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Records show local leaders show up when the gavel strikes

By Maureen Johnston **RECORD STAFF WRITER**

"Madam Clerk, will you please call the roll?" The routine request by city mayor and township supervisor ranks right up with the Pledge of Allegiance when municipal meetings commence.

Official attendance records kept by local clerks during 2004 show Northville community leaders ranked their public service commitments as a top priori-

ty. The Northville Board of Education earned the top grade in public service attendance. Records show the seven

unpaid elected school board members together accounted for only seven absences at 24 meetings, showing up almost 96 percent of the time. Both Joan Wadsworth and Libby Smith attended all 24 meetings. In Northville Township, the

seven trustees combined racked

up only 12 absences at 23 meet-ings, almost 93 percent attendance. No one trustee accounted for more than three absences. With their regularly scheduled

bi-monthly meetings, city council members were seated for public forums the most frequently of the local governing bodies. They accumulated a combined total of 15 absences at 35 meetings, showing up more than 91 percent of the time.

Regular meetings, special meetings, joint meetings, study sessions: all gatherings mean time local elected officials or appointees spend on municipal business rather than personal

endeavors.

Records show several city and township representatives did not miss one meeting all year.

The attendance gold star goes to city councilman Tom Swigart who attended all 35 of his meetings last year. His compensation: \$500.

None of the city residents who serve on appointed boards and commissions are paid for their service. The city hosts an annual recognition reception for the community volunteers.

In the township, members of the planning commission and

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Tonight's meeting

The future of 15 undeveloped township acres at the northeast corner of Sheldon and Five Mile will be dis-. cussed during a 6:30 p.m. special Northville Township meeting tonight. A land swap with developer Grand Sakwa is being considered, including a possible commercial rezoning. In return, the township could get 168 acres on the township's west side. The meeting will be held at township hall. For more information, call (248) 348-5800

'Irish' eyes have reason to smile

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Save your breath. Take another swig of green beer.

When it comes to St. Patrick's Day, Teresa Irish has heard it all before.

"Like I didn't know," the Northville resident said with a laugh, acknowledging her last name is to many symbolic of St. Patrick's Day celebrations under way today.

For Irish, a frequent business traveler, March 17 is no big deal. Often, it finds her on the road. Many years, it brings a story.

Last year, Irish was in Kansas on St. Patrick's Day. She stopped in an Irish pub for dinner and playfully challenged the proprietor: "If I have the most Irish name in the house, will you provide a complimentary dinner?"

The tavern owner agreed. "My last name is Irish," she told him.

Not good enough, the owner reioiled. "We have a Shawn Patrick MacGillicuddy." Then he delivered her a full-price tab. So how Irish is Irish?

"I am (Irish) on St. Patrick's Day like everyone else," she said. "I'm actually quite a mix."

Her family name was originally "Iryshe." As one of 10 siblings. Irish

said her surname name has withstood various stereotypes. She

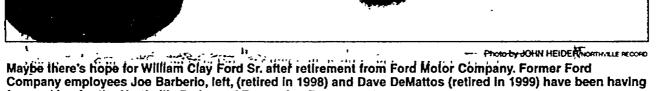
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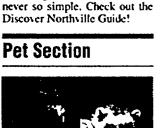
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Local retirees trade autos for athletes in life after Ford

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Now that William Clay Ford Sr. has officially put his feet up, he can join his company's local alumni for a monthly cup of coffee.

Northville retirees remain a loyal bunch, said Joe Barberio, who hosts an informal monthly meeting for Ford retirees. The meeting is attended by about 15-25 people who meet at a local restaurant and discuss everything from retirement plans to past experiences.

William Clay Ford, grandson of automotive pioneer Henry, announced last week he will retire in May from Ford Motor's board of directors after serving for more than half a century.

Local Ford retirees know a bit about what lies ahead for the longtime Ford patriarch.

'You don't keep in contact with everybody," said Barberio, who retired in 1998 after more than 30 years with Ford, "But you get to keep in contact by asking 'how's so and so doing?'

The former Lincoln Mercury sales analysis and reporting supervisor changed titles to Northville Parks and Recreation Department athletic supervisor and Northville High School assistant volleyball coach. At past coffees, Barberio has recruit-

"I worked for Ford 30 years. They're the reason I am where I am."

> Joe Barberio Retired from Ford after 30 years

ed former professional peers as the demands of his second career grew.

Now on the recreation department roster: Dave DeMattos, youth basketball coordina-

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a possible traffic light at

Northville High School are pos-

Providing better access to

county services is another topic.

Ficano said a county satellite

office has been discussed for

marks the first town hall meeting

this year, Ficano said he's done

years, from Taylor to Grosse

Another focal point in Northville Township is recre-

ation services offered in Wayne

"My issue that I'd like

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sibile topics, Ficano said.

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Ficano will discuss county issues locally

Northville residents can quiz Wayne **County** executive locally March 24

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

Jim Petrie said potholes and breaks plague county-owned roads near the Six Mile Road entrance of his Northville Colony Estates neighborhood.

That's why the homeowners' association president will attend a public meeting with Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano at Northville Township Hall March 24.

"They need to be repaired," Petric said, "but every time we've gone to the county to ask about them, they just have a very low priority. They're fixing the main streets and other issues, and so (our roads)-continue to deteriorate.

"I don't think they can just give up that responsibility." Roads will be a hot topic at

next Thursday's meeting, as the county maintains most of the township's thoroughfares.

But any county-related issue, from park services to traffic lights, will be fair game.

From 6:30-8:30 p.m., residents may jot down questions. As moderator, Township Supervisor Mark Abbo will read queries to Ficano and 10 Wayne

County department heads.

"We thought it was a great idea," Abbo said. "We always get inquiries regarding the roads and maintenance of the roads."

Ficano offered the idea after attending township hall's recent grand opening. "We thought it'd be a great

venue to talk with people." Ficano said. "We try to get a flavor for what's occurring in different parts of the county so that we can try to address those nccds.

"There's issues that Northville Township's facing. They're a very quick-growing community."

Local problems

Improving roads and installing

Though Northville Township about seven in the past two

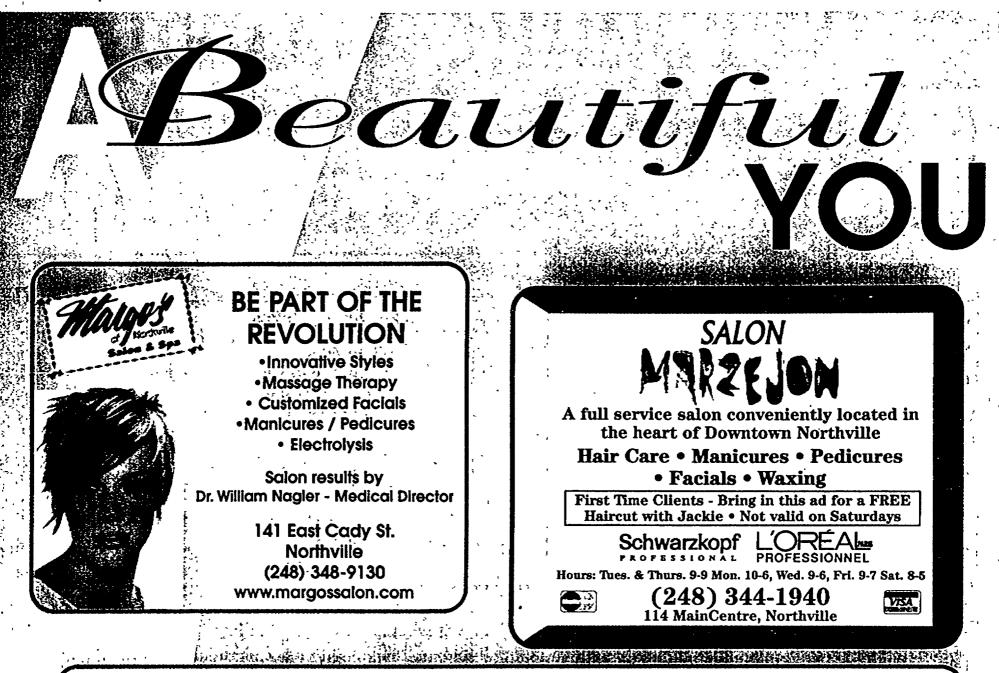
> Photo by JOHN HEIDER AGRITHALLE RECORD Township neighbors Jim Petrie, left, and Tom Dewey are concerned about the state of their countyowned roads.



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Education and innovation motivates Margo's team



By Maureen Johnston - Record Staff Writer

Margo's stays on cutting edge with new services Wrinkles reflected in an increasing number of babyboomers' mirrors prompted Margo's of Northville Salon and Spa to pursue the latest offerings in skin rejuvenation.

Margo Kramar in 1986 opened her salon at 141 E. Cady St. Since then, she and her staff have continued their education in design, color and now, anti-aging treatments. Medical training prepared stylists to describe to clients facial rejuvenation options, Kramar said. She invited Dr. William Nagler of Livonia to join the salon team so Margo's can offer Botox, Restylane and Radiesse treatments. "The company will not sell this to you until you have a doctor on staff," Kramar said. "It's an alternative to surgery. "It will be affordable."

Injections administered during a series of visits decrease wrinkles by tightening skin and healing cells, she explained. Always on the lookout for new ways to serve customers, the staff continues to specialize in precision hair design and coloring to compliment an individual's lifestyle and personality. "Staff members are continually educated and updated on the latest techniques for all the salon services," Kramar said. "We're dedicated to offering the highest quality services and products to our clients so we constantly learn new methods and enhance our skills."

Margo's caters to clients with natural or fiberglass nails. In contrast to acrylic nails, the fiberglass option is thinner, can be worn with clear polish and can grow out rather than be ground off. "It's healthy," Kramar said. "You can take those off and the nails are fine underneath." On the "quiet side" of the salon, Margo's massage team uses a variety of therapies to reduce stress and resolve tissue pain.

The comforting pastel settings, sophisticated equipment, and therapists' skilled hands take clients on a journey of pleasure and relaxation, Kramar said. The staff of professionals works year round to help a loyal and growing clientele maintain a stylish appearance.

During the summer months, they also schedule additional appointments for men and women who want to look their best for special occasions, such as weddings, graduations and reunions. The salon offers gift certificates, skin and hair-care products. Hours are 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, call (248) 348-9130 or visit www.margossalon.com.



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2004 Attendance Records

Northville Board of Education -24 Meetings

NAME	TITLE	COMPENSATION	ABSENCES
Judith Wollack	President	None	. 1
Joan Wadsworth	Vice President	None	0
Libby Smith	Secretary	None	0
Ken Roth	Treasurer	None	1
Judy Handley	Trustee	None	. 2
Karen Paciorek	Trustee	None	. 1
Marilyn Price	Trustee	None	2

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Northville City Council -35 Meetings*

NAME	TITLE C	OMPENSATION	ABSENCES
Christopher Johnson	Mayor	\$600/Yr.	1
Carolann Ayers	Mayor pro-ter	m \$500/Yr.	8
Jerry Mittman	Councilman	\$500/Yr.	4
Kevin Hartshorne	Councilman	\$500/Yr.	2
Tom Swigart	Councilman	\$500/Yr.	0

Includes special, joint and regular meetings. In some cases, more than one on the same day.

Northville Planning Commission –20 Meetings*

NAME	TITLE	COMPENSATION	ABSENCES
Jay Wendt	Chairman	None	0
David Mielock	Vice Chairma	an None	4
James Allen	Member	None	4
Richard Birdsall	Member	None	4
Nancy Chiri	Member	None	3
Christopher Gazlay	Member	None	0
Steven Kirk	Member	None	0
Marc Russell	Member	None	6
Anne Smith	Member	None	1

"Includes special and regular meetings.

Board of Zoning Appeals -10 Meetings

NAME	TITLE	COMPENSATION	ABSENCES
· Rolland Stapleton	Chairman	None	3
Carol Maise	Vice Chairma	in None	1
William Lokey	Member	None	1
James Bress James Haveraneck Christopher Gazlay	Member	None	and denoises and works
Larry Jensen	Member	None	1
John Rae	Alternate	None	N/A
Luke Durst	Alternate	None	N/A
Connie Cronin	Resigned 1/6	/05 None	7
Charles Ayers	Member	None	3

Northville Township



A review of official 2004 attendance records for locally-elected and appointed officials

City of Northville



MAYOR, CITY OF NORTHVILLE

By Maureen Johnston **RECORD STAFF WRITER**

Northville City Council members in 2004 sat through lengthy debate on topics from public safety dispatch to parking to long-range planning for a slim paycheck.

Planning commission and zoning board of appeal members tackled last year's most contentious issue — approval of Our Lady of Victory's new school - and many others, for no pay.

Their reward: recognition at an annual city reception and gratification of community service.

"It's obviously important," Mayor Christopher Johnson said. People who step up for public roles need to follow through the commitment and in Northville traditionally do, he said.

"I don't see any situation where we have any major attendance problems," Johnson said. Like everyone, public servants are subject to illness, vacations and job responsibilities, he said.

"As long as they are kept to a minimum, it's not a problem," he said "I know I've had meetings where I've had to be at council meetings in other communities for my job." Councilman Tom Swigart did not miss any of the coun-

cil's 35 special, joint and regular meetings in 2004. Mayor Pro-tem Carolann Ayers topped the list of absences with eight, albeit three tallied back-to-back, April

22 meetings. "I have family issues that always, always take prece-

dence over city council," Ayers said. "City council meetings are such a small part of the time commitment of city council members.

I cannot begin to tell you, but I could almost equal that 35 in other sessions I attend."

Johnson missed one meeting, Councilman Kevin Hartshome, two, and Councilman Jerry Mittman, four. Each council member earns \$500 annual pay regardless of the number of meetings; the mayor earns \$600.

Regular and special meetings for the Northville Planning Commission totaled 20 in 2004.

Commission chairman Jay Wendt and commissioners Christopher Gazlay and Steven Kirk attended all the meetings.

Volunteer Marc Russell missed the most planning commission meetings with six absences.

"That's still not excessive," Johnson said. Vice chairman David Mielock, Richard Birdsall and James Allen were absent four times. Nancy Chiri, who verbally resigned from the commission earlier this month, missed three meetings last year; Anne Smith missed one.

The Northville Board of Zoning Appeals held 10 meetings during 2004.

Board member Connie Cronin, who resigned her seat Jan. 6, was absent seven times. In her farewell letter, Cronin said her membership was an "interesting, learning and stimulating experience

"I am resigning out of fairness to the other board members, since I have missed so many meetings, and would be missing more in the future due mainly to travel," the letter read.

Planning commission liaison and board member Gazlay did not miss a meeting. None of the other board members missed more than three meetings.

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By Kim Kovelle **RECORD STAFF WRITER**

No matter what the topic on Six Mile Road, Northville Township Hall public meetings typically have solid official attendance.

That's the way Supervisor

ship board of trustees, planning commission and zoning board of appeals.

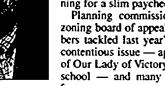
Not one missed more than three meetings.

ALL BREASTREAS

With a 23-meeting schedule, four trustees were absent from only one: Abbo, clerk Sue Hillebrand, Marv Gans and Brad Werner.

As liaison, Gans attended all 13 planning commission meetings. Zoning board vice chairman Brian Doren had perfect attendance at 12 meetings.

For special meetings, trustees receive compensation per-meeting. The same holds for all planning and zoning meetings. If officials are absent from those meetings, money stays in the general fund, Abbo said.



Chris Johnson

Board of Trustees -12 Meetings*

NAME	TITLE C	OMPENSATION	BSENCES
Mark Abbo	Supervisor	\$24,000/Yr.+car (part ti	me) ()
Sue Hillebrand	Clerk	\$65,000/Yr.(full time)	0
Richard Henningsen	Treasurer	\$17,000/Yr.(part time)	1
Marjorie Banner	Trustee	\$5,000/Yr.	1
Marvin Gans	Trustee	\$5,000/Yr.	1
Shirley Klokkenga	Trustee	\$5,000/Yr.	2
Brad Werner	Trustee	\$5,000/Yr.	0

*April was a joint study meeting

Board of Trustees Special Meetings -11*

NAME	TITLE	COMPENSATION	ABSENCES
Mark Abbo	Supervisor	\$50/Mtg.	1
Sue Hillebrand	Clerk	\$50/Mtg.	1
Richard Henningsen	Treasurer	\$50/Mtg. 1	2
Marjorie Banner	Trustee	\$50/Mtg.	1
Marvin Gans	Trustee	\$50/Mtg.	0
Shirley Klokkenga	Trustee	\$50/Mtg.	1
Brad Werner	Trustee	\$50/Mtg.	1

*Meetings were titled special, study session, closed or some combination of the three.

Planning Commission –13 Meetings*

NAME	TITLE C	OMPENSATION	ABSENCES
George McCarthy	Chairperson	\$60/Mtg.	1
Richard Allen	Vice Chairperson	n \$60/Mtg.	1
Marvin Gans	Mem./Trustee Lia	aison \$60/Mtg.	0
Kent Anderson	Member	\$60/Mtg.	3
Lisa Anderson	Mem./Board Mei	mber \$60/Mtg.	2
James Nield	Member	\$60/Mtg.	3
	Member	\$60/Mtg.	1

"Two meetings in January and February; no meeting In November

Zoning Board of Appeals -12 Meetings*

NAME		MPENSATION	ABSENCES
Robert McMahon	Chairperson	\$45/Mtg.	,1 _
Brian Doren	Vice Chairperson	\$45/Mtg.	0
Lisa Anderson	Member	\$45/Mtg.	3
Shirley Klokkenga	Mem./Trustee Liai	son \$45/Mtg.	2
Donald Samhat	Member	\$45/Mtg.	2 24

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"No meeting in January; two June meetings held.



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Mark Abbo SUPERVISOR, NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP

it."

Mark Abbo sees it. "It's always been the

impression that I've had that the personnel we have serving on boards and commissions are very dedicated individuals," Abbo said.

"Their willingness to serve in the capacities that they serve in is evidence to

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Collectively, 16 residents last year sat on the town-

In 2004, that kept \$1,370 for the township.

As officials settle into their new hall, Abbo said he anticipates the trend will continue.

"Attendance has been very good," Abbo said. I have no reason to believe that it'll change."

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Libby smith ž BOARD OF EDUCATION. NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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By Victoria Sadlocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

Missing a meeting isn't on the agenda for Northville Public Schools board member Libby Smith.

The board of education secretary said attending all meetings is a personal top priority.

It is something I strive for. Absolutely." Smith said. " I do tend to make it a very strong priority and sometimes that means some shuffling for me and my family. I guess I am proud of myself."

Along with school board president, vice Joan

Wadsworth, Smith had a per-

fect meeting attendance record for 2004.

'I do think that is how to approach things in life," she said. "Perfect attendance has become and integral part of ext. 122 or vsadlocha@ht.homecomm.net.

my life."

Actually, Smith said, I don't believe I have missed a regular meeting and only one special meeting while I was on vacation.

Members of the Northville school board serve on up to four school subcommittees, serve as liaisons to outside boards and attend individual school PTA meetings.

"I think it (the workload) goes a bit in cycles," Smith said. "I would say there is definitely with meetings about 10 to 27 hours a week. It is a lot of time."

And time spent without compensation.

As with prior years, Northville school board members unanimously requested to waive compensation because of the financial crisis facing Michigan schools.

July will mark the secretary's two year anniversary. Smith said she ran for a seat on the seven-member board to fill the representation void of parents with young children. "It has worked out well," she said. " I enjoy the chal-

lenge, and I enjoy serving. I have to say I am proud to be in this spot. I am very proud to serve my community."

Victoria Sadlocha can be reached at (248) 349-1700,

MEETINGS: Who's showing up?

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zoning board of appeals are paid per meeting, \$60 and \$45, respectively.

City and township charter provisions spell out meeting schedule and attendance requirements. Whether a public ser-vant is elected or appointed, they know the minimum meeting frequency when they take on the position.

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In the township, added meetings mean added pay for the board of trustees who are compensated at an annual base wage for the 12 regular meetings and related responsibilities.

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Around Town

Extra jewels?

The 22 Northville Senior Community Center is asking local residents to sort through their old jewelry boxes in search of an item to donate for an upcoming jewelry sale fundraiser.

The staff will collect donations of gently used jewelry through Friday, April 29. Proceeds will help cover the cost of senior programming at the 303 W. Main St. center.

The sale will be 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursday, May 5 at the senior center. For more information, call (248) 349-4140.

Get crafty

The Handcrafters Spring Arts and Crafts Show will be held Friday-Sunday in the Hillside **Recreation Center.** Admission is \$2 per person. Hours are 6-9 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday.

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 14.

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

Next stop, Japan

The Art House, 215 W. Cady St. will host Michael Farrell at 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 19.

The latest two-hour installment in the travel lecture series on ancient cultures will focus on Japan and the Shinto Shrine. 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.

City news

• Northville City Hall offices will be closed on Friday, March 25, in observance of Good Friday. Offices will reopen at 8 a.m.'Monday, March 28.

• City ordinances réquire 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.

Maybury Friends

The grassroots groups sup-porting Northville's state park, the Friends of Maybury, invited area seniors to a wild flower walk led by Selena Browne. Anyone interested can meet at the concession stand near the Eight Mile Road entrance at 11 a.m., Wednesday, April 27. The hour-long walk will be over park trails, weather permitting. For more information, call (248) 347-0899.

The next Friends of Maybury State Park meeting is 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 13, at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St. All are welcome.

Budget time

The city's 2005-06 budget process is under way, scheduled to conclude May 16 with budget adoption and establishment of the 2005 operating millage rate. The new fiscal year begins June

The budget plan calls for: • April 4 — Budget document presented to the council at a regular meeting.

April 6, 11, 12 — Council will host budget review sessions.

 May 5 — Notice of budget's availability and budget hearing. • May 16 - Council to host second budget hearing and adopt the budget.

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.

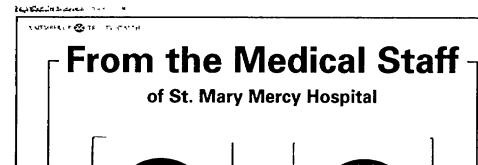
The stations tentatively identified for markers include sites of the former main hospital, doctors' quarters, children's hospital, water tower and old

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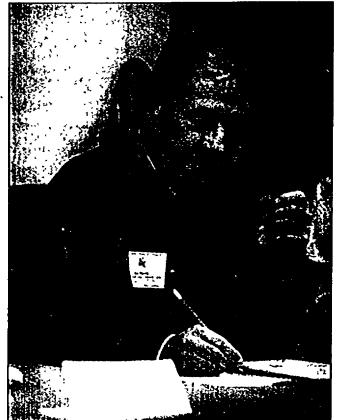
Maybury donations

There are still ways to contribute as efforts to continue rebuilding the working farm at Maybury State Park continue.

The Northville Community Foundation, coordinating funding for the project, recently unveiled an "I helped rebuild Maybury Farm" mug featuring a barnyard and animals. The mugs are available 9 a.m.-3 p.m. for a \$20 donation at the foundation office, 18600 Northville Road, Ste. 275.

Those interested in contributing to the attraction's return also still can "Buy a Board," another fundraising campaign. A \$250 check will place the donor or designee's name on Maybury's Farm Builders Board to be displayed at the farm. For more information, call (248) 374-0200.

To contribute an item for consideration in this column, email miohnston@ht.homecomm.net.



Spelling bees!

Photo by JOHN HEIDER-NORTHALLE RECORD

Northville resident Ken Murray writes down a word before attempting to spell it aloud during last week's Senior Spelling Bee held at the Northville Senior Community Center. Milford won the competition.





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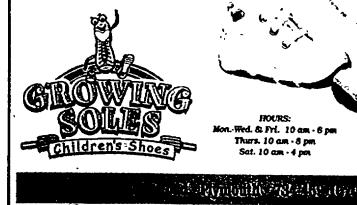


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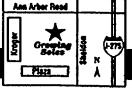
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FORD: local auto company retirees offer former boss advice

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tor and scorekeeper scheduler; Larry Potok, yearround men's basketball coordinator, and Charlie Gabbeart, kickball coordinator.

Like Barberio, 28-year Ford veteran DeMattos cooled his heels only eight months before looking for his post-automotive career.

"Joe kept telling me about what was going on." DeMattos said. "What this job has done for me is get me back in touch with the kids in this community."

Since retiring in 1999, the former Ford and Lincoln Mercury sales analysis manager has become a fixture at youth recreation department basketball games.

"He has been great," Barberio said. "The coaches call him 'the commissioner."

Life after Ford

The two 64-year-olds swap stories about their work acquaintances, promising youth athletes they supervise and their lives after Ford.

"I didn't want to not be doing anything," Barberio said.

Ford's announcement last week surprised no one.

"He's kind of been retired 16 years," Barberio said. "We're always going to have Fords there." Neither DeMattos nor Barberio met the

founder's heirs. "The biggest shooter I ever met was (Lee) laccoca," DeMattos said. "It knocked my socks off. I had been there about a year."

Both retirees said they drive Ford vehicles and probably always will. Through friends and family discount plans, everyone who has been affiliated with the company still tries to be an ambassador

"I cannot stand seeing Japanese cars on the road. Every time I see one on the road, it makes my blood boil."

> Joe Barberio Retured from Ford after 30 years

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Monthly Ford Alumni Meeting

During winter months, 9:30 a.m. meetings are held at Rebecca's, located at 134 N. Center St. In the summer, meetings are held at the Deadwood Grill, 18730 Northville Road.

for Ford products, DeMattos said.

"I worked for Ford 30 years," Barberio said. "I'm not going to go and support someone else. 'They're the reason I am where I am."

Three decades haven't sated Barberio's appetite for the latest industry trends. He recently returned from Rochester, New York, and Chicago; he works at three auto shows per year.

"I cannot stand seeing Japanese cars on the road," he said. "Every time I see one on the road, it makes my blood boil."

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

City, area may get road funds

Local road repairs may get a \$14 million federal boost from U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia). He and other U.S. representatives March 10 approved the Transportation Equity Act. If passed, the \$284 billion act would fund highways, transit and safety pro-

grams.

Of the sum, Congress members would get a portion for local projects. McCotter's plans include the following: • Northville: \$500,000 to improve Taft Road, Eight Mile

Road north to city limits Plymouth: \$500,000 to

Haggerty Road, improve Plymouth to Schoolcraft roads • Novi: \$1 million to reconstruct Grand River Avenue, Novi to Haggerty roads

• Livonia: \$1 million to reconstruct Stark Road, Plymouth Road to I-96

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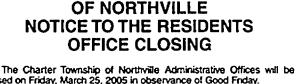
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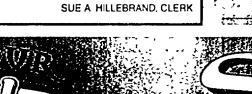


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closed on Friday, March 25, 2005 in observance of Good Friday. The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, March 28, 2005. The Department of Public Safety (Police and Fire) will remain

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HomeTown sale to Gannett proceeds

Department of Justice approval clears way for smooth transition; no closing date set

- Officials at HomeTown Communications Network, Inc. --- parent company of The Northville Record - expect a smooth transition with the end of a federal review of the Livonia-based firm's sale to publishing giant Gannett newspapers.

"The U.S. Department of Justice has concluded that the sale may now proceed," wrote Richard Aginian, president and CEO of HomeTown, in a memo e-mailed last week to the company's more than 780 employees in Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky.

"With that behind us, we've now begun our dis-cussions with Gannett about setting a closing date. We'll also begin to assist them with whatever plans they are developing for the transfer of operations to their ownership," wrote Aginian. No closing date has been announced for the sale.

HomeTown and Gannett announced the sale last November, but then had to wait for a federallyrequired review of the transaction. Terms of the sale were not announced.

HomeTown Communications Network publishes one daily, 62 weekly and twice-weekly newspapers as well as specialty publications and phone books. It also runs a Web site operation and runs four commercial printing plants.

The Northville Record is in a division called HomeTown Newspapers, which also includes the Novi News, South Lyon Herald, the Milford Times and the Livingston County Daily Press & Argus.

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The corporation's largest division consists of the Observer & Eccentric newspapers, which are suburban Detroit from Rochester to Canton. The corporation also includes suburban weeklies based in Royal Oak as well as divisions that ring Lansing and Cincinnati.

Gannett, which owns the Detroit News, also owns daily newspapers in Lansing and Cincinnati.

The nation's largest newspaper group in terms of circulation, Gannett publishes 101 daily newspapers with a combined circulation of 7.6 million. This includes USA Today, the nation's largest-selling daily newspaper with a circulation of about 2.3 miltion.

Gannett recorded \$7.4 billion in operating revenue in 2004. When the sale was announced last year, HomeTown was projecting 2004 revenues of \$86 million.

"We'll also begin to assist them with whatever plans they are developing for the transfer of operations to their ownership."

> **Richard Aginian** President and CEO, HomeTown Newspapers

OFFICE HOURS

State Sen. Bruce Patterson's district director will hold office hours, 11a.m.-1 p.m., Monday, March 21 at the Northville Library, 212 W. Cady Street. For more information, call (517) 373-7350.

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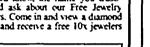
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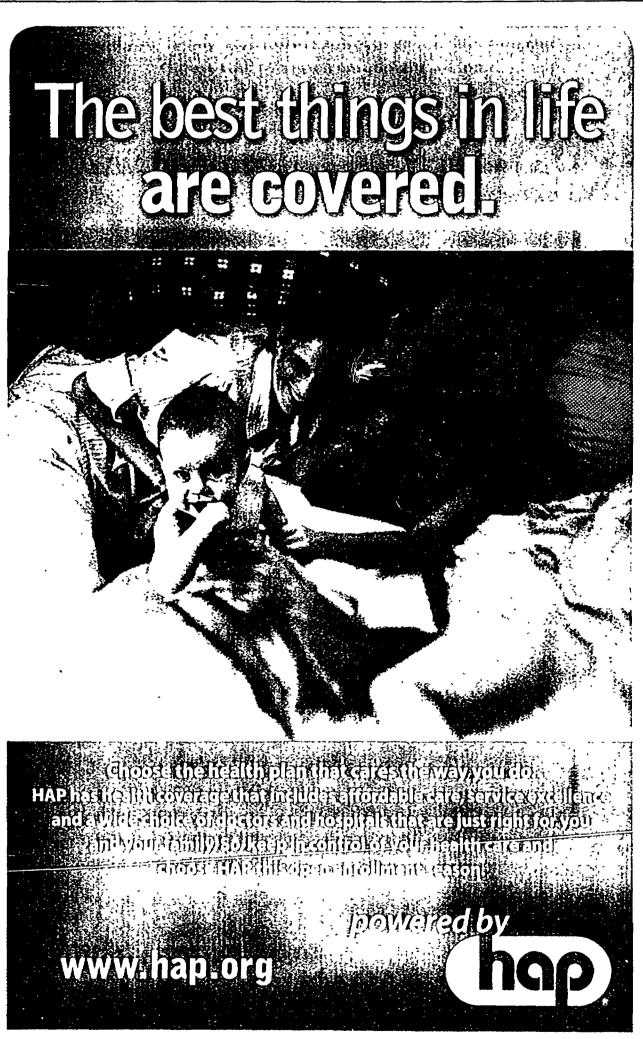


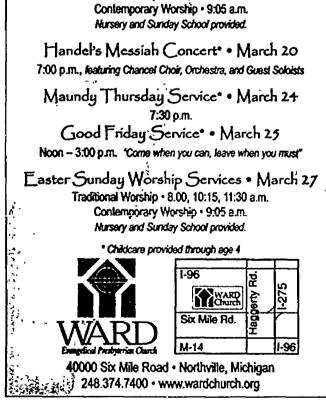
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IRISH: local resident hardly 'green' with envy

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said her married sisters miss the fun that accompanies being officially "Irish."

"I have people comment all the time, what a cool name," trish said. "Or, 'did you go to Notre Dame?" Because her dad

was an only child. Irish said she doesn't have first cousins with the same last name. During her frequent travels, she keeps an eye out for Irish kin.

But today won't be all green shamrocks and lucky charms for the home health-care representative. She'll be on the road again.

"I'll be traveling with business out west," Irish said. "Probably in search of a pub that will serve a free meal for the person with the most Irish name."

About St. Patrick

St. Patrick, patron saint and national apostle of Ireland, is credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland. He is believed to have been born in the late fourth century. St. Patrick is most known for driving snakes

from Ireland. It is true there are no snakes in Ireland, but there probably never have been the island was separated from the rest of the continent at the end of the Ice Age.

St. Patrick's Day has come to be associated with everything Irish: anything green and gold, shamrocks and luck. Most importantly, to those who celebrate its intended meaning, St. Patrick's Day is a traditional day for spiritual renewal and offering prayers for missionaries worldwide.

Why March 17? One theory is that is the day St. Patrick died. Since the holiday began in Ireland, it is believed that as the Irish spread out around the world, they took with them their history and celebrations.

Source: when st-patricks-day.com

MADD holiday message: if you drink today, be safe

For nine years, SMART and Mother's Against Drunk Driving (MADD) have teamed up to remind people to celebrate SL Patrick's Day safely. And

this year is no exception. SMART and MADD encourage St. Patrick's Day revelers to ride the bus, take a taxi or have a designated driver to get home safely and keep the

roads accident-free. Last year over 5,500 people took advantage of the free ride offer, Since the beginning of the program over 26,000 people were given a safe ride home on a SMART bus. "The SMART SL Patrick's Day free ride program offers people one alterna-tive to driving after their SL Patrick's Day celebration" said Dan Dirks, SMART general manager,

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We want to encourage people to make plane for getting home safely before they go out. Either by bus, a designated driver or a too we want people to have a fun but safe St. Patrick's Day.

SMART offers free rides after 6 p.m. on St. Patrick's Day. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) trips are excluded from the free ride offer For information about SMART bus service, ple call (866) 962-5515, 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday Friday or visit www.smartbus.org. A telephone, information operator will be available to ansi questions on how to use SMART service. questions on how to use SMART service. SMART and MADD want to remind people to make plans. and get home safely before their St. Patrick's Day celebration begins.

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addressed is to make sure the county parks director is in concert with what we're developing out here so that there' is no redundancy," Township Manager Chip Snider said.

Abbo said he expects the township's department heads, board of trustees and planning commission likely will attend.

Homeowners' association groups in Northville, Plymouth, Canton and Livonia communities have been invited.

As for Petrie, he may offer some alternatives for ailing roads.

"We pay our taxes and we hope that they could at least do something with filling with asphalt and maybe something with their tar machine," he said. "You're going to see me there with my question in my hand." Talk with Ficano What: a town hall meeting with Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, along with 10 Wayne County department

heads When: 6:30-8:30 p.m., Thursday, March 24

Where: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road Format: residents will write down questions, which will be

read by Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo Possible topics: open discussion may include roads,

traffic signals, parks, county resource access and other

growth related-issues

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Hillside Middle Schoolers listen attentively to author Karen Levine whose book "Hana's Suitcase" chronicles one families' experiences during the Holocaust.

BOOKSIGNING By Children's Book Illustrator Michael Glenn Monroe

Show Hours: Friday: 6-9 p.m. Saturday: 9-5 p.m. Sunday: 11-4 p.m.

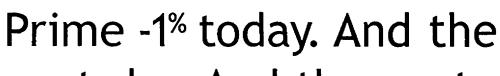


Michael Glenn Monroe was already an award-winning, nationally known wildlife artist when he painted his first children's book, *M is for Mitten, a Michigan Alphabet*, which went on to become one of the best-selling children's books in Michigan. Michael followed up with nine other books including the holiday classic, *A Wish to be a Christmas Tree*, which was read by Katie Couric on the *Today Show*. Michael spends most of the year traveling around the country presenting to elementary schools on his life of a self-taught artist and encouraging children to never give up on their dreams.

Michael will be signing copies of all 10 of his popular childrens' books AND showing his wildlife art on March 18-20, at the Handcrafter's Art Show at the Northville Recreation Center located at Hillside Elementary School.

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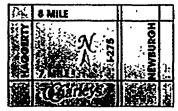
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Harley up for raffle

Northville Township's police and command officers are offering the chance to win a 2004 Harley Davidson Flhpi Police Special Road King Motorcycle.

The bike will be raffled off at 8 p.m., Saturday, May 7 at Sheehans on the Green restaurant in Plymouth. All proceeds will go to the Northville Township Police and Command Officers Associations, which also will take care of federal tax.

All police markings will be removed prior to the winner receiving the motorcycle. Tickets are limited to 3,000, and there is a \$20 donation per ticket. For more information, call (248) 449-5090.

Township meets tonight

Northville Township's board of trustees will host a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. today, following by a 7:30 p.m. regular meeting.

The special meeting will discuss township land at Sheldon and Five Mile roads. Community Park issues and land acquisition analysis.

Municipal building payments, Northville Road bike paths and water main work along Five and Seven Mile roads also will be some topics at the regular meet-

Scheduled appointments will include re-appointing Kent Anderson to the planning commission until March 17, 2008, and Richard Brown to parks and recreation until March 21, 2008.

Meetings are held at township hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. For more information or to receive agendas, call (248) 348-5800.

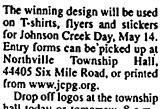
Creek contest deadlines

Residents have until today to find Johnson Creek's biggest trees, and kids have until tomorrow to design a logo.

The search for the largest American Beech, Burr Oak, Shagbark Hickory and Sugar Maple in the watershed ends today. Winners could win \$50. Find details at www.jcpg.org.

Kids age 12 and younger are encouraged to turn in designs by tomorrow for the Johnson Creek Day 2005 Logo Contest.

This year's theme is "Trees in the Johnson Creek Watershed."



hall today or tomorrow, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Water protectors meet next week

The Johnson Creek Protection Group will meet at 7 p.m. next Monday at Salem Township Hall, 9600 Six Mile Road. The guest speaker will be Tom Woiwode, director of the GreenWays Initiative Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan.

For more information, contact Michelle West at mwest@ainm.com or (734) 761-1010, or visit www.jcpg.org.

Commission meeting coming

Northville Township's planning commission convenes at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 29. Meetings are held at township hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. For more information or to receive an agenda, call (248) 348-5800.

Ficano to talk to township

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

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

Traffic lights, parks and recreation, taxes and county services are other possible topics. Participants arrive, sign in and write their questions on a form. Ficano, along with 10 county department heads members, will answer queries, to be read by township supervisor Mark Abbo. For more information, call Northville Township at (248)

348-5800. Township office closure

Township offices will be closed Friday, March 25 for Good Friday.

To submit an item for consideration in Township Briefs, email kkovelle@ht.homecomm net.



Northville's two city sirens keep township alert

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

On the first Saturday of each month, a loud siren assures Northville residents their severe

weather warning system is working. For Padraic Mullin and family, it's a bit louder than most: their Pheasant Hills home off Eight Mile Road is just yards from one of the city's two sirens.

'It obviously is an attention-grabber," Mullin said. "When it does sound, we just have to cup our little ones' ears. It doesn't stay on very long.

With spring comes tornado season. Local officials can't cite any funnel touch-downs in recent memory, but say the alarms have been triggered for severe weather nearby.

Unlike the city of Northville, the township doesn't have sirens.

The city's second siren at the Northville District Library on Cady Street is one of many in earshot, Township Police Chief John Werth said.

"We do have the sirens that come from the city and from Plymouth (Township)," Werth said. Those sirens do cover the community. The Northville one covers quite a bit."

During an emergency, he said, the city and township's combined public safety dispatch is on the front line.

Information comes in on a regional Law Enforcement Information Network computer, along with the National Weather Service.

They would advise the Northville City and Northville Township vehicles, police and fire, that are working," said Werth. "Between the LEIN and the weather channels there, that's our two biggest (methods)."

Also, he said, anonymous severe weather "spotters" often call dispatchers. "The way it's



related to the community is by the tornado sirens," Werth said.

For now, that step is given to city police officers. Eventually, township-based dispatch will flip the switch to activate alarms.

We are in the process of getting the equipment here," Dispatch Supervisor Kelly Pigeon said. A definite date has not yet been set.

Sounds of the season... or not

City Police Chief James Petres said sirens' sound radius is about a mile. Wind direction can play a factor.

"I think it's a good way to alert them that there is a problem." Petres said, "but I think with the instant media coverage, that's the best way for them to find out immediately what it

In addition to the city and Plymouth Township, other nearby sirens are located in Livonia, Novi and Salem Township.

What we find a lot of people do is call 9-1-I to find out why the sirens are going off," Pigeon said. That can needlessly tie up the line in an emergency. "What I do personally if I hear one is I either turn on the television or stick my head out the window."

Werth said there are no plans to get sirens in the township anytime soon.

"Right now, my understanding is we're sufficient with the warning signals that are within ... the area," he said. "We've never had an incident in Northville Township where there was injury due to a tornado being spotted or the lack of listening to a warning signal."

Petres said residents should be aware and, in

Nearby sirens

- City of Northville Township: City of Northville, Eight Mile between Taft and Beck roads; Northville District
- Library on Cady Street Livonia: Seven Mile and Newburgh roads; Five Mile and Newburgh roads Novi: Meadowbrook Road north of
- Eight Mile Road; Nine Mile between Taft and Beck roads; Nine Mile and Garfield roads
- f Plymouth Township: Ridge and Halyard roads; fire station at Wilcox Road and Schoolcraft roads; township complex at Ann Arbor and Lilley roads; Ann Arbor

and Ridge roads • Salem Township: Eight Mile between Currie and Tower roads; Salem Road between Five and Six Mile roads

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"What we find a lot of people do is call 9-1-1 to find out why the sirens are going off. I either turn on the television or stick my head out the window."

> Kelly Pigeon Dispatch Supervisor, Northville

an emergency, take cover in a low area like a basement or ditch. Stay away from windows, too.

"We won't test them if the weather looks threatening, so as not to confuse people," he added. "We try not to alarm people. We just wouldn't do it that month."

As for Mullin, he'll continue to cover his toddlers' ears and bear it. "We've adapted," he said. "I understand it

serves the purpose and is necessary."







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POLICE REPORTS

Vehicles collide near Meijer

A driver's attempt to make a left turn into the Meijer store parking lot along Haggerty Road ended in a collision last Friday.

No one was injured in 7:15 p.m. incident south of Eight Mile Road, which turned a van onto its roof.

Driven by a 53-year-old Livonia woman, the van, facing north on Haggerty Road, turned into the Meijer through a yellow light, police said.

At that moment, police said, a 25-year-old Genesee man traveling southbound on Haggerty in a sport utility vehicle struck the van.

Road conditions were dry and weather was clear, reports said. Both vehicles were listed as undrivable, but neither driver was taken to the hospital.

The woman was cited with failing to yield.

Business safe stolen

An unknown culprit stole a safe from Normac, Inc. between March 7 and 8. About \$400 cash was inside.

The business' project manager reported the incident at the 720 E. Baseline Road business around 7 a.m. last Tuesday. Perimeter alarms reportedly had been set the evening prior, but the inside system was not.

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Police responded to an breakand-enter signal at the business at 6:17 p.m. March 7, but found the doors secured. Another alarm went out at 6:49 p.m., around the time police left. Another police run was not made, reports indicated.

The employee said he suspected a "suspicious" man who had entered the business March 7 seeking employment. The suspect reportedly viewed the building twice: once during an initial visit, and again when he returned, stating he had lost his wallet.



The store has two new employees and three subjects with building keys, police said, but none were indicated as suspects.

The two-foot-by-two-foot tan safe also contained company credit cards, checks and paperwork. The case is open.

Cigarette starts condo blaze

No one was injured after a recent condominium fire was reportedly was accidentally started by a cigarette.

At 3:20 a.m. on March 6, Northville Township fire and police responded to a fire alarm in the 18300 block of Jamestown

Circle.

Police reported heavy smoke and fire were visible over the roof from the rear of the second-floor condo

Along with a next-door neighbor, the owner, a 54-year-old woman evacuated the building. She told police she had been sitting in bed reading and smoking. Before she fell asleep, she reportedly placed the cigarette in an ashtray.

She told police it must have fallen out of the tray and into a trash can; when she awoke, the can and her bed were ablaze.

All residents were evacuated but allowed to return to their homes, police said, except the woman, who lodged at a Plymouth hotel.

Suspicious man reported

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A man placing housecleaning business fliers into township mailboxes was reported by a concerned resident Feb. 26.

At about 9:45 a.m., the man reportedly was driving his older model, two-tone Ford Bronco in the 15600 block of Crystal Downs Drive, distributing the fliers.

A woman reportedly told police she was concerned about the man opening the mailboxes because he

Also, she reported that her 10year-old daughter complained of the driver stopping and looking at her "in a very strange manner." The man did not invite the child to his vehicle, police said, and continued driving. The case was closed.

Toy gun confiscated

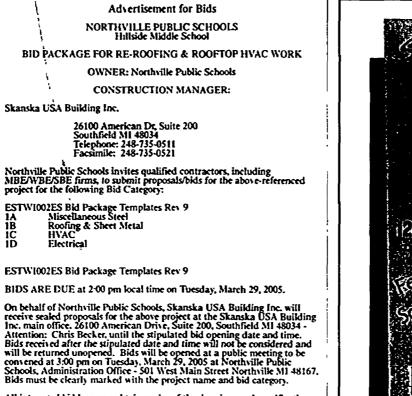
Wielding a toy BB-gun on his front porch earned a 16-year-old Northville Townshin boy a visit from police.

neighbor called police to report the teen, whom he believed was pointing and shooting the gun at cars

When police arrived, the boy reportedly said he was shooting the gutter on the corner of his home's garage.

Police observed dents in the downspout and explained to the neighbor, who reportedly agreed not to pursue the issue. The toy was confiscated, police said, and the teen's parent wanted it destroyed.

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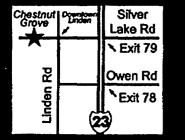


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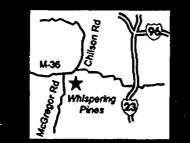
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Lucky Dinsdale

Dalmation barks up right tree, earns city's 2005 'Lucky Dog' honor

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville resident Tricia Yates has long been shadowed by polka-dot playmates.

Now her affectionate Dalmatians have given Yates another reason to smile. "Dinsdale" earned bragging rights over

"Maxine" as Northville's 2005 Lucky Dog.

"I just laughed," Yates said, when she received congratulatory the phone call from City of Northville officials. "I thought that was kind of cute.

Yates qualified her 13-year-old pets for the contest by meeting the March I deadline for annual dog license renewal. Dinsdale's tag number was randomly selected as winner of the Lucky Dog contest.

Eight years ago city staff created the contest as an incentive for city pet owners to register their 400-plus dogs. Police Chief James Petres each January draws the winning number from the list of dogs licensed the previous year.

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Clerk Wendy Gutowski, who handles the city's dog licensing, conducts the contest each year. Once the tag number is drawn, staff members watch for the lucky canine. The prize: a box of dog treats.

Yates' tail-wagging pair earn similar rewards for _____mjohnston@ht.homecomm.net.

Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk.

Amanda Geiger never saw the drunk driver.

performing obedience tasks. Their owner takes them for walks around the block almost every evening; around home, they walk behind her room-to-room.

"They're extremely energetic," Yates said. "I think they were puppies until they were about 11. "Dalmatians like to run so much --- they need to exercise to get rid of some of that energy.

The city's 2005 Lucky Dog has always been a

good pet, Yates said. Her earliest memory of Dinsdale as a puppy is her regularly nestling in a laundry basket of clean clothes, she said. Dinsdale also has been canoeing and hunting. When she was a

younger dog, she could catch a bird," Yates said. "They're very fast dogs.

"And very affectionate - almost needy they follow you around everywhere.

The winning Dalmatian was named for the hedgehog in a Monty Python show, Yates said. Maxine earned her name for being such a chubby puppy, she said. Northville Township

residents have a couple of months before the annual ritual. The township dog license ordinance runs June through May.

Maureen Johnston can be reached at (248) 349-1700. ext. 103. or via e-mail at Tricia Yates' 13 year old Dalmation Dinsdale, left, won Northville's Lucky Dog contest recently. Yates and Dinsdale are joined by Maxine, right.



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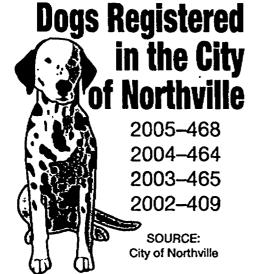


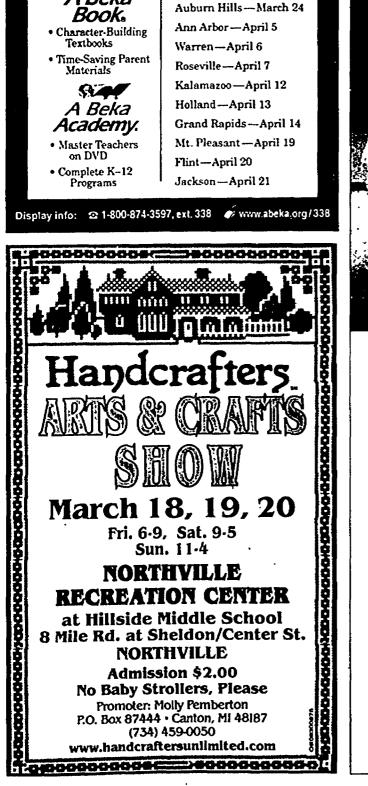
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Alphabet soup

A suspected drunk driver told a Northville police officer it wasn't fair to ask him to recite the alphabet because he hadn't been in school in a long time.

An officer conducting station-ary radar about 2:15 a.m. Sunday clocked a Volswagen Golf traveling 54 mph in a 25-mph zone, according to police reports. The driver pulled to the side of Center Street, near Cady Street, the report said.

When the officer asked the 25year-old Canton man whether he had been drinking he said, "two drinks just before he left" a Novi nightclub, the report said. Attempting to comply with the officer's request to recite the alphabet "D" through "S," the man paused part way through and said he had forgotten the rest, the report said.

A preliminary breath test administered by the officer showed the driver's blood alcohol content at .21, the report said. He was jailed pending sobering and posting bond.

A couple too many

A 33-year-old Northville man arrested March 2 for drunk driving and marijuana possession faces a court date on both charges today.

A Northville police officer at Light Mile and Taft roads about 10 p.m. watched a silver Ford panel van fail to stop for a traffic signal, according to police reports. The officer finally was able to signal the driver to the roadside near Lanthorn Drive, the report said.

The officer noted the man's

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Collins-Eagle

Charles Collins of Oscoda, Mich. and Janet Collins of Northville announce the engage-

eyes were dilated and watery and his speech slurred, the report said, When questioned whether he had been drinking, the driver said he had "a couple of beers" at a friend's house, the report said. After the suspect was unable to perform various sobriety tasks, the officer measured his blood alcohol content at .25, the report

said. A search of the van turned up a plastic bag containing a green leafy substance the officer sent to the state police lab to confirm as marijuana, the report said. The officer confiscated the

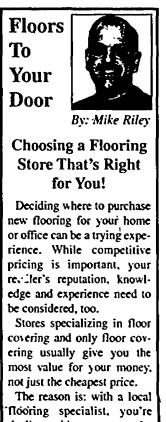
driver's license and man's destroyed it, giving him a temporary permit, the report said.

Bum Hamilton

A Northville police officer March 8 was dispatched to Northville Downs to check out a suspect \$10 bill.

A cashier counting money reported that the bill "felt strange," according to police reports. Closer inspection by management confirmed the bill, passed by an unknown suspect, did not have a water mark, the report said.

Local police mailed the fake money to the Secret Service, the report said.



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Robbery attempted at local smoke shop

By Kim Kovelie RECORD STAFF WRITER

Two suspects were arraigned recently for allegedly attempting an armed robbery at Smoker's No.1 Choice at 40390 Five Mile Road.

At about 7:30 p.m. on March 3, a 30-yearold woman and 27-year-old man entered the Lake Point Plaza store on the township's south side. police said.

"The subjects came into the store and produced a semi-automatic handgun," Northville

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Hayes Lemmerz in the news

Northville Township's Hayes Lemmerz International, Inc., has a new sales vice president, updated finance results and plans for growth.

Effective March 1, Pieter Klinkers was appointed vice president of sales and marketing for the company's international wheel group. Previously with Michelin's wheel group, Klinkers has a masTownship Det. Sgt. Matt Mayes said. A lone employee was working.

They attempted to force him into the back room, we believe, to tie him up ... so they could take the merchandise from the store," Mayes said.

But, he said, the worker pushed open the back door, triggering an alarm. "Everything kind of fell apart when that happened," said Mayes, noting that no merchandise was stolen. Two suspects were apprehended and con-

fessed to the attempt, police said, and possible accomplices are being sought.

ter's degree in business administration.

Hayes Lemmerz also updated 2004 financial results. Adjusted earnings as of Jan. 31 were about \$225 million. The company expects free-cash flow to be about breakeven, reflecting lower U.S. production values and other factors.

Revenue remained \$2.2 billion, and capital expenditure stayed \$154 million. Projected 2005 revenue is about \$2.3 billion-\$2.4 billion.

Looking longterm, the company aims to issue \$150 million of euro denominated, senior unsecured notes; establish an accounts receivable securitization program to finance up to \$25 million; and close a California wheel manufacturing facility, moving its production to

Indiana. Hayes Lemmerz is a global supplier of automotive and commercial highway wheels, brakes, engines and other components.

Loehmann's opening

Loehmann's, Inc. opened its new specialty retailer store March 16 in Northville Township.

The duo was arraigned March 4 and is being held at Detroit's Wayne County jail, police said. In January and February, Lake Point Pharmacy, located in the same plaza, was robbed three times, according to police reports.

We don't feel that's connected," Mayes said. "Cigars ... are easily resold and sold at a high price. Smaller stores can be targeted."

Police said they don't feel residents are in any danger.

> Located at 17615 Haggerty Road, the 20,000-square-foot store offers designer fashions in the Village Square of Northville. Lochmann's third Detroit-area location, like others, features a "legendary Back Room," where designer prices are 30-65 percent lower than department or specialty stores.

Featured brands include Donna Karan, Max Studio, Anne Klein, Nicole Miller, Ralph Lauren, D&G and more.

Compiled by Recont Staff Writer Kim Kovelle

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ment of their daughter, Shea Collins to Rick Eagle, son of Brad Sullivan of Bay City and Elizabeth Sullivan of South Lyon.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Northville High School. She earned a bachelor of arts degree in 1999 from the University of Detroit-Mercy and a master's degree in 2003 from Wayne State University. She is employed as a kindergarten teacher at Thornton Creek Elementary School in Northville Public Schools.

The groom-elect is a 1989 graduate of Mayville High School. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1990-1996. He is employed as a systems engineer for PMV Technologies.

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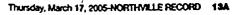
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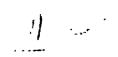
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Early Birds

Study shows Early' Childhood Learning programs offer community benefits

By Victoria Sadiocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

If Northville taxpayers were offered a guaranteed return on investment, fewer criminals and a more productive society, the answer would be, sign me up.

The community is getting just that, a national study shows. Select programs of the Northville

Select programs of the Northville Public Schools Early Childbood Center received accreditation by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

by the Robert R. McCornick Intuit Foundation, devery dollar program, it's estimated society gets back \$7, fewer criminal arrests, elevated numbers of high school graduates and more productive citizens

The process

The accreditation process began in November with word of acceptance coming in early March. Independent, professional validators from the association observed

ECC Fast Facts: 910/15b

The Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Center serves nearly 900 children, preschool to fifth grade during the school year. The center has a staff of 77

in 36 classes at seven locations with programs operating from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday. them through action plans," Freeman said. "It is all tied together."

More than 8,000 early childhood programs, serving nearly 750,000 children are accredited by the association.

Program are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children for five years.





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TOP-LEFT: Krisha Patel plays phone-tag. **TOP-RIGHT: Agness** Dunneworks with Jello during class. **ABOVE: Kendall Wasik lis**tens during class. LEFT: Twin brothers Max, left and Luke Walker listen works with Eileen Freeman. **BELOW: Mickey** VanAntwerp, left, and Kendall Wasik work together in class. ABOVE-RIGHT: Tracy Wollschlager visits Thornton Creek **Elementary School with**

classes and inspected cented paperwork before placing the program for review in front of a national panel.

"It is a sign of a high quality program," said Eileen Freeman, director of the Northville Public Schools Early Childbood Center. "It means you've gone above and beyond the minimum requirements, the requirements of licensed programs. We all have to be licensed to operate, but this is beyond that. It is a sign of a high quality program for children and families, which is what we are striving for."

The distinction is for Thomton Creek Elementary School and Main Street child care and preschool programs.

Early Childhood Center programs at Ridge Wood Elementary School were not eligible for review because of time in operation, but is in the process now.

School officials said the procedure was a self-study process, involving parent, staff and administrative reviews.

"After gathering the information, we made a plan for what we needed to do to improve to be the highest quality program we can be accord-

ing to the standards set by (the National Association for the Education of Young Children)," Freeman said, "It involved upgrading some equipment and honing in on our skills and making sure we are hitting everything we needed to and that the quality is there."

Credit the staff

Freeman credits program staff for the recognition.

"The teachers interactions with children and parents show respect, caring and involvement and that is a piece that is well developed," Freeman said. "We do stay abreast of all the current research, we do provide a lot of professional development for staff and we open up opportunities for parents to come and listen to wonderful speakers on brain research and other related topics.

"The other piece I think is we are very involved with the district as a whole and that we have school improvement goals like the elementary and the middle, like everyone has - so we set goals for ourselves

Those who participate Northville mother Jennifer Prescott said the accreditation does

not change her opinion of the Early Childhood Center programs. "Lahrady loved it Louidn't love

"I already loved it. I couldn't love it anymore," she said.

Prescott has three children who went through the district's early education programs. She also served on the Early School Improvement team for four years.

Prescott said she loves the consistency in teaching staff and the center's commitment to research.

"They are constantly doing research into what schools are doing all over the world," she said. "They are very, very progressive and focus a great deal on brain research."

For 3-year-old Allison Kehoe, the reason she likes the program is simple.

"Thomas," she said when asked her favorite part of the Thomton Creek preschool program. "I like Thomas."

Teaching assistant Marlene Curlew explained: Thomas refers to Thomas the Train, Kehoe's favorite character.



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ABOVE: Old Village Staff member Loree Gallagher sings and dances with a student during last week's visit by musician Julie Austin. RIGHT: Musician Julie Austin performs.

SADD

The Northville High' School organization Students Against Destructive Decisions will display table tents at area restaurants asking patrons to think before they drink today. This is the third year students designed a St. Patrick's Day logo along with responsible drinking slogan. The tents read: "Don't let your luck run out! Always wear a seat belt and never drive drunk. A friendly reminder from the students of Northville High School SADD."

Northville reminders may be seen at Applebee's Neighborhood Grill, Bonfire Bistro & Brewery and Rocky's of Northville. Additional tents may be found at Border Cantina, Mothers Pizzeria, Nassau Grill & Bar, Red Hot & Blue BBO. Rio Wraps and Sheehan's On The Green.

Parent power

Northville Youth Assistance pres-



ents "Parent Power" a four-session class teaching parents to be more assertive with their children. Classes will be offered 9:15-11:15 a.m. Thursdays, April 7,14, 21 and 28 at Hillside Middle School, 775 N. Center St. and 7-9 p.m. Mondays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25 at Meads Mill Middle School, 16700 Franklin Road. The course fee is \$40 per person payable at either school and includes materials. Sign-up is limited and will be accepted on a first-come, firstserved basis. The registration deadline is Wednesday, March 23. For more information, call (248) 344-1618.

Open enrollment

The open enrollment deadline for the Northville Public Schools 2005-06 year is Thursday, April 7. Parents desiring their children attend a public school other than designated by attendance area, must submit letters to Casey Reason, assistant superintendent, 501 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167. Copies of the letter must also be sent to building principals. Final decisions regarding open enrollment are not made until one to two weeks prior to the start of the school year because of summer enrollment fluctuations.

Open house

St. Paul's Lutheran School will host an open house 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 23 at the school. 201 Elm St. St. Paul's is currently enrolling for preschool through eighth grade. The school is located in downtown Northville, behind Hiller's Market. For more information, call (248) 349-3146.

Fulbright

Beginning March 20, Hillside Middle School will host two teachers and the principal of Nanbu Junioir High School in Kornatsu, Japan. During the visit, Hillside teacher Jennifer Smith will develop a joint project with the Japanese junior high school representatives as part of the Fulbright Memorial Fund Master Teacher Program. Smith will travel to Japan for six weeks this summer as part of the project. The visits marks the fourth time educators from Kornatsu have developed joint research projects with Northville teachers.

Improv night

Tickets are on sale now for "A Night of Improv, Part Deux." The extemporaneous event presented by the Northville High Drama Club and Origins Theatre will take place 7 and 9 p.m. tomorrow in the school auditorium, 45700 Six Mile Road. Organizers promise 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.

School board meeting

The next Northville Board of Education meeting is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 22 at Thornton Creek Elementary School, 46180 Nine Mile Road. For more information, call (248) 349-3400.

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 Court, Northville, MI 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 or email cestimm@aol.com.

Class of 2005 graduation

The Northville High School Class of 2005 graduation ceremony will take place 7 p.m. Saturday, June 4 at Compuware Arena. District officials said the later time will help accommodate student ath-



letes and allow graduates to proceed directly to the all-night party.

Compiled by Record education reporter Victoria Sadlocha.

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Northville Public Schools is soliciting sealed bids for the following • Replacement of Master Clock System and clocks in several schools. Bids should be returned to the Business Office at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, no later than Tuesday, April 5, 2005, at 1:00 p.m. Bid opening will be held at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, on Tuesday, April 5, 2005, at 1:15 p.m. Bids should be in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Clock Bids". Bid

packets are available for pick-up at 501 West Main Street, between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. A pre-bid meeting will be held March 29, 2005, 10:00 a.m., at Northville Public Schools Board of Education Office, 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 (Third Floor Conference Room). • Replacement of Security Systems at Several Northville Public School Michigan 48167 (Third Floor Conference Room).

Buildings. Bids should be returned to the Business Office at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, no later than Tuesday, April 5, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. Bid opening will be held at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, on Tuesday, April 5, 2005, at 10:15 a.m.

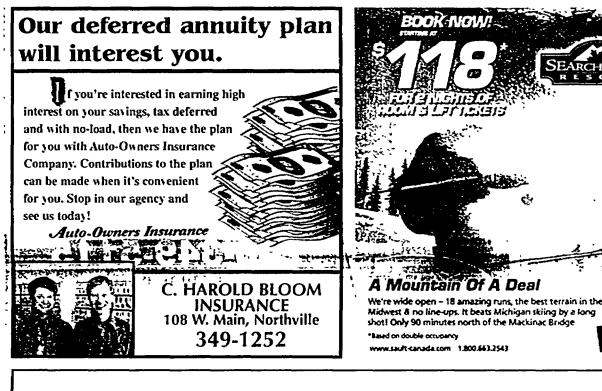
Bids should be in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Security Bids". Bid a.m. and 3:00 p.m. A pre-bid meeting will be held Tuesday, March 29, 2005. 11:00 a.m., at Northville Public Schools Board of Education Office, 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 (Third Floor Conference Room). • Purchase of Carpet and Tile Replacement at Amerman Elementary

School, Winchester Elementary School, Silver Springs Elementary School and Thomton Creek Elementary School, Bids should be returned to the Business Office at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, no later than Thursday, April 7, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. Bid opening will be held at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, on Thursday, April 7, 2005, at 10:15 a.m.

Bids should be in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Carpet and Tile Replacement". Bid packets and Mandatory Pre-Bid Schedule are available for pick-up at 501 West Main Street, between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. A mandatory pre-bid walk-thru will be held Wednesday, March 30, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. at Winchester Elementary School, 16141 Winchester Drive, Network Winchester Drive, Northville, MI 48167.

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Thornton goes dino delving

Elementary students dig for dinosaur bones

By Victoria Sadlocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

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Seth Herdoiza was flushed. Sweat beads welled on his fore-

head, but he didn't give up. The 8-year-old Thornton Creek Elementary School student exuberantly searched for Brachiosaurus and Stegosaurus

Debris flew as Herdoiza and the school's second-grade student body chipped, chiseled and brushed their way to the skeleton prototype pieces embedded in banks of compressed sand.

"I like the digging," Herdoiza said. "But I like finding the bones 100.°

Many small dinosaur toys surrounded the bones, offering small rewards along the way. The Friday, March 11 activity

was the first Thornton Creek Dino Dig.

They've been so excited," said

Center

Nicole Wesley, Thornton Creek Elementary School second-grade teacher.

Wesley purchased the Dino Dig kits using grant money awarded by the Mothers' Club of Northville. "We thought it would be an awe-

some cultivating activity," she said. The second-grade students' sci-ence curriculum is called Changes Over Time and the last unit is fossils, she said.

Thornton Creek Elementary School second-grade teacher Tammy Worrell said the activity also goes along with the school's theme, "Thornton Creek Goes to Work."

Gathered in small groups, the students learned through action what paleontologists do when they go to work. They looked the part, too.

Armed with magnifying glasses, the students wore safety glasses, vests, safari-style hard hats and a

few brought gloves. There was some minor blood-

shed, though, as the gloveless crews chipped away at their hands, but Wesley worked the room with a box of Band-Aids.

"I am really excited to do this," said 8-year-old Chrissie Clayton. "I learned it is fun to discover



Photos by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

ABOVE: Thornton Creek students unearthed plastic "dinosaur" bones during a paleontology dig. RIGHT: With hard hat, protective eyewear and a small hammer, Caroline Schuetz and other Thornton Creek second graders work on a paleontology "dig" at the school last Friday morning.

stuff."

Clayton's group was the first to assemble the discovered bones into a skeleton replica. The kids' prize: gumballs shaped like dinosaur eggs.

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Bench strength Patience, decency hallmarks of jurist's long career

By Tony Bruscato HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Elected, to the 35th District Court bench in January 1985, Chief Judge John MacDonald said he never thought a career change, would result in him becoming the longest-serving judge in the court's history.

"I practiced law for 23 years and enjoyed it," 'a said MacDonald, 'a Northville Township' resident reflecting on his 20 years at the court."I didn't plan on being a judge, but the vacancy was created when Dunbar Davis couldn't run again. I had been supervisor of Northville Township, so my political appetite was whetted.

"I just turned 50 when I took the bench.' It was a big career change."

MacDonald ran against five others to win his first six-year term in the court that serves the of a Northville and City Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township. In each of the subsequent three elections he ran unopposed.

MacDonald didn't even start out practicing law after graduating from Wayne State University Law School. He worked in labor relations at Ford Motor Company and as an adjuster at All-State Insurance.

"I never thought about being a lawyer, nobody in my family was a lawyer or even graduated from college, except my mother who became a nurse later in life," he said. "After I graduated from college, I thought about another degree. But I didn't want a master's degree in political science, which is my undergraduate degree. So, I thought I'd try law school, and I enjoyed

MacDonald hung his shingle in Wayne for 21 years, then moved to Plymouth for the last couple of years before being elected to the bench.

practice I had a pretty good feel for what a judge should do," said MacDonald. "You have to be MacDonald. "You have to be even tempered, listen to both sides and can't prejudge a situation.

"I've been around to see good lawyers and bad lawyers, and good judges and bad judges," he said. "If you get a fair hearing in court and the judge makes a decision, that's all you can expect... and the good lawyers understand that. Some people may not like it, but they understand they got their day in court."

Court of public opinion

Paul Dillon has been practicing law for 14 years in Plymouth and has faced MacDonald many times, just like his dad, Joseph. before him.

"There are a lot of judges you can tell who are having a good day or bad day," said Dillon. "With Judge MacDonald, you always seem to get a real professional demeanor and approach to what's going on.

"I enjoy practicing in front of him because you know what you're going to get, and that's a real straight shot and thorough evaluation of the issues, a fair shake in the end," he said. "Whatever the result, you know it was well thought out and fair."

Watching MacDonald admin-ister justice from the bench. it's not unusual to hear him address defendants as "sir" and thanking them when their case is over.

"I think you can be decent to people and still carry out your punishment," said MacDonald. "I'm not going to be soft on them, but I want them to feel like they were treated with respect. That doesn't mean you don't go ahead and give the punishment that fits the crime.

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35th District Court, which also has a teen court and sobriety court. He's proud of the many ions. success stories derived from those programs. "We put people in alcohol and drug programs who wouldn't

otherwise get that kind of help," MacDonald said. "Even if you send them to jail, they're not going to be there forever. So, we've got to do something to stop the activity they're involved

"If we think a person needs the experience of being in jail as a wake-up call, that's usually the last resort," he said. "It's hard to measure success, but we do have people who have come back to thank us."

Carol Richardson of Canton MacDonald helped create and has worked with MacDonald for "I thought after 23 years of organize the juvenile program at 27 years, starting in his law firm

before helping the judge with his docket, jury trials and opin-"I don't think I've ever seen

him get angry on the bench," said Richardson. "He's very understanding, and treats everybody very fairly."

Because of their long history together. Richardson's relationship with MacDonald has reached past the courtroom.

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weddings," she said. "We've been together for so long we're just like family.

"He's the same age as my mother, and I look to him as a father figure," Richardson said. "He's helped me make life decisions when I needed help. He's

my Rock of Gibraltar." As a result of state law, the next four years will be MacDonald's last on the 35th again after turning 70. But that won't keep him off the bench.

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"We can sit as visiting judges. and I plan on doing that," MacDonald said. "I'm not going to just sit home."

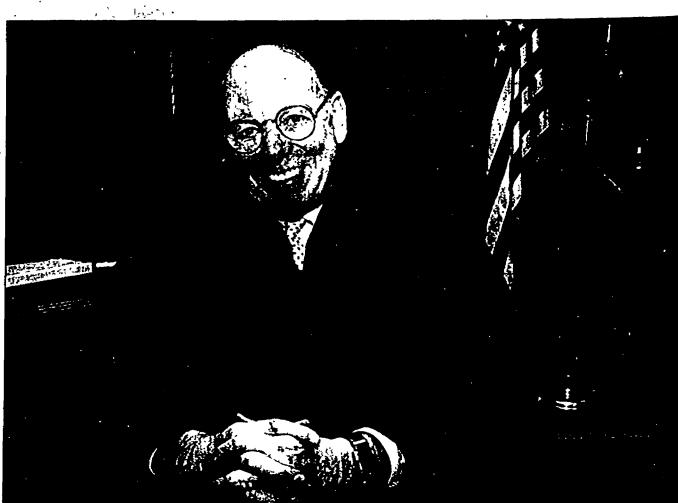
MacDonald said he'll also have more time to spend with Ann, his wife of 46 years, and his five grandchildren.

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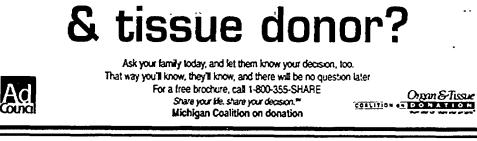
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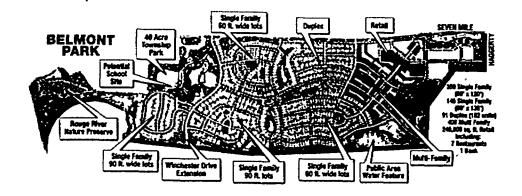
Northville Township resident John MacDonald is the longest-serving judge in the 35th District Court's history.





REI-nventing the future

Residents near former state hospital speak out about 'Belmont Park' plan



By Kim Kovelle **Record Staff Writer**

On March 7, Bloomfield Hills-based developer Real Estate Interests met publicly with township officials and residents to unveil its concept plan for former state hospital land along Seven Mile Road. Included were about 1,100 residential dwellings, a 240,000 squarefoot retail center, seven restaurants, a bank and a 40-acre land donationto Northville Township — one suitable for a future elementary school.

Kevin and Leslie Moran have public school concerns about the concept plan submitted to Northville Township by Real Estate Interests.

When one of Terrence Clemens' sons recently set out to buy his

first home in Northville Township, he settled for a condominium on Ridge Road.

"That is within his range, but that's about the only thing that is within in his range," Ctemens range. said. "There's just not enough choices. If people are busy and young, career-motivated people, they don't have time for fix-They me-ups. want something new just like He hoped to see increased options on Real Estate Interests' plans for the land near his home. The current concept shows pockets of estate homes. multi-family homes and other lots.



age families to come live in Northville and enjoy everything Northville has to offer. The problem is. you can't find affordable housing.

"Not everyone can afford a million dollar home.

> Ditto for senior housing, he said. The current plan doesn't have an area specifically for senior housing such as single-floor ranches something the township hoped to see.

"Sooner or later the steps become a chore for everyone, Clemens said.

"I think that most people will want to look at single floor living arrange-

ments." ers' rep of 32

years, Clemens

said he'd like to

see a similar mix

"Unfortunately

in shopping.

A full-time mom with three young children, Leslie Moran said the school system was one of the jewels that attracted her to Northville Township.

It's also what concerns her most about the recently submitted concept plan for the 415 acres just north of her home.

We have to be careful to protect the community assets for the township as well as for the children," said Moran, whose older kids attend Winchester Elementary and Meads Mill Middle schools, "When you're adding 1,000-plus new residences, you've got to have the kids have somewhere to go."

Real Estate Interests' current plan offers 20 acres for a potential elementary school.

"I have to say that I'm not convinced that the current plan includes enough consideration for the schools' needs," Moran said. "They definitely will need a new elementary school, but they need to consider adding a separate new middle school as well. It may require a larger land donation."

She said current additions to Meads Mill would only cover current over-runs and not future growth. Moran, who co-chaired a neighborhood subcommit-

"When you're adding 1,000-plus new residences, you've got to have the kids have somewhere to go."

> Leslie Moran Lakes of Northville, 11-year resident

tee offering suggestions for the land, said she also hoped to see winds and even possible turns in Winchester Drive's extension.

Even giving the new road a different name could deter cut-through traffic, she said.

The residents who live in that area are going to know specifically how to get through, as well as emergency vehicles and things like that," she said, "I really do have confidence in the township board to do what's right for the community."



Photo by DAVID AGUILAR/RECCRO EDITOR

"I don't know

that the mix is

wrong," Clemens said "Nobody talked prices. I with some choices. I would like to see independwould like to see a blend of housing. We encour- ents come in."

Photo by JOHN HEIDER NORTHVILLE RECORD

Terrence Clemens, a resident of Lakes of Northville, is concerned about proposed changes to the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital property.

"We encourage families to come live in Northville and enjoy

everything Northville has to offer. The problem is, you can't

supply and demand will dictate what goes in there," he said. Retailers... will hopefully be a blend that will provide all us

Terrence Clemens

. A former Northville Township police officer,

Christopher Herter was very familiar with the Northville Psychiatric Hospital when he recently moved in north of Seven Mile Road.

"I definitely wasn't happy that it was across the street," Herter said, "but I knew it was up for sale and that the potential for development (was there).

A concept plan is on the table, and thus far, the now-attorney is pleased with what he's seen.

"It sounds like it would be a first-class development. It was something that when I drive down Seven Mile I could be proud of," Herter said.

The plan doesn't include research and development space, which the township said could increase tax base and offset retail plans for nearby Hawthorn Center, should that be sold.

Herter said the developer's argument that the office space market is soft --- and that the Hawthorn Center won't be up for sale any time soon --- made sense.

"I understand their concerns for the creep of retail down Seven Mile," Herter said, but "I don't want to see empty and abandoned office space. No developer's going to put that in."

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> Christopher Herter Northridge Farms resident, 1 5 years

He hopes retailers will consider downtown, but noted there's competition from many fronts.

"I think that the developer needs to be sensitive to that," he said. "At the same time, we have developments going ... in neighboring communities that are going to affect our downtown."

All told, Herter is relieved decaying buildings and medical waste dumps will soon be gone.

"It's just an attractive nuisance," he said. "I'm just excited to see something go in over there of this quality finally to get rid of that blight."

Local real estate agents say lot sizes, variety key to residential mix

By David Aguilar RECORD EDITOR

Real Estate Interests can build them. But will anybody buy them, if lot sizes are too small, neighborhoods are too cramped and nearby commercial retail is too boisterous?

find affordable housing."

Some local real estate agents think the Bloomfield Hills-based developer should think twice about trying to shoe-horn too many houses into the 415-acre stateowned parcel anchored at the southwest corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty roads.

The first thing I thought (of the recently submitted concept plan) was the small lots - probably not the greatest thing," said Brandon Kekich, 31, who for the past 12 years has been a real estate agent with Northville-based Keller-Williams.

Kekich and his family live in Colony Estates, directly south of the property. He said the developer and township officials should plan carefully how the property gets developed.

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"I think they need to be very careful about how they do this," he said.

Lakes of Northville resident, 15 years (25-year Northville Township resident)

Kekich said even in Northville where prospective home buyers are attracted by public school notoriety, open spaces and downtown's Victorian charn, existing homes are not mo ing as briskly as they once did. He said a 2.5-year housing supply exists in Northville currently.

What are buyers looking for? Extras, Kekich said, including customized homes and larger lot sizes.

That's why he said Real Estate Interests' plan to develop single-family homes on 60-foot-wide lots and estatesize homes on 90-foot-wide lots should be reconsidered.

"I don't think that's big enough," Kekich said. "I think there's a big market out there for 120-150-foot lots."

He said Stonewater and Northville Hills are good examples of Northville communities where 4,000 square foot homes line up next to each other without encroaching too severely upon one anoth-

Kekich said preserving the developer's bottom-line profits can be achieved by forsaking density and building instead larger, premium-priced houses. He said a portion of the development could be an elite, gated community featuring customized homes.

"People will have to pay for that," he said. "They will pay for the chance to customize a home."

Phyllis Lemon agreed.

The 30-year Professional One real estate agent and 33-year Northville Township resident said single-family homebuyers will pay \$500,000 and up for custom homes, especially those lined along curved streets and offering privacy.

"Sometimes people go into these neighborhoods and say, 'too big a house on too small a lot," Lemon said.

Catering to seniors and empty-nesters is another strong market demand, she said. Lemon said that market is primarily seeking first-floor convenience best featured in fanch-style and Cape Cod-style homes.

"Quality, 2,200-2,400 square foot luxury condominiums would be a very good idea," she said. She said seniors want a first-floor master bedroom suite, granite countertops and a separate dining room, great room and library.

They are looking for quality on the first floor," Lemon said, adding community amenities such as a swimming pool and tennis courts are also popular.

Lemon said such communities come at a price - in Northville, well above what can be found in other communities. She said those desirous of quality single-family housing starting at \$250,000 are dreaming.

That is pie in the sky," Lemon said. You're not going to get any house for \$300,000. You'll be giving it away."

She said \$350-\$400,000 is a logical beginning price-point for the Northville area

Northville-based Coldwell Banker-Schweitzer agent John Goodman said the area's real estate market is moderating. The best foot traffic, he said, has been

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for homes below \$500,000 and above \$1 million. In between, he said, has been tough sledding.

Goodman said Real Estate Interests should build 2,400-2,900-square-foot homes on 80-foot lots, priced between \$350-\$500,000.

"That's what will sell like hot cakes," he said.

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It's not about the press's pate in the access to government records and meetings. Who cares, frankly, whether

a reporter has to work a little harder to get his or her news story for the next day's paper?

And it's not about how much access to the government that "the public" has. Just who is it that makes up that group known as "the public" anyway?

Openness in government is about you. It's about your ability to get the

information you need when you run into trouble with the government, have a concern about some agency, can't get the bureaucracy to take your problem seriously, or if you just plain find out lawmakers are about to do something you object to.

This is Sunshine Week, and media organizations and government watchdogs across the country are conducting public education efforts to explain the importance of openness in government. In Michigan, news outlets are commemorating the 1976 adoption of the state Open Meetings Act and

freedom of Information Act. Views may be mixed about

democratic process." And most people seem to

agree that openness in govern-What do you think? ment is important. A recent We welcome your survey found that Letter to the Editor. 70 percent of Please include your people were conname, address and cerned about phone number for verification. We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and more access to content. Letters to the public records is Editor, David Aguilar, needed. Northville Record, 104 But not all W. Main St., Northville,

governments seem willing to follow the law. In a test conducted Oakland bv University stu-

dents in 2000-01, only 64 percent of Michigan municipalities would release expense vouchers for their employees and only 59 percent of police departments fulfilled a request for an accident report.

One real challenge to openness is the current threat from terrorists. Yes, the events of Sept. 11 showed how vulnerable the country is, and we all want to be sure that our citizens are safe. But the reality is that very little government information is a security risk. And when it is, officials should be able to clearly explain why.

So while we can appreciate the need for safety, we believe the press and public should push hard to make sure government resists the temptation to operate in a closed fashion, to function outside of the glare of public scrutiny.

A coalition of news organizations have proclaimed this to be "sunshine week." a time when we celebrate openness in government (such as it is) and fight to get more of it. I've always believed strongly that any government that conducts business in secret is a government to be feared.

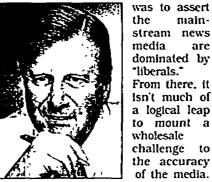
Not quite Opening Day!

So it is with a sense of alarm that I bring you some distressing anecdotes from a sunshine front that this year is. at best, partly cloudy.

Last month it came out that a regular participant in White House news conferences was a fake reporter (James Guckert) using a false name [Jeff Gannon) working for a spurious news service (Talon News) that had no circulation nor readership ... but which was owned by the same guy (Robert Eberle) who also-owns a pro-Republican Web site (GOPUSA.com.)

Gannon/Guckert was outed and ousted after asking such inappropriately softball questions that legitimate reporters started wondering what was going on.

More troubling was the news that the Bush Administration over the past few years has employed as paid propagandists no less than five "journalists." Two of them wrote syndicated newspaper columns while being paid by the Department of Health and Human Services to promote the administration's "marriage initiatives." while the other three played real newsmen on TV. For real journalists, taking a bribe of this kind would be as unethical as child molesting. Yet Armstrong Williams was paid \$240,000 by the Department of Education, and Karen Ryan and Alberto Garcia starred in fake reports about the administration's Medicare prescription drug plan, reports branded illegal "covert propaganda" by the Government Accountability Office. Now you have to admit that the public relations "spin" mastery of this administration has been far better than any other in living memory. Simply dazzling. But there's a much more insidious side to all this. Some people in the White House and in right-wing think tanks are now arguing there can be no such thing as empirical, verifiable reality in the news - which means that the idea that there could possibly ever be an objective and accurate free press is a quaintly old-fashioned idea. If you believe that, then the implications are clear: You can say, or print, whatever you want to. because it doesn't matter.



Phil Power

ply to be blatant about it. Fox News, which advertises itself as "fair and balanced" is making a pretty good living these days by forthrightly slanting its newscasts to favor the conservative side under the wonderfully crafted marketing slogan. "We

report: you decide." How droll. Not that repeated bungles by the conventional news media - think of Dan Rather's badly researched and inaccurate story about President Bush's service in the Air Force - haven't made the going easier for the ain't-no-such-thingas-accuracy crowd. And newspapers such as The New York Times can be charged with as obvious a leftward edi-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER NORTHVILLE RECORD

Northville High School's baseball field, located along Eight Mile Road, sits dormant, still covered by a couple inches of snow. The Mustangs season begins April 6.

government secrecy. Fifty-two percent felt

thinking goes back to the turn of the century, when Theodor Mommsen, the great German historian of ancient Greece and Rome, argued history should be "Wie es eigentlich gewesen." that things should be — and could be — described "exactly as they were."

As it turned out, economic reality undermined the propagandistic bent to American journalism. Newspaper publishers realized the more people that read their paper, the more they could charge for advertising.

If their circulation was limited, say, only to the Republicans in town, they couldn't maximize circulation - and maximize profits. Thus the origin of the idea that papers should try to be accurate and balanced, at least in their news coverage, while consigning propaganda

onto the editorial page as "opinion.". This remains the professional standard for honest newspapers and professional reporters, one that this newspaper tries to observe every week.

But the world of information is no longer defined by what's printed in the newspaper. There's radio, TV and cable. More importantly, there is the cascade of stuff - fact, opinion, blog, whatever delivered through the medium of the Web. There are no "gatekeepers" on the Web, editors who make it their profesto maintain standards sional business of accuracy and fairness. Instead, everybody with a computer can be a publisher or a reporter. That's a good thing, to the extent that it democratizes the information flow. But it's a bad thing if it pollutes a journalism that we have come to depend on as one that strives for accuracy and fairness. We need to know as much of the truth as we can find out about the status of Social Security, for example, not just both parties' propaganda. This nation, and all our communities, will be in far worse shape if we wind up back in the bad old days when people read only what conformed to their biases. That's how it was back in the 1850s, and that system polarized the nation so much it ended in the bloodiest war Americans have ever fought, our own civil war. We would do well to avoid another one of those.

media are dominated by "liberals." From there, it Isn't much of a logical leap to mount a wholesale challenge to the accuracy of the media. Another

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how well the local versions of the laws have worked, but the fundamental concept is included in the text of the FOIA itself, which states that as a matter of policy in Michigan, "the people shall be informed so that they may fully partici-

As Thomas Jefferson put it. "The price of freedom is eternal vigilance."

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

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Looking back.



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

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ELECTED NEWLEY **VILLAGE OFFICERS**

Men Who Will Take Care of Northville This year; Monday's Election Was Very Quiet and Uneventful

The village elections was devoid of excitement or special incident and the results were quickly known, as the voting machines were used as a means of choosing the men who shall administer the municipal affairs of Northville for the ensuing year. As previously stated there was no contest on for the offices of president, clerk and treasurer, the incumbents of those places having given such good satisfaction that they were placed on both tickets, later withdrawing from the Citizens' where their places were left vacant. The "Workingmen" won out, the vote being as follows:

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An earlier version of this approach

<u>Record Letters</u>

Sorry leadership

What's bothering me today? The sorry leadership in the state of Michigan and city of Detroit.

This particuarly applies to schools and references to the 40 percent figure given on gradua-tions from Detroit high schools. This is a major felony against the kids and there is too much acceptance of this situation. There is nothing worse than a know-nothing, do-nothing response when serious problems are identified.

In any industry, gasping companys who choose to get a grip on a future, may reconstruct by dissolving, dismissing, deselecting and reselecting to regain power in the life of the business. Somehow the powerful Michigan educational establishment is immune from

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tonal slant as Fox News of the Street Journal's editorial page is to the right.

But if there is no such thing as fair. accurate and objective journalism. where will we be as a people other than as mere targets for manipulation by any means possible? Propaganda, whether sleazy or forthright, is still propaganda. And voters who have no way to find out what's really going on — "objective real-ity" is the fancy term — are unlikely to make thoughtful choices in a democra-

We had such a system in American journalism in the 19th century, when most newspapers were either wholeheartedly Republican or Democratic from the headlines right straight through to the editorial page. You read whichever newspaper fit your particular political bias and you considered assertions from the other side nothing more than slander and lies.

Of course, what was absent in all this was the notion that there is something profoundly important for fair minded people - scholars, even journalists - to try as best they can to determine what is true and what is not as an essential part of their professional code. Some of this

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the efforts to change any course of a program floundering badly. Finger pointing does not deal with anything. But, does the blame lie with the rules of hiding behind tenure, or the bliase views of weak politicians, or the heavy armor of a powerful politically effective union? The control of the possibility for full achievement for our country's most important natural resource, by rganized elites, should not stand.

The country is approaching a stress point where we cannot afford to lose the talents held by a single person. Our system has failed many who did not deserve it and lost their best future because of the failure. Having this view, all should applaud the efforts of Thompson and Bing for their special interest in helping the kids of Detroit. This is both

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generous and commendable, yet the problem is systemic, a growing threat and more defined action is needed.

In our country there are too many distractions for all of us to easily concentrate on the most important. In schools, this can only be changed by directing the focus. Some have suggested in the past that kids achieve at a higher level when they are in same gender schools. This seems logical since the revised enviornment immediately reduces competing social influences at school. So why not try it in public schools? Also, impose a state law insisting upon a committed and responsible sponsor for each kid that comes to any public school K-12. There must be a concrete means for interaction between people who care for a childs education. Not

just availability, if requested. That is too uncertain. Why not shift to single gender schools students in fourth to 10th grades when children really need the focus and attention to pick a direction and define their own talents without interference? Times have changed, the existing methods have failed for too long. This is a possible remedy that could help the real quality education of graduates where grade inflation and lack of a basic education has been an issue on the minds of many.

There are many great teachers'. We wonder if these teachers so stymied by systems that work against them like liberal courts, ACLU, or the huge educational bureaucracy the teachers real potential is locked up. Jefferson

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COMMENTARY

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Helen Thomas has truly has seen it all

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For more than a half century. Helen Thomas broke through every glass ceiling the establishment put in her way. Young women weren't supposed to take off to Washington for careers in journalism. She did anyway.

Certainly no woman could expect to cover the White House. Helen, who grew up in Detroit, the daughter of working-class Lebanese parents, said thank you very much, and did it anyway. She became White House bureau chief for UPI when United Press International was still a big deal.

She beat down too many "men only" barriers to count, and the beauty was that this was never her main goal. She wanted simply to be the best reporter she could be, and she was. Helen covered every President from John F. Kennedy to William J. Clinton, and both irritated and won the respect of all of them.

Today, she still covers the White House in a different way; she writes two syndicated columns a week. She stuck with UPI through thin and thinner until the Moonles bought it in 2000, and she drew the line at working for the Moonies.

Last week she came to Wayne State University, her alma mater, to speak to a scholarship dinner in her honor. She told a rapt audience of budding journalists, many of them minorities and women, just how important their profession is. Democracy dies behind closed doors," she said.

Though it may be true, as the Bible says, that "where there is no vision the people



Jack Lessenberry

Governments any and all governments - ought to be subject to as much scrutiny as possible. Next week has been proclaimed "sunshine week" by a coalition of news organizations, a week in which we both celebrate openness in government and push for more of the same.

The Idea is that the people's business ought to be done in the bright sunshine of the public arena, not behind closed doors. The opposite policy, the idea that our leaders know better than we do and that we can't be trusted with the facts, was directly responsible for Vietnam.

The closed door approach also has been responsible for a million lesser horrors on every level of government, library boards to city councils. Things are better than they used to be. Every state now has some form of open meeting law, though some have

perish." Helen is more teeth than others. quick to tell you Thanks to the Freed Thanks to the Freedom of Information Act, or FOIA, the vast majority of public documents are open to public inspection. and federal agencies even have to help people locate specific documents they may be looking for.

Yet this still isn't good enough. As Helen Thomas warned, governments like to promise openness - and cut off access as soon as trouble appears.

States have not done a very good job of adopting policies that ensure access," said Bill Chamberlin, who studies sunshine laws at the University of Florida. He is echoed by Fred Cate, a professor of law at Indiana University, who added something most journalists know:

States have almost never complied faithfully with their open records laws," Cate said. "You have a high degree of ignorance about the law, and a high degree of willingness to disobey the law."

That's another reason that journalists. those pesky creatures with their pointed questions, are so necessary to a free society. Thomas Jefferson once said that "eternal vigilance is the price of freedom."

Journalists are the ones whom serve as the border patrol. And the bad news is that governments at all levels have used the threat of terrorism as an excuse to pinch off the public's right to know. Some states are better than others; according to a new University of Florida study on open government. Michigan is one of the most open when it comes to information.

But while the study isn't complete, Ohio now ranks as one of the six worst states for openness in the nation. "It is clear that state officials are frequently not being responsive to requests for public records," Chamberlin noted.

What's needed is to be a nag. Perhaps a gentle squeaky wheel, perhaps an annoying one, but a noisy one. Helen Thomas, a columnist now, but still a reporter, is still a burr under the saddle of this administration. This President seems less willing to accept questioning than others she's covered.

That's all right: she isn't about to pull her punches: she isn't even 85 yet. Last week Ann Coulter, a particularly victous columnist in the Joe McCarthy mode, called Helen "an old Arab" and implied she was a security risk.

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That created a stir. Actually, I heard about that first from Helen, and I think Ann Coulter would be horrified: I think Helen thought it was sort of funny. She is in the business of asking questions, not namecalling. Besides. when you are from Detroit, and have gone toe-to-toe with Richard Nixon, you don't get overly worried about a would be intellectual bully who poses in a slit skirt.

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Take a moment to reflect!

Submitted Photo

The winners in the Northville High School 2004-05 REFLECTIONS contest are: From left to right, Elizabeth Hoffman, Amanda Getschman, James Naigus, Katie Stewart, Michael Petlicke, Ashley Miller, Brittany Boen, Shruti Patel, Katherine Champagne, Robin Abbey-Lee, Wes Todd, Andrew Easow and Michelle Stewart. A total of 49 entries Were and received in the nationally sponsored PTA creativity competition. The theme this year was "A Different Kind of Hero" and students entered works in the visual arts, photography, literature and music cate-



gories. Entries by the high-school winners will be judged in Lansing and the state victors will advance to the national level. Northville students

at the middle and elementary school levels also participated in the contest.

CHURCH EVENTS

Singles Seminars

Single Place is presenting a series of seminars titled "Gut Issues of Singleness" from 7:30-9 p.m. on Tuesdays, March 15 and 22. Dr. J. Harold Ellens will be the speaker. The event will be at the First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St. For more information, call (248) 349-0911 or visit the Web site, www.singleplace. org.

Grief Workshop

The First United Methodist Church of Northville and Casterline Funeral are co-sponsoring a one day grief workshop, "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) 349-1144.

Gospel Concert

The First Church of the Nazarene of Detroit will be having a concert at 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 13. Mr. Anthony Burger, one of gospel music's premier musicians will be performing. A free will offering will be taken. The church is located at 21260 Haggerty Road. For door passes and infor-mation, call (248) 348-7600.

Easter Eggstravaganza Eggstravaganza at the First Church of the Nazarene of Detroit at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 26. This will include a clown show, pictures with the Easter Bunny, games, food and prizes. For more information, call (248) 348-7600.

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noted the danger that such powerful legalistic type organizations may threaten the life of the republic.

How sweet a dream it is to the immigrant to arrive in this country having such a great and noble history, filled with so much opportunity which he or she quickly finds and embraces like a modern pioneer. Our American educational systems do not appear to have found the mechanics to generate this spirit in the greatest number of our kids

> Jim Nowka Northville

King will be missed

Re Lan -

I was shocked and saddened for quite a while, Monday, Feb. 21 after returning from midwinter break when I was told by some of my co-workers that Mary Ellen King, Northville Youth Assistance program director, had retired from her position. I kept reflecting back to the many years I have turned to Mary Ellen for support for my students and/or their families. For me, Northville Youth

Assistance is Mary Ellen, and Mary Ellen is Northville Youth Assistance. They are one and the same. I thought about all of the programs Mary Ellen has brought to the Northville community during the time she served as director of Northville Youth Assistance. To name just a few - the walk through downtown Northville to honor Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday, Respect Week, homework tutoring, camp scholar-hip programs, Parent Education Forum, Girls' empowerment classes, community service alternatives for school age students, the Pillar Program at Northville High School, Challenge Day, and, of course, the mainstay of her program, the Northville Youth Assistance Mentorship program. She brought in national guest speakers such as Ian Hills. Rosalind Wiseman, and Daniel J. Kindlon to share their expertise with the community. I wondered who will fill these big shoes? Who will be advocating for the children who need help the most? Where will I turn when I need something for one of my students that no one else can provide?

Mary Ellen, I wish you well in the next phase of your life. This community and I will miss you

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greatly and we owe you a huge - er, more competitive level. Any thank you.

> Valerie Kaplansky, ACSW, CSW Northville Schools Social Worker

Power column correct

Dear Mr. Phil Power, thank you for your timely and insightful editorial on airport expansion. March 10.

Working people applaud this common sense. Your article should encourage our governor to look into installing an asset of this nature with imagination for funding. Now that cronyism has been exposed and funding given to a commission with checks and balances, honest contractors might get a chance to offer a competitive bid.

Public funds will not be swallowed up by profiteering to the high degree as it was in the past. More tangible work will be accomplished with funds that used to go into political coffers. Smaller, but proven contractors have had to compete on a small-

large endeavor is nothing more than the well tuned application of much smaller projects.

Our real natural resources are the working people of Michigan. Right now is a great time to get them busy doing their designated task in life and making improvements.

Perhaps small contractors can grow into more affluent and capable companies, there to help bring back the glory that has always been Michigan. The link between veterans and beginners will pass trade skills to the next generation for a brighter tomorrow. Detroit will gleam as the industrial hub of the world as it still truly is. Resources should be available to contractors so that they can meet weekly payrolls, take care of insurance, suppliers, facility, staff and so forth. The money will flow and we found out, in the recent past, when it does. Michigan loses the deficit and will have more cash to send after other needful proj-

ccts. Thank you for hearing me. "It is time to stand up instead of being stood up,"

> David A. Brandon Northville

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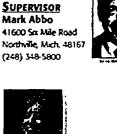
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Kids, preschool-sixth grade, can

get hooked on books during

March is Reading Month. Pick up

your "Get Hooked on Books"

reading log at the library informa-

tion desk. When your reading log

is full, you've earned the prize of a

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

Friends of the Northville

District Library invite members

and the public to visit "The Book

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ed in the library, 1:30-4 p.m. Sundays; and 6:30-8:30 p.m.

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Local Events

Northville Youth Assistance mentor training

Northville Youth Assistance matches youths from our community with volunteer mentors. The volunteer mentor meets with his or her assigned youth one-two hours per week. 'Volunteers receive 15 hours of training.

Future trainings will be 6:30-9:30 p.m., Thursdays through April 7 at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. For more information, call Sue Campbell at (248) 344-1618 or email youthassistance@twp. northville.mi.us.

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**

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

Detroit Institute of Art presentation

This slide show will be on the Detroit Institute of Art's medieval architecture collection. It will be 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Friday. March 25 at the Art House, 215 W. Cady St. The cost is \$10 per person. For more information, call (248) 449-9950.

Marquis Theatre

Marquis Theatre is presenting "Peter Cottontail," 2:30 p.m. on Saturdays, March 19, April 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30; Sundays, March 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., Nonhville.

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. Meetings are 7-8:45 p.m. for eight Mondays through March 21, Ward Presbyterian Church, Six Mile and Haggerty roads, Northville.

For registration information call

Northville, Eight Mile and Taft March is Reading Month

Northville Yoga Class

The American Legion Hall is sponsoring yoga classes 7-8:30 p.m., Mondays; or 9:30-11 a.m. and 7-8:30 p.m., Thursdays 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.

"The Dragon of Elderberry Castle", will run 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.

First Presbyterian Church Concert Series

The Christa Grix Trio will be performing at 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 24 at the First Presbyterian Church in Northville, 200 E. Main St. Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$12 for seniors and students.

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 Home with a Book

Dana Masucci from WOMC, 104.3 will read stories in celebration of National Reading Month, 5 pm., Thursday, March 24 at the library. This program is also sponsored by Community Financial, and no pre-registration is needed.

Mondays and Tuesdays. The hbrary 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 offering detailed information and independent analysts' reports funds and equities. Find out more at the reference desk, Northville Library, 212 W. Cady St.

Spring Tot Storytime with Caregiver

Designed for 2- and 3-year-olds with a parent or caregiver, this library experience is a six-week series of half-hour sessions. Bring only age-appropriate children who are registered. There are four sessions and each 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., Wednesdayr, March 30-May 4; or 10.15 a.m., Thursdays, March 31-May 5. To register, call (248) 349-3020.

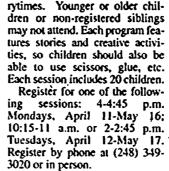
Spring Storytime for Children

GREAT LAKES DERMATOLOGY

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Board Certified Dermatologist

Children ages 4.5 or in kindergarten and comfortable attending without a caregiver may join this six-week series of 45-minute sto-



Kids Ciub 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., Thursdays in the library's meeting room. Each session includes 20 children. Register for individual sessions at (248) 349-3020.

Between the Lines

Between the Lines is an adult monthly reading group that alternates between fiction and non-fic-tion books. Discussion on "The Jane Austen Book Club" by Karen Jane Fowler will be 7 p.m., Monday, April 11, Northville library, 212 W. Cady St. Contact the library for information at (248) 349-3020.

Little Me Storytime

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

Family Fun Storytime

Wear your pajamas for this family program, 7 p.m., Tuesdays, March 22, April 19, and May 17 at the library. No registration is required: drop-ins welcome.

Puppet Show

Puppet show, "The Winning Wizard and the Trophy Hat," will start 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.

This discussion, designed for

Books, Chat and Chow

sixth graders and older, will be 4:15-5 p.m, Monday, March 28. This month's title is "Cheating Lessons" by Nan Wapo. The author will attend to discuss writing the book.

Junior Books, Chat and Chow

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

Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon, radio personality, author and newspaper columnist, will discuss consumer issues and the appliance industry, 7 p.m., Thursday, March 31 at the Northville library, 212 W. Cady St. For more information, call (248) 349-3020.

Library Board Meetings

The Northville District Library Board of Trustees 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.

Senior Center Calendar

- Thursday, March 17: 9 a m.: Taking Off Pounds Sensibly 9:30 a.m.: Detroit Symphony
- Concert 10:30 a.m.: St. Patrick's Day
- Luncheon 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
- All day: help with taxes Friday, March 18:
- 9:30 a.m.: Focus Hope and
- Liquid Nutrition 10 a m.: Strength training
- H a.m.: Computers H 1 p.m.: Movie

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Monday, March 21:

10 a.m.: Blood pressure 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle Tuesday, March 22: 10:30: Budget your retirement 9:30 a.m.: Meijer grocery shop-

ping 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle p.m.: Computers I Wednesday, March 23: 10:30 a.m.: Global Positioning System class noon: Bridge I p.m.: Computers II All day: Foot reflexology appointments

Mill Race

Mill Race Historical Village

The Northville Historical Society is in need of discarded treasures for their annual auction. July 4, at Mill Race Village. Contact the office for information at (248) 348-1845.

Scheduled events are as follows:

Thursday, March 17: Archives open, 9 a.m.; Hands All Around Quilt Group, 9 a.m.; Brownie Scouts, 3:30 p.m.; Northville Historical Society Board Meeting. 7 p.m.

Friday, March 18: Archives open, 9 a.m.: Brownie Scouts, 4:15 p.m.

Saturday, March 19. Friends of the Library, 9 a m. Sunday, March 20: Mill Creek.

10 a.m.; Venture Scouts, 4 p.m. Monday, March 21: Cub

Scouts, 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 22: Stone

Gang. 9 a.m.; Brownie Scouts, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23: Mill Creek, 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 24: Archives open, 9 a m : Eclipse Hot Stove, 6 pm.

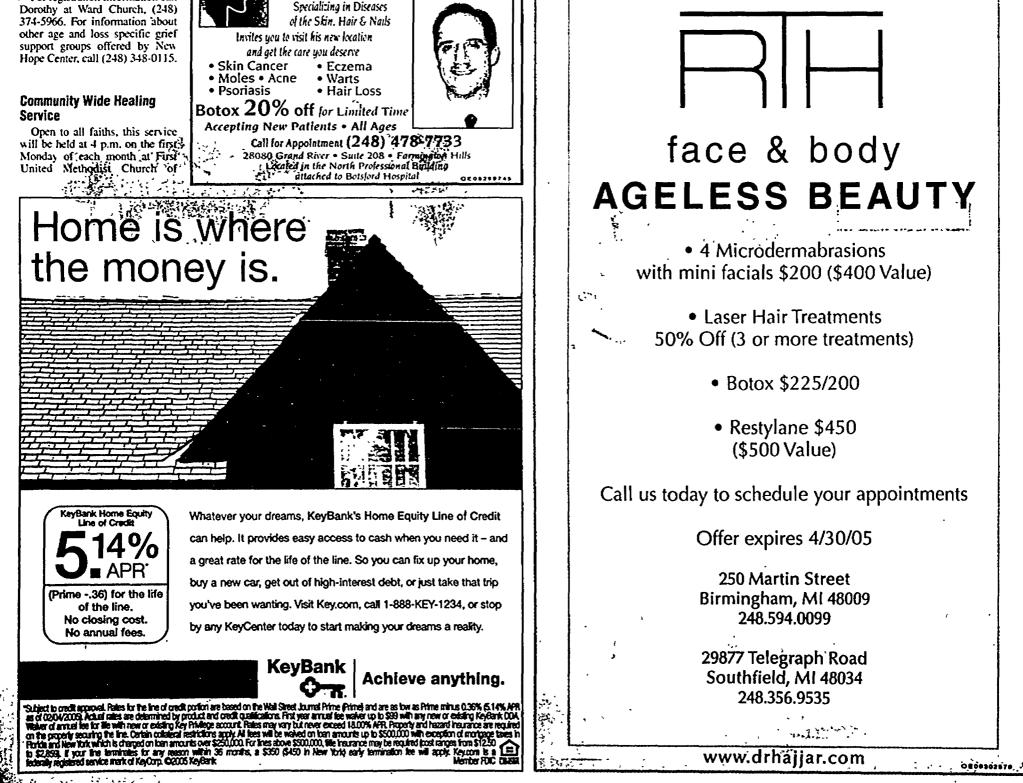
Maybury Farm Hayrides and Sleigh Rides

Weather cooperating, hayrides and sleigh rides are offered on Saturdays and Sundays. For information, call (248) 374-0200. Enter farm off of Eight Mile Road.

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WHAT'S GOING ON? (CONT'D)

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Looking for You

Meals-on-Wheels Drivers

Meals-on-Wheels needs drivers and substitute drivers. Volunteer hours are 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, 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 special park projects. Northville High School volun-

teer hours and scout badge projects are welcome. Contact recreation@ ci.northville.mi.us for information.

Camera Club Meeting

Join the Northville Arts Commission and Northville Camera the second Tuesday of each month. All are welcome. For more information or the cost of yearly dues, contact Tom James of Northville Camera at northvillecamera@sbcglobal.net; Ken Naigus of the arts commission at kdn@comcast.net or the Northville Arts Commission at (248) 449-9950.

Arts Commission

Meets at 7:30 p.m., second Wednesday of the month, Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

Beautification Commission

Meets at 7 p.m., second Tuesday of the month, city hall, 215 W. Main St. Meeting Room R.

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. For further information about

meetings, call Northville city clerk at (248)349-1700.

Parks and Recreation Commission

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

Parks and Recreation

Welcome, New Residents

The Northville Parks and Recreation invites new Northville residents to visit its parks and community centers to learn about activities and facilities. With questions about programs or suggestions. visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org or call (248) 349-0203.

Winter/Spring 2005 Parks, Recreation

The "Unlimited" brochure is now available on-line at www.northvilleparksandrec.org. This 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.

Youth basketball spring league sign-ups

Spring leagues are being developed for boys eighth-ninth grade and 10th-12th grade. Registration will run until filled. A \$10 late fee will be assessed after March 10.

Costs run \$100-110. Coaches are needed. Your child will play free if you volunteer as a head coach. If interested, call Dave DeMattos at (248) 349-0203, ext.1405.

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. Karen Ritterhouse instructs.

This workshop is for children 6-13 years old. Classes will be held 4:15-5:30 p.m., Tuesdays through March 22 at the Art House's Mosaic Room, 215 W. Cady St.

The fee is \$71 per resident; additional non-resident fees apply. A \$25 supply fee is due at class.

Spring Break Drama Camp

This camp is for performers, ages 7-14 to create, perform and produce a play. Participants must bring a lunch, including a bever-age, everyday. The camp will be 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday through Friday, March 28-April 1 at the Art House, 215 W. Cady St. The cost is \$130 per student; additional non-resident fees apply.

For more information, call (248) 349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

Cheer/Pom Spring Break Clinics

Clinics for first-fourth graders will be held, 1-2:30 p.m. and for fifth-eighth graders, 2:45-4:15 p.m., Monday, March 28-Friday, April 1. Promoted are fitness, dance routines, stretching, jumps and cheers. Both clinics will be at Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road.

The cost is \$75 per student; additional non-resident fees apply. For more information, call (248) 349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

Learn How to Learn

This seminar is for parents and students and is recommended for students in middle school. Topics include: proficiency in test taking, organization, checking for comprehension, time management, studying, concentrating and note taking. Bring a small tape recorder for use in one of the study techniques. This will be 6:30-8:30 p.m. on

Wednesday, March 23 at Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road. The cost is \$42 per student; additional non-resident fees apply.

For more information, call (248) 349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

Fresco Workshop

This introductory workshop teaches the techniques of the classic art of buon fresco painting. It will be 10-11:30 a.m., Saturdays, April 23-May 14 at the Art House, 215 W. Cady St. . The cost is \$56 per student; additional non-resident fees apply. Class is led by Michigan artists and instructors Deb and Rick Zuccarini. For more information, call (248) 349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

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

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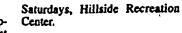
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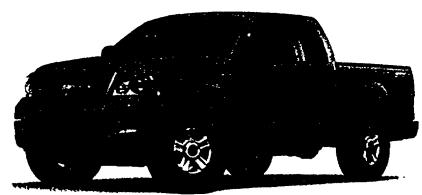
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Local teens get to know Christ through music

First United Methodist's youth musical turns 31

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

In the mid-1970s, newly wed Stacey Becker stepped up as youth choir director at Northville's First United Methodist Church.

She and husband Gary, both Northville natives, wanted a way to help kids connect with Christ.

"I was raised in a Christian family and faith has always been a big part," Stacey said. "I thought, "What can we do to help them really feel Christ in their life, to know Christ in a personal way?" She picked a musical, and 23

kids performed "Let's Tell the Whole World" for Easter services.

Thirty-one years later, the church's youth musical, which opens this Sunday, now includes 225 youth from seventh-12th grade and tours six cities.

But the message, this year with a "Give Us Hope" theme song, remains the same.

"It truly, in our mind, isn't a performance," Stacey said. "This is for the kids to personalize Christ in their life."

Latching on

Gary Becker, who has directed with his wife from the start, said the musical struck a chord.

"The kids latched onto it immediately," he said. "The music was more like they would normally want to listen to or sing. The congregation really took to having kids stand up there and do this type of effort."

Filling up the entire sanctuary, kids bring 12 songs to life. There are new takes on secular hits: a Betty Everett classic becomes "It's in His Grace": a Beatles tune is now "Can't Buy His Love."

Siblings sing a ditty, as do high school seniors. Interspersed are simple, trademark choreographed numbers and small skits, including a culminating crucifixion scene.



"The thought that you can actually change someone else's lives just by doing musicals is just like making me think, 'Wow.'"

> Andrew Lumley Novi Resident

Allie Lewis, 16, of Northville, will appear in some shows as a newly added Mary figure.

"It's so awesome to be able to go out to different parts of the state and send this message to other people who normally wouldn't see something like this," she said. "We get letters about people who really appreciate what we do."

Mac Stimec, 18, has been involved for years — as have all his family members.

"You interact with different people each song. Whoever you're standing by, you get to know them kind of and you kind of develop a bond," Stimee said. "You usually look around after it and you... see a good amount of people with tears in their eyes.

"It definitely is something that moves people."

Kids, committed

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Youth musical on the road Following is a list of the locales at which Northville First United Methodist Church's youth musical will appear:

appear • March 20*: Northville First United Methodist Church, 9:15 a.m., 11 a.m. • April 10: Arnes United Methodist Church, Saginaw, 8:45 a.m., 11 a.m.; Calvary United Methodist Church, Flint, 5 p.m.

• April 13*: Northville First United Methodist Church (Homeless Hospitality), 7

p.m. April 17: Jackson Baptist Church, Jackson, 10 a.m. April 24: St. James Roman Catholic Church, Novi, 5 p.m.

• May 1: Messiah Lutheran Church, Clio, 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 11 a.m. • May 8: Novi High School,

5 p.m., 7 p.m. • May 15: Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia,

9:15 a.m., 11 a.m. "Held at Northville First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road

any church, faith and community. There are no auditions, just dedication.

"We only have them for two, three hours a week, so they have to show up," Gary said. "We take anybody who wants to participate and make the commitment."

Since January, 225 kids have stuck. Parents have, too: each Sunday trip to other churches takes 30-40 vans driven by rotating volunteers.

During the musical, youths wear T-shirts designed by high school seniors. On royal blue, this year's proclaims, "It's all about you." Stacey often sees kids wear them to school.

"They are not ashamed at all," she said. "It just gives me the shivers when I see that. I just think, "Wow, this is too cool.""

Novi newcomer Andrew Lumley, 12, expressed similar awe over his first big musical.



Local teens enact a crucifixion scene in last year's youth musical at First United Methodist Church. Now in its 31st year, the show opens this Sunday.

"It's a great experience to have other people believe," he said. "The thought that you can actually change someone else's lives just by doing musicals is just like making me think, 'Wow."" Gary said participants often

later write back to tell how a song s or narration helped them weather g tough times.

States in the

In her final show, Jessie
 Markstrom, 18, of Northville,
 already has felt the impact. The
 senior song "Pray for Me" held
 importance during her college
 quest.

Growing up on the musicals, she has performed since seventh grade.

"It's kind of going full circle

where next year, I just get to watch it again," she said. "I look forward to that probably as much as I look forward to being in the musical."

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By Tom Filipczak SPECIAL WRITER

Lisa Westfall, a 14-year-old choir girl, wants to run into burning homes and rescue peoole.

It's Westfall's idea of "really fun stuff," and as a new addition to the Northville Explorers' club, she'll learn how to perform those tasks properly.

form those tasks properly. Explorer posts are affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, and offer career-based training programs in fire, rescue and law enforcement fields.

Westfall wants to be a firefighter or a veterinarian.

"We'll see," said her mother, Karen Westfall, of the latter." " Lisa has fire running through her blood. Her parents and her

brother are firefighters. Her brother was also an Explorer. "(As a parent) you're always

"(As a parent) you're always concerned," said Karen. "We never pushed her toward it, though. She can do whatever she likes."

The Northville Explorer 1717 post, started in 1994, trains the first and third Thursdays of every month and competes with other posts.

"The Northville Fire Department is very, very good about its training and making sure that everyone is taken care of," said Karen.

Tested training

On Memorial Day weekend, local Explorers attend Mock Disaster Day at Monroe County Fairgrounds to test their skills.

"They burned cars that day," said Sheri Allen, advisor to the Northville Explorer post, of the

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"The Northville Fire Department is very, very good about its training and making sure that everyone is taken care of."

> Karen Westfall Plymouth Parent

event.

Explorers don't typically deal with "live burns." But competitions and large-scale training exercises like the mock disaster drills are exceptions. "We stacked two cars on each

"We stacked two cars on each other and the Explorers had to rescue the people inside," said Richard Hamilton, 19, a Northville firefighter and Explorer. "At the end of the day, we burned the cars."

Local Explorers have their sights on the National Exploring Council's biannual national competition held in June. Only two groups of four from each post are allowed to participate in the Texas event. Post 1717 will go if they can raise the necessary funds.

The event costs about \$1,000 per person. In past years the city has offered odd jobs to Explorers to help raise money. So far this year "nothing has come up," said Northville Fire Chief Jim Allen

Jeff Kujawa, a City of

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Front-back: Lisa Westfall, 14, Richard Hamilton, 19, Jarrod Dauk, 14 and Dave Person, 18, represent some of the Northville Explorer 1717 post.

Northville paid-on-call firefighter, went through the Explorer program and is now an advisor to new members. He said the national competition is very important to prospective firefighters.

Kujawa, 22, said the Explorer program helps future firefighters learn firefighting basics early. Hamilton said his Explorer experience has helped him.

"I was 15 the first time I put out a fire," said Hamilton. "It's a great learning tool."

Tom Filipczak is a University of Michigan-Dearborn intern. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 109 or at tfilipczak@ht.homecomm.net.

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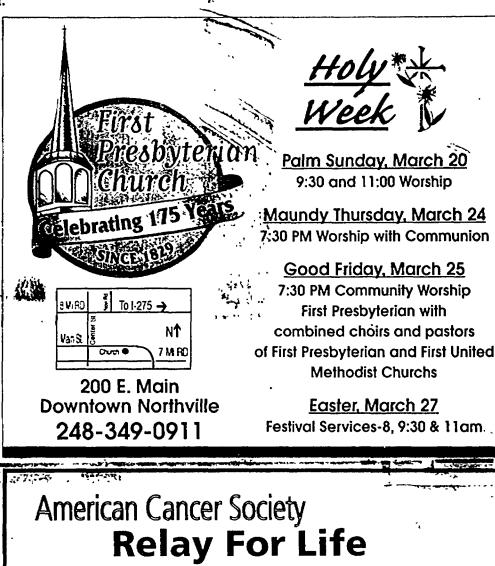
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Welcome to Maybury!

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LEFT: One of several Belgian plowhorses used at Maybury Farm peers out from its nearly-finished rebuilt barn.

BOTTOM: Pat Oathout feeds hay to some Belgian plowhorses inside the new Maybury Farm barn. Workers continue restoration of the the barn which burned two years ago.



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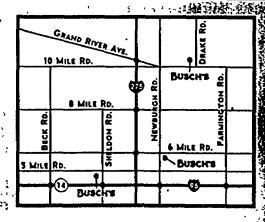
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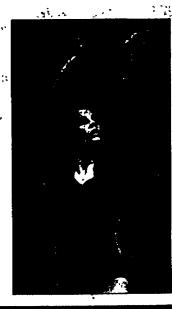


Leap of Faith

Alan Shanoski doesn't mince, words about his expectations this season as a high-jumper for the Northville Mustangs' track and field team. See what goals he's set for himself and his team. - Page 2B



Bymnastics The Northville-Novi Wild Stangs gymnastics team placed seventh last week during state compettion held held at Plymouth High School. See how they did it. · Page 3B



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Gates, Guerro named to all-state team

Mustangs named among state's top hockey players

By Sam Eggleston **RECORD SPORTS WRITER**

What's been thought by many the past two years is now reality: Northville hockey has some of the best players in the state.

Mustangs defenseman Nick Guerro and goalie Jimmy Gates were named to the Division II All-State squad March 12.

"I was really happy that Nick Guerro got it as well," said Gates. "When coach (Brad O'Neill) called us separately we both asked right away if the other had made All-State. We've been lucky enough to skate together for three years. I was very glad to be All-State this year. It's a great way to end high school hockey."

Guerro, a senior and one of the team captains this year, collected four goals and 13 assists in Western Lakes Activities Association games this year. He was a member of the Michigan Stars invitation-only



Photos by DAVID AGUILAR/RECORD EDT Nick Guerro (above) and goalie Jimmy Gates were name all-state hockey players.

hockey team prior to the start of the high school season.

O'Neill said he has been one of the most talented players he's had the pleasure of coaching.

Gates, who is also a senior, earned recognition as one of the state's top goalies, thanks to his consistent and often-dominating

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POOLING FUTURE RESOURCES

Martians invade Northville

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Perhaps H.G. Wells could see a glimpse of the future when he sat down and penned "War of the Worlds," a tale of Martians invading Earth.

This Saturday, on Hines Drive and the surrounding community, the Martians will indeed be invading. These Martians, however, come in moning the fartian Marathon and half-marathon.

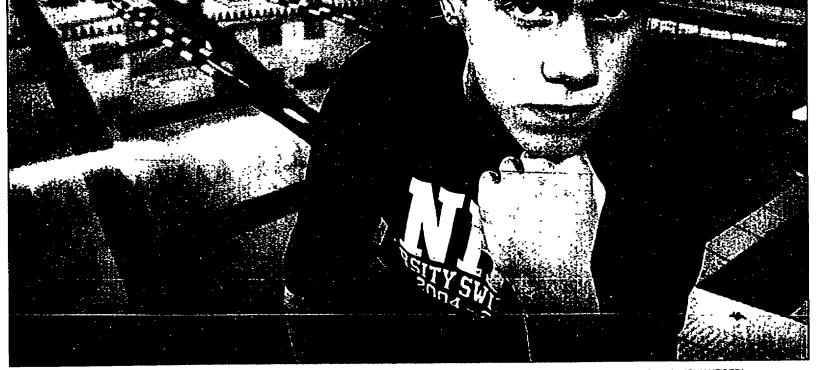


Photo by JOHN HEIDER NORTHVILLE RECORD

Northville High School student Chris Keady was the Mustangs' top swimmer during last weekend's state competition

Keady, Mustangs offer strong state showing

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Heading into the state meet last Friday, Northville swimming and diving coach Rich Bennetts had his goals set firmly on fifth place.

When the smoke cleared after the finals Saturday, he was more than happy to have seventh.

"We swam as good as we possibly could have," he said. "Yeah, I wanted to finish in the top five, but we were only six points away. It was nice to come into the state meet and have swims like that."

The Mustangs finished seventh with 127 points. In first was Ann Arbor Pioneer with 305, Zeeland was second with 200 and Birmingham Brother Rice was third with 163. Taking fourth was Grosse Pointe South with 142 points while Lake Orion took fifth with 133 and West Ottawa was sixth with 128.

Northville's rival, Stevenson, finished 10th with 102 points. "That was pretty nice too," Bennetts noted. "I think it really shocked them when we finished ahead of them in

the 200 free relay, which is their bread and butter. I'd be lying if I said I wasn't smiling after that one."

It was a day of record-setting performances by the Mustangs. Junior Brad Farris finally broke the decade-old mark set by Bob Holdridge in the 100 freestyle. His time of 47.51 seconds was enough to clear the mark with plenty of room.

Also setting school records was the 400 freestyle relay team of Chris Keady, Brody Blickle, Will Blickle and Brad Farris with a time of 3:12.59. The old record was 3:15.50. The 200 freestyle relay team of Farris, Will Blickle, Joe Hogan and Brody Blickle set the record at 1:28.34, edging out the old mark of 1:28.90.

"That was a great way for Joe to end his career," said Bennetts. "He really deserves it."

In the individual events, all of the Mustangs who placed in the finals will be back next year. Those finishing in the top eight were All-State selections.

Keady, a sophomore, had the day of his career. He finished fourth in the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:43.41 and fourth in the 500 freestyle in 4:40.36.

"It was really happy with how I did," said the soft-spoken sophomore. "I think we were all happy with how we did individually and as a team."

Farns also had a great showing. He took fifth in the 200 freestyle in 1:43.44 for the Mustangs while notching 10th in the 100 freestyle to set the long-sought varsity swim record he had been chasing all year.

"He actually set the record in the preliminaries," said Bennetts. "I think it was a big relief for him and he was able to just go out and swim the next day."

In the 200 individual medley, Will Blickle; a sophomore, strutted his stuff with an 11th-place finish in 1:58.81 and a time if 4:44.28 in the 500 freestyle for 10th, while Brad Lempke assisted in his team's top-10 finish with a score of 310.15 in diving, which was good for 14th.

Chris Culkin, a sophomore, finished 13th in the 500 freestyle with a swim of 4:50.03. The 200 medley relay team of Hunter Schwartz, Weston Laabs, Ryan Smith and

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"Last year we had about 700 people and this year we expect anywhere from 1,100 to over 1,200," said Randy Step, president of Running Fit and head coach for Michigan's Team in Training Program. "It will all depend on the weather."

The jump in numbers comes partially due to the fact that Gov. Jennifer Granholm's Council on Physical Fitness, Heath and Sports recently endorsed the Martian Marathon, Her husband, Daniel G. Mulhern, is also expected to take part in the run.

The endorsement will allow all participants of the marathon and half-marathon to be included in a lottery of names to be one of the 300 runners chosen to run with the governor over the Mackinac Bridge on Labor Day.

"That has helped us get a little more attention," Step said. "The marathon was already getting to be pretty popular and this has just given it a little boost."

Be a Martian

For those interested in joining the run - which is 26.2 miles for the marathon and 13.1 for the half entrance forms are available at Schoolcraft College's gymnasium. Runners can also sign up the day of the race from 6:30-7:30 a.m. Participants should park at Schoolcraft College, located on Haggerty Road between Seven and Six Mile roads. The race will start across the street and follow Hines Drive for the majority of the run.

"We are working with Northville Township police to have. Hines Drive closed during the marathon," said Susan Hodgson, the event marketing director. "That increases the safety of the runners and volunteers."

For those who are interested in fitness but not quite ready to take on the challenge of a marathon, there is also a training run, which costs \$12 to participate in and can be for any

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High hopes

Mustangs high-jumper sets lofty personal standards, serves as own toughest critic

'Northville senior Alan Shanoski doesn't pull any punches. He's brutally honest and his words are cutting.



And that's when he's talking about himself. "I was very disappointed," the high jumper said of his finish last year in the state finals. He was seventh with a leap of 6-feet-4inches.

"The way that I tried to balance it out was saying that I was doing other events last year. I blamed my finish on that. That was rather foolish of me."

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Shanoski,

Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS

until the finals. He didn't stumble on the way to the bar, he didn't get nervous - he just wasn't ready and he made an excuse for himself.

"Somehow I justified it," he said. "I don't look back on that moment right now and get pissed off or disappointed. I just look back on that meet and I know I didn't show up to jump like the others did."

The seventh-place finish was a far cry from the third-place showing Shanoski had as a sophomore. He wants to return to those days. Then he had high hopes. Then he was purely a high jumper. Then he was different.

Shanoski is different now than he was last year. His shaggy hair is replaced by a buzzed scalp. He knows better than to make excuses, but that doesn't mean he won't set the bar high right away.

"I feel this year I will go 6-10," he said. "I will go at least 6-10, if not over."

He admits the goal isn't one for the meek. Shanoski has never been mistaken for an athlete that doesn't step up to a challenge he's set for himself.

In fact, if the mark he has put out for himself is reached, he'll immediately start aiming higher. "I think any athlete, or anyone who calls them-

selves an athlete, always tries to push themselves even further," he said. "I plan on getting 6-8 in the beginning of the season, 6-10 in the middle of the season and I don't plan on going down.

"If I get 6-10 I'm not going to call it quits there. I'm going to keep trying to go higher and higher."

Leaps and bounds

Lofty goals are nothing new to Shanoski. Once upon a time when he was just a sophomore, he said he planned on breaking the state high jump record. That thought hasn't left his mind yet, but other things are starting to creep in there too.

Like where he's going to college.

"I've had some college interest," he said. "I don't know where I'm going yet, but I'm consid-ering places like the Naval Academy, Dartmouth and Notre Dame."

Shanoski has plenty to keep him distracted from his high-jump goals. He'll still be running other events, helping his team along. He'll still be looking forward to graduation and his future.

One thing is for sure, he won't let the distractions get in the way this year. He's going to jump and he's going to be focused when he does it. And if not?

Then it's a different story," he said. "I'll write a hate column on myself for that one. I've looked forward to this year. Last season's finish woke me up. Those guys were jumping those heights and I decided I better work my butt off to catch up to the guys I'm going to be competing with."

Working his hardest is something Shanoski has enjoyed. He's got high hopes and plenty of pressure - but all of it comes from inside.

"The only pressure I feel is from myself." he said. "If I don't do well this year I'd be letting myself down. I don't plan on doing that."

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER MORTHVILLE RECORD

Mustangs high-jumper Alan Shanoski is anxiously awaiting the start of the spring track and field season.

MARTIAN: Northville road race set for Saturday

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distance the runner chooses. The cost of the marathon is \$50 and the half marathon is \$45. Cost includes a Martian Marathon t-shirt.

There will also be a fitness expo

hosted at Schoolcraft College tomorrow from 2-8 p.m. in the gymnasium. It is free to enter and will feature vendors from Team In Training, Whole Foods Market. Zoup!, Fitness Things, Arbonne, B's Embroidery, Detroit Free Press

POOL: strong state showing

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Hogan took 11th in 1:40.59. "I was really happy with how these guys performed," said Bennetts. "There's a lot of pressure

in the state finals and they didn't let it get to them. I'm proud of all of them." The Mustangs also have a few

more chances for recognition.

proves to be less automatic bids than All-American awards, then considerations are reviewed and

honored. "We won't know until everyone gets their paperwork turned in," Bennetts said. "It's still pretty exciting for the guys though."

And the guys, with the exception of the seniors, are already looking to next year. Keady began his training with the Bulldogs Aquatic Club the day after the state finals and will work all year until the high school season starts up again. "I think we can have a better finish next year," he said. "I don't see why we can't move up. We just have to work at it." Nine months to go until the start of the season and practicing already? Work ethic definitely won't be a problem.

Brooks, Weight Watchers, Foresters Insurance, Schoolcraft Athletics, Two Dogs Running, Girls on The Run, Half2run com and Country Music Marathon & Half Marathon. Admission is free and there will be giveaways every 15 minutes with prizes including shoes and apparel. 'It should be a lot of fun," said

Marathon, Nike, GU, Mizuno,

ALL-STATE: local players named

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play. He went 8-2-1 in WLAA games this year, allowing just 17 goals for a 1.54 goals-against average.

key reasons for Northville's success

Step. "We're looking forward to it." Every year Running Fit puts on The Martian Marathon and half marathon to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and Schoolcraft College's women's cross country team.

"It's a good cause," Step said. "It's a good way to stay fit and help others at the same time."

The senior goalie was one of the

"I'd give up All-State in a heartbeat for a state championship," Gates said. "Winning states would be much more fun and I value team achievements over individual achievements any day."

The two Mustangs said support from teammates and coaches was



dramas since 'Terms of Endearment." -Jeffrey Lyons, MBC-TV



Farns carned All-American considerations with his swim in the 200 freestyle as did Keady in the 500 and 200 freestyle swims. The 400 freestyle relay team is also up for All-American considerations.

The All-American awards are handed out to a specific number of swimmers across the country. A certain time guarantees the honor while consideration is given to those close to the mark. If there

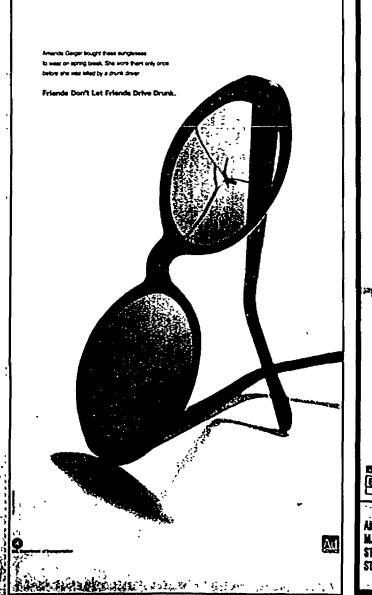
against some of the better offensive teams they faced this year.

Both players would be quick to give their bonors up if it meant going further in the state playoffs

crucial. "I have to give a lot of credit to Coach O'Neill for supporting me and helping me become All-State,"



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Taking a tumble

Wild 'Stangs stay poised, place seventh at state competition

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

t wasn't the end of the season the Northville-Novi Wild 'Stangs gymnastics team was hoping for, but in the end they showcased their talents and finished behind some extremely talented teams.

The gymnastics team finished seventh last Friday at Plymouth High School in the team state finals with 144 points while Tri-Farmington, as expected, took first with 147.55 points and Livonia Unified took 145.025 for second. Third place went to Brighton with 144.75.

The Northville-Novi gymnastics team had strong performances from a variety of performers. Amanda Peretli, coming off an

vault, a 9.125 on the beam and a 9.1 in the floor exercise for an allaround score of 35.925,

Janna Ramsey had a good day too, scoring a 9.25 on the vault while Maggie Mills scored a 9.1 on the bars. Rachel Deneau scored a 9.025 with her floor exercise.

In the individual state finals, held last Saturday, the Wild 'Stangs once again found themselves well represented. Seven individuals qualified for the finals with top-eight finishes at the regional meet the week prior.

Emma Platt, who had sprained her ankle at the regional, competed in division I while the other six were division II competitors. Highlights included Julie Foucher finished fifth on the beam, 10th with her floor exercise and eighth all-around. Janna Ramsey was fifth on vault and Jacqueline Gazette was sixth on vault.

The top 10 finishers were awarded medals in their events for the individual finals.

RIGHT: Gymnast Julie Foucher performs her floor routine during last week's state finals competition at **Plymouth High School.**

LEFT: Janna Ramsey leaps high into the air during her floor routine.

BOTTOM-LEFT: Wild 'Stangs headcoach Erin McWatt, center, and assistant Diane Hodur, left. watch as one of their gymnasts competes in the floor exercise.

BELOW-CENTER: Rachel Deneau begins a run on her floor routine.

BELOW-CENTER: Rachel Deneau performs her floor routine.

BOTTOM-CENTER: Amanda Perelli performed at Plymouth High School last Friday night.

BELOW-RIGHT: Wild'Stangs fans cheer on their team during their floor exercise routines.

BOTTOM-RIGHT: Maggie Mills performs her floor routine.







injury, had the best showing of the night. She put up a 9.15 on the











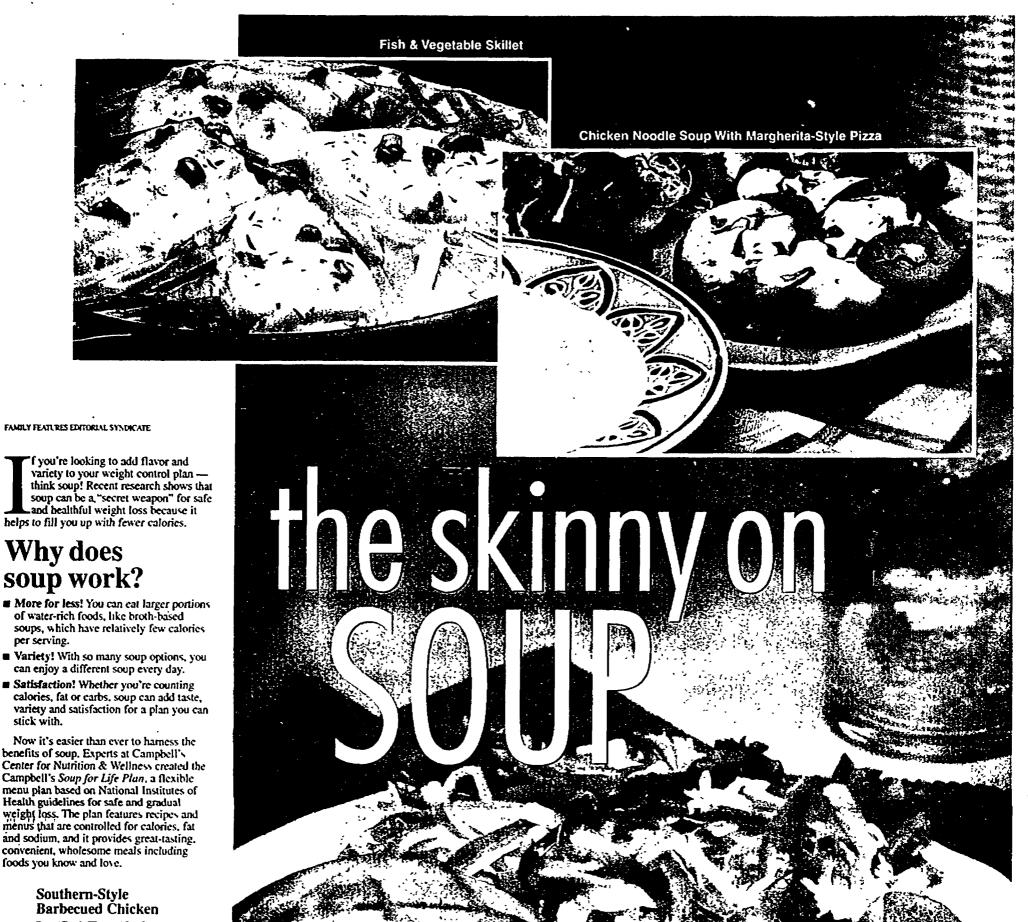






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IN THE KITCHEN



Prep/Cook Time: 45 minutes 1 can (26 ounces) Campbell's Tomato Soup

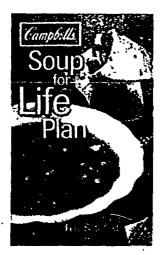
- 1/4 cup honey
- 2 teaspoons dry mustard
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 8 bone-in chicken breast

halves, skin removed

MIX soup, honey, mustard and onion powder.

GRILL or broil chicken 35 minutes or until donc, turning often and brushing with sauce during cooking. HEAT remaining sauce to a boil and serve with chicken. Serves 8.

Nutrition Information per Serving: Calories 203, Total Fut 3g, Saturated Fat 1g, Cholesterol 73mg, Sodium 296mg, Total Carbohydrate 15g, Dietary Fiber 0g, Protein 27g



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Fish & Vegetable Skillet

Prep/Cook Tinie: 25 minutes

- I large carrot, cut into matchstick-thin strips
- 2 stalks celery, cut into matchstick-thin strips
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 tablespoons dry white wine
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves, crushed
 - Generous dash black pepper
- 1 can (10.3/4 ounces) Campbell's Healthy Request Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1 pound firm white fish fillets

MIX carrot, celery, onion, water, wine, thyme and pepper in skillet. Heat to a boil. Cover and cook over low heat 5 minutes or until tendercrisp.

ADD soup and heat to a boil. ADD fish. Cover and cook over low heat 5 minutes or until done. Serves 4.

Nutrition Information per Serving: Calories 160, Total Fat 2g, Saturated Fat 1g, Cholesterol 52mg, Sodium 379mg, Total Carbohydrate 11g, Dietary Fiber 2g, Protein 21g

Chicken Noodle Soup With Margherita-Style Pizza

Prep/Cook Time: 10 minutes

- 2 slices Pepperidge Farm natural whole grain bread
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano leaves, crushed
- 2 medium plum tomatoes, thinly sliced
- 2 ounces fresh mozzarella, cut up
- 6 fresh basil leaves, thinly shredded

1 can (10 3/4 ounces) Campbell's Healthy Request Chicken Noodle Soup

SPRAY top of each bread slice with cooking spray and sprinkle with oregano.

HEAT 10-inch nonstick skillet 1 minute. Add bread, oregano-side down, and cook until browned. Turn over.

TOP with tomatoes and cheese. Cover and heat until cheese softens. Sprinkle with basil. SERVE with 8 ounces Campbell's Healthy Request Chicken Noodle Soup. Serves 2.

Nutrition Information per Serving: Calories 249, Total Fat 9g, Saturated Fat 5g, Cholesterol 32mg, Sodium 704mg, Total Carbohydrate 28g, Dietary Fiber 5g, Protein 13g

Beef & Mushroom Dijon

Prep/Cook Time: 25 minutes

- 3/4 pound boncless beef sirloin steak, 3/4 inch thick
 - 2 cups sliced mushrooms
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 can (10 3/4 ounces) Campbell's Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 4 cups hot cooked rice, cooked without salt Chopped fresh parsley, optional

SLICE beef into very thin strips. SPRAY nonstick skillet with vegetable cooking spray. Heat 1 minute. Add mushrooms and onion and cook until terrier Parmova vegetables. Because

and cook until tender. Remove vegetables. Remove skillet from heat.

SPRAY skillet with vegetable cooking spray. Add beef and cook until browned and juices evaporate, stirring often.

ADD soup, water, mustard and vegetables and heat through. Toss rice with chopped parsley; serve topped with beef mixture. Serves 4.

Nutrition Information per Serving: Calories 392, Total Fat 9g, Saturated Fat 3g, Cholestervl 47mg, Sodium 665mg, Total Carbohydrate 54g, Dietary Fiber 2g, Protein 22g

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PET PEEVES

For more information about pet care, see our special section in today's newspaper!

Easter bunnies

Baby bunnies are cute, but older bunnies make better pets

By Kate Phillips HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

With Easter coming up, baby bunnies are hopping around every corner. The tiny furry creatures are little enough to fit in your hand, and their velvety softness and tiny ears make them irresistible.

But giving or receiving one of these Easter delights may lead to problems, once Easter is over. These tiny bunnies are often taken away from their mother prematurely, and often don't survive, said rabbit expert, Dominique Moroz.

"I've sat in veterinarian offices and watched children holding baby bunnies, crying their eyes out," Moroz recollects, "It's the saddest

thing. "When you get a rabbit from a

pet store, they are so young that their gut hasn't been developed. Breeders sell them to pet stores as early as three and a half weeks old. The littler, they are, the cuter. But they just can't survive. They need to stay with their mother eight weeks."

Moroz runs Rabbit R & R in Northville, a non-profit shelter that places unwanted rabbits. She receives 10 to 15 calls a day from individuals surrendering pets.

Just like the old cliché, rabbits are so focused on reproduction, they can be unbearable as they reach maturity. Sexually mature rabbits may have problems with biting, growling, lunging, marking and obsessive behaviors.

"A rabbit needs to be altered both for its health and for its personality," she said. "They are often given up when they reach sexual maturity and begin to exhibit typical adolescent unrest. Unspayed females can be cage protective and become nervous diggers, or pluck huge quantities of fur.

Rabbit R & R spays and neuters all pets offered for adoption, plus can help rabbit owners find low-

Special Section

For more information about how to care for your favorite pet, see our special section in today's Northville Record.

cost spay and neuter services. They also work to educate rabbit owners, so they can enhance the human-rab-

bit relationship. Once a rabbit is spayed or neutered, they are an ideal pet, but are still different than a cat or dog. They don't have the pack mentality of a dog or a cat, so they aren't immediately trusting -it takes patience to develop a friendship.

"Rabbits are a great pet for those who work during the day, since this is when they naturally sleep," Moroz said. "As prey animals, rabbits do not reveal their personalities is quickly as the hunting animal. like dogs or cats.

"Rabbits prefer not to be picked up, since they feel more secure knowing they can flee if threatened. But they do like to sit next to their owner or in front of them while

Easter bunnies make cute gifts, but one gift givers may want to carefully consider.

being petted.

"When a person calls to adopt a pet. I spend time talking to them, so I can help them choose a bunny that they'll be really happy with, in the long run.

Rabbit R & R animals are available for adoption at PetSmart of Northville from 4 to 8 p.m. the second Monday of every month or by calling (248) 348-8519.

Kate Phillips is a reporter for the Milford Times. She can be reached by phone at (248) 685-1507 ext. 21 by e-mail kphillips@ht.homecomm.net.

Submitted Picture

Free dogwoods offered during 'Trees for America' campaign

Ten free white flowering dogwood trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during March 2005.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit foundation's Trees for America campaign.

"White flowering dogwoods will add year-round beauty to your home and neighborhood." John Rosenow, the foundation's president, said, "Dogwoods have showy spring flowers, scar-let autumn foliage, and red berries which attract songbirds all winter-

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between March I and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to 12 inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day, the foundation's monthly publication, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to Ten Free Dogwood Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, Neb. 68410, by March, 31, orvisit arborday.org.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHALLE I

Veterinary doctor Ronald Studer examines a domestic shorthair cat with the assistance of Deanna Losey in his Novi Briarpointe Veterinary Clinic.

Pet psychology

Experts say pets are good for your health

By Pam Fleming HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

Any pet owner can tell you that there are many psychological benefits to owning a pet whether the owner be single, part of a family, young or old.

Ronald A. Studer, D.V.M., a resident of South Lyon, veterinarian at Briarpointe Veterinary Clinic in Novi, and licensed counselor at Samaritan Counseling Center in Northville, said its undeniable that living with animals enhances our lives.

Studer, who has a master's degree in counseling from Oakland University and practices part-time for Samaritan, said pets even help us deal with death.

"Pets die much more quickly than we do, so they're a metaphor for our own mortality. Most of us are uncomfortable dealing with death. That's why it's so upsetting when a pet dies," he said.

He added pets provide a model of our own tives because pets mimic our lifespan as far as birth, growth, maturity, decline and eventual death.

"While they're with us, they provide a lot of benefits. For many, pets provide a sense of purpose and meaning as well as contact with another being, which we all need to feel happy and fulfilled," Studer said. Debra Hollander, M.D., a licensed psychia-

trist and chair of Behavioral Medicine at Providence Hospital, said Providence has offered pet therapy for at least four years.

We had one incident where we had a man who was depressed and not grooming. After he was with a beautifully groomed dog, he suddenly decided he wanted to take a shower. It was a remarkable," she said.

"I have another patient who could not go to sleep without her pet. Pets are comforting and give people a reason to live - somebody to love and be loved by.

"Studies show that when petting or holding an animal blood pressure and heart rate drop. The key is in the touching."

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Ronald A. Studer Samaritan Counseling Center, Northville

Hollander said pets combat lonelines well as provide an opportunity to give receive love in an unconditional way.

"For anyone who's alone, pets also them an opportunity to touch and be touch she said.

Hollander noted that research shows heart attack victims who have dogs were i likely to be alive a year after the heart at Another study showed that pet owners b treated for high blood pressure with a ce type of medication also received addition blood-pressure-lowering benefits.

'There's an AIDS (Acquired Imn Deficiency Syndrome) study that has sh significant benefits for pet owners as fa reducing depression and toneliness." added.

Hollander said with children, pets become a confidante - someone they share their secrets and private thoughts wit as well as help them create a sense of res sibility, respect for living things and kn edge about the life cycle.

Studer said pets also help relieve stress reduce symptoms of depression and anxie

"Studies show that when petting or hol an animal blood pressure and heart rate of The key is in the touching. That's why pet being used more and more as visitors in he tals, nursing homes and retirement hon Studer said.

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Background checks and what can be included

Background checks can range in depth and breadth from a verification of the individual's social security number and credit check, to a more



inquiry into his or her driving records, vehicle registration, criminal history and credit, education, court

and drug test

extensive

records. For sensitive positions,

according to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), it's not uncommon for a company to order an investigative consumer report-a report that includes interviews with an individual's neighbors, friends and associations.

The FCRA prohibits consumer reporting agencies from including the following information in a consumer report: Bankruptcies after 10 years; civil suits, civil judgments and records of arrest, from date of entry, after seven years; paid tax liens after seven years; accounts placed for collection after seven years; and any other negative information (except criminal convictions) after seven years. In addition to these restrictions, many state labor codes and state fair employment guidelines further limit the content that can be included in a background check.

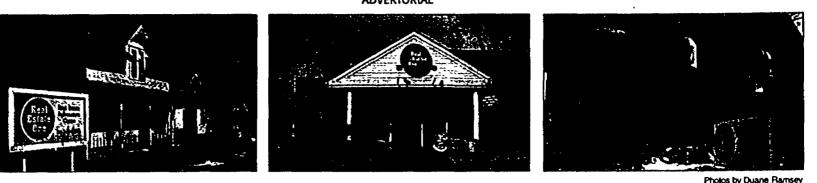
In the event of an adverse action

Before an employer turns down an individual for employment as a result of what's included in a consumer report, they must provide him or her with a "preadverse action disclosure. according to the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse. This includes a copy of the background check report and an explanation of the individual's rights under the FCRA. After taking adverse action, the employer must then give the individual an "adverse action notice." This document must contain the following information:

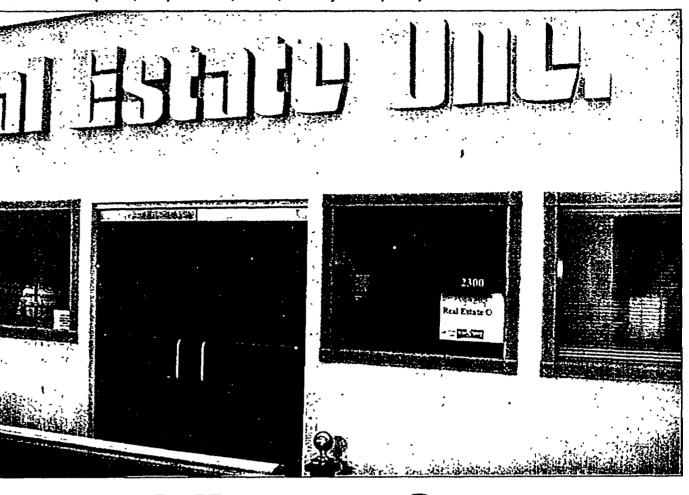
• The name, address and phone number of the consumer reporting agency that conducted the background check:

• A statement by the consumer reporting agency that it did not

ADVERTORIAL



Real Estate One's four offices include (above, I to r) Northville, Milford, South Lyon and (below) Novi.



Real Estate One

Leading the way with four local sales offices

By Duane Ramsey SPECIAL WRITER

Real Estate One, the largest residential real estate company in Michigan, has four locations and more than 100 agents to serve the communities of Northville, Novi, Milford and South Lyon. Each local office is the leading real estate source in the respective communities and markets.

among 51 company-owned Real Estate One offices in Michigan. Celebrating 75 years in business, Real Estate One has more than 1,900 licensed agents who gen-erated \$3.8 billion in sales during 2004 in Michigan.

Real Estate One has a comprehensive training program to support the best trained agents in the business, according to the company. Agents also receive individual training at their local offices.

The four locations are fullservice offices that handle transactions from start to finish. Representatives of Capital Title Company and John Adams Mortgage Company are available in the local offices to provide their services to Real Estate One customers.

The agents in the Northville and Novi offices not only sell homes in those communities but also have listings in Livonia, Plymouth, Farmington, Farmington Hills, and Wixom.

"We've seen all markets and types of transactions over the years. We've followed the market trends and watched the areas grow and home values increase over the years," said O'Neill.

Real Estate One represents some new construction residential developments but also assists individual builders in selling their inventory. In addition, agents take customers to see new and existing houses priced from the high \$100,000 range to well over \$1 million.

camaraderie among peers," said Kathy Solan, manager of the Real Estate One office in Milford.

There is willingness on the part of all agents to assist their co-workers in putting together a deal and making it happen. That philosophy is unusual in a sales force environment, especially one that is commission based. The team concept is alive and well within the office comprised of competitive sales agents," said Solan.

The office has 44 agents with additional agents in training to cover the growing market. Recently, the Milford office has done substantially more business in Livingston County and increased its business in Genesce County as well. We are the last bastion of affordability in developing Oakland County," said Solan. The average home price is about \$226,000 in the Milford area. The agents in the Milford office have listed hundreds of homes and condominiums with prices ranging from \$100,000 to \$2 million and more.

selling for 98 percent of the listing price."

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The agents in the South Lyon office generated \$35 million in sales during 2004 and had a 13percent share of the local market based on sales from January to September.

The South Lyon office has 25 agents with more than 100 years of combined service in the real estate business, ranging from new agents to veterans with as much as 25 years of experience. The agents market homes in South Lyon, Lyon Township, New Hudson, other areas in Oakland County, as well as in Washtenaw and Livingston counties.

make the adverse decision, and cannot give specific reasons for it;

• A notice of the individual's right to dispute the accuracy of the completeness of any information the agency supplied.

Now available to consumers

FACTA, the same law that entitles consumers to free credit reports, also gives consumers the right to view their records that are maintained by the same agencies that furnish consumer reports to businesses. ChoicePoint is one such company that maintains a series of databases on consumers. For more information, visit the consumer arm of this agency at www.choicetrust.com. (Note: ChoicePoint recently informed some 2,300 Michiganians by mail that their personal information may have been fraudulently accessed by unauthorized persons. Approximately 145,000 notices were sent to consumers nationwide about the personal information breach. For more information visit www.choicepoint.com.)

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In Novi-Northville...

office and The Novi Northville satellite office led the marketplace with \$143 million in combined sales in 2004. The two offices already have generated more sales during the first two months of 2005 than in the same period last year.

There are 60 to 65 agents working out of the Novi office and 10 additional agents in Northville that handle residential, new construction, vacant land and some commercial real estate business.

"We have agents with many years of experience from 10, 15, 25, and up to 35 years in the business," said Kathy O'Neill, manager of the combined Novi-Northville offices, who has 21 years of experience.

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In Milford

The Milford office of Real Estate One is the number one broker in its market area that includes Milford, Highland, Commerce, Waterford, White Lake and West Bloomfield in Oakland County with parts of Livingston and Genesee counties.

The Milford office generated close to \$70 million in sales in 2004 while doubling the office in size and number of agents. 2005 looks like another growth year as business in January and February has surpassed the same time periods in 2004.

Real Estate One has a 14.5percent share of the Milford market based on closed listings by list or sales office with the nearest competitor having a 10 percent share.

"Our workplace is one of

In South Lyon...

The South Lyon office of Real Estate One is the leading real estate company in that community and continues to grow with the residential growth in the surrounding area.

"We are No. 1 in our market. We sell more homes in the South Lyon area than any other real estate company," said Mary Nicole, manager of the South Lyon office. "Our houses are "Our agents make our office unique," Nicole said. "Our office's success is attributed to our exceptional agents who know their market and are committed to their customers by providing them with professional and quality service."

As a company, Real Estate One is involved in supporting the American Cancer Society and Special Olympics programs in Michigan. The four offices and individual agents are active in the local communities supporting the activities of many charities, community organizations, parades and schools.

For example, The South Lyon office has entered a team to participate in the area's first Relay For Life for the American Cancer Society this spring. It also sponsored the holiday breakfast for the South Lyon Chamber of Commerce, adopted a family for Christmas through the Active Faith organization and participates in the annual Pumpkinfest in October.

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Picking the right home inspector

growth in today's real estate industry, the demand for home inspections is also booming. To meet this demand, there has been significant growth in the number of home inspectors - currently about 25,000 nationwide.

However, more might not necessarily mean better. That's because home inspectors generally operate with little government oversight.

"It's difficult to know for sure how many inspectors there are because only 29 states currently have any type of legislation or regulation requirements for home inspectors," said Lisa Gunggoll, a spokeswoman for the American Society of Home Inspectors, or ASHI.

In California, for example, the law simply prohibits unethical home inspection practices, including repairing properties that home inspectors have inspected in the previous 12 months. And the law encourages courts to consider the code of ethics of established inspection-related associations, including ASHI, when determining whether an inspection meets required standard of care.

There are many highly qualified professional with a "home inspector" sign on their door, but there are also individuals working inspecting homes with limited background and knowledge in the field. If you are in need of an inspector, be sure to select one with solid experience and many positive references. It is vital that you personally check those references.

There's little doubt about the value of an unbiased inspection when a home is about to be sold. It provides peace of mind to consumers about to make the biggest investment of their lives. The cost - typically from \$250 to \$500 - is paid by either the home seller or buyer, or split between those parties.

Most real estate brokers recommend having a home

As a result of sustained inspected before it is sold. It's the proper and ethical stand to take. But in my conversations with brokers, they tell me they wish inspectors would

disappear. Brokers fear inspection reports that include negative but insignificant comments about the house, often included to show the owner the inspector did his job. Those comments can scuttle a sale that has been in the works for weeks or months.

Some reports include items under the heading, "needs repair." The noted item might be operating perfectly, but the inspector feels it could soon become inoperative.

It's important to remember that inspectors are not repair specialists or building code enforcers. Inspectors should stick to their roles of determining the condition of property and structures. This includes observations of inoperative systems or appliances and unsafe or hazardous conditions.

Competent inspectors should avoid clear conflicts of interest. They should refrain from offering to personally repair or replace items noted in their reports, or refer an individual or company to do

the job. In the new book, "Idiot's Guide to Home Inspections," a few sure signs of a bad inspector are noted:

The inspector completes the entire inspection in less than 10 minutes.

- The inspector offers to give you a "good deal" on home repairs, or tells you his cousin can fix the crack in your driveway.

- The inspector writes his inspection report in crayon on the back of a pizza box.

While most inspection contracts are signed during closing, many sellers are engaging the services of an experienced, professional inspector just before placing their homes on the market. They feel a positive inspection report will enhance the sale.

O: What's being done to help low-income families buy a home?

A: Many low- and moderate-income earners, such as policemen, firefighters, teachers and health care workers, can take advantage of the new "Home Possible Mortgages." The program is available from lenders approved by Freddie Mac, one of the nation's largest investors in residential mortgages.

The program offers a suite of mortgages requiring low down payments and offering flexible credit underwriting standards. It's expected to help thousands of families with savings issues or imperfect credit to become homeowners.

We created this new program so more lenders can say yes' to more borrowers," said David Stevens with Freddie Mac. "It's what our lenders tell us they need to compete in today's market - a flexible, easy-to-use mortgage uniting ease and efficiency with low down payment requirements and flexible credit. Perhaps no other mortgage product launched in recent memory will enable our lenders to reach and help as many additional borrowers as will this Home Possible offering." The program involves bor-

rower education and early delinquency counseling. It includes mortgages requiring down payments of between zero percent and 3 percent. Some low- and moderateincome borrowers can get a low-cost conforming conventional mortgage for a singlefamily home with a down payment as low as \$500, or borrowers can choose to have closing costs folded into the loan.

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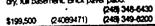
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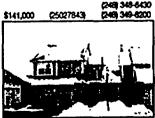
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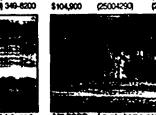
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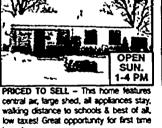




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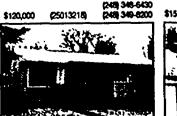


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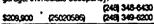
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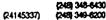


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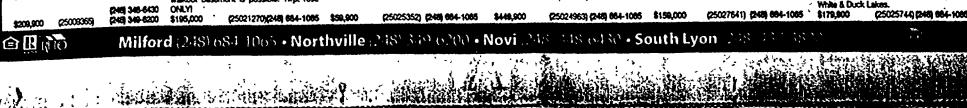
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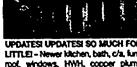


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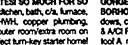
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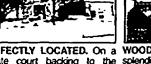
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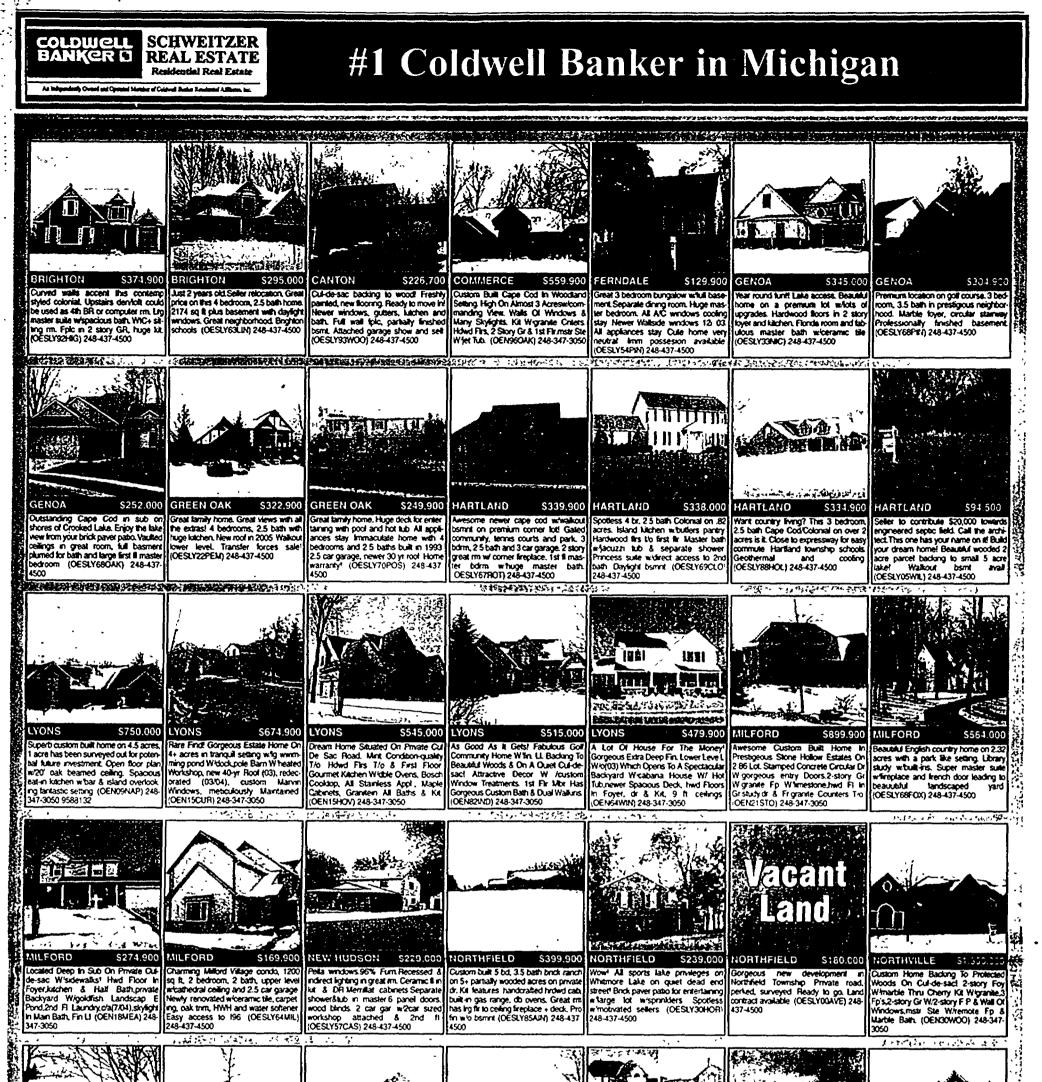


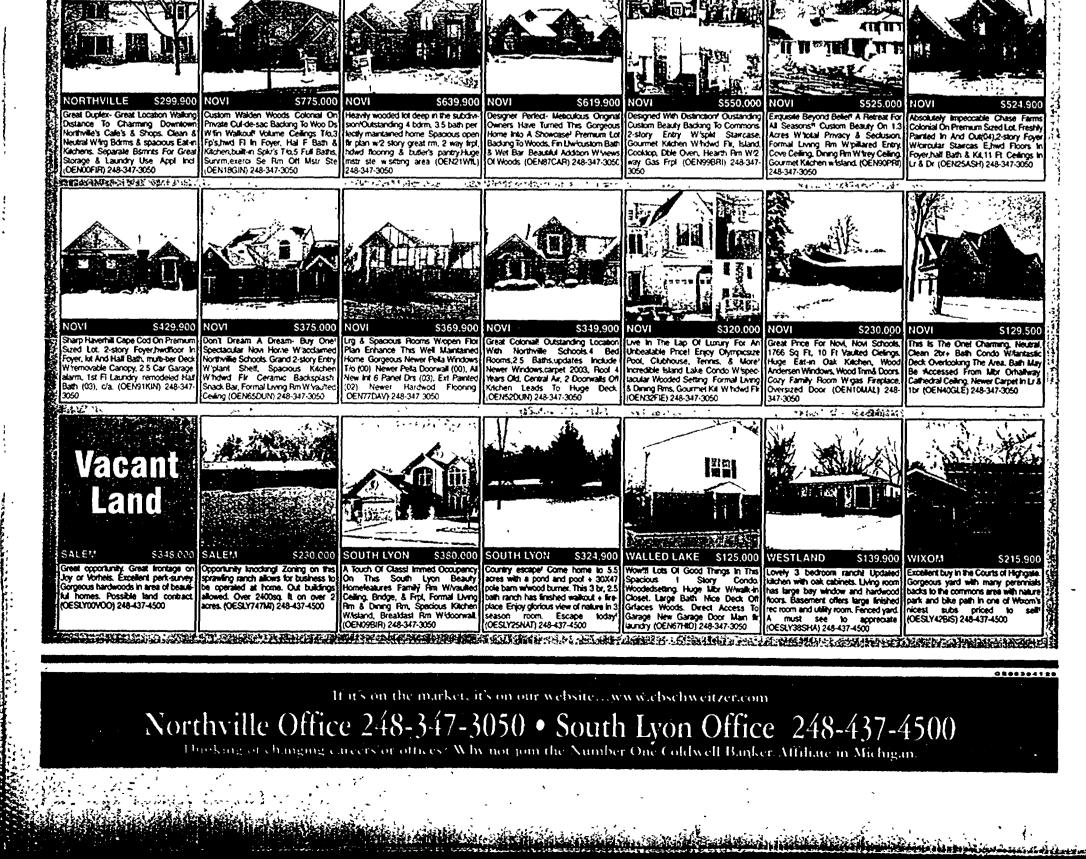




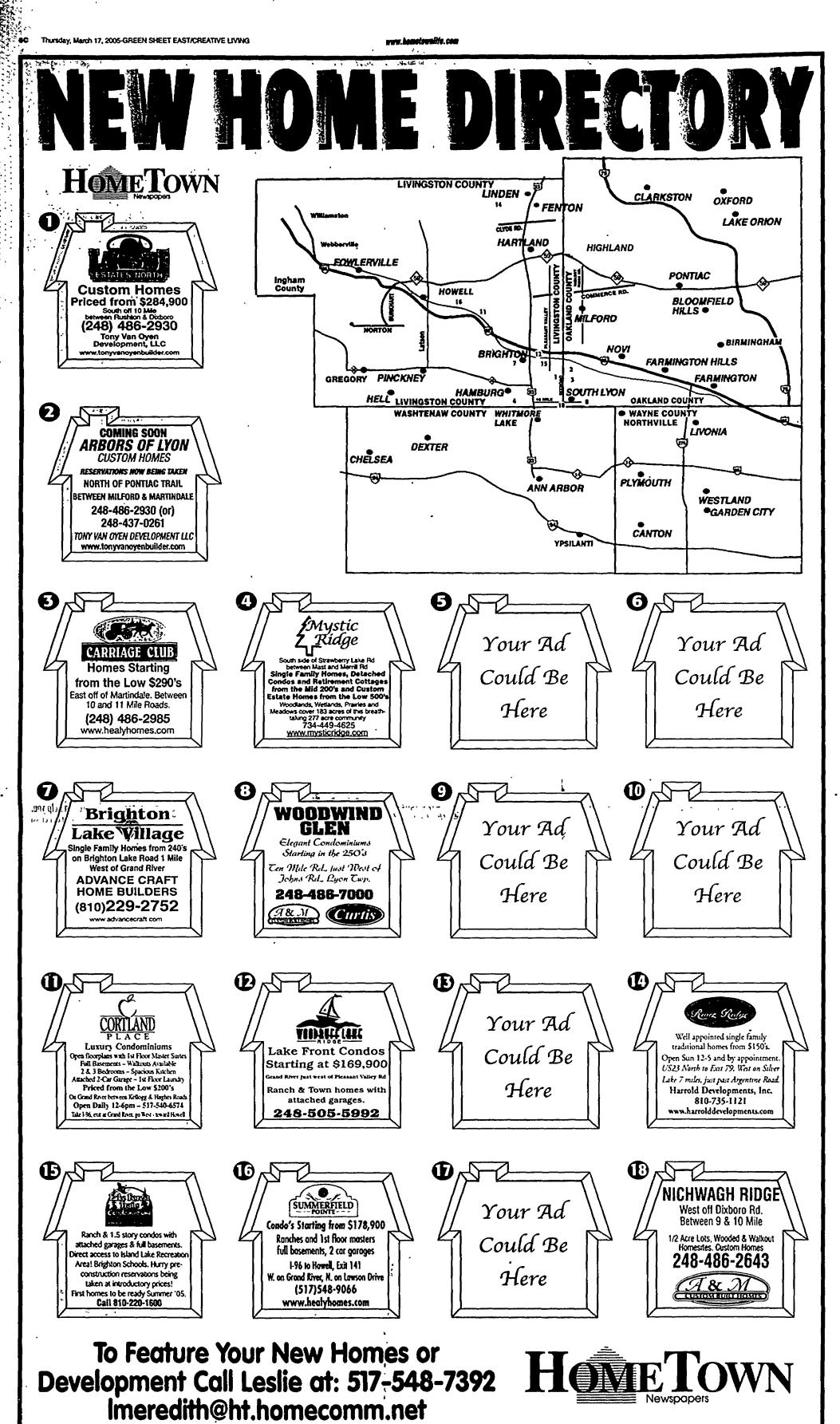
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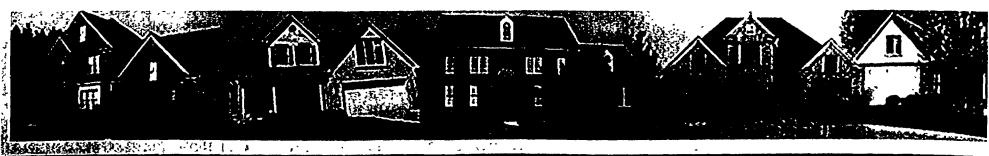






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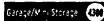
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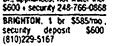


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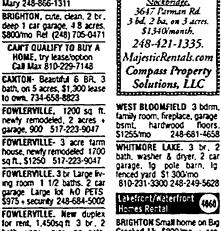
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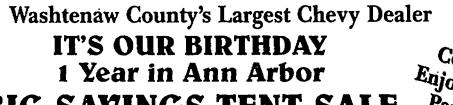
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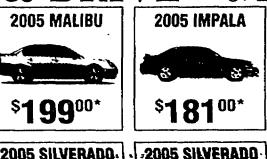


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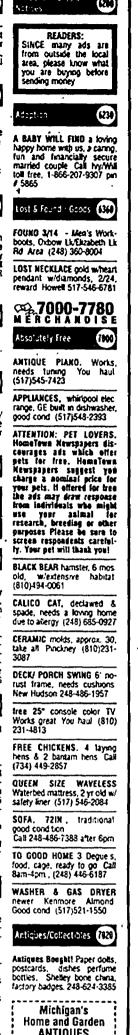
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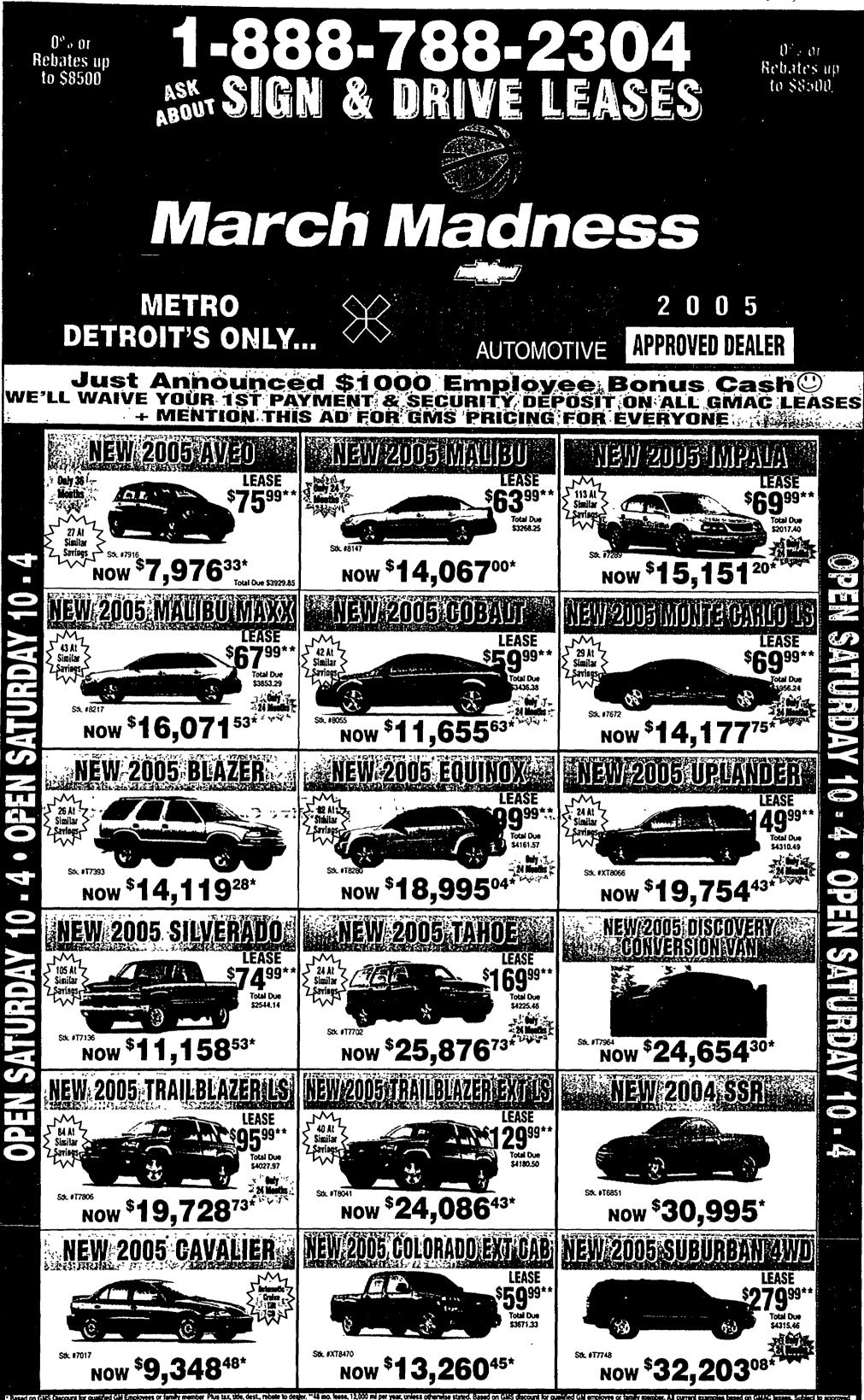
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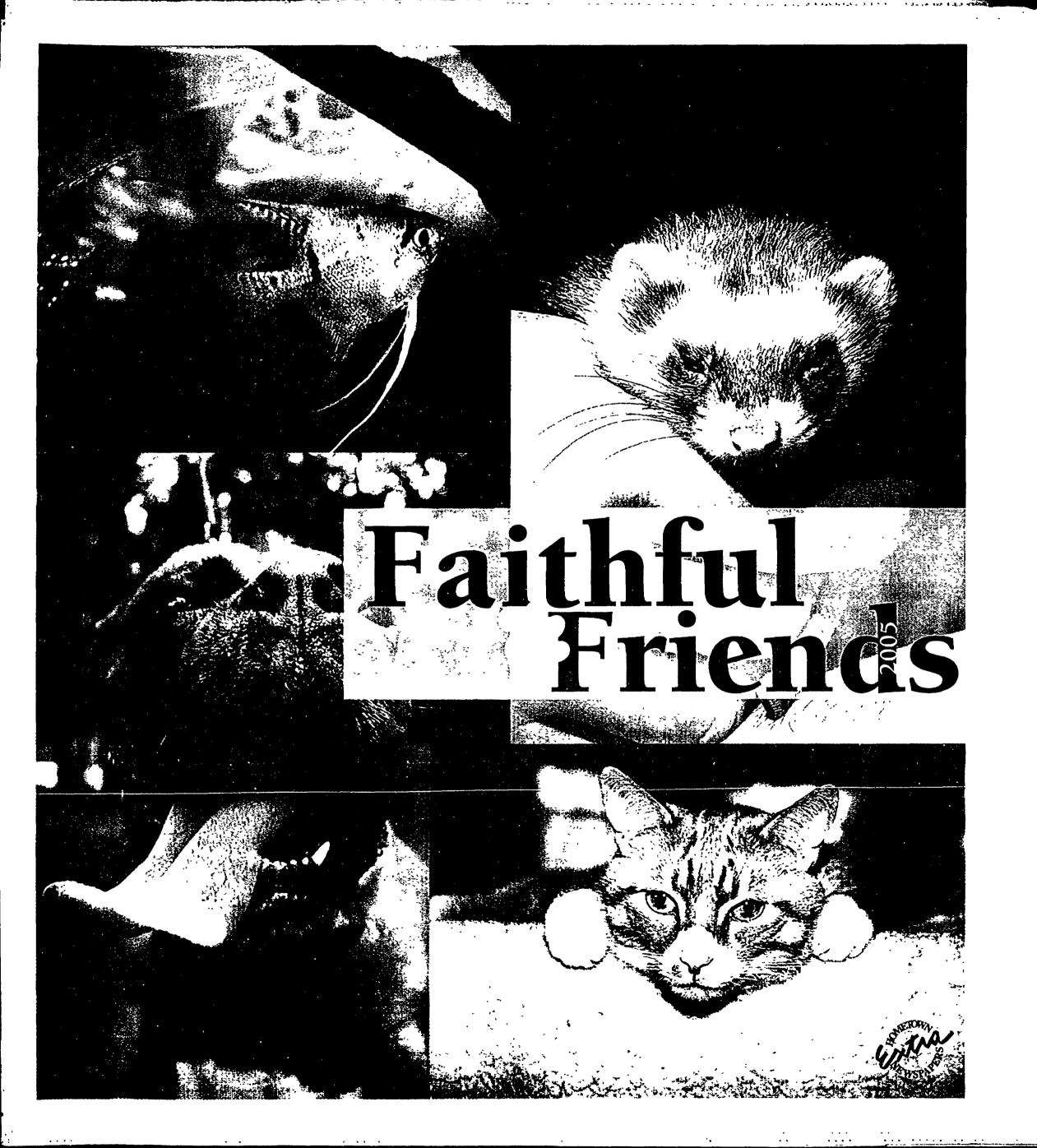
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What's in a pet name? From Ganso to Cleo, monikers fit personality, purpose — and whimsy

By Kim Kovelle HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

About five years ago, managers at South Lyon's Coyote Golf Club needed to stop geese from chomping grass and littering the green.

They delegated herding duties to a friendly, chocolate-red and white border collie, Ganso.

"It means goose," said course superintendent Pat Naszradi, who keeps the course pup at his Northville home. "He loves to run out on the golf course.

"It's funny — I have a golf car that I drive around. He'll actually sit in the seat next to me. He bounces and gets all excited."

And, true to his name, Ganso keeps Coyote's geese at bay: "Once they see a dog running at them full speed, they take off," Naszradi said. Like Ganso, some pets are named

for their purpose.

Monikers like Spot and Blackie might reflect appearance, while Happy or Sparky may just act that Sometimes, whimsy wins out.

In 2004, "Max" won most popular honors for the second year, according to a Veterinary Pet Insurance Co. survey of 300,000 nationwide policyholders.

Also tops were Bailey, Buddy, Molly, Maggie, Lucy, Jake, Daisy, Rocky and Sadie.

Novi's Meadowbrook Veterinary clinic adds Tigger, Beemer and Cleo to their own list.

"Cleo is probably one of the most popular ones for a cat," technician Karen Garron said. "Names kind of coordinate with the personality of the person, I think.

"It's always usually after somebody or for some reason."

When it came to her yellow Labrador retriever Sara, Garron said, the name had special relevance.

"Out of three boys, I wanted a girl so bad," Garron said. "It was supposed to be one of my kid's names." She dubbed her black lab Zack — another common name.

Since opening last June, Veterinary Healthcare Associates in Milford has seen many cats and dogs named Abby.

"I think people are just trying to get stuff that's different, trying to get away from your Buddy and Spot and things like that," receptionist Katie Edwards said.

There are dogs dubbed Daisy, cats called Baxter and Emma's, Molly's and even a Hello Kitty in between.

"I think it's just become more of a personal thing," Edwards said. "A tot of people are giving dogs middle names now."

For her dog Hank, she finally chose "Aaron" as a middle name at first not realizing the connection to the Atlanta Braves and Milwaukee Brewers' baseball star. "He loves to play." Edwards said

of her 55-pound mutt. "It works for him."

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Ganso takes a rest in the snow with owner Pat Naszradi. One of the most popular pet names is "Max."



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Bringing a pet into the family home is no simple — or singular decision.

First, of course, one must decide that it's a good idea to share living quarters with an animal. After all, it is an addition to the household that will demand a certain degree of care and generate some expense. Are you ready to make the commitment?

Once that's resolved, next comes the decision on what kind of creature to choose. Perhaps a furry pup or fuzzy kitten would be best. Or maybe an exotic lizard, peppy guinea pig or tankful of freshwater fish is a better idea. And does anyone in the family suffer from allergies that could come into play?

Next, should you purchase from a pet store or a private breeder, or adopt from a shelter or rescue league?

Once those decisions are made, that's about it, right?

Not quite.

There is plenty more to consider before an animal becomes a new part of the family, to better insure a successful outcome for everyone involved — people and pets alike.

Paul Sherman, department manager of the Petsmart store in Northville, said one of the key elements is learning in advance as much as possible about the type of animal you are interested in. "Every 'pet parent' should have as much knowledge as they can." Sherman said. This includes everything from a particular dog breed's temperament to necessary accessories and supplies to the typical activity level of rodents to a specific bird's ability to talk or sing — or lack thereof, he said.

"Some people might think they want a conversational bird. But these birds can also be quite noisy," he said. "Is this something you want to put up with? Some people think they do, but are sorry afterward. They find out that they really would rather have a quiet bird.

"And with the small animals, like hamsters and gerbils, they can be very active at night. They are nocturnal creatures, so you are going to hear them going — sometimes all night long," he said.

Another important element to help you make your decision is the type of home you have and the amount of space available for a pet. For example, little dogs and cats are a better choice than larger ones for people who live in an apartment or smaller house, noted Jamie Wilson, veterinary technician with Veterinary Care Specialists in Milford. And it's wise to check out any rules regarding pets that may apply, Wilson added, whether you live in an apartment, a gated community or a manufactured housing community.

"If you are in an apartment complex and bring home a pet, you don't said. "Find something that works for

want to find out three weeks later that they aren't allowed and your neighbor turned you in. Also, some modular home communities limit the number of pets you can have, while some gated communities or subdivisions allow only certain sizes of dogs, for example," she said. "These are the kinds of things you'll want to find out."

Also, if you are planning on getting a dog, check into whether or not fences are permitted in your neighborhood, Wilson said. "A fenced yard is always ideal for a dog, whether we are talking a physical fence or the electric kind — but some places don't allow them."

If you are choosing a cat, Wilson said it's best to keep it as an indoor pet. Cats allowed to roam outside are prone to injury and are more susceptible to infections and fights with other animals.

Be prepared for routine veterinary costs too, she said. This includes annual check-ups, tick and flea preventatives and vaccinations when applicable, declawing for cats, spaying or neutering and more.

Your work schedule — and the amount of time you're able, and willing, to devote to a pet — should be examined, as well. Cats or other pets that take minimal care are good choices for people whose jobs demand long hours or lots of travel, said Wilson. "Make sure you are able to spend the time needed," she said. "Find something that works for

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you and your family — something that fits into your lifestyle."

To help, Sherman suggests prospective pet owners consult trained professionals, such as the associates at Petsmart. "We have people in every department, for every type of pet," he said. "We can provide care sheets that describe the pet, the times needed for a habitat — just about everything you need to know."

And Wilson cautions people about spotting an animal at a pet store or rescue event, falling in love right away and bringing it home without much forethought. "Some people are out and about on a Saturday, see that puppy or whatever, and say 'Omigod, I have to take him," she said. Choosing a pet shouldn't be a split-second decision. Rather, plan in advance and get prepared, she said, for the best possible results.

Jennifer Groehn, DVM, of



Dr. Jennifer Groehn said it is important to not be impulsive when looking for a pet.

Highland Veterinary Clinic, agreed, noting that's not always the case. "You need to know what you are getting into. People need to research more," she said. "And avoid picking out a pet on impulse, which often happens around the holidays or other special occasions.

"Prepare ahead, choose wisely, have a secure place for them and realize taking care of a pet is a big commitment," she said. "Be ready to care for that pet for their entire life."

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Setting up an underwater home is easy as 1-2-3

By Sam Eggleston HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS

The rule 10 years ago was if a fish fanatic hadn't tried keeping tropical fish in a home aquarium then they had better forget about going for the more colorful salt water setup.

Thankfully for lovers of aquatic life, the rules have changed.

"With all the technology and information today, salt water aquariums aren't impossible," said Damian Phillips, a manager at Petco in Novi's West Oaks II Mall. "People just have to be as informed as possible."

Phillips said his first suggestion for anyone considering purchasing a tank is to pick up a good book.

"They need to know as much as about they can," said Phillips. "The more sinformed they are, the better they'll "T know what they want and the more a shou pet store will be able to help them." gallo

Buying a tank isn't an impulse purchase. Several factors must be considered, Phillips said, including budget, room and time. "People have to have enough time to care for and maintain their aquariums." said Phillips. "They also have to have enough room for it as well. Another thing that has to be thought about is how much they're expecting to spend."

For those who aren't certain they want a tank but have an interest, Phillips said most pet stores would most likely suggest a freshwater tank. Not only are they slightly easier to maintain than salt water tanks, but they are much cheaper.

He said they can be bought for under \$100 for a good starter kit. Fish prices vary, but the average is around \$4.

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"The smallest aquarium that should be used for salt water is 55 gallons," he said. "They can get much, much larger than that."

The types of aquariums vary in style, size and what goes in them. Salt water tanks can be built to imitate a

TEN TIPS FOR FRESHWATER BEGINNERS

 Buy at least a 20-gallon tank if you can afford it. Despite marketing to the contrary, small tanks are not "ideal for the beginner." A large tank is more stable in terms of temperature and water chemistry.
 Wash filter sponges and other "biological" media in tank water, not

tap water, to avoid killing beneficial bacteria.

3. Carry out water changes regularly — 25 percent per month should probably be considered a minimum for an average community tank.

4. Do not overfeed. Feed small quantities of food and watch fish eat it before adding more. Do not be tempted to feed fish because they look hungry. Two times daily is sufficient.

Do check the requirements and compatibility of species before buying.
 Observe fish carefully before buying; avoid any with split fins, damaged gills, etc.

Release new fish into the tank gradually. In the tank, float the bag the fish comes home in for at least 20 minutes to equalize temperature.
 Use a guarantine tank for new fish wherever possible.

9. Stock slowly to give the bacterial population time to increase to

match the additional waste load.

10. Do not overstock. One inch of fish per gallon is often used as a general guideline, but this cannot be used as a hard and fast rule — you can't put a 10-inch fish in a 10-gallon tank. Remember that your tank will be easier to keep healthy if you under stock.

reef, allowing for creatures that are much more varied than simple fish. Reef aquariums aren't hard to spot, especially considering there aren't

many out there. That's because they're the toughest to maintain. "You have to spend a lot more time working with them," Phillips said.

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"About a half an hour each day, compared to the five or 10 minutes spent on a freshwater."

Phillips said that pet stores usually aren't opposed to answering questions. At Petco, the employees often have years of experience.

"People should feel free to ask as many questions as they'd like," said Phillips. "We tell them to call us at the store and usually can give them our schedules so they can continue to deal with the same person. Any way we can help, we will."

Pet stores are usually stocked with basic tanks, but the more versatile stores, like Petco, offer tanks from basic setups to the most advanced equipment available.

"If someone wants it, we can help them get it set up," said Phillips. "We'll do whatever we can to help them put together the aquarium they've been imagining."

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Schools use pets as learning tools

By Erin Johnson

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Having a pet can teach a child many things: responsibility, caring and being dependable. When the pet lives in the classroom it can be even more of a teaching experience.

Classroom pets can be cuddly, like bunnies. hamsters and guinea pigs, or scaly like frogs and snakes; but they all educate in their own way.

Students in Denise Rader's third grade class at Country Oaks Elementary School in Commerce Township take care of two frogs they have raised since they were tadpoles. Student Kelly James said they watched as the frogs grew legs and lost their tails. James said

it's very easy to take care of the frogs. "All you have to do is feed them in the morning and stuff," James said.

The frogs live in the classroom and Rader takes them home over breaks. James said the frogs are also non-disruptive during class time. "They're really quiet," James said.

"Sometimes we don't ever know they're there." Art teacher Katheryn Krupa keeps two albi-

no corn snakes in her classroom at Oxbow Elementary School in White Lake. Krupa said she loves reptiles and has had the snakes in her room five years. She said she uses the snakes as a teaching tool and to help the students overcome any fears they may have regarding snakes.

"I work really hard at getting them desensitized." Krupa said.

She said she passes the snakes around at the start of the year, and those who want to handle them, can. The students are allowed to feed the snakes defrosted mice, as well.

"They love-watching them eat," Krupa said. The snakes, Cornelius and Elmira, have eggs every spring but Krupa said she has had trouble getting the eggs to hatch. She is considering sending the eggs to specialist at Michigan State University this year to see if they can have more success.

First grade teacher Lyn Fischer at Parkview Elementary School in Novi also has eggs in her room each year that eventually become baby chickens and ducks. Fischer incubates the eggs in her room and the students write about the egg development and candle the eggs in order to see inside.

"Every time we do this there are different lessons," she said.

After the eggs hatch the students are responsible for taking care of the animals and making sure they are fed and attended to properly. Fischer said the students also get to see how the chickens interact with each other and, sometimes, even see chickens with impairments.

"It's been a very good lesson to see a handicapped chicken," she said.

Animals can also be beneficial for students with special needs. Lorrie Farrow's special



Murphy is the unofficial mascot at Old Village School in Northville. needs class at Old Village School in Northville has an official class pet in Murphy the dog.

"We love him," Farrow said. She said Murphy belongs to the head of the district's custodial department who lets him visit with the students once a week. Farrow said Murphy does everything with the students, such as listening to stories and attending special events with them.

Farrow said Murphy also works well with the students, knowing which student needs him around more and letting them pet or crawl on him.

"He's wonderful with them," she said.

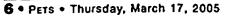
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Small shelters reach adoptive families online -

By Kate Phillips STAFF WRITER

Web-based advertising has given small shelters — and animals — a new lease on life. Many people who would hesitate to walk among cages and cages of whimpering dogs at a traditional shelter don't mind perusing photos on-line.

Listing animals online has enabled South Lyon-based PAWSabilities to adopt out cats without a physical location. The group doesn't have the funding for an office or a pet housing facility, but they can still be accessed by the public through a virtual office. Cats are housed at several foster homes, and volunteers take pictures and upload them onto petfinder.com.

"It's a big advantage," said Tammy Barrett, who heads the organization. "We just started listing them on-line a couple months ago. We've already gotten a good response. I'm adopting out more cats now, and I expect it will continue to increase."

For Fenton-based Adopt-A-Pet, an on-line presence allows the shelter to operate without geographical boundaries. Foster parents are spread throughout the region. Some

are right in Fenton, but other live in Holly, Highland and beyond. They're always looking for more families.

"I love animals, and I want to do what I can to contribute to my community," said Jody Maddock, a foster parent from Holly. "I know there is a very high kill rate at some of the animal shelters, so I want to do my part to find homes for as many dogs as I can. A lot of people say that these rescued dogs end up being some of the best dogs, because they know that they're getting a second chance at life."

Foster parents field e-mail or phone questions about the animals, then bring them to meet the public at the Adopt-A-Pet facility every Sunday. The small organization places 400 to 700 dogs and cats a year. Maddock said that puppies go quickly, but older dogs usually find a home within a month. Right now she's fostering a Labrador retriever mother and her young pups. The owner had been keeping the newborn puppies outside in dangerously cold weather. They're not yet old enough to be placed, but Maddock has already been getting dozens of inquiries.

"I put (a listing for the puppies)

on the Internet last night and was already sifting through 25 e-mails this morning," said Maddock, with a laugh.

But she couldn't be happier that petfinder.com generates so much interest in the animals - from people across the state and further. She said that adoptive families normally drive in from all over Oakland, Livingston and Genesee counties.

"We had one lady fly in from Maryland, and took a puppy back on the plane with her," she recollected. "Someone else came up from Iowa for a dog. We do get a lot of people coming to adopt from all over this area, and around the state."

Rabbits R & R out of Northville said that those that answer on-line advertisements are educated about rabbits and more serious about adoption - and usually end up adopting a bunny.

"I wish I could thank whoever came up with petfinder.com," said shelter organizer Dominique Moroz. "It has made the most change in the lives of rescued pets. I am able to place so many more animals."

At Rabbits R & R, web-surfers can pick out a rabbit on-line, then call Moroz to arrange the adoption. She fosters most of the rabbits at her



Tammy Barrett cares for most of the cats herself, at PAWSabilities of South Lyon. The group has several litters of kittens ready for adoption.

home. She encourages families to come meet several rabbits and work with her to determine which is the best fit. The group is working with Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary to start open a housing facility for the rabbits, but in the meantime, Moroz

still adopts out 250 bunnies a year, with the help of online advertising.

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Stronger, more durable pet toys hitting the market

Keeping furry friends occupied a high priority among pet owners

By Ramez Khuri HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER

Everybody loves toys. From toddlers, to teenagers to adults, it's very difficult for someone to walk down the toy isle at a local drug store and not at least stop and check out the new merchandise.

That's why, when considering bringing home a pet, it might be a good idea to consider buying a few toys for your furry little friend as well, because just like us humans, they enjoy being entertained.

Stores such as Pet Supplies Plus and Petsmart are popping up all over the place. Unlike the traditional pet store, these places specialize in everything you need to take care of your pets, and they usually have aisles full of toys geared to every type of animal that people might want to raise in their homes.

When shopping for a toy, however, it's important to look for one that is

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Jeremy McCallion, manager at Pet Supplies Plus in Novi, said toys made for pets are more durable now than ever.

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"There are a lot of high-quality toys for dogs and cats that are highly recommended," said Ken Wilke, owner of The Pet Supplier in Highland for the last 23 years. "For dogs, there are many rubber chew toys that come in various shapes and

appropriate for the animal you have. sizes, and they last a lot longer than older models. They're very durable."

> For cats, Wilke said his store sells organic catnip sprays, which, when sprayed on older toys, can revitalize them.

> "There's a really good catnip toy out called 'Da Bird,'" Wilke said.

"It's like a fishing pole with dangling feathers on the end of it which you can replace the end. It actually has a fish hook snap on the end with other toys."

Cat furniture is also a popular among Wilke's customers, even though it's a little more pricey than the common toy mouse or jingle ball. It's anywhere from two feet to about seven feet tall and is carpeted.

"Cat furniture is made well and is really sturdy," Wilke said. "They have shelves and ledges, cubby holes, double pedestal beds and triple pedestal beds. Cats usually attach to them right away because it's a place of their own. They can scratch on them and have a place to lounge."

Jeremy McCallion is the manager at Pet Supplies Plus in Novi. A relatively new line of toys he carries is from the cable channel "Animal Planet."

The line consists of many toys for dogs, including different plush toy penguins, chipmunks, spiders and other animals. The same line also has latex chameleons, frogs and turtles.

"These toys are pretty sturdy and

will last a long time," McCallion said. "When you have a puppy, it's better for them to have their own toys because that way they don't get into your stuff."

Pet Supplies Plus carries inexpensive plush toys, which are shaped like the kids' game jacks.

"Those are pretty popular and something we carry normally," McCallion said.

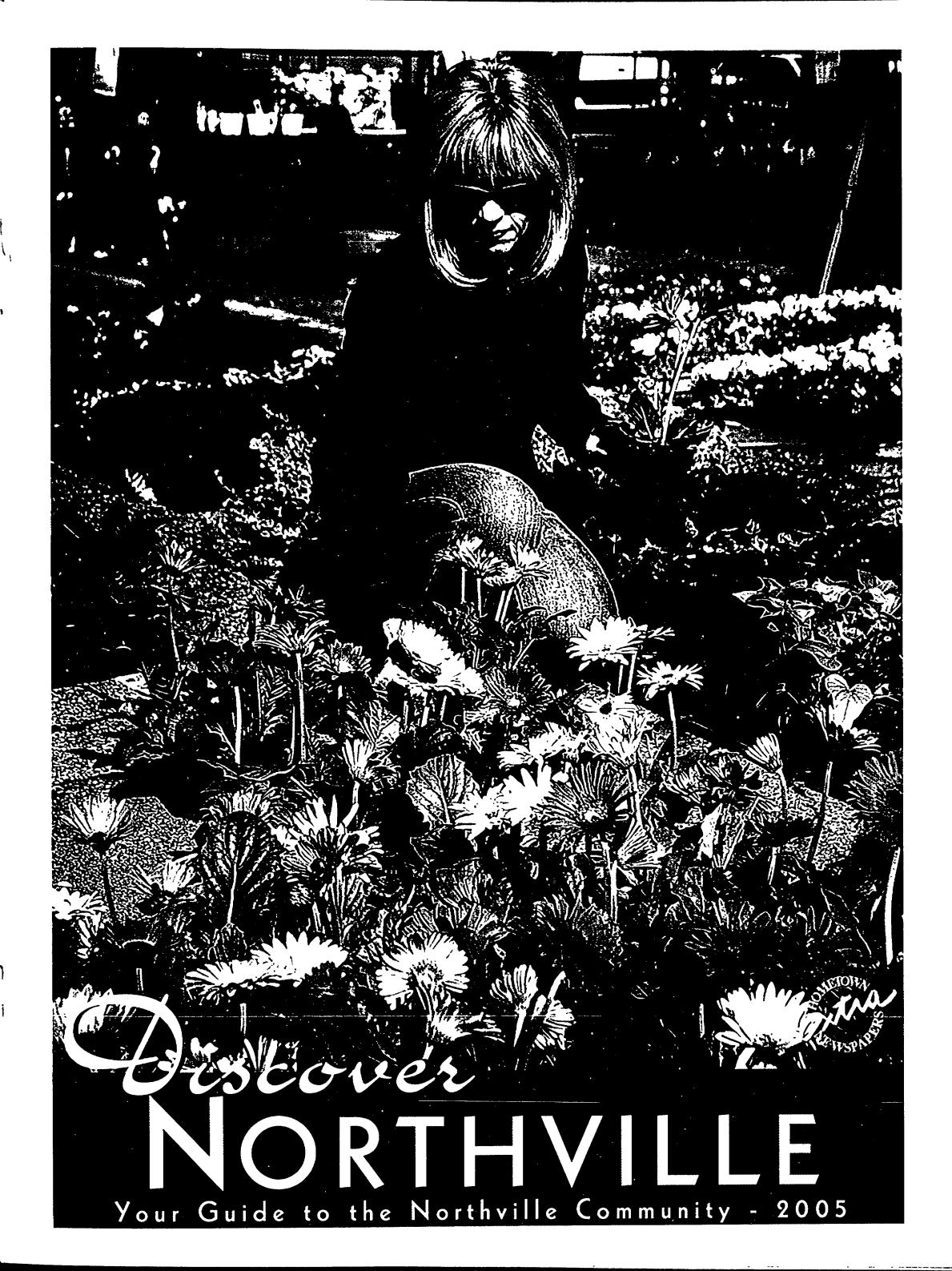
Petsmart, in Northville, carries a unique mechanical toy for cats called the "Panic Mouse." Cats enjoy trying to catch the mouse's tail as it spins around. The store also carries "Cat nip bubbles."

"That's just like regular bubbles that you blow, but they have cat nip on them," Petsmart Manager Matt Batulis said. "Also, a simple laser light is great as well. All animals seem to like that, even fish. I would recommend not shining them in their eyes, however."

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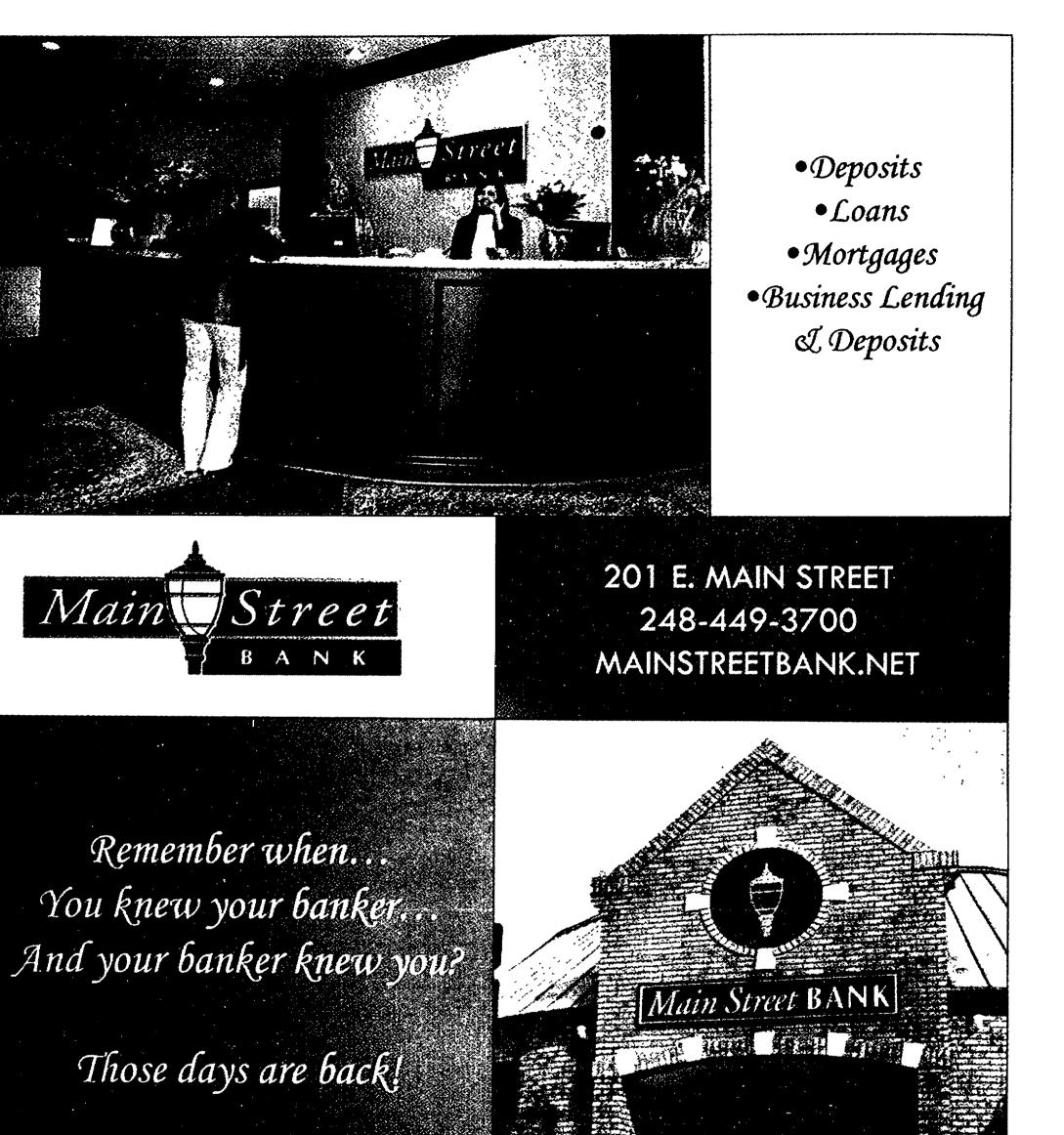
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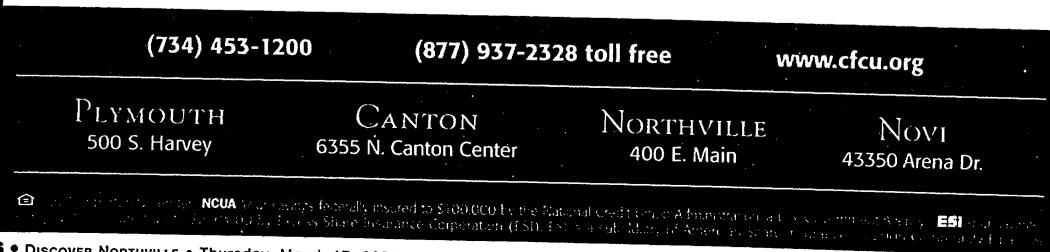
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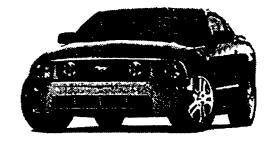
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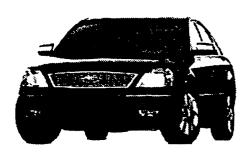




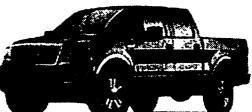


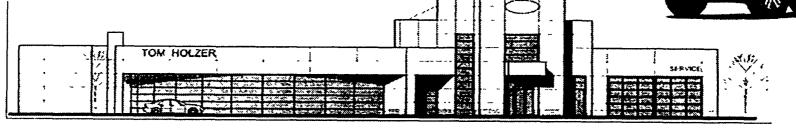
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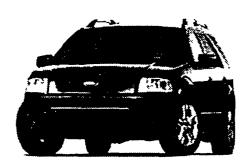
















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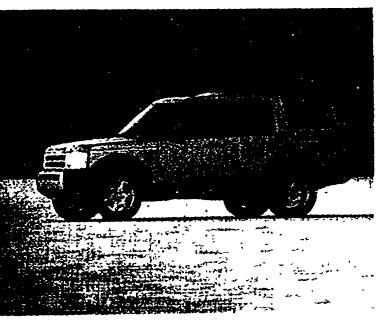
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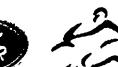


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Christopher J. Johnson Mayor, City of Northville

You will understand why Northville is truly unique when exploring our downtown. There are a variety of shops and restaurants that have appeal to all. You'll find merchants who offer their customers quality items ranging from antiques to fresh bread. Don't forget to visit Town Square in the heart of downtown with the band shell where free, live performances are regularly held. Perhaps you'll be lucky enough to experience a summer Friday night band concert sponsored by the Northville Arts Commission. You are always welcome to rest on one of the many benches situated throughout the downtown and enjoy the quaint surroundings and small town bustle.

You may wish to stroll into the historic neighborhoods that are adjacent to downtown. If so, you will be pleasantly surprised

by the beauty and majesty of some of these well-preserved structures of the Victorian Era. Northville prides itself on being one of the first communities in Michigan to initiate a historic district to preserve and maintain its architectural heritage.

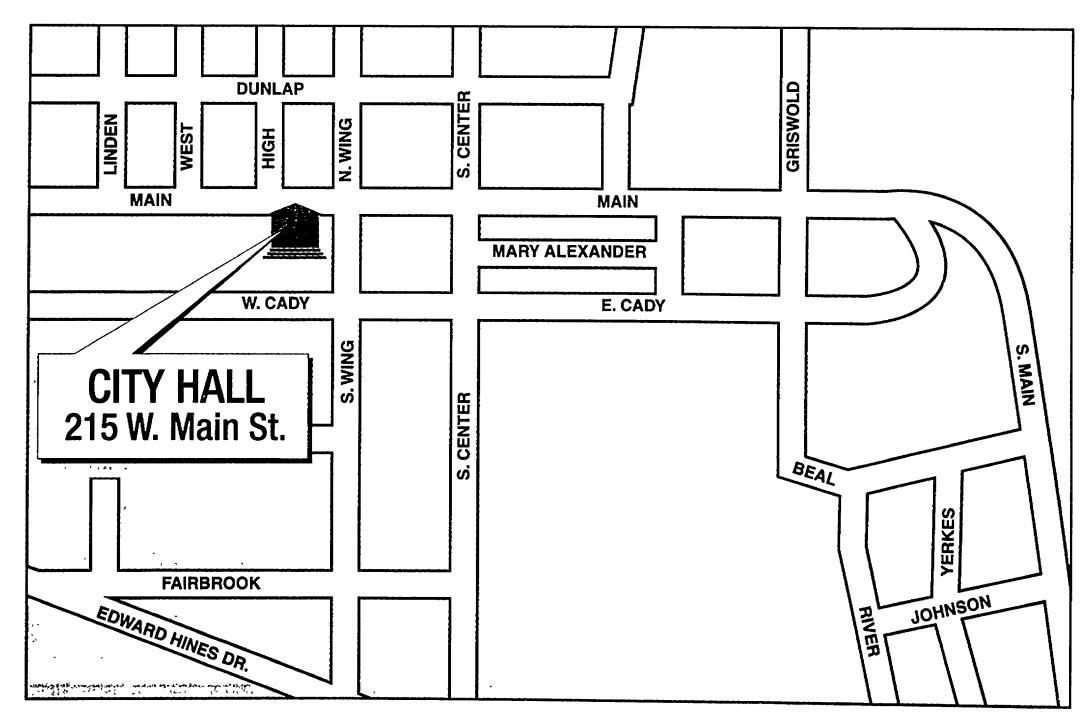
One of our most popular visitor desti-

nations is Mill Race Village on Griswold Street. It houses a collection of historic buildings that have formative significance in the development of the greater Northville area. It has been called a "mini Greenfield Village" and is the site of many weddings and celebrations throughout the year. Within walking distance of downtown, it's a destination you won't want to miss.

Time permitting, you may wish to visit a number of historic landmarks or nearby attractions including Maybury State Park, Hines Park, Fish Hatchery Park, Ford Field Park, Water Wheel Center, Parmenter's Cider Mill, Northville Downs, or the Northville Water Well.

Whether you are a long time resident reacquainting yourself with our town or first time visitor, you are special to us. Enjoy your visit, and again, welcome to Northville.

> Christopher J. Johnson Mayor

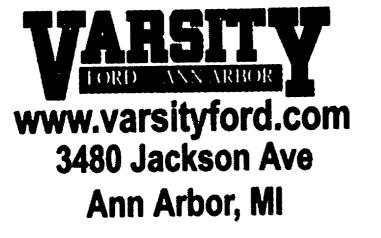


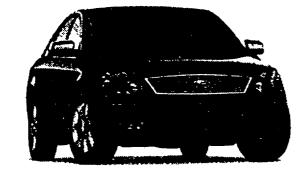
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- ocky's of Northville has remained the local favorite with a long list of awards for their 12-year history of providing incomparable food and service; including having been voted **Northville's #1 Best Restaurant** by the readers of The Northville Record three years in a row.
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- Rocky's also boasts the area's only working raw bar with authentic East Coast Pau Roasts and Provencels.

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Why not visit the all new Rocky's of Northville today to see the stunning decor changes, sample the new menu offerings and experience for yourself why the locals and the food critics alike continue to give Rocky's rave reviews?

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CITY COMMISSIONS

Arts Commission

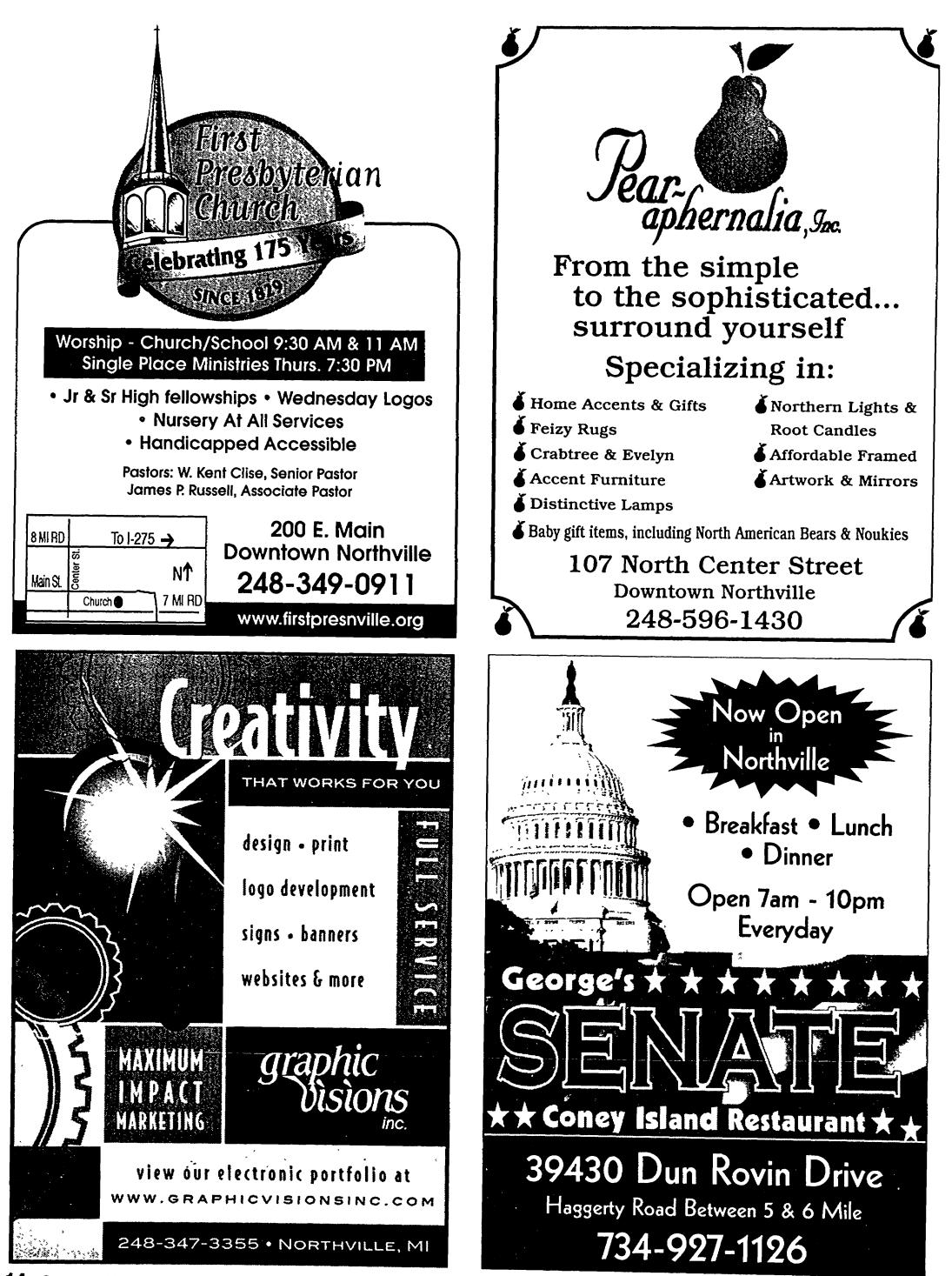
Arts commission members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Ken Naigus, chairperson; Sharon Rossow, vice-chairperson; Sonia Swigart, commission member; Kathleen Tabaczynksi, secretary; Sue Taylor, treasurer; Traci Sincock, parks and recreation department liasion; Ann Brenner, commission member; Darcel Deneau, commission member; Laura Fowler, commission member.

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Beautification Commission

Beautification commission members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. (No meetings are scheduled for January, February, March or December.)

Linda Lestock, chairperson; Annamarie Cusmano, commission member; Suzanne Hansknecht, commission member; Josie Rewald, commission member; Rosemary Tague, commission member; Sally Hayes, commission member.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Board of Zoning Appeals members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Rolland Stapleton, chairperson; Carol Maise, vice-chairperson; James Bress, secretary Charles Ayers, board member; Connie Cronin, board member; James Haveraneck, board member; William Lokey, board member; Larry Jensen, board member; Luke Durst, board member; Luke Durst, board member (alternate); John Rae, board member (alternate); J. Christopher Gazlay, planning commission liaison.

Downtown Development Authority

Authority members serve four-year terms. Meetings are Historic District Commission Commission members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Christopher Johnson, chairperson; Leanie Bayly, commission member; Walter Coponen, commission member; Juliet Culp, commission member; Tom Gudritz, commission member; Tom Holleman, commission member; Tim Rodgers, commission member.

Housing District Commission

Commission members serve five-year terms. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. at Allen Terrace.

Joanne Inglis, director; William Robertson, chairperson; Sue Ellen Hooper, vice chairperson; Jacqueline Bousha, commission member; Robert Buckhave, commission member; Charles Jerzycke, commission member; Kevin Hartshorne, city council liaison.

Parks and Recreation Commission

Commission members serve three-year terms. The board is comprised of members from both the city of Northville and Northville Township. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are held at the Recreation Center at Hillside Middle School.

Traci Sincock, director; Nancy Darga, city member; Teresa Folino, city member; Robert Sochacki, city member; Thomas Swigart, city council liaison; Richard Brown, township member; Carol Poenisch, township member; Mike Weaver, township member; Sue Hillebrand, township liaison; Ken Roth, school board liaison.

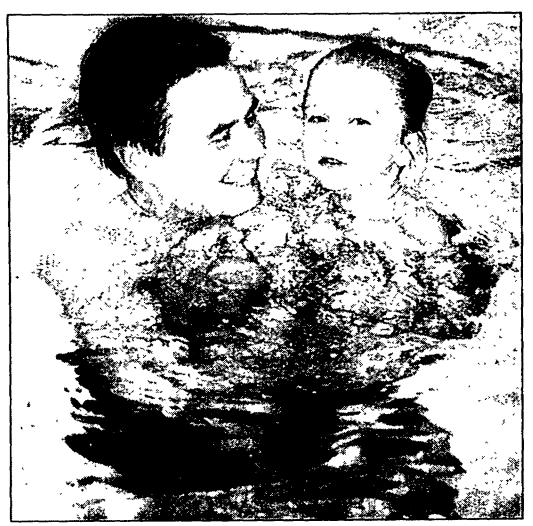


Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Breck Waggoner and daughter Brianna, 4, enjoy time together during Northville Nite held on New Year's Eve.

Planning Commission

Commission members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Jay Wendt, chairperson; James Allen, commission member; Richard Birdsall, commission member; J. Christopher Gazlay, commission member; Steven Kirk, commission member; David L. Mielock, commission member; Marc Russell, commission member; Anne M. Smith, commission member; Don Wortman, planning consultant; Jerome Mittman, city council liaison. ber; Peggy Meyer, township member; Robert Russell, township member; Jim Nield, township member; Judith Wollack, Northville Public Schools; Richard Henningsen, township liaison; Jerry Mittman, city liaison.

Youth Assistance Commission

Members of the commission serve two-year terms.

The commission is comprised of members from both the city of Northville and Northville Township. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 8 a.m. at Hillside Middle School. Sue Cambpell, interim director; John Hill, chairperson/township member; Michele Fecht, city member; Carolann Ayers, city council liaison; Marjorie Banner, township liaison; Marilyn Price, school district member; John Bernardo, city member; Martha Nield, township member.

held the third Tuesday of each month at 8 a.m.

Christopher Johnson, mayor/chairperson; Lori Ward, executive director; Margene Buckhave, board member; Jim DeHaan, board member; Lynda Heaton, board member; Louis LaChance, board member; David Larsen, board member; Jim Long, board member; Greg Presley, board member; Richard Shaffner, board member. Senior Citizen Advisory Council Members serve three-year terms. The council is comprised of members from both the city of Northville and Northville Township. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

Jacqueline Bousha, city member; Lorraine Steimel, city member; Bruce Turnbull, city mem-





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City of Northville: Public Safety



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Northville Fire Chief James Allen, right, Northville Townshi and township clerk Sue Hillebrand, left, sign the symbolic first ibeam for the expansion of the Northville Senior CommunityCenter.

City of Northville Police Department

The Northville Police Department is located at 215 W. Main St.

- Telephone: (248) 349-1234
- Fax: (248) 349-2397
- Emergency: 911

The department's business offices are open 8 investigations, provide some security services and participate in community education programs.

Staff: In addition to Chief James Petres, department personnel includes one captain, three sergeants, 11 patrol officers, one senior clerk, as well as part-time clerks, officers and parking enforcement staff. Dispatch and lockup services are provided by the Northville Township Department of Public Safety. At times outside regular business hours, a phone is available in the department entrance to contact a dispatcher for police assistance.

City of Northville Fire Department

The Northville Fire Department is located at 215 W. Main St.

- Telephone: (248) 449-9920
- Fax: (248) 449-9960
- Emergency: 911

Chief James Allen, the department's only full-time employee, commands 28 part-time, on-call firefighters and emergency-medicalservice personnel. The fire department is dedicated to providing emergency and non-emergency services to those who live, work in or visit the city. Core services include fire suppression, emergency medical response, fire prevention and inspection and public education.

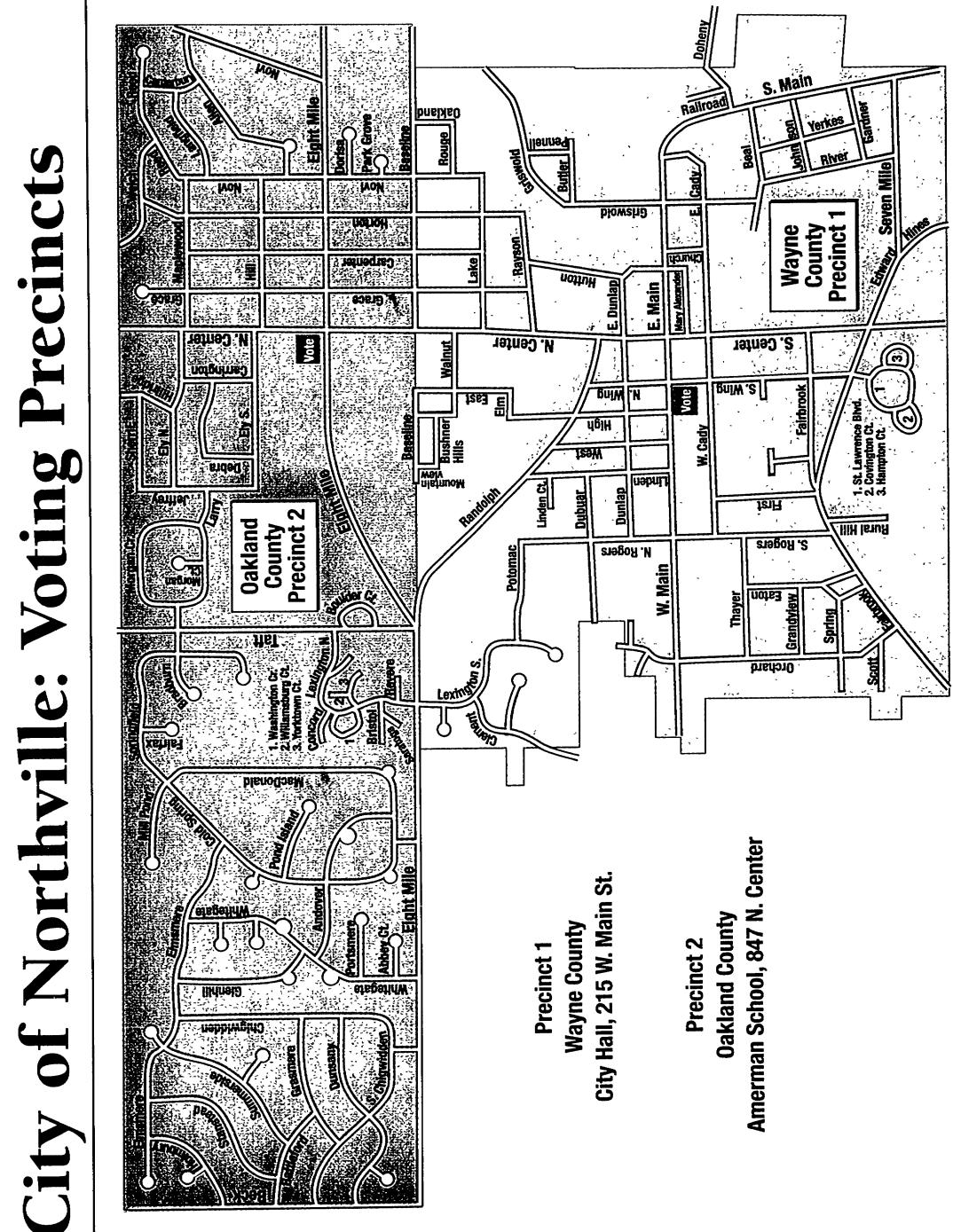
The department operates five pieces of apparatus from the station located at city hall: three engines, one equipped with a 75-foot aerial ladder; a four-wheel-drive mini-pumper rescue vehicle and a medium-duty rescue vehicle with patient transport capability. Dispatch is provided by the Northville Township Department of Public Safety.

a.m.-9 p.m. Monday through Friday. The primary function of the department is 24-hour patrol. Patrol officers respond to calls for service, patrol the city in an effort to prevent crime, enforce traffic laws and enforce criminal laws and city ordinances. Officers also handle



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Northville Senior Community Center



Photos by JOHN HEIDER/ Northville Record LEFT: A large crowd gathers for the grand opening of the Northville Senior Community Center on Main Street.

FAR LEFT: Victorian ladies Cindy House, left, and Donna Pallas take in the Eclipse "base ball" game at Ford Field. Later, House was one of the winners in the Victorian Festival's hat contest.

BELOW: Northville Township residents Helen and Arnold Hix share a moment together.

Northville Senior Community Center

The Northville Senior Adult Services program is held at the Northville Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

Telephone: (248) 349-4140 Fax: (248) 348-5275 E-mail: seniors@ci.northville.mi.us

Office hours are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The program's mission: to provide opportunities, new experiences and advocacy to all older adults in the area, promoting dignity, personal growth, health, friendship, independence and improving their quality of life. Staff: Sue Koivula, coordinator; Dennis Smith, program supervisor. Mittman, Jim Nield, Robert Russell, Lorraine Steimel, Bruce Turnbull, Judith Wollack

General and health-related services, classes and activities are made possible by the City of Northville, Northville Township, Northville Parks and Recreation, The Senior Alliance-Area Agency on Aging, Older Michiganians Act and the local senior advisory council.

With funds from the Oakland County Community Development Block Grant Program, the senior program staff created a directory of services available to senior citizens, including information on financial assistance, housing, health and medical services and more. The Senior Newsletter is a monthly publication filled with information on activities, trips and services.



Senior Advisory Council members: Jacqueline Bousha, Dick Henningsen, Peggy Meyer, Jerome

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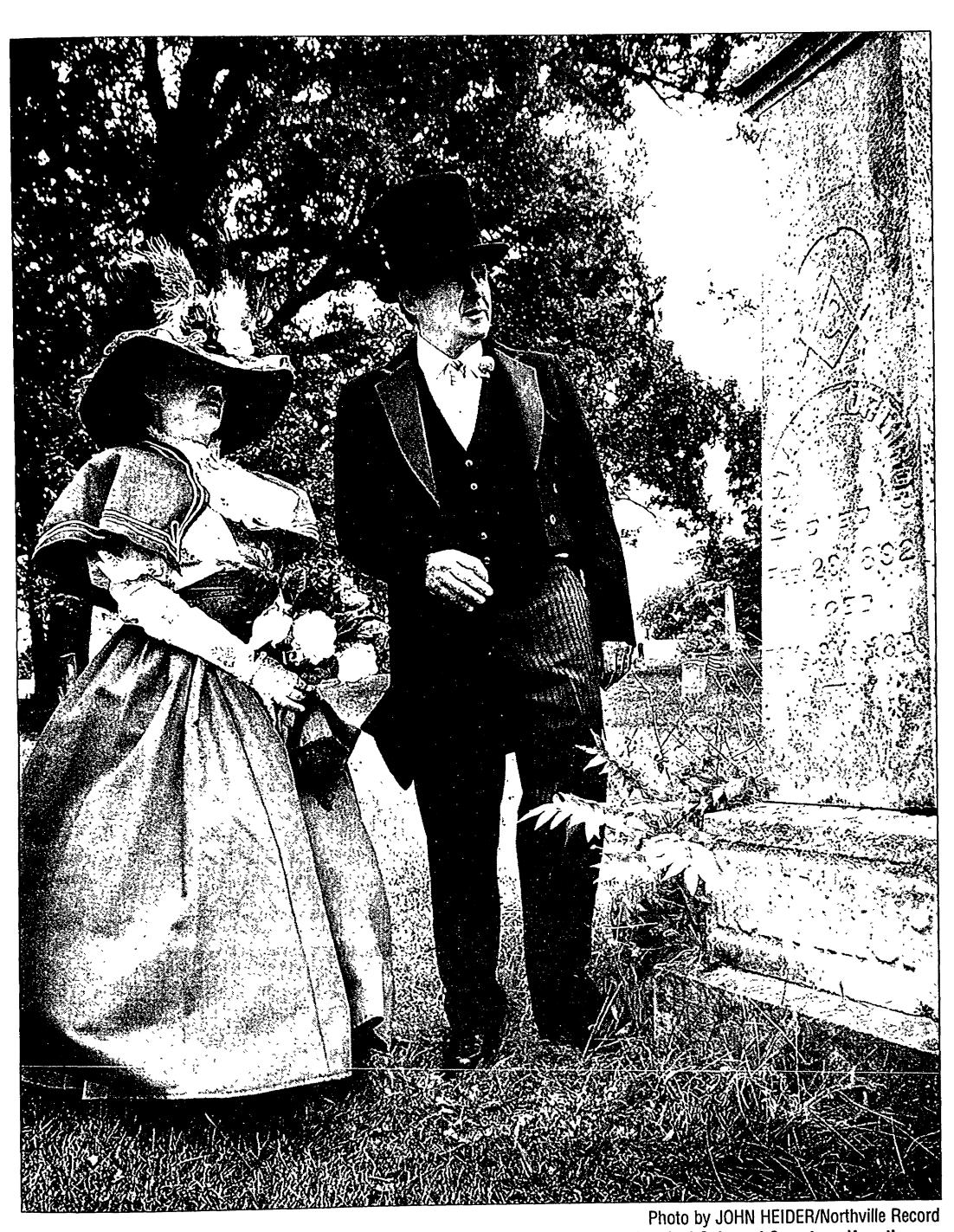
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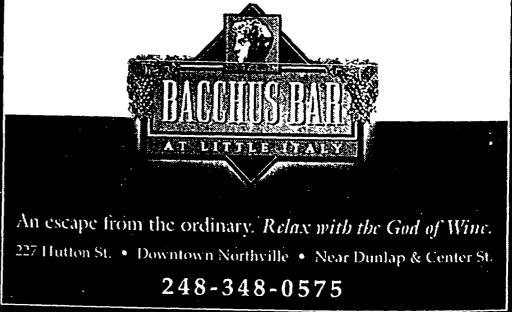
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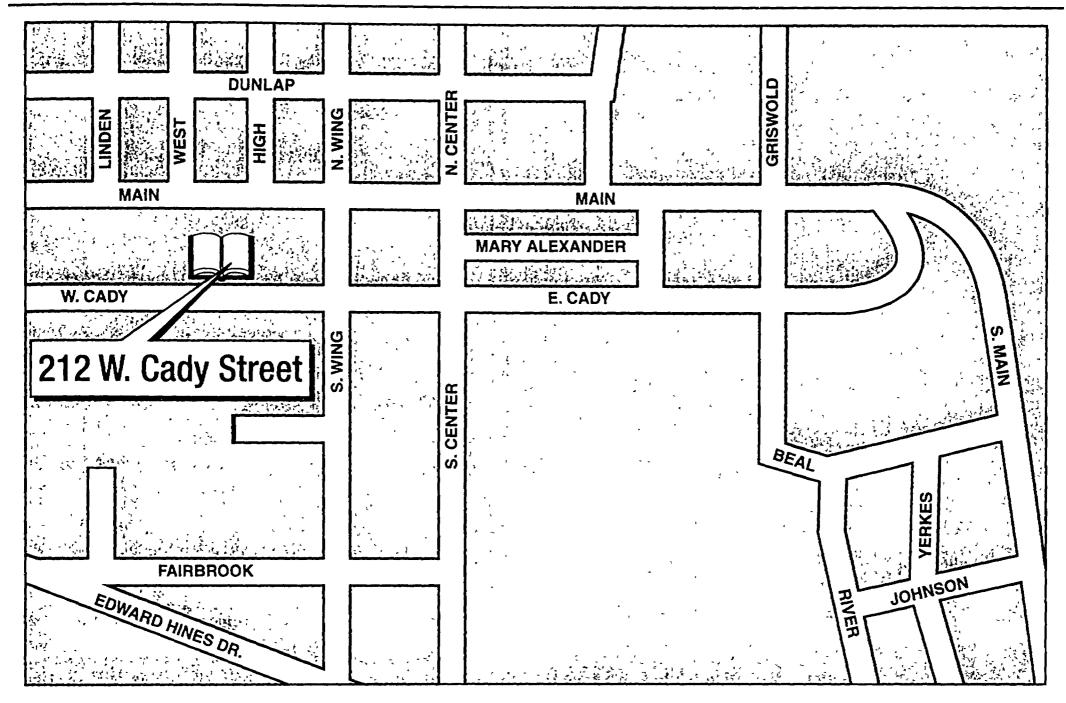
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Northville District Library



Welcome to the Northville Library

The Northville District Library is located in the downtown Northville area at 212 W. Cady Street, one block south of Main Street and two blocks west of Center Street. The library serves the residents of both the city of Northville and Northville Township, and offers reciprocal borrowing with other area libraries.

A seven-member board of trustees gov-



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erns the library. The trustees are elected to four-year terms and meet monthly on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend the board meetings.

Julie Herrin Library Director

Several Internet-ready computers are available for the public to use, as well as computers for searching many specialized databases. The library offers a wide variety of programs for children and teens, book discussion groups and Internet classes. The collection includes more than 70,000 books, compact discs, books on tape, videos, magazines and newspapers.

The library can be reached at (248) 349-3020.

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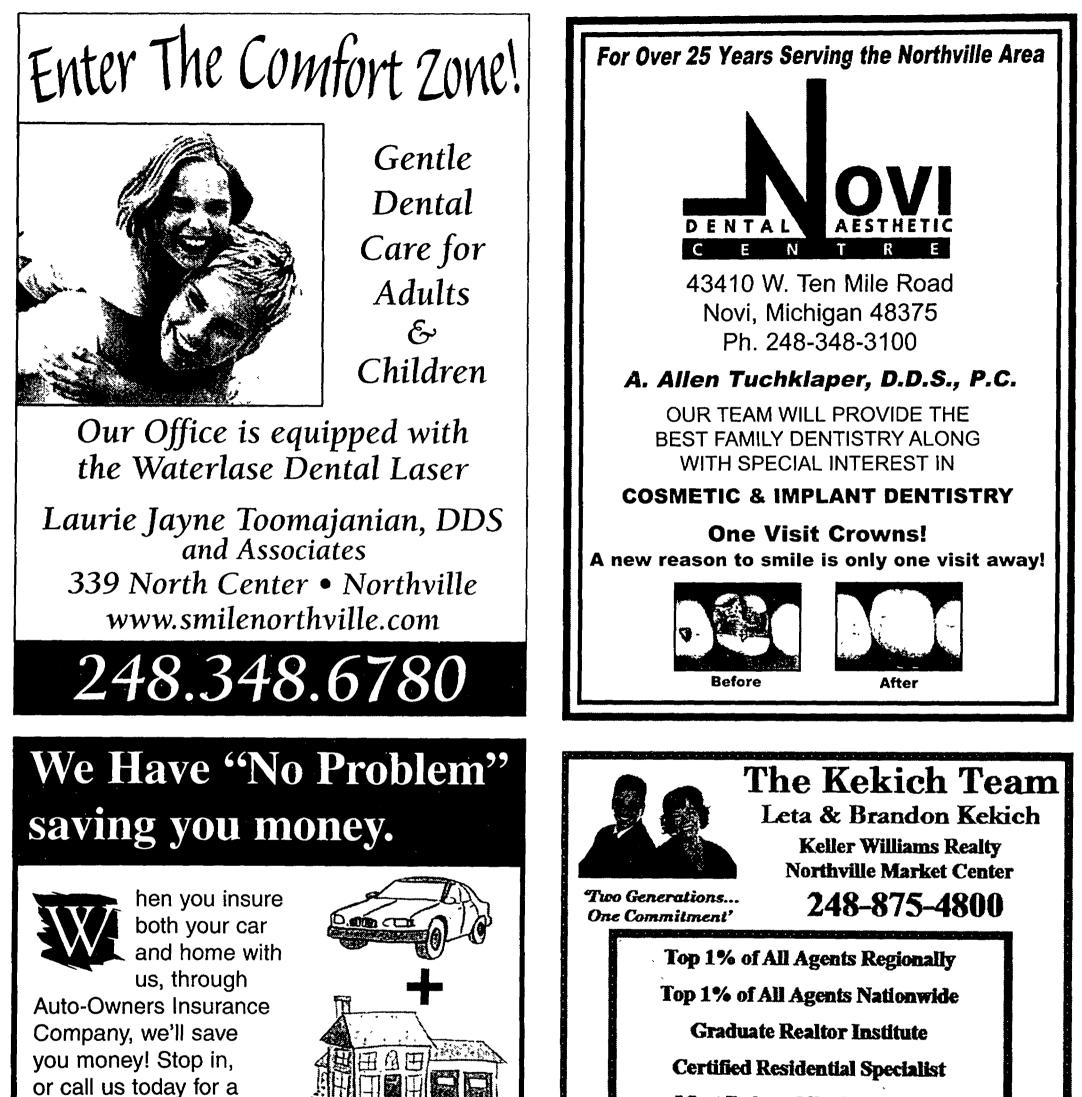
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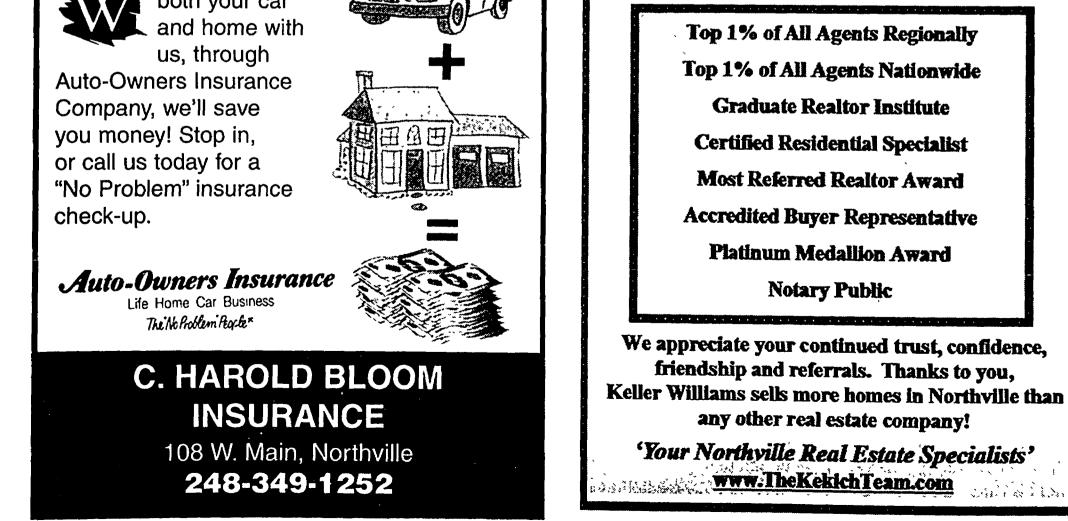
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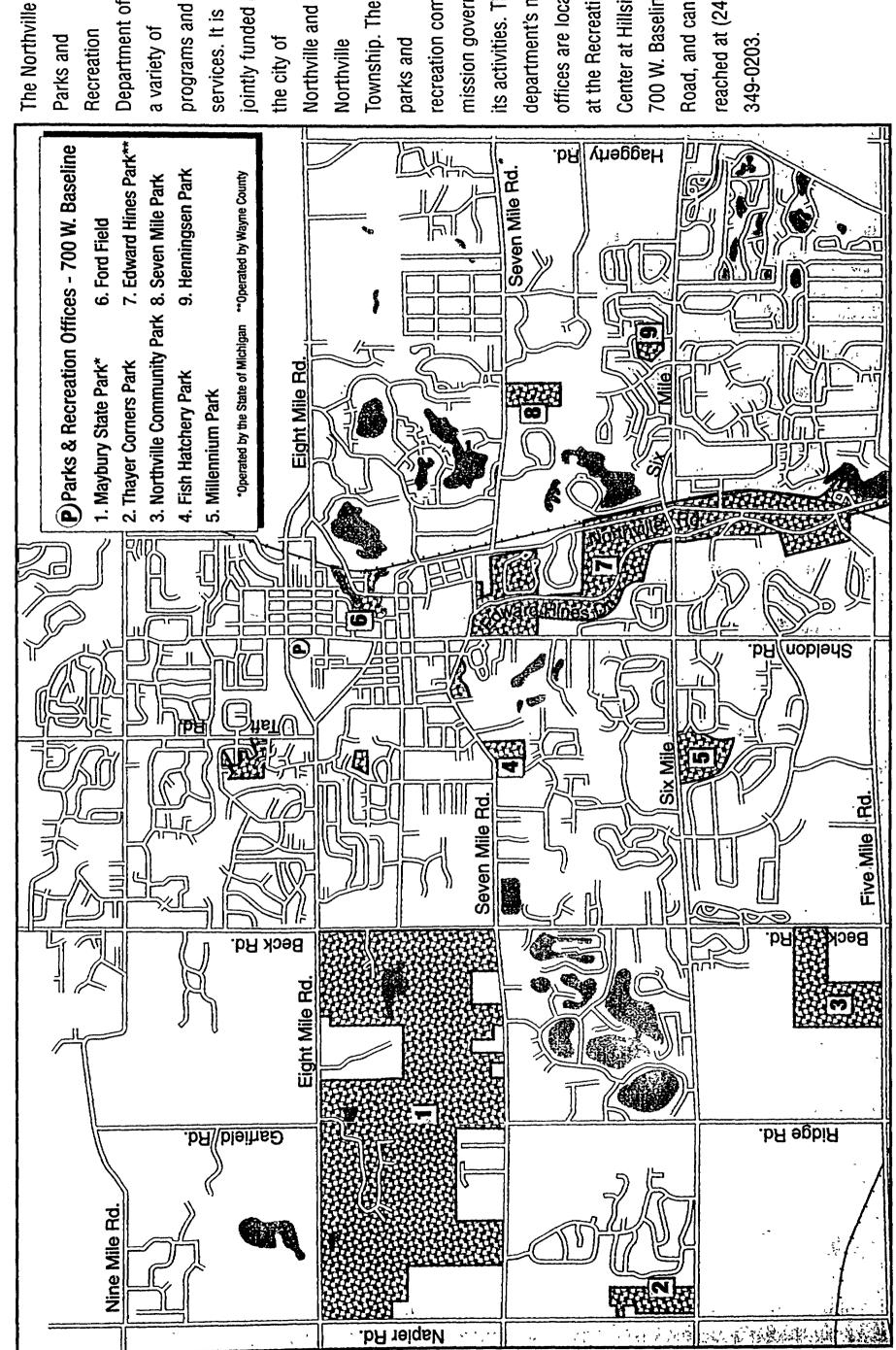
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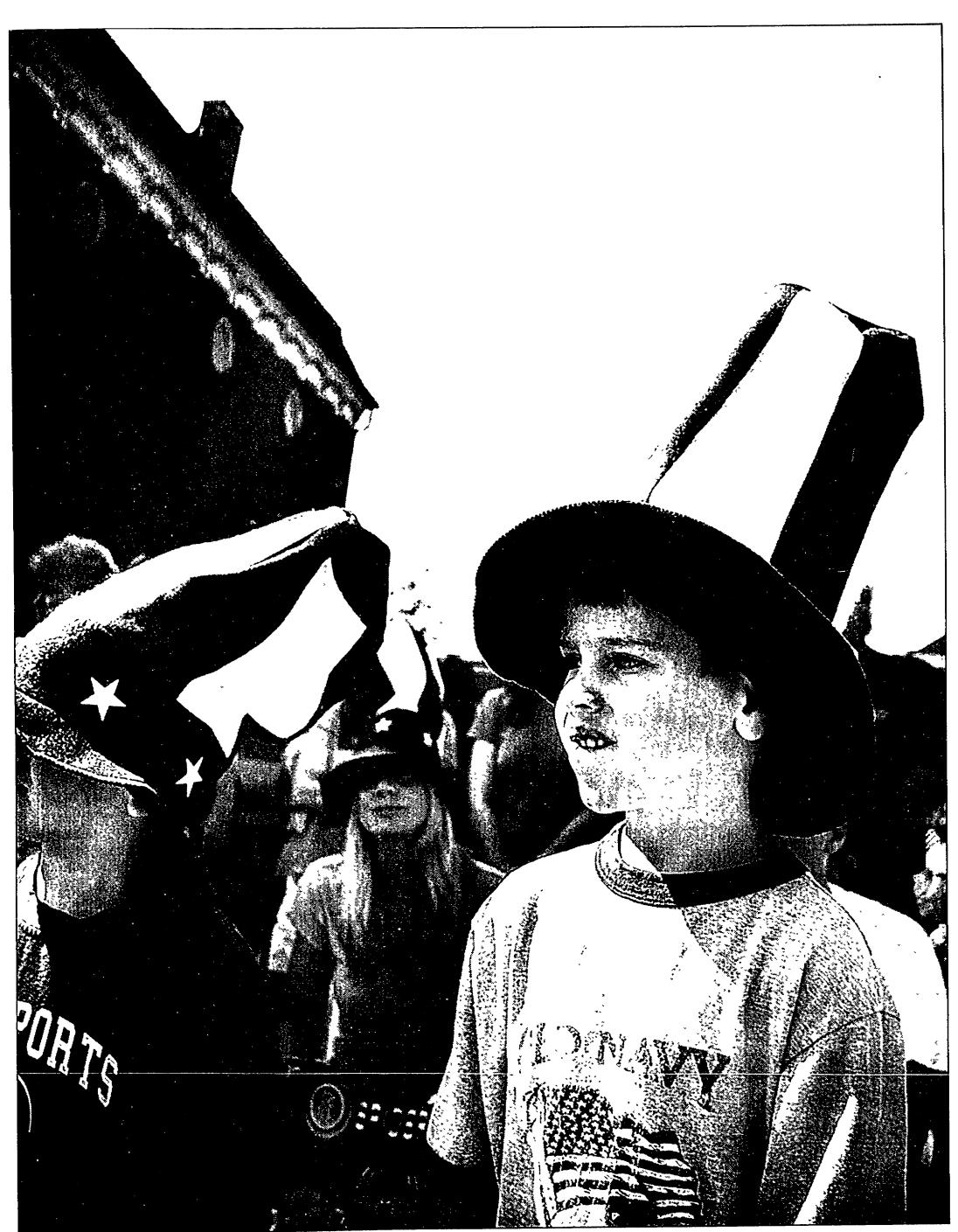
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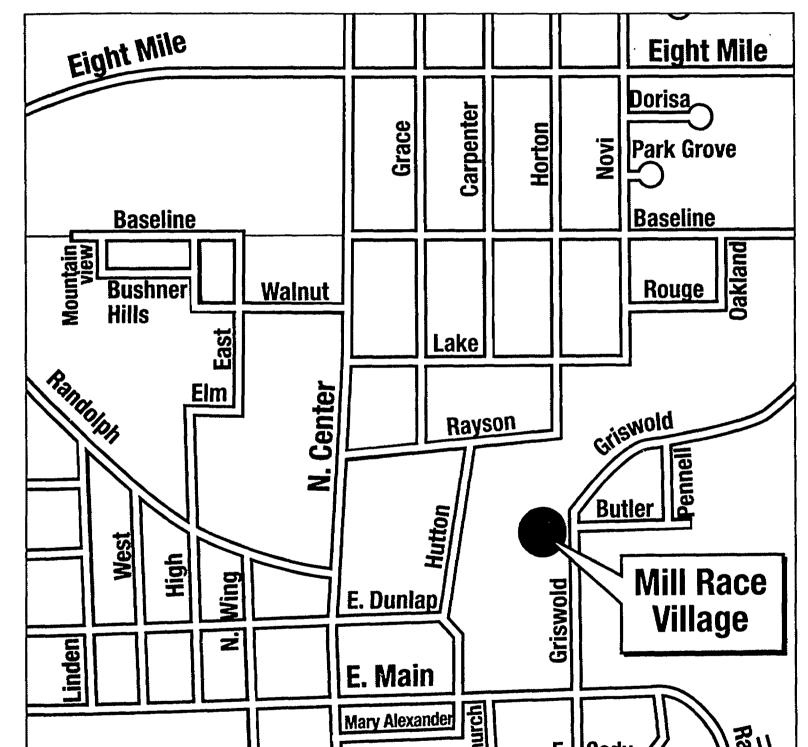


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MILL RACE 2005 EVENTS May 28 Plant swap 8 a.m. - noon June 4 **Docent luncheon** 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. June 18 **Rotary Lobster Festival** July 4 Independence Day events 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. **July 13**: **Country Garden Club Walk** Day Sept. 11 Victorian clothing sale 1-4 p.m. Sept. 17-18 Victorian Festival events 1-4 p.m. **Oct. 2 Cemetary Walk Evening** Oct. 23 **Pumpkin Walk** 6-8 p.m.



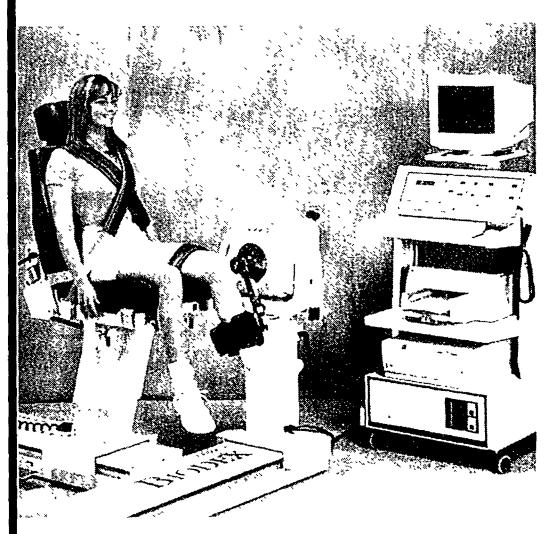
Kids' Christmas Workshop (registration required) **Nov. 20** Mill Race Christmas Walk 1-4 p.m. **Dec. 3** Kids' Christmas Workshop (registration required) **Jan. 19** Annual meeting 6:30 p.m.

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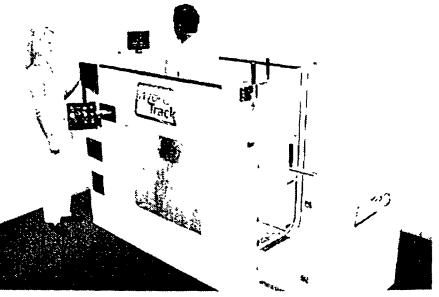
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The Charter Township of Northville offers its residents and businesses the stability and security of living in a metropolitan city, while continuing to cherish our small town values. Customer service and responsive government are values we treasure. These require listening to our constituents and taking their concerns to heart.

The Township's future offers exciting prospects for both residents and business owners. A number of well-planned business ventures are scheduled for construction, as are single family and multiple family dwellings. Construction of the new township hall is complete and we look

forward to serving our residents from our new location at Six Mile and Sheldon Road. With our master plan recently revised, we now look to the next decade for major growth in a setting that accommodates the needs and concerns of a changing environment. We enjoy a very positive relationship with the Northville school district and our neighbors in the city of Northville in providing the many recreational activities and family assistance services through our shared services agreements.

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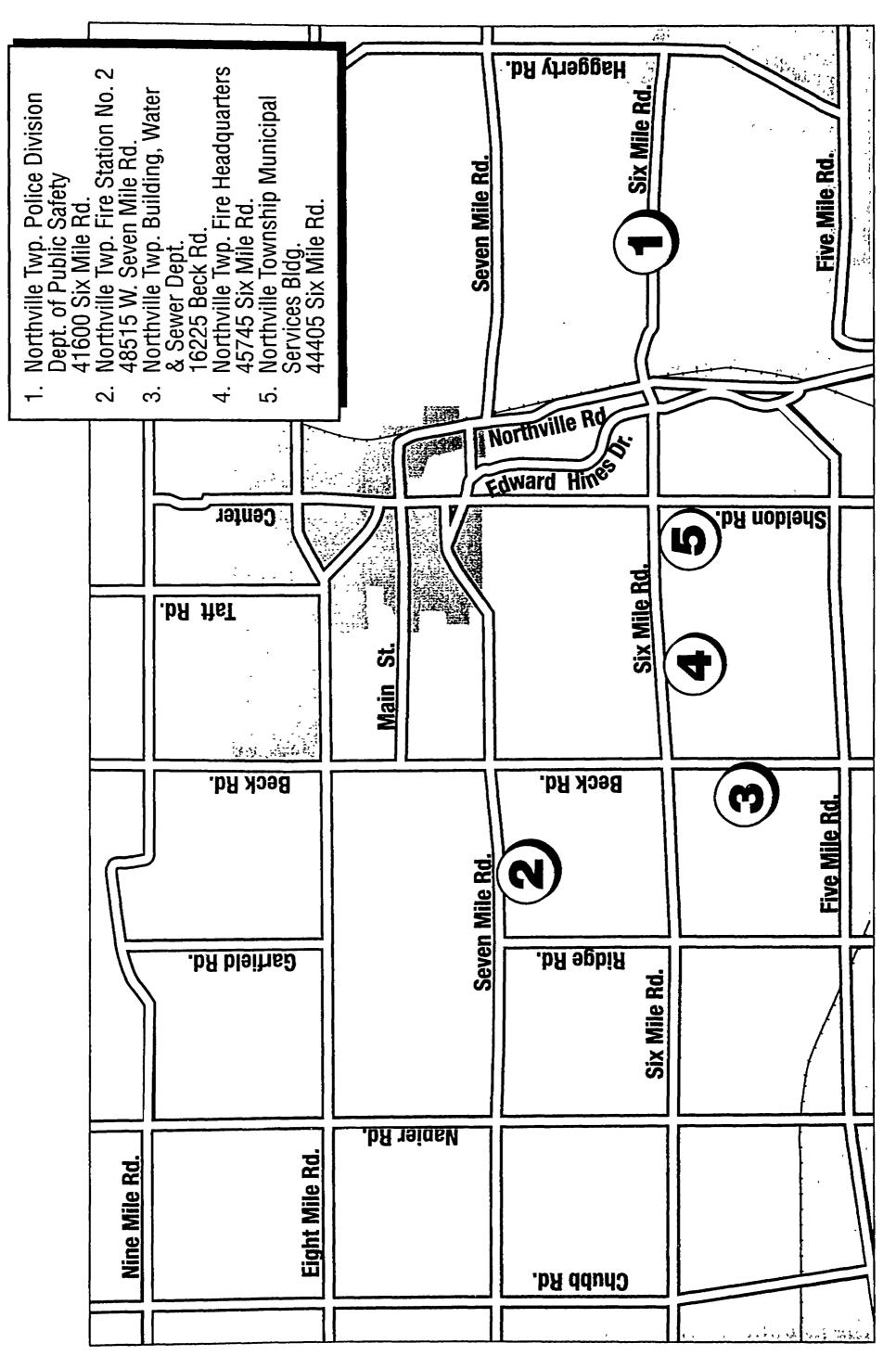
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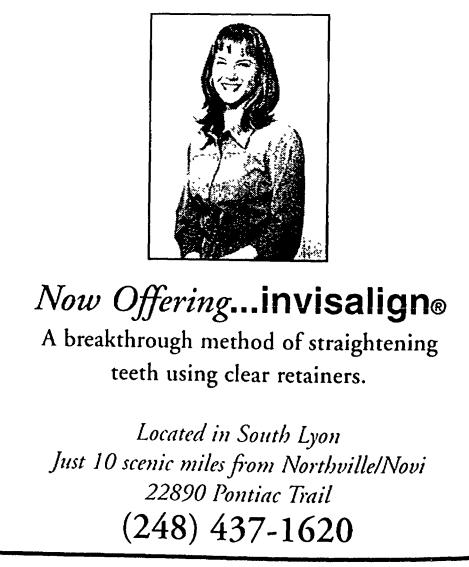
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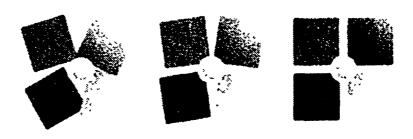
Jerry Henderson, board member; Victor Leo, board member; Tom Makelbust, board member; Kellianne Nagy, board member; Joyce Whelan, board member.

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Northville residents Ross Zini, left, and Steve Pryce, both 18, launch their discs together in an accuracy competition at Cass Benton's disc golf course.



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Farmer John Beemer pulls grass and weeds from the blade of the plow as he prepares a field at Maybury State Park for planting.

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Beautification Commission

Beautification commission members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Marie Barr, chairperson Larry Aepelbacher, commission member; Joanne Dayton, commission member; Margaret Faessler, commission member; Sue Hillebrand, commission member; Audrey Misor-Jackman, commission member; Barbara O'Brien, commission member; Patricia Page, commission member; Barbara Reichard, commission member; Catherine Sellas, commission member.

Economic Development Corporation

Economic Development Corporation members serve six-year terms. Meetings are held as needed. Marv Gans, chairperson/township trustee; Judy Costigan, secretary; Michael Weaver, treasurer; Shirley Klokkenga, member ; Allen Meredith, member; Dan Ruzylo, member Laurie Marrs, member; Janice Wilkiemeyer, member; Janice Wilkiemeyer, member; Thelma Kubitskey, member; Christopher Roosen, township trustee. person; Lisa Anderson, member; Kent Anderson, member; Marv Gans, member / township trustee; James Nield, member; Bob Nix, secretary.

Zoning Board of Appeals

Board members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Robert McMahon, chairperson: Lisa Anderson, vice the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are held at the Recreation Center at Hillside Middle School.

Traci Sincock, director; Nancy Darga, city member; Teresa Folino, city member; Robert Sochacki, city member; Thomas Swigart, city council liaison; Richard Brown, township member; Carol Poenisch, township member; Mike Weaver, township member; Sue Hillebrand, township liaison; Ken Roth, school board liaison

Planning Commission Planning commissioners serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

George McCarthy, chairperson; Richard Allen, vice-chairchairperson; Donald Samhat, secretary; Brian Doren, board member ; Marjorie Banner, trustee.

Parks & Recreation Commission

Commission members serve three-year terms. The board is comprised of members from both the city of Northville and Northville Township. Meetings are held

Board of Canvassers

Canvassers serve four-year terms. Meetings are held as needed after each election. David Hursey, canvasser; Kathleen Leo, canvasser; Bill James, canvasser; Leslie Moran, canvasser.





Northville Township: Police Dept.

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

• Address: 41600 Six Mile Road.

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- Non-emergency phone: (248) 349-9400.
- Emergency phone: 9-1-1

Northville Police officials:

- Police Chief John
 Werth
- Detective Bureau Supervisor Lt. Michael Panagiotides* and Sgt. Matthew Mayes
- * Panagiotides will retire June 5
- Dispatch Supervisor Kelly Pigeon
- D.A.R.E. Officer Larry Demeter
- Community Liaison Officer Samantha Bowlin
- Reserve Coordinator Officer Greg Rhodes



John Werth Police Chief, Northville Township

To prevent crime in a fast-growing community, Northville Township's police department has been taking giant steps. Police Chief John Werth calls the approach proactive.

Opened in early 2005, a new public safety dispatch console center answers calls from both Northville Township and the city of Northville.

Other renovations to the police headquarters on Six Mile road, once also

home to township hall, will better accommodate 31 police officers. In addition to 12 dispatchers, the township also has 15 police reserve officers.

The detective bureau tends to crime

and licensing investigations and enforcement of weapon laws. Records are kept on site.

A voluntary Drug Abuse Resistance Education program is offered for Northville Public Schools students. Also, a three-officer bike patrol complements the department's 11 patrol cars. Weather-permitting, these officers scout neighborhoods, business districts and parks.

Look for renovations to be complete in summer 2005. The department also plans to have new radio receptors in the township and to hire two more police officers this year.

John Werth said once renovations are complete June 30, the station will serve officers, detectives and residents for another 20 years.

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Northville Township Fire Station No. 2 (unstaffed)

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Mile Road (Officials say

this location will again become an active station by 2007.)

Northville Township Fire officials:

- Fire Chief: William Zhmendak
- Assistant Fire Chief: David Carignan



Bill Zhmendak Fire Chief, Northville Township

> ship hall, which is at Six Mile and Sheldon roads.

> The 24-hour career department also welcomed a first-ever assistant fire chief, David Carignan, who works closely with long-time Fire Chief Bill Zhmendak.

Three new fire fighters also joined the department, bringing the total to 18. Working in three platoons, fire fighters work two 24-hour shifts per week on a three-day rotating schedule. A new secretary joined, as well.

Now unmanned, the old Fire Station No. 2 on Seven Mile Road will eventually become an active outpost, potentially by 2007.

A mobile structure fire-fighting trainer, interactive "hazard house" and other resources better prepare fire fighters to save lives and property in blazes.

Throughout 2005, platoons will compete in a new training program. They'll be drilled on state-mandated procedures such as ice water and ladder rescue.

Winners will be named "Shift of the Year" and receive a trophy for their efforts to keep Northville Township safe.

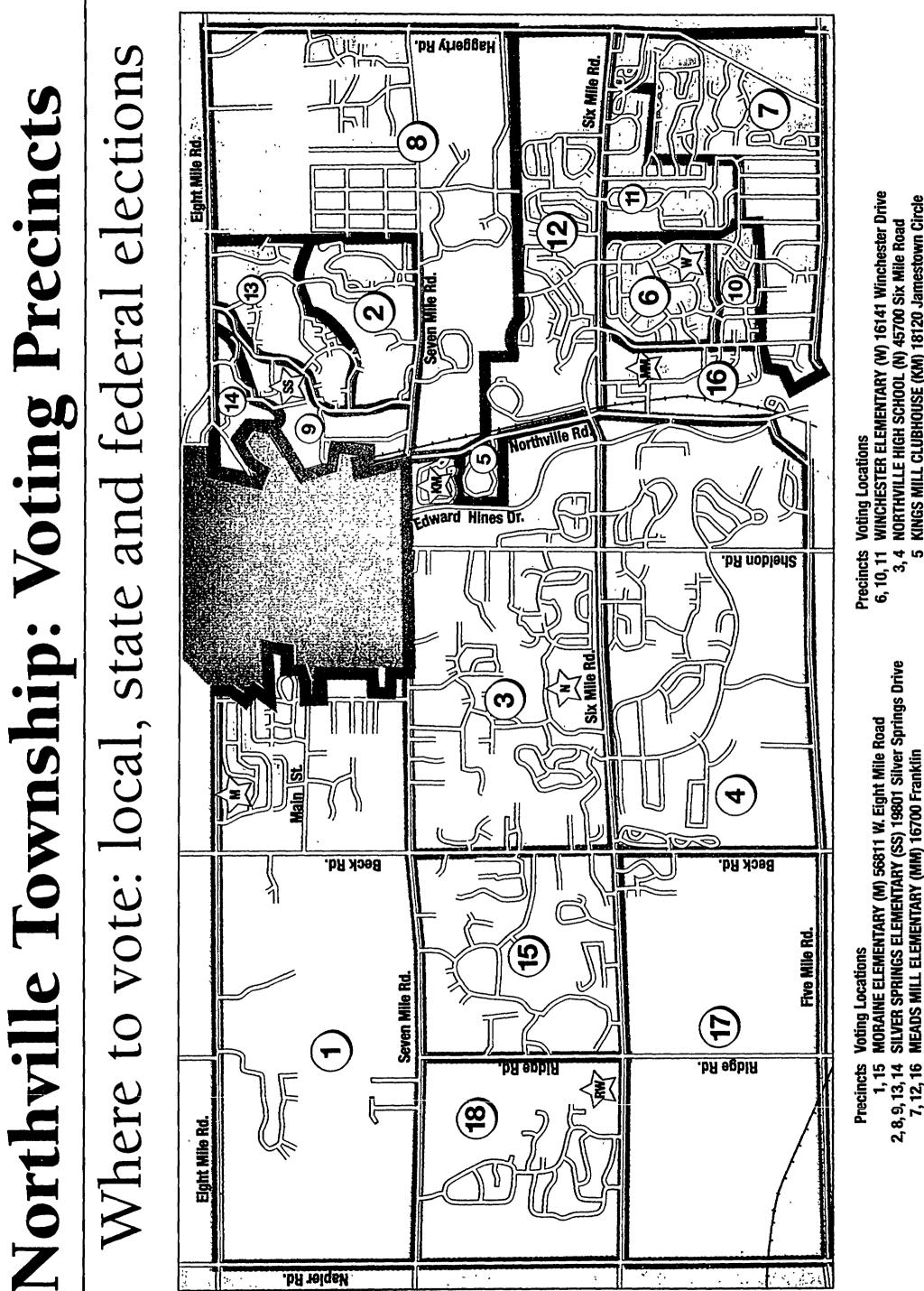


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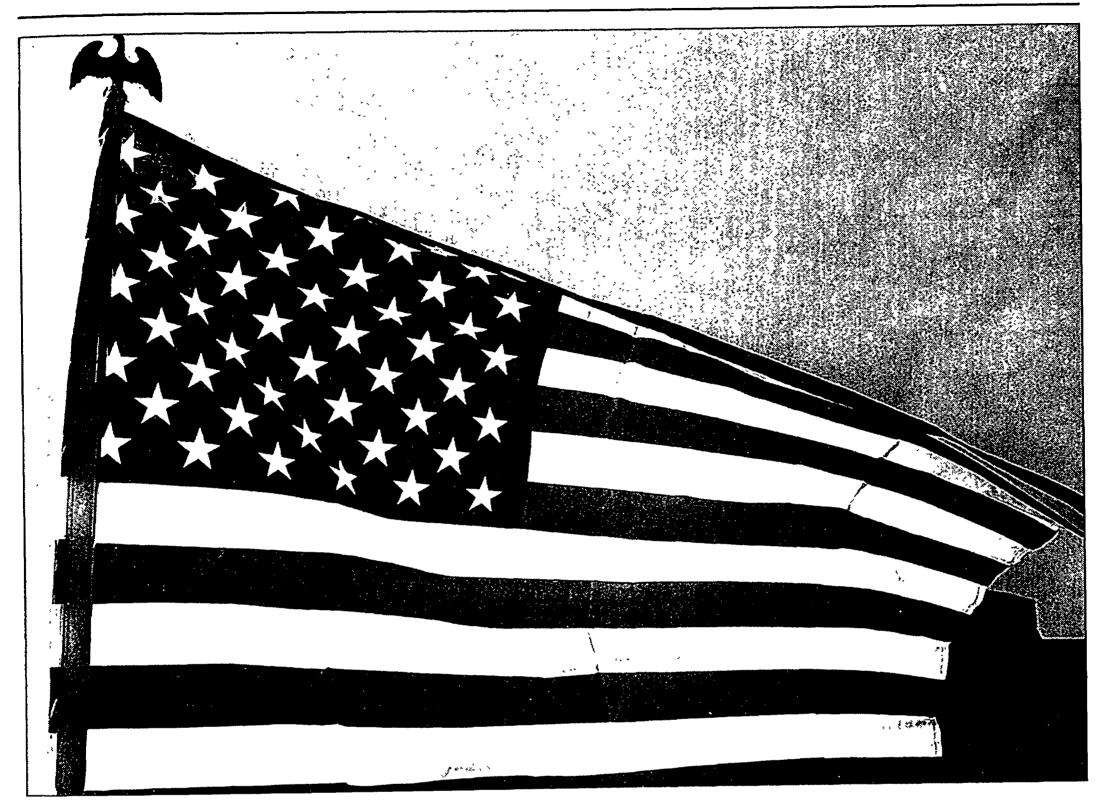




Photo by JOHN HEIDER/ Northville Record Members of the Northville VFW Post 4012 march in Northville's Independence Day parade.

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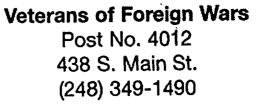
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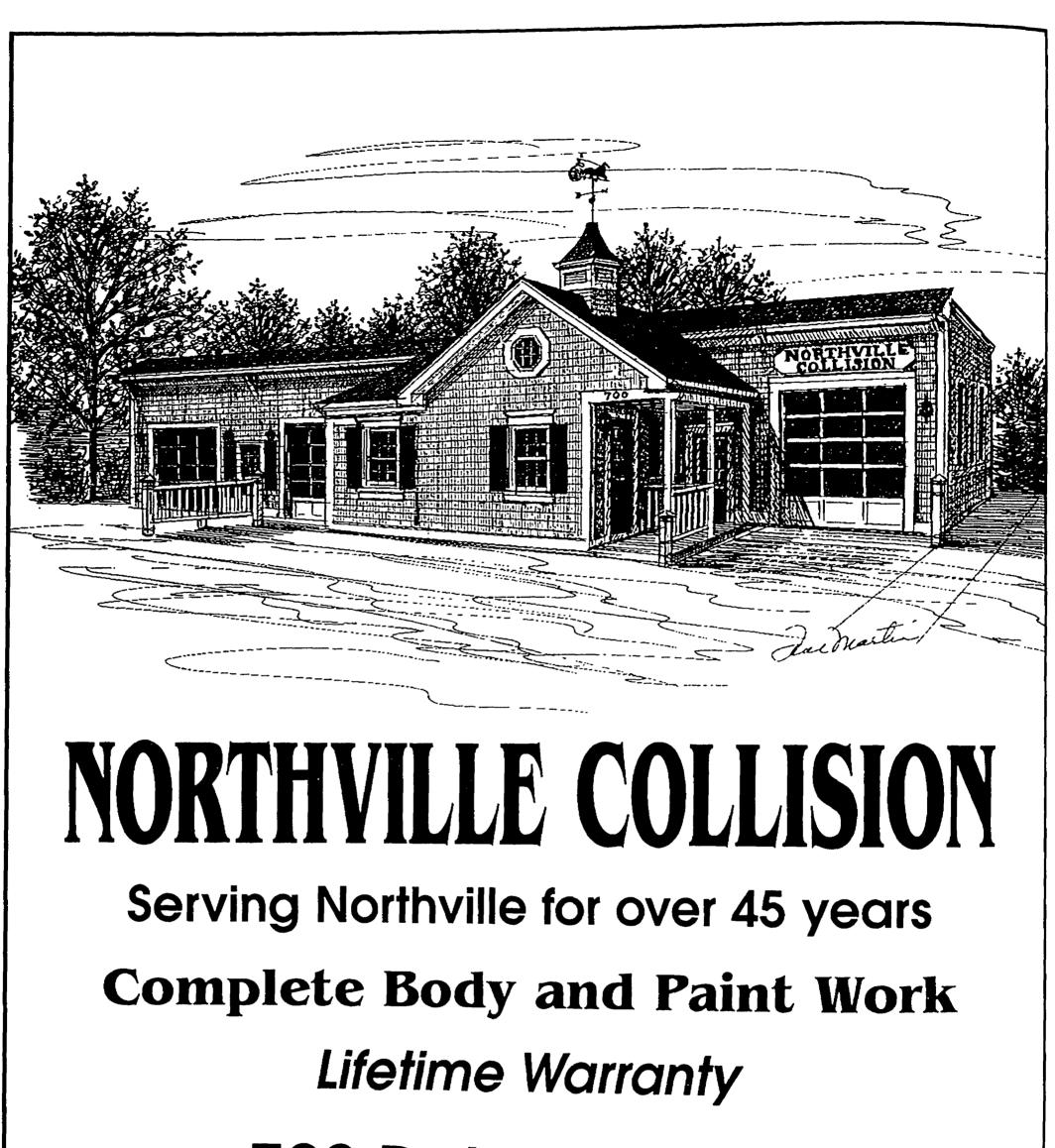
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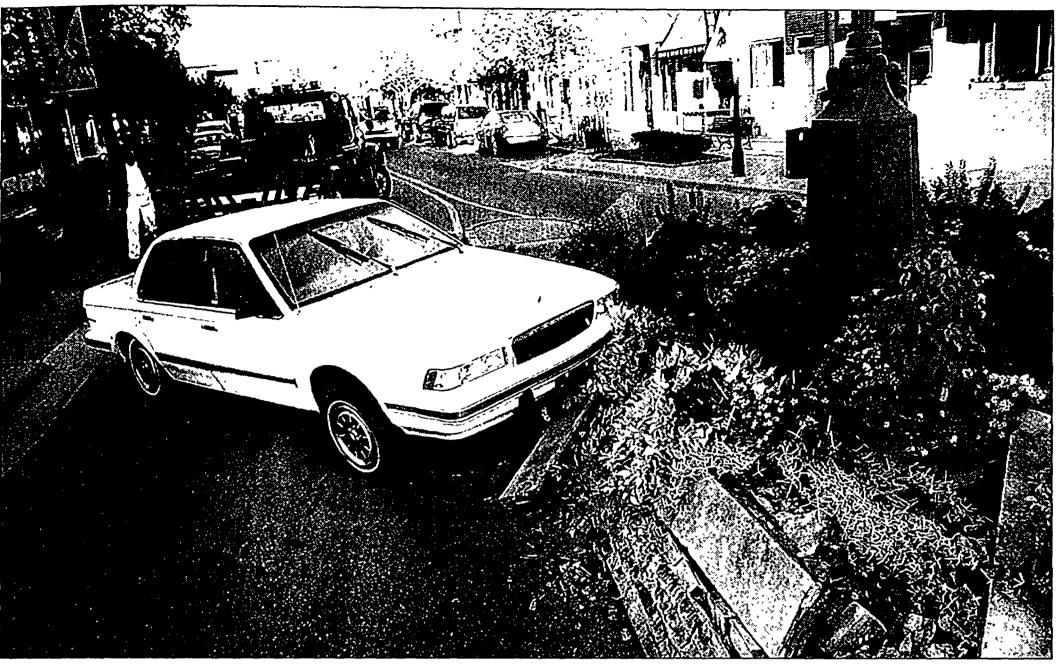
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record A car hit the brick and concrete base of the Northville clock. The driver was not injured and the clock sustained no damage.

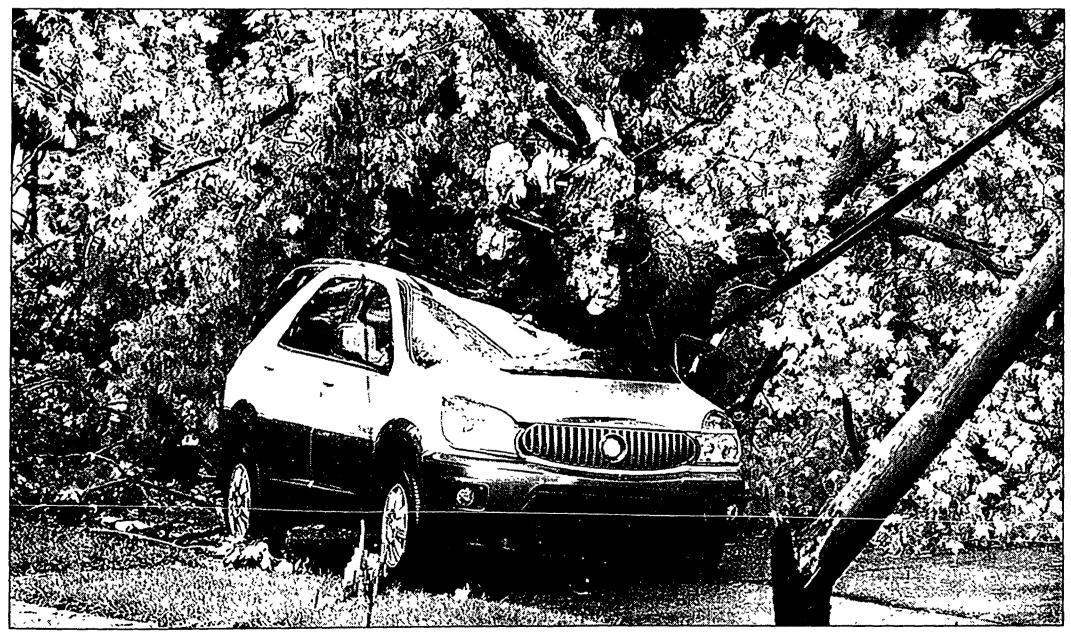
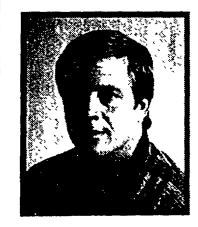


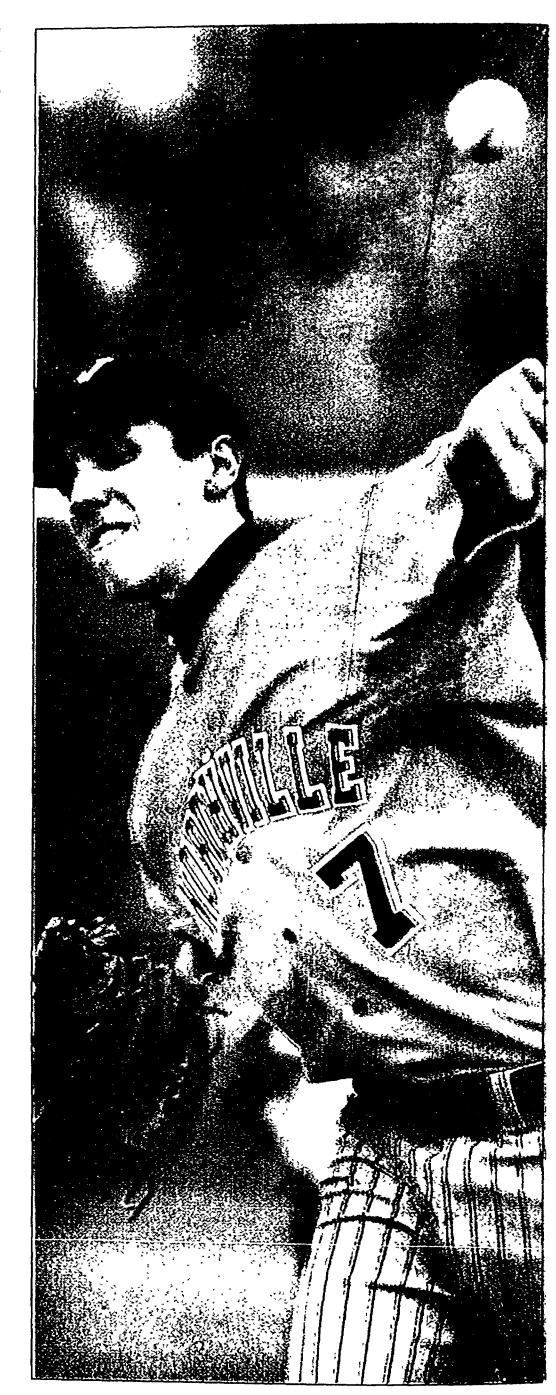
Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record High winds brought down the large branch of a sugar maple tree and crushed a Buick Rendezvous on West Main Street near Rogers in the city of Northville. No one was injured.

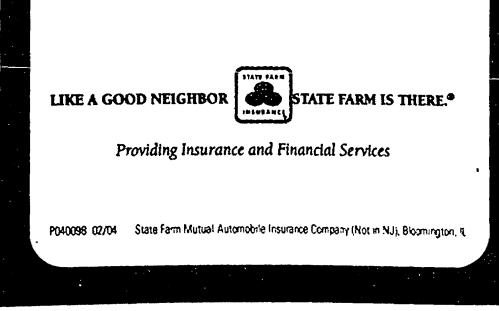
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Mustang pitcher Steve Besk fires a pitch during a Northville Mustangs home game.

Northville Community Groups



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Marlene Kunz, director of Northville Civic Concern gets a kiss from grateful Tiffany Jordan, 10, during the organization's client party.

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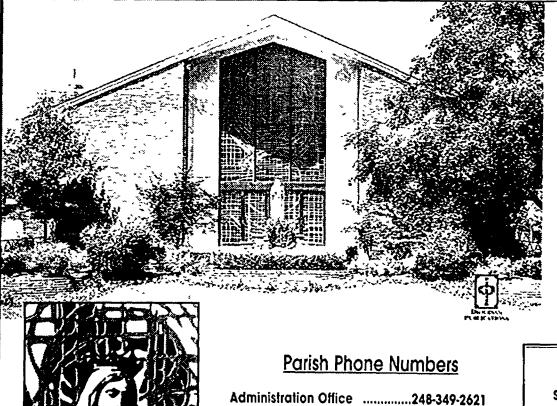
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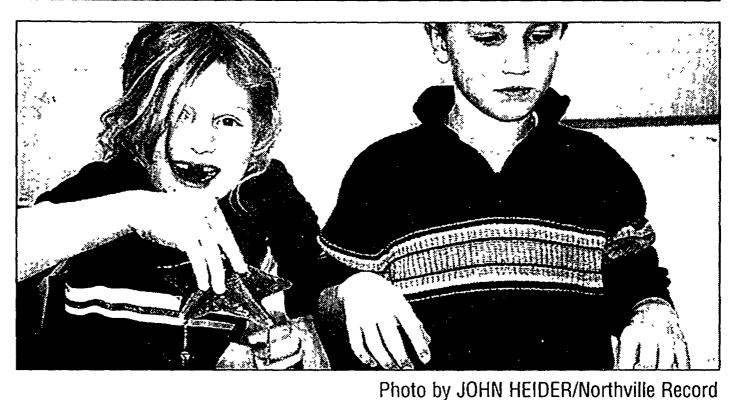
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Morgan Cosby, right, and Emma Howe excitedly pick up a starfish.

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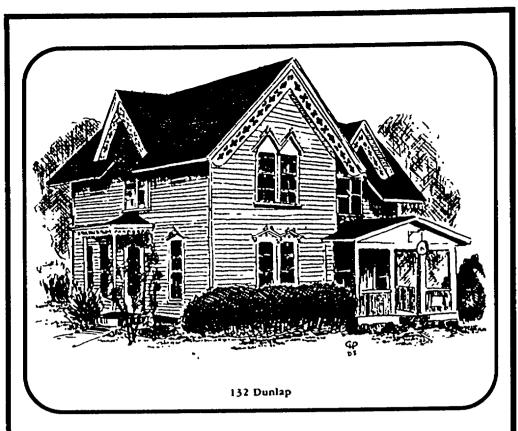
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record A crowd strolls through Northville's Mill Race Village during Independence Day celebrations.





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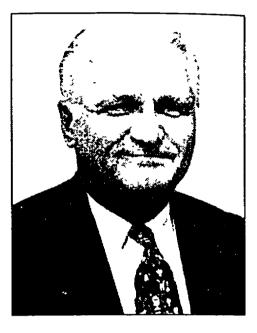
Northville Schools

Welcome to Northville Public Schools

Welcome to the Northville Public Schools. We are very proud of our school system and the community which it represents.

The school population of the district is approximately 6,452 students enrolled in the kindergarten through 12th grade program, approximately 252 students in the Special **Education Center/Section 53** programs and approximately 900 students in the preschool/child care programs. The district operates the following public schools: six elementaries, two middle schools, one high school and two special education buildings. Northville Public Schools' Early Childhood Center is housed in Ridge Wood Elementary School, located at 49775 Six Mile Road.

The district continues to revise, update and maintain sound curriculum as well as provide support and encouragement for gifted and talented, science/math/health. instructional technology, language arts, applied academics and vocational and career education programs. The board is committed to a continuous and comprehensive staff development program. The Northville Public Schools provide equal opportunity for all students to develop their fullest potential. The district's commitment to



Leonard Rezmierski Superintendent

effective student program development, implementation, and evaluation is an ongoing means by which the students acquire insight, skills, interest and values that are necessary to function as responsible and effective citizens.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Amerman Elementary School student Darby Mroz, center, tries to find out if Mason Pitt, below, is her Valentine during Valentine's Day activities.



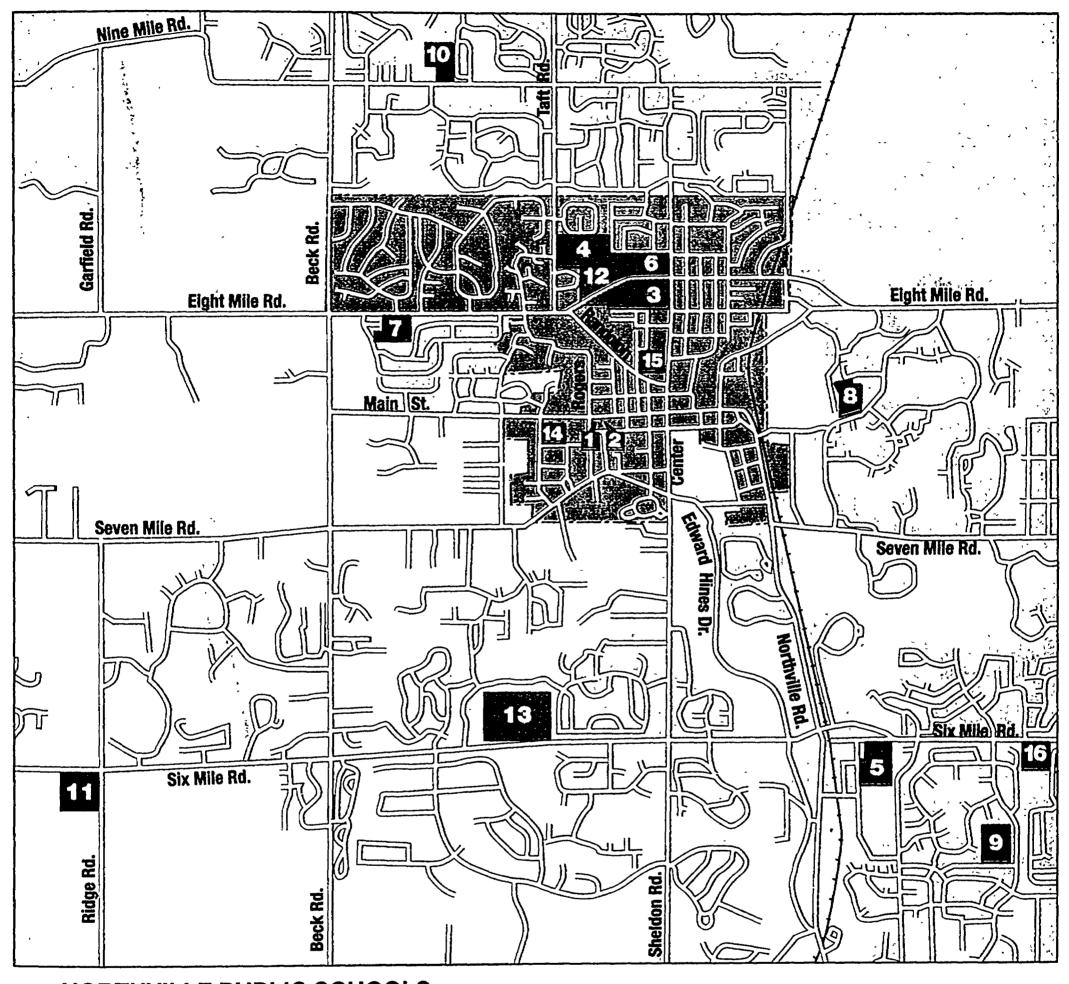
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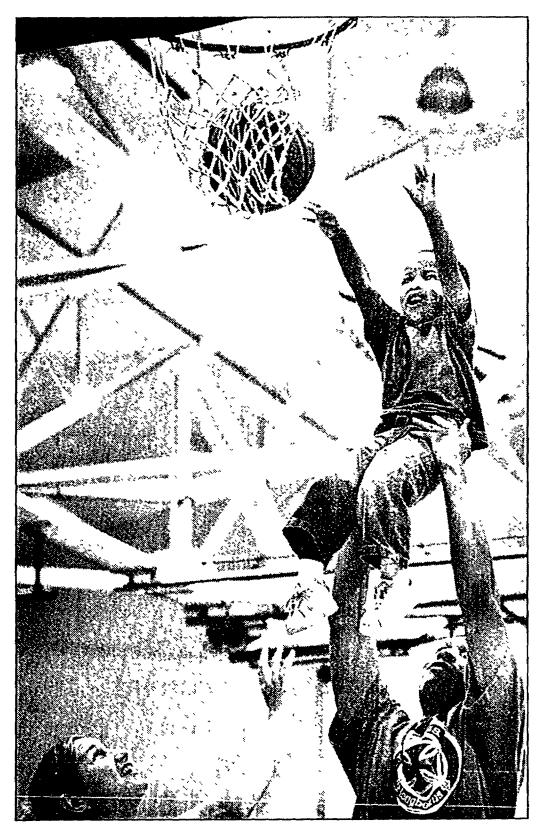
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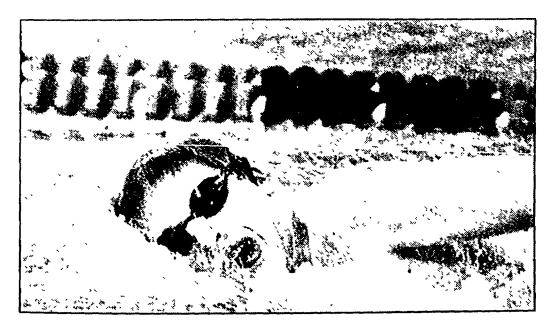
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Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record ABOVE: Eric Ruffin helps D'K'Len Brann, 4, make a basket at the Hillside Recreation Center. LEFT: Northville High School Mustang Will Blickle competes in the 500 meter freestyle race.

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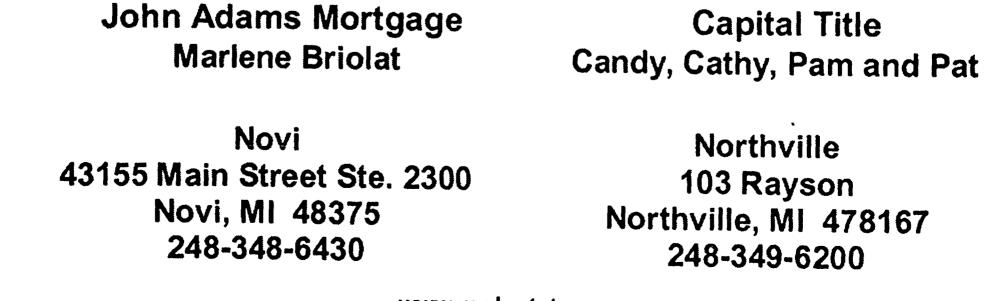
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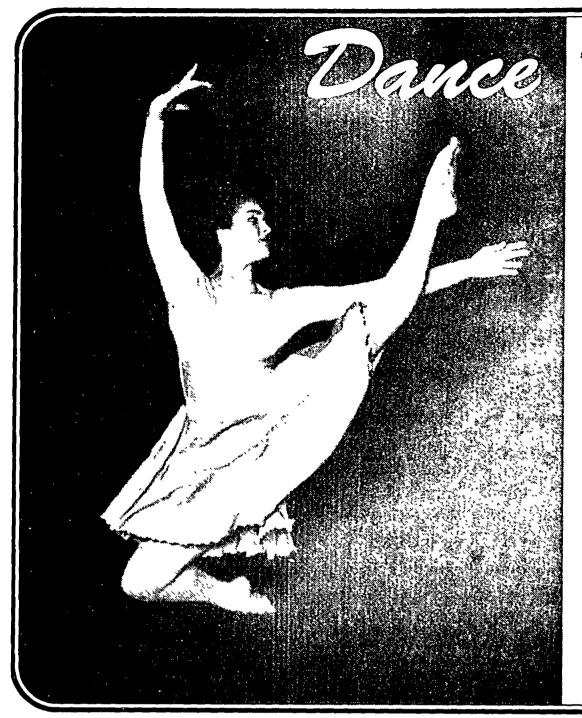
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/ Northville Record Paleontologist Neal Larson of the Blackhill Museum of Natural History in South Dakota talks about a Tyranasaurus Rex with Corey Capraro, 6, and Hillside Middle School sixth grader Daniel Stern.

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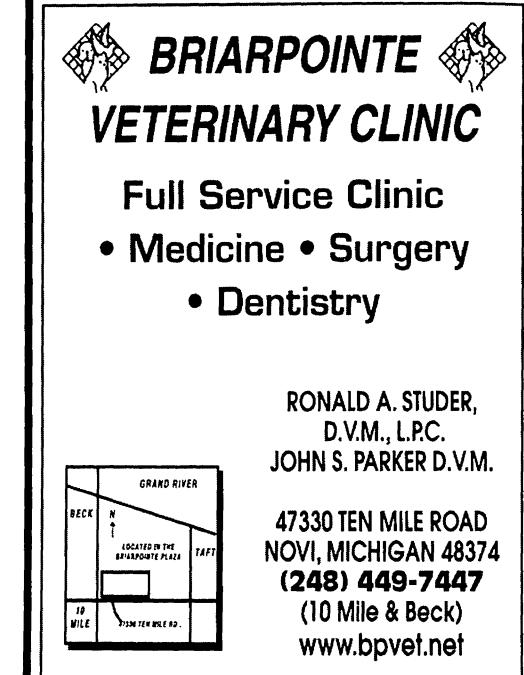
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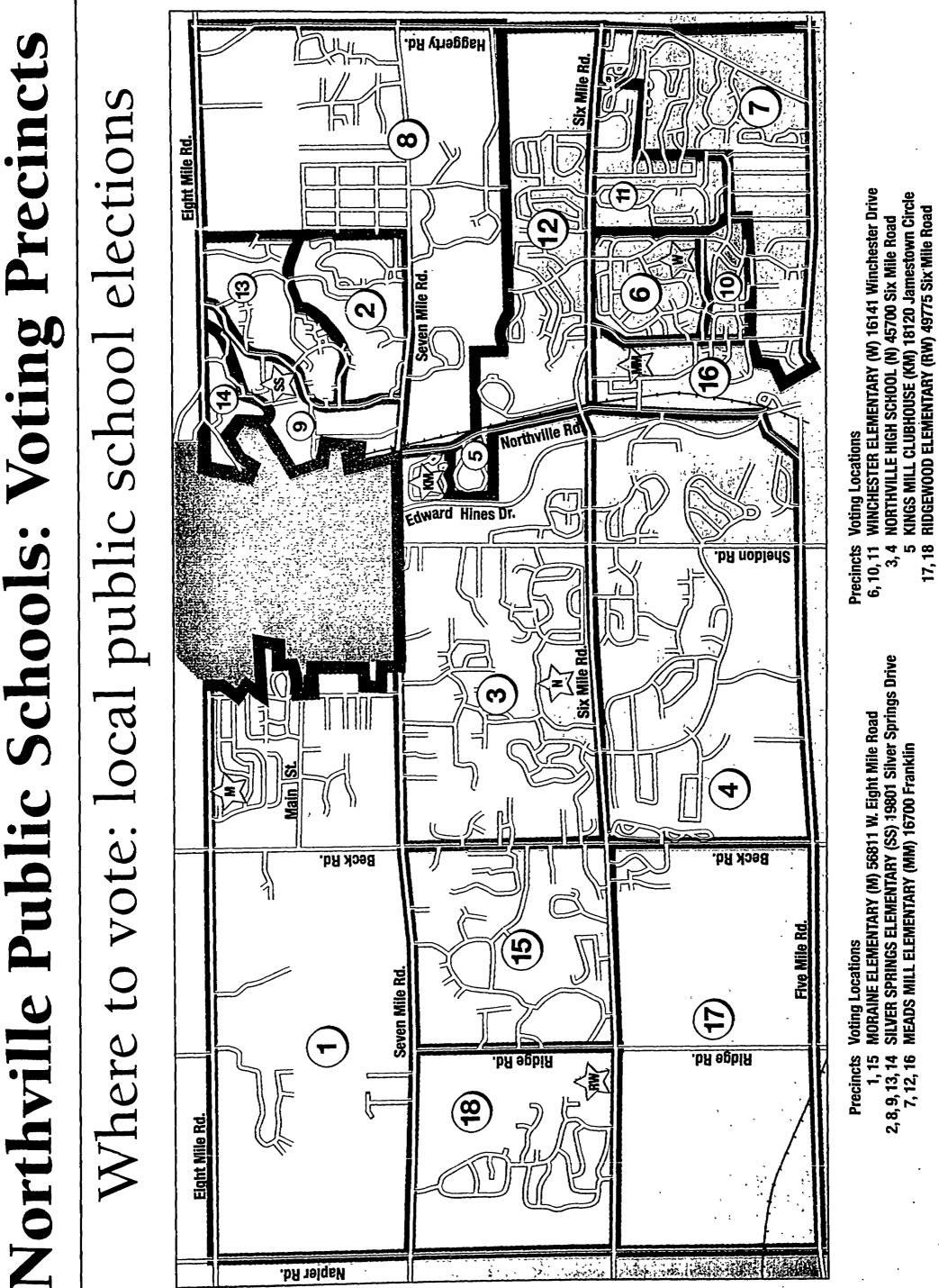


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Northville Private Schools



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Tyler Berryman, left, and Andrew Gutman compare Indian corn notes at the Northville Farmer's Market. Northville Christian School 41355 Six Mile Road (248) 348-9031 Ken Storey, principal

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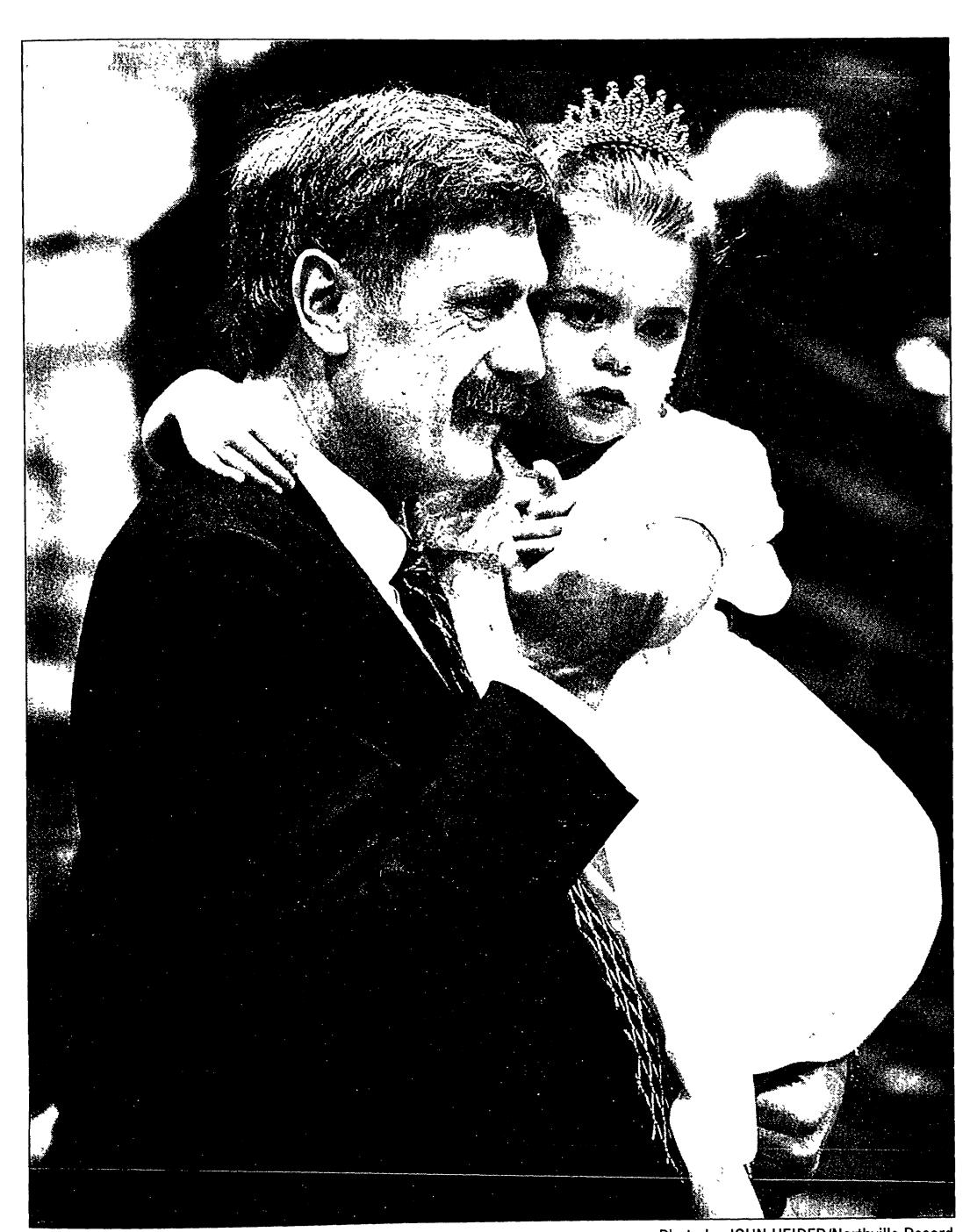
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Rob Pray dances cheek-to-cheek with his daughter Abigail, 4, during the Daddy and Daughter Princess Ball at the Hillside Recreation Center.



Northville: Child Care Tips

What to look for in a Child Care Provider

If you need child care, you want the very best setting for your child. When choosing child care, you should visit more than one program and if possible, take your child with you on the visit.

The following list will give you some hints to help you make a good choice.

Interview Caregivers

Call first and ask:

- Is there an opening for my child?
- What hours and days are you open?
- Where are you located?
- How much do you charge?
- When is payment due?
- Do you charge for holidays, absences due to vacations or illness, or late pickups?
 - How many children do you care for?
 - How much child care experience and education do you have?
 - How many adults care for the children?
 - What ages do you serve?
 - Must a child be toilet trained?

In a home setting:

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- Are there others living in the home?
- Who and what age are they?
- Who, besides the provider, may be caring for my child?
- Will my child be taken out of the home while in your care?
- Are there pets or smoking in the home?

Visit and look for:

- Positive interactions between caregiver and children.
- Children getting lots of attention.
- Children who are happy and comfortable with their caregiver.
- Clean, safe and healthy indoor and outdoor spaces.

• Safety features such as gates on stairs; caps on electrical outlets and a locked cabinet for medicine, poisons and cleaning products.

• A variety of toys and learning materials, such as books, puzzles, blocks, and climbing equipment that your child will find interesting. Ask the provider:

- Can I visit at any time?
- How do you handle discipline?
- What do you do if my child is sick?
- How do you handle an emergency?
- Do you have a back-up caregiver?
- Where do children take naps?
- Do caregivers have up-to-date CPR and First Aid training?
- Do caregivers have training in child care?
- May I see a copy of your license?
- Are you accredited?

• May I have a list of parents (current and former) who have used your care?



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/ Courtesy ABC TV Live With Regis and Kelly Two-year-old Northville resident Eve Corriveau stares at the television camera during "Live with Regis and Kelly."

Make the Decision for Quality Care

Ask yourself, from what you have learned:

- Is there a balance of free play and routines?
- Can the caregiver meet the special needs of my child?
- Which caregiver should I choose so that my child will be happy and grow?
 - Is the child care affordable?
 - Do I feel good about my decision?

Stay Involved

Ask yourself, how can I work my schedule so that I can:

- talk to my caregiver?
- talk to my child about how the day went?
- visit my child in care?
- work with my caregiver to discuss problems that arise?

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Ask parents:

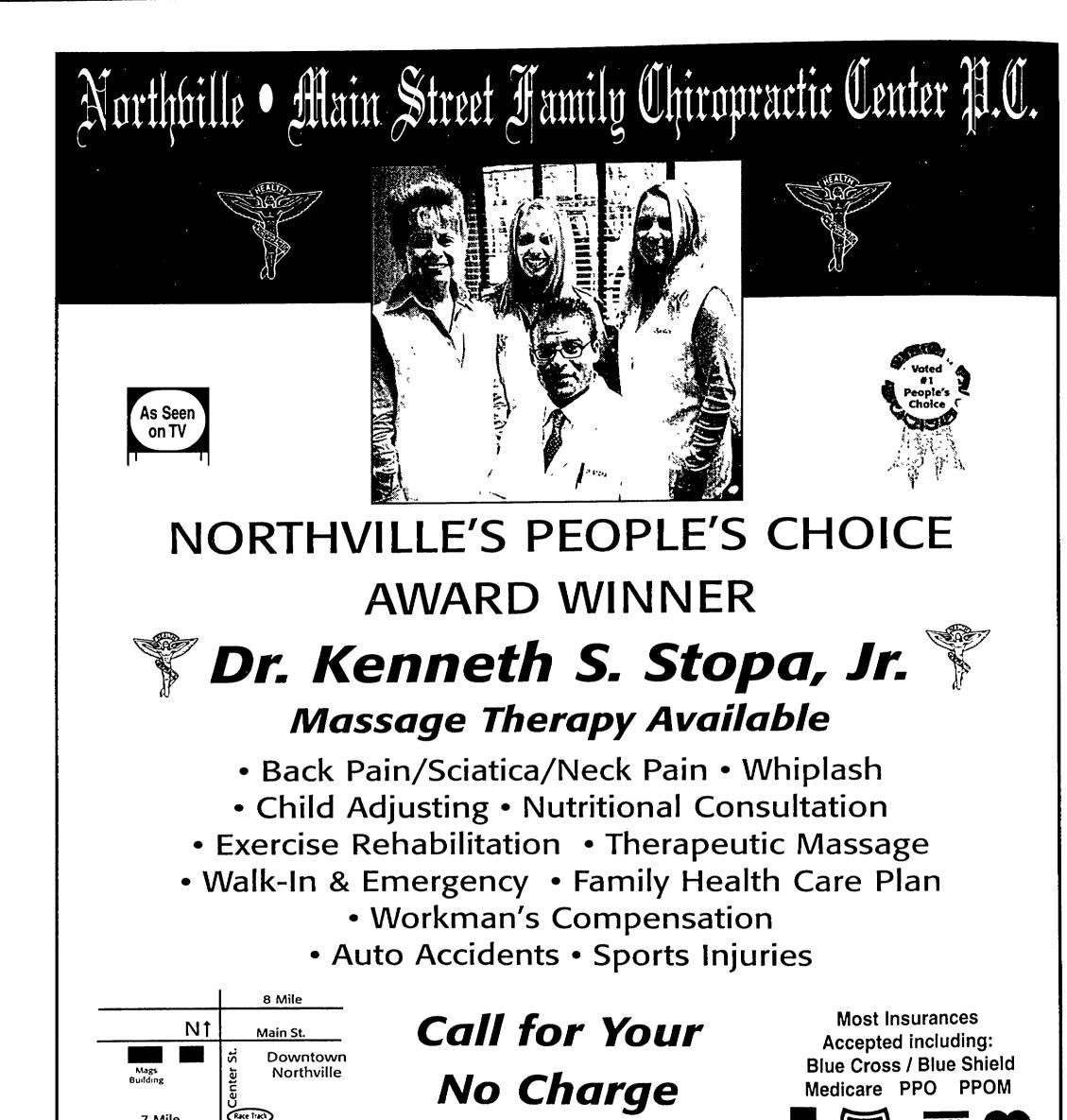
- Was the caregiver reliable?
- How did the caregiver discipline your child?
- How did you get along with the caregiver?
- Was the caregiver respectful of your values and culture?
- Would you recommend the caregiver?

• If your child is no longer with the caregiver, why did you leave?

help my child grow? meet with other parents?

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Owen Creteau Jr. displays works as a blacksmith during an open house at Northville's Mill Race Village.

Northville Central Business Association

The Northville Central Business Association is an alliance of downtown merchants, professionals and managers who communicate through their officers consensus views on the issues impacting their businesses and the town's welfare.

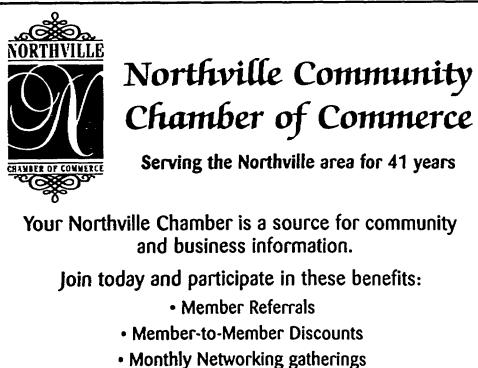
2005 NCBA board members: president, Sherri Mewha, owner of Awakening...The Artist Inside; vice president, Mark Trudeau, owner of Fine Threads; treasurer, Beverlee Lindeen, owner of Northville Candle, and secretary, Karen Mehaffey, co-owner of The Moss Rose.

The association's special events chairman, American Spoon owner Kim Behmer, will work with the Northville Chamber of Commerce, the



Photo by DAVID AGUILAR/Northville Record Editor Downtown businesses are the primary focus of the Northville Central Business Association.

Northville Downtown Development Authority and other groups to represent the merchants' association in downtown event planning.



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Northville Chamber of Commerce



Photo by DAVID AGUILAR/Northville Record Editor The Northville Chamber of Commerce holds many community and business-related events throughout the year. See page 77.

Northville: it's our primary business

The Northville Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome you to the unique and vibrant community of Northville. The focus of the Chamber's energies is and always will be the growth and success of our business community and the promotion of the City and Township of Northville.

The Chamber is comprised of a small but professional staff. an 11-member volunteer board and more than 500 members who are active and supportive of the Chamber's programs. Chamber programming includes numerous networking events for the Chamber membership and the celebration of local business grand openings. In addition to its commitment to the membership body, the Chamber is also instrumental in the administration and management of some of the

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most popular events in the Northville community.

Highlighting the Chamber events is the Taste of Northville Business Showcase where over 100 local businesses and restaurants showcase their products. The Showcase is a one-day event held in mid-March.

The Spring features the opening of the much anticipated Farmer's Market with over 100 vendors, including Farmers and crafters. The Farmer's Market is open every Thursday (rain or shine) from May through October. The month of June is also filled with activities including the Chamber Golf Classic held this year on June 8 at Northville Hills. Mid-June also sees artists and patrons come to the streets of Northville for the annual juried fine art fair, Art in the Sun. The festival of art offers

visitors the opportunity to enjoy beautiful works of art, entertainment and food during the twoday event.

The grandest and most popular event of the season is held in September with the annual Victorian Festival.

Over a three-day period, the Northville community comes together to celebrate its historical roots.

The Festival begins on Friday night with a Victorian costume parade and continues on Saturday and Sunday with free entertainment, children's rides, numerous themed contests and games and a fine arts market sponsored by the Arts Commission. Food is also in abundance as non-profit groups from around the community host their own specialty food booths.

holiday festivities and shopping opportunities when the chamber partners with the downtown merchant association to present the annual Holiday Lighted Parade (Friday night) and Christmas Walk (Sunday).

The Holiday events provide special shopping days, free entertainment, carriage rides, visits with Santa and a fresh greens market.

As one can see, there is never a dull moment in and around Northville and the Chamber of Commerce is proud to promote and support the community of Northville. We encourage you to participate and enjoy all that Northville has to offer and support your local business community. For more information about chamber and community events, please call (248) 349-7640 or visit our Web site at www.northville.org.

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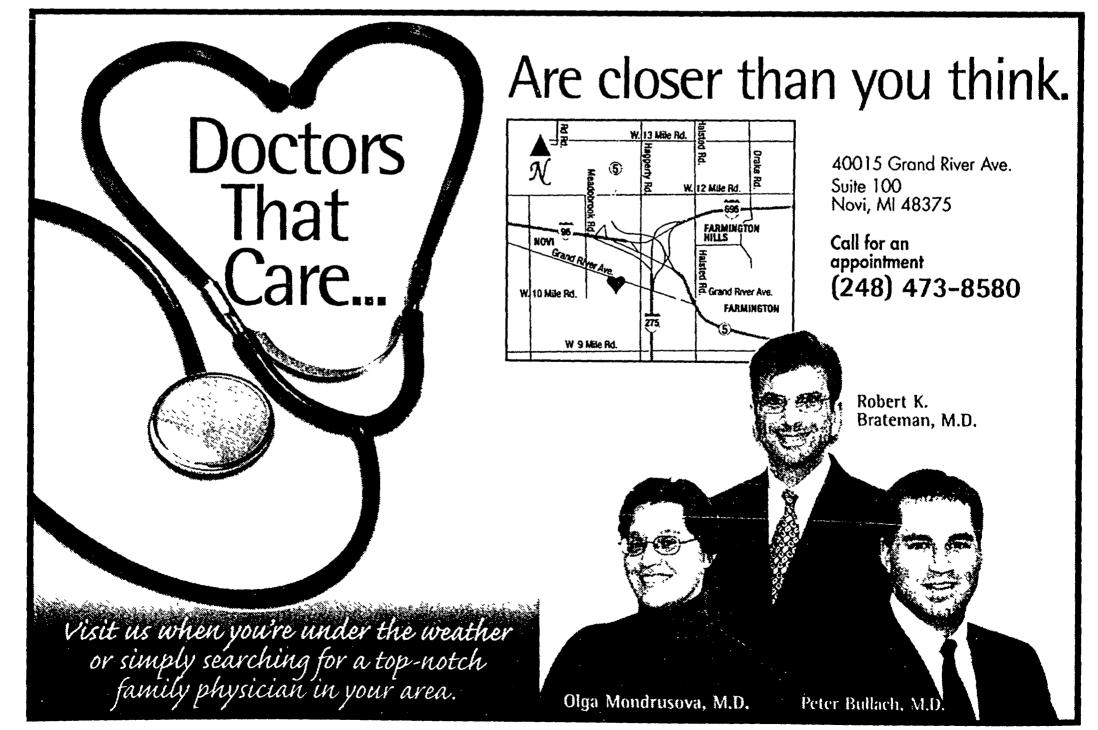




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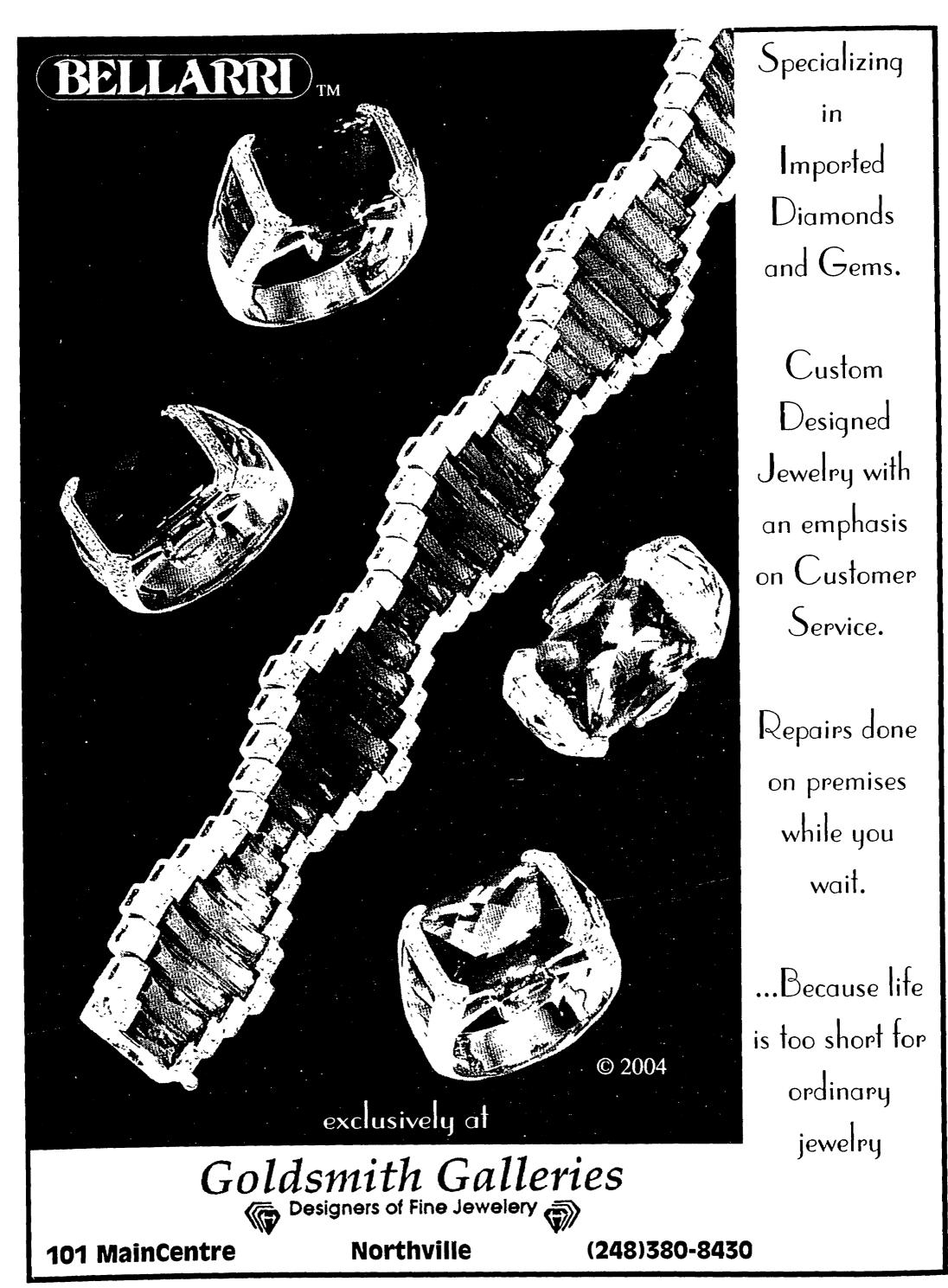






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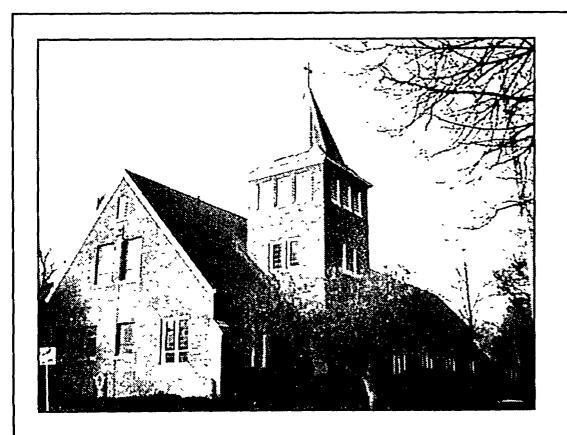
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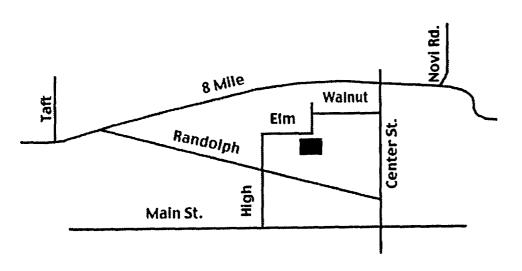
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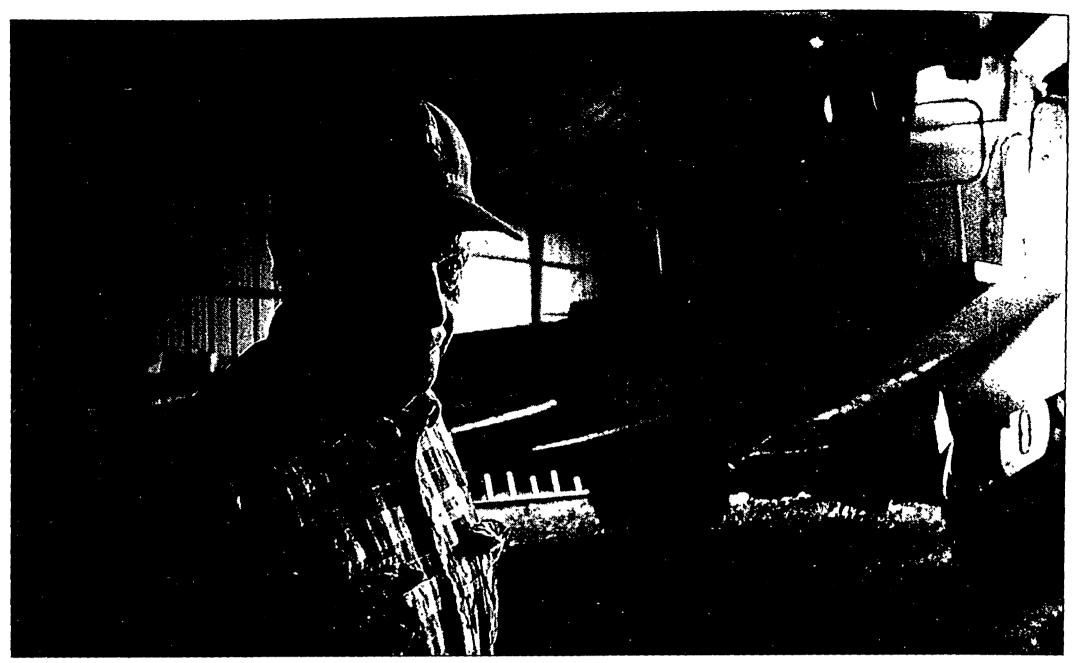
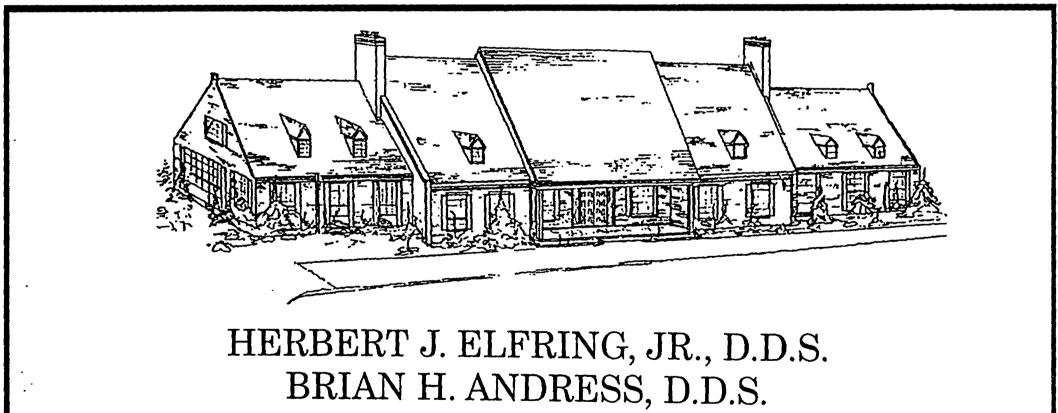


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Northville Township farmer Milan George pauses near the combine he and his son, Milan "Butch" George, use to harvest corn and soybean.



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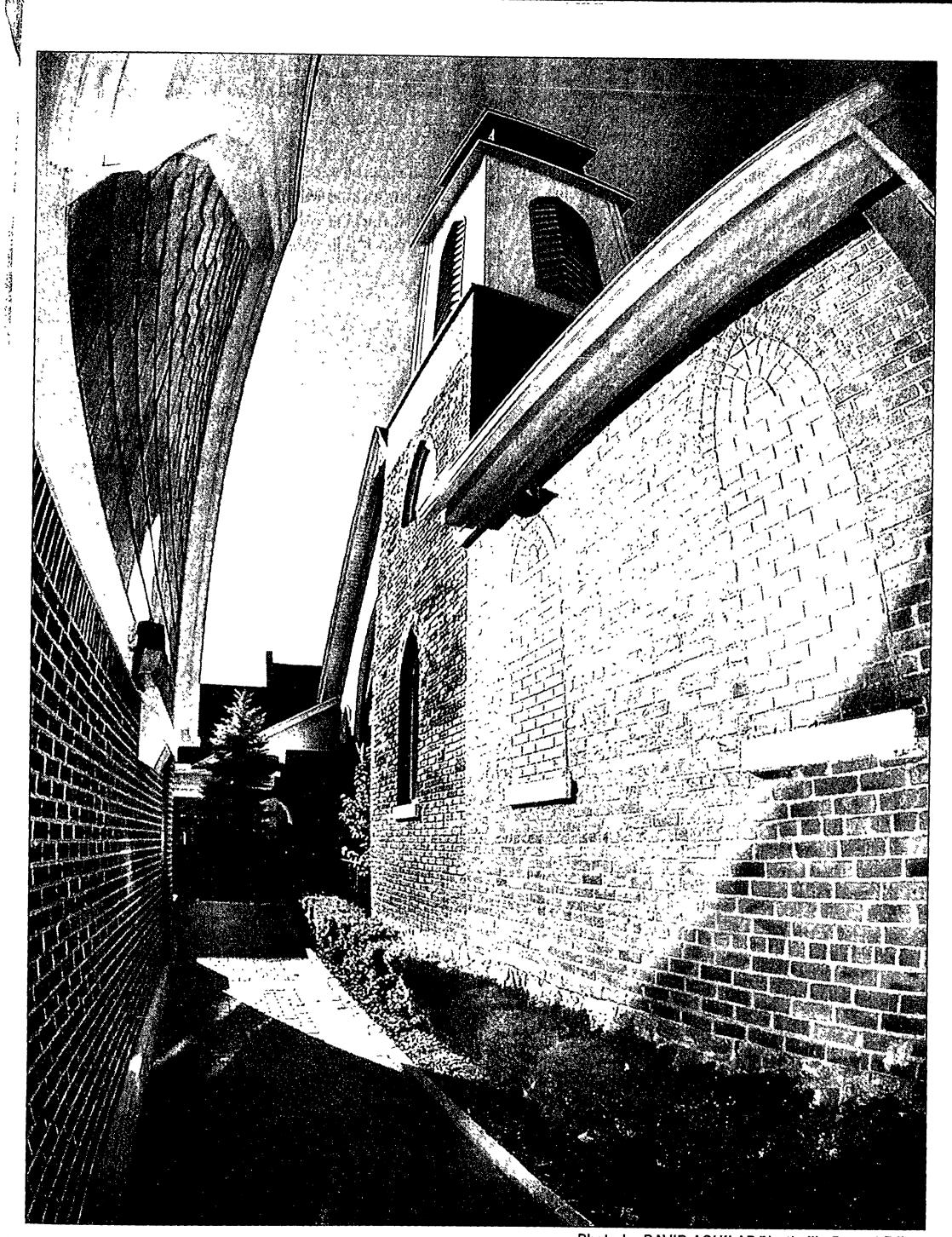


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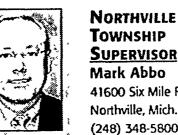
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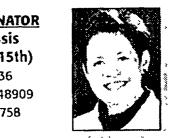


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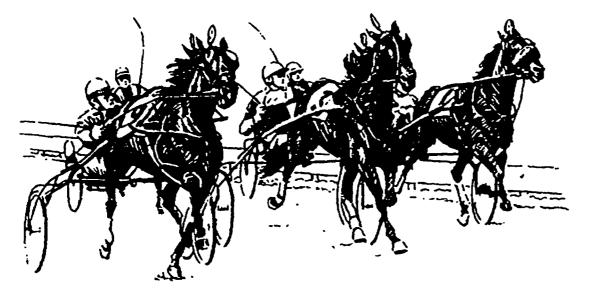






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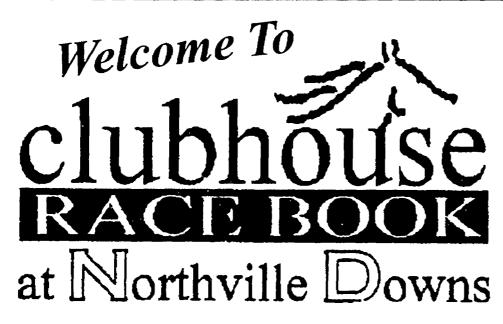
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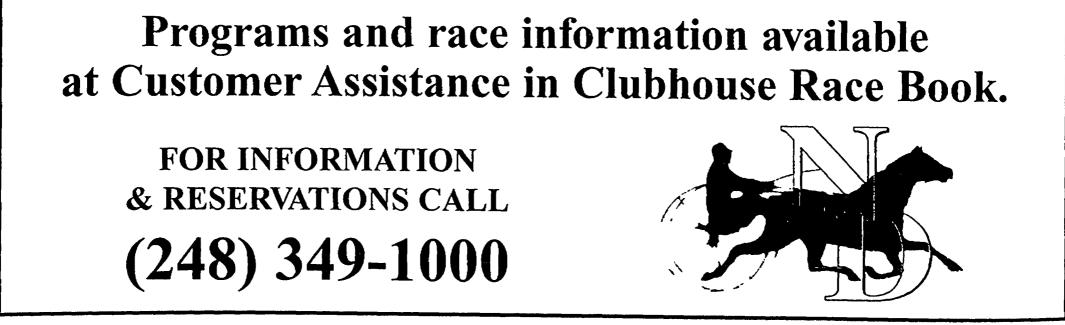
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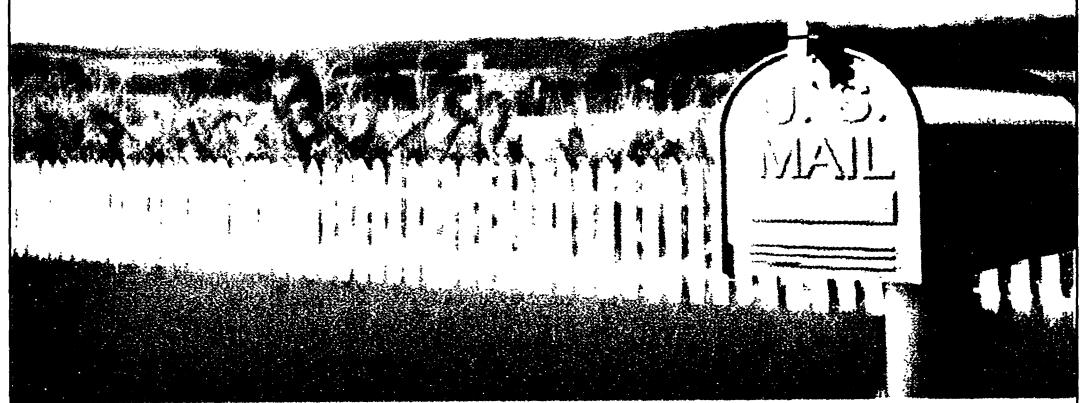


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Miss Michigan 2004, Crystal Hayes, who works as a hair stylist in downtown Northville.

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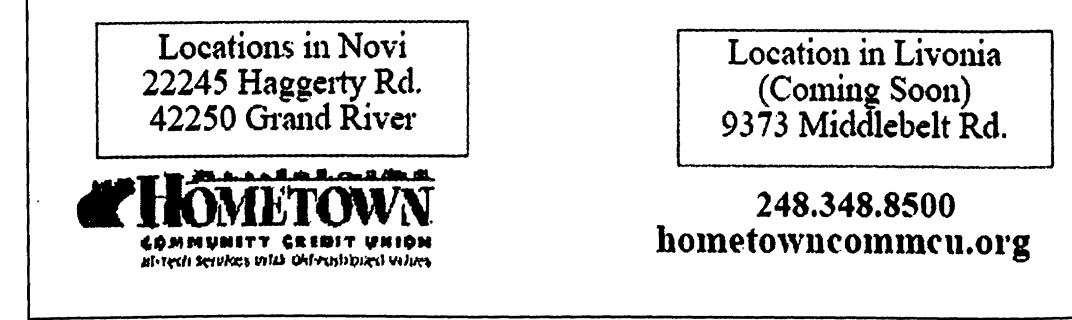
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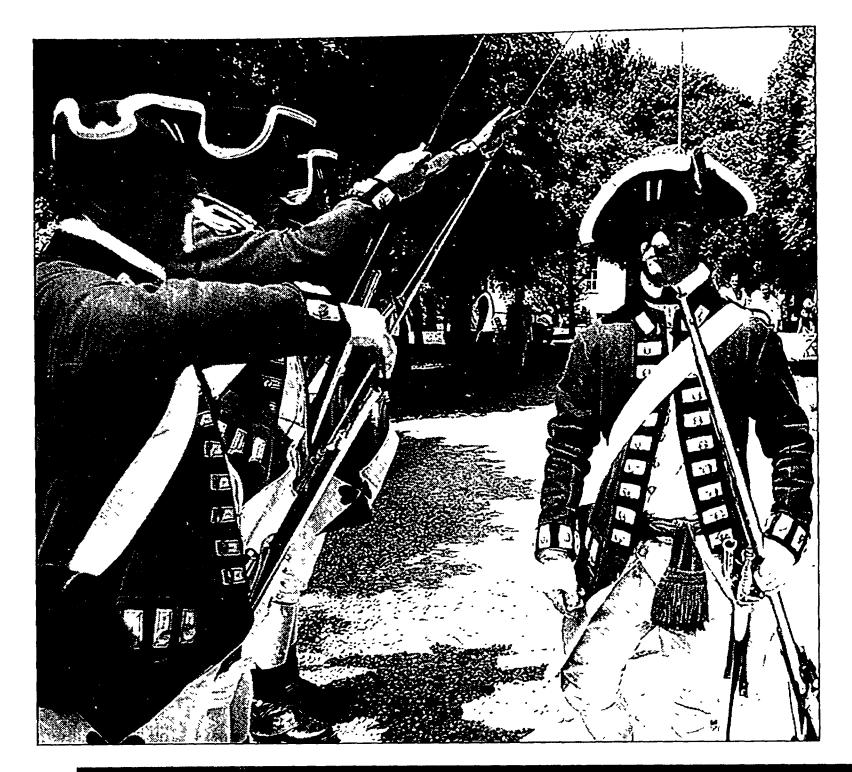
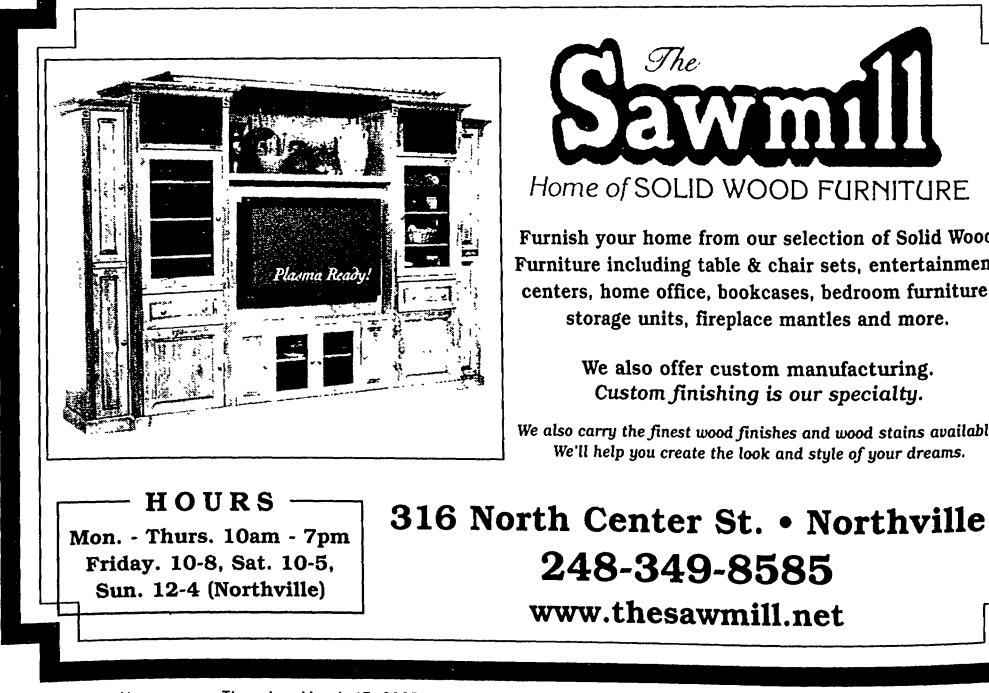


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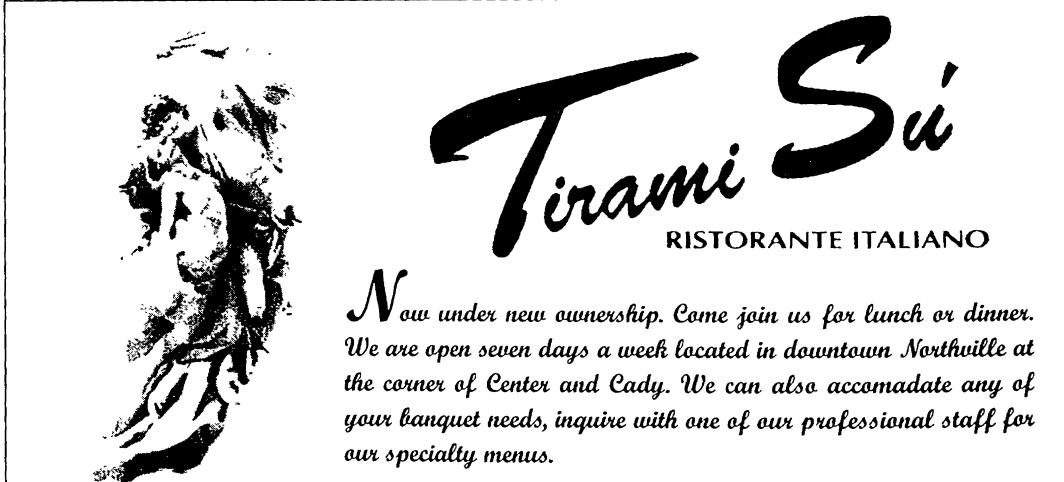
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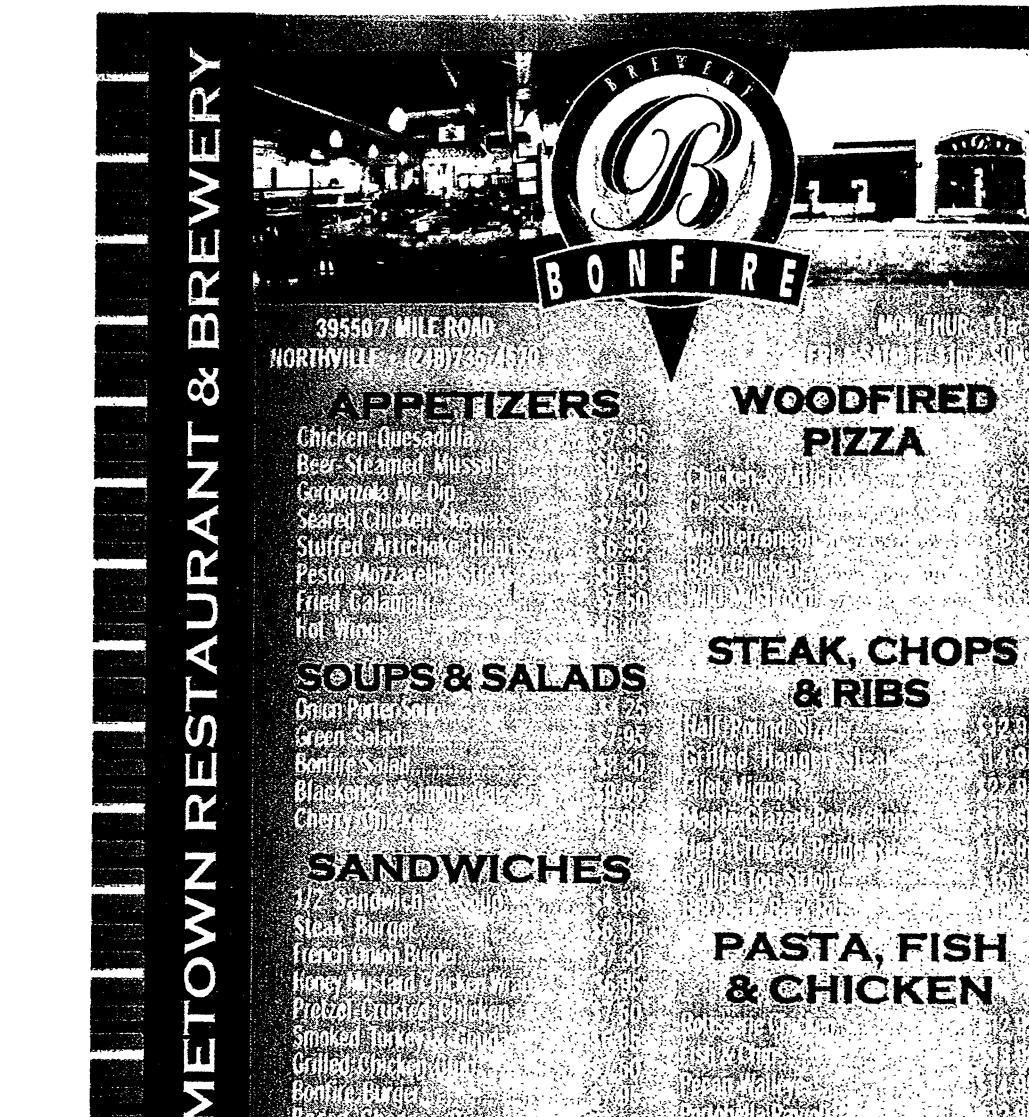
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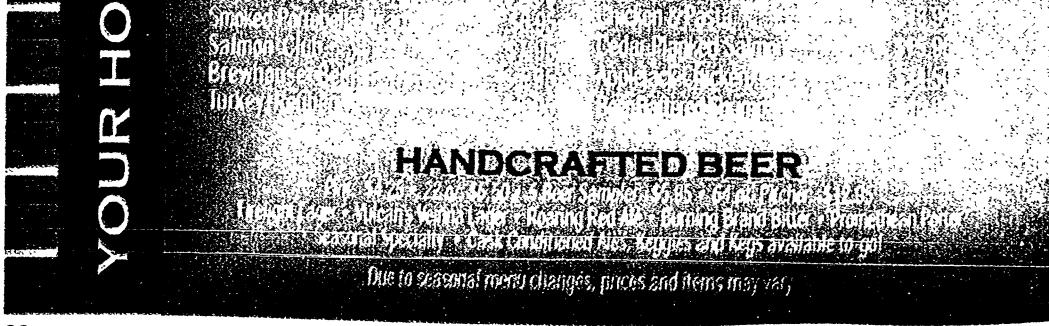
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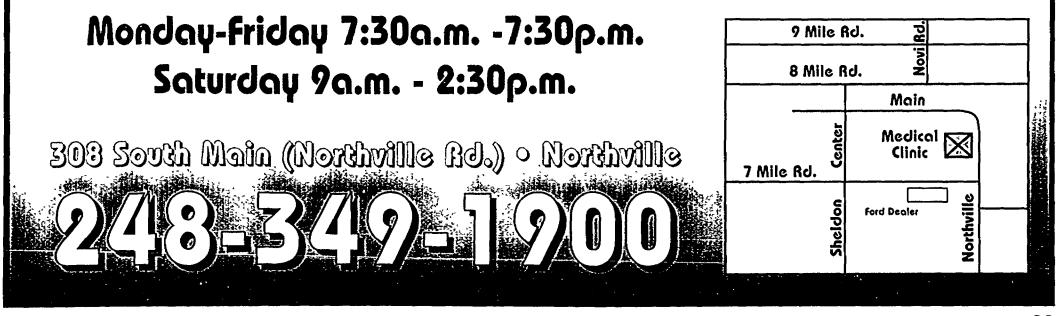
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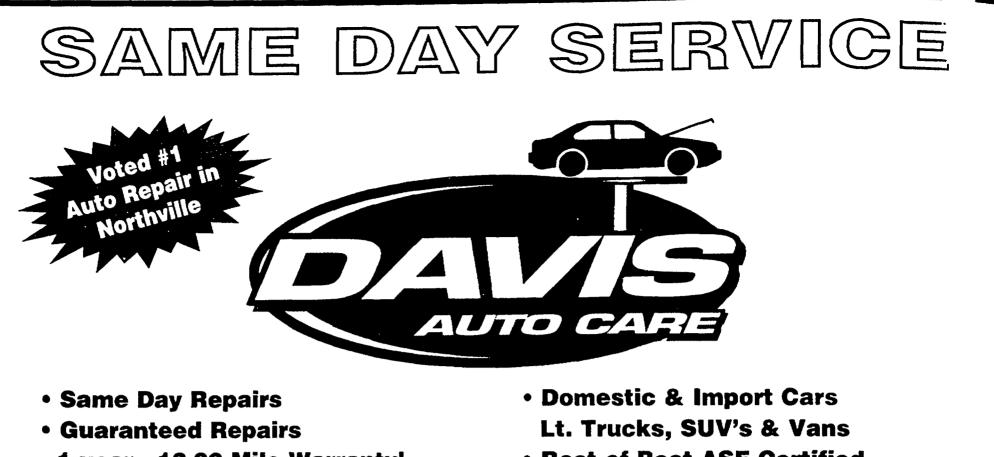
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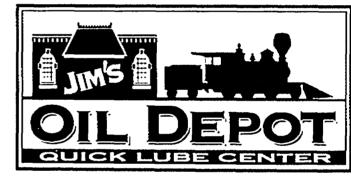
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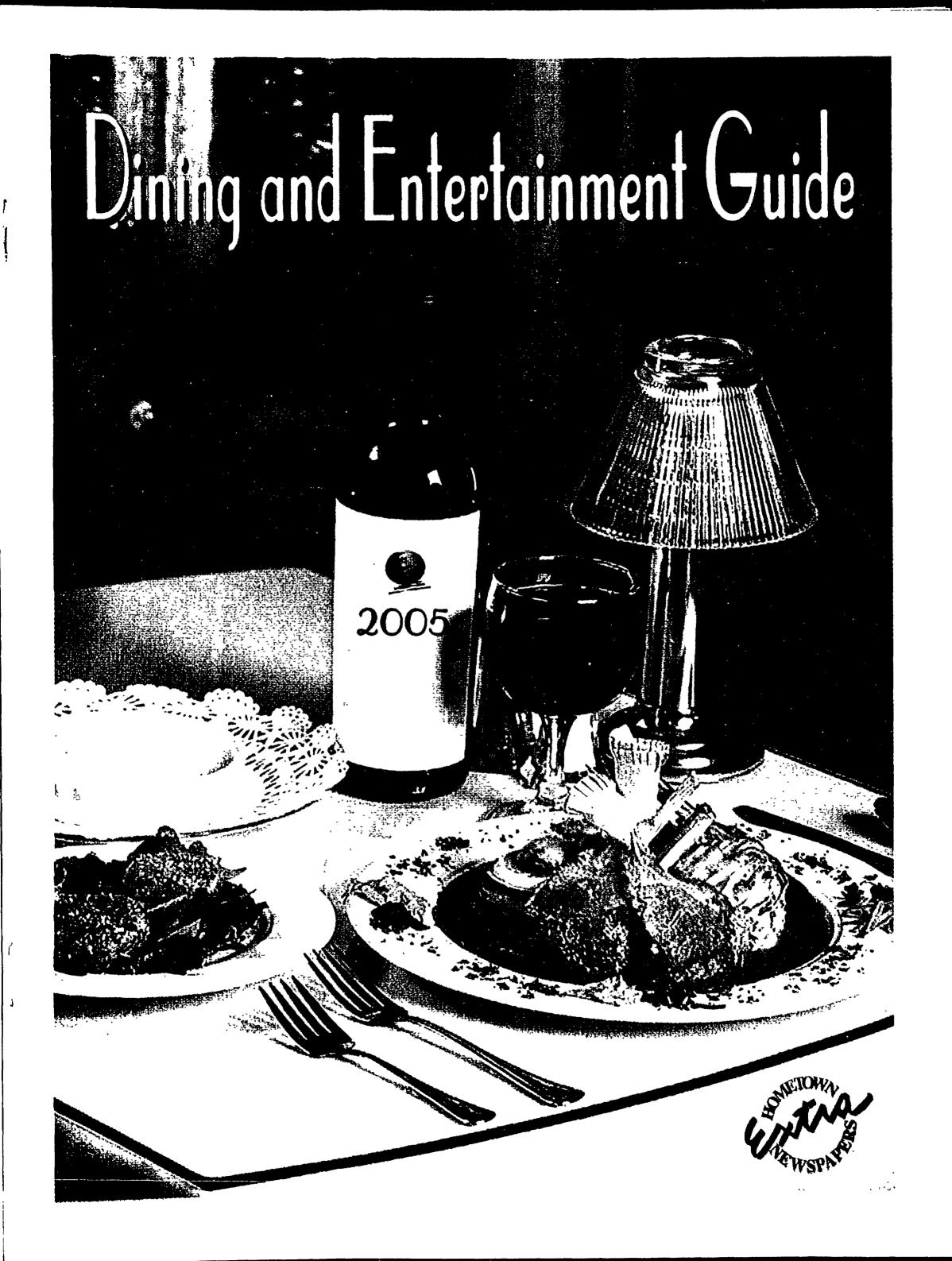


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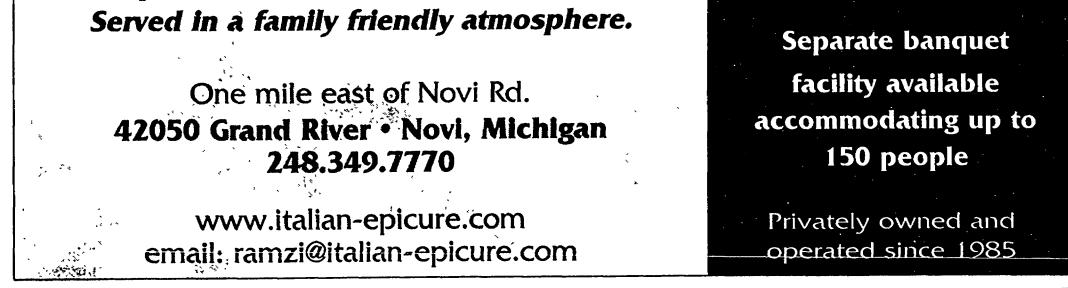
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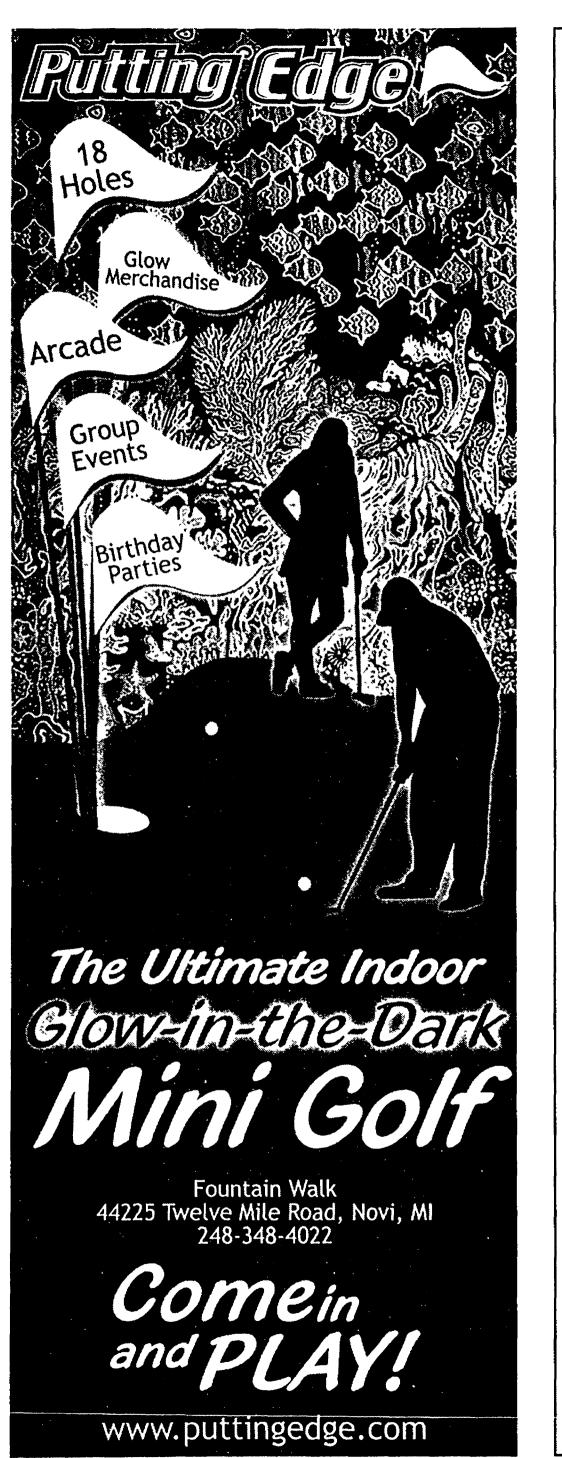
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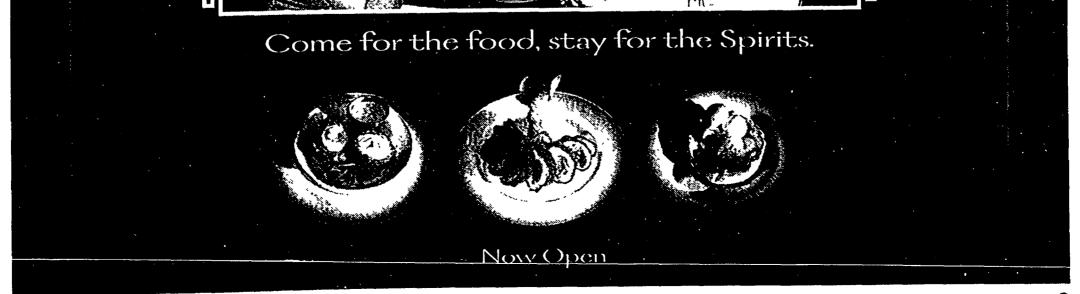






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Sunday, March 20th, 2005 • Noon - 4:00 PM South Lyon High School Commons (11 Mile & Pontiac Trail)

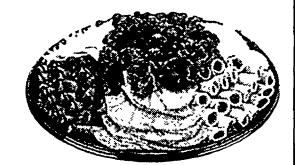


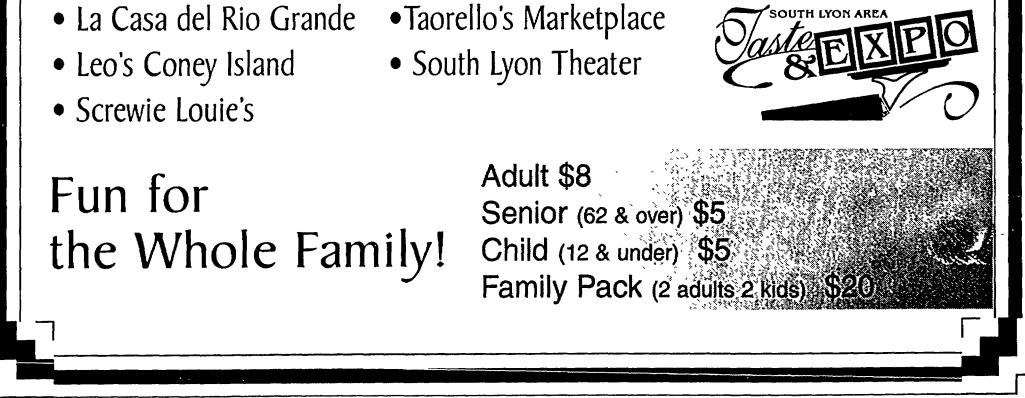
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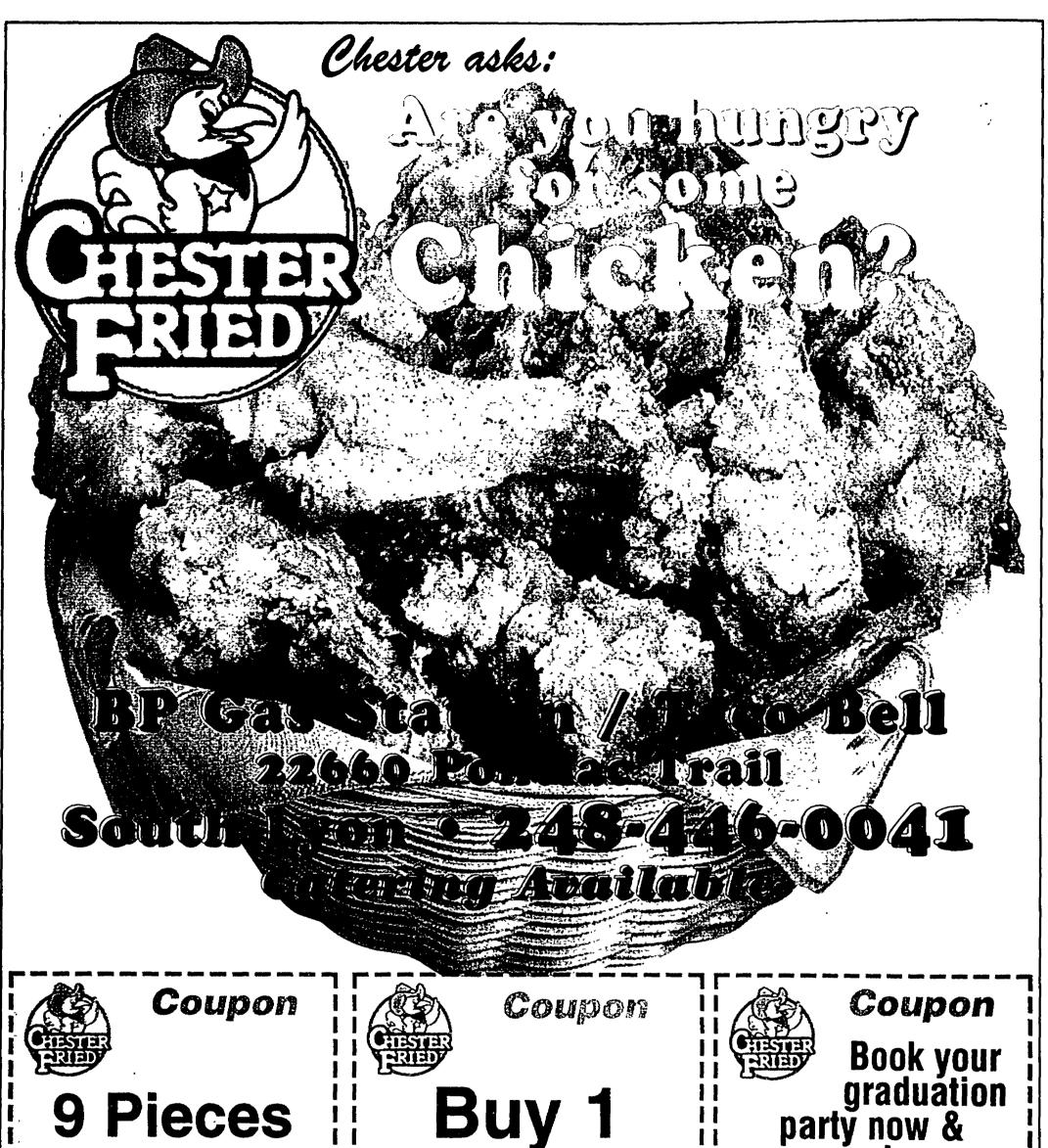
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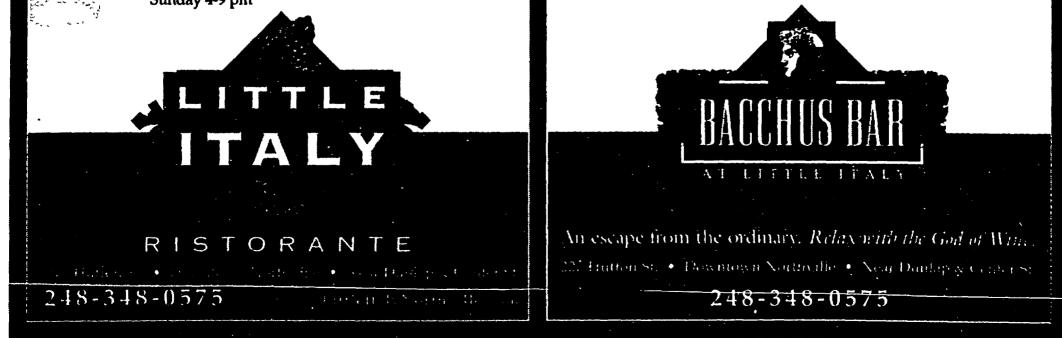
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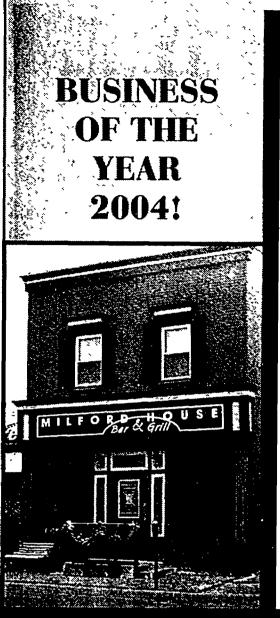


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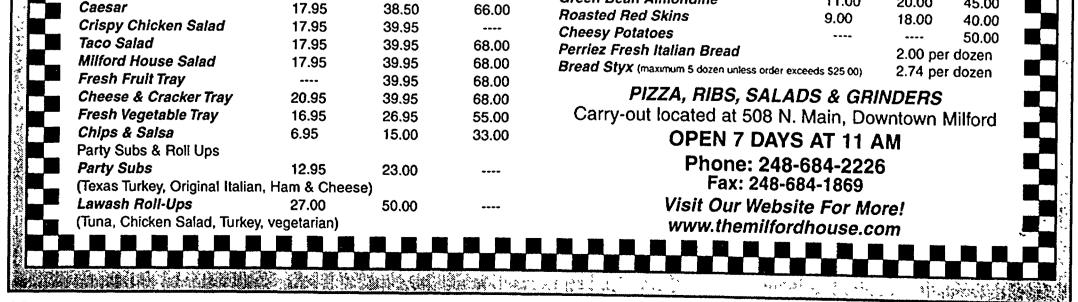
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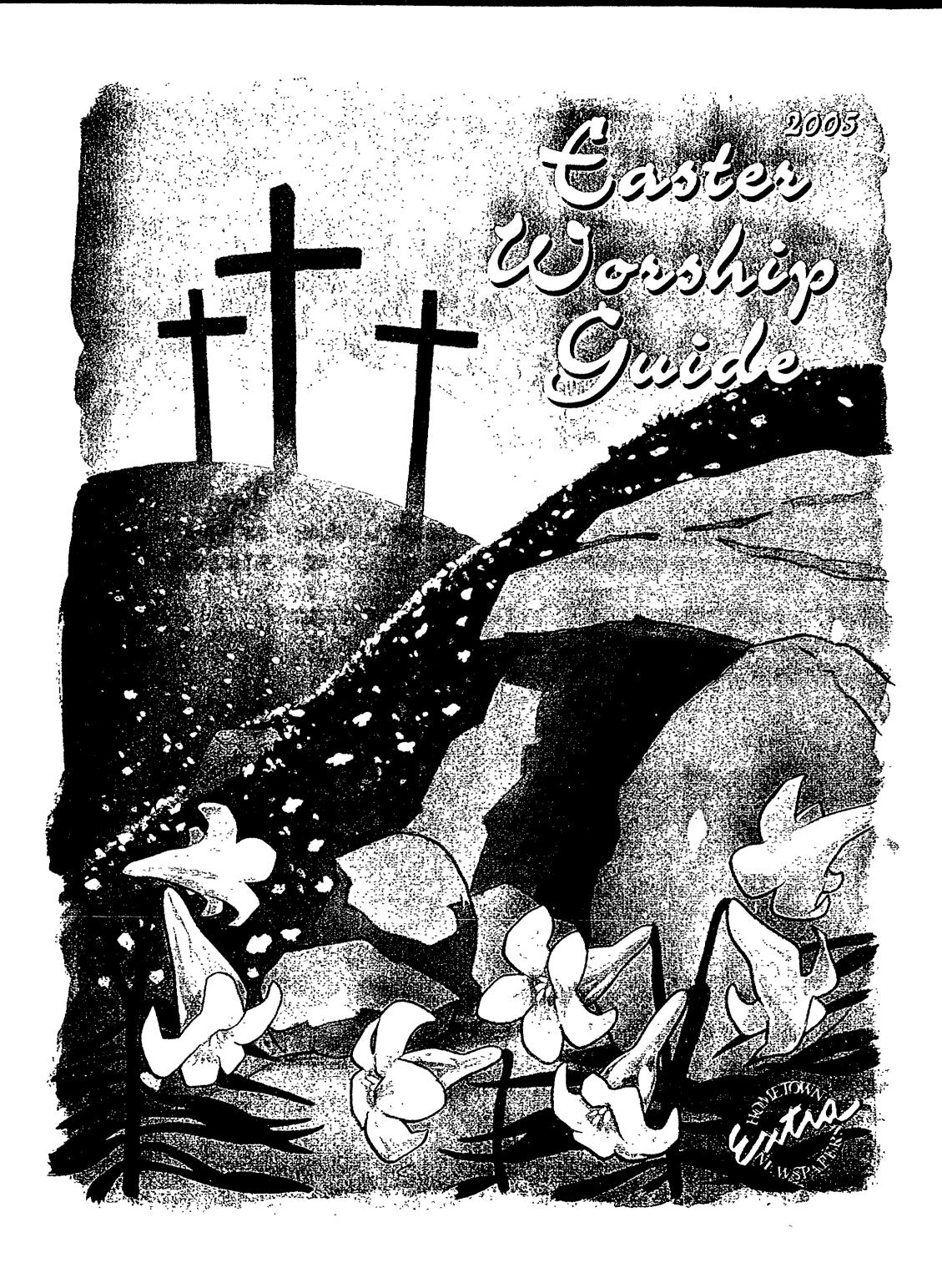
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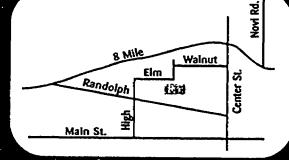
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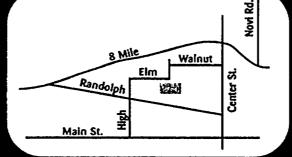
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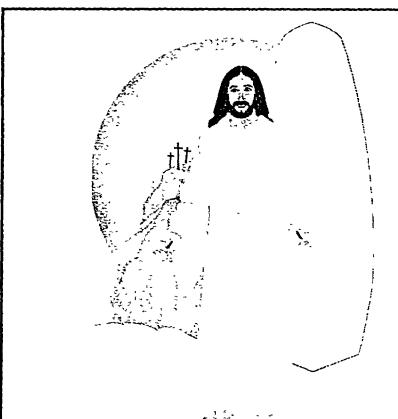
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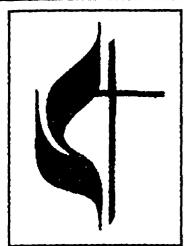
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Good Shepherd EVANGELICAL Lutheran Church (WELS) Easter Service Schedule



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EASTER WEEK SERVICES

PALM SUNDAY March 20, 2005 8:00am - Meditative Service 9:15 & 11:00 a.m. Services "It's All About You!" Youth Musical

WOMEN'S EASTER BRUNCH Tues., March 22, 2005 9:30am Meditation, Communion, Brunch

MAUNDY THURDAY March 24, 2005 7:00 pm Meditation, Choirs, Communion

ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE at Northville Presbyterian Church March 25, 2005 7:30 pm

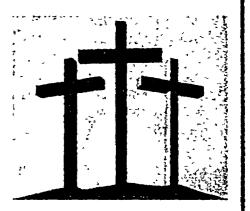
EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

March 27, 2005

8:00am - Quiet Meditative Service in the Chapel • 9:15 am & 11:00 am Festive Easter Services Nursery/Toddler at 9:15 & 11:00am Services Sunday School, K thru 6th grade - 9:15 & 11:00am • Handicap accessible

EASTER BREAKFAST

Served by the Men's Club from 8:00 - 11:00 am





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Our Lady Of Victory Easter Liturgy Schedule

Good Friday Holy Saturday Easter Sunday Holy Thursday Palm Sunday March 27 March 24 March 25 March 26 March 20 7:30 • 9 • 11 • 12:30 Liturgy • 8pm 7:30 • 9 • 11 • 12:30 Stations of the Cross Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30pm Liturgy • 1pm 770 Thayer Boulevard - Off West Main Street • Northville 248-349-2621

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Sunday, March 20 (Palm Sunday) Worship @ 9:45 a.m. Palm processional and presentation by Children's Choir. Chancel Choir will present "Preparing For The Passion" Arranged & Directed by George Jonte, Minister of Music Choir w/soloists, PaulCrane/ Accompanist and Narration by Rev. John Kershaw

Schedule of Services:

<u>Thursday, March 24 (Maundy Thursday)</u> Tenebrae Service - 7:00 p.m. Service Of Darkening Peparing for the events of Good Friday Last Supper - Communion Served

Friday, March 25 (Good Friday) Noon - Community Wide Service@ Holy Family Catholic Church 24505 Meadowbrook 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. - Walk The Labyrinth Inspirational Meditation & Prayer Time Memorial Hall -Novi UMC Sunday, March 27 (Easter) 7:30 a.m. - Sunrise Service 8:15 a.m. - Churchwide Breakfast 9:45 a.m. - Easter Morning Worship

Regular Worship Time Each Sunday - 9:45 a.m. Friendship Hour Immediately Following Adult & Youth Sunday School at 11:15 a.m. Children's Sunday School 10-11:45 a.m.

ROC International Church Easter Weekend Services and Events

Friday, March 25th 7:00 PM Good Friday Service

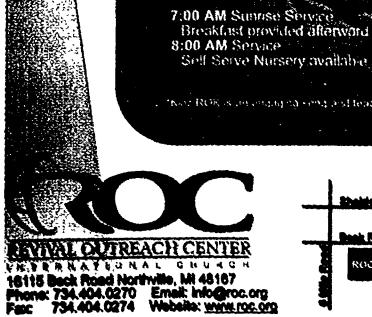
Easter Sunday, March 27th,

Easter Egg Hunts 11:30 AM, Located at Soccer fields next door in Northville Located at Lincoln Liementary School In Westland

Saturday, March 26th

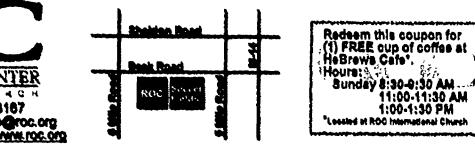
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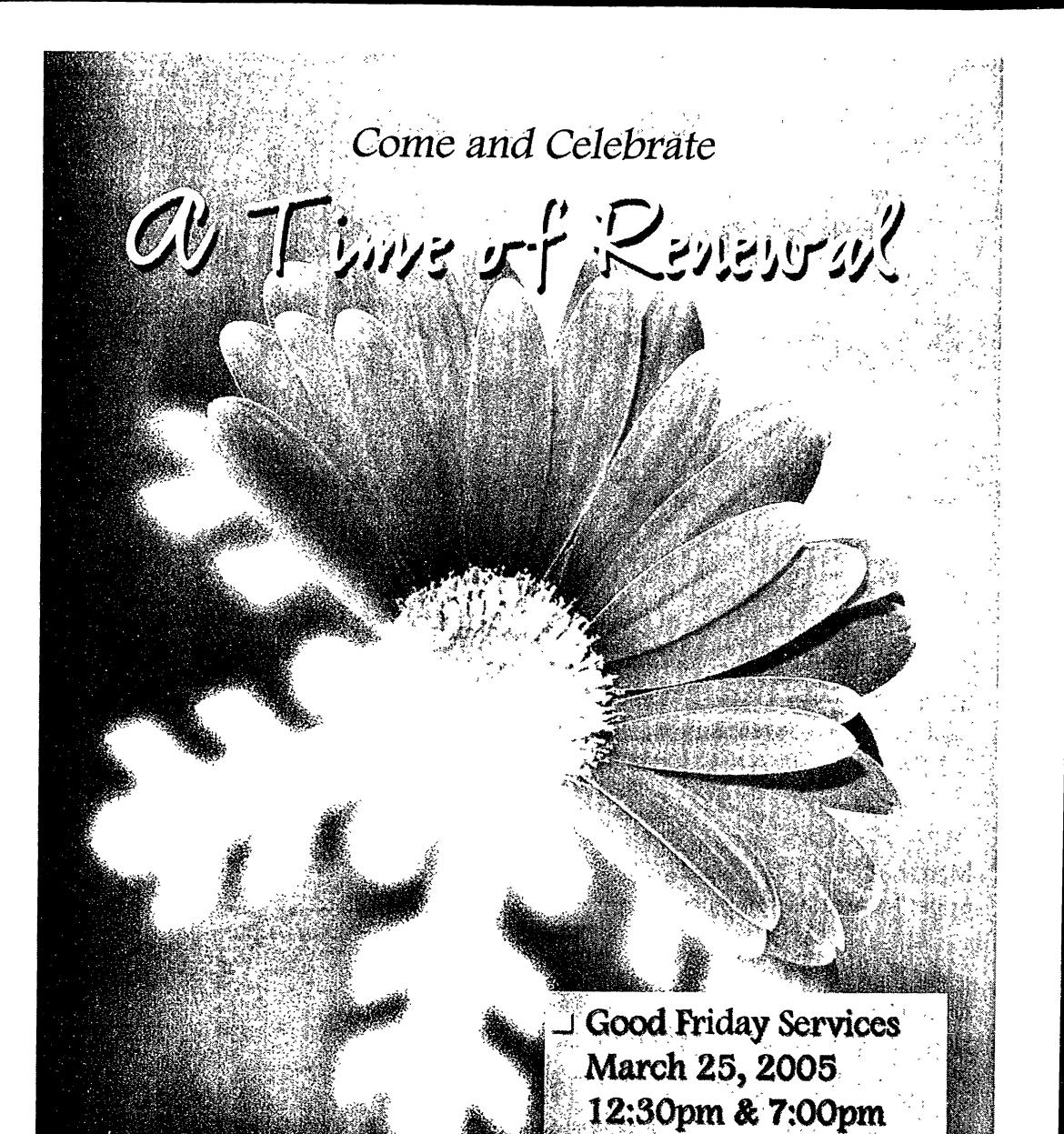


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Our Young Life Center



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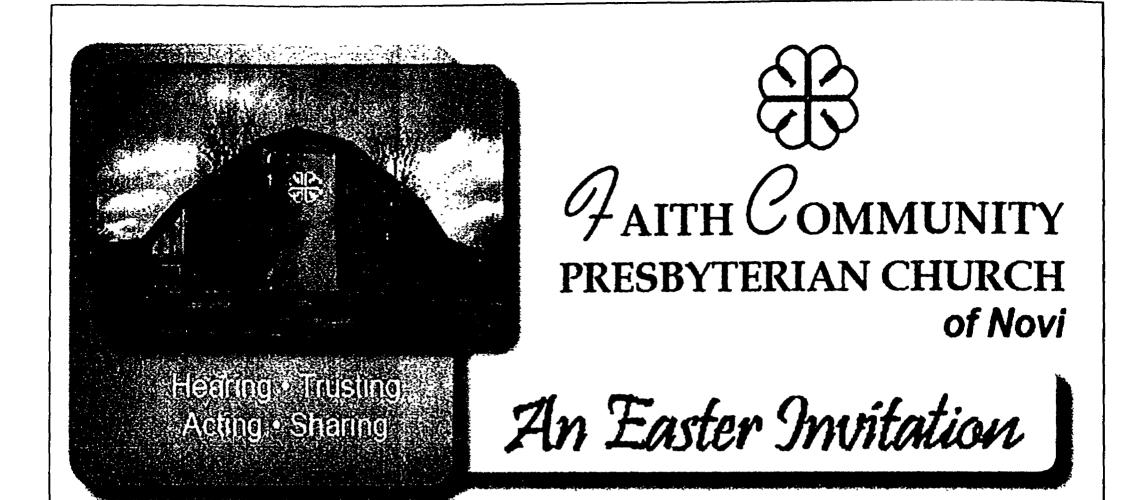


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- Easter Sunday Services

March 27, 2005 9:00am & 10:45am

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Palm Sunday Worship and Cantata March 20, 9:00 & 10:30 AM Faith Community choir & orchestra presents The Dawn of Resurrection

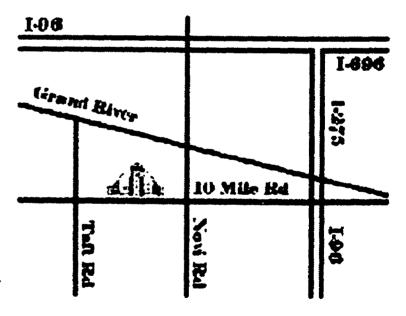
Maundy Thursday March 24, 7:30 PM Seder Meal and Communion

Community Good Friday Worship Service

March 25, 12:00 noon Holy Family Catholic Church on Meadowbrook Rd.

Easter Services at: 44400 West Ten Mile Road (Between Novi & Taft Roads) Novi, MI 48375 248-349-2345

www.faithcommunity-novi.org e-mail: office@faithcommunity-novi.org



Easter Sunday March 27, 7:00 AM Sunrise Service Easter breakfast immediately following service Easter Services continued: 9:00 AM & 10:30 AM Celebration of the Resurrection



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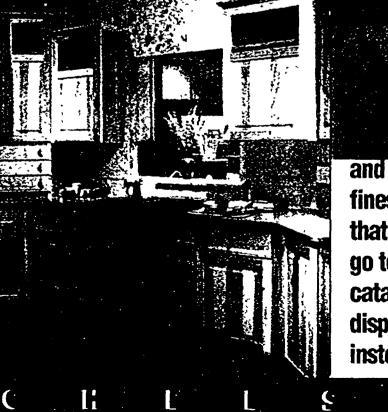
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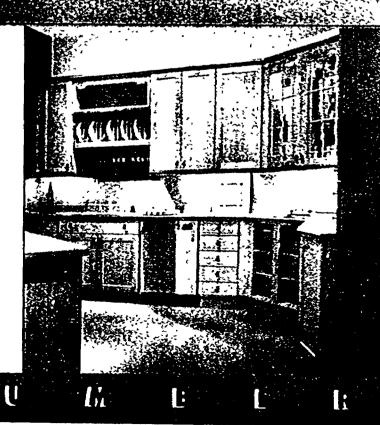




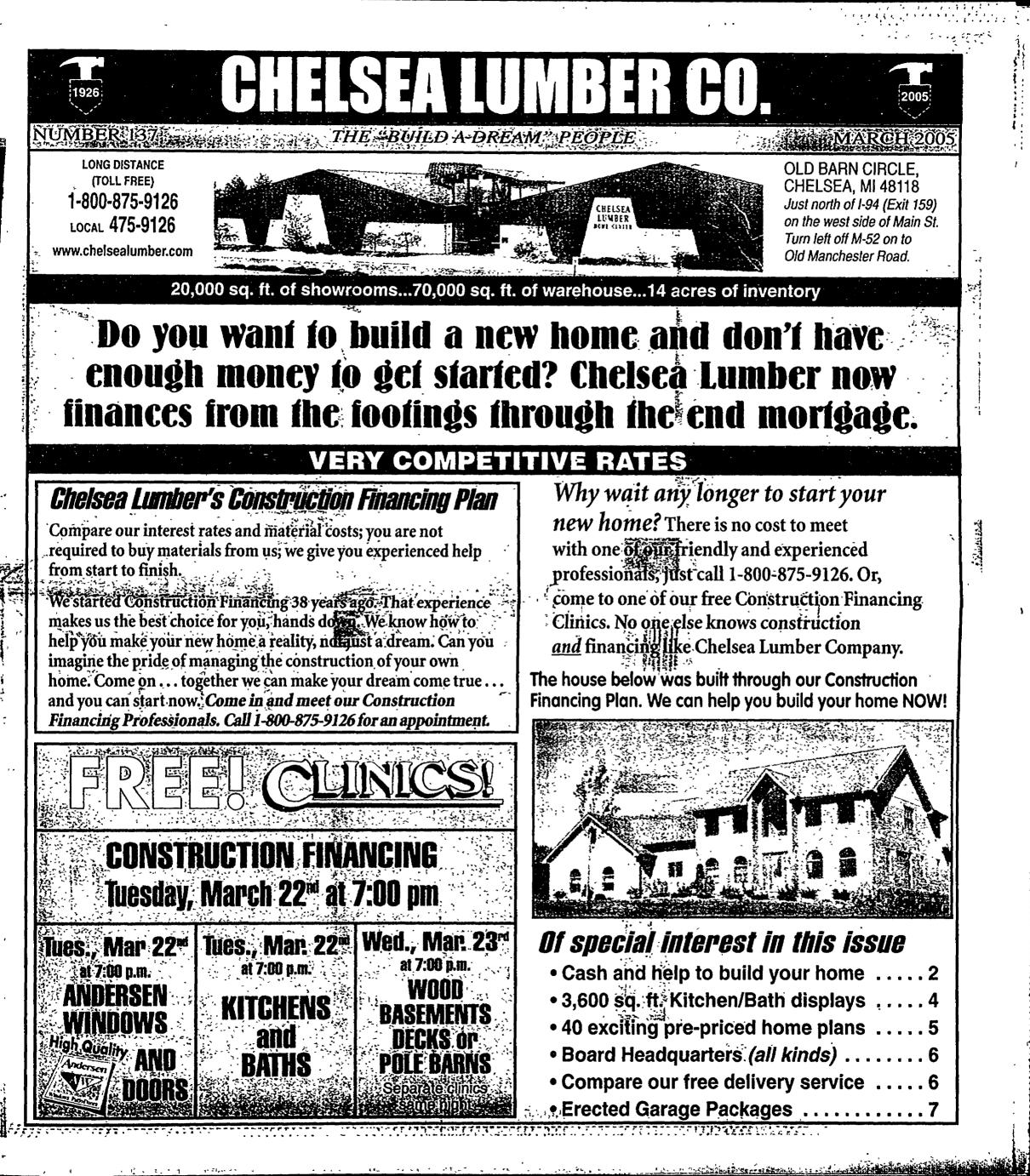


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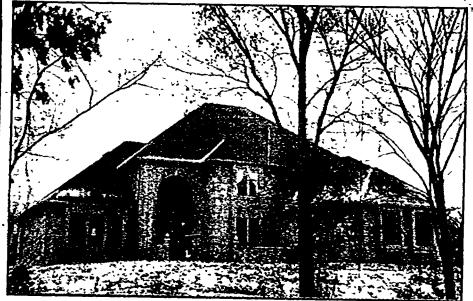


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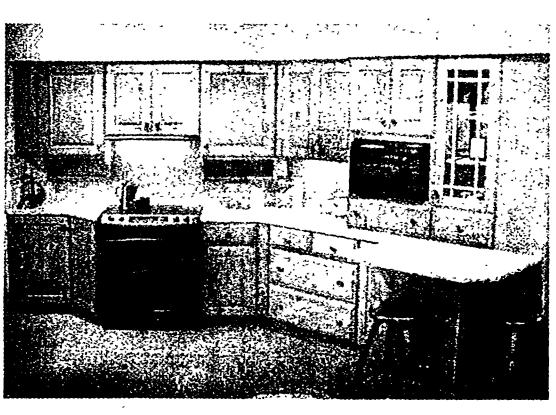
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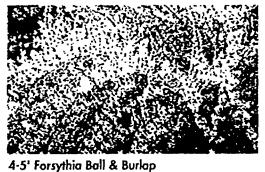
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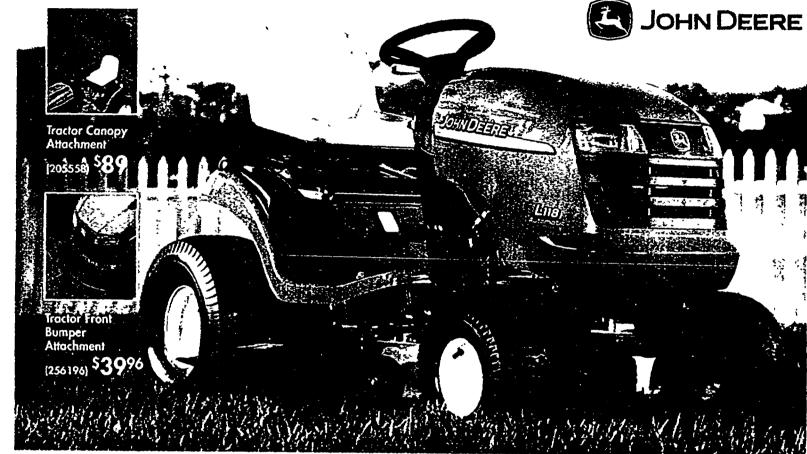
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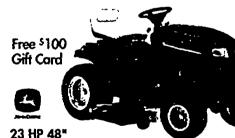
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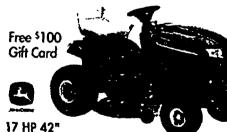
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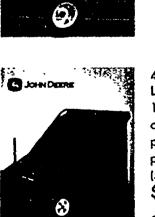


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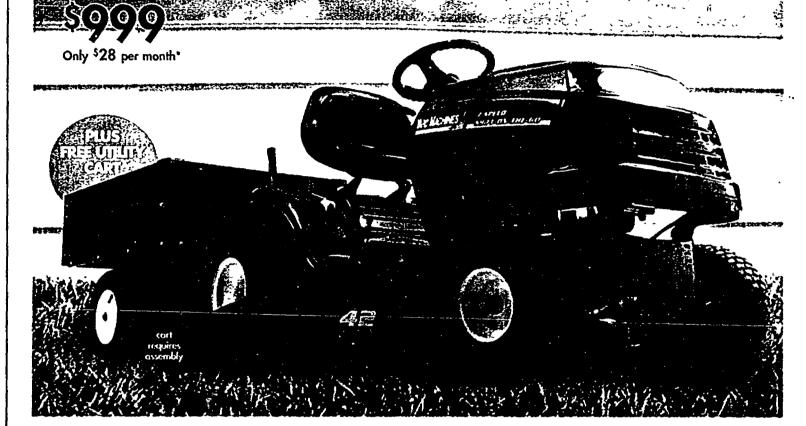


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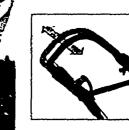
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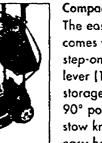
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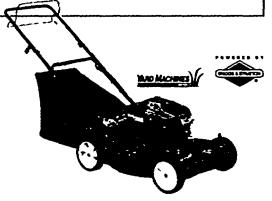
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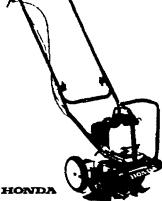


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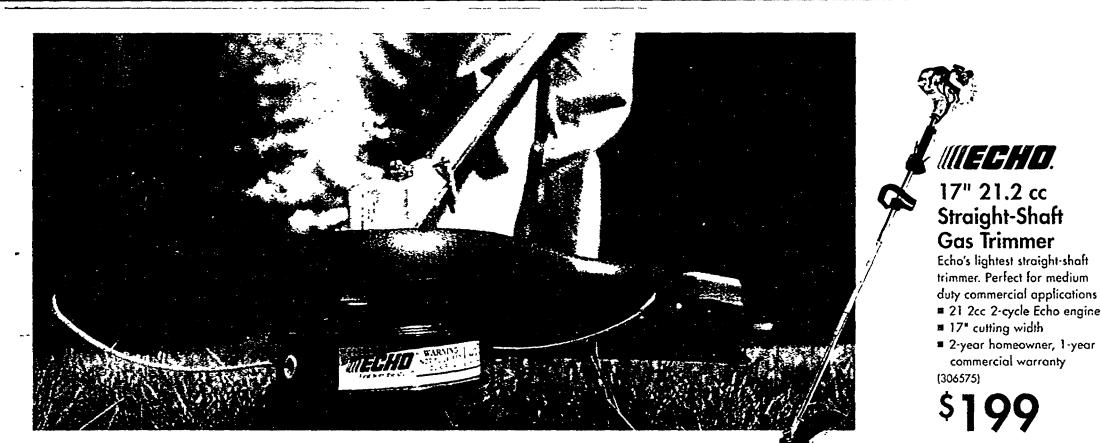




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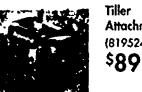


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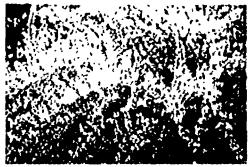
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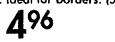
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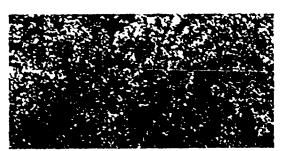


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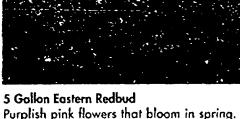
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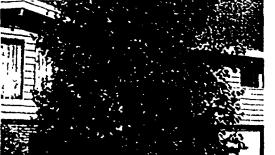


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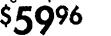
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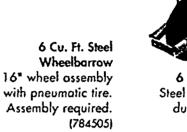
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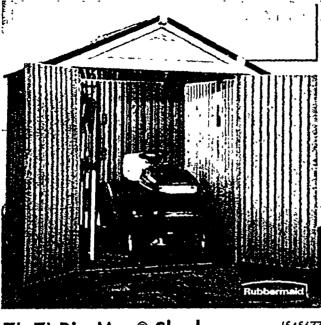


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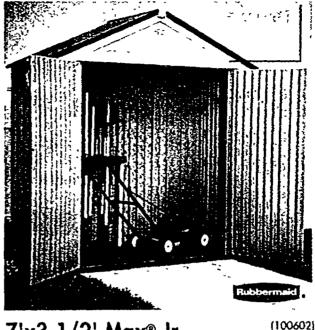
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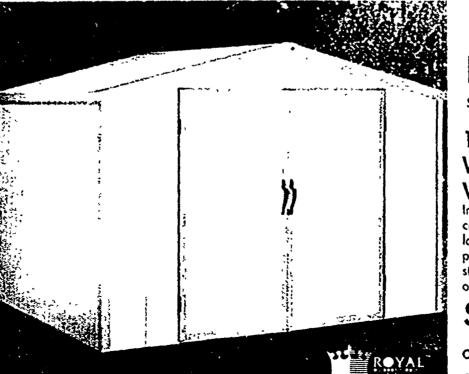
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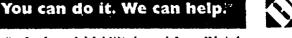
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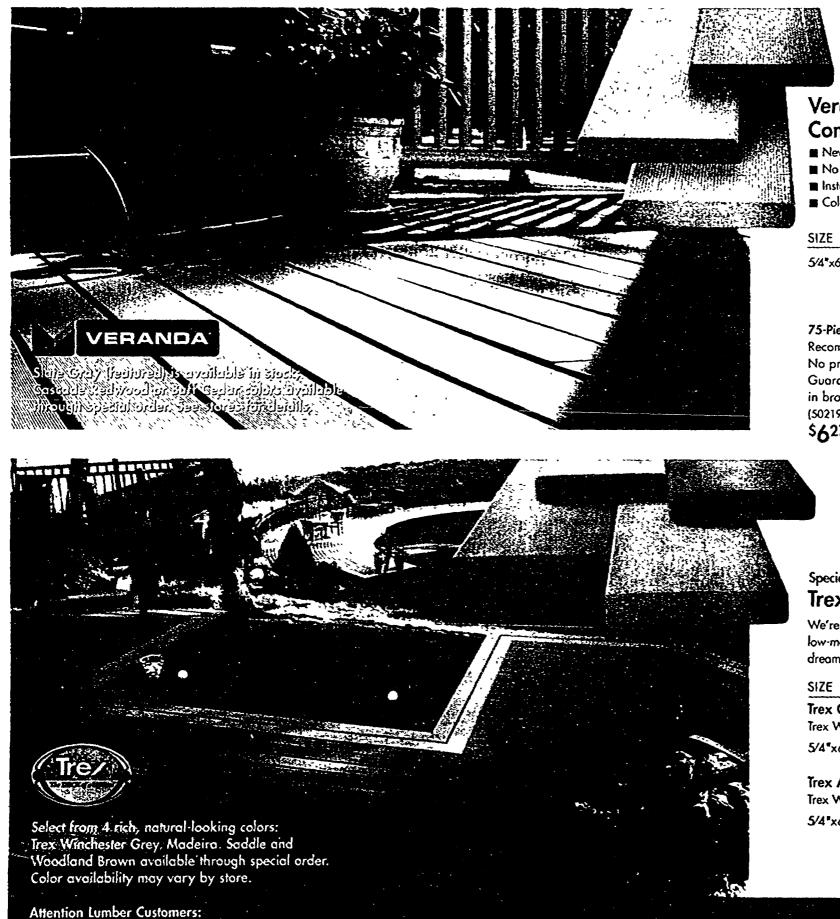


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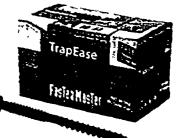
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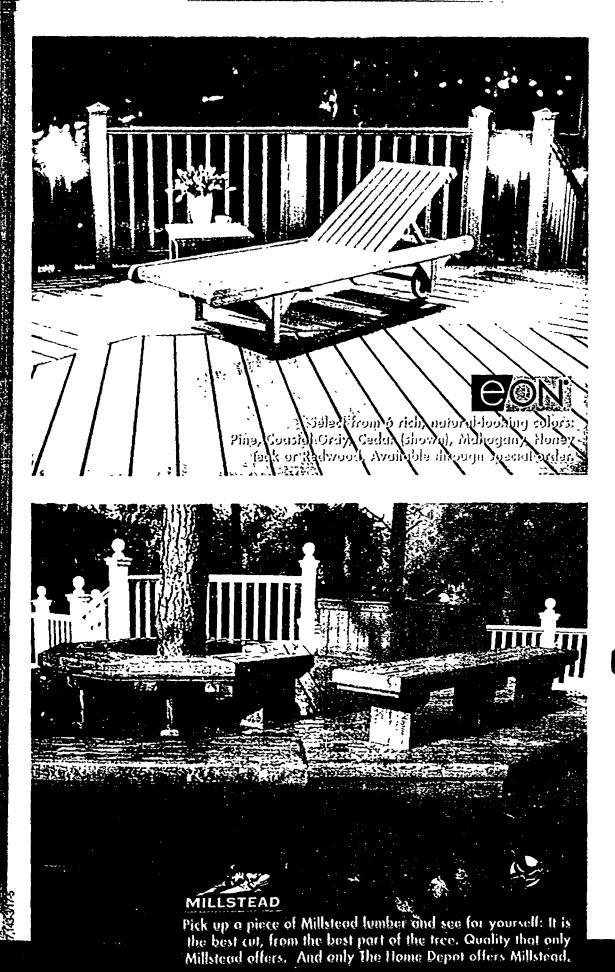
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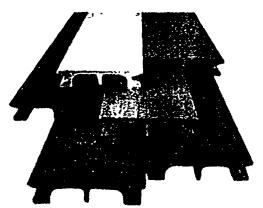
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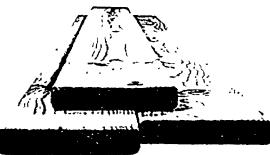


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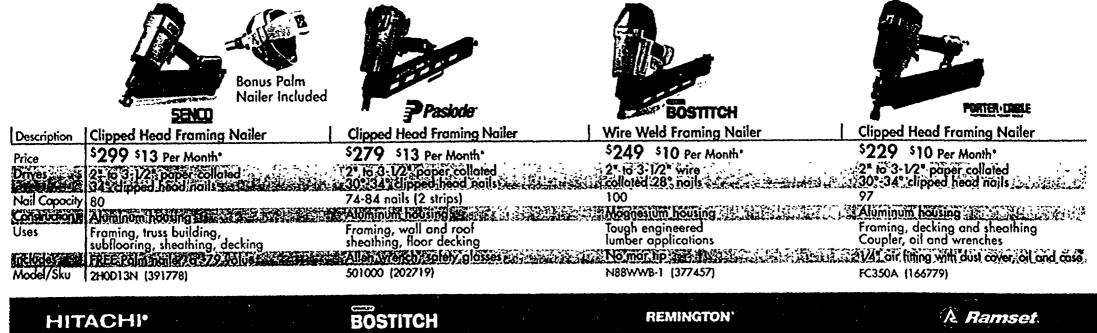
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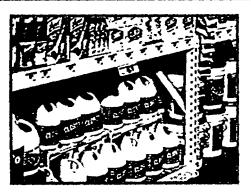
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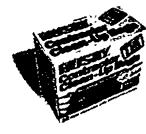
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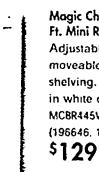


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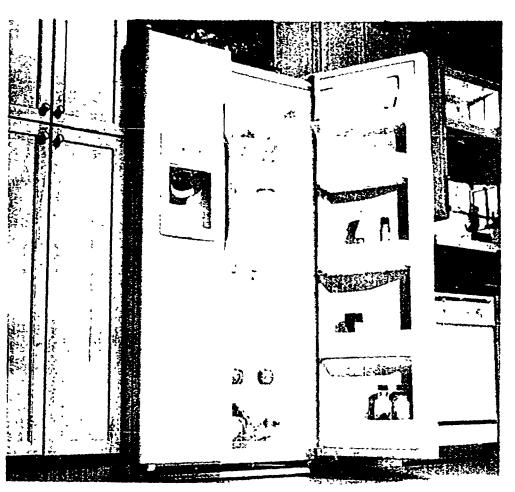


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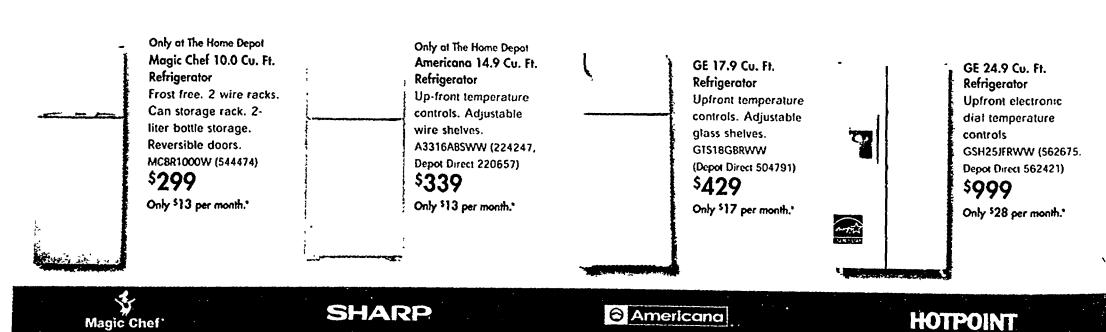
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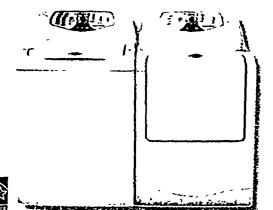


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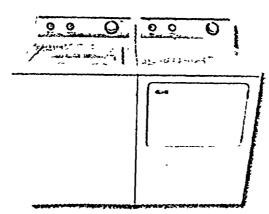
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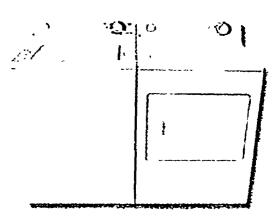


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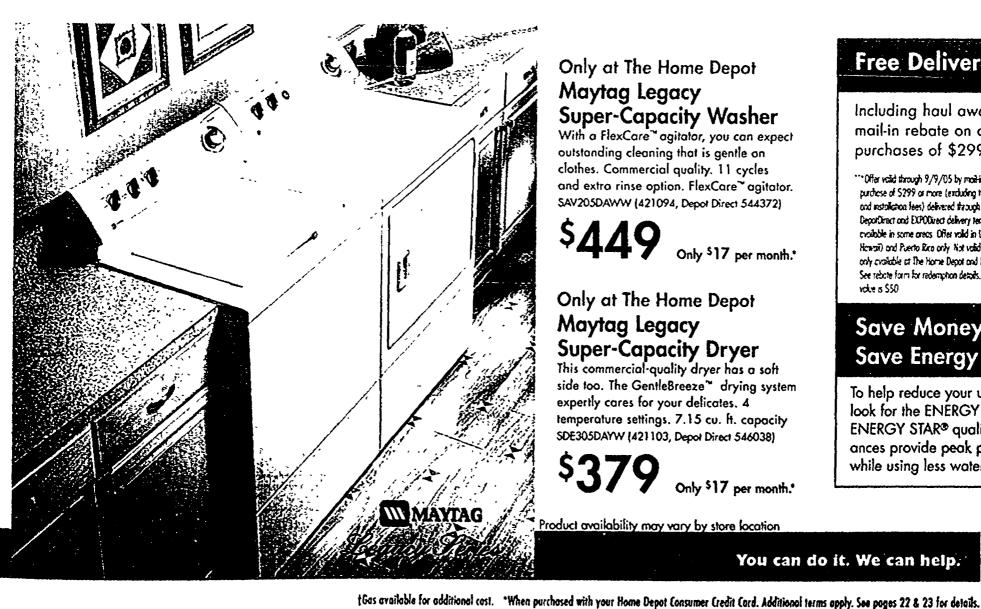
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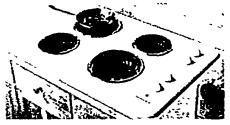


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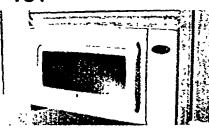


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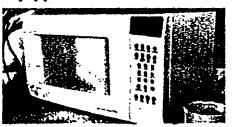
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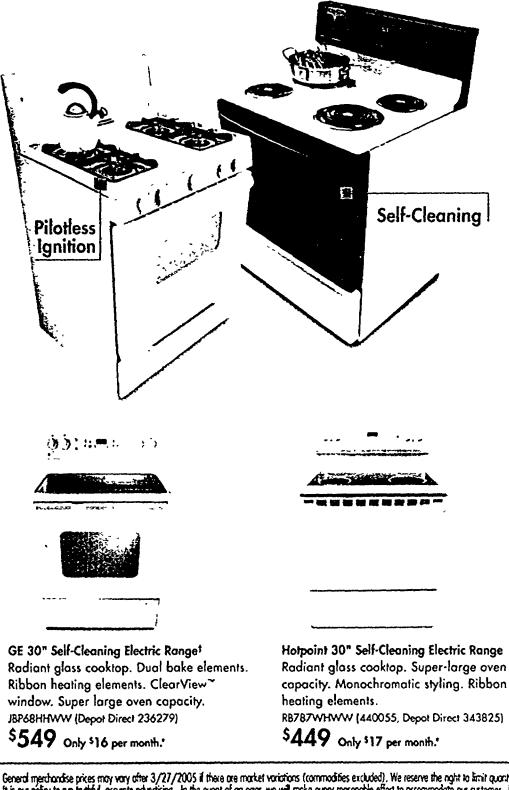
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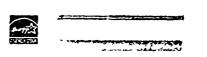
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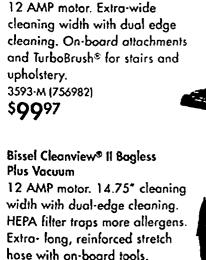
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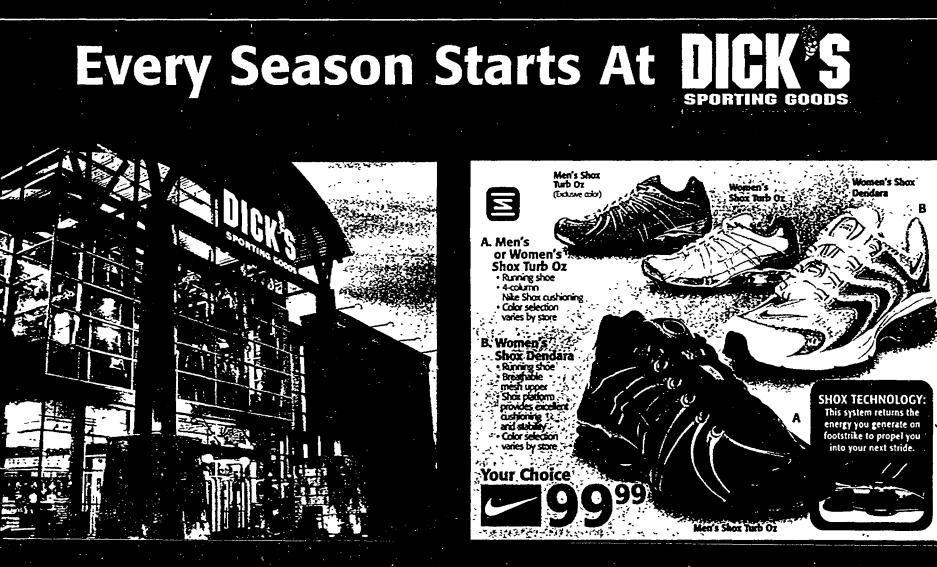


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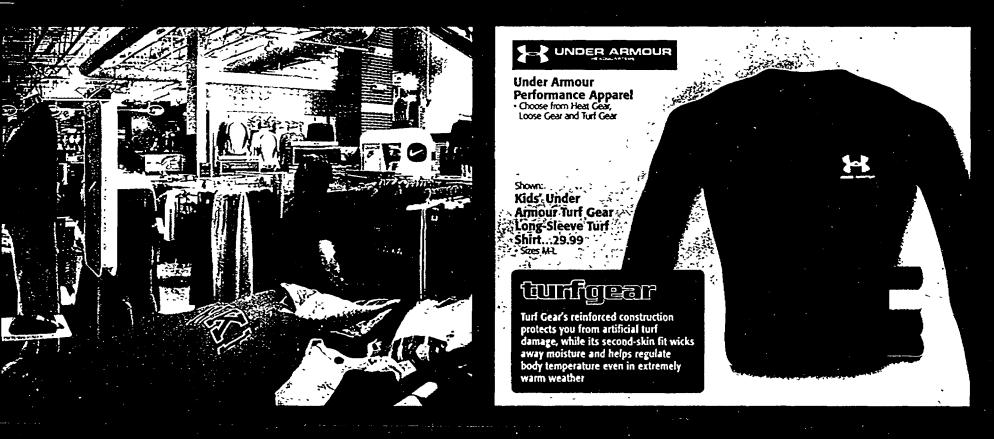
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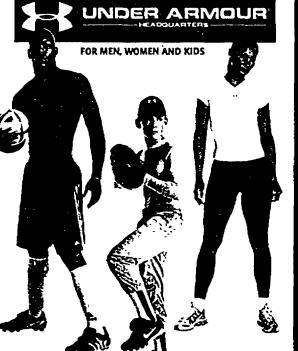
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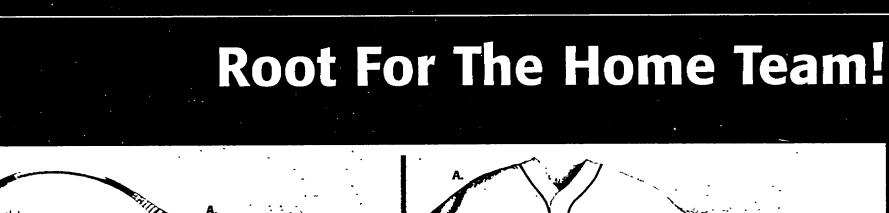
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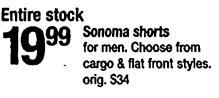


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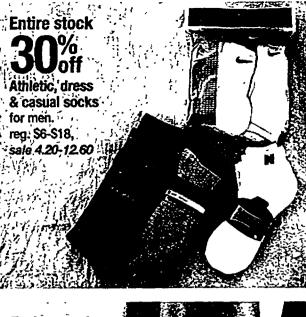
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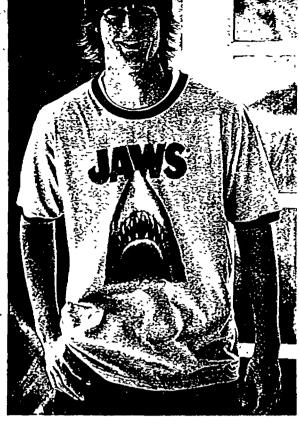
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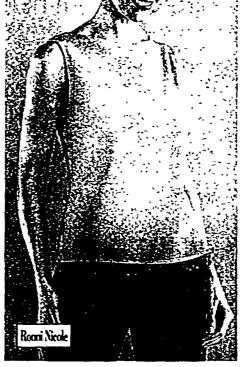




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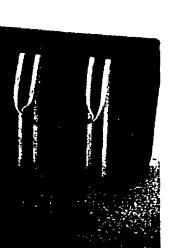








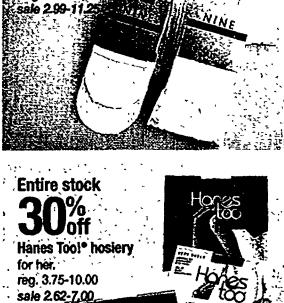
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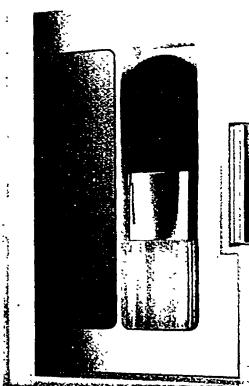
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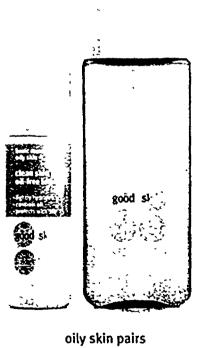
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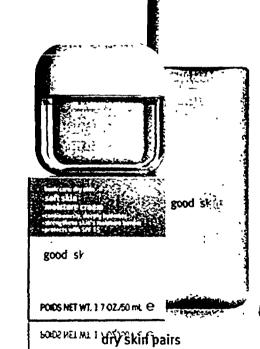
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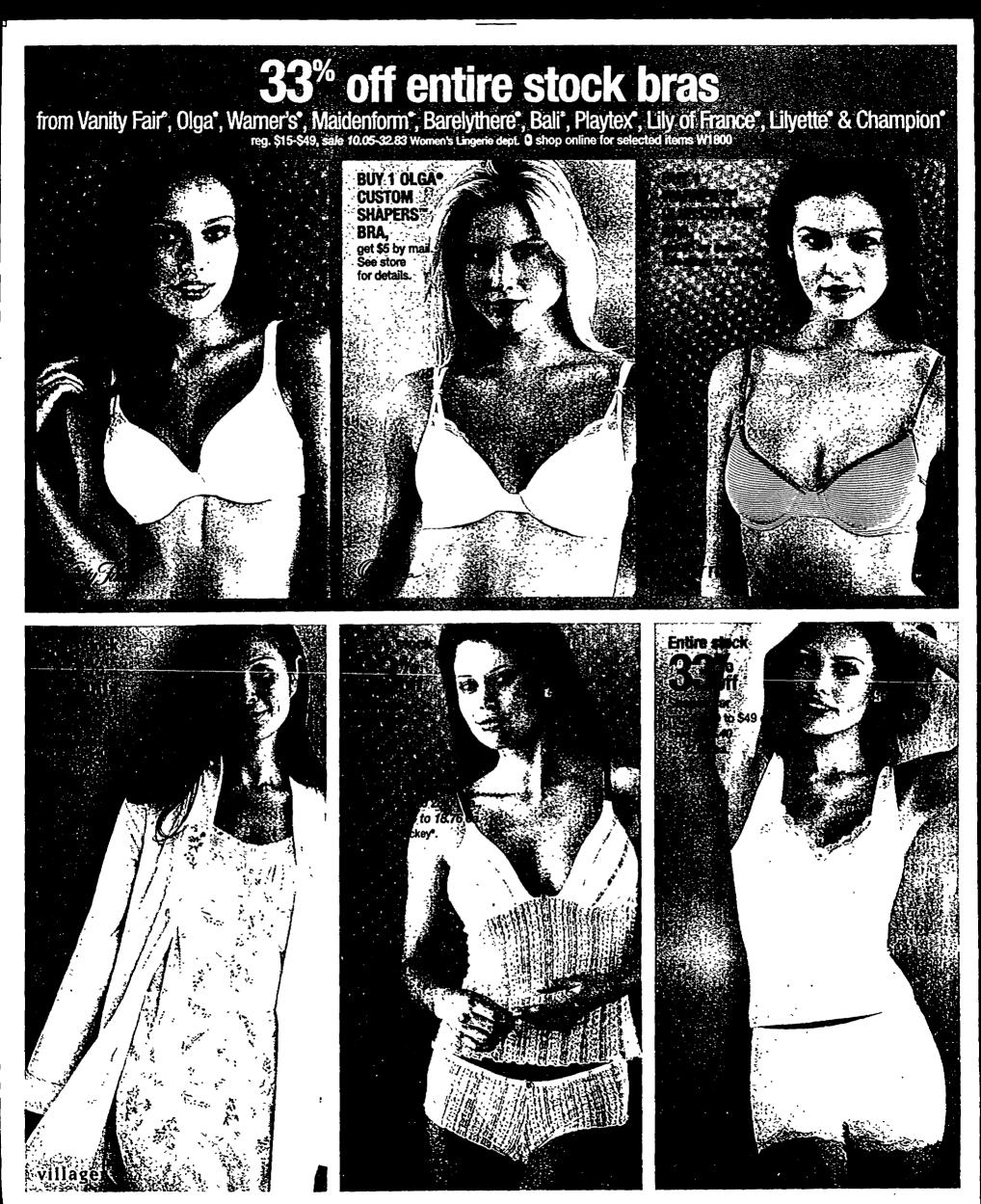




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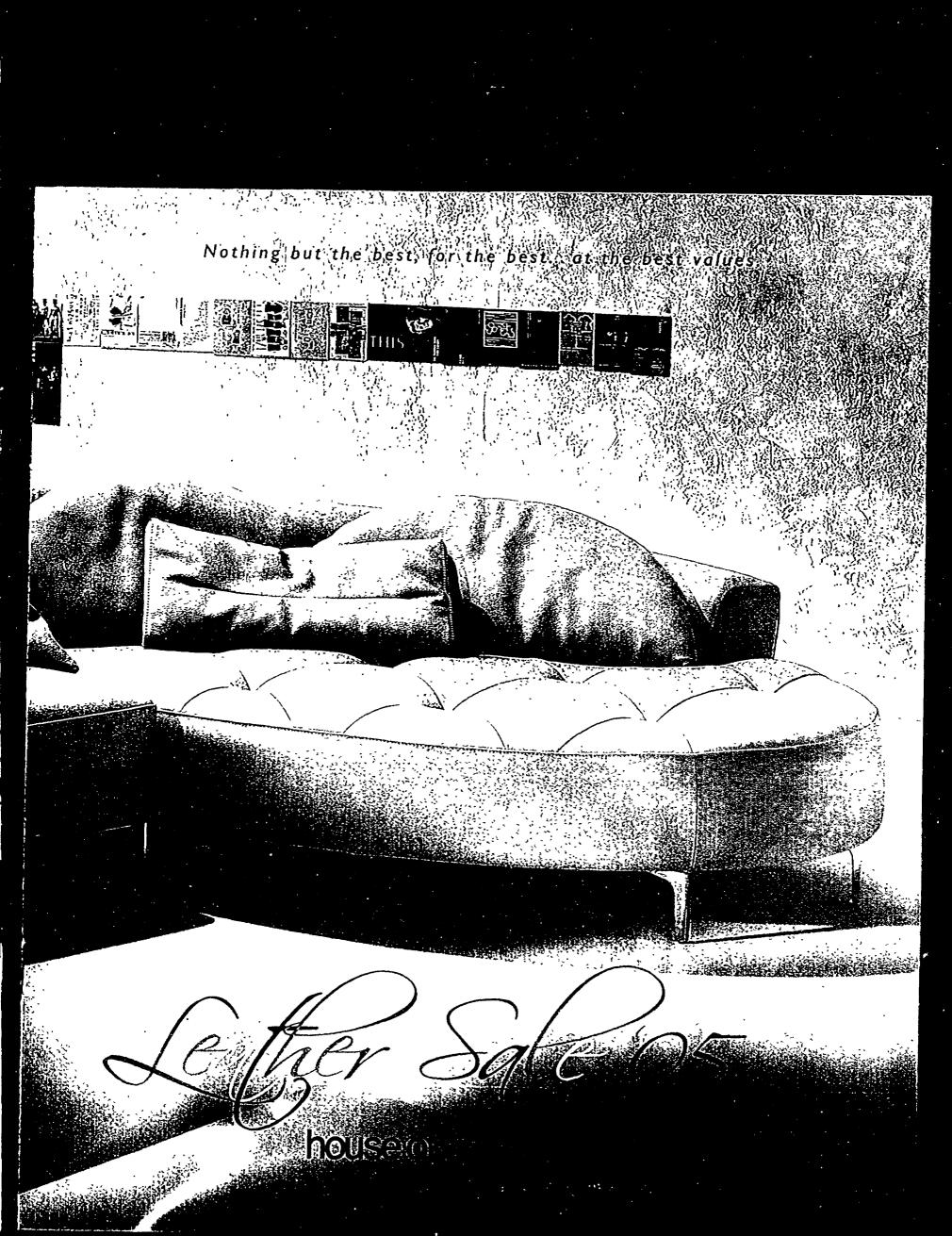
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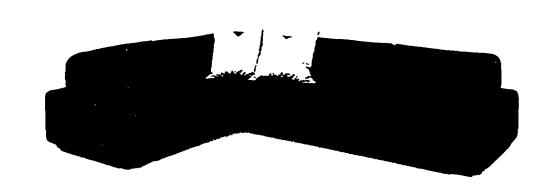
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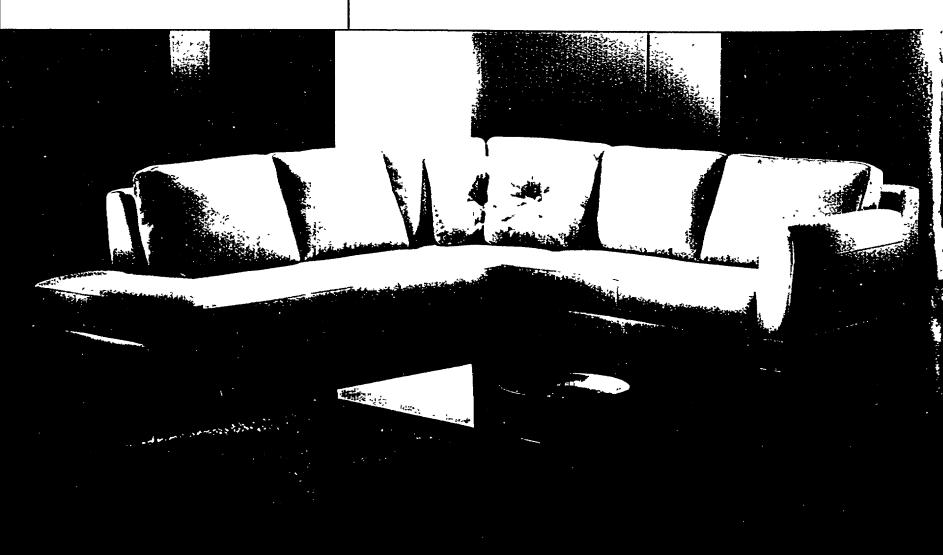
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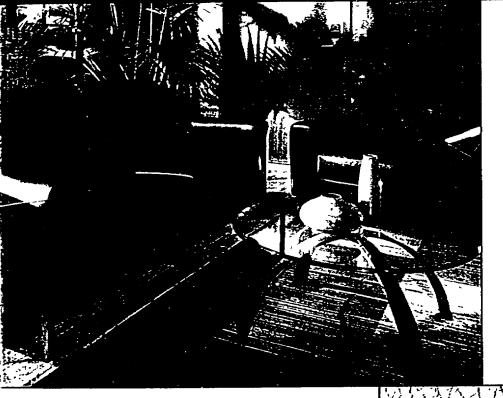
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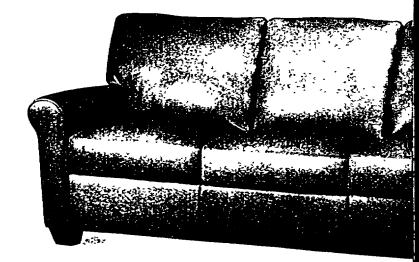


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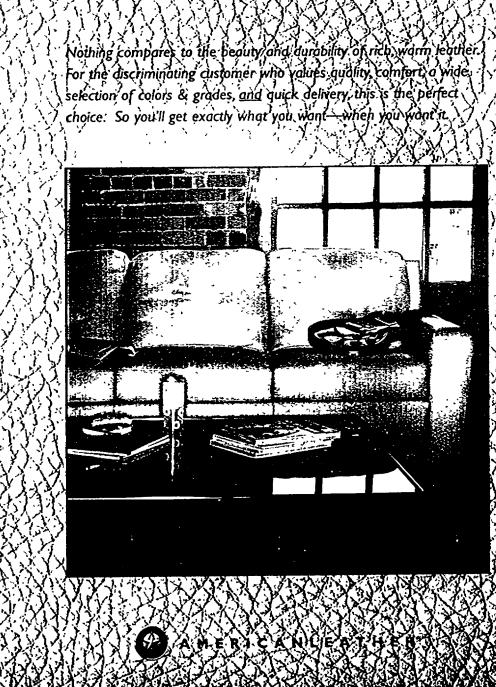
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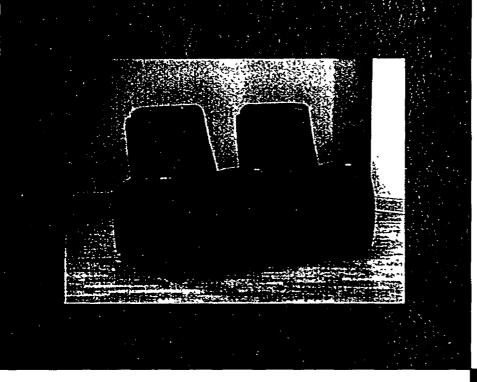
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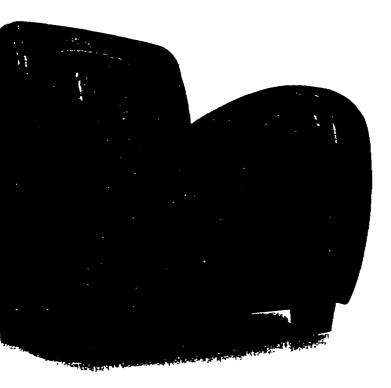




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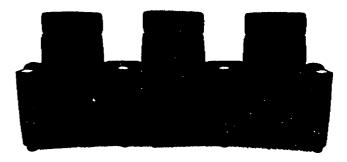
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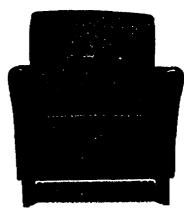
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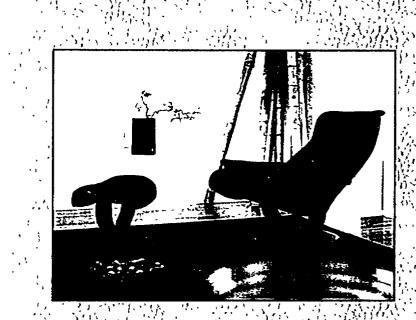
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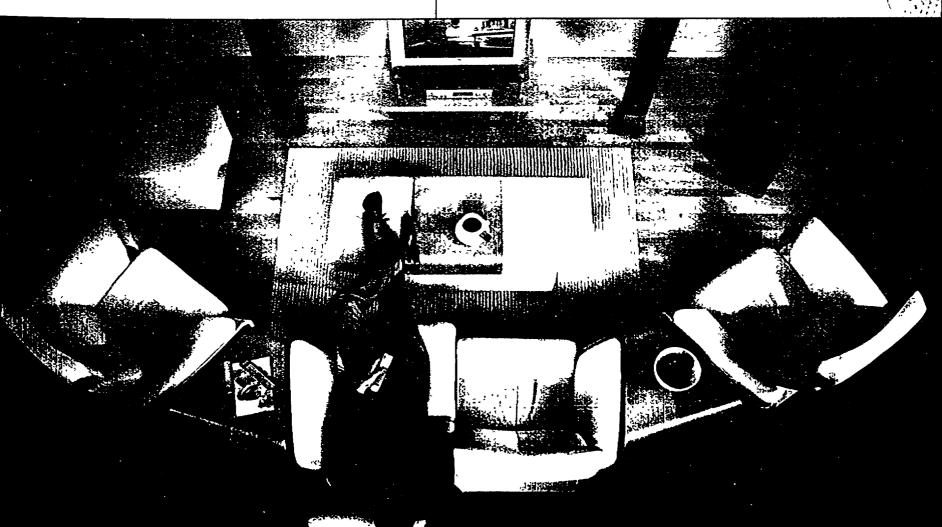


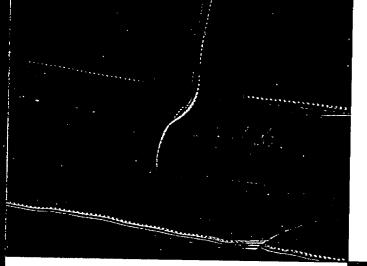




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Ask American Profile

Q What happened to Jodi Applegate? I used to enjoy watching her on the Today show. —Darla B., New York

After Jodi Applegate appeared on the *Today* show in 1999, she spent four years in Boston working at WFXT, the Fox affiliate. Late last year, Applegate, 40, moved back to New York City to co-anchor Fox's *Good Day New York*. "Every work place is a different experience, whether it's network or local," says Applegate, a Pittsburgh native. "I enjoyed my time in Boston—there is a high qual-

ity of life there. I was able to live in the 'burbs' and have a 10-minute commute, which was a nice change of pace. Now I'm in the city, but I'm close to Central Park, so it's almost like having a huge yard. We're trying to create a suburban experience in the city. I get up at 4 a.m., and I'm at work by 4:30, so I didn't want a long commute. We bought an apartment, in an old building, which we're renovating, which is fun," says Applegate, whose husband, Rob Nikoleski, is a sportscaster, currently looking for a new job. "In television, you tend to have to move around. I welcome every new experience," she says.

Q What is Jodie Sweetin from Full House doing now?

---Rebecca T., Wisconsin



in Ralph Emery w Now 23, Jodie Sweetin lives in Long Beach, Calif., in the same area where she grew up, and has been married to a police officer for two years. "I still audition occasionally for the entertainment business and keep in touch with the *Full House* cast as much as we can with our busy lives," she says. Sweetin recently graduated from Chapman University in Orange, Calif., and plans to teach elementary school. She and her husband have no children yet, "but within the next few years, we hope to start our family," she says.

Jodie Sweetin recently graduated from college.



Fox morning show anchor Jodi Applegate



Ralph Emery wrote four books.

Q Whatever became of Janice Rule? She used to be married to Ben Gazzara.

—Maria P., Idaho Actress Janice Rule, a native of Norwood, Ohio (pop. 21,675), died in 2003 at age 72 at her



Actress Janice Rule

New York City home. A dancer in her teens, she found her way into the movies, debuting in the 1951 film *Goodbye My Fancy*, and appeared on the cover of *Life* magazine as a rising star. She went on to star in *Bell, Book and Candle, The Suimmer* and *Three Women*. In the 1960s she became interested in psychoanalysis, eventually earning a doctorate in the field and practicing in New York and Los Angeles. She and actor Ben Gazzara, her third husband, were married from 1961 until 1979. She was survived by two daughters, Kate Thom Fitzgerakd and Elizabeth Gazzara.

Could you please tell me what became of Ralph Emery, the former host of Nashville Now?

-Vernon C., North Carolina

When Ralph Emery left *Nashville Now* in 1993 after 10 years, he stayed on with The Nashville Network for five years, doing a monthly interview show, *On the Record.* "I think we raised the bar for country music a little bit," says Emery, 72. "I take pride in it." He has authored four books, including his most successful, *Memories*, in 1991, and 2001's 50 Years Down a Country Road. Emery also has a comedy act that he occasionally takes to various state fairs and casinos. "Johnny Carson was my hero, and I enjoy watching comedians," says Emery, who particularly enjoyed working with Grandpa Jones

and Minnie Pearl. "I studied their timing," he says. He and wife Joy live in Nashville, Tenn., and have two sons, and Emery also has a son from a previous marriage. When weather permits, Emery plays golf with his buddy, singer-songwriter Tom T. Hall. "We play twice a week and we go out on the golf course and solve the world's problems," he says, laughing. "And some of our own."

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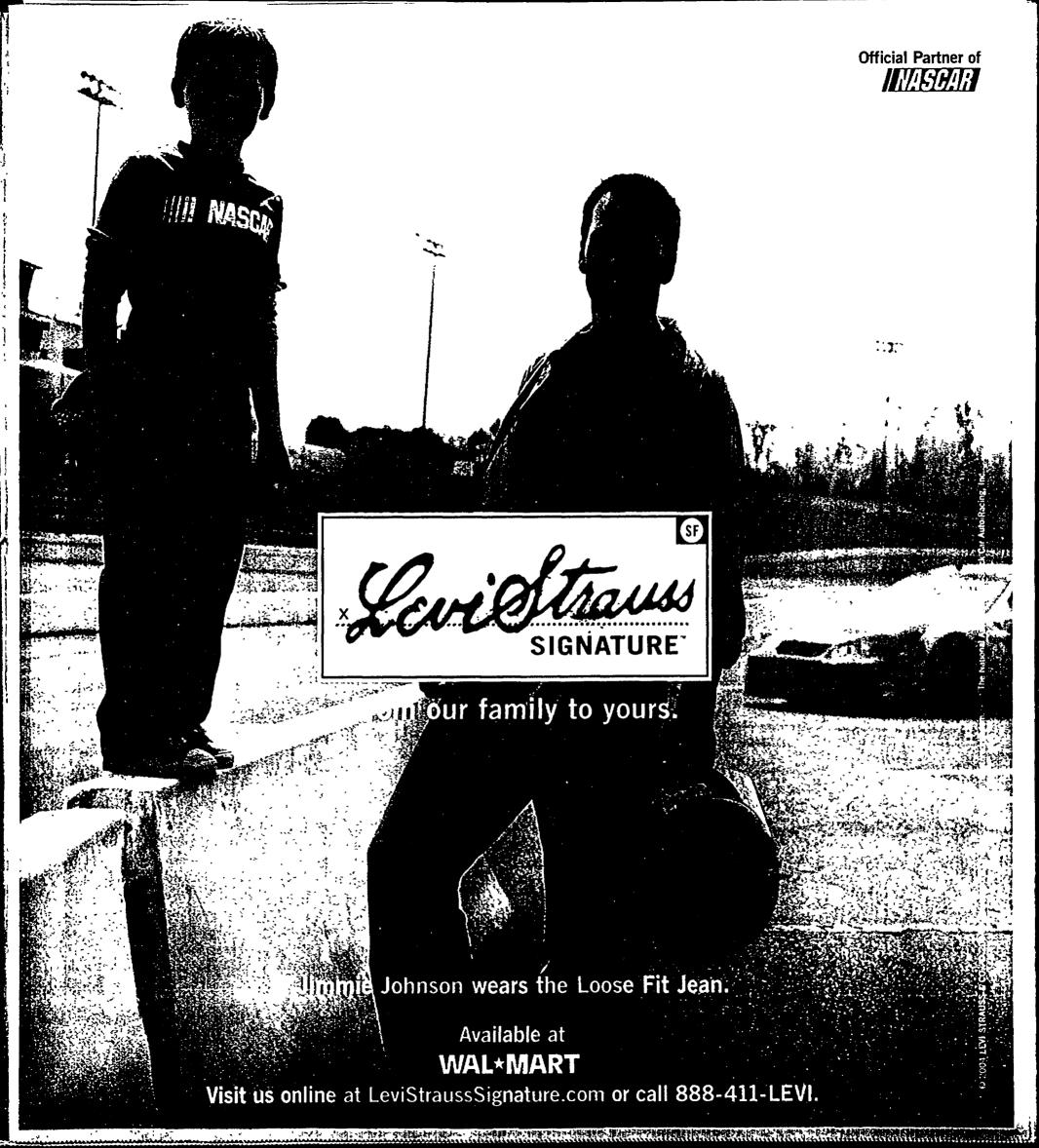
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by MARDY Fones

Menopause and Beyond

Health

Menopause is a major turning

point in a woman's life. As women age, physical and emotional changes occur as their levels of reproductive hormones decline and their ability to become pregnant ends.

During the process, some women have hot flashes and mood swings. Others have difficulty sleeping. Still others glide through menopause easily.

No matter how each woman experiences "the change," each eventually reaches the milestone, usually between the age of 48 and 55.

"It's like a bell ringing, saying, "Things are changing-time to move on to the next chapter of your life," says Dr. Wulf Utian, a gynecologist and reproductive endocrinologist in Beechwood, Ohio (pop. 2,258).

While the years just before and after menopause can pose challenges, Dr. Utian says that menopause is a normal part of a life.

The change

Understanding the challenges that menopause poses is essential to coping with the physical and emotional changes.

During menopause, many women experience unexpected feelings of intense heat and sweating known as "hot flashes," which are a major cause of sleep loss. While their exact cause is unknown, hot flashes may be related to hormone changes. Coping strategies include:

• Wearing breathable clothing in layers that can be discarded during a hot flash.

• Keeping a cool drink handy and avoiding hot or spicy food.

• Avoiding the use of alcohol, which can trigger a hot flash.

While the physical issues that accompany menopause receive the most attention, it's the emotional ones that are troubling for many women. Every woman's emotional response to menopause differs. Some woman may feel the best years of their lives are over, others may



be conflicted with the transition itself---glad fertility has ended but worried about what lies ahead.

"But it also can be a time when she gains a new outlook on life," says Jennifer Prouty, a nurse practitioner in Mattapoisett, Mass. (pop. 6,268).

Recognizing and accepting as normal the emotional response to the hormone changes that come with menopause are key to making a smooth transition to a new phase of life.

Prouty encourages women to do physical activities they enjoy to benefit from the natural moodelevating chemicals that exercise can bring. At the same time, women should avoid using alcohol, which can mask feelings.

Most importantly, "Talk about your feelings, whether it's with other women or a therapist," Prouty says. "Take a day off to relax and regroup. And every day, devote 10 minutes to prayer or meditation or deep breathing. Doing things that bring you peace and nourish your soul is an investment in your emotional well-being."

Taking stock

Menopause also serves as a time for women to assess their overall health to ensure their well-being as they get older.

For instance, as women age, their risk of heart disease and broken bones due to osteoporosis increases.

While the precise link between menopause and heart disease is unclear, Dr. Utian speculates that decreasing hormone levels, along with age-related weight gain and inactivity, may be factors.

The higher risk of diabetes-related heart disease that comes with age, inactivity and being overweight provides women with multiple reasons to mind their heart health. While some women may benefit from hormone replacement therapy (HRT) for menopauserelated health issues, it's not for everyone. Dr. Utian advises women to talk with their physicians to determine if it is the right choice.

Osteoporosis is another concern for women as they age. Through their mid-30s, healthy people who eat calcium-rich foods build more bone than they lose. Beginning in her late 30s, bone-building slows as a woman's hormones decrease. Bones can become weaker and prone to breaking. Particularly at risk for osteoporosis are fair-skinned, fine-boned women who have an inherited tendency for the disease.

Beginning in their 40s, women should talk with their physicians about calcium supplements and medications that can help with bone strength and quality. To reduce their risk of osteoporosis, women also should:

• Eat calcium-rich foods, including non-fat dairy products such as yogurt, milk and cheese, bone-in fish such as salmon, and green leafy vegetables.

• Do daily weight-bearing exercise, such as walking or swimming. Exercise also can ease menopause-related sleepkessness.

• And avoid tobacco, which can interfere with bone-building. \checkmark

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Gee...that one little hike made the whole trip! Till then, when I thought "spa" I thought "pampering." Seaweed wraps, even rose-petal baths. Hiking at dawn just didn't pop into mind. Imagine my face when I saw it on the agenda for our last morning! Susie and Karen were gung-ho, so there I was, scrambling up rocks (not great big rocks, but rocks nonetheless) before I'd even had my coffee. Hey, I not only made it...I loved it!

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Health for Life

With an average life expectancy

of 77 years, Americans are living longer. Still, a long life doesn't automatically equal a better or healthier one. Arthritis, Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, heart disease and strokes are just a few of the health risks and conditions that people face as they get older.

Even so, aging without illness or disability is possible for many people, but requires commitment, says Mathy Mezey of Ardsley, N.Y. (pop. 4,269), director of the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing in New York, N.Y.

"You've heard the joke, 'If I'd known I was going to live this long I'd have taken better care of myself," Mezey says. "It's true—taking care of yourself and being intellectually stimulated can improve the quality of your life as you age."

While genetics play a role in aging, staying involved, eating well and getting regular medical care are vital to a healthful lifestyle, and remaining physically active is crucial.

"We know people in their 80s benefit from exercise," says Dr. Harvey Cohen, an internist and geriatrician at Duke University's Center for Aging in Durham, N.C. The connection between prevention and healthy aging is clear, he says, but "there's no magic bullet for a long, healthy life. Healthy aging is the sum of the choices you make over your lifetime."

To enhance your chances of enjoying good health as you age:

Don't smoke—Tobacco contributes to heart and lung diseases, cancer, stroke and hypertension.

Eat well—Building your meals around lean meat and low-fat dairy products, vegetables, fruits and whole grains fuels a healthy body.

Watch your weight—Being overweight increases the risk for hypertension, diabetes and heart disease.

Limit alcohol consumption—Abusing alcohol can contribute to liver damage, heart attack and debilitating injuries caused by falls.

Stay fit—Being physically active several times a week lifts the spirits and keeps the body resilient.

Exercise your mind—Doing puzzles, taking classes, teaching others, reading and writing, talking about current events and playing cards stimulate the mind and memory.

Get health screenings—Have regular cancer, vision and depression screenings and blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar and bone density checks. Knowing the results of these tests allows you to make early, needed lifestyle changes or receive treatment to prevent debilitating stroke, heart attack, osteoporosis, diabetes and depression.

Maintain a support network—Interaction with others is important for a healthful, meaningful life, whether its family, as a volunteer, in your neighborhood, at church or on the job. \Rightarrow

Mandy Fones is a freelance writer in Nashville, Tenn.

by ROGER MEYER

Most of us are aware of the physical benefits of exercise, but few of us know about the resulting mental nourishment. Physical activity enriches your mind and improves your mental state.

Exercise for Your Mind

"The mind and the body cannot be separated," says Dr. George Solomon of the University of California-Los Angeles. "Mental and physical well-being are inextricably intertwined."

Many of us lose our appetite when under stress. Sometimes it induces headaches, coughing spells or stuttering. Tension causes irritability, anxiety and depression. Other physical signs of mental distress are fatigue, indigestion, rapid heartbeat and vague aches or pains.

There's a simple proven way to uplift a poor mental attitude. Studies show physical activity reduces anxiety, stress and anger. It brings about a sense of well-being. With all these mental flaws under control or at least reduced, your psychological outlook improves and you are happier.

Studies show people who exercise regularly score regularly score regularly faster. The

sage who said, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks," was talking about a couch-potato canine.

Other studies show that physical activity improves memory and suggests any age-related mental decline might be due to poor blood circulation in the brain. Dr. Lydia Brontë, co-editor of Our Aging Society: Paradox and Promise, says many problems of old age are really caused by lack of activity.

Some doctors claim an increased blood flow to the brain enhances all cerebral functions. Without exercise for a long time, blood vessels in the brain shrink and limit blood flow even further. A higher blood flow to the brain from exercise increases the metabolism rate of brain cells. Among other things, this results in faster reaction times. It provides an energy boost and then you can accomplish more.

Excess toxins cause headaches, and sometimes an overworked liver can't remove toxins fast enough. With exercise, the liver works more efficiently.

Some people like to participate in several exercise routines for variety and to avoid boredom. Consider tai chi, dancing, swimming or aerobics. Try to exercise three to five times a week for between 10 and 60 minutes.

A common activity is walking. Almost everyone can walk a little to start an exercise routine. Since ancient times, walking has enriched our culture. Many poets, philosophers and scientists have been habitual walkers. There's a reason why many creative people walk. You can either observe the surroundings as you stroll or go on autopilot to engage in introspection or just daydream.

Exercise is gratifying—because you know it burns fat and clears mental cobwebs. It helps improve sleep, stamina, energy and digestion. And it reduces backaches and headaches. It's good medicine.

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Did You Know...

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INDIANA—Living in darkness, fish have evolved to a state of blindness in Bluespring Caverns near Bedford (pop. 13,768).

IOWA—Students engage in transcendental meditation twice daily at the Maharishi University of Management in Fairfield (pop. 9,509).

KANSAS—The Museum of Independent Telephony in Abilene (pop. 6,543) rings with history and the story of C.L. Brown's 1898 local telephone company, now Sprint.

MICHIGAN—When inventor Thomas Edison died in 1931, his last breath reportedly was captured in a test tube as a memorial, and the tube was given to his friend Henry Ford. The tube is housed at Dearborn's Henry Ford Museum.

MINNESOTA—Glacial Ridge, a 35,000acre tallgrass prairie and wetland area near Crookston (pop. 8,192), was named a national wildlife refuge last October.

MISSOURI In 1724, Etienne de Bourgmont established Fort Orleans in today's Carroll County.

NEBRASKA—The 1874 Elijah Filley barn, built into a hillside near Filley (pop. 174), is the state's oldest limestone barn.

NORTH DAKOTA—Fort Ransom (pop. 70) took its name from an 1867 military fort and Union Gen. T.E.G. Ransom.

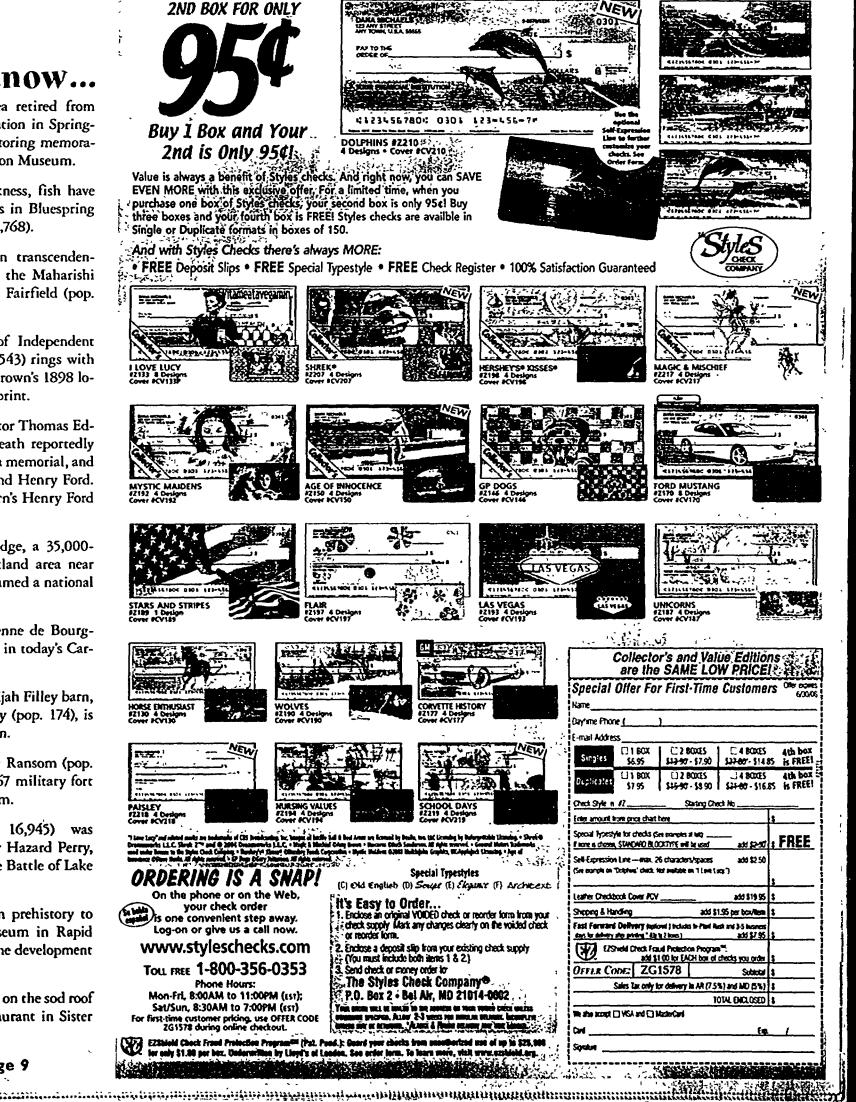
OHIO—Perrysburg (pop. 16,945) was named for Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry, who defeated the British at the Battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812.

SOUTH DAKOTA—From prehistory to the present, the Journey Museum in Rapid City (pop. 59,607) showcases the development of the western Great Plains.

WISCONSIN—Goats dine on the sod roof of Al Johnson's Swedish Restaurant in Sister Bay (pop. 886).

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When 24-year-old Arthur Spangler purchased the Gold Leaf Baking Powder Co. in 1906 with money saved from his paper route, he couldn't have imagined that the company would become one of the nation's largest producers of hard candies. But thanks to the tremendous popularity of Dum Dums lollipops, Saf-T-Pops and candy canes, the delightful aroma wafting through the Spangler Candy Co. in Bryan, Ohio (pop. 8,333), is the sweet smell of success for a third generation of the Spangler family.

During the early years, Ernest and Omar Spangler joined their brother Arthur, and the company shifted its focus from

baking products to candy, T particularly chocolates.

"The first generation was a true partnership of equals," says Dean Spangler, company president and the grandson of Omar Spangler.

"The three brothers walked to work together every morning and ate lunch together every day. That's really how they managed the business."

Among them, the three brothers had six sons, all of whom joined their fathers in the family business. "The second generation ran the business from around World War II until the early 1970s," Spangler says. "During that time, they acquired a number of companies, of which two were outstanding."



Dean Spangler with taste-testing son Christopher

In 1953, Spangler Candy acquired the Dum Dums brand by buying the assets of the Akron Candy Co., and the following year, the Spanglers purchased A & Z Candy Cane Co. Those two acquisitions transformed

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Spangler from a regional chocolate company into a national producer of hard candies.

Today, Spangler Candy is best known as the Dum Dums company, with its 400 employees producing 9 million of America's favorite giveaway kollipops each day. Each individually wrapped follipop costs 2 cents, just a penny more than in 1953.

"Dum Dums are a convenient treat," Spangler says, "and the price is reasonable for a business that wants to give away a candy product or a teacher who wants to provide a small treat."

Spangler, whose individualized Ohio license plate is Dum Dums, recalls driving

> 🖍 down the West Virginia Turnpike in 1998 handing out Dum Dums along with his ticket at each toll booth. "By the time I reached the third booth. word had spread that the

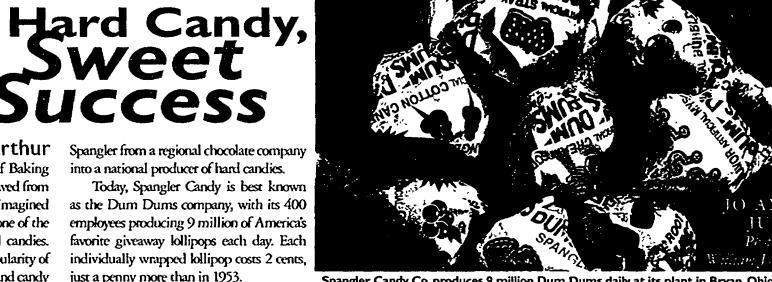
Dum Dum car was heading down the tumpike," Spangler says, laughing. "When I reached out the window to hand the toll taker my ticket and money, she said, 'Excuse me, sir, but do you have any cream soda?' So people are definitely loyal to their favorite flavors."

Spangler employees are loyal, too, 23 percent of the employees having worked for the company more than 25 years. With 67 years of service, Ernest Spangler, who died in 1975, holds the company record, but close behind and still going strong is Saf-T-Pop wrapping machine attendant Dorothy Parks, who has been on the job for 56 years.

"This company has been such a big part of my life that the people here are like family to me," Parks says. "I get very emotional when I think about retiring and leaving here."

For now, however, Parks has no plans to retire. In fact, she hasn't missed a day of work in the last 10 years.

In addition to Dean Spangler, several other third-generation members are involved in the family business, including Chairman C. Gregory Spangler, grandson of Ernest Spangler.



Spangler Candy Co. produces 9 million Dum Dums daily at its plant in Bryan, Ohio.

"We have a strong, underlying commitment to the business in terms of our family members," Dean Spangler says. "We're more interested in earnings for the next generation than earnings for the next quarter, so we tend to approach decisions in terms of valuing the longterm impact."

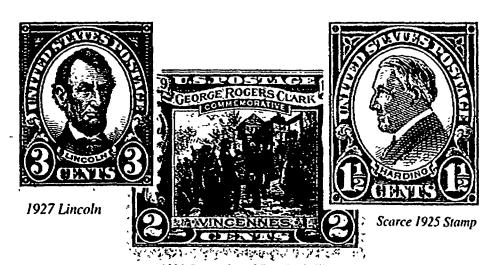
That same commitment extends to the community as well. To honor the second generation, the company recently established the Spangler Foundation to provide scholarships and contribute to the

Bryan Area Foundation for the betterment of the community.

"In a small town, a business is a part of the fabric of the community," Spangler says. "If we want Bryan to continue to be a great place to live, we have to support our people and our community."

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Cooking

The kitchen skills that emerged

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a method of survival while growing up in Castell County NC. (pop 23,501) have turned down-tome cook i Hazel Smith into a national treasure. Thanks to requent appearances on the television shows and the Food Network's *Emeril Live*, Smith, 70, has become as popular for serving up each dish with a side of ass and love as she has for her cheddar burgers, red velver take and made from scratch dressing. For three decades, the intevening grandmother's day job has been that of a music journalist, covering the country music stars that she loves so deeply. She writes a regular column for CMT's website, *unruomann*, and broadcasts daily reports from her home in Madison, Tenn., to an Indianapolis country radio station.

Until her culinary achievements made headlines, her greatest fame was for coining the term "outlaw" to describe the 1970s musical movement that emerged out of Nashville, Jenn., and included Wayton Jennings, Willie Nelson and Kris Kristofferson. During the "good of days," she never knew who would drop by for dinner. Singers Keith Whitley, Tompall Glaser, and Wayton Jennings and wife Jessi

Colter were among those who enjoyed her hospitality. The late bluegrass legend Bill Monroe loved her coconut pie, late songwriter Harlan Howard couldn't resist her macaroni and cheese, and singer Ricky Skaggs eats her collard greens right out of the pot. The late author Shel Silverstein dubbed her now-famous dessert "The World's Best Banana Pudding." Country singer Andy Griggs, 31, has a weakness for her scalloped potatoes. "I can't get those scalloped potatoes off my mind," he says. "Tm dreaming about them. Have you ever dreamed about potatoes? I love her cooking."



Country singers Andy Griggs (left) and Jeff Bates were delighted to have lunch with Smith at her Madison, Tenn., home.

Country singer Jeff Bates says his favorite Smith dish is chicken and dumplings. "Hazel's cooking reminds me of going back to Mama's and sitting down at the table and eating a meal cooked with that special ingredient that only mamas know how to cook with: love," Bates says. "Seriously, it immediately takes me back to my chiklhood. She'll love you, feed you, make sure you don't leave hungry and even line you out if you're getting a little out of hand."

Despite the attention, Smith still refuses to make a fuss with fancy fixings. "To me, it wasn't like how those French cooks try to make everything look beautiful," she says. "I think it's OK to make it look pretty,

Think its OK to make it look pretty,
but to have it taste good is more important than the way it looks.
I never have been one to put a bunch of flowers on the table. I fill up the table with food."

Word of her kitchen talents spread, and eventually famed chef Emeril Lagasse had to taste for himself. Smith cooked for him in her home, and he began booking her on his show. In 2001, she published a

"Cooking is as creative as anything you can do, whether it's writing or rhyming or whatever," says Hazel Smith, who also is a successful songwriter and music journalist.



Chef Emeril Lagasse, Smith and singer Brad Paisley on the set.

cookbook, Hot Dish: Hazel's Cookin' with Country Stars, a collection of favorite recipes from entertainers such as Shania Twain, Dolly Parton, Alan Jackson and Keith Urban. Smith currently is compiling a list of her most beloved recipes for a second cookbook.

Although she enjoys the fanfare, the divorced mother of two doesn't see what the fuss is all about. It seems as far back as she can remember, she knew how to cook because cooking was a form of survival. "In the country, if you didn't cook, you didn't eat," says Smith, who was raised without running water or electricity until she was a high school senior. "Women just learned to work and cook if you lived in the country. It was something that just came naturally.

> "My mother told me that she stood in a chair when my grandmother was sick and my grandfather taught her how to make biscuits. She made the best biscuits. My daddy had to have biscuits for breakfast and combread for lunch, and then he would crumble up combread in buttermilk for supper. The main meal was the lunch, but we called it dinner. We had breakfast, dinner and supper."



Smith makes an eye-raising crack with Ellen Degeneres

Smith is delighted to share with American Profile readers a selection of recipes from her upcoming cookbook that would make a delicious Easter dinner—or lunch, if you prefer. Whatever you call it, it's sure to taste great.

Deviled Eggs

6 eggs 2 tablespoons Miracle Whip 2 tablespoons cider vinegar 1 teaspoon salt

teaspoon black pepper

1/2 teaspoon sugar

Boi six eggs in water for about 15 minutes. col and peel. Slice eggs long ways. Remove and mash with a fork. Add Mirade Whip reach pepper and sugar. Mash until wells boost volkemboure inside, whites

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When ice on the Kuskokwim nearby villages. In summer, floatplanes land on the River breaks up in May, the only road to Aniak. Alaska (pop. 572), disappears with the melting snow, and villagers await the summer salmon runs.

Yup'ik Eskimo village, providing food, recreation and a transportation route year-round. In the winter, the frozen river is a thoroughfare for snowmobiles and trucks transporting fuel and supplies to

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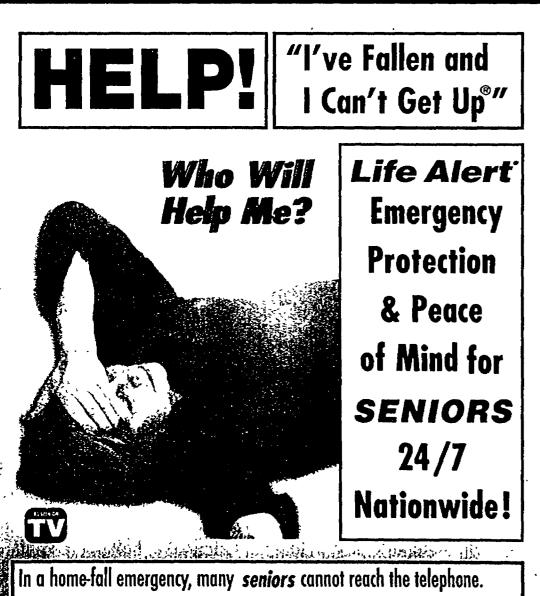
water, and fishing boats and barges ply the river.

"It's the road, it's the supermarket, it's the playground," says Jeff Thompson, 44, a physician assistant who moved to Aniak four years ago to The river is central to the lives of residents of the provide medical care to residents of 16 villages in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta region.

> Thompson, who took the job as a way to repay his student loans while exploring the nation's Last Frontier, enjoys the solitude and remoteness of the

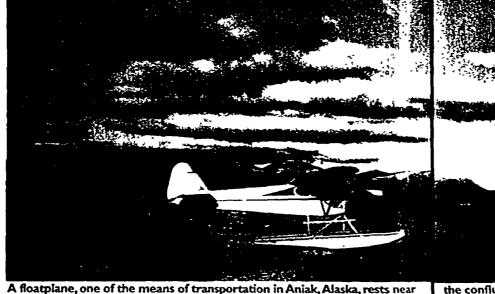
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Alaskan bush, a vast wilderness of forest and tundra inhabited by moose. wolves, caribou and bear.

"I always wanted to come to Alaska, and this was my opportunity to do says the Casper, Wyo., native. "Living here in the wild, it's the kind of lace you dream about."

Aniak, located at the confluence of the Aniak and Kuskokwim rivers in outhwest Alaska, has long inspired explorers and adventurers. Russian fur raders visited the region in the 1800s, followed by gold prospectors in the arly 1900s.

Some outsiders settled in Aniak and fathered children with the indignous Yup'ik and Athabascan women, inspiring the name of Aniak High School's mascot-The Halfbreeds.

"It's exactly what we are," says Ruth Birky, president of the Aniak Traditional Council, which represents 240 natives in the village. "We're part white and part native."

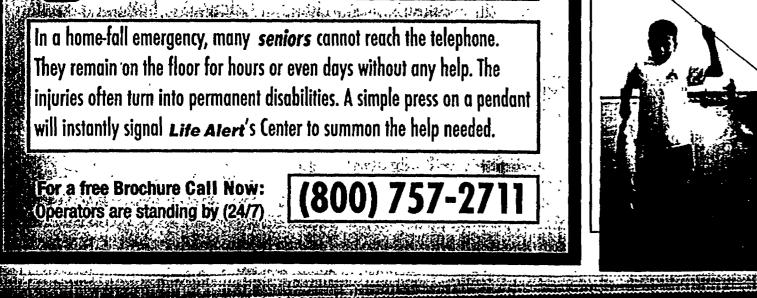
Birky, whose white father met her Yup'ik mother while he was stationed n Aniak with the U.S. Air Force in 1956, says the team's name caused some embarrassment when the boys' basketball squad advanced to the state tournament in Anchorage last year, but residents are proud of their heritage und their team.

During basketball season, fans follow the team to games in nearby villages on the frozen river. "It looks like a highway," says Birky, whose son, Frederick, plays on the team. "You follow the headlights."

While basketball is a favorite winter pastime, fishing rules when the salmon runs begin in June. Five species of salmon-king, chum, sockeye, pink, and silver-spown in the Aniak River, along with rainbow trout, artic char, grayling and northern pike.

"It's a world-class drainage," says Roy "Woody" Wooderson, a fishing guide and owner of Hook-M-Up Fishing Adventures. "You can come up here and catch eight different species of fish in one day."

Dakota Phillips lands a salmon.



Fishing is especially popular during the annual Silver Salmon Derby, Last August, 175 villagers paid \$5 each to participate in the 20-day event. Darlene Morgan captured first place and \$1,500 in the adult category with her 12.8-pound fish, and Dakota Phillips, 10, took top prize-\$500-in the youth division with his 11.1-pounder.

"He caught a king salmon when he was 4 years old," says Lisa Feyereisen, Phillips' mother. "He's been fishing ever since."



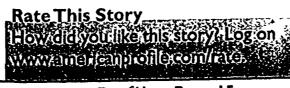
lim and Leslie Boelens built their home from trees felled, and logs milled, on their seven-acre tract. Fishing, hunting and gardening sustain many of the villagers, a collection of earthy, self-sufficient people who smoke and can salmon, hunt moose and caribou, and grow cold weather crops such as cabbage, carrors and poratoes during the brief, sunlit summer in preparation for the long, cold winter, during which temperatures can dip to 50 below zero.

Jim and Leslie Boelens plan to plant a large garden this spring on land they own along the Aniak River. Last year, the Boelens built a modest, twostory home on the seven-acre tract.

"It's something I've always wanted to do," says Jim, 45, who milled lumber for the home from trees on the property. Boelens, a carpenter, mechanic and heavy equipment operator, moved to Alaska 20 years ago from Fremont, Mich.

Sitting on the steps of their home, Leslie, 34, smiles at her husband with a sense of accomplishment. The Warnego, Kan., native, who has lived in Aniak since 1995, plans to stay and raise one of the village's newest residents.

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Mix sugar and flour in a saucepan. Separate eggs. Stir volks with a fork until blended. Add milk in same cup as egg yoks. Slowly stir egg/milk mixture into sugar/flour mixture until well blended. Put saucepan on low heat and allow to cook until a custard forms and thickens. Stir it a time or two. Remove thickened custard from heat, add butter and allow to melt. Cool. Add vanilla flavoring. While allowing custard to cool, line a quart-size Pyrex dish, measuring 9-by-5-by-2 inches, with three layers of vanilla wafers and three layers of bananas. Pour cool custard over wafers and bananas. Add a couple of sprinkles of cream of tartar to the egg whites. Using an electric mixer, beat until frothy. Continue beating and add 1/2 cup sugar and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla. Spread on top. Bake at 375 degrees in a pre-heated oven for 10 to 15 minutues or until brown. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Substitute a large can of drained, crushed pineapple for the bananas to make pineapple pudding, which is equally as good.





Andy Griggs and Jeff Bates are armed with guitars in case it's necessary to sing for their down-home dinner

Green Peas I can LeSeur Early Peas I/2 teaspoon sait I teaspoon flour I/4 teaspoon black pepper 2 tablespoons butter

Drain broth from peas into a small sauce pan; add salt and pepper. Heat. Using a cup, mix flour with small amount of pea broth; add to pan as mixture comes to a boil. Turn off heat, add butter and peas. Tastes exactly like new peas from the garden in the springtime.

Serve with sliced tomatoes and cucumbers sprinkled with salt, pepper and basil. It's tasty and looks pretty.

Scalloped potatoes

- 4 or 5 large potatoes
- I medium onion
- l stick butter
- 2 and 1/2 cups evaporated milk
- I cup sharp cheese, grated
- l teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Melt butter in a 9-by-13-inch baking dish. Peel and wash potatoes, slice them thin and place in melted butter in baking dish. Cover with peeled and thinly sliced onions. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Add milk. Cook 35 minutes. Add grated cheddar cheese and cook an additional 20 to 25 minutes.



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Chicken and Dumplings

- 3-pound fryer
- 2 quarts water
- I teaspoon salt
- I teaspoon black pepper

Wash chicken thoroughly. Place chicken in a large pot and cover with about two quarts water; add salt. Bring to a rolling boil. Reduce heat to medium low and cook for about an hour or until fork tender. Remove chicken and cool. Allow broth to cool. Debone cooled chicken, cut in bite-sized pieces with kitchen shears. Pour broth back into pot, add chicken and black pepper and heat.

For dumplings: 2 cups all-purpose flour 1/2 teaspoon salt 1 tablespoon baking powder 1/4 cup shortening 3/4 cup buttermilk 3/4 stick butter 1/2 teaspoon black pepper

Sift flour, salt and baking powder in a large bowl. Cut in shortening with a fork until mixture resembles meal. Make a "dip" in the mixture, add buttermilk and stir with a fork until blended. Use hands to turn dough until covered with flour. Turn dough on a floured surface. Knead until well mixed. Shape dough into three balls about the size of baseballs. Pat each dough ball out to desired thickess, about 1/16 of an inch. Slice dough into 2-inch strips. Repeat with the other two dough balls to make three batches of strips.

Bring broth and chicken to a boil. Add butter. Drop dough strips, one at a time, into boiling broth. Do not stir. Push strips down carefully into broth with a fork. Reduce heat to medium low. Add more strips. Be sure to cook the last batch of dumplings for 10 minutes.

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