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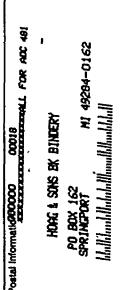
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### Resident vow: 'fight as long as it takes'

### Emotion, uncertainty still mark 'Our Lady' school proposal

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Ken Koslowski's voice cracked with emotion last week as he described to Northville Board of Zoning Appeals members where his yard borders the site of Our Lady of Victory's proposed school.

"This has a very deep financial impact on me," the 835 W. Main St. resident said. "It will be within 20 to 25 feet of

Despite the photos Koslowski submitted to illustrate the "too big" and "the planning commission erred" arguments echoed by a dozen residents at the meeting, the appeals board let the commission's Nov. 2 final site plan approval

"We're definitely going to appeal," said John Colizzi, whose 11-point application the board rejected. "We feel we are right.

"It's going to be expensive for us, but the neighbors are willing to fight. It may

take years. "We will fight for as long as it takes."

### Not 'just a school'

As soon as the Jan. 5 meeting record is Orchard Drive, just south of West Main

official, Colizzi said he and fellow Orchard Heights residents plan to file a second circuit court lawsuit.

Results of yesterday's hearing regarding the June lawsuit filed by six neighbors was not available prior to press.

"We're concerned about our neighborhood, we're concerned about safety. we're concerned about our property values," Colizzi said.

People who are not involved in the project don't comprehend the size of this school on three and a half acres.

"People say, 'it's just a school.'"
The appeals board's action effectively clears city-level approval for the Catholic congregation's 77,000-square-foot building with gym planned for the west side of

Our Lady of Victory leaders have described plans for a spring groundbreaking for the new kindergarten-througheighth school.

grade Church representatives could not be Gary Word reached for com-



ment by presstime. "I would think it'd be risky," said City Manager Gary Word. "They've got some lawsuits pending out there.

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# That's snow business



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHYLLE RECORD

For seasonal driving tips,

Colleen VanRiper, left, sleds down Amerman's hill last Thursday morning with her daughter Madison, 6, and niece Quinn VanRiper, 7, middle.

### Snow falls, but concern rises over sledding safety policy

Polar opposites: some parents think kids are at too much downhill risk; others say risk simply comes with fun

By Maureen Johnston **RECORD STAFF WRITER** 

One dad snatched his toddler son just in time, removing him from the path of a high-speed saucer careening toward him near the base of the Amerman Elementary School hill. It was a near-miss, one of many during a typical sledding day at

the popular outdoor destination.
"Better the sled," two moms at the top of the hill nodded to each other after they watched a zooming sledder knock the ride from the hands of another youngster turning to climb back up the hill.

And then a chorus of familiar reminders: "Stay to the left!" 'Look out below!" "Hurry up, get up!" Parents barked orders at the dozens of children who grabbed

sleds, snowboards and saucers on their "snow day" off from school The Eight Mile Road slope has been a winter attraction for gen-

erations of Northville families. Falling snow drives children of all ages to the Northville Public ice damming information property and how to pick out the per-Schools-owned between the baseball diamond fect snowblower, see page

and elementary school. The stedding regimen is sim-

ple; climb to the top; slide down

as fast as you can; then walk back up, from wherever you stop. But it's precisely that spontaneity which has renewed safety concerns among some parents.

### Stay to the left

Mary Guidbord for years has watched the knockdowns, collisions and disorder and has feared the worst for her children and others. Now she's asking for safety precautions to be implemented, ranging from parental diligence to a dedicated path back up the hill.

They're so excited," said Guibord, mother of children ages 7, 9 and 13. The random manner sledders walk up creates the risk, she

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### Clear a path

City workers shovel Northville out - just not always to everyone's satisfaction

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

The phone at the public works department has been with questions: ringing "When's my street going to be plowed?"

"Why did you block my driveway?"

Weicome Last to winter for Thursday, director Jim 12 local Gallogly's students ctem. used their nine. snow day to When snow y shovel weather hits, driveways the city's and raise

public works money for employees tsunami follow victims in priorities for Asia, Page snow removal around town.

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weeks worth of snow storms have forced them to dwell inside city trucks, salting, plowing and hauling snow from streets, sidewalks and parking lots.

Then doing it again. "I think we do a very good

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job," Gallogly said. "I think people can get all around our town." Still, the director regularly

fields calls: they plowed too far from a mailbox, they plowed too close to a mailbox, they covered up a just-blown area or they don't show up soon enough. "You get a lot of people

calling with concerns at major snow events," he said. "When you're plowing snow, you can't make everyone happy."

### Safety first

The city typically spreads

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### Granholm approves new high school exam

Michigan Merit Exam will replace MEAP as school standard

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

With Gov. Jennifer Granholm's Jan. 5 signature, a college entrance-style Michigan Merit Exam is poised to take the place of the state's high school MEAP test. The legislation will have the 11th-grade test in place by spring of 2007, after a test run in 2006.

Standardized and on par with the ACT or SAT, the exam will test English, math, reading, science, social studies and assess workplace readiness.

To create a strong economy and good jobs, we need to reach our goal of doubling the number of college graduates in Michigan," Granholm said in a statement. "This new exam sends the message that we expect every student will continue their education beyond high school."

Strongly approved as five bills by the Senate Dec. 9, the new laws make the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Michigan Department of Education and State Board of Education responsible for developing new high school standards to support the Michigan Merit Exam.

Graduating classes of 2005 must certify with MEAP by Nov. 15, 2005, while 2006 graduates must now complete 40 hours of high school community service.

For information, call the state's education department at (877) 560-TEST.

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"This new exam sends the message that we expect every student will continue their education beyond high school."

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### Legal quagmire

The congregation's Farmington Hills-based legal firm Nedelman Pawlak has not yet moved to dismiss the church's lawsuit against the city.

Parish counsel had claimed the city and its planning commission had unnecessarily delayed the project and had requested from the applicant items beyond their jurisdictional scope.

Planning commissioners referenced the lawsuit when appeals board members asked them about some of the specific aspects of the church's \$14 million project they approved in their November

split vote. The appeals board's job is to determine if there was support on the record for the planning commission's original decision, board chairman Rolland Stapleton said. In a 6-3 vote, Stapleton, Charles Ayers, James Bress, William Lokey, James Haveraneck and Luke Durst said "yes"; Carol

Maise, Larry Jensen and Chris Gazlay said "no." Northville, attorney, Eric Stempien, argued Colizzi's case for ordinance violations in the church's plan, including length of parking stalls, number of parking spaces provided and vehicle/pedestrian safety.

"We feel they overlooked the facts," Colizzi said. "There were a lot of (planning commission) decisions made behind closed doors that all of us were not aware of, 'us' being the general public."

The residents' June lawsuit questions the

appeals board's May decision to reverse the planning commission's March vote to deny the parish's 'special land-use permit application to build on the site. Colizzi said a second lawsuit will follow the board's February approval of the meet-

ing minutes.
"They can tear houses down, anything they start if the courts rule in our favor — they can't go on," Colizzi said.

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### Local lawyer locked up again on fraud charges

Township resident once again faces judge on fraud charges, faces court date

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

Following allegations of \$8 million in fraud and embezzlement, Charles G. Mady of Northville Township was jailed last month for a new fraud charge - by his neighbor.

An attorney involved with brokering, Mady, 34, allegedly lost \$1.5 million of neighbor Demitrios Athanasiou's E\*Trade account in about three

That was according to a U.S. Eastern District Court of Michigan criminal complaint filed Dec. 21. Mady plead not guilty.

Mady was arraigned May 10 on prior charges of defrauding 30 investors of \$8 million from April 1998 to May 2002 by mail fraud, embezzlement and working as an unregistered commodity pool operator. He plead not guilty.

The U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission formally made the case in 2002. Mady was barred from certain types of trading and ordered repay funds by District Judge Victoria A. Mady allegedly didn't tell Athanasion this information. The new charge landed him in a Wayne County jail on Roberts' orders.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul Burakoff said if a grand jury doesn't hand down an indictment 30 days after the complaint's filing, Mady can be dis-

However, Mady still could be indicted at a later

A Feb. I jury trail was scheduled originally. Now, Mady's defense lawyer, David Nacht, said there would be a new set of trail dates.

David Plunkett, Athanasiou's lawyer, said he wasn't certain, Last time, Mady paid a minimum required \$100,000 portion of a \$1 million bond.

Mady now is in pre-trial detention without bail. Nacht said he's filed a 27-page brief with the 6th

Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinatti. Nacht said Mady was arrested the day after Mady's wife gave birth to their third child.

According to the previous indictment, Mady converted more than \$3 million in investor funds to purchase racehorses and pay for home improvements and domestic costs.

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### Use caution when shopping online

The holiday season may be officially over, but that doesn't mean you should let down your guard against possible identity theft and credit card fraud.

. Eight tips for shopping safely onlinefrom www.scambusters.org

1. Use common sense. This seems obvious, but people don't always do it. Further, if you have a gut feeling that something isn't

legitimate, you're probably right.

2. If possible, pay by credit card rather than by check or money order. Here's why: If you use your credit card to make a purchase and you encounter a problem and the company won't fix it - you can notify (in writing) the bank that issues your credit card that you are disputing the charge, and you don't have to pay the charge while your dispute is being investigated. And, if the company doesn't deliver the item or they are a scam, you're in a much better position to get your money back.

3. Don't buy anything from companies that use bulk e-mail solicitations. We recently heard from a colleague that she had purchased a lot of stuff on the Net. and had not even received about 60 percent of it!

4. Check the company out. Only do business with companies that provide a physical address and a phone number. If you're sus-. trust your gut

5. Always ask for references and check them carefully, A reputable company will be pleased to provide you with lots of refer-

6. Only do business with companies that offer a strong guarantee and/or warranty. Ask the company what will happen if you want to return the product or service. Most reputable companies offer strong guarantees and stand

behind their products, especially,

online. 7. Keep good records. Always print out a copy of any online products or services you purchase. Make sure you print out the Web page (including the Web address, URL), any mails with the e-mail addresses, and any other relevant information, including the date and time that you saw the offer and made the purchase. Save this information in case you need

8. Be careful, but don't be paranoid. After all, most businesses on the Web are legitimate. Shopping online can provide tremendous advantages - including the safety of not venturing out to shop! so don't throw the baby out with the bath water. Use good judg-ment, be careful, follow these tips, and you probably won't have any problems.

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### Jackson named as McCotter press secretary

By Pam Fleming HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Bpb Jackson of Novi, and former Northville Record editor, has been named the new press secretary for 11th District Congressman Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia).

Jackson also formerly served as managing editor of HomeTown Newspapers, based in Howell. He is also a former member of the Northville Chamber Commerce Board of Directors.

Jackson assumed the new position last month.

The 11th Congressional District includes Highland, White Lake, Milford, Commerce, Commerce Township, Wixom, Wolverine Lake, Walled Lake, Lyon Township, South Lyon and Novi and a portion of Northville in Oakland County.

In Wayne County, the district includes Northville. Northville Township, Plymouth, Canton, Canton Township, Van Buren Township, Belleville, Livonia. Westland. Garden City. Waterford, Redford and a portion

of Dearborn Heights. Jackson, a native of Farmington, said McCotter's former press secretary, Jamie Loftus, went to work for the Bush/Cheney campaign in January. The con-gressman had been without a press secretary since her depar-

Jackson started working wit McCotter's team in October on an informal basis and was asked to join the congressman's staff fulltime last month. He has known McCotter for many years. When Jackson was editor of the Northville Record, McCotter was a Wayne County Commissioner.

"When I was dealing with him from a press standpoint, I found him to be engaging and extremely intelligent. I might not have agreed with him on every issue, but he always left me thinking, Jackson said.

"You can bring up any issue, and he can dissect that issue and pretty much tell you how people are going to feel about that issue. I've never met someone in public service with this ability."

In his new position, Jackson manages all media-related con-cerns for hig Corter Hel writes press releases and sets up inter-liews with McCotterforeporters from across the state and country.

"I'm thankful that "concerns the congressman gave me the opportunity to work for him, because I think in this day and age, it's rare to be able to work for a public servant you believe in."

Bob Jackson Press Secretary, U.S. Rep Thaddeus McCotter

The 11th Congressional District Office is located at Laurel Park Place in Livonia. McCotter's staff can be contacted at (734) 632-0314.

"I never thought I'd be at this end of the relationship between government and the press. But, I have to admit, I like this side better," Jackson said,
"You feel like you are accom-

plishing something that's going to Tect a lot of people. For example, if I send out a press release about something the congressman has done, this is going to alert the thousands of people who elected him that he is looking out for them. It's a very empowering feeling," he said.

Jackson has a degree in journalism from the University in Missouri in Columbia and has worked in the field for more than 20 years.

He and his wife, Katherine, live with their 4-year-old daughter, Ellie, in Novi.

"I'm thankful that the congressman gave me the opportunity to work for him, because I think in this day and age, it's rare to be able to work for a public servant you believe in. I think being a member of his staff is an honor, and I'm excited," Jackson said.

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### Walnut rezoning request withd

Property owner on the upper floor. yields to neighborhood

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

When Walnut Street residents protested Richard Ambler's plan to replace a house with a parking lot, he opted for Plan B.

The lifetime Northville resident said he is not sure yet what that plan is, but he will not pursue demolishing the 54-year-old 113 Walnut St. house.

His offer to purchase the home was contingent on plans to expand the parking lot behind his 511 N. Center St. building.

"I felt pretty strongly - even after putting a lot of time and effort into this project — after hearing their concerns, there really was no decision," he said. His Ambler Enterprises office is

Ambler told his neighbors who attended the Northville Planning Commission Jan. 4 public hearing he and his tenant,

Vision Computer Solutions, will figure something else out. He withdrew his application to rezone the lot from residential to professional business office.

The computer services business has occupied the main floor for four of the approximate 15 years Ambler has owned the building, he said. Ambler said they are in need of more parking for their growing clientele.

"They've got a decision to make whether they'll get a second location or move," Ambler said. "They may continue to stay on longer term.

"So potentially, we've just got to work through some situation." Ambler said when he heard the home behind his current parking lot was for sale, he thought he had found a solution for the parking shortage. Leveling the house to expand the lot would eliminate street W. Eight Mile Rd. Walnet 113 Walnut Rayson Street Randolph SI

parking on a steep hill and school bus route, he had proposed in his application.

"I'm back at the drawing board," Ambler said. "When I saw that many of my neighbors were that upset about it, I didn't even let it go to the board.

"I guess I was a little overwhelmed by the turnout and

"I'm back at the drawing board. When I saw that many of my neighbors were that upset about it, I didn't even let it go to the board."

> Richard Ambler Property Owner

Walnut Street, which runs east-west from East to N. Center streets, is residential except for Ambler's existing parking spaces.

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ships and passages of divorce. The cost is \$35. For more information or to register, call (248) 349-0911 9 a.m.-5 p.m., weekdays. British man

### Prodigý in town

Lang Lang, a 22-year-old piano prodigy who was featured on CBS', "60 Minutes" Jan. 9, will present a free master class at Schoolcraft College at 11 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 15.

The class will take place in the VisTaTech Center Presentation Room. "Seating is limited and those wishing to attend must call event sponsor Hammell Music at (734) 427-0040 for reservations. A reception will follow the twohour class to meet the artist.

Lang Lang is in town to perform with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Jan. 14, 15 and 16. The pianist began formal lessons at age 3. He made his sions from all Northville area

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Carnegie Hall debut at 21, and performs 150 concerts a year. For information, call the Schoolcraft Music Department

### at 734-462-4403.

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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)

artcommission@ci.nonhville.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

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 Web Commission site: www.northvillearts.org for upcoming exhibition, consignment and teaching opportunities at the Art House.

### City hall notes

 Northville City Hall offices will be open Monday, Jan. 17, Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

• Trash pickup will take place as normally scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 17-

### Join the walk

The community's Martin Luther King Jr. commemorative walk will begin 7 p.m., Monday, Jan. 17, from the First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St.

The candlelight walk will proceed from the church, down Main Street, concluding at the Northville Senior Community

For more information, contact the Northville Youth Assistance office at (248) 344-1618.

### Park planning 2005

Friends of Maybury State Park will host their annual meeting at the Northville District Library 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2.

The agenda will include election of officers and planning for the coming year. All members are encouraged to attend.

### Dinner dance Feb. 12

Celebrate love and romance when you and that special someone enjoy a gourmet dinner and cheek-to-cheek at dance Schoolcraft College's Valentine Dinner Dance Saturday, Feb.

The evening begins at 7 p.m. with dinner in the VisTaTech Center's DiPonio Room. The menu includes mussel soup, sliced roast sirloin with potato parsnip puree, late winter vegetables, a green salad, and chocolate cake.

The music of Johnny Trudell and his orchestra will follow. Tickets are \$50 per person with proceeds benefiting Schoolcraft College students through foundation scholarships and grants.

For information or to order tickets, call (734) 462-4400. ext. 5008.

#### Lots of stuff

Northville Senior Community Center is hosting a garage sale 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Jan. 21-22. The cost to rent a table is \$25.

For information, call (248)

### Many new offerings

Registration is under way for the more than 300 winter continuing education classes at Schoolcraft College.

The class schedule is available on campus or on the Web at www.schoolcraft.edu. The schedule includes course information and registration forms that may be mailed or faxed; there also is instruction for touch-tone and on-line registra-

New classes include: 30minute meals, vegetarian cooking, making quesadillas and help with specialty diets, black and white photography, women's self esteem and the healing art of Reiki.

Students 60 or older may enroll in classes at reduced rates, with proof of age. For registration information, class schedules or gift certificates, call (734) 462-4448.

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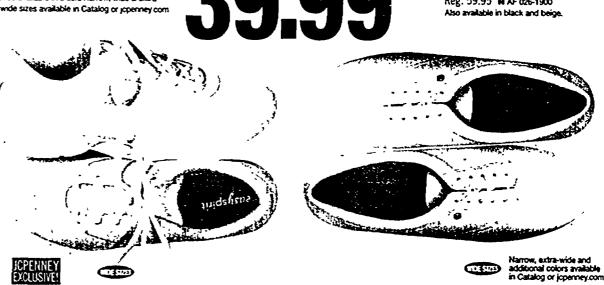
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### **ENGAGEMENTS**



### McClintock-Vitaione

Douglas and McClintock of Northville announce the engagement of daughter, Margaret McClintock to Tom Vitalone. son of Jim and Rita Vitalone of Fairport, N.Y.

The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of Northville High School and a 2003 graduate of Colorado University, Boulder, Colo. She is employed in the winter as a snowboard instructor/assistant manager at Granlabakken Resort, Tahoe, Calif. and in the summer as a photographer.

The groom-elect is a 1988 graduate of Fairport High School and a 1993 graduate of Penn State. He is employed in the winter as a ski area manager at Granlabakken Resort, Tahoe, Calif. and in the summer as owner of 2V's Landscape and Irrigation.

A May, 2005 wedding is planned on Mackinac Island.



Ronald and Lynda Baca of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Baca to Daniel Hess, son of Albert Hess of St. Clair Shores and Rene Hess of Grand Blanc.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Northville High School. She also graduated from Michigan State University and Wayne State University. She is currently working for Ford Motor Company.

The groom-elect is a graduate of Troy Athens High School. He also graduated from Michigan State University and Wayne State University. He is employed by Penske Logistics.
An April, 2005 wedding is

### Spera named 2005 Northville Rotary president

Northville Rotary Foundation board of trustees has elected Charles Spera president

Other officers elected include: Stephen Stocker, vice president and Robert Geake, secretary. Gilbert "Gib" Spaman was reelected treasurer. Newly elected board members include Rick Bucciarelli and Traci Sincock.

Northville Rotary Foundation, a non-profit corporation, is the grant making arm of the Northville Rotary Club.

The foundation makes financial grants to community. national and international civic and humanitarian project. Funds are raised through a variety of community programs such as the ubuquitous rotary hot dogs stand featured at community festivals

and events throughout the year.

The foundation's primary source of revenue is the popular annual Rotary Club Lobster on the Green. This year's Lobster on the Green will be held Saturday, June 18 at Mill Race Village.

### Celtic sounds headed for Northville li

### Millish scheduled to perform Feb. 22

The sounds of Celtic music will be heard at the Northville District Library, 7-8 p.m. on Feb. 22. Jesse Lee Mason and Tyler Duncan, of the Irish band Millish, will be performing both traditional and original Celtic

Guitarist Mason, currently a double major in music and physics at Eastern Michigan University, began playing the piano at the age of 5. During high school he took up the guitar and studied composition at the Interlochen Arts Camp.

He has played guitar in many groups, from bluegrass to jazz to Celtic, and he has performed at many events and venues, including the Ark in Ann Arbor, Garrison Keillor's A Prairie Home Companion and at the White

In addition to school and his work with Millish, he has been the assistant director of the performance-intensive high school group, the Saline Fiddlers.

Duncan has won the Midwest North American Fleadh (Irish music competition) in uilliann pipes (Irish bagpipes), flute, whistle, guitar and bodhran (Irish drum). In 1999 and 2000 he own the All-Ireland Championship in uilleann pipes-the first American to'win All-Ireland on that instrument-and in 2001 he won All-Ireland on the bodhran-the first American to win All-Ireland on that instrument as well. Duncan has performed solo and with numerous ensembles (including Emmy-Awardwinning Kitty Donohoe) and appears on many albums.

He will be performing at the library on the uilleann pipes, bodhran and a variety of whistles.

The program is free to the public, but reservations are advised by calling the Northville District Library at (248) 349-3020 due to limited seating.

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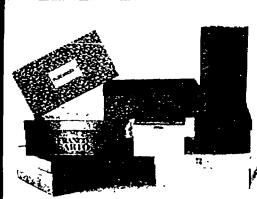


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### Pharmacy robbed twice

Prescription drugs were stolen twice within four days from Northville Township's Lake Pointe Pharmacy, police reported.

Police said at about 11 p.m. on Jan. 3, the pharmacy's back door was found pried open. Cash was not taken, but the co-owner pharmacist reported missing a large quantity of drugs. Door repairmen reportedly said they'd fixed a door on a similar pharmacy break-in Christmas Day in Dearborn.

Sometime between 7 p.m. Jan. 5 and 9 a.m. Jan. 6, Lake Pointe was targeted again, police said. Suspects again forced open the rear door and, the co-owner said, it appeared similar drugs had been taken. Police have no suspects.

### Sledding mishap

A sledding mishap at Cass Benton Park Jan. 8 landed a 4year-old Berkley girl in the hospi-

At around 4 p.m., the girl was sledding down the park's hill face-first, landing in some small, thin trees, according to a witness. Sustaining a cut between her eyes, she was transported to a Livonia hospital, police said, accompanied by her 44-year-old

### Construction injury

On Dec. 29, two days before his 20th birthday, a Petersburg, Mich. construction worker took a 10-foot fall from a rooftop. At 9.08 a.m., the man accidentally tumbled off the roof in the 15000 block of Robinwood Drive. He told police he couldn't feel various areas of his body. He was transported to an Ypsilanti hospi-

#### Strange, sloppy letter received

A sloppily penned letter found Northville Township woman's Merion Boulevard mailbox Jan. 4 led police to suspect a possible identity theft scam.

Though no one faces charges, police believe the letter left inside a 51-year-old female resident's mailbox may have simply been a hasty attempt to attain personal information.

According to police, the letter was a photocopy and included the woman's hand-written name. It stated: "We'd like to \$ buy \$ your report said.

house," and provided a Detroit phone number.

The woman's home was not for sale, police said.

Northville investigators called the listed phone number and reported a man answered who acted nervous. He reportedly told police he wanted to invest in "prime" real estate, and the note was meant only to pique interest. He was not charged.

### Rolex, Hummer missing

Two Hummer vehicles, a \$28,000 Rolex watch, a laptop and a stereo were reported missing Dec. 30 from a home along the 45000 block of Tournament Drive.

According to police reports, the home belongs to a 50-yearold township man who was in Las Vegas at the time of the incident. The crime was reported by two women who clean the home.

Police have no suspects, A friend of the homeowner told police he recently returned one of the man's three Hummer vehicles, and noticed tire marks on the lawn. Inside, police found a partially open liquor cabinet.

Police later recovered the man's vellow Hummer in Detroit. but his black Hummer remains missing.

According to police, the man's friend was driving the red Hummer at the time of the crime. The case remains open.

### Jailtime jig

When a Northville police officer asked a driver if she knew why, he had stopped her, she responded, "because we were dancing?"

The officer around 2:30 a.m. Jan. 4 tracked the 27-year-old Northville woman on radar at 55 mph in a 40 mph zone, according to police reports. He signaled the white Grand Am to stop near Novi Street and Allen Road, the report said.

The officer reported smelling a "strong odor of intoxicants," hearing a slight slur in her speech and seeing her eyes "glassy, with dilated pupils." When he asked the driver if she had been drinking, she said, "no," the report

After asking her to perform a variety of sobriety tasks, the officer measured the woman's blood alcohol count at .18, the report said. He arrested her for operating a vehicle while intoxicated, the report said. She was assigned a Jan. 20 court date.

Three of four Grand Am passengers were sent on their way to a friend's Novi Street house, the

·A second Northville officer on the scene arrested the fourth passenger, a 19-year-old Plymouth woman, for underage drinking, the report said. She told officers she consumed several beers and two to three shots of liquor at a Novi establishment, the report

said. The preliminary breath test measured her blood alcohol content at .143, the report said. The officer arrested the teenager and put her in a Northville Township police station cell, pending sobering and posting bond. She also was assigned a Jan. 20 court date.

### Mystery man

Northville police charged a 23year-old Northville man who could be one of three people, based on the collection of IDs they confiscated.

An officer responded around 11 p.m., Jan. 4, to a report of a possible drunk driver headed westbound in eastbound lanes of Eight Mile Road, just west of Novi Road, according to police reports. The officer found the Toyota Tercel southbound on Grace Street, the report said.

There was "a strong odor of intoxicants" coming from the vehicle, the report said. The driver told police be had "a couple of beers," the report said.

During sobriety tasks, the man almost fell a couple of times, the report said. When a preliminary breath test showed a .23 blood alcohol level, the officer arrested him and took him to the Northville Township police department. During processing, officers discovered two aliases on additional pieces of identification. Police are not sure which is the man's true identity, the report said. He was assigned a Jan. 20 court date for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and without a valid driver's license.

### Apprehended

Northville police officers arrested a woman working as a bartender downtown on an outstanding felony warrant for fraud. Officers around 5:30 p.m. Jan. 6 picked up the 44-year-old Livonia woman after learning of her whereabouts from Farmington Hills police, according to police reports.

When officers arrested the woman, she told them she did not know anything about the warrant, the report said. They drove her to Haggerty and Eight Mile roads and turned her over to a Farmington Hills officer, the report said. 212.14

### **UBITUATIES**

### Kenneth Jay Rosselot, 38

Kenneth Rosselot died Dec. 21, 2004 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. He was 38. Mr. Rosselot was a 1985 graduate of Northville High School and was a chef with O'Callahan's in Plymouth, Bacco's in Southfield and the Atlas Global Bistro in Detroit.

Survivors include his parents, Kenneth and Nancy Rosselot of Farmington; two siblings, John (Ginna) Rosselot of Redford and Susan (Patrick) Pucher of South Lyon; and two grandmothers, Frances Simpson and Gerry Landmesser of Novi.

Visitation will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 14, 2005 at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Rd., Northville until time of memorial service at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Lisa Cook officiating. Interment will be in Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock, Mich.

Memorials may be made to the Gift of Life Donations, 2203 Platt Road, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104.

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

### **DEATH NOTICES**

### **KENNETH JAY ROSSELOT**

Kenneth Jay Rosselot, 38, of Northville died Dec. 21, 2004. Northron-Sassaman Funeral Home, 19091 Northville Road. Northville (248) 348-1233.

### HAROLD "HARRY" A. STILL

Harold A. Still, 74, of Northville died Jan. 4. Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main St., Plymouth (734)

#### **BLAINE D. HICKS**

Blaine D. Hicks, 86, of Hastings, formerly of Northville died Jan. 8. Free Methodist Church, Hastings (269) 945-

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### **BLAINE D. HICKS**

Age 86, of Hastings, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, went to be with his Lord on Saturday, January 8, 2005 at Pennock Hospital in Hastings. Blaine was born November 10, 1918 in Lansing, MI, the son of Frank and Mertie (Dunham) Hicks. He was raised in the Detroit and Newaygo areas and graduated from Mackenzie High School in Detroit. He also attended Ford Trade School for electrical training. He was married to Eileen E. Baughman on May 6, 1939 at the Grandale Presbyterian Church in Detroit. Blaine lived in Northville, MI area for 37 years before moving to the Brighton, MI area. He resided in Brighton for 10 years before coming to the Hastings area in 1990. He retired after 25 years from the Ford Motor Company at age 62, and was an electrical contractor and inspector for Salem Township near Ann Arbor. He loved nature and enjoyed fishing, hunting and bird watching. In his later years, he enjoyed socializing at the Hastings Big Boy, Kmart, local hardware stores and Pennock Hospital. He had a unique sense of humor and great love of life. He will be missed by all those that knew him. He is survived by his caring, loving wife of 65 years, Eileen Hicks; Lary and Sue (Hicks) Snow of Plainwell; Stan and Linda Hicks of Phoenix, AZ. and Frank Hicks Sr. of Middleville; 19 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; two sisters, Olive (Dempsey) Rougeot of California, and Erma Brownlee of Wyandotte; brother Lynn Hicks of Kalkaska. He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Mertie Hicks; daughter, Linda; granddaughter Amber; sister, Doris Crowell; and two brothers, Floyd and Lyle Hicks. Memorial services will be held Saturday, January 15, 2005 at 2 p.m. at the Free Methodist Church in Hastings. Pastor Dan Graybill, officiating. Memorial reception will follow immediately following the service. Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, Barry County Hospice or a charity of one's choice in lieu of flowers. In keeping with his wishes, he will be cremated and his ashes will be interred at the columbarium at the Chilson Hills Church in Brighton, MI

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### NANCY J. FAUTECK

Died Monday, January 3. She was 71. She was born on July 30, 1933 to Frank and Lucille Fairfield, Mrs. Fauteck spent most of her life In Northville. She was an LPN and worked with her mother and aunts in the private home care industry. She was a past member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Northville. Nancy enjoyed golf, treasured her dogs and above all was a very good mom. Survivors include her sons, Duncan (Cindy) Millar of Northville, and Matthew (Sarah) Millar of Cheisea; her stepdaughters, Jo Brick of Minnesola, and Julie (Jerry) Jacobi of Florida; and her grandchildren, Leif, Amanda, Duncan Jr., Jennifer, and Megan. She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband Donald Millar; her husband Robert Fauteck; her brothers, Richard Fairfield and Peter Fairfield. A Memorial Service was held last Friday at Casterline Funeral Homes, Inc., in Northville. Pastor Jerry Lake of the Christian House of Prayer officiated the service. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Humane Society, 26711 Northwestern Highway, Suite 175, Southfield, MI 48034.

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### Five minutes with: U.S. Rep Thaddeus McCotter

Michigan's 11th District includes Northville. Thaddeus G. McCotter (R-Livonia) won re-election Nov. 2 to that district in U.S. Congress, beating challenger Phillip Truran. Recently, he took a few moments to answer questions about politics, music and life.

#### Place of employment:

U.S. Representative, Michigan 11th District. I'm still a bar-admitted attorney. I'm not taking clients, but I'm still practicing law.

### Length of time in that position:

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### Least favorite aspect of job:

I don't think about that because then I'd focus on

### Biggest challenge you face:

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### If you could have any other job: 🔑 🛵 👃 💄

Are the (Rolling) Stones looking for another guitar player? I'd have to get hair implants, drop about five pounds to get back into spandex. Sacrifices have to be made.

### Ever been in a band?

The longest-lasting incarnation - my brother was a bass player, and he's very talented, just ask him - we

were "The Flying Squirrels." Then we found out there was some other band named "Rocky and the Flying Squirrels." To avoid any legal problems with two bands nobody ever heard of, we became "Sir Funkalot and the Knights of the Terrestrial Jam." But because what we played was classic rock, that was considered false advertising, and by then we decided to get real lives because nobody was paying to see us.

Worst gig was probably when they booked us to do a senior citizen pancake breakfast at the Livonia Spree. That didn't go well.

### Play guitar in the office?

They prefer that, because if I take it out on that, then I'm not yelling at anybody. If the worst vice I have as a member of Congress is playing guitar in my office, I'm ahead of the game, I suppose.

### What's your best advice?

Stay in school and get a good-paying job. Just try to always keep a level head.

### Three words to describe you:

I can think of three words, none of which you can

### Person who most influenced you (and why):

My wife. Without my wife, I don't think I'd of had any direction particularly in life. She's the anchor to everything I do.

### Quality you most admire in a person:

Sincerity. That makes up for all other sins. If you're sincere, then even if you're doing the wrong thing, you're open to other people.

### What's your pet peeve?

Stupidity, I'm a "Thomnist," I suppose - St. Thomas Aquinas. God gave us reason for a reason. If you don't personalize arguments, if you just look at the proposition itself, objectively, then people can come to a consensus on things.

### What's your greatest fear?

That I will outlive my wife and my children.

### What's your most treasured possession?

My wife and children, that's it. Everything else can be replaced.

### If you could change one thing about your-

self, what would it be? I think I'd have hair again. My brother's (head) looks like a cue ball; I'm not quite there, but it's just a matter of time.



Jerry Zolynsky/Staff Photographer

U.S. Congressman Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia) plays guitar with his brother Dennis during his election night party.

### What was your first car?

A blue Ford Monarch. It was my grandfather's, I got it when he passed away, and shortly thereafter it followed him.

#### Who are your favorite writers?

Gabriel García Márquez. I like Frederick Stonehouse, too ... who writes a lot of books about the Great Lakes.

### What are your favorite films?

"The Graduate," "This is Spinal Tap" and "Tender Mercies.

### Who are some of your favorite music artists?

Beatles, Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan, The Who. Once you say those, what's left? Used to be (Bruce) Springsteen, but he's being boycotted now for bad behavior. It's hard for me to put money in Springsteen's pocket when he's trying to get all my friends un-elected. The whole concept of art is the universality of it and how it brings people together. When you use art for political purposes, I believe you're cheapening the art.

Throw Chopin in there — every once in a while you've got to eat dinner and listen to something.

### What's your favorite restaurant?

Anywhere that serves meatloaf. I don't like to spend a lot of time chewing because I'm paid to talk.

### What do you like to watch on TV?

The one show I think I could watch on end is "The Simpsons."

### What are your hobbies?

I still play sports every now and then, but again -the time-consuming nature of your job. I sit in with my brother's band every now and then. I haven't golfed in five years. Whatever spare time I get is going to be spent with the wife and kids.

### If you won \$10 million in the lottery, what would you do?

I'd have to give it back. I don't buy lottery tickets. I think people would be a little curious if a member of Congress wins a Powerball.

### And if you weren't a Congressman?

If I was independently wealthy, the Stones picked me up ... then maybe I go on the road, and then we live down in Aruba in our vacation house, and I email nasty letters to people like me in Congress.

#### Was politics something you always wanted to do?

No. If I had a choice between being one of 400some members of Congress or being one of four Beatles, I think I'd have been a Beatle. My mom was the first female city council president in Livonia. I'm lucky because my father hated politics, and my mother liked it.

You realize the nature of what you do and how no and important it is, and you see the impact you have on. people. But you can only do it in conjunction with other people.

### Want your kids to get into politics?

I don't want any of them to do that. It's like show business parents.

-Compiled by Kim Kovelle

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Tom Filipezak SPECIAL WRITER

If you're seeking a warm vacation refuge, get in line. And take out your checkbook.

Finding a place where sunshine is the leading export and where sandy beaches line every roadway will require individual research - and some serious. funding.

Take Tortola, for example. Located in the British Virgin largest island and perhaps this season's best getaway secret, said, Ed Jamieson of Northville Travel Plans, located in downtown Northville.

"It's a high-rent district," said Jamieson (read: expensive).

Much less developed than the U.S. Virgin , Islands, Tortola retains its rustic and easy-going West Indian feel. Don't expect high rises and big casinos. Tortola lends itself to sailing and unspoiled natural scenery.

Tortola is hardly the season's lone winter retreat destination. Any location, however, will likely be pricey, experts agreed.

Familiar places like Cancun and Jamaica might even come at a premium. "Prices are much higher this year," said Pamela Kidd, who works at It's Time to

Travel, located in Northville.

Kidd said the Sept. 11 terrorist attack continues to have a rippling effect. She said following the attacks many hotels and travel companies lowered prices to entice travelers.

prices are going up again as people are returning to their previous travel patterns.

Jamieson agreed. Everything is \$1,000 and up," he said. "But you get what you paid for in this business."

### And how much is that?

Two people planning an allinclusive week in Cancun can expect to fork over \$3,000, Islands, Tortola is the chain's according to Keya Tucker of World Travel Inc. of Plymouth. She said all-inclusive is the magic word many look for: transportation, accommodations, along with unlimited food and drink.

Still, sunshine-seekers are not deterred by the higher rates, local agents said. All three travel agencies reported booming business.

They said Michigan's erratic weather motivates travelers to look past price and see palm trees and penthouses instead. Not even Asia's recent tsunami disaster has turned people away from traveling.

"The last six months have been better than the previous three to four years," Tucker said. Plymouth resident Margaret Larson, 76, has been many

"Everything is **\$1**,000 and up. But you get what you paid for in this business."

> Ed Jamieson Northville Travel Plan

places worldwide.

But if she had her choice, she'd go to Hawaii ... again. Last year she visited her daughter there and said the island's climate and landscape are pristine.

Lava formations reminded her of "burnt brownies" and winter there means big waves and surf-

Here it means snow shovels and icy roads.

Larson said winter getaways are important to people for many reasons. She said they are about more than simply escaping snow-covered driveways and below-zero temperatures.

"You just need to get away from stew, roast beef and meatloaf and just go somewhere and have some fish," she said.

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### **Recreation to set visions**

Northville Township officials will meet tonight to discuss recreation goals for coming

Various departments are wel-

come to attend the 7:30 p.m. public meeting at township hall.

Topics will include finishing Community Park, when to start efforts on Thayers Corner Park and the location of a possible-future "splash park," featuring sprinklers.

"My directive was I want short-term and long-term goals, long-term defined up to five years," Township Manager Chip Snider said. "We need to get our arms around our budget.

Goals weren't officially submitted last year, since various terms were close to ending.

Now that newly elected officials are in place for four years. goal-setting can begin.

Snider said that 2002 goals, which included new municipal buildings and renovations, are about 85-90 percent complete.

Towhship hall is located at 44405 Six Mile Road., at the southwest corner of Six Mile and Sheldon roads. Call (248) 348-5800 for more information.

### Upcoming township meet-

With the New Year, the township's monthly meetings are getting back on course.

The zoning board of appeals meets Jan. 19, board of trustees gathers Jan. 20 and the planning commission convenes Jan. 25.

All meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at the township hall, 44405 Six Mile Road., southwest comer of Six Mile and Sheldon roads. Call (248) 348-5800 for more information.

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### Studio 427

### New gallery enters local art scene

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By Maureen Johnston

RECORD STAFF WRITER

Regina Abraham has plans for

more than a new gallery. She wants to help Northville earn an artsy identity.

The Northville resident Dec. 18 formally opened the doors to her Studio 427 second-floor gallery at 141 N. Center St. Behind the scenes, she is networking with local artists, developing an art walk in

town and cultivating young talent. "I've heard a lot of really positive things from the art community," Abraham said, "They'd like to see Northville take it's place on the art scene. They were real excited."

A long wall, transparent shelving, and the lofty ceiling of Abraham's Old Church Square location set the backdrop for the variety of media the business owner selected to showcase. Visitors to the gallery will see charcoals, watercolors, acrylic painting, photography, Raku pottery, steel and hand-cut and

hand-painted lamps. "My professional background is in business — I've been managing other people's companies since I was in my 20s," said Abraham, who named her venture for her birth date, "But my passion since I was young is art.

### **Creating a vibe**

Downtown's newest merchant has called on a number of regional artists - many acquaintances - to display their work in her gallery. Her first exhibit features oil painter Dancel Deneau of Novi and charcoal artist Melissa Edmunds of Livonia.

Prior to her December opening she wrote a letter to her fellow Northville art enthusiasts. Her goal: encourage cooperative effort and promote cultural experiences down-

one another," she said. "I want to have a cool vibe, like Ann Atbor or

An organized event encouraging downtown patrons to walk from studio to gallery could enliven the current social scene, she said. Abraham said she will meet next month with the pioneer of Wyandotte's Art Walk to talk about Northville's potential for a similar

Currently, people who have dinner downtown do not have a lot of options for something to do afterward, the five-year Northville resi-

They could go out and do dinner and then hang out in the galleries," she said. "It's a casual night out with family and friends. Down the line, that's what I would hope.

"If we could try to get it going by summer time, it would be really

#### Eye of the beholder

A second pet project is the Abraham's Kids Art Zone, KAZ for short. She said she hopes to work with the schools to organize a competition for aspiring artists. A handful of winners in a specific categories would receive art training through periodic workshops.

"I want to encourage imagination and establish that creative foundation," Abraham said.

The relationship the owner strikes up with the artists she features is more important to her than their pedigree, she said. "I have to like the art. It's not as important the amount of their education, the number of exhibits or which galleries they've been in.

"If you're an artist, you're an artist. You don't have to be professionally trained."

Abraham said she hopes her nonstuffy approach leads to a comfortable shopping setting. She will offer her opinion if asked, she said, but she will not try to push a piece.

"I'm trying to create a casual, fun atmosphere," she said, "I don't want people to feel intimidated. There's a lot of arrogance in the art communi-

"Everybody knows what they like or don't like."

One-of-a-kind masks are priced at \$95; there are watercolors in the \$200-300 range; some works top

"Instead of competing with one another, we should choperate with are interesting." 'Y'



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Regina Abraham, owner of Northville's art gallery, Studio 427, holds a painted lamp designed by Brazilian artist Ana Mala in her Old Church Square shop.

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### Imports drive local trio's Internet shrine

### Detroit Rides' Web site off and running

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

Millions will flock to the North American International Auto Show starting Saturday toscope out 65 new sports and luxury vehicles.

But for three visitors - Nick Karebian and Victor Sultana of Northville and Chris Durham of Liyonia - it'll be a documentary, too.

tary too.
Digital cameras in hand, they'll snap photos and footage of the event for their Web site. www.DetroitRides.com.,

I heard that they're going to have more of an import display in the basement," said Karebian, 18. "I'm curious to see what that's going to be like."

Hundreds of Internet surfers have also been glimpsing forums, video feed and plenty of pictures as the site's event coverage gathers stéam.

### **Family tradition**

Trekking to shows is a tradition for Karebian and cousin Durham plus best friend Sultana.

We would go to these shows together... when we were younger," said Karebian, the site's designer. "We started taking pictures and we put it on a Web site. People started going to it and it just expanded."

Sultana, 18, who attends Grand Valley University and films, also got hooked early.

"I just loved it," he said. "We're all friends and we all just started off as a hobby."

NAIAS · to From the Autorama, the trio has made local rounds. Domestic hot rods and imports, like Honda and Acura, are a passion.

"It's referred to as the 'import culture.' It's just the fast-paced (nature) of it. There's lots of opportunity," Sultana said.

With Sony and Canon cameras, they snap full shots and various angles, also interviewing car owners about their autos and companies.

"(I) try to include something

"We started taking pictures and we put it on a Web site. People started going to it and it just expanded."

> Nick Karebian www.DetroitRides.com

16, who attends Northville High with his cousin.

The end result is what Karebian calls an online magazine, with scores of photos.

"A lot of people when they took pictures... they weren't of the whole car," Karebian said. This, you can see everything. We usually take pictures of all the cars there just to get full coverage."

#### On the move

The trio's dedication to their year-plus project already is getting attention from Internet

"The most we've got in a month usually is around 1,500-2,000," Karebian said. "The main thing that people go to (is) the forum, which is where people post questions or people show off their car."

Most members are from the area but hail as far south as

Florida and north as Canada. "It is a hobby but at the same time it is a business, too."

Karebian said. Advertising tie-ins like 360 Video Magazine, Modified Mag and the recent Hot Import Nights show are in the works, as is weaving techno, rock and rap music into their videos.

Karebian said they also plan to start taking photos for a European auto publication and selling DetroitRides merchan-

His father, John Karebian, who works in nursing labor relations, still goes to the auto show with the boys.

"On my wife's side of the "(I) try to include something tamily and my tamily, just open the car by itself," said Durham, the auto industry." John said— it's something they enjoy." family and my family, just



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/HORTHYILLE RECOR

Northville area residents Chris Durham, left, Nicholas Kareblan, middle and Victor Sultana have started an automotive media realtions company called "Detroit Rides."

### When it comes to flashing fancy cars, is skin back in?

When browsing through www.DetroitRide.com's photos, you'll find cars aren't the only models receiving full coverage.

Female models showing off the cars are also captured in digital form, many in bikinis. Revealing clothing is making a comeback in many auto shows.

"It really is a big part of the import scene," said Nick Karebian, 18, co-owner of DetroitRides. "It's becoming more and more, especially when you get booths at shows. If they have a hotter model... they're going to attract more customers.

At this weekend's show, you'll see a more conservative, knowledgable brand: the professinal product specialist.

Richard Genthe, co-chair, North American International Auto Show, said models have been part and parcel of the show from its

"Really, the Introduction of a model in a glittering gown, always female, was probably the first adornment or addition to a display,"

"This was something he developed his own. I'm proud of the

Their next trip will be to the

Adtorama in Grand Rapids. 😅 👚

Genthe said. "Very little was done in the way of backdrops and sig-

By the late 1950s, he said, models began to talk about vehicles and include men. Training to speak exclusively on vehicles was in swing by the late 1980s.

"We moved away from the evening gown... to being much more conservative in dress as we entered the age of political correctness," Genthe said. "There's been a slight reintroduction and change in attire. I'd say it's OK to look very, very nice and be knowledgable about the car."

Still, it fashion depends on the brand and style of the vehicle, Genthe said. In the end, Karebian said the more scantily-clad attract the cameras — and Internet browsers

'It gets some (Web site) traffic, too," he said. "Guys will look at the girls. Basically sex sells, is what it is. There's a lot of models who have made careers out of modeling for the import scene."

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Like many car fans in the area, Northville Tuffy Muffler shop manager Jim Elanges is looking forward to the upcoming North American International Automotive Show in Detroit. Here he works on a 454 cubic-inch General Motors engine that will be re-fitted inside his . 1970 Chevelle Supersport.

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# Motor City madness

Love of automobiles a long-running tradition for Elanges family

By Kim Koveile RECORD STAFF WRITER

Growing up on the East Side, James Elanges knew what car he'd own: a 1970 Chevelle Supersport.

"It was originally owned by someone on the next block," the Northville Township resident said, "I used to see the car go by. I just knew when I got my license, that

He moved lawns to earn the \$2,100 to buy the silver and black car in 1981.

Today, Elanges is restoring his classic while working at his Northville Tuffy Auto Service Center.

Like many enthusiasts, he'll trek to the upcoming North American International Auto

"I want to see the new models," Elanges said. "There are a lot of changes coming out."

In his 39 years, Elanges has seen plenty of changes industry changes himself.

### Shell memories

The lobby of Elanges' Tuffy sports a white, refurbished gas pump with two spots for price numbers before the decimal point.

"Up until the early '70s, gas was always under a dollar," Elanges said, grinning.

Fathered by a Shell dealer, Jim and his brother, sister and mother all helped dad at his Detroit gas

He pumped gas during summers

weeks, even loaning his car to customers

There was a lot more trust in those days," Elanges said. "He had been in the neighborhood for such a long time. He loved helping peo-

Ple.

"Both me and my brother working thought he was crazy for working those kind of hours."

After buying the Chevelle, he and his father bonded.

He earned a degree in electronics, but Elanges helped his father through two knees surgeries until Milton died of cancer in 1994.

"That really changed my mind," Elanges said. "I got married and decided that I was going to do this the rest of my life.

Moving to the township in 1996, Northville's where he raises his son and daughter and does business.

### Changin' times

Today, Elanges ironically works the same hours his father once did. But the industry's changed since Milton's days.

The amount of changes that have happened in the past 15 years is huge," Elanges said. "There is no such thing as a tune up anymore. It's all maintenance because it's all electronically controlled."

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There have been many improvements, such as longer-lasting brakes and the 32-volt system.

Focus has changed, too. You don't see gas stations on the corner anymore that do repairs," Elanges said. Even at the Shell he once worked, the motto changed from "Service is our Business" to "Experience the

Difference. In Northville, he's seen less repair work.

"Most of them are driving lease vehicles," he said. And, conversely, "It's getting hard - you can't take an older car to a dealership."

Still, he said, he's guided "do-it-yourselfers" with '30s pick up trucks, and said he's seen more

4.5 通过加速的 interest in older muscle cars. Also he sees residents hanging onto cars longer.

Elanges' 4-year-old son Stevie has already shown interest in his dad's old car and shop.

"He loves coming to the shop and getting dirty," Elanges said. "I would hope he would go to college and not doing what I'm

But he'll understand if his son follows the same path.

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### Here comes the judge!



Amerman third grader James Rogers attended the North American International Auto Show Tuesday as an essay-winning judge.

### Rogers wins essay contest; earns spot as North American Auto Show judge

Amerman third grader James Rogers, 8, took the seat Tuesday on a kids' "consumer panel" at the

North American International Auto Show. Joining six other kids age 6-12, Rogers toured the event and surveyed vehicles with a Detroit automotive reporter who'll later write an article about the kids' reactions.

"I like cars," Rogers said Tuesday morning before leaving for the show. "I think they're very interesting. That's why I wanted to be a judge at the auto show.

He said new auto models never have big enough

engines, enough space — or enough televisions. "I want to be an engineer one day and design cars," Rogers said. "I was so excited to hear I was chosen. I really wanted to be a judge."

James Rogers: winning essay

My name is James Rogers. I am 8 years old and in the third grade.

, I have always been crazy about cars. My Mom takes me to different dealerships so I can see the new models. I notice little things that other kids don't, like lights and wheels and interior.

I have been making photo albums of cars for years. I have all kinds of cars in them, and they are fun to look at.

I would love to judge cars at the Auto Show and would try hard to do a good job. It would be exciting to learn about all those cars, plus I've always wanted to sit in a Rolls Royce.



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### Legislature reviews contract zoning proposal

If passed, legislation could have critical impact on local planning, development

By Christopher Behnan HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

The Michigan Legislature has passed a package of bills that would legalize contract zoning - a process of allowing local governments and developers to enter into contracts specifying land uses during the rezoning

The bills were presented to Jenniser Granholm. Granholm's legal counsel will recommend approval, according to spokesperson Liz Boyd, but a signing date is uncertain.

Rep. Chris Ward (R-Brighton Township) was a sponsor of House Bills 6164, 6166 and

As a whole, the bill calls for allowing contractual agreements between landowners and developers and cities, townships and counties.

If an agreement is violated under the bills, zoning would revert to its original designation. If land is sold after an agreement, the new owner could change its use if it complies with the community's zoning ordi-

Ward said the proposed setup eliminates "unknowns" in the rezoning process.

Such uncertainties include builders selling property, and new owners developing something different under the zoning designation.

Ward said contracts could set paving, sewer, water and open space agreements in stone.

"I served 10 years on the

board in Brighton Township. Many times we have a rezoning in front of us, and you have to sort of make a leap of faith, because once you grant a zoning change you open myriad kinds of uses that can be developed on that property," he said.

They can now, through the coning process, have an extra tool to request of a developer, have it written into the zoning ordinance preserving those types of things."

A bevy of state organizations are backing the bills, including Michigan Townships Association; Michigan Environmental Council; Michigan Association of Realtors: Michigan Land Use Leadership Council: Michigan Association of Homebuilders; and the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

Local developers and governments are excited about the legislation, according to Brad Ward, director of public policy. and legal affairs for the Michigan Association of Realtors.

Ward said the legislation would allow lot-size negotiation in communities with minimum lot sizes.

"What it does is it puts both the developer and the local government on equal footing in terms of coming up with and utilizing design that may not be allowed under current zoning without having to go through the lengthy rezoning process," he

"What this allows is a developer to go in and say, 'There's a 40-acre parcel in the township, here is my idea.

Michael LaFaive, director of fiscal policy for the Mackinac Center for Public Policy in Midland, said the language of the bills will make all the difference if made law.

"It sounds like a mixed bag, Will this be used as another tool for government imposing its will on developers, or will this actu-

"What it does is it puts both the developer and the local government on equal footing in terms of coming up with and utilizing design that may not be allowed under current zoning without having to go through the lengthy rezoning process."

Chris Ward State Rep. Chris Ward, R-Brighton

ally provide developers more latitude in creating 21st century developments?" he said.

"It sounds like they're giving latitude to the municipality and developers. If that's the case, then this may be a good thing. What's (important) is to protect the property rights of the individual.

Nancie Marzulla, president of Defenders of Property Rights in Washington, D.C., said her group supports contract zoning if both sides are equal partners.

"If contract zoning is just another way to extract from the property owner certain agreements in exchange for being able to use his property, then it's just the same old same old with a different name," Marzulla said.

### Northville Township Housing Units by Structure Type

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Two-Family/Duplex	38 (1%)	137 (2%)
Multi-Unit Apartments	1,862 (29%)	2,298 (27%)
Mobile Homes	10 (0%)	17 (0%)
Other Units	46 (1%)	0 (0%)
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aspect of our lives, including daily tasks - grocery shopping, exercising, dinners, weekend events, even small chores like taking the laundry to the dry cleaners. Yoga is the act of drawing awareness to the present moment and reveling in it. It doesn't mean that you stop living life; it means you draw your awareness to living your life.

Many of us are drawn to yoga as

exercise for many reasons, whether it's the desire to become a human rubberband, to find strength/flexibility or to find inner peace. Whatever your motivation for coming to your "mat," once you're there, I encourage you to dispel the motivation altogether and focus on the present. You see, once you draw awareness to your inner self. that inside of you which is truly not concerned about matters of the material world, you're able to see

the yoga inside of you. Yoga is not necessarily exercise, although it has that benefit; it is not necessarily spirituality, although it may also have that benefit as well.

know your own true self.

Ultimately, yoga goes well beyond the mat. You'll find yourself taking things you learn about yourself while on your mat to all the places you go during your daily life. And as you go about that daily life, you may find yourself reconnecting to your own true self, that "something" you initially discovered on your mat. Our own yoga practice, whatever that is, seeps into your day-to-day existence and empowers you to live even more fully.

You see, you do know yoga. Just go back to those moments in your life when you felt that the world stood still. That's yoga. I encourage you to come and practice with

Elizabeth Bonev is the director of the Mind/Body Program at Water Wheel Health Club and is a Registered Yoga Teacher (RYT) with the Nationally Recognized Yoga Alliance. She can be reached at waterwheel@umeritech.net or by phone at (248) 449-7634.

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Install at least one smoke detector per floor.

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

**Notice of Adoption Business License Ordinance** 

The lollowing ordinance was introduced at the May 20, 2004 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees and the 1st & 2nd readings were conducted on June 17, 2004. The following ordinance is being submitted for adoption at the regular meeting of the Board on Thursday, January 20. 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Township Hall located at 44405 Six Mile

### Code of Ordinances

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_\_BUSINESS LICENSING ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE ENACTED PURSUANT TO MCLA 41.181; MSA 5.45[1] et seq. and MCLA 42.15, TO PROVIDE FOR THE LICENSING OF ALL BUSINESSES ENGAGING IN BUSINESS ACTIVITY WITHIN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE WHICH AFFECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND GENERAL WELFARE OF PERSONS OR PROPERTY: TO SET FORTH THE PROCEDURES FOR PROCURING SUCH LICENSES AND THE CONDITIONS TO THE ISSUANCE THERE-OF; TO ESTABLISH REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL FEES TO BE PAID UPON APPLICATION FOR SUCH LICENSES; and TO ESTAB-LISH PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH ABOVE.

The Charter Township of Northville, Wayne County, Michigan ordains:

#### Section I

Title This Ordinance and the state laws adopted by reference herein shall be collectively known and may be cited as the "Northville Township Business Licensing Ordinance." Section II

Definitions

As used in this ordinance: "Business" means any trade, occupation, profession, work, com-merce or other activity owned or operated for profit by any person within the township excluding, however, political, charitable or reli-

glous establishments.
"Licensing Agent" means the Charter Township Clerk or such other township official or employee as may be designated by resolution of the Charter Township Board.

"Person" means any individual, partnership, association or corporation.

"Charter Township" means the Charter Township of Northville.

Section III Purpose

The purpose of the ordinance is to assist the Charter Township with information to provide more adequate police and fire protection; more equal and equitable real and personal property taxation; better efficiency and economy in furnishing public utility services within the township; more comprehensive and informed planning and zoning for uses of land and structures within the township; and to establish a registry of businesses operating within the township for the general information of the public and for the promotion of the township. Section IV

License Requirements

No person may commence or continue a business, as herein defined, within the Charter Township without having first obtained a Charter Township License therefore as hereinafter provided and without maintaining such license in current effect during any business

operation or activity. Section V

**Procurement Procedure for License** 

No license to commence or continue a business shall be issued until the owner or operator thereof shall have first submitted an appli-cation to the Clerk of the Charter Township on a form provided by the licensing agent for such purposes. A fee of \$100.00 shall accompany the application (\$50.00 for renewal). The information provided in the application shall be complete and truthful. Any omissions or untruths In the application may provide a basis for rejection of the application, or revocation of the license in the event any such false statement is discovered after a license has been issued. Upon the filing of a properly completed application and upon payment of the fee, the licensing agent shall issue a license to the person to commence or continue the business designated in said application if the business com-plies with the terms of this ordinance.

Section VI Conditions of License

The license issued under this ordinance shall be effective until December 31st of the succeeding year with renewals of the license to be issued upon application and payment of the fee in the same manner as set forth herein for the original issuance of the license. No license shall be issued by the licensing agent where the existing or proposed business would be in violation of any law or ordinance of the United States of America, the State of Michigan, the county hav-ing jurisdiction thereof, or the township. No license may be transferred by the holder to any other person except upon prior approval of the Charter Township Board. The licensing agent shall have the right of inspection of the business premises to assure compliance with this and other Township ordinances. In the event of any non-compliance with the provisions of this ordinance after a license has been issued, the same may be revoked by order of the licensing agent until the noncompliance has been corrected as determined by sald agent.

#### Section VII Exemptions

No license shall be required of any political, charitable or religlous establishment situated within the township. The provisions of this ordinance are not applicable to any agency of the United States of America, the State of Michigan, or any political subdivisions there-

Section VIII **Penalty Clause** 

Any violation of this ordinance or any part thereof shall be pun-ishable by a fine not to exceed \$100.00 plus court costs and/or confinement in the County Jali for a term not to exceed 90 days. In addition, the Charter Township specifically reserves the right to proceed in any court of competent jurisdiction for the purpose of obtaining an injunction, restraining order or other appropriate remedy to compel compliance with this ordinance.

Section IX
Severability Clause
Should any portion of this ordinance adopted hereby be declared unconstitutional, illegal or of no force and effect by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion thereof shall not be deemed to affect the validity of any other part or portion thereof.

Section X
Effective Date and Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances This ordinance shall take effect upon publication as required by law. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed; provided that any violation charged before the effective date of this Ordinance under an Ordinance provision repealed by this Ordinance shall continue under the Ordinance provision then in effect.

Section XI Appeal of Denial of License

If a license is denied by the licensing agent, an appeal may be taken to the Township Board. Such an appeal shall be made in writing. An appeal hearing shall be scheduled and a hearing shall be held by the Township Board at its next regularly scheduled board and a hearing shall be scheduled. meeting or within 30 days, whichever is later.

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NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS

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### **CHARTER TOWNSHIP** OF NORTHVILLE 2005 OFFICE CLOSINGS

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP

The following dates are the 2005 meter reading, bitting and paymentdue schedule for all residential, multiple and commercial accounts for the Charter Township of Northville;

Billing Meters Read: Date: January 17-28 March 14-25 8 IngA June 10 May 16-27 August 13 July 18-29 September 19-30 October 14 Nov. 21 - Dec. 2

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lowing mid-month and payment due within twenty one (21) days

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### Newly fallen snow brings old winter reminders

### Pack supplies and common sense for unexpected adventures

Now that the winter season has officially arrived, here are a few tips to ease your slushy road experience. The following information is provided by the Traffic Safety Division at the GM Proving Ground.

### **Auto Prep Tips**

Clean and align windows and mirrors - dirty and dusty windows retain moisture. Try Rain-X for outer windows. Fill fuel tank for prevention and for added road weight. Regularly check tires and tire pressure uneven tire pressure affects controllability. Have well-functioning wiper blades.

#### **Driving Tips**

Slow down. Double your normat traffic spacing. Don't be drawn into pack-driven speed increases. Watch for black ice (manifested by shiny black pavement), especially on highways and underpasses. Maintain lane position Be leery of the most traveled path because snow-pack may result in slippery condi-

If your tire wheels go onto the shoulder, don't overcompensate. Gently turn away from the road, then back toward the road, one quarter-turn at a time.

### Spinning

Steer into the skid. A good rule of thumb is to look where

you want to end up because that is where your car is headed.

### **ABS Braking**

Never pump Anti-lock Braking Systems. Press firmly and fully. Well-functioning ABS systems will vibrate and screech when engaged properly, so don't be alarmed. ABS systems are design to help the driver maintain vehicle control. Not so with non-ABS systems.

### **SUV Drivers**

While SUVs generally offer better acceleration and traction, they do not offer better braking capability. Their added weight. while a traction benefit, can also add danger to a skidding vehicle.

#### Four-Wheel Drive

Use four-wheel drive whenever snow is measurable. Recently built vehicles generally have allwheel drive capabilities which helps compensate for changing driving conditions automatically. Four-wheel drive vehicles do not stop any faster on a slippery road, however.

### 1'm Stuck

Make certain exhaust pipe is unblocked to prevent carbon monoxide buildup. Use hazard flashers and a cell phone to call for road assistance.

### **Consult Your Manual**

An often overlooked source of valuable driving information can many times be found within your owner's manual. A good time to read it is long before trouble

### Business Briefs

### Snowboarding for beginners

· Northville's Recreational Equipment, Inc. company will offer an "Intro lo Snowboarding" clinic at 7 p.m., on Wednesday, Jan. 19.

Expert staff will help patrons with techniques and how to pick a board for specific styles. Advise will be given on snow conditions, boarding gear and safety tips.

Northville's Recreational Equipment is located at 17559 Haggerty Road, at the north-west corner of Six Mile and Haggerty roads, Call (248) 347-2100 for more information.

### Meijer helping victims

To assist survivors of the Asian tsunamis, Meijer stores until Jan. 31 are matching its team members' donations to the American Red International Response Fund up to \$50,000. All 163 Meijer locations are participating, including Northville's store at 20401 Haggerty Road. The general public can also help donate to the Red Cross through a link on Meijer's Web site at http://meijer.com.

### Watza appointed to bar

Northville resident Michael Watza was elected to the governing council of the Michigan State Bar Association's Public Corporation Law Section.

> Watza, a principal with the Détroitbased Kitch Drutchas law firm, has worked on behalf of a various government clients and interests for

Michael Watza

years. The public corporation law section coordinates legal issues on behalf of municipalities across the state.

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Watza represents both municipal and private sector clients in various litigated and regulatory matters. He served as general counsel for PROTEC, a consortium of dozens of cities, and for the Mid-Michigan Area Cable Consortium.

An author and speaker on government and telecommunications law issues, he's saved as

MSU adjunct law professor and previously worked with the cities of Novi and Detroit.

### 401k Studio L.L.C. helps

Northville-based 401k Studio L.L.C. announced it has helped develop a pension site for Ford Motor Company.

Studio's new service will deliver investment content taifored to account owners of Ford's 401K Savings and Stock Investment Retirement Plan. It's also available www.my401kpartner.com,

which includes tools to build investment portfolios, develop retirement plans, research mutual funds and perform other investment tasks.

### Lemmerz names new direc-

Hayes Lemmerz International. Inc., based in Northville Township, announced Jan. 7 that it's appointed Don Septer as managing director of the company's International Wheel Group's South American

Operations. Previously director of opera-

and the control of the second tions for the company's powertrain group, Septer will now be responsible for Lemmerz's international wheel business with operations in Guarulhos and Santo Andre, Brazil and Chihuahua, Mexico.

The appointment is effective

#### Concraft certified for 10

Northville resident Aneil Kersey, marketing director of Concrast, Inc. in Rochester Hills, is celebrating his insurance firm's 10th year of certification.

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### THE GAPPED-TOOTH SMILE

gap between the front two teeth is you finding it hard to keep your teeth on the cover of a MAD Magazine, to be to the orthodontist's office may be in not all that attractive. On the other hand, order. Many adults are choosing to have Madonna seems to have no trouble with orthodontic treatment to improve the to be making a comfortable living. It is smile. Because their jaws are no longer all a matter of personal taste. While growing, treatment may take a little some people think that a minor gap longer. For more information, please between their front teeth gives them a contact my office at 248-471-1581. The distinctive look, others may feel that it office is conveniently located at 39595 detracts from their appearances. If you W. Ten Mile Road, Suite 111. find yourself in the latter group, orthodontic treatment with a retainer may be all that is needed to exert sufficient

pressure to close the gap. Are you satisfied with your smile, but

Opinions are divided as to whether a don't know if braces are for you? Are attractive. Some find that Alfred E. clean and your gums healthy? If you Neumann's "What-me-worry?" smile, answered yes to these questions, a trip her smile, and David Letterman seems appearance of their teeth and their

P.S. N.Y Guarts defensive end Michael Straham is another person who has a sizeable gap between his upper front teeth, which he feels is acceptable and even adds distinction to his

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

### Rezoning & Re-thinking

Rick Ambler is a hero today because he withdrew a rezoning request last week for property he wanted to buy at 113 Walnut St.

The professional office rezoning would have resulted in the sale and eventual razing of the residence behind Vision Computer Solutions. The goal: create more customer parking.

But Ambler withdrew his

request, in no small part he said, because of nearby resident unrest.

And while his decision con-trasts sharply Our Lady of Victory's quest to build a 77,000square-foot school at the south-west corner of Main and Orchard streets, care should be taken to view the entire picture clearly.

Ambler is a hero today because he gave in, not simply because he listened thoughtfully to resident

That's significant because despite the fact that Our Lady of Victory could benefit from an Arthur Murray Dance School lesson about how to best coordinate its public relations feet and nuance its heavy-handed procedural approach, they have acted to date well within their legal rights.

Let's be realistic. No school at that location is going to warm the hearts of nearby neighbors. And though Our Lady of Victory has sometimes clumsily benefited from a city planning and development ordinance which allows

them to pursue the project, the fact is that's their right.

The greater concern is the mechanism remains, unchallenged and unchanged. The lessess characterism remains considered the mechanism con son: change the mechanism soon and rely infrequently on the kindness of developers, because in today's litigious world, it's not people who move mountains anymore. It's decimal points.

We stand corrected

In the Jan. 6 Northville Record, Michael McEvoy's name was misspelled. Also, Norm Kubitskey's Northville City Police Department rank

### Record Letters

### Thank you, Rick

Rick Ambler deserves kudos and pat on the back. One neighbor even thought he deserved a big hug. After hearing the concerns of Walnut Street neighbors and their fear of the negative impact of his proposal, on their neighborhood. Rick withdrew from the Planning Commission his Jan. 5 application for a parking lot expansion. Thank you, Rick, for showing integrity, compassion, and concern for the neighborhoods of Northville.

John and Joy Colizzi

### Social Security

Without the necessity of going into a long explanation, it is plain that there is no reason for George Bush's planned attack on Social Security. Two non-partisan governmental agencies, the Congressional Budget Office and the Social Security trustees have stated that even if Social Security continues paying the same benefits as it is paying now, it will be solvent until 2052 or 2042, and even then, it would still be able to pay 80 percent of the same benefits. Only minor phased increases in collection would let it continue solvent for

The administration's attack,

which it has sugar-coated as "reform", is to privatize the system, greatly reduce benefits (not yet announced), and let wage-earners invest large portions of their contributions, which presently go into the system, into the stock market instead. This would create a shortfall, for present retirees that would be met with up to \$2 trillion more borrowing in the next ten years, all to be added to the huge deficit which already exists. So why all the hype that Social Security is going bankrupt? It is an insidious lie to support this administration's privatizing and ultimately removing government social programs. Conservatives were against Social emment Security when it was established as being a "socialist" program; this is their chance to kill it now that they have control of all three branches of government. The only winners, if this succeeds, are the big contributors to Bush's reelection, members

is your money". But the billions used to fund the Iraq war, the money used to build roads and bridges, the money used by the federal government to fund medical research, that is also "our money". Should we be individually allowed to invest or otherwise take that money and do what we will with it?

Privatization is not synonymous with success. Let's tell Congress to leave Social Security alone.

Irene Piccone

### Looking back...



The following story has been excerpted from the 1905 Northville Record by Northville Historical Society board member Mark Chester. With minor exceptions, the stories comprising this year-long weekly series will appear as published 100 years ago this week.

For more information about the Northville Historical Society or historic Mill Race Village, localed stewarded the efforts of the burglars, along Griswold Road, north of E. Main Street, call (248) 348-1845.

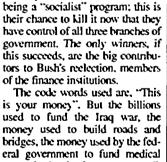
January 13, 1905

SHOE FACTORY SAFE, BUSTED: Burglars Secured But Small Sum; Had Idea There Was \$300 In It.

Northville was again visited by a detachment of the burglarious fraternity Tuesday night, the point of attack this time being the Rogers

The building was entered by breaking the glass at the fastening of a window, the operators then turning their attention to the safe in the office. The handle of the safe appears to have been knocked off and an explosive placed in the open-Fing thus made. The safe was completely wrecked by the subsequent explosion, pieces of the door cutting their way cleanly through the window glass by the violence with which they were thrown, but despite the noise which must have been made, no one has yet reported hearing anything unusual.

Only an insignificant sum who also took occasion to renew their supply of footwear from the stock in the building. As several hundred dollars had been brought from Toledo that day for the purpose of paying the employees, it is of course evident that someone knew of that fact and counted on the money being left in the safe at the factory. The amount, however, was in a draft so that in any event the burglars would not have profited by



Northville



Photo by JOHN HEIDER WORTHYILLE RECORD

### Fresh blanket

Southbound traffic moved along slowly on Taft Road near Nine Mile last Wednesday afternoon as a snowstorm delivered about five inches of fresh snow to the Northville and Novi area.

### Face it, state's education system in dire need of a radical overhaul

The Chinese character for "crisis" is a compound of two other characters, one meaning 'danger" and the other, "opportunity,

And this may be the most hopeful way to look at Michigan's looming financial crisis, which is the product of a chronic structural deficit in the state's budget combined with the persistent inability of the politicians we've sent to Lansing to really tackle the

Case in point: Our schools, Eleven years ago, Proposal A, combined with the earlier Headlee Amendment to the state constitution, ended our public schools' longtime reliance on ever-increasing property values and the property taxes they generated. This has meant that school funding has become Lansing's responsibility. So it should come as no surprise that per-pupil state funding has been essentially

problem in a comprehensive

flat for three straight years. At the same time, schools have been forced to absorb cost increases. Some come from

general price hikes owing to inflation; others, from double-digit increases in health insurance and pension costs. That all means when it comes to state funding, staying even really equals falling behind, as State Board of Education president Kathleen Straus has point-

Phil Power

CHAIRMAN,

This problem isn't confined to chronically dysfunctional school systems like Detroit. It affects every district in the state, from Livonia to East Lansing, from Birmingham to Howell

And, worse, the problem isn't going to be solved and couldn't be solved by more money alone. Imagine for a moment that the governor

and the legislature decided, in spite of the looming deficit, to increase per pupil funding by \$300 for the next three years. Two-thirds of this — two thirds! — would be consumed just to meet soaring health care and pension costs.

Plainly, this is a broken financial model and it simply isn't sustainable, even assuming we had lots of money to throw at the problem. Instead,

we need to take a hard-eyed look at radical -- the polite term here is "structural" ways to reconstruct the entire system. To their credit, the State Board of Education and State Superintendent Tom Watkins have decided to undertake exactly that kind of look. They intend to consult with the governor and legislature, to invite public input and to turn the dialogue about our schools into an inquiry into fundamental design and cost issues.

Here are some of the hard. questions they -- and we -need to ask:

HOMETOWN COMMUNICATIONS · Can we really justify having 750 public school districts and public charter schools along with 57 inter-

mediate school districts in Michigan? Can we really afford to have tiny vestigial districts like Clarenceville, wedged uneasily between Livonia and Farmington, with only 1,994 students but an entire load of overhead? I realize lots of local families would prefer to keep things the way they are, but does it make any sense at all to tolerate tiny school districts with a disproportionately top-heavy overhead

structure? Do we really need to pay hundreds of school superintendents around the state annual salaries that nearly all exceed \$100,000 a year?

· Are we getting anything meaningful out of all these expensive intermediate school districts? They are institutions that might have had a recognizable purpose a decade or so ago but which today seem about as useful as an appendix. But could they now be empowered to manage all local school districts within their boundaries, which mostly follow county lines?

Think of the savings if all administrative functions - purchasing, information technology, food service, bus fleet management - were consolidated.

The last time anyone subjected our state schools to such a far-reaching scrutiny was 1968. The time is ripe for a new effort, and Superintendent Watkins and the State Board deserve big pats on the back for pushing into the uncharted waters of a radical review of the

As board president Straus pointed out, "The state and nation that gets its education system. 'right' and provides its citizens with lifelong learning opportunities will be the state or nation that will rule economically. It behooves us all to make Michigan that state."

Amer. By the way, you can be part of this process too. Just go to the Michigan Department of Education's Web site: http://www.michigan.gov/mde, navigate to the What's New" section and chek on "Structural Issues Surrounding School Funding in the 21st Century," You may just teach the bureaucrats something. In any event, it's a good way to roll your sleeves up and get involved in something. that really matters as we start off this new year.

Phil Power is the Chairman of the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or by e-maiol at ppow-

### Their mission is TRU enough: improve Detroit's ailing transportation system

There's an famous Detroit legend that a rising young General Motors executive was once fired for taking the bus to work

Whether or not that actually happened. public transportation has been about as welcome in the Motor City as Baptist missionaries in Mecca. Detroit is the

cathedral city of the private car, where the highest feast days are the North American International Auto Show, this year from Jan. 15 to Jan. 23. Yet there are hundreds of

thousands of Detroiters who can't afford a car. Trouble is, there is really no reliable public transportation system. either. Today, that auto executive might have a hard time getting to work at all on a

"I am 52 years old, but if you subtract the time spent waiting for busses, I'm more like 40," said Marcia Yakes, who is disabled, unem-

ployed, and has to rely on an increasingly inadequate bus system. However, she isn't just complaining; she's

doing something. She is a board member of a fast-growing group called TRU -Transportation Riders United - whose purpose is to "improve transportation access and mobility in Greater Detroit," which really means better public transit.

We are living in a place that is fundamentally sick, when it comes to addressing the transportation needs of its citizens," noted fellow board member Francis Grunow, the executive director of a historic preservation

To an outsider, it may seem simply astonishing how bad Detroit's public transportation is. The city and suburbs have separate bus systems which are not only not integratget both schedules. Yakes once had a job working for a suburban McDonald's.

She could navigate both bus systems to get there. But when her shift ended, she either needed to find a ride or walk six miles to find a bus that would get her home to midtown Detroit. Eventually, she

TRU is not all inner-city residents. Its president is Robert Prud'homme, an architect who lives in Ferndale. Lawrence Hands, who runs an environmental consulting firm and lives in upscale Grosse Pointe Park, is the treasurer and sheltering spirit; TRU is headquartered in his offices in the magnificent Guardian Building, a famous art deco skyscraper.

The actual founder, however, was his son, Stephen, who at the age of 14 presented a paper arguing for better transit service at a forum attended

by then-Vice President Al Gore. "He convinced us we needed an organization," his father said. For the first several years, his mother, Karen Kendrick-Hands, ran it. Now, TRU has assembled a diverse board, and is advertising for a full-time executive director with fund-raising abilities. (Steven, now 20, is a junior at Kenyon College, and plans to become an urban planner.)

EDITORIAL VICE PRESIDENT,

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To be fair, what the group has done so far are baby steps. They successfully helped reverse a plan to widen 1-75 north of Detroit. It helped lobby the governor to create DARTA, the Detroit Area Regional Transportation Authority, something that is, however, still largely a shell.

They've formed alliances with other antisprawl groups and proposed an interesting plan to bring back the trolley cars that were a fixture in downtown Detroit until 1956.

Currently, TRU is continuing to lobby both bus systems to do a better job at serving the public and informing them about bus schedules. However, in the long run, they think buses won't be enough.

Prud'homme, like most or all of his fellow TRU members, would like to see a light-rail system connecting Detroit and the suburbs. You could do what's essentially needed for \$2 billion, I think," he said, as fellow member Patty Fedewa, a federal labor attorney, nodded agreement.

Unfortunately, there has never been much support in Lansing for mass transit of any kind, and city and suburban leaders have been more interested in bashing each other than cooperating. The state is facing a perennial major budget crisis, and no money is likely to be available for any initiatives.

TRU leaders believe that is short-sighted. They note a number of studies that have noted that there are thousands of jobs in the suburbs which could be filled by city dwellers who desperately need them - if they could just get there.

This month will be a key one for TRU. On Tuesday, Jan. 25, they are holding a public meeting at their Detroit headquarters to try to help develop a vision and an agenda for what the group should do next.

What is clear, Prud'homme said, was that something has to be done. Several weeks ago, he came out of his parking garage and saw a beautiful gleaming bus shelter unlike any in Detroit. He was transfixed.

He walked toward it - and was stopped. It wasn't real. It was a set for a new Stephen Spielberg movie about a post-nuclear Los Angeles. "I guess that even after the apocalypse they had a better transportation system than we do now," he said, laughing.

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Photo by DAVID AGUILAR/RECORD EDITOR

Twelve Northville students gathered during last Thursday's snow day to do something good for tsunami victims in Asia. The group raised \$400 while shoveling snow within the Royal Crown subdivision along Taft Road, near Nine Mile. Those who helped included: Aris Zervos, 12, Eric Goebel, 12, Trevor Maresh, 10, Jonathan Nelson, 12, Todd Goebel, 9, Paul Gibson, 13, Jordan Blough, 12, Conrad Mahr, 11, Jack Gibson, 13, Mas McHugh, 12, Sean Hannah, 12, and Brandon Hannah, 10.

### Tsunami relief sometimes arrives on a snow day

he world is sending billions to Asia as a humanitarian down payment toward rebuilding an area crippled recently by a catastrophic tsunami.

And all brothers Todd and Eric Goebel could think to do with their snow day last Thursday was shovel neighborhood driveways and

sidewalks, raise \$200 and send it to those who sur-

Make that \$400, if you count the anonymous corporate match they squeezed from a local company.

The Goebels originally got the idea from their mom. Laurel, who modestly suggested more could be achieved during a school snow day than a new Play Station high score. There were, after 'all,"people in the world devoid such luxuries,

desirous of fittle things far more important. The brothers didn't need any more suggestions. The two took things from there. They started calling friends two by two and filled an ark full of

Two friends called two more friends... and they called two friends... and so on... and so on...

It was as much a shampoo commercial as a

Todd, 9, a fourth grader at Thornton Creek Elementary, and his brother Eric, 12, a seventh grader at Hillside Middle School, both said the effort was a no-brainer.

We wanted to do something for the people in Asia." Todd said "They need people to help them.

Along with the 10 friends they convinced to weather the cold in exchange for cash donations. the Goebels set out to do just that: help those whose world was awash.

Eric knocked on neighborhood doors and made the group's pitch. The remaining 11 stood in the driveway, holding shovels, looking silly, waiting for a thumbs-up

"Hi, we are shoveling driveways in the neighborhood... raising money to help people in Asia...

Maybe that wasn't the exact pitch. But whatever it was, it worked. House to house they went, fishing for goodwill like vacuum salesmen.

Hillside seventh grader Sean Hannah, 12, gladly joined the effort. "We did it because they are a bunch of human beings who need help," he said. People are dying.

Changing the world is a choice we make. Or don't make.

We choose to remove ourselves from a comfortable chair and a warm house and shovel sidewalks on a cold day, or give blood to someone we will never meet. Or we don't.

We choose to set aside our egos and promises of praise and be content with simply knowing we did something good for someone else today. Or we

Often the payoff is modest: may be some bottled water and a cup of hot chocolate. Two hundred bucks, raised mostly in singles - and doubled by

The lucky get a favorite meal and a hug from

The world is sending billions to Asia, hoping to repair a part of the world floating downstream. In the Royal Crown subdivision last Thursday, along Taft Road near Nine Mile, on a snow day when who survived the tsunami... who need our help... most kids were sliding down a hill or were camped but who have no tink... anymore." "This ide watching television, 12 'friends' chose to make a difference.

They chose to change the world, one house at a time. They chose to stand up and see if something more could be made from a day given to them as a

Hats for humanity

Northvile elementary students and staff will help young tsunami victims in Asia tomorrow by wearing hats to school, in exchange for a donation to the Tsunami Reliet Fund.

Dubbed "Hats for Humanity," donations will directly support children's protection units by providing shelter, food, clean water and medicine, school officials said.

Funds collected by Ridge Wood Elementary. for instance, will benefit children and families in the community of Banda Aceh, Sumatra.

Donations, collected and counted by parent members on the Character Education ... Committee, are tax deductible until Jan. 31.

Checks can be written to "Save the Children: Tsunami Relief Fund."

Billions are being sent to Asia. Make that a billion, plus \$400. In return, some local kids got a shovel full of life lessons worth far more than any school day could have mustered.

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### SLEDDING: local concerns arise over downhill fun — but should anything be done?

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David Aguilar

RECORD EDITOR

"My kids took out six kids two days ago," she said. "Then a mom took my kid out. Someone is going to get killed or a neck

injury. Northville Police Chief Jim Petres said emergency personnel were dispatched recently to the

"It does happen occasionally," Petres said. "I don't remember any extremely serious ones in terms of lasting injuries or paralysis or anything like that."

Guibord's suggestion: lining hay bales along the edge of the hill, a system she saw successfully used in a Farmington park. Children would recognize the border as a guide to orderly walk back up the hill - out of harm's way of out-of-control sledders, she said.

Guibord said she would be willing to contribute to the cost of hay bales, which annually could be put in place just before the first snowfall. Guibord said she is sure parents who share her concern also would help pay for the simple system.

Could it happen here?

Thirty six North Dakota children were injured at an all-night New

Year's Eve sledding event gone awry.

That's just what local mom Mary Guibord fears will happen on the Amerman Elementary School hill. During the school's holiday break, Guibord watched with fright

as a sledding mom knocked down one of her kids, then her children collided with others.

A 22-year resident of the Northville Public Schools district, she said she wants to draw attention to a recurring problem before there are tragic results.

"We have to come together as a community."

In the North Dakota incident, eight sleds - each with eight to 12 passengers — struck rocks, a light pole and each other, said Associated Press reports. Three of the children were admitted to the hospital; others were treated and released.

"The children will have more fun," she said. "They won't have to worry about being knocked down as they go back up the hill. 'No one wants to be hurt on a sledding hill."

### Signs of reality

Nor do school officials want to see children hurt on districtowned property.

"The reality is kids will want

to sled down that hill," said Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski. "We can't provide the adult supervision or protec-

"When you're in the business I'm in, the liability issue is obviously enormous."

Measures like warning signs or hay bales could be misconstrued, Rezmierski said.

"That would indicate, I

"Someone is going to get killed or a neck injury."

> Mary Guidbord Northville Resident

believe, we are providing a safe route," he said. "I can't guarantee that.

"If someone moved (the bales), other than staff, then what? The dilemma is between the natural, practical, realistic and the legal liability on the other end."

Responsibility for the safety of the sledders lies with the parents, the superintendent said.

"If they went to Maybury, who's watching as your kids are traversing through there?"

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Sledding Safety Tips Sliding downhill is an

exhilarating winter sport.

People of all ages can participate, and use all kinds of containers, from large toboggans to plastic disks or even cardboard boxes. But sledding unintentional injuries are surprisingly common despite snow's cushioning effect. Estimates of the number of injuries treated in hospital emergency rooms every year show about 33,000 sledding injuries and 1,500 from tobogganing.
Sledding injuries often

include facial lacerations or skull fractures. Tobogganing injuries almost always involve the lower half of the

body.
Children ages 5 to 9 are most susceptible to injury.
Parents of young children should not let them sled alone. Older children should be taught to check for haz-

The National Safety Council offers these guidelines for safe and fun sledding and tobogganing:

1. Keep all equipment in good condition. Broken parts, sharp edges, cracks and split wood invite injuries.

2. Dress warmly for condi-

3. Sled on spacious, gently sloping hills which have a level run-off at the end so that the sled can come to a halt safely. Avoid steep slopes and slopes located

near streets and roadways. 4: Check slopes for bare spots, holes and other obstructions which might cause injury. Bypass these areas or wait until conditions get better.

5. Make sure the sledding path does not cross traffic and is free from hazards such as large trees; fences; rocks or telephone poles.

6. Do not sled on or ... around frozen lakes, streams or ponds because the Ice

may be unstable.

The proper position for sledding is to sit or lay on your back on the top of the sled, with your feet pointing downhill. Sledding head first increases the risk of head injury and should be avoid-

8. Sledders should wear thick gloves or mittens and protective boots to protect against frostbite as well as potential injury.

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### Winter drive a slipperly slope for some drivers

As the snow, slush and ice piles on roads, accidents and mishaps happen. Remember basic guidelines for winter driving safety:

Watch weather reports before long drives or travels in isolated areas. Delay trips when especially bad weather is predicted; let others know your route and destination if you must go.

 Pack blankets, gloves, boots, hats, food, water, flashlights, reflective triangles, any needed medication and a cell phone with emergency, and motor club num-

• Have vehicle inspected to ensure peak operating condition. Check for and replace weak batteries, worn/damaged wiper blades, clogged air filters, low washer fluid, dirty or low motor oil and low anti-freeze levels. Always keep at least half a

tank of gasoline in vehicle to avoid fuel-line freeze-up. Check tire pressure often in

to help avoid under inflation, which can cause poor traction.

· For maximum traction and proper handling, install M/S (mud and snow) tires on all four

• Park your car in a garage, put tarp over the hood or park away from prevailing winds. Plastic trash bags placed between the door/window glass and frame keep doors from freezing shut.

• For frozen locks, heat key with a pocket lighter while wearing gloves or holding the key with pliers. A plastic jug with hot water held against a door panel/lock area also works.

If you do become snowbound:

· Stay with your vehicle for temporary shelter and a better chance for rescuers to locate you; don't walk off in a severe

 Don't overexert yourself if you try to push or dig your vehicle out of the snow.

• Tie a bright-colored cloth to the antenna or at the top of a rolled up window to signal distress; at night, keep the dome light on, if possible.

 Make sure the exhaust pipe isn't clogged with snow, ice or mud; if the engine is running, this may cause deadly carbon monoxide gas to leak in.

• Use whatever you can to insulate your body from the cold, such as floor mats, newspapers or paper maps placed under clothing.

· Stay calm. It will help you think things through and aid any rescue workers coming to your

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1,500 tons of salt between December and March, said Steve Heidt, public works assis-. tant director. Through the winter, double-train trucks deposit 50 tons per trip at the city's Doheny Drive public works

"Typically, January and February are the heaviest months," Heidt said. This past week has been crazy."

Clearing the streets for traffic safety is the first priority, Gallogly said. Next up, sidewalks in front of city, owhed property - in front of city hall. the bandshell and parking lots. for example.

"We have a significant amount of sidewalks we have to

City ordinance requires property owners to clear snow on private property within 24 hours. Gallogly said.

"I think technically the building owner is responsible," he said. "But I think they probably delegate to their lessee. We'll cite the owner of record.

"That's if someone would slip and fall, that's who would get

If snow is not cleared, the code enforcement officer may warn them once, Gallogly said,

then issue a ticket. "Sometimes, they're out of town or forget," he said. Usually, just the notice they have to do it gets it done.

That's intended to keep the sidewalks open for everyone. including the handicapped.



Northville Department of Public Works employee Matt Wyman uses a backhoe Monday afternoon to load road salt onto one of the city's plow trucks. Each plow truck can hold 10 tons of road salt.

### Where to blow

And what about the peaks of crusty snow that tend to accumulate at the intersection cross-

"It always is kind of a problem area," Gallogly said. "It's kind of a gray area. I don't think it's really addressed in the ordinance."

Even when business owners clear the sidewalk to the curb, a city plow cleaning the street can mound it back.

"It does create some problems," Gallogly said, "It's a hard one to solve.

"We try to work with those people.

Northville Mayor Christopher Johnson said the city does have some liability concerns. You try to have people do as

much as they can." Johnson said. The snow has to be moved out of the streets for people to get around." In turn, the public works

director said it is important property owners abide by the city ordinance prohibiting pushing snow into the street.

There's no pollution in the snow," he said "It won't hurt their lawn

"It does create an unsafe situation." Drivers traveling clear pavement who hit show in the

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road potentially can lose control, he said.

The potential is significant there for causing an accident." he said. "People don't realize

Trash collection day is another challenge after a snowfall, Gallogly said. He urged homeowners to put containers in their driveway or lawn, rather than in

"When it snows in the night, plows run into full trash cans. he said. "That's kind of an issue in the winter with the snow."

### **Another option**

City crews during the past two weeks have loaded snow into the back of trucks to transport and dump it at the public works

"We do that to maximize the parking in our lots," Gallogly said. Limited parking downtown prohibits pushing it to one corner of the lot like at Meijer, he

"That was almost cut last year," the director said, citing general fund budget cutting. Now the Northville Downtown Development Authority's budget covers the public works hours and equipment for that service. he said



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Downtown Northville business women Caroline Dunphy (the Painter's Place) and Valerie Cloud (Sole Sisters) work on clearing the five inches of snow they found in front of their Center Street shops last Thursday morning.

At two city locations -- in front of Long's Plumbing and Old Church Square - heated sidewalks keep the conditions in check. That system throughout the downtown is not likely any time soon.

"I think it would be too expensive for us to undertake." Gallogly said. "Maybe as a special assessment district. It's not

really our responsibility. "And it's not 100 percent infallible. There are still times when it ices up a little."

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### What are the City of Northville's plowing prioritles?

While snow is falling, city crews concentrate on primary roads. Northville Department of Public Works director Jim Gallogly established a snow removal policy when he came to the city in 1995. Priorities for snow plowing and ice control service are:

- Major streets such as Main, Center, Randolph and Taft Road.
- · Local streets with steep grades and sharp curves. · Parking lots and the remainder of the local residential streets and courts.

· Alleys and cemetery roads.

The city has a "bare pavement" policy for the first two types of streets, Gallogly said. This means that the streets will be plowed and salted to bare pavement within 24 hours of a snow or ice event, even if it requires overtime for city workers.

"I think our department is pretty efficient," Gallogly said. "Being last in the city is like being first in the township.

People who reside on courts are frequent callers, Gallogly said.

"It's not that they're less important, it's a less used street. "They have the advantage in the summer of being quiet."



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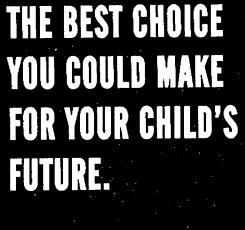
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### Powering up and digging out

### Local residents rely on machinery to clear fallen snow

By David Aguilar RECORD EDITOR

John Suchomel is using a sevenhorsepower electric-start snowblower to keep winter from piling up around him.

The five-year city resident is one of many locally who during the past week relied on heavy machinery to clear area sidewalks and driveways.

Suchomel sparked up a self-propelled John Deere 724D and shuttled away freshly fallen snow quicker than it hit the sidewalk surrounding his 220 N. Wing

"It definitely makes this job a lot easier," he said, momentarily cutting off the Tecumseh engine powering the second John Deere snowblower he's owned in three

"My ex-wife got the first one,"

he said. Last week, Suchomel joined a legion of local residents who steered clear of Old Man Winter's foul mood, thanks to specially outfitted snowblowers.

Those who have them praise their utility. Those still looking to purchase one may soon find themselves out in the cold as seasonal

supply wanes. Still looking for some high-powered help? Strike while the iron's hot and the pavement is cleared, said Mark King, owner of Mark's Outdoor Power Equipment along Northville Road.

King said snowblowers are big seasonal helpers, if residents purchase one best suited for their individual needs.

"People tend to over-buy," King said. "I tend to talk people down to smaller models more than I talk them up to bigger ones."

prior to entering the showroom.

For most suburban and subdivision scenarios, he said singlestage snowblowers featuring rubber paddles which scrape down to the pavement and high-impact plastic chutes are perfect, he said.

Larger two-stage machines with metal tines leave a thin layer of snow along the pavement, he said, and are more costly.

He said two-stage snowblowers are best used for business or municipal applications, or in areas where regular heavy snowfalls occur, such as Northern Michigan.

Because a single-stage snowblower will actually beat the pavement clean, including all the snow and ice, they typically make the most sense," King said, whose store features both Toro and Ariens machines, ranging in price from \$360 to \$2,400.

What is key, he said, is horse-

"Horsepower is big." King said. It's definitely going to affect the amount of snow you're able to

And what about durability?

King said today's snowblowers should last 15 years with proper maintenance. He said at the end of each snow season machines should be run until the fuel is dry.

About every five years, a new paddle, scraper bar and belt should be installed on single-stage

King's most valued advice: use only gas purchased within 45-60 days. Older gas goes stale and makes machinery harder to start.

"Mostly, buy the size that's right for you and what you need it for." King said, who typically sells about 250 snowblowers per winter season and nearly 500 when the snow really flies.

"Remember, you have to maneuver and store this thing, so don't buy something that's only good for the really heavy snowfalls. Buy something that best suits your particular needs."



of Mark's Outdoor Power Equipment located on Northville Road, said horsepower, fresh gas and regular maintenance are key to snowblower success.

#### **Buyer tips**

When buying a snowblower, consider the following:

Construction: look for solid overall build, including paddles and scraper bar; check if paddles are riveted or can be removed easily by unfastening bolts; are belts and engine easily accessible?

Chute: single-stage machines typically use high-impact plastic; twostage generally metal; more metal means less maneuverability; rust is generally not an issue.

Horsepower: key to determining how much and how far snow can be

moved; five horsepower and up generally enough for most residential Maintenance: how accessible are parts? Are parts available at most local stores, or do they need to be special-ordered?

### Service tips

Pre-season: when its warm, check rubber paddle, belt and scraper bar for wear and make sure the gap between the paddle and the rear opening is no more than 3/8 inches.

In-season: never use gas more than 60 days old.

Shoveling tips

For those who prefer to shovel, a

Pick the right shovel for you. A

smaller blade will require you to

life less snow, putting less strain on

few helpful reminders:

Post-season: three words will add long-term life to your snow blower - run them dry! Never store snowblowers with fuel remaining.

guidelines:

Protect your back from injury by

Push snow out of the way when

Avoid quick, jerky movements.

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· Avoid twisting movements. If you need to move the snow to one side reposition your feet to face the direction the snow will be going.

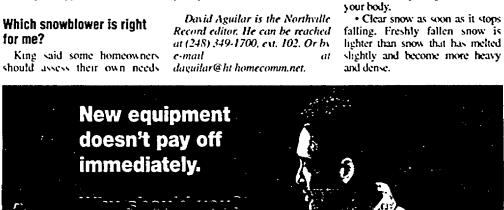
• Bend at the knee as you scoop the snow to reduce strain on your back and heart.

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· Lift with your legs, not with your back. To do so, keep your feet apart, bend your knees and keep a slight arch in your back.

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### Arthritis drugs: any relief in sight?

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### Päin-relievers like Celebrex in FDA limbo along with those who use them

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

For 28 years, Nancy Brown has worked with limits imposed by theumatoid arthritis and eight years of osteoarthritis.

Now the U.S. Food and Drug Administration is imposing a few limits of its own.

Recent FDA concerns about drugs commonly used to alleviate pain caused by the chronic disease have forced some local residents to rethink their medication choices.

"I've had to accommodate the limitations," said Brown, 69, a Northville Township resident. 'Mine was severe enough for me to retire. My arthritis goes with me where ever I go. Pain is not sepa-

Like many others, Brown, who's had two major foot surgeries and is active in arthritis awareness, takes pain medications for some relief.

Although she didn't opt for Vioxx or Celebrex — two drugs under recent scrutiny for possible links to heart problems - she knows many who have.

They became popular because they worked," Brown said. "That's why people now who are finding those avenues closed are so worried."

#### On alert

The buzz began in September, when Merck & Co., Inc. voluntarily took Vioxx, its non-steroid, antiinflammatory drug, off the market.

Then, the National Cancer Institute announced concern Dec. 17 over a similar drug, Celebrex, in a study related to colon polyp treat-

In both cases, increased heart attacks and strokes were the problem. There has been some concern at the Medical Clinic of Northville.

The Vioxx patients, when they heard it, they all stopped the medication and they would come in for an alternative," said Ross Summers, family practice physician. "The Celebrex patients are coming in and calling and worry. They're cutting down the dose or stopping it."

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Higher doses have raised some question about preliminary data.

"The Celebrex information has been in the dosage range of 400-800 milligrams, said Steven Portney, rheumetologist at Novi's Providence Hospital. "Many are on the lower doses (of) 200.".

Introduced in the late 1990s, Vioxx, Celebrex and Bextra selectively block cyclo-oxygenase 2, an enzyme that triggers inflammation.

These were improvements on non-steroidal, anti-inflammatory drugs, which often caused gastrointestinal ulcers and bleeding.

However, late last month, longterm use of these drugs, often sold as the naproxen Aleve, were also linked with heart problems.

The U.S. Food and Drug administration issued an advisory on all

Providence Chief of Cardiology Shukri David said naproxens have been safely used since 1976.

"I would venture to say that most Americans use these," David said. "Many physicians are quite frustrated with the FDA. They made this blanket statement."

### Finding a way

The first step in wading through confusion is discussing concerns with your doctor, Summers said.

"Each person's different, and they could have reaction to any medication," Summers said. "A physician needs to know what other drugs they're taking and their histo-

"Now you say, 'OK, there's this new safety concern on this, so which do you pick: an ulcer or a heart attack?"

Medical alternatives include Motrin or Tylenol, which may not be as effective, or even narcotics, to be used cautiously.

"We don't have specific other medicines that would replace them at this point," added Portney.

Until the FDA's advisory committee meets next month, basic guidelines can help.

Dawn Hafeli, vice president of programs for the Arthritis Foundation Michigan Chapter, said exercise is key.

'That helps relieve pain over time," Hafeli said. "It limbers up the joints (and) brings nutrients into the joints. That's really important."

Warm water exercises are a good way to start, she said. Pacing yourself is important, Hafeli said, "so that you're not exhausting your-

"It's when you use up all your energy that your arthritis will

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Living at Northville's American House, M. Kay Hall has suffered from osteoarthritis for 30 years. After being taken off Vioxx, she's been exercising through the pain.

"I'm not looking for any pain medication," said Hall, 91. "I'm fed

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### Medication information .

To find out more about your arthritis and treatment medications, contact your physician. For general information:

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 Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter: call: (800) 968-3030; Web site: www.arthritis.org

### **FDA Recommendations**

The Food and Drug Administration Dec. 23 issued a temporary public health advisory on COX-2 prescriptions and over-the-counter COX-1 nonsteroidal, anti-inflammatory

Initial studies show a higher risk of cardiovascular problems in some cases. The FDA issued these interim recommendations

until an advisory committee meets in February. Physicians prescribing COX-2 drugs Celebrex or Bextra

should consider new information. Candidates include those with a high risk of gastrointestinal bleeding and who don't do well on naproxen anti-inflammatory drugs.

 Take Into account cardiováscular risk, such as heart attack or stroke, and other risks commonly associated with nonsteroidal, anti-inflammatory

 All over-the-counter pain medications, including nonsteroidal, anti-inflammatory drugs, should be used in strict accordance with the label direc-

. If an over-the-counter medication is needed for longer than ten days, consult your physi-

Source: U.S. Food and Drug Administration

world is because every developed country, except the U.S., regulate the prices that drug makers can charge consumers. The U.S. government has chosen not to do this, mainly because of effective drugindustry lobbying. Drug companies are one of the most lucrative sources of campaign contributions to senators, representatives and presidential candidates giving millions each year. But that's not the whole story.

Most critics point to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the high cost of drugs. It's the IDA's claim that imported drugs that are not subject to FDA oversight are not safe, because they could be outdated, contaminated or counterfeit. Therefore, ordering drugs from Canada or any other foreign coun-

Northville since she discontinued its use. try is illegal. However, many drugs that are bought in America are manufactured in foreign countries with minimal FDA oversight. For example Lipitor, the largest selling drug in the world is made in Ireland. So to is Viagra, and Prevacid for heartburn and acid reflux, comes from

ABOVE-LEFT: M. Kay Hall has endured years of physical

pain in her hands. ABOVE: M. Kay Hall, who took Vioxx

for years to help with her osteoarthritis, hasn't been

slowed from her walks around American House in

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Japan. So the question arises, who

is the FDA really protecting? The

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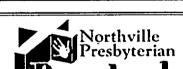
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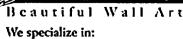
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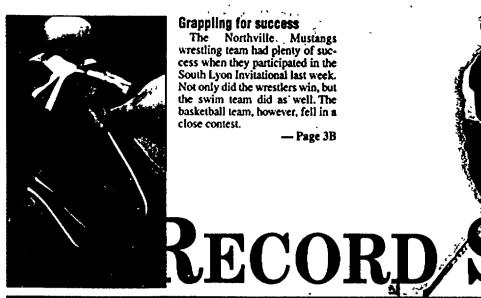


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Grappling for success

The Northville, Mustangs wrestling team had plenty of success when they participated in the South Lyon Invitational last week. Not only did the wrestlers win, but the swim team did as well. The basketball team, however, fell in a close contest.

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Regional Marketplace
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# Have mercy!

### Mustangs roll, 11-1

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville's hockey team returned to the ice with rousing success Friday night after the long winter break, dominating Western Lakes Western Division rival Livonia Franklin, 13-1, at the Novi Ice Arena.

Nick Guerro's second goal of the game less than a minute into the final period ended the contest, thanks to the 10-goal mercy

The victory upped the Mustangs record to 5-0 in the conference, 7-2 overall.

The result was surprising, given the fact that the Patriots are usually a very competitive team. However, they did play without Dan Kozlowski, the WLAA's fourth-leading scorer.

The Mustang are now hoping the Franklin game marked signs of an offensive breakout. Before the holiday break, Northville struggled at times to score despite dominating the shots-ongoal statistics.

Against the Patriots, Mustang shots found the net - and not the goalic.

Northville sank Franklin's hopes early with a five-goal first period.

Senior Rob Riehl's opening goal appeared to set the pace, when he found a loose puck on the left wing, skated wide and fired a wrist shot high to the right side, just under the crossbar.



A Northville skater keeps an eve on the puck as he heads up ice late in the first period of last Friday night's home game against

Richl ended up scoring twice in the period and Derek Mohacsi, Joe Vitale and Kenny Papich each scored once. In that span, Dino Bernabei and Mohacsi each added a pair of



The Northville Mustangs cheer their teammates during introductions at last Friday night's home game. Livonia Franklin.

any better for Franklin. Riehl completed his three-goal hat trick, from linemates Bernbei and Mike Monticciolo, less than five minutes in Starting another five-goal surge.

Monticciolo, Donny McKinnon, Guerro and Matt Long also scored in the period, and defenseman Kyle Ziomek The second period didn't get added a pair of second-period

Only Dan Ostrosky's goal vith 1:19 remaining in the middle period stood between Mustang goalie Jimmy Gales and a shutout. Gates has given up just four goals in three WLAA games thus far.

After facing WLAA foes Livonia Stevenson Monday and Walled Lake Northern last night,

the Mustangs host non-league Riverview at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in a rescheduled game that was postponed earlier due to a snow-

The Pirates are ranked among the state's top five Division III teams, while Northville entered the week ranked among the top five in Division II.

As a bonus, it will be "football

theme night," with Northville High School football players admitted free and served free pizza between periods. Selected members will also get to play for prizes between the second and third periods.

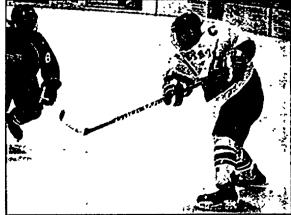
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Mustang goalle Jimmy Gates played solidly in net during last Friday's home game against Livonia Franklin.







TOP: Northville's Nick Guerro gets tangled up with a Livonia Franklin Patriot near the boards. BOTTOM LEFT: Two Mustangs head up ice with the puck. BOT-TOM RIGHT: The Mustangs score on a slapshot during a power play in the first period.

Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Northville crushes **Western Division** rival Livonia Franklin.

Goals scored by Northville senior Rob Riehl for his first hat trick of the year.

Minutes played by Franklin's Dan Kozlawski, the WLAA's fourth-highest scorer.

Goals given up by Northville senior Jimmy Gates through play in the WLAA.

Northville's current hockey record -they are 5-0 in the WLAA.

Goals difference in a game before the mercy rule automatically ends it.

**Number of Mustangs** who collected a goal against Franklin.

He spent several games in a more detached role, watching from a place other than where he sits on the pine during most games. Now the Mustangs just need a few more wins.

### To be or not to be?

How would you like to be in Northville senior Jameson's shoes?

Sure, he's athletic, he's pretty smart and he knows how to make the best out of most situations. But he's also been asked to win a few basketball games with buzzer-beating shots this



photographer,

thought Gerblick was snubbing

the rules. He explained he was-

n't. The teacher thought

Gerblick was being arrogant.

Gerblick disagreed. Finally, the

The end result? Gerblick got

to keep the hat, though the teacher is known for taking them

and "selling" them back to the students at the end of the year.

Lesson: sometimes its best to

walk around with your hat in

your hands - at least until the

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photographer stepped in.

Unfortunately, two of those buzzer shots haven't found the

Against Milford, his shot fell short of the goal, and the same thing happened against John Glenn, finding the rim but rolling out.

### No hats in school!

Northville senior Gerblick doesn't like his hair. So, when the time came for a recent newspaper photo of the basketball player to be taken he asked if it would be OK for him to wear a hat. Sure, he was told.

Apparently, he was given some bad advice.

### Sports Shorts

#### As Gerblick approached the **Baseball registration** teacher The Lakes Athletic Association approached him. The teacher

baseball league will be accepting registration for the 2004 season at the Walled Lake Central High School cafeteria on Wednesday, Feb. 9, from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. The baseball association offers a competitive environment for boys and girls ages 5-18. Call (248) 975-8157 for more information.

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# Cagers fall to **Rockets**



In the season's first confercompetition, Northville Mustangs boys basketball team took another hard loss, falling to the John Glenn Rockets, 50-48.

Alan Shanoski and Mike Jameson led the Mustangs with 15 points each, Jameson's buzzer-beating jumper rimmed out, despite hot three-point shoot much of the night.

The Mustangs jumped ahead early, amassed a 13-6 first quarter lead and featured tight defense, thanks contributions from Shanoski. Jameson and Alvin Storrs

But the Rockets tightened their desense, rejuvenated their offense and began the second quarter with an 8-0 run. Jameson broke the streak by draining a three-pointer and giving the Mustangs a temporary lead.

The Mustangs led at the half.

Shanoski gave Northville its first four second half points, but the Rockets shot back with Barry Eberhardt, who used his size and strength to give John Glenn a 30-28 third quarter

John Glenn's began the fourth quarter with yet another 9-0 flurry, including an alley-oop.

"We got down in the second

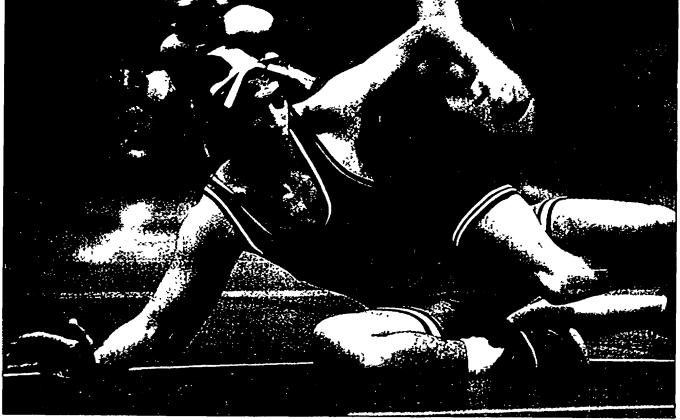


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Northville's Joe Gholami tries to work out of the grasp of Novi's Dan Matheney during a December match.

showed their depth last week.

But coach Rich Bennetts

"I thought our top guys didn't

thinks his team could have

earned a few extra points during

swim to their potential," he said. "I expected a little more

Bennetts said he was happy

with the depth his team showed

in the meet as his squad took

third place overall behind Zeeland and Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Stevenson took fourth, Salem

was fifth and Canton took sixth

positives away from the meet as

we can," Bennetts said, "I can

say our second and third tier

guys exceeded my expectations.

I'm sure the boys are happy we

The meet found each team

presenting their top four swim-

tinished ahead of Stevenson."

We want to take as many

in the six-team meet.

the Salem Invitational.

out of them."

Impressive depth half and let them get the momentum," said Shanoski. The Northville Mustangs swimming and diving team

"Once you let a team have that momentum it's hard to overcome it." A Jameson three-pointer

quickly quieted the Rockets' celebration, and J.D. Gerblick made a three-pointer with a 1:21 left on the clock to draw the Mustangs within three points.

Following a John Glenn turnover, Chris Lorente was fouled and made both free narrowing throws. the Mustangs' deficit to only one point. Shanoski then stole the subsequent inbound pass, was fouled while attempting a shot, but missed both free throws.

With time running out, the Mustangs had one final shot, but Jameson's jumped bounced off the rim

The Mustangs travel to Livonia Stevenson tomorrow for a 7 pm game against the

mers in each event. There were four heats and the top two places were medaled.

Northville medaled in the 200 freestyle with Mark Stuber taking second, Chris Culkin taking first and Chris Keady notching second in his head. In the 200 individual medley, Greg Sheppard took second, as did Ryan Smith, Will Fankell notched first in his diving flight and Steve Lempke took first.

Scott Lee took second. During the 100 butterfly, Chris Folas took second place. while Smith was second and Brody and Will Blickle each took second. Brad Farris earned second place in the 100 freestyle, while Culkin earned a first in the 500 freestyle and Keady took second.

### Grapplers make some noise

The Northville Mustangs wrestling team knew heading

into the tournament they'd have to put up some of their best matches if they hoped to earn any wins.

They proved to be just as good as they hoped as several Mustangs went to the wire trying to show just how far they've come this early in the season.

In the 112-pound division, Matt Ladhoff earned a 9-8 win over Milford's Jason Rhodes while Justin Swanson collected an 11-5 win over Milford's JJ Rhorer at 152.

Grant Garber collected a 5-1 win over Fenton's Sean O'Gwinn at 160 pounds. Dave Cain did well, earning a pin and a 6-2 win in the later rounds of the 171-pound division. At 215, Tim Resnick collected a pin of his own, one over Rafe McBride of Milford and Derek Babcock of Mina

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### Mustangs ready for division rival

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

There's more to rivalries than a title or a victory. There's also bragging rights and psychological advantages to be gained.

That's the prize between the Northville Mustangs swimming and diving team and the Livonia Stevenson Spartans — and it's a coveted one.

"I would say this is by far the most important dual meet of the year," said Northville coach Rich Bennetts. That goes for both teams. There's not hiding anything. They know how important it is and we know how important it is."

Why is a win against Stevenson so important?

"Other than a psychological edge for the league meet, this doesn't mean a whole heck of a lot," Bennetts said.

It has been a little while since Northville has been on the top of the dual meet. Stevenson fell to the Mustangs in Bennetts' third year, his first two years the two teams didn't swim each other.

'They were off our schedule for a while," he said. "We got them back after I was here for a couple of years. Now the rivalry is strong again."

Indeed. These two teams have gone to the wire several times and this year looks as though it could be that of the Mustangs.

"It's going to be one of those meets," said Bennetts. "Things are going to be nip and tuck the whole way. I honestly think it's going to be within five points one way or the other. A couple of the meets are going to be a real toss up. Their guys could win or our guys could, that's how close the kids are."

Bennetts knows all about the rivalry between the two schools.

"I know first hand," he said, laughing. Bennetts was a swimmer at Stevenson High School during his prep days

The Mustangs will visit the Spartans tonight at 7 p.m.

Swimming at their place is the toughest in the league," Bennetts said "It's an enclosed area and they bring a lot of fans. For a swim meet it gets to be extremely loud."- - . But no matter what is on the line

- including the edge heading into the Western Lakes Activities Association meet later this year — Bennetts knows his team is just going to swim

There's no question about it," he said "We're just going to go swim and see where we stand when it's all over

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### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

A schedule of upcoming sporting events for Northville High School:

### Basketball

Jan 14 at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Jan. 18 at home, 7 p.m. Jan. 21 at Franklin, 7 p.m.

### Hockey

Jan. 19 at home, 7:20 p.m. Jan. 22 at Allen Park, 8 p.m. Jan. 26 at Churchill, 8 p.m.

### Wrestling

Jan. 13 at Franklin, 6:30 p.m. Jan. 15 at Brighton, 8:30 a.m. Jan. 15 at Garden City, 9:30 a.m. Jan. 20 at Canton; 6:30 p.m. Jan. 22 at Franklin, 8 a.m.

### Swirmming and Diving

Jan. 13 at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Jan. 18 at Salem, 7 p.m. Jan. 20 at Plymouth, 7 p.m.

### Volleyball

Jan. 15 at Hartland, 9 a.m. Jan. 17 at home, 7 p.m. Jan. 19 at WLW, 7 p.m. Jan. 22 at Waterford, 8:30 a.m.

**Gymnastics** Jan., 13 at Brighton, 7 p.m. Jan. 15 at Hartland, TBA Jan. 17 at Salem, 7 p.m. Jan. 19 at Farmington, 6 p.m. -Jan. 22 at Farmington, TBA

# What makes tick?

By Matt Simich RECORD SPECIAL WRITER

Northville senior J.D. Gerblick is a tough competitor who as a multi-sport athlete has earned the respect of teammates and opponents across the WLAA confer-

For Gerblick, there is nothing like a Friday night on the field or

"I got my competitive gene from my dad," said Gerblick. "I also get energy from the crowd rooting in the stands and my teammates."

Now that the football season is over, the All-Division and All-

Area lineman is concentrating on his other favorite sport, basketball. Gerblick has played basketball since he was in the second grade. His dad got him involved in the sport and has played ever since. You wouldn't guess it by looking at him now, but he used to play point guard. As he grew taller and stronger he was stuck down low on

the court as the center. "It was like re-learning basketball all over again," said Gerblick.
"It was hard having my back toward the basket, I couldn't really get a good placement for the hoop at first."

When he was in middle school, Gerblick was involved in Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) and Our Lady of Victory basketball leagues.

"I love being competitive," said Gerblick. "Basketball and football are just two sports were I can express that competitiveness."

Gerblick played football for the first time during the fall season of his seventh grade year at Cooke/Hillside. He continued the trend when he reached high school. During his freshmen year he was moved up to the junior varsity offensive line.

He climbed the ladder to varsity his junior year playing tackle and center. This year, he was all about playing tackle.

Of the two sports, Gerblick favors football but said it's a tough choice. Basketball is a close second, the unselfish center with a

knack for scoring said. What I look for is to try and get

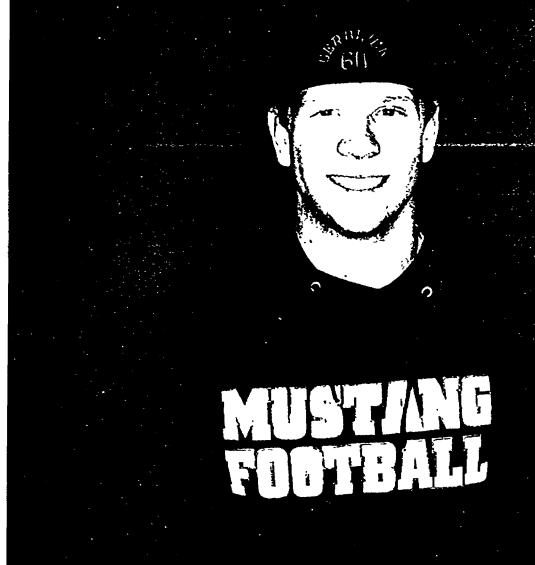


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J.D. Gerblick is a competitor. He hates to lose. But where did he get the drive from? The intensity? If it's a game that can be won, Gerblick wants to win it.

my teammates involved because that is how you score points," said

Even after basketball practice is over, Gerblick is just getting warmed up. He carries a 3.7 GPA

and hits the books. He plans to attend Cornell

University and study business or pre-law. He has accepted a scholarship to play offensive tackle for the Big Red football team.

Gerblick offers simple advice: The most important thing is to never quit," he said. "When you play on the field or on the court, some things are going to go wrong. Just know that all you need is the

ability to rise above it and to play

Matt Simich is a Northville High School senior and a contributing writer to the Northville Record.

### **Local Events**

#### Art House DIA Brown Bag Lunch

Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy the DIA's Murano Glass from the Olnick Spanu Collection through a slide presentation at 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 21 at the Art House, 215 W. Cady St. The cost is \$10 at the door.

#### Line Dancing at Novi Ice Arena

Line dancing lessons are held at 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays for beginners and 7:30-9 p.m. for intermediate levels. The cost is \$6 for non-Novi residents, and \$5 for Novi residents or those \$5 years and older. Both programs are ongoing, pay-as-you-go. The Novi Ice Arena is located at 42400 Arena Dr. For more information, call Jean at (248) 348-9116.

### Ward Presbyterian grief workshop

This free workshop is open to the community and will be presented by Cathy Clough, Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support. The workshop will meet for eight Mondays from 7-8:45 p.m. beginning Jan. 31 at Ward Presbyterian Church, Six Mile and Haggerty roads in Northville. For registration information call Dorothy at Ward Church at (248) 374-5966. For information about other age and loss specific grief support groups offered by New Hope Center for Grief Support, call (248) 348-0115.

### Northville Newcomers and Neighbors Event

A "King's Table" New Orleansstyle buffet will be served at the Mardi Gras Carnival Dinner Dance, at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5 in the St. John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth. The event is open to new, current and prospective members and friends. The cost is \$65 per person and tickets can be purchased from Jackie Sharp or Judy Robbins. chairmen, at (734) 416-6489 or (248) 895-5298 by Thursday, Jan. 21. Dressy attire is requested, and masks and costumes can be worn. Singles and couples are welcome. There will be dancing, door prizes and favors.

### Country Garden Club

The Country Garden Club meets the first Tuesday of the month at the Cady Inn, Mill Race Village. Refreshments are served and the public is invited. For information or questions, contact Kathryn Novak at (248) 348-3263.

### Community Wide Healing Service

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

### Eclipse Base Ball Club

The Eclipse Base Ball Club will be hosting a small vintage baseball discussion/convention at Mill Race Village from 12:30-6 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 16. All active vintage ballists are invited as are any persons interested in playing on or forming new teams playing by the rules of the 1860s. The cost is \$25. For more information, call Wayne Titus at (734) 673-2810 or Mike Ladwig at (248) 344-1980.

### 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 through March 28. Start anytime, no charge for first visit, scholarships and senior discounts available. Contact Diane Siegel-DiVita at (248) 344-0928 or triangle-six@msn.com.

### Master Gardener Association

Thèse monthly meetings are at 7 p.m., the second Thursday of each month from September-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

Center Stage Dance Company in Northville is accepting donations of AT&T phone cards for soldiers 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 needs more phone cards. Center Stage will package. Further information is available at (248) 380-1666 or CSDC5678@aol.com.

### **Marquis Theatre Presents**

Enjoy a musical adaptation of "Rumplestiltskin" at Northville's historic Marquis Theatre through Jan. 16. Performances occur at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 15; and Sunday, Jan. 16. 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

For widowed men and women, come see "Michigan Hold 'Em" at this Northville interactive dinner theater and meet new friends at 3 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 13; and 6:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 15, 22 and 29. The cost is \$45. Call (248) 967-3422 to reserve your seat.

"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.

#### 14th Annual Hearts of Remembrance Program

Arbor Hospice and Home Care offers 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; and Braveheart, 126 MainCentre, (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 and music from the Hillside Middle School and Northville High School choirs. For more information, call the Northville Youth Assistance at (248) 344-1618.

#### Johnson Creek Protection Group Volunteer Rally

The 5th Annual Volunteer Rally and informational meeting will include a summary of successes in 2004 and a look toward the activities and events of 2005, as well as a call out for new members and more volunteers.

There will be several speakers and booths by other area environmental organizations and agencies that attendees can visit. The rally will be held at 7 p.m. on Feb. 5 at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Rd, at the corner of Six and Sheldon roads.

For more information about meetings or events, visit the Johnson Creek Web site, e-mail Michelle West at

### Wing it!



Northylle Historical Society Archives

In the 1920s, the house located at 245 S. Wing, owned at the time by Lilian Bedford, who was the grandmother of Becky Dozier, a current employee of the Northville Department of Public Works.

mwest@alnm com or call (734) 761-1010.

#### 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. 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. For more information, call (248) 449-0050

### Library Lines

The library will be closed on Mon. Jan. 17 in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

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., Sunday. 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.

### Northville Genealogical Society

Individual help on genealogy is offered by society members in the local history room from I-3 p.m. on Mondays afternoons at the library. For more information, call Grace Wilfong at (248) 349-9079 or check the Web site at Www.rootsweb.com/~mings.

### 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 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 15. Register by phone at (248) 349-

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### Fun in the Sun Crafts for Kids

Come in from the cold and warm up with crafts, 4-5 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 20. 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 3year-olds with a parent or caregiver, this six-week series of half-hour sessions is structured to help this age group gain the most from this' library experience. Please bring only age appropriate children who are registered for the welly his gram. There are four sessions to choose from, and each session includes 13 children accompanied by a caregiver. Register for one of the following: 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-March 2; 10:15-10.45 a.m., Thursdays, Jan. 27-March, 3. Register by phone at (248) 349-3020 or in person.

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

The new Kids Club is an afterschool 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 phone at (248) 349-3020. Winter Kids Club programs are: Jan. 27, Adventures in Art.: Feb. 10, Friendship; and March 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 six-week series of 45-minute storytimes. Sorry, younger or older children or nonregistered siblings may not attend. Each program features stories and creative activities, so children should also be able to use seissors. glue, etc. Each session includes 20 children. Please register for one of the following sessions: 4-4:45 p.m. Mondays, Feb. 7 - March 14; 10:15-11 a.m. or 2-2:45 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 8-March 15. Register by phone at (248) 349-3020 or in person beginning Jan.

### **Evening Storytime**

Children wear your pajamas and enjoy a lively storytime. Best suited for children 3 and older, but all ages welcome. No registration is required. This will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 19 in the youth activity room.

### Little Me Storytime for Little

This storytime is for children from 10 months to 2 years old, along with their parents or caregivers, from 10:30-11:15 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 21. No registration is required. Infants and older chil-

dren are also welcome to attend

### Junior Books, Chat and Chow

Fourth and fifth graders can make friends, have treats and enjoy a book discussion of Michael Morpurgo's novel, Kensuke's Kingdom, at 4:15 p.m on Wednesday, Jan. 26.

### **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 its welcome.

#### Visit the Friends Store for Unique Gifts

Stop in at the Friends Store for great gift ideas. All proceeds from this volunteer-run store benefit the library.

### Seniors

### Senior Center Garage Sale The garage sale will take place

from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 21 and Saturday, Jan. 22 at the Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. Tables will cost \$25 for both days. There is no fee for admission to the sale. For more information, call the senior center at (248) 349-4140.

### Foot Reflexology Class

Clarence Brown, reflexologist, will offer this alternative healing class from 9 a m.-1 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 26 at the Senior Center, 303 W. Main St. Call (248) 349-4140 for an appointment

### Tax counseling services

Volunteer tax counselors will prepare taxes from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m. on Thursdays, from Feb. 3 - April 14. There is no charge for this service, but you need to make an appointment. Contact Senior Center, 303 W. Main St., at (248) 349-4140.

### Senior Center Calendar

Thursday Jan. 13: 9 a.m.: Taking Off Pounds Sensibly

9 am.: Massage 9:30 a.m.: Twelve Oaks Mall 10 a.m.: Oxycise 11:30 a.m.: Lunch 1 p.m.: Computers I Friday Jan. 14: 9 a.m.: Healing touch 9:30 a.m.: Grocery shop 10 a.m.: Stretch training 11 a.m.: Computers 11 1 p.m.: Movie Monday Jan. 17: 10 a.m.: Blood pressure 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle 1 p.m.: Line dancing 1-2:30 p.m.: Tai Chi 2 p.m.: Pistons Tuesday, Jan. 18: 9:30 a.m.: Meijer

10 a.m.: Oxycise

12:30 p.m.: Prinochle 1 p.m.: Computers 1 Wednesday, Jan. 19: 9.30 a.m.: Twelve Oaks Mall 9.30 a.m.: Auto show noon, Bridge 1 p.m.: Computers II

### Mill Race

### Mill Race Historical Village

Created in 1972 by the Northville Historical Society, the Mill Race Historical Society preserves architectural styles common to the area prior to 1900. It was built on land donated to the city of Northville by the Ford Motor Company. Once the site of a grist mill, the village has a church, gazebo, school, rustic wooden bridge, blacksnuth shop, interurban station and several homes reminiscent of an era gone by.

Scheduled events are as follows: Thursday, Jan 13: Service Unit A Scouts, 9:45 a.m.; Eclipse Hot Stove, 6 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 14: Brownie Scouts, 4:15 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 16: Mill Creek, 10 a m; Eclipse Hot Stove, 12:30

Monday, Jan 17: Service Unit C Scouts, 9 am; Brownie Scouts, 4:30 pm; Cub Scouts, 6:15 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan 18: Daisy Scouts, 4 p.m.; Weavers Guild, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19. Brownie Scouts, 3:45 p.m.; Mill Creek, 7

Thursday, Jan. 20. Northville Historical Society Annual Membership/Potluck Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Northville Historical Society Board Meeting, 10 p.m.

#### Maybury Farm Hayrides and Sleigh Rides

Weather cooperating, hayrides and sleigh rides will be offered on Saturdays and Sundays. For additional information, call (248) 374-0200. Please enter off of Eight Mile Road.

### Looking for You

### **Marquis Theatre Auditions**

Auditions for "Peter Cotton Tail" will be held at 5:30 p m. on Sunday, Jan. 16 at the Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main St. These are for children ages 8-15 years old. For information call (248) 349-8110.

### Schoolcraft College Choral Union Auditions

To schedule your audition for the Schoolcraft College Choral Union, contact choir president, Shari Clason at (248) 349-8175 or e-mail dpesce@aol.com., subject: Auditions. They will be held in Room 310 of the Forum Building, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Rd., Livonia. All voice

parts are welcome.

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### WHAT'S GOING ON? (CONT'D)

### continued from 4B **Volunteers Wanted**

There are a variety of volunteer opportunities available for all age groups. Assignments include: Senior Community Center front desk, special assistance and special park projects. High school volunteer hours and scout badge projects are welcome. Please con-

recreation@ci.northville.mi.us for more information.

#### Camera Club Meeting

Join the Northville Arts Commission and Northville Camera the second Tuesday of each month. All are welcome. For more information or the cost of yearly dues, contact Tom James of Northville Camera at northvillecamera@sbcglobal.net; Ken Naigus of the arts commission at kdn@comcast.net or Northville Arts Commission at (248) 449-9950.

#### **Arts Commission**

Meets at 7:30 p.m., second Wednesday of the month, Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

### **Beautification Commission**

Meets at 7 p.m., second Tuesday of the month, city hall, 215 W. Main St., Meeting Room

### **Housing Commission**

Meets at 6 p.m., second Wednesday of the month, Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

### **Youth Assistance**

Meets at 8 a.m., second Tuesday of the month, Northville Youth Assistance Offices, 775 N. Center St.

#### Parks and Recreation Commission

Meets at 7:30 p.m., second

Recreation Center at Hillside, 700 W. Baseline Rd.

### Parks and Recreation

#### **Welcome New Residents of** Northville

If you are a new resident of the Northville community, Northville Parks and Recreation invites you to visit its parks and community centers to learn about activities and facilities. If you have any questions about programs or suggestions for a program you'd like to have offered, contact recreation@ci.northville. mi.us or call (248) 349-0203.

#### Winter/Spring 2005 Northville Parks & Recreation

The brochure is now available www.northvilleparksandrec.org for a peek at the Unlimited. The 40-page activities guide is mailed directly to all Northville residents. Contact the Northville Post Office or check with your mail carrier if you do not receive your copy in the mail.

#### Disney on Ice: Finding Nemo

This ice skating production will take you down under into an underwater world to join Nemo, Marlin and Dory in a journey of friendship and fun. A luxury motor coach will drive guests to the Palace of Auburn Hills on Feb. 5 for the event. Youth under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Show time is 3:30 p.m., bus departs at 2 p.m. The fees are \$22 for youth and \$25 for adults, and non-resident fees apply. Registration deadline is Jan. 29.

Band demos are currently Wednesday of the month, being accepted. Five local and

regional teenage bands will be chosen to perform. Please forward CD demos and public relations materials only to: SKRUFF Committee, c/o Northville Parks and Recreation, 700 W. Baseline Rd., Northville, Mich., 48167.

#### **Aquatics Employment** Opportunities

There are immediate openings for a water fitness instructor and lifeguards spring/summer 2005. Day and evening teaching times are available. Call Lindsey Butzin at (248) 349-0203, ext. 1418.

#### **Toddle Time**

Bring your toddler to this dropin open gym time. Children must be accompanied by an adult the entire time. Bring a toy your toddler can ride or push. There is a fee of \$5 per child for two hours of gym time. It is held from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Tuesdays, Jan. 4-March 22, at the Senior Community Center Gym.

### **Open Lap Swimming**

Visit the Recreation Center at Hillside Aquatic Center during open lap swimming hours and workout rain or shine. Hours may vary. Call (248) 349-0203 for dates and times.

### Junior Ski & Snowboard

Skiers and snowboarders in the fourth and fifth grade are invited to join this club. Parents are welcome to attend as chaperones. Weather permitting, there will be two afternoon trips to Mt. Brighton on Feb., 15 and 17. Registration fee is \$45 for one trip and \$80 for two trips. .

#### Northville Ski and **Snowboard Club**

A revised trip schedule has posted

www.northvilleparksandrec.org. All students in Middle School and High School are encouraged to participate. Club membership includes luxury motor coach transportation to local ski areas on Friday evenings and some Saturday evenings, group lift tickets, rental equipment discounts and lessons at Mt. Brighton Ski Area. Two trips have been added this year. Registration fee is \$155 for city and township residents, \$160 for school district residents in the city of Novi, and \$165 for non residents. Bring a current school photo and last year's club ID card. Adult chaperones are needed to chaperone trips and receive complimentary skiing. Contact the Parks and Recreation office for more information at (248) 349-0203.

### Open Badminton

Competitive style bad-minton is available. All skill levels are welcome. Cost is \$7 per night, includes bird fee. Event is held 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays at the and Recreation Center, 775 N. Center St. at the back entrance of Hillside Middle School.

### **Open Table Tennis**

Eight tables are available. All skill levels are welcome. Cost is \$4 per day. Times are 6-10 p.m., Mondays, and 12-4 p.m., Saturdays at Parks and Recreation Center, 775 N. Center St. at the back entrance of Hillside Middle School.

### Open Basketball

This event is offered at the Senior Community Center on most Tuesdays from 7-9:30 p.m. The cost is \$3. Contact Parks and Recreation for more information at (248) 449-9947.

### Regional

#### Dinner and Support for Widowed

Widows of all ages are welcome to attend a social hour at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 14 at the American Polish Culture Center on the northwest corner of Fisteen Mile and Dequindre roads in Troy. Meet new widowed friends in a safe setting. Prices are moderate for this event. Reserve seats by Jan. 10. For more information, call Barb at (586) 781-5678 or Bill at (248) 528-0640.

#### **Western Wayne County Genealogical Society** Meeting

The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society will hold a meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 17 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center Building, Farmington Road., south of Five Mile Road, Jan Zeleski will speak on using the LDS/Mormon family search computer to locate elusive ancestral villages. At 6:30 p.m., there will be a reading of early American handwriting. Meetings and classes are open to the public and are free. Guests are welcome. For information, call Pat at (734) 425-3079.

The Detroit Institute of Arts is located on 5200 Woodward Ave. in Detroit. For more information, call (313) 833-7900.

Hours of operation: CLOSED . Monday Tuesday

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday

10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

Recommended admission is \$4 per adult and \$1 per child. Pay what you like, but you must pay something.

### Friday Nights at the DIA

Friday, Jan. 21: Drop-in workshop: Glass vessels, 6-8:30 p.m., Paint your own glass container. Ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Jazz music: Paul Winter, saxophonist 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. He is a composer and the founder of Living Music and the Paul Winter Consort.

Drawing in the galleries for youth and adults: 6-8:30 p.m., no experience necessary, materials provided, pencil drawings only. Adventures in drawing: 6-8:30

p.m., Children can explore creative expression through drawing for ages 8 and under accompanied by an adult.

Greatest hits guided tours: 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., "Highlights of Europe and America" and "Art of Four Continents and the Ancient World" offered both times.

### 2005 American Musicals Series at Michigan Theater

The series will be at 7 p.m. starting Jan. 17, Top Hat; Jan. 24, Cabin in the Sky; Jan. 31, Easter Parade. The Michigan Theater is located in Ann Arbor at 603 East Liberty St., across the street from Borders Books and Music. Regular film ticket prices are \$8,50 for adults, \$6.75 for students, seniors and veterans and \$5,50 for Michigan Theater members. The theater's 24-hour information line is (734) 668-8463 and the Web site is www.michtheater.org.

### **Fox Theater Event**

B.B. King with Bobby Blue Bland will perform at 8 p.m. on Sat., Jan. 15 at the Fox Theater. located at 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. For ticket or show information, contact Ticketmaster, (248) 433-1515 or visit the Web site, OlympiaEntertainment.com. Ticket prices are \$27.50, \$39.50

### WHAT'S COOKING?

### Spicy recipes will warm cold winter nights

From hot jalapeños to piquant pepper, America loves spice. It can reward the senses with a surprising smell, a fiery flavor or a zesty kick. While some traditional spicy foods may contain fat and calories, there are many ways to add zeal to each meal while following a healthy eating lifestyle. Using seasoned meats and during preparation eliminates some of the fat and calories found in the breading, batters, gravies and sauces commonly used to add some excitement to your plate. Boar's Head offers a range of flavorful meats, cheeses and condiments guaranteed to add some bite to each taste! Available at select supermarkets and fine delicatessens, these premium products make delicious meals in minutes, whether tossed in a salad, stacked on a sandwich or wrapped in a tortilla

#### Classic chili with spicy cheese topping

- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil 2 pounds beef chuck cut into 1inch cubes
- 2 cups chopped onion I clove garlie, minced
- 3 teaspoons chili powder I teaspoon ground cumin
- I teaspoon dried red pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground
- black pepper 4 cups crushed tomatoes
- 2 cups beef broth 2 cups red kidney beans, rinsed
- and drained Salt to taste

Boar's Head Jalapeño Red Pepper Sauce to taste

A mixture of grated Boar's Head Monterey Jack Cheese with Jalapeño and Cheddar Cheese, 2 cups total

In a heavy-bottomed, deep pot, heat oil to very hot. Quickly sear the beef on all sides, about 2 minutes. Work in batches if necessary. Remove and set aside.

Reduce heat to medium and add the onion, garlic, and spices to the pot. Cook, stirring, until the onion is translucent, about 3 min-

Return the meat to pot. Add the tomato, broth, and beans along with a pinch of salt. Stir and cook at a simmer until the liquid has reduced and thickened, about 30 minutes. Adjust seasoning, using hot red pepper sauce as desired.

Spoon chili into bowls and top with the grated cheese. Serves 8

#### Cajun roast beef sandwich with hot sauce

- 2 sandwich rolls 2 tablespoons Boar's Head
- Horseradish sauce 6 arugula leaves 1/2 pound sliced Boar's Head
- Cajun Roast Beef 1/2 pound sliced Boar's Head
- Horseradish Cheddar Salt and pepper to taste Spread sauce lightly over each
- half of rolls. Layer bottom halves with arugula, beef and cheddar. Top with remaining halves. To super-size sandwiches, repeat lay-

Makes 2 sandwiches

### **Buffalo chicken** wrap with salsa

1 (8- to 10-inch) flavored flour tortilla, such as chipotle chile pepper flavor

Spicy Mayonnaise (3 tablespoons mayonnaise mixed with 1 teaspoon

lime juice and Boar's Head Jalapeño Pepper Sauce to taste)

8 arugula leaves 1 1/4-inch-thick slice each Boar's Head Monterey Jack Cheese with Jalapeño and Vermont Cheddar, julienned

1 1/4-inch-thick slice Boar's Head Blazing Buffalo Chicken. julienned 18 fresh hot pepper strips

Lay out tortilla. Spread evenly with spicy mayonnaise. Cover with arugula leaves with stem ends facing each other at middle. Lay on top julienned cheeses, chicken and pepper strips. Roll sandwich tightly enough to keep filling tucked in. Slice on diagonal across middle, where stem ends meet. Secure both sandwiches with decorative toothpicks.

Makes 2 sandwiches Tip: For spice lovers who prefer a four-alarm fiery taste, add a shot of hot salsa (fresh or bottled).

### Zesty vegetarian wrap

I (8- to 10-inch) flavored flour tortilla, such as tomato flavor Spicy Mayonnaise (see Buffalo

Chicken Wrap recipe) 2 lettuce leaves, such as Boston

or red leaf 1 1/4-inch-thick slice each Boar's Head Monterey Jack with Jalapeño and

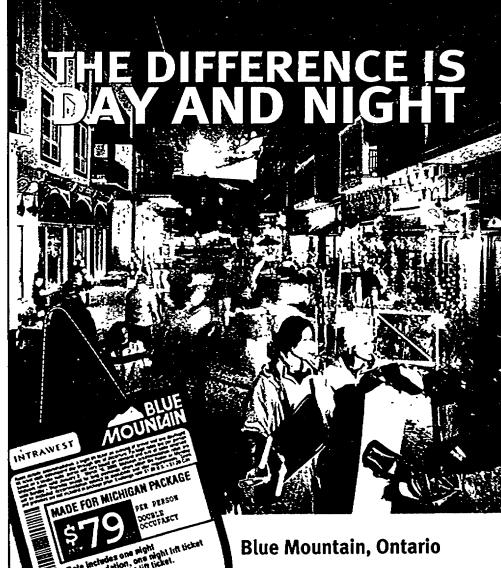
#### Horseradish Cheddar, julienned 12 1/4-inch strips of fresh bell pepper (green or yellow)

Lay out tortilla. Spread evenly with spicy mayonnaise. Cover with lettuce leaves. Top with julienned cheese and pepper strips

keep filling tucked in. Trim off excess tortilla and cut across middle. Secure both sandwiches with decorative toothpicks.

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### A simple formula for growth

If there is one character trait that stands out among America's entrepreneurs, it is optimism.

Starting a small business demands more than a desire to control one's destiny and a willingness to take risks. It calls for a positive outlook.

When the NFIB Small **Business Economic Trends survey** was tallied in



optimism index among small firms soared four points to tie a 30-year-old record. What sparked that upbeat report? Expectations

December, the

**Jack Faris** of good times ahead.

With all the challenges facing the nation, there is no better time to sweep away obstacles that prevent existing small businesses from growing and new ones from starting, and thus creating more jobs. That is the message small business is delivering to Capitol Hill as the 109th Congress begins to craft its legislative agenda.

### It's just common sense

To raise the optimism of smallbusiness owners and those who want to start a business, the formula for success is simple: subtract the complex tax code, excessive regulations and frivolous lawsuits and add affordable health care.

For nearly two decades, taxes have ranked among the top concerns of small-business owners. According to The Tax Foundation, the total effective tax rate in 2003 - which encompasses the total tax burden from all levels of government - was more than 28.5 percent, a figure higher than at any time during World War Two. Taxes on the average household are now greater than the cost of food, clothing, shelter and transportation combined.

Unlike the nation's confusing tax code, the plea from smallbusiness owners is quite uncomplicated. Plainly stated, they want Congress to simplify the code and reduce taxes.

Among the greatest burdens on small firms is that of having to decipher and comply with the current tax laws, which potentially challenge owners with 200 different requirements. It's no wonder that more than eight of 10 small-business owners are forced to rely on professional tax practitioners to prepare their tax returns - a costly and time-consuming practice.

### Too many rules

Optimism, hence small-business creation and growth, can also be sparked if Congress takes meaningful steps to reduce the load of excessive regulation and intrusive laws. Instead of devoting all their time to satisfying customers, these entrepreneurs spend an inordinate amount of their daily schedules grappling with unclear and confusing government instructions, a steadily growing mountain of paperwork and duplicate information requests.

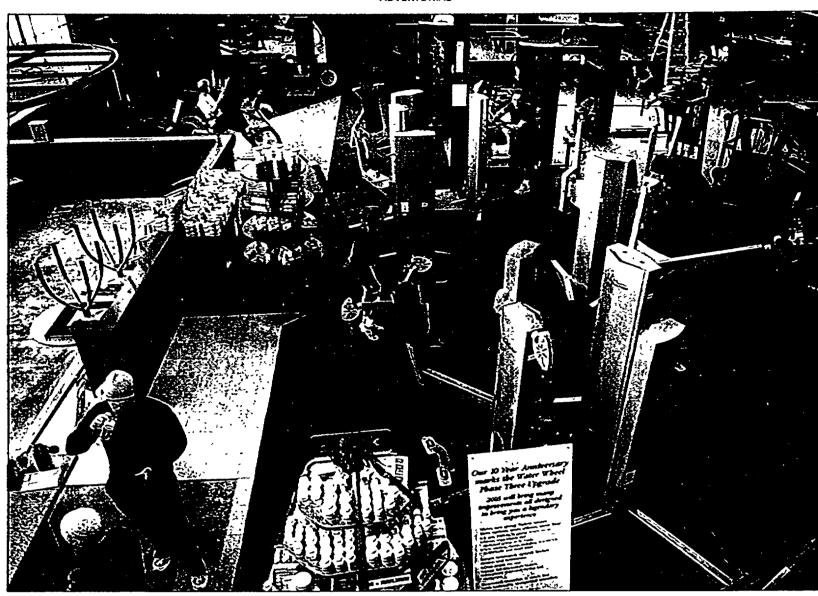
That small-business owners have any optimism at all is somewhat amazing when faced with the fact that lawsuit filings have tripled in the past 30 years. Frivolous lawsuits and out-ofcontrol, lottery-sized damage awards are steadily raising the threat to small firms. Within just the past five years, more than one-10th of owners have been sued or threatened with liability litigation.

Do you want to see small-business growth and job creation take off? Congress can make it happen by passing legislation to allow associations to offer health insurance to their small-business members; expand options for individuals to buy their own insurance; oppose health-care mandates and permit the self-employed to

deduct health-care costs. It's a simple formula: optimism plus entrepreneurship equals small-business growth.

Jack Faris is president of NFIB (the National Federation of Independent Business), the nation's largest small-business advocacy group. A non-profit, non-partisan organization founded in 1943, NFIB represents the consensus views of its 600,000 members in Washington, D.C., and all 50 state capitals. More information is available on-line at www.NFIB.com.

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Photos by JOHN HEIDER

Northville's Water Wheel gymnasium as seen from its second floor cardiovascular machine room.

### Water Wheel celebrates new facilities, programs

By Duane Ramsey SPECIAL WRITER

Water Wheel Health Club in Northville is celebrating its tenth year in business with the completion of its newly renovated fitness facilities and expanded training programs now available to its members.

To show its appreciation for the support of its members during the renovation, the club will celebrate with the Phase III Grand Opening Bash on Jan. 24 from 5 to 9 p.m. Members and guests are invited to enjoy free food, entertainment, giveaways and have a chance to meet the owners and staff to see what's happening at Water Wheel Health Club in the coming year.

"We are thrilled to celebrate our tenth year of service to the community," said Chris Klebba, co-owner of the club with his wife Ellen. "We want to thank our members for their business and look forward to achieving more for them with our enhanced facilities."

The renovation included adding new space and remodeling existing space to nearly double the size of the facilities at Water Wheel. The unique layout was designed as an "adult play land" by a nationally-known architect who specializes in health clubs.

The design also features new colors, flooring, showers and locker rooms for the comfort of its members. The new facilities include three new group exercise rooms for offering a variety of classes such as Yoga, Pilates and Group Cycle.

A new smoothie bar was built for the addition of a national smoothie franchise called City Blends. It will offer meal

replacement shakes in a variety of different flavors to meet the dietary needs of the individual customer.

In addition to the renovated facilities, Water Wheel is offering a number of enhanced, goaloriented programs developed for busy adults. Members still have the option of participating in group exercise, personal training programs or both to achieve their fitness goals.

The personal training programs have been improved, offering the revolutionary Free Motion Tower Training. It involves a flexible combination of cardio-vascular and strength training on multi-function equipment in a 45-minute, highvalue session with a personal trainer designed to meet the goals of the each member.

"We will never wander from our commitment to be an adult. limited membership alternative to the over-crowded, impersonal gyms," Chris said.

"We will continue to be the personal club that is a key part of your life and a safe comfortable place for you to come. Only now, you will have more opportunities to get everything you want in a workout with more options, more staff and more

In 1994, Chris and Ellen Klebba decided to offer the community an upscale, unique fitness center where adults of any fitness level can achieve a quality fitness experience.

"Our focus is life-style enhancement," said Chris. "We offer support and guidance for any activity or sport you enjoy or want to enjoy. We can help you achieve your goals and develop a healthy lifestyle to look and feel your best."

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Water Wheel provides a team of professional personal fitness coaches for one-on-one or small group training sessions. They offer specific lifestyle enhancement programs such as individual weight loss systems and inhome personal training.

Membership benefits include unlimited use of the entire club and its facilities, goal assessment with a personal trainer, nutritional analysis, ongoing floor instruction, regular health and fitness educational seminars and special events.

Water Wheel offers a trial membership for individuals to try the club's facilities, equipment and group classes, as well as receiving a free personal training session before officially joining. Membership rates are guaranteed for life at the rate each person joins.

The owners of Water Wheel are so confident in their staff and services that they pledge to fulfill the needs of their members or refund the membership fee within 10 days of enrollment if the individual is not completely satisfied.

"If you are looking for an alternative to the big-box, overcrowded, impersonal clubs, we invite you to stop by and give us a try" Chris said. "Let us design a custom program for you, meet



Chris Jeffery rides a stationary bike at Northville's Water Wheel Health Club.

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The club also includes a Wall of Fame that features success stories and testimonials from members who have reached their goals with the help of the elite team of fitness coaches. Call to book a free consultation to learn how to work smart and get the results you want.

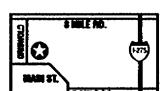
The Water Wheel Health Club was recognized as the "best health club in Metro Detroit" by Hour Detroit Magazine in 2003.

The club is an active participant in the International Health, Racquet and Sports Club Association, which allows access to more than 3,000 clubs worldwide for its members.

Chris is a certified personal fitness instructor and a recognized fitness expert in the area He speaks regularly at businesses, clubs and organizations and has written more than 250 columns on various health and fitness topics.



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### Jeff and Lisa Amburgy form winning real estate team

By Duane Ramsey SPECIAL WRITER

Jeff and Lisa Amburgy have combined their efforts and expertise to become a successful husband and wife team of full-time real estate professionals committed to helping people buy and sell homes in today's competitive market-

Jeff Amburgy is the top producer for the South Lyon office of Real Estate One with more than \$20 million in real estate sales in

Last year, his wife Lisa lest her job as assistant vice president with CitiBank, Inc. to join him full-time in the real estate business. She has more than 12 years of experience in the banking and mortgage industries which has proven helpful in her new career.

Service is the key to success in real estate today," said Jeff. "Our objective is to provide superior professional service that will keep our clients coming back."

"We receive great joy and an enormous sense of pride in knowing we have helped many first time buyers in fulfilling their dreams of home ownership," Jeff said. "There is also satisfaction in having those same clients come back to sell their homes and assist them in purchasing their second home."

Jeff and Lisa sell primarily residential real estate in the South Lyon area and surrounding local communities. They have handled everything from \$100,000 condominiums to \$5 million estate homes.

The couple begins by developing and providing a marketing plan customized for each client that includes advertising on numerous web sites, in newspapers and real estate publications. They also provide a pre-inspection and home warranty with each home they list at no cost to the sellet.

The Amburgys have a full-service web site at www.homenotjustahouse.com with their complete listings, virtual tours of those listings and other information about buying and selling a house. People are able to search not only their listings but those of the entire real estate market from their web site.

"We sell a high percentage of our own listings," Jeff said. "We keep up-to-date on everything in the real estate business in four counincluding Oakland, Livingston, Washtenaw and Wayne.

Much of their business involves people moving from Detroit metropolitan area communities to South Lyon and the surrounding areas. They also handle a large portion of the relocation business coming into and going out of the area.

Jeff and Lisa work out of the Real Estate



Photo by DUANE RAMSEY

Jeff and Lisa Amburgy of Real Estate One in South Lyon are ready to meet the real estate needs of their clients.

One office on Main Street in South Lyon. The office is located in the original St. Joseph Church, which is now a historic landmark. Both drive cars with their names and the Real Estate One logo on them, serving as a good form of advertising as they drive around the community.

As residents of South Lyon with their daughters Ashley and Alicia, the couple knows the area extremely well and is involved in the local community and school activities. Both are members of the South Lyon Area Chamber

Jeff also is president of the South Lyon Business Association, a local networking group with about 25 members, which meets every Tuesday morning at 7:30 at the South Lyon Hotel.

### DETAILS

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Contact Jeff at (248) 767-4176 and Lisa at (248) 974-6160 or check out their web site at www.homenotjustahouse.com

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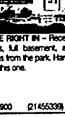


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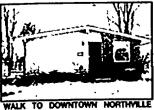
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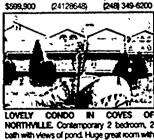
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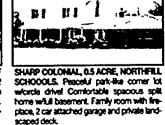


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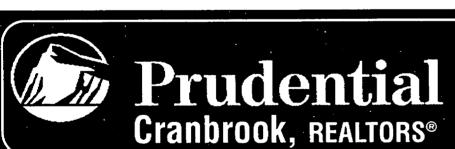
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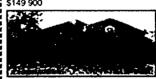
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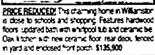
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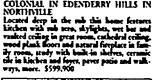
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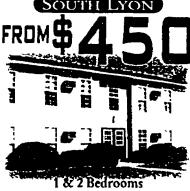
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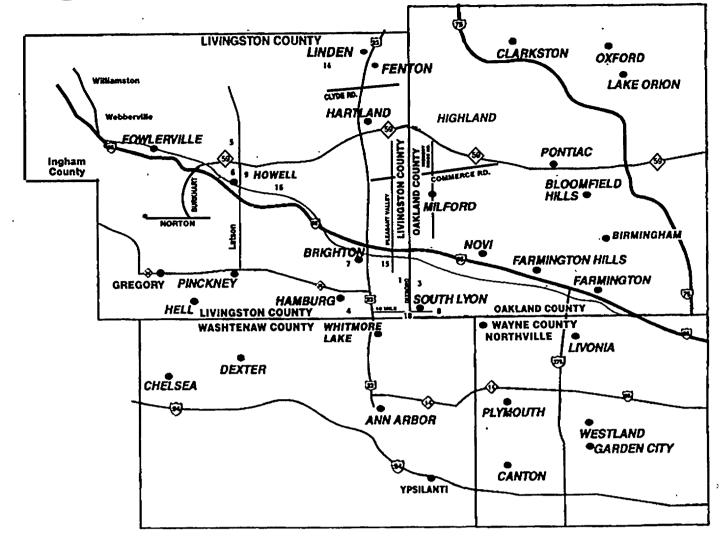


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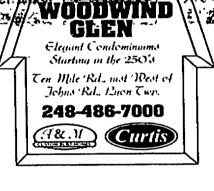
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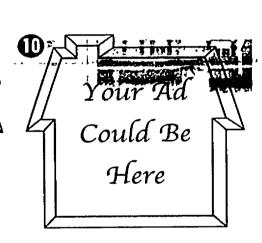
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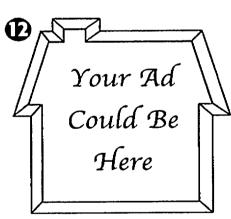




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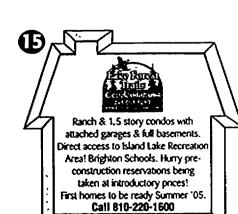


















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FOWLERVILLE SCHOOLS LEASE \$1,000
Only 7 years old on 1 acre Finished basement nily room and 2 bonus rooms. Cathedral cellings, hardwood floor in lutchen, high effi-ciency gas furnace. Whole house water filtra-tion system. 10 minutes from Howell, I-96 and Tanger Outlet Mall. (24143186)



BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$1,900 LEASE Beautifully maintained condo on Oak Pointe Honors Golf Course. This 1/5 story walkout overlooks the 2nd green and includes 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2 decks, 2 fireplaces, and view Lease duration is negotiable (24146785)



**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** \$79,900 The best Brighton has to offer at this price Ground level condo w/great location. This unit is "move-in ready" Almost everything is new including appliances, firesh paint, and carpet. Also includes a carport, just unpack and relax. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. (24156001)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$85.555 Beauthully updated throughout New kitchen and new bath wiceramic floor. All appliances included Association fee covers heat, water sewer, trash pick-up, & extenor maintenance. Offers pool, hot lub, exercise room & faundry facilities. (24141745)



FENTON SCHOOLS \$109,900 Neat and clean condo. Large master bedroom, full bath. Fireplace, central air, basement, attached garage, all appli-ances included (24151544)



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**HOWELL SCHOOLS** \$139,900 parlung & access on Lake Chemung! Home has been remodeled & includes a heated 8x12 porch, & huge deck. Fieldstone fireplace, double lot, and more. Cute home. don't miss out



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$143,900
Professionally decorated model home. Has upgrades including top of the line GE appliances that stay Open floor plan willinglace. Excellent location from I-96 and downtown yet in nice quiet residential neighborhood. 2 staircases for your convenince. (24140319)



**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** \$144,900 private end unit. Great location. Spacious 2-story w?d bedrooms, large fiving room leatures natural fireplace and built-in book shelves. Large doorwall overfooks, wooded and private seting Finished lower level weetra storace.



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$149,900 Why buy new when this is all ready for you? Great condo in excellent location. Just off I-96 by shops & restaurants. Great room, fireplace, top of the line appliances, split bedrooms, deck, Enjoy maintenance free fiving now (24152691)



HURON VALLEY SCHOOLS \$158,900 55+ end und w/walkout. Very bright and neutral wilots of privacy. 1st floor master bedroom, large family room & Florida room, new roof in 2004. (24157288)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$159,900 ed Newly insulated, ne heater, slove (1) year old, new baths in lower level and 1st floor Ceramic ble in loyer, lichen, and baths Hardwood floor in drining area. New carpet throughout. (5) celling tans, master bedroom wiFrench doors to teck 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, and 1 111 sq & (24149858



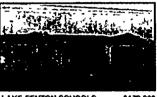
HOWELL SCHOOLS \$175,900
"Hickory Meadows", 1,470 sq ft., 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, end und ranch condo.
Full basement, attached 2 car garage.
Excellent location! (24152784)



BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$176,900 End unt Ranch, delightful condo well kept com-plex in the chy of Brighton. This is a very classy condo! kmacutate, new pant and light bege carpet. California driftstone fireplace, large master bedroom. Designer kilichen, finished basement, and large 2 car garage (24151280)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$178,900 2 bedroom, 2 full bath home. Screened 4 season porch and deck. Huge 2-story pole barn w'cement floor, built to store motor-home 1st floor laundry, great loca-tion, 1 year home warranty (24143851)



LAKE FENTON SCHOOLS \$179 900 Convenent for commung-close access to US-23. 4-season room whot lub, and fireplace expands the fiving area and makes an easy transition from notions to out. Full finished basement with daylight workness and a 4th befrom Bon day strip the and windows and a 4th bedroom. Big play structure and pool-lots of fun for the lods. (24146010)



FOWLERVILLE SCHOOLS \$182,900
All of the work is done... this home is better than new Charming home located in a quiet country sub. Exteror features shutters & covered porth. Neutral décor, statured woodwork & oak cabnetry. Finished tamily room in lower level is Better carpeting. One wear home wearanty included. (2415819)



HARTLAND SCHOOLS \$200,000
Four bedroom home sits on a beautiful lot in well established Chase subdivision. Lots of room to play Fenced in-ground pool. Easy access to freeway off US-23 and Hyne This is an investors dream! Priced right to self (24140560)



HOWELL SCHOOLS Octage charm? 2-story wonderful family home. Extra large farm style futchen wicenter island and lots of cabinets. Flows into a copy hearth noom whatval fireplace Hardwood floors, Jack and Jill full baths upstairs, finished space in lower level for lods to play. (24151800)



HOWELL SCHOOLS Hardwood floor, ceramic tile, fireplace



HARTLAND SCHOOLS Updated canal front ranch level. Total of approx. 1,500 sq ft., 3 bed-rooms, 2 baths. Great setting on canal. Nice over sized 2 car attached garage. This home has been carefully maintained. Come take a look! All appliances included. (24141004)



HARTLAND SCHOOLS \$219,700 Charming home in privileges to Lake Moraine floated on a gorgeous 12 acre wooded bit. This home has a ton of updates including the kitchen, bathrooms, and finished walkout lower level. Home also features natural brick fireplace, beautiful private deck off back & not tub. Great expressway access. (24157810)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$219,900 Lots of bang for the buckl 5 06 noely wooded acres in prine location, 5 miles from Howell or Brighton. Almost 2,000 sq.ft. of living space, covered porch loolung out to woods, updated windows root, and humace with a one year



SOUTH LYON SCHOOLS \$219,900 SOUTH LYDN SCHOOLS \$219,900 Modem 3 bedroom home in great South Lyon location. Large, light, and bright sun-room overlooking full fended back yard Fireplace in family room, 1st floor laundry, master suite w walk-in closet and full bath. (24158148)



HURONVALLEY SCHOOLS \$224,900 Pending Enjoy the peace & queto the country on this spacous wooded corner lot. Close to schools, recreation. & shopping. Walking & blung paths through development You? love the open floor plan and wrap around front porch. (24158184)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$224,925 Neat and clean in an area of fine homes. Covered front porch. Large lot enhanced by mature trees and plantings. Living room offers freplace. Sunny dinette features patio door leading to large deck Soacous master bedroom features walk-in closet.



FENTON SCHOOLS \$229,000 dows bring in lots of light. Deck off the living



\$232,500 HOWELL SCHOOLS Beautiful ranch on fantastic wooded parklike setting, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, large living room & family room, brick fireplace, deluxe baths, whirlpool tub, Birch krichen, professionally finished lower level, bar and full bath. (24149671)



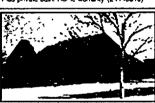
FENTON SCHOOLS \$235,000 Ruch pecan finish cabinets, hardwood floors, volume ceilings, huge multi-pur-pose loft, & ample windows that bring in lots of light make this city condo universally appealing, 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 2,100 sq.ft, and built in 2004 (24146536)



HOWELL SCHOOLS Quality build new construction on a beautiful wooder coachy body ram of costs and of a season of manage seeing dramatic 2-story, great room, freplace, deliver kitchen, dring room, dal cabinets large master sude features walk-in closet and glamour bath 6 panel doors, neutral decor beautiful new development leatures park.



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SOUTH LYON SCHOOLS \$249 900 Motivated seller has relocated-Bring all others! Large open ranch w/vaulted ceiling extra large corner lot, 3 bedrooms 2 full baths, large eat-in kitchen. Formai dning room, beautiful fire-



LINDEN SCHOOLS \$255,900 4 bedroom, 1,920 sq ft. home williving room/din ceilings, family room w/gas freplace & skylights finished basement, super upgrades, cedar pine deck, large, corner cul-de-sac lot. (24144240).



LINDEN SCHOOLS \$257,900
A great floor plan and very tastefully finished!
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HOWELL SCHOOLS \$260,000 Come home to a subdivision in the country. Great road 2,800 sq.ft., 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, large rooms, 2 fireplaces, hot tub, 2 car attached garage Finished walkout lower level. Backs up to ree space, watch the deer! (24146998)



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\$295 000 LINDEN SCHOOLS Lobdell lake access whoat dock beautiful Loboel laws access whosi dook, beautiful master bath, open floor plan, great kidnen looking out back yard, 18' cathedral ceilings area sturning grogeous natural wood-burning fireplace, huge 3 car attached garage just right for all the loys (24152245)



BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$297,500 This house is proced well Soacous home 3 300 sq.ft. of fiving space including finished walkout. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, large lutchen w/Jenn-Aire cook top, hardwood floors, 1st floor master



BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$299,000 Location, location, location! Great 2.57 acres, house w/many updates, new in 2004-shingles, siding, all new flooring, cabinets and varietes. Seller is motivated 1.5 miles to I-96 and Kensington Metro Park. (24149012)



HURON VALLEY SCHOOLS \$299,900 Great open floor plan in this 1 1.2 story Co emporary home 1st floor master suite wijetted tub in full bath, second story maliciary overtools great from whated ceilings & natural fireplace, country litteren what cabinets and island. Doorwall off litteren leads to 4-season surroom. Pole barn & part off latichen leads to 4-season surroom, Pole barn & part fenced area for horses. Home warranty included. (24158047)



HARTLAND SCHOOLS \$325,000 2nd garage or pole barn welcome! You can not tell this home from new, though built in 1988! Custom brick home nijertransfinany architecture and quality, spanne ceiling Sturning master suite in jeted tito. I bay windows, 2 line places. Consomment in the lambour 12 wallout. One year home warrarry (24149582)



FENTON SCHOOLS \$327,900 European flair Stone, brick, shutters, and window boxes lend European country charm to this newh build home. Dramatic 2-story toyer, Palacian tyle windows strong area in master bedroom, 9 ellings in walkout basement plumbed for a bath. Ertra deep garage for boat storage (24137283)



BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$338,600 Alura abounds at this nature lover's dream home whatural privacy being bounded on two sides by lift. Brighton Resort. Ongraffly a builder's home Features handorated wood floors. 5 zone heating, certral vac. 4 targe bedrooms, in-ground pool, hot lub, 3 664 total sq it, of living space and more. A must see! (24157093)



\$339 000 Magnificent 5 acre heavily treed parcel fronts, its own private 8 acre spring fed lake 8 stream. Abundant wildfre! Colonial w/kving room, family room, formal dining room, kitchen, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths,



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Great wrap around deck, walkout lower level lotally finished. Lots of updates including roof, furnace, central art, and more Top of the line labelen appliances as well. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. (24146974)



**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** \$349,900 waterfront home. Exquisite appoint wisunun Jacazzi kb, huge living room, dining room, lätchen looking over extensive declung, in-ground pool. Walkout lower level finished wilarge bath and sauna room. I year home warranty and more. (24148575)



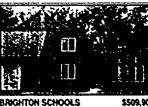
BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$419,000 This beautiful exceptionally maintained home is located one of Brighton's exclusive neighborhoods. Home is also ed on a corner lot surrounded by the beauty of wedlands very private 2 bedrooms share a bath and 4h bedroom exprivate beth. Master suite has a Whirlpool lub. Finished beer level. Home warranty included. (2411598)



Country living in style this 1999 built ranch on over 5 acres w/44x46 pole barn, half heated, alarm, water, phone, and 220 line. Sturning home wimagnificent stone fireplace in great room. Master suite wildouzzi lub & shower. Hardwood in dining room & foyer (24153177)



HARTLAND SCHOOLS \$456,000 Spectacular home, stone & brick exterior surrounded by nature. The entity, column pillars open to dining room, soor to ceiling stone comer limptace witustom entertainment center. Speaker wiring inside and out, 8' doors, and more. Located on 3.69 horse kiendly acres with a pond. Great location (24156836)



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room, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 beths and more. (24144447)

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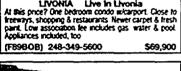


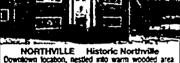
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dining room, tamily room whatural freplace
Hardwood under carpet Rec room in basement 8 2 car
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windows Two-story entry, GR & lot offers hadd floors
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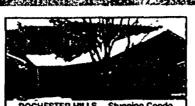
HOWELL Peaceful w/View of Pond Near downtown Howell & Brighton 1994 bit Ranch w/3 BR 2 BA XII w britist rat to GR what trpic. Formal LR & DR Mist BA whaten tab & sep shower, WIC & vaney area Lg 2 5 car gar over 1 wooded acre lot. All appls. (F44PAR) 248-349-5600 \$272,000



SOUTH LYON Beautiful Brick Colonial Like new Spacous open floor plan in this 4 BR brick carnage dub home Serene view of nat pond Gourmet it, black appls, inaple cabs Basement plumbed for bath, Many custom upgrades. Neutral colors. Very nice (F59CAR) 248-349-5600 \$329,900



LIVONIA Wooded Premium Lot
4 BR 25 BA 1 p MBR w/WC & ME BA Brich wid firs in
toys: CR & DR '03 KB in '93 & crs '00 Entry lead
glass or & FR drivi '03 HWH '04 Roof (lear off) &
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ROCHESTER HILLS Stunning Condo 3 BR, 2.1 BA condo wrattached garage into lachen. Fireplace heats I.R & DR combo w/doorwall backing to trees, putting green & walking trads. Basement used as FR has glass block daylight. Beauthally decorated \$204,500 (F76TEN) 248-349-5600



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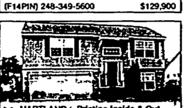


CANTON Sharp Brick Ranch
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" - HARTLAND ' Prissine Inside & Out 3 BR 2 BA home witk weak cabs & stylight. LR w'electine start spile. MBR wWDC FF bund FR (option 3rd BR) witurnound sound, wet bar & BH fing Full cust ceramic BA on LL. W'O to patco for BBO. All applis stay. (F51NEW) 248-349-5600 \$199,900



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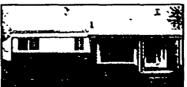
WESTLAND Stretch Your \$\$\$\$\$ Charming 3 bedroom, 15 bath brick ranch w? car garage, nice finished basement. Newer turnace, electricity most carpet updated bath Hardwood floors in most rooms & nome warrarty (F84DEN) 774-465 (F84DEN) 734-455-5600 \$139,900



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PLYMOUTH Spacious Colonial 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home w? story foyer whardwood floors, high ceilings on main floor crown molding in SR 6 dining room, large bath wigarden by in master suite island in latchen, tireptace in GR, doorwall to patio (F56WEN) 734-455-5600 \$348,900



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Charming 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial w2.5 car
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& vacilited celling likeline wich a cabs, stand & apols
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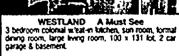
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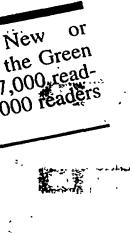
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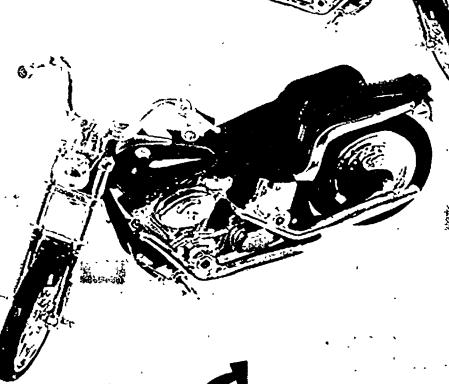
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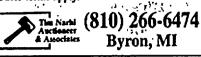
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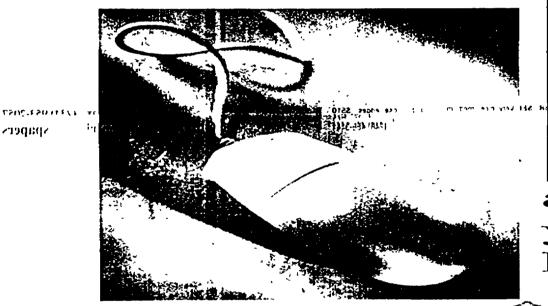
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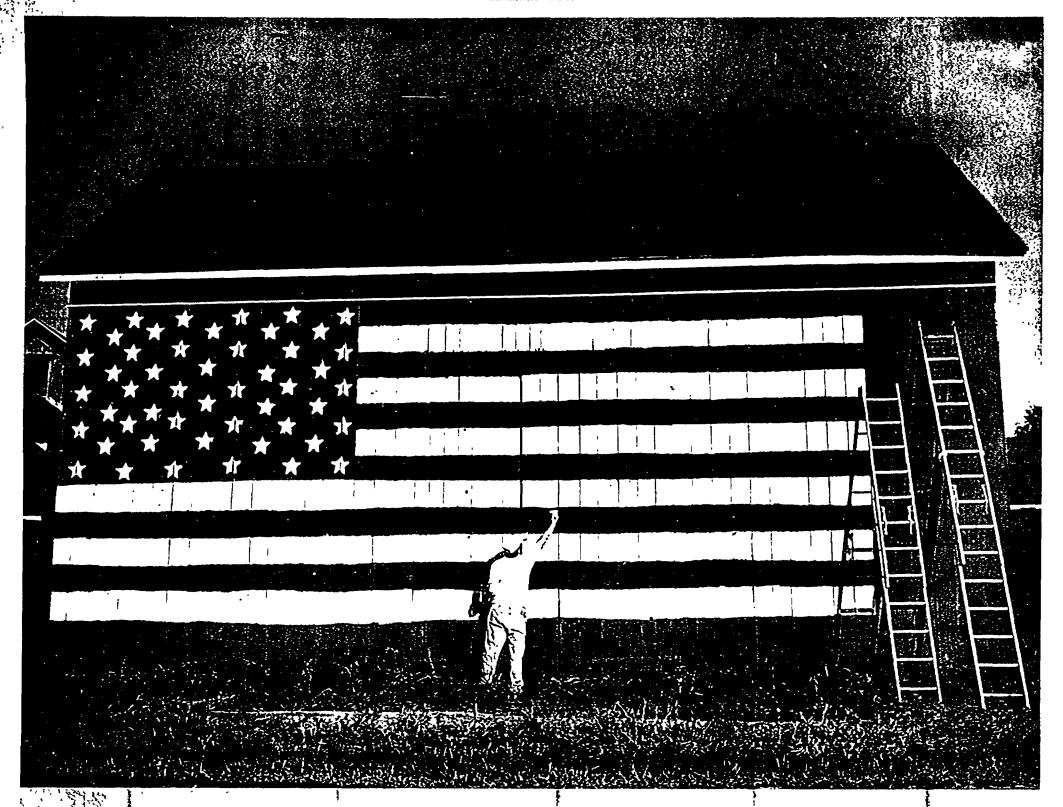
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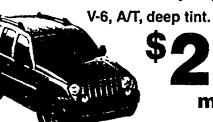
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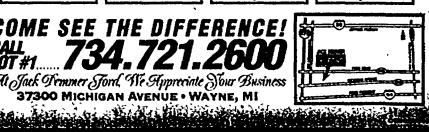
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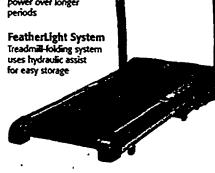
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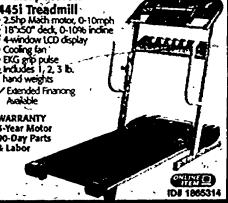
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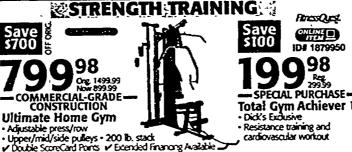
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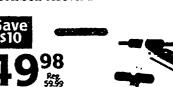
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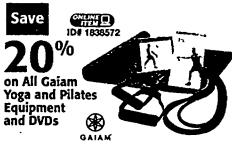














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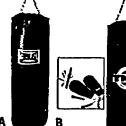




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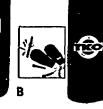
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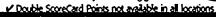


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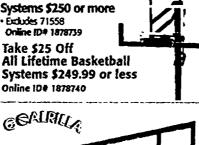
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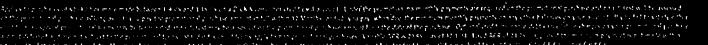
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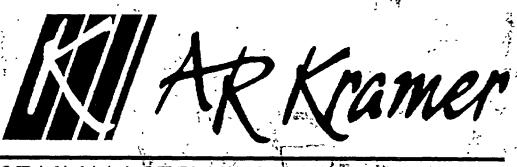
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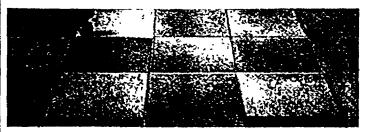
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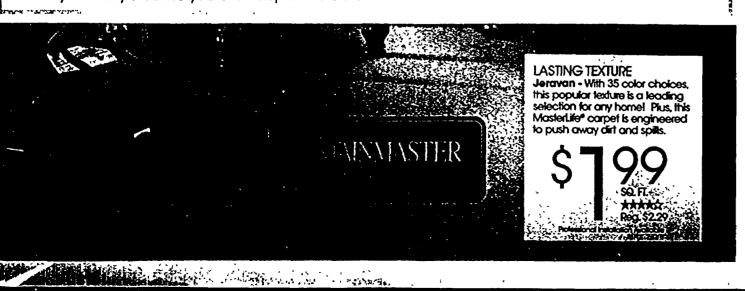


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2. SMOOTH INSTALLATION,

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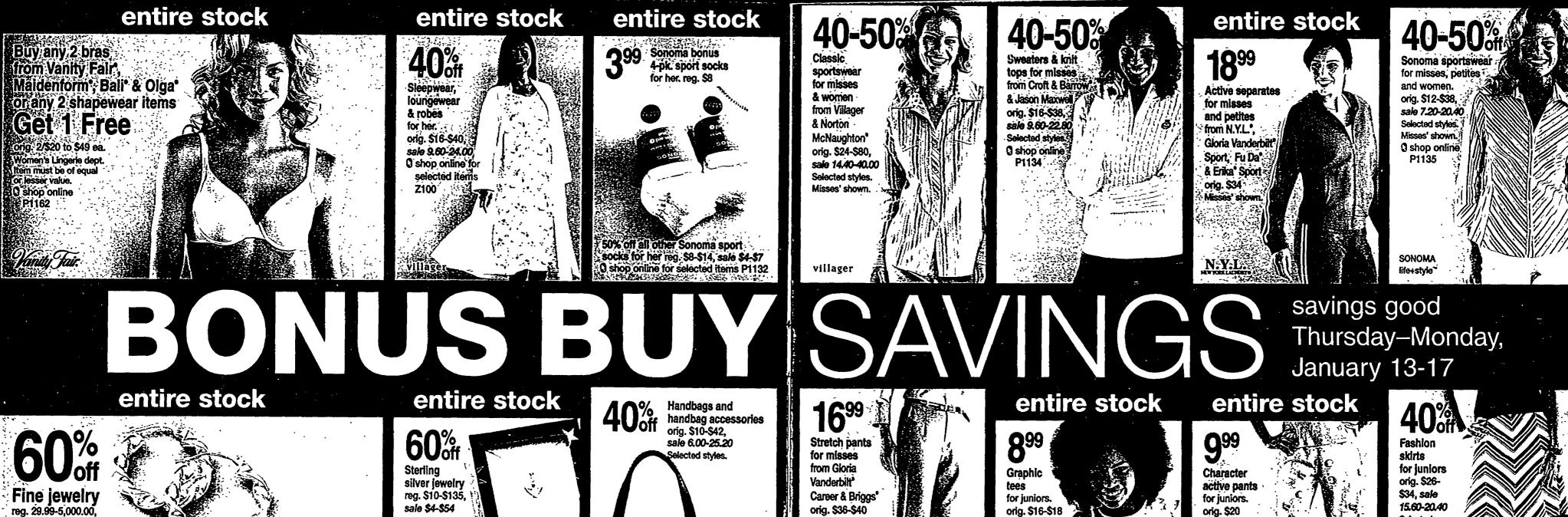
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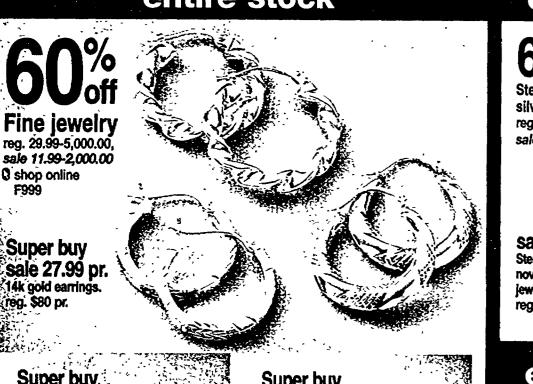
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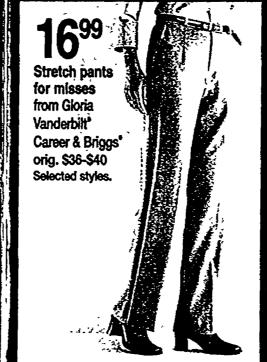
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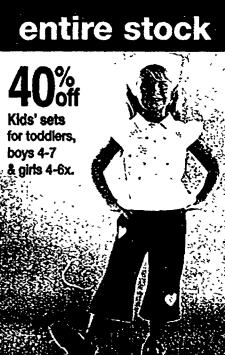
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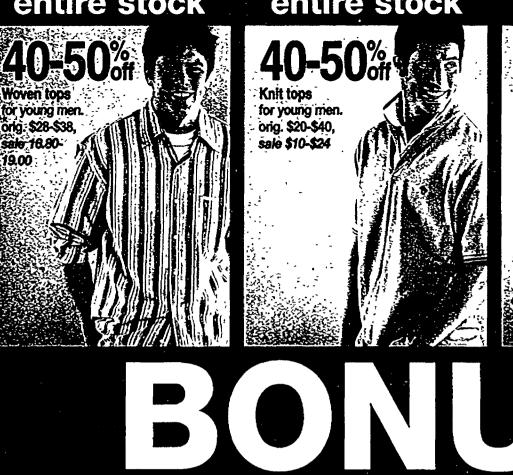
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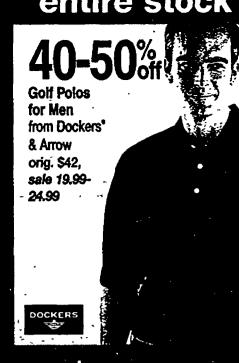




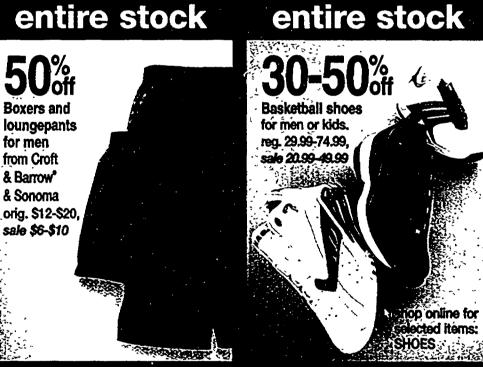








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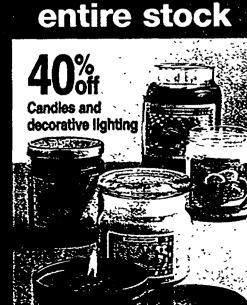


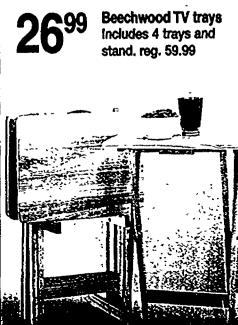
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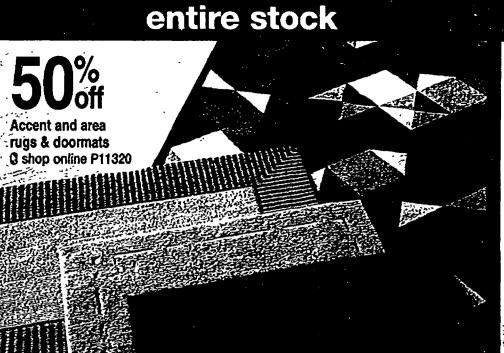












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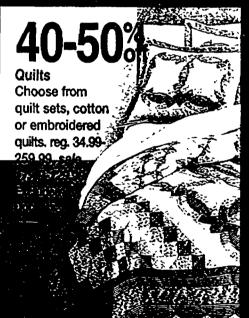


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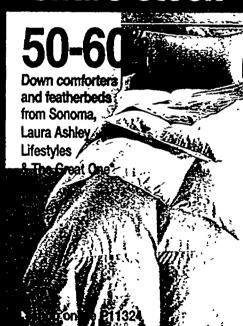


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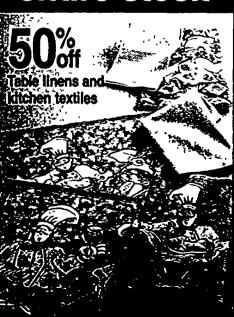
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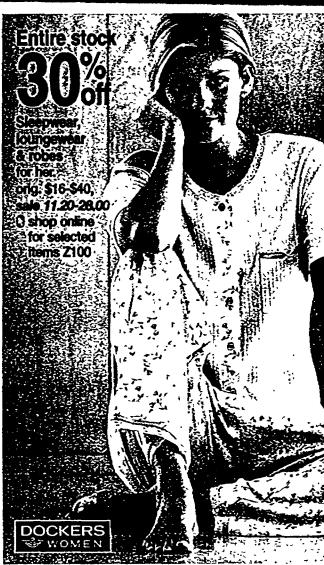
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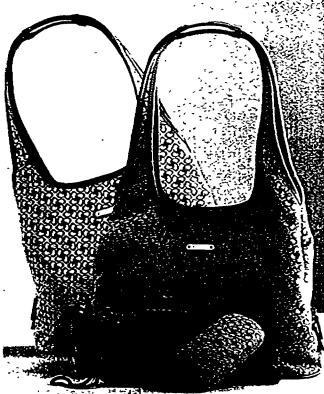
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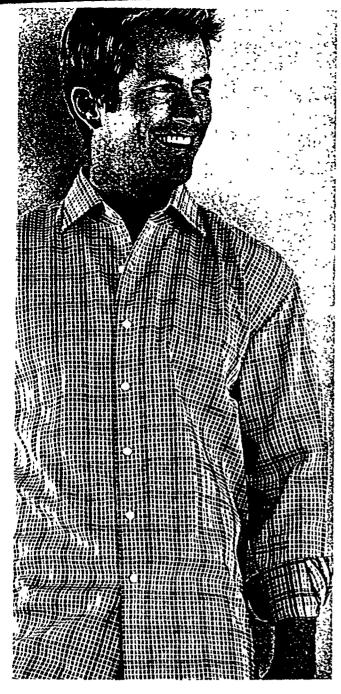


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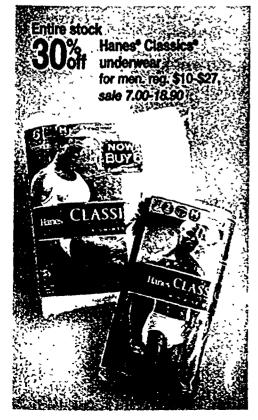
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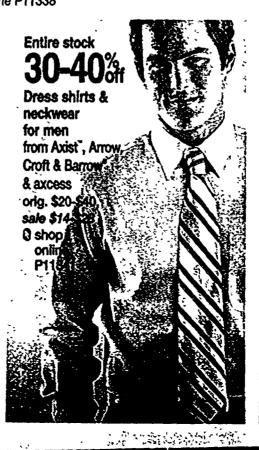
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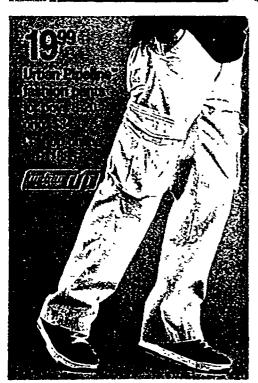
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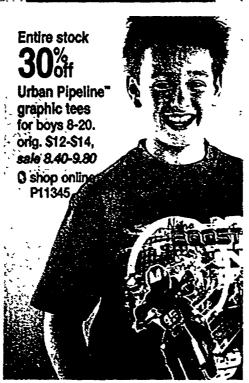


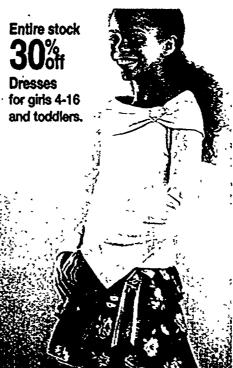
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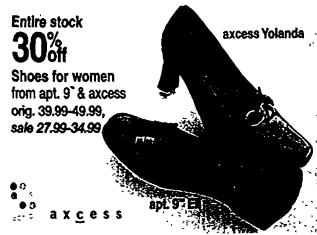


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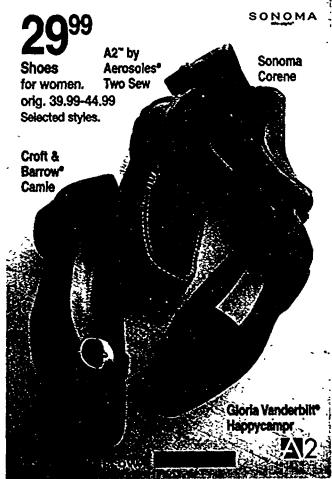
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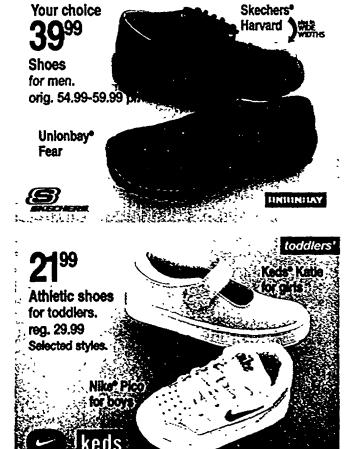












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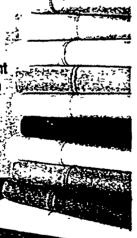
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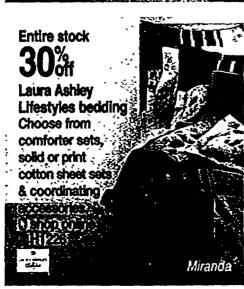
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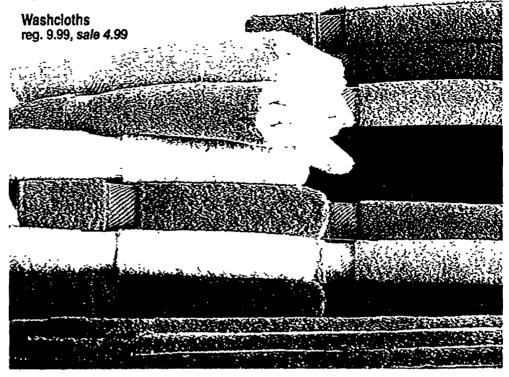
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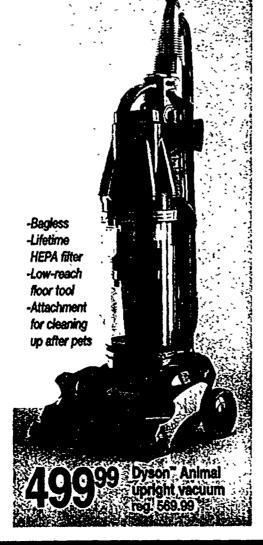
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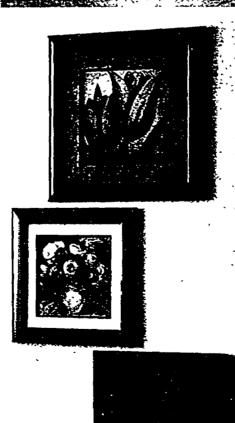
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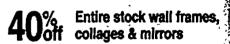
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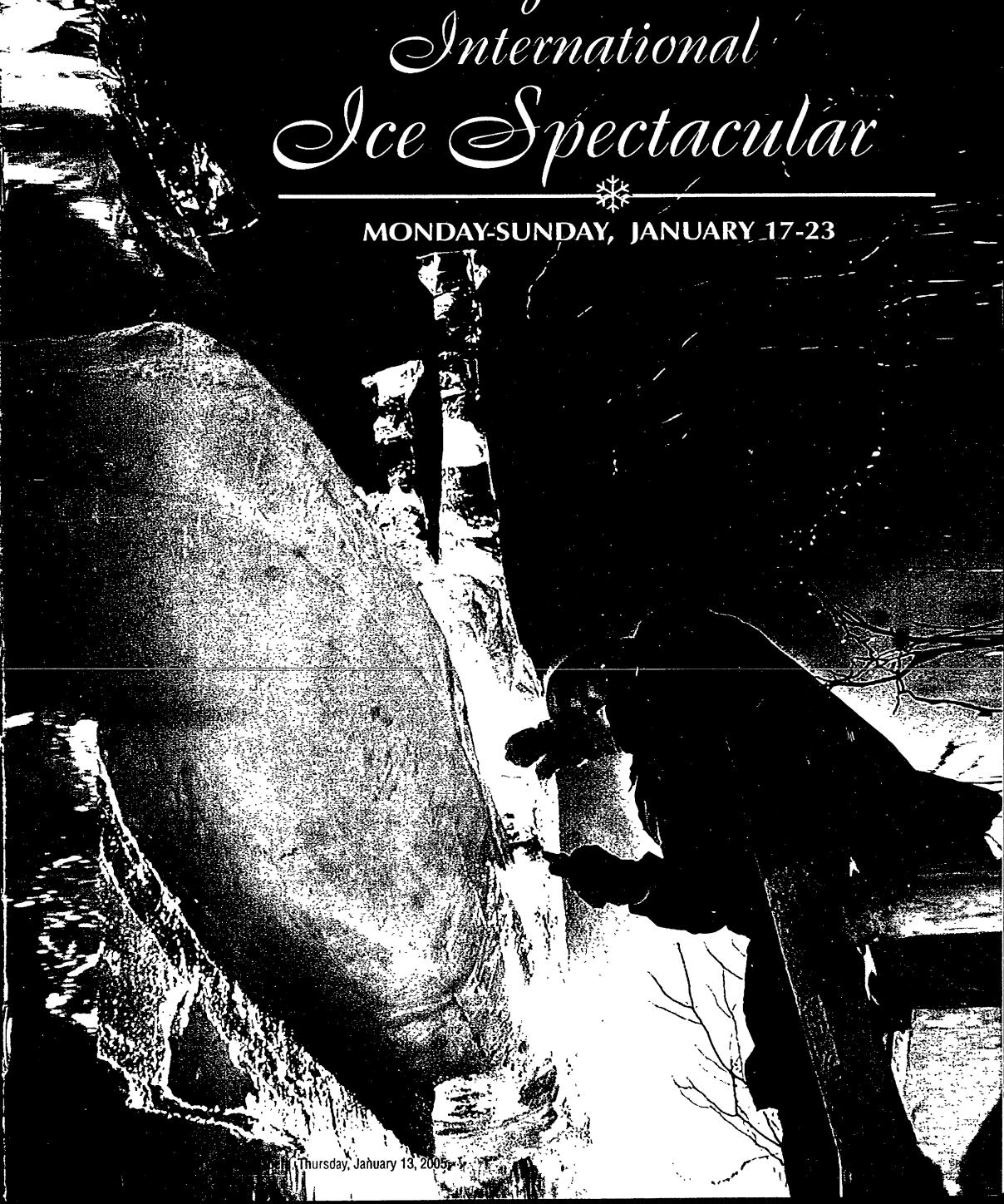
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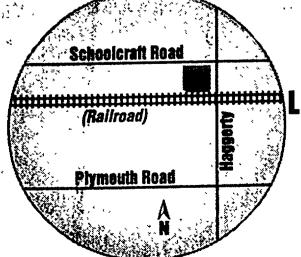
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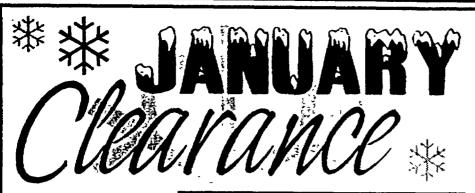
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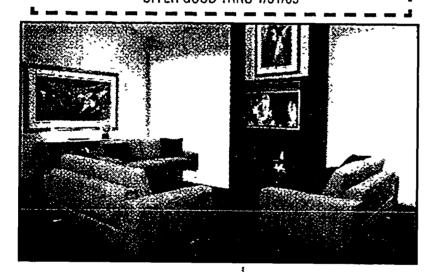
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Hours for the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular expand to a week this year, with sculptures lit up at night.

# Ice festival expands with weeklong slate

The 23rd-annual
Plymouth International Ice
Sculpture Spectacular
expands to a full week in
2005, with the goal of having different sizes and styles
of ice carving going on from
the beginning to the conclusion of the festival.

Here's the schedule (subject to change):

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 17**

- 10 a.m. Festival opens with display of over 100 individual block sculptures placed in front of participating businesses throughout downtown Plymouth and in Kellogg Park.
- "Rockin' the Ice Age" opens in The Gathering at 10 a.m. (NOTE: Some sculptures may still be under construction).
- Major multi-block displays under construction.
- Light Show begins at 6 p.m.
- The First ladies of Fashion" exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 115 S Main, from 1-4 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 18 -FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

- "Rockin' the Ice Age" opens in The Gathering at 10:00 am.
- Major multi-block displays under construction.

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 20**

Award presentation to the winners of the Middle School Art Students Ice Sculpture design contest, sponsored by the Observer Newspapers, at 4 p.m. in Kellogg Park.

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 22**

- "Rockin' the Ice Age" in The Gathering opens at 9 a.m.
- Major multi-block displays under construction.
- Exhibit "The First Ladies of Fashion" at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 115 S Main, from 1-4 p.m.
- Championship professional carver exhibition 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Championship Professional carver exhibition Noon to 5 p.m.
- College Individual Competition noon-4 p.m.
- High School Team Competition noon-4 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 23**

- Amateur Individual Competition noon-4 p.m.
- College Team Competition noon-4 p.m.
- High School Individual Competition noon-4 p.m.
- "Rockin' the Ice Age" in The Gathering opens at 11 a.m.
- Major multi-block displays on display
- Championship Professional carver exhibition 10:00 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Championship Professional, carver exhibition noon-5 p.m.



Plymouth resident Tajana Raukar is one of the favorites for spectators attending the annual ice festival.

# Champion as cool as ice she carves

BY LUANNE BERK CORRESPONDENT

If you met Tajana Raukar on the street, you could easily see her as a wife, a trained chef, a businesswoman, even a contributing citizen of the Plymouth community. And, as soon as you had a conversation with her, her thick accent might lead you to guess that she is also from Croatia.

But if someone asked you to guess what kind of tools she uses in her business, I doubt you'd come up with the following list, more akin to a medieval battleground than a 21st century business: Hacksaws, chainsaws, ice picks, die grinders, blow torches, sanding machines and steam irons.

Raukar is a sculptor, using a simple element quite plentiful at times in Michigan this time of year: She works her creative magic on ice. She takes giant blocks of ice and transforms them into magnificent displays of art, expression, and joy.

Her tools become tools of precision and artistic expression as she transports ideas from her imagination into the crystal clear blocks until they draw a symphony of "oohs!" and "aahs!" from an audience of as many as 500,000 in the downtown Plymouth area. This sparkling, crystal "joy" fills the entire community during one specific week in January — this year, Jan. 17-23 — at The Plymouth International Ice Spectacular.

Tajana Raukar enjoys
bringing ice to "life" — her
favorite sculptures are animals. When you enter the
Raukar's "Ice Dreams" studio, you are immediately
drawn to the dramatic photo
of the enormous tiger
Raukar carved in a competition in Alaska. It was so
large that several people who
sat on its back for the photo
were dwarfed by its size!

According to Tajana, in the Fairbanks, Alaska com-

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# Festival has international appeal

The 2005 Plymouth Ice Spectacular will again feature hundreds of new and spectacular ice carvings created by students, professors, amateurs and professional ice carvers from Japan, Canada and across the United States.

The popular "Fantasyland" for children has been replaced by the Rock Financial "Rockin' the Ice Age" feature in The Gathering. Open to the public 24 hours a day, the fantastic ice sculptures are lighted during the evening hours to add a thrilling dimension to the dazzling, one-of-a-kind creations.

The work of both Tajana Raukar of Plymouth and Ted Wakar of Canton, two of the best ice carvers in the world, The Spectacular will again feature a professional team of world-class carvers from Japan.

will be featured in a number of displays. Raukar began competing at the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular as a student ice carver with Schoolcraft Community College and has seen her career skyrocket to the top of the ice-carving world. Wakar also got his start as a student at Schoolcraft.

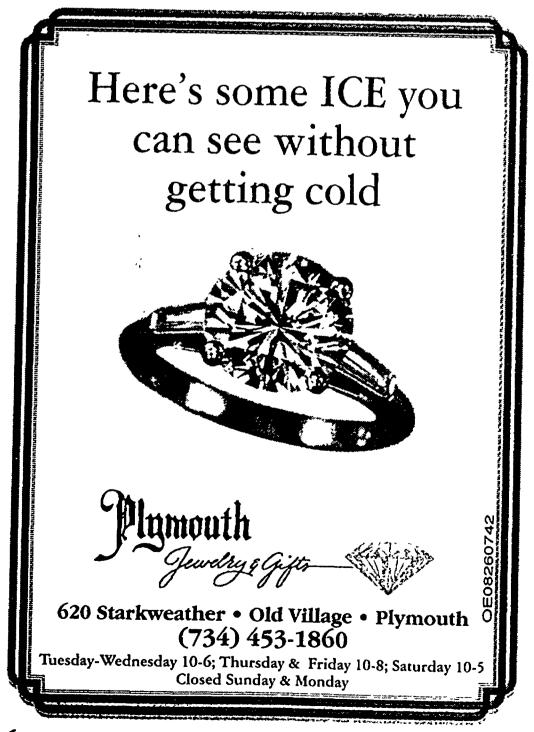
Raukar was invited to the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter

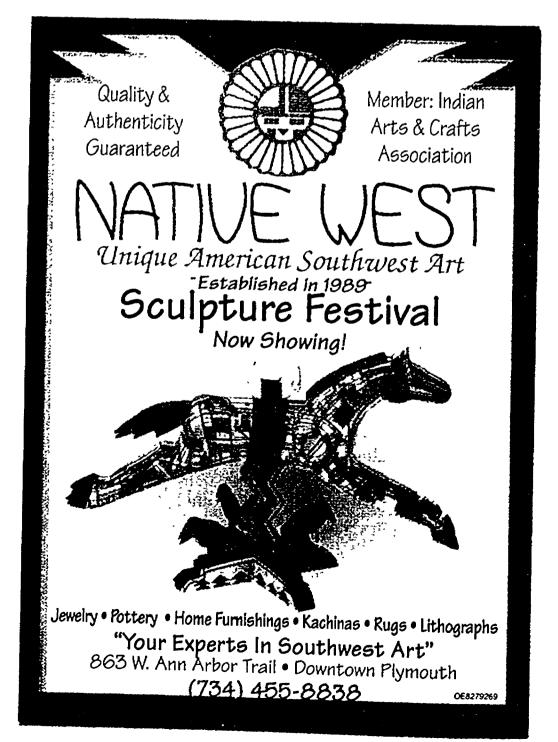
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JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Carver Yasuo Matsuda of Japan helped give the ice festival its international flavor, something organizers expect the festival to have again this year.





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Olympics, and is also a sixtime world champion. She has also carved in Belgium and in Fairbanks, Alaska, where she crafted from a single large block, cut from a glacier.

The 2005 Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular will again feature a professional team of world-class carvers from Japan, who will showcase the style of carving popular in their country.

In addition to the carvers who visit Plymouth each year, the Board of Directors is also pleased to recognize the many high school and community college students who participate and are an integral part of the Plymouth Ice Spectacular experience.



Organizers expect throngs of people in downtown Plymouth for the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

The 2005 Plymouth
International Ice Sculpture
Spectacular features the
largest contingent of student
carving exhibitions and competitions in America and,
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of the participating schools
and their instructors,

Plymouth is known as the birthplace of modern ice carving in the United States.

The student competitions and learning experiences distinguish the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular. Recognized as a premier winter event, the The festival represents a rare opportunity for student ice carvers to work alongside the world's leading professionals.

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# Canton carver loves to 'show off'

BY LUANNE BERK
CORRESPONDENT

Ted Wakar considers himself the local "show-off" of the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

Wakar, a Canton resident and a regular carver in the annual festival, appreciates having the festival near his home.

"It's my home court,"
Wakar said. "I find a certain comfort level as a competitor with it being close by. The other thing about Plymouth is I get to show off for family and friends. Even as much as 10 years ago, the family would stand around and listen to spectators. They are almost like 'groupies' who like to watch because we each have our own individ-

ual style."

Wakar has even talked to other sculptors (of wood or metal) who visit the festival who come to gain inspiration for their own work.

"That personal excitement is a big factor that motivates us as carvers," said Wakar, who pointed out carvers don't do the show for the money. "I make about three times as much doing work for a wedding reception or a hotel event as I do at these [events]".

Wakar grew up in
Westland and has lived in
Canton for about 15 years.
When he started carving ice,
he was one of just a few in
the area. Like many in the
profession, he studied culinary arts at Schoolcraft
College, where he obtained

an associates degree in Culinary Arts, along with the certification as an Executive Chef which comes from a combination of training, experience, and, ultimately, specialized testing in order to be certified.

His experience includes working as a chef in the Ford Motor Company World Headquarters executive penthouse for 15 years, at a time when Ford had their own food service which included their own staff of chefs.

When Ford decided to change their staffing, which included cutting Wakar's position, it was a difficult transition, but now he sees that it was the opportunity

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Canton resident Ted Wakar, shown here working on a Christmas tree sculpture, loves the interaction with spectators that happens during the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.



# Tools make the trade for carvers

Ice carvers use several tools for their work, ranging from chain saws and ice picks for the rough stuff to die grinders and steam irons for the details.

A 12-inch electric chain saw is used to rough out the shape of the sculpture. If too much ice is removed, more can be added by grafting additional ice on with water. Fine details are then added, using up to 10 steel-blade chisels. The finest details are carved with an electric die grinder.

The steam iron comes into play when scratches

must be taken out of flat surfaces.

Many of an ice carver's tools can only be bought from Japanese companies, and chisels can cost up to \$500 apiece. It's not unusual for a professional ice carver to have \$10,000 invested in his tools and equipment.

There are so many power tools and lights in use when the carvers swing into action that a dozen small generators and three commercial generators are needed to provide power and lights.



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HANDYMAN!

Carvers use a variety of tools to sculpt their images during the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.





# Ice festival a boon to many local businesses

BY LUANNE BERK
CORRESPONDENT

The downtown Plymouth businesses look forward to the Ice Spectacular with great anticipation every year. With annual crowds of over 500,000, the event is an advertiser's dream, giving businesses an opportunity to showcase their specialty shops, restaurants, along with the local charm that Plymouth is known for.

"The Plymouth Ice Spectacular is economic development at its very best!" said Fran Toney, executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce. "The event brings people from all over Canada, Ohio, even nationwide, and the carvers



Local businesses can reap the benefits of the huge crowds drawn to the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

come from all over the world. Whether they are buying magazines, gasoline or coffee, the biggest comment we get from visitors is, 'This is the best-kept secret, a friendly, clean, town, close to Detroit, with all the advantages and opportuni-

ties nearby, and a small town flavor.' It is the great American town!"

Whether visitors ultimately decide to move their businesses or families to Plymouth, or just shop in the short time they're here, the community is showcased in a

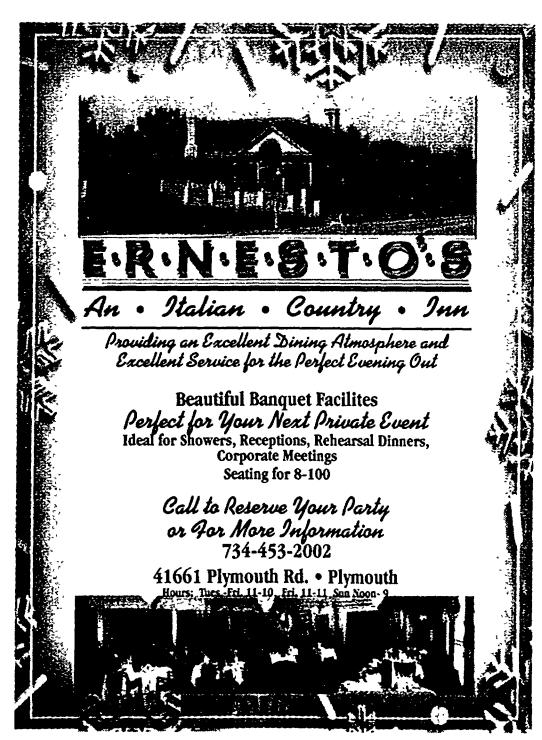
spectacular way.

"Our community is one of the favorites of the ice carvers even though there are many around the country," Toney said. "The Spectacular has been here for years and years, and it is the grandfather and king of them all."

According to Mike Watts of Watts-Up, Inc., who coordinates the event, a study done at the Cherry Festival in Traverse City showed the longer people stay in town for an event like this, the greater the benefit to the town.

"For example, if you could get a cup of hot chocolate for the kids, a pastry, lunch, and other activities, then people

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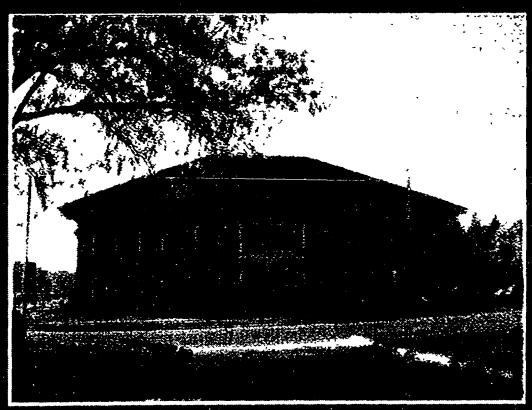
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# Answers to popular Ice Festival questions

HOW AND WHY DID THE EVENT BEGIN?

Scott Lorenz, the son of the owner of the Plymouth Mayflower Hotel, came up with the idea after visiting a similar event in Japan. The event was established to fill a void in the post holiday retail slow-down. Hotel, restaurant and retail business takes a nosedive immediately after a very hectic holiday season. The concept was to create an event so unique it would draw large numbers of people to Plymouth (750,000 in 1999) in the hope that they would also shop and eat. Needless to say, with an average annual attendance of over 500,000, and a total

attendance of over 10 million people, the event has exceeded even the wildest expectations of the creators.

# HOW DID THE ART OF ICE CARVING START?

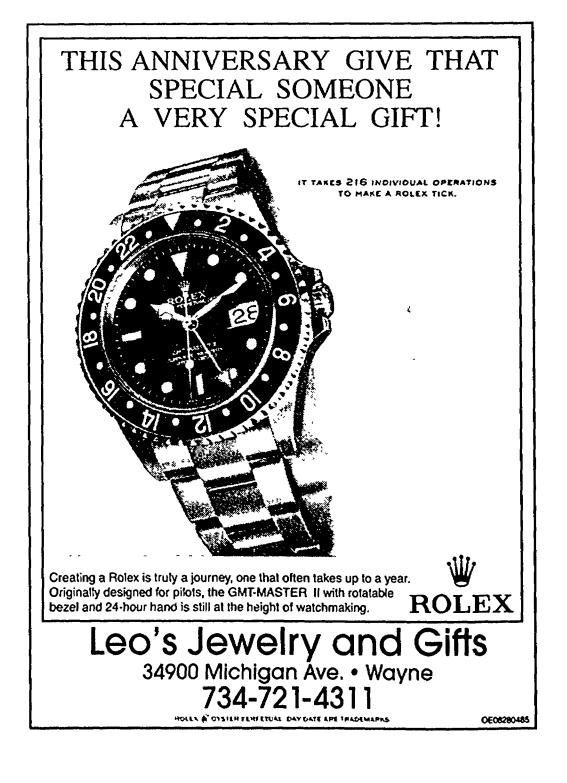
As the story goes, once upon a time a czarina in Russia was enamored with a local man who was in love with a woman from his village. As was the custom of the day the man went to the czarina to get her permission to wed the woman he loved. The czarina was not pleased by the request, and decided to show her displeasure by agreeing to let the couple wed only if they would spend their wedding night in a castle made of ice. She was sure this would cool

their passion for each other, and/or ruin their wedding night. Much to her surprise love won out and the couple agreed to her condition. The czarina had her army cut blocks of ice from Lake Bicall, and build a house of ice complete with furnishings including tables, chairs and a bed for the newlyweds. The couple were married, spent their wedding night in the house of ice, and lived happily ever after. However, word spread about the strange house of ice, and eventually people from all over Russia and Europe visited the site to gaze at the first ice castle. It was so popular it was recreated as a tourist attraction for many years to come.

# HOW DID THE ART OF ICE CARVING SPREAD?

Hearing about the unusual use of ice from countrymen who had traveled to Russia to see the famous ice castle, a French chef developed the idea of carving serving bowls of ice to keep perishable foods from spoiling and to decorate the table of the king. This idea may have been a necessity, because at the time, spoiled food or illness from a dinner could cost the chef his head in a guillotine. The French carried the art with them to the Orient, and today the Japanese are the finest and most prolific carvers in the world.





# **BUSINESSES**

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would stick around," Watts said. "And, once families with kids see these ice sculptures, they almost always come back again next year, and maybe even bring some friends."

Toney testifies to the success of the event for local businesses.

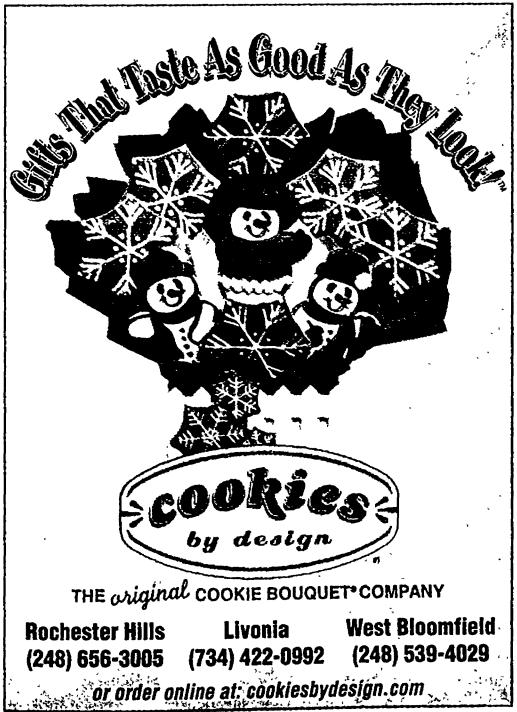
"People who have only been here for the ice festival will call the chamber months later and say, 'I was here for the ice festival back in January and I was in a wonderful little store, it has a red door...," Toney said. "And the chamber will help them locate it. Then they come back and do some major shopping. It has been

incredibly successful."

The festival has come a long way. Now many downtown businesses make their projected revenue for weeks or months, in just one week. Local restaurants are often so swamped during this time that one pub owner literally ran out of beer last year.

Steve Prokes, owner of the Plymouth Coffee Bean Company on Penniman in downtown Plymouth, said the festival is "either the biggest or the second biggest" retail week of the year for his business. His shop is very close to the festivities and consistently sponsors a company logo along with a sculpture (this year they sponsored in cooperation with the Coffee Express company).









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# Festival a showcase for the art of sculpting

French chefs began the art of ice sculpturing more than 200 years ago. The first art sculptures were basic designs used as functional food holders to keep food cold during service time for elaborate buffets. Russians learned the art from French chefs at the turn of the eighteenth century.

The first well-documented ice palace was built as a setting for a monstrous joke. On the frozen river, Neva, in the winter of 1739-40, a shivering bride and groom spent their wedding night in a building of ice. The palace was designed by an architect commissioned by the Empress Ann Ivanova.

The Empress built the palace to express her jealousy over an old lover who had run off with a peasant girl. This was her way of punishing the couple by making them spend their honeymoon night in an ice castle. The palace was complete with ice cannons that actually fired and a bedroom with a vanity, dresser with mirror, table, chairs and a canopy bed all made from ice.

The Japanese chefs picked up the art of ice sculpturing from the French chefs in the last 30 years. Until recently, the Japanese have been considered the masters of the art form. In Japan, ice sculpturing is a full time profession, the sculptors carve wood in the summer and ice in the winter.

In America, ice sculpturing is a relatively young art form helping to revive the dying craft as part of the



The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular has become an international showcase for professional and amateur carvers.

In the last 22 years, the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular has been the main reason for this art form being rediscovered in Michigan.

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Carvers from all over the world come to sculpt in one of the largest and best ice carving events in the country. For more than 20 years, the event has attracted millions of people to the quaint western Wayne County community.

# WAKAR

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he needed to pursue his dreams. Soon after that career change he began working as an ice carver in a more serious capacity, and has continued down that successful path for years.

Now, Wakar considers ice carving an "addiction," as do many other carvers. The carvers talk amongst themselves—there is a great sense of camaraderie in the profession.

Originally, it was considered "carving", but in the last 10 years, after adapting and pulling in other tools that other artisans use, it's considered "sculpting," and the ice "sculptors" feel they can hold their own with other sculptors out there.

"Give us a little bit of time and a little bit of ice and we can do just about anything," said Wakar, who said he also likes to work with wood sometimes, just for fun.

He enjoys making walking sticks and staffs out of wood. However, Wakar said making a profit from wood carving would be very difficult because it takes him about 10 hours to make something significant out of wood.

So, he sticks to the ice sculpting and, with his connections as a chef, rarely has trouble finding work.

"There are more chefs in the market than ice sculptors," Wakar said.

Wakar has won the competition in Plymouth a couple of times individually, and as part of a team. This year features an amateur competition which will include a number of culinary colleges, including Schoolcraft, as well as some local high schools.

Wakar has seen the festival go through some evolutions.

"I've been doing this a long time," he said. "It's nice to see the art form fostered. I grew up as a carver there [Schoolcraft College], and it's nice to see others grow up there. (Fellow sculptor) Tajana (Raukar) was also a Schoolcraft student. Because Schoolcraft is supported by all these local communities, they work together."

Ted also participates in professional competitions in Frankenmuth and Milford. He said he "likes competing in the team competitions because you get more time, more ice, and the camaraderie of working together.

Wakar also appreciates the international competitions because, "It's wonderful to take my family to international locations." For example, he competed at the Olympics in Nagano, Japan. The ice sculpting competition there was part of the arts and culture Olympic event — not an actual Olympic event - but nevertheless a real competition for ice carvers.

But for Wakar, the interaction with the spectators is still the best part of the show.

"Last year, I carved a big John Deere tractor," Wakar said. "I had lots of people who were in their 60s who told me, 'My dad used to have one of those,' and they would go on to tell their personal story.

"Many of the spectators have some kind of connection to the sculpture, and I get to talk about my kids, which was actually why I did the tractor in the first place, for my 6-year-old," Wakar said. "It is the coolest job in town."



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# Rock Financial assumes 'Fantasyland'

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

When Farmer Jack pulled its sponsorship of the Fantasyland exhibit, on display in The Gathering every year during the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, organizers were worried they'd have to dump one of the event's most popular attractions.

However, Rock Financial has stepped up to grab corporate sponsorship of Fantasyland, and they've added what should be an exciting twist for visitors.

With the theme "Rockin' the Ice Age", Rock Financial will give away a trip for four to Cancun.

The company will have a



Thousands of spectators pour through The Gathering every year. This year The Gathering will again host Fantasyland, sponsored by Rock Financial with the theme "Rockin' the Ice Age."

booth at the entrance to Fantasyland. Visitors will get the opportunity to guess the number of marbles frozen

inside the company's ice sculpture.

The guesser who gets the closest to the number of

marbles wins the trip, which Rock Financial estimates to be worth some \$2,800 and includes aifare and a fournight hotel stay.

"We were a little bit worried (about money) when we lost our major sponsor," said festival organizer Mike Watts of Watts-Up, Inc. "But Rock Financial stepped up in a big way for us."

The Fantasyland exhibit opens at 10 a.m. Monday through Friday, then at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, and 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 23.

"Fantasyland has always been one of the week's most popular attractions," Watts said. "Now that Rock Financial is on board, we expect it to be as good as ever."

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# **Sponsorships** still open for ice festival

The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, scheduled for Jan. 17-23, still has some specific sponsorships available that are an integral part of the festival, and are not currently being funded in this year's budget, for businesses who want to help sponsor the annual event.

Sponsors will receive promotional consideration, and the festival is a nonprofit Michigan corporation so all or a portion of the donation may be tax-deductible, according to Mike Watts of Watts-Up Inc., who organizes the event.

Available sponsorships (with amounts) include:

- The Plymouth Middle School design contest (\$2,500) - Presented in conjunction with the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade students from the Plymouth community submit a design for a single block ice carving. One design (the one which looks the best as an ice carving design) is selected.
- Student competitions and awards (\$5,000) - The High School and College student competitions are one of the most important parts of the annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, according to Watts. The students carve as a practical learning experience, and the judging is done as a way to evaluate the student's competency. Awards are given as a reward for the students'



efforts, and the students are the ice sculptures. encouraged to speak with the judges and their instructors to obtain firsthand knowledge of how to improve their skills.

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This year for the first time organizers are offering a sponsorship for this item, which includes company logo and the words Plymouth Ice Spectacular.

Other sponsorships are also available, and a small quantity of individual ice carving for local businesses still remain available until

Any person, business, or corporation interested in sponsoring one of these Ice Spectacular components should contact Michael Watts via e-mail at mikew@wattsupinc.com or by calling (734) 459-6969.

# RAUKAR

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petition, they use larger blocks of ice since they have a plentiful supply — they take it right out of a lake nearby! And the possibilities are unbelievable with such large chunks to work with, Raukar said.

A few other animals
Raukar has created from ice
include parrots, horses,
Longhorn cattle, Clidesdale
horses, and unicorns. When
Tajana arrives on the scene,
other carvers know they are
in for a treat, and in the case
of competitions, a tough
competitor. She has won
many world championships
with the help of her husband, Paul, who handles
much of the logistics, and
behind the scenes work.

This is not a hobby for the

Raukar's. Paul and Tajana have made their dream into a business, located in Plymouth, which offers beautiful carvings for major events such as weddings, conferences, business meetings and other social gatherings. She and her husband also do carvings for many restaurants and in the Detroit area, along with other festivals in the area.

They have a specialized machine that produces crystal clear blocks for both their own use and for sale to other carvers in the area. They also have machines that carve ice for commercial logos, shot glasses, centerpieces or sorbet dishes for receptions.

This machine can also provide company logos "embossed" in ice which the machine cuts into the ice with incredible precision using computer specifications.

After starting out as chefs with training nearby at Schoolcraft College, the Raukars began their carving with vegetables, but were quickly enamored with the carving of ice from the first time they gave it a try. They especially like the Plymouth Ice Spectacular because it is in their hometown of Plymouth which is also where their business is located. It is much like having a sports competition with "home-field advantage"-you maintain a level of comfort in your own "home field". And the Raukar's love the downtown Plymouth setting.

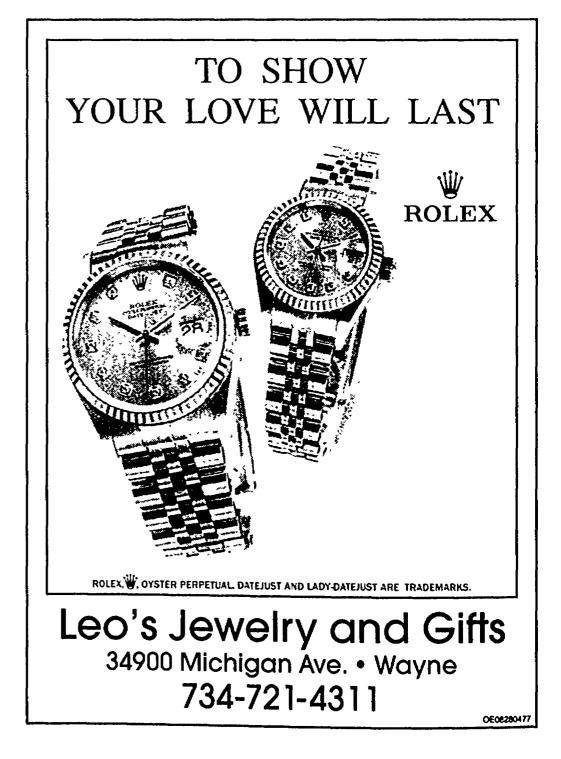
Raukar is only one of many ice carvers who gather in Plymouth evey year with great anticipation.

"I try to make ice carving from my heart, express the feelings from my heart to your eyes," said Raukar, acknowledging she enjoys
the reaction of the crowd.
"Many times the public
relates to the carvings that I
have made. Last year I
carved parrots, and a big
Clydesdale with a plow. I also
did a Longhorn cow."

Raukar works with blocks of ice weighing 300 pounds each, which are strategically stacked and "melted" or "frozen" together with water in order to create a larger mound of ice to carve. She usually makes one big sculpture with about 20 blocks and does live demonstrations while the crowd stands in amazement.

She and Paul have won the world championship six times — against as many as 35–50 other teams. They also competed at the Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah in 2002, where they finished in fourth place.







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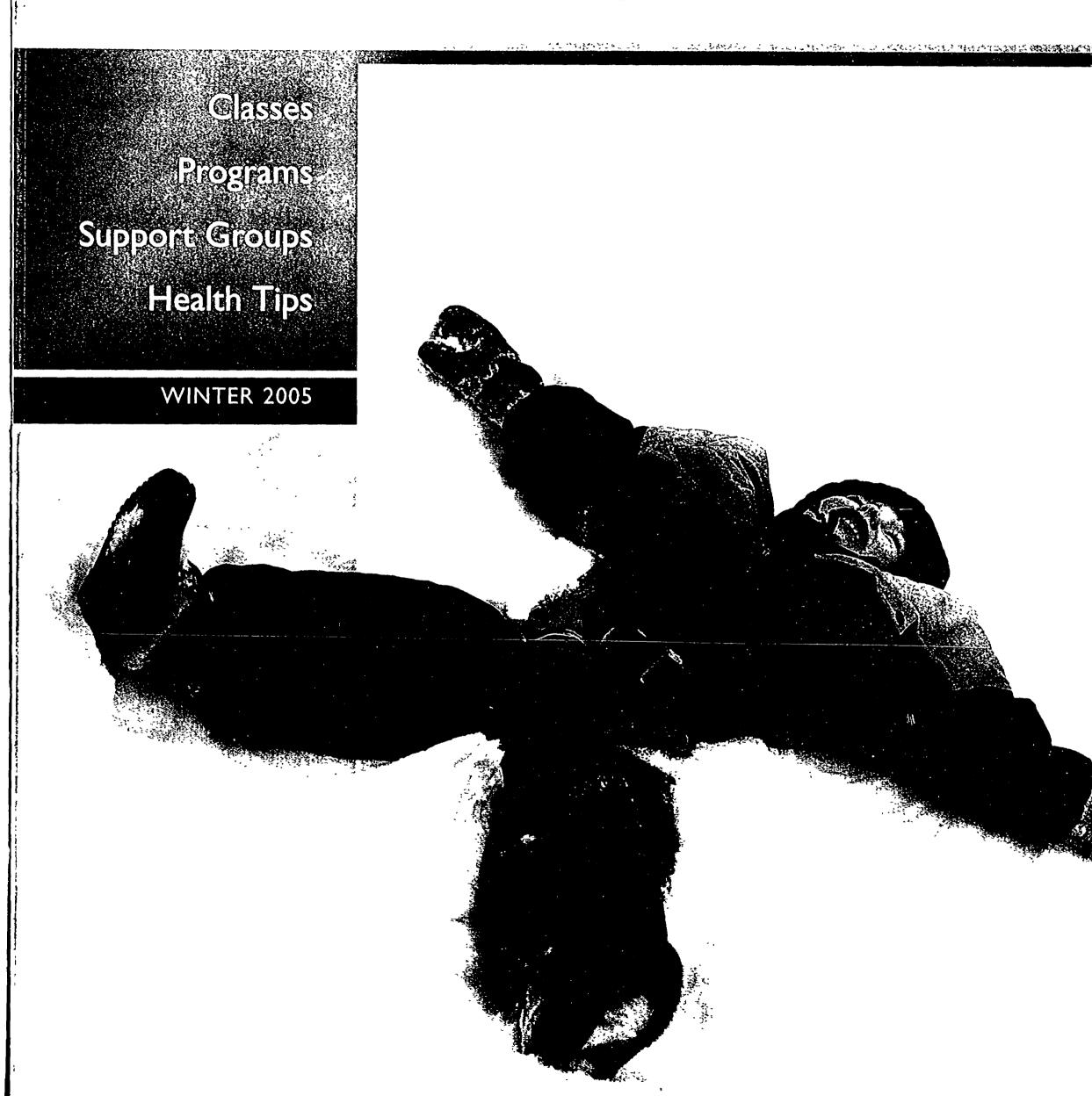
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Look for the health TIP icons throughout the calendar for useful health hints. Remember, the health tips contained in this calendar are not intended to substitute for professional care.

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Saint Joseph Mercy Health System Mission Statement We serve together in Trinity Health, in the spirit of the Gospel, to heal body, mind and spirit, to improve the health of our communities and to steward the resources entrusted to us.

#### Core Values

- Respect
- Social Justice
- Compassion
- Care of the Poor and Underserved
- Excellence

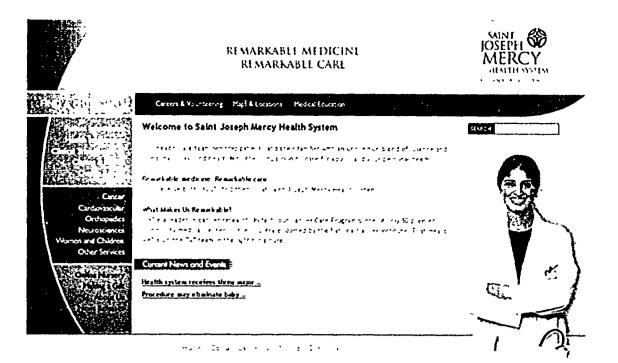
Saint Joseph Mercy Health
System and its physician partners
provide a comprehensive range of
health care services for residents
in Washtenaw, Livingston,
Jackson, Lenawee, Monroe and
western Wayne counties.

# Come Visit Our New Web Site Beginning on Monday, January 17!

Providing you with access to the best healthcare and latest medical information quickly, easily and efficiently is our number one priority at Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. That is why we are proud to announce the launch of our new and improved web site – www.sjmercyhealth.org – on January 17, 2005.

Designed with your needs in mind, we provide everything from our Find A Physician directory, to information about the health issues that you care about. Heart health, cancer, diabetes, and even the latest clinical trials are just a few of the topics we cover. The information you need is presented in a simple, easy-to-use format – right at your fingertips. Other features include:

- Register on-line for classes, programs and events.
- Use our newly enhanced "Find-a-Physician" option, now with photos.
- Learn which clinical trials are available at SJMHS.
- Check out our interactive health information.
- Learn even more about our major services.



- Take a virtual tour of locations throughout the system.
- Find out how we're doing with outcome information.
- Sign-up for newsletters on specific health information of interest to you.
- Whip up a tasty, healthy dish from our recipe section.
- Purchase items from our on-line Gift Shop.
- Make a donation.
- View and apply for jobs on-line.

Visit us anytime beginning Monday, January 17 on the web at www.sjmercyhealth.org

# CANCER EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND SUPPORT

# **Colorectal Cancer Screening Study**

Participate in a study for a new screening tool for colon and rectal cancer. Participants must be 65 years of age or older. Call 888-474-HOPE for more information.

# Wellness and Spirituality Group for Cancer Patients

Four-week series explores spirituality, health issues and the meaning of the cancer experience. Pre-registration required.

**Ann Arbor/SJMCCC:** Tuesdays, March 8-29; 5:30-7 p.m. **734-712-2920** 

## **Cancer Support Groups**

**Brain Tumor Support Group** 

Ann Arbor/SJMCCC: Fourth Tuesday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m. 734-712-3658

**Breast Cancer Support Group** 

Ann Arbor/SJMCCC: Third Thursday monthly: 7-8:30 p.m. 734-712-2920

**Prostate Cancer Support Group** 

Ann Arbor/SJMAS: Third Thursday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m. 734-712-3655

Share and Care Cancer Discussion Group

(for patients, as well as family and friends)

Ann Arbor/SJMCCC: Second and fourth Tuesday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m.

734-712-3958

# CHILDREN'S, ADOLESCENT AND TEEN HEALTH

# Comprehensive Asthma Program (CAP)

CAP is available to students with asthma in some school districts in Washtenaw County. Program consists of six weekly education sessions that occur during the school day and empower students to gain control over their condition. 734-712-5206

# **Heart-to-Heart Conversation for Mothers** and Daughters on Puberty and Growing Up

Provides mothers and daughters, ages 9 to 11, accurate information about the normal physical, social and emotional changes that pre-teen girls will experience as they enter puberty. \$45 for mom and one daughter (\$10 for each additional daughter).

Ann Arbor/WHC: Sat., Jan. 29: 1-5 p.m. Canton/SJMCHC: Sun., Mar. 13; 1-5 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211



### Saint Joseph Mercy **Health Exploration** Station

This fun destination at the Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center offers health

programs for pre-school through high school fieldtrips, plus scout programs. The larger-than-life interactive exhibit gallery is also open to individuals and families on the fourth Thursday of each month. Call 734-398-7518 for more information.

#### ShapeDown

Parents and kids work together in this innovative 10-week weight management program to learn how healthy eating. an active lifestyle and effective communication promote weight loss and family unity. Program offered at various sites and at different dates/times for both kid and teen groups. Free orientation. \$400 (may be a covered benefit: check with your insurance carrier).

734-712-5694

## "Surgi-nauts" Pre-operative Teaching Program

Program developed to help children and their parents better understand the surgical process, thus easing their fear of surgery. A tour is included. Howell/SJMLH: First and third Saturday monthly (excluding holiday

weekends); 10 a.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211



# **Transitions for Young Teens**

Therapy group for teens that provides the tools needed to successfully transition from middle school to high school. Topics include social pressure, parents, fitting in, mood swings and changing friendships. Fee involved (may be a covered benefit; check with your insurance carrier). Ann Arbor/SJMBS: Wednesdays; 5:30-7 p.m. 734-786-2330

# Adult Heartsaver (CPR)

American Heart Association CPR course covers adult CPR, foreign body airway obstruction maneuver and automated external defibrillation. \$40

Howell/SJMLH: Tue., Jan. 18, Feb. 15, Mar. 8; 7-10 p.m. Thur., Apr. 7; 7-10 p.m.

517-545-6517

# **CPR** for Family and Friends

Class for anyone over 16 who wishes to learn American Heart Association CPR techniques for adults and/or infants and children. Not for childcare workers or jobs requiring CPR. \$40

#### Ann Arbor/WHC:

Adult CPR: Mon., Feb. 21; 6-9 p.m.

Infant/Child CPR: Mon., Jan. 17, Feb. 21, Mar. 21; 6-9 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

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# Heartsaver First-Aid

American Heart Association training program that covers basic first aid information and techniques for injury, sudden illness and trauma. \$40 Howell/SJMLH: Tue., Jan. 25; 6:30-10 p.m.

Thur., Mar. 17; 6:30-10 p.m.

517-545-6517

# Pediatric Heartsaver (CPR)

American Heart Association course trains participants to recognize emergencies and provide resuscitation to infants and children up to 8 years old. Foreign body airway obstruction maneuver and external defibrillation instructions are included. \$40

Howell/SJMLH: Tue., Jan. 11, Feb. 22, Mar. 22; 7-10 p.m. Thur., Jan. 27, Feb. 10, Mar. 10; 7-10 p.m.

517-545-6517

# HEALTHIER LIVING

## **Anger Management Group**

Six-week therapy group addresses the identification and use of effective anger management skills. New group starts every six weeks. Fee involved (may be a covered benefit; check with your insurance carrier).

#### Ann Arbor/SJMBS:

Adults: Thursdays; 6:30-8 p.m. Adolescents: Tuesdays; 6:30-8 p.m.

734-786-8036

## **Anxiety Management**

Eight-week therapy group focusing on managing and overcoming symptoms of anxiety such as fearfulness, panic attacks and chronic worrying. Fee involved (may be a covered benefit; check with your insurance carrier).

Ann Arbor/SJMBS: Mondays; 6:30-8 p.m.

734-786-8032

734-786-2301

#### **Depression Education Series**

Four-part education series focusing on understanding the diagnosis and treatment of depression. \$40 **Ann Arbor/SJMBS:** Wednesdays, Feb. 23-Mar.16; 6:30-8 p.m.

# Diabetes **Education**

Learn how to live well with diabetes. This indepth program covers all ten content areas recommended by the American Diabetes Association, including



controlling your blood sugar, eating right and preventing complications. Fee involved (may be a covered benefit; check with your insurance carrier).

Ann Arbor/WHC: Call for appointment.

734-712-2431

#### Freedom from Joint Pain

Free monthly presentation for people suffering from arthritis and/or joint pain. Physician available to answer questions after presentation. Pre-registration required. **Howell/SJMLH:** Fourth Friday monthly; 1:30 p.m. 517-545-6289

#### **Health Information Library**

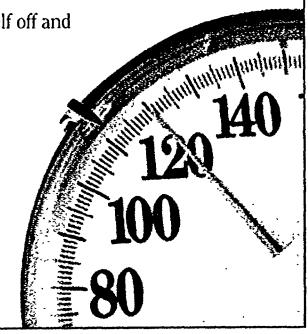
Books, journals, videos and pamphlets available on a variety of health and wellness topics. Stop in or call to have a packet of information mailed to you.

Ann Arbor/SJMRHC: Monday-Thursday; 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 734-712-5177

# -health TIP

## How to Stick With Your New Year's Resolutions

- Focus on positive self-talk. Congratulate yourself every time you take a step towards your resolution goal. Be your own best cheerleader.
- Avoid berating yourself if you should fall back or break a resolution. Just brush yourself off and start all over again.
- Stick to your resolution by considering it a promise to yourself, not a test of your willpower.
- Avoid situations that put you in temptation's path, meaning if you're on a diet, don't go to the ice cream parlor.
- Keep a sticky note in a prominent place so that you see it every day, reminding yourself of your resolutions (mirror, refrigerator).
- Be realistic. Make sure your plan is one that fits into your lifestyle. Make changes as easy and convenient as possible.



# HEART/CARDIOVASCULAR

# "...And the Beat Goes On"

Cardiovascular information whether you have a heart or cardiovascular condition or not. Call 734-712-3546 for more information or to register.

#### **CLASSES ARE FREE!**



# Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute - Ann Arbor

(Free Blood Pressure Screenings available on the first Tuesday of the month; 1 to 2 p.m.-Suite 101)

CLASS	DAY	DATE	TIME
Cholesterol and Your Heart	Tue.	Jan. 18	6:30-7:30 p.m.
Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease	Tue.	Feb. 15	2-3 p.m.
Exercise and Heart Disease	Tue.	Mar. 22	6:30-7:30 p.m.

## Saint Joseph Mercy Woodland Health Center - Brighton

(Free Blood Pressure Screenings at each class)

CLASS	DAY	DATE	TIME
Stress and Lifestyle Management	Wed.	Jan. 19	4-5 p.m.
Lower Your Blood Pressure	Wed.	Feb. 16	3-4 p.m.
Exercise and Heart Disease	Wed.	Mar. 23	4-5 p.m.

## Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center - Canton

(Free Blood Pressure Screenings available on the first Thursday of the month; 10 to 11 a.m.)

CLASS		DAY	DATE	TIME
Irregular Heart l	Rhythms	Thur.	Jan. 20	10-11 a.m.
Lower Your Bloc	od Pressure	Thur.	Feb. 17	10-11 a.m.
Diabetes and Car	rdiovascular Disease	Thur.	Mar. 17	10-11 a.m.

# Cardiac Rehab Lecture Series - Open to Public Free of Charge

Lectures covering topics that are important for your heart health are being offered at Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute. Call **734-712-3105** for more information.

Diet • Psychosocial • Risk Factors • Stress

# HEART/CARDIOVASCULAR

## **Cardiac Rehabilitation**

Supervised exercise program for individuals with cardiovascular disease or significant risk factors for developing heart disease. Fee involved.

Ann Arbor/MHVI:

Call for appointment

734-712-3105

Howell/SJMLH:

Call for appointment

517-545-6385

### "Heart of a Woman" Clinic

A clinic for women who want to learn more about their cardiovascular health and seek guidance from a female cardiologist. Fee involved (may be a covered benefit: check with your insurance carrier).

Ann Arbor/MHVI: Wednesdays; 9 a.m.-noon

734-712-5100

## Vascular Rehabilitation

Ongoing medically supervised exercise program for people diagnosed with peripheral artery disease. Program includes education and medical supervision. Fee involved. Call **734-712-3105** for information.

# LUNGS/PULMONARY

### **Breathers Club**

Reduce the impact of lung diseases and improve your breathing in this free support group. For adults who have chronic lung disease.

Ann Arbor: Second Wednesday monthly

734-712-5367

Howell: Second Tuesday monthly

517-545-6020

#### **Pulmonary Rehabilitation**

Exercise and educational program designed to help improve breathing for those who suffer from lung disease. Class designed to meet individual needs and is supervised by a respiratory therapist. Fee involved.

Ann Arbor/Howell: Call for appointment

734-712-5367

#### **Support Groups**

Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute offers the following free support groups:

**Amputee Support Group** 

734-712-3516

Atrial Fibrillation Support Group

734-712-0595

Heart Failure Support Group

734-712-5100

Implanted Cardioverter Defibrillators (ICD)

**Support Group** 

734-712-8036

#### Heart-to-Heart Network

(for people with cardiovascular disease)

734-712-3583

#### Partners at Heart

(for spouses/significant others of people with cardiovascular disease)

734-712-3583

# health TIP

# For a Total Workout, Include Body, Mind and Spirit

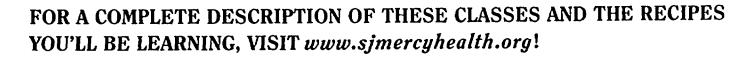
The best workout, according to top trainers and fitness experts is one that includes the mind and spirit, as well as the body. Consider some alternatives to your regular weight and cardio training. For a change of pace try yoga, Pilates or



tai chi, all of which engage your mind, body and spirit. Include these alternative mind/body disciplines on a regular basis. Add them to your workout regime and feel the difference. Saint Joseph Mercy Women's Health Services offers a variety of these classes. See page 12 for more information.

# HEALTHY COOKING CLASSES

Classes are \$25 per class (\$20 with a multiple class punch card); prepayment required. Call **734-712-5800** for more information or to register. Classes held at the Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center.





CLASS	DAY	DATE	TIME
Mediterranean Style Cooking	Mon.	Jan. 10	5:30 p.m.
Vegetarian Wonders	Mon.	Jan. 17	5:30 p.m.
Soups On!	Mon.	Jan. 24	5:30 p.m.
Joy of Soy 1	Mon.	Jan. 31	5:30 p.m.
Try Thai	Mon.	Feb. 7	5:30 p.m.
Pasta Pasta!	Mon.	Feb. 14	5:30 p.m.
It's a Family Affair*	Mon.	Feb. 21	5:30 p.m.
Get Hooked on Fish	Thur.	Feb. 24	5:30 p.m.
Cooking with Herbs and Spices	Mon.	Feb. 28	5:30 p.m.
Marvelous Meats	Thur.	Mar. 3	5:30 p.m.
Whole Grain Exploration	Mon.	Mar. 7	5:30 p.m.
Gluten Free Cooking	Thur.	Mar. 10	5:30 p.m.
Joy of Soy 2	Mon.	Mar. 14	5:30 p.m.
Great Greek Cooking	Mon.	Mar. 21	5:30 p.m.
Get Hooked on Fish II (More Fish Recipes!)	Thur.	Mar. 24	5:30 p.m.

<sup>\*</sup>Cooking class for parents and kids - \$25 for the first family member, \$12.50 for each additional child (ages 8-18) or adult.

# WEIGHT AND HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CLASSES

Classes held at the Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center. All classes are \$25 (\$20 with a multiple class punch card). Call **734-712-5800** for more information or to register.

CLASS	DAY	DATE	TIME
Maximizing Your Food Choices	Thur.	Jan. 20	7 p.m.
Finding Fats That Fit	Thur.	Feb. 3	7 p.m.
Fabulous Fiber	Thur.	Feb. 10	7 p.m.
Supermarket Sleuthing and Restaurant Survival	Thur.	Feb. 17	7 p.m.
Maximizing Your Food Choices	Tue.	Feb. 22	7 p.m.
Finding Fats That Fit	Tue.	Mar. 8	7 p.m.
Fabulous Fiber	Tue.	Mar. 15	7 p.m.
Supermarket Sleuthing and Restaurant Survival	Tue.	Mar. 22	7 p.m.
Triggers and Cravings	Tue.	Apr. 5	7 p.m.

# WEIGHT MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

We understand that not everyone is looking for the same thing when it comes to choosing a weight management program. That's why Saint Joseph Mercy Health System offers a variety of plans. So you can pick the one that fits your needs!

## **NutriCare Weight Loss Series**

A program that has the best of both worlds – personal attention and innovative, entertaining nutrition presentations. Included is a body fat analysis, individual counseling sessions with a registered dietitian and classes to meet your personal goals. \$250 (may be a covered benefit; check with your insurance carrier).

Ann Arbor/WHC:

734-712-5800

# NutriCare Advanced Weight Loss and Maintenance Series

Ongoing series geared towards those who have the foundation and information about losing weight, but feel that some structure and support will improve their weight loss efforts. New information and taste tasting at each session. Four-class minumim/\$25 per class.

Ann Arbor/WHC: First Tuesday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m. 734-712-5800

#### **HMR** Weight Management Programs

- HMR\* Ultimate Diet promotes rapid and significant weight loss under medical supervision. It's ideal for anyone who wants to lose 30 pounds or more.
- Healthy Solutions\* is for moderate weight loss without medical supervision.

Plans offer in-depth lifestyle education, personalized attention, intensive follow-up and long-term maintenance. Price varies according to length of weight loss phase, level of medical supervision and type of meal replacement used. Ann Arbor/WHC: Sign up for FREE orientation 734-712-5540

# "Take Charge" Lifestyle Management System

Pharmacist supervised program for anyone wanting to adopt a healthier lifestyle, take personal responsibility for their health and potentially decrease the dose and/or number of medications they take. Fee involved.

Ann Arbor/SJMRHC: 734-712-2222

# Thai Coconut Chicken over Jasmine Rice

Mention this recipe when registering for a cooking class and receive 20% off your class!

2 tsp, canola oil, divided

1 medium onion, thinly sliced

1 red pepper, sliced

2 cups Oriental cabbage, sliced

2 cups fresh basil leaves, cut into large pieces

2 garlic cloves, minced

1 1/2 tsp. curry powder

1/2 tsp. salt

1/8 tsp. ground black pepper

1/2 lb. skinless chicken breast tenders, cut into

1" cubes

1 can light coconut milk

1 tsp. fresh lime zest

1/4 cup peanuts, toasted and finely chopped (garnish)

6 cups cooked Jasmine rice

- 1. Prepare jasmine rice. Set aside.
- 2. In a large nonstick skillet, heat 1 tsp. of oil over medium-high heat. Add onion and sauté for 1 minute. Add red pepper and sauté for an additional two minutes. Add basil and cabbage and sauté for another 1 to 2 minutes. Set aside.
- 3. Heat another tsp. of oil in skillet and sauté garlic, stirring constantly to avoid burning. Add curry powder, salt and black pepper and sauté for 30 seconds. Add chicken pieces and cook for 3 minutes.
- 4. Stir in coconut milk; reduce heat to medium until chicken is thoroughly cooked. In the final minute, add 1 tsp of lime zest. Return basil mixture to sauté pan and mix well. Serve over rice and garnish with chopped peanuts.

Nutritional Information: (1/2 cup chicken, 1 cup rice)
Calories 302, Protein 16 gm, Carbohydrate 33 gm, Fat 12 gm, Fiber 3 gm, Sodium 386 mg

# PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH AND INFANT CARE

## **Breastfeeding Preparation**

Class offers expectant mothers and their partners (optional) instruction on breast-feeding techniques.

Ann Arbor/WHC: Twice monthly, Monday evening; 7:30 p.m.

or Saturday morning; 11 a.m. \$20

Howell/SJMLH: First and third Thursday monthly;

7:30 p.m. \$25

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

### **Childbirth Education**

Labor and delivery preparation class for expectant mothers and their labor support coach. Information regarding natural childbirth techniques, relaxation exercises, medical intervention and Caesarean births is included. \$65

Brighton/Howell: Call to schedule the best time for you!

734-712-5400/800-231-2211



# **Early Pregnancy Class**

Class for expectant moms and their partners to learn more about pregnancy. Covers comfort measures, nutrition, routine and diagnostic tests and more! \$20 Howell/SJMLH: First Tuesday monthly; 7-9 p.m. 734-712-5400/800-231-2211

## Family Birth Center Tours

Tour the birthing facility of your choice. Call to reserve your time. Pre-registration required!

Ann Arbor/SJMH: Monday or Thursday evenings

Howell/SJMLH: First and third Thursday monthly;
6:30 p.m. or first Saturday monthly; 9 a.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

#### Infant Care

Class for expectant mothers and their partners to learn about basic newborn care. Includes information on feeding, burping, bonding, diapering, bathing, infant safety and much more! \$20

**Ann Arbor/WHC:** Mondays; 5:30 p.m. or Saturdays; 9 a.m. **Howell/SJMLH:** Third Tuesday monthly; 7 p.m. or first Saturday monthly; 10 a.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

#### Pain Management During Labor

Class reviews different relaxation techniques and answers questions about available options, including labor epidurals. \$10

Ann Arbor/WHC: Thur., Jan. 13, Mar. 10; 7:30-9:30 p.m. 734-712-5400/800-231-2211

#### Parents' Newsletter - FREE!

Expectant and new parents can receive a weekly e-mail newsletter. Sign up by visiting www.sjmercyhealth.org today!

## Prenatal/Postnatal Exercise Classes

Drop-in exercise class provides women an opportunity to exercise safely during pregnancy and postpartum recovery. Unique classes offer numerous benefits. 7-week session/\$49 *Land-based:* 

**Ann Arbor/WHC:** Tuesdays; 7-8 p.m. **Canton/SJMCHC:** Tuesdays; 7:30-8:30 p.m. **734-712-5800** 

Aquatic:

Canton/Summit in the Park: Thursdays; 8-9 p.m. Howell/Aquatic Center: Wednesdays; 8-9 p.m. 517-545-6175

## **Preparing Pets for Baby!**

Prepare your pet for your baby's arrival. There is more to this class than you think! \$15

**Howell/SJMLH:** Second Tuesday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m. 734-712-5400/800-231-2211

# What Now? From Maternity to Motherhood



Free drop-in monthly meeting for new mom and her baby. Join us for an informal discussion with other new mothers, share ideas and learn more about caring for yourself and your newborn.

Ann Arbor/WHC: First Wednesday monthly (no January); 10 a.m.-noon 734-712-5400/800-231-2211

# PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH AND INFANT CARE

# First Time Parent Classes

Separate training classes for moms and dads held at the same time! Call 734-712-5400/800-231-2211 to register.

#### Survival Skills for New Moms

Prenatal class designed for women expecting their first baby. You'll learn lots of practical information on surviving those first few weeks at home with baby, caring for yourself, juggling visitors and managing fatigue. \$25

### **Boot Camp for New Dads**

Class, taught by men, that teaches first time fathers practical information on parenthood, baby care, becoming a family and supporting the new mom. You'll even get hands-on experience in holding and comforting a baby with the help of "veteran" dads who bring their babies to class. \$25

#### Mom and dad classes held simultaneously:

#### Ann Arbor/WHC:

Sat., Jan. 15; 9 a.m.-noon Thur., Jan. 20; 6-9 p.m. Sat., Feb. 12; 9 a.m.-noon Thur., Mar. 17; 6-9 p.m. Canton/SJMCHC: Sat., Mar. 5; 9 a.m.-noon

Howell/SJMLH: Sat., Feb. 5; 9 a.m.-noon Sat., Apr. 2; 9 a.m.-noon



# WOMEN'S HEALTH

# **Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening**

Women 40 or older, who aren't receiving regular breast and cervical cancer screenings due to cost, may qualify for no-cost screenings. For eligibility requirements and more information, call **734-712-5800**.

# Creating a Healthy Lifestyle When You Have a Chronic Illness

Class geared towards women who have a chronic illness. Program offers strategies and information that can empower you to impact the quality of your life. \$15 **Ann Arbor/WHC:** Mon., Jan. 10; 7-9 p.m. 734-712-5800

# Heart of a Woman Lecture - Taking Exercise to Heart



Learn from a cardiologist how exercise can improve your health and reduce the risk of heart disease. You will learn how to begin exercising safely, what to do and how often to do it at in this free informative session.

Ann Arbor/MHVI: Tue.,

Jan. 25; 7-9 p.m. 734-712-5400/800-231-2211

# How to Take Care of Yourself While Taking Care of Others

Workshop for anyone who has responsibility for taking care of other people in their personal or professional life. This workshop is a combination of lecture, discussion and thought exercises. \$15 person/\$25 couple (two people)

Ann Arbor/WHC: Thur., Mar. 3; 7-9 p.m.

734-712-5800

# Learning About Menopause – Lifestyle Strategies to Ease the Transition

Program for women 35 to 50 that provides a comprehensive overview of the physical and emotional changes, symptoms and health risks associated with menopause. \$20

Ann Arbor/WHC: Mon., Feb. 28; 7-9 p.m. 734-712-5400/800-231-2211

# health TIP

# Stress Management

Spend 20 minutes a day doing something that is relaxing and not work related. Try taking a walk, stretching, reading a book or doing yoga. These activities can help you keep your energy level up and feel better longer than eating a candy bar, drinking a soda or eating a bag of chips.

# EXERCISE AND FITNESS CLASSES

Call **734-712-5800** for more information or to register. All classes are co-ed and are held at the Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center, except where indicated.

# Ongoing Sessions held the following dates:

Jan. 17 through Feb. 26 Mar. 7 through Apr. 23



CLASS	DAY	TIME	FEE
Ballet Fitness	Fri.	12:10–12:50 p.m.	\$32
Cardio & Strength Circuits	Wed.	4:15-5 p.m.	\$37
Cardio Boot Camp*	Mon.	5:30-6:30 p.m.	\$47
Fab Abs on the Ball	Tue.	12:15-12:45 p.m.	\$27
Fab Abs on the Ball	Thur.	12:15-12:45 p.m.	\$27
Pilates Matwork	Tue.	5:30-6:30 p.m.	\$64
Pilates Matwork	Thur.	5:30-6:30 p.m.	\$64
Pilates Matwork	Tue.	11:30 a.mnoon	\$32
Pre/Postnatal Exercise	Tue.	7-8 p.m.	\$49
Strength Training	Mon.	12:15-12:50 p.m.	\$27
Strength Training	Mon.	4:15-5 p.m.	\$37
Strength Training	Thur.	11:30 a.m12:05 p.m.	\$27
Strength Training for 60+	Tue.	9:30-10:15 a.m.	\$32
Strength Training for 60+	Thur.	9:30-10:15 a.m.	\$32
Yoga	Mon.	11:30 a.m12:05 p.m.	\$32
Yoga	Mon.	5:30-6:30 p.m.	\$64
Yoga	Wed.	12:15-12:50 p.m.	\$32
Yoga	Wed.	6-7 p.m.	\$64

<sup>\*</sup>Held in gymnasium at Senior Health Building

# **One-time Specialty Fitness Classes**

CLASS	DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE*
Increasing Bone Dens	ity Tue.	Jan. 25	10:15-11:20 a.m.	\$25
Increasing Bone Dens	ity Thur.	Feb. 24	10:15-11:20 a.m.	\$25
Increasing Bone Dens	ity Sat.	Mar. 19	9-10:15 a.m.	\$25
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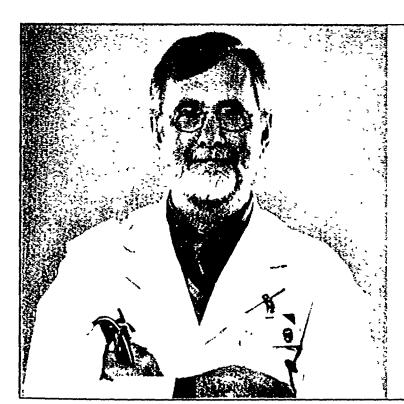
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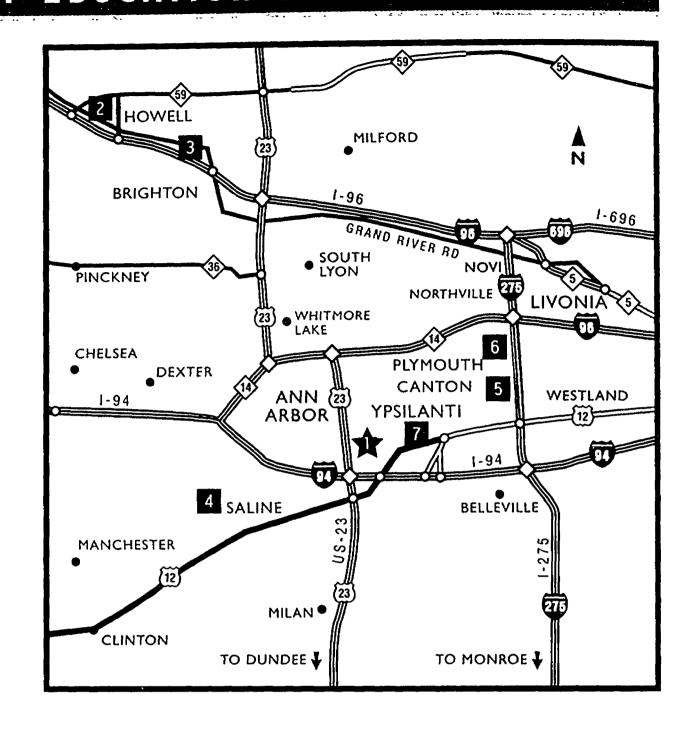
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#### What is new with Trisha Yearwood and Garth Brooks? Are they still together?

-Mary K., Minnesota

They are, in several ways. In addition to dating, Brooks, 42, is managing Yearwood, 40, helping her make decisions about her career. The two have talked about recording a duet album and have been writing songs together. He's also rumored to be a guest on her new album, out this year. The two, who live separately near Tulsa, Okla., to be close to



Garth Brooks and Trisha Yearwood may make an album.

I would like to know about my new favorite singer, Eva Cassidy, and why she died so young. She had one of the most stunning, versatile voices ever. Why wasn't she more famous?

-Bob W., California

At the time of her death from cancer in 1996. only two of Cassidy's folk/jazz/blues albums-The Other Side (with Chuck Brown) and Live at Blues Alley-had been released, and the 33year-old was unknown outside Washington, D.C. However, she left a wealth of unreleased recordings that have forged her legacy. In 2001, she claimed the number one spot on England's album charts and then became wildly popular in America. "Even though it's a sad, tragic story," says pop star Sting, whose song Fields of Gold Cassidy recorded, "it has a kind of poetry about it." Cassidy's latest collection: 2004's Wonderful World.

Update on Dick Clark's Health

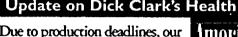
Due to production deadlines, our recent cover story on broadcaster Dick Clark was printed before he suffered a mild stroke on Dec. 6. Initially, it appeared that he would recover in time to assume his hosting duties of Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve on

ABC. But according to Clark's publicist,

Paul Shefrin, the decision was made not to travel to New York this year and Regis Philbin was asked to step in. This was the first time that Clark didn't broadcast the New Year's Eve show for ABC since 1972. Philbin, the co-host of Live with Regis and Kelly, assures viewers that he'll only serve as host this year. "It's the greatest 'temp job' in the world," Philbin says. "I look forward to his return next year."

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#### What can you tell me about Rick Sanchez?

Brooks' ex-wife, Sandy, and his three daughters, also have

slimmed down together. Country music insiders have

been abuzz about Yearwood's new, slimmer appearance.

In August, Brooks said he might come out of retirement

in 2014 when his youngest daughter turns 18: "If I'm

back up." So far, the couple is mum on wedding rumors.

their best friend," Brooks told an interviewer last year.

"Trisha is my best friend, and sometimes people marry

not 750 pounds by then," he joked, "we might fire it

-Louis O., New Mexico

Sanchez co-anchors CNN Live Today with Daryn Kagan. He began his job at the news network in September and found himself reporting on his home state, Florida, as it was hit by hurricanes Ivan and Jeanne. A Miami native, Sanchez got his start on a local newscast there. Later, he also had his own Spanish-language talk show on the station. "I never imagined that someone like me could get into journalism," he says, referring to his Hispanic heritage. "Growing up, you didn't see people like me on television. Thankfully, professors at the University of Minnesota and the CBS internship program gave me a scholarship which has led me down an unbelievable career." Now living in Atlanta, Sanchez is married and has four children.

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# Hometown Exploring GEORGE TIPTON WILSON the Blues

In 1998, brothers Eddie and Frank Thomas of Iuka, Miss. (pop. 3,059), set out on a musical pilgrimage along Highway 61 that took them from Beale Street in Memphis, Tenn., to the choir loft of St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans. With a guitar and hand-held recorder, Eddie, 55, and Frank, 49, followed the roots of blues music along the famed Blues Highway, recording 65 songs at historic locations along the way.

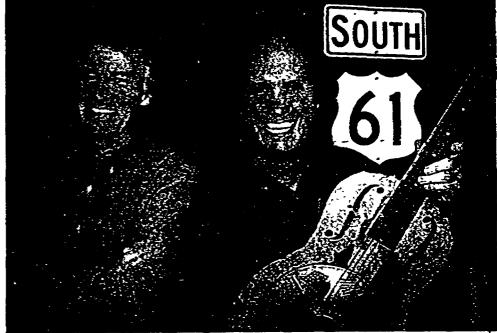
The brothers teach teens about their musical heritage at Rosa Fort High School in Tunica, Miss.



"Were we in search of something?" Eddie ponders. "Perhaps. I will say that if I was looking for something, there were times when I stood quite near it."

They recorded their first song, Muddy Waters' Country Blues, in an old red barn near Clarksdale, Miss. (pop. 20,645), where Waters worked as a farm laborer in the 1930s and early '40s. "A flock of blackbirds flew past the barn door on that cool October day, and something, somewhere smiled and whispered a breeze that filled up my soul," says Eddie, who felt an inexplicable bond with the legendary bluesman while recording the song. "When you stand that close to whatever it is and feel that closeness, it will last a lifetime."

Their journey resulted in the four-CD collection Angels on the Backroads, which includes 80 pages of liner notes chronicling the significance of each stop along the way.



Frank and Eddie Thomas found inspiration along Route 61, also known as the Blues Highway

The project began after the two brothers, who own a film and audio production company, finished an audio driving tour of the Natchez Trace Parkway. "When we completed that project in 1994, we turned to the next famous roadway in Mississippi, Highway 61," Eddie says. "Our intentions were to do a similar project, but we found it was not the road itself that was the guide, but the rich musical heritage of the region that led us from one fascinating place to the next."

To learn that heritage, the brothers devoted two years to research, listening to thousands of old, scratchy blues records. They studied everything from how original composers tuned their guitars, to discovering where many of the songs were first performed.

To bring their project to life, the selfdescribed "song-storians" hit the road. Eddie sang and played guitar while Frank, a sound engineer by trade, recorded the legendary songs.

For three years they recorded at locations based on "song titles, birth places of musicians and historical events," says Eddie, who's played guitar since high school. "We were looking for classic songs by classic musicians that would tie the land to the music."

They traveled to an abandoned store in Robinsonville, Miss., near the hometown of blues legend Robert Johnson and recorded Johnson's Suver Home Chicago. At the Valley Store near Greenwood, Miss. (pop. 18,425), Eddie poured his heart into Avalon Blues, on the same front porch where Mississippi John Hurt had performed the song 75

Because the songs were recorded on location, the resulting tracks include ambient sounds from each stop. "I remember every song," Frank says. "I loved every minute, every bird that sang, every set of car tires that whined down the highway, the sound of every crop duster flying overhead, like it did on (Gus Cannon's) Poor Boy, Long Ways From Home."

Since releasing their compilation in 2003, the brothers launched a tour—the Mississippi Delta Blues Heritage Program-sponsored by Delta State University in Cleveland, Miss. (pop. 13,841). The program introduces middle and high school students along Highway 61 to the region's musical heritage and features a 50-minute informative film and Eddie performing select songs.

"The goal of the program is to explore the evolution of the blues," says Dr. Henry Outlaw of Delta State University. "To trace its flow from the Mississippi Delta to Memphis, St. Louis and the northern cities, and demonstrate how it has been incorporated into other music genres such as jazz, gospel and rock 'n' roll. Eddie and Frank are very talented musician/historians."

In March, the brothers plan to tour the United Kingdom, where they'll spread the history and their love for a musical genre that sprang to life along Highway 61. 🌫

George Tipton Wilson is a freelance writer in Memphis, Tenn.

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# Bone Up On Osteoporosis

When most people think about osteoporosis, they think of a frail, elderly woman with declining health. However, this bone-thinning ailment also affects one in five men.

"It's a common condition that can be treated effectively if detected early," says Dr. Felicia Cosman, an osteoporosis specialist at Helen Hayes Hospital in West Haverstraw, N.Y.

The condition affects up to half of postmenopausal women, since estrogen loss occurs during menopause, and bone loss accelerates when estrogen levels are decreased. Osteoporosis literally means "porous bones" and occurs when spaces between the bones become larger, weakening them and making them more fragile.

"Osteoporosis affects the entire skeleton, but the two most serious problems are bone fractures in the hips and spine," Cosman says. Hip fractures often require surgery, while severe spinal fractures can impair bodily functions such as breathing, she says.

Building healthy and strong bones before you reach 30 and maintaining an active lifestyle are helpful in avoiding osteoporosis. No cure exists, but the disease is treatable. "Osteoporosis is a silent disease, so prevention is very important to think about, even in your 20s and 30s," Cosman says.

Three basic measures can help you prevent osteoporosis:

#### Get enough calcium

One simple way to prevent osteoporosis is by meeting your daily calcium requirement. "Calcium plays an integral role in the maintenance of a healthy skeleton," Cosman says. Adults should receive 1,200 milligrams of calcium per day, which is about three servings of dairy foods or other calcium-

fortified foods.

If you're not a milk drinker, calciumfortified orange juice and cereals are available, and calcium supplements can satisfy the recommended daily allowance. "If you don't like dairy foods, you can take a 300 milligram calcium supplement to replace each dairy serving that you miss,"

Cosman explains. **Exercise** 

Besides improving your overall health, exercise can help build bone mass. The best workout for your bones involves weight-bearing exercises such as walking, dancing, hiking, jogging and stair climbing. Racquet sports also are helpful and can add fun and variety to your workout.

#### Avoid smoking

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Osteoporosis is another reason to quit smoking, because it reduces the blood supply to bones and nicotine slows the production of bone-forming cells and impairs the absorption of calcium.

Having a Bone Mineral Density (BMD) test is the only way to diagnose osteoporosis and assess your risk

for future fractures. "This test is a painless X-ray that helps us assess if you are at risk for developing the disease," Cosman says.

The National Osteoporosis Foundation recommends that women 65 and older, regardless of other osteoporosis risk factors, have a bone mineral density test. All postmenopausal women who have a fracture also should be tested, as should premenopausal women with a family history of osteo-

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Bethanne Black is a writer based in Buford, Ga.

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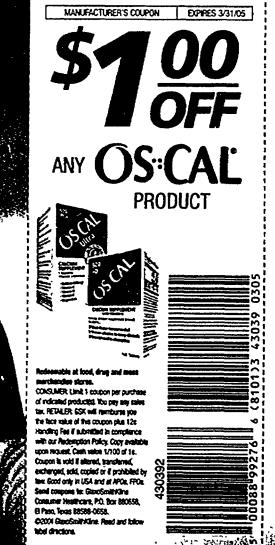
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Martin Luther King III will begin

by BEVERLY KEEL

Jan. 17—the day America celebrates the life of his father, the late civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.-by speaking at a non-denominational service at Atlanta's Ebenezer Baptist Church, where the elder King once served as co-pastor. He'll then join his family-mother Coretta Scott King, 77, brother Dexter, 43, and sisters Yolanda, 49, and Bernice, 41—to walk next door to lay a wreath at King's crypt.

It will serve as a touching tribute from a son who has dedicated his life to carrying out the vision of his father who died much too young with much work left to accomplish. Not only has it become Martin King III's personal mission, but his professional calling as well, because the civil rights leader's eldest son serves as president and chief executive officer of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change in Atlanta, an organization dedicated to spreading the teachings of King internationally. While he admits he's not able to fill his father's shoes, he is continuing King's journey to make the world a better place.



King III leads the King Center, succeeding his brother Dexter.

"I know I can't be my father," says King, 47. "I would fail miserably if I attempted to be Martin Luther King Jr. But what I can do is to take the message that was the blueprint that he left for us and I can share it with others and hopefully take the legacy to the next level.

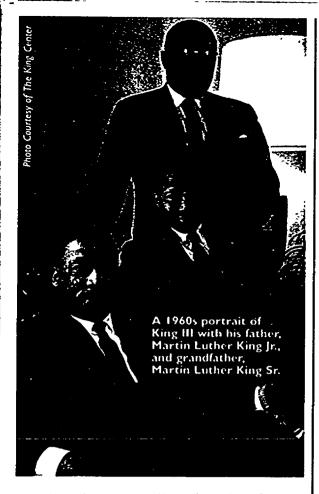
"Because I was raised in a family of service, I feel compelled to continue the work. You don't really need to reinvent the wheel because we haven't achieved all the objectives. If we can come anywhere close to what my father envisioned, I know we'll have a better nation and world. So if I had a dream, it would be to see that vision that he articulated is manifest. I do believe everyone in America deserves a decent job with decent pay."

#### "I have a dream ...

Born Jan. 15, 1929, Martin Luther King Jr. was the most important leader of America's civil rights movement from 1957 until his murder on April 4, 1968. In 1963, King delivered his most memorable speech during the March on Washington. "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a

"If we can come anywhere close to what my father envisioned, I know we'll have a better nation and world."

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nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character," he said.

Nearly 42 years later, his son says his father's dream still has not been realized. "My father characterized most of our problems in three areas: poverty, racism and violence," King says. "While we have made great strides as a nation and a world, we still have a long way to go before we abolish poverty. In fact, we're going the wrong way now.

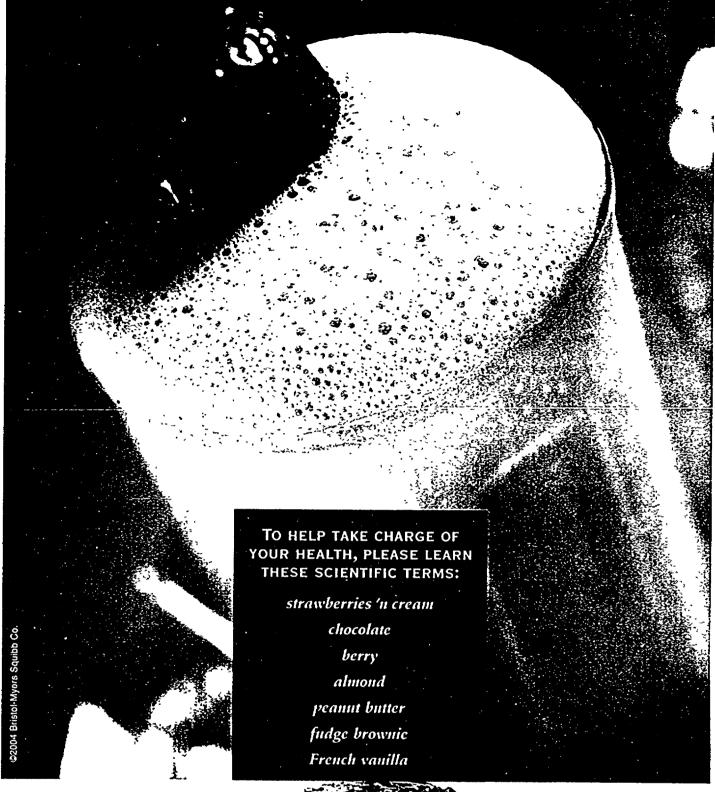
"Violence is escalating all over the world, whether it's in schools or domestic violence or just random violence, and obviously in terms of world conflict, terrorism. We talk about racism in every genre now. We believe any form of bigotry must be abolished and we want to work very diligently to achieve that.

"We believe that if people understand the steps and principles of nonviolence and they adhere to these principles, our nation and world will become a better place."

#### Becoming his own man

Following in his father's footsteps, King has been a human rights activist for most of his adult life. He's traveled through Africa, Europe and Asia, delivering the message of nonviolent conflict resolution for nearly two decades. "I think that when I traveled with my dad as a child and later on with my mom, I knew that ultimately I would be involved in the same kind of work," he says. "I was greatly influenced by the work of my parents." (Continued on page 8)

—Martin Luther King III



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-Martin Luther King Jr.

From 1998 until 2003, he served as president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the organization his father co-founded in 1957. In 2004, he took the helm of the King Center. "Coming here was in a sense like returning back home," he says.

While King is comfortable meeting with national leaders and traveling from Mississippi to Mozambique, Africa, he admits it hasn't always been easy being his father's namesake. "I've always tried not to look at it as a burden," he says. "There are days when it's challenging, but for the most part it's been positive. There are times

when people say, 'You are not like your father.' I'm not supposed to be, and I'm comfortable in myself, but it is painful when someone says, 'You don't sound like your father.' Usually my response is, 'I'm not trying to sound like my father; I'm me.'"

During high school and college, he went by the name Marty to eliminate the obvious connection. "The tough times were when I was in college and people wanted to make me something I was not prepared to be at that time," says the graduate of Morehouse College in Atlanta.

He came into his own at age 29, when he was elected to the board of commissioners in Fulton County, Ga., in 1986. It was at this point that he began asking people to call him Martin. "Somewhere in my mid-30s is where I came to feel confident in who I was as Martin and that I was taking my

father's principles and my mother's upbringing and synthesizing it," he says. "While it may sound a little bit like him, it was not him; it was Martin the third."

However, he admits that it can be difficult grappling with the long shadow cast by his father's accomplishments. "Usually we say every generation could build onto the next," he says. "Unless I was in another arena, it would be very difficult to overshadow what my father did. Not that that's what my objective is, but I'm just saying that's a challenge because everyone always says every generation should be better.

"But if we can take the vision to the next level, so that families all over the world are understanding and embracing the principles of nonviolence, then in my own personal judgment, I would have achieved something great."



The birthplace of Martin Luther King Jr. in Atlanta.

King, his hair speckled with gray, is now a leader in his own right who has achieved many great things, all done with his own style, reputation and legacy. Although he's shy and soft-spoken, he's extremely warm and approachable.

"My leadership style is to try to build a coalition and not be confrontational unless I have to be," he says. "I try to build support among, first of all, my staff. If the staff doesn't agree, I try to hear out everyone before I make a decision. Although some leaders lead dictatorially, I believe you can lead in a coalescing way. When you disagree, you don't humiliate someone because you disagree. You want to hear their point and then you want to bring them around, so I try to use persuasion as a leadership tool and try to see the best in everyone. One of the things my dad did, I'm told, is that he was able to bring the best out of his team."

Although Martin Luther King Jr. Day, which is celebrated in more than 100 countries, could serve a reminder of his father's absence, it's not a bittersweet time for him. "The holiday is always joyous and fun," the never-martied King says. "The assassination day, April 4, is usually when I'm sad. For many years, I would shed tears when I was growing up on that day. It's interesting that although our father is gone, because of the holiday and the many observances, it's like he's paralyzed in time. In other words, he will be forever young. That is the one wonderful thing.

"The sad thing for me and my siblings, as adults, it's not having had the opportunity to have a conversation with him, and that's what we've probably missed. Those are the things that there's nothing you can do about, but the 10 years that we were together were incredible. Although he was gone often, Dexter and I went on trips with him. He was tremendously playful with us as his children. We all will have fond memories forever."

The King Center was established by Coretta Scott King in 1968 to continue the legacy of her late husband. More than 650,000 people annually visit the facility, which includes a library and archives, as well as King's crypt. The center provides educational tools for those studying Kingian philosophies worldwide, and its goals for 2005 are to launch a conflict resolution program, find new funding sources and establish an endowment to sustain the institution's work for years to come. For more information on the King Center, visit www.thekingcenter.com.



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Cummings' grandfather, Earle Hartzell, began his career building ukuleles and Hawaiian guitars at Martin's old North Street factory, retiring in 1965 after 40 years with the company.

Tradition is a way of life at C. F. Martin & Co.

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which has produced more than 1 million stringed instruments since its founding 172 years ago. Martin is the world's oldest guitar company and the largest acoustic guitar maker in the United States.

"I sometimes feel like a marathon runner who was handed the baton by my grandfather," says Christian F. Martin IV, the company's CEO and sixth generation in charge of the family business.

Martin's great-great-great grandfather, Christian Frederick Martin Sr., left his native Germany in 1833 to set up a guitar shop on New York City's Hudson Street. By 1839, a loval following enabled him to



A skilled luthier handcrafts a guitar body at C.F. Martin & Co. in Nazareth, Pa move his operation to picturesque Nazareth, Pa.

Today, the company employs 650 workers at its Sycamore Street facility in Nazareth and produces 275 guitars each day.

> A Martin guitar has roughly 160 parts, many hand-hewn with time-honored tools and methods by skilled guitar makers called luthiers. They carve, sand, fit, glue and listen, a process songwriter Stephen Stills has likened to magic. Yet the marriage of tradition and innovation is evident, too.

> Alongside computer-assisted machinery that produces precision parts, guitar tops and backs dry on a finishing wheel fashioned by C. F. Martin III from an old railroad switch. Clothespins still are considered the best way to clamp cedar lining to a guitar's side

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Mahogany, spruce and rosewood are coaxed into gracefully curved instruments supported by the famous X-braces developed by the company in the 1840s. X-bracing gives each guitar the & strength to withstand pressure from taut strings without distorting the tone and is imitated by luthiers around the world. It is one of several innovations that have helped sustain the company through economic slumps and an evolving music industry.

"We're always dancing on the edge of beautiful tone and self destruction," Christian F. Martin IV says. "To get that pure sound, we have to make our instruments delicate. But at the same time, we have to make them durable."

By the time Martin, who considers himself a "guitar mechanic," earned his degree in business administration from Boston University, his grandfather, C. F. Martin III, had persuaded him to carry the family business forward.

When the younger Martin took over in 1986, disco and synthesizers were popular. The company was floundering due to a weak demand for guitars and a foray into drum making and corporate acquisitions.

Christian F. Martin IV's strategy was to focus on what the company knew best-acoustic guitars-balancing its trademark hand craftsmanship with emerging technology. That plan took the company from a production level of fewer than 4,000 guitars in 1983 to more than 40,000 by 1999. In 2003, the guitar maker produced its millionth instrument.

"Our guitars define what a guitar is," says Dick Book, Martin's director of artist relations. Book's book, Martin Guitar Masterpieces, includes photos and anecdores from Martin guitar users like Gene Autry, Elvis Presley, Paul McCartney and Bruce Springsteen.

Professional musicians such as blues and rock artist Kenny Wayne Shepherd revere Martin guitars for their quality and dependability. In fact, Shepherd collaborated with the company in 2001 to produce a line of custom-designed guitars that carry his signature.

"Owning a Martin is like owning a Bentley," Shepherd says, comparing a Martin guitar to a luxury automobile. 🎝

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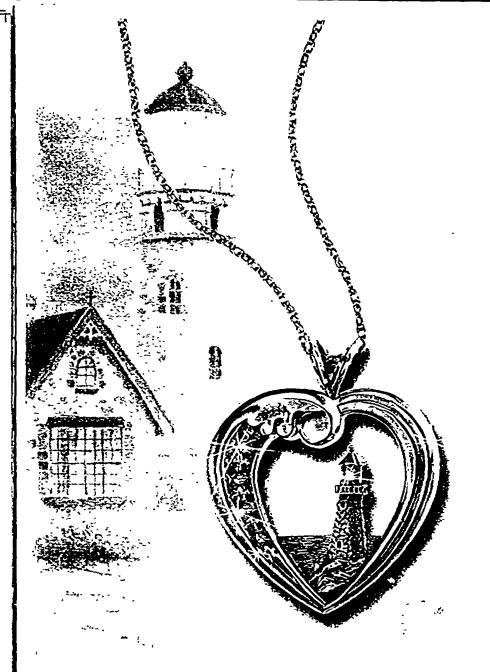
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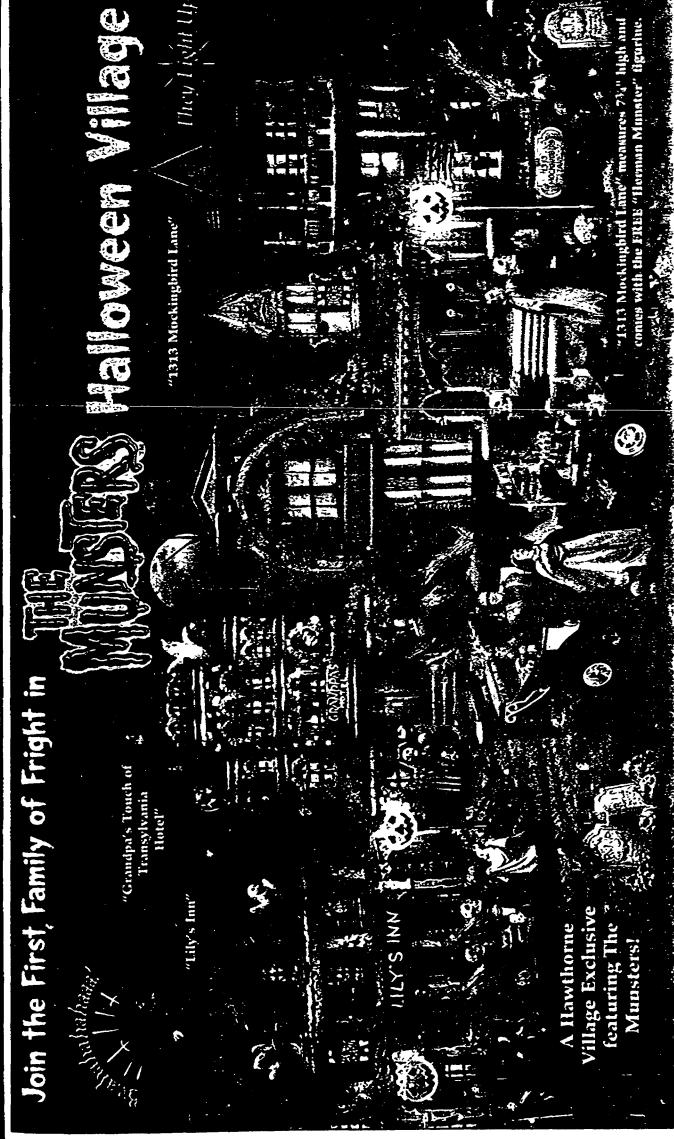
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  Salt and pepper, to taste
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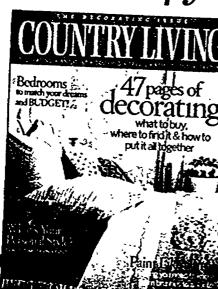
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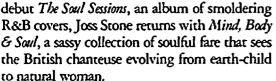
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