped create the

Arizona Native Scholastic and Enrichment Resources (ANSER) program in 1994, which became a collaborative effort of the university's American Indian Studies Program, tribal leaders, businesses and several independent college-preparatory day schools in Arizona.

"When I was a school principal, there was always a lot of money for students who needed remedial academic help," he says. "But the kids that were not having any problems were always left out and not being challenged. This whole program was to address that segment of the Native American school kids who have academic potential and want to go on to college. I try to get them into the best college prep schools, which is something that is much needed among Native American students."

The ANSER program provides partial scholarships to academically gifted American Indian students so they can attend college. It also provides tutoring, counseling and mentoring.

The program, which is funded by private foundations, corporate sponsorships and gifts from individuals, has helped 30 students attend college. "None of them have dropped out of college," he says.

"College is a lot of work," says Taavi Honahnie, a Hopi and student at the University of Arizona. "I was overwhelmed at first, but my education at Saint Gregory (College Preparatory School) really helped me. After a while what I learned about time management and responsibility kicked in, and I figured out how to schedule my college work."

Today, Masayesva still supports the ANSER program but has gone on to start an environmental organization, called Black Mesa Trust, to protect the land and waters of the Black Mesa area in northeastern Arizona. Once again, Masayesva

wants to educate students. "Next year, we're going to start a program called PLEDGE," he says. "We're going to bring about 13 students and use environmental issues as a theme to help kids with their academic work."

"The more kids we can reach and help, the better," he says. "These are the kids that are going to be the future leaders in our tribal communities." ★

Tanya Lee is a writer from Flagstaff, Ariz.



Vernon Masayesva has expanded educational opportunities for American Indian students in Arizona for the last 30 years.



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Cover Story

Christmas Cake

From the wine-soaked mince pies of the Middle Ages to the plum pudding of Victorian England to the traditional holiday fruitcake, recipes containing dried fruits, nuts and spices have sweetened December dinner tables for centuries.

Below are five recipes that draw on this age-old Christmas tradition. They're certain to impress your holiday guests, and they might even delight Santa Claus if he happens by your home.

English Trifle

- 1 prepared 9-by-13-inch yellow cake, from a homemade recipe or box mix
- 4 cups prepared vanilla pudding, non-instant
- 2 cups whipping cream, well chilled
- 4 cups fruit (sliced strawberries, blueberries, mandarin oranges or raspberries)
- 1/2 cup orange liqueur or dark rum
- 1/2 cup orange marmalade
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Break cake into large pieces. Layer bottom of a large bowl with one

one-third of cake. Whip chilled whipping cream until thick and creamy. Add sugar and vanilla. Stir until well mixed. In a separate bowl or measuring cup, mix marmalade with rum or orange liqueur. Warm this mixture slightly in the microwave to melt the jelly and drizzle a thin layer over the cake. Place a layer of fruit on top, followed by a layer of pudding, and a layer of whipped cream. Repeat this process three times, or until ingredients are all used. Top with whipped cream last, and refrigerate. This cake tastes best when flavors are allowed to meld for a few hours before serving.

from MARY CARTER
Contributing Food Editor



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Chocolate Peppermint Cake

Cake:

Prepare two 8-inch round chocolate cake layers according to your favorite homemade recipe or instructions on any box mix. Add 1 tablespoon pure peppermint extract to the batter.

Frosting:

- 1/2 cup soft butter
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1 teaspoon peppermint extract
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 4 cups confectioner's sugar

3 tablespoons milk

Peppermint candy or sticks, crushed

In an electric mixer, combine all ingredients except crushed peppermint sticks, scraping the side of the bowl as needed, until very smooth and fluffy. Frost the top of the bottom layer, and continue with sides and top layer until cake is evenly covered. Be generous with the frosting. Sprinkle frosted cake with crushed peppermint candy.

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Plum Pudding with Lemon Sauce

Pudding:

1/2 cup butter
1 cup sugar
6 eggs
1 cup each currants, chopped dried plums, pecan pieces
1/4 cup flour
2 cups bread crumbs
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon cloves
1/2 teaspoon allspice

Whip butter with sugar. Beat in eggs one at a time until well blended. Stir in

fruit and pecans and sprinkle flour over the top. In a separate bowl, combine breadcrumbs and spices. Mix together and add to the fruit and nut mixture. Pour into a well-greased and floured 6-cup baking mold or cake pan. Bake in a 375-degree oven for 40 minutes, or until pudding center is set. Serve warm with lemon sauce.

Lemon sauce:

1/2 cup sugar
1 tablespoon cornstarch
1 cup water



California Fruitcake

1 cup each chopped dates, raisins, chopped dried apricots, chopped dried plums, dried cranberries
2 cups toasted walnuts

Toss ingredients in a large bowl with 1 tablespoon lemon zest and 1/2 cup Triple Sec (orange liqueur).

Batter:

1/2 cup soft butter
1 cup flour
1/2 cup milk
3 large eggs
1/2 cup white sugar
1/2 cup brown sugar
1 and 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 teaspoon ground allspice

3 tablespoons butter
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon zest
Juice from one lemon
Pinch of salt

Combine sugar, cornstarch and water and stir over a low heat until thick. Remove sauce from heat. Add butter, lemon juice and zest, and salt and stir until well blended.

Butt flour, baking powder and allspice over the fruit and nut mixture. Mix with hands until well blended. In a separate bowl, beat eggs and softened butter. Add sugar, milk and vanilla. When well mixed, pour over the fruit and nut mixture and toss together until well blended. Grease and flour two 8-cup loaf pans. Divide batter between the two pans and bake in a 300-degree oven until golden, about 1 and 1/2 hours. Test for doneness with a toothpick to be certain center is no longer gooey. Baste while warm with 1/3 cup dark rum and 1/2 cup orange liqueur.

Remove cakes from pans, allow to cool and wrap in plastic wrap for storage. These fruitcakes can be stored up to six weeks in the refrigerator and make beautiful food gifts. For an elegant touch, serve the fruitcake just warm with the following glaze:

2 cups confectioner's sugar
2 tablespoons orange liqueur
2 to 3 tablespoons milk
2 tablespoons soft butter

Stir vigorously together until smooth and creamy. Add more milk to thin, or more sugar to thicken glaze. Drizzle generously over the entire fruitcake.

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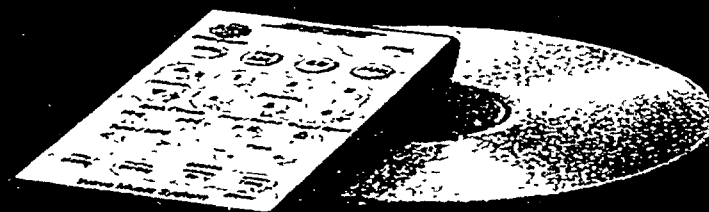
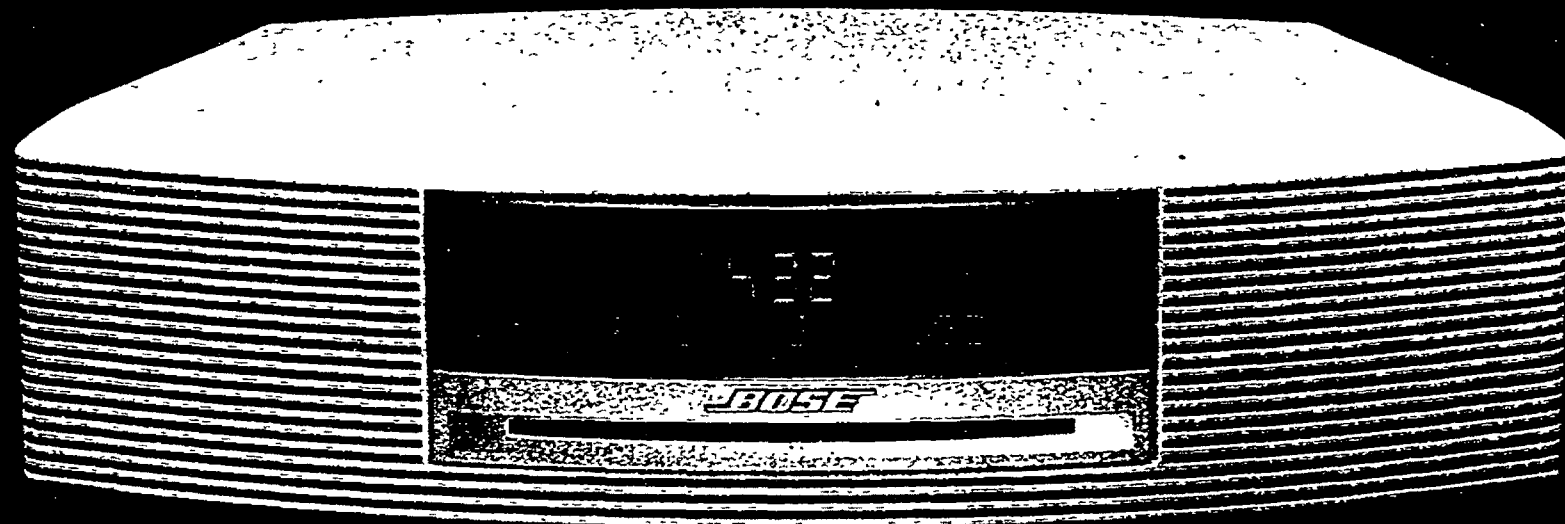
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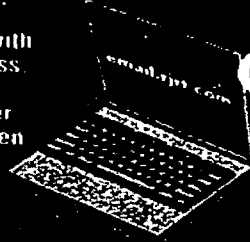


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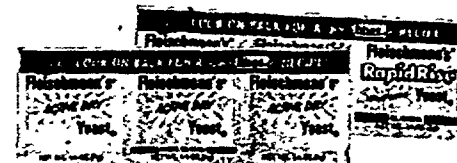
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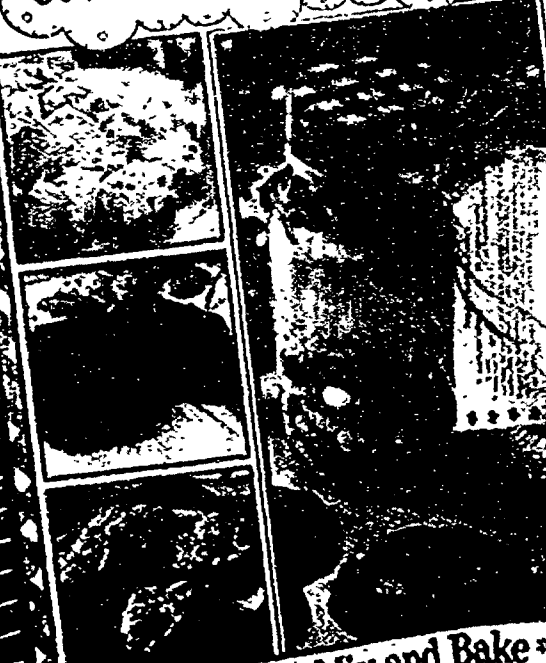
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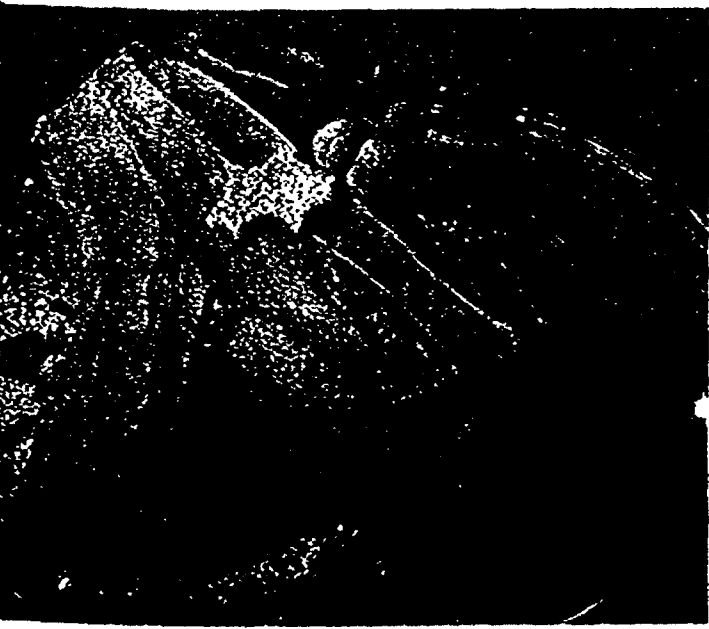
Christmas Yule Log

With chilled whipping cream until stiff. Fold in remaining ingredients. Carefully unroll the brownie, and spread whipped cream evenly over the surface. With care, roll the filled brownie back into a jellyroll and set aside on a serving platter.

Frosting:

2 ounces unsweetened chocolate
4 squares
4 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons milk
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup soft butter
3 cups confectioner's sugar

Melt chocolate with 4 tablespoons of butter over low heat. When melted, transfer to a mixing bowl. Add salt and vanilla. Using electric mixer, slowly add half of the sugar and milk. When blended, add remaining milk, sugar and soft butter. Whip until fluffy and evenly mixed. Spread over "log" until it is well covered. Dust with cocoa powder. Garnish with holly, or favorite red and green decorations. ☆



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Hometown Spotlight

A Tree-mendous Effort

When a severe windstorm ripped through the Amboy City Park in Amboy, Ill., and destroyed nearly 100 majestic oak trees, residents took the loss to heart. Generations had picnicked and played under the 150-year-old trees.

"The park is part of every-one's life in town," says resident Beverly Halsey, 52. "I came here with my grade-school class every year for picnics. There were horse races and county fairs. I remember lying on a blanket to watch fire-works."

Unwilling to turn the trees into mulch, Amboy (pop. 2,561) residents created a one-of-a-kind art park. So far, 29 fallen oaks have been sculpted into monuments of people and places from the town's past. The carvings appear among the hundreds of undamaged

oaks in the 30-acre park, which attracts bus-loads of sightseers.

"It's a miracle that came out of a disaster," declares Halsey.

Businessman George Kaleel came up with the limbs-to-lemonade idea, following the June 1, 1999, storm. "The next morning I went to the mayor and told him I knew some carvers," Kaleel says. "I said not to cut the trees down but to top them at 10 to 12 feet."



Statue model
Kiara Kaleel

Chainsaw artists Bob and Marie Boyer of Marseilles, Ill. (pop. 4,655), former residents with their own sweet memories of bike rides and ballgames in the park, have been buzzing ever since with commissions from families and organizations. Working from photographs and sketches, the full-time artists complete a carving in four to five days, charging between \$800 and \$1,100.

"It's hard," Bob Boyer says of the art form. "Maybe in another pass you



Chainsaw artists Bob and Marie Boyer carefully carve a toppled tree into a statue in Amboy, Ill.

can capture it. And maybe you can ruin it."

Within a month of the disastrous storm, the Boyers completed their first sculpture, a baseball player, to represent a favorite pastime among residents. The city financed the first few sculptures, including a trio of presidential statues honoring Ulysses S. Grant, Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan, who all visited the north-ern Illinois town.

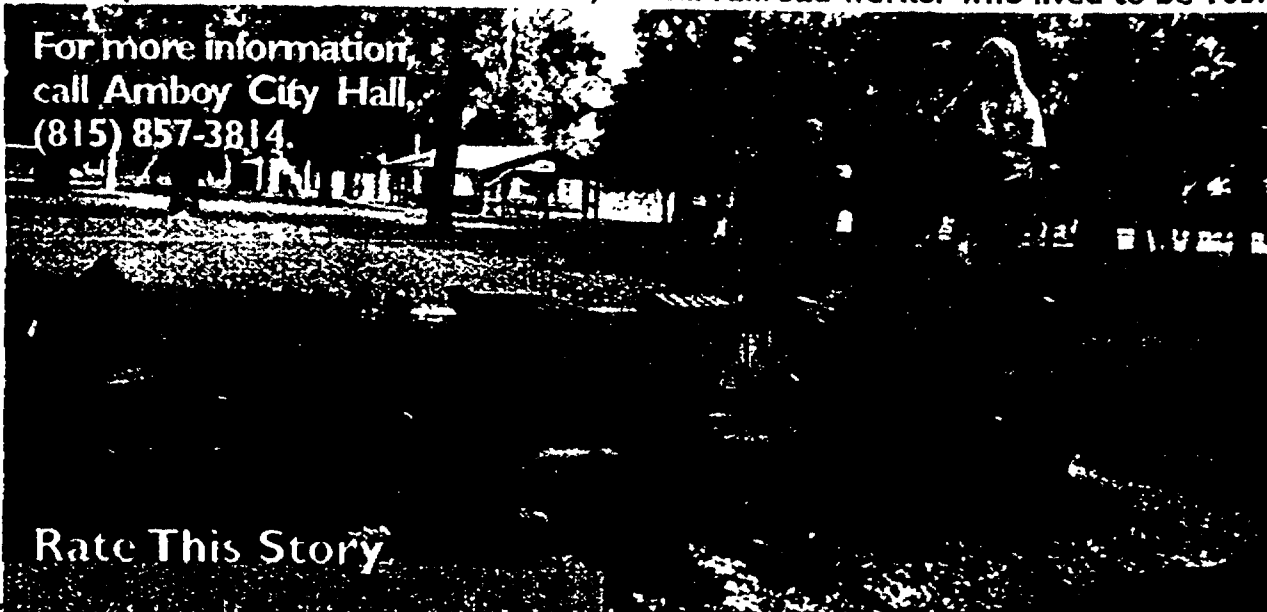
"Everything in the park has some significance to Amboy," says Mayor Leroy Stambaugh, who marvels at the town's out-pouring of affection for the project.

A stroll through the park is an intro-duction to town history and much-loved locals. Statues include Olive Ann Shaw Evitts, a pioneer woman who moved there as a baby in 1846, and carpenter Bernard Bushman, who stands with a hammer in his pocket.

"Dad made birdhouses, comcribs, hog houses and children's chairs for everybody in town," says Bushman's daughter, Helen Becker. The family has commissioned a statue of their mother, Lucille, who will be holding a pan of dinner rolls.

A monument commission by Halsey brings bittersweet memories. The National Guardsman statue honors her son, Joseph "Joey" Ketchum, a National Guard recruiter killed in a car accident at age 24.

The Boyers memorialized Louie Scott, a local railroad worker who lived to be 105.



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The park's grand old trees, says Halsey, have been the backdrop for so many of her family's photos and memories: Little League pictures, high school class photos and Joey at 16 with his first car.

Louie Scott, a local railroad worker who lived to be 105, is memorialized in a statue of a railroad conductor standing beside a sculpture of a five-car train. Amboy boomed in 1854 when the Illinois Central Railroad steamed into town.

Kiara Kaleel, 10, proudly shows off her favorite statues of a schoolgirl and school-boy. In 2000, students and teachers at Central Elementary School pooled their money for the statues. Kiara, with her trademark ponytail, was one of the models.

A memorial to local farmer Willie Morrissey was commissioned by his 12 children. "It was a cold, windy day when I was working on that statue," recalls Bob Boyer. "Four of the girls stopped by and walked around the tarp and saw him. Two started to cry. I knew I had it right."

And the town got it right, according to Mayor Stambaugh.

"We just keep adding statues," he says. "Amboy is known from coast to coast for this park." ★

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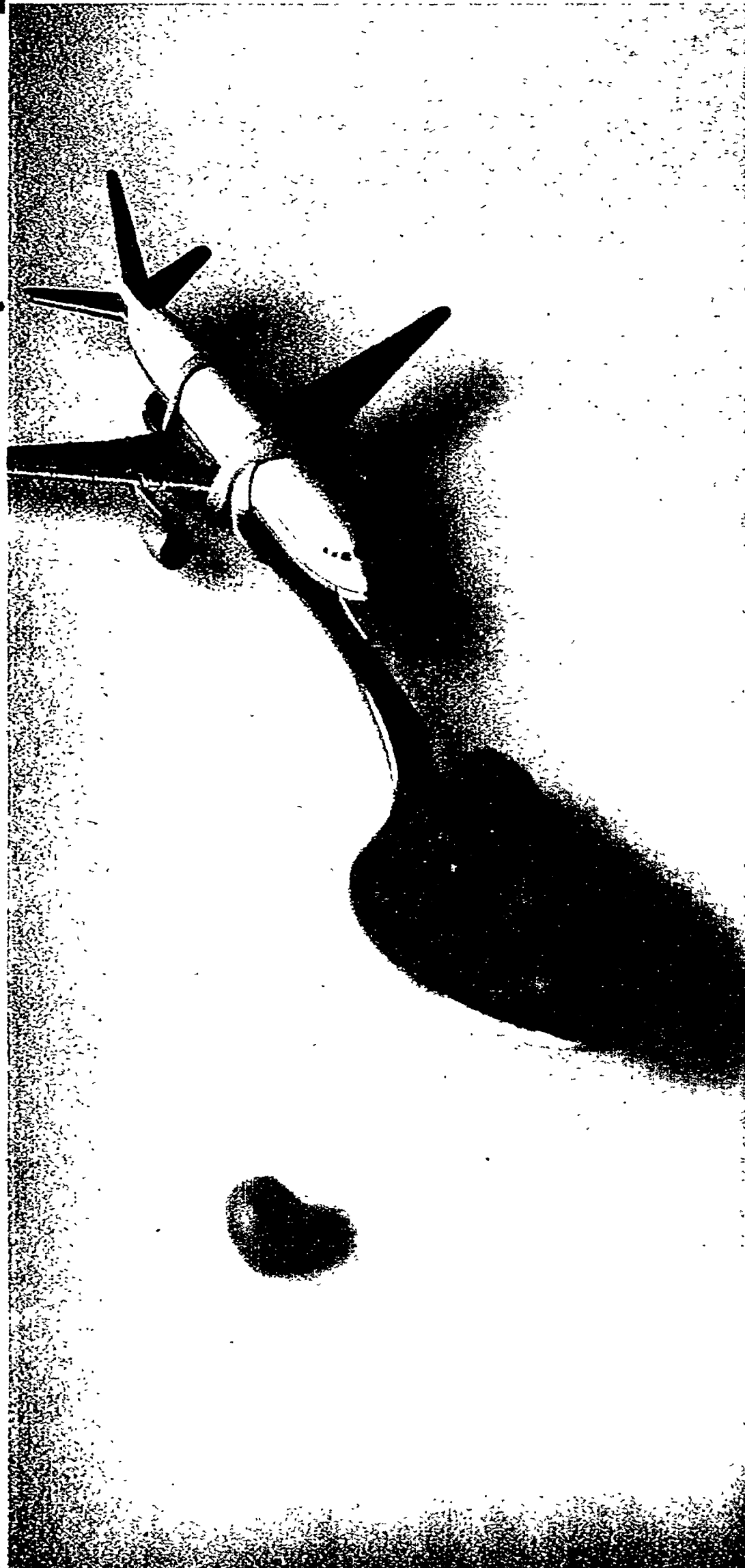
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INDIANA—St. Elmo Steak House, one of the state's oldest restaurants, has served patrons in downtown Indianapolis since 1902.

IOWA—The first railroad bridge across the Mississippi River, completed in 1856, linked Davenport and Rock Island, Ill. (pop. 39,684).

KANSAS—Sharon Springs (pop. 835) doubles in population each May during the rattlesnake roundup.

MICHIGAN—The heat in hot peppers is measured in Scoville units, a system devised in 1912 by Wilbur Scoville, a Detroit pharmacologist. The scale ranges from zero for the mild bell pepper to 350,000 for the fiery Scotch Bonnet.

MINNESOTA—A 10-foot statue of a coot, an aquatic bird prevalent in the state, greets visitors at Ashby (pop. 472).

MISSOURI—Held yearly since 1863, the Platte County Fair, located in Tracy near Platte City (pop. 3,866), is one of the oldest continuously operating fairs west of the Mississippi River.

NEBRASKA—The flora, fauna and scientific discoveries made on the Lewis and Clark Expedition are the focus of the Missouri River Basin Lewis & Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitors Center in Nebraska City (pop. 7,228), which opened in July.

NORTH DAKOTA—The state led the nation in per-capita personal income growth last year with an 8.8 percent increase. Personal income grew from \$26,852 in 2002 to \$29,204 in 2003.

OHIO—"King of the Cowboys" Leonard Franklin Slye (1911-1998), born in Cincinnati, first appeared in movies in the 1930s under the name Dick Weston, but he is best-known as Roy Rogers.

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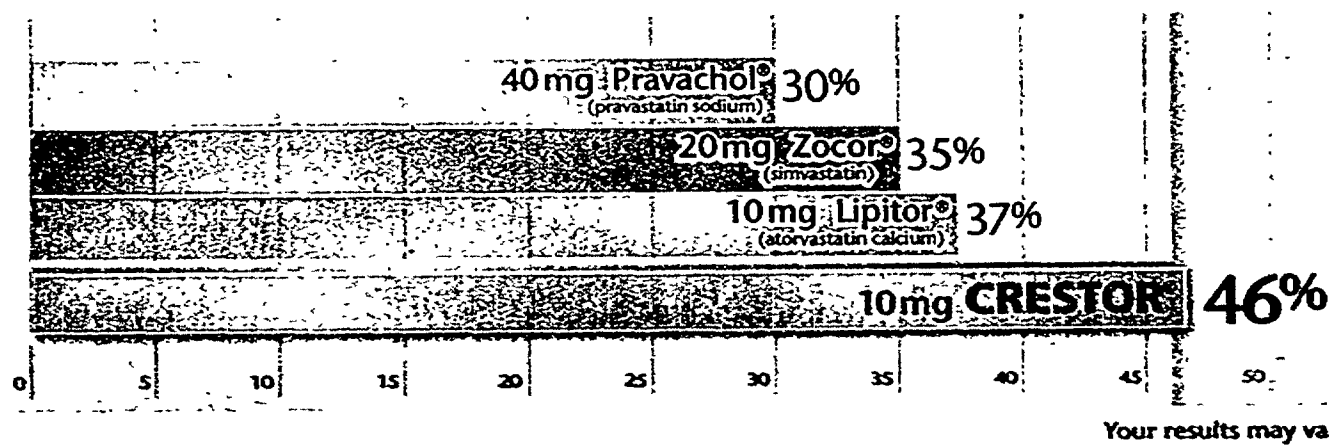
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There were two cases of jaundice, for which a relationship to rosuvastatin therapy could not be determined, which resolved after discontinuation of therapy. There were no cases of liver failure or irreversible liver disease in these trials. It is recommended that liver function tests be performed before and at 12 weeks following both the initiation of therapy and any elevation of dose, and periodically (e.g., semiannually) thereafter. Liver enzyme changes generally occur in the first 3 months of treatment with rosuvastatin. Patients who develop increased transaminase levels should be monitored until the abnormalities have resolved. Should an increase in ALT or AST of >3 times ULN persist, reduction of dose or withdrawal of rosuvastatin is recommended. Rosuvastatin should be used with caution in patients who consume substantial quantities of alcohol and/or have a history of liver disease (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, Special Populations, Hepatic Insufficiency). Active liver disease or unexplained persistent transaminase elevations are contraindications to the use of rosuvastatin (see CONTRAINDICATIONS). **Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis:** Rare cases of rhabdomyolysis with acute renal failure secondary to myoglobinuria have been reported with rosuvastatin and with other drugs in this class. Unexplained myalgia has been reported in rosuvastatin-treated patients (see ADVERSE REACTIONS). Creatine kinase (CK) elevations (>10 times upper limit of normal) occurred in 0.2% to 0.4% of patients taking rosuvastatin at doses of up to 40 mg in clinical studies. Treatment-related myopathy, defined as muscle aches or muscle weakness in conjunction with increases in CK values >10 times upper limit of normal, was reported in up to 0.1% of patients taking rosuvastatin doses of up to 40 mg in clinical studies. Rare cases of rhabdomyolysis were seen with higher than recommended doses (80 mg) of rosuvastatin in clinical trials. Factors that may predispose patients to myopathy with HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors include advanced age (>65 years), hypothyroidism, and renal insufficiency. The incidence of myopathy increased at doses of rosuvastatin above the recommended dosage range. Consequently, 1. Rosuvastatin should be prescribed with caution in patients with predisposing factors for myopathy, such as, renal impairment (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION), advanced age, and hypothyroidism. 2. Patients should be advised to promptly report unexplained muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness, particularly if accompanied by malaise or fever. Rosuvastatin therapy should be discontinued if markedly elevated CK levels occur or myopathy is diagnosed or suspected. 3. The risk of myopathy during treatment with rosuvastatin may be increased with concurrent administration of other lipid-lowering therapies or cyclosporine. (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, Drug Interactions, PRECAUTIONS, Drug Interactions, and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). The benefit of further alterations in lipid levels by the combined use of rosuvastatin with fibrates or niacin should be carefully weighed against the potential risks of this combination. Combination therapy with rosuvastatin and gemfibrozil should generally be avoided. (See DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION and PRECAUTIONS, Drug Interactions). 4. The risk of myopathy during treatment with rosuvastatin may be increased in circumstances which increase rosuvastatin drug levels (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, Special Populations, Race and Ethnic Insufficiency, and PRECAUTIONS, General). 5. Rosuvastatin therapy should also be temporarily withheld in any patient with an acute, serious condition suggestive of myopathy or predisposing to the development of renal failure secondary to rhabdomyolysis (e.g., sepsis, hypotension, major surgery, trauma, severe metabolic, endocrine, and electrolyte disorders, or recent prolonged seizures). **PRECAUTIONS:** **General:** Before instituting therapy with rosuvastatin, an attempt should be made to control hypercholesterolemia with appropriate diet and exercise, weight reduction in obese patients, and treatment of underlying medical problems (see INDICATIONS AND USAGE). Administration of rosuvastatin 20 mg to patients with severe renal impairment (CL_{CR} <30 mL/min/1.73 m²) resulted in a 3-fold increase in plasma concentrations of rosuvastatin compared with healthy volunteers (see WARNINGS, Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). Pharmacokinetic studies show an approximate 2-fold elevation in median exposure in Japanese subjects residing in Japan and in Chinese subjects residing in Singapore compared with Caucasians residing in North America and Europe. The contribution of environmental and genetic factors to the difference observed has not been determined. However, these increases should be considered when making rosuvastatin dosing decisions for patients of Japanese and Chinese ancestry. (See WARNINGS, Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis; CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, Special Populations, Race). **Information for Patients:** Patients should be advised to report promptly unexplained muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness, particularly if accompanied by malaise or fever. When taking rosuvastatin with an aluminum and magnesium hydroxide combination antacid, the antacid should be taken at least 2 hours after rosuvastatin administration (see CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, Drug Interactions). **Laboratory Tests:** In the rosuvastatin clinical trial program, dipstick-positive proteinuria and microscopic hematuria were observed among rosuvastatin-treated patients, predominantly in patients dosed above the recommended dose range (i.e., 80 mg). However, this finding was more frequent in patients taking rosuvastatin 40 mg, when compared to lower doses of rosuvastatin or comparator statins, though it was generally transient and was not associated with worsening renal function. Although the clinical significance of this finding is unknown, a dose reduction should be considered for patients on rosuvastatin 40 mg therapy with unexplained persistent proteinuria during routine urinalysis testing. **Drug Interactions:** **Cyclosporine:** When rosuvastatin 10 mg was coadministered with cyclosporine in cardiac transplant patients, rosuvastatin mean C_{max} and mean AUC were increased 11-fold and 7-fold, respectively, compared with healthy volunteers. These increases are considered to be clinically significant and require special consid-

eration in the dosing of rosuvastatin to patients taking concomitant cyclosporine (see WARNINGS, Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis, and DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). **Warfarin:** Coadministration of rosuvastatin to patients on stable warfarin therapy resulted in clinically significant rises in INR (>4, baseline 2-3). In patients taking coumarin anti-coagulants and rosuvastatin concomitantly, INR should be determined before starting rosuvastatin and frequently enough during early therapy to ensure that no significant alteration of INR occurs. Once a stable INR time has been documented, INR can be monitored at the intervals usually recommended for patients on coumarin anticoagulants. If the dose of rosuvastatin is changed, the same procedure should be repeated. Rosuvastatin therapy has not been associated with bleeding or with changes in INR in patients not taking anti-coagulants. **Gemfibrozil:** Coadministration of a single rosuvastatin dose to healthy volunteers on gemfibrozil (500 mg twice daily) resulted in a 2.2- and 1.9-fold, respectively, increase in mean C_{max} and mean AUC of rosuvastatin (see DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION). **Endocrine Function:** Although clinical studies have shown that rosuvastatin alone does not reduce basal plasma cortisol concentration or impair adrenal reserve, caution should be exercised if any HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor or other agent used to lower cholesterol levels is administered concomitantly with drugs that may decrease the levels or activity of endogenous steroid hormones such as ketoconazole, spiroclonolone, and cimetidine. **CNS Toxicity:** CNS vascular lesions, characterized by perivascular hemorrhages, edema, and mononuclear cell infiltration of perivascular spaces, have been observed in dogs treated with several other members of this drug class. A chemically similar drug in this class produced dose-dependent optic nerve degeneration (Wallerian degeneration of retinogeniculate fibers) in dogs, at a dose that produced plasma drug levels about 30 times higher than the mean drug level in humans taking the highest recommended dose. Edema, hemorrhage, and partial necrosis in the interstitium of the choroid plexus was observed in a female dog sacrificed moribund at day 24 at 90 mg/kg/day by oral gavage (systemic exposures 100 times the human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC comparisons). Corneal opacity was seen in dogs treated for 52 weeks at 5 mg/kg/day by oral gavage (systemic exposures 20 times the human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC comparisons). Cataracts were seen in dogs treated for 12 weeks by oral gavage at 30 mg/kg/day (systemic exposures 60 times the human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC comparisons). Retinal dysplasia and retinal loss were seen in dogs treated for 4 weeks by oral gavage at 90 mg/kg/day (systemic exposures 100 times the



human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC). Doses <30 mg/kg/day (systemic exposures <60 times the human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC comparisons) following treatment up to one year, did not reveal retinal findings. **Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility:** In a 104-week carcinogenicity study in rats at dose levels of 2, 20, 60, or 80 mg/kg/day by oral gavage, the incidence of uterine stromal polyps was significantly increased in females at 80 mg/kg/day at systemic exposure 20 times the human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC. Increased incidence of polyps was not seen at lower doses. In a 107-week carcinogenicity study in mice given 10, 60, 200 mg/kg/day by oral gavage, an increased incidence of hepatocellular adenoma/carcinoma was observed at 200 mg/kg/day at systemic exposures 20 times human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC. An increased incidence of hepatocellular tumors was not seen at lower doses. Rosuvastatin was not mutagenic or clastogenic with or without metabolic activation in the Ames test with *Salmonella typhimurium* and *Escherichia coli*, the mouse lymphoma assay, and the chromosomal aberration assay in Chinese hamster lung cells. Rosuvastatin was negative in the *in vivo* mouse micronucleus test. In rat fertility studies with oral gavage doses of 5, 15, 50 mg/kg/day, males were treated for 9 weeks prior to and throughout mating and females were treated 2 weeks prior to mating and throughout mating until gestation day 7. No adverse effect on fertility was observed at 50 mg/kg/day (systemic exposures up to 10 times human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC comparisons). In testicles of dogs treated with rosuvastatin at 30 mg/kg/day for one month, spermatogenic cells were seen. Spermatogenic giant cells were observed in monkeys after 6-month treatment at 30 mg/kg/day in addition to vacuolation of seminiferous tubular epithelium. Exposures in the dog were 20 times and in the monkey 10 times human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on body surface area comparisons. Similar findings have been seen with other drugs in this class. **Pregnancy:** **Pregnancy Category X** See CONTRAINDICATIONS. Rosuvastatin may cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. Rosuvastatin is contraindicated in women who are or may become pregnant. Safety in pregnant women has not been established. There are no adequate and well-controlled studies of rosuvastatin in pregnant women. Rosuvastatin crosses the placenta and is found in fetal tissue and amniotic fluid at 3% and 20%, respectively, of the maternal plasma concentration following a single 25 mg/kg oral gavage dose on gestation day 16 in rats. A higher fetal tissue distribution (25% maternal plasma concentration) was observed in rabbits after a single oral gavage dose of 1 mg/kg on gestation day 18. If this drug is administered to a woman with reproductive potential, the patient should be apprised of the potential hazard to a fetus. In female rats given oral gavage doses of 5, 15, 50 mg/kg/day rosuvastatin before mating and continuing through day 7 post-coitus results in decreased fetal body weight (female pups) and delayed ossification at the high dose (systemic exposures 10 times human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC comparisons). In pregnant rats given oral gavage doses of 2, 20, 50 mg/kg/day from gestation day 7 through lactation day 21 (weaning), decreased pup survival occurred in groups given 50 mg/kg/day, systemic exposures >12 times human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on body surface area comparisons. In pregnant rabbits given oral gavage doses of 0.3, 1, 3 mg/kg/day from gestation day 6 to lactation day 18 (weaning), exposures equivalent to human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on body surface area comparisons, decreased fetal viability and maternal mortality was observed. Rosuvastatin was not teratogenic in rats at <25 mg/kg/day or in rabbits <3 mg/kg/day (systemic exposures equivalent to human exposure at 40 mg/kg/day based on AUC or body surface comparison, respectively). **Nursing Mothers:** It is not known whether rosuvastatin is excreted in human milk. Studies in lactating rats have demonstrated that rosuvastatin is secreted into breast milk at levels 3 times higher than that obtained in the plasma following oral gavage dosing. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk and because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants from rosuvastatin, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or administration of rosuvastatin taking into account the importance of the drug to the lactating woman. **Pediatric Use:** The safety and effectiveness in pediatric patients have not been established. Treatment experience with rosuvastatin in a pediatric population is limited to 8 patients with homozygous FH. None of these patients was below 8 years of age. **Geriatric Use:** Of the 10,275 patients in clinical studies with rosuvastatin, 3,159 (31%) were 65 years and older, and 658 (6.4%) were 75 years and older. The overall frequency of adverse events and

types of adverse events were similar in patients above and below 65 years of age. (See WARNINGS, Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis.) The efficacy of rosuvastatin in the geriatric population (>65 years of age) was comparable to the efficacy observed in the non-elderly. **ADVERSE REACTIONS:** Rosuvastatin is generally well tolerated. Adverse reactions have usually been mild and transient. In clinical studies of 10,275 patients, 3.7% were discontinued due to adverse experiences attributable to rosuvastatin. The most frequent adverse events thought to be related to rosuvastatin were myalgia, constipation, asthenia, abdominal pain, and nausea. **Clinical Adverse Experiences:** Adverse experiences, regardless of causality assessment, reported in >2% of patients in placebo-controlled clinical studies of rosuvastatin are shown in Table 1; discontinuations due to adverse events in these studies of up to 12 weeks duration occurred in 3% of patients on rosuvastatin and 5% on placebo.

Table 1. Adverse Events in Placebo-Controlled Studies

Adverse event	Rosuvastatin N=744	Placebo N=382
Pharyngitis	9.0	7.6
Headache	5.5	5.0
Diarrhea	3.4	2.9
Dyspepsia	3.4	3.1
Nausea	3.4	3.1
Myalgia	2.8	1.3
Asthenia	2.7	2.6
Back pain	2.6	2.4
Flu syndrome	2.3	1.8
Urinary tract infection	2.3	1.6
Rhinitis	2.2	2.1
Sinusitis	2.0	1.8

In addition, the following adverse events were reported, regardless of causality assessment, in >1% of 10,275 patients treated with rosuvastatin in clinical studies. The events in italics occurred in >2% of these patients. **Body as a Whole:** Abdominal pain, accidental injury, chest pain, infection, pain, pelvic pain, and neck pain. **Cardiovascular System:** Hypertension, angina pectoris, vasodilatation, and palpitation. **Digestive System:** Constipation, gastroenteritis, vomiting, flatulence, periodontal abscess, and gastritis. **Endocrine:** Diabetes mellitus. **Hemic and Lymphatic System:** Anemia and ecchymosis. **Metabolic and Nutritional Disorders:** Peripheral edema. **Musculoskeletal System:** Arthritis, arthralgia, and pathological fracture. **Nervous System:** Dizziness, insomnia, hyperkinesia, depression, anxiety, vertigo, and neuralgia. **Respiratory System:** Bronchitis, cough increased, dyspnea, pneumonia, and asthma. **Skin and Appendages:** Rash and pruritus. **Laboratory Abnormalities:** In the rosuvastatin clinical trial program, dipstick-positive proteinuria and microscopic hematuria were observed among rosuvastatin-treated patients, predominantly in patients dosed above the recommended dose range (i.e., 80 mg). However, this finding was more frequent in patients taking rosuvastatin 40 mg, when compared to lower doses of rosuvastatin or comparator statins, though it was generally transient and was not associated with worsening renal function. (See PRECAUTIONS, Laboratory Tests.) Other abnormal laboratory values reported were elevated creatine phosphokinase, transaminases, hyperphosphatemia, glutamyl transpeptidase, alkaline phosphatase, bilirubin, and thyroid function abnormalities. Other adverse events reported less frequently than 1% in the rosuvastatin clinical study program, regardless of causality assessment, included arrhythmia, hepatitis, hypersensitivity reactions (i.e., face edema, thrombocytopenia, leukopenia, vesiculobullous rash, urticaria, and angioedema), kidney failure, syncope, myasthenia, myositis, pancreatitis, photosensitivity reaction, myopathy, and rhabdomyolysis. **OVERDOSAGE:** There is no specific treatment in the event of overdose. In the event of overdose, the patient should be treated symptomatically and supportive measures instituted as required. Hemodialysis does not significantly enhance clearance of rosuvastatin. **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION:** The patient should be placed on a standard cholesterol-lowering diet before receiving CRESTOR and should continue on this diet during treatment. CRESTOR can be administered as a single dose at any time of day, with or without food. **Hypercholesterolemia (Heterozygous Familial and Nonfamilial) and Mixed Dyslipidemia (Fredrickson Type IIa and IIb):** The dose range for CRESTOR is 5 to 40 mg once daily. Therapy with CRESTOR should be individualized according to goal of therapy and response. The usual recommended starting dose of CRESTOR is 10 mg once daily. Initiation of therapy with 5 mg once daily may be considered for patients requiring less aggressive LDL-C reductions or who have predisposing factors for myopathy (see WARNINGS, Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis). For patients with marked hypercholesterolemia (LDL-C >190 mg/dL) and aggressive lipid targets, a 20-mg starting dose may be considered. The 40-mg dose of CRESTOR should be reserved for those patients who have not achieved goal LDL-C at 20 mg (see WARNINGS, Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis). After initiation and/or upon titration of CRESTOR, lipid levels should be analyzed within 2 to 4 weeks and dosage adjusted accordingly. **Homozygous Familial Hypercholesterolemia:** The recommended starting dose of CRESTOR is 20 mg once daily in patients with homozygous FH. The maximum recommended daily dose is 40 mg. CRESTOR should be used in these patients as an adjunct to other lipid-lowering treatments (e.g., LDL apheresis) or if such treatments are unavailable. Response to therapy should be estimated from pre-apheresis LDL-C levels. **Dosage in Patients Taking Cyclosporine:** In patients taking cyclosporine, therapy should be limited to CRESTOR 5 mg once daily (see WARNINGS, Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis, and PRECAUTIONS, Drug Interactions). **Concomitant Lipid-Lowering Therapy:** The effect of CRESTOR on LDL-C and total-C may be enhanced when used in combination with a bile acid binding resin. If CRESTOR is used in combination with gemfibrozil, the dose of CRESTOR should be limited to 10 mg once daily (see WARNINGS, Myopathy/Rhabdomyolysis, and PRECAUTIONS, Drug Interactions). **Dosage in Patients With Renal Insufficiency:** No modification of dosage is necessary for patients with mild to moderate renal insufficiency. For patients with severe renal impairment (CL_{CR} <30 mL/min/1.73 m²) not on hemodialysis, dosing of CRESTOR should be started at 5 mg once daily and not to exceed 10 mg once daily (see PRECAUTIONS, General, and CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY, Special Populations, Renal Insufficiency).

NOTE: This summary provides important information about CRESTOR. For more information, please ask your doctor or health care professional about the full Prescribing Information and discuss it with them.

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How do they do it? "We shop 'forward' because we know from experience what we are going to need and use," explains Lois Rose, an Ohio State University Extension Service master gardener and savvy garden shopper who lives in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Shopping forward means shopping end-of-season sales at the big "home" stores (Home Depot, Sears, Wal-Mart, etc.) and local garden centers and at garden sites on the Internet.

"At season's end, selection isn't all that good," admits Yvonne Savio, a gardening specialist with the University of California's Cooperative Extension Service. "But that's the trade-off you make when you're getting a bargain."

Bargain hunting spans the seasons

Post-holiday and end-of-winter sales begin the day after Christmas and are in full swing by mid-January. Exceptionally good deals can be had on outdoor holiday decorations, "distressed" bagged products (composted manure, peat moss, etc.), and scratched-and-dented or discontinued equipment and tools.

Prices continue their downward plunge until everything is sold, says Greg Stack, a horticulture specialist with the University of Illinois' Extension Department, "because merchants must clear their shelves to get ready for products that are coming in for spring."

Bargain hunting on the Internet

Many Internet sites offer green-thumbs the same kinds of bargains local stores and centers offer. Some of the best are:

• **Charley's Greenhouse**
www.charleysgreenhouse.com

Shoppers looking for good deals can usually find something of interest on this site's "Sale Items" page that can be found once you click "Supplies."

• **Duncraft Inc.**
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Sale and discontinued items can be found on the "Clearance Outlet" page.

• **Gardener's Supply Co.**
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Sale and discontinued items can be found by clicking on "Outlet."

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Fresh Apple Bread

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Fresh Apple Bread

- 4 cups apples, peeled and diced
- 1 and 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 and 1/2 cups chopped walnuts
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 cups flour
- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons vanilla

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour two standard-sized loaf pans. Whisk together sugar, oil, eggs, spices, salt, baking powder and baking soda in a large mixing bowl. Stir in flour just until it is evenly mixed. Add apples and walnuts. Stir together until well blended. Pour into prepared loaf pans and bake for 55 to 65 minutes, until center is set.

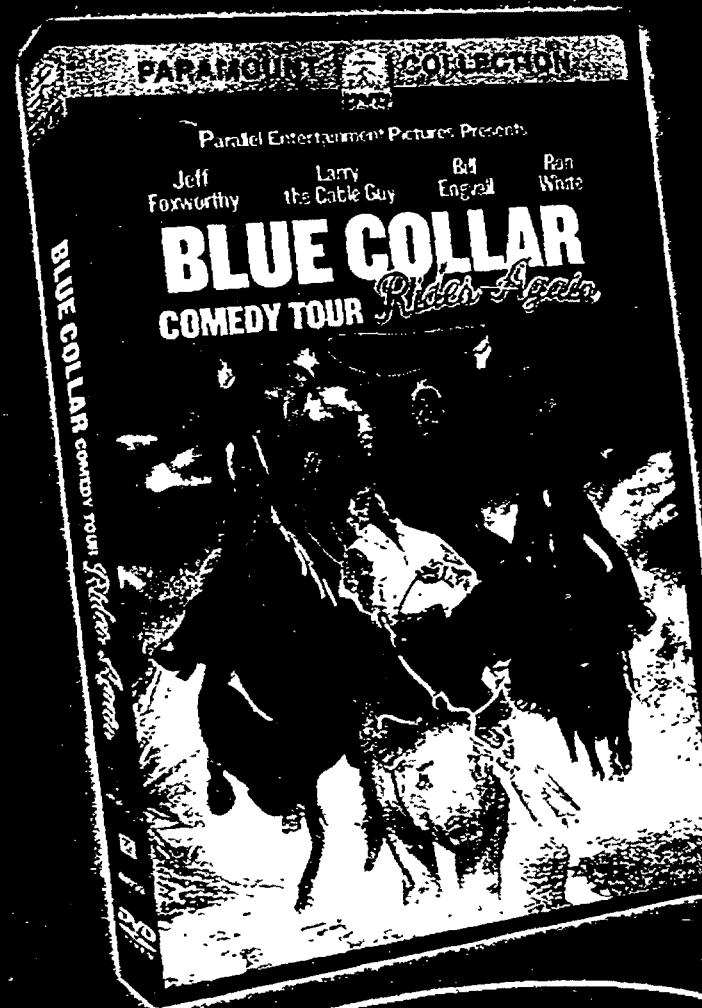
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Rome, Gala and McIntosh are excellent apple varieties to use in this bread. For additional spice, add a teaspoon of ground nutmeg.

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