

Happy New Year!



Don't drink & drive!

Be safe this holiday weekend. If you are attending a party locally, see how you can ensure your loved ones return home safely.

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Record Setters



Standout athletes!

See who was selected as the 2004 Northville Record athlete of the year for both boys' and girls' sports. See which Mustangs coach tops the list. And coming in January, check out the Northville Record's newly expanded winter sports section, complete with player profiles and team features.

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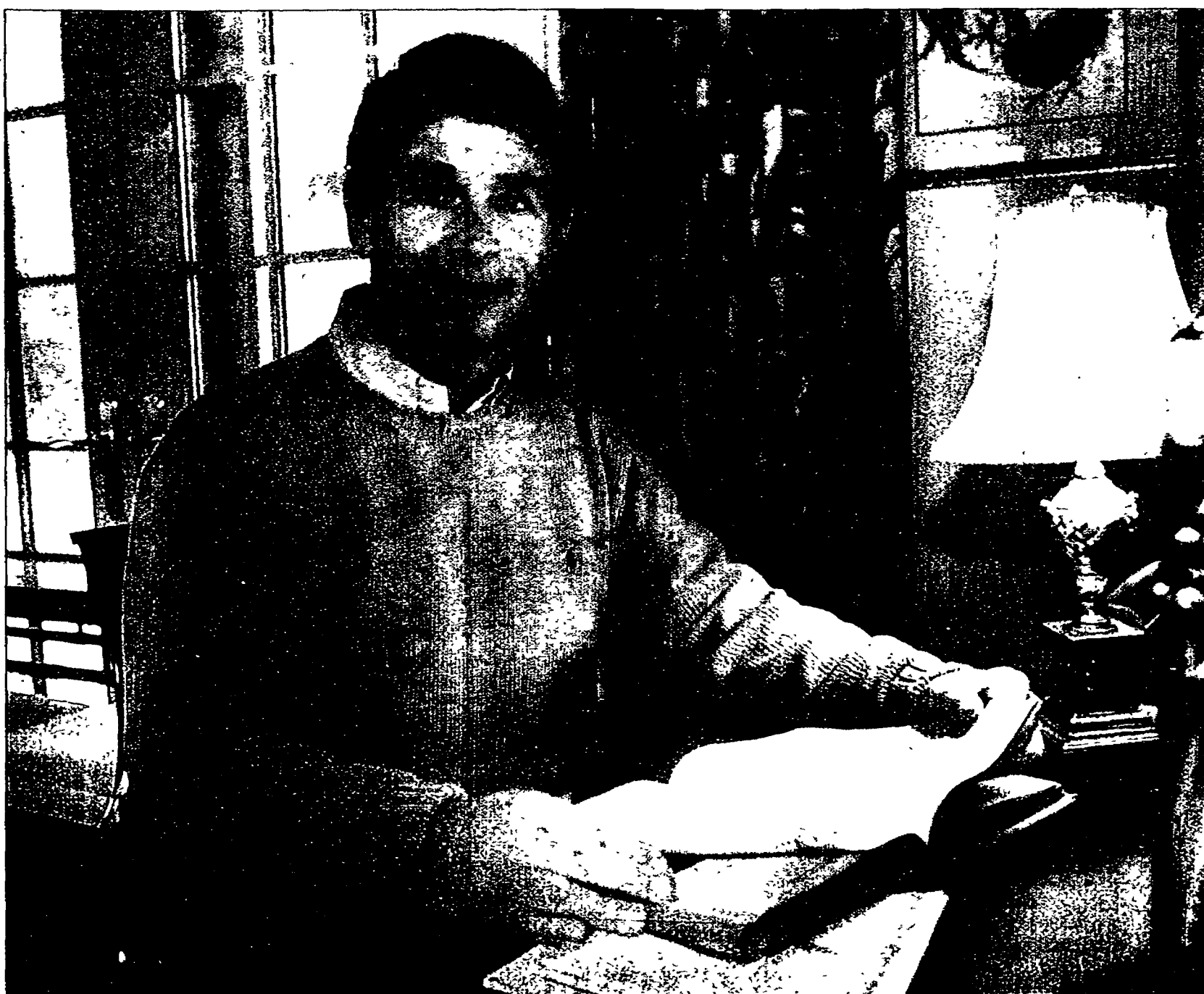
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NIELD: 2004 NEWSMAKER



Nield often found at center of Northville's community efforts

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Jim Nield looked back on 2004 as a year of unprecedented cooperation between Northville Township, the City of Northville and Northville Public Schools.

Naming Nield the Northville Record's Newsmaker of the Year recognizes his contribution toward those efforts.

The senior advisory council chair led efforts to rejuvenate the former community center and is helping guide growth strategy as a member of the township's planning commission.

"Nobody is more deserving of the title," said township supervisor Mark Abbo. "I can't think of anybody who's had a more positive impact in the Northville community."

Northville Mayor Christopher Johnson likewise recognized Nield's leadership during the past year.

"The completion of the senior center is right there on the top of the list," Johnson said. "The thing

Newsmaker OF THE YEAR

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Mark Abbo
Supervisor, Northville Township

about Jim is he's always so active on so many different levels. He's always playing a part. He doesn't ever stop.

"I think that's what the real value is."

Deeply rooted

Nield said he recently received a note from a person who thanked

him for his comments at a planning commission meeting.

"That makes it worthwhile," he said. "I enjoy seeing the smiles when they walk into the senior center or the (new) township hall or when a new road is paved. Even if it's just a statement in the meeting."

"It's a small enough town that you can make a difference," Nield said. "If you listen and put that into



PHOTO BY JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Jim Nield, the Northville Record's 2004 Newsmaker of the Year, was very involved with the design and construction of the new Northville Community Senior Center located on West Main Street.

the overall thought and planning.

"I think the community is working better together today than ever."

The father of two grown children has called Northville home for more than 30 years. He and his wife, Martha, have served on boards, committees and commis-

What was Northville's biggest news story in 2004? What events shaped the year? What pictures captured the moment? Who were the Friends We Lost? Review the year, page 8A.

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John and Fiona Daskocz hold their twins Evan and Tyler. The family won \$5,000 for an essay contest.

PHOTO BY JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

'Little miracles'

Parents' essay on twins wins \$5,000

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

John and Fiona Daskocz of Northville Township think the past 12 months have been pretty miraculous.

After trying to conceive for three years, they gave birth Jan. 3 to two premature but healthy twin boys — Tyler and Evan.

Then, after crafting their trails with infertility into an essay, the 38-year-olds won \$5,000 for their sons' future education.

"I'd say 90 percent of it came pretty quickly," said John of his 400-word essay. "Having gone through so much to try and start a family, we consider it definitely a miracle."

Grimacing, Tyler took a deep breath and let out a mighty yell as wide-eyed Evan crinkled a Ranch Dorito's bag.

"I would always pick them up from the crib in the morning," Fiona said. "Suddenly they're cuddling you. It's sort of that family process."

Fiona saw a notice for Ferring Pharmaceutical's "My Little Miracle Essay Contest" in Twins magazine. John, an Intier Automotive engineer, took second place out of several hundred national entries.

The couple met while working for the same automotive supplier in North Carolina.

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New Year's oldest lesson: drinking, driving don't mix

Plan ahead,
call MADD
— or pay
the price,
experts say

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The Deadwood Bar & Grill handles the New Year's drinking crowd in Northville Township by closing at 11 p.m. on Friday.

"We take it very seriously," Kimberly Ryan, operations director, said. "We give any non-alcoholic beverages on the house to whoever's a designated driver."

Law officials and bar proprietors agree that party-goers are getting more conscientious this time of year, but accidents still happen.

If you'll ring in 2005 with bubbly, plan ahead for a ride home.

MADD to the rescue

If you end up stranded, Mothers Against Drunk Driving offers Project LifeRide for its 20th year, offering car rides by calling (877) 693-6233.

"Bars are participating and they're posting our information," Ne'chole McClendon, executive director for the Wayne County chapter. "We'll dispatch a cab to that particular location... and give them a safe ride."

Homer Smith, MADD executive director, said drinking typically picks up from 10 p.m.-midnight, then escalates.

DONT DRINK



AND DRIVE

"If someone is a party host, then they certainly should provide non-alcoholic drinks for those who are designated drivers," Smith said. If someone insists on driving drunk, he said, "You need to do anything you can to take their keys away from them."

For a last line of defense, he said, buckle up: "You can have done everything right... but just never know what happens in the other vehicle."

Paying the price

Besides shattering lives, there are other prices to pay for driving drunk. Mark Mandell, Northville attorney, has seen both sides.

"The typical case is... disobeying minor traffic ordinances," Mandell said. "So many people think there's ways to get out of it. In my opinion, 97 percent of the time, you're going to be convicted of at least impaired."

First-time offenders face \$100-\$500 in fines and jail/community service time.

A second offense in seven years means a year-long license suspension; getting it back means going to the secretary of state's license appeals division.

"At that point the burden's on

you," Mandell said. "The best you're going to do at that is a restricted license for a year."

For serious alcohol problems, Oakland and Wayne counties have voluntary sobriety courts.

At Oakland County's 52-1 District Court in Novi, 325 people have completed the program in nearly four years.

"The goal is to teach them a new way of living that means they don't get re-arrested," Judge Brian MacKenzie said. "An officer can stop them at any time to test them. Their opportunities to drink are virtually eliminated."

Started about a year ago, Wayne County's 35th District Court program currently has 15 enrolled in four phases.

Be safe out there

In Northville Township, extra officers have been on the road since Thanksgiving Day. Lt. Ray Garbarino said.

"I've seen a decrease, I'd say, over the past 10 years," Garbarino said. "I think part of it is the education of the public. The penalties have gone up. There's a lot to lose."

The township is now able to seize second offenders' vehicles.

Garbarino said 157 operating while intoxicated arrests have been made this year, eight this month.

"Get a limousine, spend the extra money," MacKenzie said. "If you get arrested for drunk driving, you're going to end up spending thousands."

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Community Wide Healing Service

This service will be held at 4 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 3 at the First United Methodist Church of Northville at Eight Mile and Taft roads. Available to all faiths, the service is held the first Monday of each month.

Northville Yoga Class

The American Legion Hall is sponsoring Yoga Classes: 7-8:30 p.m., Mondays; or 9:30-11 a.m., and 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays starting Jan. 10-March 28. Start anytime, no charge for first visit, scholarships and senior discounts available. Contact Diane Siegel-DiVita at (248) 344-0928, or trianglesix@msn.com.

Master Gardener Association of Wayne County meetings

These monthly meetings are at 7 p.m., the second Thursday of each month from September through June. Topics: Jan. 13, orchids; Feb. 10, cooking. The gardeners meet at the Environmental Interpretive Center at the northwest corner of the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, 4901 Evergreen Rd. between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

Divorce Recovery Workshop

A Divorce Recovery Workshop will run Jan. 13-Feb. 24 at the Forum Room of First Presbyterian Church, 200 East Main St., Northville. The cost is \$35 and includes the book *Growing Through Divorce*. Scholarships are available — see Pastor Russell. To register, contact the church office at (248) 349-0911 or fill out the registration form and mail. There will be various speakers.

Center Stage Dance Company Phone Cards for Soldiers

Share a piece of home with our soldiers. Center Stage Dance Company in Northville is accepting donations of AT&T phone cards through the month of January. They have shipped 30 care packages to the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany where serious casualties coming out of Iraq and Afghanistan are flown. The studio has 12 more packages ready to go but are in need of more phone cards. Center Stage will package. Further information is available at Center Stage. Contact (248) 380-1666 or CSDC5678@aol.com.

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by Donald M. Wayne, D.D.S., M.S.
Orthodontic Specialist

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Marquis Theatre Presents

This holiday season, enjoy a musical adaptation of "Rumpelstiltskin" at Northville's historic Marquis Theatre, through Jan. 16. Performances occur at 2:30 p.m. on Saturdays, Jan. 8, 15; Sundays, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, 9, 16; and weekdays, Monday-Friday, Dec. 27-31. 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 and Winter Concert Series

"Cowpoke Holiday" is now showing at Genitti's. Cost is \$45 per person for dinner and show. Call for reservations, (248) 349-0522 or visit www.genittis.com.

For widowed men and women, come see "Michigan Hold 'Em" at this Northville interactive dinner theater and meet new friends at 7 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 8. The cost is \$45. Call (248) 967-3422 to reserve your seat by Dec. 26.

Attend a series of three concerts highlighting outstanding Michigan performers in an intimate setting with audience interaction. See Matt Watroba, 7-8 p.m., Jan. 30; Michael King, 7-8 p.m., Feb. 13; and an artist to be announced, 7-8 p.m., Feb. 27. Genitti's is located in downtown Northville at 108 E. Main St.

14th Annual Hearts of Remembrance Program

Now through the holidays, Arbor Hospice and Home Care is pleased to offer the community an opportunity to honor or remember a loved one through its annual Hearts of Remembrance Program. More than 30 Arbor Hospice and Home Care volunteers work throughout the year to design and handcraft thousands of heart-shaped ornaments that are sold as part of an annual fundraiser for the agency.

Individuals wishing to purchase an ornament may contact 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.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Candlelight Walk

The walk begins at 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 17 at the First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., with a candlelight walk (0.2 miles) to the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. There will be a reading of Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

and music from the Hillside Middle School and Northville High School choirs. For more information, please call the Northville Youth Assistance at (248) 344-1618.

Daddy-Daughter Princess Ball

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! The Royal court of Prince Charming announces its 21st Annual Ball and cordially invites all of the princesses of the land to attend. Ask that special gentleman in your life (your kingly father, princely brother, duke uncle, etc.) to an evening of enchanting music, wonderful food and elegant dancing. Prince Charming will be there, too, so don't be surprised if he asks you to dance!

Make sure you RSVP, as this ball frequently sells out. Call Northville Parks and Recreation to register at (248) 349-0203. Event occurs 4-6 p.m. and 7-9 p.m., Feb. 26, at the Recreation Center at Hillside. The cost is \$20 per couple and \$10 per additional person.

Michael Farrell Lecture Series

Learn about Islam and arts at "Lecture on World Religions: Art and Architecture — Islam and the Mosque." The most characteristic example of Islamic architecture is the mosque. This lecture will trace the evolution of the mosque from origins in Syria, Palestine, Iraq, Spain, Iran and Turkey. For more information, call (248) 449-9950. The event will be held at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 25, at the Art House, 215 W. Cady St. in Northville. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students.

Library Lines

The Northville District Library is open 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday and Saturday; and 1-5 p.m., Sundays. The library is located at 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall, with parking off Cady Street. For information about programs, services, or to request or renew library materials, call (248) 349-3020.

Homework Help

The library has the resources students need to help with homework. Parents and students are invited to learn about helpful library collections and library informational databases designed for elementary and middle school students. Lessons are 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 12 or 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 15. Register by phone at (248) 349-3020 or in person beginning Jan. 3.

Fun in the Sun Crafts for Kids

Come in from the cold and warm up with crafts, Thursday, Jan. 20 from 4-5:00 p.m. All ages welcome. Children ages 4 and younger please attend with a caregiver. No registration required, just drop in.

Winter Tot Storytime with Caregiver

Specially designed for 2 and 3-year-olds with a parent or caregiver, this six-week series of half-hour sessions are structured to help this age group gain the most from this fun and important library experience. Please bring only age appropriate children who are registered for the weekly program. There are four sessions to choose from, and each session includes 13 children accompanied by a caregiver. Please register for one of the following sessions: 10:15-10:45 a.m., Mondays, Jan. 24-Feb. 28; 10:15-10:45 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.-noon, Wednesdays, Jan. 26-Mar. 2; 10:15-10:45 a.m. Thursdays, Jan. 27-Mar. 3. Register by telephone at (248) 349-3020 or in person beginning Jan. 5.

Kids Club for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Graders

The new Kids Club is now a fun after-school program for first, second and third graders featuring stories, games and crafts. It is now offered 4:30-5:15 p.m., Thursday, once a month, in the library's meeting room. Each session includes 20 children. Please register for individual sessions by telephone at (248) 349-3020 or in person beginning Jan. 5. Winter Kids Club programs: Jan. 27, Adventures in Art; Feb. 10, Friendship; Mar. 3, Stories from China.

Winter Storytime for Children

Children who are ages 4, 5 or in kindergarten and comfortable attending without a caregiver are invited to join this special six-week series of 45-minute storytimes. Sorry, younger or older children or non-registered siblings may not attend. Each program features stories and creative activities, so children should also be able to use scissors, glue, etc. Each session includes 20 children. Please register for one of the following sessions: 4:45 p.m. Mondays, Feb. 7-Mar. 14; 10:15-11 a.m. or 2:00-2:45 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 8-Mar. 15. Register by telephone at (248) 349-3020 or in person beginning Jan. 18.

Library Board Meetings

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

Visit the Friends Store for Unique Gifts

Looking for a unique 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.

Library Holiday Closings

The library will be closed for New Year's on Friday, Dec. 31 and Saturday, Jan. 1. The library will be open on Sunday, Jan. 2 from 1-5 p.m.

Seniors

Senior Calendar

Thursday Dec. 30:
Senior Center closed
Friday Dec. 31:
Senior Center closed
Monday Jan. 3:
10 a.m.: Blood pressure check
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Line Dancing
1-2:30 p.m.: Tai Chi
Tuesday, Jan. 4:
9:30 a.m.: Meijer
10 a.m.: Reading Workshop
10 a.m.: Oxy cise
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Computers
Wednesday, Jan. 5:
9:30 a.m.: Mall

noon: Bridge
1 p.m.: Computers II

Mill Race

The Mill Race office will be closed for Christmas and New Year's from Dec. 23-Jan. 2.

Scheduled events are as follows:
Thursday, Dec. 30: Office and archives closed

Friday, Dec. 31: Office and archives closed, rehearsal, 5 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 1: Wedding, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 2: Mill Creek, 10 a.m.; Mackinaw Scouts, 1 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 3: Cub Scouts, 6:15 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 4: Daisy Scouts, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 5: M.R. Basket Guild, 9 a.m.; Mill Creek 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 6: SUM Unit B Scouts, 9:15 a.m.; Brownie Scouts, 3:30 p.m.

Mill Race Historical Village

The history of Northville is alive at the Mill Race Historical Village. Created in 1972 by the Northville Historical Society, the village serves as a focal point for the Northville Community while preserving architectural styles common to the area prior to 1900. A living museum, the village was built on land donated to the city of Northville by the Ford Motor Company. Once the site of a grist mill, the village consists of a church, gazebo, school, rustic wooden bridge, blacksmith shop, Interurban Station and several homes reminiscent of an era gone by.

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OBITUARIES

Clairabelle H. Balko, 82

Clairabelle Balko of Wauseon, Ohio, formerly of Northville, died Dec. 23, 2005 at the home of her daughter, in Wauseon. She was 82.

She was born in Wyandott on May 11, 1922 to the late Earl and Clara (Winkelman) Noll. Many years ago she had worked for Braders and Frydels in Northville. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church of Wauseon and during WWII she worked as a "Rosie the Riveter" for the Willow Run Bomber Plant.

Survivors include her daughter, Penny Reed of Wauseon; two sisters, Evelyn Kasper of Wauseon and Mildren Kelley of Gregory, Mich.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harley Charles Balko; one brother, Earl Noll; and one sister, Marie Miller.

A funeral service was held Dec. 27, 2005 at Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Timothy Sonnenberg and the Rev. Scott Silcox officiating. Interment will be at the Glenn Eden Lutheran Cemetery in Northville.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church.

Arrangements were made by Edgar-Grisier Funeral Home, Wauseon.

Andrew M. Baratta, 61

Andrew Baratta, of Northville, died Dec. 22, 2005. He was born in Hazleton, Luzerne County to the late Andrew J. and Susan (Noga) Baratta.

Mr. Baratta had been employed as a legal collection supervisor by Asset Acceptance, Northridge, Mich. and was an Army veteran. He was a graduate of Penn State University and a member of Northridge Church, Plymouth.

His wife, Judy L. (Brisan) Baratta preceded him in death in 2002.

A funeral service was held Dec. 29, 2005 at the Edward J. Kuhn Funeral Home, Inc., West Reading, Pa. Interment will be at Charles Evans Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by the Edward J. Kuhn Funeral Home, Inc.

Irene C. Spagnuolo, 84

Irene Spagnuolo of Northville, formerly of Lansing, died Dec. 27, 2004. She was 84. Mrs. Spagnuolo was born Jan. 23, 1920 in Durand, Mich.

She was a member of Our Lady of Victory Church, Northville. She was a very loving and giving woman, and she was a devoted grandmother. She never thought of herself and was always giving to others.

Survivors include her husband of 58 years, Joseph Spagnuolo; two children, James Spagnuolo and Mary Joann Spagnuolo; two grandsons, Anthony and Joseph Spagnuolo; three sisters, Virginia DeRose, Julia Cascarelli and Evelyn Burns; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Sam and Mary DeRose; two sisters, Rose Bozzo and Catherine Bozzo; and four brothers, Tony, Joe, Pete and Giuseppe DeRose.

A funeral liturgy will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 30, in St. Gerard Catholic Church, 4437 W. Willow, Lansing with Father John P. Klein officiating. Viewing will be from 10-11 a.m., Thursday at the church. Rite of committal will be in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society in memory of Irene.

Arrangements were made by Tiffany Funeral Home, 3232 W. Saginaw, Lansing.

POLICE REPORT

Christmas Eve fire strikes

Fire struck condominiums on Queen Anne Court at about 10:30 p.m. Dec. 24.

No one was injured, but the roof and second floor of two homes were extensively damaged, according to Northville Township fire officials.

Firefighters took an hour to douse the blaze, and to "hot spots" until 2 a.m., officials said.

"We actually did an interior fire attack because we had fire in the rooms on the second floor," Fire Chief Bill Zhmendak said. "One cat was not accounted for at the time of the fire. We did find the cat the next morning."

Mutual aid came from the Livonia Fire Rapid Intervention Team and the Plymouth Community and Northville fire departments.

One person lived in the condo that first caught fire, while four lived in the second, Zhmendak said. They're currently staying at a local hotel or with family members.

Fire officials believe the fire start-

ed in the fireplace area. "It's going to require them to actually remove the roof and rebuild the second floor," Zhmendak said.

Suspicious vehicle spotted

A Northville Township police spotted a suspicious vehicle near Moraine Elementary School on Eight Mile Road and reported it to police Dec. 21.

The blue, "older model" Grand Marquis was seen first on Eight Mile Road and then in the school's parking lot, police reported. The 49-year-old father reportedly saw a lone male in his 30s seemingly cover something in the car's back seat. The father told police the car was only in the lot four minutes; no one approached it, nor did the man approach anyone. The car's rear bumper read "For Sale." The school's principal reportedly notified the board office and will send out the information district-wide.

Thefts, fires in pairs

Over four days, two vehicles

were targets for theft in the township, while two others unexpectedly caught fire.

Both larcenies occurred near apartments.

Late Dec. 21 or early the next day, a 2004 Jeep was taken from a carport at the 42000 block of Northville Place Drive, police reported. The 36-year-old male Northville victim told police he'd parked and locked the Jeep overnight. Losses were estimated at \$15,000.

The other incident occurred near Cedar Lakes apartments Dec. 22, when four wheels valued at \$600 reportedly were taken from a parked 2000 SUV around 8 a.m. According to a witness, two white males between 30-35 were seen near the vehicle, later discovered on blocks. Both cases are open.

Flames burst in a car traveling near Six Mile and Haggerty roads Dec. 21 at about 6 p.m. The driver, a 49-year-old woman, told police she saw smoke coming from the dashboard when stopped at a red light, and said she believed the cause was recent car work she had had done at a Detroit garage/muffler shop. Damages were estimated at \$6,000.

On Dec. 19, a 22-year-old Livonia female stopped at the town-

ship's Barnes & Noble. While she was inside, police said, the 1997 Ford Escort she'd driven there caught fire. Fire officials reportedly said the problem might have been electrical. Damages to the vehicle, which she'd borrowed from her parents, were around \$10,000.

'There you go, boss'

A 19-year-old West Bloomfield man plowed into two utility poles Dec. 19, injuring his passenger.

Police said the driver, traveling with a 20-year-old Southfield male passenger, was traveling on Beck Road north of Six Mile Road at about 1 a.m. According to a witness, the 2005 SUV crossed the road, fell into a ditch, broke one pole and severed another. Police reported the driver was "intoxicated" and "verbally hostile."

Police reported the suspect said he had nothing to drink and claimed he was run off the road by another driver. He reportedly refused a preliminary breath test and, when asked to recite the entire alphabet, said, "A, Z, there you go, boss, beginning to end."

The passenger was taken to St. Mary's Hospital for a blood-alcohol level test. His court date is Jan. 6.

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Suspected bank bandit dies after high-speed car chase

Rosselot allegedly targeted township bank Sept. 21

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The man police dubbed the "Sysco Kid" and whom they believe was responsible for a four-month string of bank heists, including a Northville Township attempt, died last week.

Kenneth Jay Rosselot, 38, died from injuries suffered following a Dec. 17 high-speed car crash. Police officials believe he was fleeing his final hold-up attempt.

FBI officials said Rosselot robbed nine suburban banks between Sept. 3-Dec. 17.

He was dubbed the "Sysco Kid" because security cameras caught the company's logo on a baseball cap he often wore, said Terry Booth, Detroit FBI spokesman and special agent.

"In most of the robberies he used a weapon, he used a note and he displayed a gun," Booth said. "He frequently wore the Sysco hat (and) dark-framed prescription glasses low down on his nose."

Township Det. Joe Hetu said that description matches a man who at 3:50 p.m. Sept. 21 attempted to rob the Standard Federal Bank at 39437 Six Mile Rd.

He left the bank without money.

"I would say probably with 99 percent certainty that it is (him)," Hetu said. "In the Northville Township case he was not wearing this Sysco hat, but he was wearing a hat. I'm trying to get some video from Chelsea just to verify that."

Hetu said based on surveillance footage from a robbery in Saline, the suspect was wearing a light-colored baseball cap with an Old English "D."

A final heist?

A Chelsea Flagstar bank was the scene of Rosselot's final attempt, according to the FBI. He allegedly attempted to flee in a black BMW getaway car.

"The police observed the vehicle and they chased it down Beck Road," Booth said. "It crashed at Cherry Road in Canton. At the scene of the crash, we were able to recover a Sysco hat and a handgun."

Case still open

Still unsolved is an Oct. 1 robbery at Northville Township's TCF Bank. The suspect allegedly took an estimated \$2,000 and fled in a light-colored sedan.

According to witnesses and video surveillance, the suspect in the TCF Bank case was 5 feet 5 inches to 5 feet 9 inches tall, of average build and between 45 and 55 years old. He had a salt and pepper "funchu" mustache and was wearing a light-colored ball cap and dark suit.

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

After the crash, Rosselot reportedly was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He suffered critical injuries, Booth said, was taken off life support Dec. 21 and then died.

"The only thing that kind of struck us is he chose suburban banks and he seemed to get further and further away," Booth said. "He probably increases his risk of getting caught. It's a more rural area, things like that are going to stick out. It's a lot better chance of getting spotted as far as a runaway car."

In addition to Northville and Chelsea, the list includes banks in Farmington, Livonia, Plymouth, Saline, Fowlerville, Gibraltar and Midland.

Booth added that 2004 has been a record year for bank robberies in Michigan: 449 as of Monday. That surpasses the previous high — 359 in 1996 — and means the state is second only to California, which has had 888 thus far.

"We had a lot of serial bank robbers this year," Booth said. "We had individuals who were doing 12, 13 robberies."

Within the last six weeks, he said six of those suspects were apprehended by law enforcement, closing 50 robberies.

Hetu said there was talk of setting up a task force to deal with the Standard Federal case days before Rosselot was caught.

"We had pictures out there and no one responded to them," Hetu said. "None of the leads that turned in had turned out to be this Rosselot guy."

Booth said he believes the township's Standard Federal case was the only one in which Rosselot didn't get any money. The FBI would not release the total amount stolen.

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Alleged purse thief nabbed

Detroit man linked to other area thefts

By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

A phone call following a Northville Township purse snatching last week ended what police believe was a Detroit man's four-month crime spree.

Lawrence Tippins, 22, was arrested shortly after 8 p.m. when a 29-year-old Plymouth woman called police Dec. 23 to report her purse was stolen outside Kohl's department store at 20155 Haggerty Rd.

"Basically, he exited his own vehicle and approached a woman who had just gotten into her car and demanded her purse," Northville police Det. Bill Helke said.

"He had his hand inside of his coat. She was in fear he might

have a weapon, and so she surrendered her purse to him."

Helke said the woman's subsequent call to township police, including a physical description of the male and his getaway car, resulted in the man being pulled over 15 minutes later in Livonia by a Michigan State trooper traveling on I-96, west of Farmington Road.

Tippins was driving a 1989 white Buick Century, Helke said.

When the Northville victim was unable to identify the suspect, the man was arrested on an unrelated warrant.

On Dec. 24, he was interrogated by Farmington Hills officers, who believed Tippins committed two robberies and one larceny in their city.

A Farmington Hills Police Department statement said Tippins confessed to the three counts, along with purse-snatchings in Farmington and Southfield.

"He was arraigned here on

Christmas Day," Farmington Hills Police Chief William Zwyer said.

While officers photographed the man's impounded vehicle, the Northville victim's credit cards were found between the windshield and dashboard, Farmington Hills police said.

Helke said he expected to have an arrest warrant for the Northville theft Tuesday. He said police believe Tippins is responsible for several similar crimes.

Helke said two robberies in Novi might also be connected to Tippins. The Northville incident was the most recent, he said.

Farmington Hills police reported that Tippins is a registered sex offender and has been convicted for a prior domestic assault.

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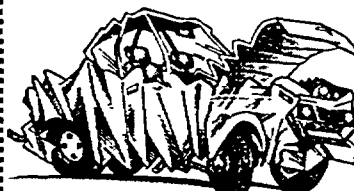
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ESSAY: Northville twins are couple's double 'miracles'

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After marrying in October 2000, they started to build their family, but without success.

John's essay likened their struggle to a busy airport: "Those around you seem to be hopping on planes left and right to their dream destination. They want to tell you about their wonderful experience when they return. All the while they have no idea this is rubbing salt into your wound."

After three years, thousands of dollars and many doctors, Fiona found the Colorado Center for Reproductive Medicine through

an infertility support group. Wrote John: "So now we're stuck at the airport, but are instructed we can maybe make our destination if we row a boat."

"It's a very stressful process," Fiona said. "It's a lot of injections." But they persisted. "I didn't know failure. Because of that I was going through it with a totally positive mindset," added Fiona. "I'm lucky I have a very loving husband."

With fertility drugs Bravelle and Repronex, the Duskoczs conceived on their first try.

Tyler and Evan arrived nearly three months early. After 55 days in intensive care, they were united with their parents.

Approaching their first birthday, the babies are play with Christmas toys and bop to their favorite songs: "YMCA" for Evan, and for Tyler, "The Chicken Dance."

John concluded: "Our boat was as strong as our determination, and with the help of Bravelle and Repronex, we have Tyler and Evan, our beautiful twin boys!"

"You've got to be committed, you have to be focused," Fiona said. "You believe it's going to work."

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Second Northville couple also an essay contest winner



Photo by KIM KOVELLE/
NORTHVILLE RECORD

Mike and Beth Bellasov with their 18-month-old son, Benjamin.

By Kim Kovelle
RECORD STAFF WRITER

At 18 months old, Benjamin Bellasov loves his stuffed kangaroo, and his first big word was "bear."

Bear-like strength was needed by parents Mike, 33, and Jill, 35, to conceive baby Ben.

Due to undiagnosed fertility problems, the Northville Township couple turned to fertility drug Repronex to help.

Like John and Fiona Duskocz, they wrote an essay for Ferring

Pharmaceutical's "My Little Miracle" contest, earning an honorable mention education fund of \$1,000.

"We tried for about three years," Jill said. "We had Benjamin after our second in vitro attempt."

She said having a supportive husband and friends going through the same thing helped her through. "Unless you're going through it, you can't understand. It is the most straining thing. You're just on pins and needles the whole time," Jill said.

Through treatments at William Beaumont hospital, Benjamin was born full-term on July 1, 2003.

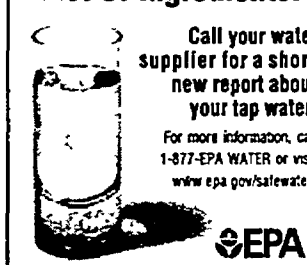
In writing the essay, Mike said he focused on the life changes the couple has gone through since then.

"After everything that we went through, we would rather go through this than the alternative," he said. "We look at any of the negativity as a positive — even staying up late."

"We feel we would rather be doing this than not have a child," Jill says they're hoping for a second child in the future.

"He's just an adorable, great-natured little boy," she said. "I really think he wanted to be born as much as we wanted to have him."

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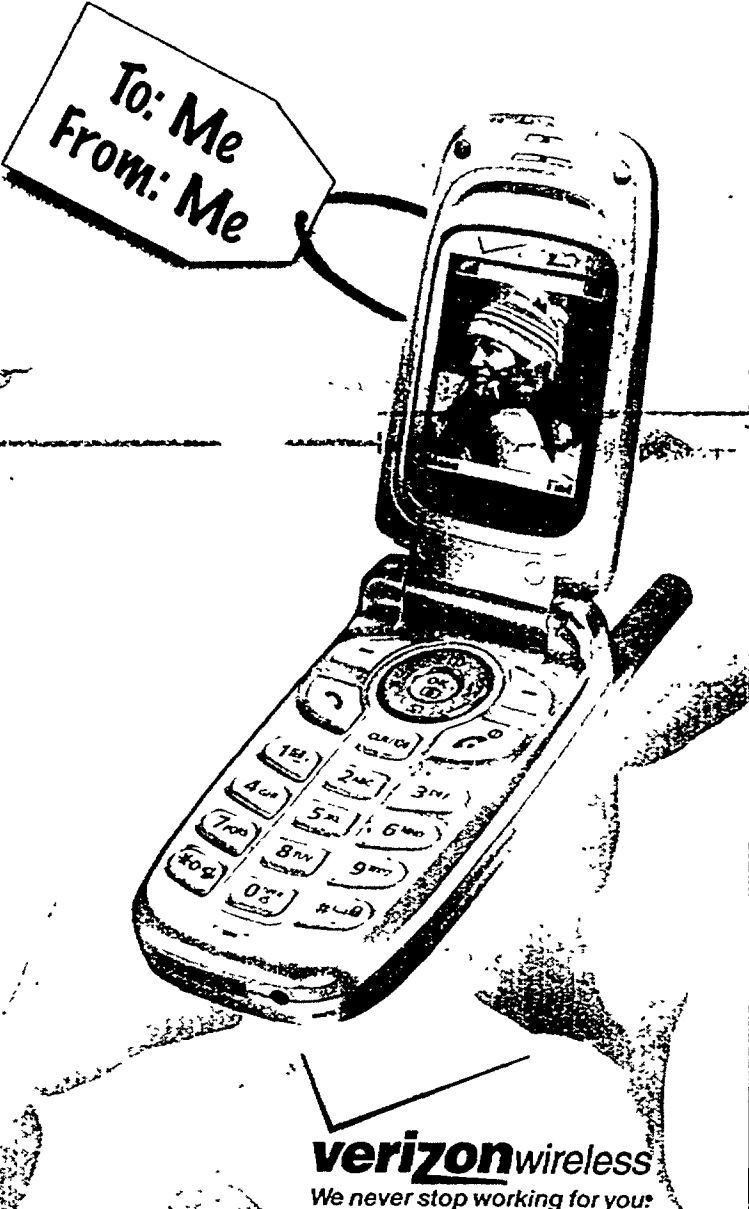
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Around Town



City Hall notes

Northville City Hall offices will be closed for the holidays, Friday, Dec. 30 and 31.

Curbside pickup

The City of Northville's regular trash collection will not be affected by the New Year's holiday.

Christmas trees will be picked up curbside throughout the city for two more Tuesdays — Jan. 4 and 11 — and disposed in a compost facility.

After Jan. 11, trees will be disposed in a landfill. Trees must be free of ornaments, tinsel and plastic snow.

As snow falls

The city's solid waste contractor, Painter and Ruthenberg, will send trucks out on schedule except in extreme conditions.

Crews ask residents to place rubbish on top of the snow. Bags and cans must be accessible from the road. Dark bags are easiest to see.

Officials said safety considerations prohibit crews from "digging out" frozen recycling bins.

Snow shovellers be mindful: Northville city ordinance prohibits residents from blowing snow into the street. Violators will be ticketed.

Planning your write-off

Property tax payments requiring a 2004 postmarked must be marked no later than Dec. 31.

Because Northville City Hall offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 30 and 31, any envelope found in the drop box on Monday, Jan. 3, will be entered as having been received in 2004. The drop box is located on the east wall of the outer entrance to city hall.

Still time to give

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.

Call for artists

The Northville Arts Commission requests submissions from all Northville area artists, age 18 and older for inclusion in "Celebrating Northville Arts and Community" at the Art House grand opening March 4.

Artists may submit one or two photos of recent work in any medium (JPEG file format preferable) to artcommission@ci.northville.mi.

us by Jan. 15. Several pieces will be selected for exhibition and all pieces will be shown via computer-generated slide show during the grand opening reception and through the month of March.

Artists are asked to include their name, address, phone number, e-mail address, artwork medium, size, title, a brief biography and a two-sentence artist statement. Questions should be directed to the above e-mail address or (248) 449-9950. Watch the Northville Arts Commission Web site: www.northvillearts.org for upcoming exhibition, consignment and teaching opportunities at the Art House.

Blankets needed

Edward Jones investment representatives David Boyd, Todd Knickerbocker and Chris Willerer 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.homemag.com.

Tree pick-up updates

Township homeowners wanting to rid themselves of Christmas trees during the next two weeks should leave them at the curb.

The township's contracted trash service, Painter-Ruthenberg, will pick up discarded trees along normal routes until Jan. 13.

Make sure the tree isn't covered by snow and remove all ornaments if you wish to keep them.

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Painter-Ruthenberg at (313) 561-0303.

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In honor of the New Year's Eve holiday, Northville Township municipal offices will be closed tomorrow, Dec. 31. For more information, call township hall at (248) 348-5800.

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Chamber of Commerce
After 20 years as leader of the Northville Chamber of Commerce, Laurie Marrs In January announced her plans to retire April 1. Jody Humphries was named as her successor.

January

- Our Lady of Victory's school expansion proposal draws overflow crowd at city council meeting
- Township considers rezoning Seven Mile Road property; state puts property back on the market with a minimum \$65 million price tag
- Farmer John Beemer agrees to return to Maybury Farm
- School district considers \$28 million bond election for building maintenance
- Community hosts series of lectures to commemorate Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Independent survey shows residents pleased with quality of Northville Public Schools
- Township eliminates 50-year position of constables



Northville Community Foundation, leading efforts to restore Maybury Farm destroyed by fire in 2003, in February announced retired Farmer John Beemer will return to the community attraction. The foundation throughout the year hosted a series of fund-raisers to help return the working farm to operation. Developer Toll Brothers donated vintage barns that were moved to the site in August. By the end of the year, animals were sheltered from the weather and plans were under way for hands-on educational programs at the facility.

February

- Northville Public Schools students score high in state's first annual report card; miss the mark in number of students taking the test
- Hearings on Our Lady of Victory's school proposal continue
- Township water rates increase
- Two companies submitted bids on state's former psychiatric hospital property; state



'Victory,' at what cost?

One year and three legal battles later, local Catholic school still searching for a home — now via the courts



Northville Planning Commission members pondered the fate of OLV's proposed school expansion plans during a public meeting at Hillside Middle School.

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

A quiet neighborhood on the city's south side became a battleground this year.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic church's plan to build a new school grabbed headlines throughout 2004 as the Northville Record's Story of the Year.

Two opposing sets of red-and-white "Preserve our Neighborhoods" yard signs came and went. Residents stated project pros and cons for hours at special hearings.

Public bodies rendered decisions that were overturned and/or appealed. Court cases are still pending.

Two houses were demolished early this month clearing part of the 3.5-acre proposed site, but project opponents say the fight against the church is not over.

Fight for rights

The controversy began in the fall of 2003 when church leaders unveiled the 2,200-member congregation's proposal. The plan is to replace the current 52-year-old school attached to the church at Orchard and Thayer with a larger structure across the street, near the corner of Main Street.

Orchard Heights homeowners — primarily residing in the 1920s development roughly bounded east to west by Clement and Rogers streets and north to south by Main and Fairbrook — warily watched plans for the 77,000-square-foot building unfold.

Opponents stated their fears about

Story OF THE YEAR

For more Year in Review coverage, including "Friends We Lost" during the past year, please see page 9A & 10A.

increased traffic congestion, safety and lower property values, while proponents described an overcrowded, outdated existing facility.

The two sides in January, February and March filled public hearings with emotion, assorted rationale, traffic and sound study findings, expert testimony and legal representation.

In addition to the yard signs, the conflict provoked Internet banter, 1,300 pages of documentation submitted to the city and an immeasurable rift between neighbors.

Northville's planning commission had the task of deciding on the church's special land-use application, which in March it rejected.

The Northville Board of Zoning Appeals in May overturned that vote, in effect allowing the church's request to build a kindergarten-through-eighth-grade school on the west side of Orchard.

Church representatives subsequently presented revised site plans to the planning commission, but the \$14 million project's status still was not set. Legal wrangling ensued.

Legal battles

Six local residents June 8 filed a Wayne County Circuit Court appeal against the City of Northville, claiming the board's reversal set a risky precedent regarding special-land-use applications throughout the city.

Our Lady of Victory July 28 filed a lawsuit against the city and the planning commission calling the July 20 tabling of the site plan illegal and demanding the plan's immediate approval. The six-count Wayne County Circuit Court lawsuit also names individual planning commission members and requests financial damages in excess of \$25,000.

Fourteen days after the church's legal action, the city's planning commission granted preliminary approval of the school site plan, with 12 conditions. Final approval followed Nov. 2 after a series of tie votes, failed motions and attorney advice.

Project opponents followed up within a week, filing documents necessary to ask the Board of Zoning Appeals at an upcoming meeting to revisit the planning commission's approval. A January hearing on the Orchard Heights residents' lawsuit filed in June is expected.

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subsequently rejects them

- Maybury Farm marks year anniversary since destroyed by fire with renewed efforts to rebuild
- State calls for close of Western Wayne Correctional Facility on Five Mile Road
- Northville Public Schools tweak school boundaries due to continued growth
- City's planning commission effectively bans heliports in residential areas
- Development plans move ahead for the former Detroit House of Corrections property in Northville Township
- City, township host public hearing on public safety joint dispatch concept
- City looks at two parking deck locations
- Northville Public Schools explores pay-to-play athletics to offset cuts in state funding
- Township weighs Northville Community Park expansion



Flanked by state Sen. Nancy Cassis, Meads Mill student Garret Drogosch, left, in March spoke before a senate committee in Lansing considering a bill that later outlawed hazing. Gov. Jennifer Granholm in May signed "Garret's Law." Drogosch suffered broken bones in his leg during a tackling drill at Meads Mill October 2003.

March

- City Planning Commission rejects Our Lady of Victory's application for a special land-use permit; church appeals
- Lawsuit follows tackling drill injury of Meads Mill student; Garret Drogosch testifies before state Senate on bill to stop hazing
- Board of Education proceeds with plan for \$35 million bond proposal for school expansion, renovation
- Counties, municipalities schedule roadwork through spring, summer
- City revamps parking management program, including higher fines, increased enforcement
- Police seize \$4.8 million from Northville home in drug arrests

April

- Township OKs 356 homes on former Detroit House of Correction site
- Laurie Marrs retires from Northville Chamber of Commerce
- Township proceeds with Community Park expansion plans
- City plans to designate remaining open space as parks
- Local leaders praise partnerships, wary of state cuts at annual State of the Community event
- Jody Humphries named new Chamber of Commerce president

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NIELD: named Record's 2004 Newsmaker of the Year

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sions during much of that time. The retired business owner said he helps out in the community when he can the same way he tried to reach out to his 200-plus employees.

"I understand everyone can't contribute, but they're earning a living, raising kids," he said. "I just enjoy doing it. It's just inside you, I guess."

Promoting cooperation

Nield said what makes Northville unique is the willingness among public entities to share knowledge, ability and experience.

For example, Martha's background as board of education president makes him more sensitive to the school district's needs as a planning commissioner, he said.

Nield said whether visiting a grand opening, eating at a restaurant or attending a fundraiser, the couple is always listening.

"I am a great promoter of the city, township and the schools all working together," he said. "I do not want the city, township or schools to become too territorial. The costs are too high for all of us."

The community fielded challenging proposals this past year, Nield said, including public safety combined dispatch services, Our Lady of Victory school expansion and a planned commercial development across from Ridge Wood Elementary School.

"Overall, I think every one handles things well," he said. "There's good input on both sides."

"At the end of the day, it appears the decisions are the right decisions."

Different people in the community have different needs, Nield said.

"We should do all we can to work together," he said.

"It's a challenge on a good day. I think people in other communities are envious of Northville's relationship between the city, township and schools. It's a model that's going to be copied around the state."

A personal cause

Two years ago Nield meticulously constructed the scale model of an expanded community center.

He and Northville Parks and Recreation Director Traci Sincok subsequently pitched the concept of a facility dedicated to seniors but accessible to all ages for a variety of uses.

Northville Township, the City of Northville and Northville Public Schools gave their go-ahead.

During the entire project, Nield was a daily presence at the Main Street construction site. Today he can peg each month of the 10-month project with an obstacle or triumph. It was a year ago this month the senior advisory board members ceremoniously signed the steel I-beam.

"When you reflect back on what's been accomplished since then... it was just a pleasure to see it unfold," Nield said. "It's just a pleasure to see where we've come in a year, under budget, ahead of schedule, dedicated the Fourth of July weekend, all the landscaping in, the (Old Village School) playground in..."

"We've gotten an awful lot of compliments on the building inside."

As the project leader, Nield personally laid hearth stone, hauled the fireplace mantel to the sawmill, coordinated interior and exterior details, acted as liaison with the contractor and updated progress to the rest of the advisory board.

The community is supporting the facility by increasingly scheduling public events there, Nield said, including wedding receptions, birthday parties, showers and

holiday events. "I think we got it done at a level that was above what the community expected," he said.

Seniors new and long-time residents benefit from programs offered there, he said. More and more seniors are relocating to Northville to live near their grown children, Nield said.

Planning ahead

Nield said people move to Northville for two primary reasons: the appeal of the downtown corridor and the quality of the public school system.

Those are key considerations in his role as township planning commissioner, he said.

"We are very sensitive to proper growth for Northville," he said. "There's certainly a continual balance between the new subdivisions going in and the needs the schools have in expanding."

Nield attended the recent presentation by Bob Gibbs, the city-hired consultant who described future growth options for downtown Northville. Martha serves on the downtown development authority's steering committee following up on the report findings.

"It's important to every resident in the township and city," Nield said. "We are very sensitive to maintaining the vitality of downtown Northville."

"We want to do a proper job for all of Northville with the Seven Mile (Road) corridor and do the very best we can."

Communication with adjacent communities such as Plymouth and Novi also is critical, Nield said. Cooperation forges more efficient service, such as the city and township's public safety dispatch service agreement enacted this fall, he said.

Nield said people from other areas are interested in how the Northville community gets things done.

The naming of the "community room" in the just-

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The Northville Chamber of Commerce in October recognized Jim Nield's contributions by naming him Citizen of the Year.

Sonia Swigart shared the organization's top honor.

The chamber cited Nield's current positions as township planning commissioner and chair of Northville's senior advisory committee. His past titles include township representative to the Parks and Recreation Department, president of the Northville Swim Club, and committee chair for Boy Scout Troop 755.

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

opened township hall is one example of the local mindset, he said.

A chance encounter with a township board member at a downtown store resulted in a conversation on that topic, Nield recalled. Why call it a board room when it more often is used by community members, he said.

"At the end of the day — when you see the Fourth of July parade or the Victorian Festival or grab a bite to eat downtown — you just love Northville," Nield said. "It's nice. It's neat. It's something you're proud of."

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Michigan Teacher of the Year Heidi Capraro hugs one of the many students who stood up and volunteered kind words for their teacher during a ceremony honoring the Hillside Middle School science teacher.

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May

- Public enters debate on public safety joint dispatch concept
- Hillside Middle School science teacher Heidi Capraro named state Teacher of the Year
- City's Board of Zoning Appeals overturns past ruling, effectively allowing Our Lady of Victory to proceed with school expansion plans
- Northville Public Schools Michigan Educational Assessment Program scores show improvement in 32 of 42 categories
- Local businessman Robert Seaman found murdered at his Farmington Hills home
- State offers for public bid former psychiatric hospital property — a second time
- Granholm signs "Garret's Law," anti-hazing legislation named for local student
- Major storm hits town, knocking down trees, flooding basements and damaging homes
- Memorial Day parade lines city's streets



Diane Scott, with children Brandon, 5, and Ryan, 2, prepared to vote at city hall on the Northville Public Schools bond issue proposal. Residents approved the board of education's plan to spend \$35.7 million to expand and renovate schools throughout the district.

June

- Residents pass Northville Public Schools \$35.7 million bond proposal
- Joan Wadsworth, Judith Wollack re-elected to school board
- Meads Mill parent files civil rights complaint
- Northville Arts Commission and Parks and Recreation Department proceed with plans to create Art House in former senior center
- State selects Real Estate Investments as top bidder for Seven Mile Road property
- City hosts thousands for "Art in the Sun"



A crowd gathered at the Northville Senior Community Center for grand opening ceremonies.

July

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August

- Our Lady of Victory sues city, citing delay of site plan approval; planning commission grants preliminary approval with 12 conditions
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- Northville Public Schools receive all 'A's from the state
- Community steps back in time for 16th annual Victorian Festival
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- State grants Real Estate Investments six-month extension to investigate Seven Mile Road property
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November

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December

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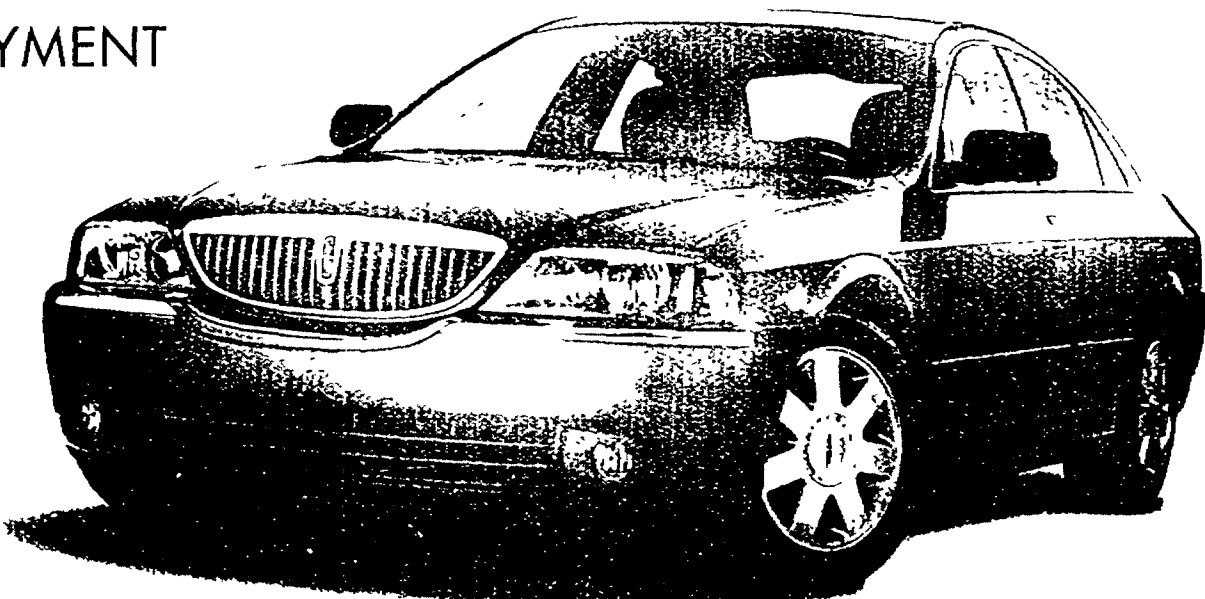


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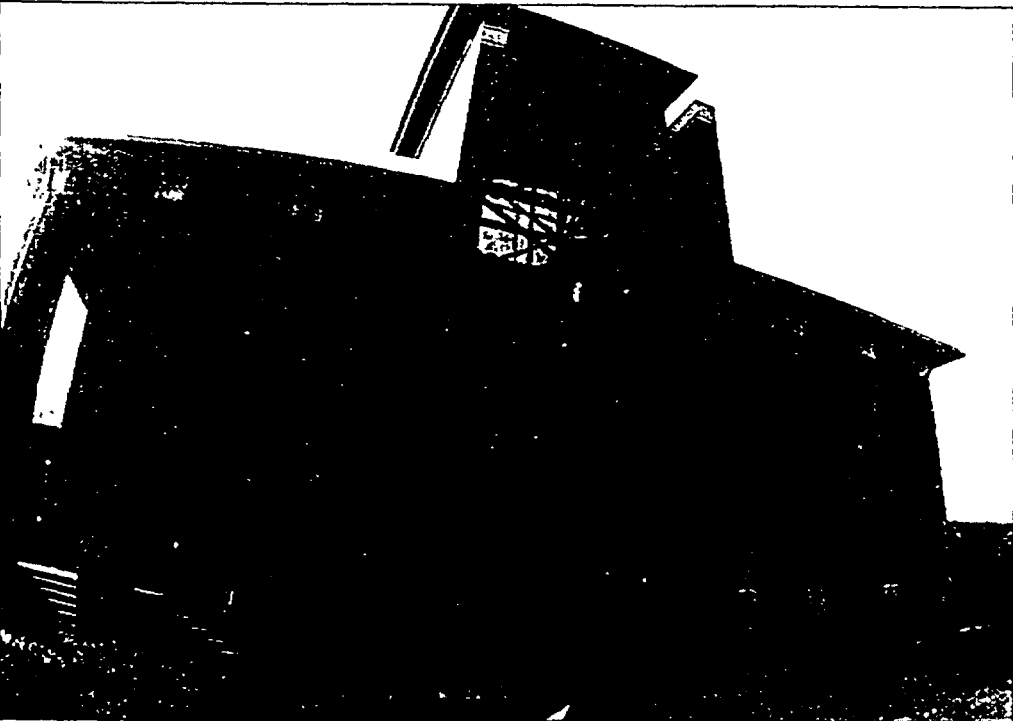


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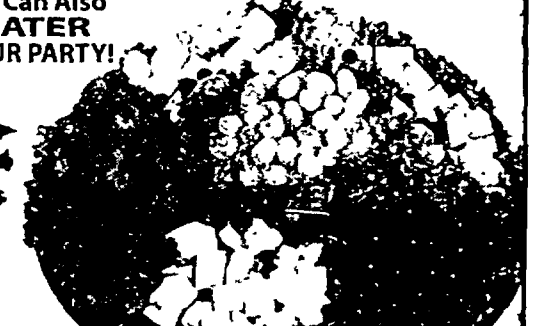
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though. Anyone who knows the game knows a shoot out is about a 50-50 chance."

Besk knows all about chances. As a goalie he took them every time he came out to intercept an opponent with the ball and in baseball he takes one every time he releases the pitch. Besk also took a chance this year, playing with an injured finger on his left hand.

"I dislocated a finger on my pitching hand," he said. "I popped it back into place myself after it happened. I didn't want to get anything done to it because I would have missed some soccer. Since soccer I've been going to therapy and it's pretty much healed right now."

He's healed to the point the southpaw is starting to throw a few pitches again.

Besk isn't a shy athlete. He's quick to take responsibility and shoulders it better than most who participate in sports. He's a bit of a critic of himself too, but realizes he has to pick up and move on.

"It's something you have to deal with and move on," said Besk, who plays goalie and pitcher — both positions which are given the loss or win following a game. "It comes down to winning or losing and you can't avoid it. You have to accept it and move on with it."

The senior will be looking at playing the next level in either baseball or soccer and may be even

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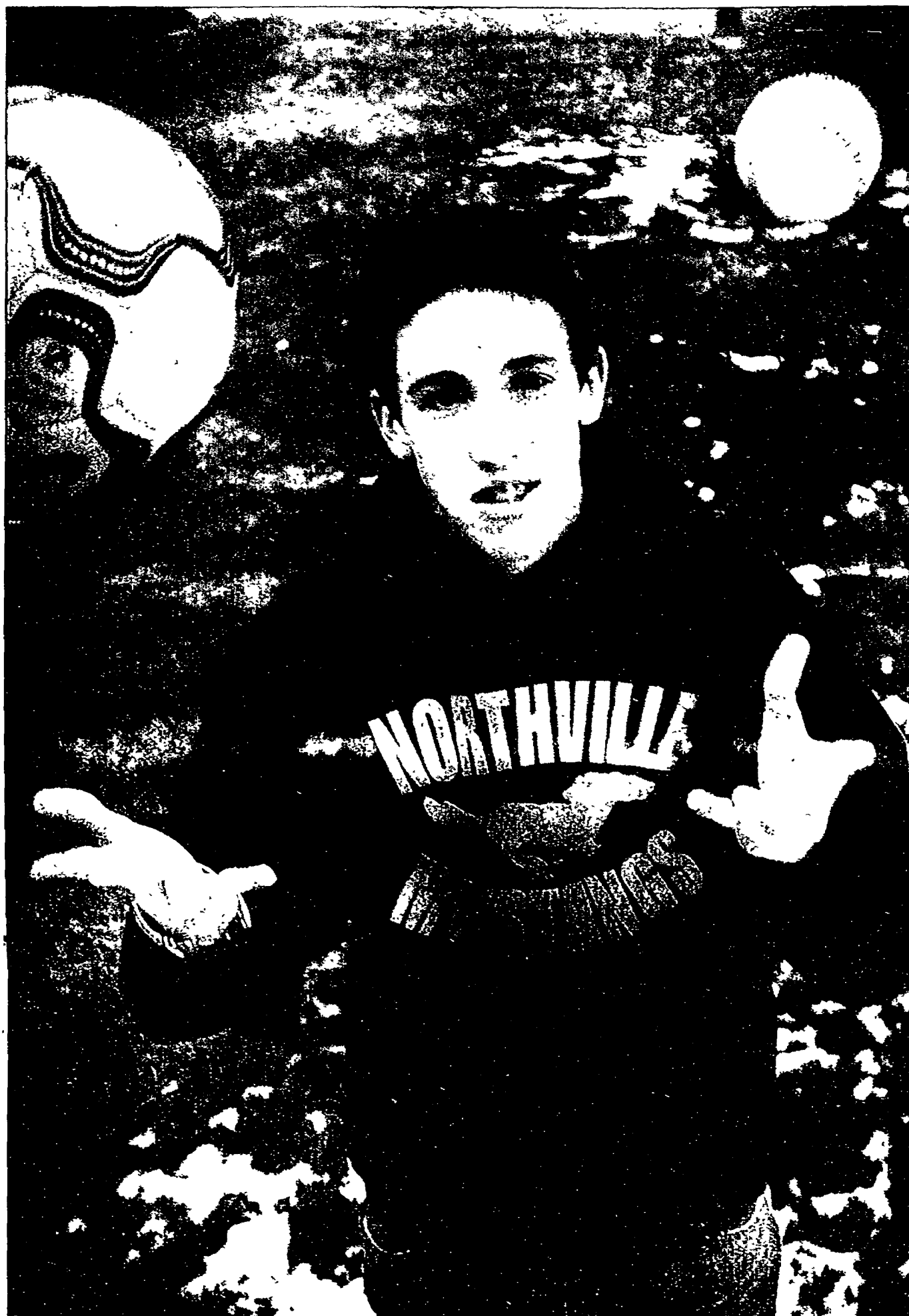
Steve BeskNorthville senior
Northville Record Male Athlete of the Year

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Steve Besk was named as the Northville Record's Male Athlete of the Year for 2004. The Northville senior was selected as an All-State goalie this season as well as the number two pitcher on the baseball team behind Division I college recruit Mark Sorensen. Besk helped his team to a District title before the team bowed out the eventual state champion in the Regional.

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Ron Meteyer doesn't coach for the money.

In fact, he's not quite sure why he does it.

His knees ache after five surgeries. His pay isn't near what he'd make even if he worked at a fast-food joint. And his muscles strained more than usual last spring when he had to hoist a state-championship trophy.

"I'm continually amazed at the ripple effect of winning a state championship," said Meteyer. "I've received two coach-of-the-year awards

statewide since we won it. I'm wondering where all of this was during the rest

Coach of the Year

of my career."

But the accolades aren't why he coaches, he said, unable to conclusively point to one reason why he does. He just does.

"I enjoy it," he said. "But there are definitely days I wonder why I do it."

Playing the "Met"

Meteyer is good at what he does. He's kept the program competitive in his years at Northville and last spring finally reached the pinnacle with a state championship.

His payoff? Meteyer shaved off his familiar 15-year-old beard, redemption of a pre-season promise he made to his players.

"When it comes to coaching girls you can't really yell at them or single just one of them out," he said. "You have to find other ways to motivate them."

So he did. Meteyer offered his prized beard in return for a coveted state championship. The team responded. And he did, and, too.

Players shaved his face clean. "I was going to start growing it back today," he said. "I guess it can wait one more day."

Meteyer is also a successful biology teacher at Northville High School. It's his first love, he said. It's his career, something he never really quits doing. Even when coaching, the teacher is never far away, lesson

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"I enjoy it. But there are definitely days I wonder why I do it."

Ron MeteyerNorthville girls soccer coach
Northville Record Coach of the Year

Cauzillo earns nod as Female Athlete of the Year

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Here's the mission if you choose to accept it: play two sports, win a state championship in one and make the semifinals in the other. While you're at it, earn All-State status.

Any volunteers?

The first hand raised if that question were to be asked would be that of Northville's Amy Cauzillo's.

Female Athlete of the Year

"I've always loved both sports," said Cauzillo of soccer and hockey. "I've always played more than one sport and I was just used to it. I wanted to keep doing it through high school."

So the competitive Northville

senior jumped at the chance to play on the girls hockey team when the squad formed just three seasons ago. After taking some severe beatings their first year the squad earned a little revenge as they made it to the Frozen Four in the state playoffs. Cauzillo, who plays defense, was selected as a member of the All-State team.

In soccer, Cauzillo, who played midfield and forward, helped her team to a state championship.

"It was amazing," she said. "It was such a great feeling. Only a select number get to experience that each year. I was just one of 20 girls that got to do it this year and I'm just one of 20 girls that have the state-championship ring."

Cauzillo is as modest as they

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"In sports you have to have a competitive mind set in order to win and do well. That can only help you in all aspects of life."

Amy CauzilloNorthville senior
Northville Record Female Athlete of the Year

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Amy Cauzillo was selected as Northville's Female Athlete of the Year. She was a key member in the Mustangs' soccer championship in the spring and helped the girls' hockey team to a Frozen Four state semifinals berth before being selected as an All-State player.

Meteyer named Coach of Year

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book in hand, instruction a moment away.

It's not the most rewarding job when it comes to money, he said. But much like coaching Meteyer does it for other reasons.

"I had the chance to do things that were more well-paying," he said, noting he had an inside referral at General Motors, thanks to his father. Meteyer chose to work as a camp counselor instead.

"It was there I found out I could help kids," he said.

Helping kids. Maybe that's why he coaches? he was asked.

"I enjoy helping kids," he said. "I'm sure there are a lot of careers out there that pay better, but this one can be very rewarding."

Meteyer helps mold lives in the classroom and out. It's what he does best.

The Northville coach is back for another season, though he said he doesn't want people expecting an easy state championship reprise.

"It's extremely hard to repeat in this sport," he said. "We lost a lot of good players. We have a lot of good players coming back, including out top scorers. It should be interesting to see what happens. I'm looking forward to the challenge and I hope the girls are too."

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Northville's Coach of the Year is Ron Meteyer, who was the helmetsman that led his girls soccer team to the state championship.

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Besk takes chances

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in both.

Currently he has interest from Albion and Adrian to play both sports while Hope and Eastern have talked to him regarding just baseball. Michigan State has expressed interest in the soccer side of the Mustang.

"I just want to play college sports," he said, but noted he's well aware there isn't much future in soccer. "That's why most guys don't go to play college soccer. There is professional soccer, but 90 percent of the guys who play at this level aren't good enough to play it."

No matter where Besk decides to continue his education and his athletic career, he is hoping to

work in computer graphic design.

And, of course, if the opportunity to play at an even higher level were to come along he'd be more than willing to try for it.

"You never know," he said. "Hopefully if you're good enough to play at that level or notice the potential, someone hires you. No matter what you just have to go out and play your game. Hopefully it all just falls into place."

And if it does, Besk will probably take the chance. He's knows all about taking chances and, so far, they've paid off.

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Amy Cauzillo applies sports to everyday life

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come. Despite being the team's leading scorer in hockey and one of the key members in the state title team she's the first to point out her teammates and deflect the credit.

"Everyone on the team works hard, it's just nice to know that I can help out," said Cauzillo. "It means a lot (to be an All-State selection) because the coaches have recognized me. I give my best all the time out there and when they recognize that it means a lot."

Cauzillo has talked to a few coaches regarding playing sports at the next level, but a recent decision finds her heading to the University of Michigan to study in their school of literature, science and the arts. There she plans on studying pre-law before moving on to either law school or medical school.

Sports, she said, has helped

her prepare for the competitive nature of any career path she chooses.

"In sports you have to have a competitive mind set in order to win and do well," she said. "That can only help you in all aspects of life."

The Mustang senior has no intentions of abandoning sports. She said she hopes to play on the girls club hockey team at Michigan or perhaps even trying to walk on with the soccer team.

"I love sports," she said. "I'd like to stay involved as long as I can."

Even if it comes to being on the opposite end of the coaching situation.

"I'd love to coach," said Cauzillo. "Especially if I can coach kids. I like kids because they're a lot of fun to be around."

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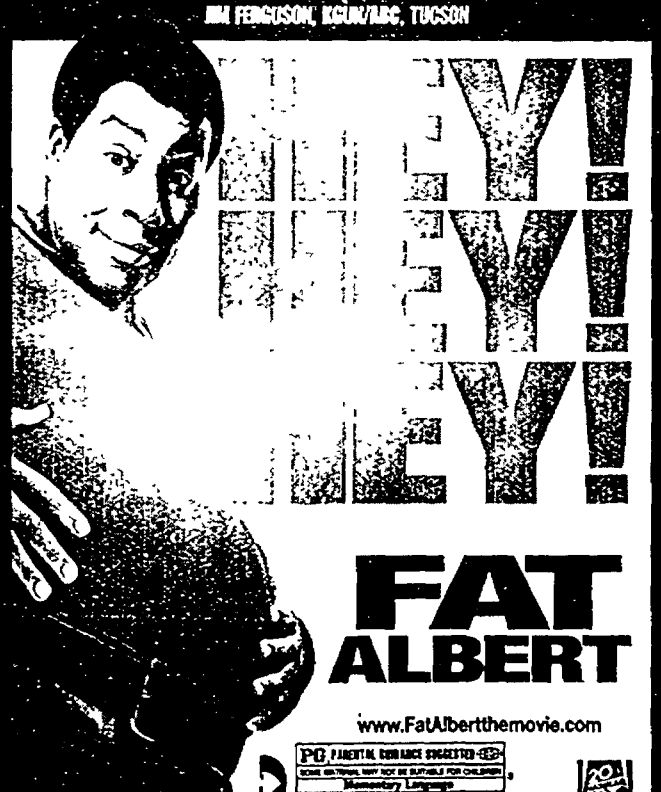
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OPINION

Turning away immigrants goes against our country's heritage

They have come from El Salvador and Russia, Uganda and Colombia, Iraq and Cameroon. Most of them have been tortured. Most of the women have been raped along the way. Some die or are arrested on their way to the rundown streets of the southwest side of Detroit.

Yet several thousand do arrive every year, finding their way across the globe to an ancient red-brick former convent in the shadow of the Ambassador Bridge called Freedom House, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping "huddled masses" yearning to breathe free to do just that. Those who come here, and who huddle for a few weeks or months in its dormitory-style rooms, risk their lives for the promise of new ones in this nation or in Canada.

But now, thanks to a new agreement between Washington and Ottawa, Freedom House's ability to help these people may be largely cut off. On Dec. 29, something called the "Safe Third Country Agreement" will take effect and severely curtail the ability of most of the world's refugees to cross over to Canada, where asylum has been

easier to win in recent years.

What it means is that refugees who land in a nation regarded by both Canada and the United States as "safe" (i.e., free and democratic) will be obliged to apply for asylum



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there, rather than crossing the border to do so. "This is perfectly reasonable and meant to reduce the abuse of the asylum systems by stopping asylum shopping in both Canada and the United States," said George Costaris, who manages political and economic relations for the Canadian government's consulate in Detroit.

David Koelsch, Freedom House's staff attorney, doesn't think it is reasonable. He thinks this is an outrage. "This is an attempt by both governments to cut down on the number of refugees in the name of national security." What it will do, he fears, is doom some persecuted people.

"It will also force people to go underground, both in the United States and Canada," he fumed, since the new regulations specify that if refugees apply for asylum and are turned down, they may be detained and swiftly deported. Gloria Rivera, a Mexican-born

Roman Catholic nun who has run Freedom House for the last five years, is dismayed by the ruling, especially because so many of the refugees who she has helped go to Canada.

For many years, Canada has been much more willing to grant refugees asylum than the United States has. Members of her staff have been toiling selflessly to help them win political asylum and get a new chance since 1983, when Freedom House was founded, spurred in large part by local outrage over United States policy in El Salvador and Nicaragua.

Many of the founders were Catholic, though Freedom House's charter is scrupulously non-denominational. Last year, the house housed more refugees from Albania than any other country, followed by the persecuted of half a dozen nations of sub-Saharan Africa.

Far more of them sought asylum in Canada than in the United States. Last year, Freedom House helped 2,481 adult men and women take the first steps to apply for asylum in Canada, and a mere 286 apply here.

Things will be different now. Not entirely; it will still be possible for people from some countries — Mexico, Cyprus, and Iraq among them — to bypass the system and make a refugee claim from the United States. Those with close blood relations already in Canada will also be able to apply.

But otherwise, starting Wednesday, if a refugee lands in America first — and there are very

few international flights direct to Canada — they will have no choice but to apply for asylum in the United States. If it is denied, they won't have the option, as they have had in the past, of trying again in Canada.

They'll be sent back to wherever they escaped from. "This isn't about national security, it is economics," said Koelsch. In other words, the rich nations of the world no longer want the world's poor.

There is something sad about that, I think, especially given that this ruling comes at Christmas time, when people gather together to remember a homeless and stateless couple whose baby was born in a manger.

What is ironic too is that virtually all those making it harder for new immigrants are the direct descendants of persecuted immigrants themselves.

Detroit, where the refugees have huddled in Freedom House, is largely depopulated, with less than half as many people as it had half a century ago.

Canada is one of the most sparsely populated nations in the world. Taking in a few more immigrants might not hurt either country. Odds are the immigrants would give back more than they receive. They usually do, you know.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A little help for your Friends?

The Friends of the Northville District Library are seeking individuals interested in serving on its Board of Directors. The Friends provide fundraising and programs to support the library to help it undertake activities and offer services outside the scope of its regular funding. Among other activities, the Friends run a gift shop in the library, operate the Book Celler for the sale of used books and stage used book sales in the spring and fall of each year.

Since 1992 the Friends have contributed more than \$300,000 to the Northville District Library. Funding in the past year has allowed for the creation of a portable computer classroom, provided replacement picture books, promoted the summer reading program, provided free wireless access to library patrons, and has underwritten the microfilming of the Northville Record.

While the only requirement to be a director is an interest in reading and library services, the Friends of the Northville District Library have a special need for individuals with backgrounds in publicity and fundraising.

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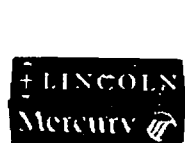
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By Kim Kovel
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Maria Kamakaris' home sits on low land by Beck Road and Main Street, two of many township thoroughfares run by Wayne County.

Water drain ditches, located along both roads, have been her main source of grief for 10 years.

"A lot of people, they make turns in my driveway," Kamakaris said. "A couple times (a) car, it falls on my property close to my house. This has happened maybe six years ago.

"If you don't know the problem (is) there, you're going to be down in the ditch."

Kamakaris is not alone in needing help for county-owned roads. That's because nearly all of Northville Township's main roads are built and maintained by the county.

That goes for all townships, by state law, since they don't have public works departments like cities. The county also covers maintenance work on residential streets, but isn't bound to take care of major repairs.

"It's not unusual to receive complaints on township roads," said Pat Hogan, director, Wayne County Roads Division. "If the roads are gravel, there is required maintenance... almost continuously. If the roads are paved, then the complaints may range from filling a pothole to putting up a stop sign."

Township Director of Public Services Don Weaver said debris in ditches is a fairly common complaint.

"Leaves will blow in," Weaver said. "If somebody doesn't really clean that out, then it becomes plugged. It just requires a little bit more maintenance."

Paved roads, which have underground storm systems, need repairs at about 25-30 years. That's common in established townships like

Call the county

Unless a road is privately owned in Northville Township, odds are it's under Wayne County jurisdiction. If you have any questions or concerns about a road, call:

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- The Wayne County Phoenix Yard in Plymouth at (734) 420-0535

Canton, Hogan said, but Northville has some roads that age.

At any time, Hogan said about 15-20 crews respond countywide from 13 yards, including Plymouth's Phoenix Yard. A 24-hour hotline is available. Whether a road is primary or local can sometimes make a difference.

"Our funding, it comes (from) the state gas and weight tax," Hogan said. "The amount of money that we receive to maintain a primary road is about 10 times what we receive to maintain a local road. One common statement that I'd say applies to all local roads in townships is there isn't the level of funding to provide sufficient service that everyone would like."

Re-enter Kamakaris. Hogan said workers reported doing minimal clean-up to her ditches recently, as well as patchwork by a drain pipe.

But Kamakaris said she's hopeful the county would arrive to do more cleaning and deepen the ditch to stop water overflow.

"Wayne County engineering come over and they promised me they're going to come with a rainy day to see how it works," she said. "I'm still waiting."

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



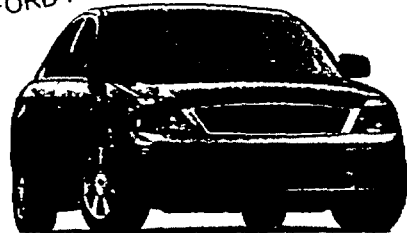
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Even before last week's snowstorm, Maria Kamakaris was having problems with the drainage ditch engineered by Wayne County near her Main Street home. She said the ditch brings too much gravel and grass-killing salts and oils into her property.

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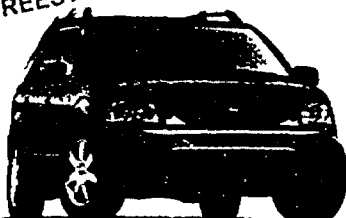


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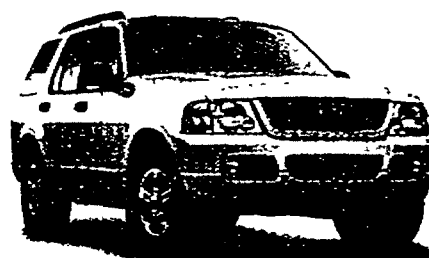
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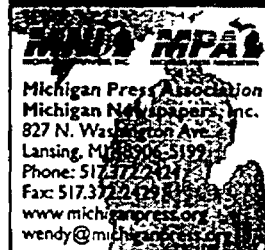
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Who is Henry Ford? Why do they call it Disneyland? What did Mary Kay do?

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marvel at the rags-to-riches stories of those who started with only a dream and created enterprises that eventually became household names.

Jack Faris

As Americans, we take pride in honoring our fellow citizens whose innovations make our lives fuller and easier. Take Henry Ford, for example. His motivation wasn't fame and money. He liked repairing and creating mechanical things. He failed twice before his little car company started to roll.

For every Henry Ford, Walt Disney or Mary Kay Ash, there are millions of successful American entrepreneurs who have never been featured on "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" or profiled in Fortune magazine. What's more, many of these busy business owners have neither the time nor the desire to be spotlighted for their achievements. They're content in their pursuit of the American dream. Simply being an entrepreneur, seeing an idea materialize into an enterprise that provides a much-needed good or service that customers are willing to pay for is enough. The personal pride that comes with providing life-sustaining employment for others is all the satisfaction they seek.

Right now, all across America, another generation is preparing to test its entrepreneurial wings. As a new year begins, millions of high-school seniors are hard at work researching how to finance their higher education. Many of them share common ground with those who have already taken the small-business leap of faith: they have a dream to own their own business.

The NFIB Young Entrepreneur Foundation, is determined to make this dream a reality by providing 350 students with \$1,000 non-renewable Free Enterprise Scholar Awards they can use to attend the college, vocational or technical school of their choice. It's a way to raise awareness among young people of the critical role of private enterprise and entrepreneurship in the American way of life. The scholarships will be presented next May. (Details and application at www.NFIB.com/page/EducationF foundation.)

A recent conference report entitled "Entrepreneurship in the 21st Century," by the U.S. Small Business Administration and the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, noted in its research that an overwhelming majority of college students desire to be entrepreneurs at some point during their academic careers. Additionally, people with higher levels of education are more likely to choose the path of entrepreneurship and they are more likely to start a business with more employees. "Classrooms," the report stated, "are filled with innovators. The key is to provide the necessary skills that will allow them to foster these talents and start new businesses."

For the majority of America's entrepreneurs, the realization of their dreams is greater motivation than wealth or fame. By making this investment in the education of tomorrow's risk takers, the NFIB Young Entrepreneur Foundation is helping them build on their interest in business and possibly setting them on the track to be successful, life-long entrepreneurs.

Jack Faris is president of the National Federation of Independent Business, the nation's largest small-business advocacy group. A non-profit, non-partisan organization founded in 1943. More information is available on-line at www.NFIB.com.

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Matthew W. Semeyn is a Certified Financial Planner and principal of MWS Financial Planning in Northville. As an independent financial planner, Semeyn does not have ties with brokerage firms or insurance companies and can give his customers an unbiased financial viewpoint.

Year's end is ideal to review financial health

By Duane Ramsey
SPECIAL WRITER

As the end of one year and beginning of another approaches, the time is right for your annual checkup. Financial planning is an effective way to coordinate all aspects of your financial health.

"It's a great time for an annual checkup of your financial condition," said Matthew W. Semeyn, a Certified Financial Planner and principal of MWS Financial Planning in Northville. "Since you are gathering all of your financial information to file your 2004 tax return, why not have an unbiased review of your financial situation to make sure you are on track to meet your goals."

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"I will take time to make sure you understand how each part of your financial puzzle fits together. The sooner you start, the more you can accomplish, the better you will feel, and the more you can focus on other aspects of your life."

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Semeyn schedules a complimentary, 30-minute meeting usually in the potential client's home to get acquainted and see if his services are a good match for your needs. After the meeting, he provides a quote for his proposed services, and upon mutual agreement, begins working for the client.

Anyone who wants to better understand their financial situation is a potential client for Semeyn's services. If you want to build a secure future or protect the wealth you already have accumulated, MWS Financial Planning can help you achieve your goals.

Each plan is customized to meet the individual client's needs. The quotes for such financial services will run from \$1,000 to \$2,500 for a college plan and a coordinated financial plan from \$2,500 to \$6,000, depending on the complexity of the plan.

Semeyn also works on an ala carte basis for items that include cash flow, debt elimination, budgeting, goal planning, insurance review, portfolio risk assessment and tolerance review, investment selection, asset allocation, stock options, college planning, retirement plan review, tax planning and estate plan review. Such plans can be done all at once or over a period of time with fees applied accordingly.

A coordinated financial plan puts all aspects of the client's finances together in a way that is easy for them to understand.

"My personal preference is completing a coordinated plan over a period of time so I get to know my clients on a personal level," Semeyn said. "By imple-

menting one segment at a time, my clients get a complete understanding of their personalized plan."

People often don't know what questions to ask a financial planner.

"I believe there are several good questions to ask but I think the most important questions are not the ones you ask of a financial planner, but the ones a financial planner asks you," Semeyn said. "By getting to know my clients and what they want to accomplish now and in the future, I can help my clients avoid the potential pitfalls that exist in all areas of personal finance."

For example, if you are planning a way to pay for sending your children or grandchildren to college. Did you know that...?

- 529 college plans can disqualify students for financial aid and tax credits.

- Not all student loan interest is tax deductible.

- Well-intentioned grandparents paying for college or gifting money to grandchildren could jeopardize their ability to receive financial aid.

- Some scholarships can disqualify students from tax credits.

- Tax scholarships are available for college students.

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Semeyn also holds seminars for local businesses and organizations to help educate their employees or members. If you would like more information and a bi-weekly college e-newsletter, Semeyn will be happy to add you to his mailing list.

"The majority of people neglect their own retirement to put their kids through college, but that's short-term thinking," said Semeyn, who is a Certified College Planning Specialist. "These people cannot take out loans or receive financial aid for retirement. I will examine what their retirement situation looks like presently and determine if there are any shortcomings."

Another key to good financial health is your investment plan, according to Semeyn.

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Baby boomers will remember paper dolls

There was a time when paper dolls were almost as popular a plaything for little girls as the three-dimensional versions. At the turn of the 19th century, there were beautifully drawn dolls and costumes ready to be cut out from the pages of newspapers and magazines, as well as large, stiff individual dolls with movable arms and legs.

From the 1920s through the 1950s, there was a concentration on the glamorous celebrity doll (many of which were designed by an artist named Queen Holden) - Clara Bow, Betty Grable, Rita Hayworth, Marilyn Monroe, Grace Kelly, et al., as well as comic strip characters (Tillie the Toiler, Brenda Starr), figures from juvenile fiction ("Little Women," "Five Little Peppers"), historical, royal, patriotic (Victory Volunteers dolls and uniforms) and the perennial favorite, the bride.

Things changed quite drastically in the 1960s, as can be seen in the new identification and value guide "Paper Dolls of the 1960s, 1970s, and 1980s" by Carol Nichols (Collector Books). Among other trends at the time, the passion for fashion dolls like

Barbie and increased TV watching took up a lot more of young girls' attention. The '60s did see a continued, if lessened, interest in movie stars:

Contemporary Collectibles

There were sets featuring Debbie Reynolds (valued now at \$70 to \$80), a stand-up Annette Funicello with 35 costumes, and Mod Fashions featuring Jane Fonda, as well as theatrical movies such as "One Hundred and One Dalmatians" and "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang," not to mention almost every hit television show of the decade, from "The Flintstones" to "The Beverly Hillbillies" to "That Girl" to "The Flying Nun."

Then there were the traditional, generic, girly-girl subjects, such as brides and ballerinas, ice skaters, stewardesses, sisters and cousins, platter parties and princesses.

One of the biggest developments of the decade was an outpouring of baby and toddler paper dolls - some named, some nameless, some paper versions of popular dolls. Falling into the

first category were Cindy and Mindy, Baby Kim, Baby Bonnie, Baby Anne Smiles and Cries, Little Laurie, and Tina and Trudy, while the second included Bonnets and Bows, Babes in Fairyland, Two Little Girls, Baby Doll, My Very Own Baby Doll, Dolly and Me, Baby Bumpkins, Drowsy Paper Doll, Baby First Step, Baby's Hungry!, Baby Go-Along, and Baby Secret.

But it is the paper dolls that relate to the "real" dolls of the period that are of most collector value, because of their crossover appeal. If you are a baby boomer, the chances are that your favorite doll also existed in the cut-out world as well - think Kewpie dolls, Chatty Cathy, Charmin' Chatty and Chatty Baby, Tammy, Pepper and Dodi, Cheerful Tearful, Liddle Kiddles, Skeddiddle Kiddles, Winking Winny, Flaisy, and, of course, Barbie and her extended circle - Ken, Midge, Francie and Casey, and Christie and Stacey.

The next two decades, the '70s and '80s, continued along the same direction, with the dolls and their fashions, and the graphic style of the artwork, taking on

a more "mod" look in the '70s. Most of these dolls are very affordable, with prices in the \$10 to \$20 range. A few exceptions to this are: a 1970 set from the television show "Julia," starring Diahann Carroll (\$40 to \$55), Disney's "Bedknobs and Broomsticks," featuring five die-cut dolls of Angela Lansbury, et al (\$35 to \$55), "The Partridge Family" (\$35 to \$55) and the iconic "The Brady Bunch" (\$40 to \$75 - its original price was 69 cents).

Interest in paper dolls was now dying out, objects more of campy nostalgia than current enthusiasms. The late '70s saw the introduction of adult paper dolls featuring such past and present icons as Marilyn Monroe, Carmen Miranda, Joan Crawford and Grace Kelly and historic sets harkening back to the Victorian era, bringing the field full circle.

Linda Rosenkrantz has edited Auction magazine and authored 15 books, including "Telegram: Modern History as Told through More than 400 Witty, Poignant, and Revealing Telegrams." She cannot answer letters personally.

Give windows the triple treatment

Q. What to do with the far end of our traditional-style living room? They face the street so I can't leave them bare - my favorite look. Do I have to use the same treatment? I'm worried that three sets of draperies or whatever will clutter the room.

A. Not if you keep your window treatments unfussy and fairly concise. But, yes, whatever solution you settle on, I would advise dressing all three windows alike. It will be less busy in the long run than varying the treatments, especially in a traditional-style room such as yours.

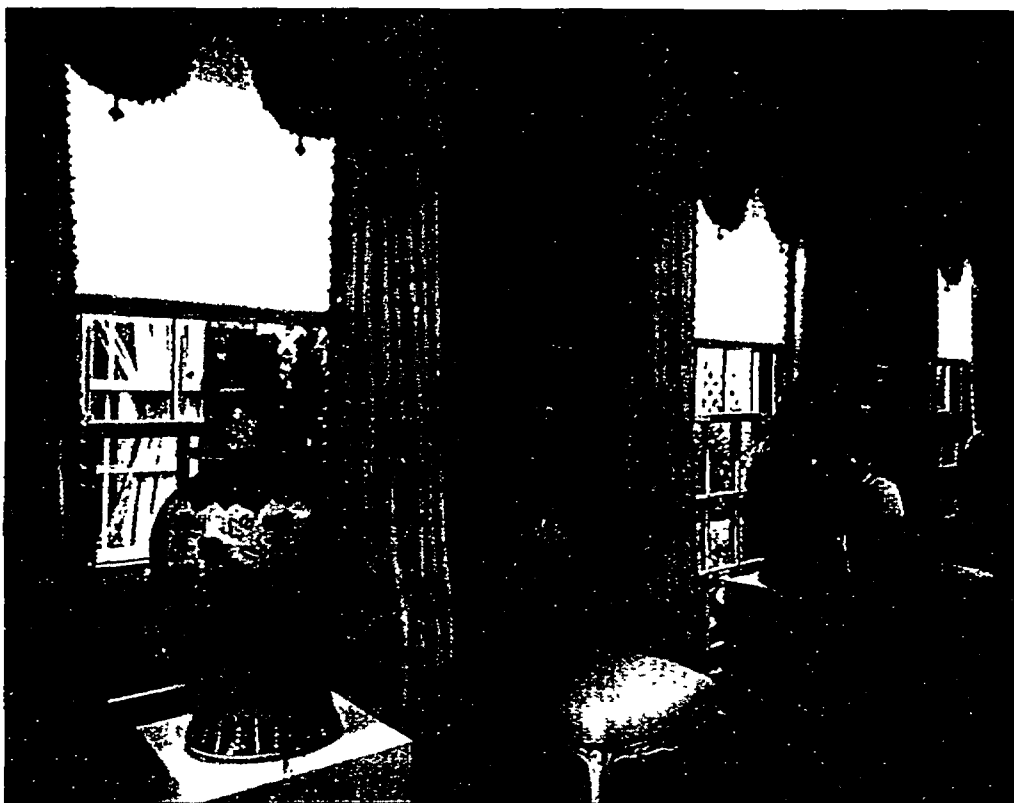
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Designer Michelle Nussbaumer devised a triple treatment that might work for you when she was confronted with an upstairs landing in the New York City show house we show here. Those windows faced the garden, but also presented a need for light- and privacy-control, not to mention uniformity of decor.

Nussbaumer took a formal approach, hanging draw-drapes under soft fabric cornices that she had shaped, then fringed to match the curtains. You can see at a glance how repetition can create an effect of balance and calm that is key to traditional design. What you don't usually see are the honeycomb shades she mounted under the window frame so they are hidden by the cornices. Stacking tightly at the top, the linen-like shades (Duette from Hunter Douglas) can be unfurled when needed to fend off glare and the stares of passers-by.

The march of windows across the end of the room is punctuated with matching chairs, wall-hung brackets and Chinese ceramics on dramatically overscaled pedestals that come as a visual surprise in such a formal setting.

Q. What is the right height to hang pictures on a wall? My wife and I are arguing



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Triple treatment of these windows adds up to thrice the impact.

because she wants them down low, below eye-level. Please settle this question before we go knocking holes in the plaster.

A. But what IS eye-level? When you are standing or when you are sitting? Not to cloud the issue, but there are a number of answers here, depending on the height of your ceilings, whether or not the artworks are going into an arrangement over a table, over a sofa, up the stairs, or floor-to-ceiling down a wall.

Taste in art displays also depends on the overall style of your decor. For example, the Victorians adored "gallery-style" exhibitions: They hung paintings and other artworks all the way to the ceiling. Forget about seeing anything at "eye-level" - they were simply out to impress with the sheer numbers in their collec-

tions. Came the International Style a few decades later, and walls went white and bare, save for a single, usually quite large, showpiece painting or hanging dominating a room. Then Country Style led us back to a merry mix of art, quilts and other handcrafts hung at whatever level pleases, anywhere and everywhere.

The best advice I can share is borrowed from "Home Decorating For Dummies" by Patricia Hart McMillan and Katharine Kaye McMillan (Wiley; \$13.95) Among the helpful guidelines they lay out for basic picture-hanging:

- Hang art where the eye expects to see it, say, over the sofa or mantel.
- If it's hanging over a piece of furniture, the bottom of the art should be close enough to relate

to the furniture, that is, 8 to 10 inches above it.

- Art should be at least half as wide - but no wider - than the piece of furniture.

- A tiny piece of art hung below the lampshade on a bedside (or chairside) table can be a serendipity.

Consider other unexpected places, too, urge the McMillans: art over a door or window "pulls the eye up." Art hung between the window sill and floor "may seem unusual, but, boy, will it get noticed!"

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.

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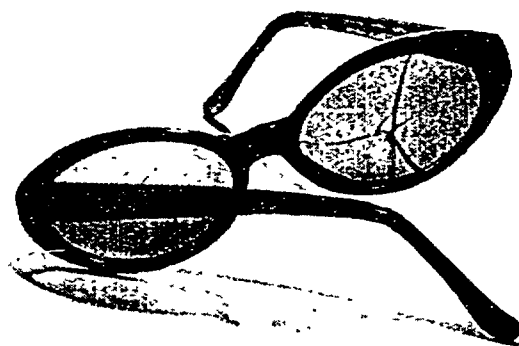


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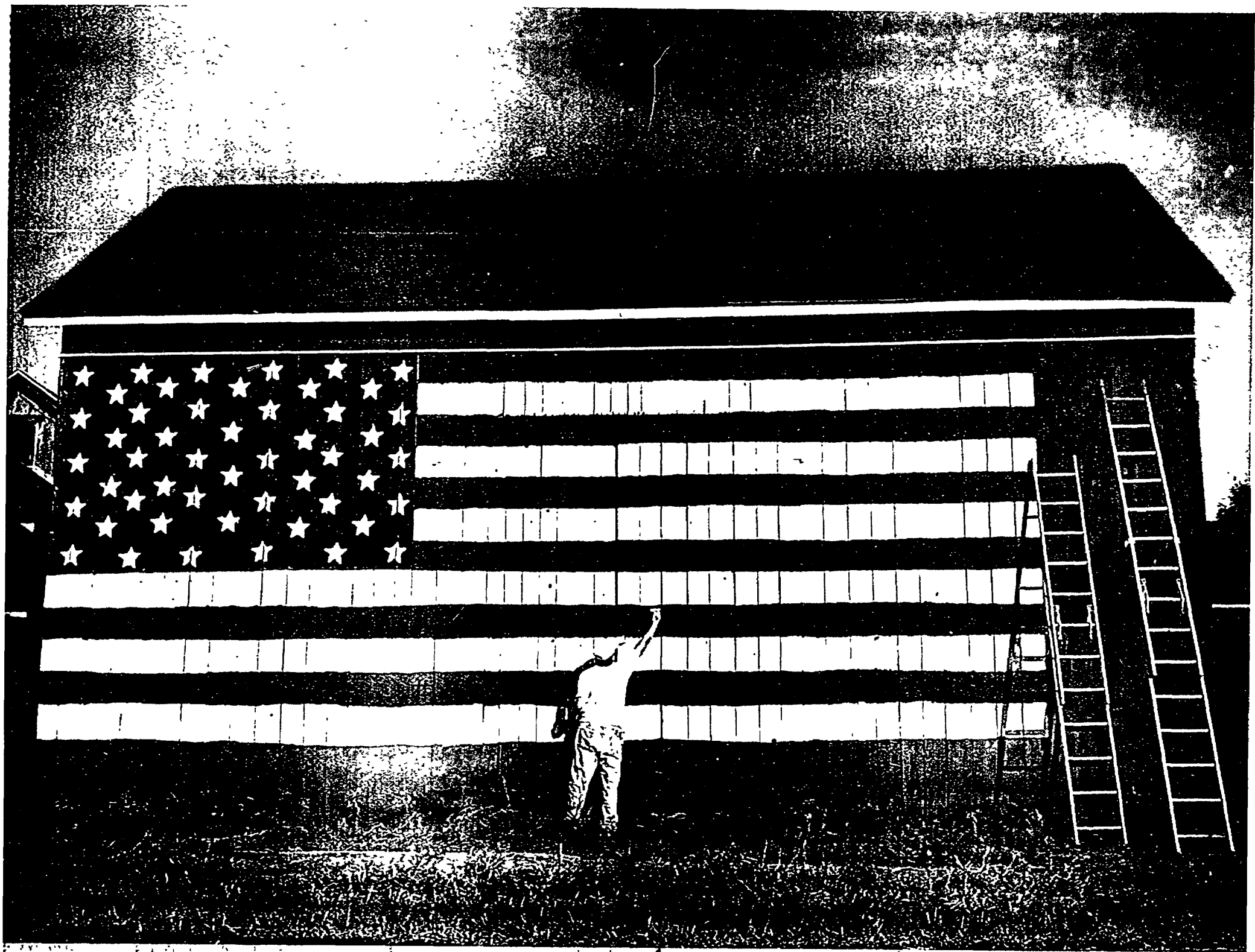
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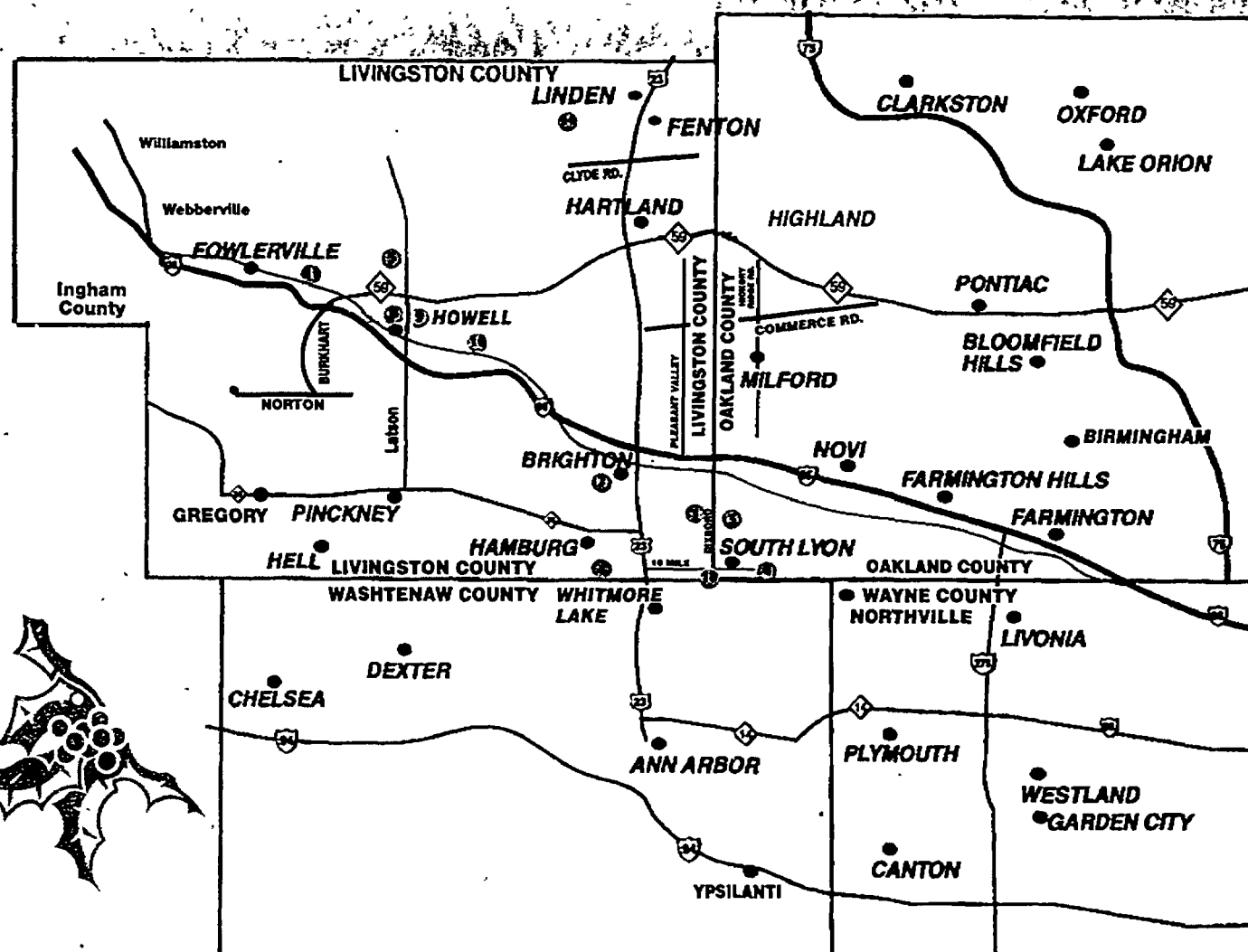
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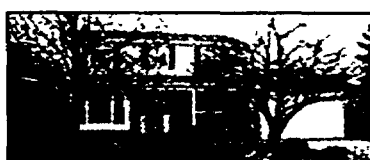
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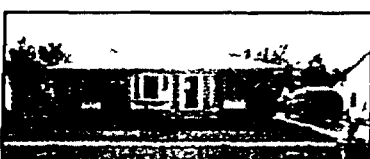
DETROIT Don't Miss This! Beautiful 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath brick colonial w/2 car gar., full bsmt., LR w/tpic., formal DR, breakfast nook overlooking the fam. rm., + CA, many apps., & newer doors. (55BLA) 734-455-5600 \$99,000



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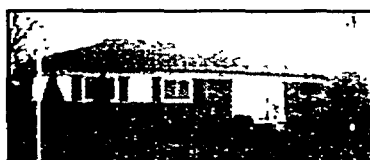
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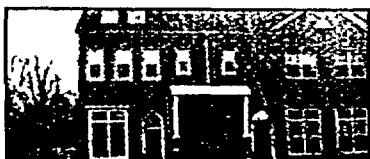
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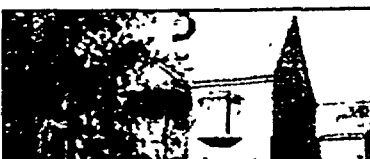
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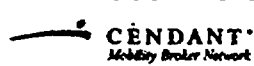
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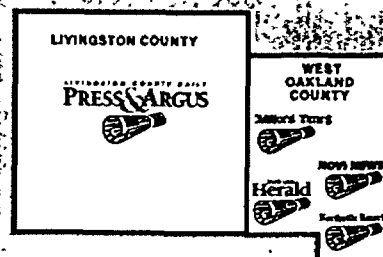
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3720 Condos

3750 Mobile Homes

3820 Lots & Acreage/Vacant

3870 Real Estate Wanted

Commercial/Industrial

Sale or Lease

3910 Business & Professional

Buildings for Sale

3980 Land

Real Estate For Rent

4000 Apartments/Unfurnished

4010 Apartments/ Furnished

4020 Condos/ Townhouses

4050 Homes

4060 Lakeland/ Waterfront

Homes

4070 Mobile Homes

4230 Commercial/ Industrial

4640 Misc. For Rent

5000-5740

Help Wanted

5700 Attorneys/Legal

Counseling

5740 Business Opportunities

5620 Business & Professional

Services

5360 Childcare Services

Licensed

5370 Childcare/ Babysitting

Services

5380 Childcare Needed

5600 Education/ Instruction

5400 Elderly Care & Assistance

5300 Entertainment

5640 Financial Service

5000 Help Wanted

5020 Help Wanted-Clerical

Office

5260 Help Wanted Couples

5040 Help Wanted-Dental

5240 Help Wanted Domestic

5100 Help Wanted Health &

Fitness

5060 Help Wanted-Medical

5280 Help Wanted Movers/

Light Hauling

5200 Help Wanted Part-Time

5220 Help Wanted Part-Time

Sales

5110 Help Wanted Professionals

5080 Help Wanted

Restaurant/Hotel/ Lounge

5120 Help Wanted Sales

5340 Jobs Wanted -

Female/Male

5680 Resumes/Typing

5420 Nursing Care/Homes

5660 Secretarial Service

5760 Sewing/ Alterations

5320 Students

5500 Summer Camps

5720 Tax Services

6000-6460

Announcements

6460 Bingo

6280 Car Pools

6300 Cards of Thanks

6020 Happy Ads

6420 Health/Nutrition, Weight

Loss

6320 In Memoriam

6440 Insurance

6220 Legal Notices/ Accepting

Bids

6360 Lost & Found

6240 Meetings/ Seminars

6260 Political Notices

6620 Announcements/ Meetings

6380 Tickets

6400 Transportation/ Travel

6480 Wedding Chapel

7000-7540

Merchandise

7000 Absolutely Free

7020 Antiques/ Collectibles

7180 Appliances

7040 Arts & Crafts

7060 Auction Sales

7200 Bargain Buys

7220 Building Materials

7240 Business & Office

Equipment

7140 Clothing

7280 Cameras and Supplies

7420 Christmas Trees

7300 Commercial/ Industrial/

Restaurant Equipment

7320 Computers

7340 Electronics/ Audio/Video

7100 Estate Sales

7380 Farm Equipment

7400 Farm Produce Flowers-

Plants

7440 Firewood

7130 Garage Sales/ Moving

Sales

7160 Household Goods

7450 Hobbies-Coins- Stamps

7460 Hospital Equipment

7470 Jewelry

7490 Lawn & Garden Materials

7480 Lawn, Garden & Snow

Equipment

7500 Miscellaneous For Sale

7510 Musical Instruments

7260 Office Supplies

7190 Pools/Spa/Hot Tub

7080 Rummage Sale/Flea

Markets

7520 Sporting Goods

7530 Trade or Sell

7410 U-Picks

7560 Used Games, Toys, Books

MOVIES

7540 Wanted To Buy

7800-7930

Animals/Pets

7800 Animal Services

7820 Birds/Fish

7810 Breeder Directory

7830 Cats

7840 Dogs

7850 Farm Animals/ Livestock

7870 Horse Boarding

7880 Household Pets-Other

7930 Lost and Found

7890 Pet Grooming/ Boarding

7900 Pet Services

7910 Pet Supplies

7920 Pets Wanted

8000-8780

Transportation

8000 Airplanes

8320 Antique/Classic Collector

Cars

8180 Auto Financing

8150 Auto Misc.

8760 Autos Over \$2,000

8160 Auto/Truck- Parts &

Service

8780 Autos Under \$2,000

8170 Auto Rentals/Leasing

8190 Autos Wanted

8020 Boats/Motors

8040 Boat Docks/Marinas

8030 Boat Parts/ Equipment/

Service

8050 Boat/Vehicle Storage

8120 Campers/Motor

Homes/Trailers

8140 Construction, Heavy

Equipment

8060 Insurance, Motor

8280 Jeeps/4 Wheel Drive

8200 Junk Cars Wanted

8240 Junk Cars/Mini

Bikes/Go-Karts

8080 Motorcycles- Parts &

Service

8090 Offroad Vehicles

8100 Recreational Vehicles

8110 Snowmobiles

8300 Sports & Imported

8220 Trucks For Sale

825 Vans

2005 IMPALA

Auto, A/C, Power
 Seat, CD. Stk. # 5220

\$99⁰⁶

24 Months
 *2300⁰⁰ Due

2005 MALIBU MAXX

Auto, A/C, Power
 Seat, CD. Stk. # 5390

\$99⁹⁰

24 Months
 *2150⁰⁰ Due

2005 COBALT

\$161⁹⁹

Auto, A/C, CD,
 Tilt, 6 Available.

24 Months
 *2699⁰⁰ Due

2005 MALIBU

\$674¹¹

Auto, A/C, CD,
 Stk. # 5382

24 Months
 *2699⁰⁰ Due

USED CARS

GM Certified
 USED VEHICLES
 THE RIGHT WAY. THE RIGHT CAR.

OVER
200
 Available!

1992 SATURN SL-2 \$1,900
 Auto, Air, Clean, Very Nice!
 2000 FORD TAURUS \$5,900

Help Wanted General \$5000 Help Wanted General \$5000 Help Wanted General \$5000

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Wixom, Michigan 48393

ATTN: Jeremy Gehring

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2005 FOCUS ZX4 SE 4 DOOR		2005 TAURUS SE 4DR SEDAN		2005 ESCAPE XLS FWD 4 DR	
REBATES UP TO \$3000		REBATES UP TO \$5500		REBATES UP TO \$3750	
Was: \$17,690 Stk #741		Was: \$22,480 Stk #454		Was: \$22,745 Stk #368	
A PLAN BUY \$12,997*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$13,387*	A PLAN BUY \$13,774*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$14,695*	A PLAN BUY \$16,660*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$17,626*
A PLAN LEASE \$150** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$185** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$88** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$129** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$141** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$185** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE

2005 SABLE LS 4DR SEDAN		2005 MUSTANG PREMIUM COUPE		2005 FREESTAR SE VAN	
REBATES UP TO \$5500		REBATES UP TO \$750		REBATES UP TO \$4250	
Was: \$26,515 Stk #918		Was: \$21,590 Stk #1254		Was: \$27,870 Stk #706	
A PLAN BUY \$16,671*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$17,708*	A PLAN BUY \$21,434*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$19,852*	A PLAN BUY \$20,195*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$21,323*
A PLAN LEASE \$115** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$159** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$281** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$347** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$204** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$253** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE

2005 GRAND MARQUIS GS SEDAN		2005 RANGER 4X4 XLT SUPERCAB	
REBATES UP TO \$6500		REBATES UP TO \$1750	
Was: \$27,695 Stk #923		Was: \$28,185 Stk #318	
A PLAN BUY \$18,556*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$19,708*	A PLAN BUY \$21,180*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$22,248*
A PLAN LEASE \$174** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$225** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$179** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$229** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE

2005 500 FWD SE		2005 MONTEREY VAN	
REBATES UP TO \$1500		REBATES UP TO \$3500	
Was: \$22,795 Stk #410		Was: \$30,020 Stk #1201	
A PLAN BUY \$18,751*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$19,711*	A PLAN BUY \$21,844*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$23,048*
A PLAN LEASE \$181** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$224** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$227** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$279** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE

2005 F150 4X4 SUPERCAB XLT		2005 EXPLORER XLT 4X4		2005 FREESTYLE FWD SEL	
REBATES UP TO \$3250		REBATES UP TO \$5500		REBATES UP TO \$1500	
Was: \$32,880 Stk #490		Was: \$35,265 Stk #418		Was: \$29,190 Stk #1440	
A PLAN BUY \$24,550*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$25,812*	A PLAN BUY \$24,870*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$26,235*	A PLAN BUY \$24,324*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$25,507*
A PLAN LEASE \$118** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$174** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$153** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$213** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$201** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$253** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE

2005 F250 4X4 XLT SUPER CAB		2005 MOUNTAINEER AWD 4 DR		2005 EXPEDITION XLT 4X4	
REBATES UP TO \$2250		REBATES UP TO \$1750		REBATES UP TO \$4250	
Was: \$34,775 Stk #639		Was: \$33,495 Stk #1272		Was: \$40,775 Stk #356	
A PLAN BUY \$27,208*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$28,536*	A PLAN BUY \$24,559*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$25,881*	A PLAN BUY \$30,221*	X PLAN BUY GENERAL PUBLIC \$31,750*
A PLAN LEASE \$266** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$329** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$188** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$246** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	A PLAN LEASE \$315** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE	X PLAN LEASE GENERAL PUBLIC \$383** 24 MOS. w/\$2000 DUE

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Help Wanted-General 5000

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Help Wanted-Medical 5000

Help Wanted-Sales 5120

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Howell, MI 48843
Phone 517-552-9300
Fax 517-552-9700
www.gllhs.com
EOE

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Hometown Newspapers
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CURVES LOCATION needing PM dependable woman. Will Train. Call Jan 248-344-7141

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Childcare/Baby-Sitting Services 5370

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PUNBLICATIONS

ACROSS

1 Move like a mouse

5 Neighbor of Java

9 "Medicine" (88 hit)

12 Corpulent

15 Early computer

17 TVs "Heroes"

19 Campbell of UB40

20 Poorly

21 Restaurant critic's zine?

23 Librarian's journal?

25 Explosive initials

26 Column

27 Max - Sydow

29 Bunch of ballplayers

30 Solidly

31 Websters "Freischutz"

32 Prepared to drive

33 Lot up

36 Arthur or Pons

38 - carmer

42 Snapshot

43 - Lama

45 Strained

46 DEA officer

48 Browning's bedtime?

49 Gardner's month?

53 - jongg

54 Hymns of praise

56 Viper creature

58 Depression

60 Gouda alternative

61 - River, NJ

63 Tenor

64 Like Simon

66 Groovy

68 Pukistic

69 Stephen King book

70 Murry

71 Produce a parka

72 - fide

73 Byzantine art form

76 Paints parts

77 Flam's

78 Directional suffix

79 Rock style

81 Feign

82 Teen surgeon's periodical?

87 Midding mark

88 Whippet's wagger

90 Enormous

91 Terpsichore's sister

92 104 Down, e.g.

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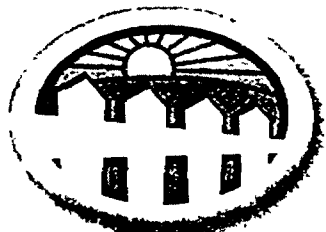
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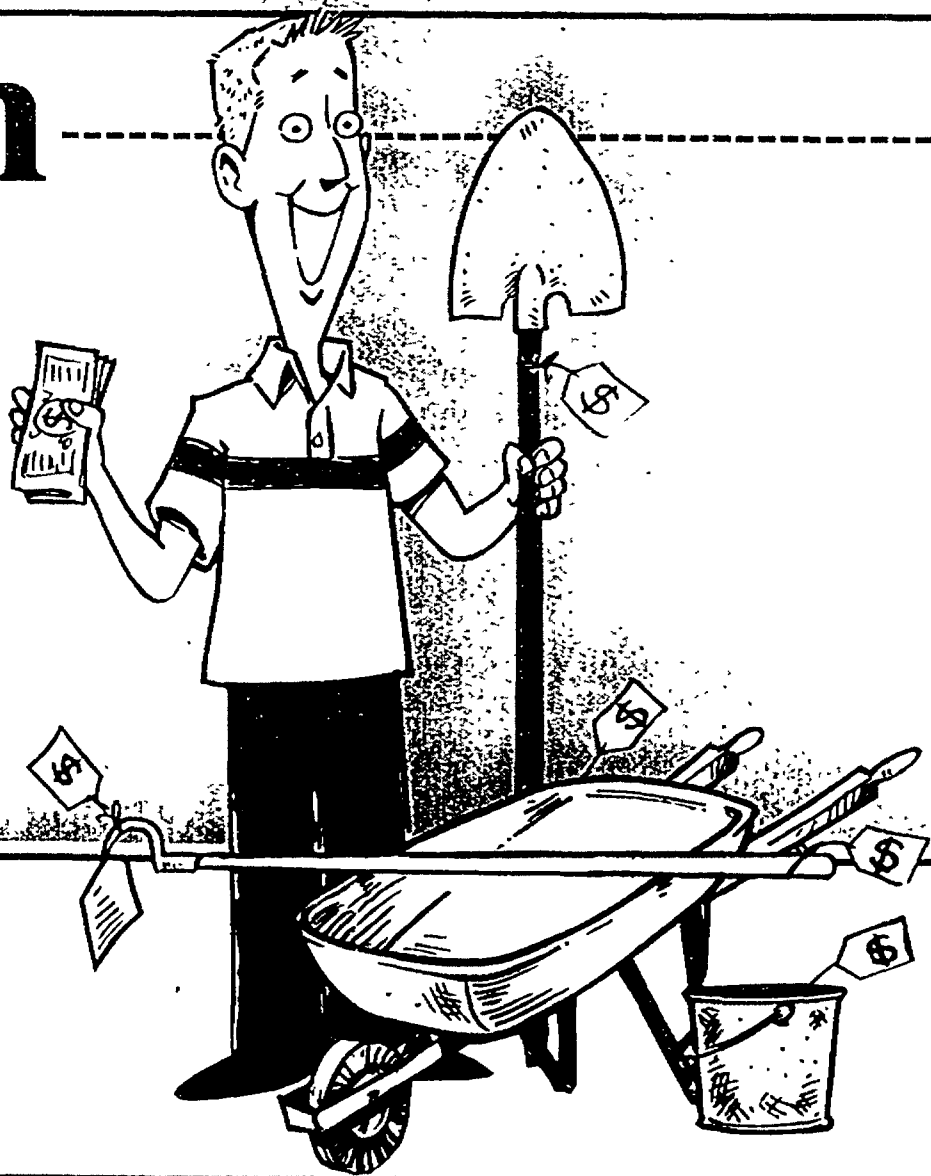
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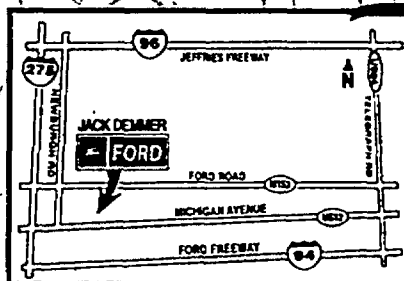
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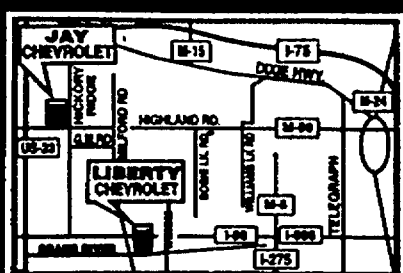
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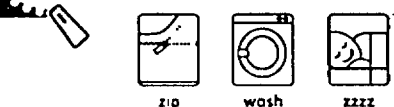


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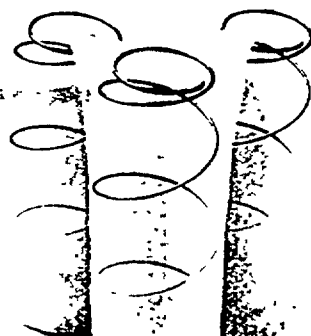
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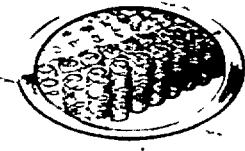
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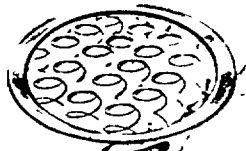
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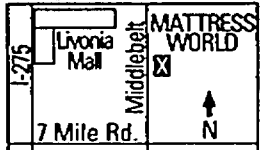


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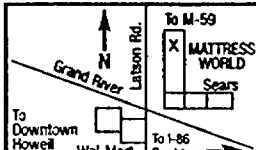
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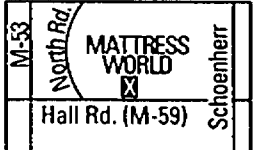
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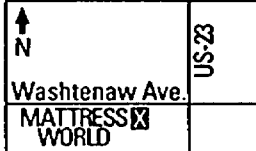
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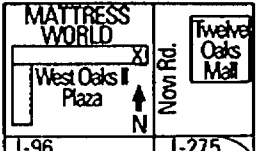
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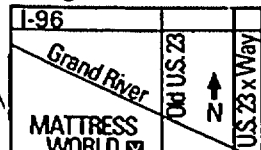
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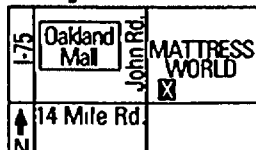
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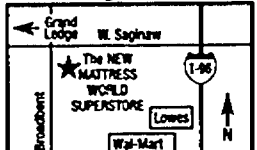
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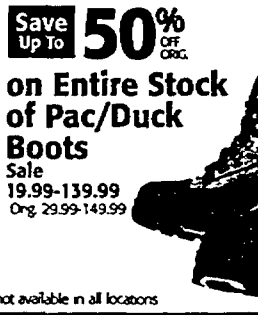
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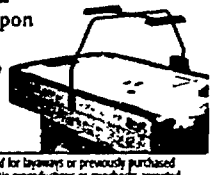
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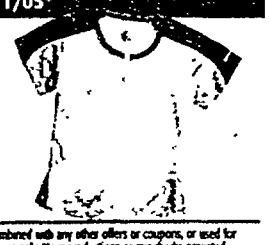
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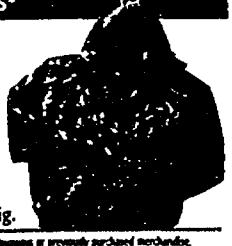
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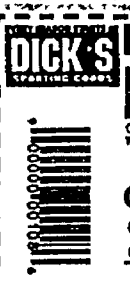
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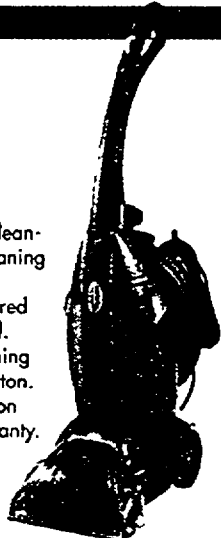
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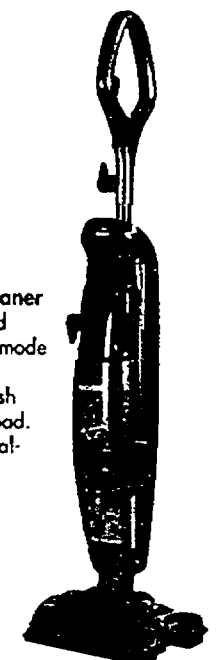
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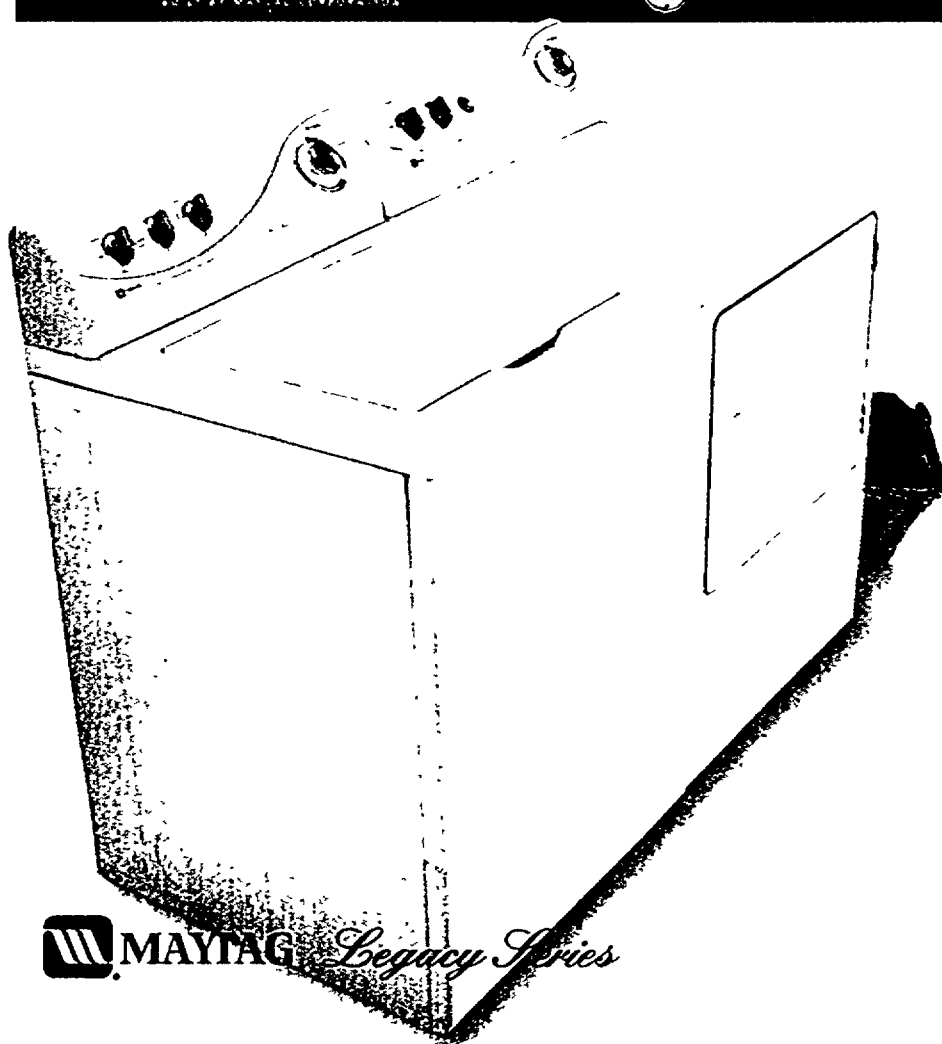
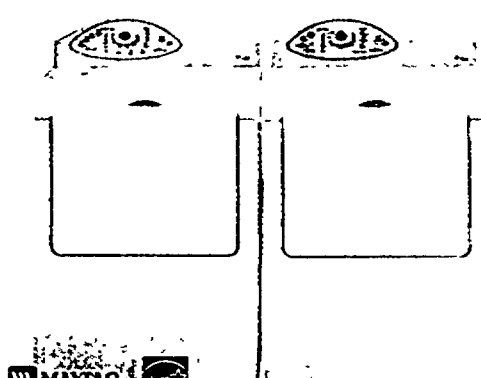
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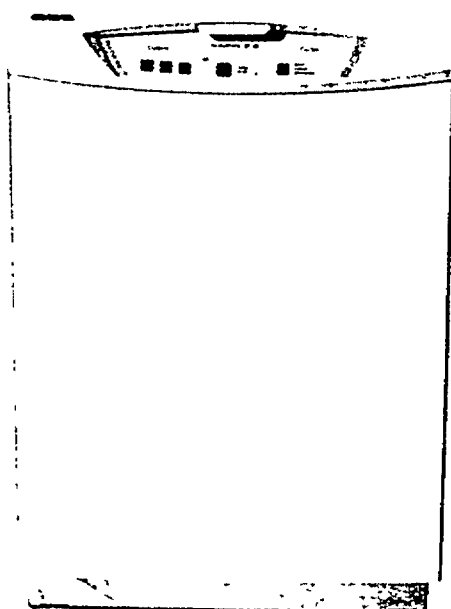
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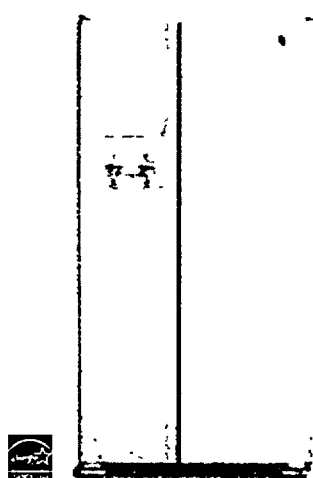
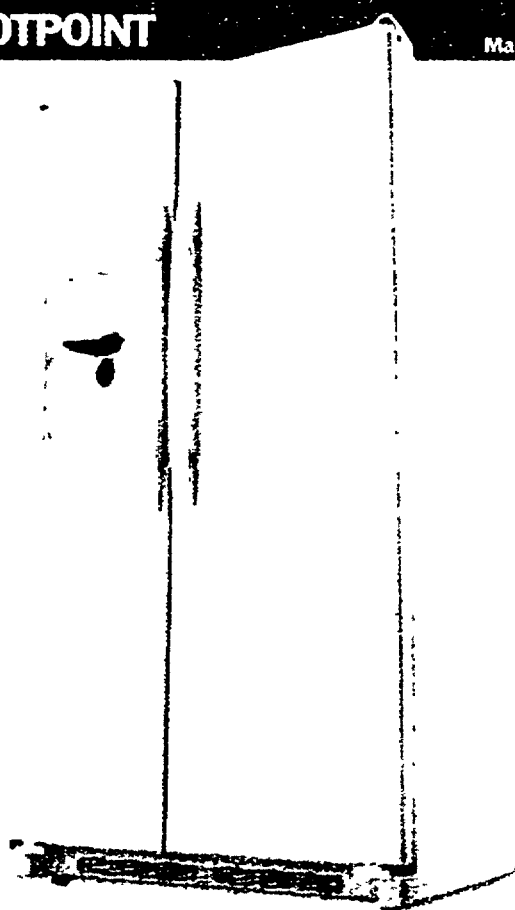
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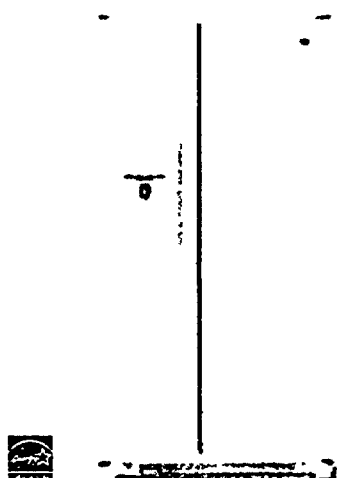
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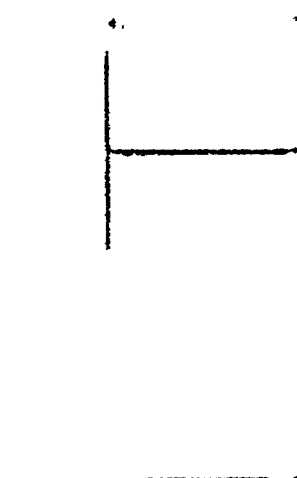
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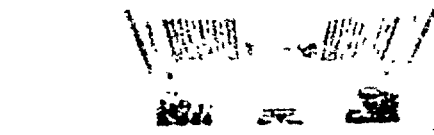


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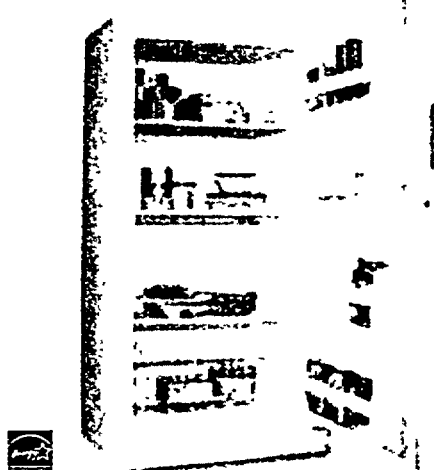
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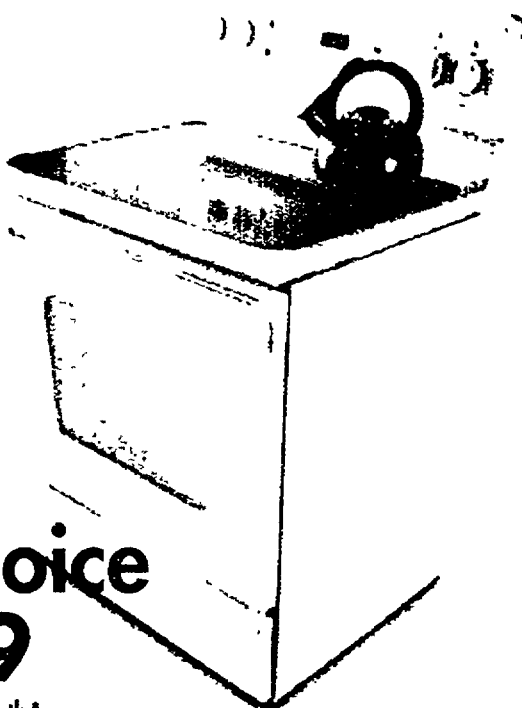
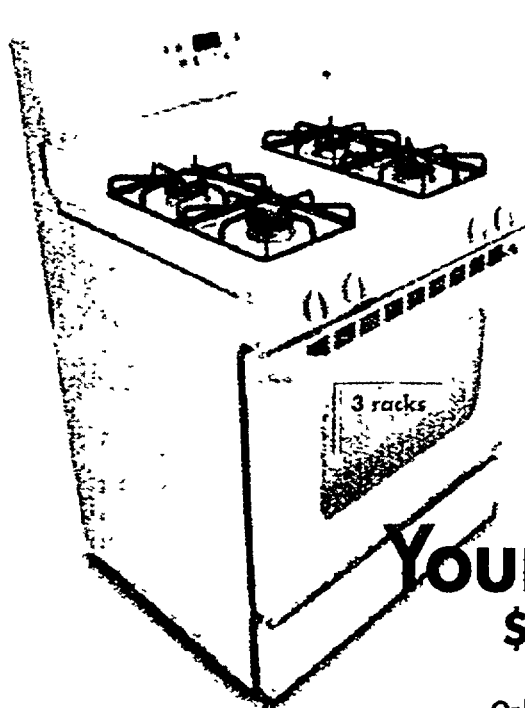
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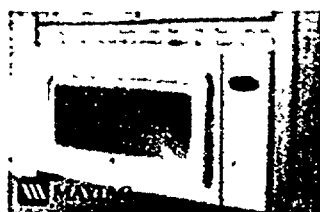
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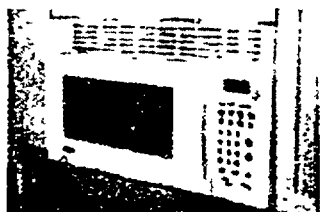
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GE Electric Range**

Radiant glass cooktop. Dual bake element alternates the bake and broil element for optimal baking results. Ribbon heating elements. Stainless steel available for additional cost. JBP68HFWW (Depot Direct 236279)



**2.0 Cu. Ft.
Over-the-Range Microwave**
1,150 watts. Available in white, bisque, black. Stainless steel available at additional cost. MMV4205AAW (575351, Depot Direct 574987)

\$299 Only \$13 per month.*



Only at The Home Depot
**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)

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with Built-In Toaster**
1000 Watts. 10 power levels. Child safety lock on toaster. MCT9E1ST (382107)

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Magic Chef

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The Home Depot
**10.0 Cu. Ft.
Refrigerator**
Frost free. 2 wire racks. Can storage rack. 2 liter bottle storage. Reversible doors. MCBR1000W (544474)

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Magic Chef

Special Buy
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**52 Bottle Wine Cooler
With Bonus Opener**
Adjustable temperature control. Auto defrost system. On/Off interior light. Sculpted shelves. Amber glass door. MCWC52B (600068)

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Special Buy
Only at The Home Depot
Compact Refrigerator
Diamond plate industrial door. Invisible door handle. Removable wheels for easy portability. Low energy consumption. FR946 (302588)

\$149

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You can do it. We can help.



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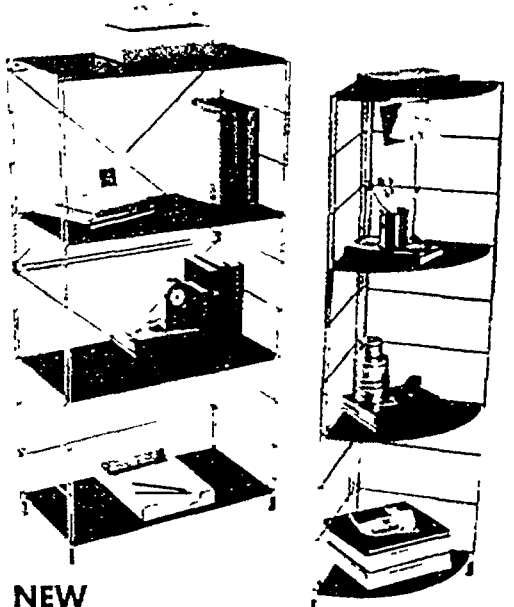
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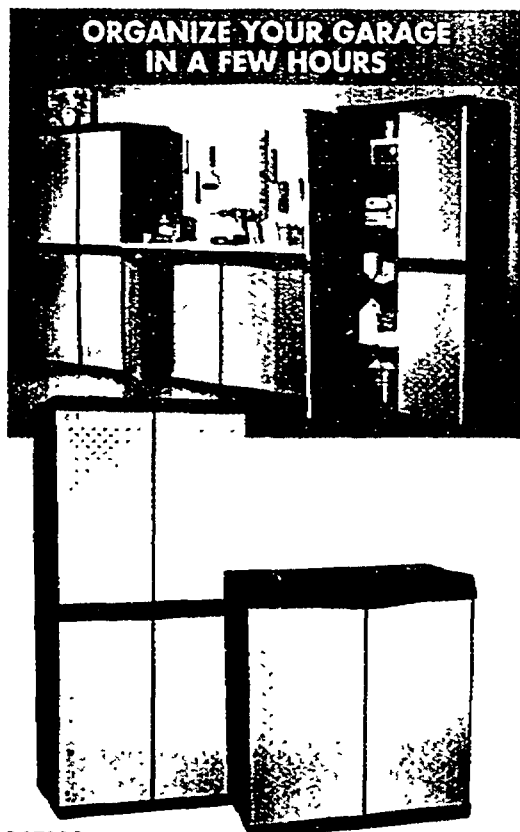
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**NEW
18-Gallon
Hopper Bin**
Stackable with or without
the lid. Easy access
front flap can stay open.
24"Wx17"Hx18"D. (114863)
\$8.97 **GREAT VALUE**



**NEW
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Chrome and winter maple finish. Perfect for home
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**NEW
Metal Front Cabinet**
34.6"Wx71.4"Hx21.3"D. Includes
4 pegboards and 24 tool holders.
4 adjustable shelves. (568640) **\$99**

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Take Advantage of these INCREDIBLE SAVINGS ON FLOORING

AMAZING VALUE ON DUPONT LAMINATE

Select from two colors to match any decor

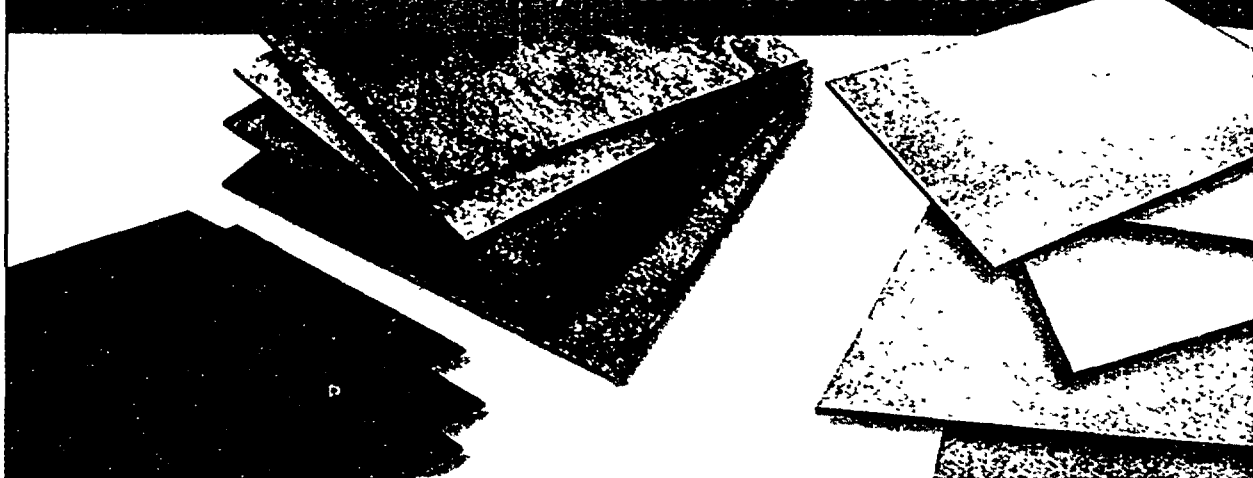



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RealTouch Elite
DuPont™ RealTouch™ Elite Laminate
RealTouch™ Elite laminates deliver the look and feel of
a custom installed real-wood floor with the durability
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Block and Antique Oak only. 30-year wear warranty.
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SPECIAL BUY
\$2.97 per sq. ft.
WAS \$3.77

25% OFF CLEARANCE TILE**

Select from Ceramic, Porcelain and Natural Stone



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FREE \$20 OR \$40 GIFT CARD[†]

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configurations



**Adjustable Rods & Shelves.
No cutting required.**

**4'-8' Configurations
Custom Kit**
No cutting, fully expandable 10'
hang space/14' stack space. Satin
nickel finish. End-to-end hanger slide.
(217153)

\$199
**Plus \$40 Gift
Card**

\$20 Gift Card
On Select Storage \$100 or more[†]

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On Select Closets \$199 or more[†]

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new year's
sale

KOHL'S

3 days only

Thursday, Dec. 30, 8am-10pm;

Friday, Dec. 31, 8am-7pm;

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**50% off entire stock
solid bath towels & bath rugs**

Martex®, Laura Ashley Lifestyles, Gloria Vanderbilt

Villager, The Big One & The Great One

Excludes Royal Velvet .  shop online P12301

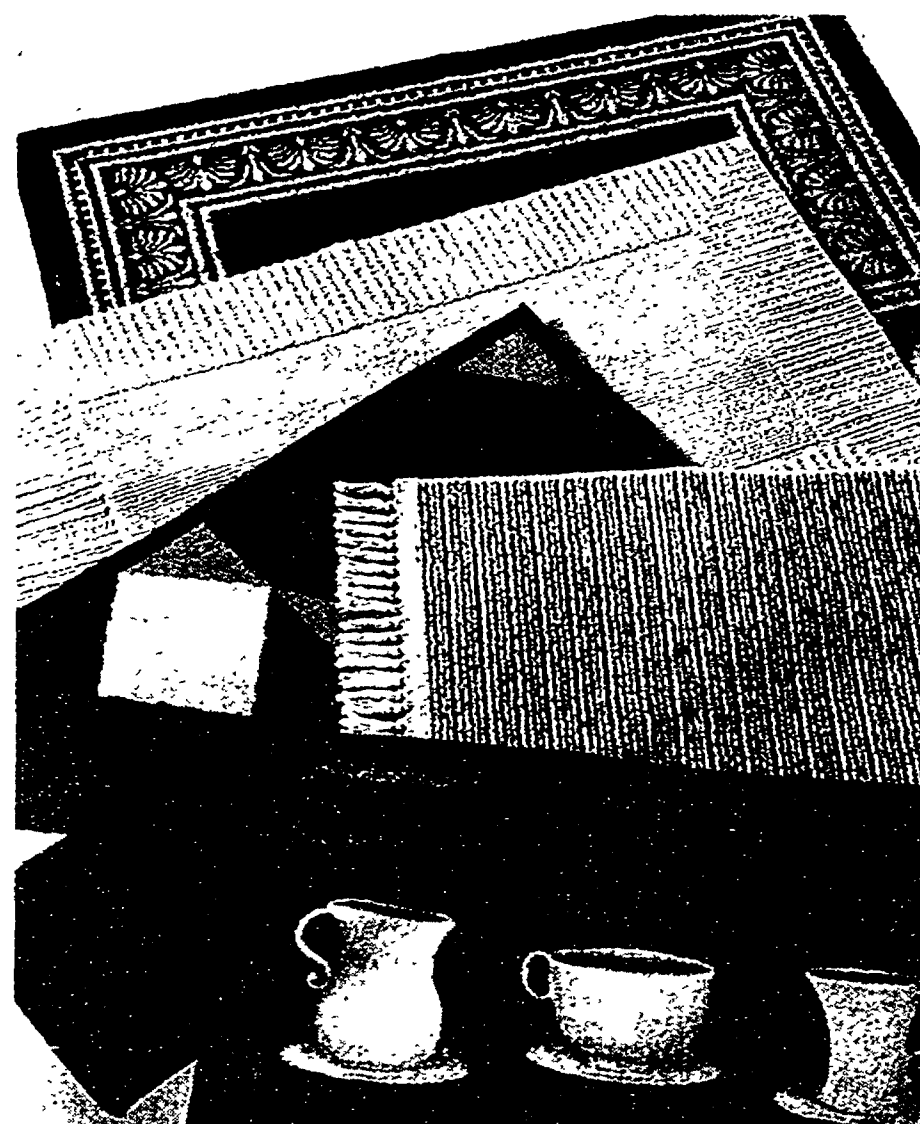
new year's sale

40% off entire stock

bath coordinates, accessories
and shower curtains

shop online for selected items H1130

Gypsy Patch



40-50% off entire stock

accent, area & kitchen rugs and doormats

shop online H1900

Entire stock

40-50% off

Decorative pillows

shop online for
selected items

BP100

Entire stock

40-50% off

Table linens
and kitchen
textiles

New at Kohl's



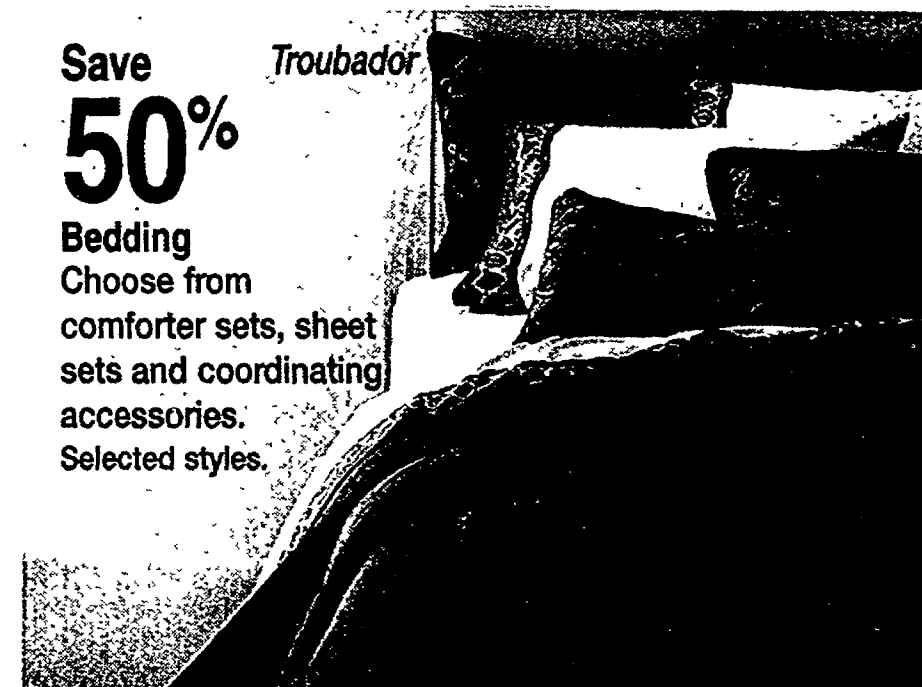
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50%

Troubador

Bedding

Choose from
comforter sets, sheet
sets and coordinating
accessories.

Selected styles.

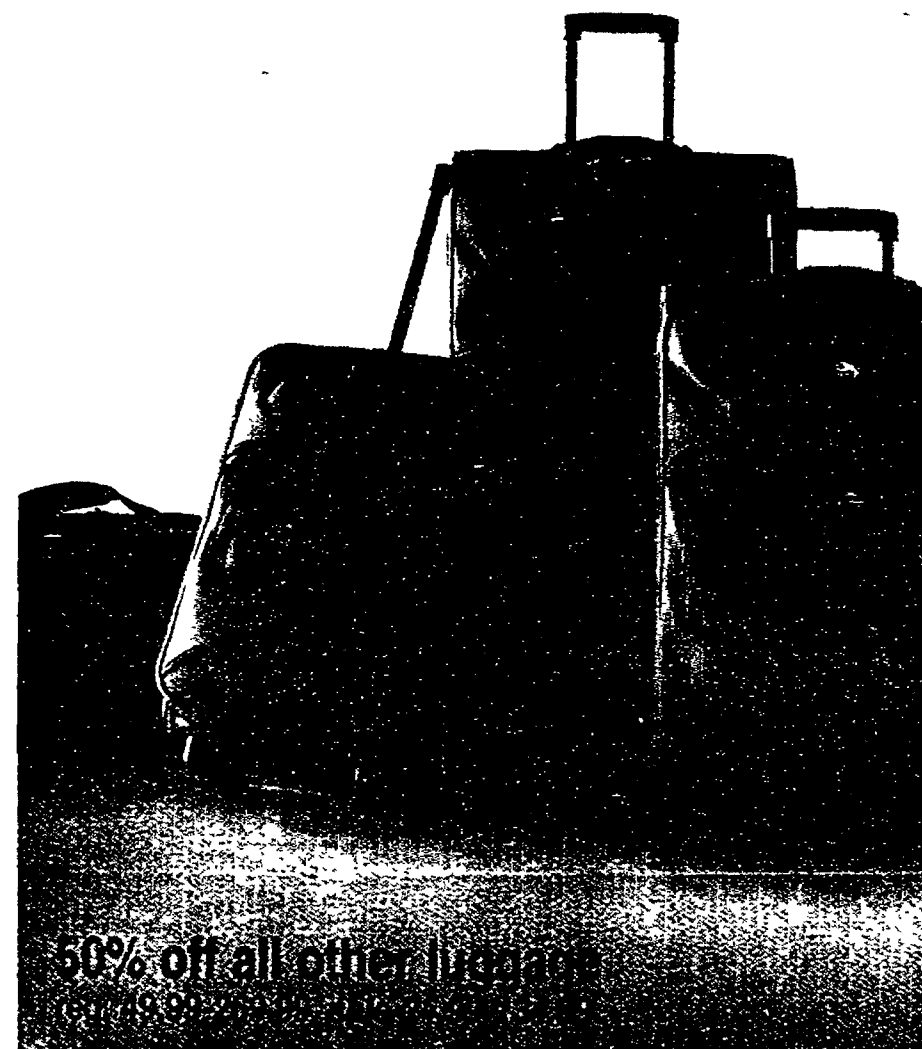


60% off

luggage from Atlantic®,
Sonoma and Samsonite®

shop online
H1740

reg. 49.99-319.99, sale 19.99-127.99 Selected styles.



50% off all other luggage

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Entire stock

50-60% off

Bed pillows and
mattress pads

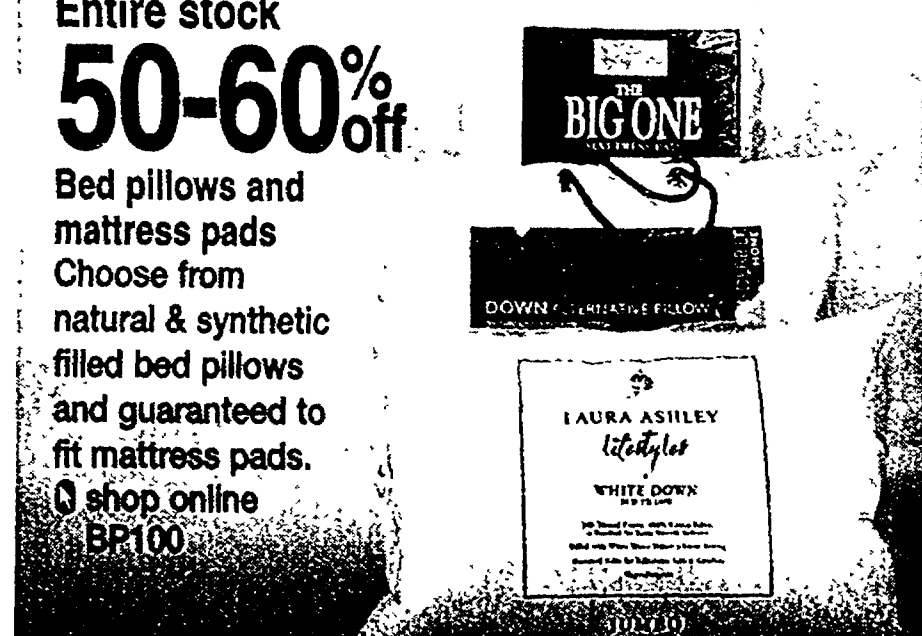
Choose from
natural & synthetic
filled bed pillows
and guaranteed to
fit mattress pads.

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BP100

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DOWN... CREATIVE FOLLOW

LAURA ASHLEY
lifestyles
WHITE DOWN
DOWN TO LOVE



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Down comforters
and featherbeds

Laura Ashley Lifestyles,
SONOMA life+style™,
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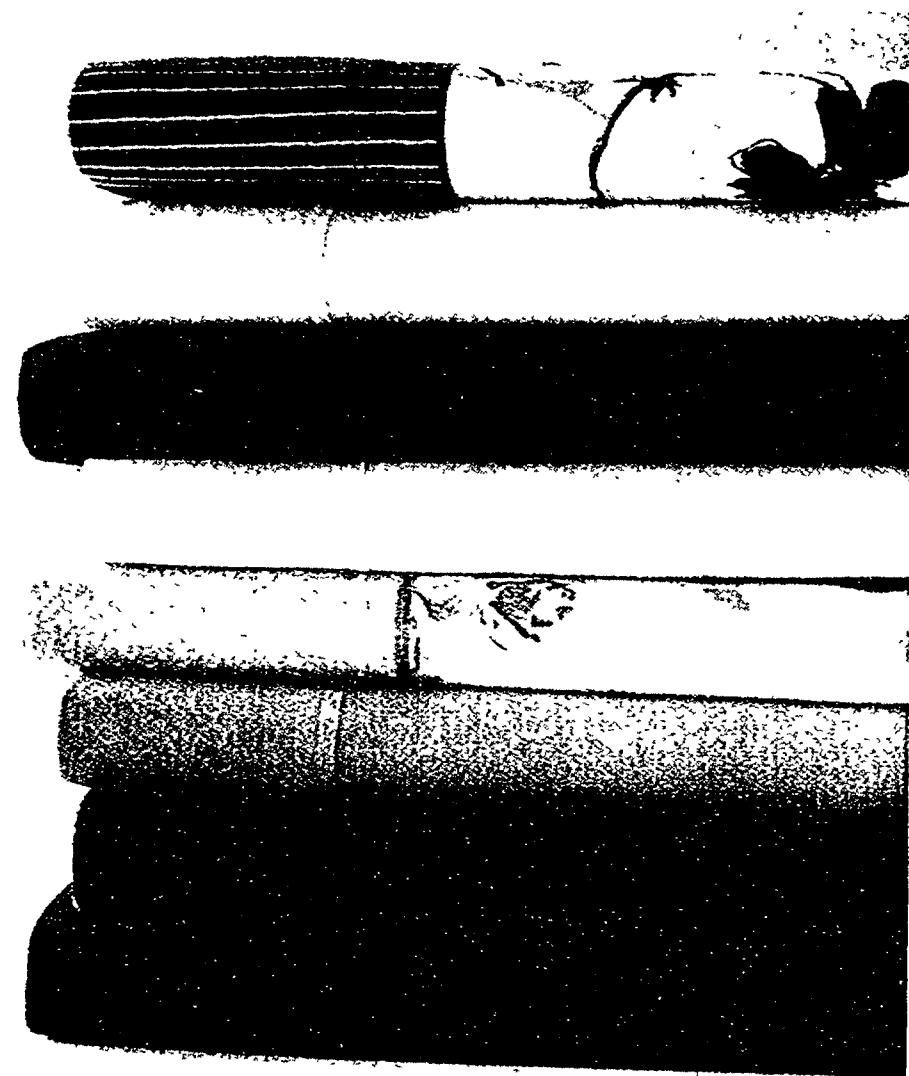
Entire stock
50% off

Frames
from Fetco®,
Malden® &
Sonoma
shop online
for selected
items H3900



60% off entire stock

flannel bedding
shop online H1240



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40% off entire stock

candles and decorative lighting
shop online H1320

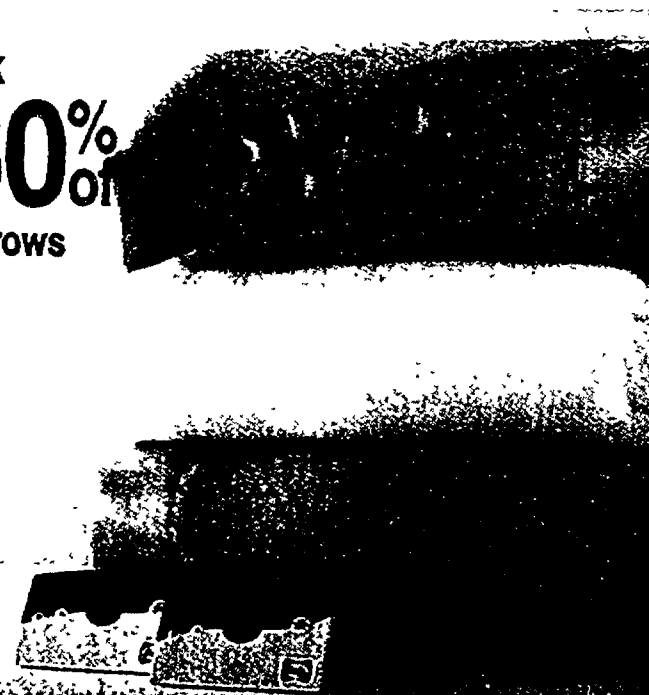


40% off entire stock

wall frames, collages and mirrors

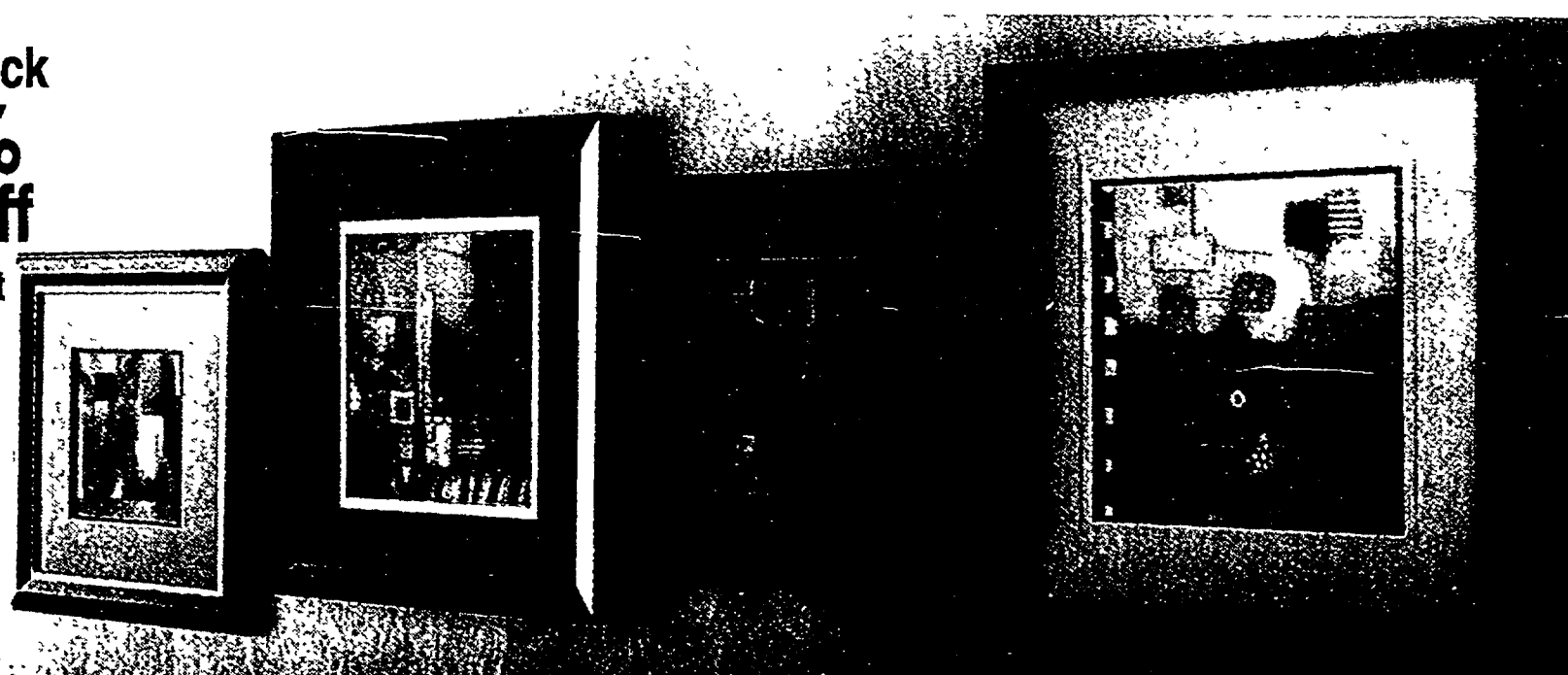
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50-60% off

Blankets & throws
shop online
P1230201



Entire stock
40% off

Decorative art



new year's sale

all Sterilite® plastic storage on sale

Special buy on
plastic storage

While supplies last.
Sorry, no rain checks.

sale 12.99
Under-bed storage box.
orig. 17.99

sale 8.99
54-qt.
ornament box.
orig. 10.99

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66-qt. latch box.
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40" gift wrap
storage box.
orig. 17.99

59⁹⁹

18-pc. stainless
steel cookware set
orig. 119.99

BASIC
ELECTRIC

Entire stock
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Dinnerware & flatware
Featuring Cabernet.
Shop online for
selected items H2100

199⁹⁹

KitchenAid®
heavy duty
Stand Mixer
325 watts;
10 speeds.
orig. 299.99
Shop online
91035

Entire stock
33% off
Fitness
accessories

sale 19.99
Bally Total Fitness®
pilates ball with
resistance tube.
orig. 29.99



Entire stock
15-50% off
Floor care
Shop online H1400

sale 59.99
Floor care
Shop online
orig. 99.99



Entire stock
50% off
Glassware & pantryware
Shop online for
selected items P12302



Entire stock
33-50% off

Activewear
for misses
from Gloria
Vanderbilt® Sport,
N.Y.L.®, Fu Da®,
daisy fuentes® sport
& Erika® Sport
orig. \$30-\$40,
sale 15.00-26.80



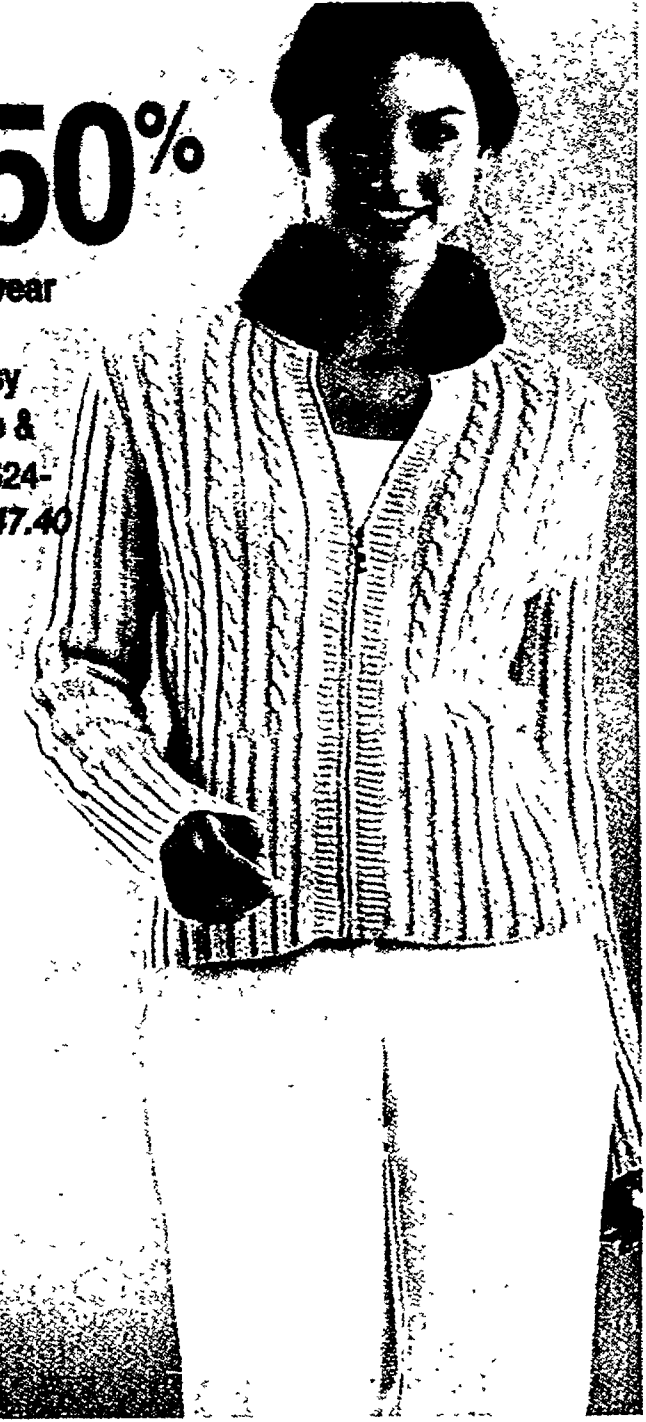
Save
40-50%

Modern separates
for misses
from apt. 9™ and Gloria
Vanderbilt® Career
orig. \$28-\$89,
sale 15.99-52.99
Selected styles.
shop online
P12307



Save
40-50%

Modern sportswear
for misses
from axcess, daisy
fuentes® and Nine &
Company® orig. \$24-
\$79, sale 14.40-47.40
Selected styles.



Entire stock
33-50% off

Croft & Barrow®
knit tops & sweaters
for misses
and petites.
orig. \$16-\$38,
sale 10.72-25.46
Misses' shown.

shop online
P12306



Save
33-50%

Women's sportswear
from Sonoma, Sag
Harbor®, Norton
McNaughton® & more
Sizes 1X-3X & 16W-
24W. orig. \$14-\$80,
sale 9.38-40.00
Selected styles.
shop online
P12305



women's

Save
40-50%

Sonoma sportswear
for misses
and petites.
orig. \$18-\$38,
sale 10.80-22.80
Selected styles.
Misses' shown.
shop online
P12304



Save
33-50%

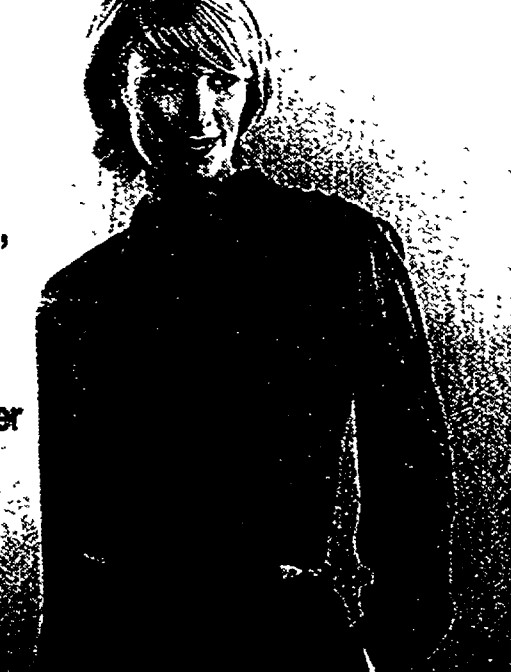
Petites' sportswear
from N.Y.L.®,
Fu Da®, daisy fuentes®,
& Erika®



petites'

Save
40-50%

Sportswear for misses,
petites & women
from Sag Harbor®,
Requirements®, Norton
McNaughton® and Villager
orig. \$30-\$49,
sale 18.00-29.40
Selected styles.
Misses' shown.



new year's sale

**40% off
entire stock
bras**

from Vanity Fair®, Bali®,
Barelythere® & Maidenform®

reg. \$24-\$32, sale 14.40-19.20

Excludes specialty bras.

shop online for selected
items P12308

**40% off entire
stock panties,
innerwear &
shapewear**

reg. 3/\$12 to \$48 ea.,
sale 3/7.20 to 28.80 ea.

Excludes Jockey®.



Entire stock

799

Bonus 4-pk.
sport socks for her
from adidas® & Reebok®
reg. \$11

30-40% off all
other sport
socks for her
reg. \$8-\$15,
sale 4.80-10.50



Entire stock

35% off

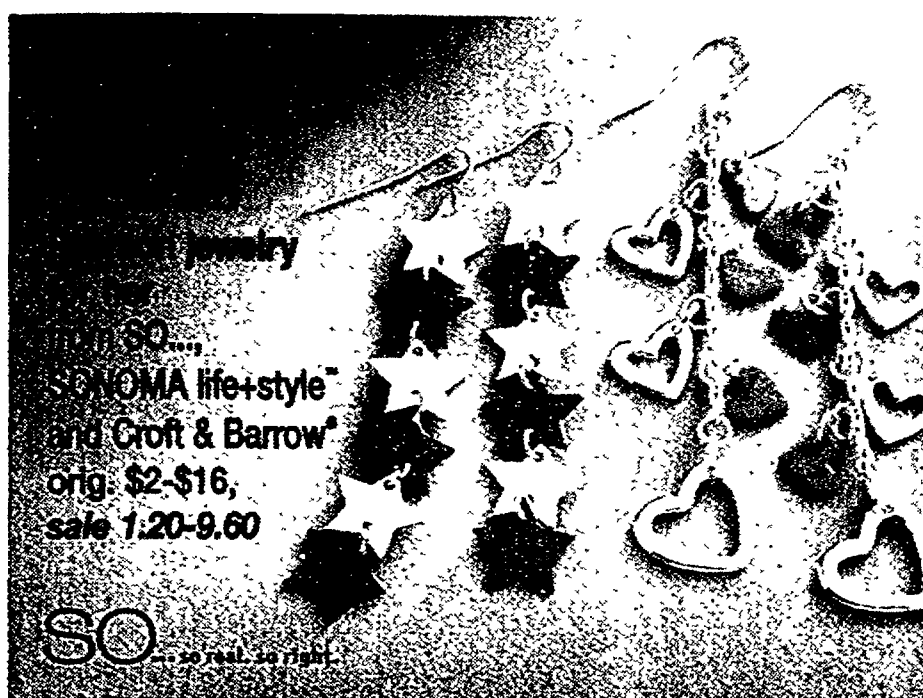
Sleepwear,
loungewear
& robes
for her.

orig. \$16-\$40,
sale 10.40-26.00

shop online
for selected
items W2400



DOCKERS



Jewelry

From SO...
SONOMA life+style™
and Croft & Barrow®
orig. \$2-\$16,
sale 1.20-9.60

SO...so real, so right.

Entire stock

33% off

Bath & body
reg. \$3-\$35,
sale 2.01-23.45
Excludes AMERICAN
BEAUTY, FLIRTI
& good skin™.

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W2500



Entire stock

50-60% off

Cold weather
accessories
for her.

orig. \$5-\$50,
sale \$2-\$20

shop online
W4360



Entire stock

35-40% off

Handbags & minibags

orig. \$8-\$75,
sale 4.80-45.00

shop online
for selected
items W1600



60% off plus save an extra 10% entire stock fine & sterling silver jewelry

reg. \$10-\$5,000, sale \$4-\$2,000, final price 3.60-1,800.00 shop online for selected items F999

Final price

17⁹⁹
pr.

Entire stock
14k gold earrings
reg. \$50 pr.,
sale 19.99 pr.

Styles vary.

shop online
P123011



Final price

39⁹⁹
pr.

14k gold 1/10 ct.
T.W. princess
cut diamond
stud earrings
reg. \$125 pr.,
sale 44.44 pr.



Final price

69⁹⁹
pr.

14k gold 1/4 ct.
T.W. princess
cut diamond
stud earrings
reg. \$225 pr.,
sale 77.77 pr.

shop online
P123010



Final price

39⁹⁹
ea.

10k gold charm
bracelet
reg. \$125 ea.,
sale 44.44 ea.

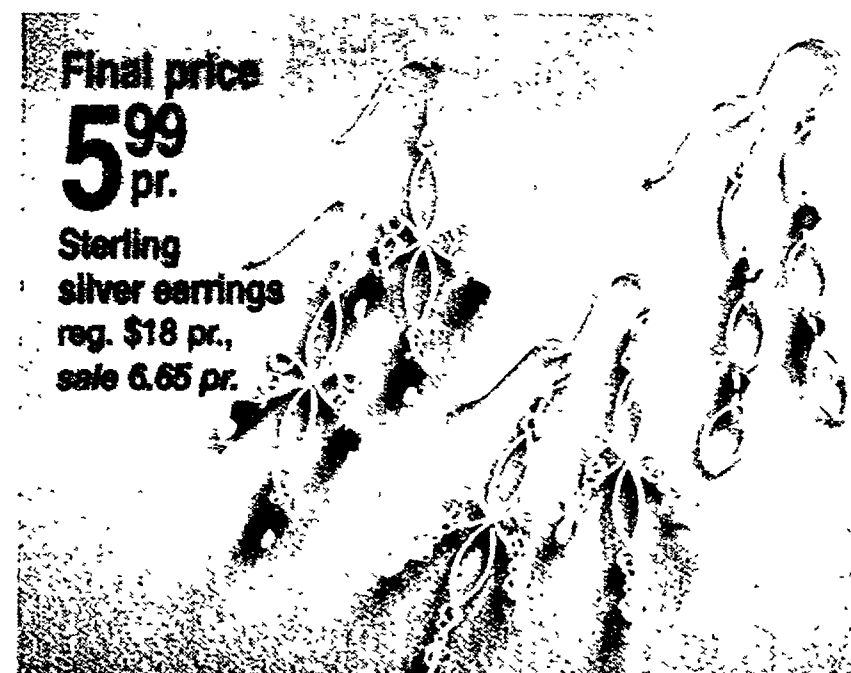
shop online
P12309



Final price

5⁹⁹
pr.

Sterling
silver earrings
reg. \$18 pr.,
sale 6.65 pr.



Photos enlarged to show detail. Diamond Total Weights are approximate.
T.W. may vary up to .05 ct. Actual savings may exceed the percent savings shown.

new year's sale

**50-60% off
entire stock
winter
outerwear**

For her. orig. \$60-\$250,
sale \$24-\$125

Excludes Columbia
Sportswear Company®.
Styles vary by store.

shop online W4300



save 40% on Columbia Sportswear Company® heavyweight jackets for her
orig. \$150-\$250, sale \$90-\$150

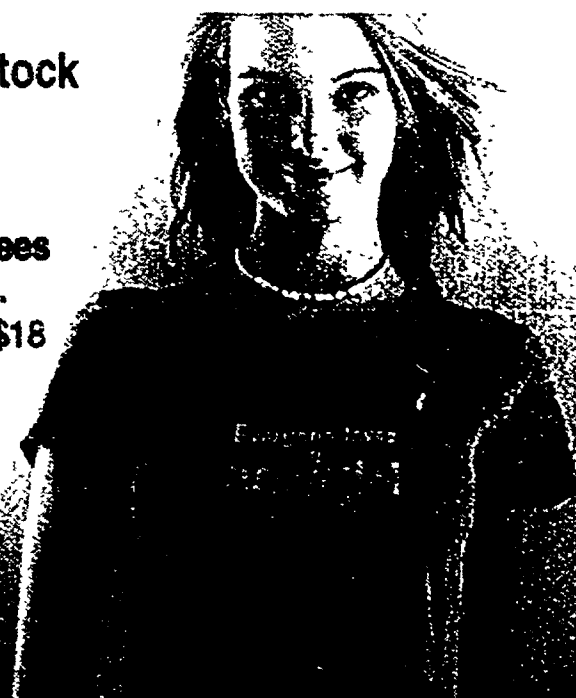
14⁹⁹

Knit shirts
for juniors.
orig. \$26
Selected styles.



**Entire stock
9⁹⁹**

Graphic tees
for juniors.
orig. \$16-\$18



**50% off SO... knit
tops for juniors**
orig. \$18, sale \$9
Selected styles.



**Entire stock
50% off**

SO... jeans and
casual pants
for juniors
orig. \$34,
sale \$16.99

shop online
P123013

SO...so real.
so right.™

**Entire stock
26⁹⁹**

Levi's® 519™ Low
Stretch® Flare 518™
Jeans

Boot cut jeans
for juniors. reg. 29.99

shop online
P123014



Levi's®

Entire stock
33% off
Related separates
for girls 4-16.



Entire stock
50-60% off

Winter outerwear

for girls 4-16, boys 4-20, toddlers, infants & newborns.
Excludes Columbia Sportswear Company® & athletic outerwear.
shop online for selected items K3600

60% off

TekGear®
athletic apparel
for boys 8-20.
orig. \$24-\$28,
sale 9.60-11.20
shop online
P123015

TEKGear



Entire stock
50% off

Sonoma
fashion jeans
for girls 4-8.
orig. \$24,
sale 11.99



Entire stock
40% off

Fashion tops
and skirts
from Joey B,
Earth Girl™
& Knitworks



Entire stock
50% off

Sonoma
fashion pants
for boys 4-7.



Entire stock
33% off

Pant sets
for infants
& newborns
from Second
Step™



Entire stock
40-50% off

Graphic tees for boys 4-20 & toddlers.



new year's sale

50-60% off entire stock winter outerwear

For men. orig. \$60-\$380,
sale 23.99-189.99

Excludes Columbia
Sportswear Company®.

shop online for
selected items
M1600



save 40% on Columbia Sportswear Company® heavyweight jackets for him
orig. \$100-\$230, sale 59.99-137.99

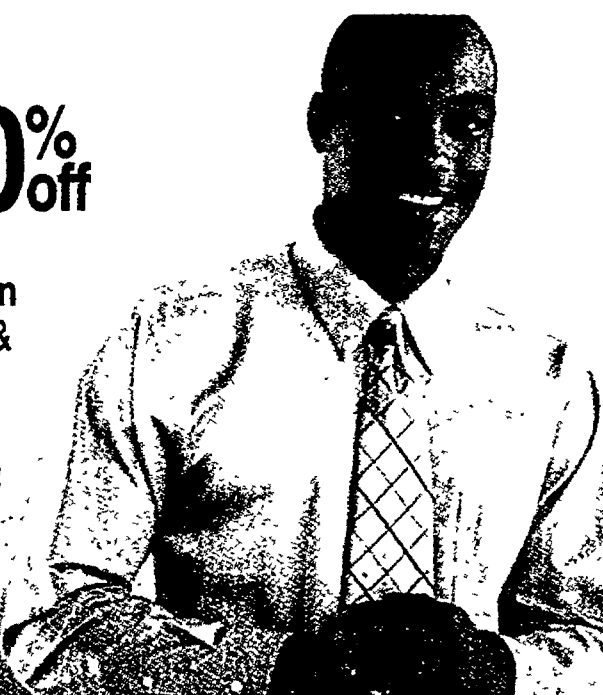
Entire stock
30-40% off

Sportswear for men
from Axist™ & axcess
orig. \$28-\$50,
sale 18.99-35.00



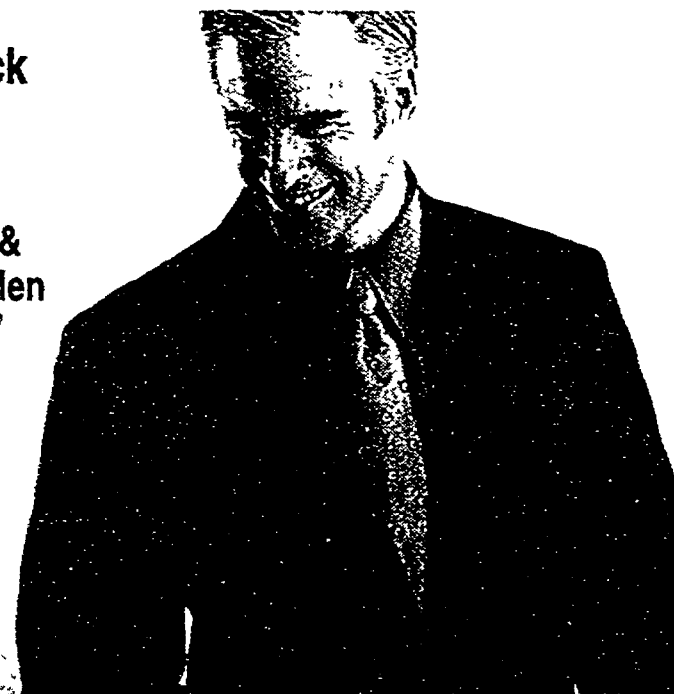
Entire stock
40-50% off

Dress shirts &
neckwear for men
from Axist®, Croft &
Barrow®, Arrow &
axcess orig. \$20-
\$40, sale \$12-\$24
shop online
P123016



Entire stock
50% off

Sport Coats &
Blazers for Men
from Dockers®
& Haggar®
orig. \$150,
sale \$75



Entire stock
24.99

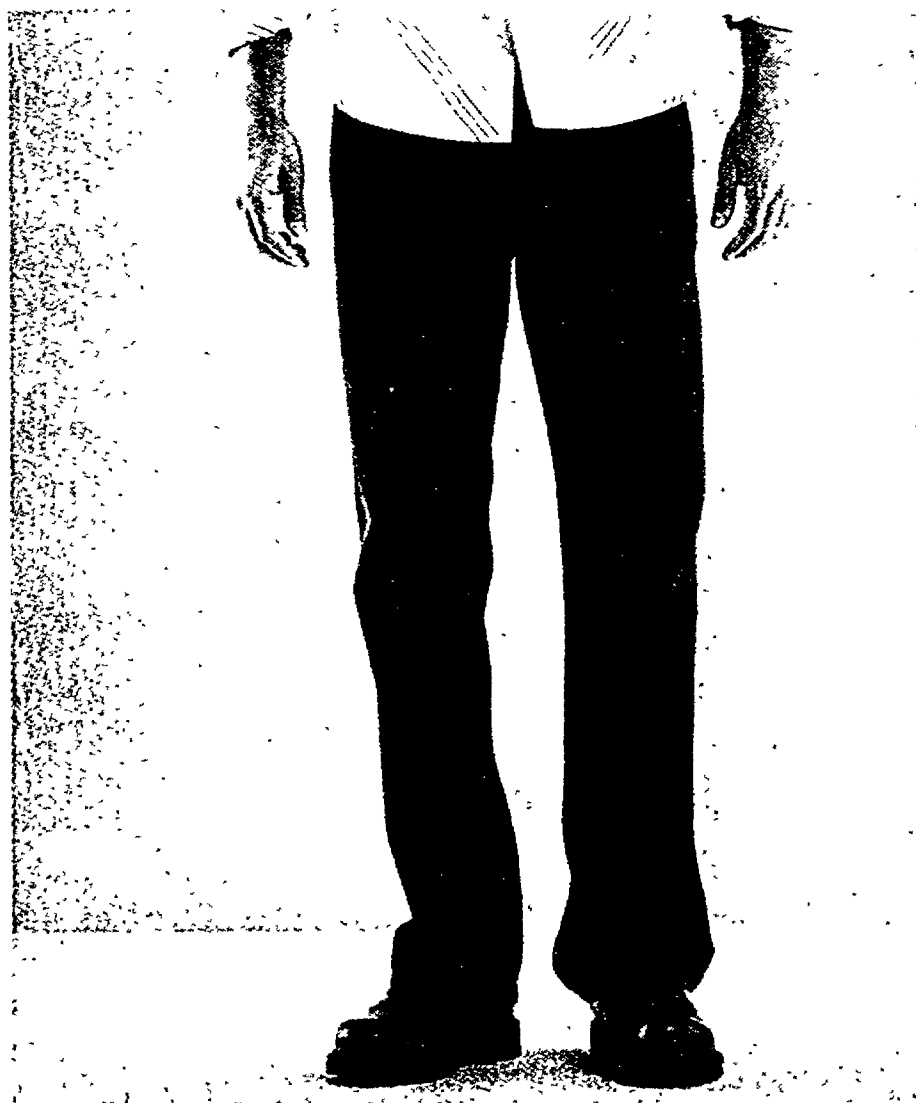
Dockers® chino pants
for Men. Wrinkle free,
100% cotton
shop online
P123016



Entire stock
50% off

Dress pants for men
from Braggi® &
Natural Issue®
orig. \$45-\$50,
sale 22.50-25.00





Entire stock
50% off

Urban Pipeline® jeans for young men.
orig. 39.99, sale 19.99 shop online P123019



Entire stock
40-50% off

Athletic fleece separates for men.
orig. \$24-\$50, sale 14.40-30.00 shop online P123018



Entire stock
60% off

Long sleeved knit tops
for young men. orig. \$20-\$44, sale 8.00-17.60

Save
50%

Dress & casual shoes
for the family.

orig. 24.99-70.00,
sale 12.49-35.00

Selected styles.

shop online
P123020



Save
50%

Athletic shoes
for men, women
& kids. reg. 34.99-79.99
sale 17.49-39.99
Selected styles.



50-60% off
all boots for the family

orig. 29.99-99.99, sale 14.99-49.99 Styles vary by store. Excludes Columbia Sportswear Company®
 shop online for selected items P122638

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Carter's®
Jackpot
for girls



GBX

GBX® San
Antonio
for men

apt. 9"

apt. 9" Flame
for women

lei® Free
for juniors

lei

save

60%

and more on original prices
when you take an additional 33% off our
already-reduced yellow ticket clearance prices

Final prices given at register. Clearance prices represent savings off original prices. Selection varies by store. Interim markdowns may have been taken. Sorry, no price adjustments given on prior purchases.

shop online: clearance

gold star
clearance



KOHL'S

Prices good Thursday, December 30, 2004–Saturday, January 1, 2005.

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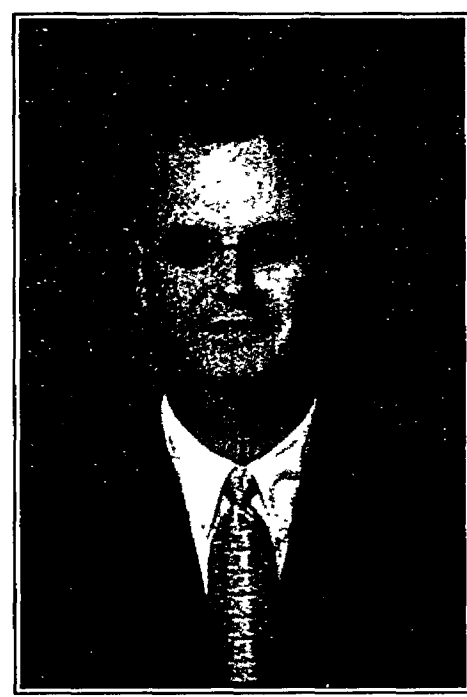
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Developing a proper estate plan is crucial, regardless of your age, family situation or financial status. If you aren't sure you've taken all the necessary steps, please join us for this free program.

Join us as we discuss:

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- Transfer on Death
- Medicaid Planning
- Joint Tenancy with Rights of Survivorship
- Privacy Protection

Guest Speakers

■ **Brian Jenney**

Attorney at Law

Payne, Payne, Broder, Fosse, P.C.

■ **Michael Toth**

Senior Account Executive

Hartford Life

Date & Location

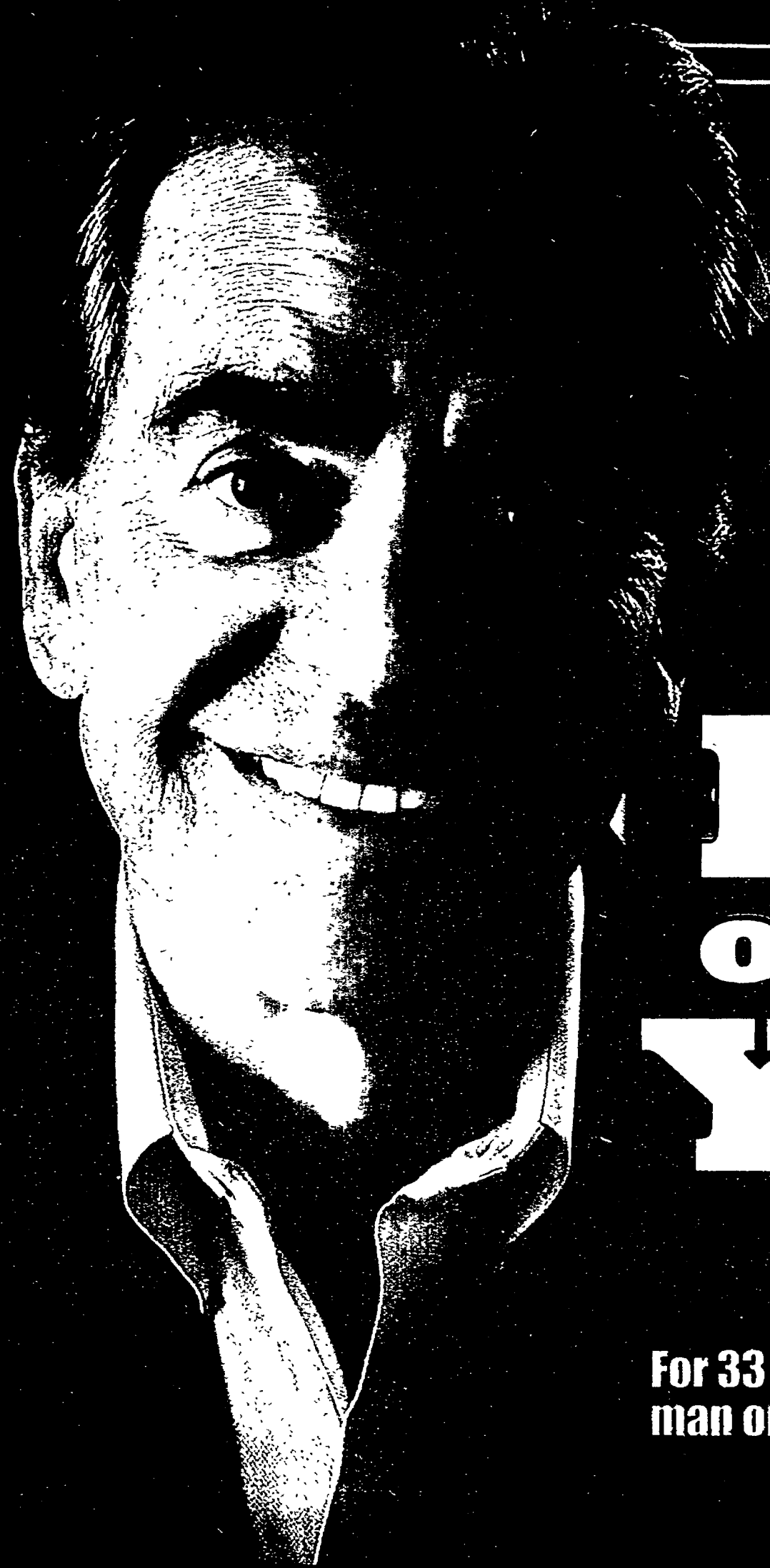
■ January 13, 2005 - 6:30 pm

■ Northville Public Library

**** Refreshments will be served****

*This seminar is free, but due to limited seating an RSVP is required.
Please call 248-348-4610 to reserve your seat.*

American Profile



The King of New Year's Eve

For 33 years, Dick Clark has been America's man on the scene in Times Square

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- Hancock, Md.
- Spicy chicken
- Photo contest winner

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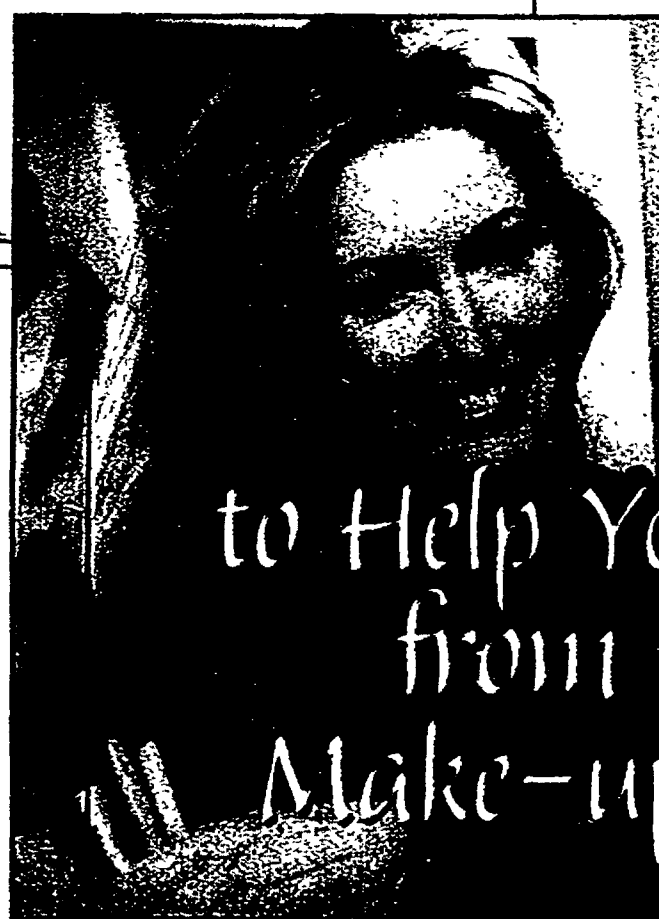
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Celebrity makeup artist Michele Probst, who has worked with Stevie Nicks and Shania Twain, offers these quick and easy tips to help you look your very best as you *celebrate* 2005.

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Make-up Artist Michele Probst

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FACE

- Moisturize before any makeup application.

- Apply foundation and powder. A nice soft pink blush on the apple of the cheek is warm and appealing.



EYES

- Go for neutral eyeshadows, anywhere from a tan to a white on the lid, but heavy for drama. Make sure there is a contrast between the lid and the contour underneath the brow bone. You can also do a nice shimmer on the brow bone underneath the brow. Blending is key, so it all runs together and looks flawless.

- As a finishing touch, stroke your blush brush across your eye shadows to blend.



LIPS

- Use water-proof and smudge-proof product on your lips because you'll be kissing lots of people at midnight.

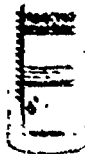
- Gloss is in, so go with a nice thick glistening lip lacquer you can find at any drugstore to pop your lips. Start with a nice rich lip pencil, fill in the whole lip, and then top it off with a rich gloss to make lips pop.



HAIR

- The week before, use a liberal dose of Teatree oil to exfoliate the scalp to remove any dead skin that's a result of the changing seasons.

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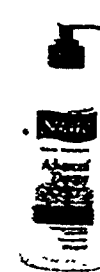


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SKIN

- Moisturize the night before to give yourself a little extra oomph to face the cold weather. Concentrate around the eyes.



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Q I don't know her name, but she's a standup comic and she always performs her act with an accordion as a prop. I'd like to know more about her.

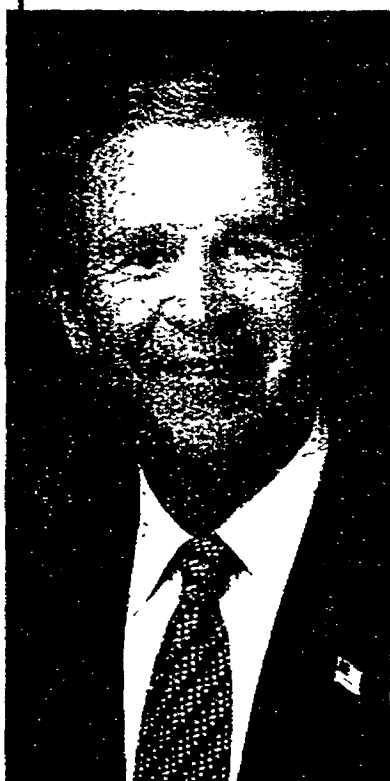
—Edward G., Michigan

"The Aphrodite of the Accordion," as she calls herself, is comic Judy Tenuta. She was raised in Oak Park, Ill. (pop. 52,524), and graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in theater. Best known for her brash, offbeat humor, she was the first stand-up to win Best Female Comedian at the American Comedy Awards and has released three CDs, two of which were nominated for a Grammy. Tenuta also has released a book titled *The Power of Judyism* (Harper Collins) and appeared in her own comedy specials on HBO, Showtime and Lifetime. More about Tenuta and her comedy can be found on her website, www.judytenuta.com.

Q How much acreage and livestock does President George Bush own?

—Eunice C., California

The president's ranch in Crawford, Texas (pop. ~705), spreads out on approximately 1,600 acres. Two hundred head of cattle, owned and managed by a resident ranch manager, graze the land, which also serves as home to wild turkeys, deer and a man-made fishing pond stocked with bass. The Bushes bought the ranch in 1999. "It's one of the few places where I can actually walk outside my front door and say, 'I think I'm going to walk for two hours.' And although I'm not really alone, I can walk wherever I want to walk. And I can't do that in Washington," he says.



Ranch owner President Bush



Comic Judy Tenuta plays accordion.

Q I would like to know what happened to Lee Horsley, and also a list of movies he acted in.

—Dean C., Mississippi

The star of TV's *Matt Houston*, *Paradise* and *Nero Wolfe* is working on a documentary about the history of the Arkansas River in Colorado. "It's where my father had taken me as a kid and spent a lot of wonderful times," he says. "The river has always fascinated me." Born in Muleshoe, Texas (pop. 4,530), Horsley's family moved to Colorado when he was in junior high. An avid horseman and fly-fisherman, he appears on various outdoors TV shows. "I've gone to some pretty neat places that I probably never would have thought of visiting—in Chile, Alaska, Canada—with these shows. It's a nice break from the soundstage," he says. Horsley, 49, and his wife have four children and have homes in Los Angeles and Denver. His movie credits include *The Sword and the Sorcerer*, *Unlawful Passage* and *Nightmare Man*.

Q Whatever happened to Hugh Beaumont, the father on *Leave It To Beaver*?

—Joe P., Tennessee

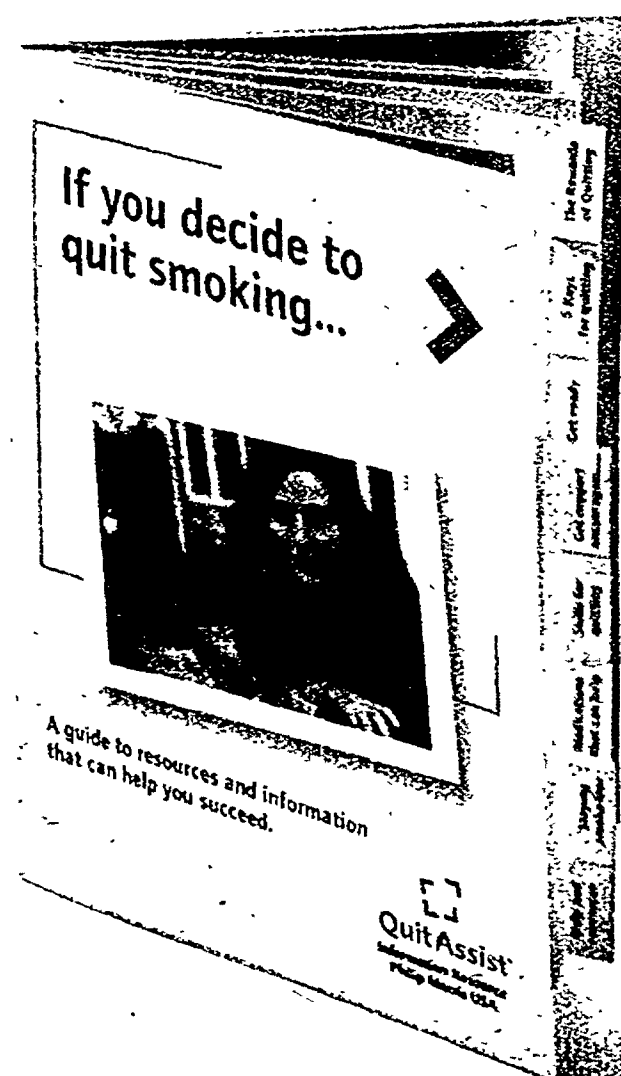
Beaumont died from a heart attack in 1982, at age 73, while visiting his son, Eric, a psychology professor, in Munich, Germany. The man who will forever stay in TV viewers' minds as Ward Cleaver was also an ordained minister. He had a master's degree in theology and remained active in church activities throughout his acting career. A native of Lawrence, Kan., he started his acting career in radio and theater before moving on to movies such as *The Mole People* and *The Blue Dahlia*. He was cast in *Leave It To Beaver* in 1957 and remained through the series' end in 1963. He continued to make guest appearances on TV shows such as *Mannix* and *Wagon Train*, but retired from acting after he suffered a stroke in 1972. He recovered enough to do some directing and community theater in Los Angeles and in Aiken, S.C. (pop. 25,337), where his youngest son, Mark, lived. Just two months before his death, Beaumont reunited with the *Leave It To Beaver* cast on a local TV newscast. ★

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Hometown Spotlight

The Spirit of Hancock

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Photos by Adele Starr

A new spirit is afoot in Hancock, Md., born when the town reached down and yanked on its bootstraps.

Hancock first encountered trouble in the 1960s when it was bypassed by the interstate. That hurt Main Street businesses, and when London Fog—one of the town's largest employers—closed in the early 1990s, matters looked grim for this tight-knit community of 1,725 in western Maryland.

"That was totally devastating to our community, a real challenge," says Hancock's energetic, four-term mayor Daniel A. Murphy. "We've worked to overcome adversity all along the way."

Reviewing its strengths, Hancock found them in its history with the Western Maryland Railroad and the Chesapeake & Ohio (C&O) Canal. Both once brought commerce to town, but by the 1970s they were defunct relics. Today, they are bustling tourist attractions as the Western Maryland Rail Trail and the C&O Canal Park.



Artist Sinclair Hamilton sculpts a bust for a veterans' memorial in Hancock, Md.

Hancock residents, with the guidance of the Western Maryland Rail Trail Citizens Advisory Committee, came together to help refurbish 20 miles of railroad right-of-way purchased in 1990 by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. A portion of the canal running through Hancock was reclaimed from decades of overgrowth and re-watered. Newly completed and well-tended trails along the canal and railbed along the Potomac River now draw hikers and bikers to the picturesque town in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains.

Hancock's C&O Canal Visitor Center is on the east end of Main Street, with information about the 184.5-mile towpath running between Washington, D.C., and Cumberland, Md. In the center of town is a C&O Canal Park, with access to the towpath, rail trail, parking and historic markers.

"This rail trail has been a godsend for Hancock," says Murphy, noting that last summer three major bicycling events rolled through town.

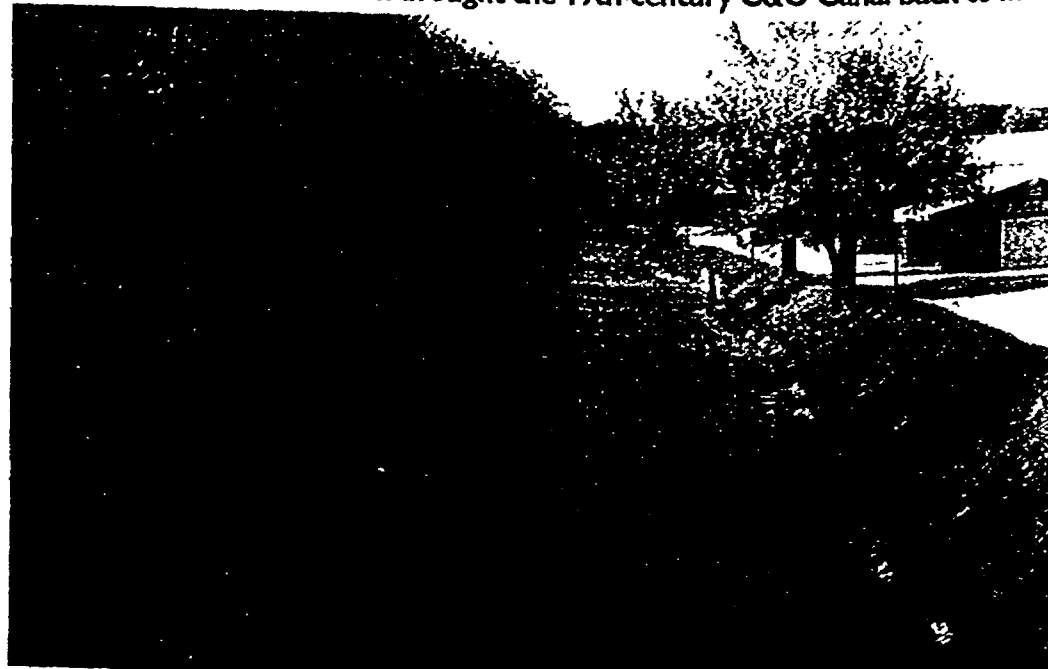
The spirit of working for the town permeates Hancock, from the VFW post raising \$100,000 for a local veterans' memorial, dedicated in 2000, to picnic pavilions erected by the Lion's Club. The town council voted this year to build a park—named after Edward Joseph Hancock Jr., who operated a local ferry in the mid-1800s and gave the town its name—on property reclaimed from a flood-damaged residential area.

To bring more arts to the area, the Hancock Arts Council was formed in 2001. In its first few months, it organized the Hancock Winter Festival, which draws hundreds each February for an all-day snow-sculpting contest, along with music and food. The council has since sponsored dance and music events.

"This place is always a surprise," says sculptor Sinclair Hamilton, who renovated a Main Street bank into an art studio. Hamilton recently designed two bronze sculptures to be added to Hancock's veterans' memorial.

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Residents' restoration efforts brought the 19th-century C&O Canal back to life.



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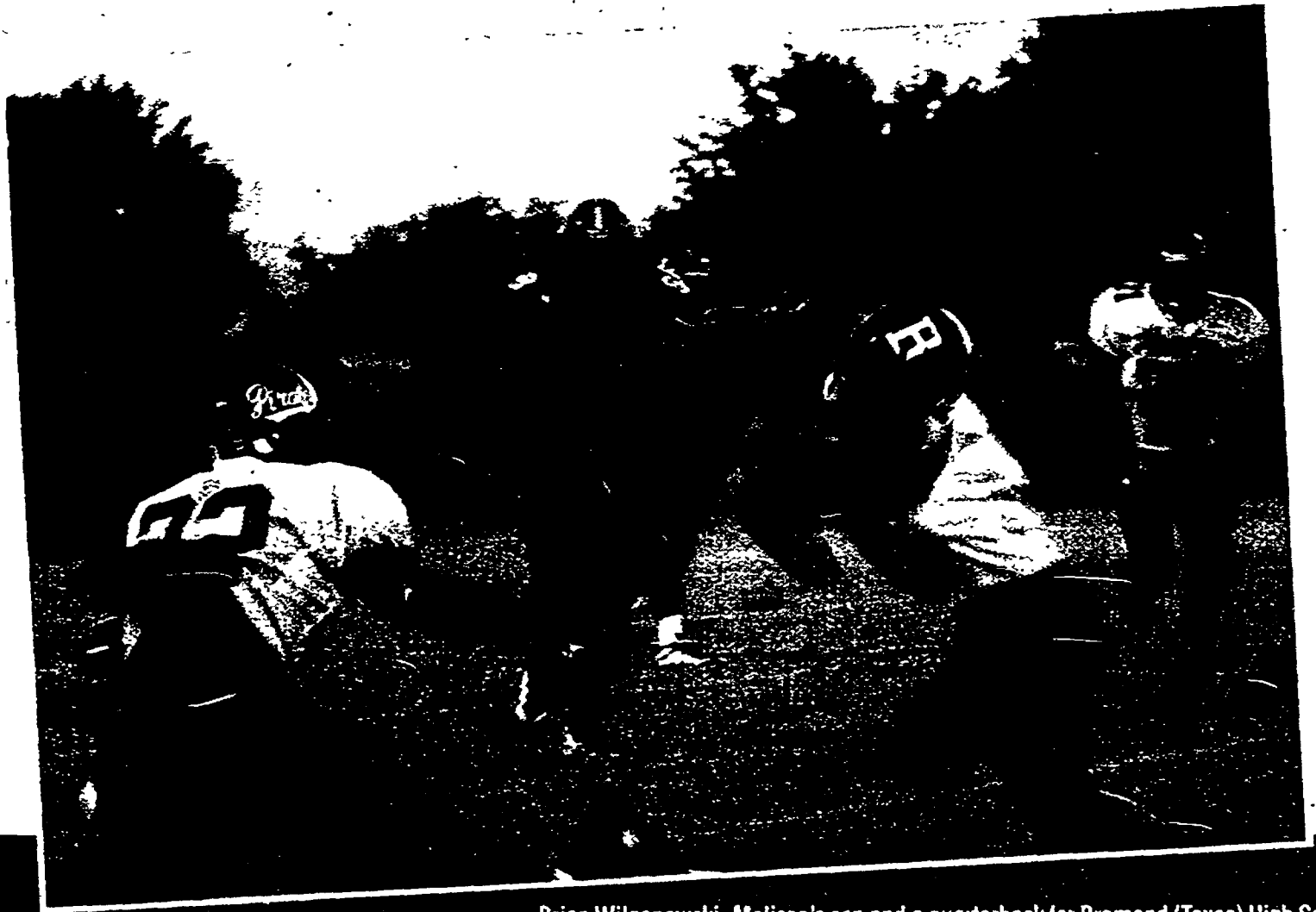
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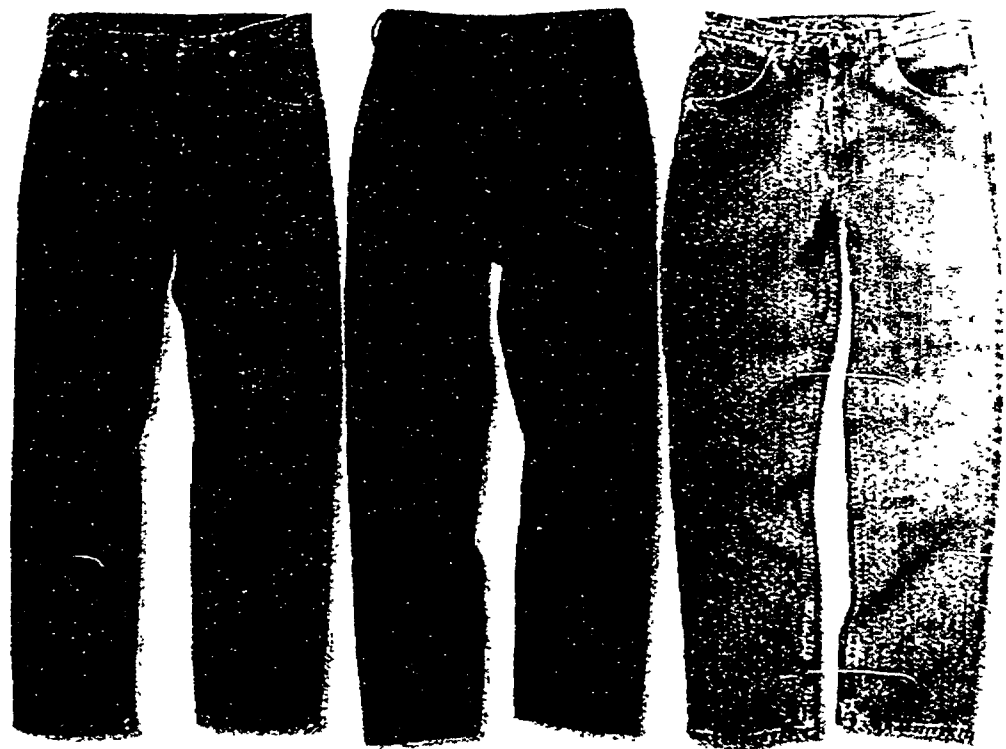
Brian Wilganowski, Melissa's son and a quarterback for Bremond (Texas) High School, dives for a first down against Chilton (Texas) High School. The winning photo was taken with a Canon Rebel on Oct. 1, 2004. and, yes, Brian got the first down.

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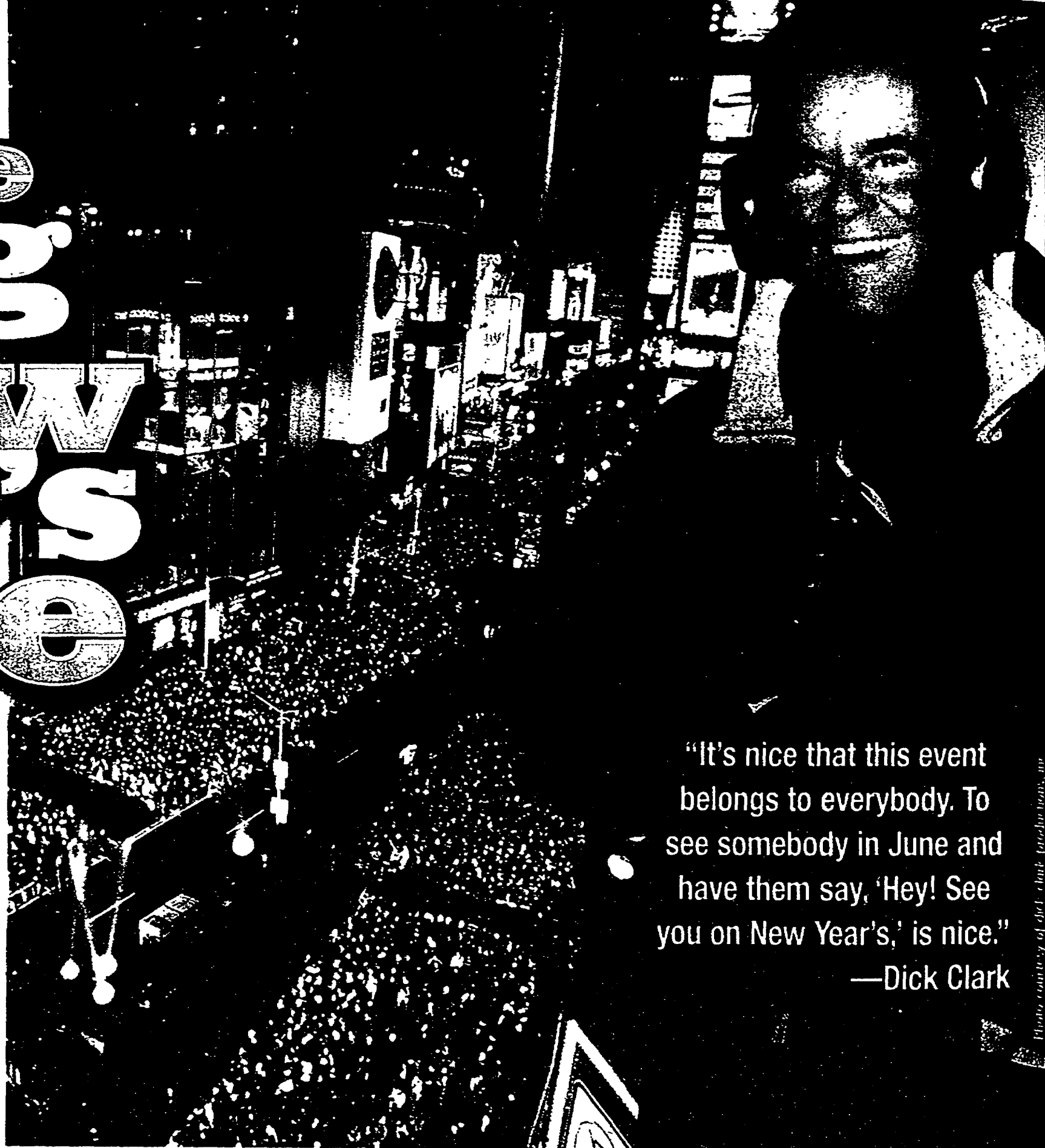
The King of New Year's Eve

As he's done for 33 years, Dick Clark will board a plane this week, leaving his balmy beachfront surroundings in Malibu, Calif., for the cold streets of New York City.

Perhaps no living person is more closely associated with a national holiday than Dick Clark, whose *Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve* on

ABC has become as much a New Year's tradition in many homes as champagne and an off-key rendition of *Auld Lang Syne*. Although the show is in its third decade, it remains hotter than ever: Nearly 21 million people watched last year's show, the third-largest audience ever.

"It never gets old because you never know what's going on," says Clark, 75. "I get the



"It's nice that this event belongs to everybody. To see somebody in June and have them say, 'Hey! See you on New Year's,' is nice."

—Dick Clark

For more than three decades, Dick Clark has presided over New Year's festivities in New York's Times Square.

headset on, and they're screaming and yelling, 'Do this! Do that!' I don't want to destroy the illusion, but it is not all that much fun for me.

"I'm working, trying to put pieces together and integrate things. You've got to pretty much be on your toes for that. I've been up since 5 or 6 a.m. I do hundreds of radio and television interviews all around."

Clark is hoping this New Year's Eve broadcast is peaceful and uneventful, except of course, for what happens onstage. "I remember one year, we were going through the Iran hostage crisis, and the man who owned Number One Times Square from where we drop the ball had darkened the whole building and would not drop the ball," he says. "I had to go to him and plead, 'For God's sake, don't do this. It will draw attention to the fact that there are hostages in Iran. You're going to destroy people's party. That's only part of our world.' I had him turn the lights down for a period of time and let me talk about it (on air)."

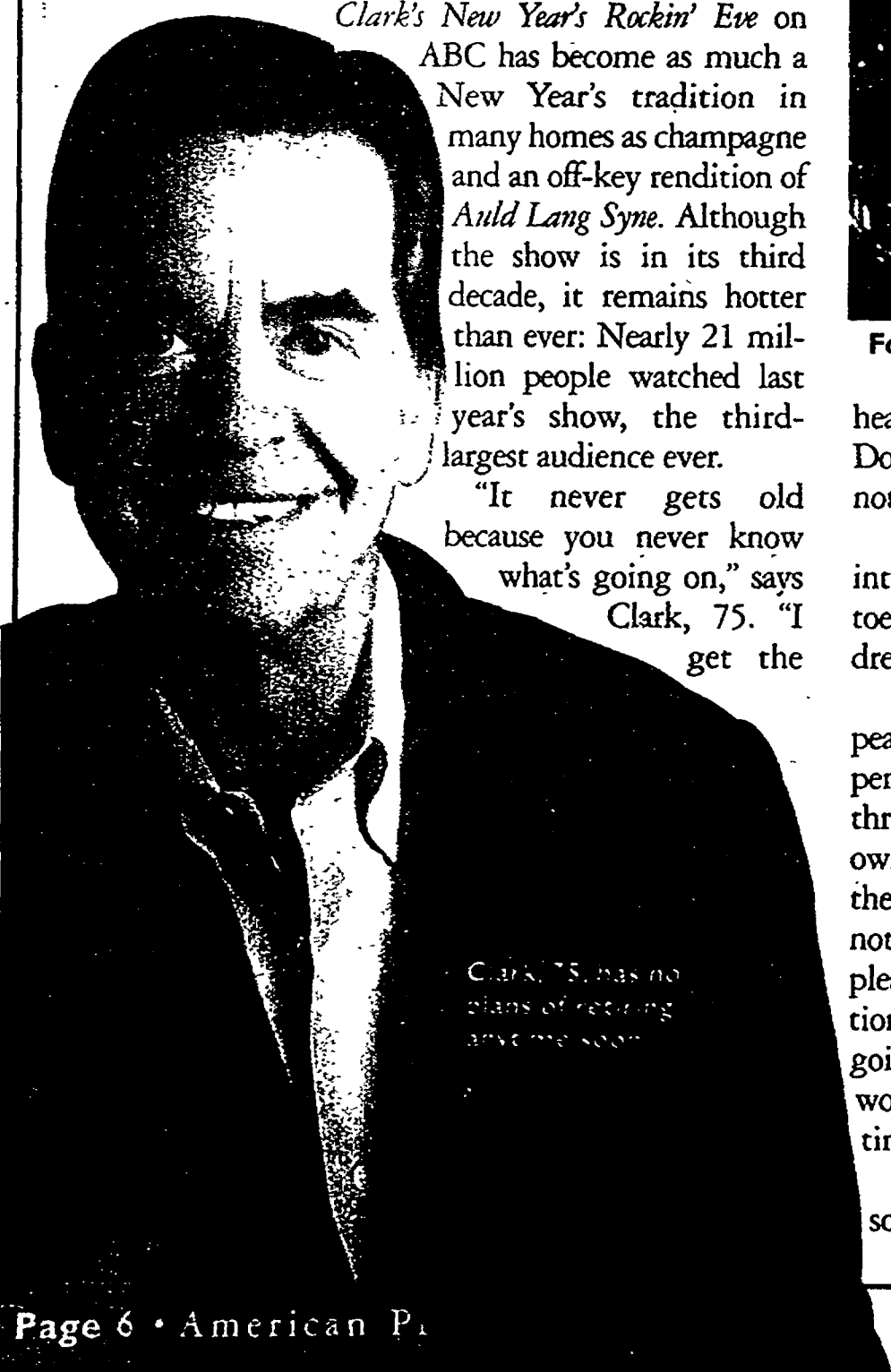
So why doesn't Clark just hand the microphone to someone else and take the holiday week off? He says,

"The fact that people will invite you to what is a special occasion in their lives, like a wedding, birthday or anniversary. It's nice that this event belongs to everybody. To see somebody in June and have them say, 'Hey! See you on New Year's,' is nice."

An ordinary childhood

As a child, Clark and his older brother, Brad, celebrated special occasions with their father, a cosmetics salesman, and their mother, a homemaker, in Bronxville (pop. 6,543) and Mount Vernon, N.Y. (pop. 68,543). "My parents were always very diligent and hard-working," he says. "It was an ordinary childhood—not rich, not poor. It was comfortable. I can remember saying to one of my principals, 'If I can make \$10,000 a year, I've got it made!' And in those days, that was a comfortable life."

He got bit by the broadcasting bug at age 13, when his father took him to a live radio broadcast of Garry Moore and Jimmy Durante. "I just thought, 'That looks like fun and I'd like to get involved in that some-



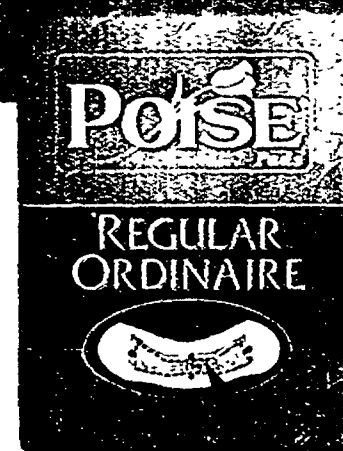
Clark, 75, has no plans of retiring anytime soon.

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Clark, among *Bandstand*'s dancers, kisses the Emmy the show received in the early 1980s.

how or another," he says. "I had no idea I'd ever stand in front of a microphone."

After Brad was killed in World War II when Clark was about 15, Clark's father accepted a job managing a Utica, N.Y., radio station so that he could help his only surviving son achieve his broadcasting dreams. "I can remember my father saying to me at one point, 'If you're still a disc jockey when you're 30, you need to find another line of work,'" Clark recalls. "He would find it amusing that now I'm in my 70s and I still do

seven or eight hours a week of disc jockeying."

Clark, a Syracuse University graduate, landed his first broadcasting position in 1947 at WRUN in Utica and served as a TV newscaster on WKTV in Utica-Rome before moving to Philadelphia radio station WFIL in 1952. On July 9, 1956, Clark was named the new host of *American Bandstand* at WFIL-TV in Philadelphia.

The American Bandstand era

The show, which was aired nationwide in 1957 and quickly became the nation's highest-rated daytime show,

provided a national TV debut for acts such as Paul Anka, the Everly Brothers, Buddy Holly and the Crickets, Jerry Lee Lewis, Chubby Checker and Jackie Wilson.

"We had 10,000 musical performances on that show, so it would be very difficult to pinpoint one or two favorites," he says. "The two or three that occur to me all the time are when Michael Jackson took the microphone away from me or when Madonna was there and we heard how she was going to be a star.

Also, the first-time Barry Manilow appeared, and he made an impression. Then they go back to when Chuck Berry first appeared and said, 'I'm gonna dance.'"

Clark was working seven days a week and was once on all three major TV networks in syndication simultaneously. "Most of my activity nowadays is backstage, which is the way I planned it when I was a kid. When I first got a good break doing *Bandstand*, I set up a corporation to be a production company, figuring that the on-air thing wouldn't last long, and eventually if I wanted to stay around the business, be involved in the production process."

American Bandstand moved to California in 1964, where it remained until 1989, when the 59-year-old Clark stepped down as host, and the show was soon cancelled.

Clark poses with his wife, Kari.



Clark announced recently that *Bandstand* will return to television in September.

It will still feature teenagers dancing, lip-synched performances and the rating of records, but it also will have a contemporary "reality" twist of revealing the dancers' personal lives and allowing the audience to vote for their favorite couples. In addition, footage from the 1960s can now be seen on



Clark laughs during an interview with Cher (above), and poses with rock band Bon Jovi (at right). He's also interviewed Janet and Michael Jackson, Madonna and Chuck Berry.

the NBC show *American Dreams*, which Clark co-produces.

Considered one of Hollywood's most successful independent producers, dick clark productions is responsible for shows such as *Bloopers*, the *American Music Awards*, *Academy of Country Music Awards* and the *Golden Globes*. Clark's wife, Kari, whom he married in 1977, works with him (and they bring their three dogs to the office every day); his son, RAC, produces the country awards show. Son Duane has directed or written shows such as *CSI* and *Boston Public*, and daughter Cindy is an independent producer and writer.

"I try to do things that ordinary people will like a lot," Clark says. "That's basically my philosophy, and as a pro-

ducer, I try to appeal to the widest stroke of audience."

Clark, who concedes that "work absorbs me," has no plans of retiring: "I'd love to keep doing what we're doing," he says. "Hopefully, we'll have a couple of new projects in the works and maybe a film. Possibly someday, I'd like to produce a Broadway show. I've tried a couple of times and failed, but I've had the opportunity of late to try that again."

Although Clark remains a cultural icon who is just as famous as the musical superstars he introduced to the nation decades ago, he's too busy planning for the future to reminisce about his early years.

"I'm most proud of not only being around, but

being able to maintain for so many years," he says. "It's incredible. There are just a handful of people that you could point to who have been able to do that."

"People say to me now frequently, at least once or twice a week, 'Thanks for being part of my life.' That's about as nice as it gets. If you spend your life enjoying what you do and getting paid enough to do it and having fun, the added issue of people saying thank you can be nice." ☆

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Hometown Heroes

A Sweet Family Venture

by LAURIE R. QUADE

Photos by David Scott Smith

Bessie Zeller didn't start making her unique honey-based candy with the intent of turning it into a family business. Instead, she was just following a doctor's orders.

Zeller began creating the candy in her Lovell, Wyo. (pop. 2,367), home more than 50 years ago after an optometrist advised her that her son Mitchel's vision would improve if sugar were eliminated from his diet. Looking for a sugar replacement, she turned

to honey, which was in abundant supply because of her husband Clarence's occupation as a beekeeper.

"So, I started creating all my own recipes and did all my cooking, canning and baking with honey," says Bessie, 79. "One year later, he didn't need glasses."

The doctor never gave the family a diagnosis for Mitchel's condition, and Bessie says she has never heard that advice given since.

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"We started because our boys wanted to stay here and make a living," she says. "They wanted to go into the bee business with their dad, but there wasn't enough income."

Today, Gene and Von still work for Queen Bee Gardens and serve as co-owners along with Clarence. The couple also has three daughters, Sidney, JoAnne and Annella.

"Everybody told us it couldn't be done," says Bessie of starting the company. "We didn't know anything about shelf life (how long a product can remain in the store) or marketing, but Clarence insisted we could do it." For example, most sugar-based truffles have a 30-day shelf life, but since honey is a natural preservative, Queen Bee candies and truffles have a 90-day shelf life.

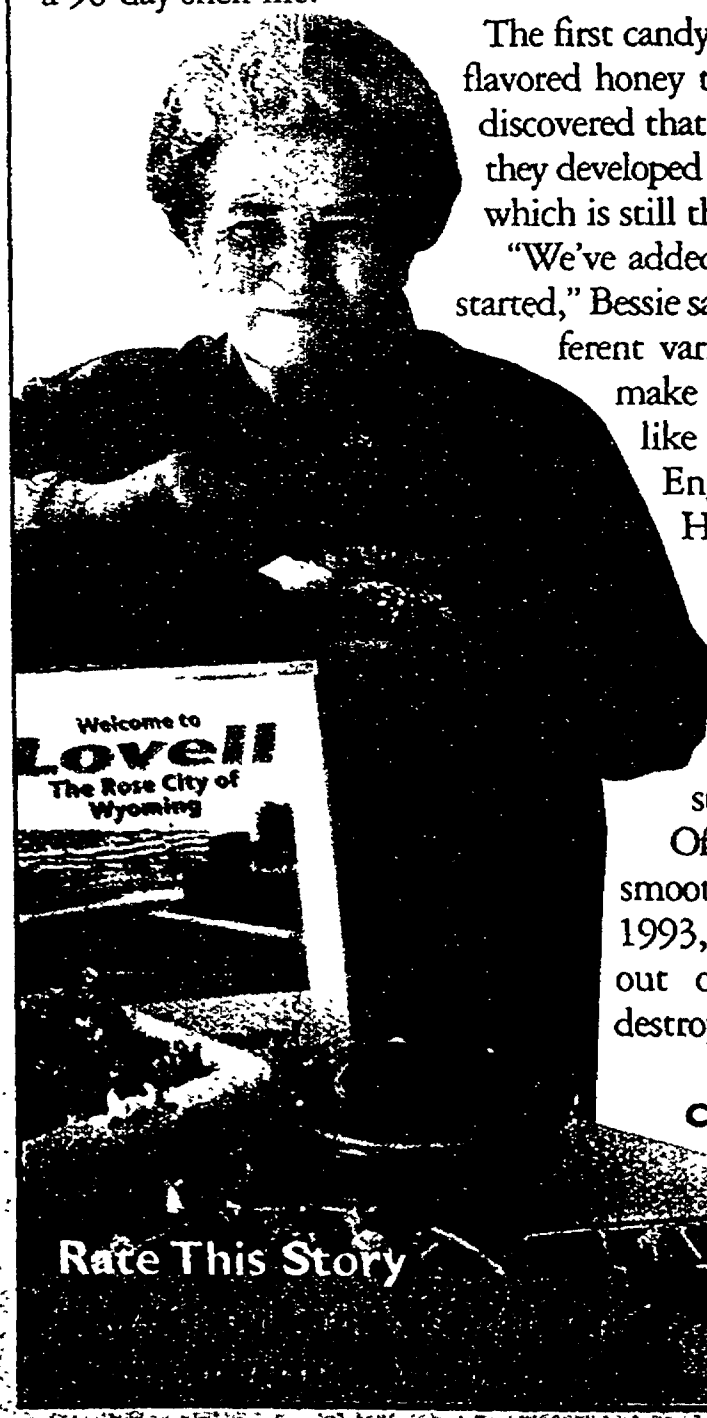
The first candy made for sale was vanilla-flavored honey taffy, but when the Zellers discovered that its shelf life was too short, they developed a praline called Pecan Pearl, which is still their top seller.

"We've added a lot of candies since we started," Bessie says. "We have about 10 different varieties of pralines. We also make Honeymoons, which are like Turtles, as well as truffles, English toffee, Bark and Haystacks."

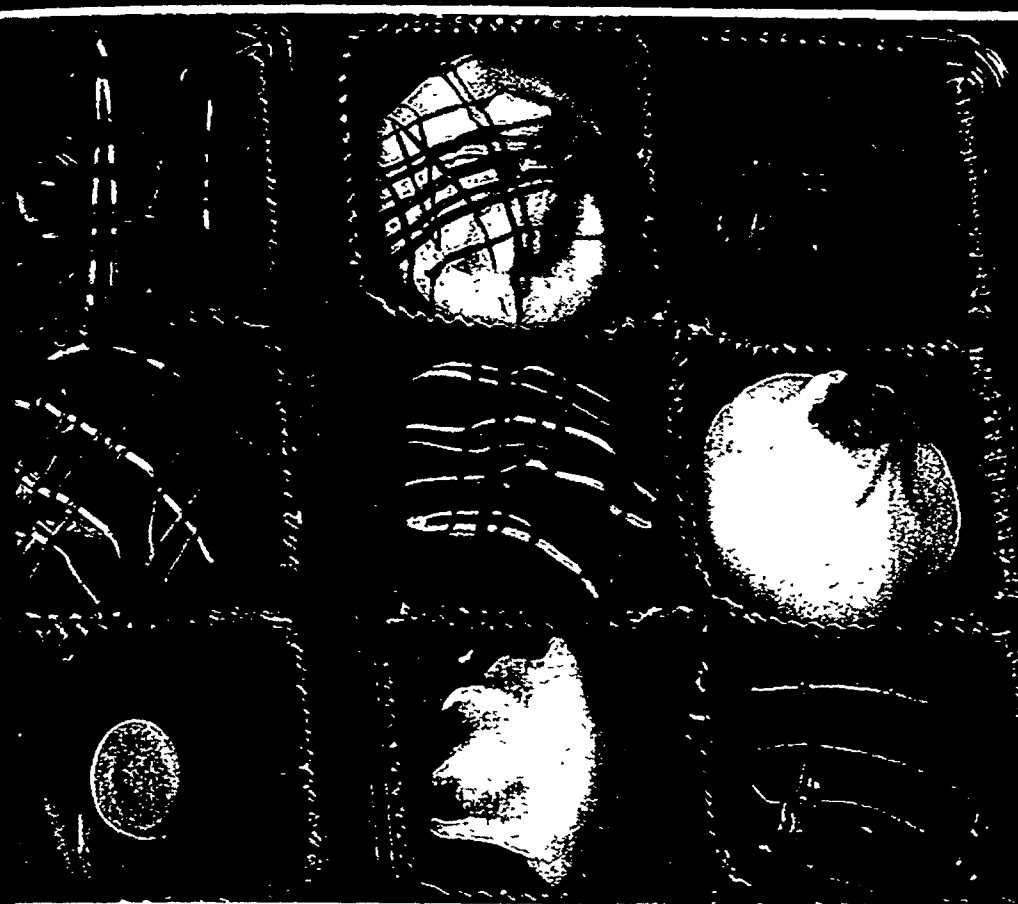
The low-sugar and no-sugar candies, initially sold only at a handful of health food stores, are now available in more than 800 stores in all 50 states.

Of course, it hasn't always been smooth sailing for the Zellers. In 1993, the company nearly went out of business when a fire destroyed their factory.

Candy creator Bessie Zeller



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handcrafted chocolate truffles created at Queen Bee Gardens in Lovell, Wyo.

"Everything was gone," Clarence says. Luckily, fellow Lovell residents came to their rescue. They helped haul off debris and pour a concrete floor for a new honey house. Neighbor Scott Caturia, a local Mormon leader, called other congregations throughout the county to enlist aid for the Zellers, who also are Mormons.

"Everybody just kind of pitched in," Caturia says. "When you put it all together, it got them back on their feet and got them started."

Queen Bee Gardens moved its base of operation to a former Safeway store in downtown Lovell, and within 30 days of the fire, the business was up and running again.

"It was just thrilling to think that people were so kind and loving and helpful. It was heartwarming," Bessie says.

Today, the company has fully recovered and become a full-fledged family affair. "A lot of the family is involved," Bessie says. "There's my husband and me, Von and Gene, their wives, and our daughter, Sidney, and her husband, Lawrence. We also have two grandsons who are working with us, Ben and Jason."

Outside of family, the company employs four full-time workers and a host of part-time helpers, who help produce more than 200,000 pounds of candy each year.

Looking back over the company's history, Bessie is more than a little surprised at how the company literally sprang from following a doctor's orders. "Sometimes," she says, "it just amazes me." ☆

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Spicy Chicken in Sauce

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RECIPE: Spicy Chicken in Sauce

American Profile



Kenneth Zura
Sugar Run, Pa.



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Spicy Chicken in Sauce

- 1/3 cup ketchup
- 1/4 cup applesauce
- 1 and 1/2 teaspoons curry powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Dash of black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme, crushed
- 1/3 cup raisins
- 1 medium green bell pepper, cut into thin strips
- 1 medium red bell pepper, cut into thin strips
- 1 medium onion, cut into eighths
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 pound skinless, boneless chicken breasts, cut into 1/2-inch wide strips
- 1/4 cup peanuts

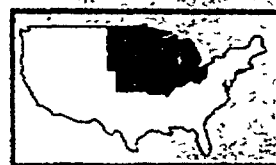
Combine first seven ingredients in a bowl and set aside. In a large skillet, sauté onion, peppers and garlic in 1 tablespoon oil until peppers are crisp/tender. Remove vegetables from skillet and set aside. Sauté chicken in remaining tablespoon of oil until just cooked (about 2 to 3 minutes per side). Stir ketchup mixture in with the cooked chicken. Cook until sauce is bubbly. Add sautéed vegetables and stir until they are coated with sauce. Garnish with peanuts. Serves four.

Tips From Our Test Kitchen:

This dish is delicious served over rice. Add 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper for a hot and spicy kick.

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Bald Eagle Appreciation Days—Solon, Jan. 15-16. View eagles in their natural habitat, and enjoy exhibits by wildlife agencies, wood carvers, and rock and mineral displays at the Solon Community Center. (515) 382-2430.

KANSAS

Flaming Idiots—Lawrence, Jan. 21-Feb. 6. Postal workers open a restaurant in Miami and gain publicity for their eatery by arranging a visit by a Mafia hit man. Lawrence Community Theatre. (785) 843-7469.

MICHIGAN

Winterfest—Kalkaska, Jan. 15-16. This seasonal celebration features sled dog races, pulling contests and rides, a chili cookoff, and silent auction at the Kalkaska County Fairgrounds. (231) 258-9103.

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Celebrating Birch—Grand Marais, Jan. 14-17. Learn how to make birch skis, embroider with birch beads and carve birch bowls at the North House Folk School. For reservations, call (888) 487-9747.

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Stones in His Pockets—Webster Groves, Jan. 5-Feb. 4. This comedy features two actors portraying all the characters in a rural Irish town with visions of Hollywood. Repertory Theatre of St. Louis. (314) 968-4925.

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Eagle Watch—Wood River, Jan. 15. Take a tour to Johnson Lake to view eagles, and enjoy bird demonstrations by Raptor Recovery at the Crane Meadows Nature Center. For reservations, call (888) 382-1820.

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OHIO

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Outdoor Show—Sioux Falls, Jan. 21-23. Features exhibits of boats, campers, RVs and ATVs, activities for children, and outdoor sports seminars. Expo Building at the Sioux Empire Fairgrounds. (605) 336-2988.

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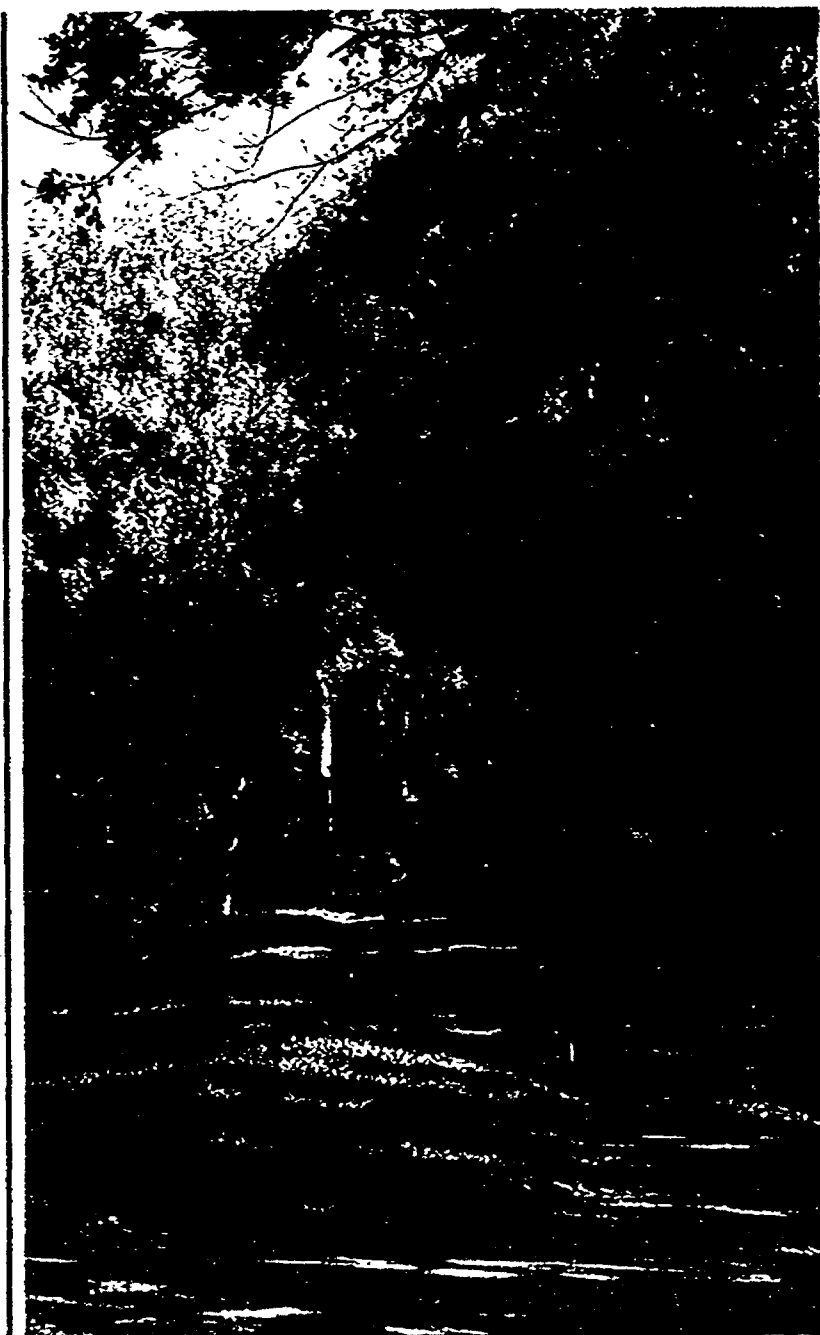
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Police Chief Donald Gossage is a self-taught grant writer who has secured more than \$350,000 in state and federal funds for community crime control, prevention programs and events, including pool parties and "midnight madness" basketball games for the town's youths. "There was not a lot for the teen-age kids to do in the evenings," he says.

As rector of the 169-year-old St. Thomas' Episcopal Parish, the Rev. F. Allan Weatherholt Jr. sees community involvement firsthand. "Hancock is a very caring community," he says. "It's a wonderful blend of history and tradition and a forward looking community."

That history started with rough-and-tumble fur traders in the 1730s. George Washington surveyed the area. Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson bombarded Hancock in 1862, and President Franklin D. Roosevelt vacationed at nearby Woodmont Lodge. In 2003, the town was added to Maryland's historic Civil War Heritage Trails, with three kiosks describing Hancock's Civil War history.

Lifelong Hancock resident Debbie Reed enjoys the new spirit in her hometown. She says she wouldn't live anywhere else. "There's so much more love in a small town." ★

Susan C. Ingram is writer in Randallstown, Md.

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