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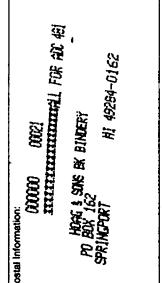
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Northyille High School senior Garik Schmidt works on his clay "Willy Wonka" bust during spring break last week. Students were invited by art teacher Judy Cavanaugh to work on their projects during the school recess.

Local students exchange sandy spring beaches for classrooms

Amid blaring pop music, high school students catch up on class art projects

By Victoria Sadlocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

Musician Jack Johnson blared from the stereo of teacher Judy Cavanaugh's high-school art classroom, pop cans sat on desks alongside chocolate candy and students were smiling as they defined spring break 2005: Schoolstyle.

"I wanted to work on my pottery," said high-school freshman Jon Gambee.

Gambee worked on glazing a pot, a gift for his gurlfriend.

"If I wasn't here I would probably be sitting home playing video games," he said. Gambee's friend, Josh Houle, joined him. Houle worked on a ceramic template, a personal project, not a class assignment.

Both students are in Cavanaugh's Northville High School ceramics one class and credited the teacher last week during a March 30 afternoon art session for adding liveliness to their certine beauty.

their spring break.
"I just got back from D.C.,
and I was pretty bored so I was
excited to come here." Houle

said.
Cavanaugh said she has been opening her classroom to students during school breaks for

about 12 years.

"If I wasn't here I would probably be sitting home playing video games."

Jon Gambee, freshman Northville High School

"There are a lot of kids who are home during spring break and this offers a safe, happy and healthy choice of something to do," she said. "And I miss my

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Northville High School freshman Amanda Duquesnel works on a clay box project last week.

Power says good-bye to HomeTown readers

Former Record boss passes torch to Gannett

On Thursday, March 31 I sold the assets of my company, HomeTown Communications Network, Inc., to the Gannett Company.

Gannett is one of the largest newspaper companies in the world, with a demonstrated track record of capable



Phil Power

management, great financial stability and responsible journalistic ethics. I wanted the fine newspapers, telephone directories and other publi-

cations that I built during my career to wind up in good hands after I left. I believe Gannett's hands are the best avail-

That was important to me. I got into the newspaper business nearly 40 years ago when I started my company. It's been a long run and a good one. But I turned 65 a couple of years ago, a symbolic anniversary that helped my wife, Kathy, and me focus on our personal plans and on the future of the company. Neither of our children is interested in following our careers in the newspaper field And so we decided it was a good time sell the business, move on to new things and find other ways to contribute to our state and our society.

I had four goals when I first bought six struggling Observer Newspapers in December, 1965:

I wanted to publish quality hometown newspapers, ones that truly enhanced the lives of their readers and nurtured the communities they served. Taken together and over the years, my newspapers won more state and national awards for excellence than any other group of community newspapers in the country. I believe we've consistently set a high standard for our readers, for ourselves and for our industry

I hoped to build a solid and ethical company over the long haul, one that would grow and innovate, contribute to our advertisers' business success, provide fulfilling careers for its staffers and earn a fair profit What started out as an entrepreneurial effort long ago gradually evolved into a professionally managed corporation, while at the same time remaining a family company

Today, HomeTown Communications Network is widely regarded as among the very best outfits of its sort in the nation. We publishs one daily newspaper, 62 weekly or twice

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Downtown Northville faces critical turning point

Officials, residents say the time to move is now

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Joe Boelter matches projects

and people for a living.

The planner and corporate headhunter said he knows Northville has the right people, if guided by the proper process, to create a long-range plan valued by

the community.

Boelter, who said he fell for

Northville while courting his wife in the 1960s, has attended public forums recently hosted by a city council-designated steering committee charged with outlining a five-year plan for the downtown's viability.

Their efforts have raised questions about the community's potential and who will have a role in what happens next, Boelter raid

What's next?

"A vision without a plan is just a dream," Boelter said. "And I think we need a strategic plan." "A vision without a plan is just a dream. And I think we need a strategic plan."

> Joe Boeller Northville resident

Northville City Councilman Tom Swigart said the vision must be based on the community's

common value system. Like Boelter, he said the real work for city leaders is only just beginning. For example, committee-hosted meetings in February and March showed a consensus value of preserving Northville's historic fla-

vor.

"We're talking about bike paths and farmers' markets and at the same time were stuffing 12,000-square-feet buildings in that are not at all in-syne with history," Swigart said.

Current events beg the ques-

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Joe Boelter would like to help plan downtown Northville's future.



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Area residents with a taste for fine wine can dine with an award-winning vineyard owner in their own backyard next week.

Mario Schwenn, owner of the Tuscan estate "Dievole," will be in from Italy for the April 14 event at Tirami Su restaurant, 146 MainCentre. All-inclusive \$85 tickets for the 6 p.m. wine dinner still are available, said manager Megan Abrams.

Guests will be served Italian antipasto, pasta, entree and dessert courses, complemented by Dievole red wines, Abrams said. Tirami Su owner Frank Grippi's invitation to Schwenn followed his Dievole Novecento's appearance on the April cover of the Wine Enthusiast magazine.

Abrams said she and Grippi hope the event will acquaint regular and new patrons with their menu choices prepared from scratch daily and their 250-bottle wine selection. The couple, owners since September, brought to Northville years of restaurant experience in New Jersey and New York.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHWILE RECORD

Manager Megan is the manager of Tirami Su, where a wine tasting event will be held next Thursday.

Grippi, who moved to the U.S. from Sicily at age 18, is owner and chef, Abrams said, and interacts with his clientele.

"Our whole kitchen staff is from Italy," Abrams said.

The chef specifically matched the grilled trio of filet mignon, chicken and shrimp entrees with the wines featured that night, Abrams said.

Seating for the wine dinner will be limited to about 80, Abrams said. Schwenn has an interesting story to tell Tirami Su diners about the vineyards his family has owned For reservations

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since 1090, Abrams said.

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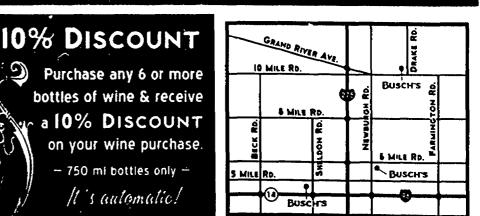
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tion: how can common values become a shared mission with performance measures, Swigart said. Perhaps the city should the city tighten up certain ordinances to better represent the will of the community, he said.

Who is next?

The downtown steering committee is scheduled to present its report to the city council May 2. Needed, Swigart said: professional guidance and a workable plan.

Residents have referred to the downtown as their reason for moving to Northville. They have asked for a thriving, entertaining and accessible downtown.

Business owners have talked about increased competition, a challenging business climate and their desire for the same quality of life their patrons enjoy.

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The steering committee has been lacking in credited with raising public consciousness about the future viabiliwith an ty of the downtown. But true to their charge

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did not

Joe Boelter Northville resident

draft a how-to-make-it-happen final report. "It is lacking in some neutral party from the outside that can continue with an objective eye," Boelter said. The corporate veteran said it's time to call in players with strategic acumen.

However, he said the city doesn't need to hire another consultant when capable neighbors can prowide the steeded expertise.

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added expense. "I'd be happy to participate in

By Maureen Johnston

RECORD STAFF WRITER

Streetfront appearance, proper product lines, attractive display, appropriate customer service there are a lot of ways business owners can position themselves for success.

Right now. That's according to Northville

Chamber of Commerce president Jody Humphries.

'If you don't help yourself, there's only so much of what anyone else can do."

As local leaders discuss how to ensure short- and long-term viability downtown, she said merchants need to self-evaluate. Then, seek

help where needed. 'It's not going to cost a lot of money and it's not going to take forever," she said. "I think you can do some things right now.

"I think the credibility of this loses something if you just keep talking about it.

Time to get busy

A Northville City Councilappointed downtown steering committee May 2 will formally present findings from recent public forums Labout what residents envision as

Meanwhile, the council recently identified as a "high priority project" developing a downtown action plan addressing more than parking.

"Based on what we hear the (2nd), I expect there's going to be a lot more work to do," Mayor Christopher Johnson said. He said he expects the council to parcel out responsibilities and establish a timeline.

Common desires have ranged from additional greenspace to maintaining the city's historical

"Let's get this thing moving," Johnson said. "Let's not just sit on

Recent initiatives extending store hours and hosting "First Friday" art events downtown are good examples of business owners trying new ways to increase appeal, Humphries

"Anything you can do to separate yourself, make yourself stand out from the crowd a little bit," Humphries said. "How do you do that? Count the ways."

The chamber, the Northville Downtown Development Authority and the Northville Central Business Association are resources for ideas, along with cooperation with fellow merchants, taking advantage of

"If you don't help yourself, there's only so much of what anyone else can do."

Business owners: masters of their own fate

Jody Humphries President, Northville Chamber of Commerce

technology and collective market-

Every business has to look at their business," Humphries said. "As they say, if you do what you always do, you'll get what you always got.'

Get yourself there

It's up to individual merchants to ensure their businesses are ready for challenges ahead, Humphries said. valuable, she said, but staying

City leaders should create a road map, she said. Only then can non-

When Northville City Council members named the goal of nurturing downtown's commercial core, they also identified two potential development sites to watch.

Their goal: focusing on quality developments on both the former Ford dealership on S. Main Street and Cady Street east of Center

The Cambridge Development Co. In February opted not to proceed with plans to build the 114,000-square-foot, five-story mboduse building proposed for the south side of the street.

The former MacDonald dealership at S. Main and Seven Mile roads permanently closed Feb. 2.

Downtown perspectives

To view the Downtown Steering Committee's draft report, visit the Northville Downtown Development Authority's site: www.downtownnorthville.org.

A draft of the \$38,500 Gibbs Planning Group's downtown retail study also is available for viewing at the site. City staff expects to receive the final draft within the next 30 days. Five percent of the contract was withheld until completion.

Steering committee findings are power requires action.

profit organizations like the chamber help merchants take practical

steps as part of a larger plan. "At some point, you've got to take command and get yourself there," Humphries said. "It's common sense - you have to find your

niche and make the most of it." In the end, market forces will prevail, she said.

'That's why not everyone opens up their own business," Humphries

said. "It's tough. "Look at your house — what pleases you about your house, what would you change?

"You have to look at your business the same way."

Local business pumping up to meet the competition

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Mario Jadallah greets customers by name, reaches for a regular's brand of smokes before he can ask. can continue then helps an elderly driver pump

In many ways, Jadallah epitomizes the fundamental practices owners of downtown businesses for the past several months have been trying to identify.

They've been relying on focus groups, public meetings and study sessions. Jadallah goes with his gut

Coinciding with a downtown study initiated by the city council. many central business district merchants are examining their options and future challenges: evaluating their hours, appeal and customer service practices.

Like their peers, the Jadallahs examined their potential fate: let it happen or make it happen.

Their family will let their wallet do the talking. The Clark gas station located at Main Street and Seven
Mile Read, where brothers Murky and sain split time for a seven-day for it and will undergo a titador facelit.

Their older brother, Hasham, who purchased the long-time corporate store six months ago, is planning to pour \$200,000 into renovating the tiny 40-plus-year-old sta-

tion. The planning commission was

approval this week

expected to grant final site plan

Good potential

The gas station stands as a southem marker for a Victorian downtown contemplating ways to revamp itself and maintain its own viability and as gateway for planned Northville Township development along Seven Mile Road.

After working at the Northville station eight months, Mario Jadallah said he urged his brother to invest in what he viewed as a potential opportunity.

"It's amazing how much a store is needed here," said Jadallah, a former public school teacher and manager of stations in Farmington and Westland, "It's a prime location.

This one was so different. Everyone knows everyone.

Jadallah estimated 75 percent of his clientele comes from the city of Northville. They are a friendly and loyal lot, he said.

'It doesn't matter what your prices are, you will always see the

Proper planning

The brothers' business plan is driven by the convenience-store industry trend and specific customer demands, manager Mario said. Store size equals perception of goods available, he said.

"If people see a big building, they'll know a newspaper's inside,' Jadallah said. "It will be totally different.

Drivers shuffle, walk and hustle in for assorted items, stacked floorto-ceiling in the finite space. Behind the counter, register clicking and pumps beep-beeping. Jadallahs tally sales. Their assessment of Northville's business climate was to proceed by investing in

"If you look around, there's very few stations this small," Jadallah said "Plus, there's no money in fuel

"Now, it's the exact opposite you can't survive as-is, in this mar-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHYLLE RECORD

The Clark On-The-Go gas station on Northville Road just north of Seven Mile will soon undergo about \$200,000 worth of renovations.

Station to grow into convenience store

Pending final city approval, the Clark expansion will commence in April or October, manager Mario Jadallah said.

The station will grow from 380 retail square feet to 2,300 and will offer dairy products to heatup'sandwiches as well as the current snack items. mulch and motor oil.

They want to schedule the expansion around their peak gas season, Jadallah said. And the brothers are watching the fate of the neighboring buildings the now-defunct MacDonald Ford dealership previously occupied.

"It could be drastic, it could be good," Jadallah said. "It's a gamble to invest that much money. "The timing has to be right."

The construction will shut down the station

about three weeks, the manager soid, Patrops were comes a received lot, low-pare longing banks were comes as the company of th

The new brick building will be well-landscaped and blend in the surroundings, he said. "It looks like a house," Jadailah said. "That's what they wanted, so that's what we gave them."

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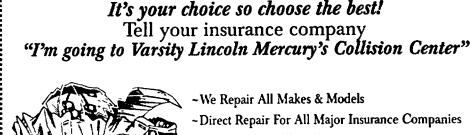
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nity newspapers have estab-lisbed a solid niche in American journalism.

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And I hoped my weekly column would contribute perspective and insight to readers and to the ongoing public policy dialogue in Michigan. Judging from the many responses - pro and con - I've received over the years, it's fair to say at the very least that lots of people are reading the column.

None of this would have been possible without the hard and capable work of countless HomeTown Communications staffers, past and present. Nor would it have been possible without the active commentary.

both encouraging and critical, from readers, advertisers, journalistic colleagues and HCN staffers. Somebody once said that the only way you learn is by listening to others. Over the years, I have learned a whale of a lot, and I am very grateful.

So what's next?

First, the word "retire" is not in my vocabulary. I certainly do not intend to withdraw from active engagement in our communities, our state and our society. Maybe the best way to

express what's going on is that I am pivoting from one career to another. However, I will continue writing my regular column in this newspaper. I believe I offer a distinctive point of view and. besides, it's far too much fun for me to quit just now.

On a personal level, Kathy and I expect to be proud grandparents later this spring. And we're looking forward to a little black Labrador puppy joining our household at the end of April. (His name? "HomeTown," of Having a little more time for

family and friends is a wholly unmixed blessing.

The only thing that is constant in our lives is change. This particular change is a big cae for, me and Kathy, one that stirs strong and mixed emotions. At the top of the list is the appreciation and gratitude I have for so many people who helped make this portion of my life so rewarding and so satisfying not least, you, the readers. So onward and upward, and best wishes to you all.

Gannett completes HomeTown Communications Network acquisition

McLEAN, VA - Gannett Co., Inc. (NYSE: GCI) last week completed the acquisition of the of HomeTown assets Communications Network, Inc., a community publishing company with publications in Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky.

Richard Aginian has been named president and publisher of the Observer & Eccentric and the Mirror newspaper groups in suburban Detroit. Aginian also will serve as a consultant to Gannett to assist in the transition of the new acquisitions. Aginian previously was president and CEO of HomeTown Communications Network.

We're excited the former HomeTown publications are officially joining Gannett," said Gary L. Watson, president of the Newspaper Division. "And I'm even more pleased that Dick Aginian has agreed to stay on with Gannett. His experience

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the April 15 tax filing deadline, here

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and knowledge will be a great time to sell the business, move help with the transition and with running the two Detroit suburban newspaper groups."

Aginian joined HomeTown in 1977. He is a graduate of Rutgers University and Wayne State University. He is active in numerous civic and charitable organizations in the Detroit

Watson said the various former HomeTown publications will be assimilated into the Newspaper Division on a geographic basis with the goal of increasing the synergies and service for readers and advertisers in the daily and non-daily newspaper markets.

In a letter to Hometown staffers, Chairman and longtime owner Phil Power said. "After nearly 40 years, it's been a long run - and a good one."

Power said he and his wife Kathy "decided it was a good

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The newspaper group includes

the recently launched Daily Press & Argus in fast-growing Livingston County, Michigan and non-daily groups in the suburban areas near Detroit, Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky and Lansing.

Gannett announced the acquisition, which was reviewed by the U.S. Department of Justice, in November. Terms were not disclosed.

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Around Town



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Tonight launches phase two of the Northville Central Business Association's "Northville, We're Open!" campaign.

More than 50 downtown Northville businesses will now be open on Thursday evenings until 8 p.m. Last week merchants began opening on Sunday, many noon-4

For a list of participating businesses, visit the Northville Downtown Development Authority site www.downtownnorthville.org.

Opening tomorrow

Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art, 109 N. Center St, will celebrate its grand opening 6:30-9 p.m., Friday, April 8.

New owner Sherri Mewha this week closed the former Atrium Center Gallery to prepare for the transformation. The opening exhibit will feature works from contemporary international artists and several well-known and widely collected local artists.

Artists and patrons will mingle while enjoying wine, cheese and a dessert buffet.

The gallery will offer original oils, acrylics, sculpture and fine art glass. Services will include custom framing, conservation framing, corporate and commercial art programs, on-site art consultation and hanging services.

Retreat Saturday

First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., will host its annual women's retreat Saturday, April 9.

Keynote speaker, author and coach Sadie Bolos will lead the session, "Finding Joy On the Journey" Her philosophy: "It's not what hap-pens to you in life, but how you handle what happens to you that makes all the difference."

The schedule includes: 8:30-9 a.m continental breakfast, gathering and conversation; 9 a m -12.30 p.m morning sessions; 12:30-1.30 p.m. luncheon, and 1:30-3/30 p.m., afternoon session, closing worship and communion The cost is \$30 per person. E-mail registration inquiries to fpc@firstpresnville.org or call (248) 349-0911.

Tense muscles?

The Northville Newcomers and Neighbors invited an inner balance. therapist to demonstrate massage techniques at a women's event

Prema Lindsay Smith, a therapist of team bowling and games start at

for 30 years, will talk about loosening tight muscles at the Villas of Northville Hills Golf Club starting at 9 a.m. April 11. The event costs \$10, including a continental breakfast. Dorisel Boggs, event chairperson, is taking reservations at (248) 924-2164.

Boelter honored

Northville resident Joseph Boelter recently was inducted into the Wayne State University College of Engineering Hall of Fame, joining a group of only 94 alumni with that honor.

The award is presented annually by the university to a graduate for his or her professional accomplishments.

Boelter is president and owner of Recruiters Management Plymouth, which recruits and place engineering and other professionals in positions at chemical, auto, plastics, pharmaceutical, biotechnology, energy, coatings and personal care

After a 16-year career at General Electric, Boelter was the business director for BASF Corporation. In 11999, he founded his own business, the local franchise of an international recruiting company.

Time to rake

Yard waste pickup is again under way in the city.

City staff requests residents place leaves and small twigs in open top trash cans labeled "Yard Waste" or

in paper bags. Brush should be cut into lengths of four feet or less and tied into secure bundles. Trash papers and plastic items should be kept separate from yard waste.

Maybury Friends

The grassroots groups supporting Northville's state park, the Friends of Maybury, will meet at 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 13, at the Northville District Library, 212 W.

All are welcome. For more information, call (248) 347-0899.

After-tax fun

The Northville Newcomers and Neighbors are hosting an "After Tax Day" bowling event at 7 pm. Saturday, April 16 at the Novi Bowl and Recreation Center, 21700 Novi Rd The cost is \$16 per person for a pre-game pizza buffet, salad and submarine sandwiches. Two hours 8:30 p.m. For reservations, call Jackie Sharp at (734) 416-6489 or Judy Robbins at (734) 487-8821.

Spring into fashion

Chris Van Dam, owner of VanDam's women's boutique, is once again hosting a show of spring and summer fashions.

The fund-raiser begins with a noon luncheon April 16, followed by the show at Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall restaurant, 108 E. Main St. Proceeds from the \$25 per person tickets will benefit the New Hope Center for Grief Support, 113 E. Dunlap St. The center reaches out to adults, teens and children throughout southeastern Michigan who are grieving the death of a loved one. Tickets are available at VanDam's, 111 E. Main St., or by calling (248)449-4282.

Grab those gas tanks

The 2005 household hazardous waste drop-off opportunities for Wayne County residents only begin Saturday, April 16. Hours are 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Romulus Civic Center, 11111 Wayne Road.

The next opportunity will be 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, May 7, at Livonia's Ford Field at Farmington Road and Lyndon Street. Livonia, Northville City and Northville Township residents are eligible.

Voices meeting

Voices for Maybury Farm will hold a meeting 4-5 p.m., Sunday, April 17, at the Northville District Library, meeting rooms A and B, 215 W. Cady St.

For more information, call Susan Greenlee at (248) 380-5924.

Almost tea time

Residents of all ages and disabilities from the Northville area and 17 surrounding communities can learn about a new therapeutic recreation program April 23.

Northville Senior The Community Center, 303 W. Main St., will host Western Wayne County Therapeutic Recreation representatives noon-2 p.m. that Saturday. Pre-registration is recommended. The cost is \$5 for western Wayne County residents, \$6 for non-residents. The program is designed to specifically meeting the needs of individuals with disabilities. For more information, call Pat Brown at Northville Parks and Recreation at (248) 349-0203.



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Artist Darcel Deneau created this "Urban Landscape Box," using acrylics. It will be auctioned off along with other creations at the Northville Arts Commission "Art Out of the Box" fund-raiser April 30 at Genitti's.

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Community activist Sonia Swigart dies at 55

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

People talk about the "Sonia touch," an extra measure of creativity, commitment and attention to detail accompanying all her endeavors.

Sonia Ann Slobojan Swigart died Saturday, April 2, after a long battle with cancer. The 2004 co-Citizen of the Year and wife of city councilman Tom Swigart was memorialized in services earlier this week.

"Cancer only killed her, it never beat her," Swigart said of his wife of 31 years. "Her pleasure came from others' enjoying the results of her effort, whether they knew it was her work or

"She was totally surprised by the citizen award last fall and would be the first to say that many others are as deserving."

A Northville resident for 24 years, Swigart was known in community service circles as a project planner, creative thinker and person to trust to follow through, her peers said.

"I don't know of anyone who tried as hard to support the Northville community," said longtime friend Mary Keys. "I think it really kept her going. that she had the commitments to the community. It gave her life



Sonia Swigart

"Her drive was indomitable."

Artistically inclined

Swigart's volunteer work followed a 24-year career in industrial design for the architectural group of Smith, Hinchman and Grylls (now the Smith Group) in Detroit

Through the 1990s, Swigart was the director of signage projects, the first woman to hold that post. Her projects included Detroit's Metro Airport and the John Dingell Veteran's Hospital,

Sonia Slobojan Swigart's family have asked in lieu of flowers donations be made to

Northville's Art House, the Northville Historical Society or the Arbor Hospice.

as well as international jobs in Germany and Saudi Arabia.

She retired from her professional career near the time of her first cancer diagnosis a dozen years ago, her husband said. She then began to pour her heart and energy into her adopted hometown of Northville.

"Her energy was certainly enviable," Keys said. "The fact we both had cancer more than once brought us together a lot.

"I don't think anyone really understands what it's like to go through that."

Born and raised in Oakville, Ontario, a suburb of Toronto, 9year-old Swigart moved to the U.S. in 1959. She attended Cass Tech High School and earned her industrial design degree from Wayne State University.

"Her artistic gift and training. as well as her managerial experience, have contributed to the style and excellence of her ongoing participation in hundreds of Northville community

events," Keys said. "She had an elegant, trained eye about how to do things well.

'She always astounded us with her accomplishments."

Service first

Swigart's passions included art, baking, animals and Northville's past, present and

"Art to Sonia was like breathing," Keys said. Swigart was able to attend the March 4 grand opening of The Art House, her friend said, the culmination of efforts on one of her pet proj-

"She just went and did things," Tom Swigart said. "I retired in 2000, thinking we would travel and explore options other than Northville.

"To Sonia, that would be after the next parade, cemetery walk, festival or project.

Her plan became our plan and I am grateful for that." In addition to the Northville

Arts Commission, Swigart's

pursuits included: Northville Historical Society, Northville Community Foundation. Northville Chamber Northville Commerce. Women's Club, Northville Public Schools volunteers, Mill Creek Church and Northville Community Dog Park

"Sonia lived the life she chose and made mine very wonderful. I love her a lot."

> Tom Swigart Sonia Swigart's Husband

"She was a fabutous individual in this community," said community foundation president Shari Peters, who for years worked alongside Swigart hosting Independence Day parades and Holiday Home Tours.

"She was there for everyone, every group, every organiza-

The Swigarts' dedication to establishing a dog park is how they met Fred Shadko three years ago. He complimented his friend's courage in the face of her illness.

"Cancer was not going to run her life — I admire that very, very much," Shadko said. "She always thought of everyone else

Swigart's longest commitment was to the preservation of

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SONIA ANN SLOBOJAN SWIGART

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Northville's past at the Mill Race Historic Village, where yesterday's service was held. Celebrating the community's Victorian Festival, she earned'a reputation for her knowledge of

period-appropriate fashion. Sonia lived the life she chose and made mine very wonderful," Tom Swigart said. "I love her a

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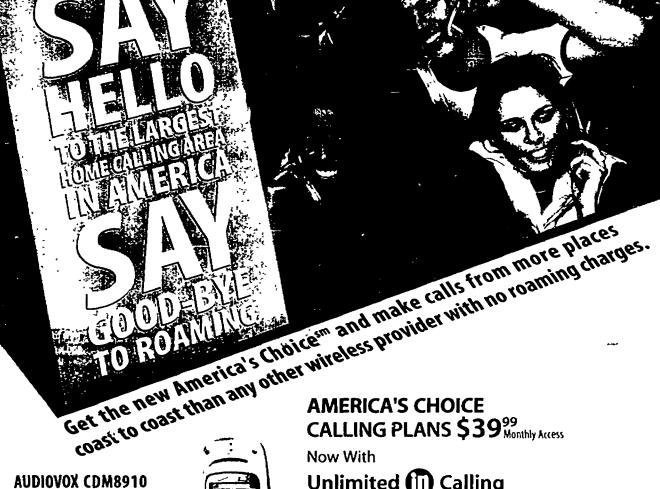
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Local resident provides tsunami relief

By Tom Filipczak SPECIAL WRITER

Kshama Jayasuriya boarded an airplane bound for Sri Lanka Jan. 27 carrying a roll of \$100 bills and toting a hopeful but heavy

The Northville Township resident traveled 24 hours to return to her former country, where a tsunami devastated the country

Jayasuriya, who moved to Northville six months ago from New Jersey, felt compelled to act.

We do have a good life here (in the

U.S.)," Jayasuriya said. "I wanted to help." In January, Javasuriya spent much of her time in northern Sri Lanka, traveling to coastline towns and hoping to help orphaned children. She discovered many

had been adopted by relatives. Instead, Jayasuriya directed her efforts

toward helping self-employed Sri Lankans whose livelihoods had been washed into the Indian Ocean.

Cash helped bridge the divide.

"A fisherman can buy a boat, a carpenter can buy tools," Jayasuriya said. "The exchange rate makes it easier to help."

A pharmacist in New Jersey, Jayasuriya said she was able to make her three-week trip at the end of January while waiting for her license to transfer to Michigan.

Jayasuriya found an 8-year-old girl suffering from Down syndrome who needed

"I will help her as long as I can," she said. Jayasuriya knows handing out \$100 bills won't save everyone. Still, she wishes it

You do what you can," she said. "I can't help the whole nation."

Jayasuria's husband, Keerthi, is also from Sri Lanka. Though he wasn't able to accom-

"We do have a good life here (in the U.S.). I wanted to help."

> Kshama Jayasuriya Resident, Northville Township

pany his wife on her January trip, he plans to go in May.

"He's going to build a school," she said.

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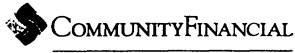
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kids over break. It is a nice way to say hi and catch up."

Freshman Lizzy Kerr isn't an art student, but thought she would go to the three hour gathering anyway.

"I just thought I would come in and try it out," she said as she constructed a small box out of clay.

Kerr met Cavanaugh in the summer during the school- and Northville Youth Assistance- sponsored Pillar Program.

The program, which Cavanaugh plays a significant role, helps incoming students build confidence and self-esteem before entering the high school their freshman year.

"It is all under the umbrella of teaching," Cavanaugh said. "You can't help but have these kids fall right into your heart."

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Fast friends

Freshmen Jon Gambee and Josh Houle met Northville High School art teacher Judy Cavanaugh before the year began while participating in the high school- and Northville Youth Assistancesponsored Pillar Program.

And ever since the three met, they have been fast friends.

"She is like a mom to us," Houle said.

Gambee said he and some of the other students often call her "aunt Judy"

Cavanaugh even gave the students a ride to her springbreak art session held at the school on March 30.

BREAK: local District, parents discuss overcrowding options

Officials outline four options, including student transfers

By Victoria Sadiocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

Members of the Northville Public Schools board of education will soon decide how the district will handle an impending overcrowd-

ing problem during the next two years. The student boom is primarily in the Ridge Wood Elementary School attendance area with Amerman Elementary School following with the second highest projected increase.

'The board expects to make a decision at the April 26, 2005 board meeting," said Judith Wollack, Northville Public Schools board of

education president. The decision will likely stem from four options presented during a special board meeting held Tuesday night.

The options presented by members of the volunteer-based, short-term options committee included:

 Construct a new elementary school; • Relocate Ridge Wood fifth-grade students to Winchester and Silver Springs elementary schools;

· Redraw attendance boundary lines; and Relocate Ridge Wood kindergarten stu-

dents to other district schools. Committee members said all options maintain current district class-size goals.

The board will also consider a "stopgap measure" in case student growth exceeds two-year projections.

The option is called the "overflow concept" and states Ridge Wood's enrollment is monitored. Should the school's projected enrollment exceed capacity during the 2006-07 school year, the board is authorized to send new students in the Six Mile and Ridge roads attendance area to another school if the grade level is at capacity.

Committee members said they hope the contingency option is adopted, along with one of the four options presented as a solution to student overcrowding.

"Ultimately everyone is in it for the greater good of the Northville community," said Kurt Meister, short-term options committee member.

During the April 4 meeting, comments made to the board by members of the community asked for consideration before a decision is made.

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Capacity figures include the Ridge Wood and Meads Mill additions

Ridge Wood teachers asked members of the board to think about what effect removing an entire grade level from the school would have, including the value of younger and older students learning together.

Parents voiced concern siblings may be split up under some of the proposals or moved again if attendance boundary changes are enacted.

Transportation was another concern voiced by Northville parents.

David Bolitho, Northville Public Schools assistant superintendent for administrative services, said there are two options: bussing students or shuttling students from an attendance area school to a changed school.

During the meeting, school officials said families in the Amerman attendance area would not be affected, if redrawing boundaries is adopted. They said portable classrooms will be used to accommodate the twoyear projected student boom

Winners

Northville High School students James Naigus and Katie Stewart were chosen as national finalists in the PTA Reflections creativity contest. Naigus submitted three entries in the music competition category, all which earned the senior recognition. Stewart's national submission is in the visual arts category. The high school junior also won an award of merit in the area of photography. The theme for this year's contest was "A Different Kind of Hero." A total of 49 entries were submitted by Northville High School students. Sixteen of the entries advanced to the state level.

Educators

Hillside Middle School teacher Jennifer Smith was selected as a 2004 Presidential Award state finalist for excellence in mathematics and science teaching. Smith teaches math at the downtown middle

school and was recognized with three other educators in the Detroit area for outstanding, innovating practices. Presidential Award Award Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching is the nation's highest honor for kindergarten through 12 teaching in these fields. Recipients of the 2004 presidential awards will be



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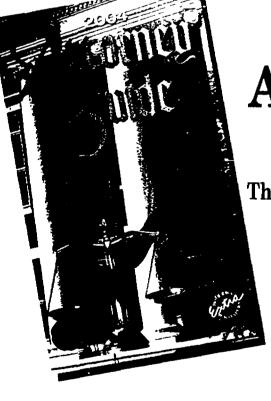
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Simple Simon: district officials say projecting student counts difficult

By Victoria Sadiocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville resident Kerry Zielinski wonders why there is always a growth predicament with Northville Public Schools.

"Why each year do we face the same issues? Either stop the growth or plan the growth only if it includes funding for schools. Too simple?" Zielinski wrote in a Northville Record letter.

Northville assistant superintendent for administrative services David Bolitho said it is not that sim-

Bolitho said there are restrictions placed on the district by the Michigan School Bond Loan

The program provides terms and serves as a loan mechanism for school district bond issues.

The five-year prediction

Leading the list of benchmarks placed on school districts by the School Bond and Loan Fund is adhering to a five-year projection.

Program.

school districts across the country, including Northville, adhere to gov-

Lake and Canton."

learning facilities.

guidelines.

Why five?

One reason Kacan feels the School Bond Loan Program sticks

rules prohibit school districts from

Even if a planned residential

development is expected to add stu-

dents six to seven years down the

road, district are not allowed to use

those numbers based on state

have discussed with the School

Bond Loan Program that that is too

short," Kacan said. "We feel it

that we are proposing, we are sug-

gesting that should be for fast grow-

ing districts like Northville, Walled

Fanning Howey Associates helps

ernment benchmarks while creating

"And really, the seven-year rule

should be seven years.

"I know that is something we

planning beyond five years.

architectural and consulting firm Fanning Howey Associates, said

'That is the safeguard they have in their loan application," he said. Bolitho said Northville has felt those consequence first hand.

"In the early '80s we closed Cooke and Moraine and it was very painful," he said.

The assistant superintendent said closing buildings is an expensive measure the district wants to avoid. When buildings are closed they still have to be maintained, a continued cost to taxpayers.

"There is no guarantee that developer will build in the next five years," Kacan said. "And unfortunately there is no guarantee all these children will show up."

Conversely, a district may say there will be 2,000 students in the next five years and will end up with 3,000, Kacan said. "But you can always build more, is the attitude."

Done deal

Bolitho said the School Bond and Loan Fund also prohibits districts from including projected student counts from developments that

"in the early '80s we closed Cooke and Moraine and it was very painful."

David Bolitho, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Service, Northville Public

For example, until the deal is complete with Real Estate Interests, Inc., the Bloomfield-Hills based developer submitting conceptual residential and commercial plans for the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital property, student projections may not formally be taken into consideration and are

not included in this year's enrollment forecast study.

Based on the conceptual plans, district officials anticipate about 495 students from the development.

Bolitho said Ridge Wood Elementary School fell into this category.
"We applied for the size school

that the state would accept at that time knowing full well that the land in the Six Mile corridor would be developed, but unless development is approved, it can't be used," he

Another benchmark: districts must use a state-approved student rojection company.

District officials said they use Education Services, Inc., one of the few state approved companies, and they must adhere to the company's

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Bolitho said by participating in the School Bond and Loan Program the district receives a better interest rate because it is based on the state's credit rating and more people will be interested in buying the district's bonds because of the low default risk.

Kacan said a lower interest rate for the district means a savings for taxpayers

He said whether popular or not, the program protects taxpayer's by making sure school districts don't overbuild just because they can get the money.

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Art contest

Dance Electric in Farmington Hills is sponsoring a youth art contest for area students grades kindergarten through 12, including Northville. Individual and group entries are accepted and will be judged by the grade groupings: kindergarten-second, third-fifth, sixth-eighth, nineth-12. Artwork receiving a ranked place will be displayed in the atrium of Ford's Community & Performing Arts Center in Dearborn on Friday, June 10 during "An Evening With The Arts." Students with winning entries will also receive recognition at an awards banquet and a gift certificate to a local art store. Artists must present their entries Sunday, May 15 in Farmington Hills. Entry forms are due May 1. For a list of further contest requirements, e-

danceelectric@twmi.rr.com or call (248) 477-3830.

Drug workshop

Social worker Ron Harrison presents "leens Using Drugs: What To Know and What To Do" a free workshop series held May through June in the Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Part One: "What To Know," will take place

7:30- 9 p.m. Tuesdays May 3 and June 7. It will provide information on understanding and recognizing teen substance abuse problems. Part Two:
"What To Do," will take place 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays May 10 and June 14. It will provide information on what should and should not be done when a teen substance abuse problem is suspected or identified and will include a recovering teen speaker. The series is co-sponsored Dawn Farm; the Livingston/Washtenaw Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Consortium; and Saint Joseph Mercy Health System Mission Services. For more information, call (734) 973-7892, e-mail jessa@med.umich.edu or visit http://www.hvcn org/info/teensusingdrugs.

Senior Citizens prom

The 15th annual Hillside Middle School Senior Citizens Prom will take place 4-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 20 at the school. This year's theme is Lights, Camera, Action: Hillside. Hollywood at Northville and Novi senior citizens are invited to attend and spend the afternoon dancing with Hillside students to the sounds of the Northville High School Jazz Ensemble, A puppet show and choral concert will also be a part of the event. For more information, call (248) 344-8493.

Driver education

Applications for Segment 1 Driver Education classes will be available in the Northville High School office beginning April 1. The enrollment fee of \$320 covers both Segment 1 in the summer 2005 and Segment 2 in the fall/winter 2005-06. The application deadline is Friday, April 22. For further information, call Kelly Covert at (248) 344-8427

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Science Fair

Hillside Middle School will he holding its 2004-05 Science Fair 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, April 13 in the Hillside Media Center, 775 N. Center Street. The event is open to parents and the entire community. For more information, call Yvonne Hughes at (248) 344-8598.

School board meeting

The next Northville Board of Education regular meeting is 7:30 p.m Tuesday, April 12 at Old Village School, 405 W. Main Street. 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 Ct., Northville, Mich. 48167. Please write the student's first and last name and T-shirt size on the memo line A Senior All Night Party payment box is also located in the high school office.

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

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Caring cookies

Moraine Elementary School Girl Scouts (from left) Megan Sullivan, Natalie Sheng, Hallie Tyburski and Kallie Berges take a quick break from selling cookies at Hiller's Market in late February. Members of Girl Scout Troop 573 put a new twist on selling the tasty treats, asking purchasers to donate their cookie boxes to Northville socialservice agency Civic Concern. Organizers said the girls' efforts were highly successful. The group was able to donate more than 65 boxes to the agency's food bank. Upon delivery of the goods, the group of fourth-grade girls received an impromptu tour of Civic Concern's new location on Seven Mile Road.

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Cassidy Tanner, 9, had her poem "Wind" published in Highlights magazine.



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Youthful expressions: student proves you're never too young to articulate inner thoughts

By Victoria Sadiocha RECORD STAFF WRITER

Cassidy Tanner is a silvertongued artist, honing her skills with practice and introspection.

She composes musical arrangements, plays violin and writes poet-

The twist? Tanner is 9 years old. But the Northville girl doesn't let something like youth interfere with the need to express herself.

"I have a lot of feelings at a lot of times," Tanner said, "And sometimes it is hard to get it out in regular words, but in poetry and in sound you can basically say whatever you want and get your point across in any way you want.

There are no limitations and no one judges you unless you want

Tanner began writing poems when she was 6 and started playing Suzuki violin two years ago.

"Sometimes I have made up some of my own songs and my dad thinks it is a famous composer," she said. 'And I say to him, 'guess

Poetry is another outlet for the Amerman Elementary School fourth-grade student.

Cassidy's mother, Diane Tanner, said her daughter showed a great interest in poems at a young age.

It makes flowers blow. It's the breeze that cooks

on a hot summer day, wipes away the sweat on your face,

carries your kite and the birds in the skywind does all these things and much, much more!

Cassidy Tanner, Age 7

"When she was 6 she loved Shel Silverstein," Diane said. "She would just read and read and loved the cleverness.

The Northville mother said her favorite Cassidy poem is one she wrote about loneliness.

"It was just really emotional. I don't know how to explain it, but it was a very deep poem," she said. Diane said her daughter is intense and sensitive and writing

poetry is how she deals with life. Cassidy is currently working on her entries for next year's PTA Reflections contest.

"It makes me feel open to the world that I can tell how I feel and someone understands me because the way I put it into words," she

The theme for the national arts

competition is "I wonder Why?" Cassidy plans on submitting an entry in the literature and music composition categories.

Her entry in the writing category for this year's reflections competition was recognized by her school.

In February, a poem Tanner wrote was published in Highlights

for children. She wrote the poem titled, "Wind" when she was 7.

"I started writing about the wind because that was basically the surroundings at that moment," she said. "That is what some of my poems are about, but some of the other ones I write, which are more emotional, are just about my feel-

Feelings are what Tanner writes about now. She matches emotions with words

Tanner lightly laughs when discussing "Wind."

"I was still young," she said. "I was still sort of a bud in the blos-

som of poetry." She explains good poetry has an instant meaning, "but there is also a

subtle meaning that the reader is trying to get across.' "I try to write my poems like that," she said. "Wind' isn't like

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Local clergy mourn pontiff's passing Congressional Office Hours

John Paul II's legacy touched local lives

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

The legacy of Pope John Paul II isn't far from the hearts and prayers of many local clergymen.

After Karol Wojtyla's death last Saturday, many say the pontiff's 26-year papacy has left an indelible

Ordained the year before the pope was elected, Fr. John Budde of Novi's Church of the Holy Family Catholic Church met the Holy Father during a 1987 Detroit visit.

"I'll never forget how he looked at me - as if I was the only person in whole cathedral at that moment," Budde said. "Whenever a person teaches something, when they really truly live it and cherish it in their own life, you can tell. He did."

An ability to reach out to young people impressed Fr. Kerner of Northville's Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church.

For many in his parish, this has been the only pope in their lifetime

"I think be told the truth, and young people just love that, when adults level with them," Kerner said. "He didn't lecture them, but he brought them on in the sense of fellow traveler in life, a pilgrim."

This pope's reach bridged reli-

Pastor Kent Clise of First Presbyterian Church in Northville related to John Paul II's message of valuing all life.

"I felt very much like we were kindred souls," Clise said. "In the eyes of the culture, he helped everybody of goodwill and good faith stand a little bit taller and serve with conviction.

"He always cared about the soul of people, and I think that came through."

Casting off materialism was another of the pontiff's lasting challenges, Budde said.

Later in the pope's life, he added, the leader practiced what he preached when it came to valuing the elderly, from his Parkinson's Disease to the end.

"He accepted death as a part of life and he accepted it graciously,"

Services will be held area-wide

Choosing the next pope

in the weeks following Pope John Paul II's burial tomorrow, a new pontiff will be chosen by the College of Cardinals in Rome:

- No more than 120 cardinals vote; none are older than 80. Beginning April 18, election begins with mass at St. Peter's
- Cardinals are housed in St. Martha's House at the Vatican, then move to the Sistine Chapel for voting; communication with others forbidden.
- two-thirds majority is needed to select the next pope; votes
- are written on election papers. • If that fails, votes are performed twice a day for three days.
- If there's still no selection, the process repeats for three sevenday periods, each broken by time for prayer, reflection and discus-
- After that, an absolute majority may be deemed necessary. • Once the new pope is chosen and accepts his nomination, he is immediately named Bishop of Rome and is inaugurated several

days later. Note: revised 1996 rules do not mention traditional white smoke from the Vatican that long signaled the new pope

Friday to commemorate the burial of Pope John Paul II.

The lasting legacy, Kerner said, is now up to those who survive - as he told his parishioners last week-

"To honor the pope and to honor yourselves, you really need to follow through, in your life, the challenge to be yourself and follow Christ," he said.

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Staff from Rep. Thaddeus G. McCotter's (R-Livonia) district office will host office hours for constituents of Northville City and Northville Township from 10 a.m.-noon, Wednesday, April 13, at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St.

Staff will alos host office hours in Garden City from 10 a.m.noon, Thursday, April 13, at the Garden City Library, 2012 Middlebelt Road.

Rep. McCotter and his staff are able to provide assistance with issues involving the federal government, including social security. Medicare, military and veterans' affairs, small business concerns, student loan repayments, along with a variety of other issues.

in Northville, will today host a ben-

efit for multiple sclerosis research

Dearborn hairstylist with the dis-

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Home, Lithari Productions and

Stoned & Wired will be present.

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where Cini works, will be given

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Real estate office honored

Downtown Northville's Real Estate One office was honored March 16 as one of the company's top 12 performers. The office was cited for high sales volumes, netting an office performance leadership award Employees were commended at a Dearborn awards ceremony.

Real Estate One is located at 103 Rayson St.

Businesses host MS benefit

Local businesses, including three

"Mom's

Extravaganza."

The event runs 4-9 p.m. today at the Laurel Park Mariott in Livonia, off Six Mile Road, east of Haggerty

Compiled by Record Staff Writer Kım Kovelle

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Police offer ticket to ride

Union raffles Harley-Davidson

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

For \$20, a local resident might soon be cruising Northville Township on a Harley-Davidson.

A nearly new, decommissioned "Police Special Road King" with only 355 miles on its odorneter is up

"I didn't get a chance to get out too much," said Sgt. Kevin Bias, who also serves as command officer president and accrued the mileage. There's got to be two marked cars on the road before a motorcycle can go out.

"It's comfortable to ride, I can tell

you that. It's got a lot of power. For the first time since 1993, the Northville Township Police Officers & Command Officers Association union bought one of the township's leased Harleys to raise funds for charity work.

So far only 500 of the available 3,000 tickets have been sold, each with an equal chance to win the \$18,000 motorevele

But the union must sell 300 more to break even by the May 7 drawing at Sheehan's on the Green - and more still to buy needed police department athletic equipment.

On the road

A trio of motorcycles has had a special spot in the township's fleet since the early 1990s.

Under a lease with Harley-Davidson, the department every year gets new stock. Once phased out, the bikes typically are sold used minus police markings and

They have an important niche," Lt. Ray Garbarino said. "They're more approachable. For special circumstances, they're ideal.

Four officers also patrol on the bikes, Bias said. Last summer, Bias drove the Harley to Royal Oak to keep the Woodward Dream Cruise

Township motorcycles are also used to patrol parks and shopping centers. But there are no tales of high-speed pursuits.

'No way," Bias said. "We don't even go on any emergency runs on a motorcycle. People have a hard time seeing cars going through intersec-

What: decommissioned 2004 Harley-Davidson FLHPI Police Special Road King up for raffle through the Northville Township Police Officers & Command Officers Association union

Why: to raise funds for new athletic equipment at the township police station When: drawing at 8 p.m.,

Where: on display at

Sheehan's on the Green in Plymouth, 39450 Five Mile Road

Contact: (248) 449-5090

tions. It's definitely a safety factor." Covered under a vehicle maintenance budget, the township's total is

about \$1,500 yearly, Bias said. Township Officers Larry Demeter, also police union president, is shoring up interest through e-mail, at the gym and beyond.

"Even if you don't have an interest in the bike, you can still help," said Officer Larry Demeter. "If you win the bike you can always turn around and sell it."



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHWILLE RECORD

Northville Towship police officers Larry Demeter, left, and Kevin Blas, right and Tim Sheehan, middle, admire the Harley-Davidson Police Special Road King that will be raffled off May 7 at Sheehan's On the Green pub the Northville Township. Only 3,000 \$20 tickets will be sold.



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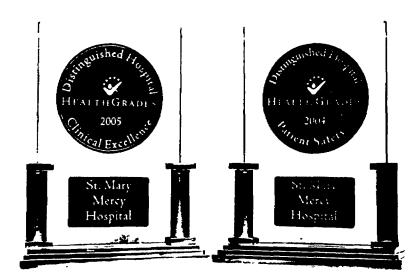
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Beck to the future

Traffic jams won't ease any time soon, county officials say

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

Patricia Denny knows turning out of her driveway near Beck Road during morning and evening rush hour is almost pointless.

With left-hand-turn traffic piled up at nearby Seven Mile Road, finding the right opportunity to pull safely into traffic can be tough, she said.

And dangerous. "I've noticed it's gotten busier,"

Denny said. So busy that Denny, 65 other Northville Township residents and township planning commissioners last week opposed a developer's plan to rezone a four-acre parcel located at the northeast corner of Beck and Seven Mile roads.

The rezoning would have changed the land from residential to retail and likely invited more traffic to an already bustling area, opponents of the plan said.

"I just think it's going to become

Road composition

In the road recipe, Wayne County needs funds and land before barrels and construction begin.

But in the end, quality is the key Ingredient.

Before Beck Road was expanded last year, patchwork asphalt dating to 1987 was in place, said Craig Wobrock, Wayne County project engineer.

"Basically 15-20 years you might get out of that, if you're lucky," Wobrock said. "It was starting to deteriorate pretty good." Instead of asphalt, the new road has a reinforced concrete topping nine inches of stone aggregate.

The new material should last 25-30 years, Wobrock said. He added that despite some rush hour congestion near Five Mile Road, detours were followed.

End result: more lanes and improved intersections, he said. "I think it's less busy," Wobrock said. "I think everything's moving through there pretty well."

too congested, period, for a lot of the homeowners," Denny said.

According to Wayne County. Denny is right. Projections for the north-south road show traffic will get worse long before it gets better.

Currently about 18,000 motorists travel the north-south road daily, according to county estimates, an increase of about 3.5 percent per

But relief is nowhere in sightat least not north of Six Mile Road.

The likely wait before Beck Road expansion, county officials said: 15-20 years.

Ken Kucel, a county engineer, said funding and a heavy county workload are the main obstacles.

Because of funding constraints, we're always playing catch-up," he said. "We try to get to those as fast as we can, but there's so much of a backlog."

Last November, Wayne County widened Beck Road to five lanes

Ronald Denny and other residents near the intersection of Beck and Seven Mile are concerned about a proposed commercial development - and increased traffic.

> lanes. A similar project may continue to Baseline Road, though no money has been budgeted, Kucel said.

He said another obstacle to a Beck Road expansion is the fact

roads, including boulevard left-turn

between Five Mile and Six Mile that much of the necessary land is privately-owned or part of Maybury State Park.

Township Public Services Director Don Weaver said that will take more time --- and money.

"I think they recognize that it would be an arduous task to do

In a 6-0 vote, the planning com-

mission March 29 gave its nod to

Development Co.'s plan for 4.5

acres at the northeast corner of the

First presented in January, the

developer's 33,766 square foot building in January would flank

roads.

Southfield-based

intersection.

that," Weaver said. "It's just kind of on a wish list right now."

Photos by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

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Township staffers said Invstico

still must work out easement

access to Five Mile Road with a

neighboring business and include

was absent. With the commis-

sion's approval, the final site plan

next goes to the township board of

Commissioner Kent Anderson

a traffic deceleration area.

kkovelle@ht,homecomm.net.

Township

REI, township meet tonight

The fate of 415 acres along Seven Mile Road will get a second look tonight exactly one month after Bloomfield Hillsbased Real Estate Interests pitched its plan.

Closed to the public, a subcommittee of Northville Township officials will meet with the developer, which aims to redevelop the former state hospital land along

with Schostak Brothers & Company.

The initial proposal included about 1,100 houses, seven restaurants, a 240,000 square foot shopping center, a bank and a 40-acre land donation.

"I'm looking forward to it," Township Supervisor Mark Abbo said. "We'll see if we have found the middle ground"

members Subcommittee include board of trustee members Abbo, clerk Sue Hillebrand and trustee Margie Banner, along with planning commission chairman George McCarthy and commisstoners Bob Nix and Jim Nield.

Creek group meets April 18

The Johnson Creek Protection

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE **PUBLIC HEARING - BROWNFIELD** REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF A PRO-POSED RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A BROWNFIELD REDEVELOP-MENT AUTHORITY FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE AND DESIGNATING THE BOUNDARIES OF A BROWNFIELD REDE-VELOPENT ZONE PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACT 381 OF THE POST OF THE STREET CRIGAN OF 1996, AS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a Public Hearing shall be held before the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Northville on Thursday, April 21, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at Township Hall located at 44405 Six Mile Road, on the adoption of a proposed resolution establishing a Brownfield redevelopment authority for the township pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended The public is invited to attend and comment

(4-7/14-05 NR 204045)

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Group meets at 7 p.m., April 18 at Northville High School, 45700 Six Mile Road. Guest speaker will be avid fish angler Jim Bedford, author of "Flyfisher's Guide to Michigan." Jenn Nelson from Flygirls of Michigan also will be

A clean-up day will be at noon. April 30, at Salem Township Hall, 9600 Six Mile Road. Workers will pick up trash throughout the watershed, install creek road crossing signs and clear the trail for the Johnson Creek Day Trail Run/Walk. Registration required.

Running 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on May 14 at Northville Community Park, Creek Day also includes a nature walk, restoration project, fly rod fishing, watershed games and live presentations.

To RSVP for events or to get further details, contact Michelle West at (734) 761-1010 or mwest@alnm.com or visit www.jcpg.org.

Gateway gets go-ahead

Northville Township may soon get 'Gateway Center," a new strip mall at Five Mile and Haggerty

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS "NOTICE TO CUT NOXIOUS WEEDS"

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: On or before May 1, 2005, it shall be the duty of every owner, occupant or person having charge of any land within the Charter Township of Northville, Michigan to cut and destroy noxious weeds before they reach a seed bearing stage and to prevent such weeds from perpetuating themselves or becoming a detriment to public health, or shall cause the same to be done

The above notice is issued pursuant to the Code of Ordinances for the Charter Township of Northville, Chapter 58.2, Article II, Property Maintenance Code

(4-7/21-05 NR 204050)

(4-7-05 NR 203380)

SUE A HILLEBRAND, CLERK CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

NORTHVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION **PUBLIC HEARING** MDNR GRANT APPLICATION

COLDWATER SPRINGS NATURE AREA - LINEAR PARK CONNECTION

A public hearing is scheduled by the Charter Township Board of Trustees on Thursday, April 21, 2005 7 30 p m at Northville Township Hall 44405 Six Mile Road to obtain public comment on a grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for Coldwater Springs Nature Area - Linear Park Connection Public input is encouraged

> TRACI SINCOCK, DIRECTOR NORTHVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2005-06 BUDGET

In compliance with "Act No 43," State of Michigan Public Act of 1963, and "Act No 2," State of Michigan Public Acts of 1968 ("Section 16" of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act), Schoolcraft College publishes this notification of a public hearing on the proposed 2005-06 College budget. This hearing is to take place at 700 pm on Wednesday, April 27, 2005, at the Grote Administration Center, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia, Michigan, A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the above address during normal business hours

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

Jill F O'Sullivan

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS -FURNITURE**

The Northville Public School District is seeking bids for loose furniture and equipment for a 10 classroom addition at Meads Mill Middle School, 16700 Franklin Road, Northville, Michigan 48167 according to the

The specification listed for each item is included to serve as a point of reference as to the District's quality expectations. You are encouraged to bid other product lines that meet or exceed the standard specification. If you bid an alternate, please include a picture and the specification.

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recommendation of any bid. Each bid proposal shall be submitted on the proposal forms provided and shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond, executed by the bidder and Surety Company, payable to the Township Clerk in the amount of Five Percent (5%) of the accompanying bid. Proposal Guarantee shall provide assurance that the bidder will, upon acceptance of the bid, execute the necessary Contract with the Township. No bid may be withdrawn after scheduled closing time for receiving bids for at least one hundred twenty (120) days. The successful idder will be required to furnish satisfactory Performance, Labor and Material, and Maintenance and Guarantee Bonds.

The Township of Northville reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive irregularities in bidding. No Proposal will be received unless made on blanks furnished and delivered to the Township Clerk on or before 2:00 p.m. Local time, Wednesday, May 4, 2005.

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WHAT'S GOING ON?

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

Local Events

Gallery Show

Novi artist, Staci Miron's "Remember" display is running now through April at the BWA Gallery, 43133 Seven Mile Road. The show is based on the September 11 tragedy. Call (248) 449-6833 for details.

Art Gallery Opening

The Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art will be having a grand opening, 6:30-9 p.m. Friday, April 8 at 111 N. Center St. A wine, cheese, and dessert buffet will be availble. Call (248) 380-0470 or visit srmewha@aol.com.

Marquis Theatre

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

Community Healing Service

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

Grief Support Workshops

This free workshop is open to the community. Meetings are 7-8:30 p.m. for seven Tuesdays, beginning April 5, at Northville Senior Center, 303 W. Main St. For information about other grief support groups offered or to register for this series, çall the New Hope Center office at (248) 348-0115.

Genitti's 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 funch theater, Saturdays and Sundays through June. The cost is

\$14.95 for kids and \$16.95 for adults.

Presenting "The Reflections". 6:30 p.m., Saturday, May 7. The cost is \$35 per person and includes dinner and dancing.

Call (248) 349-0522 for times and reservations. Genitti's is located in downtown Northville at 108 E.

Gardeners Meeting

The next meeting will be 6:30 p.m., Monday, April 11 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road. Dr. David Michener will be speaking on native plants and ground covers. The public is welcome. For more information, call (248) 348mainwoods@wowway.com.

Michael Farrell Lectures

This lecture is titled Art and Architecture --- Japan and the Shinto Shrine. It will be 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 19 at the Art House, 215 W. Cady St. The fee is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information, call (248) 449-9950.

Dance Lessons

Center Stage Dance Company is offering free dance lessons, 2-7 p.m., Friday, April 22, Lessons will be available for all ages. Center Stage is located at 43334 W. Seven Mile Road, Suite 250, Northville. For more information, call (248) 380-1666.

Church Concert Series

The Christa Grix Trio will be performing at 7 pm 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.

Maybury Wild Flower Walk

This walk will be 11 a.m-noon, Wednesday, April 27, at Maybury State Park.

Eight Mile Road, Northville, It is sponsored by the Friends of Maybury State Park and led by naturalist Selena Browne. For more information, call George McCarthy at (248) 347-0899 or Jerry Mittman at (248) 348-2396.

"The Little Mermaid"

Center Stage Dance Company will present "The Little Mermaid", Saturday, April 30, at the Northville High School Auditorium. The 1:30 p.m. show will feature dancers between 9-18 years old. Tickets are \$7 each; groups of 10 or more are \$5.50 each. For more information, call (248) 380-1666.

Arbor Day Seedlings

This event is 9:30 a.m.-noon, Saturday, April 30, at Old Township Hall, 41600 Six Mile Road. No charge to City and Township residents and Northville School District students with proof of residency. For more information, call Northville Township, (248) 348-

Golf Outing

Young Life is sponsoring a golf outing on Thursday, May 19 at Links of Novi, 50395 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi. For information, call Paul Anker at (248) 349-8425 or Mike Neville at (248) 449-8234.

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.

Evaluating Your Antiques

Bring antiques to the library, 1 p.m., Wednesday, April 13, for appraisal by David McCarron of the Frank Boos Gallery. Free tickets are available 45 minutes before it begins. One item only for a free 5minute evaluation.

Genealogical Society

The next meeting will be 2:30 p m., Sunday, April 10 at the library. 212 W. Cady St. Linda Last will guide this hands-on on-line genealogy research class.

Individual help on genealogy is offered by society members in the

local history room 1-3 p.m. on Monday afternoons at the library located at 212 W. Cady St. For more information, call Grace Wilfong at (248) 349-9079 or visit www.rootsweb.com/-mings.

"The Book Cellar"

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

Investment database

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

Books, Chat and Chow

This discussion, designed for sixth graders and older, will be 4:15 p.m., Monday, April 25. This month's title is "A Step from Heaven" by An Na.

Junior Books, Chat and Chow

Fourth and fifth graders can make friends, have treats and enjoy a book discussion on "A Week in the Woods" by Andrew Clements, 4:15 p.m., Wednesday, April 27.

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, April 15. No registration is required. Infants and older children are welcome.

Spring Tot Storytime

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 through May 2; 10:15 or 11:30 a.m., Wednesdays through May 4; or 10:15

a.m., Thursdays through May 5. To register, call (248) 349-3020.

Stories for Children

Children ages 4, 5 or in kindergarten and comfortable attending without a caregiver may join this six-week series of 45-minute storytimes. Younger or older children or non-registered siblings may not attend. Each program features stories and creative activities, so children should also be able to use scissors, glue, etc. Each session includes 20 children.

Register for one of the following sessions: 4-4:45 p.m. Mondays, April 11-May 16; 10:15-11 a.m. or 2-2:45 p.m. Tuesdays, April 12-May 17. Register by phone at (248) 349-3020 or in person.

Kids Club for 1st-3rd Grade

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.

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

Fire prevention: keep downtown safe

A fire last week in downtown Rochester is good reason for local merchants and building owners to review their own fire prevention setups.

Quaint as it may Northville is like many small towns Milford, South Lyon, Lake Orion — sus-

ceptible to large-scale fires because of its connected buildings.

Small town fire officials often cringe at the logistical challenges posed by densely-built downtowns where shared walls, old wooden facades and unaccounted for chemical-based inventories can easily turn a window fire into a block-long blaze.

Making matters worse, the Michigan Builders Code, the universal code governing all Michigan communities. allows two standards: one now and always.

What do you think? We welcome your

Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Letters to the Editor, David Aguilar, Northville Record, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167. Fax: (248) 349-9832. E-mail: daguilar@ht.homecom

> Worse, many buildings have only one exit and poorly-lit stairways leading to upstairs residences.

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Until state regulations are changed, it's critical building owners and merchants remain proactive: make certain smoke alarms are installed, replaced and serviced regularly; don't use multiple extension cords; make certain exit signs are visible and working.

Fire prevention should be rat hor topic downtown -



Swigart set solid example

Northville said good-bye to one of its greatest cheerleaders this week. After fighting cancer for a 12 years, Sonia Swigart died Saturday. Her memorial service was held at the Mill Race Historical Village, home to one of her many community passions

The honor of being named 2004 co-Citizen of the Year was public recognition of Swigart's quiet 24-year devotion to Northville projects and traditions, even as she increasingly suffered from her illness.

Respects this week were a refrain of admiration for her creativity commitment and courage. Sonia Swigart made Northville better

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP

Commerical concerns abound

Last week, Northville Township's planning commission recommended for approval two commercial projects to the board of trustees. One may be at Haggerty and Five Mile roads, and the other at Six Mile and Ridge roads. Both will help the township in its quest to bolster a residential-intensive tax base. Increased traffic will no doubt pose public safety concerns the board should carefully consider as they deliberate their final decision.

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

District faces critical decision

Members of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education have three weeks to decide how to solve the district's student short-term overcrowding problem. The answer will come during the regularly scheduled Tuesday, April 26 board meeting at Ridge Wood Elementary

Members will most likely decide from a list of four options agreed upon by members of a volunteer subcommittee. All options affect educators, children and their families and will eventually mean relocation. This is a critical decision for many local parents, so elected officials should heed carefully the options at their disposal.

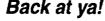
NORTHVILLE ATHLETICS

Girls soccer prospects bright

The future for Northville High School girls soccer is bright. The team has just four seniors on a group that returns this season as the defending Division I state champions. Counted on the team are Tessa Adkins, who will be attending Madonna University on a scholarship, and Jen Kritch, who will play at the University of Pittsburgh. Also on the team are juniors Lauren Hill, a second-team All-State selection last year, and Danielle Toney, a pre-season National High School Soccer Coaches' Association Youth All-American selection. Can this team repeat? It's a lot of pressure and it will take a lot of luck, but we don't see why they can't come out on top yet again.

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Photos by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHYILLE RECORD

LEFT: Alex Jagodzinski, 81, gets into the volleyball action at the Hillside Recreaton Center. RIGHT: Bonnie Birag hits a return during a senior volleyball league match. For more activities information call (248) 349-0203.

Same old school story

On April 5, 6 and 7, there will be more meetings to discuss another plan for rezoning the children of Northville I understand the need to have discussion and dialogue. (Where did last year's 5 year plan go?) I just sense a luck of a strong comprehensive long-term strategy to the explosion of home building and subsequent student growth.

Why each year do we face the same issues? Either stop the growth or plan the growth only if it includes funding for schools. Too simple?

Our subdivision has had three different elementary schools assigned in the four years of its existence. Our children have been forced to adjust to first moving to a new city - and then having to change multiple times their school friends and change their comfort zones.

Parents and students are frustrated again at the risk to this annual shuffle.

For us to maintain Ridge Wood - I can see having a huge modular trailer park for school facilities. Real classy. We moved here because we have one of the best public school systems in the state. I understand a building is not an education, but the physical and mental care of the children is quintessential to a parents feeling this city is a home.

Where is the plan to allow the growth without holding the builders and new homeowners accountable to pay for the infrastructure. What do we as current residents get out of all this? A park? A playground? Four new restaurants? How about buying us a school? Or at least could we create a special assessment for the new growth areas to pay for the schools based on a 20-30 year payback

Lansing is not ready to send us millions for more schools. So what does that lead us again to mileage votes. BAD IDEA. I think residents are tired of millage solutions to growth problems. We just passed a millage

that bought no new books and

added no new schools. Did we

Be creative

not know we were going to have Grand Sakwa, Pulte and REI build another 500-600 homes? I am millage burned out. Lastly, do builders have any say in their subdivision school assignments? It know it would

be advantageous for selling new homes to have the new residents hear their children get to go to a brand new school. We heard it in our subdivision. Maybe I am being too cynical, but it is rather ironic we now are facing being on the bubble to not going to Ridge Wood after all our subdivision homes are sold. And the new home buyers off Six Mile will hear the same message. "We are set to go to the brand new

school." Opinions welcome at the fol-

lowing: Special Call Board meeting: Tuesday, April 5, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Auditorium

First Town Hall Meeting:

Wednesday, April 6, pm, Hillside Auditorium

Second Town Hall Meeting. Thursday, April 7, at 7 pm. Meads Mill

> Kerry Zielinski Vice President - Woodlands Homeowner Association

Free living will information

The Northville Record should be commended for its responsible and thoughtful coverage of the Shiavo case, reflecting the challenging decisions families and caregivers must face when confronted with the complexities of end-of-life care.

The issues surrounding endof-life are vast, but one that has clearly been brought to the forefront is that of personal choice, and the options available to individuals to control that choice. One common misconception regarding living wills and related documentation is that the process can be cost prohibitive. 'My Voice, My Choice" is an advance directive program adopted by Arbor Hospice & Home Care and available free of charge to the community. Developed by the ethical committee team at Oakwood Hospital, this comprehensive program is a legal and hinding, state-recognized advance directive package which includes both a living will and a Patient Advocate Designation for Healthcare (durable power of attorney)

Arbor Hospice & Home Care has strongly endorsed this program and has trained facilitators who are available to go through the package with participants step-by-step Participants are then able to contact our facilitators directly if they have questions at a later date

We have been providing this advance directive presentation free of charge to the community for the last few years and it has been well received by institutions and individuals alike To learn more about the "My Voice. My Choice" program and/or to schedule a presentation for local organizations and/or community groups, interested parties may contact Lisa Fitzgerald at lfitzgerald@arborhospice.org or by calling toll-free (888) 992-CARE, ext. 105.

Again, thank you for your continued community support and your coverage of these important issues.

Lisa Fitzgerald Director of Marketing & Resource Development, Arbor Hospice & Home Care

Path coverage

I am pleased to see your coverage of the construction of bicycle paths in the Northville area. My children and I are

users of these paths and we appreciate each new addition. However, I am not sure the planers of these projects have their priorities straight.

Specifically, the proposed new path covers a route already well handled — you can already get from Six Mile and Northville Road to downtown Northville safely on a bike. If the map of existing paths included in your article were more complete it would have shown that it is possible to ride from 6 Mile and Northville road to 7 Mile just west of MacDonald Ford on a nice wide paved bike path. From there you can reach downtown on the lightly traveled River Avenue, east of the race track. While this route has been there for years it was made a bit easier with the wonderful new bridge over the Rouge

In the mean time there are many "gaps" in the existing paths. Some are just annoying, but others are downright dangerous. The gap I am most concerned with is from Six Mile and Northville Road to about -mile west on Six Mile. This mile gap is on an otherwise several mile long bike trail system from Haggerty Road to Beck Road and beyond. Destinations along this route include Nothville High, Meads Mill School, Centennial Park, and the mall at Six Mile Road and Haggerty This gap is on busy Six Mile Road, which narrows on the bridge over Hines Drive resulting in very little clearance for bikes on the rocky siding. In fact, a protected bike path similar to the one under the CSX tracks west of Six Mile and Northville Road would seem appropriate in this narrow sec-

Another extremely dangerous mile gap is on Beck Road from Main street North to Eight Mile Road, Filling this gap would allow children to safely access the Maybury Park Beck Road entrance, and the several miles of paved and mountain bike trails within. Wouldn't it be great if our kids could safely ride bikes to Maybury?

While the proposed Northville Road bike trail would be nice. filling the dangerous gaps in the existing bike path system should be given much higher budget and timing priority.

> Michael Cullen Northville Township

Thanks, **Optimists**

The members and advisors of Northville City Fire Department Explorer Post 1717 would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude thanks to Northville/Novi Optimist club for their donation to our post. Their generous support will help our group reach their goal of attending the National Explorer Conference Competition in College Station, Texas this June. Our explorers are able to attend these competitions and attain

future career goals because of the dedicated firefighters who are willing to train them and the generosity of organizations like the Optimists who are willing to support their local youth.

> Shari Allen, Jell Kujawa-Advisors Post 1717

Driving message home

Every year 8,000 young teens' lose their lives while behind the wheel of a car. That's 8,000 of our boys and girls who, because of the "rite of passage," are given the keys to a vehicle at 16 years of age. 16-year-olds are five times more likely to be involved in a car accident than any 18-year-old. Some say this is due to the driving experience of an 18-year-old, when in reality it rests on maturity. The difference in maturity between a 16-year-old and an 18-year-old is dramatic. This large difference is also seen in car crash statistics, which drop by the thousands by the time a teenage reaches 18. Why is it that in our country people must be at least 18 years old to vote? Maturity However, we are still willing to hand over the keys to teenagers when we know they are at a higher risk of being involved in a car accident. We often think! that the few months of drivers training is enough time to prepare them to be in control of a vehicle. According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, driver education courses have had little or no effect on teenage drivers. In other countries, such as England, where the driving age is 17 and in Germany where the age is 18, the number of teenagers involved in car crashes is dramatically lower.

So what can we do? We should start off by changing the age at which a teenager can get their permit from 15 to 16 and changing when they can get' their drivers license from 16 to-18 This change will most likely unset many teenagers that have always thought it was a rite for them to get their license at 16 I say it is a privilege. Parents may be hesitant for the fact that they also gain freedom when their children can finally drive themselves around. I say any responsible parent should be willing to sacrifice this freedom for the safety of his or her own child.

Next, we need to enforce the' laws that are already in place. As you may know, teenagers are not allowed to drive with more than one passenger under the age of 17 during their first year of driving. Young drivers are not allowed to have more than three passengers under the age of 17,3 until they reach 18 years of age. Officers and parents need to press this law because we all know that distractions can cause accidents. Lastly, we need to have increased penalties for teenagers that break traffic laws,

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COMMENTARY

Needed most for Michigan: major reconstruction

Sorry to have to tell you this, but while the media was consumed last week with the deaths of Terri Schaivo and Pope John Paul II. you may have missed the really bad news. For Michigan's economy, that is,

We now have the highest unemployment rate in the nation, 7.5 percent. And University of Michigan economists have revised their November 2004 job growth forecasts and now predict the state will add just 15,700 new jobs this year, far less than their earlier pre-

The ongoing travails of the automotive industry are reflected in the continuing job loss for manufacturing over the forecast period, putting a damper on Michigan's economic recovery," wrote the U-M's Joan Crary and George Fulton.

But what to do about it? To gain perspective, try framing the situation this way. Suppose you are the CEO of a company that:

- Is losing money.
- · Has a bad balance sheet.
- · Sports a terrible national • Offers a product line that is
- outdated and selling badly. · Operates according to a back-
- ward-looking business model.
- · Faces the imminent financial failure of its largest subsidiary.
- · Suffers from poor corporate governance and a hostile board of directors.

 Has a flawed corporate culture. What would you do? Simple. You would restructure the company. Radically. Right away. And you'd probably be declared a Lee lacocca-style managerial genius for recognizing how serious the situation is and for having the guts to do something far-reaching about

Well, it doesn't take a big stretch of imagination to realize that the company facing this dire situation is in fact our state, Michigan.

We're losing money. The state budget has been in the red time after time, even unexpectedly in the middle of fiscal years. We cut taxes when times were good and we can't afford our operations now that times are bad.

Our balance sheet stinks. We face a chronic annual structural budget deficit of at least \$1 billion. and we've run out of "rainy day funds" and accounting gimmicks



Phil Power

to cover it up.

Our national image is terrible. We are regarded as a high-cost, rust belt state, heavily unionized and burdened with a tax system 30 years out of date.

Our main industry --- old-fashioned, brawn-based heavy manufacturing - is both dated and evaporating before our eyes.

Yet our business model has been to do everything we can to help our old manufacturing base, while taking only baby steps intended to diversify our economy and update our tax system. In recent years, we have failed to invest in our intellectual property resource by starving our universities.

Our biggest subsidiary, the city of Detroit, is facing a \$300 million-or-so deficit, while Detroit's public school system is looking at more than \$200 million in red ink. The only real question is whether they will be taken over by financial receivers, as state law requires. before the 2006 elections

Our "corporate governance" is terrible. It's in the hands of a termlimited legislature which, when not playing musical chairs, demonstrates general cluelessness about what's going on. Worse, the CEO (i.e., Gov. Jennifer Granholm) is a Democrat, while the board of directors (i.e., the legislature) is controlled by the Republicans. Neither have demonstrated much interest in working together.

Our corporate culture (i.e. the assumptions underlying the operation of our political system) is rooted in the unshakable assumption that anybody who votes for radical change or a tax increase is sure to lose the next election. This goes all the way back to 1983, when incoming Gov James

income tax to meet a state budget deficit and John Engler, then Senate Republican leader, masterminded the recall of two Democratic state senators, Phil Mastin and Dave Serotkin.

If all this isn't a clear-cut cry for a program to radically and rationally restructure our state, I don't know what is:

To her credit, Gov. Granholm is at least taking some steps in the right direction. Her Cherry Commission on education and the economy has set out a compelling case for doubling the number of college graduates in the work force (while, however, offering no money to do it.)

State Treasurer Jay Rising has proposed modifications in the Single Business Tax that would ease the tax burden on manufacturers, while Granholm herself has called for a \$2 billion state bond issue that would fund investments in high-tech jobs.

Yet measured against the gravity of our situation, this is still pretty small bear What is needed is a clear call for a fundamental remaking of the underlying structure of our state.

The last time I recall anybody doing anything this bold was during the early 1960s, when George Romney, then chairman of American Motors, headed up a group called Citizens For Michigan that advocated re-writing the 1908 Constitution, a document which in fact hadn't been substantially changed since 1867. The process resulted in a Constitutional Convention, usually abbreviated as Con-Con. The document it created was adopted by the voters in 1963, and the momentum it generated propelled Romney into the governor's chair the year before that.

Times are much worse now. That was an age of leaders who. whether you liked them or not, dared to be bold. And where are our bold leaders these days, now that we need them so desperately?

Philip Power is the former chairman of Hometown Communications Network. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 -ppower@homecomm net.

Cassis faces uphill gubernatorial challenge

Nancy Cassis was back in her home town in upstate New York sometime in the 1980s when she bumped into her old high school government teacher, the one who had made a big difference in her

Beaming, she told him that she had not only become a teacher herself, she had just been elected to the Novi City Council. Old Ed Cassidy looked at her. "So when are you going to run for governor?" he said.

The answer is now, though Cassidy, alas, didn't live to see it Now a state senator from a fastgrowing part of Oakland County, the state's most affluent area. Nancy Cassis, at 61 a staunch, if tiny Republican with piercing blue eyes, thinks Michigan needs a woman governor. Just not the one we've got.

"Governor Granholm is trying to play catch up after failing to provide leadership for her first two years in office," she said. "The state needs a governor who will make the tough choices and who will cut spending and cut taxes so we can create new jobs. I will provide that strong leadership.

Most regard her candidacy as a long shot. Michigan Republicans. unlike Democrats, normally prefer picking candidates by quiet consensus to bruising primary struggles, and the consensus seems to be settling on Dick DeVos, heir to the Amway fortune and husband of former state party chairman Betsy DeVos.

Many Republicans like DeVos in part because, as one put it succinctly, "he has more money than God," and can self-fund a campaign for governor, leaving party fundraisers free to concentrate on raising the millions they'll need to mount a challenge to U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow.

Nancy Cunningham Cassis isn't willing to accept that. True, she isn't fabulously wealthy; she was a school psychologist before entering politics, and her second husband, Victor Cassis, is a restaurant owner.



Jack Lessenberry

Together, they've raised a mere \$35,000 so far. Yet she isn't willing to accept the odds

Her political hero, former Gov John Engler, she notes, didn't accept them either. "He was always bold, and that's what I admired about him" Nobody gave Engler any better chance of winning the 1990 gubernatorial election than they give Cassis now. Yet he did, and she intends

No two people could look less alike; she stands 5-foot-3 and has a merry, somewhat elfin aspect. together with an accent that, even after a quarter-century in Michigan, says New York. Engler, was, well, big and often

Yet politically, she says, they are twins. "Like John, I've got the legislative experience to get things done," she says. And she insists that when people figure out who she is, she will have a real shot both at the nomination, and at beating Granholm a year from this November.

That may be a long shot. But there are a couple of interesting things that may be going for her. While DeVos is unquestionably better known, his wife was a controversial state party chair who many think was eased out after the party failed to meet expectations in last November's elecTIODS

The DeVos couple was also the main mover behind a campaign to replace public education funding with state-issued vouchers, which went down to a landslide defeat and earned DeVos the enmity of public school teachers

There also has long been a split between West Michigan, where DeVos is from, and southeast Michigan, where more of the voters, including Cassis, live. There are also those who are a bit leery of Anway, the giant controversial retailer which is the source of the DeVos fortune.

She proudly points to one poll showing that despite low name recognition, she trails the governor only 44 percent to 38 percent. while DeVos lags behind by 47 percent to 32 percent in a similar match up

Yet her campaign may have its own contradictions. Cassis vows to cut taxes and spending but also says she would do more for education, two promises that don't seem to mesh. Though she is touting an "Early Learning Initiative" for kids at the earliest levels, she isn't talking much about new

There is general agreement that Michigan schools at all levels are facing a severe financial erisis, higher education in particular. including Republicans, fear that if this isn't addressed, the state's long-term ability to compete economically

may be irreparably damaged. The Cassis campaign has yet to address any of this, though it isn't clear that the Granholm administration has either. "We (Michgan) have to make real hard choices, and we've been avoiding them, Cassis says. You don't have to be a supporter of hers, or her ideas, to suspect that she is absolutely

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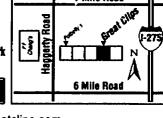
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (CONT'D)

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especially speeding. Speeding is a potential killer but our teenagers are still doing it. They are desensitized to the seriousness of driving too fast. We need to suspend their license for speeding. Everyone must understand that it is up to us to protect our teenagers and the citizens who are on the road along side them. Raising the permit and drivers license age and enforcing the laws will help do this. It is our

> Nicole Boyd, Westland, Kevin Howard, Southgate, Jeff Bowman, Royal Oak, Angela Schroder, Novi

Endowment Fund during 2004. Your support has helped the endowment reach a value of nearly \$150,000 since it was established three and a half short years ago! We have proudly added many of your names to the bookshelf mural in the library. And we assume that you have recently enjoyed benefiting from the resulting community foundation tax credit when preparing your Michigan income tax return.

> Northville District Library **Endowment Committee**

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Thanks,

March was a wonderful reading

as students and staff read and participated in the theme, "Oh, My! It's Sci-Fi!" The finale of going to AMC-20 on March 24 to see the movie Robots went off without a hitch, and we'd like to thank all of the parents who drove.

A huge thank you goes to Jim DeLano of Pizza Cutter who, for the sixth year in a row, supplied certificates for free pizza to all students who met their grade-level reading goals. Donna MacDonald deserves special recognition for creating movie ticket-shaped chocolate bars for all participating students.

In addition, behind the scenes were those who tabulated the hours that students read, arranged special author/illustrator assemblies, ran the Book! Exchange, collected and followed through on all the field trip paperwork, and even filled popcorn boxes. We thank the following people for their generosity and apologize if we've missed anvone's name: Karen Heiser, Susie Pool, Vicki Webster, Cheryl Goodbred, Jeannine Makowski,

Kathy Sugiyama, Janine Myers, Debby Duvall, Ann McCutcheon, Donna MacDonald, Leslie Moran, Karen Alameddine, Amy Marmaduke, Cindy Schmitt, Jenniser Lanzetta, Mary Lippert, Cathy Weir, Nancy Griffiths, Chris Speaks, Linda Zalewski, Melissa and Walter Mistak, Mardi Vargo, Rose Lerner, Shirley Oryschak and Tina Hwang. We would be remiss if we didn't

mention the work done by Mary Wilson. She coordinates and runs the tabulation team, determines who has reached their goals, creates ribbon and dogtag lists, and does it all in addition to her regular duties as a teaching assistant and all of it with a wonderfully patient smile on her face. Thank you so much, Mary.

> Pat Messing, Principal Jay Hillard, Learning Consultant

Winchester Elementary School,

Record kudos

Thanks so much to Record staff writer, Kim Kovelle, for a very informed and well written article (3-31-2005) about the Northville township and city police departments' choice of Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Patrol

As a surviving spouse of my late husband, John, whose last assignment at Ford Motor Co. was manger of safety laboratories department., Global Operations, I and also my Ford family want to personally thank you for such an informative and unbiased article.

Most importantly, thank you to the police chiefs for choosing a sale and quality built American made vehicle. To the citizens of the township and city, this is a prime example of your tax dollars well spent!

Mrs. Geraldine Kilsdonk

Don't let up!

Dear Editor: During the past year we have noted with much scrutiny and welcomed with great satisfaction the positive direction the Northville Record has taken. Since your arrival last year, the local newspaper has improved dramatically on every level, especially when it comes to simple things like people-focused stories, minimizing typos, grammatical errors and sloppy reporting. You have showed a welcomed penchant for challenging public officials and the policies they too often slip by uninformed (or misinformed) taxpayers. Having met you personally for the first time at the "Taste of Northville" event, it was readily apparent why many of the aforementioned changes have taken place: you are easy to talk to and true to your word. Thank you for your hard work - now keep it

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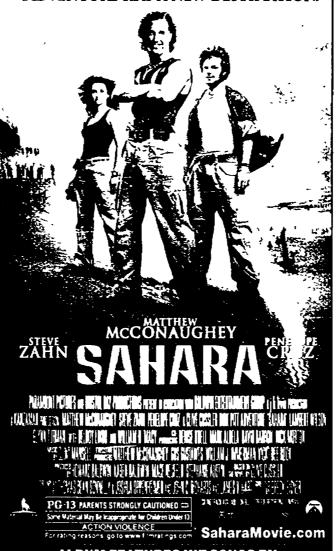
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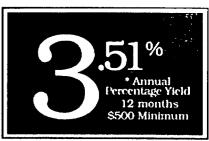
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHYLLE RECORD Northville residents Dr. Arthur and Natalie Weaver know the benefits of healthy eating.

'Better living' for hectic lives

Vegetarian couple teaches benefits in seminars

By Kim Kovelle RECORD STAFF WRITER

Long before being a vegetarian was en vogue, Dr. Arthur Weaver and his wife, Natalie, ate lentils and gluten regularly.

The Northville Township couple credit their healthy lives to one thing: good food choices

"When you're reared that way, the idea of eating meat is bizarre," said Arthur, 81, a retired surgery professor Since 1967, the duo spreads

the word via free "Nutrition and Total Health," seminars, complete with recipes and samples. Their most recent seminar was

≟last Sunday. Natalie, 80, said the goal is to Leach busy people how to eat bet-

"My specialty is showing them how they can get a balanced diet very quickly," she

Childhood books on foreign mission doctors sparked Arthur's physician aspirations early

"My parents became vegetarians when they became married," the said.

Natalie, whom he met at a Seventh Day Adventist high school in Holly, Mich, grew up with gluten, a protein hyproduct

from flour. : Seasoning the substance, they made stews, burgers, steak and

"I love to cook," said Natalie "I could just cook forever"

A nurse, Natalie worked in a dietitian office while Arthur became a cancer surgeon.

2 Both worked in Pakistan for Eseveral years In the 1960s, **Upcoming events**

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"You get all this stuff that you don't need. They kick up your cholesterol."

> Dr. Arthur Weaver Northville Township

Arthur took a professor position, at Wayne State University.

As chief of surgery at 10-story Harper Hospital, the doctor gave residents a workout - literally.

"It didn't make any difference how many floors," Arthur said. "It wasn't going to be elevators."

But good eating was only half the battle. Nearly 40 years ago, another issue grabbed the couples' attention: nicotine.

"There wasn't really anybody (to) help people quit smoking. Arthur said. The goal was set.

They organized seminars addressing hazards, alternatives and withdrawal.

Since then, Arthur said, clinics have helped 100,000 quit, including former WJR personali-

"We did an on-air stop smoking program. People by and large will quit," said Arthur.

The Weavers next tackled stress control and nutrition. Soon after, Better Living Seminars was born — and

thrived, solely on donations. Teaching vegetarian diets perks, they said heart disease, arthritis and even osteoporosis can be averted by cutting animal

proteins. "You get all this stuff that you don't need," Arthur said. "They kick up your cholesterol."

Over 20 years, the Weavers even have phased out dairy, opting for soy milk.

We were made to drink milk mother's milk," Arthur said. Seminars, however, take a broad approach at making healthy food

"Plan your meals," Natalie said. "When you want to cook, you have all the ingredients."

Cooking big amounts at once can help with tight schedules.

"We're not snackers," she added. "Seldom do we eat out." Two meals per day, an optional evening smoothie and walking are Weaver staples.

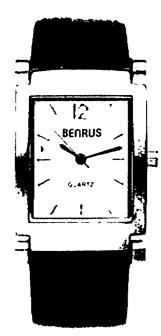
Raised vegetarian, their six children grew up with the same nutrition-based philosophy. Now they share it in their respective nursing, social work, surgery medical-related careers.

"We aren't health store people," Natalie said. "We just get the best we can get."

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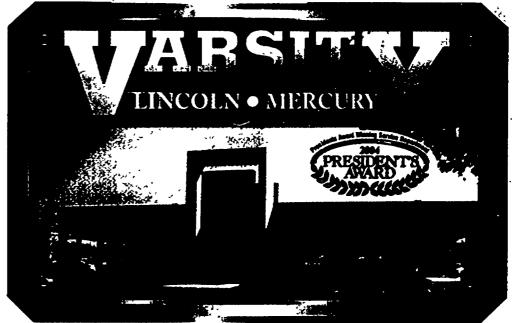
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Kids and teenagers are especially at risk for developing poor financial skills. High school seniors are still graduating with few of the personal financial skills they need to support themselves, bankruptcies are at an all time high and young adults are accumulating thousands of dollars of debt before the age of 30. Still, the state of Michigan doesn't require that financial education be part of the K-12 curriculum.

That means the responsibility of teaching children to respect money-and the hard work that it represents-rests squarely on the shoulders of parents and guardians.

Here are some simple ideas collected from sources like the National Youth Involvement Board (NYIB) and National Institute for Consumer Education (NICE) that parents can employ to help shape their child's attitude about the green stuff.

Get them saving at an early age. When your kids are young, around the age of three or four, show them how to tell coins apart. Then give them three clear piggy banks-label one for saving, one for spending and one for chanty. Encourage them to regularly deposit coins into each bank reinforcing the concept of saving

Give allowances on a regular basis. Regular allowances give children ample opportunities to practice saving and spending. When deciding on an appropriate amount, be sure to include enough money for some discretionary spending on top of what they'll need to cover lunches and bus fare.

Teach them to distinguish between their wants and needs. Central to the process of making wise spending decisions is being able to differentiate between wants and needs. A need is something we require to sustain life, like food, shelter, water and clothing A want. in this context, is something that enhances the quality of life.

Open a savings account for them. Open a savings account in your child's name at a credit union or bank. Many credit unions have special youth savings programs for kids 12 and under. Accounts typically only require a \$5 deposit

Make saving a routine. Make it a rule that your kids save a percentage of their allowance, birthday money, or part-time neighborhood job carnings.

Craft a budget. Before doling an allowance each week, have your kids write down what they expect to purchase and spend for the week Include both necessities such as bus fare and lunch and discretionary items like comic books or computer

Set goals. Have your kids write out a wish list of all they wish to purchase this summer, and rank them according to importance Then, help them determine how much they need to save each week to reach their goals

Encourage them to work. When your child is old enough, encourage him to find creative ways to make money. Suggest he do some extra chores around the house, walk a neighbor's dog. baby-sit or rake leaves. When he gets paid, take the opportunity to talk about the exchange of money for wages. When he's older, take the opportunity to discuss income tax. Explain the government takes about one-third of your earnings in

Give them in the habit of spending responsibly. Have your child plan a family meal, and then take him to the store with \$25 and have him buy the food. Encourage him to compare prices for the best

deal. For more about Money \$mart week, call 1-877-MNY-SMRT or visit www.chicagofed.org/monevsmart.

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The crew at Bell's Landscape - (left to right) Ron Falkewicz, Grounds Maintenance Supervisor; Kurt Mosher, Parking Lot Maintenance Supervisor; Dave Crain, Landscape Construction Supervisor; Scott Bell, V.P. of Grounds Maintenance Division Sales - together have combined experience of over 50 years in the landscape industry, according to owner Mike Bell (right).

Bell's Landscape offers guaranteed service

By Annette Jaworski

You might call them the onestop shopping of landscaping. Bell's Landscape Service, Inc. in Wixom is ready to handle all of your outdoor landscaping needs commercial and residential, from construction to maintenance all year long. Family owned and operated, owner, Mike Bell's background includes a hefty 33 years inlandscaping and 28 years in busi-

From installation to maintenance, they're proud of the diverse range of services they offer. Not only do they maintain residential sites, they also maintain condominium and apartment complexes. office and retail sites, commercial and industrial sites

It you're looking for someone to take care of all of your outdoor. home and commercial landscaping needs, I'm your guy," said Bell. The nice thing about what we do is that we can manage all those areas at once

What does that include? From start to finish they'll create, construct, design and install an award winning landscape on your site. As licensed budder Bells

Landscape Services can install a custom deck, retaining wall or gazebo; complete that with brick paver walkways and patios Enjoy an evening outdoors and improved security by installing landscape tighting Sit back and relax with popular water features including ponds and fountains.

Many of Bell's landscape outstanding designs have received awards from their peers in the industry. Most are for the design/build projects that they've created. Because their goal is customer satisfaction, much of their business comes through personal referrals and many are repeat customers that have stayed with them throughout the years.

Bell observes, many people, especially working couples often lack the time and energy to keep their landscape looking attractive. Hiring a dependable landscape service can remove one more task from a busy schedule. Bell's Landscape can keep your property looking beautiful with a complete schedule of landscape maintenance programs. That's their expertise.

Seventy per cent of the households are dual income families and they don't have the time to main-



From green, kempt lawns to paver patios and landscaping, Bell's Landscape offers attractive solutions.

tuin their landscape," said Bell "My customers rely on me to take care of their grounds maintenance

Bell's landscape maintenance program begins with the basics like lawn cutting and fertilization Along with lawn service, they install and repair sprinkler systems to keep grass healthy and green They also provide shrub and tree care, mulch installation; pruning and bed care to maintain beautiful flowerbeds. Seasonal services include those big jobs that are so hard to find time for - like spring

and fall clean up Bell's commercial property customers have also received many beautification awards for their design. In addition to their routine. maintenance, they also offer protessional parking lot sweeping and maintenance for commercial buildings or subdivisions. Keeping a clear flow of traffic and preventing slip and fall on snow and ice is critical for commercial sites. During the winter season they offer professional snowplowing and salting.

Forget shopping around with several vendors Bell's business philosophy is simple, offer a complete range of services with professional results. While some land-

scape companies come and go, quality work and professionalism is never compromised and it has helped them build a solid reputation. They guarantee quality workmanship.

Bell's Landscape Services has been located in Lyon Twp, for the past 16 years. They have been active supporters of local schools and the community since their location here. Scott Bell-V.P. of Grounds

Maintenance Division Sales, Ron-Falkewicz- Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, Dave Crain-Landscape Construction Supervisor and Kurt Mosher-Parking Lot Maintenance Supervisor, together have combined experience of over 50 years in the landscape industry. They are a dedicated group of men committed to a higher quality of workmanship.

Mike Bell takes pride in his entire staff and believes in continuing education. It's one reason they call themselves "The Landscape Experts " Each employee completes an extensive training program and is supervised by professionals on the job site. Currently they're working with employees to participate in the new, (CLT) Certified Landscape

TIPS ON SELECTING A LANDSCAPER

- 1. Select a landscaper that you feel comfortable
- working with. 2 If starting new construction, be prepared with an
- idea, concept and budget. Determine what needs to be done to complete the project, such as what steps or materials are
- required Get a true cost so you won't be surprised with additional charges or low
- quality materials. 5. Check their credentials. Are they licensed and
- bonded or insured? 6. Get references from former customers.
- 7. Remember you get what you pay for. If the price seems too good to be true, it usually is

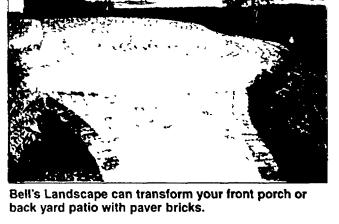
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"It's part of an effort to show a higher level of professionalism," he said

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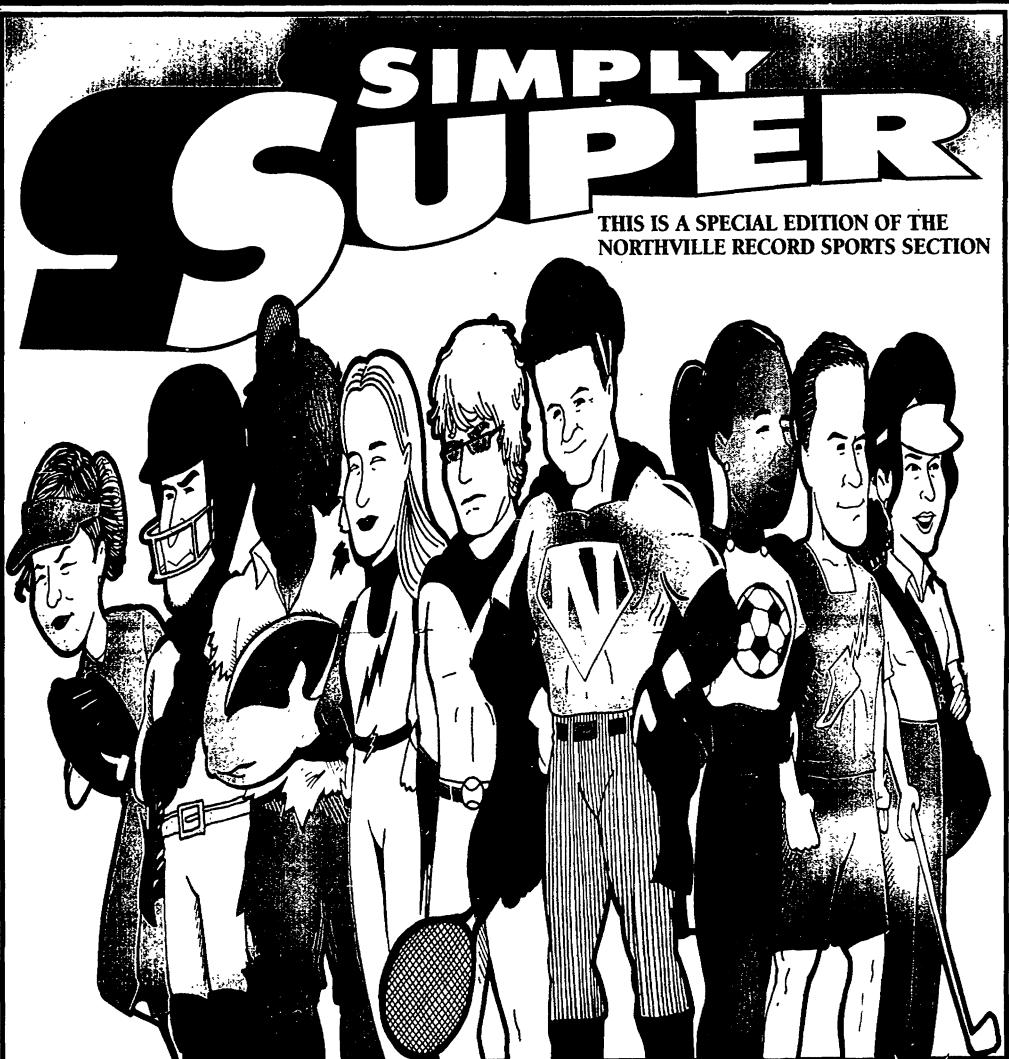




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In an age where kids have to wonder who they can look up to and cherish, Northville High School has the answers—their best and brightest ath-

Role models? Examples to follow? Super heroes? You

Northville High School has always produced some of the best athletes in the state. From Steve Juday in the 60s to Matt Williams today, the Mustangs have the potential to produce All-State stars and, sometimes,

All-Americans.

This season is no different. Every sport has its stars.

Northville sports sometimes have several.

A few stand out.

• When it comes to baseball, few names are as well known throughout the state as catcher Matt Williams. He's talented and he's hungry. No other local athlete comes close to his abilities. Sure, others can hit and others can field but not with the same in than a there

Sam Eggleston

ity of Williams.

Jane Kruszewski is FINALLY a senior. This girl grew up on the diamond, starting as a freshman and becoming better every step of the way. Expect to see some good things from her and Williams this year (pages 2-3B).

e Defending champions and defending almost champions are the name of the game this year in Mustangs soccer and golf. Jen Kritch, a senior kicker, will be back this season before heading off to Pittsburgh to play Division I ball there. She's hoping to help lead her team, along with junior Danielle Toney, to another title. And why not? They've got the right tools for the job.

Allison Grant wants to help the Mustangs girls golf team go just one step further than they did. Yeah, second place in the state is nice, but why not first? Neither team plans on a being tame this season (pages 4-58), that's

• Track is always fun to watch at Northwile. This season will be no different. Alan Shanoski will be looking to go higher than ever when he shoots for a first tier finish in

she knows how to compete. She, too, wants to compete with the best around in the short, but sweet, sprints (pages 6-7B).

• it takes some guts to run at a guy that is holding a four-foot stick, but that's lacrosse for you. Northville is lucky

enough to have Jayme McLean on it's side, a tough, take-no-prisoner's defenseman from the state of Washington who moved here for his senior year. He's going to be making some big hits and taking care of business this year.

Jason Spruit, once again, is the top dog at Northville. He runs the tennis court like a bouncer runs a club. He doesn't take anything from anyone. Though he's fairly quiet most of the time, Spruit is going to be making a lot of noise this spring (pages 8-9B).

• He's soft-spoken and sometimes shy, but Joe Prain trans-

forms when he's on the rugby pitch.
He pounds through opponents,
makes crushing tackles and
turns into a beast that no
one wants a piece of. He and
his rugby team hope to make a
trip back to the state finals,
where this took; second with





Matt Williams (left) and Jane Kruszewski will be looking to lead their teams to titles in a very tough Western Lakes Activities Association this season.

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4-22	Away	W.L. Western	4 pm
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	•	Redford Union	•
		Plymouth	
		Stevenson	
		Franklin	•
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	·	W.L. Western	
		W L Northern	•
	•	Canton	•
	•	Wayne Memorial	-
		W.L. Central	•
		Plymouth	-
		Churchill	
		WLAA Playoff	
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4-11	Home Farmington	. 4 p m
4-13	Home Southgate Anderson	. 4 p m
4-18	Away Franklin	4 p m
4-20	Away Salem	4 p m
4-22 .	Home	4 p m
4-25	Away Canton	. 4 p m
4-27	Home John Glenn	4 p m
4-29 .		4 p m
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	Away	4 p m
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5-12	Home Canton	4 p m
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5-18	Away W.L. Central	4 p.m.
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	Away WLAA Playoff	
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Super year for Williams?

Northville catcher has plenty of hype to live up to

Northville senior Matt Williams has to be a super hero to put up with all the hype surrounding this season.

Duke University has signed him to play baseball next year and he's defending his All-State status and pre-season All-American selection. People expect him to perform.

He's ready and he's willing. It's all part of a hard-day's work for Williams.

"I'm looking forward to it," said Williams "It will be a lot of fun having everyone know who I am. It's a compliment really. That just shows what my hard work has done for me."

Hard work has transformed the catcher. Once, he was a young freshman with a decent bat playing on a varsity baseball team. He wasn't even the starting catcher.

Now, he's one of the best catchers in the state, swinging the bat with the best of them and throwing out runners faster than a speeding bullet

But with all of the recognition comes those looking to challenge him. This year there's no doubt he'll be facing runners who think they are just a little faster than he is. Last year, only two runners — including

"People hear I'm pretty good and they come out to watch me play and I feel I should back that up. I should prove them right."

Matt Williams
Northylle senior basebali star

the playoffs — tried to beat him to second base.

"It's great that I can help the team out like that," said Williams. "I really do want runners to try and run. I want to throw them out. The more runners that run this year, the happi-

Williams isn't full of himself. He knows what he's capable of and he's well aware he stands a better chance of helping his team by throwing a guy out than if the runner just stays at first base.

"If I can get them out we'll be that much closer to winning," he

Despite proving himself, Williams still feels the pressure to perform. He knows what will be expected of him and he's ready to face it.

"I feel I should live up to those standards," he said. "People hear I'm pretty good and they come out to watch me play and I feel I should back that up. I should prove them right."

But no matter how many people show up to cheer him on, Williams said he can't let it get to his head. He knows if he does, it will end up hurting his team and his relationship with the other players.

"I've just got to stay down to Earth around them," he said. "I'm not better than them. I'm not better at baseball and I'm not a better person.

"I might have been blessed with some talent, but I have to stay humble, I have to stay modest and, most of all, I've got to treat all of them with respect. They are my equals."

Sounds like something a super hero might say.

Baseball wants to contend

There's plenty of potential in Northville baseball this season and the team is looking forward to trying to live up to it

The squad, coached by first-year head coach John Kostzrewa, is defending division, conference and district champions.

"I think, potentially, we're going to be strong all the way around." Kostzrewa said. "We've got some very capable people that can hit, pitch and field."

The name drawing most attention this season will be pre-season All-American Mait Williams, the team's starting catcher Backing him up will be the ever-capable Rick Birdsall, who will definitely be seeing time in the line-up elsewhere in the field.

"Rick has a great bat," said Kostzrewa "We're going to make sure he's a part of our line-up. I expect he'll see some time at third hase."

Other top hitters on the team will include junior Charlie Thomas, who will move from outfield to first base, as well as Tyler Laing. Steve Besk and Williams.

Taking to the mound for Northville will be Besk, the returning left-hander who will be gunning for the ace position this year. Joining him are seniors Andrew Smith and David VanHorn and sophomore Bryce Jenney Northville's line-up is complete with seniors Michael O'Brien, Jeffrey Richards and Rob Riehl as well as juniors Clay Paciorek, Cory Patterson and Timothy Parent. Sophomores, besides Jenney, are Dominic Benavides and Bret

Spencer.

"I'm very confident in our team." said Kostzrewa. "We've been doing things that this team hasn't done before. I'm confident in the shape we're in now because of the fact that we're outworking what they've done in the past and we're outworking the other teams in the league as well."

The biggest threats Kostzrewa sees in the Western Lakes Activities Association are the Plymouth schools of Canton, Salem and newcomer Plymouth as well as the Livonia schools of Franklin, Churchill and Stevenson.

"It's going to be a tough conference this year," he said

There are still plenty of positions that haven't been solidified as of yet. Kostzrewa said he'll test the waters with a few players but basically let the team decide through practice.

"It's a battle," he said. "I think it's a real healthy thing to have on a team. It makes everyone work that much harder to keep their spots."

Kostzrewa said no matter what his line-up is when the first game rolls around, he knows every team will be

BASEBALL ROSTER

NAME	GRADE
Dominic Benavides	Soph.
Steve Besk	Senior
Rick Birdsall	Senior
Bryce Jenney	Soph.
Tyler Laing	Senior
Michael O'Brien	Senior
Clay Paciorek	Junior
Timothy Parent	Junior
Cory Patterson	Junior
Jeff Richards	Senior
Rob Riehl	Senior
Andrew Smith	Senior
Bret Spencer	Soph.
Charlie Thomas	Junior
David VanHorn	Senior
Matt Williams	Senior

keeping an eye on his Mustangs.

"Everyone in the league and in the area knows we're going to be pretty talented," he said. "I know what this team accomplished last year and the leadership the seniors have already shown and the commitment of this team is stupendous."

Kruszewski ready to lead

As a treshman, Northville's Jane Kruszewski was a shy softball player asked to step into a very bright spotlight

As a senior this season, she's shown herself to be no worse for the wear

"I think it was a valuable learning experience," she said of starting as a varsity freshman, "I wasn't ready to go up there and play at that level, but I had to It made me adapt to change and learn. It was a good experience and it was a lot of fun."

In her fourth year on varsity, the right-handed hurler still has what it takes to be an ace pitcher. She throws three pitches — a riser, a drop ball and a change up — and will be looking to lead her team to a Western Division title and, hopefully, much more.

Last season, Kruszewski was joined by Lisa Mueller on the pitching staff. This year coach Jean Calabrese brought up freshman Jenna Dumbleton, who is capable of throwing six different pitches.

Kruszewski doesn't view it as an intrusion of her position; rather a relief

"It's going to make things easier," she said. "When I was pitching all of the time I was getting tired a lot of was getting injured with no time to rest or to get better. Now if I'm injured, I don't have to pitch. It's going to be a lot better."

Despite having backups to help her stay at the top of her game. Kruszewski wasn't about to rest herself too much this past off-season She pitched every week over the summer, taking lessons and learning how to be in even more

control over her abilities.

The hard work, the summer lessons and the four years of hard work — she said she hopes it all

pays off in her final season.
"I think we're going to be very

good this year," she said. "The team has been bonding over the past few years and we've got a lot of experience. The program has just been getting better and better."

Beyond winning and losing, Kruszewski stands for the ideals of the game — like having fun.

"That's what it's all about," she said. "If you're not having a good time than you shouldn't be doing it. We always have fun together as a team. It's great being around all of them. I really enjoy it."

Even if the squad starts out slow, Kruszewski said being close as a team and having fun will get things rolling again.

The wins, she said, will take care of themselves.

"If you're having fun and you're working hard, the rest just falls into place," she said.

"The program will just keep improving and we'll start winning more."

The year of the Mustang?

The Northville Mustangs softball team isn't kidding around this year. They've got some serious goals and they intend on reaching them

The squad, coached by Jean Calabrese, lost four seniors from their 12-13 season last year. This year they're building on that record and looking to win the Western Division, the Western Lakes Activities Association and their district tournament.

"Our goals are very attainable," said Calabrese. "We have to play to our strengths. We have a veteran team and are strong at every position."

And finally, the Mustangs have a pitching staff. The past two years, now-senior Jane Kruszewski was the lone hurler on the team. Last year they added Lisa Mueller to the rotation and this year freshman Jenna Dumbleton makes it a full

"All three have great control and throw hard," Calabrese noted.

The Mustangs have several other strong spots this year. Catchers

Kristin Zawacki, a senior, and Laura Zima, a junior, are both experienced and difficult to steal against. The infield crew of junior first baseman Christy Badeen, third baseman Zima, junior second baseman Bridget Hughes and sophomore shortstop Elise Fleishaker have all worked together and are returning players. "We have worked hard at develop-

"We have worked hard at developing our players and returning to basic fundamentals," said Calabrese.

Sophomore Emma Wise joins juntor Kelly Lockman, junior Emily Doren and senior Kim Bagian to round out the roster with a strong outfield presence.

Though the Mustangs have set their goals and have the tools to reach them, Calabrese said there will be a couple of teams standing in their way.

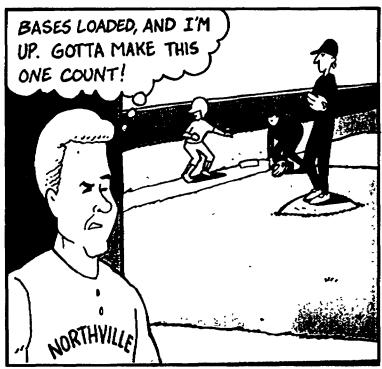
"Canton is always tough to beat," she said. "We beat them on their field last year in the Canton Classic to win the tournament. They have been at the top of the division pretty consistently and advanced to the quarter finals last year.

SOFTBALL ROSTER

NAME	GRADE
Christy Badeen	Junior
Kristin Zawacki	Senior
Jane Kruszewski	Senior
Kim Bagian	Senior
Laura Zima	Junior
Bridgit Hughes	Junior
Lisa Mueller	Junior
Emily Doren	Junior
Kelly Lockman	Junior
Elise Fleishaker	Soph.
Emma Wise	Soph.
Jenna Dumbleton	Fresh.

"Beating them last year proved what we are capable of. This year, we are an all-around better team. They will be tough, but we can beat them."









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Northville's Jen Kritch (left) and Allison Grant have a lot to live up to. The soccer team was first in the state last year and the girls golf team finished second in the state.

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4-23	Away	.Saline	p.m.
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		.Churchill	
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		Franklin	
		Brighton	
		Jefferson	
	•	Stevenson	
		W.L. Western	
		TC Central	
		TC Central	
		Wayne Memorial	
		Canton	
		Plymouth	
		Livonia Ladywood	
5-09	Home	Salem	3 p.m.
		W.L. Central	
5-13	Home	Churchill	3 p.m.
5-16	Home	W L Northern	3 p.m
		Regional	
5-24	Away	WLAA	TRA
		MHSAA Finals	

Kritch knows ups, downs of state championship

For Northville senior soccer star Jen Kritch, the fact that she and the other Mustangs are defending state champions could prove to be troublesome.

The senior, who will be attending the University of Pittsburgh in the fall on a Division I soccer scholarship, said her team will be forced to play their best every game.

"That's the hard thing about being defending champs," she said. "No matter who you play, you're the hardest team on your opponent's schedule. Everybody is going to be coming out to beat you and the games are intense all the time. You never get a break because of it."

Kritch isn't complaining though. She said she's also not shying away from the challenge, even though she'll most likely be highlighted as a player to shut down by opposing defenses.

Sure, coaches and players are noting Kritch and sophomore Danielle Toney are two of the biggest threats

on the squad.

"I really don't care what coaches and teams are saying about me," she said. "I'm just going to go out and play my best every time."

There are ups and downs to being a star and a defending state champ, said Kritch. The fact her team is looking to fend for the Division I state title again this year gives the team the confidence it needs to win. Having the title of state champion, however, can be a bother at times.

"It's always bad when you have something to live up to," Kritch said That means you have something to prove every single game. That can be stressful.

Kritch would know. Since her freshman year she's been a member of Northville's varsity soccer team. She said stress wasn't a factor though

"I was there for a reason," she said "I knew as long as I kept doing what I had always been doing than there wouldn't be any stress. I've always been pretty comfortable with this

The Northville senior said despite the fact her squad lost relatively few starters from last year and return their top goal scorers, there were other factors that played into the state title.

"We still have a very good team, but every season is different," she said. "Last year we had a good team too, but we also had a lot of luck. Every little thing will have to fall back into place if we're going to win the state championship again."

Wins are great and losses aren't, but Kritch doesn't play the game for either one. She said even when she heads to college to play soccer something she's wanted since she was in sixth grade - she'll still maintain the same philosophy.

"I play because I want to have fun," she said. "If I'm playing and I'm having fun, that's all that matters."

Focus is key for soccer

All Northville girls soccer coach Ron Meteyer wants this spring is for everyone to stop reminding him that his team is the defending state cham-

They're going to have enough reminders with every team they play this year.

The squad, which earned the state title in Division I last season, isn't marking another state title as a goal this year Instead, they're looking to take it one step at a time

We're focusing on each game as they come," Meteyer said. "We can't look a week ahead or even past the next game. We have to stay focused"

The Mustangs lost 10 seniors to graduation, enough to enpple most squads. Northville, however, is out just four starters.

This year, they boast just four seniors in Tessa Adkins, Amy Cauzillo. Jen Kritch and Brooke Richard All four are returning starters with Adkins and Richard playing on the defensive end of the field and Kritch and Cauzillo prowling midfield

In the jumor class, the team is loaded. Vanessa Bailey returns at outside midfield and Lindsey Blair reclaims her position in the midfield Lauren Hill, a second-team All-State player last year, comes back at forward for the squad along with junior defender Simone Toney

Katie Weicksel returns in goal but this season will have the luxury of

back-up goalies to give her a break when needed

'What a lot of people didn't realize last year what that she played five or six games injured," said Metever "She was basically playing with one hand, but we didn't have a choice She didn't have a backup'

Substitute goalies include sophomore Liz Watza and freshman Julie Blaszczak.

"I think we're going to have the best corps of keepers in the league." Meteyer said

Returning sophomores include Kristin Flak, who earned starting time last season, and Danielle Toney, the scoring sensation who set the high school's record with 29 goals last year. In the off-season, Toney was named to the National High School Soccer Coaches' Association Youth All-American team, putting her at one of the top 18 players in the coun-

Newcomers to the team are juniors Sarah Comai, Kristin Engstrom, Kate Hawthorne, Jessica Meyer, Megan-Feldz and Alania Wolozyn as well as sophomores Amanda Harkness and Anne Schubert

Meteyer isn't pulling any punches this year Yes, he'd like to win the Western Division and, yes, he'd like to win a conference crown A state championship? Sure, but not likely

when mathematics are involved "I don' want to hear the girls talk-

SOCCER ROSTER

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Tessa Adkins	Senior
Amy Cauzillo	Senior
Jen Kritch	Senior
Brooke Richard	Senior
Vanessa Bailey	Junior
Lindsey Blair	Junior
Lauren Hill	Junior
Simone Toney	Junior
Katie Weicksel	Junior
Sarah Comai	Junior
Kristen Engstrom	Junior
Kate Hawthorne	Junior
Jessica Meyer	Junior
Megan Sledz	Junior
Alania Woloszyn	Junior
Amanda Harkness	Soph.
Anne Schubert	Soph.
Lız Watza	Soph.
Kristen Slack	Soph.
Danielle Toney	Soph.
Julie Blaszczak	Fresh.

ing about what we might be able to do this season," he said, "No nonsense about winning the state championship again. Eve told them there are hundreds of teams in the playoffs, which makes our chances of winning the state championship pretty small.

One small sten at a time. Metever said. Then he'll worry about champi-

Grant wants top-10 finish

The Northville Mustangs girls golf team is lucky Allison Grant didn't have gravity working against her

would have continued playing soccer in the spring if it wasn't for just one little fact.

"I was too short," she said. "I used to play soccer pretty seriously but I ended up just not being big enough Golf took over from there.'

Standing at 5-feet even. Grant doesn't have much of an intimidating stature. But she cuts a swath through a golf course and will be challenging for medals this season

Grant said there's always room for improvement

"Distance is my weakness," she said "I don't have a lot of distance right now. That and my putting sometimes. I have trouble reading the green now and then"

But Grant also has her strengths Unlike many golfers out there, she has the ability to keep her mind in the game no matter what happens throughout the course.

"My mental game is my strength The golfer and senior captain right now," she said "I used to freak out when things would go wrong but now I've gotten pretty good at it I can bounce back pretty easily now?

The Northville senior started in the game at an early age. Her parents, Fredrick and Darcy, would drag Grant with them when they went to play golf at Walnut Creek Country Club in Northville.

"They would make me go even if I didn't want to go," she said. "Just being around golf all of the time basically got me interested in it"

Eventually, golf just became a part of her life.

"I love playing golf," she said "It's a great sport and I love everything about it

In fact, Grant hopes to continue playing next year when she makes the trek to East Lansing to attend Michigan State University The senfor has plans of walking on with the Spartans

To do so, she knows she has to continually look for things to improve in her game but is well aware she won't have a career-best performance every time she hits the

"Everyone is always going to have a bad day," she said: "You'll mess up on putting or make a bad decision That's just how it happens. You've got to learn from those mistakes and keep playing

Before she can worry about her collegiate future, Grant knows she has to stay focused on this year Despite being state runner-ups last season, the team captain said she isn't expecting quite the same run-

"I think if we can make it to states and finish in the top 10 we'll be happy," she said "We lost a lot of great seniors from last year Right now, we just want to play the best that

Golf has new head coach

The Northville Mustaigs girls golf team is under new management this season, but first-year cooch Mary Jane Ossola said it hasn't been a tough tran-

In fact, Ossola has been a member of the program for several years, acting as an assistant varsity coach and head junfor varsity coach under Trish Murray.

"It hasn't been bad at all," Ossola said. "I know all of the kids and have coached all of them with the exception of Therese (Juthage) who played varsity all four years." Juthage, Allison Grant and Lauren

Grigsby - all seniors - will take the role of captains this year and hope to lead the team to some impressive fin-Last year, Northville was second in

the state. This year, Ossola said their focus is still the state finals along with some other important achievements.

'Our first goal is the conference." she said. 'That's our first goal every year. Of course we want to make it to the state finals as well, which is another goal every year. A second-place finish? Sure, that would be nice, but we're focusing on getting there first."

Plenty of underclassmen will be looking to contribute to the run toward the post-season this year Juniors Brittany Fillipps and Jessica Reuter will be expected to fight for spots on the starting line-up, as will sophomore Susan Snyder and Kirsten Freisen, a freshman

Other juniors looking to compete will be Samantha Christian and Megan Monticciolo while Taylor Johnson, a sophomore, is also hoping to earn playing time. Freshmen with the golf team include Eve Aydoulos, Amanda Cook, Brook Fillipps and Lauren Kerr

The thing about coaching these kids, which is pretty common at Northville, is they are all outstanding kids," Ossola said, "They are good to work with, are eager to learn and enjoy being a part of a team. That makes it a fun experience for them and a fun expenence for me."

Standing in the way of Northville's first and foremost goal of a Western Lakes Activities Association title will be Stevenson and Salem. Stevenson, as always, returns expenence and tal-

"Last year it was close and this year it will probably be close too," said Ossola, "In our head-to-head match we lost to them but heat them in the conference tournament last year."

GOLF ROSTER

Name	<u>Grade</u>
Allison Grant	Senior
Therese Juthage	Senior
Lauren Grigsby	Senior
Samantha Christian	Junior
Brittany Fillipps	Junior
Megan Monticciolo	Junior
Jessica Reuter	Junior
Taylor Johnson	Soph.
Susan Snyder	Soph.
Eve Avdoulos	Fresh.
Amanda Cook	Fresh.
Brook Fillipps	Fresh.
Kırsten Freisen	Fresh.
Lauren Kerr	Fresh.

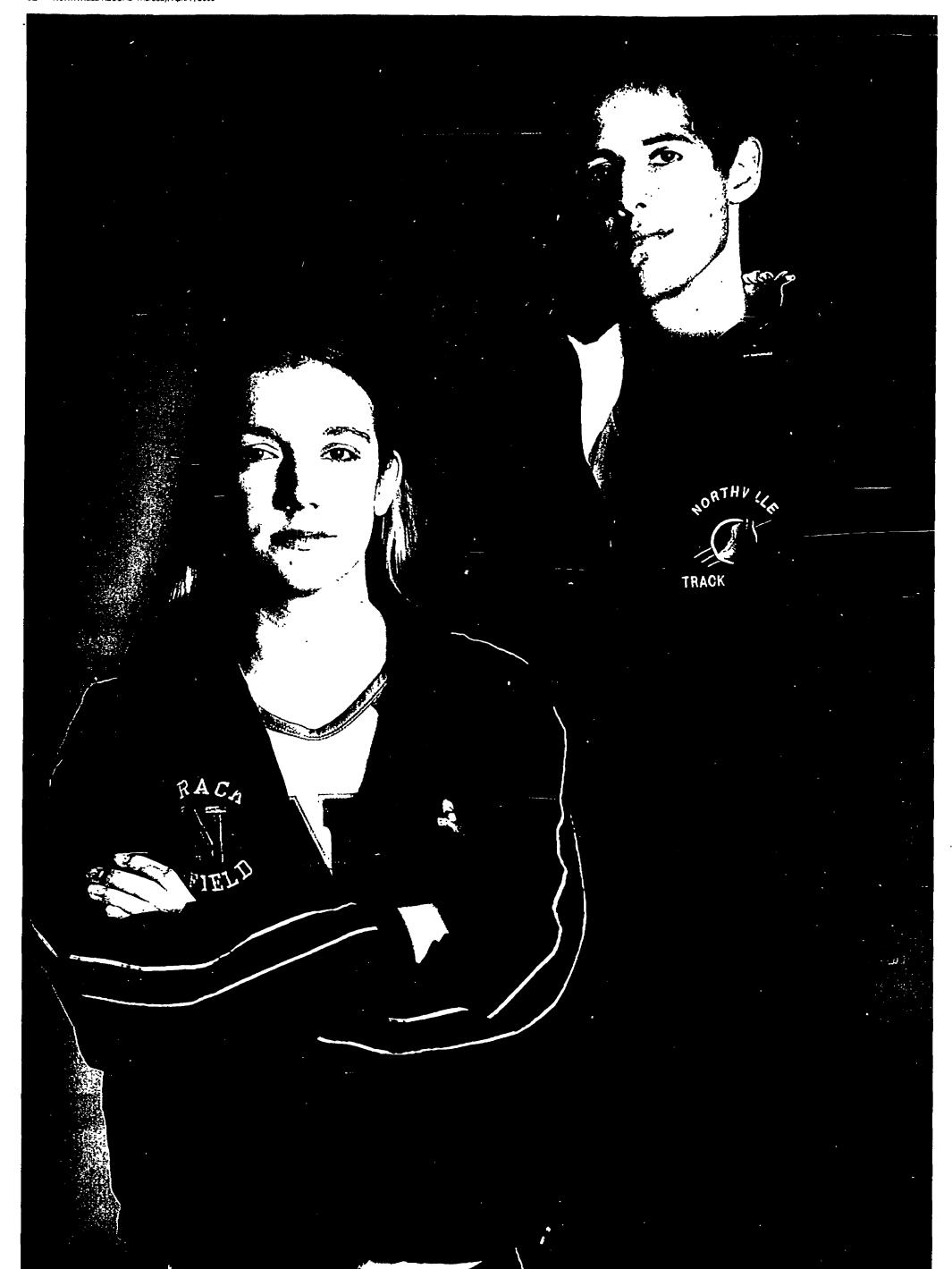
Northville, however, has plenty of talent too. Grant and Juthage were on the second-place state team last year and Grigsby, Fillipps, Reuter and Snyder all contributed during the season. The competition for varsity spots each week will be thick.

That kind of competition makes a team even better," Ossola said. "I think we have enough talent that we won't have the same person finishing first too many times this season."









Northville track team members Emily Kreichelt (left) and Alan Shanoski will be expected to set a steady pace for the Mustangs this season.

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	5-13	Away	South Lyon	ТВА
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4-28	Away	Franklin	
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		Observerland Invite	•
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		Canton	•
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Speed is in the blood

Speed isn't something that can

Mostly, it's a function of fasttwitch muscles, quick reflexes and, of course, DNA.

Northville sophomore Emily Kreichelt has plenty of built-in speed and when spring rolls around, she releases it like a flash of lightning.

"My dad (Ken) ran when he was in high school," said Kreichelt. "I kind of picked it up from him."

The Northville Mustangs girls track and field team couldn't be happier. The speedy underclassmen has already shown herself to be the cream of the crop in quick races like the 100- and 200-meter

In the 100-meter dash, Kreichelt has already recorded a time of 12.8 seconds while notching a 26.5-second run in the 200. She also runs in the 4-by-100 and 4by-200 relays.

"I feel that I can compete very well with most of the athletes I run against," she said. "Many of them are seniors and I look up to them."

And many of those seniors are looking at her come race day - or at least her back,

Last season Kreichelt finished fifth in the regional meet with only the top two finishers going to the state finals. This season she intends on making more of a mark.

"I'd really like to go to the state finals," she said. "It's not going to be easy, but that's my goal for myself.

Kreichelt's young career was one that almost wasn't. Growing up the speedy sophomore had an interest in soccer and didn't switch sports until she hit middle school.

They didn't have a soccer team so I decided to do track instead," she said. "I loved it. I don't regret the decision at all."

With youth comes inexperience and eagerness. Kreichelt hasn't shown signs of either. In her relatively short track career, the sprinter has yet to jump the gun. "I'm just patient, I guess," she

She warms up in the traditional way, doing high skips and stretch-

starting blocks. There, she just focuses her mind and makes sure to maintain her form. When the gun sounds and the race is over in the blink of an eye, Kreichelt has to find ways to rejuvenate herself before being asked to expend all of her energy in her next even.

"I normally drink Gatorade or energy drinks," she said. "Then, about 15 minutes before my next race. I eat a little bit of Goo, which is an energy snack that's basically pure sugar. That usually gets all my energy back."

When all is said and done and the meet is finally over. Kreichelt is looking for the nearest bed.

"I'm normally pretty exhausted," she said. "I use up all of my energy at every meet."

But not matter how tired she is, Kreichelt won't be found sleeping on the job when there are track meets to win.

"I feel I can compete for the top spot when I race," she said. "I'm the kind of athlete that hasn't had enough until I've done my best."

Girls boast plenty of talent

Success, in sports, breeds interest. The more victories a team collects, the more people who want to come out and play.

The Northville Mustangs girls track and field team has had plenty of success over the past few years and the numbers on this year's roster tell the entire story.

"We're carrying 94 girls on our roster," said coach Nancy Smith, who is in her fourth year at the helm. She specializes in coaching the sprinters, relays and the long

Joining her will be Matt Weaver, who will coach hurdles, shot put and discus, as well as Chris Cronin, who will take mid-distance and distance

girls. "Chris is a big addition to our staff," said Smith. "He has coached track and field before and is the boys cross country coach. He brings a lot of distance experience to the program.

There will be plenty for Cronin to work with right away too. Senior Liz Hrivnak, a state finals competitor last year, finished 12th in the 800 meter event. Kate McClymont, a senior captain, will also run the 800meter run.

Bryn Smetana returns this year to add depth to the crew and will run the 3200 relay with McClymont and -Hrivnak to make up 3/4 of the team that ran the state meet last year.

Other top returners in mid-distance events include Ashley Flohr, Kelly Hardenbergh, Shelly Hilger · and Meaghan Keiffer.

Newcomer Lindsay Hagen is expected to make an immediate impact on the team this spring

"She has an amazing work ethic

FAST FACT

The Northville Mustangs girls track and field team has 94 girls on the roster this year - including 32 freshmen and 16 seniors.

for a freshman and is extremely talented," said Smith. "Already she has competed at the national level last summer and placed in the top of her age group in the 1500-meter run. She's tall, lean and long legged and has the talent to be the next Devon Rupley in the program.

Other newcomers expected to compete include freshman Karina Puskorius and sophomore Emily

In the distance events, Northville will be led by two-miler and senior captain Molly Gavin. She is joined by experienced runners Andrea Moehle, Megan Sheremet, Laura Gabrys, Stephanie Mize and Virginia Calkins. One new face is that of Leslie Tilson, who is expected to have a strong season.

In the field events, the Mustangs will look to senior Jenna Sieloff, a captain, to lead in the shotput and discus along with senior Diana Dearbes. Top shotputter Liz Watza returns as well, but will share time with varsity soccer this season. Newcomer Flavia Gaeta will compete as well.

In high jumping, the Mustangs will be led by freshman Brianna Jenkins, who has already cleared 5feet-2-inches this year - just two inches off the school mark. Julie Foucher and Tori Garland will also look to compete in the event. In the long jump, Erica Dobson, a senior, is expected to once again be the top athlete along with sophomore Laura

The pole vault will be led by senior Sarah Tochman as well as Rachel Deneau and Foucher. Freshmen Allison Klahn and Claudia Hernandez expect to make an impact in the event as well.

Despite having so many strong athletes in other events, the Mustangs expect to truly shine in sprints and hurdles. Sophomore Émily Kreichelt will bring a lot to the table as does Foucher, Keys and Gretchen Warner - all returning sprinters. Lindsay and Lisa Vershave and Erica Dobson will try to make some noise in the sprints as

New faces in the speed events include Hardenbergh, Chelsea Dennis, Lauren Hunt, Becca Polanski and Jenkins.

Familiar face Kari Oshanski returns to lead the hurdles this year.

"Her experience over the last two years will be transferred to a new hurdle crew that has a lot of potential," Smith said.

Returning from last year are Emily Pines, Allie Lewis and Amy song. New to the team are Mary Sprader, O'Mally King, Carrie Pichan, Andrea Patrick and Annie

Northville plans on competing at the highest levels this season.

"With only two of our top point scorers lost to graduation, Northville will be looking at the experienced runners to take the lead," said Smith. "This year looks to be one to watch as we have excellent athletes in each area.

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To be the best, you have to train

Alan Shanoski, a Northville senior, has full intentions of being the best in the high jump this year.

"I've been doing a lot of weight training in the fall and a lot of polyometrics," said Shanoski. "That means I do a lot of bounding and variations of different jumping. It works my fast-twitch muscles for when I take off and boost myself up."

Beyond practicing his high jump, Shanoski has been working on his stamina by running. He will most likely participate in a few track events as well.

Shanoski also has a unique approach to his high jumping. He makes a few approaches toward the bar before finally making his

"It's different from year to year," he said, "My steps vary every year, especially this year

because I'm so much stronger.

"When I practice my steps like that, it gets me in the mode. It gives visualization to what I'm

Shanoski will be aiming for heights he has yet to attain in his career. He's confident in his abilities and he's ready to show how capable he is of reaching those heights.

The key, he said, is never giving

"You've got to keep trying." he said. "It might get frustrating if there's a certain height you just can't get over but if you keep going at it you're eventually going to get it.

Shanoski knows the more and more publicity he gets for his abilities, the more and more he'll have people recognizing him

That means there's probably a kid out there that hopes to be the next great high jumper. That

makes him role model.

"That feels good," he said, "I think that kids need role models. I had my role models when I was going into high school. I don't picture myself as the ultimate role model out there, but it definitely makes me feel good, that's for

And though Shanoski thinks there may be others out there for kids to look up to, he doesn't shirk the responsibilities. He'll continue to perform to the best of his ability and he'll continue looking to be bolder and better at the sport that has made him famous in

"I'm going to give it my best shot," he said. "I'm confident I can go 6-10," he said. "I'm going to go that high and hopefully higher."

If Shanoski's training, determination and off-season work pay off, the sky's the limit this season.

Boys want more state spots

The goals are simple for the Northville Mustangs boys track and field team this year - qualify more people for the state finals and get them places.

Northville has long been a school of outstanding athletes and such tradition is what coach Bill Cornelius would like to continue.

"We want to have more than one athlete place in the state meet," he said. "Yes, Alan Shanoski, Jasen Tumbull, Alvin Storrs, Mike Yassay and Mark Yassay all of the ability to achieve success if they continue to work hard and develop their skills."

One athlete that would have had a chance was Nick Kolbow, but a broken foot has sidelined him for the foreseen future.

Other athletes that looking to make an impact and possibly travel to the state finals are Scott Hammerle and Mike Cornelius in the long jump.

Shanoski is the athlete most eyes will be on. After three-straight years

of placing at the state finals, he still has obstacles to overcome. So do his teammates.

"Alan Shanoski must stay focused and work on improving his jumping technique," said Comelius. Jasen Tumbull must earn to run against the clock and run his own race rather than trying to do too much and burning himself out in trying to keep up with runners who are setting too quick a

Cornelius has his eye on his other top athletes as well. Storrs is new to track this year Cornelius said he needs to learn jumping technique in the high jump to reach his potential. Mike Yassay will be expected to work on his conditioning to help him reach higher heights in the pole vault and Mark Yassay will be focusing on his technique to go with his powerful

build in the throwing events. Though Northville has plenty of talent to get them to their goals this year, there are teams who will be

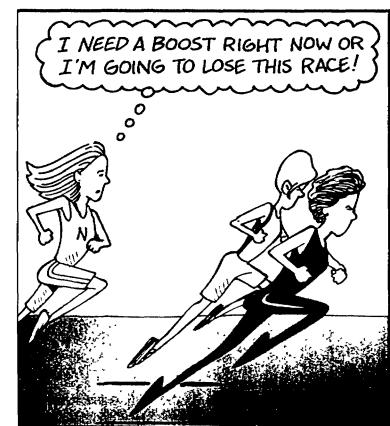
"Our higgest opponents are Canton and Churchill because both programs have several qualified coaches, a large number of senior athletes, better facilities in the form of indoor running tracks and room to pole vault inside during the off-season," Cornelius said. The team, which has named

Shanoski, Matt Simich, Scott Gittins, Ryan Cameron, Mike Cornelius, Evan Corbeil and Tumbull as captains, will rely on their strength of a solid athlete in every event to get them through tough meets. Lack of depth in the sprints and hurdles and lack of experience could hurt the Mustangs

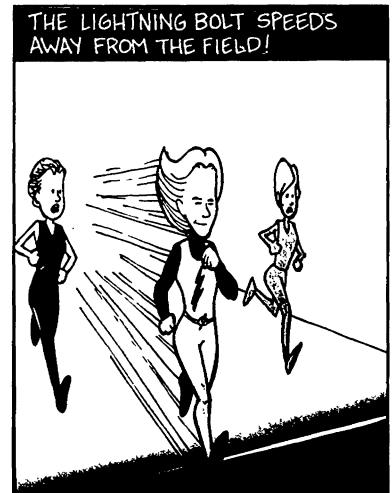
This is a young team with only five seniors," Cornelius noted. "We need to develop more 400(-meter) runners and hurdlers in order to be successful. We're encouraging all athletes with potential to work with our coaching staff to develop skills needed for those events."

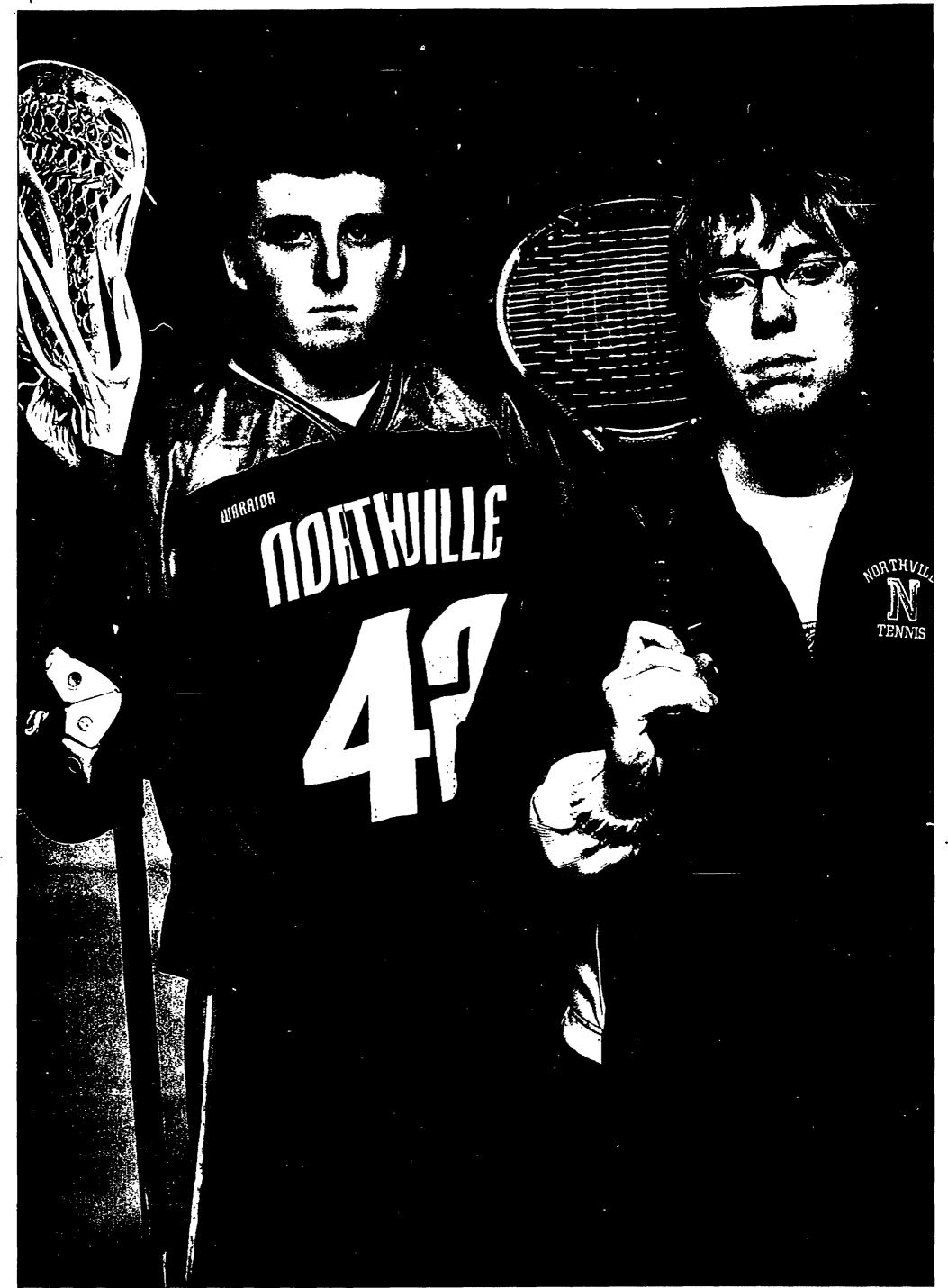


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Mustangs Jayme McLean (left) and Jason Spruit are the best players on their respective lacrosse and tennis teams this season. Both are expecting to compete against the toughest teams in their conference.

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4-12	Away	.Hartland6:30	p.m.	
4-14	Home	.Plymouth-Canton-Salem5:30	p.m.	
4-16	Home	.Bloomfield	p.m.	
4-19	Away	.White Lake	p.m.	
4-21	Away	Lincoln6:30	p.m.	
4-23	Home	.Howell	p.m.	
4-26	Away	.Ann Arbor Huron	p.m.	
4-28	Home	.Royal Oak Kimball6	p.m.	
4-30	Away	.Waterford Kettering Tournament 9	a.m.	
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5-5	Away	Orchard Lake St. Mary's5	p.m.	
5-10	Away	.Romulus	p.m.	
5-12	Away	.Novì	p.m.	
5-17	Home	.South Lyon5:30	p.m.	
5-19	Home	.Ann Arbor Pioneer6:30	p.m.	
5-21	Away	Tecumseh	p.m.	

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4-15		John Glenn	4 p.m.
4-16	Away	Troy	9 a.m.
4-18	Away	W L Northern	4 p.m.
4-20	Home	Stevenson	4 p.m.
4-22	Away	W.L. Western	
4-25	Home	Franklin	4 p.m.
4-27	Away	Wayne Memorial	4 p.m.
4-29	Home	Canton	4 p.m.
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McLean ready to help build Northville program

Last spring marked the completion of a circle for current Northville senior Jayme McLean.

The lacrosse player was born in Rochester and followed his father, Duane, as he took jobs with the Detroit Pistons, the Detroit Lions, the Seattle Seahawks and, most recently, the Detroit Tigers.

"I've moved a lot," he said. "It was great to come back to Michigan, but it was a big change. The climate and the weather were totally different and so was the lacrosse. The talent is a lot better and the teams are a lot better."

Moving has just become a part of his life though. In fact, his college plans of either the University of Alabama or Kansas State will find him uprooting yet again. He doesn't mind though. McLean said he's learned a lot about himself and his ability to adjust.

"I've been forced to adapt and forced to accept changes," he said. "People have told me that it will all pay off in my life some day. I think it

adjustment to the schools he has

"If I would have gone into a school alone and with no sports, I wouldn't have been able to adjust as easily as I have," he said. "Sports get you into practices and you meet people and you get to know them."

McLean, who was a part of the Eastside Raven's Division II state championship lacrosse team in 2003 and an All-State defenseman in the state of Washington, came to Northville in time to suit up for the up-and-coming Mustangs. Unfortunately for the defenseman, a

knee injury left him sidelined. "It really wasn't the way I was expecting to start here," he said. "I've had to work at getting back to where I was then. I'm ready now.'

And he's not about to let his senior year end the same way. McLean, who is a captain on the Mustangs squad, is looking forward to the challenges the team will be facing at the Division I level this season — a far cry from the Division IV they played last year.

"It's going to be a lot of fun," he said. "We're going to have to play our best lacrosse every game if we want to win. We're going to be playing teams that were a lot better than last

The senior will be ready and waiting. Prowling on the defensive end of the field, McLean has to be ready to lay out some serious hits if needed.

'You've got to be able to push out a guy that comes into you," he said. "Playing defense you've got to be agile and strong because you got to give a little lick now and then to clear

This season is about more than just having a good year for McLean, it's about leaving a lasting impression on an entire program.

This is a building year," he said. "It's our first year in Division I and we're going to be building for the future. I'll do whatever I can to help the coaches and the rest of the guy and to give them a foundation for the next couple of years.

Lacrosse now in Division I

The Northville Mustangs lacrosse team has a new face at the helm that looks awfully familiar.

Greg Durham, who has been an assistant at Detroit Catholic Central for the past two years, is the Mustangs' new head coachs. Of course, he was the head coach when the program first started as well.

I'm amazed at the difference of this program compared to when I left," said Durham, who comes in following the program's two years under David Aktary. Aktary took a job with the University of Michigan, Dearborn lacrosse program. "When I was first here, there were 35 kids and one coach. Now there are five coaches, two on JV and three on varsity."

Those aren't the only differences this year. The Northville Mustangs will also be competing at the Division I level this year, compared to the Division IV they played last season.

"There aren't any more cupcake teams," Durham said. "We're going to be playing teams like Ann Arbor Huron, Ann Arbor Pioneer and Catholic Central. We'll also be playing Novi, who is always pretty good."

The Mustangs are led by captain Mike Bernabei, who returns from last Larabell, a sophomore, and Max

FAST TEAM FACT

The Northville Mustangs lacrosse team is in it's first year under the rules and regulations of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, the governing body of nearly all high school sports in the state.

year, and former state of Washington All-State defender Jayme McLean, who missed much of last season with a knee injury.

"I tell you what, I've never seen a better captain than Jayme," Durham Said. "He naturally knows how to be a leader and he's unbelievably capable of doing it."

Other stand-outs this season include Tim Street, a junior defender, who will compliment McLean in the backfield.

At attack, Jackson Doyle, a junior, has been converted from midfielder to fill the need.

"He has unbelievable potential," said Durham. "We're expecting some very good things from him this year." Also playing attack will be Pat

At midfield will be senior Mike

'He's a great athlete," Durham said. "He could really play several positions and several sports if he wanted to. He's going to be a big part of this

Joining him will be Nick Thurber, a junior who Durham is hoping to see plenty of contributions from.

"He's going to be really good," he noted.

The Mustangs will play in the South Division this season and the plan is to make sure the team doesn't focus too much on any one team.

"I want every game to be a rivalry game," said Durham. "The division is pretty balanced"

The crew will kick the year off today when they play Catholic Central. Even if his squad doesn't win the opener. Durham said he wants Northville to just play to their poten-

"We want to be competitive and to come out and play," he said. "Sure we want to win too and we'd love to win the division, but our main goal is to be very competitive and to develop this

fird time's the charm

Northville Mustangs senior Jason Spruit said he didn't expect Michigan tennis competition would be as tough as it is before

moving to the state four years ago. Spruit, who is entering his third season as the tennis team's first singles player, was ranked third in northern Indiana in tennis. When his parents up and moved to the state finals than he did last Northville, he didn't think too much would change.

The competition in Detroit is just so intense," he said "If I went out to play in tournaments, I'd probably get blown out of the water, especially in the later

It takes a lot for an athlete to admit they aren't up to snuff with the better competition. In the Activities Western Lakes Association, Spruit is one of the

toughest players on the court. He loves the competition, but he

loves the sport even more. "I love the game," he said "I go out there and play for fun. I just like to play and can't see getting all bent out of shape over a game.

The explains Spruit's cool demeanor. He gets frustrated occassionally, but who doesn't? He also knows he's got to play his best

game if he wants to win. That's the blessing and the curse of being the top player on any team.

This season, the senior netter is hoping to lead his team to another WLAA championship and hopes for his team to escape their regional again. This year, however, he have a better showing in

"Last year was my first time going to states and I was really disappointed with how I personally did," he said. "I personally want to win two matches this year (at state) but it's going to be hard. It will all come down to who I get out of the draw because there are definitely some better kids out there."

Spruit knows what parts of his game need work. He said his backhand and his first serve are where he struggles. He also knows where he excels.

"My strength is definitely my forehand," he said. "I have an odd forehand - a western forehand that I hit with a extreme amount of top spin compared to every other player I've played. I can flatten it out and can hit the ball extremely hard as well."

Spruit has also been working on

"I personally want to win two matches this year (at state) but it's going to be hard. It will all come down to who I get out of the draw because there are definitely some better kids out there."

> Jason Spruit Northville One Singles Tennis Player

his volleys, which he said have also become a strong part of his

The Northville senior wants to make this year his best.

"I want to have a lot of fun this year," he said, "I'm really looking

Tennis sets high goals

It's a year of big goals for the Northville Mustangs tennis team. but there's nothing on the list that first-year head coach Matt Stetson thinks is out of reach

Last season the Mustangs were 12-2 on the season and were the Western Division champs, Western Lakes Activities Association title winners and took a trip to the state finals following a second-place finish in the regional.

This year, they want all the same titles again, but want to add a regional crown an a top-10 finish in the state to their accomplishments.

"I feel these goals are definitely obtainable," said Stetson, "I feel we have a very balanced team. We have four seniors to provide leadership and to play the generally pressurepacked singles spots."

Those four seniors include Jason Spruit, a two-year one singles player, and Chris Irvine, a four singles player last year. Colin Ackerman and Ashtyn Saltz will step up from doubles roles and into singles spots this

Juniors on board this year are

Austin Jenkins and Cory Talbon, both letter winners last season, while junior Chris Doud comes in looking to get some playing time this season. Sophomores on the varsity squad include Mike Baskins and David Connett as well as twin brothers Kevin and Harry Zhang.

This season, the Mustangs also invite two freshman to the var ity ranks in Andrew Mills and Phil

The Mustangs are quick to admit there will be a couple of hurdles to clear before being able to shoot for their goals.

"The main obstacle facing our team this year, at least during the early part of the season, will be our youth," Stetson said. "I'm confident that they'll do well this year, but it will be interesting to see how our freshmen and sophomores play in varsity matches."

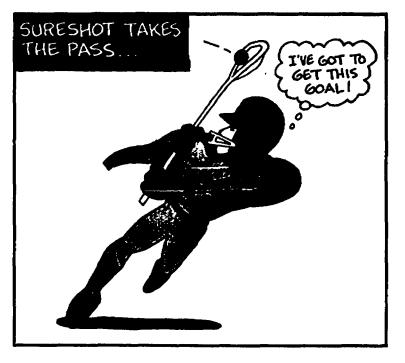
In their hunt for the division and conference titles the Mustangs aren't sure which teams will prove the biggest challenges. Traditionally, Stevenson is a strong squad and last season Salem was good and young.

TENNIS ROSTER

NAME	GRADE
Jason Spruit	Senior :
Chris Irvine	Senior
Colin Ackerman	Senior
Ashtyn Saltz	Senior
Austin Jenkins	Junior
Cory Taibon	Junior
Chris Doud	Junior
Mike Baskins	Soph.
David Connett	Soph.
Kevin Zhang	Soph.
Harry Zhang	Soph.
Phil Írvine	Fresh.
Andrew Mills	Fresh.

It's the non-conference schedule that Stetson is interested in at this point though.

"Based on results last year, our toughest meets will be our first two versus non-conference opponents," he said of Ann Arbor Huron and Novi. 'They are the only two teams on our schedule that qualified for state last year, but it's hard to tell year to year who will be tough."







There's a strange transformation that happens to Northville senior Joe Prain when he steps

onto a rugby pitch. The normally quiet, soft-spoken Prain turns into an animal when he's involved in athletics. He's not the same person when he's playing. He's tougher. He's rougher. He's determined to be the best he can be when he's out playing for the Northville Knights Rugby

Football Club. It's a sport that isn't for meck either. Hard hits exhausting lengths of game play are enough to convince many to turn around walk and away.

Prain, who was an All-Area football player in the fall, plays the game those very reasons. "Rugby

is probably the most physical game I've every played," said Prain. "I love playing it. It's a great sport but it's not easy."

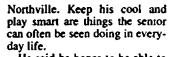
Three years ago when Prain first came out for the team, he wasn't sure what to expect. He knew he would have to put aside his knowledge of football and once he did things started to

"At first it didn't make any sense," he said. "Once you play two or three games you get the hang of it and you get used to what you're doing and what's going on."

Rugby at Northville is unique compared to nearly all other sports with the exception of the winter's gymnastics. It combines players from Northville, Novi and Farmington onto one team a team that made it to the state finals last year but fell short or

the championship. This year, Prain hopes to take it

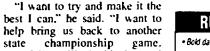
just one step further. He wants this to be the best season of his high school career.



He said he hopes to be able to take either rugby or football to the next level.

"Right now I'm looking at the University Nevada, Las Vegas or Arizona State," he said. "I'd love to play sports, but I guess we'll have to see what happens."

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not lose in the final game Though the game, to many spectators who aren't savvy on the strategy and game play, looks like a jumble of ruffians attacking each other, Prain said it takes a lot of mental discipline to excel at.

Hopefully we'll win this time and

You can't let emotions get in the way," he said. "You might get hit hard by a guy but you can't get up thinking about hurting that guy. You're not helping your team if you play like that You've got to keep cool and play smart."

The lessons Prain has learned from rughy are ones he hopes to toward life beyond

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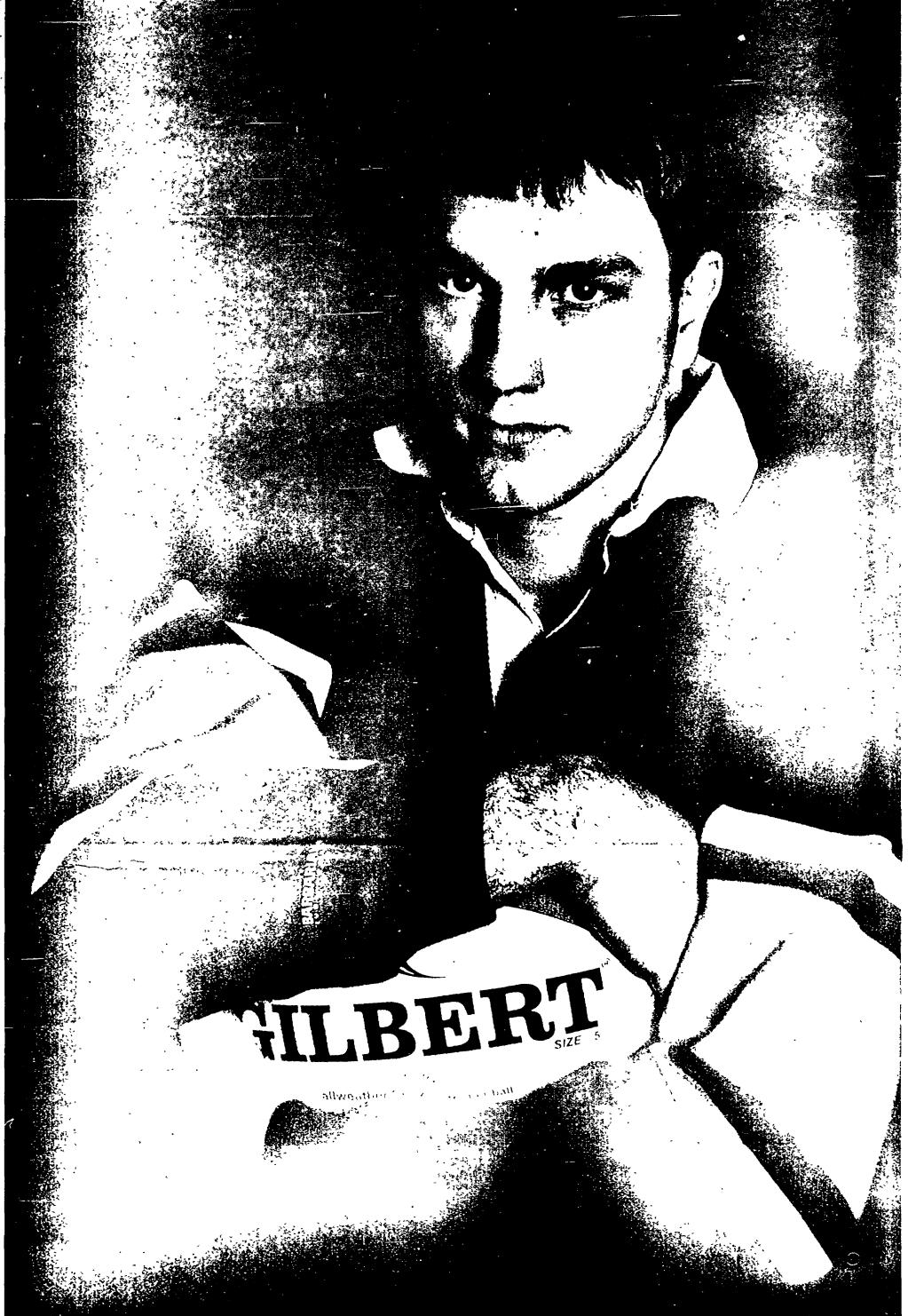
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Crab grass makes a lousy lawn

By Jeff Rugg COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

. Last year my lawn · was filled with crab grass. What is the best way to get rid of it?

A . Crab grass is a noto-rious weed everyone suspects they have in their lawn. Lawn-care companies and chemical manufacturers use the fear of it to promote their products. In reality, most people probably don't have crab grass itself. even if

A Greener View

weed problem of some kind.

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One of the first things to do in getting rid of a lawn nuisance is to be sure of its identity before attempting any remedies. Crab-grass control is no exception to this rule.

Crab grass is an annual plant. This means it lives for a season, during which it blooms, produces seeds and then dies. Even if you don't get a cold winter in your area, it still dies. For everyone in cold winter areas, it will die with the first frost of fall. If you think you have crab grass and you see it during the cold-weather months, you don't have crab grass. So don't waste time and money (and potentially harming the environment) by throwing chemicals on your lawn.

Tall fescue is a clumpforming grass that is noticeable in spring when crab grass is still in its infancy and not readily visible in a lawn. Tall fescue is a perennial that is completely immune to crab-grass con-

Even if I could put pictures of crab grass in your newspaper, it would still be difficult for most people to identify the plant in their lawn. Even descriptions that crab grass has short leaves

that taper to a point and are sparsely hairy, are of little help. The best way to identify it is to have someone show it to you. By then, though, it is growing in your

There are several steps to preventing weeds from growing in a lawn. The first is to have a healthy lawn of good grass plants. The second is to prevent weeds from growing and the third is to kill them

after they have grown. Let's start with the second step because that is what most people want to do each

Many companies advertise the need for using of a preemergent on a lawn. Preemergent weedkillers are great for controlling weeds, yet a huge waste of money if you don't have weeds.

A single crab grass plant can produce more than 1,000 seeds in its short life. About half will sprout the following year and about 25 percent the next year. After a few years, they will be gone, except for a few that could sprout many years later. If you can prevent 500 new crab grass plants from sprouting, you have prevented thousands of their seeds from growing,

Crab grass seeds begin sprouting after the soil reaches 55 degrees for five days in a row. They can continue sprouting for more than two months. Chemicals need to be applied to the soil before seeds sprout. Some chemicals do not last for more than a month or two, so if the chemical is applied too early, it will be less effective on late-sprouting seeds.

Other pre-emergent chemicals will reman effective after seeds germinate. Typical pre-emergents should be applied about the same time as forsythia flowers are finishing up, before lilacs begin blooming and about the time dogwood trees are

in bloom.

There are many brands of crab grass treatments. For effective control of crab grass, you must follow package directions. Using too much or not enough and applying it at the wrong time will cause it to be less effective, possibly even harmful to your lawn. Different portions of your lawn might warm up sooner than others, depending on the sun and shade.

After a pre-emergent has been applied, don't disturb the soil. The chemical barrier must remain or else some seeds might not come in contact with the chemical. Refrain from aerating the soil, de-thatching the lawn or using a slit seeder because they all ruin the chemical barrier. You cannot add good grass seed for several months after applying pre-emergent because it will prevent good grasses from sprouting, too.

Once your lawn has not had crab grass for several years, don't use a pre-emergent again until it shows up again.

Post-emergent weed killers are often less effective on weeds. Following instructions is very important for effective results.

Crab grass seeds - and other weed seeds, too sprout better in thin, bare areas of soil. They get the sunlight and warmth they need. If the lawn grass is thick and full, there will be fewer weed seeds sprouting.

Mow your lawn at the proper height for the species. Only take off about one-third of the grass blade during each mowing. Water and fertilize it properly, and it will remain healthy with fewer weeds.

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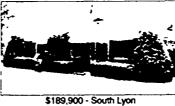
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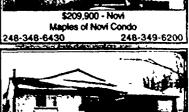


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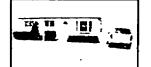
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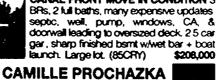


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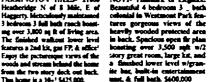


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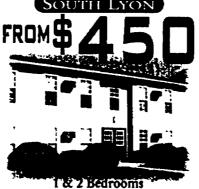
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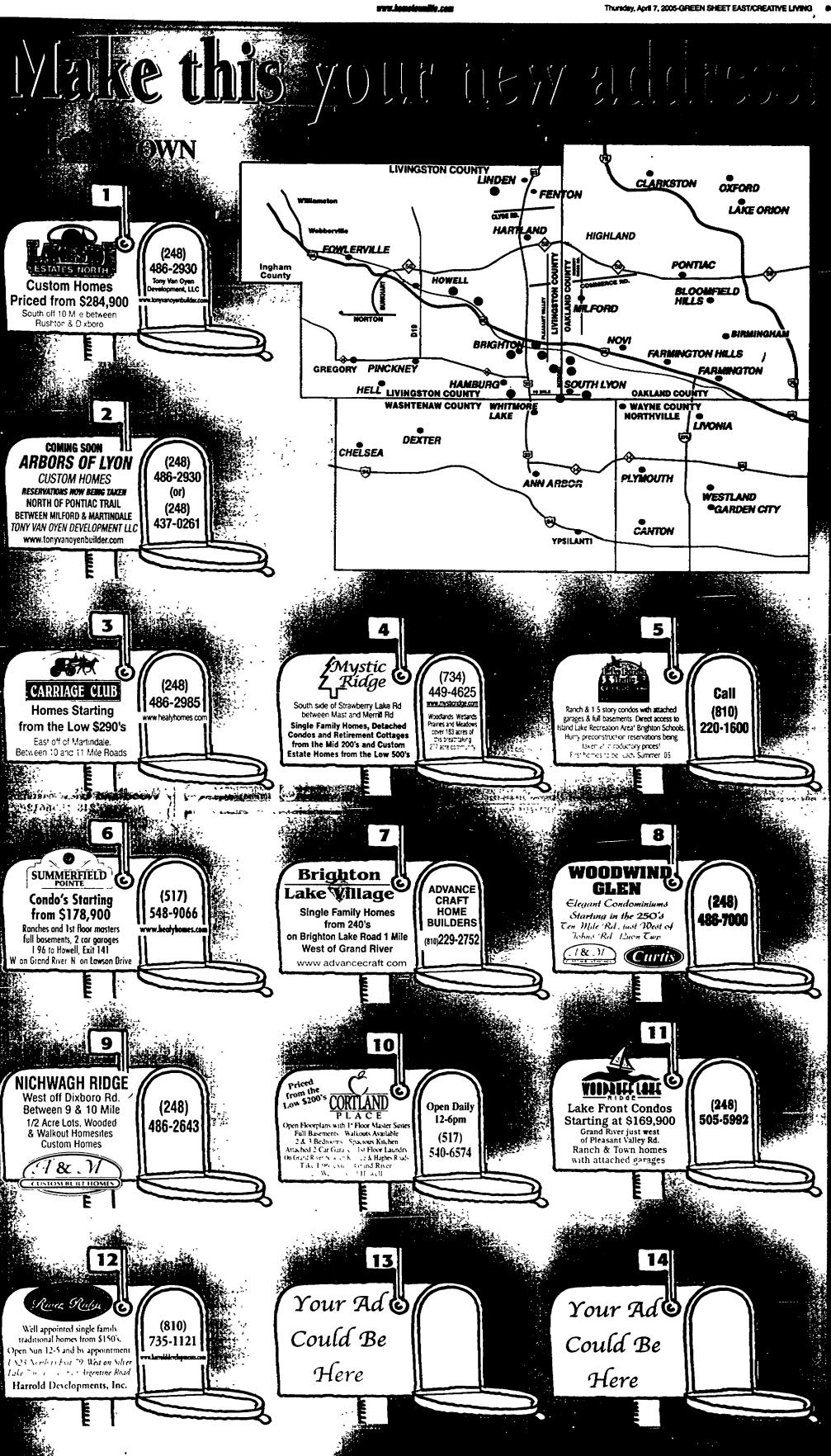
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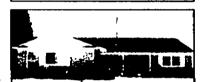
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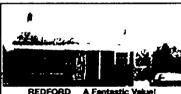
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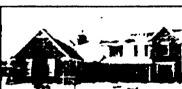


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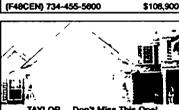


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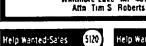
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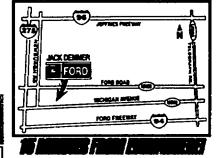
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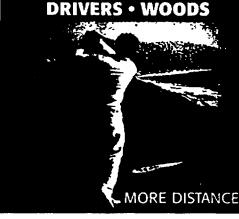
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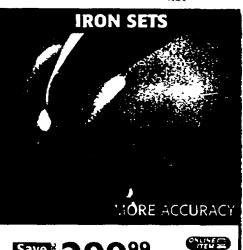
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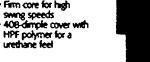
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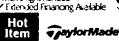






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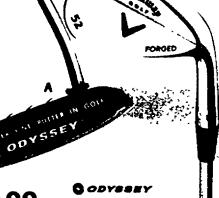




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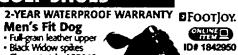
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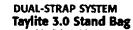
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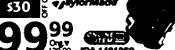
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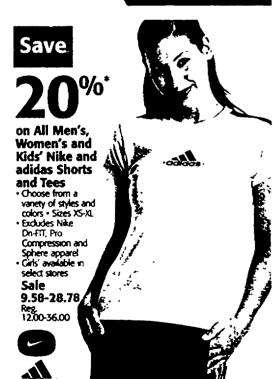
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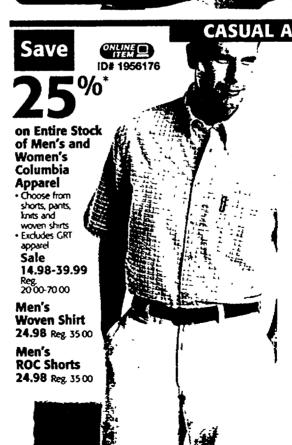






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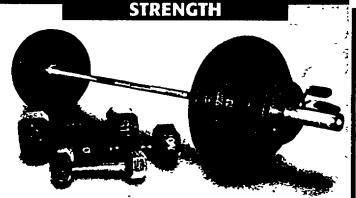
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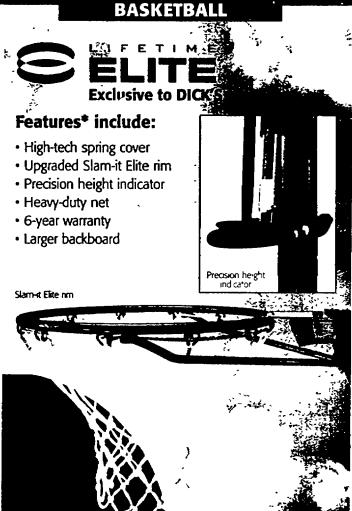
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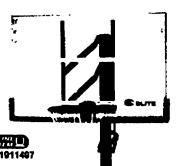






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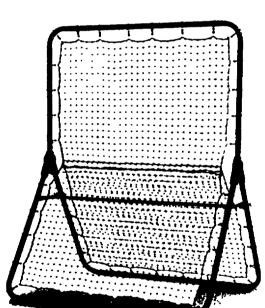
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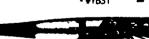


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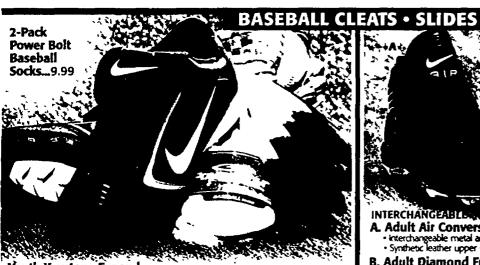


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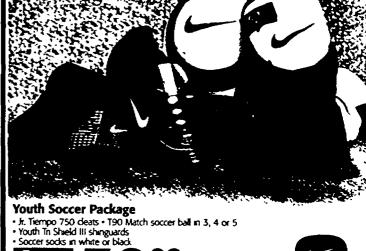
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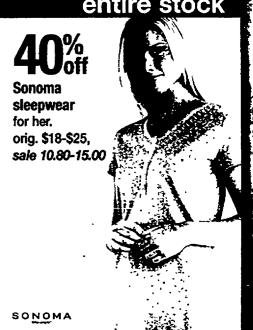
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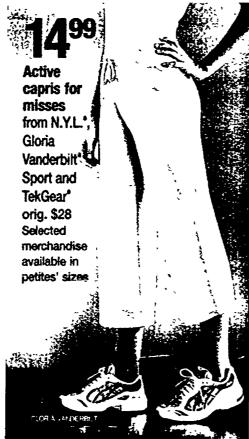






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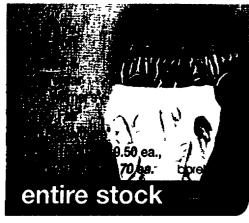


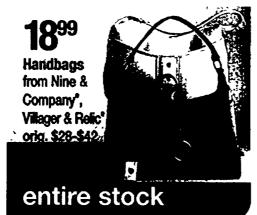
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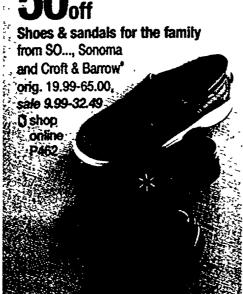
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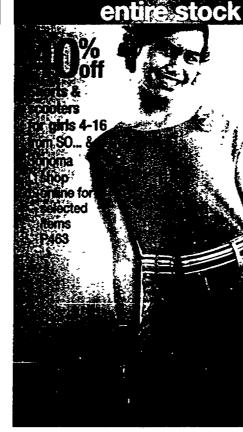
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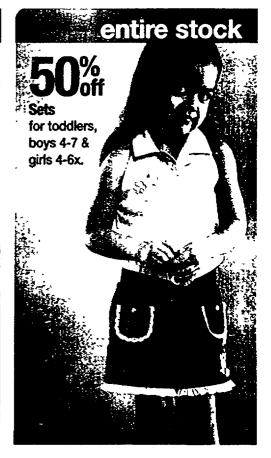
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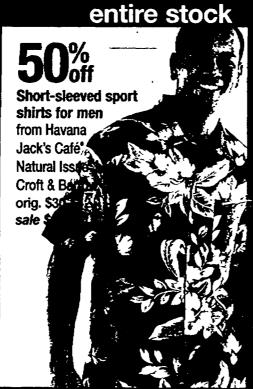


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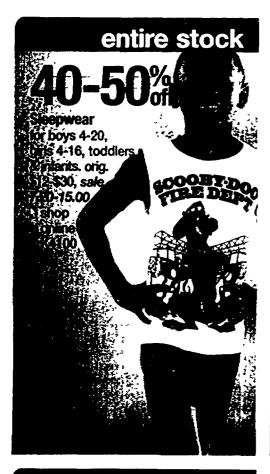


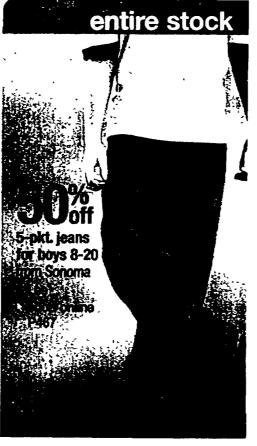




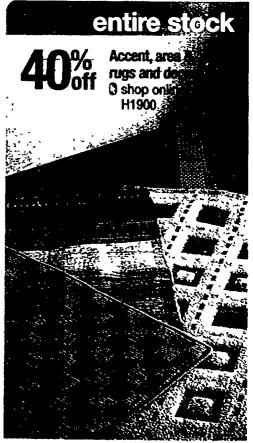


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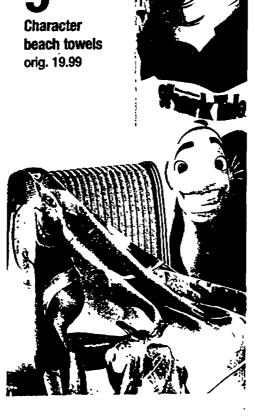
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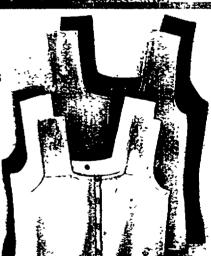
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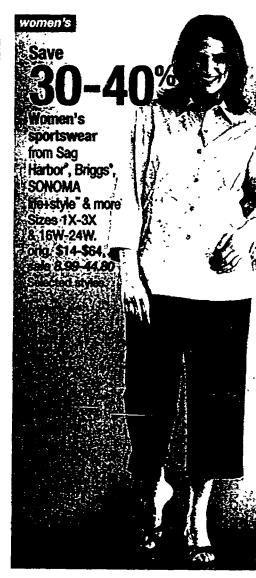


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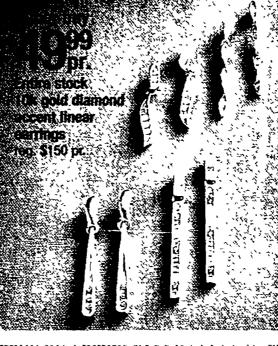


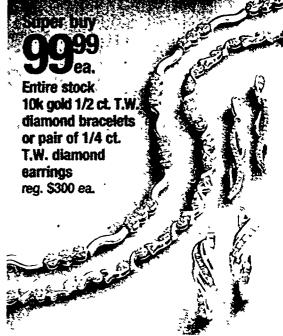
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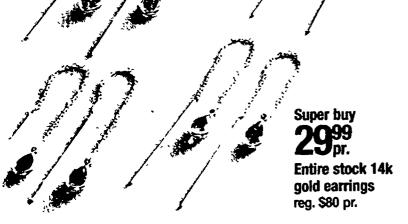
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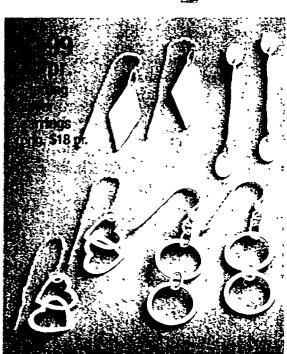










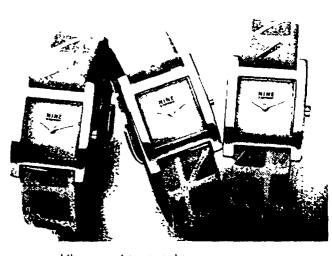




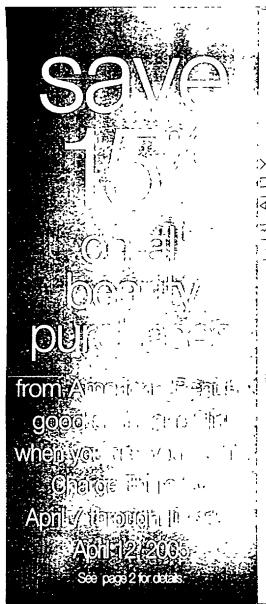
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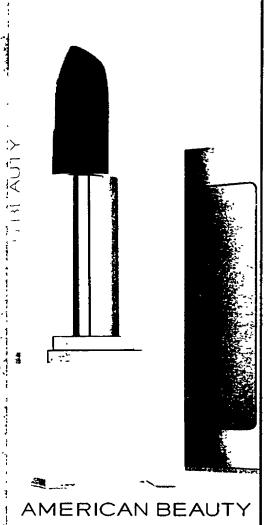
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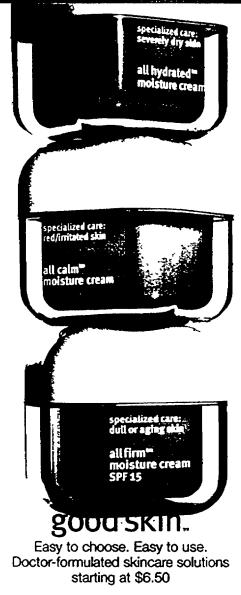
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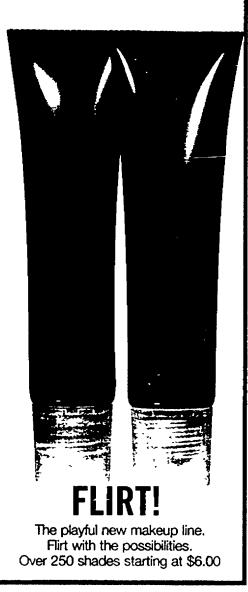


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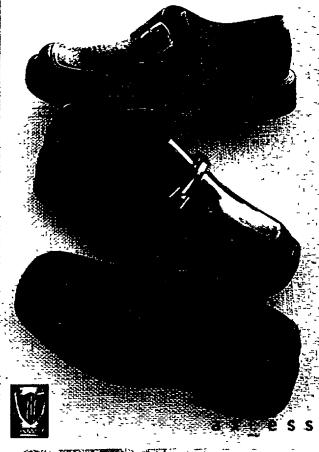


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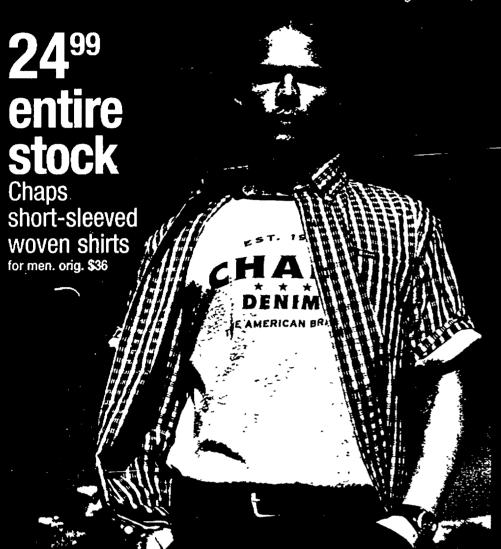


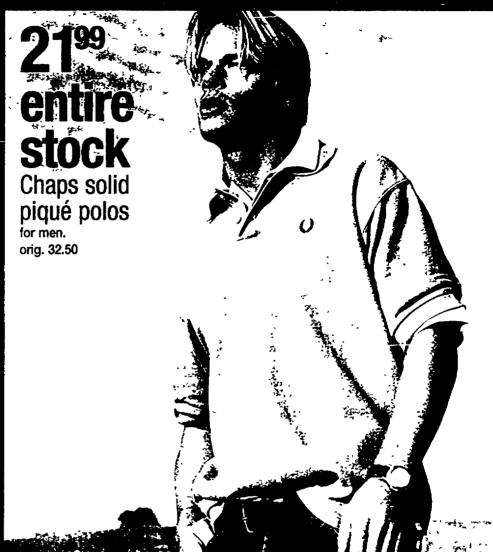




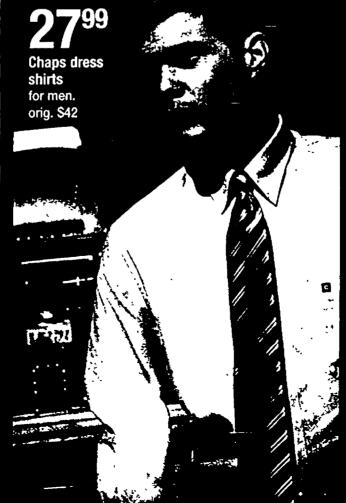
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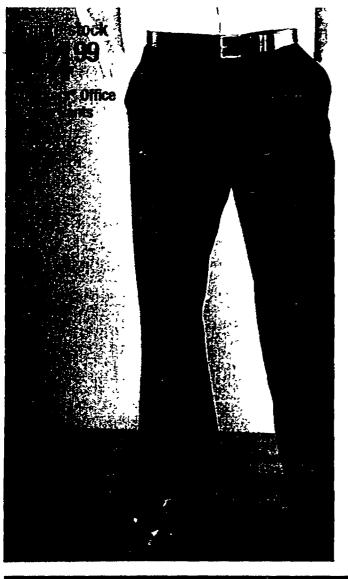






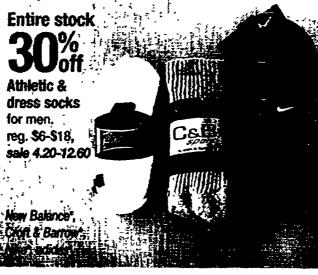


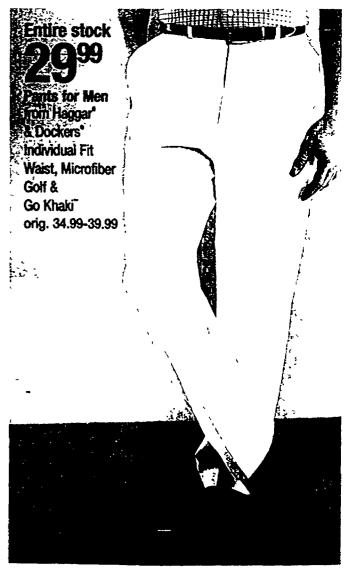












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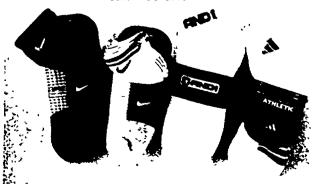
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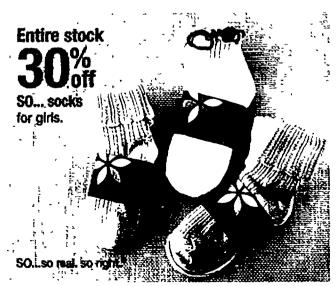
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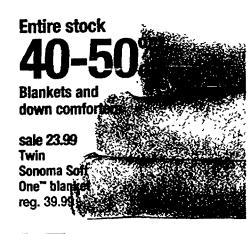


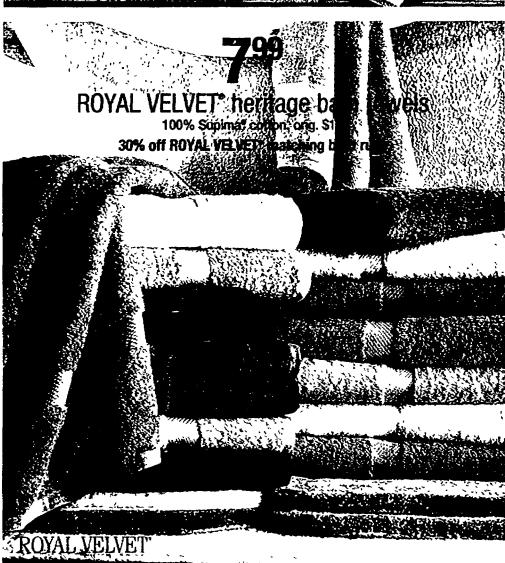












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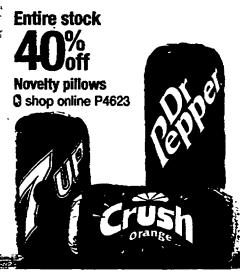




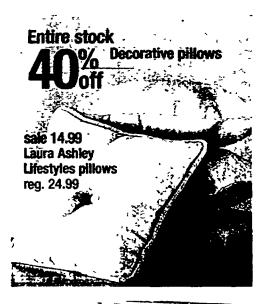








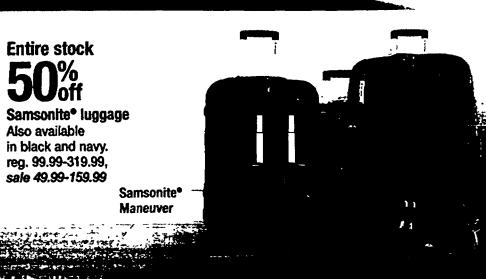




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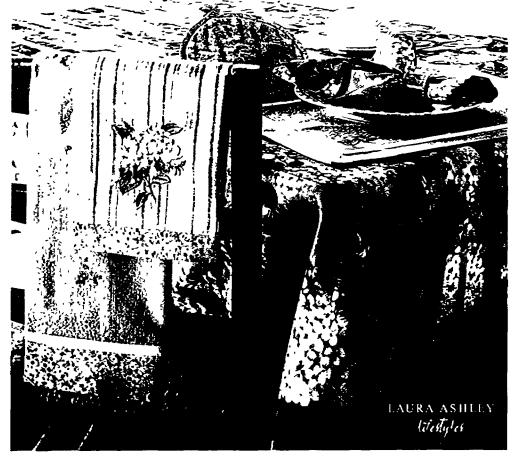
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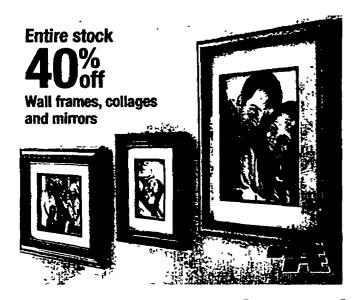
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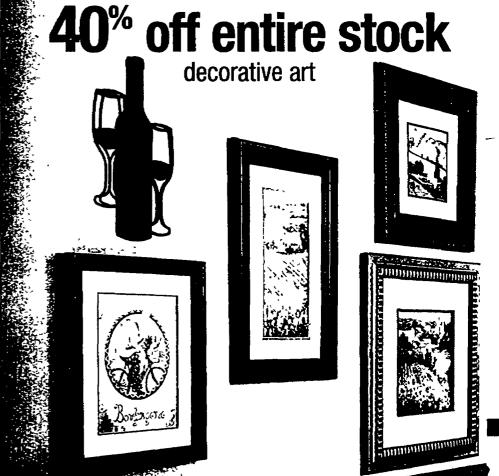




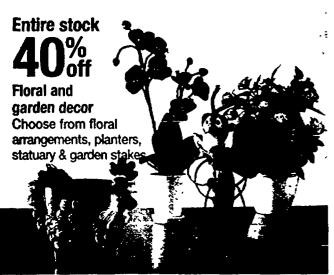


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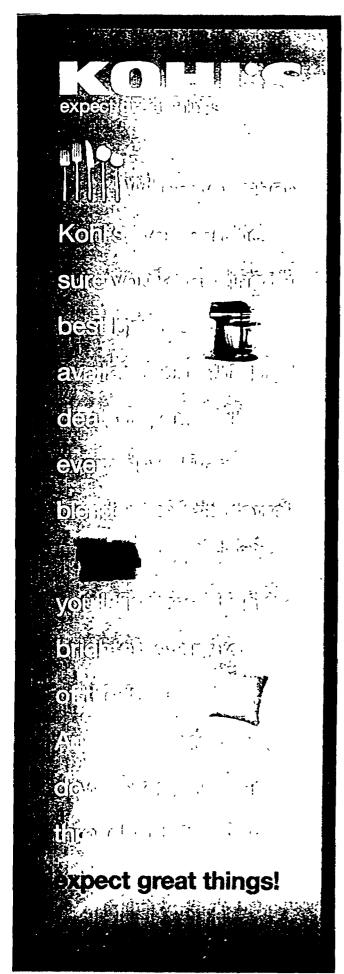
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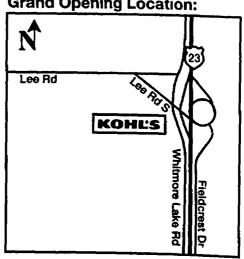
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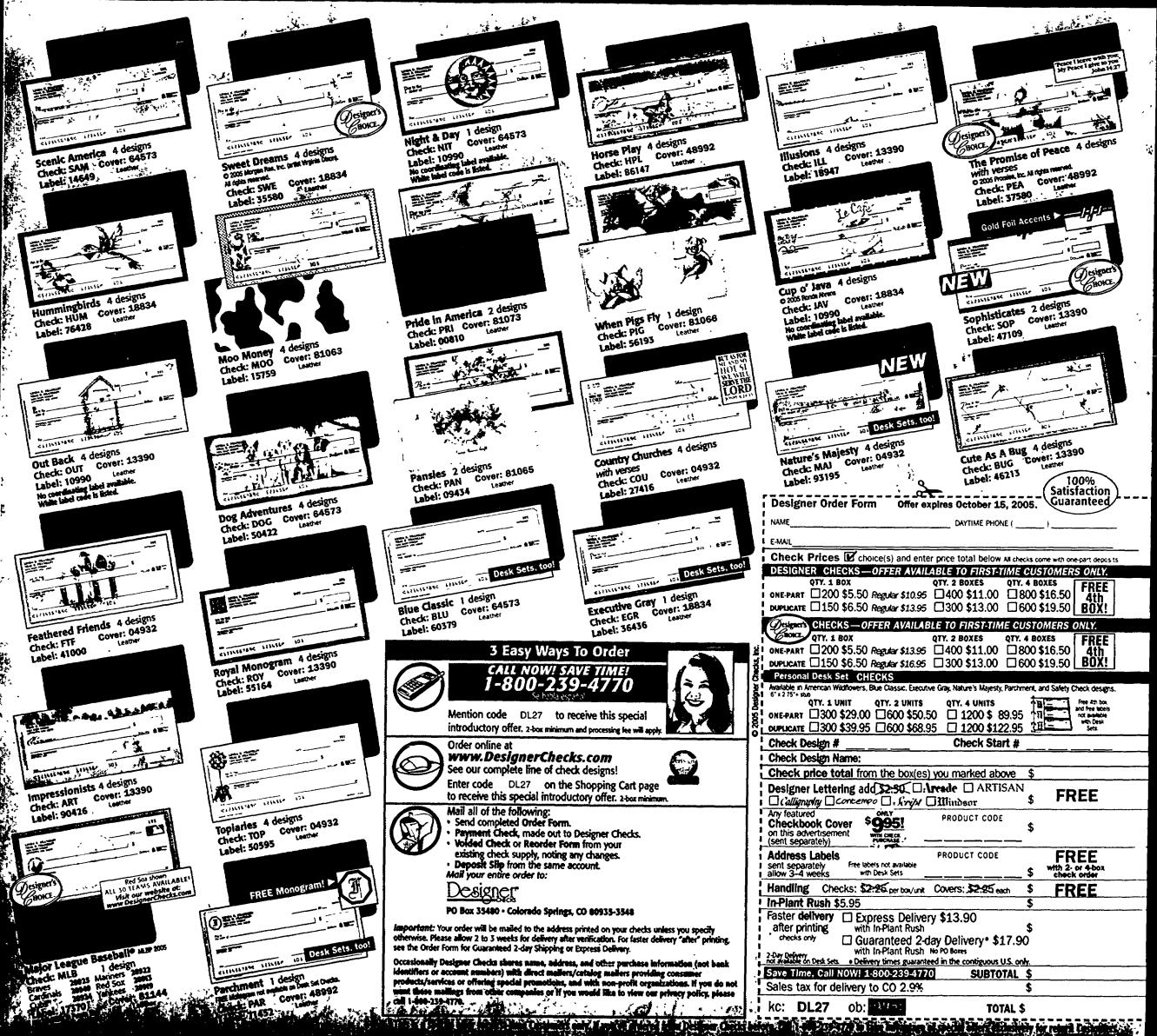
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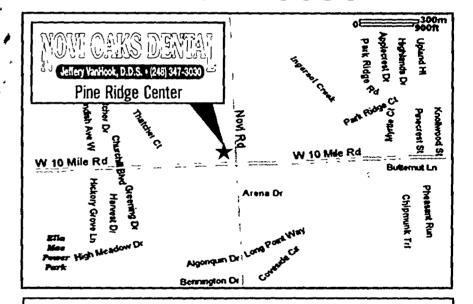
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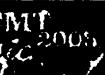


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Ask American Profile

The last time I heard the beautiful voice of Jennifer Warnes was on The Smothers Brothers Show. Is she still singing?

-Alma B., Ohio

Jennifer Warnes, 58, recently released a new CD, The Well, which is available at her website, www. jenniferwarnes.com, where you also can write to her. The Seattle native, known for the hits (lt's the) Right Time of the Night, It Goes Like This. Up Where We Belong and (I've Had) the Time of My Life (with Bill Medley), soon will release Singer Jennifer Warnes has a new CD.

a song she recorded with acoustic guitarist Robert Michaels. She's also working on a possible album with Medley, her former duet partner. She hasn't performed since the death of her mother two years ago. "She was really my significant other," the never-married Warnes says. "For many years I took her on the road with me and

ley Pride.



passed away, I haven't really wanted to sing."

she got her fun following me around. Since she

One of the most familiar faces I see in old films playing bit parts is that of actor Charles Lane. In how many movies did he appear?

-Harold S., Washington Charles Lane, who recently turned 100, racked up at least 250 film appearances before he retired with his last film, The Computer Wore Tennis Shoes, in 1995. He-acted in many Frank Capra films, including It's a Wonderful Life. You Can't Take it With You, Mr. Smith Goes to Washington, Mr. Deeds Goes to Town and Arsenic and Old Lace. He also appeared in TV shows such as

I Love Lucy, Petticoat Junction and The Beverly Hillbillies. Born in San Francisco, he came to the Pasadena Playhouse

in California in 1929, where he met his wife, Ruth Covell. They were married for 71 years until her death in 2002, and had two children, Tom and Alice. He currently lives in Santa Monica, Calif., and says, "Considering my years, I feel very well and am in good health. I have no major physical disabilities other than being somewhat frail and shaky on my feet, and fortunately my mental faculties seem to be in good working order."



Charles Lane

Q My wife and I are big fans of Jeremy Brett's portrayal in the Sherlock Holmes Mysteries, which we watch regularly on the Biography Channel. Please give us any information you have on him.

-Richard L., Missouri

Born in Berkswell, England, in 1933, Jeremy Brett made his stage debut in 1954 and a year later his film debut in the British film Svengali, followed by 1956's War and Peace. He earned critical acclaim for his role as Sherlock Holmes in the Granada Television series from 1983 through 1994. Brett was married twice, first to Anna Massey in 1958 until 1962 and then to Joan Wilson in 1977. They had a son, David, and Brett also helped raise her two children from a previous marriage. He died of heart failure in 1995 at his home in South London.

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The legendary Waylon Jennings

song list. "There's a whole lotta years that Hitmaker Charley Pride

went into the making of these songs and a whole lotta living." Included on the CD are classics such as Mammas Don't Let Your Babies Grow up to Be Couboys, Amanda and

Good Hearted Woman.

Pride, who had 36 No. 1 singles, is best known for his hit Kiss An Angel Good Morning. Others included on the CD are All I Have to Offer You (Is Me) and Every Heart Should Have One. Both are available from Sony in stores or online.

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"It's such a time frame," says Jessi

Colter, Jennings' widow, of the CD's

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Investing Beginners

Financial companies often portray

investing as a complex, highly technical process, to be attempted only by trained experts. In reality, the basic rules of investing are simple. If you follow these basic principles, you can do well investing, whether you're saving for retirement or your child's college tuition.

Time is your ally

One of the most important investment principles is "invest early and often." This allows your money to earn compound interest—the snowballing process where your money earns money. Given enough time, compounding can turn even a small amount into a fortune.

Consider Steve and Jim. Steve began investing at age 25 and contributed \$2,000 annually for 10 years. Jim waited until age 35, then invested \$2,000 a year for 30 years. Assuming both men earned 10 percent on their investments, who has more money at age 65?

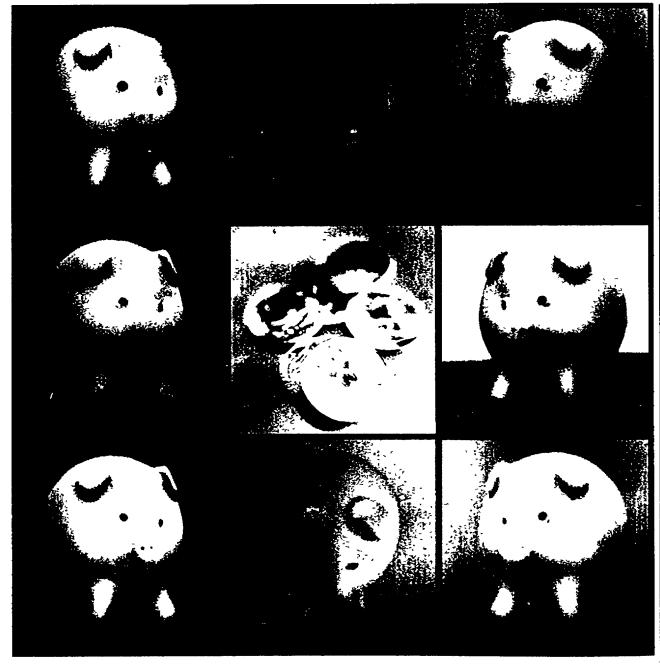
Surprisingly, it's Steve, who has about \$612,000. Jim, however, has less than \$370,000. Why? Steve's money started working for him earlier, compounding its value. If Steve had continued contributing \$2,000 a year until age 65, he would've accumulated nearly \$1 million. The sooner you start investing, the better.

The return you earn on your investments is as vital as the length of time you invest. Using the above example, reducing Steve's return from 10 percent to 9 percent would produce only \$440,000 instead of \$612,000. An 11 percent return would earn almost \$850,000. A single percentage point of return can make a huge difference over time.

Maximize your return with stocks

To maximize your investment, buy stocks. Stocks have historically outperformed all other investments. Over the last 75 years, they averaged 11.4 percent annual gains compared with only 5.1 percent for bonds. But because stocks are volatile, they carry more risk short-term. So use stocks for long-range goals—10 years or more—to reduce risk. Doing so also will allow you to take advantage of compound interest.

If your time horizon is less than 10 years, you'll need to move more investments into bonds or certificates of



deposit (CDs). As a general rule, the sooner you'll need your money—within 10 years—the more you need in non-stock investments.

Consider mutual funds

Mutual funds are groups of stocks or bonds chosen and managed by an expert. In exchange for an annual fee and other expenses, you get professional direction and instant diversification. Do your homework and investigate all of the fees involved before buying a fund. Avoid those that charge a sales fee (also called a load), tack on high operating expenses, and lose a substantial portion of your gains to taxes.

index funds are a wise choice

Index funds are mutual funds for which a manager buys all the stocks in a market benchmark or index average (such as the Dow Jones Industrial Average or Standard & Poor's 500) rather than actively picking which stocks to purchase. Funds based on an index, by definition, will never outperform the market. But because they minimize trading, tax and sales costs, they outperform the vast majority of actively managed funds over time.

Take advantage of the government

The government has numerous programs to help you invest. The main ones are individual retirement accounts—known as IRAs—and 401(k)s. With these investments, you pay no taxes until you withdraw funds, giving you a better total return on your money. Better yet, contributions to these often can be deducted from your annual earnings, reducing your annual taxable income. And some employers will match your 401(k) contributions, allowing you to earn even more. However, it's important to know that severe penaltics exist for early withdrawal of these funds, so don't invest money you may need in the short-term.

Another form of an IRA is a Roth IRA, which allows tax-free earnings growth and withdrawal of funds. Roth IRA contributions, however, are not tax deductible and are purchased with after-tax dollars.

These simple guides provide the recipe for you to manage your own investments. Take some cash, add this advice, and allow some time for it to grow. Before you know it, you'll be well on your way to investing success.

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Our Picks

Jamie O'Neal Brave Capitol Nashville Records

Singer-songwriter Jamie O'Neal catapulted to country



celebrity in 2000 with the soaring songs When I Think About Angels and There Is No Arizona, an unforgettable tale of love and lies. Both titles received Grammy nominations, but afterward, O'Neal lost her way after her record label dropped her in 2003, on the eve of her second album release.

Now comes Brave, which reprises half of the record that never came out. Nothing resonates as deeply as There Is No Arizona, though the album does a fine job in tracing the naiveté of youth to the battered strength of maturity. But in addition to songs about unsung champions (Somebody's Hero), female bonding (Girlfriends) and the singer's new baby (I Love My Life), O'Neal works in devastating songs of disillusionment and pain, such as When Did You Know and Devil on the Left. These moments prove that O'Neal is back—both as a potential radio hitmaker and as an artist of intrigue.

Porter Shreve Drives Like a Dream Houghton Mifflin

In his follow-up to his debut novel, Obituary Writer, Porter Shreve focuses his attention on Lydia Modine, a 61-yearold Michigan car historian whose life falls apart when her ex-husband



remarries and her three grown children remain scattered across the country.

Modine is a serious gatherer of facts—she's writing a book about her father's mysterious career with auto visionary Preston Tucker—but she suddenly switches to fictional storytelling in her personal life, concocting a ludicrous scheme to bring her family home.

Shreve masterfully interlocks stories, and he excels at conjuring eccentric characters with witty banter. Part woman's story (empty nest blues, mother-daughter struggles) and part conspiracy theory about the golden age of the automobile, *Drives Like a Dream* proves a fine vehicle for fun.

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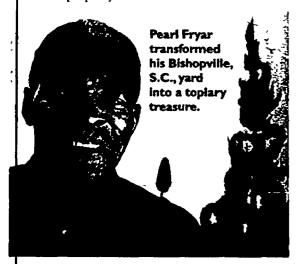
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If ever there was a real-life equivalent to the classic movie line, "Build it, and they will come," it is Fryar's Topiary Garden in Bishopville, S.C. (pop. 3,670), created by living sculpture artist Pearl Fryar.

"This place was a comfield," says Fryar, 65, pointing expansively around his three-acre topiary—a stylized, ornamental form of gardening. But in lieu of a *Field of Dreams* baseball diamond, Fryar has planted and laboriously shaped and molded between 400 and 500 pieces of eye-popping abstract sculpture cut from live oak trees, boxwoods, cypress, holly, hemlock, honeysuckle and pine that abound on his property.



"For over 15 years I've created it, doing a piece at a time," Fryar says. "Without a plan, I broke all the rules. For one time in my life, ignorance paid off."

On average, it takes Fryar three to five years to fashion one of his creations. He has tended to "Fishbone," a towering 20-foot sculpture that displays the tree's ribs, for nearly nine years.

"You start with shoots," he says of his sculpting process. "Tie and cut, tie and cut. It's not like I can finish it in a couple of weeks, like a painting. With this, you're going to be at it for a couple years, and then you have to maintain it."

Media coverage, from gardening magazine articles to regional television appearances, alerted people to Fryar's artful grounds. Now as many as 150 visitors daily may walk the sculpture-laden lawns. Though admission is free, a donation box in the driveway encourages contributions that enable Fryar to maintain the haven.

"My word, I was just astonished at how peaceful and beautiful the whole setting is," says Linda Y. Foster, a visitor from Columbia, S.C. "You can tell that it's done with love and patience and a lot of determination. You just have to see it with your very own eyes. This is awesome."

Fryar's amazing transformation into a living sculpture artist wasn't something he'd considered while growing up in Clinton, N.C., nor after he entered the military, got married and began a 36-year tenure as a troubleshooter for a beverage can manufacturer.

"I really hadn't accomplished what I wanted to with my job," Fryar recalls. "Rather than let it get me down, I took that same energy and put it into something I had control over."

That something turned out to be topiary. A local Yard-of-the-Month contest provided Fryar with incentive to start his journey. Though it was later determined that his home lay outside the city limits, thus disqualifying him, Fryar was on his way, working on his passion with pruning sheers and outdoor lights well past midnight after a 12-hour day at his regular job.

In 1996, a fortuitous meeting with Polly Laffitte, former South Carolina State Museum curator of art, changed Fryar's life. Upon seeing his work, Laffitte invited him to display his living art at the museum's "Still Worth Keeping" exhibition for self-taught artists. Fryar's work was an immediate sensation.

Today, Fryar gives presentations at museums and art institutions all over the United States, and his art now earns him a full-time living. In addition, he is artist-in-residence at nearby Coker College in Hartsville, S.C., where he treasures the opportunity to impart his philosophy to young minds.

"My idea is to teach students to use their creative ability," Fryar says. "You might be a person who arranges flowers, or you might be an interior decorator. It's tapping that creative resource that you have within yourself. Work hard. Somebody will notice you and help you, and then you're going to succeed."

Fryar hopes his work, which now includes metal sculpture, will inspire others to assist aspiring artists. As nature unites with art at his stunning neighborhood sanctuary, its humble creator reflects further on the unplanned rewards of effort.

"You can't get any place by yourself." Fryar concludes. "You never become bigger than that person who helps you."

Alan Ross is a freelance writer from Bisbee, Ariz.

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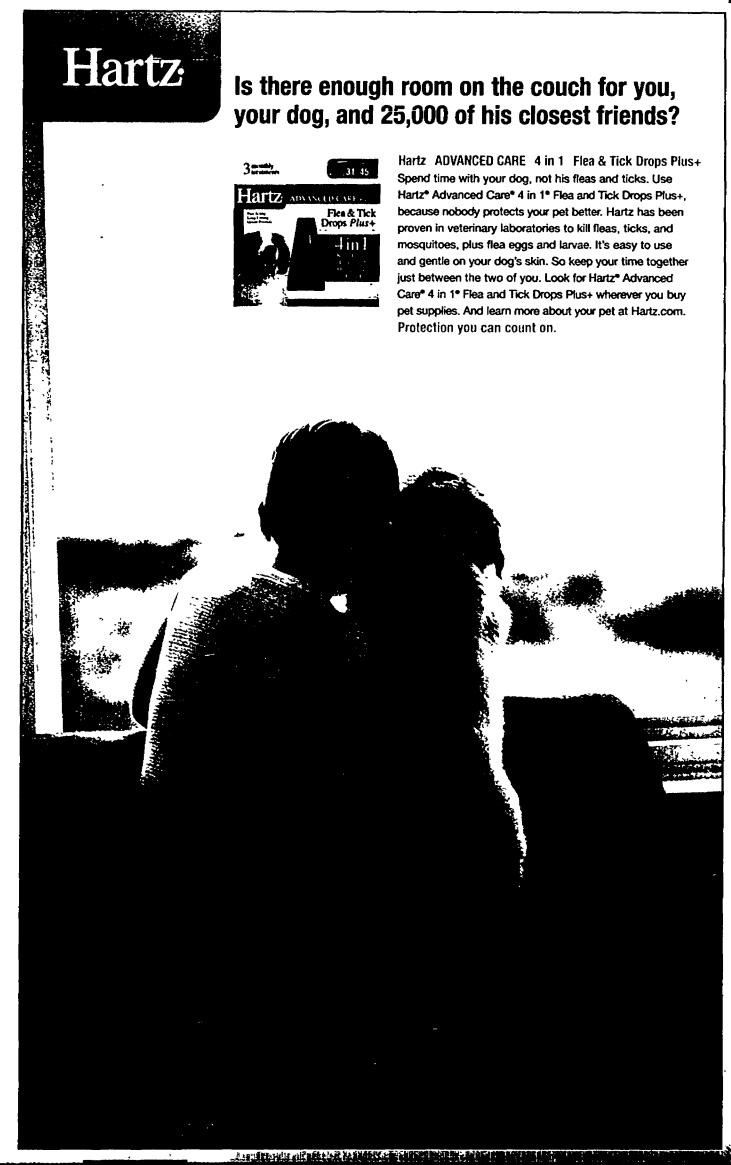
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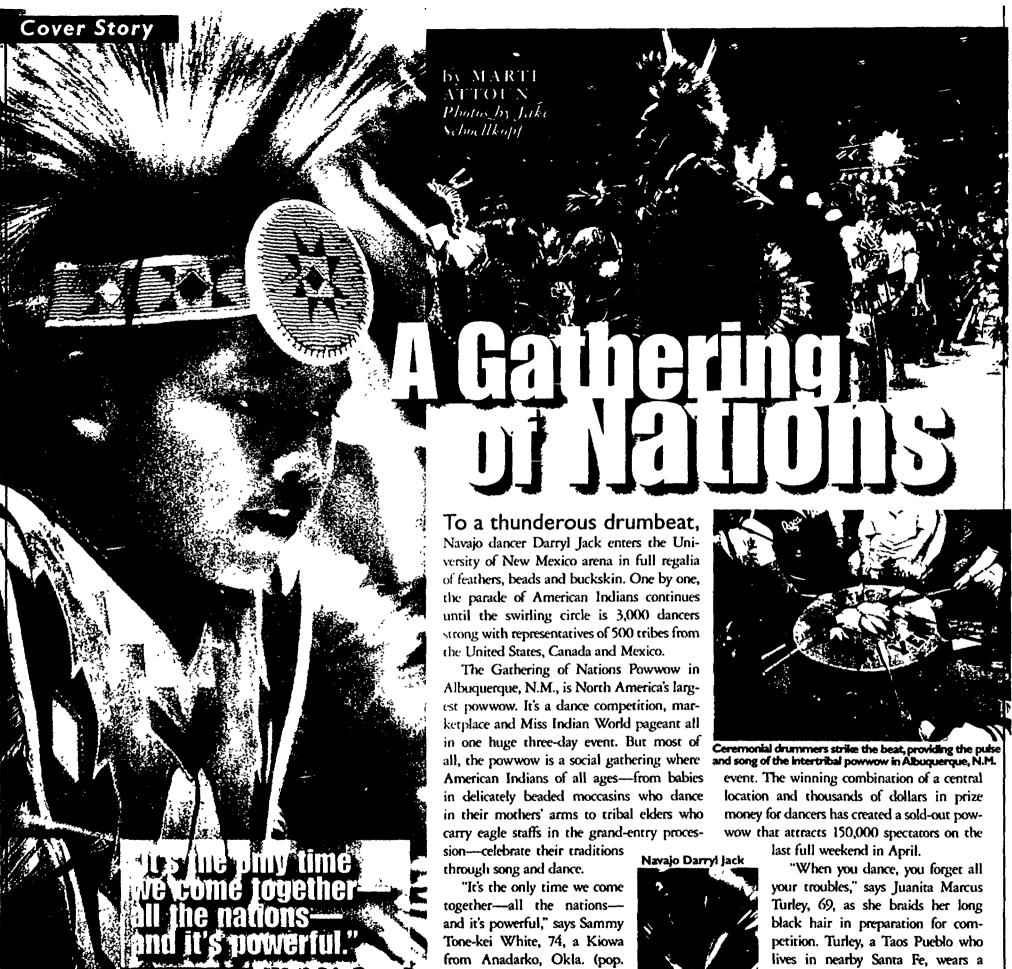
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6,645), who has emceed the powwow since it was started in 1983.

About 250 participants showed up the first year that Derek Mathews, an adviser for the Indian Club at the University of New Mexico, staged the

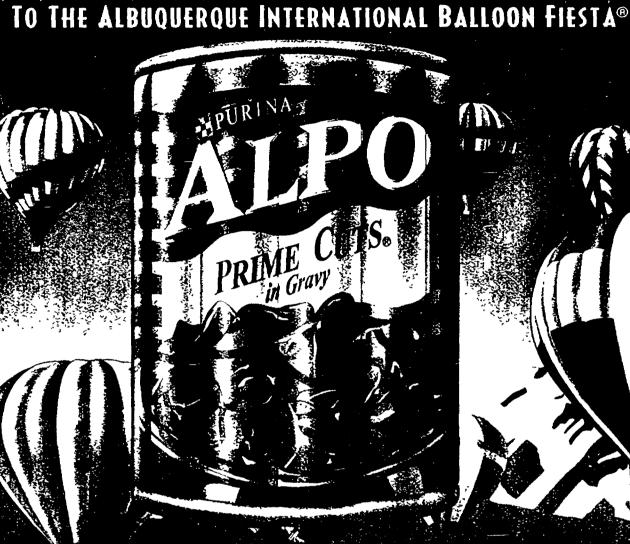
buckskin dress and leggings adorned with intricate beadwork crafted by a Shoshone woman.

Her husband, Frank Turley, 68, became interested in American Indian culture as a 13-year-old Boy Scout and began dancing at powwows the next year. (Continued on page 13)

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Thousands of American Indian dancers form a swirling circle during opening ceremonies in the University of New Mexico arena.

"Everyone claims that their powwow was the first," says Tara Browner, 43, associate professor of ethnomusicology and American Indian Studies at the University of California in Los Angeles and author of Heartbeat of the People: Music and Dance of the Northern Pow-wow.

Contemporary intertribal powwows began in the 1880s with the establishment of Indian reservations, but whether it was the Poncas in Oklahoma or the Winnebagos in Nebraska who first welcomed all tribes is debatable.

'The concept of powwows goes back before European contact, but they were strictly clannish," Browner says. The word "powwow" is derived from the Algonquian word "pau wau," meaning "he dreams" and is associated with medicine men and healing.

What isn't disputed is that William "Buffalo Bill" Cody with his Wild West Show promoted the entertainment value of powwows for non-natives and encouraged American Indian dancers to "fancy it up."

"What's important about powwows is the sense of community," says Browner, who is Choctaw and a dancer. "You feel strong and proud of who you are, and there's a comfort level there for just a weekend. All families have stories of sadness and displacement, and you're with people who understand your background and how it shaped who you are."

"The music is beautiful," he says. "You dance to a song you may never have heard before, but you listen to the drum cues."

Tribal traditions

Singing, drumming and dancing take center stage at all powwows, and each dance has its distinctive steps, regalia and rich history. Men compete in three basic categories-traditional, grass dance and fancy, while women compete in traditional, fancy and jingle dress dancing.

Men's traditional dancers wear ribboned shirts and porcupine headdresses and tell a choreographed story of a hunter stalking game or enemies, while female jingle dancers, clad in dresses adorned with hundreds of jingling metal cones made from snuff can lids, keep their feet flying in intricate movements.

"The judges look for how coordinated the dancer is and how smooth," says Tosha Goodwill, 27, a Lakota Sioux

from Rapid City, S.D. (pop. 59,607). Delana Smith of Red Lake, Minn., was crowned "Like with any sport, some are more Miss Indian World during last year's gathering. coordinated than others."

Dancers treat their regalia respectfully, and if an eagle feather, considered sacred, drops during a dance, it is picked up only by a war veteran who performs a special dance. Veterans or warriors are held in the highest regard and honored during opening ceremonies.

For professional dancers, powwows are a way to earn a living while sharing their cultural heritage. Cash prizes at the Gathering of Nations

totaled \$130,000 last year, and most of the 1,000 powwows held across the country year-round award prizes.

"I love the music, I love the dance, I love being around everyone," says Steven Middle Rider, 27, a Blackfeet and Chippewa-Cree fancy dancer from San Jose, Calif. He competes as a chicken dancer with movements mimicking a prairie chicken.

Many dancers began following in their elders' fancy footsteps as toddlers. Three-year-old Tate Bear, a Meskwaki and Lakota from Denver, Colo., stands obediently on a bleacher while his mother dresses him for the tiny tots' competition for dancers under age 6.

"He's been dancing since he could walk," says Tanski Clairmont, 23, a Rosebud Lakota. She straps on his back bustle of bright blue and white feathers, small arm bustles and his headdress.

Then she turns her attention to 5-month-old Wakinyela, decked out in beaded moccasins tied with pink ribbons

and a pink satin appliquéd dress.

Clairmont rocks Wakinyela in her arms, and the baby is lulled to sleep by the ever-present bone-deep drumbeat.





Trade goods

Outside the stadium, the line stretches longer by the minute for Indian fry bread, a round deep-fried bread drizzled with honey or sprinkled with sugar. Business is brisk, too, inside the traders' tent where 800 artists and merchants sell handmade wares and trade goods from deer hides





Clad in a colorful shawl, a girl concentrates on her step in the fancy dance, one of several women's dance categories.

to turkey feathers and ornamental beads to tribal history books.

Terri Grimm of McIntosh, N.M., is fascinated by tables laden with turquoise jewelry. "It's nice to be around people who do this," she says excitedly. "I love coming here—so many beautiful costumes and I love the drumming."

A delicate flute melody beckons from the Mountain Spirit Flutes booth of Kay Littlejohn, 42, and her husband Danny Bigay, 43, both Cherokee from Greeneville, Tenn. (pop. 15,198). The full-time flute makers use antique hand tools, such as a wagon maker's spokeshave, to shape red cedar, sycamore and sassafras into flutes. Littlejohn's father taught her the craft.

"Flutes are common to all tribes," Bigay says. "It's a way of expressing good feelings, of expressing your heart without words."

Jeannette Moore, a member of an Albuquerque flute and drum group, can't resist sampling one of the double-barreled flutes and soon is adrift in the music. "These are beautiful flutes—very nice," she says.

But the beauty of the powwow goes beyond

Vendor Renae Ingram of Fairview, N.C., arranges a display of turquoise and sterling silver jewelry.





Flute makers Kay Littlejohn and Danny Bigay of Greeneville, Tenn., play their handmade instruments.

the music and dancing. The gathering is a place to make and enrich friendships with others of common ancestry and to express price in that shared heritage.

"The powwow brings all the tribes together," White says. "It's like a homecoming. It's good medicine."

Marti Attoun is a frequent contributor to American Profile.

This year's Gathering of Nations Powwow is scheduled April 28-30. For more information, log on to www.gatheringofnations. com, or to find a powwow near you, visit www.powwow-power.com.

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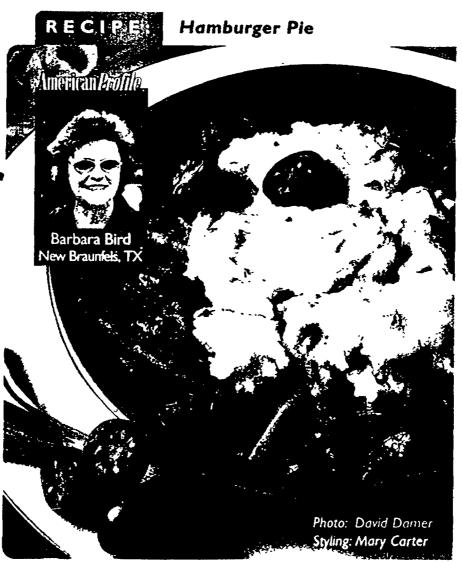
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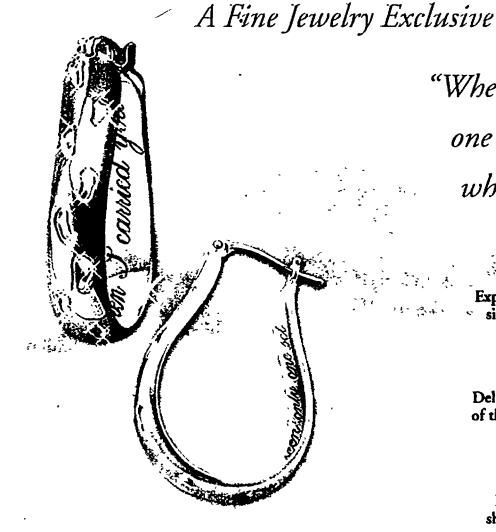
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