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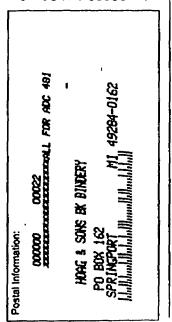
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Audit: taxpayers paid for waste

Auditor general report: poor Northville Hospital closing policies opened door to chronic waste

By David Aguilar RECORD EDITOR

Sloppy bookkeeping by former Northville Psychiatric Hospital employees and inappropriate access to state-owned resources may have cost Michigan taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars before the facility closed

An auditor general report released Feb. 18 claims former hospital employees were

allowed inappropriate access to taxpayer-paid credit cards, on-site gasoline pumps and facility accounting records while failing to properly inventory state-owned equipment, monitor vendor billing practices and account for hospital medications.

lt also claims hospital officials extended without proper oversight - a \$1.86 million electrical project billed to the state through fiscal year 2003-04 that included significant hospital wiring and rewiring, along with new voicemail, paging and weather alarm sys-

Originally, the state approved spending only \$482,234.

The report, conducted June-November 2003, also details a laundry list of other faulty practices. Among the report's findings:

Hospital officials regularly did not seek

competitive bids for on-site work.

· A vendor was overpaid \$16,446 for hourly labor performed at a rate higher than ne previously agreed.

A vendor was paid at least \$114,430 for hourly labor without proper documentation.

In one instance, hospital officials approved a \$308 vendor payment for work done for another of the vendor's customers.

· Hospital officials paid \$18,725 to one vendor without verifying goods and services had been received.

· For 84 monitored expenditures, hospital officials filed a necessary purchase order only 43 percent of the time.

 Hospital employees failed to properly inventory all state-owned property and equip-

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Hospital History

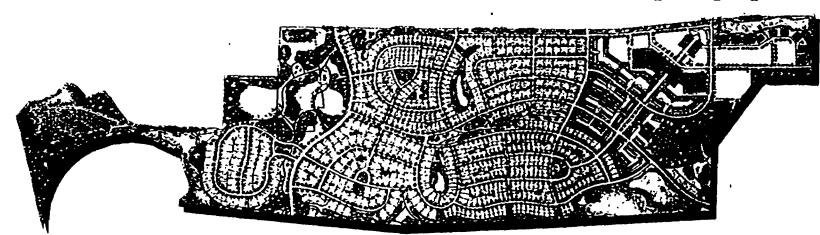
. Northville Psychiatric Hospital was established in 1952. On Nov. 18, 2002 the Department of Community Health announced the hospital was closing. By May 16, 2003, all patients had been relocated.

Audit Report Findings

Conducted June-November 2003, the report is a standard practice following the closure of a state-operated facility, auditor general officials said... The report lists numerous "concerns," reaches 13 findings and offers 23 agency recommendations.

The Real Deal?

Real Estate Interests submits concept plan for former hospital property



415-acre site would feature restaurants, commerical and 1,080 residential homes

By David Aguilar RECORD EDITOR

Jon Weaver calls it a "careerdefining" concept plan reflecting Northville Township's future and its ongoing growth.

Next week, township officials will begin deciding how well the plan submitted last week by Weaver's development team aligns with their vision of the 415-acre former Northville Psychiatric Hospital site.

On March 7, township officials will begin publicly deliberating the plan featuring seven restaurants, a bank, 240,000 square feet of commercial retail space and 1,080 residential homes.

At stake is a potential multi-million dollar development stretching along Seven Mile Road, anchored on one southeastern corner by Haggerty

The property is currently owned by the State of Michigan. Weaver's investment group,

"We wouldn't have submitted this plan unless we felt we were in the same ballpark with the township."

> Jon Weaver Real Estate Interests

Bloomfield Hills-based Real Estate Interests, has until June to close on a \$55 million deal givthem development control. The partnership also includes the Schostak property management company.

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Real Estate Interests on Monday will present its plan ddring a 7 p.m.; public meets a sing at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. The township board of trustees, planning commission, school board and charnber of commerce will attend. The public is welcome. Call Northville Township at (248) 348-5800 for more information

What happens next?

Northville Psychiatric Hospital

Developer proposal differs in 'key' ways from township's Seven Mile plan

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville Township planners envisioned seven development zones and 160-plus acres of ponds, woodlands and wetlands on the state's Seven Mile Road

The proposal Real Estate Interests, Inc., will present Monday night for the 415-acre parcel stresses residential housing, shorting the township the diversity sought in the "bubble" development-zone plan.

"Our plan was very deliberate in terms of specific land-use areas and how they fit in the context of the whole township," community development director Jennifer Frey said.

Bubbles designate the most intense commercial development to the east, consider the longestablished residential areas on Seven Mile Road's north side and specify single-family houses simtlar to their neighbors to the south, accessible from Six Mile Road.

"The township had a strong interest in diversification of our tax base."

> Mark Abbo Supervisor Northville Township

The major consideration was the amounts of acreage devoted to residential, office, commercial and (research and development)," Township Supervisor Mark Abbo said. The township had a strong interest in diversification of our tax base.

"Also, a key consideration was not having a negative impact on the viability of downtown Northville,"

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Traffic battles

Local petition asks Wayne County to pay for high school traffic light

By Victoria Sadlocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

Nonhville High School PTA president Chris Lysaght has a petition she wants all community members to sign asking Wayne County to pay for and install a traffic signal at the high school.

The key words: pay for. After more than four years of lobbying the county for a traffic signal at the school Six Mile Road main entrance. Lysaght finally

received confirmation the light is warranted.

But the new battle becomes who will foot the bill.

County documents state it will not pay for the traffic signal because a light is not in the agency's budget and the place-

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/

Concerned Northville resident Chris Lysaght holds a clipboard with a petition, hoping to convince Wayne County officials to install at traffic light along Six Mile Road in front of Northville High School.





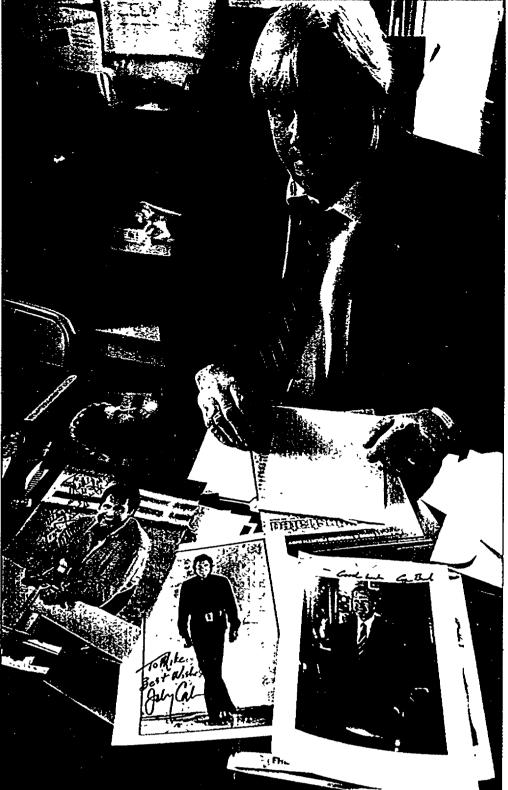


Photo by JOHN HEIDER WORTHWILLE RECOR

Mike Williams, working for years with Gail and Rice Productions, helped to book bigname celebrities like Wayne Newton, Johnny Cash and President George H.W. Bush.

For township resident, Showbiz was a business

For 32 years, Williams connected stars, companies

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

Even before he began working with top entertainers. Mike Williams wasn't the star-struck

But meeting country star Johnny Cash certainly was a

That was a highlight," Williams said. "I was a fan. In my mind, at the time, he was a living legend."

until January, the Up Northville Township resident spent 32 years organizing star acts for Fortune 500 companies

Williams said working with crooners, comedians and politicians came down to business.

"It was just a matter of learning the product, which... was entertaining," Williams said. "We acted as a broker in a way, in putting the talent together with an opportunity to work."

Prior to autographs and anecdotes, Williams studied history and economics at Albion College.

There, he met future wife Laura Rice. She'd grown up used to famous faces: her father co-founded Detroit production agency Gail & Rice.

"We spent a great deal of time entertaining corporate clients," Laura said. After her parents treated her and her Williams to dinner, she said, "First thing out of my dad's mouth is, 'Hey, he at Northville's Keller Williams

seems like he's a great guy. How do you think he'd be in the com-

In December 1972, returned from Marine service in Vietnam, Williams was hired in.

It was pretty hectic," he recalled. "My first priority was to know what the business was and what I had to offer clients."

the area for entertainment possibilities, from weddings to company parties. After the pitch, he said, "Most of what I did took place after hours."

Williams set up equipment and rooms for Neil Armstrong, The Four Tops and Ronald Reagan alike.

Talways found that most of the name entertainers were just regular folks," Williams said.
"They had a profession that they honed and presented to the public. They enjoy sitting down

talking. He's kept contracts and autographs. There are photos with Chubby Checker and presidential playing cards from George

"It just kind of grew into a big

collection," Williams said. He found Bob Hope and Dick Clark humble men. Jay Leno cut a curtain call close to greet fans in a hotel lobby. "That's a refreshing story," Williams said.

At home, he worked with talented locals from pianist Gene Fenby to trumpeter Johnny Trudell. Travel also was key. A Nashville program featured Cash, along with wife June Carter and family.

"I know this is an interesting business," Williams said, "but the things you learn... are applicable to any business in certain ways.

Salesmanship now factors in

"There's a lot of luck in our business and being at the right place at the right time. They need to dedicate themselves and stick with it."

> Mike Williams Resident Northville Township Resident

Williams also lectures at Albion — where the oldest of his three children teaches - and is developing a course on "the business of show business.

The name of his consulting firm, that phrase may double for a future book.

With performers, Williams said he's seen changes over time, but not in principles.

"There's a lot of luck in our business and being at the right place at the right time." he said. They need to dedicate themselves and stick with it.'

Laura sees her husband following that advice. "He'll never be the kind of guy that just retires and does nothing," she

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Around 😥 Town

Tomorrow night

Supporters of the Art House, 215 V. Cady St., will celebrate during a rand opening 7-9 p.m. tomorrow, March 4.

The Northville Arts Commission will host Robert Maniscalco, pationally renowned portrait painter and host of PBS "Art Beat." internationally renowned jazz narpist Christa Grix will provide ntertainment.

The event will include a local utists' exhibit and refreshments.

Din the prowl

Since the Feb. 24 Northville Record report of a coyote roaming beighborhoods just north of the city ithits, several readers have called in their sightings.

When the McGillis family saw a wild animal in their Galway Drive backyard Feb. 11, the coyote or its elatives must have been headed north. Subsequent callers have seen one or more coyotes in the area of Nine Mile and Novi roads.

Nonhville Department Feb. 10 distributed a letter to local schools citing several wild animal reports in the wooded area between Grace and Novi streets and Maplewood and Hill streets.

Coyotes, ranging from 25-45 pounds, are found statewide, while wolves roam primarily in the Upper Penninsula, according to the state Department of Natural Resources.

First 'First Friday'

Tomorrow night's Art House grand opening exhibit signals the ktart of a new tradition downtown art supporters are calling First Fridays Gallery Walk.

In addition to the 215 W. Cady St. community facility's show 7-9 p.m., formal month-long exhibits also are planned 5-9 p.m. at Studio 427, 141 N. Center St., and 6-9 p.m. at Northville Camera and Digital Imaging, 117 E. Main St.

The concept is to encourage people to visit for the day or have dinner downtown, then enjoy an enterfaining stroll through Northville's growing collection of galleries.

Talking priorities

Monday night, the Northville City Council will resume Feb. 7 disrussion of which projects to tackle

The hour-long session will follow

up the 90 minutes the mayor and council invested last month, attempting to reach consensus on ussigning status: "high priority," "medium priority," "lower priority," "projects on hold" and "projects to he closed out."

The goal-setting meeting begins the city's budget process, which is heduled to conclude May 16 with budget adoption and establishment of the 2005 operating millage rate. The new fiscal year begins June 1. The budget plan calls for:

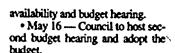
 April 4 — Budget document presented to the council at a regular meeting.

· April 6, 11, 12 - Council will nost budget review sessions.

• May 5 - Notice of budget's

Service of Healing Sunday, March 6 at 7:00 PM





Forum next Wednesday 🔩

The Downtown Northville Steering Committee will host its next public forum 7 p.m., Wednesday, March 9, at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road.

The 12-member group has been working on a report documenting residents' common visions for their downtown's future. The draft will be available for viewing starting tomorrow at www.downtownnorthville com.

Gut issues

First Presbyterian Church's Single Place Ministry is hosting "Gut Issues of Singleness" three Tuesdays in March.

The sessions are 7:30-9 p.m., March 8, 15 and 22, in the church's Forum Room, 200 E. Main Street. Dr. Harold Ellens, a minister and psychologist, will lead discussion on anger, intimacy and sexuality. The cost is \$30 for early birds, \$35 after March 4.

For more information, call (248) 349-0911 weekdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Senior tax help

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) again this year has arranged for six volunteer counselors to assist local seniors with tax return preparation. Pre-registration is required.

Appointments at the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main Street, are still available. The hour-long slots are 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Thursdays, through April

For more information, call (248) 349-4140.

City news

· City ordinances require all sidewalks be cleared of snow and/or ice within 24 hours of a snow or ice event.

· Potholes in city streets will be patched as quickly as possible after being reported to the Northville Department of Public Works. To report a street hazard, call (248) 449-9930.

 Detroit Water and Sewerage Department officials are scheduled March 10 to talk again with city of Northville representatives on the planned hike in local water rates. An

increase would take effect July 1. A 29.5 percent increase in turing the 2005-06 fiscal year. Northville's water rates currently is

The public 15 invited the tuninal out the tube, a hike city officials said is too fitted. After an initial protest, March 2 in the city hill council the water system representatives thambers 215 W. Main St.

they had planned for Northville. The 29.5 percent hike would translate into an average of \$70-75 more per year per city of Northville household. Northville is dependent on Detroit for its water supply.

Go, team!

Local seniors are looking forward to hosting their counterparts from neighboring communities for a firstever spelling duel next Thursday, March 10, at the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main

Adult Services . Coordinator Sue Koivula, organizer of the event, said centers in Novi, Highland, Milford, South Lyon and Wixom seniors agreed to compete

against the hometown team. "People can come and watch it."

she said. "It's just for the fun of it." Just like school spelling bees, contestants will stand for their turn to show their spelling prowess. Koivula said the competition rules - to be fine-tuned with the other center coordinators - likely will call for three-mistake elimination.

Join the fun

The Northville Newcomers and Neighbors is a social group welcoming new and established residents from Northville and surrounding communities.

A variety of interest groups, membership teas and ladies' and couple's events are scheduled each year. For membership information, call Andrea Sellers at (248) 446-1246. Members and residents interested in the group gather for coffee and socializing at 10 a.m., the third Tuesday of each month, at the Tuscan Cafe, 150 N. Center St.

History and nature

A subcommittee within the Friends of Maybury State Park volunteer organization has taken on the project of developing a historic marker trail.

The stations tentatively identified for markers include sites of the former main hospital, doctors' quarters, children's hospital, water tower and old main entrance. Anyone interested in working on the project can call (248) 374-9928.

Election deadline

Residents seeking a Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees seat have until March 7 to file a petition for one of three seats.

The three incumbents are seeking re-election May 3. Dr. Patricia Watson and Gregory Stempien are running for re-election to six-year terms; Dr. Philip Cascade is running to fill the remaining four years of a six-year term.

Candidates must be registered voters and residents of the college's district, which includes Northville city and township among 15 other municipalities.

The seven-member governing board holds regularly scheduled monthly meetings as well as special meetings as necessary. There is no compensation for these elected posi-

Petitions are available at municipal offices and the president's office on the Livonia campus. The petitions bearing the required number of qualified signatures must be returned to the Livonia City Clerk, 33000 Civic Center Dr., Livonia, ML 48154, by 4 p.m. Monday, March 7

_Other art news

The Art House, 215 W. Carly St., is looking for help with exhibition hours during the month of March. Nonhville ·

Commission/Parks and Recreation Department joint effort will feature its first exhibition of area artists March 5-31 on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

Volunteers are needed for opento-the-public hours 1-4 p.m. and 4-7 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays, and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 1-3 p.m. Saturdays next month.

Anyone interested in volunteering can call or e-mail Ann Brenner at (248) 921-4832 or annially brenner@yahoo.com.



both of the Irish band Millisch, played before a full house Feb. 22 at the Northville District Library at an event sponsored by the Friends of the Northville District Library.

Next stop, China

The Art House, 215 W. Cady St. will host Michael Farrell at 7 pm. Tuesday, March 15.

The latest two-hour installment in the travel lecture series on ancient cultures will focus on China and the tradition of painting. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students Tickets can be purchased in advance

at the Northville Parks and Recreation Department in the Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road or at the door. Up next, Farrell will talk about Japan and the Shinto Shrine, April 19.

Bubble and Squeak

Northville Senior Community Center will host a St. Patrick's Day luncheon of comed beef and cabbage. The \$12 event is 11:30 a.m., Thursday, March 17, at the 303 W. Main St. facility. Musician/comedian Jim Lauri will entertain the luncheon guests. In addition to the traditional Irish fare, the afternoon will include beverages, dessert and prizes.



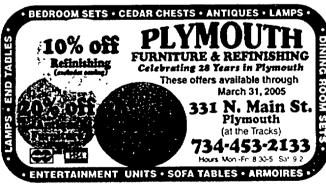
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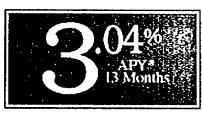
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Northville Mustang

Local residents geared up for annual Autorama competition

By Tom Filipczak SPECIAL WRITER

Scott Hoag, a Northville Tonwship resident, has wrenched, buffed and polished his way into this weekend's Autorama.

Autorama is Detroit's highhorsepower, custom paint version of the North American International Auto Show. The show invades Cobo Center for the 53rd consecutive year during a three-day weekend beginning tomorrow.

This year about 700 cars will be displayed, including, for the first time in several years, lowerlevel displays.

Some of those cars belong to two proud Northville Township

Hoag, a former Ford engineer,

Autorama

Where: Cobo Center, 1 Washington Blvd., Detroit When: Friday, noon-10:30 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. -10:30 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-

Admission: \$15 general: \$5 kids 6-12; kids 5 and under

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will be entering a heavily modified 2005 Ford Mustang GT. Hoag is president of Mustang Racing Technologies Inc. and is the man behind Ford's Bullitt and Mach I Mustang models.

He estimates the "MRT Interceptor," as his Mustang GT is nicknamed, cost about \$85,000 to build. The top prize at Autorama is the Don Ridler Memorial Award with a cash prize of \$10.000.

"(The cars) are products of passion," said Hoag, "You have to love doing this."

Hoag hopes his first trip to Autorama will be a success. "(1) sure would love to take one home for the Mustang team," he

Northville resident Lynn Stringer, 65, will be riding into Cobo with two 1932 Ford Roadsters.

"I've had a '32 since 1959," Stringer said.

Stringer, who currently owns six 1932 roadsters and one 1934 model, has been to Autorama before. He is returning, in part, to help his auto club, the Sparkplugs Hot Rod Club of South Lyon.

A former Ford employee, Stringer builds much of what ends up being a 1932 Roadster. Doing the work himself saves what he estimates would otherwise be a \$120,000 job

In 1965, Northville resident Bob Massaron claimed the Ridler award alongside his customized 1956 Chevy, nicknamed the "Venturian." To this day, he stands as the only local resident to capture the top prize.

Back then, there was no accompanying check — "Just a trophy," Massaron said.

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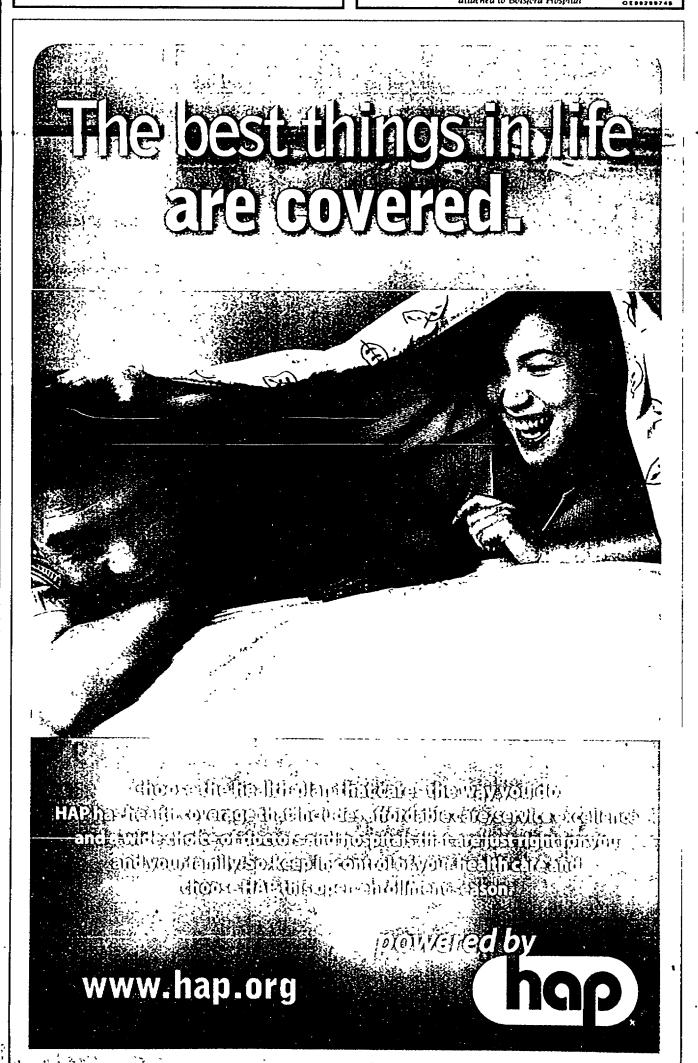
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DEAN'S LIST

The following Northville residents were named to the Albion College dean's list for fall 2004 semester:

Kathryn M. Berger is a sophomore majoring in English education and minoring in Spanish education and completing the secondary education program.
She is the daughter of Michael Berger of Redford Township and Mary Berger of Northville and a graduate of Northville High School.

Jason Horowitz is a first-year student at Albion College. He is the son of S. Jerome Horowitz Karen Horowitz of Northville and a graduate of Northville High School.

Gerard T. Breitenbeck is a sophomore majoring in English and history and minoring in philosophy. He is the son of Joseph Breitenbeck and Deborah Breitenbeck of Northville and a graduate of Catholic Central High School.

Amanda J. Dekker is a firstyear student at Albion College. She is the daughter of David Dekker and Dawn Dekker of Northville and a graduate of Northville High School.

Justin H. Ferriman is a sophomore at Albion College and is a member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service. He is the son of Edward Ferriman and Cynthia Ferriman of Northville and a graduate of Northville High School.

Michael P. Melvin is a sophomore at Albion College. He is the son of Michael Melvin and Patricia Melvin of Northville and a graduate of Catholic Central High School.

Nicholas A. Moroz is a junior at Albion College. He is the son of George Moroz and Dominique Moroz of Northville and a graduate of Northville High School.

Charles L. Snearly is a sophomore majoring in philosophy. He is the son of Charles Snearly and Vicki Snearly of Novi and a graduate of Northville High

Simeon J. Vincent is a sophomore majoring in English. He is the son of Dimitrie Vincent of Redford and Christine Vincent of Northville and a graduate of

Northville High School.

Kristin A. Wysocki is a firstyear student at Albion College. She is the daughter of Michael Wysocki and Kathleen Wysocki of Northville and a graduate of Northville High School.

Bowling Green State University

Northville residents, Sarah Halash and Leo Svoboda, were named to the dean's list for fall 2004 semester at Bowling Green State University.

Grand Valley State University

Northville residents, Robert Austin, Richard Bass, Katherine Bradley, Jeffrey Breault, Lauren Eathorne, Maureen Emaus, Anna Griebel, Amber Gusfa, Kristin Kirk, Andrew Peterson. Heather Proper, and Victor Sultana were named to the dean's list for fall 2004 semester at Grand Valley State University.

Racing returns to D

Quarantine lifted, live racing restored to Northville track following equine herpes outbreak

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

A quarantine on Northville Downs and the suspension of live racing at the track has been lifted

following an outbreak of the equine herpes virus. The track was shut down Feb. 8 after a fourth case of the highly-contagious virus was confirmed. The suspension of racing and the track-. wide quarantine was scheduled to be lifted March

"The quarantine is lifted and as long as the weather doesn't prevent them from racing they should commence today," Dominic Perrone said Tuesday, spokesperson for the Michigan Office of Racing Commissioner. "We haven't had any other sick horses in the course of the quarantine.

The result of the virus outbreak has had ripple effects throughout the state. A new policy implemented by the Office of Racing Commissioner

requires all horsemen to have a certificate of vaccination current through six months before being

allowed into any tracks in the state. "Hopefully that will prevent any future outbreaks," said Perrone.

The first three horses that contracted the virus were euthanized but the fourth horse, which has not been identified, has made a full recovery.

"He had his first exercise about a week ago," Perrone said. "They took him out for a jog. He's healthy and shows no symptoms of the illness. He turned the corner, if you will."

The Office of Racing Commissioner will be holding a meeting tomorrow at 2 p.m. in the grand stand of Northville Downs to help educate horsemen about the diagnosis of equine herpes virus as well as prevention tips and a list of all approved vaccinations. Literature about the virus will also be distributed.

The goal is to educate handlers and owners to help stop the virus from spreading again.

'Hopefully we're better off now than we were before the outbreak," said Perrone.

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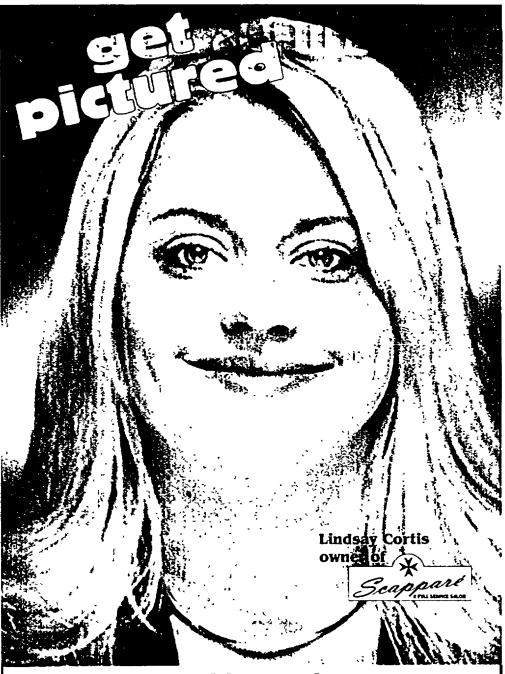
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Rude awakening

A Northville man who fled from police, then faked he was asleep with his girlfriend, now faces two felonies and a misdemeanor charge...

A Northville Police officer about 2 p.m. Feb. 25 recognized the 28-year-old man driving a red Camaro as someone he know had his license revoked, according to police reports. The officer signaled him to the side of the road near where Fairbrook Street turns into Hines Drive, the report said.

Questioned by police, the man said he did not know his license was revoked, the report said. He also said he had been at a local tavern and consumed three beers, the report said.

Officers asked him to perform dexterity tasks, then told the suspect to put his car in park, the report said. Instead, the man sped off; officers pursued. Police forcefully gained entry to the suspect's home after warning him without response, the report said.

Police found the fugitive in bed with his girlfriend, stripped down to his underwear, pretending to be asleep, the report said. Officers arrested him, took him to the station and measured his blood alcohol content at .10, the report said.

The Wayne County Prosecutor charged him with two felonies fleeing and eluding and a third drunk driving offense --and the misdemeanor driving while his license was revoked, police said.

Young girl approached

A local mom reported to

Northville police a man trying to lure her 9-year-old daughter into his vehicle.

The incident occurred while the girl was walking her dog about 5:30 p.m., Feb. 23, south on the west side of Center Street between the two Ely streets, according to police reports. The light-blue Jeep driver called from the open window, "Hey kid, come in my car," the report

The victim ran home and locked herself in, the report said. She described the suspect as a white male in his mid-30s. with short brown hair and a blue coat, the report said.

Young teens flee police

Two underage youths reportedly tried to flee township police after taking a ride in a parent's car.

At 10:13 p.m. on Feb. 26, police saw a convertible with its headlights turned off heading south on Northville Road from Seven Mile Road. When two officers stopped the vehicle on Jamestown Circle, the 14-yearold Novi passenger reportedly left the car and began running. The driver, a 15-year-old from Northville, then sped off, police

After a half-mile chase, the driver's car slid on ice and landed in a snow embankment, police said. Hiding in nearby woods, the passenger reportedly was tracked with the help of a Plymouth Township Police Department canine.

The driver, who did not have an operator's license, told police he fled because he had taken his mom's car without permission

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Student triggers false

A Northville High School student was suspended after he allegedly set off a fire alarm without proper cause, police

The entire school was evacuated at about noon on Feb. 25 when a 16-year-old Northville boy apparently triggered an alarm, located on the building's south side in a stairwell.

He reportedly told police he set off the warning to "see what it felt like to control the school." Authorities listed no injuries, although several people were donating blood at a blood drive, and there were severely handicapped students present in the

The juvenile will be given a court date, police said.

Mail boxes nailed

Eight mailboxes on the township's south edge reportedly were damaged last week.

Police said the black boxes, located by the Villas of Northville condominiums off Five Mile Road, were struck with an unknown object overnight between Feb. 21-22. Reported damages were \$240.

There are no suspects, and the case was closed.

Autos scratched with keys

In two days, two vehicles were scratched with keys in Northville Township, according

WALTER D. TOUPIN

to police reports. On Feb. 22, a Novi teenager found key marks on the left side of her parent's SUV, which she'd driven to Northville High School for ACT testing. After shopping at the Home Depot on Seven Mile Road, a Livonia man found similar scratches on the right side of his sedan at about 9:30 a.m. Feb. 23.

Police have no leads, and both cases are open.

Air compressor stolen

During night hours, \$14,100 in equipment reportedly was stolen from a township construction site last week.

Sometime between Feb. 24-25, a \$9,000 air compressor was taken from an empty lot at Crestbrook Drive and Six Mile Road, police said.

The construction company, Infrastructure Underground, reported that a large plastic bin and tarp accounted for the rest

The case was closed due to no suspects.

OBITUARIES

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Age 82, a former Upper Peninsula Age 85, died Mon. Feb. 28. Service native of Marquette, Michigan, Thurs. 11am at Ward Presbyterian passed away on Saturday, February Church. Mr. Thomas will be laid to 26, 2005, at his home in Novi after a rest at United Memorial Gardens. Arrangements entrusted Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. 248-349-0611

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Downtown committee narrowing future focus

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Resident demand for more grass in Bandshell Park on Main Street would be a natural project for the Northville Parks and Recreation Department.

The Northville Chamber of Commerce could be charged with creating "market days" in a permanent, central farmer's market location downtown.

The Northville Historic District Commission might take up the task of stricter standards for stores' rear facades — the face of downtown most parking shoppers see first.

The city's special downtown steering committee will lead discussion of this type of potential assignment when they meet next week. The open-to-thepublic forum is 7 p.m., Wednesday, March 9, at

Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. Appointed by the Northville City Council last July, the 12 volunteers have prepared a "Vision 2010" draft report of community residents' hopes for downtown, covering topics:
• growth and development

- shopping · marketing
- parkingfarmer's market
- green/open space entertainment.
- The preliminary draft is really a compilation of information that's been gathered through a number of sources," said Lori Ward, Northville Downtown Development Authority director, who acts as the city's staff liaison. "They want to make sure it gets

to the appropriate group for implementation. They want to get in touch with the people with

control and the purse strings on some of these things.

Constituencies to be represented Wednesday night will include city and township officials, planning commissioners, the Northville Central Business Association, chamber members, as well as residents.

After the committee delivers its findings, it will be up to the respective bodies to determine how and if the suggestions fit in master plans and budgets, Ward said.

The committee self-imposed an April deadline for delivery to the city council. The final document will include findings from the Gibbs Planning Group downtown retail study, subcommittee mem-

ber-gathered input and public contributions via Feb. 1 and 3 meetings, e-mails and suggestion box sub-

Similar to public meetings last month, a facilitator will present findings and solicit feedback, including an opportunity for representatives from each agency to comment. Consensus will direct the committee's next step, Ward said, whether that means hire of an additional consultant or developing a plan to take on the tasks internally.

"We thing we can get there from where we are," she said. "We've gotten good information from Bob (Gibbs), the public and the committee."

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

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Cold truth: residents face higher home heating bills

Cold winter ups prices, but February was down

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

To combat high winter heating bills. Douglas White of Northville Township uses a few tactics.

He's on a budget plan with Consumers Energy, so monthly natural gas bills stay a set rate from one July to the next. Also, he and his wife watch the thermostat in their two-story colo-

"We have been cutting back," White said, "I've got the thermostat down around 68 most of the

time, except when we'll go to bed, it's at 65.

"Last July we went down \$12. Every winter is different. It's hard to say.

Rates are slightly less this month, but Consumers bills remain about \$10-15 higher than typical per month, according to spokeswoman Debra Dodd.

"At the beginning of the heating season this year, we were saying natural gas prices were going to about 10 percent higher than last year," Dodd said. "Gas prices have come down slightly this month."

The February charge is to 57.3 per cubic feet, compared to 62 cents in January and a 2004-high 65.7 in December.

Jackson-based Consumers Energy buys natural gas in the United States and Canada, delivering it to 1.5 million homes in 44 Michigan counties yearlong at no profit. Customers also include 120,000 industrial and commercial facilities.

Dodd said during the past three years, prices have increased nationally.

That's a result of declining production and then increased demand of natural gas," Dodd said. "Michigan is one the lower priced utilities. One of the things at Consumers that we're fortunate (with), we have over a dozen underground natural store

Gas is purchased at a slightly lower price in the summer and stored in 14 underground storage fields.

The 130 billion cubic feet is enough to last about half the winter, according to the company.

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Spokesman Terry DeDoes said the drastic jump occurred around 2003, when prices averaging 37 per cubic foot cents spiked to 54-

"(Prices) were pretty stable there for a long time, and then we started building electric generation gas plants that burn natural gas to generate electricity," DeDoes said. "That put pressure on the demand."

Why the switch from coal? The fuel was cheaper, cleaner burning and quicker to turn on and off, DeDoes said.

For the rest of winter, both representatives recommend budgeting and conserving energy, from cleaning furnace filters often to turning down thermostats when not home. A programmable ther-mostat is another devise, Dodd

"Because of the storage (facilities) in Michigan, we're running well below typical gas costs. DeDoes said. "I think our customers pay among the lowest 25 percent nationally for gas rates."

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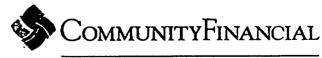
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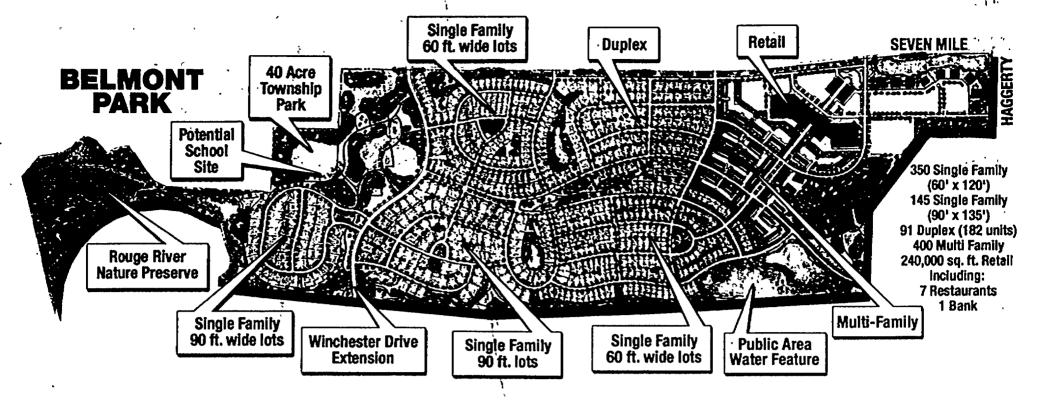
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The 'Real' Deal: township takes a look



Township considers Seven Mile proposal

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

Township officials said Real Estate Interest's "Belmont Park" is on the right track, but plenty of work remains.

"I think it's headed in the right direction, absolutely," Township Manager Chip Snider said. "I think it's a very reasonable start point for the planning commission to take into consideration as they begin to review the amenities.

One example, he said, is a proposed 240,000-square-foot "lifestyle center." In 2003, the developer proposed larger sizes.

"I think the ... scaling down is certainly in more of the direction that the board and planning commission would want," Snider said, adding that seven possible restaurants offer traffic and loading chal-

Housing density and creativity will be priorities, Snider said. A curved extension of Winchester Road would help public safety..

i "It's a very complex development," Township Supervisor Mark Abbo said. "We don't want it to be taxing on our infrastructure.

Abbo said he's withholding further judgement until the planned

March 7 public meeting.

"From the previous sketch plan that I had seen, this is a step in the right direction, but we've got a lot of work to do," he said. "I'm sure that there will be many, many issues to discuss.

"I'm not going to react until presentation."

Snider said another priority is a proposed school on land next to Michigan State Police property which houses a small, fenced-off

"I think the first thing that has to get done is that firing range has to be taken, with a commitment from the state to close that range," Snider said. "I would not envision our land or the school's land being adjacent to or near a live fire range.

As proposed, the developer would attach 23 donated acres to 17 acres the township currently owns.

According to state of Michigan bid criteria, the developer must donate 40 acres to the township. The other 17 acres would be along the property's far east edge near the Hawthorn Center.

Jennifer Frey, township community development director, said that wasn't the intent and might make maintenance of future township buildings and parks more difficult.

"It needs to be contiguous and usable," she said. "There are a number of ways to achieve that," such as possibly meandering Winchester Road further east.

Research and development space, also in a township concept plan, is absent from the developer's proposal. The group's market study shows office vacancies are high along the 1-275 Corridor.

"I would tend to concur," Snider said. "I don't know that (we) wouldn't like to see it in the plan, but I know that the market from studies that I've seen appears to be flattened out somewhat."

To appear at the township planning commission's March 29 meeting, the developer would have submit plans by March 8. That isn't likely, Frey said.

rrojects uns large, it's sale to say that it could be many months, best case scenario, before they had any kind of preliminary approval," she said. "Monday's going to be a very important meeting."

Seven Mile Rd **Concept Plan for** Public Land (Township & School) Single Family Residential Natural Area Condominiums Seven Mile Road Senior Independent Housing Corporate Campus Development Neighborhood Service Proposed Road Pathway SOURCE: Northville Twp. Regional Commercial Acres

Township vision differs from proposal

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Residential diversity....

Both concept plans describe several types of home types — single-family, multi-family and condominium.

The township guidelines stress larger lots and yards, while 350 of the developer's units call for 60-by-120-foot lots.

Projected single-family homes are 428 for the township, 495 for the developer; estimated total new awellings top 1,000 in both

Local planners included senior housing close to convenient

stores, public paths and parks. While the developer's concept plan does not list senior housing. it introduces 182 units of duplex housing as a "versatile housing option for empty nesters."

Gaps to bridge

Township planners wanted a 38-acre "park-like" corporate campus to add to the commercial tax base, create jobs and act as buffer between retail and hous-

In that location, the developer laid out seven sit-down restaurant sites, 240,000 square feet of and board of trustees put in an

"It would be a challenge only if they ignored the bid document."

Mark Abbo Supervisor, Northville Township.

high-quality retail stores and an open-space network.

On the west end of the property, township planners requested donation of 50 acres. Their plan specifies using land south of township-owned 17 acres and east of the State Police property: 20 acres for an elementary school; and 30 acres for the recreation use, cultural facilities and/or a water storage tank.

The developer's proposal designates 23 acres near the location the township suggests, with the 17-acre balance elsewhere on the

Foresight intended

The planning commission

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the concept of several restaurants overlooking a water feature.

at the southwest corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty roads. · Single-family homes running along the southern border of the former hospital site. Developments accessible from Six Mile Road - Maple Hill, Lakes of Northwille, Parkstone and Northville Trails -literally would back up to those home sites.

 A pedestrian path system connecting the neighborhoods to the south, east and west. Both plans depict a tree-lined public pathway along the former railroad line at the southern edge of the property.

"I would say the open space and trail network is somewhat connot exact, but I'd say the intent is certainly there."

· Winchester Drive extension winding — rather than a straightaway — through the development.

enormous amount of conscientious time and effort to develop a plan for the eventual sale," Abbosaid. The board in 2002 originally adopted a plan for the former psychiatric hospital site within its Seven Mile Road Corridor

After developers bidding on the parcel protested "too strict" guidelines, planning commissioners in April 2004 revised their plan. The township knew the plan would not be built as drawn, Frey said, rather it is a

"The bubble concept was understood by the state of Michigan and it was incorporated as part of the bid document," Abbo said. It is possible to present a proposal with acceptable residential and commercial components, he added.

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School location draws favorable early review

By Victoria Sadlocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville School officials said last week they embrace the location suggested by developers for a new school, but will need to take a closer look before uncorking the champagne.

The new school site proposal came via a conceptual development plan submitted last week to Northville Township officials by Bloomfield Hills-based Real Estate Interests.

The residential-commercial development would be located on the former Seven Mile Road Northville Psychiatric Hospital

The plan outlines an area for a new elementary school along an extended Winchester Drive and near 7 Mile Road. The proposed location is also near the Michigan State Police facility.

"On paper it looks great," said Leonard Rezmierski, superintendent of Northville Public Schools. "Being a visual person, I will plan a time or request a time to physically go visit the site so that I can see what is known as the topography and the undulation of that area.

Along with inspecting the land, school officials will look into the closeness of the Michigan State Police gun range - a concern to school administrators.

"We will handle one thing at a time, but we clearly would have to have a forthright discussion with the officials to understand what that would mean, and is it possible

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If the property is acceptable and the gun range is not a hindrance then officials said timing will

site let alone an elementary being

become the critical factor. "We would need to know after the site work, the gun range and other issues which may come up, specifically when will the first home be occupied," Rezmierski

*For us then, that is critical timeing in reverse fashion to know how much time would we have with board support and community support to have the financial

wherewithal to build a building." According to plan documents, school officials calculate the nearly 1,080 proposed dwellings will bring about 495 kids to the dis-

According to the state's bid criteria for the Seven Mile Road hospital property, developers are required to allocate 40 acres to the township for public use. Township officials have said they would

PLAN: developer submits plan for former hospital site

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Weaver said the group's plan is a dramatic departure from earlier concepts submitted by his company, some of which featured nearly 1 million square feet of commercialretail space.

"We did a flip-flop," Weaver said. "We changed our philosophy from a commercial-based proposal to one that is residential-based."

What's the plan?

As proposed, the plan dubbed "Belmont Park" would feature 495 single-family homes platted along 60 and 90-foot-wide lots, nearly 100 duplexes and 400 multi-family residences.

Weaver said the proposed residential mix would attract new Northville residents and offer options for current residents preferring to upgrade or downsize their Nonhville homes.

He said proposed duplexes, townhouses and condominiums would provide options for local seniors, empty nesters and young families.

"This entire site, I believe, will in allocate no less than 20 acres to appeal to the move-up and empty the school district for a new eleever reason, than that would mentary school building.

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neighborhood had its own character and identity."

Weaver said the proposed com-'mercial-retail area would serve as a gateway to the community and complement similar development

activity along Haggerty Road. "I'm not saying give me 500,000 square feet of commercial," he said. "We are not looking for a Wal-Mart or a Lowe's... rather things like a Whole Foods, Crate & Barrel and Pottery Barn."

Weaver said the plan is based on multiple discussions with township officials and purposely minimizes the commercial component.

"We wouldn't have submitted this plan unless we felt we were in the same ballpark with the township," Weaver said, "We've worked hard to make this a great plan."

Digging in

Weaver said a significant part of the plan includes cleaning up an environmentally challenged site and transforming it into a property tax-producing address.
He said his development group

would request a Wayne County-approved Brownfield Development Authority designation to clean up the site and would replace all contaminated soil.

An approved brownfield designation would offer the group tax incentives for undertaking the

"That's significant," Weaver said.

How much is too much?

Weaver said the proposal is far less dense than it could be.

The lack of intensity is what should surprise you," he said, adding the site's proximity to Seven Mile Road classifies it as an urban

"I think it's certainly in character with that neighborhood," Weaver said. "I could make an argument that it should be more dense. This is a very losy density plan."

Included within the proposal is a 40-acre land donation to the township, as defined by State of Michigan bid criteria.

Township officials plan to donate about 20 acres of that land to Northville Public Schools to build a new school. The balance would be used for municipal purposes

According to the developer's plans, 23 donated acres would adjoin 17 acres the township currently owns along Seven Mile Road, near the Michigan State Police post.

Another 17 acres would be

donated along the property's far eastern edge and would serve as a buffer between proposed multifamily homes and the Hawthorn

What now?

Weaver said he hopes township officials will approve his plan quickly. He said the plan has little margin for negotiation.

"I'd think 60-90 days. I wouldn't think it would take much longer than that (for township approval)," Weaver said, adding excavation work could start as early as this fall.

He said commercial and residential development would likely occur concurrently. But protracted delay would strain what to this point has been a "very cooperative" relationship between his partnership group

and township officials. Weaver declined comment about whether his group's June closing Is contingent upon final township approval.

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AUDIT: former hospital plagued by poor bookkeeping, lax policies

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ment worth more than \$5,000 following notice of the facility's closing. The failure resulted in damaged equipment, loss and unaccounted for state-owned property, including an improperly documented \$1.96 million negative adjustment in September 2001.

· Hospital pharmacy staff did not properly document about \$5.1 million worth of medications purchased between 2000-02, nor did they properly inspect medication deliveries between 2000-03.

All this is according to the 43page report. Conducted as a standard practice following the closure of a state-operated facility, it lists numerous "concerns," reaches 13 findings and offers 23 agency recommendations.

Poor record keeping prevented auditor general officials from specifying exactly how much money was lost or how many state-owned resources were lost or misappropriated, the report concluded.

Reaction

"Obviously, the audit points out some things that concern us," said T.J. Bucholz, communications director for the Department of Community Health, the state agency responsible for overseeing Michigan's seven state-operated medical facilities.

This audit has been a wake-up call for us. Its caused us to re-evaluate the way we do certain things... Anytime there is unaccounted for equipment and unaccounted for dollars, that is certainly a concern."

He said the report findings, while troubling, occurred during the waning days of Gov. John Engler's tenure and should not reflect poorly Gov. Jennifer Granholm. Bucholz said he has no idea how the former Northvilk hospital went so far astray. "I don't know how it happened," he said. "It baffles us."

He said the report has prompted internal Department of Community Health changes, including the appointment of an administrator responsible for overseeing the agency's statewide facilities.

"We've gone back and looked at our spending," Bucholz said, "I can guarantee you won't see another audit report like that."

Who pays?

Bucholz said to date no former or current state employee has been disciplined or fired due to the

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ment for work done for another of the vendor's customers. Hospital officials paid \$18,725 to one vendor without verifying

goods and services had been received. · For 84 monitored expenditures, hospital officials filed a neces-

sary purchase order only 43 percent of the time.

Hospital employees failed to properly inventory all state-owned property and equipment worth more than \$5,000 following notice of the facility's closing. The failure resulted in damaged equipment, loss and unaccounted for state-owned property, including an improperly documented \$1.96 million negative adjustment in September 2001.

 Hospital pharmacy staff did not properly document about \$5.1 million worth of medications purchased between 2000-02, nor did they properly inspect medication deliveries between 2000-03.

View the report online www.audgen.mi.gov

report's findings, despite allegations former Northville hospital employees had inappropriate access to procurement cards and each of the 73 procurement purchases tested by the auditor general failed to meet one or more necessary guidelines and procedures.

During a two-year period ending September 2002, hospital officials used procurement cards to make purchases totaling \$1.02 million. according to the report.

The report also concludes the State of Michigan lost about \$320,000 worth of federal Medicaid reimbursements in 2002-03 because hospital officials did not properly document electricity, water, sewer and steam services it provided to the nearby state-run Hawthorn Center.

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Bucholz said procurement cards are not as easily accessible as they once were and more stringent Department of Community Health oversight procedures are now in place at each of the state's other medical facilities.

"Action speaks louder than words," he said. "We are concerned and committed to solving these problems.

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Northville Arts

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Art House grand opening scheduled for tomorrow

Northville invited to Art House debut

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Visitors who poked their head in the front door of the Art House during the past few days were wowed by a yellow, blue, aqua, peach and lavender greet-

And that was before any of the artwork was hung.

Tomorrow night the 215 W. Cady St. building will hum with artistic appreciation, Christa Hix's harp and featured speaker Robert Maniscalco's encouraging words. Northville Arts Commission members for months have been preparing for the grand opening of Northville's latest art hot spot.

"Everything has just fallen into place," arts commission board member Sue Taylor said. 'It's just the excitement this place has generated.

"People are really supporting

A league of volunteers since July painted, cleaned and reconfigured room-use, transforming the former senior center into classrooms, meeting rooms and exhibit space.

Half partner in the venture, Northville Parks and Recreation last summer began programming youth art classes in the space. The arts commission subsequently began hosting lectures and club meetings there.

Friday's launch of the monthong exhibit will enhance the time."
building 3 Image as a place for The 25-year-old commission

Want to join?

For information about joining the Art House effort as a volunteer or sponsor, call the Northvillè Arts Commission at (248) 449-9950.

"We couldn't even display all the artwork that was shown to us."

Sue Taylor Northville Arts Commission board

artists to showcase their work.

"Our philosophy all along is to take baby steps," Taylor said "Already we've seen so much interest - our mailing list has just exploded.

There seems to be a real desire for these kinds of activi-

For example, Taylor said an Art House guest lecture last Tuesday night last week drew 40 people. The commission and recreation department are trying to provide "the place to go" people in recent public forums have said they would like to see downtown.

"Art encompasses a lot of dif-ferent media," she said, like the camera club, drama camps or the mom and daughter bracelet making evening class.

"It's a really wide range that this place has potential for," she said. That's quality family

will now turn efforts toward scheduling more lectures and adult classes, Taylor said.

"It was difficult to focus on that as we were doing the fund raising," she said. True to their charter when granted use of the city-owned building, the Art House project thus far has been self-funded through donations and volunteer efforts, Taylor

"We can see that we think we're going to be OK."

Taylor said she is not sure how many people will attend the grand opening tomorrow night. The commission is pleased to host Maniscalco, a nationally recognized portrait painter and host of PBS's "Art Beat." There will be jazz harp music, appetizers courtesy of local restaurants and lots of artwork to admire.

"I think it will be a good crowd," Taylor said. "We couldn't even display all the artwork that was shown to us. We had to

There are many talented peo-ple in the Northville area, she said. Exhibiting artists include Caroline Dunphy, Darcel Deneau, Laurie Fowler and Bill Darcel Thelen, Tom Hale, Vic Leo, Gail Thomas and Prudy Vannier.

"There were a lot of new names that did surprise us," she said. "Not every artist displays in galleries or art stores.

What's nice about this venue is we'll be able to show some more of the hobby type of artists."

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Northville Art Commission volunteers Sue Taylor, left, and Ann Brenner prepare to hang a linocut by Michael Mallen at the Northville Art House in anticipation of its opening last week.

Treasure: Northville area teeming with local arty facts

Treasure: lost and found

more than 30 years featuring Northville landmarks comprise a featured collection at the new Art House.

Lifetime resident and local historian Bruce Turnbull rediscovered the series in city hall, said Northville Arts Commission board member Sue Taylor.

Turnbull helped restore the prints gracing the cover of Beautification Commission binders from 1967-1978. Northville's Rotary Club took on the project of framing the series now hanging, ready for public enjoyment.

"First Fridays" starting now

Tomorrow night's Art House grand opening exhibit signals the start of a new tradition downtown art supporters are calling First

Fridays Gallery Walk While the 215 W Cady St

community facility launches its Watercolors commissioned first show 7-9 p.m. March 4, formal month-long exhibits also are planned 5-9 p.m. at Studio 427, 141 N. Center St., and 6-9 p.m. at Northville Camera and Digital Imaging, 117 E. Main St.

The concept is to encourage people to visit for the day or have dinner downtown, then enjoy an entertaining stroll through Northville's growing collection of galleries.

We've been trying very hard to work with the business community," said Sue Taylor of the Northville Arts Commission. 'We don't want to compete with what they're doing, we want to enhance what they're doing.

There does seem to be more of a spirit of cooperation in what we're doing with cross communication."

Sherri Mewha, owner of Awakening....the Artist Inside, 111 N. Center St., said she soon will add the next door Atrium Gallery to the circuit. She and

husband Russell are revamping the format of the gallery they purchased last week.

Mewha, president of the Northville Central Business Association, said she and other arts-related business owners will be discussing the gallery walk concept with restauranteurs this week. One suggestion is discounts specifically for Northville community residents, she said.

"No one is formally on board," she said. "We'd really like to get them involved and participate.

Also likely soon to join the Friday gallery walk lineup is The Moss Rose, 184 E. Main St. and the Northville Gallery, 147 E. Main St., set to open mid-month.

"I think it's a wonderful idea," said Prudy Vannier, co-owner of Northville Gallery with husband Jim. The couple said it makes sense for the retailers to work with the restaurants to provide an entertaining atmosphere down-

Atrium to become Sherrus

Acquiring the gallery next door to her fine arts supply and instruction store was a next logical step for Sherri Mewha.

The owner of Awakening ...the Artist Inside, with her husband Russell, Feb. 16 finalized the purchase of the Atrium Gallery business and inventory from Kathryn Savitskie. The long-time merchant will now focus her attention on her other store, the Frame Factory in Ann Arbor.

Effective April 1, the Mewhas will change the name and format of their new enterprise to the Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art.

"We will be featuring local and emerging national artists in oil, acrylic, watercolor, sculpture and fine art glass," she said. "We are committed to continuing the high quality of framing offered here

"In fact, we want to see that business expand." In addition to Mewha, staff members will have the artistic background to bring

depth to their sales presentation. The group is considering a projas well as the background for framing.

The operation will complement the year-old store next door, Mewha said. From the time she opened, the merchant said she had hoped to expand into an adjoining space.

'We're really thrilled to get the gallery at this point in time, with all that's going on, the growth," she said. "Everything is just on the cusp of being great. It's perfect timing."

On the art beat...

· Julie Giordano's students at Northville Christian recently completed murals at Salon

Marzejon, 114 MainCentre. The Northville Arts Commission is continuing efforts to expand its public art project, launched with the treble clef sculpture in Bandshell Park and the Baseline sculpture at Eight Mile Road and Center Street.

ect for the corner of Hutton and East Main streets.

The Northville Arts Commission and Parks Recreation Department will host the Art House's largest fundraiser of the year, "Art out of the Box," April 30. The dinner and box auction will be 6:30-9 p.m. at Genitti's, 108 E. Main St. The \$50 per person tickets include dinner and a showcase of local artists' and business' creative box

• The Northville Chamber of Commerce will host the community's 17th annual Art in the Sun downtown event, Father's Day weekend, June 18 and 19.

· Paul Vertrees is nearing completion on his custom work of the new sign for the community's Art House. The former Northville Department of Public Works employee is known for creating sculptures from scrap metal



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTH/ILLE RECORD

Northville artist Glen Zielinski displays his painting depicting the tragic explosion of the Ford Rouge Plant powerhouse a few years ago. Zielinski and other local artists will be displaying their work tomorrow at the opening of the Northville Art House.

First-time exhibit features range of local talent

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Two artworks contributed from the same address show the creative range to be featured tomorrow night at the Art House.

Dolores Delegeorge and Glenn Zielinski both answered the Northville Arts Commission's call for local artists to exhibit at the March 4 grand opening event for the new community art facility, 215 W. Cady St.

Both artists are self-taught. They both work with acrylic paint. The artworks that will introduce them to the community tornorrow are a decorated étagère and a memorial on

Zielinski's painting, "Power House Memorial," commemorates the lives of the six men killed by the 1999 Rouge Power House explosion. The maintenance and construction painter at the Ford Dearborn Paint Plant kept his original painting, translated to prints and distributed to fellow Ford workers.

The painting shows the silhouette of the power plant and a Ford worker bent on one knee. Six stars in the sunset sky represent the men who lost their lives.

"I knew a couple of the people who were killed in it," he said "A silhouette can convey a powerful response. Against a sunset, it represents the end of a day and the end of an era because the powerhouse is no

In addition to his routine responsibilities, Zielinski has created several murals, portraits and illustrations at Ford facilities. He said management and co-workers compliment his larger-than-life portrayals

of Ford products. "It's rewarding to hear 'great job," he said. "It looks like that car is going to drive right off that wall."

He and Delegeorge also have their own illustration and painting company, DeleZee Art. The couple's home is a gallery of her work decorative painting in the kitchen, floral on canvas in the dining room, delicate details on the mirror frame over the mantel.

The glass-front cabinet Delegeorge will showcase during the Art House month-long exhibit has a crackled finish and a detailed floral design.

"I like to paint pretty much everything," she said. "Except, I don't do

"Just whatever pops into my head guess, I don't really have a favorite." Delegeorge opted recently to

make her artist endeavors her fulltime profession, taking on commissions for murals, furniture, glassware and canvas. Her work comes via word-of-mouth referral and by featuring items in local boutiques.

Deiegeorge and Zielinski, along with dozens of other area artists transported their projects to the Art House this past week. They will attend the members-only preview and open-to-the-public event that follows 7-9 p.m.

"I hope they will showcase local talent on an ongoing basis, Zielinski said. "As artists, (we think) there's never enough art.

"Hopefully, the Art House will be conducive to getting art out in the community more."

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Northville Gallery

New gallery will stress "affordable art" for all tastes

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Jim Vannier has the perfect oil painting for golf enthusiasts.

His wife Prudy pulled together a selection of canvases depicting chickens, a close friend's favorite decor theme.

The 28-year Northville residents can't wait to launch downtown's newest addition to the art scene. Mid-March, Northville Gallery will open in the 1,100-square-foot spot vacated by Bellerose, 147 E. Main St.

The store's philosophy: provide affordable art.

"We're appealing to the 50-yearold crowd that has second houses - a condo in Florida, a cottage up north," Jim Vannier said, "Twentysomethings that are just starting out, in an apartment or condo, small companies that need something to decorate.

The target market is a 30- to 40-year-old female." The variety of sizes, styles and subject matter will translate into something for

everyone, Vannier said."
"You like it, you can afford it,"
he said. "Everybody can put an oil painting somewhere.

For all tastes

All oil on canvas, unframed prices will range from \$18.50 for an 8-by-10 inch work to \$800 for the largest pieces. Popular sizes of 20-by-24 and 36-by-48 inches will fall in between.

The gallery's basement inventory, neatly categorized awaiting renovation completion upstairs, includes still life, landscape and pastoral scenes, abstract and traditional designs, and hobby topics like golf, wine tasting and exotic locales. Pre-made standard-size frames styles range from omate gold to traditional wood to simple contemporary.

Patrons will be able to view

1,200-1,400 original, imported paintings, framed and unframed, easily accessible for thumbing through propped against or hanging on display walls.

I'm a firm believer in handson," Prudy said. "It's just going to be dam fun.

"I think this is going to go over well in town." There will be an area set aside for children to play while their mother browses, she

Worth repeating

An artist in her own right with works displayed in the Smithsonian in Washington, Prudy Vannier stumbled on the gallery's concept with her sisters last summer while visiting Saugatuck, She bought artwork that day and was sold on the idea of affordable art.

"I said, 'we should be doing this'," she said. "We have to find out where he gets this,"

Prudy described the store's concept to her husband who retired last April from a career in automotive marketing research.

"I thought, boy, Northville needs this so bad," Jim said, While a full-time manager runs the gallery, the corporate veteran will pitch the merchandise for institutional settings like nursing homes, brokerage firms and interior design

The husband-wife team have shopped shows in Chicago, New York, Miami and Atlanta for frames and canvases.

The first time we went I bet we looked at 7,000-8,000 paintings and picked 700," Prudy said.

No place like home

The Vanniers also shopped locations before deciding on their own hometown. They said they are joining the open-seven-days philosophy of fellow merchants; they also plan evening hours through



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/MORTHYILLE RECORD

With hundreds of original, hand-painted oils on hand, Prudy and Jim Vannier are preparing to open the Northville Gallery on downtown's East Main Street west of **Dunlap Street.**

the week to cater to the working crowd.

Several factors — connections with suppliers, Main Street location availability. Jim's itch for his next career — falling into place simultaneously told the couple they were on the right track.

The next few days will be a

whirlwind of preparation for the store's opening, with carpet installation, sign placement and staff preparation.

With the evolving emphasis of art appreciation downtown, the Northville Gallery will offer a complementary alternative, the

"We're not trying to be a fine art gallery," Jim Vannier said. "We are offering high quality, original art everyone can have."

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Capturing life's dramatic side

Local artists' paintings offer vibrant views

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

Painting colorful, flowing forms was a passion born in different ways for two Northville Township

Barbara Eko Murphy's door opened five years ago after major heart surgeries, while Charlie Aimone got an early push from Avon ladies.

"My mother was into Avon and... regional managers would come over once in a while to our house," Aimone explained. They wanted to buy the scenery paintings he'd made for his mom's Taylor

"It was really a mind-boggling thing. I had a business (at) 12 or 13 5

After 34 years of teaching, Murphy underwent a triple bypass surgery and two other heart operations in a year.

The doctor said to get out of teaching, find something to do where you're relaxed," Murphy said. "I started taking art classes. That's what I enjoy. It's very healing to me."

Now with scores of paintings and shows to their credit, both are displaying their works at the town-ship's new BWA Gallery.

Once a Detroit City Ballet Company dancer, Murphy's talent for painting first peeked in high school. Opting to be an elementary teacher, she later brought arts to her Livonia students.

"I always integrated arts with my class. Every year I did a musical with my children," she said. "If I was talking about the planets, I'd introduce that with Starry Night by Vincent van Gogh"

Her dramatic watercolors capture graceful women, flowing jellyfish and red poppies alike in vibrant

shades, created in her home studio that husband Tom built.

Discarding traditional paintbrushes, Aimone pours paint, physically moving a canvas for layered, almost primitive results.

"It's people-focused and very textured," said Aimone, who's studied ancient cave art in France. "The main goal is to have a painting that is uplifting.

Following mentors in college, he's worked in galleries both indoors and out.

"I started to get out painting on the street." Aimone said. "It kind of breaks you loose from... getting too introspective. You need some

At a Plymouth studio, he once made a mini-village for puppet films — the start of larger works caked in acrylic layers. Later, filmmaking skills carried to Detroit's College for Creative Studies, where he also taught board game design.

A promoter of local original works, Murphy lakes art classes. Two of her pieces appear in the



Local artists Barabara Eko Murphy and Charlie Almone display their artwork at the BWA Gallery in Northville Township. Murphy's painting's called "Flanders Field" and Aimone's is "Mother Nature".

opening of Northville's Art House. and her next show is March 5-31 at Livonia's Civic Center Library.

"I admire people in their 80k who are still taking art classes," she said.

"I always want to be a student the rest of my life."

Aimone also plans to continue learning — as he's taught his two daughters.

"It's the amount of time and study you put in," he said. "Art makes you go out of yourself and into the painting."

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ask county for school traffic light

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ment would be on a private drive. We feel strongly that we are not a private drive." Lysaght said. "The high school is a public school in a public school district and our superintendent has written Wayne County and informed

for this traffic light or lights if we need more than one." As of March 1, a county response to Superintendent of Northville Public Schools Leonard Rezmierski had not been

them that we feel they should pay

Rezmierksi said a light would cost between \$60,000-\$80,000.

Lysaght said the light is needed for safety reasons.

received.

Traffic studies show more than 500 students leave the Six Mile Road campus at 2:15 p.m. on schooldays with 70 percent turning eastbound.

Northville Township Police Chief John Werth said despite heavy student traffic, a study conducted last year showed the majority of accidents happening near the school were the result of adult drivers.

And with the exception of a serious vehicle accident in October 2002, traffic altercations in the area are minimal.

Werth said he fully supports the findings of the Wayne County traffic study warranting a light. but does shed caution.

"Generally where you have intersections it (a traffic signal) causes more severe accidents," he said. "What happens is when you have traffic lights at intersections, when a yellow light comes, people tend to instead of stopping, they tend to speed up. So by the placement of the light it could cause more severe accidents then what we are seeing there now."

Lysaght said she and other supporters would like to see a traffic light installed in the spring.

She plans on presenting Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano with the petition at the Northville Township regular board meeting 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 24.

The Northville mother said the effort to secure the light along with forming the petition was a group effort.

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> Chris Lysaght President, Northville High School

Passing Traffic

· Talks of traffic safety and installing a light at high school begin in 2000.

more than one."

• In 2002, Wayne County performs a traffic study after a serious vehicle accident.

• The 2002 study showed the area did not meet traffic warrants.

 As an alternative, fiberoptic signs were installed showing a lower speed limit

at peak school traffic times.

• Another traffic study was conducted by Wayne County in November 2004.

 The second study showed a light is warranted as traffic volumes meet the county's warrants.

The document will be available at Northville High School parentteacher conferences, various school offices or may be signed by calling Lysaght at (248) 349-

LIGHT: residents District investigates merit cut

Still unknown: will state business affect students?

By Victoria Sadlocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville school officials are in the process of determining if a proposed merit cut by

Governor Jennifer Granholm is solely at the expense of the district's graduating seniors. As part of her 2005-06 budget pro-

Leonard Rezmierski

last month, Granholm said she would eliminate up to \$500 in per-pupil merit scholarship funding promised to students during the Gov. John administration. Engler

posal

announced

Eliminating the cash award would save the state \$9 million.

Students were promised the money while in middle school as an incentive to take and excel at the Michigan Educational Assessment Program exam while in seventh and eighth

This year's graduating class will be the first group to receive the incentive if the proposal falls

Northville Public Schools superintendent, Leonard Rezmierski, said he will first investigate why the governor is proposing the cut.

"My concern is what is the commitment and feedback from our administrative team and teachers about what we have told kids and what is the expectation of our students at the middle school level and their parents. If this is true and will be a reality then I will need to know from them how does that role out for them," he said.

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> Leonard Rezmierski Superintendent, Northville Public Schools

Granholm announced last month included eliminating the \$2,500 merit scholarship awarded highschool seniors excelling at the MEAP in place of a \$4,000 scholarship given to those completing two years of college edu-

Rezmierski said he will keep a close eye on the issue as the budget recommendation passes through legislative hands in the coming months before the final document is adopted later this

"I need to read it and ask our folks if this practically happens, what is the impact at Meads Mill

Another budget proponent, and Hillside for real kids, parents and staff because they are the ones who are the vanguard of saying here is an incentive for why you want to do well on this test, not that you would not want to do well in-and-of itself, but this was an encouragement," he

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TAKE A BOW

Resident named Teacher of the Year



Recent alumni

Northville residents Sarah L. Halash and Leo R. Svoboda were named to the fall semester Dean's List at Bowling Green State University. To receive the honor, undergraduates must achieve grade point averages at or above 3.5 and be enrolled in no fewer than 12 letter-graded credit hours per semester. Halash is a freshman at the ACE

college and the daughter of Edward and Jeanne. Leo is a freshman at the MUS college and the son of Kenneth and Kathleen.

Honorees

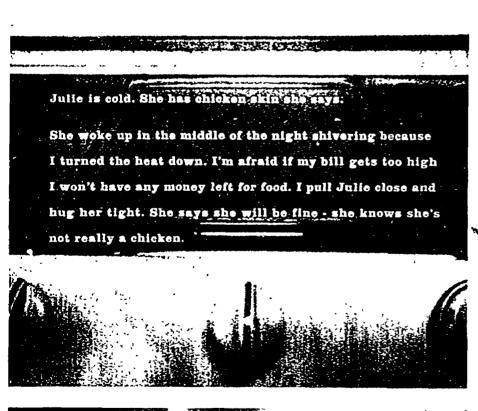
Northville resident Louise Hopping was chosen as the 2005 state-level Junior High School Veterans of Foreign Wars teacher of the year. Hopping has taught history at St. Mel's Catholic School in Dearborn Heights for the past 18 years. The award recognizes teachers who promote American history. Teachers are recognized by their local VFW posts and then compete in district and state level competitions before a national winner is chosen later this year.

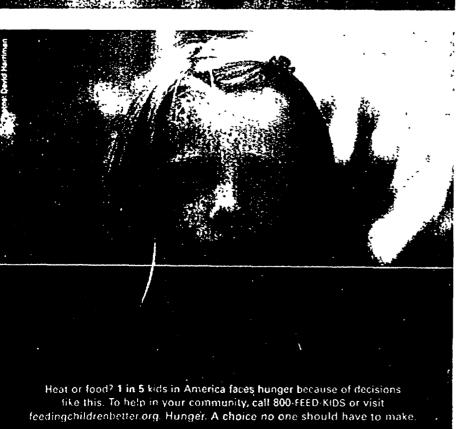
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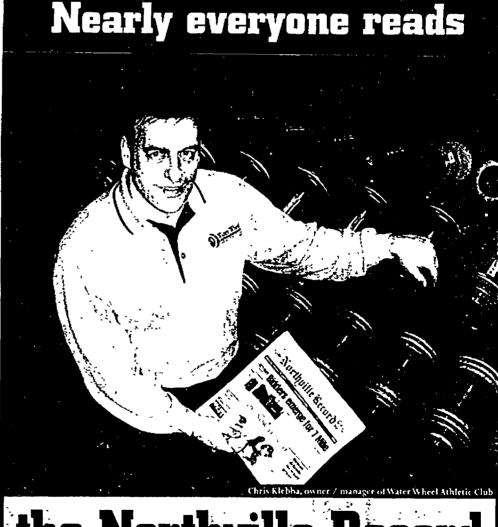
Some patients may have the misperception that they must routinely visit the orthodontist to have their "braces tightened." This is understandable, because when they leave the office they can feel greater forces being exerted upon their teeth. The fact of the matter is that the practice of tightening archwires is quite outdated. Today, orthodontists make use of archwires, (which connect the brackets of both the upper and lower sets of teeth in horizontal arches,) that are thermally activated. That is to say that they are soft when they are cold. Once they are introduced into the warm environment of the mouth, however, they gradually stiffen to produce progressively higher fences.

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Improv night

Tickets are on sale now for "A Night of Improv, Part Deux.' The extemporaneous event pre-sented by the Northville High Drama Club and Origins Theatre will take place 7 and 9 p.m. Friday, March 18 in the school auditorium, 45700 Six Mile Road. Organizers expect a night of big laughs and good theater. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for adults and may be purchased at the high school or at the door the night of the show.

Mothers' Club

Area businesses will soon be offered the opportunity to adver-tise in the 2005-07 edition of the Mothers' Club Community Phone Directory. The directory is sent to 19,000 households in the Northville Public School district and will be mailed in late August. It contains residential listings for school district residents, numbers for community organizations and ads from local businesses. Profits from the venture benefit the club, a nonprofit organization dedicated to educational enrichment for Northville school children. Each year, Mothers' Club donates close to \$40,000 to the schools. If you do not hear from a Mothers' Club member by February, call Marnie Mertz at (248) 348-9268, Mary Rupley at (248) 348-8739 or Joan Wadsworth at (248) 348-5881. Advertising will be accepted through March 14th.

Parenting seminars

Author Jim Fay will present two parenting seminars Monday, March 7 in the Northville High School auditorium, 45700 Six Mile Road. From 4:30-6 p.m. Fay will present "Parenting with Love and Logic" followed by "Developing Problem-Solving Skills and Self-Efficacy" from 7:30-9 p.m. No registration is required. A fee of \$5 per family is required at the door.

Monsters movie

California Northville High School Students Against Destructive Decisions, is hosting a Spring Movie Night 7 p.m. tomorrow in the high school cafeteria, 45700 Six Mile Road. The movie is "Monster's, Inc." (G) and admission is free. All children younger than 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

Hillside carnival

The time is approaching for the Hillside Middle School Family Carnival. The annual event will take place 5-8 p.m. Friday, March 11 inside the school located at the corner of Center Street and Eight Mile Road. Organizers said the 2005 event is "improved," appealing to people of all ages. The carnival will feature more than 30 games, clowns, a fortune teller, creative card making table, Velcro Wall, basketball shoot and arts and crafts. An International Food Court will offer lasagna, pizza, salad, tacos, nachos and vegetable lo mein. Another new offering this year, is a Tin Can Raffle. Items up for grabs will include Detroit Tigers tickets and MP3 and portable DVD players. The Northville Police Department will also provide free fingerprinting and ID kits while supplies last to children accompanied by a parent. The carnival serves as the PTSA's largest fund raiser of the year. For more information, call Carla Gaeta at (248) 465-0362.

Early Childhood Center

Re-enrollment for Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Center programs is March 1-10. Forms will be distributed through head teachers at each child's site. Paperwork and registration fees must be received by the deadline to secure a spot. New family enrollment will begin March 19. Registration forms are processed in the order they are returned with priority given to currently enrolled children. Summer program registration will take place during the re-enrollment period March I-10. Summer Child Care at Main Street will be held June 20-Aug. 18 and Summer Kids' Club at Moraine will be held June 21Aug. 16.

School board meeting

The next Northville Board of Education meeting is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 8 at Old Village School, 405 W. Main Street. For more information, call (248) 349-3400.

Logo contest

Northville residents 12 and younger are invited to create the logo for Johnson Creek Day 2005. This year's theme is Trees in the Johnson Creek Watershed and may focus on a part of a tree, one tree or many trees together. The design best representing Johnson Creek's unique character will triumph. The winner will receive the Johnson Creek Protection Environmental Artist Award for 2005 and a T-shirt with the chosen logo. First and second runners-up will also receive Tshirts. Entry forms are available at www.jcpg.org. Completed entries may be mailed or dropped off at Northville Township's Department of Public Services, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Mich. 48167. Deadline for entries is March 18 and winners will be announced April 4. For more information, call Michelle West at (734) 761-1010 ext. 266 or e-mail mwest@alnm.com.

NHS senior party

Tickets are on sale now for the Northville High School Class of 2005 Senior All Night Party. The event will begin 10 p.m. Saturday, June 4 and conclude 4 a.m. Sunday, June 5. Tickets are \$70 and checks should be made payable to Northville Senior Class Party and mailed to Jan Jameson, 583 Morgan Ct., Northville, Mich. 48167. Please write the student's first and last name and T-shirt size on the memo line. A Senior All Night Party payment box is also located in the high school office.

Organizers are still looking for party volunteers. Those interested in helping should call Cayte Stilec-Stevenson at (248) 348-9608 ccstimm@aol com.

Compiled by Record education reporter Victoria Sadlocha.

Meads Middle School students honored!



Top Citizens

The following students were named citizens of the month for January 2005 at Meads Mill Middle School: Matt Carpenter, Alyssa Wozniak, Trevion Thomas, Jesus Vega, Timothy Holt, Charlotte Lichtman, Emma Boylan, Kelly Turner, Caroline Castelli, Nick Patel, Luke Blair, Manal Shoukair, Austin Esquela, Brain Grewe, Laura Kallii, Alex Belanger, Latwan Shaw, Sravya Yandamuri, Kathryn Gorsuch, Kelly Lysaght, Joe Mifsud, Kaylee McDougall and Anthony Hutting.

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Township Briefs

Bennett Arboretum

The public is welcome this Tuesday to learn about Bennett Arboretum, a natural resource area in the township that will undergo rehabilitation starting this summer.

Located along an approximate mile-and-a-half of Edward Hines Drive, the historic area is in its 63rd year. Plans for improvement include native tree planting, invasive species removal and an interpretative trail sys-

with Northville Township, Wayne County, State of Michigan and University of Michigan have joined in to create a master plan.

Details will be discussed at a town hall meeting at 6:30 p.m., March 8 at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. RSVP at (734) 326-3936 or nmullett@co.wayne.mi.us.

MADD honors township officer .

Northville Township Officer Dave Roberts recently was awarded a Mother Against Drunk Driving Wayne County Life Savers Award.

In 2004, Roberts made 39 drunk driving arrests in Northville Township.

"In years past he's also been one of the top officers in making those types of arrests." Northville Township Lt. Ray Garbarino said. "He's very conscientious, especially when it comes to OUIL (operating under the influence of liquor) enforce-

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Roberts joined the township's police department in May of 2000. He was one of about 36 officers countywide to receive the honor, according to MADD Wayne County.

A banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. tonight at Livenia's Burton Manor to honor Roberts and

Ficano to talk to township

Wayne County executive Robert Ficano will answer resident queries from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 24, in the community room of township hall, 44405 West Six Mile Road.

One topic will likely be primary township roads, which are maintained by the county. From pothole filling and snowplowing to a possible future expansion of Six Mile Road, residents can

Recreation and taxes are other examples. Participants will arrive, sign in and write down their questions on a form.

Ficano, along with cabinet members, will answer them.

For more information, call Northville Township at (248) 348-5800.

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Winchester Elementary teacher Lynda Hojnacki, left, is the "load" that the "effort" second-grader Alyssa Corn is trying to lift in a study of the effectiveness of simple machines during a visit last Monday by the Ann Arbor Hands On Museum. The school assembly taught levers with adjustable fulcrums can utilize less effort in raising heavier objects. They're assisted by Hands On Museum's Laura Kaplar, left, and Jessica Lagalo, center.

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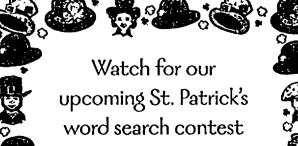
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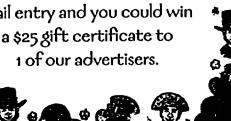


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Monday meeting

A 7 p.m. formal pres-

entation regarding the

development proposal

submitted to the town-

township hall. For more

information, call (248)

What do you think? Do you like the plan

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the former Northville

Psychiatric Hospital

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348-5800.

Monday, March 7 at

Next Monday, Northville residents concerned about the future the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital have an opportunity to see for themselves what's been proposed for the site.

Bloomfield Hills-based Real Estate Interests, along with propmanagement partner Schostack, Inc., will formally present their plan to the public Monday, March 7.

The developer's plan was submitted to the township last week and outlines an ambitious residential-commercial-retail project for the 415-acre state-owned site.

If the development partnership follows through with plans to purchase the \$55 million site by June, developer would transform the site into a sprawling communamed "Belmont Park." As proposed, the community would feature 1.080 residential homes of varied sizes and 240,000 square feet of commercial-relail

Even for a parcel as sprawling as the former hospital site, the proposed development raises myriad concerns, including: density, traffic, public safety and long-term effects on historic downtown Northville.

space, seven restaurants and a

To date, township officials have repeatedly vowed to maintain "Northville's integrity," uphold its ation and communication with the City of Northville and Northville Public Schools.

That's nice. But to do so township officials will need more than good intentions and a pulpit. To effectively massage a plan they may at first blush find difficult to digest will require acumen and

Like it or not, the developer has a few aces up its sleeve: the site's proximity to bustling and rapidly changing I-275 and Haggerty corridors, a plan addressing the township's desire to see a more resi-

dential-based development. deep pockets and a circuit court propensity to side with developers.

To this point, the township has in its corner a planned development plan which to date has yet to be formally approved by its own board of trustees and a newly contracted private attorney allegedly wellversed in property development litigation.

Is that enough? Likely not. But it could be, if township officials play

their cards right.

The developer arrives Monday with a plan full of promise and problems. From this point forward, it's a game of high-stakes poker. Monday night players will take their places, make token wagers and look for facial ticks.

Between the two sides: a \$55 million pot and the future of a rapidly changing community.

Who makes the next move, the next bluff? We'll see. One thing's concerned about the future of this site to climb down off the fence. get involved, and ante up.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northwile Record

Trees on Our Lady of Victory property at the corner of West Main Road and Orchard Drive are marked with "Xs" designating removal in preparation of the church's new school building efforts on the land.

There's still hope for state's economy

Most likely it

Which is why

it's instructive to

look at two

locally based

Michigan is having trouble working out a sensible business strategy. There are lots of reasons, some good, some bad.

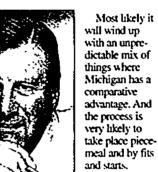
Start with the bad: The usual mess in Lansing. The governor's a Democrat; the Legislature Republican; both are more than faintly interested in short-term partisan advantage.

Nor does the infighting stop there. As I understand it, the tone of discourse during the meetings between Gov. Jennifer Granholm, Speaker of the House Craig DeRoche and Senate Majority Leader Ken Sikkema involves language you wouldn't want to appear in a family newspa-per. Worse, relations between DeRoche and Sikkema vary between frosty and frigid. If these folks can't get along like sensible adults, where does that leave the state?

The Legislature started by treating Granholm's proposals as DOA, but then (cops!) figured out that to just keep on saying "No" risked being called obstructionist. So maybe they're re-thinking. On top of it all is the sad state budget, which will need something like \$376 million in cuts to bring this year's spending plan into balance. This is mostly the result of our chronic structural budget deficit, which the Lansing politicians are

But the biggest obstacle might called be the "live by the sword, die by the sword" problem. For decades, Michigan made a great living off the high-pay, low-skill manufacturing jobs provided by the auto industry. But over the past few years a combination of outsourcing, offshoring and productivity gains has resulted in an accelerating hemorrhage of these jobs. It's as though the foundation for our entire economic house is

Worse, the "one big industry" habit of mind is deeply entrenched. Far too much conversation in Lansing rotates around the fantasy of one great big economic silver bullet that will bail us out of trouble. Will it be life sciences? Might it be homeland security? Could it be agile manufactur-



efforts that offer some hope for the future. First is Automation Alley, originally proposed by Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson in 1997. The idea was to leverage the combined strength of the county's automobile-related, hightech businesses into a national marketing effort that would attract skilled talent and new cottingedge companies. Forty-four organizations joined initially, and trade missions jetted off to Europe, China and Mexico.

In 2001, the Alley affiliated with the Great Lakes Interactive Marketing Association (GLIMA), marrying the high-tech business community and an interactive and technical labor force. In 2003, Automation Alley created the Technology Center, which leverages businesses, educators, government and money to help entrepreneurs bring new technologies to market quicker and more efficiently. Just last year, the

The Alley's current annual budget is around \$2 million, mostly raised from dues from member companies and some state assistance. Tom Anderson, the capable and thoughtful director of the Tech Center, says that he's trying to start a quarterly forum to bring together entrepreneurs and investment professionals to make more visible the good business investment opportunities

available in Southeastern Michigan. He's also working on tripling the Alley's \$1.4 million seed

Over in Ann Arbor, some local business leaders are hooking up with the University of Michigan to try to do something similar. With a working title of "Ann Arbor Tech Central." the group is shaking the bushes to put together a \$1 million-plus annual budget.

Central to the undertaking is active involvement by the University of Michigan, which under President Mary Sue Coleman's regime has at last realized it needs to get its hands dirty exploiting its terrific research capability and helping get businesses launched.

A university insider put the case sensibly to me last week: "We've got to look on this just like a venture capital firm looks at a start-up. It's a long term proposition. You've got to keep at it. You'll make some mistakes. But you have to keep working on it until it works.

Right on. In the case of Automation Alley, it's taken seven years of hard work to make a func-Regulifo gradiudito oldera noitating of info Southeastern Michigan's existing strengths in automobile-related high tech.

In the case of Ann Arbor Tech Central, the right people are coming to the right conclusion at the right time. Similar organizations are bubbling up in Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids.

In all cases, it's hard-driving local folks who are leading the charge, not the politicians in Lansing. Sure, they need support from the state, in two major ways: A) Money. B) Keeping out of the way. And fortunately the local folks are not all hung up with partisanship, egos or chronic udoer deficits. Perhaps Lansing can learn something from the Livonias of this state. Let's hope so.

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Record Letters

Time marches on

Have the parallels between the problems of Detroit and the problems of the State of Michigan been considered in light of its two principal players. Clearly Kwame Kilpatrick and Governor Jennifer Granholm are similar in style, political direction and most certainly in equally exceptional in persuasive communication abilities to generate confidence of faithful supporters. I have been to date disappointed in the results of their leadership but still hopeful.

Detroit has the wider range of problems and Michigan faces the money problems common to other states recovering from the recession. Yet, each of these political leaders have shown a dogged unwillingness to take full and dramatic steps toward real solutions. In Michigan particularly, our major industries have been under stressful conditions for some

time. The "guide on" of a growth economy being a strong automotive industry which sailed along with many cost excesses in the boom times, excesses seen and eagerly adopted by publicly funded functions. The chickens have come home to roost" and it is very hard to make a retreat from overextended expectations and programs. In the automotive industry vendors have been directed to commit to a reduction in cost of their activity each year by 5 percent along with other heavy steps to rebuild a financial positions. Persistence has developed some serious costs reductions in private industry throughout the country. Governments, however, driven by the political power groups, are unlikely to interrupt the natural and anticipated growth in the march toward suffocating

The \$2 billion dollar bond pro-

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Michigan's problem simple as black and white Lon Johnson, a young political organizer who has worked for Democratic candidates across the country, thinks there is something troublingly unique about the culture in Michigan. "I've never seen any place where everything was so divided along racial lines," he said, adding that sooner or later, nearly every statewide issue was affected, if not decided, by some aspect of the racial divide.

That, he believes, may be Michigan's

from a manufacturing to an intellectual skillsbased economy; greater than the state budget problem or the education crisis. We are asking the kids to be ready for a world economy. Yet too often, they don't even

biggest challenge - greater than the transition

know each other's cultures that are just separated by a few miles," Johnson said, as his rat terrier puppy, Jack Johnson, named for the great black heavyweight champion, yipped furiously in the background.

His views are worth considering because of his own background. Now 33, Johnson grew up largely in working-class, blue-collar Detroit suburbs before moving to Arizona for college. Afterwards, he bounced around the country, working for former Vice-President Al Gore in Washington and finally returning to his home state to successfully run a tough campaign for U.S. Rep. John Dingell in 2002. Now, he's decided to stay put, opening an office in Royal

And he worries about the future of a state that was once seen as a national trend-setter. He knows that, thanks to the global economy, today's school kids will emerge into a world in which "they will be working with Asian, South American, African and European cultures."

How will they compete? And can Michigan ever bridge the racial

Global competition is something that has been endlessly chattered about in Michigan ever since Japanese cars began to sell in the

Yet race has become the elephant in the living room that nobody wants to face. Every



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trot out stories of black pioneers, including even a sanitized Malcolm X. Yet serious political discussion tiptoes around the real issue. Nobody is

February, dur-

History month.

newspapers and

schoolteachers

willing to tackle

the continuing

ing Black

problem of race.

For white politicians in general and for white Democrats in particular, criticizing the shortcomings of black politicians is seen as potential political suicide. Though everyone knows, for example, that one famous longtime black officeholder is mentally not quite right. nobody dares mention it.

Though everyone knows that the city may be facing receivership, Gov. Jennifer Granholm does not want to even think about the idea. She fears alienating Detroiters, and she knows she cannot be re-elected next year if the city's virtually all-black electorate turns against her.

Though the schools in the city of Detroit are worse than failures, though the government is dysfunctional and some of the officeholders incompetent or openly corrupt, there is seldom a peep from the political leadership of the

On the other hand, there is a shameful lack of willingness in Lansing to address serious problems that are perceived as having a racial component.

The city of Detroit looks in many places like either a third world country, or a town devastated by fighting in World War II. When East and West Germany merged in 1990, East Berlin was largely a dilapidated disaster. West Berlin was glittering, modern and affluent. Yet a united Germany immediately --- and virtually without argument -- set about rebuilding the rundown portions of their nation.

Yet there is no willingness on the part of Michigan to tackle the mess that is Detroit. Nobody is willing to help the city economically or fight to reform a city charter that rewards inefficiency and prevents accountability.

That is largely due to the racial divide. Experts know that Detroit's decline is rooted, not in race, but in the fact that the city could not annex surrounding territory. Starting when the expressways were built in the 1950s, people and businesses left for greener pastures, with cheaper land and less taxes. That meant the city had to begin a vicious circle of raising taxes and cutting services to those left.

Today, only those who can't afford to escape remain. Whites pretend the city's condition is the fault of shiftless blacks. Blacks blame racism. What's needed is metropolitan government. But that would cost whites money and cost blacks political power. And neither side is willing to sacrifice for the greater good.

Incredibly perhaps, Lon Johnson sees hope. He thinks people in each generation are becoming more comfortable with diversity, "It all starts by exposure - in schools, work, social activities and churches," he says.

Yet he pauses. "In too many cities within the Detroit metro area, meaningful exposure to races and cultures other than our own is difficult because of segregation." Like it or not, Detroit is the most segregated city in the

Someday, perhaps, Michigan will overcome. But if it doesn't soon, the state seriously risks becoming an economic backwater. Once, we were home to the Motor City and the Arsenal of Democracy. Today, we instead seem to be evolving into sort of a Mississippi with ice storms. And if that happens, it will be no one's fault but our own.

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WHAT'S GOING ON?

Northville's Official Events Calendar • nrevents@ht.homecomm.net

Local Events

Art House Grand Opening

The grand opening will be from 7-9 p.m., Friday, March 4 at the Art House, 215 W. Cady St. The featured artist will be Rob Maniscalco, nationally renowned portrait painter, owner of Maniscalco Gallery of Fine Art in Grosse Pointe, and Art Beat narrator. Entertainment will be provided by jazz harpist Christa Grix. Appetizers and drinks will be served. For more information, call (248) 449-9950.

Northville Youth Assistance mentor training

Northville Youth Assistance is an organization that matches youths from our community with volunteer mentors. The volunteer mentor meets with his or her assigned youth for one-two hours per week. Volunteers receive 15 hours of training. Future trainings will be 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, March 10-April 7 at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. For more information, call Sue Campbell at (248) 344-1618 or youthassistance@twp. northville.mi.us.

"In Motion" Class

Northville Parks and Recreation and the Water Wheel Health Club are offering a new class for ages 9-12 years old. "In Motion" has activities that promote health, teamwork. strength, balance, and coordination. This class will be 4-5 p.m., Thursdays through March 3 at the Recreation Center at Hillside Middle School, located at 700 W. Baseline Road. Call the Parks and Recreation office for more information, (248) 349-0203.

Spring Arts and Crafts Show

Handcrafters will be sponsoring an arts and crafts show 6-9 p.m., Friday, March 18; 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, March 19 and 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, March 20 at the Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road. For more information, call (734) 459-0050.

Daughters of the American Revolution meeting and and

The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter of Plymouth-Northville will be meeting at noon Monday, March 21 at the Northville Library, 212 W. Cady St. For more information, call (734) 420-2775.

Marquis Theatre

Marquis Theatre is presenting "Peter Cottontail" at 2:30 p.m. on Saturdays, March 12, 19, April 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30; Sundays, March 13, 20, April 3, 10, 17, 24 and May 1; and weekdays, March 28, 29, 30, 31 and April 1. Tickets are \$7.50 for all shows. No children admitted under age 3. The theater is located at 135 E. Main St., Northville.

Ward Presbyterian grief workshop

This free workshop is open to the community and will be led by Cathy Clough, director of New Hope Center for Grief Support. The workshop will meet 7-8:45 p.m. for eight Mondays through March 21. 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.

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.

Northyille 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 trianglesix@msn.com.

Genitti's Upcoming Attractions

Come see "Michigan Hold 'Em" at this Northville interactive dinner theater, Fridays and Saturdays through June. The cost is \$45. Call (248) 349-0522 for times and reser-

vations. Children will enjoy "The Dragon of Elderberry Castle" at the children's lunch theater, Saturdays and Sundays through June. The cost is \$14.95 for kids and \$16.95 for adults. Call (248) 349-0522 for times and reservations. Genitti's is located in downtown Northville at 108 E. Main St.

Library Lines

The Northville District Library is open 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Mondays-Thursdays; 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays; and 1-5 p.m., Sundays. The library is 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.

March is Reading Month

Kids, preschool-sixth grade, can get hooked on books during March is Reading Month. Pick up your 'Get Hooked on Books" reading log at the information desk. When your reading log is full, you've earned the prize of a paperback

Northville Genealogical Society

The next meeting of the Northville Genealogical Society will be 2:30 p.m., Sunday, March 13 at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St.

Al Smithely will be speaking on 'The Eric Canal: The Ditch that Built Northville." Smithely is the local history librarian at the Northville library. The public is invited free of charge. A computer genealogy class on Using Gensmarts will be held at 1:15 p.m., prior to the regular meeting.

Individual help on genealogy is offered by society members in the local history room 1-3 p.m. on Monday afternoons at the library located at 212 W. Cady St. For more information, call Grace Wilfong at (248) 349-9079 or visit www.rootsweb.com/~mings.

"The Book Cellar"

Friends of the Northville District Library invite members and the public to visit "The Book Cellar," the used book store-located in the library, 1:30-4 p.m. Sundays; and 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays. The library is at 212 W. Cady St. For more information, call (248) 349-3020.

Investment database

Select stocks and mutual funds or track your investments, using Morningstar com, a database which offers detailed information and independent analysts' reports funds and equities. Find out more information at the reference desk at the Northville Library, 212 W. Cady St.

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 weekly program. There are four sessions and each session includes 13 children accompanied by a caregiver. Register for one of the following: 10:15 a.m., Mondays, March 28-May 2; 10:15 or 11:30 a.m., Wednesdays, March 30-May 4; or 10:15 a.m., Thursdays, March 31-May 5. To register call (248) 349-

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 offered 4:30-5:15 p.m., Thursday, once a month, in the library's meeting room. Each session includes 20 children. Please registér for individual sessions by phone at (248) 349-3020. Today's Winter Kids Club program is "Stories from China".

Winter Storytime for Children

Children ages 4, 5 or in kindergarten and comfortable attending without a caregiver are invited to join this six-week series of 45minute storytimes. Younger or older children or non-registered siblings may not attend. Each program features stories and creative activities, so children should also be able to use scissors, glue, etc. Each session includes 20 children. Register for one of the following sessions: 4-4:45 p.m. Mondays through March 14; I0:15-11 a.m. or 2-2:45 p.m. Tuesdays through March 15. Register by phone at (248) 349-3020 or in person.

DIA discussions

Discussions of the upcoming. DIA exhibit, Gerard Ter Borch: painter of the Goldern Age of 17th Dutch Art will be at 7 p.m. tonight and 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9 at the Northville District Library. For more information, call (248) 349-3020.

Between the Lines

Between the Lines is an adult monthly reading group that alternates between fiction and non-fiction books. The next discussion will be at 7 p.m. Monday, March 14 at the library. The group will discuss "Big Russ & Me" by Tim Russert. Contact the library for more information at (248) 349-3020.

Fun in the Sun Crafts

Come in from the cold and warm up with crafts at 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 16. All ages welcome. Children ages 4 and under please attend with a caregiver. No registration required, just drop in.

Little Me Storytime

This storytime is for children from 10 months to 2 years old, along with their parents or care-givers, 10:30-11:15 a.m. Friday, March 18. No registration is required. Infants and older children are also welcome.

Family Fun Evening Storytime

Wear your pajamas for this program for families 7 p.m., Wednesday, March 9 at the library. No registration is required; drop-ins

Puppet Show

There will be a puppet show, "The Winning Wizard and the Trophy Hat," at 2:45 p.m. Tuesday, March 29 at the Northville library. Free tickets are available five minutes prior to the program. Tickets are not available in advance.

Junior Books, Chat and Chow

Fourth and fifth graders can make friends, have treats and enjoy a book discussion at 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 30, "Whipping Boy" by Sid Fleischman.

Library Board Meetings

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

Seniors

Tax counseling services

Volunteer tax counselors will prepare taxes 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Thursdays through April 14. There is no charge for this service, but you must make an appointment. Contact the Northville Community Senior Center, 303 W. Main St., at (248) 349-4140.

Dream Your Dream Discussions

This is a four part discussion series which encourages people to enjoy life. It is, 1:30-3 p.m. Wednesdays through March 16 at the senior center, 303 W. Main St. JoAnn Bogus from Catholic Social Services of Oakland County will lead the sessions. There is no fee. To register, call (248) 349-4140.

Senior Center Calendar

Thursday, March 3: 9 a.m.: Taking Off Pounds Sensibly 9 a.m.: Massage

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle All day: help with taxes Friday, March 4: 10 a.m.: Strength training 11 a.m.: Computers II I p.m.: Movie Monday, March 7: 10 a.m.: Blood pressure 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle Tuesday, March 8: 10 a.m.: Blood pressure and glucose check

10 a.m.: Travel show 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle p.m.: Computers 1 Wednesday, March 9: noon: Bridge noon: Lifeline screening 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, blacksmith shop, interurban station and several oldfashioned homes. The Northville Historical Society is a non-profit organization relying on membership. Contact the office for more information at (248) 348-1845.

Scheduled events are as follows: Thursday, March 3: Archives open, 9 a.m.; Service Unit B Scouts, 9:15 a.m.; Brownie Scouts, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, March 4: Archives open, 9 a.m. Sunday, March 6: Mill Creek, 10

Monday, March 7: Service Unit C Scouts, 9 a.m.; Cub Scouts, 6:15

Tuesday, March 8: Stone Gang, 9 a.m.; Brownie Scouts, 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 9: Brownie

Scouts, 3:45 p.m.; Mill Creek, 7

Thursday, March 10: Archives open, 9 a.m.; Service Unit A Scouts, 9:45 a.m.; Eclipse Hot Stove, 6 p.m.

Maybury Farm Hayrides and Sleigh Rides

Weather cooperating, hayrides and sleigh rides will be offered on Saturdays and Sundays. For addi-tional information, call (248) 374-0200. Please enter off of Eight Mile

Looking for You

Meals-on-Wheels Drivers

Meals-on-Wheels needs drivers and substitute drivers. The volunteer hours are from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., including pick-up of meals at Allen Terrace Senior Apartments and deliveries. For more information, call Eileen at Allen Terrace (248) 231-9950, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday or Judy LaManna at (248) 348-1761.

Volunteers Wanted

There are a variety of volunteer opportunities available for all age groups. Assignments include Northville Senior Community Center front desk, special assistance and a special a park projects.

Northville High School volunteer hours and scout badge projects are welcome. Contact recreation@ ci northville.mi.us for more infor-

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@comeast.net or the Northville Arts Commission at (248) 449-

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 B.

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 office, 775 N. Center St.

Parks and Recreation Commission

Meets at 7:30 p.m., second Wednesday of the month, Recreation Center at Hillside, 700 W. Baseline Road.

Parks and Recreation

Welcome, New Residents 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 www.northvilleparksandrec.org or call (248) 349-0203.

Winter/Spring 2005 Northville Parks & Recreation

The brochure is now available on-line. Visit 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.

Youth basketball spring league sign-ups

Spring leagues are being devel-oped for eighth-ninth grade boys and 10th-12th grade boys. Registration will run through March 11 or until filled. A \$10 late fee will be assessed after March 11. Costs run from \$100-110. Coaches are needed. Your child will play free if you volunteer to be a head coach. If interested, call Dave DeMattos at (248) 349-0203, ext.1405.

Spring Road Rally

This rally will be from 3:30-7 p.m. on Saturday, March 12 starting the Northville Senior Community Center. Dinner is included and top prizes will be awarded based on speed and accuracy. The cost is \$20 for adults, \$12 for children 10 and up, \$80 for families of five people. For more information, call (248) 349-0203, ext.

Art a la Carte Workshop

Each week kids will explore a new "make and take" project and discover their creativity and artistic ability through activities including print making, drawing, watercolor, mosaics and found object collage shadow boxes. The instructor will be Karen Ritterhouse. This workshop is for children from 6-13 years old. Classes will be held from 4:15-5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays through March 22 at the Art House in the Mosaic Room, 215 W. Cady St. The fee is \$71 per resident, additional non-resident fees apply. A \$25 supply fee is due to the instructor at class.

American Red Cross Babysitter Training

The American Red Cross babysitter training course, offers, youth the opportunity to learn basic babysitting skills. This course provides safety, basic child care, safe play, first aid and critical emergency action skills and also includes interviewing for a babysitting job, diapering and feeding techniques. Youth must be 11 years old to receive a certificate. The fee includes course training manual and babysitter first aid kit. Students must bring a sack lunch (no refrigeration available). The class will be from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12 at Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road. The fee is \$66 per Northville resident additional non-resident fees apply.

SKRUFF V

Band demos are currently being accepted. Five local and regional teenage bands will be chosen to perform. Forward CD demos and promotional materials only to: SKRUFF Committee of Northville Parks and Recreation, 700 W. Baseline Road, Northville, Mich., 48167.

Aquatics Employment Opportunities

There are immediate openings for a water fitness instructor and certified lifeguards for 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 drop-in 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 through 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.

Open Badminton

Competitive style badminton is available. All skill levels are welcome. Cost is \$7 per night, including bird fee. Event is held 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays at Hillside Recreation Center, at the back entrance of Hillside Middle School, 775 N. Center St.

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 noon-4 p.m., Saturdays, at the Hillside Recreation Center.

Open Basketball

This event is offered at the Senior Community Center on most Tuesdays 7-9:30 p.m. The cost is \$3. Contact parks and recreation for more information at (248) 449-9947.

Co-ed Adults 50 and over Open Basketball

This is offered noon-2 p.m., Tuesdays and 10 a.m.-noon, Thursdays at the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. The fee is \$1. Contact parks and recreation for more information at (248) 449-9947.

Family Open Gym

The gym is open Sundays at the Northville Senior Community Center. The fee is \$2. For times and more information, call parks and recreation at (248) 449-9947.

Regional

Open Ice Skating

The Novi Ice Arena has open ice skating 3-4:50 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays. The cost is \$5 per person. Skate rentals are available. The Ice Arena is at 42400 Arena Drive, Novi. For more information, call (248) 347-1010.

Line Dancing at Novi Ice

Line dancing lessons are held 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 55 years and older. Both programs are ongoing, pay-as-you-go. The Novi Ice Arena is located at 42400 Arena Drive. For more information, call Jean at (248) 348-9116.

Schoolcraft College Kids on

Campus Kids on Campus classes are for chool-aged children, from firstninth grade. Most classes last eight weeks and cost \$111. To register for a Kids on Campus class, fax a registration form to (734) 462-4572 or place the form in the drop box in front of McDowell Center on the Livonia campus. You can view or download the Kids on Campus catalog and application form from the Schoolcraft Web site, www.schoolcraft.edu. For more information, contact the Continuing Education Services department at (734) 462-

Master Gardener Association

These monthly meetings are 7 p.m., the second Thursday of each month through June. The gardeners meet at the Environmental Interpretive Center at the northwest corner of the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, 4901 Evergreen Road, between Ford

Paper Bag Production's "Alice in Wonderland"

Road and Michigan Avenue.

Paper Bag Production is presenting "Alice in Wonderland" at 1 p.m. Saturdays, March 5, 12, and 19, and at 2 p.m. Sundays, March 6, 13, and 20. Lunch is available one hour before showtime. Tickets are \$10 for lunch and show; \$7 for show only. There are group rates for 10 or more. It will be at the Livonia Theater, Livonia Mall, 29516 Seven Mile Road at Middlebelt Road. Park on the north side of the mall and use the "G" entrance. For more information, call (586) 344-7774.

Novi Theatres' My Fair Lady

Novi Theatres is presenting My Fair Lady 7:30 p.m. March 4, 5, and 11; and 2 p.m. March 6, 12 and 13. Tickets are \$17. The theater is at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi. For more information, call (248) 347-0400.

Waterford Oaks Park 'Fridge'

Ride "The Fridge," Michigan's refrigerated toboggan run. Toboggans provided and transported by park staff. Hours are 4-9:30 p.m., Wednesday-Friday; 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Saturday; and noon-6 p.m., Sunday. The park is on Scott Lake Road between Dixie Highway and Watkins Lake Road. An all-day ticket is \$9 for adults; \$7 for Oakland County residents; \$4 for youths (30-43 inches tall) or \$2.50 for a single-ride ticket. Call (248) 858-0906.

or visit Web site at

their way out of debt. Folks don't to like to look at history because comparisons are made between the respective players. The very talented are evaluated, their situations, with which they had to wrestle, and the issues of today. History will record that in crisis Michigan did have a leader once that was perhaps the best ever produced by our state, George Romney. This successful businessman with a well seasoned record of broad accomplishments got a grip on the situation and chose: as we will remember not to brainwash or be brainwashed.

Jim Nowka

Record praise

Good for the Northville the nation's worst unemploy-

Record, for sticking to your ment rate." Unless I'm from a guns. The stories last week relative to 13-year-old girls and what their world is really like was right on point and offered a constructive progression of the "hate club" related stories which have galvanized so much local opinion.

I'm certain the paper has caught its share of flack recently from those who too often apologize on behalf of school district officials and the school board and no doubt from parents who too easily make excuses for kids behaving poorly.

But as a taxpayer who no longer has children enrolled in local schools, I am pleased to know our local newspaper is expecting more, not less, from officials who rely solely on taxpayer money to make their living and move forward their

agendas. Good job, Northville Record. Thanks for not letting up, even if it means being unpopular for the moment.

> Barb Hayduk Northville

Speak up

Jack According Lessenberry (2-17-2005), "The state is drifting downward economically; tied with Alaska for different planet, we are not "drifting downward," but dead last. Rock bottom. Tied for last with a state best known for a dog race and a pipeline. After promising repeatedly to put Michigan's economic house in order, John Engler and the Republican legislature, clearly, failed miserably. This is the same bunch that took over the Detroit Public Schools and left it in worse shape than ever. What should be made clear by now is that the Republican eco-nomic "plan" — both nationally and in Michigan — is little more than smoke and mirrors. A great fog designed to enrich the few at the expense of the many. To be forced to chose between adequately funding our public schools or supporting our universities is a disgrace. You don't need to be an economist to know that good schools mean good property values. Gov. Granholm and the Republican legislature are playing some crude game of chicken; the cowards won't say the two bad words that need to be said: raise taxes. Pay our bills. Just like bad roads mean more spending for tires, shocks. ball joints, etc., underfunded schools have - and will have their bills come due in damage

to our economy.

John Grant Northwile

Demeter praised

I am writing in praise of Officer Larry Demeter of the Northville Township Police Department, and the excellence of the D.A.R.E. program.

As a D.A.R.E. teacher, Officer Demeter compliments the content of his lessons with his contagious smile and great sense of humor. He always commands respect, yet remains approachable. And, as any educator will testify, this tandem is one of the tougher elements of our job description.

As a school resource officer. he remains accessible at all times, and makes frequent visits to campus. Whether catching up with students or helping them deal with life's obstacles, one can see the connection he's

Officer Larry Demeter is a tremendous civil resource. In today's age, when police officers no longer walk the street, the D.A.R.E. liaison fills a similar role within the community. By meeting our future citizens face to face, he personalizes the police force.

Like Sergeant Matt Mayes before him. Officer Demeter is a tremendous influence in our students' lives, and a credit to the Northville Township Police Department.

> Keith Gall Administrator, Teacher Northville Montessori Center

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF HEARING 2005 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

The Northville Township 2005 Board of Review will be holding meetings on the following dates to hear appeals from citizens regarding their 2005 assessment at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 6 Mile Rd, Northville, MI 48167. You may call (248) 348-5810 between 8 00 a m. and 4.30 p.m. for an appointment. Letter of appeals must be received on or before March 15, 2005. No postmarks accepted

March 8, 2005 12:00 noon - 1:00 p m Organizational Meeting 1.00 p m. - 4.00 p m. Hearings by Appointment March 12, 2005 9 00 a m. - 12 00 noon Hearings Walk-In

First Come First Serve March 14, 2005 9 00 a m. - 12.00 noon Hearings by Appointment 1:00 pm. - 4 00 pm Hearings by Appointment March 15, 2005 1:00 p.m. - 4 00 p.m. Hearings by Appointment 600 pm. - 900 pm Hearings by Appointment

Pursuant to Act 165 of 1971 and based on the proposed changes to assessed value for 2005, the Wayne County Equalization Department has set the following tentative equalization factors relative to the 2005 Real and Personal Property Assessments:

Commercial Real 1 00; Industrial Real 1 00, Residential Real 1 00, All Personal Property 1 00.



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CITY OF NORTHVILLE FINAL STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES 2005 WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **BLOCK GRANT FUNDS**

The Northville City Council approved the following Community Development Block Grant projects for the 2005 Program year. \$46,000

Allen Terrace Improvements Senior Center Staffing Senior Transportation Program Administration

\$ 3,000 4,000 \$ 5,000

Total Estimated Allocation

(3-3-05 NR 196786):

JOANNE INGLIS

HOUSING DIRECTOR

CITY OF NORTHVILLE 2005 BOARD OF REVIEW WAYNE AND OAKLAND COUNTIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland Counties, will meet at the City Hall Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167 for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting the 2005 Assessment Rolls of the City of Northville on the following dates: TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2005

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2005

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2005

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2005

3:00 p m. to 5:00 p m. and 5:30 p m. to 9:00 p m. Appointments: 8 30 a m. to 12:00 p m. and

200 pm. to 5:00 pm. and

Administrative Meeting:

1.00 pm. to 2:00 pm,

6.00 p m. to 9 00 p m.

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ALL TAXPAYERS wishing to review their taxable value or assessments with the Board of Review will be seen by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Appointments must be made on or before 4:30 p.m. EST, Monday, March , 2005. A nonresident may protest to the Board of Review by letter. Letter appeals MUST be accompanied by a completed Board of Review petition form (form L-4035). Please contact the City of Northylle Tax Department at (248) 449-9901 for an appointment or with any questions you m'ay have regarding your 2005 taxable or assessed value. (3-3/10-05 NR 196767)

BOARD OF REVIEW

OF NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **BLOCK GRANT FUNDS** FY 2005 -2006 PROJECTS

CHARTER TOWNSHIP

On Thursday, February 17, 2004 at 7:30 P.M. the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Northville conducted a public hearing and at their regularly scheduled meeting on this date, approved the following projects for FY 2005 -2006 CDBG Funds, with the estimate that \$115,000 will be awarded.

\$36,000 Public Services
These funds will be used for on-going Senior Citizen programs, such as, but not limited to; bus services, tele-care, newsletter and program

\$11,500 Comprehensive Planning The Comprehensive Planning issues to be addressed are sub-area master plans for parks, ordinance revision and other planning issues

\$54,000 American with Disabilities Act Requirements

for Park Improvements
The Parks and Recreation Department will make improvements required by the Americans with Disabilities Act to the township parks. The improvements include, but are not limited to, replacing park equipment, and pathways to be ADA compliant.

\$11,500 Administration The final Statement has been prepared and is available to the public at the Northville Township Crinc Center, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville,

(3-3-05 NR 196434)

SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CLERK

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Hey...Northville It's Time to Pick Your PEOPLE'S CHOICE *AWARDS*

We Need Your Input On The Best Places To Shop... Best Places To Eat...Best Place For Great Service. This is NOT scientific! It's a fun, readers poll.

FOOD OUTLETS

Best place for coffee/donuts/bagels____ Best specialty coffee house ______

Best place for breakfast_____

Day Time Phone_

Date Sent _

E-mail Address

- Best Sunday brunch ____ Best fast food restaurant
- Best family restaurant _____ Best place for soup
- Best salad bar_
- Best place for burgers _ Best place for hot dogs/coneys
- Best place for subs ____
- Best place for ice cream • Best place for chicken
- Best quality dining restaurant Best place for desserts ____
- Best Italian restaurant ____
- Best place for seafood ____ Best oriental restaurant _____
- Best Tex-Mex restaurant_____
- Best place for pizza ____
- Best place for steak ______
- Best chicken dish ____ Best place for barbeque ribs__
- Best wine selection (restaurant)
- Best beer selection (restaurant) ____
- Best place for romantic dinner ____ Best after work meeting place __
- Best sports bar Best place for dancing _

People's Choice Awards - Northville Record

(3-3-05 NR 196435)

Join in on the Balloting! **BEST RETAIL STORES**

Best appliance store _____

Best eyecare store _____

Best floral shop _____

Best grocery store ____

Best jewelry store ____

Best lumber yard

Best children's wear _

Best men's wear

Best women's wear

Best sporting goods ____

Best hardware/home improvement store_

Best resale shop

Best antique store ;

. Best gift/card store

Best beer selection (store)

Best bakery/baked goods ______

Best wine selection (store)

Best party store ______

Best pharmacey _____

BEST SERVICE PROVIDERS

Best hair salon

. Best place to bank __ Best place to get nails done _____ Best real estate company

- Best real estate agent Best mortgage company ____
- Best auto dealer Best auto service
- Best oil change shop _ Best collision shop_
- Best veterinary service
- Best travel agency _____ Best childcare service
- Best house painter_ Best landscaping company _
- Best health/fitness company__ • Best waitress/waiter (include restaurant)
- · Best car wash_
- Best tanning salon ______ Best accountant ___ Best chiropractor
- All Entries Must Be Received By March 7th For A Chance To Win A GIFT CERTIFICATE To An Award-Winning Restaurant

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CHURCH EVENTS

Singles Seminars (1997)

series of seminars titled "Gut Issues of Singleness" from 7:30-

9 p.m. on three Tuesdays, March 8, 15, and 22. Dr. J. Harold

Ellens will be the speaker. It will

be at the First Presbyterian

Church, 200 E. Main St. For

more information, call (248)

349-0911 or visit the Web site,

The First United Methodist Church of Northville and

Casterline Funeral are co-spon-

soring a one-day grief work-shop, "From Grief to New Hope" from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on

Saturday, March 19, at the church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road.

This workshop is free and open

to the community. Cathy Clough, Director of New Hope

Center for Grief Support will be

the presenter. For registration

and information, call (249) 349-

There will be a community-

wide healing service at 4 p.m. on

Monday, March 7, at the First

United Methodist Church of

Northville, 777 W. Eight Mile

Road. It is a service of hope and

persons of all faiths are invited.

The First Church of the Nazarene of Detroit will host a

concert at 6 p.m. on Sunday,

March 13. Mr. Burger, one of

gospel music's premier musi-

cians, will perform. A free-will

offering will be taken. The

church is located at 21260

Haggerty Road. For door passes

and details, call (248) 348-7600.

There will be an Easter

Easter Eggstravaganza

Healing Service

Gospel Concert

www.singleplace.org.

Grief Workshop

Single Place is presenting a

Mr. and Mrs. John Treanor

Mr. and Mrs. John Treanor

John and Kathleen Treanor celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family gathering at Rocky's Restaurant, Northville, in July 2004.

They were married on July 31, 1954 at St. Rose Catholic Church in Detroit. John retired from Mich-Con Gas Company after 33 years of service. Kathleen worked at Stouffers Restaurant and is a housewife. They have seven children, Kathy, John, Brian, Michael, Kevin, Dennis and Brenden; and eleven grandchil-

John and Kathleen have lived in Michigan for 55 years and in Northville for 32 years. They became U.S. citizens in the early 1950's, coming to the the U.S. from Ireland. They are both involved in their church activities and John coached soccer in 1973 in Northville and Novi.

The Treanors are proud to be American citizens. They feel that the American people are wonderful, friendly and hard-working, and this is the greatest country in



Sole-Campos

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sole of Nonhville Township announce the engagement of their son, Mark Sole to Noell Campos, daughter of Tim Campos, Raleigh, N.C. and Judy Campos, Arvada, Colo.

INVITATION FOR BIDS

CITY OF NORTHVILLE

SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Sealed bids will be received in the City of Northville Council Chambers, City Hall, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until 2.00 p.m. local time on Wednesday, March 16, 2005 for the City's City Hall Sidewalk and Sewer Improvements Project.

This project involves two contracts in which contractors are encouraged to, but not required to submit a bid on both. Contract A includes the placement of a sewer lead from the Fire Half to a sanitary sewer in W Main Street, and Contract B includes pavement restoration for Contract

A work as well as handicap ramp and general sidewalk removal and replacement in front of City Hall in the City of Northville, Michigan. Contract documents and bid proposals can be obtained by contacting the Northville Department of Public Works at (248) 449-9930.

The City of Northville reserves the right to warve any irregulanty or informality in bids, to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, or to award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be deemed in

The groom-elect is a 1995 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School and a 1999 graduate of Wheaton College. He is employed by the Denver Southmetro Fire Rescue.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Arvade Senior High School and a 2001 graduate of the University of Colorado. She is employed by the University of Colorado Hosiptal and Denver Health Hospital.

An August 2005 wedding is



Pilarz-Parnin

Pilarz-Parnin

Dave and Bonnie Pilarz of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Christine Pilarz to Chris Parnin, son of Liz and Tom Pamin of Livonia.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Northville High School, a 2003 graduate of the University of Michigan, Dearborn and a current student at Madonna University. She is employed as a shared time subsitute teacher in Livonia.

The groom-elect is a 1998 Catholic Central High School graduate and a 2003 graduate of the University of Michigan, Dearborn. He is employed by Continental Automotive Systems, Auburn Hills.

A July 2005 wedding is

McClintock-Kuespert

Douglas and Janet McClintock of Northville announce the engagement of their son, William G. McClintock to Jennifer A. Kuespert, daughter of Karl and Sandy Kuespert of Columbus, I Ohlo and Ann and Jim Popoff of

McKinney, Texas. The groom-elect is a 1994 graduate of Northville High School and 1998 graduate of the University of Michigan He is employed by Mountain Optech,

The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of Stevenson High School, Livonia and is currently attending Front Range College at Boulder, Colo. She is employed by Southern Sun Pub & Brewery.

An August 2005 wedding is



McClintock-Kuespert

Krupansky-Sanchez

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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

JAMES P. GALLOGLY

(3-3-05 NR 196471)

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth

Krupansky of Clarkston, formerly

of Northville, announce the engagement of their son, Kevin

Scott Krupansky to Lynda Rose

of Northville High School and

received his bachelor of science

degree in mechanical engineering

from the University of Michigan

and a master's degree in engineer-

ing management from Oakland

University. He is employed as an

assembly area manager at DaimlerChrysler's Warren

Warren

INVITATION FOR BIDS

CITY OF NORTHVILLE FENCE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Sealed bids will be received in the City of Northville Council Chambers, City Hall, 215 W Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 until 2:30 p.m. local time on Wednesday, March 16, 2005 for the City's Fence

This project includes the proper removal and disposal of existing fencing and the placement of new PVC coated fence, posts gates, and

associated hardware at two specific locations in the City of Northville,

Michigan. Contract documents and a bid proposal can be obtained by contacting the Northville Department of Public Works at (248) 449-9930. The City of Northville reserves the right to waive any irregularity or

informality in bids, to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, or to

award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be deemed in

The groom-elect is a graduate

her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University. She is currently a Project Manager with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. planned.

DeWitt High School and received

A May 2005 wedding is



Ott-Brown

Ott-Brown

Stephen Ott and Mary Starring of Northville announce the engagement of their son, Joshua Starring Ott to Amanda Leigh Brown, daughter of Philip and Jadine Brown of Baton Rouge,

The groom-elect is a 1998 graduate of Northville High School and 2004 graduate of Lousiana State University. He is employed by Lanier Corp, Baton Rouge, La.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Parkview Baptist High School, Baton Rouge and also a 2004 graduate of Lousiana State University. She is employed as an English teacher at Denhan High

A June 2006 wedding is

Abbott-Solberg

Mike and Cindy Abbott of Canton, formerly of Northville, announce the engagement of their son, Rob Abbott to Stacey Solberg, daughter of Jack and Phyllis Solberg of Ray, Mich. and the late Diane Solberg.

The groom-elect is a 1998 graduate of Northville High School and ray 2003 agraduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed as a fifth grade teacher at Benteen Elementary School, Atlanta.

The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of Romeo High School and also a 2003 graduate of Western The bride-elect is a graduate of Michigan University. She is

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employed as an occupational therapist with A to Z Therapy.

A June 2005 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Luterek

Jeffrey Luterek and Katia Carbajal were married Aug. 21,



Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Luterek

Church in Las Colinas, Texas. Rev. O'Donovan officiated the ceremony. A reception was held at the Las Colinas Country Club.

The groom is the son of Jim and Debbie Luterek of Northville. The Northville High School alumnus graduated from Michigan State University in 2000. He is employed by Ford Motor Company.

The bride is the daughter of Carmen and Hugo Carbajal of Lima, Peru. She graduated from Colegio San Antonio de Mujeres High School and North Lake College in Irving, Texas.

Pilar Carbajal, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. Serving as bridesmaids were Jane Luterek, sister of the groom, and Amanda Rios, friend. Betty Gongora and Margarita Gongora were flower girls.

Madaus. Chris Davis and Scott Willock were groomsmen. William Gongora was the ring The couple honeymooned on

Maui and will make their home in

Beaverton, Oregon.

Eggstravaganza at the First Church of the Nazarene of Serving as best man was Scott

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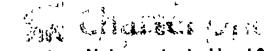
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Harriet Tubmaที่ รู้

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ABOVE: Leslie McCurdy gestures during her portrayal of the life of Harriet Tubman at a Thornton Creek Elementary School assembly. Students learned Tubman was born a slave in 1820 in Maryland, had some of her siblings "sold" to other slave holders and was one of the ploneers of the "underground railroad" during the Civil War. The underground railroad sought to bring escaped slaves throughout the South to the North where freedom awaited. ABOVE RIGHT: Thornton Creek students watch Leslie McCurdy's portrayar of Harriet Tubman on a recent Wednesday morning.





Join the American Cancer Society Relay For Life! Your American Cancer Society is rallying the community of Northville to participate in your annual Relay For Life, the Society's signature event. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life, a team-based fundraising event, is a unique, empowering and fun way to make a difference in the fight against cancer. Put together a team of your own. Walk in the Cancer Survivor's Victory Lap. Purchase a luminaria in honor of someone who has battled cancer. Help sponsor these exciting events.

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Mark Cruson Excellence Award Press



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Tina Lloyd **Excellence Award** Circulation



Jim Mitchell **Excellence Award** South Lyon Herald Editorial



Matt Smith Excellence Award Daily Press & Argus Editorial



Nancy Thomas Excellence Award Business



Nicole Thomas Excellence Award Production Graphics



Rita Tomasek **Excellence Award Business**



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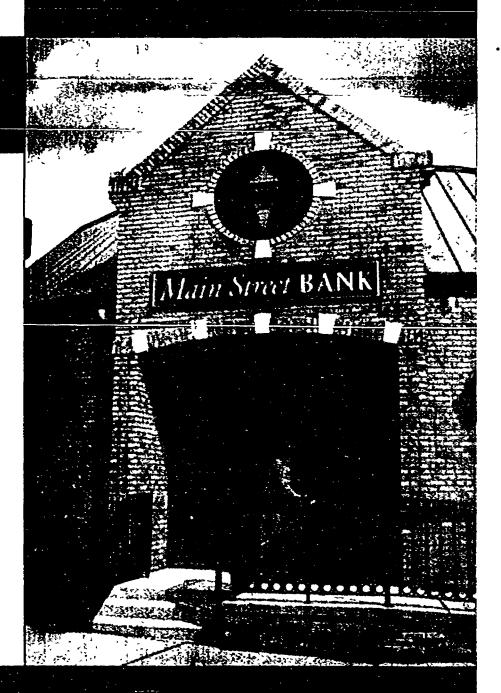
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The end

The Northville basketball team knew heading into the first round of the district tournament they would have to play their best in order to advance past favorite Canton. Despite Northville's best efforts, it was the Chiefs that ended up on top.

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CHAMPIONS!



Mustang swimmers celebrate their first ever Western Lake Activities Association Conference Championship captured last weekend at a tournament at Salem High. From left: Chris Calkin, Joe Hogan, Brad Farris, and Will Blickle.

Mustangs capture first-ever Western Lakes crown

By Sam Eggleston **RECORD SPORTS WRITER**

or some Northville tankers, winning Western Lakes Activities come true

For others, it was a sigh of relief. Truth is, no one really knew how to react. It was after all the program's first

WLAA title. "To be honest, it was more of a relaxed

reaction," said Northville coach Rich Bennetts. "There had been a lot of pressure the whole week and on Thursday we swam so well (at the preliminaries) that it was hard to come and back it up two days later.

"Everyone was just happy when we won it.

Swimmer's parents had the biggest

reaction, Bennetts said.

"The parents went nuts," he said. "The kids were more subdued than their parents were. I think they were just waiting for it to be over. It was fun, and the guys

into the depths

It was a far cry from four years ago. The only four-year member of the team.

guys were on the swim team. They were talented, but that was never enough to win a league meet.

"You can have one or two studs and you Association championship was a dream won't win the championship," Hogan said. "You have to win it with depth. Sure, we had a lot of guys swimming for some of the top spots, but in the finals the 18th place is just as important as first."

Bennetts agreed. They edged Stevenson - their bitter rival — with 590 points to the Spartans' 565.

ker for Complete kicker Stevenson? actually scored less top-six [881]18. places than they did. "That just shows how

important depth is, Bennetts said. "This was a battle, right from the very first event. It was exciting."

The two teams stayed neck-and-neck throughout most of the meet. The straw that broke Stevenson's back was Northville's depth in the 500 freestyle. There, the Mustangs took first, second. fourth, eighth, 13th and 16th.

That gave us a pretty good cushion for the last four events." Bennetts said.

Not that Northville needed it. They had impressive showings throughout the final

Joe Hogan, remembers that year. Just 13 four races, even taking first in the 400 freestyle relay with a time of 3:16.19 from the team of Chris Keady, Will Blickle, Chris Culkin and Brad Farris. The foursome shaved nearly three seconds off their season-best time.

> Many swimmers cut time, thanks to the coaching of Bennetts, Hogan said.

"He definitely knows what he's doing," the senior tanker said. "He has us taper at the right times, swim in the right events and he finds ways to make us better."

Juşt keep swimming

For at least nine Northville tankers, the season isn't over just yet. On the horizon is the state meet, scheduled for March 11-12 at Eastern Michigan University. Both days will have a noon start.

The front guys on this team know this is goal number two," said Bennetts. "First we wanted to win the division, and then the league and then we wanted to finish in the top five at the state meet."

Bennetts admits it is a lofty goal, but one he believes his team can reach if they swim to their potential.

There are some really good teams in the state, but we have to realize we're one of them now," he said. "We have to step up, go over and race."

Going to the state meet will be Keady, Culkin, Will Blickle, Brody Blickle, Weston Laabs, Hunter Schwartz, Ryan Smith and Hogan.

If Brad Lempke does well at the regional - placing in the top 12 divers at the meet — he will advance to the state finals for the second-straight year.

"It's awesome that we have nine, maybe 10, guys going," said Hogan. 'That's what it's all about. Now we just have to go and show everyone what we can do. I think we can reach our goals, as long as we swim hard."

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Headed to states

By Sam Eggleston

Qualifying for a state meet in any sport is no easy task.

That's why the Northville Mustangs are happy to be bringing nine swimmers and, most likely, a diver to next week's championship meet.

With only one meet remaining, the Mustangs have made a point of showcasing their talent and earning state meet qualifying times while doing it.

We're really happy with the number of guys going this year," said Rich Bennetts, Northville's coach. "We're going to be going for a top-five finish. It's not going to be easy."

The key is strong swims in the preliminaries March 11 and returning tankers for the finals, March 12. Both days begin at noon at Eastern Michigan University.

Brad Lempke, a senior diver will be looking to make his mark this year hopefully scoring points for Northville along the way. First he fl have to qualify. though with a top-12 showing at the regional meet next Tuesday. Lempke made it last season to compete in the finals.

We are expecting thin to go, with us again, Beinetts noted, Swimming the 200 freestyle and the 100 freestyle will be Brad. Parris, while Charle Kendy hoppes in the pool in the 200 freestyle. and the 500 freestyle. Will Blickle joins him in the 500 freestyle and will also swim the 200 individual medley along with his brother, Brody. Brody Blickle will also swim to 100 Back

roke. Weston Laabs calined his qual



Photo by DAVID AGUILAR/RECORD EDIT Northville diver Brad Lempke, shown here, hopes to make it to the finals for his secondstraight appearance.

ifying time last weekend, who will swim the 100 breaststroke.

Relay-only swimmers Hunter chwartz, Ryan Smith and Joe Hogan will also travel to Ypsilanti for state competition. Both Schwartz and Smith hope to get their cuts in the "Last Chance" meet Northville will host this

work
Schwartz massed the cur in the backstroke by his illustration of a second while Smith massed his mark by three-hundreths of a second in the 100 butterfly.

We're hoping to score some points," said Bennetts. "I think we're definitely going to finish in the top-10, but we'll have to have some great swims to reach our goal of top-five."

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WLAA titles even won by the Northville boys swim and dive team.

Points scored by just three Mustangs

cagers in the team's

52-43 district loss.

A Northville Mustang competes in the breaststroke at the WLAA title meet.

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Photo by DAVID AGUILAR/RECORD EDITOR

Time swam by Chris Keady to set a new WLAA record in the 500 freestyle.

Distance, in feet, senior Diana Deaibes hopes to throw the discus this spring.

Seconds Brad Fairis needs to cut from his 100 freestyle swim to set school record.

Place Northville boys junior varsity bowling team took in their conference.

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Seconds dropped off Weston Laabs' personal-best 200 ltd swim (2:06.32).

The Northville Mustangs hockey team never had any doubts heading into last Friday's Western Lakes Activities Association title game against Livonia Churchill: the Chargers were going to be a

handful. Churchill didn't let them down, skating away with a hard-fought 1-0 victory over Northville.

"We knew it was going to be a tough game," said Northville coach, Brad, O'Neill, "Churchill has a lot of talent."

The Chargers scored in the first period and held on for the victory. The victory secured a WLAA championship for Churchill. Northville finished second in the conference.

"We've had a real good year," said O'Neill. "There's nothing for us to hang our heads about. We've got to put that loss behind us and get ready for the regional."

Northville was scheduled to play Tuesday night.

Tankers capture WLAA

The Northville Mustangs swimming and diving team, for the first time in school history, captured the Western Lakes Activities Association title last week.

The victory was won with 590 total points while rival Stevenson finished second with 565. Salem took third in the meet, which they hosted, with 377 points while Canton finished fourth with 366 and Walled Lake Central took fifth with 244.

The meet was close from the opening event to the last. In the 200 medley relay, Northville's team of Hunter Schwartz, Ryan Smith, Weston Laabs and Joe Hogan took second place in 1:40.75 -- a three second drop off their previous season-best time.

The 200 freestyle event found Chris Keady finishing first with a time of 1:44.24 while Chris Culkin took third in 1:48.21. Brody Blickle took fourth in 1:48.92 and Mark Stuber finished with a 1:51.44.

The 200 individual medley found Will Blickle earning the top spot in 2:00.50 while Laabs finished in seventh with a 2:06.32 - a drop of six seconds from his career-best. Schwartz finished with a 2:11.81, which was good for 10th, while freshman John Bardsley finished 13th in 2:10.36.

. In the 50 freestyle, Brad Farris took fourth with a time of 22.46 seconds while Hogan took seventh in 23.17 seconds. Freshman Jim Mammano was 15th in the race, finishing in 24.52 seconds.

In diving, the Mustangs found themselves well represented. Brad Lempke finished in third place with a total score of 359.95 over 11 dives. Jamie Wiener was eighth with 269.75 points while freshman Scott Lee finished 12th with 255.5 points and Will Fankell, also a freshman, was 18th with 220.3.

Northville continued its strong showing following the diving break as Brody Blickle finished fifth in the 100 butterfly with a time of 55.53 seconds. Smith was eighth in the event, finishing in 56.32 seconds while Chris Folas took 13th in 1:00.69.

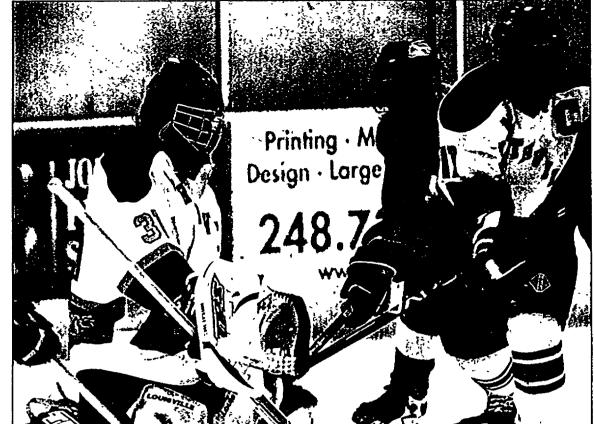
In the 100 freestyle, Farris took first in 48.53 seconds — just 0.13 seconds off the school record. Hogan wasn't too far behind, taking seventh in 50.85 seconds while Stuber was eighth in 51.86. The 500 freestyle was dominated by Mustangs tankers. Keady took first in 4:40.30 to set a new WLAA record, breaking the old time of 4:41.71. Will Blickle was second in 4:48.86 while Culkin was fourth in 4:53.54. Taking eighth was freshman Greg Sheppard in 5:07.92 while Colin Smith took 13th in 5:18.26 and Dan O'Brien was 16th in 5:25.78.

In the 200 freestyle relay, the team of Farris, Brody Blickle, Hogan and Keady was second in 1:31.13 while the 100 backstroke found Schwartz finishing third in 57.22 seconds. Smith in eighth in 1:00.12 and Bardsley taking 11th in 1:00.63.

In the 100 backstroke, Laabs swam a 1:02.05 for fourth place while Sheppard was 10th in 1:08.49. Rounding out the day was the 400 freestyle relay team of Keady, Will Blickle, Culkin and Farris. The team took first in 3:16.19 — a three second drop from their season-best time.

Mustangs get two victories

The Northville Mustangs girls hockey team made short work of



their final two regular season foes as they prepared for post-season play this weekend.

The team, coached by Bill Holden, earned a 5-1 win over Port Huron after defeating Regina, 3-0.

The two wins should help Northville's momentum as they prepare for a first-round matchup against Port Huron in the state tournament. They play at 6 p.m. Saturday. The winner of the game will move on to play at 7:45 p.m. next Wednesday. All games are at the Novi Ice Arena.

"We're really looking forward to it," said Holden. "We think we have a really good chance of getting a couple of wins."

If Northville's games last week are any indication, they're on the hunt for victories. The Mustangs cruised past Port Huron in their final game of the season with Sam Pope, Meredith Ponder, Heather Cox and Krysten Ruzylo scoring

goals in the victory. Against the Regina Saddelites. Andrea Soloko, Pope and Amy Cauzillo tallied goals in the 3-0

"It was a great week for us." Holden said. "We just have to carry that over to the playoffs."

Leecee Criswell earned the victories in both games at goalie, not giving up a full-strength goal in either contest.

Wild 'Stangs finish third in conference

The Novi-Northville Wild Stangs gymnastics team had a strong night when they went up against a highly competitive field in the conference championship

last week.

The squad finished third behind Livonia and Brighton, scoring a season-high 144,525 points on the night.

The finish came without the aide of senior Maggie Mills, who was out with an injury but is expected to return for the regional meet Saturday at Hartland High

The Wild 'Stangs had outstanding performances across the board, including a great day by Amanda Perelli in Division 1 competition. She took third on the vault, sixth on the bars, seventh on the beam and 10th on the floor for a sixth-place finish overall. She was also awarded first-place in vault, Division I, for the Western Division thanks t achieving the highest average score in the con-

Rachel Deneau also had a nice day, finishing third on the beam and second with her floor routine in Division II competition. She was awarded first-place for her

average score on the beam this

year for Division II in the Western

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Division. Also recording a strong performance was Janna Ramsey, who took first on the vault, fourth on the bars and third with her floor exercise while Julie Foucher collected second in the vault, sixth on the bars, third with her floor routine and fifth overall.

Sarah Ilkhani-Pour collected a fifth-place finish on the bars while Jackie Gazette finished seventh on the vault and Jessica Glancey was 10th on the beam.

> -- Compiled by Record sports writer Sam Eggleston

Mustangs can't top tough Canton in district

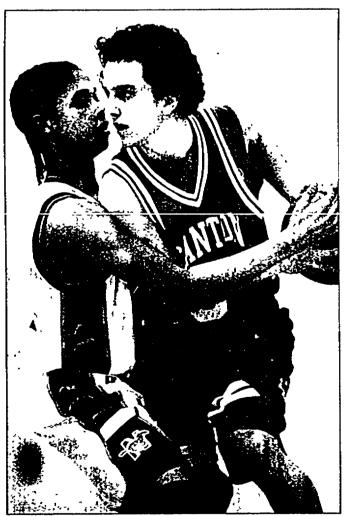


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The Mustangs and Aivin Storrs, left, played Canton tough anc close for awhile Monday night but eventually fell to the Chiefs.



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By Sam Eggleston and Matt Simich RECORD SPORTS

The Northville Mustangs basketball team knew one thing the day they drew Canton as their opponent in the first-round of the district tournament: to win they'd have to play their best game.

As it turned out, even that wasn't enough against the Chiefs' powerhouse as Canton rolled, 52-43.

All 43 of Northville's points came off the shooting of three players. Sophomore Alvin Storrs scored 19 in the losing effort while Chris Lorente and Alan Shanoski added 12 each

"We gave it our all," said Shanoski, "We did our best. We were shooting a lot of threes and we needed to get inside and take care of their big guy." Canton stayed

Northville throughout the contest, keeping All-Division player J.D. Gerblick from being able to get his inside game going.

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"With a big kid like (Kevin) Thorton inside that can block shots without fouling, we did the only thing we could by having J.D. pick and roll and try to get the ball to him," said head coach Darrel Schumacher. "We just weren't finding the open man."

The Chiefs weren't as powerful as they had been in the past. Their star player, Julian Smith. transferred to a prep school in New York about mid-way through the season Canton still had enough strength to get past Northville in the first round

The Mustangs used several defensive schemes, but slight breakdowns on offense cost the team in the long run.

"Defensively we had to do what we did," Schumacher said. "We scrambled up every weird defense we could think of and it worked. We maintained close contact in the first half. We got a little careless with the shots and

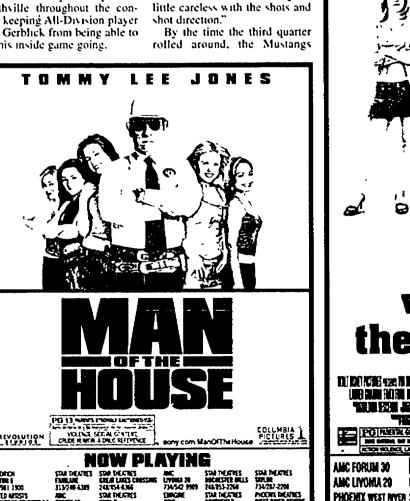
were beginning to slip into a hole they couldn't dig themselves out of.

Canton didn't look back once they got separation from Northville.

'We started out the third half thinking we could throw the long bombs." Schumacher said. "We needed to work through one more pass to make a better shot. They got a little cushion and we

Canton moved on to play Plymouth Wednesday while Novi beat Salem and moved on to play South Lyon. The winners of the two games will match-up in the district final tomorrow at 7

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Mustang discus specialist Diana Deaibes follows through on a practice throw recently. She'll be throwing for real once Northville's track season starts up.

No break for Diana Deaibes

Former Harrison Hawk makes smooth transition to Northville

Northville was a new school. It represented new friends, new teachers and new classes.

But senior Diana Deaibes knew one thing for certain: the sports would be the same.

"I didn't know what to expect," said Deaibes, who came from Farmington Harrison Northville a month into the 2003-04 school year, "It was hard to adjust at first but after that it wasn't had."

Deaibes focused on her studies and athletics. The timing of her family's move to Northville didn't Sam Eggleston

allow her to play basketball, but the volleyball and track and field teams beckoned.

She knew the volley ball team had been struggling for several years, but committed herself to trying her best. This year, it paid oit. For her senior year, as a captain, Dearbes helped lead the Mustangs to a firstever division title.

"It was a pretty good season," she said "We had a whole new program this year with a whole bunch of new concepts and plays. It was a big improvement."

But the Mustangs' season came to a halt during the first round play of the district tournament.

Deaibes said her team had a good run though. With only three seniors graduating, she also said she expects they will continue to be strong.

"Almost everyone is back next year," she said, "Hopefully they do better than we did this year. I think they can."

No more next years

But Deaibes doesn't have a next year. She has to make what's left of her senior stint count. That's where track comes in.

At Farmington Harrison, she needed to find a

competitive event. "I started throwing discus and shot," she said.

At 5-feet-6-inches and weighing in as a feather-weight contender, Dearbes isn't the prototypical thrower.# She doesn't mind. She just practices as much as she can.

"it's a lot more technique than strength," she said. than "I may not be the

biggest girl out there and I may not look intimidating, but I can throw pretty well."

Pretty well? Last year Deaibes threw more than 83 feet. This year she's hoping to eclipse her personal best and have a season to remember.

Despite personal goals, the Northville senior doesn't mind helping a few people improve along the way either.

I try and help the other girls out if I can," she said. "I'll show them technique or give them tips if I need

Changing times

Dearbes said she blinked and her life had changed. Her mother, Heidi, and her step-dad, Mark, planned the Northville move shortly after they were married.

"Everything happened so fast," she said. "I wasn't expecting to move and when we did I was really nervous about going to Northville."

But it's home now. Deaibes has



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Mustang Diana Deaibes will be throwing discus for Northville this Spring during track season.

taken an active role as a leader both on and off the fields of play. She's even become a bit of a recruiter for the track and field team this sea-

"I've been trying to get people to come out," she said. "I've talked to Evonna Karchon and Oussama El-Saadi about coming out for track this year. I even met this one new girl, who moved her from New York, and talked to her about it. I think she's going to try it out this

Only a few weeks separate the

winter and spring sports seasons. Deaibes' volleyball is over and track has yet to begin. But that doesn't

mean she isn't getting ready. "I'm hitting the weight room," she said. "There's no time off for

No matter what school she started at, that kind of attitude sounds all "Mustang" to everyone

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Bowling team has bright future

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The future is bright for the Northville Mustangs bowling team, even though their season has come to a close.

The boys team, coached by Jerry Harris, and the girls team, coached by Paul Osborn, had record numbers this season and proved to be a challenge for any team they faced.

Their season came to a close last week when the boys finished 18th in their regional competition and the girls finished ninth. Only the top four teams advance to the state finals.

"The team did improve throughout the year," said Harris of his boys squad. "The junior varsity team won their conference though, which means we have a good class coming up with a lot of good bowlers.

The Mustangs will no doubt use every bit of talent the teams will have in the coming years, especially considering the number of participants trying out for the sport. Harris, who is also the coordinator for all four Northville teams as well as all four Novi teams, said about 150 kids came out between the two schools this year - an impressive jump from the 60 the year before.

The number is definitely multiplying," said Harris, who is the owner of Novi Bowl. "It was great to see that many kids interested in the sport."

Making their mark

The Mustangs were able to pick and choose which players would step up and make the bowling teams. For the girls, Emily Smith, Laura Means, Danielle Quinlan, Ellen Storch, Heide Taylor, Kelly Southers and Amanda Weber earned spots on the varsity squad.

The boys were represented by

Mike O'Brian, Stephen Brant, Brian Carroll, Bobby Johnson, Brian Ryerkerk, Chuck Hansen, Adam Pelc and George Kern.

Earning all-conference honors in the Wayne-Oakland Conference this year were the girls' Taylor, with a first-team nod, and Weber, who earned honorable mention. Taking honorable mention for the boys was LeBeau.

"It was a good year for these teams," said Harris. "This is the kind of sport that anyone can participate in. Hand-eye coordination helps make a good bowler, and the coaches can teach a few things to help as well."

This marks the second year bowlers at Northville have the chance to earn a letter for their participation. The program has been in existence for three seasons with its first year being recognized as a club

"We're happy to have the support of the school and to have them recognize bowling as a letter sport," Harris said. "With the success we had this year, I think we're only going to keep getting stronger."

Moving forward

The girls team will have to do it, however, without Osborn. The coach announced his retirement after this season.

"We're sad to see him go." Harris said. "We appreciate all of his help."

With the success of the program, there's no doubt Harris will be able to find a replacement for the coach as well as eager replacements for the graduating seniors. The program is growing," he

said. "That's what we have to do if we want to continue going strong."

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Knights looking for players

The Dearborn Heights Knights (12 & under) travel baseball team will be scheduling tryouts for the 2005 baseball season. The Knights are the PeeWee Reese (11 year old) champions for the NorthWest Surburban League. On their schedule will be the

Cooperstown Dreams Park Baseball Hall of Fame. For further information, contact Rich Grucz at 1-(800) 949-

Coaching positions available

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District is currently looking for a head girls track and field coach at Walled Lake Western High School. The district is also looking for a head boys varsity soccer coach for Walled Lake Northern.

The school district also announced a head coaching vacancy for the Walled Lake Central football team. Those interested in the position

should have a coaching resume and letter of intent for review. Inquiries should be directed

to David Yarbrough, Athletics Director for the school district. For more information, call the athletics office at (248) 956-

Registration underway

Registration for Northville Baseball-Softball Association Families can register on the NBSA Website at www.NBSAonline.org. Players that sign up prior to March 1 will receive an early sign-up discount.

New voileyball club in Novi

Club Extreme is looking for 6th, 7th and 8th Grade girls interested in participating in a new club team. Club Extreme's mission is to provide an opportunity for the girls to participate in a challenging yet rewarding environment. Tryouts will be held in March.

All interested Parents may contact Peter Lau at (734) 632-5694 or (248) 219-8639.

Ilkhani-Pour ready for regional

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville junior Sarah Ilkhani-Pour knows returning to gymnastics takes a lot of hard work once you've taken time off.

"It's very demanding," she said. "If you stop for just a little bit it can be hard to work your way back up." Ilkhani-Pour didn't have the

start to this season she would have liked. The Wild 'Stangs gymnast was out all summer with a stress fracture in her back. Following the injury, what she needed most was rest and physical therapy.

Slowly, she's returning to

form. "I'm getting a lot of my old skills back," she said. "The key to gymnastics is to just keep doing skills over and over and over again. Since I had to take a lot of time off, I wasn't able to do that. It was very frustrating."

Ilkhani-Pour has steadily climbed back, earning judging scores she has compiled since she was a freshman.

Her specialty? The bars, though she's known for competing in all of the events.

"It requires a lot of work," said Ilkhani-Pour of the bars. "It's a lot of fun through. I really started doing them because we didn't have that many people on bars. but now we do and have been getting some pretty good scores."

Scores, and more

Good scores is what Ilkhani-Pour and the rest of the gymnastics team are going to need if they hope to make the trip to the state finals as a team again this year.

Last season, the squad took sixth in the state. This year they have to make it past regional competition - where they have to finish in the top three before they can set final goals for themselves.

Individual gymnasts must finish in the top eight to make the state finals trip.

"I think we can make it as a team," Ilkhani-Pour said. "We're going to have to work together. I'm excited about it through, I think we're deep enough to make it."

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This year's regional will be

held at Hartland High School Saturday. Brighton and Tri-Farmington, two schools that have beaten the Novi-Northville team already this year, will be in attendance.

"It's not going to be easy, but at the regional you can count anyone's score from the team," said Ilkhani-Pour. "If one person is having a bad day, hopefully we have some others who are having good days."

'Pour' it on

Ilkhani-Pour has more than a possible state finals trip to keep

She works as a gymnastics coach at the Sports Club of Novi, spends time with friends and concentrates on her studies, She also watches movies and enjoys shopping.

That's if I have time," she said, noting her off-season gymnastics routine requires plenty of training. Ilkhani-Pour maintains a 4.0

grade-point average. She also likes to spend time with her family, who've been supportive of all of her endeav-

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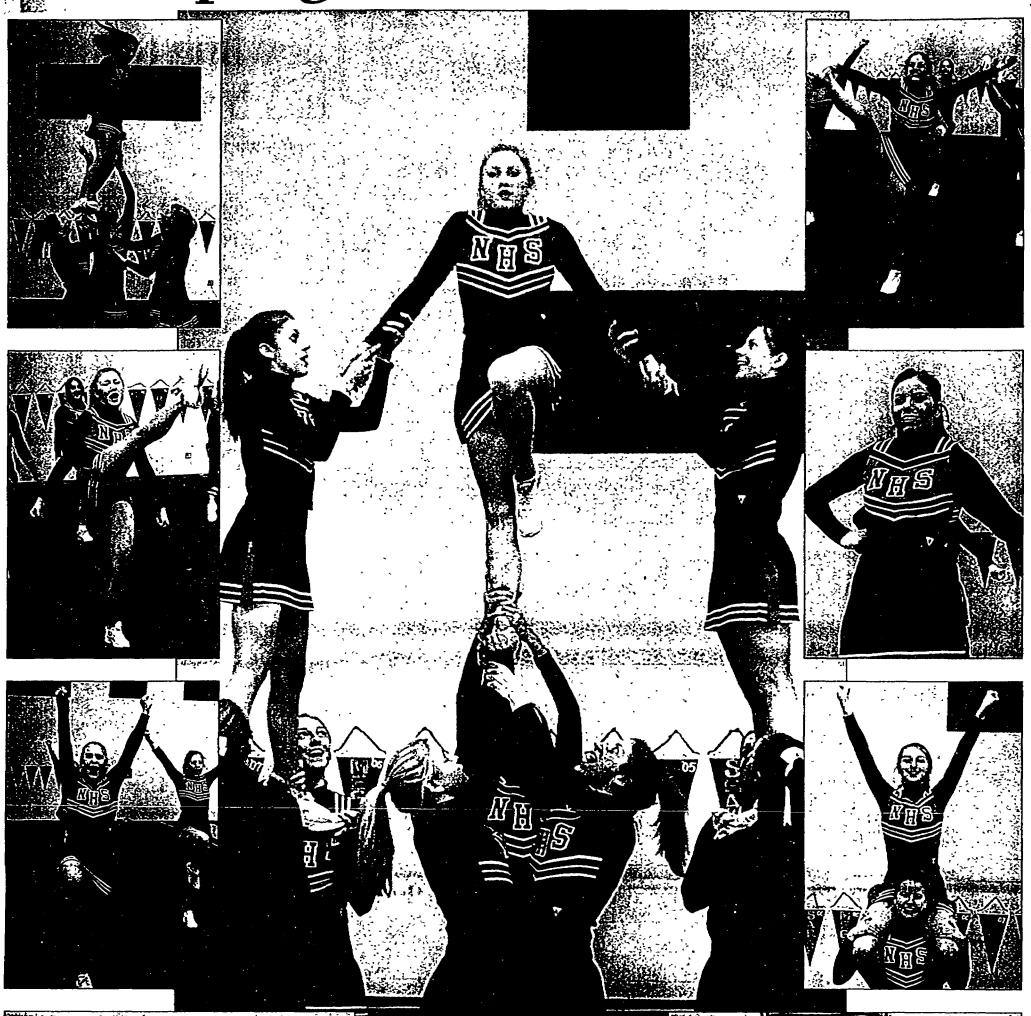
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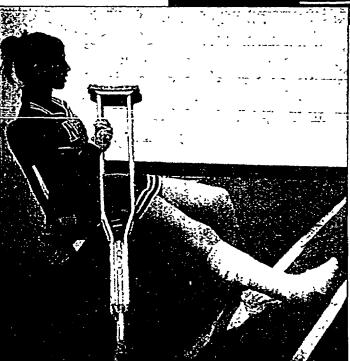
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Keeping Northville cheerful





Photos by SAM EGGLESTON/Record Sports

Talk about being cheery. The Northville Mustangs competitive cheer team was all smiles during this photo shoot last Thursday. The team, coached by Mindy Gentz, is in its first year of dual-meet competitions and has had some surprising results. The reason could easily be attributed to the demeanor of the cheerleaders in the sport as all of them were friendly, helpful and quick to find ways to make each other laugh.

The Mustangs will be competing in a regional tournament this weekend. If they finish first or second they will move on to the state finals.

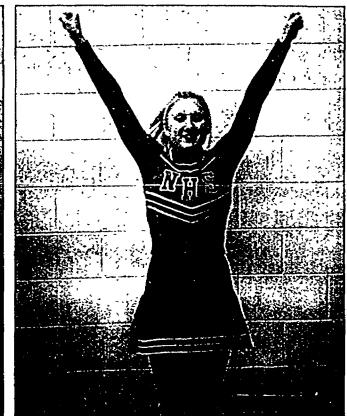
If not, the team has nothing to be upset about. This year's program has helped build the foundation for future teams, which will no doubt continue to build on the excellence Northville cheerleading is known for.



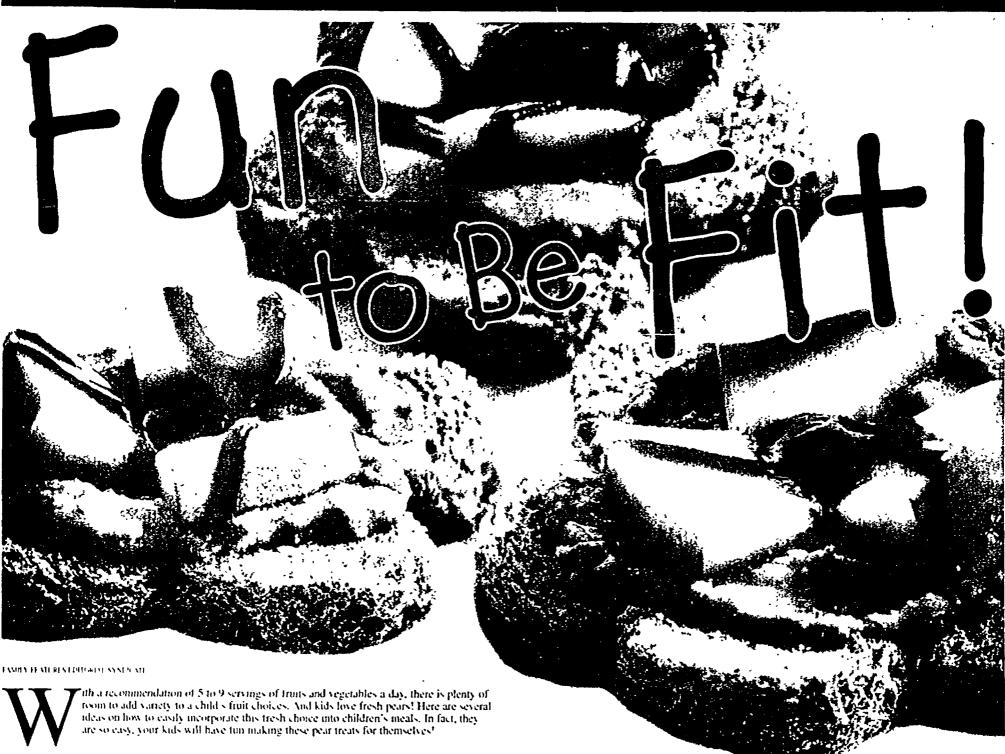




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Pear Stack Snacks — Klds love statking and snacking! Core and slice/cube a fresh pear. Sliver fresh cheese into bitesized pieces. Stack a small pile of whole wheat or rice crackers on a plate and present all three to kids to stack into snacks.



Check the Neck for Ripeness!

ears are a unique fruit that ripen best off the tree (without getting technical, pears left to ripen on the tree can become gritty); they are meant to be ripened after

So, if you are faced with a bunch of rockhard pears, follow this easy 1, 2, 3 process to get your pears to their ripe and juicy perfection: 1. Place hard pears in a paper bag or a covered fruit bowl, and leave at room temperature.

- 2. Every day, "Check the Neck for Ripeness." To do this, apply gentle pressure to the stem end of the pear with your thumb. When it yields to the pressure, it's ready to eat (usually takes a few days).
- 3. Enjoy your ripe, juicy pears now, or store them in the fridge until you're ready to use them. The fridge will slow down the ripening process, but won't stop it. Ready-to-eat pears



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ur mascots help us teach kids of all ages about sweet and healthy USA Pears. PearBear, a loyable and friendly bear from the Pacific Northwest (who just so happens to love pears!), teaches kids about the importance of eating healthy, how to be a good neighbor and other ways to be a good citizen. The PearBear Chronicles, a

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presents pear nutrition information in a way that kids can understand. A Pear Buddy activity book called "Power Up With Pears" offers games and activities that kids can play.

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Quick Pear Sundae for Any Day Add a healthy sweet burst to a favorite dessert by coring and slicing a fresh pear. Arrange the pear slices vertically in sundae dish or small cup with the hottom points touching. Place a scoop of vanilla or chocolate frozen yogurt in the middle. Kids can use the pears to scoop up the last melty bites of yogurt! Yummy!



PearBear Starter

- 1 medium Northwest pear, cored and diced
- 1/2 cup low-fat fruit-flavored yogurt 2 to 3 tablespoons granola

Stir diced pear into yogurt. Serve in small bowl with granola over top. Makes I serving.

Nutritional Analysis per Serving: 286 calories, 7.4g protein, 5.9g fat (18% calories from fat), 54.9g carbohydrate, 5mg cholesterol, 6.0g fiber and 67mg sodium

PearBear Picnic Blankets

- 1 medium Northwest pear, cored and cut into 8 wedges Lemon juice (optional)
- 8 thin slices cooked turkey
- or lean ham 2 tablespoons cranberry sauce

Dip pear wedges in lemon juice, if desired. Spread each turkey or ham slice with cranberry sauce. Wrap each pear wedge in turkey or ham. Makes 8 snack servings.

Nutritional Analysis per Serving: 52 calories, 6.5g protein, 0.6g fat (10% calories from fat), 5.3g carbohydrate, 11mg cholesterol, 0.7g fiber and 408mg

Sunrise for PearBear

- 1 medium Northwest pear, cored
- and cut into 1-inch chunks 1 medium orange, peeled and
- quartered 1/4 cup orange juice

Combine fruits and orange juice; mix well. Refrigerate 1 hour. Makes 2 servings. Nutritional Analysis per Serving: 94 calories, 1.1g protein, 0.5g fat

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Part V: Small business and technology experts

Small- and medium-sized companies need e-commerce solutions that will allow them to do one or more of the following: increase revenue, reduce cost, and increase efficiency.

That means that they need a site that is well designed with the latest technology, at the lowest cost possible, and with search engine opti-mization and other internet marketing and consulting services that will provide the company a robust e-commerce presence. They also need an online presence that can integrate with their backend databases so as to create process efficiency.

A good technology solutions provider should offer solutions that range from basic Web development, to advanced database integration, e-commerce, Internet telephone and multi-media broadcasting. Their staff should have the capability to handling search engine optimization and other consulting services. They should provide consultation services and should be just as available as your lawyer or your accountant.

They should provide traffic reports with their hosting services and thus allow businesses to use this information to enhance their ecommerce strategy. These traffic reports provide information like how many visitors the site has, which page is most visited, which pages are the least visited, which search engines are driving the most traffic to the site, etc. Using this information, businesses can understand buyer behavior and take necessary action to correct deficiencies in their Web presence.

For example, let's take a site that is seeing 10,000 hits a month but not generating a single sale from a Web site customer. That means that the site is not aesthetically pleasing, it lacks interactivity or it lacks functionality that would allow the client to make a sale. Research has shown that more than 60 percent of consumers state that they won't visit a Web site that is poorly designed, even if the site features a favorite brand or product.

Or let's take a site that shows no traffic or a dramatic drop in traffic. Well, the first one is easy to understand; the site probably just needs to be optimized.

To understand search engine optimization in brief, do the following: Go to Yahoo or Google and do a search on 'jewelry + Novi + Michigan' or 'dentist + Farmington Hills + Michigan" and see what the results show. Most of the results will be of directory listings and not of specific jewelry stores or dentist offices. That is because those sites that do belong to the jewelers and dentists out there don't have any search engine optimization and thus they fail to show up when a customer looks for them. But more about search engines in a subse-

quent article. So what does all this mean to you as a small business owner?

Most people will tell me that they have a brother who designs Web sites; or their brothers' wife's sister-in-law 'does' Web sites; or that they plan to go to Yahoo and get a Web site in 10 minutes; or that their tenant is going to create a "free" Web site for them. I usually have little to say to these folks because how can I explain to them the difference between my company's solutions and their relatives' solutions without sounding like I'm making a sales pitch?

However, I do advise them that nothing in life is free! A free item that cannot be used in any way is as useless as a rock picked up from the sidewalk. Similarly a free Web site is just as useful. It will typically take months to create, will have poor design, will lack functionality, and will generate NO traffic. Trust me, I know - I have many clients who have paid me for correcting their free sites or have come to me after their FREE sites failed to launch even after waiting six months for it.

As a small business owner, your site is the best marketing tool you have. It should be seen as an investment and not as an expense. A properly designed site will provide measurable results. Although it may cost more upfront, there are many benefits of having a professionally designed Web site.

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The practitioners gather to discuss their approach to shoulder pain while office manager Kelly Coleman offers them a patient's perspective. From left, Dr. Bloch, Dr. Postula-Stein, and Becky Thompson, FNP.

Main Street & Green Oak Family Medicine

A New **Experience in Medical Care**

By Duane Ramsey SPECIAL WRITER

The practitioners at Main Street Family Medicine have been providing exceptional quality in medical care treating newborns to geriatrics in downtown Northville and additionally at Green Oak Family Medicine located just west of South Lyon. The family practice is accepting new patients at both

locations. The original practice was founded more than 30 years ago by Lawrence Zager, D.O. and another doctor, Lyle Fettig, D.O. In 1997, Dr. Zager and his partner moved the practice to its present location at 215 East Main Street in downtown Northville.

Today, Nathan Bloch, D.O., and Jason Postula-Stein, M.D., operate the growing family medical practice. They are supported by Dr. Zager, Becky Thompson, FNP. (a family nurse practitioner), and a cordial administrative and clinical staff, directed by office manager, Kelly Coleman.

"We strive to combine the art of healing with a deep sense of caring, compassion, humility and kindness," said Dr. Postula-Stein. "Establishing a strong doctor-patient relationship is essential."

The physicians spend sufficient time with each patient to get to know them as individuals, their beliefs, stressors, social environment, career and life decisions so they can treat the "whole person." Being sensitive to each patient's needs and apprehensions, the practitioners listen to their patients and talk to them in a language they can understand.

With an allopathic (MD). osteopathic (DO) and family nurse practitioner (FNP) on staff, the group of professionals practice traditional medicine with a holistic approach that emphasizes preventative care. said Dr. Bloch.

"We encourage patients to attitudes and develop lifestyles that do not just fight illness but help prevent it," said Thompson.

The American Academy of Nurse Practitioners and other medical associations have adopted guidelines for helping to prevent disease and illness Thompson said the medical staff educates patients about those guidelines and promote medically supported lifestyle modifications that may include dietary changes, additions of herbal or mineral supplements. prescription medicine, exercise and healthy living.

"We strive to be on the cutting edge of modern medicine while we focus our efforts on taking care of the 'whole you' instead of just your specific symptoms or illness," said Dr. Bloch.

"Education is a high priority for our health care providers."

The physicians maintain close affiliations with St. Joseph in Ann Arbor, Mercy Providence, DMC-Huron Valley and Botsford General Hospitals. Doctors Bloch and Postula-Stein are actively involved in training medical students,



Above, Main Street Family Medicine on East Main

Green Oak Family Medicine is located on Ten Mile Road near Rushton Road just west of South Lyon.

interns and residents and Thompson precepts nurse practitioner students, while keeping current on the latest medical advancements.

Dr. Bloch is an associate clinical professor with Michigan State University and Thompson maintains adjunct faculty status with the University of Michigan and is the director of development with the Ann Arbor chapter of the Michigan Counsel of

Nurse Practitioners. All providers at Main Street Family Medicine and Green Oak Family Medicine are licensed and certified to practice family medicine and have years of experience in providing exceptional care to pediatric, adolescent and geriatric

patients. "We serve all members of the family from infants to seniors and can provide most needed treatments and therapies onsite," said Dr. Zager.

The onsite testing provides convenience and comfort for the patients and helps expedite their medical care. The staff is able to perform hearing and eye screens, lung and heart evaluations, special nerve and laboratory testing and many other aux-

iliary tests. The 215 East Main Street Building in Northville not only houses Main Street Family Medicine but is also home to podiatry, ophthalmology, and physical therapy practices. This combination of professionals in one location provides excellent communications with the ability to expedite care and convenience for the patients.

DETAILS

Main Street Family Medicine 215 East Main Street downtown Northville (248) 348-1131 Hours: Monday and Thursday 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p m. Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon

Green Oak Family Medicine 12660 Ten Mile Road west of South Lyon (248) 587-2273

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After practicing in Northville for many years, Dr. Bloch opened Green Oak Family Medicine in September of 2003. His aim was to serve the practice's broadening base of patients and to allow his friend. mentor and colleague. Dr. Zager, an opportunity to practice closer to home.

Instead of retiring, it afforded Dr. Zager the opportunity to continue practicing "grassroots medicine" at the Green Oak location which serves patients from the surrounding communities in Oakland, Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

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Collectors love Bakelite baubles

By Linda Rosenkrantz COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Costume jewelry is red hot in the collecting world these days, and that includes everything from semi-precious, stoneencrusted gold and thinestone pieces by well-known makers to the Bakelite and other plastic bracelets and brooches made from the 1920s on.

A new book, "Collecting Art Plastic Jewelry" by Leigh Leshner (Krause Publications), which is brimming with vividly colored, lusciously textured illustrations, gives evidence of just

how prices in this lat-**Contemporary** ter category have escalated. Collectibles Although jewelry

had been made from celluloid (the first successful semi-synthetic thermoplastic) as far back as 1875, plastic jewelry really became the rage in the flapper era and into the succeeding decades. It was produced by several different manufacturers, each of whom slapped their own trade name on their wares, such as Catalin, Prystal, Marblette and Durez. The three most prominent types were the original celluloid (technically pyroxylin-camphor thermoplastic). Bakelite (phenol formaldehyde resin combined with fillers like wood flour and asbestos) and Lucite (thermoplastic polymethacrylates, or acrylic).

Bakelite, the first completely man-made plastic, was the brainchild of a chemist named Leo H. Backeland, who established the General Bakelite Company in 1910, a firm that first used the material as an insulator, before it later switched to making Bakelite jewelry. Backeland's patent expired in 1926, opening the door to such competitors as the Bakelite Corporation and American Catalin Corporation, which introduced an amber color now referred to as apple juice Bakelite. Other tasty sounding color names include butterscotch, licorice. root beer, banana, wintergreen, tomato, caramel, custard, cherry and even creamed

The pieces were formed from sheets, rods, tubes or slabs of plastic; pins and clips were stamped from sheets or thick blocks, then carved with jigsaws and lathes, and polished

in a tumbling machine. The final process was polishing, again by hand or on a felt wheel. It could be laminated to geometric shapes or carved into naturalistic configurations. Obviously, deeply carved pieces required more work, whether by hand or on a lathe, and they are among the examples that are particularly sought after today.

In the early days of plastic jewelry making, there was an emphasis on imitating more valuable materials. In fact, the first experiments with celluloid in the 19th century were attempts to find a substitute for the increasingly scarce ivory, and later there were tortoiseshell imitations, while Bakelite was made to simulate more costly materials. such as jade, coral, amber, marble, motherof-pearl, onyx and jet. In the '20s, much of the jewelry reflected the design themes of the era: Egyptian and Oriental motifs, and streamlined deco forms, sometimes combined with chrome or rhinestones. During the '30s there was an explosion of novelty

items, as can be seen in the Leshner book. Here's an idea of the hefty prices being fetched by some plastic jewelry these days. particularly fine bangle bracelets, as reported in "Collecting Art Plastic Jewelry":

- Brooch in the form of a frog riding an alligator, Bakelite and wood, \$1,100.

- Marbled green Bakelite bangle bracelet with rhinestones, \$950.

- A set of Asian figural brooches, earrings and bracelet of thermoplastic set with red. aurora borealis rhinestones, \$1,400.

- Trifari elephant fur clip with Lucite body, enameling and rhinestones, \$1,900-

- Two-toned zigzag Bakelite bangles.

- Green and corn polka dot Bakelite banglc, \$1,900.

Reverse-carved Bakelite bangle, \$1,200. Adrian dunce cap brooch with dangling Bakelite and celluloid charms (books, apple, slate, pencil, ruler, ink), \$900 and up.

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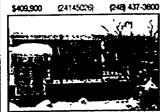
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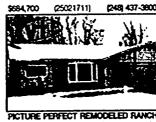
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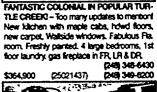


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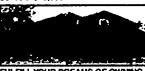
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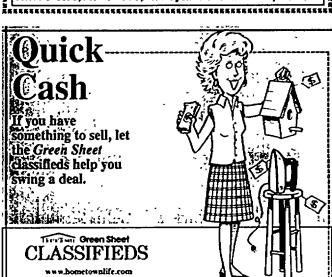
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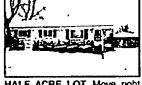
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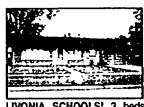


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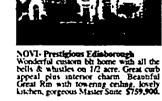
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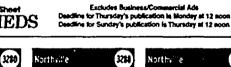
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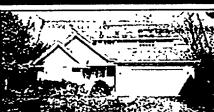
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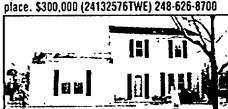
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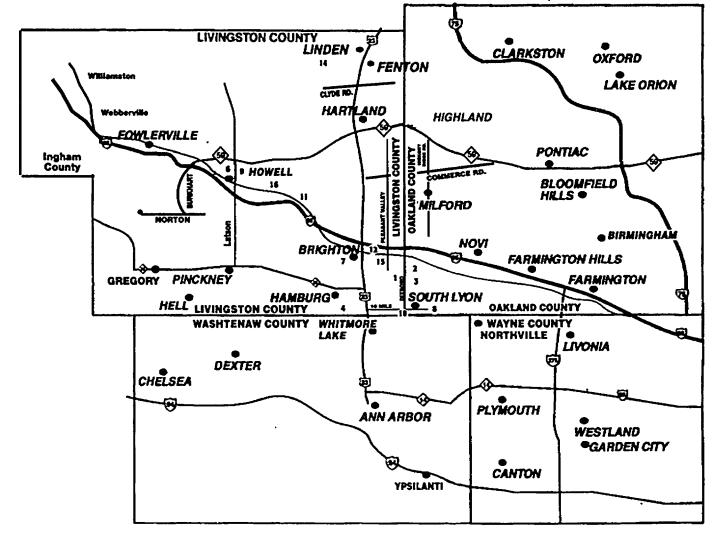
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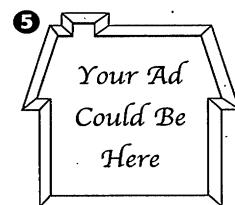
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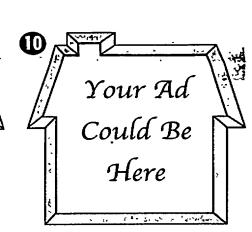


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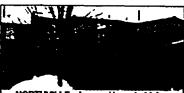


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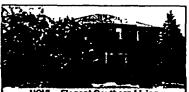
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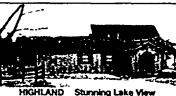
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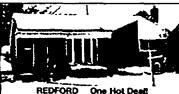
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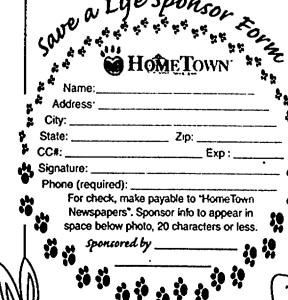




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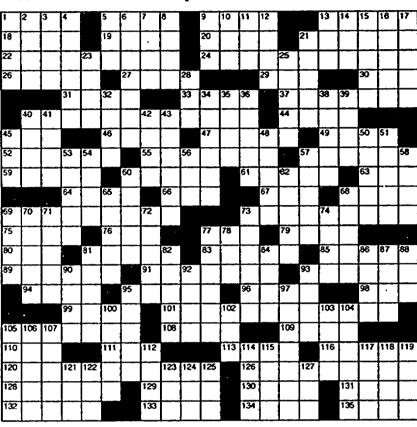
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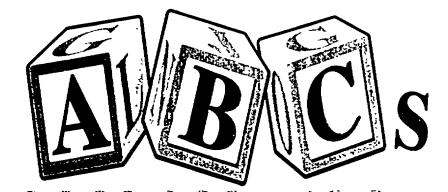
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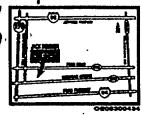
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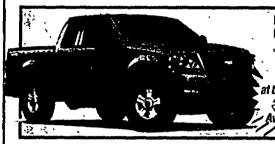
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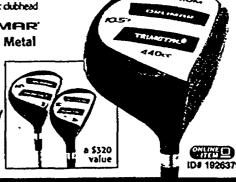


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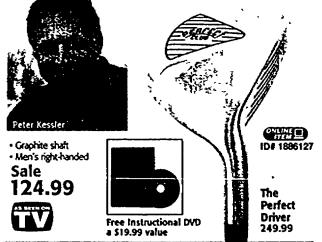
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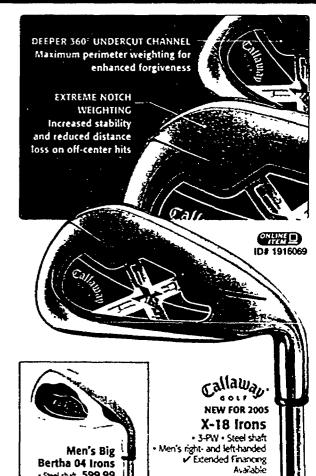
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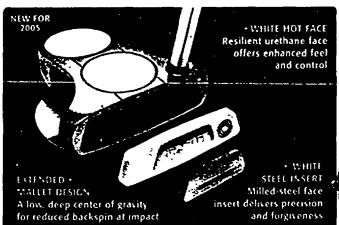
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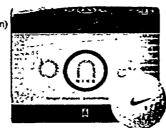
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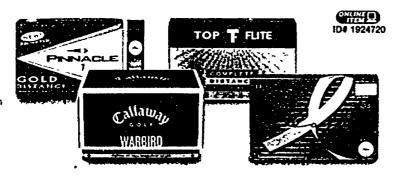


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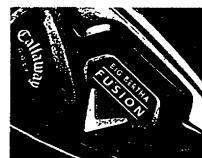
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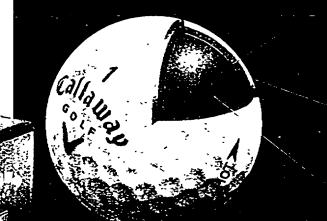


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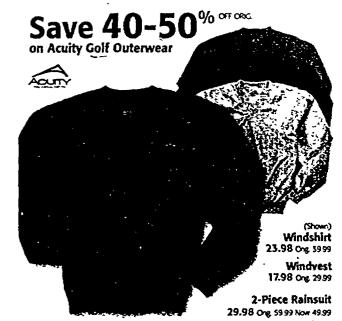


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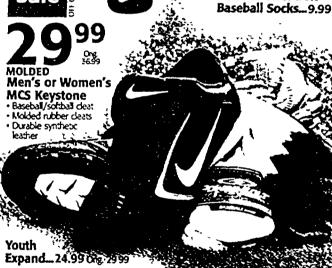


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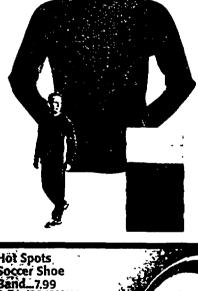
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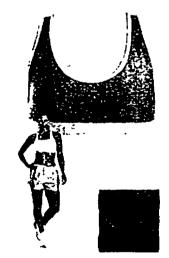
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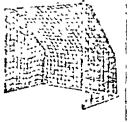
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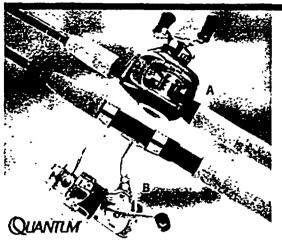
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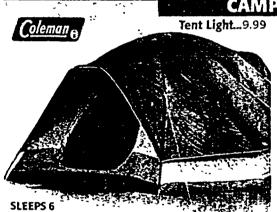
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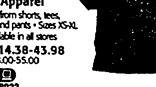
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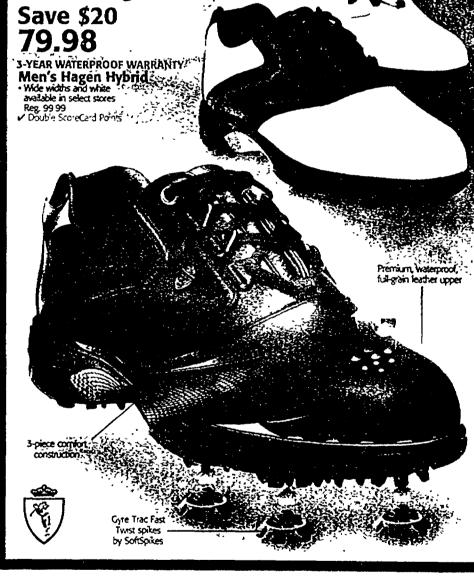


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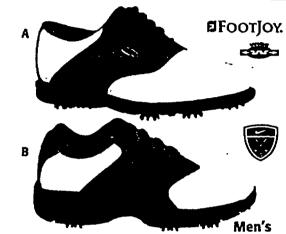
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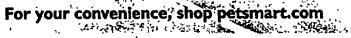


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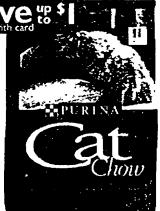




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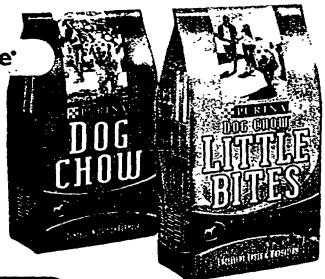
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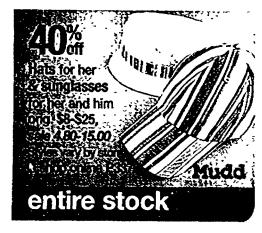


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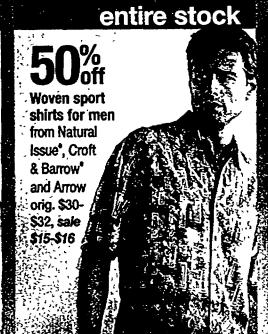


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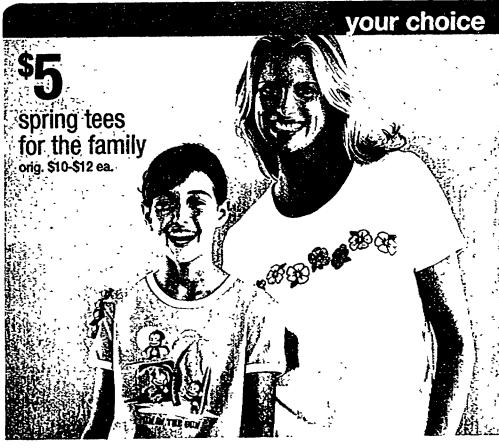


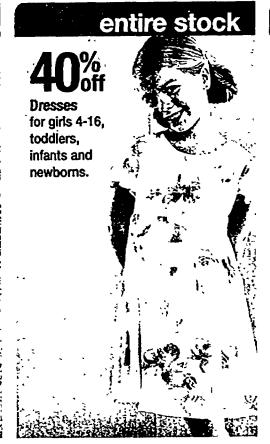






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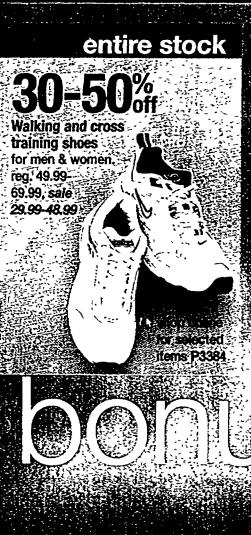








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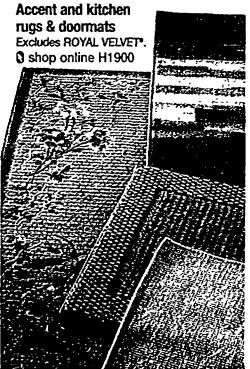
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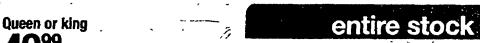
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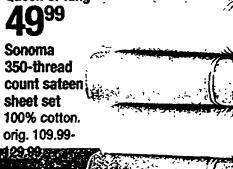
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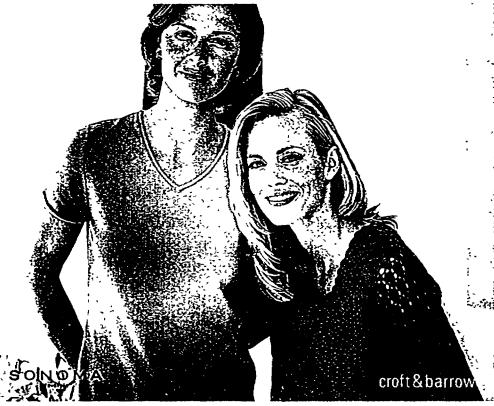
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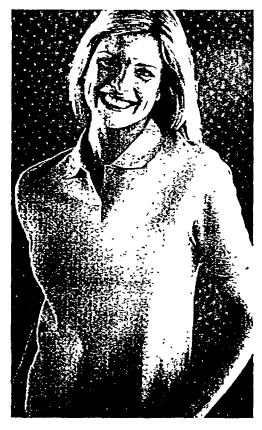
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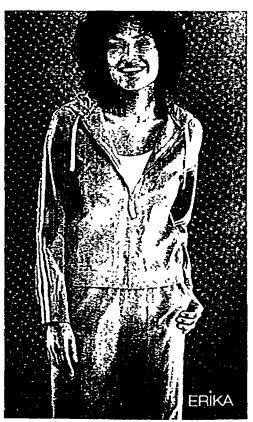
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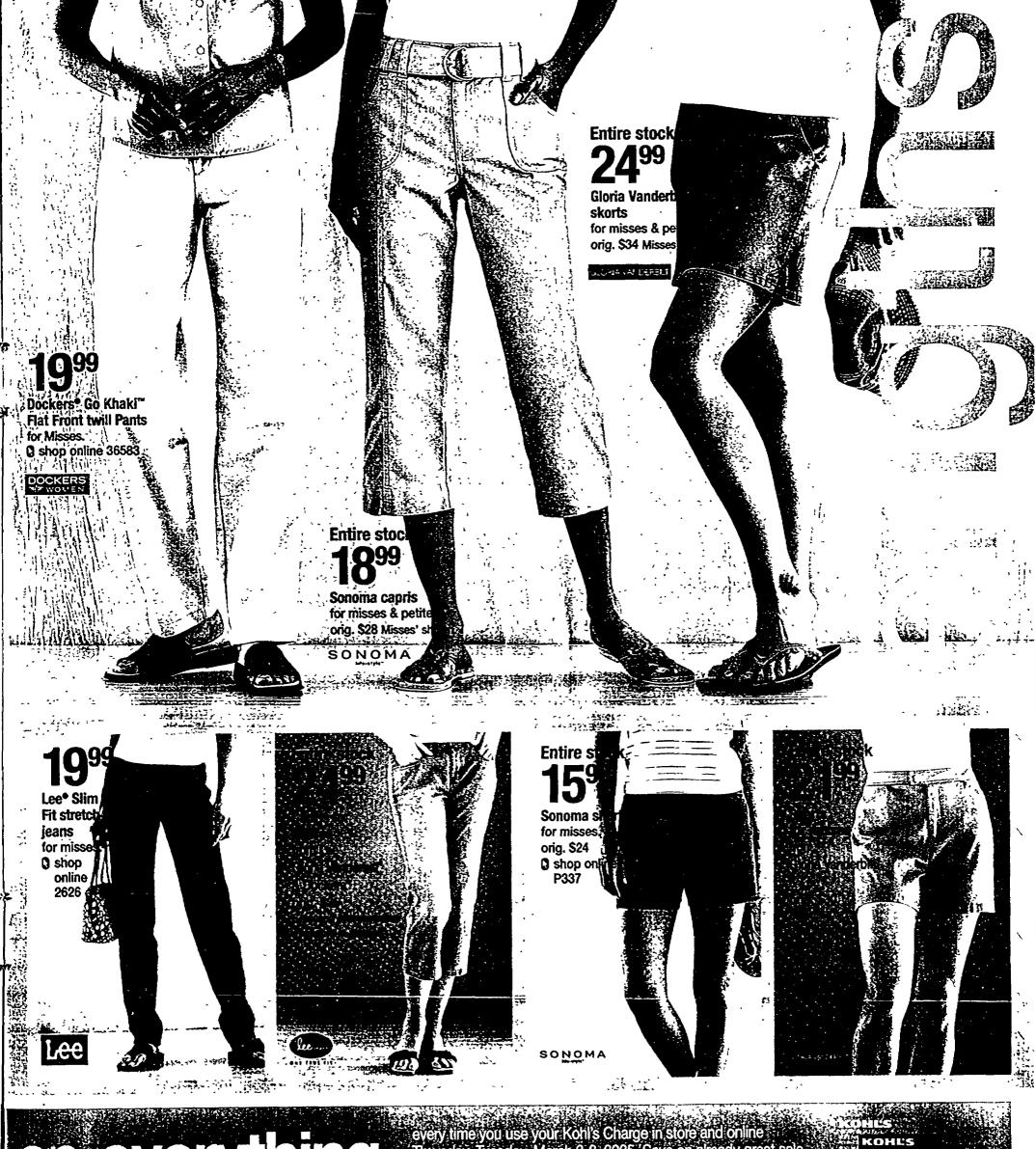
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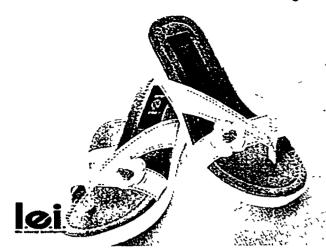


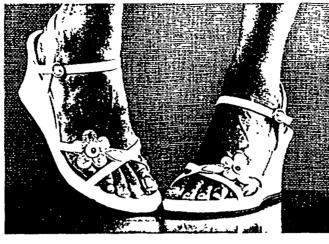
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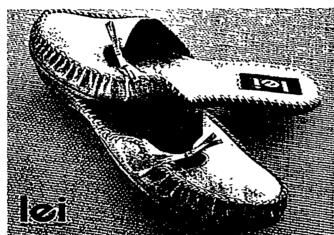
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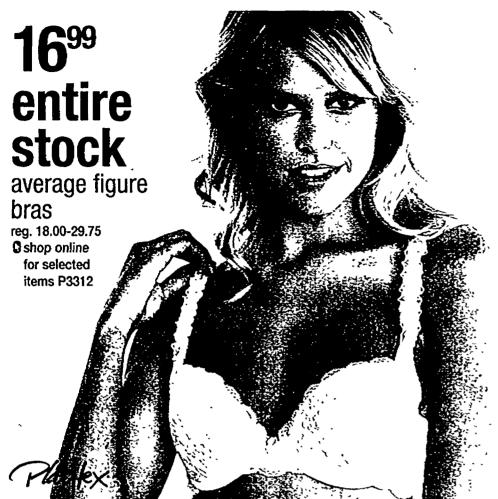
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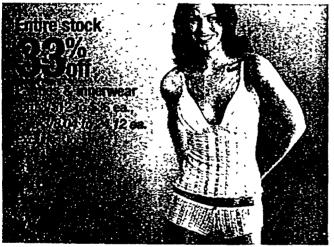
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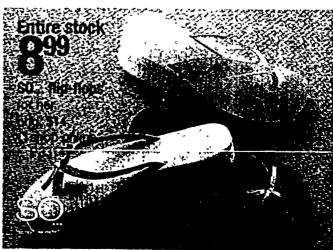
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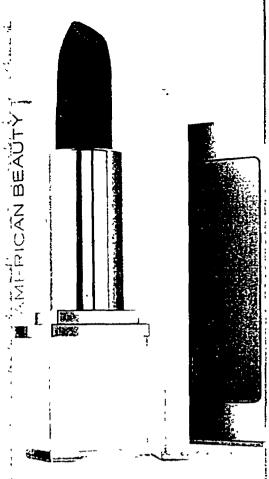


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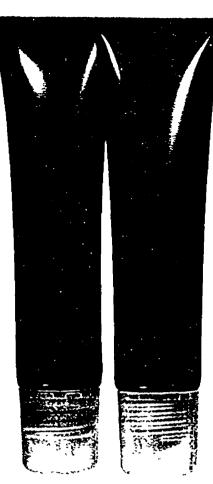


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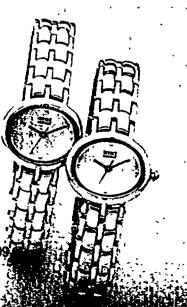


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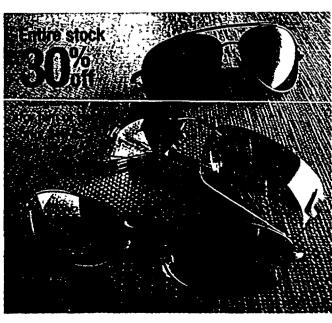


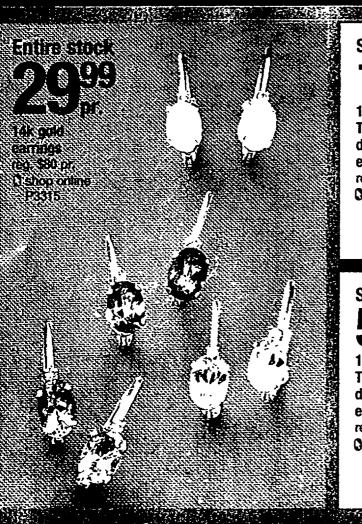


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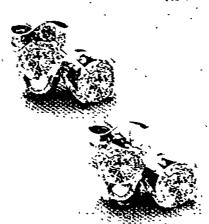
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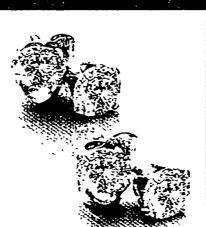


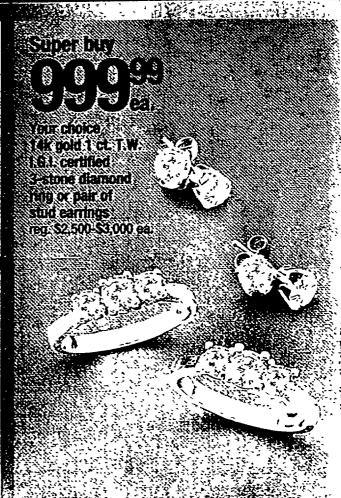
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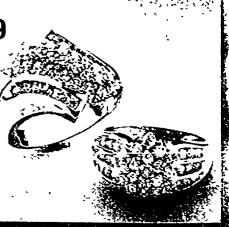
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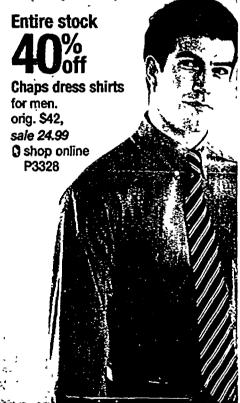






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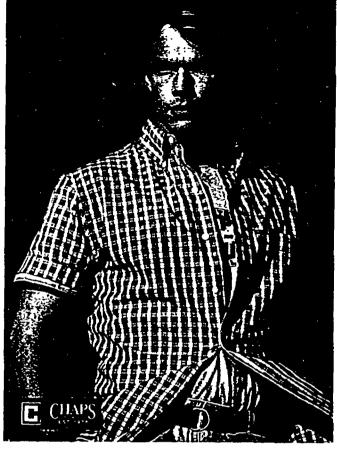




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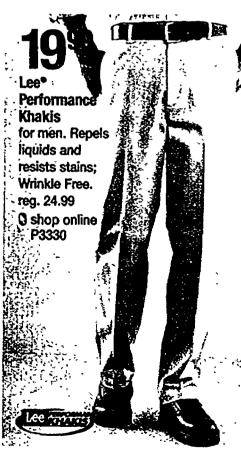
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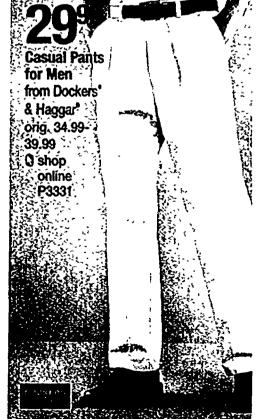




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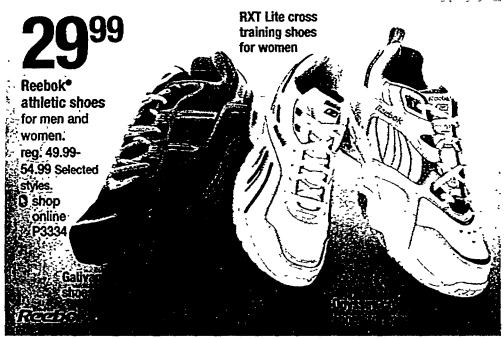


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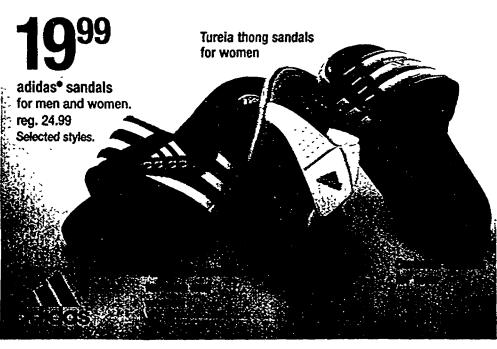


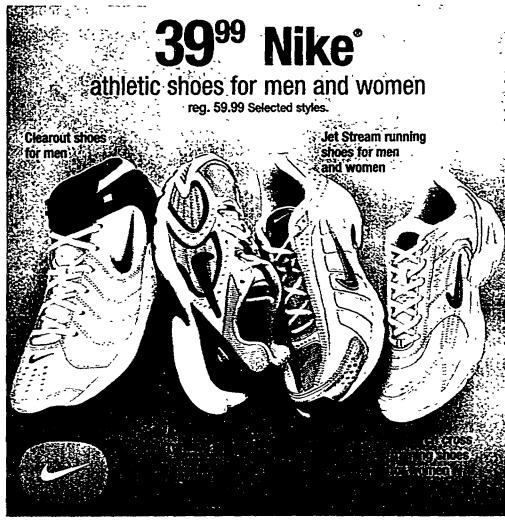
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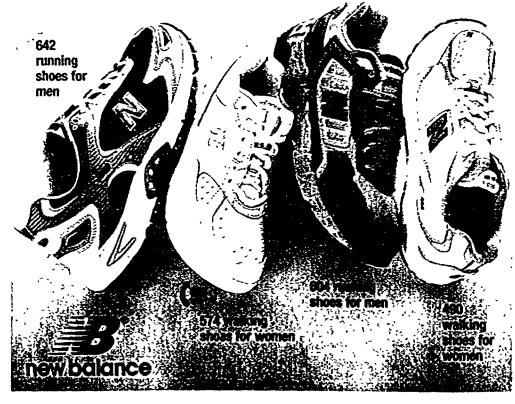






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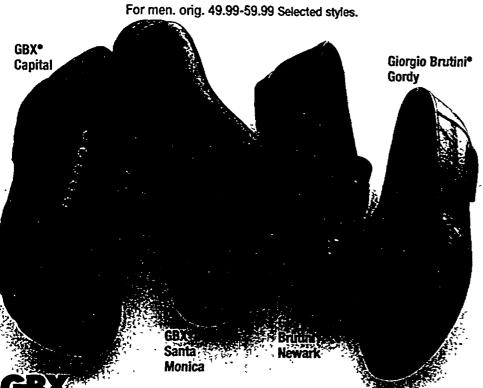
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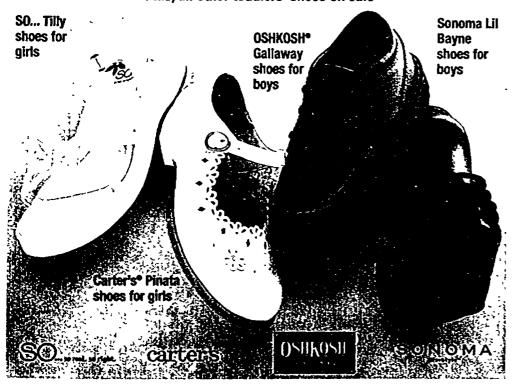


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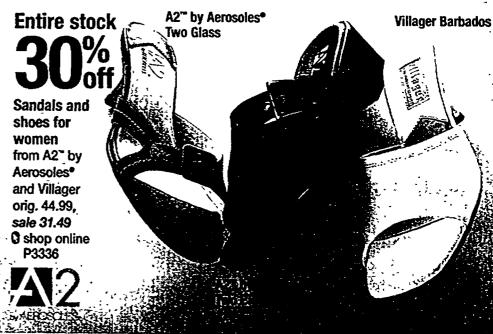
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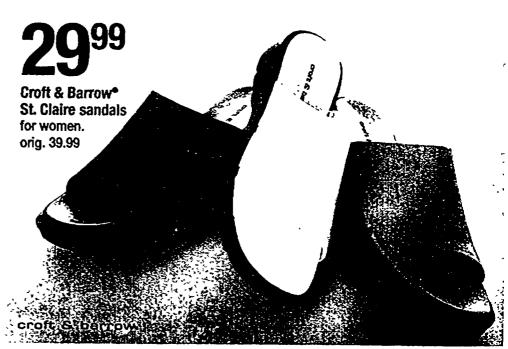
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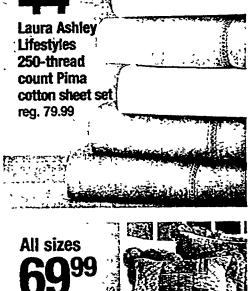
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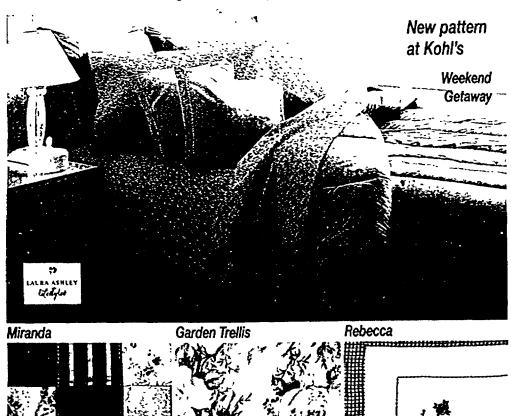
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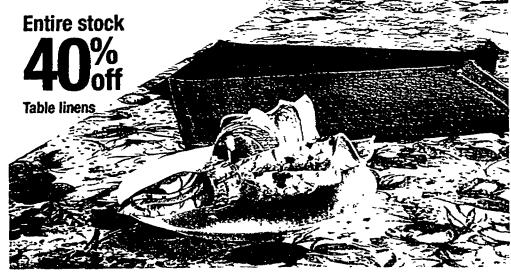




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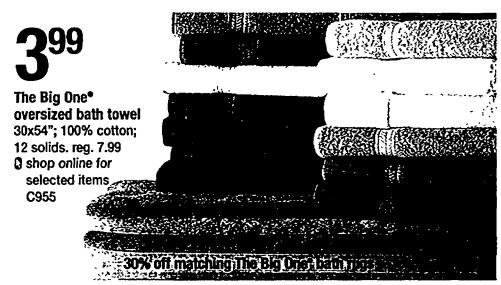
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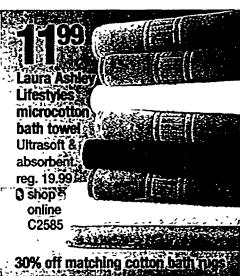








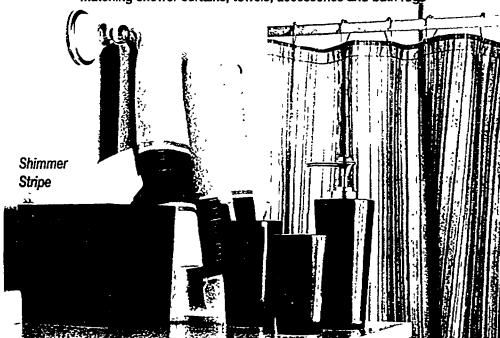




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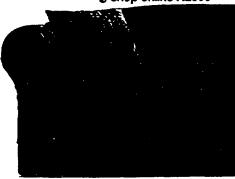
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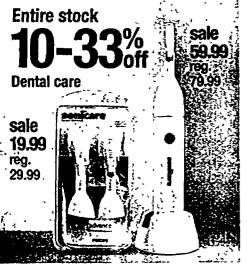




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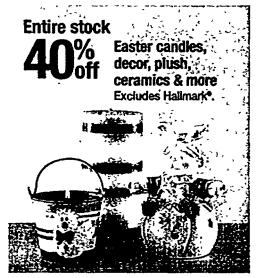
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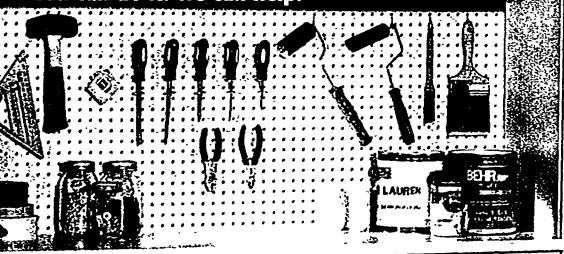
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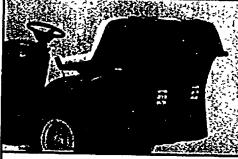
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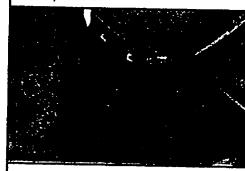
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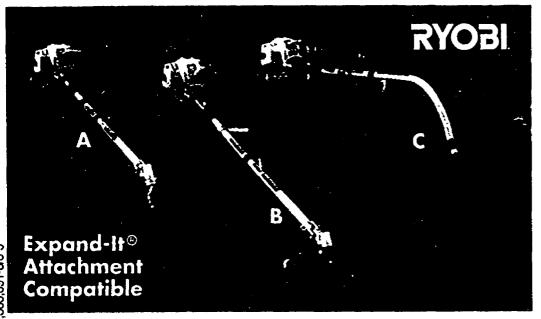


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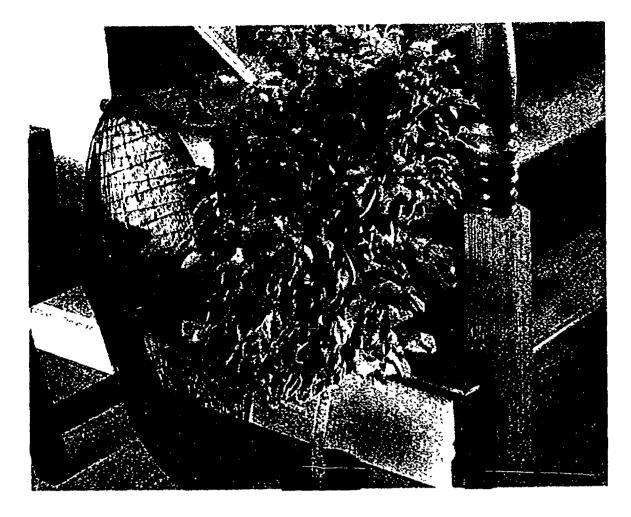
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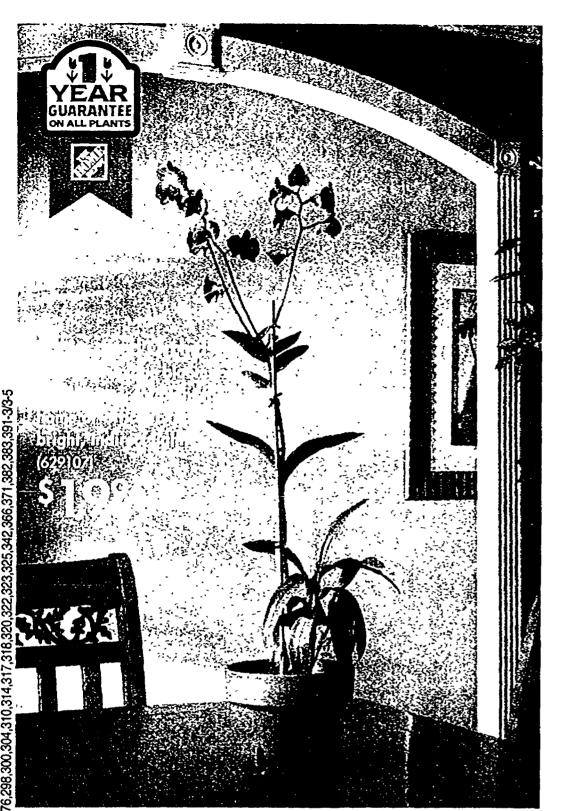


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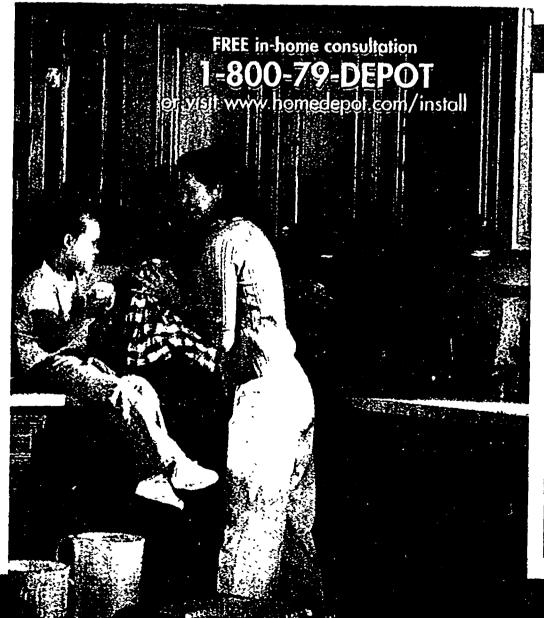
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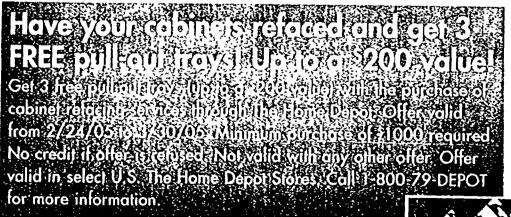


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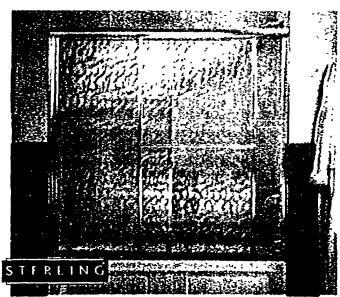
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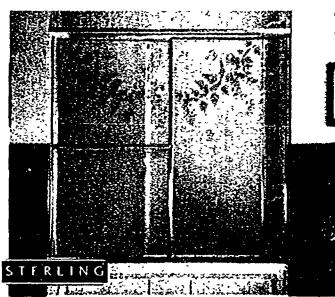


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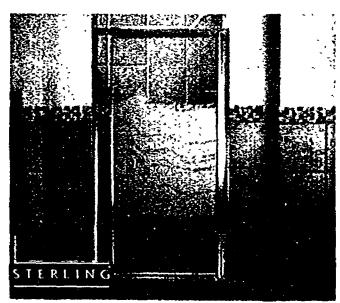


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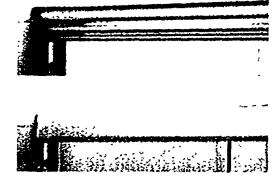
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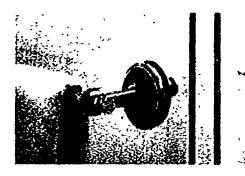
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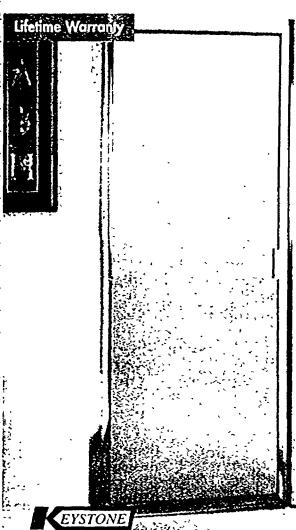
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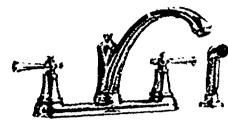






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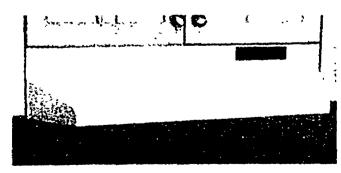
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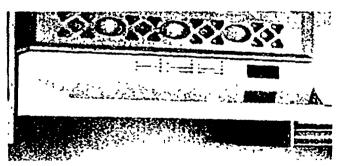
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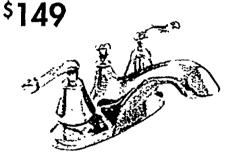
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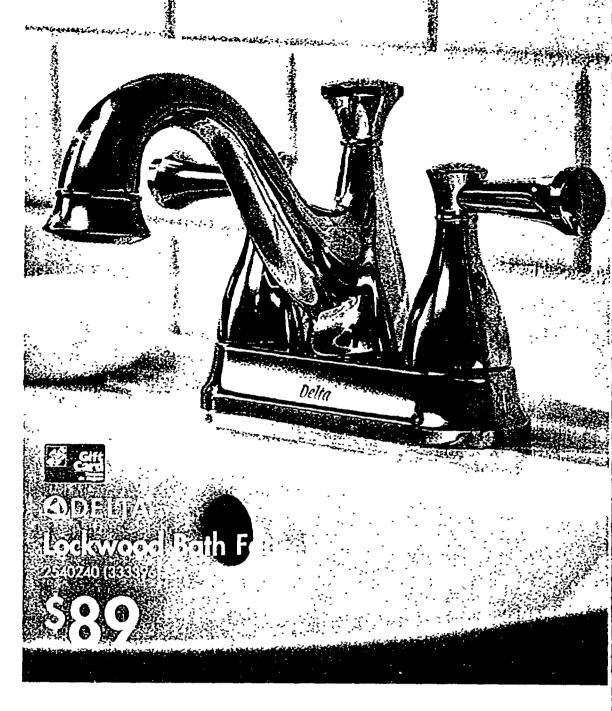
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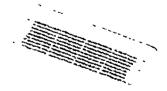




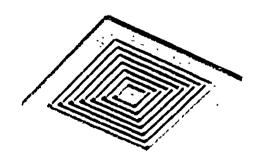
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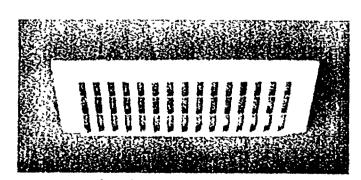
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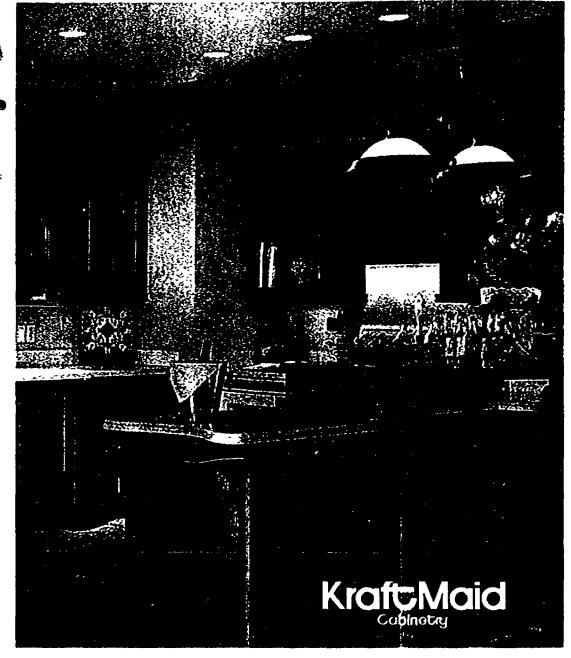


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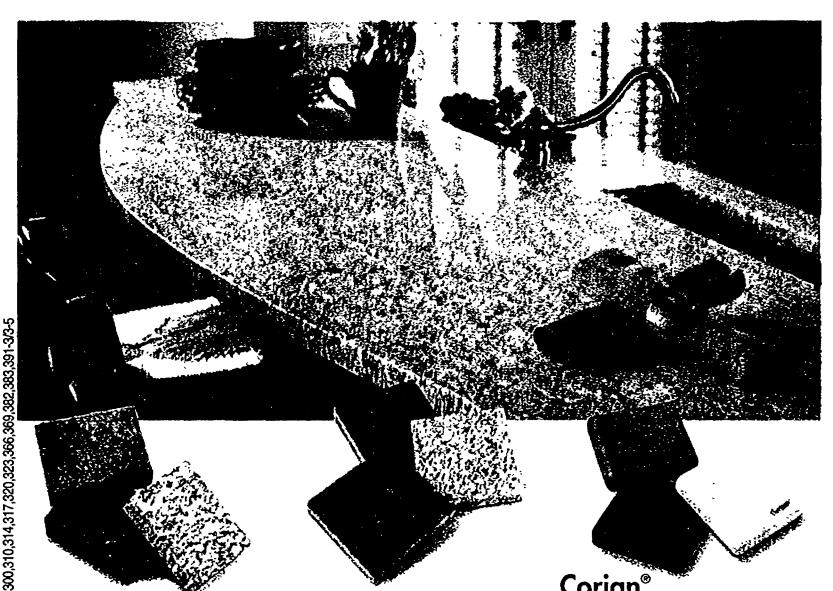
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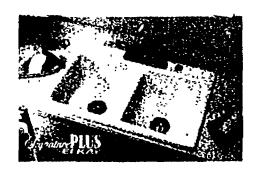
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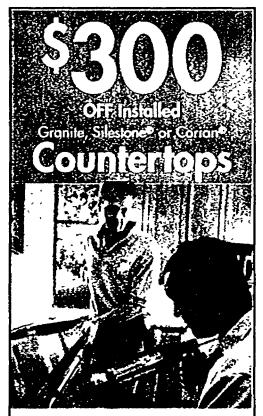


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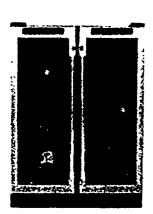
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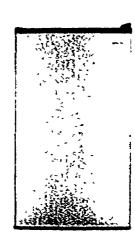




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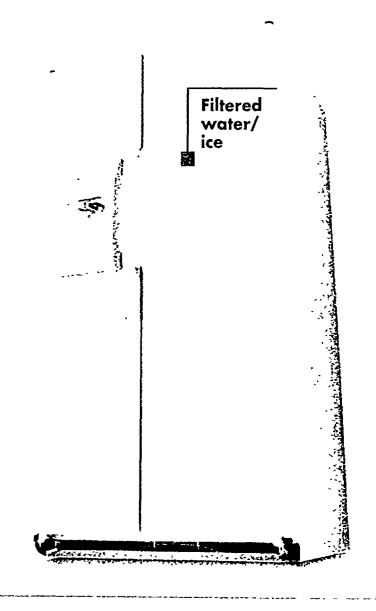
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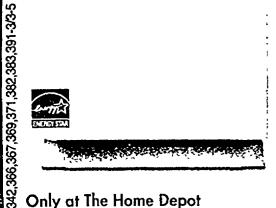
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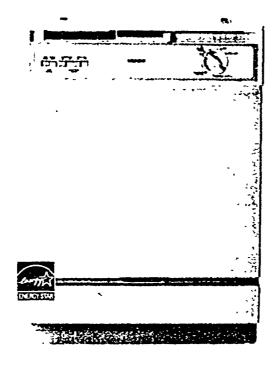
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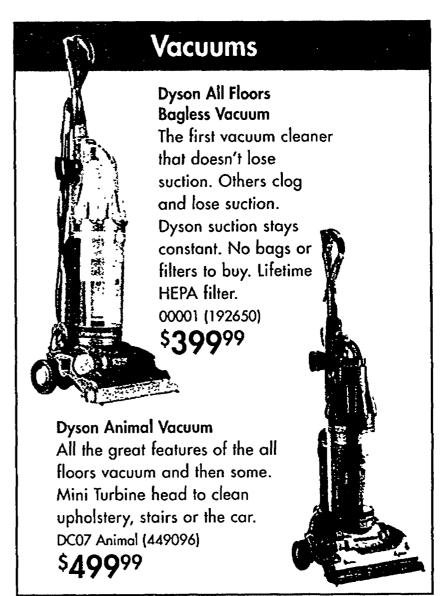
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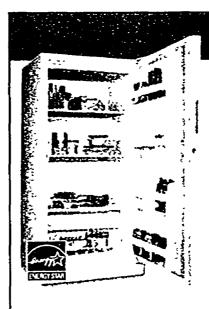


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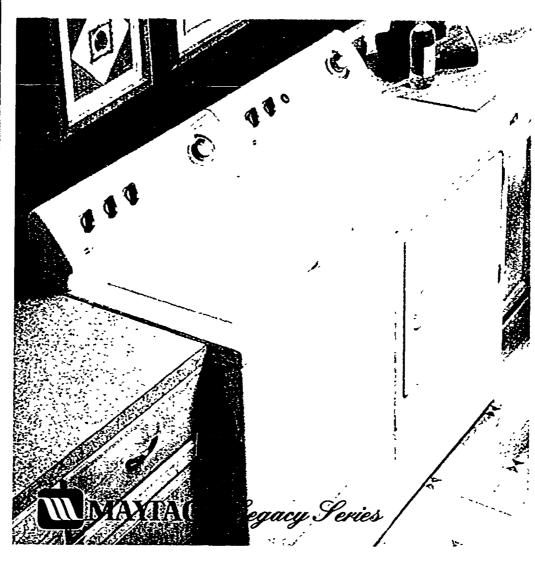
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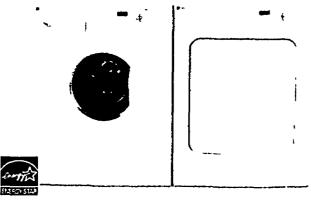
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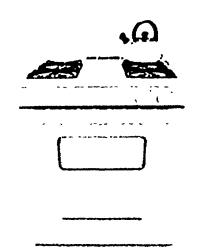


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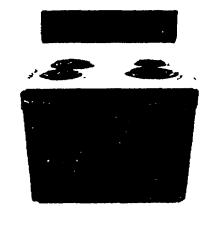
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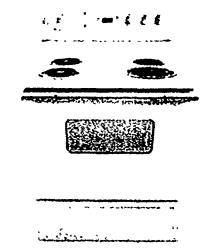
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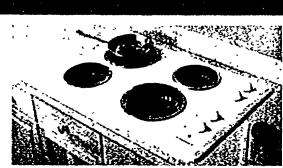
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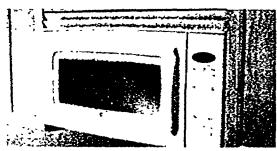
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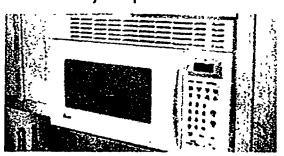
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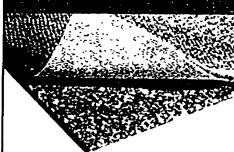
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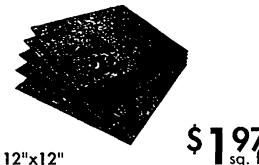
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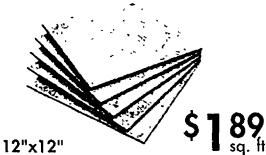
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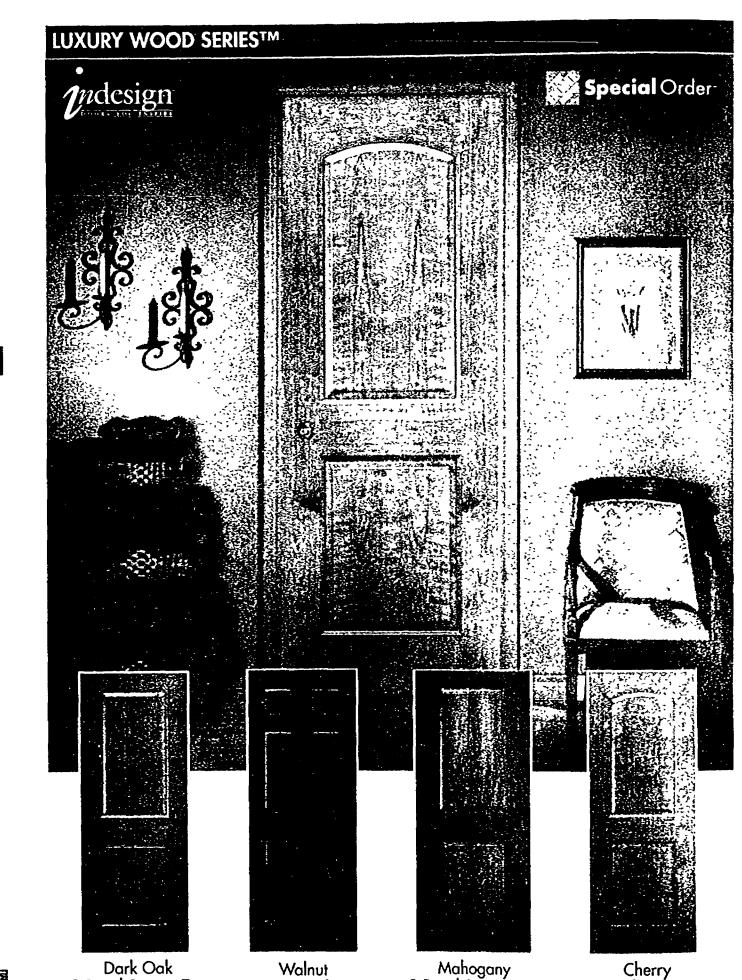
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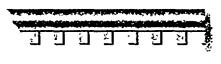
DENTIL - 36" OPENING



Keystone



Fluted Pilaster



Dentil Cross Head

Fluted Pilaster (2)	(496514)	\$79.98
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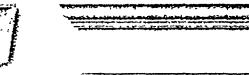
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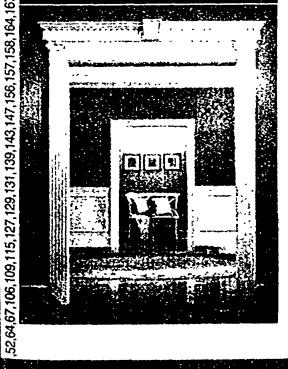
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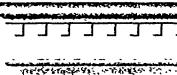
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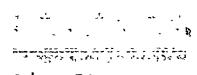




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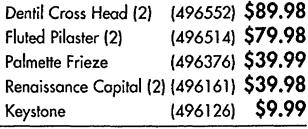


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Capital



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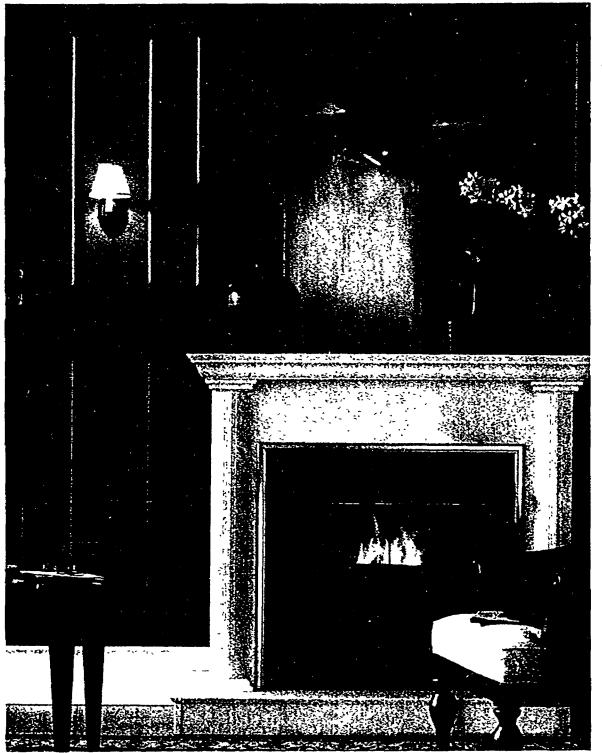














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Eggshell	(347973)	\$ 20 98	(348031)	\$ 93 98	\$1879
Satin	(894485)	\$ 22 98	(926948)	\$103	\$2060
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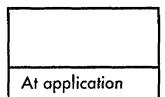
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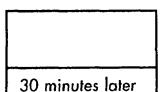
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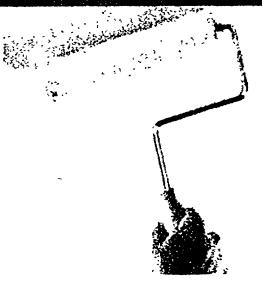
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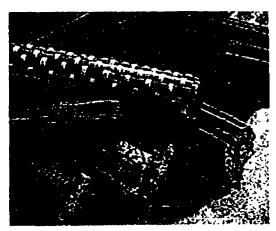




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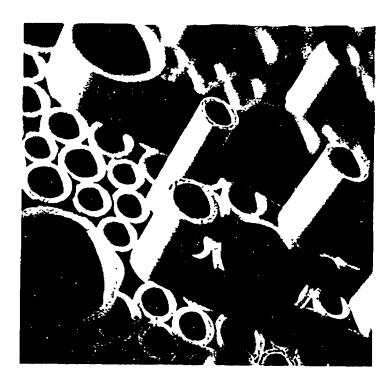
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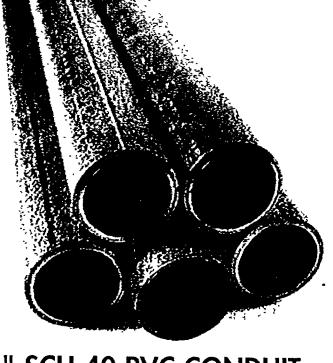
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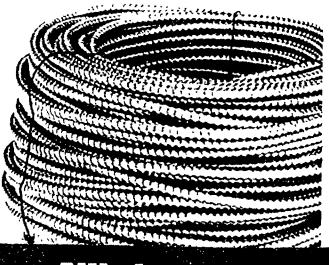
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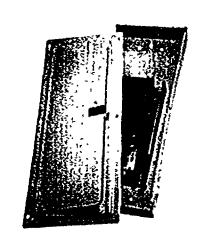
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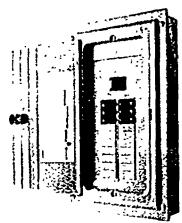
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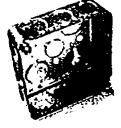
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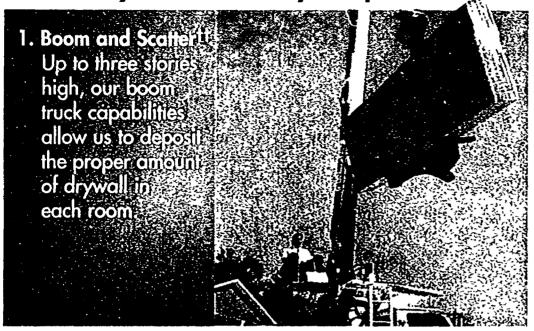
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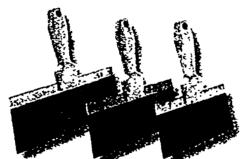
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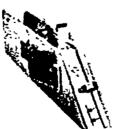


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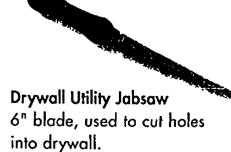
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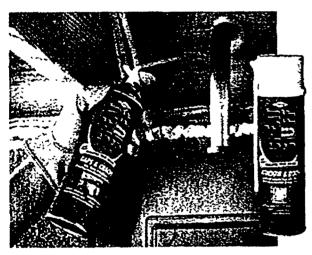
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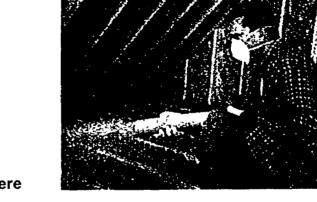


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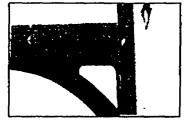
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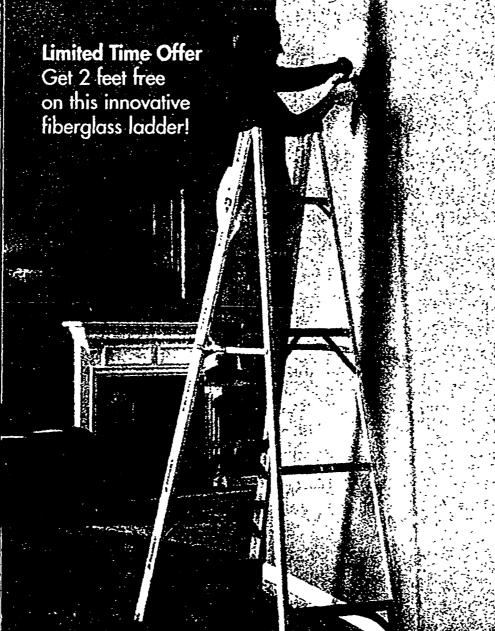
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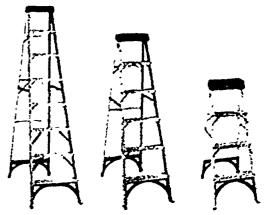


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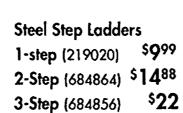
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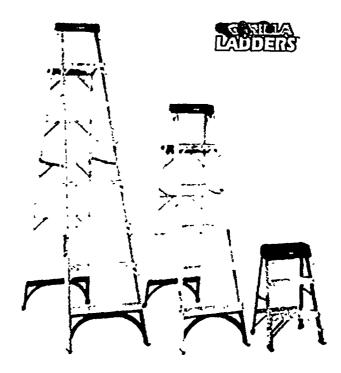
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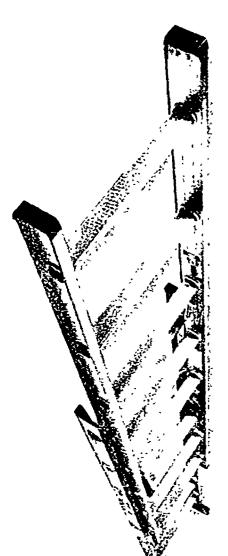
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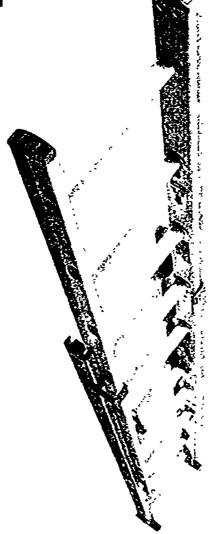
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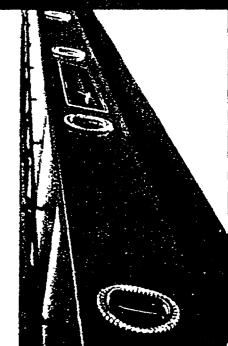
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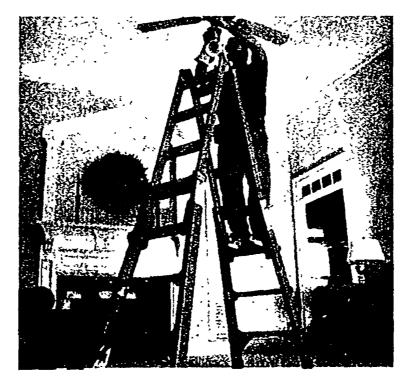
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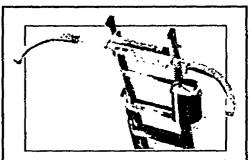
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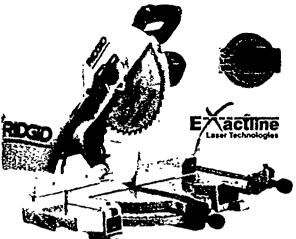


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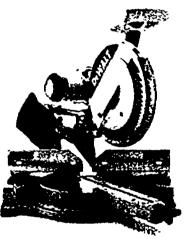
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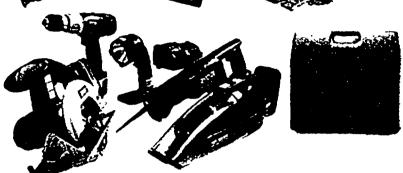
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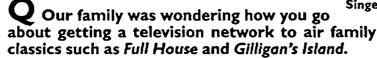
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Ask American Profile

Q I would like to know as much information as you can share about country singer Tracy Byrd.

—Ann T., Maryland
Tracy Byrd, 38, was born in Vidor, Texas (pop. 11,440), and started performing around nearby Beaumont, taking over the headliner spot at a honky tonk called Cutters in 1990 from Nashville, Tennbound Mark Chesnutt (Brother Jukebox). Byrd's own Nashville record contract came about two years later, which led to hits

such as Keeper of the Stars and Watermelon Craud. He's releasing a greatest hits album this month. The avid outdoorsman hosts two shows on the Outdoor Channel, and he and his wife, Michelle, own Kitchen Koncepts, a store that sells cookware and Byrd's own line of spices and marinades. The couple has three children and lives in Beaumont. "My friends and family are all here, or in the surrounding areas," he says. "It's the people I was raised with, hang out with in my spare time and share my success with. I always feel sort of anxious on the way home from the road, like I just can't wait to get there."



-Leah E., Arizona



Gilligan's Island can be seen on the Hallmark Channel.

If you're looking for the major networks—ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox—to run old episodes of those shows in prime time, you won't have any huck because they stick with new shows. However, basic cable channels such as TVLand and Nick at Nite specialize in reruns of TV favorites, and many other cable channels also air classic shows. Full House can be seen on Nick at Nite, while

on the Hallmark Channel. De seen on Nick at Nite, while Gilligan's Island airs on the Hallmark Channel. Outside of prime time (8 p.m. to 11 p.m. ET), the local affiliates of the networks make programming decisions. Contact your local station's viewer relations department and ask what you can do to get them to broadcast your favorite show.



Tracy Byrd is releasing a greatest hits CD.



Singer Frankie Laine

age 91, but he was diagnosed with cancer on his left vocal cord in 2001. "My speaking voice came back very quickly," says Laine, who hasn't performed in four years. "We don't know what is going to happen with the singing voice. I tried it in December and I didn't like what I heard, so I'm waiting to try again." Laine, who had a string of Top 10 hits in the 1940s and 1950s—including *That's My Desire, I Believe* and *Mule Train*—and his own CBS variety show, was a recipient of the Songwriter's Hall of Fame Lifetime Achievement Award in 1996. He also remains known for singing the theme songs to the TV show

Singer Frankie Laine would like to perform, even at

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Frankie Laine.

-Ron H., Minnesota

known for singing the theme songs to the TV show Rauhide and the Mel Brooks' movie Blazing Saddles. A CD fearuring previous material from Laine and Greek singer Nana Mouskouri will be released this year. The Chicago native resides in the San Diego area with his second wife, Marcia, whom he marnied five years ago. His first marriage, to actress Nan Grey, ended after 43 years when she died in 1993. Laine does not have children, although he helped raise Grey's two children from a previous marriage. "I hope to perform again, although I don't know how it will be, since, slowly, age is creeping up on me," he says. "My wife calls it Ageheimers."

Would you tell us about the life and career of Perry Como?

—Jim K., Arkansas

The smooth-voiced singer was born in Canonsburg, Pa. (pop. 8,607), in 1912, and began working as a barber at age 14. He always loved music, so he sang to his customers in the shop before making music his career. Starting out in the 1930s as a vocalist with big bands led by Freddy Carlone and Ted Weems, Como went on to a six-decade solo career and sold 100 million records, with the help of hits such as Till the End of Time, Some Endranted Evening and Goodbye Sue. He won a Grammy in



Singer Perry Como

1958 and five Emmy awards for his TV variety show. The father of three died at his home in Jupiter, Fla. (pop. 39,328), in 2001 at age 88, three years after his wife of 65 years, Roselle, died.

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Hometown Hero

The Voice of Rodeo

The gritty voice of rodeo

announcer Bob Tallman, 57, can energize an audience simply with the turn of a phrase or by sharing a heartwarming story. After 35 years on the job, he has a voice that's as familiar to rodeo fans as a pair of well-worn boors.

"He's the greatest announcer that ever lived," says rodeo producer Bob Thain of Alturas, Calif. "He's just got a Godgiven talent."

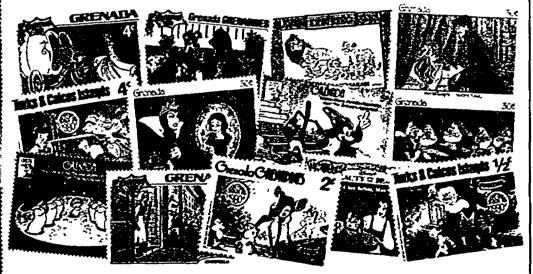
Tallman, of Weatherford, Texas (pop. 19,800), is on the road 270 days a year announcing everything from

small, two-day events to the National Finals Rodeo (NFR), held each December in Las Vegas.

In fact, Tallman has announced the NFR a total of 18 times and a record-setting 10 consecutive years, and although he doesn't like awards or recognition, most would agree no one can match Tallman's ability to bring a rodeo to life.

> "Most announcers inform, but Bob paints a picture with words," says Boyd Polhamus of Brenham, Texas (pop. 13,507), a friend and fellow rodeo announcer. "He also reshaped the profession by bringing the play-by-play aspect to rodeo." Polhamus says Tallman gave

announcers the license to commentate more,



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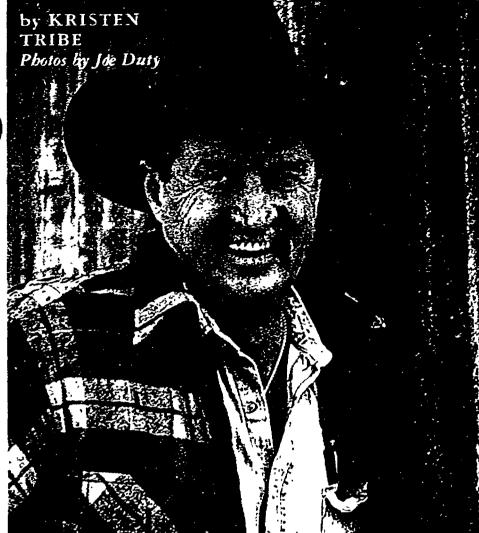
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Bob Tallman, of Weatherford, Texas, has talked his way to the top of his profession.

vet those comments most often are reserved to "cheerlead" competitors, not criticize their performance or a judge's decision. Tallman often cheers, "Hang on, cowboy!" or "C'mon, let's give this guy a hand," following a competitor's rough ride.

Before Tallman entered the profession, announcers stuck to the basics-name of competitor, hometown and animal-but name of

Tallman has a unique way of telling stories that endear cowboys to an audience.

At a Dallas rodeo last year, Tallman made sure the crowd knew that roping champion Fred Whitfield recently flew home to celebrate his daughter's first birthday, even though Whitfield only had 48 hours between his second and third rounds of competition.

"Now that's what's really important in life," Taliman says.

In 2004, his contributions to rodeo landed him in the Professional Rodeo

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John and Irene Taliman

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moved the family to Winnemucca, Nev. (pop. 7,174).

there to see it."

"I was never very good at sports, but I could ride a bucking horse or ride a horse and rope, those kinds of things," he says. "Then I found out you have to dedicate your whole life to being a champion. So I thought I haven't got

> that strong a constitution; I'll just talk about it."

> Tallman, even with no formal training, announced his first rodeo in 1970, an amateur event in Winnemucca.

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Did You Know...

ILLINOIS—The oldest known John Deere tractor is a 1918 All-Wheel-Drive at Moline's (pop. 43,768) John Deere Collectors Center.

INDIANA—Batesville (pop. 6,033) Casket Co. offers plus-size caskets under the trade name "Dimensions by Batesville."

IOWA—Manning (pop. 1,490) citizens imported a 1660s German *bausbarn*, a shelter for both livestock and people, and reconstructed it in the Hausbarn/Heritage Park in 2000.

KANSAS—The 1950s All-Electric House at the Johnson County Museum of History in Shawnee (pop. 47,996) was built as a model home by Kansas City Power and Light Co. to showcase futuristic features.

MICHIGAN—Annually from May through July, Piping Plover Patrol volunteers keep watch over the little birds nesting along the Great Lakes shoreline.

MINNESOTA—The Mississippi River begins its 2,348-mile journey to the Gulf of Mexico in Itasca State Park near Bemidji (pop. 11,917).

MISSOURI—The world's largest banjo, with a 47-foot-long neck, stands in Branson's (pop. 6,050) Grand Country Square.

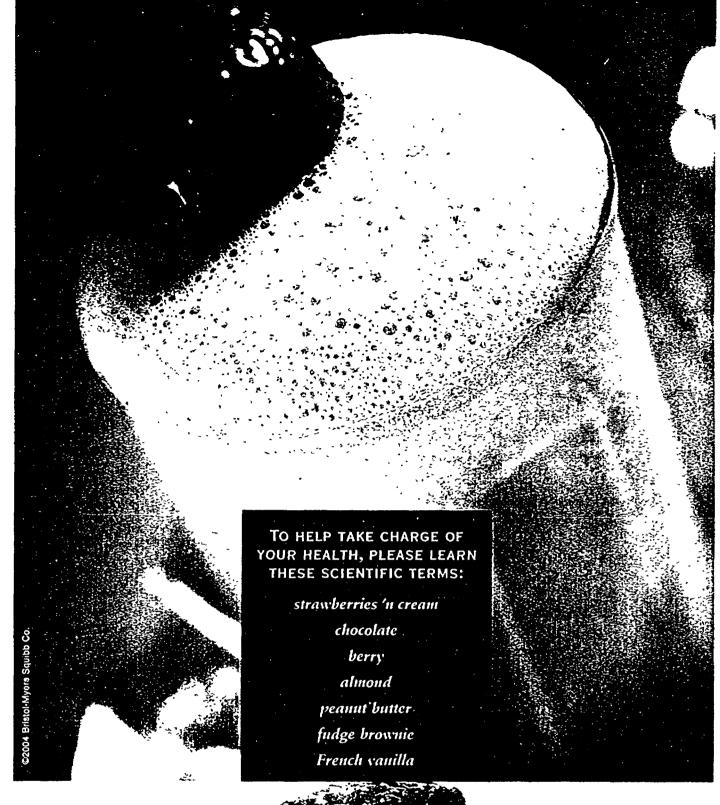
NEBRASKA—Social reformer Grace Abbott (1878-1939), born in Grand Island (pop. 42,940), directed the Children's Bureau of the U.S. Department of Labor from 1921 to 1934.

NORTH DAKOTA—The 154-by-110-foot Geese in Flight, near Regent (pop. 211), is believed to be the world's largest scrapmetal sculpture.

OHIO—Columbus' Borden Co. introduced Cascorez Glue in 1947 and soon switched its name to Elmer's Glue-All.

SOUTH DAKOTA—On June 24, 2003, 67 tornadoes touched down in the state. The strongest, with 200 mph winds, destroyed the hamlet of Manchester.

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Daniel Boone was splitting

chesmut fence rails when a band of Cherokee Indians supped to capture him. "He talked them into helping him split the last rail first. They grabbed the crack he'd split in the log, and he knocked the wedge out, trapped their fingers, and ran away," says Ronny Smith of Middlesboro, Ky. (pop. 10,384). "It's probably not true, but it's a great story."



Smith, who works at Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, located at the junction of Tennessee, Kentucky and Virginia, grew up hearing his father's yarns about Boone. The stories about the real explorer and fromiersman rivaled tall tales of Pecos Bill lassoing a cyclone in Texas and Paul Bunyan digging the Great Lakes for drinking water.

Truth, fiction or exaggeration, heroes such as Boone, William "Buffalo Bill" Cody, John Henry and others captured the imagination of Americans in the 18th and 19th centuries. Festivals, monuments, outdoor dramas and museums across the country still honor them—from the birthplace of Johnny Appleseed in Leominster, Mass. (pop. 41,303), to the beloved Wallowa Valley of Chief Joseph at Joseph, Ore. (pop. 1,054). Their names entitle highways, forests, schools, parks, towns and other landmarks, while statues and historic markers tell their stories.

Myths for a new nation

When the United States was young, the fledgling nation needed a new mythology, says Simon Bronner, a professor of American studies and folklore at Penn State University.

"Greek and Roman gods and the Knights of the Round Table were not going to cut it in this new land," Bronner says. So frontier heroes like Boone helped define what an American should be, while stories such as George Washington and the cherry tree taught morals.

"An American was someone who was proudly wild and at the same time civilized," Bronner says.

Historic re-enactors at Kentucky's Fort Boonesborough



Historic figures inspired larger-than-life fiction. "There are stories about what a great Indian fighter Boone was, but Boone himself said he only killed one or two Indians," says Nelson Dawson, editor of *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*.

Boone's name is everywhere in Kentucky—the state he explored and helped settle—from the Daniel Boone National Forest to Fort Boonesborough State Park, a working replica of Kentucky's first white settlement, near Richmond, Ky. (pop. 27,152). The frontiersman isn't forgotten in other states—his family homestead in Birdsboro, Pa. (pop. 5,064), is a museum, and his last permanent home is part of a living history village in Defiance, Mo.

Sports stars, actors and astronauts are the modern counterparts to Boone and other folk heroes. "We've explored all the earth, but people like Neil Armstrong were frontier heroes if you consider space as the frontier," Dawson says.

The nation's first gardener

Johnny Appleseed, born John Chapman in 1774, in Leominster, Mass., holds up as a modern hero, too, says Carl Querino, a Fitchburg, Mass. (pop. 39,102), banker who has portrayed the legend during Leominster's Johnny Appleseed Days Festival, held each September.

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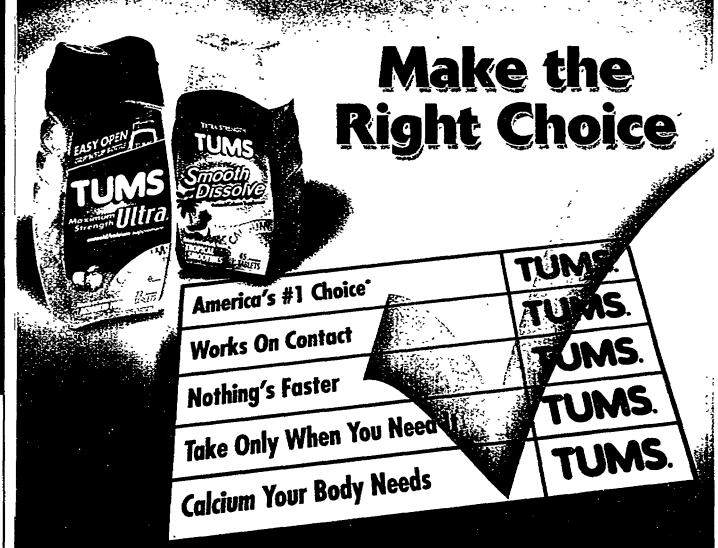
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An idealized depiction of Johnny Appleseed (Continued on page 10)

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Prying stubborn nails

To remove a stubborn or headless nail, try this: Place the "V" of a pry bar around the nail, clamp the nail with a pair of locking pliers, then pry away. Wear safety glasses!

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Finally, a Shine That Lasts

Miracle Polish Ends Struggle With Tarnishing Metals. By D.H. Wagner

I have noticed quite a few newspapers and magazines praising a polish formulated by a homemaker. The articles report that Donna Maas grew frustrated with rubbing and scrubbing her silver, brass and other metals only to see them quickly become dull and tamished again. Determined to put an end to her constant battle with

tarnish, Donna formulated a metal cleaner - and it's transforming the industry.

Anita Gold, nationally syndicated columnist and expert on the restoration of antiques calls MAAS (named after its inventor) "The best and most amazing polish in the world." Ms. Gold wrote in her column, "A truly miraculous polish referred to as "miracle polish" that'll turn the most disastrous pieces into the most de-brightful is MAAS Fine Polishing Creme For All Metals, which cleans, restores, preserves and polishes to perfection any brass, copper, chrome, silver, stainless steel, aluminum, gold or any other metal with amazing results - no matter how badly stained, spotted, discolored, flood-damaged, weathered, dirty, dingy, drab, or dull they may be."

Since I had an old brass lamp in desperate need of restoration, this journalist decided to put MAAS to the test. The lamp had been stored in the garage and was in far worse condition than I remembered. I was flabbergasted as I watched the polishing creme wipe away layers and years of tarnish. Never have I used anything so easy. The lamp actually looks better than when I purchased it. Better yet, months later it's still glowing!

The creme worked so effortlessly, I thought I would try to refurbish my mother's collection of antique brass and copper cookware. The badly stained pots and pans developed black spots that had been impossible to remove. MAAS wiped away the years of built-up residue even from the most discolored pieces.

While polishing the pots and pans, I noticed MAAS applying a shine on the stainless steel sink. So I cleaned the entire

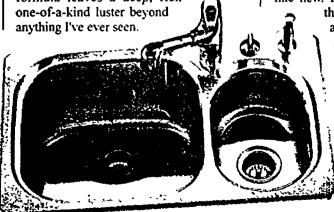
sink with the creme. WOW! The shine is unbelievable and although I wash dishes every day, the shine keeps-on-shining. And it's no longer covered with ugly waterspots - water just rolls off the protective finish and down the drain.

In a November issue of Good House-keeping magazine, MAAS is recommended for restoring heavily tarnished heir-looms. The Institute's Report calls MAAS a standout stating, "MAAS cleans best and gives lasting results." The Miami Herald announced "Polishing product can renew old silver." And The Chicago Tribune headline sums it all up by proclaiming "One Amazing Polish Is The Best At Everything."

How did a homemaker come up with something the industry's experts couldn't? The reporter in me had to find out.

During our interview Donna explained, "I enjoy the warmth that beautifully polished metals add to a home. However, not the hours it took to keep them tarnish free. The harsh cleaners always left my hands dry and burning - one instant silver dip smelled so bad I felt sick. When I read the label, I discovered it contained cancercausing ingredients. I never realized I was using a dangerous substance on my silverware - I serve food with it! That's when I became determined to find a safe and better way to care for the metals in my home."

And that she did. Her formula developed in conjunction with a chemist friend has a mild scent and feels like a hand cream. Made with a base of ultra-refined jewelers rouge, it gently lifts tarnish. The creme is non-flammable and the highly concentrated formula leaves a deep, rich



"To my surprise," Donna reveals, "the formula far exceeded my original goal. I soon discovered MAAS not only restored every metal the polish also restored most non-porous surfaces. It completely renovated a sun-damaged fiberglass boat, removed residue from glass fireplace doors, polished

up clouded crystal and glass vases, wiped scuffs and stains from linoleum and plastic lawn furniture - it even reconditioned a Plexiglas windshield. The restorations were so remarkable everyone suggested that I sell my invention on television".

Donna sent samples of her polish to televised shopping channels. As soon as the buyers saw how remarkably MAAS transforms metals along with an amazing array of other surfaces both QVC and The Home Shopping Network asked Donna to personally appear on TV to demonstrate her invention. Within minutes of

Donna's first appearance the phones lit up with hundreds waiting on line to place their orders. As soon as viewers saw how effortlessly MAAS removed tarnish, stubborn spots, and stains from the piles of badly oxidized metals on stage - MAAS hit big time.

Approximately 17,000 viewers called during MAAS' debut and encore performances quickly brought a million dollars in record-breaking sales.

Leona Toppel, an actress whose credits include Dennis the Menace, A League of Their Own, and ER said she was about to throw away a brass chandelier. She said no amount of elbow grease had been able to shine it up. After hearing about MAAS, she decided to give it one last try before buying a new light fixture. "With very little effort (a big plus for me because I suffer from arthritis) that chandelier looks like new. It's been years since I polished

that brass chandelier with MAAS and to everyone's surprise it's still glowing."

Ame Powell wrote to Donna saying, "I just finished using your wonderful Polishing Creme for All Metals, for the first time, to polish some silver for a dinner party I am giving Saturday night. It is truly remarkable - my silver has never been this clean! It is a marvelous product and I cannot wait to get more

myself and tell all my friends how great it is. The dining room just sparkles, thanks to you!"

Sheila Oetting in Florida said, "Thank you, thank you for a wonderful product! Now family treasures with 30 years of tarnish, grime and corrosion are glearning. I had tried other product without success

and thought the items were beyond saving; in fact I even threw some things away. I'm on my second tube and am so thrilled to see the beauty that had been hidden all those years."

James Malecki from Florida said, "Upon buying my Grady White boat the salesman gave me a tube of your product to use. It's simply great stuff! We are in a tough salt air environment and I have actually received compliments about how good the stainless on my boat looks." Boating magazine calls MAAS magical on fi-

berglass, glass, and metals.

Boeing and McDonnell Douglas tested and approved the polish for use on jet aircraft. The United States Air Force, Army, Navy, Coast Guard and Department of Defense worldwide order MAAS. If every branch of our military is using this polish to pass inspection, imagine what it will do for your home.

Motorcycle Consumer News tested 28 metal polishes. Their report states, "MAAS Polishing Creme has no equals in all around

polishing performance..." MAAS retained its shine longer than every polish tested.

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"He was a person who made friends with the Indians and pioneers who came West, and he never hurt anyone," Querino says.

Bess Bodnarchuk, director of the Johnny Appleseed Trail, that winds through Massachusetts' apple country, says popular legends of Appleseed as a seed scatterer with a pot on his head aren't true. But the "gentle hero" created apple orchards in the wilderness of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois and Pennsylvania, giving away and selling trees to homesteaders. His legacy is alive and well in those states, too, in towns such as Mifflin, Ohio (pop. 144)—home to the Johnny Appleseed Heritage Center and Outdoor Drama.

Steel-drivin' man

Folks in Talcott, W.Va., are certain "the steel-drivin' man" John Henry was a former slave who worked on the Great Bend Tunnel railroad tunnel, says John William Dillon, retired postmaster of the community of about 1,500. A statute near Talcott honors Henry, as does an annual July festival, and a 20-acre park—complete with a steamengine train, amphitheater and museum—is planned.

"He's a working man's hero," Dillon says. "He was fighting to save his job and others from technology."



A 1996 U.S. postage stamp commemorates John Henry.



Scott Nelson, a history professor at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va., believes Talcott was the first place where railroad workers sang a song about the legendary steel-driving man. Nelson also found prison records, from 1866 to 1872, that list a free black man and ex-convict named John Henry, who worked at the Lewis Tunnel, near a place called Jerry's Run on the Appalachian Trail. Nelson believes Henry was among 100 workers who died of disease and in accidents at the tunnel.

"Everybody had a version of the song that describes their tunnel," says Nelson, whose forthcoming book is called Finding John Honry. He adds that it is entirely plausible that Henry won a contest against a steam drill, since the drills often broke down.

The message is more important than the origin, Bronner says.

"In these stories," he says, "we exaggerate ourselves and our environment to try to draw out what's important."

Vicki Brown is a writer in Nashille, Tenn.

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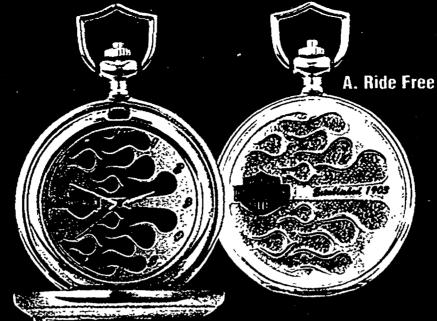
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"Isn't this great?" asks Moore, smiling while fresh wheat flour fills his hand from one of eight stone grinding mills located in his company's milling complex. "Oh, I love this," he adds.

Moore was introduced to milling in the late 1960s when he read *John Goffe's Mill*, a 1948 book about a young man who restores his family's old grist mill. "It was a milestone," he says. "It gave me a definite connection and a focus that this is what I need to be doing."

At the time, Moore managed an auto service center in Redding, Calif., and his only link to whole grain foods came from his wife, Charlee, who loved to



cook with them. He soon set out to learn more about the centuries-old milling process, in which a 2-ton circular stone crushes grain by turning slowly against a stationary bottom stone. Unlike modern methods,

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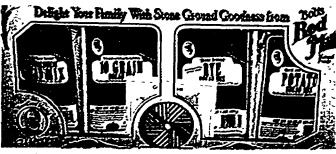


The familiar face of founder Bob Moore and wife Charlee Carolina mill, and within a year he and Charlee opened Moores' Flour Mill in Redding. The business prospered, and four years later the couple decided to retire. They subsequently sold the mill to one of their three sons and moved to Portland, Ore.

But Bob Moore wasn't quite ready to retire. Shortly after moving, he came upon an old vacant flour mill near Oregon City (pop. 25,754), and his passion was rekindled. "I guess we had worked so hard to build that first mill that I wasn't ready to be done with it yet," he says. The Moores bought the mill and started a new whole grain business, naming it Bob's Red Mill.

After 10 years of growing the small company, tragedy struck when an arson fire destroyed the mill. But Moore was determined to keep the business alive and rebuilt in nearby Milwaukie. "That was a hard time for us," he says. "But we pulled together. We worked around the clock, and we never completely shut down. We were fully operating within six months."

Today, business is booming at Bob's Red Mill, where products are milled with a combination of century-old stones as well as new stones imported from Denmark. The company employs 115 people on a 6.5-acre campus composed of a packaging and labeling department, a distribution center, a restau-



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rant, and a visitors center that sells more than 300 products, including buckwheat pancake mix, cereal, whole wheat flour and flaxseed meal. Products also are sold in health food stores and grocery stores across the United States and Canada, with sales increasing steadily since 2000. Moore expects the trend to continue as more people learn the health benefits of whole grain foods. He's quick to point out that research suggests that a whole grain diet can lower cholesterol and prevent heart disease.

"He wants people to be healthier," says Marilyn Ames, a 15-year mill employee who works in the orders and transportation departments. Weekly staff meetings don't start until everyone is served a bowl of hot cereal, and employees are invited to participate in a cardiovascular health seminar taught onsite.

"He cares so much about the people who work here," Ames says. "He wants us all to be healthier. He wants us to feel better and live a long life, and he talks about it every chance he gets."

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Back home in Weatherford, he and his wife. Kristen, have a ranch where they raise rodeo stock and commercial cattle with their daughter and son-in-law, Nicole and Daniel Pennell. Tallman admits that "dirt and cattle" are his real love, but he's not ready to put down the microphone just yet.

"If I can reach people in one form, fashion or another, I can bring peace to them in God's manner, even if just for a moment," he says. "Maybe I can reach them with just a few words."

For more information, log on to www.bobtallman.com.

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Reduce Allergen Exposure

Springtime can be a big sneeze for people with allergies. It's the season of runny noses, watery eyes and nasal congestion for millions of Americans who have allergic reactions to pollens dispersed by blooming plants.

"Even with medication and eye drops, there are two weeks when I'm just miserable with allergy symptoms," says Leah Ingram of New Hope, Pa. "I can't wear make-up because my eyes are tearing, I don't want to go outside to play with my kids, and I don't feel up to walking my dog."

Plant pollens are the main culprits, causing unpleasant nasal and respiratory symptoms. Spring brings an abundance of tree and grass pollens. These tiny wind-borne pollens float through the air and can easily be inhaled, triggering upper and lower respiratory reactions and discomfort.

Fortunately, allergy sufferers can reduce their exposure and reactions to seasonal allergens by taking a few precautionary measures. The following strategies from the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology can help reduce your exposure to springtime allergens:

Indoor tips

- Stay indoors when the pollen count or humidity is high, and on windy days when dust and pollen are airborne. To determine the pollen count in your area, log on to unuw.aaaai.org/nab and click on "View Today's Counts" or tune into your local weather broadcast, which may provide pollen count information.
- Keep windows and doors closed so that pollens do not enter your home.
- Use central air conditioning in your home and workplace. This cleans, cools and dries the air.
- Dry clothes indoors instead of hanging them outside. Pollens accumulate on clothing and sheets when left outdoors.

Outdoor tips

- · Minimize early morning activity when pollens are most often prevalent, usually between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m.
- · Have a non-allergic family member or friend perform yard work. If you must work outdoors, wear a well-fitting face mask when mowing the lawn or working in the garden.
- · Wash your clothes, hair and face after spending time outdoors. This removes plant pollen. Bathe pets to remove pollens that have accumulated on their fur before they go
- Keep your car windows closed at all times to eliminate pollen exposure.

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INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS TAKING CONCERTA® OR THEIR PARENTS OR CAREGIVERS

CONCERTA®

(methylphenidate HCI) Extended-release Tablets C

This information is for patients taking CONCERTA® Extended-release Tablets CII for the treatment of Attention Defiot Hyperactivity Disorder, or

Please read this before you start taking CONCERTA® Remember, this information does not take the place of your doctor's instructions. If you have any questions about this information or about CONCERTA®, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

What is CONCERTA®?

CONCERTA® is a once-a-day treatment for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, or ADHD CONCERTA® contains the drug methylphenidate, a central nervous system stimulant that has been used to treat ADHD for more than 30 years CONCERTA® is taken by mouth, once each day in the morning

What is Attention Deficit Hyperactivity

ADHD has three main types of symptoms, inattention, hyperactivity, and impulsiveness Symptoms of mattention include not paying attention, making careless mistakes, not listening, not finishing tasks, not following directions, and being easily distracted Symptoms of hyperactivity and impulsiveness include fidgeting, talling excessively, running around at inappropriate times, and interrupting others. Some patients have more symptoms of hyperactivity and impulsiveness while others have more symptoms of inattentiveness. Some patients have all three types of symptoms.

Many people have symptoms like these from time to time, but patients with ADHD have these symptoms more than others their age. Symptoms must be present for at least 6 months to be certain of the diagnosis.

How does CONCERTA® work?

Part of the CONCERTA® tablet dissolves right after you swallow it in the morning grung you an initial dose of methylphendate. The remaining drug is slowly released during the day to continue to help lessen the symptoms of ADHD Methylphendate, the active ingredient in CONCERTA®, helps increase attention and decrease impulsiveness and hyperactivity in patients with ADHD.

Who should NOT take CONCERTA®?

You should NOT take CONCERTA® if.

- You are allergic to methylphen-date or any of the other ingredients in CONCERTAR.
- You have glaucoma, an eye disease
- You have tics or Tourette's syndrome, or a family history of Tourette's

Talk to your doctor if you believe any of these conditions apply to you

How should I take CONCERTA®?

Do not chew, crush, or divide the tablets. Swallow CONCERTA® tablets who'e with the help of water or other liquids, such as milk or jude.

Take CONCERTAS once each day in the morning

You may take CONCERTA® before or after you eat

Take the dose prescribed by your doctor. Your doctor may adjust the amount of drug you take until it is right for you. From time, to time, your doctor may interrupt your treatment to check your symptoms while you are not taking the drug.

What are the possible side effects of CONCERTA®?

In the climical studies with patients using COMCERTA®, the most common side effects were headache, stomach pain, s'eeplessness, and decreased appetite. Other side effects seen with methylphanidate, the active ingredient in COMCERTA®, include neusea, working discress nervousness, tics, allergic reactions, increased blood pressure and psychosis (abnormal thinking or hallucinations).

This is not a complete list of possible side effects. Ask your doctor about other side effects. If you develop any side effect, talk to your doctor.

What must I discuss with my doctor before taking CONCERTA®?

Talk to your doctor before taking CONCERTAD if your

- Are being treated for depression or have symptoms of depression such as feelings of sadness, worthlessness, and hopelessness
- Have motion ties (hard-to-control, repeated twitching of any parts of your body) or verbal ties (hard-to-control repeating of sounds or words)
- Have someone in your family with motion tics, verbal tics, or Tourette's syndrome
- Have abnormal thoughts or visions, hear abnormal sounds, or have been diagnosed with psychosis
- Have had seizures (convulsions, epilepsy) or abnormal EEGs (electroencephalograms).
- Have high blood pressure
- Have a narrowing or blockage of your gastrointestinal tract (your esophagus, stomach, or small or large intestine)

Tell your doctor immediately if you develop any of the above conditions or symptoms while taking CONCERTA®.

Can I take CONCERTA® with other medicines?

Tell your doctor about all medicines that you are taking. Your doctor should decide whether you can take CONCERTAS with other medicines. These include

- . Other medicines that a doctor has prescribed
- Medicines that you buy yourself without a prescription
- Any herbal remedies that you may be taking.

You should not take CONCERTA® with monoamine oxidase (MAO) inhibitors

While on CONCERTA $^{\circ}$, do not start taking a new medicine or herbal remedy before checking with your doctor

CONCERTA® may change the way your body reacts to certain medicines. These include medicines used to treat depression, prevent secures, or prevent blood clots (commonly called "blood thinners"). Your doctor may need to change your dose of trese medicines if you are taking them with CONCERTA®

Other Important Safety Information

Abuse of methylphenidate can lead to dependence

Tell your doctor if you have ever abused or been dependent on alcohol or drugs, or if you are now abusing or dependent on alcohol or drugs

Before taking CONCERTA®, tell your doctor if you are pregnant or plan on becoming pregnant if you take methylphen-date, it may be in your breast milk. Tell your doctor if you are nursing a baby

Te'l your doctor if you have blurted vision when taking CONCERTA®

Slower growth (weight gain and/or height) has been reported with long-term use of methylphenidate in children. Your doctor will be carefully watching your height and weight. If you are not growing or gaining weight as your doctor expects, your doctor may stop your CONCERTA® treatment. Call your doctor immediately if you take more than the amount of CONCERTA® prescribed by your doctor.

What else should I know about CONCERTA®?

CONCERTA® has not been studied in children under 6 years of age

The CONCERTA® tablet does not dissolve completely after all the drug has been released and you may sometimes notice it in your stool. This is no

CONCERTAD may be a part of your overall treatment for ADHD. Your doctor may also recommend that you have counseling or other therapy

As with all medicines, never share CONCERTA® with anyone else and take only the number of CONCERTA® tablets prescribed by your doctor.

CONCERTA® should be stored in a safe place at room temperature (between 59°-86° F). Do not store this medicine in hot, damp, or humb

Keep out of the reach of children.

For more information call 1-888-440-7903 or visit www.concertainet

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