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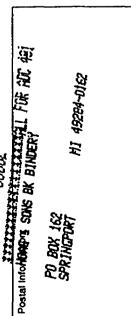
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Northville's state of GROWING CONCERN

On the verge of annual State of the Community luncheon, some Northville residents are already feeling plenty full

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

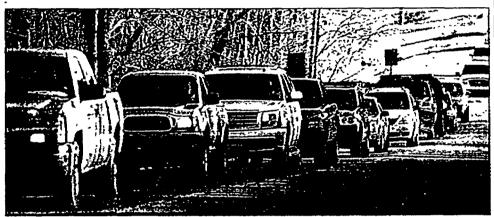
obert Teubert wakes up two hours earlier than he used to just so he can beat morning traffic.

Beck Road backups on the way home to South Lyon led the financial planner to change his Northville office hours to 7 a.m.-3

That's not how things used to

Teubert, 32, remembers living in Northville 20 years ago and making a quick run to downtown stores to pick up supplies for a school project. Those stores have vanished. But Northville's swollen pace is obvious.

"The roads just aren't big enough to handle the growth that's been going on," Teubert said. "Growth is good, yes, but it



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TOP: Nearly 2,100 students fill Northville High School hallways every day. Enrollment is expected to top 2,500 students by 2010.

ABOVE: Evening rush hour along northbound Beck Road, south of Eight Mile Road.

"The city, the township, the community, it just doesn't seem like it can keep up.

"You can't really do anything to

More, more, more

In barber shops and salons, patrons spill the latest gossip about what they've seen and heard around town. But waxing senti-

Northville Community Population

HOUSEHOLDS 6,141

PEOPLE ..

HOUSEHOLDS

seems like it's been too much, too' mental about the good old days comes at a cost: lost time.

Northville's population has grown by a third, to 31,119, since

During the past decade, Northville Township's southern and western edges became ongoing construction zones as SUVs and luxury cars wound their way into the quiet metro-Detroit suburb from all directions.

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10,497

8,119

. 2,481

TOTAL POPULATION 21,780 25,832 31,119 33,905

27,752

13,286

2,773

NORTHVILLE: STATE OF THE COMMUNITY

Effectively managing the community's growth will be a recurring theme when local leaders speak during Northville's annual State of the Community luncheon next Wednesday.

The Northville Chamber of Commerce will host township Supervisor Mark Abbo, City of Northville Mayor Christopher Johnson, Northville Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Leonard Rezmierski, Northville Parks and Recreation Director Traci Sincock, Northville District Library Director Julie Herrin, and Northville Youth Assistance Director Sue Campbell.

The \$30 luncheon is at noon April 12 at Meadowbrook Country Club. Registration is at 11:30 a.m. For more information, contact the chamber at (248) 349-7640.

Columbine' message comes with a cost: \$4,500

Police vow to charge, then bill those responsible

By Tracy Mishler RECORD STAFF WRITER

Talk is cheap, but a threatening message left in a Northville High School bathroom is not.

■ Student

to 'Columbine'

Students react

reaction

message.

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The note, "Columbine can bappen," written in pencil, cost Northville

Township Police Department more . than \$4,500. according to police offi-

Stepping up One local par-"This pendulum ent wants to put has swung bullies in the so far in the spotlight. other direc-tion," said Page 8A. said township

manager Chip Snider. "These incidents now create a financial hardship because we had to deploy excessive amounts of resources in order to accommo-

Snider said many people will say a price can't be put on public

"In this community, we put a price on public safety everyday and these types of pranks come with a price," he said. "So in fact, we do put a price on public safe-

Police Chief John Werth said based on overtime and tying up police resources, searching for a suspect can be expensive.

Following discovery last week of the message, scribbled on a first-floor boys bathroom wall, Northville Township police officials employed several area resources, including a K-9 search of the 400,000-square-foot

Assistance was provided by

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Robbed

Diamond dealer held up at gunpoint

As first reported Tuesday morning on www.northvillerecord.com

By Tracy Mishler RECORD STAFF WRITER

Township police were dispatched to the Hampton Inn on Haggerty and Eight Mile roads just before 10 a.m. Tuesday, after a 30-year-old man was robbed at gun point.

According to police, the victim was a diamond dealer from Israel who was leaving the hotel when he was approached by two men with guns. According to police officials, the suspects used a semi-automatic handgun to steal approximately \$250,000 in diamonds from the vic-

Police said the suspects then stole the victims rented car and headed south on Haggerty Road. The car was recovered in the Baby's-R-Us parking lot, and police said both the diamonds and suspects were gone.

Police believe the victim was being followed before the robbery occurred. Police are investigating.



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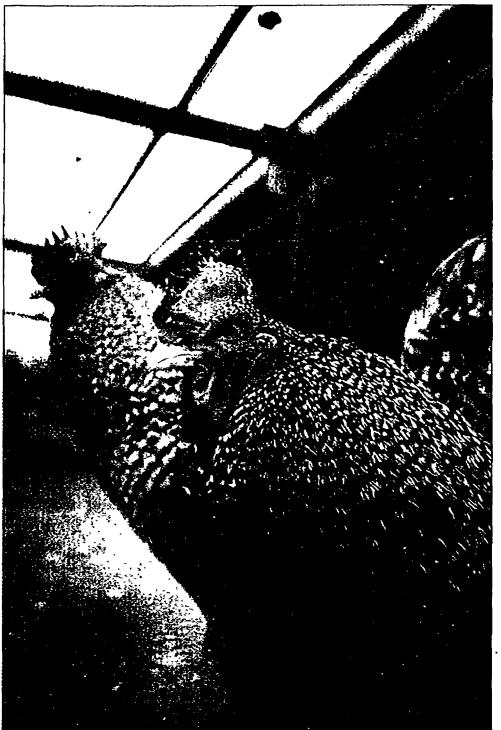


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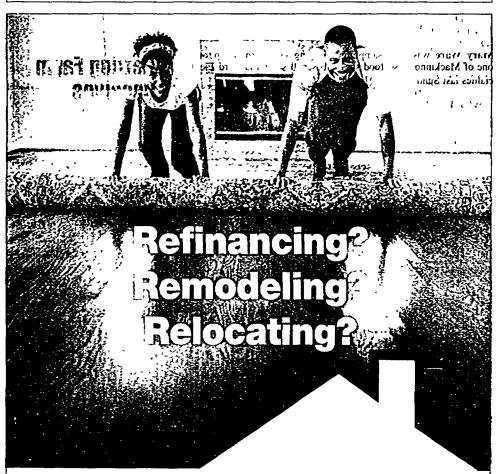
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Comme Team

Detroit insider featured speaker at May 2 library fund-raiser

Want to wish Ken Naigus well as he heads for his new job with Disney? The Northville Arts Commission chairman and his wife, Jan, school district volunteer extraordinaire, will be the guests of honor 2-4 p.m. this Sunday during a cake and coffee reception at Genitti's.

In honor of Women's History Month, Audrey Mistor recently was singled out by Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox. One of the founders of Main Street Bank in Northville, Mistor has been involved with numerous charity organizations, including UNIČEF, Community Foundation and the Plymouth Rotary Club. Cox said, "Audrey Mistor has been an inspiration to women through her many achievements in business

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and her many contributions to the

community.

Selected by viewer demand! "Walk the Line," starring Reese Witherspoon and Joaquin Phoenix, is tomorrow's Friday Flick at the Northville Senior Community Center. Showtime is 1 p.m. Cost: \$1.

Eighty-two members of the University of Michigan Club of Greater Northville were part of the successful, sold-out 'Take a Sip for Scholarship" event last Sunday, chaired by Marjorie Kucher. Ian Mackinnon hosted the annual fund-raiser at his Main Street restaurant, MacKinnons, serving a five-course meal and carefully selected wines. Silent auction items included two seats in the U-M press box for the Sept. 9 home game; a U-M golf course package, spa packages, gift baskets, and signed Michigan memo-

speaking Mackinnon family, father chef Tom is presiding over culinary masterpieces at the new restaurant Five inside the Inn at St. John's. Long-time Northville resident Mary Ware was seen sampling one of Mackinnon's seafood specialties last Sunday.

Who knew? The music, the dancing, the performances, the costumes, the sets of Northville High School's "Suessical" this past weekend were amazing! All ages - including the performers, based on their enthusiasm

loved the family fare. And the drama department offered the audience an opportunity to vote for future productions. Looking forward to it!

Speaking of actors, word is Tuscan Cafe owner Will Hundley recently donned a doctor's coat for his alter ego in a production of "Our Town" at Schoolcrast College in Livoria.

And the family of Helen Austin decided to make a production of her 95th birthday, March 31. Children and grandchildren arrived from around the state, Ohio and Florida to celebrate!

Tomorrow night, if you haven't yet - and even if you have - give the First Fridays Art Walk a try! In your very own downtown.

Live, from Chelsea! It's chef Craig Common of the Common Grill. He will be signing copies of his two cookbooks, "The Common Grill Cookbook" and 'Return to the Common Grill" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, at the Northville Barnes & Noble.

Calling all former Northville Montessouri pupils. To mark the school's 30th anniversary this year, alumni will be invited to a May 19 reunion event at Genitti's. Set the date aside. More information to follow in future issues ...

Here's a fun idea! The Northville Parks and Recreation Department teamed up with Margo's Salon & Spa to offer some early Mother's Day fun. It's coming up fast, April 10. For \$50 for two people - Mom and daughter — the stylists will treat you to some hands-on hair styling, skin and nail care, makeup and color analysis or massage, a bite to eat and a goodie bag. For the details, call (248) 349-0203.

For all the volunteers who worked on Fort Griswold, every spring should serve as a reminder for a good deed done! With the weather breaking, kids of all ages have resumed climbing the play structure.

Northville Record Editor David Aguilar said he is now certain spring has sprung. Last weekend, he spotted the first robin singing, kids warming up for their baseball season at Ford Field ... and Ron Bodnar, sporting shorts

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Remember Milky the Clown, Sonny Elliott and Bill Kennedy? Those are just some of the people Detroit insider Tim Kiska will recall during an upcoming visit to Plymouth. Friends of the Northville District Library are joining Novi, Plymouth and Canton libraries to host Kiska, author of "From Soupy to Nuts," at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 2. at Fox Hills Country Club. The \$25 luncheon tickets are available at the library. For information, all Jeanne Storm at (248) 349-4137.

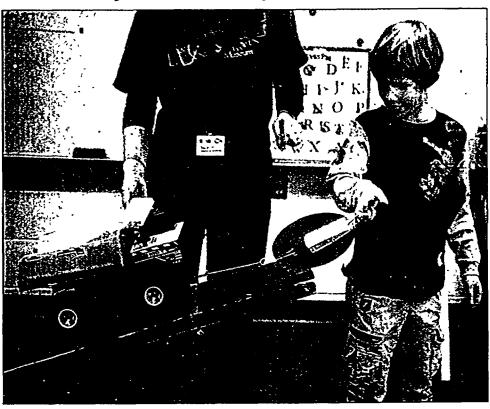


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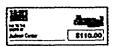
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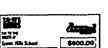
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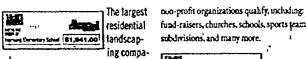
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Kurt LaBotte,

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subdivisions, and many more.



ny in Michigan (TSI) is giving one million dollars to help support local non-profit organizations. In 2004 and 2005, TSI experienced record sales growth. This is amazing considering the economy in southeast Michigan. A major factor to TSI's success is their price guarantee. "We made the bold statement that we guarantee TSI will be a customer's best value, or we will give the customer 10% of our bid in cash, it's that simple," said

The unprecalental growth is the main reason

Todd LaButte, owner

why TSI developed their Give Back to the Community program with a commitment to give one million dollars to local, non-profi. organizations over the next couple years. Todd states, local fund raising groups and non-profit organizations are in need. We thought this would be the perfect way to thank our customers and reward their favorite local organization"



nity program, TSI has already donated over \$150,000 00 to local organizations. They are on pace to give back one million dollars over the next two years. "We feel strongly that the community has supported us and we want to return the favor, says Sherry LaButte-Birk I office manager "After all, the quality of this community is why we all chose to live here and we want to do what we can to help support it."

This is how their 3% Give Back to the Community program works: When TSI landscapes a project, they will donate 3% of the job total to the local non-profit organization of the customer's choice. All local



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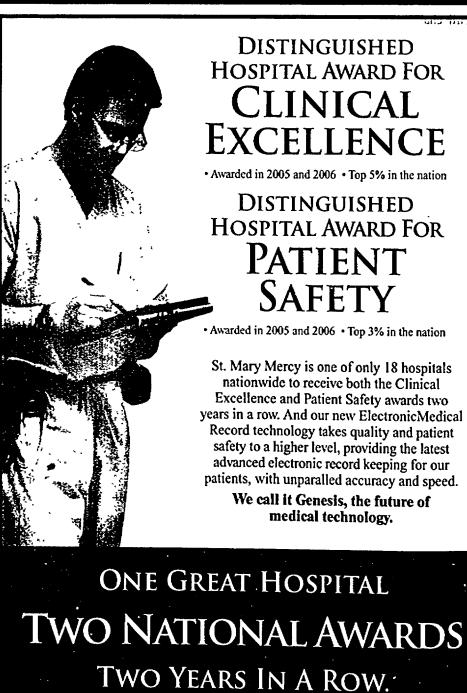
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GROWTH: how much is enough?

New, old residents reflect on Northville's changing face

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Large homes sprouted on lanes named for golf courses, waterways and landmarks. A caravan of newcomers flopped out welcome mats in yards cut from the former farmland along Seven, Six and Five Mile roads.

At the core

Katie Banks, 22, said her family's home at Seven Mile and Beck roads has been a front row seat for Northville's growth.

"When we moved out there, there was nothing there," she said. "Our neighbors had a horse. Especially in the last five years, it's definitely become more populated, especially in our area."

Banks said gowth has its advantages, including an influx of families with young children allowing her and her sister Angie to become nannies while attending col-

The women visit downtown Northville to entertain their young charges.

"We like coming downtown because it's still small enough that it's not too crazy," Banks said. "But there's still stuff to do.

'They've added more kid-friendly stores.'

Diane Powers, who co-owns office space downtown, said Northville has succeeded so far in maintaining its charm amidst the rapid growth.

"I think most people who are rejecting it just want a quiet, country life," she said. "I love the potential of living in an art center area."

The downtown grocery store lines aren't unbearably long, Powers said, and there are more stores to choose

"If you look at Little Italy and Edward's, those are some cool places to be hanging out," she said. "This place is just charming, I think."

At the seams

Nowhere is Northville's growth as obvious as in new home construction throughout the township.

Former farmland gave way to whole neighborhoods, obscuring vistas previously stretching for miles. Gravel roads turned into thoroughfares.

"I remember when Nine Mile was all dirt road," Teubert said. He said his parents' century-old farmhouse is now surrounded by homes valued at \$600,000

"I can't believe some of the houses in subdivisions they're putting in," he said. "It is kind of a shame to see some of the old land and old houses torn up."

In the City of Northville, the number of new home permits have been limited to single-digits during the past couple of decades, due primarily to a lack of vacant land. Homeowners instead have turned to renovating and razing homes, then building upon existing foundations, said City of Northville Public Works Director Jim Gallogly.

"I think what you see in (the city of) Northville more is heavy remodeling, large additions and knock down and start over," he said.

Growth challenges

When Ed and Emily Saja moved to Northville 21 years ago, they were escaping the bustle of Farmington

"By the time we moved, traffic was horrendous," Saja said. "The traffic is much heavier than when we moved here in '85.'

Both in their 80s, the Sajas now share a car. Emily



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New homes are stacked next to each other at "The Meadows" on Six Mile Road, near Ridge Road.

runs errands around town; Ed has worked as a part-time custodian for the recreation department for 16 years. They both take advantage of the community's senior adult programming.

"They do a real good job over there," Saja said. The leap in community recreation program enrollment is another example of Northville's growth during

the past decade, said director Traci Sincock. The Northville Parks and Recreation Department, previously housed in the former Main Street community center, now occupies 30,000 square feet as its Hillside headquarters. City and township funds paid for that expansion project in 1995, and reconstruction of the community center in 2004, home to the senior adult

part of the program. Sincock's department offers hundreds of programs

Meanwhile, Northville Public Schools has seen an unprecedented rise in its enrollment during the past decade. Student enrollment is now 2,087 and is expected to swell to 2,500 students by 2,010.

Banks, a 2002 Northville High School graduate, split her studies between the former high school, now Hillside Middle School, and the new Six Mile Road facility.

"I was really surprised when they had to add on again," she said. "It seems like there's more and more

After voters soundly defeated proposals to expand facilities in February, district leaders are re-evaluating plans to accommodate the increasing K-12 population.

Not so different

But the more some things change, the more others

■ Public service departments tally growth

Jim Gallogly, City of Northville director of public works, said new construction may have slowed recently, but the allure of 48167-48168 ZIP codes remains.

"It's one of the premier areas in the state," he said. "As things get better, it will get better here first." Northville Township department of public services director Don Weaver, whose sparkling township hall office is at the center of growth, watched new home construction ramp up during the past 15 years.

In the late 1990s, new home permits escalated from 200 annually to a peak of 600, he said, before slowing to 413 last year. The township closed 2005 with an all-time high of 948 lots available for singleand multiple-family home sites. For 10 years, township building inspector Dan Smith has been assigning crews to keep pace with

20,000 safety, electrical, plumbing and mechanical inspections each construction season. "I've been in this business long enough to know there are cycles," he said. "We're getting feedback from the builders there's going to be an upturn - sales aren't dead, dead. We'll see an up-tick." Gallogly said a lack of vacant property has limited City of Northville residential and commercial

growth primarily to in-fill projects. "Properties that were considered unbuildable, they're putting in high-end houses now."

City hall front desk clerks still field calls about high taxes, an occasional suspicious-looking character and heavy traffic in downtown Northville.

Gallogly said development in Novi to the north and Northville Township to the south has stepped up the number of cars traveling Center Street.

"It's just that we're used to a slower lifestyle," he said. "It's speeding us up and some are fighting that." Still, people might have to wait through a second light to turn left, less delay than other communities

where you sit through three cycles. Ten years ago, intersections like Randolph and Eight Mile didn't have traffic signals.

Northville's growth remains in the eye of the behold-

Shopping downtown one day last week, H.M. Wheeler surveyed the corner of Main and Center streets. For 30 years, he's been driving in from Detroit once in a blue moon."

"It's a nice day and a nice place," Wheeler said, "I don't see that much difference, a few new buildings, changes here and there.

"It's basically just about the same."

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NORTHVILLE'S EVER-EXPANDING WAISTLINE

Like it or not, familiar places now overflowing with traffic, people

BUSINESS:

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Carmella Bonnici watches from a showroom window, willing people to enter her niece's

For eight years, she's been boxing specialty sweets at Chocolates by Renee. The town is growing, she said, but are the new stores destinations people want to shop?

"We need more businesses here, more people traffic and not so many of the same type store," Bonnici said. "It's good to have

We need more restaurants, family-type restaurants."

New Northville subdivisions haven't always meant new revenue for downtown shopkeepers. Some retailers cite a lacklus-

ter economy. Others say if the goods are there, the shoppers will come. "I think people are being care-

ful," said Chris Van Dam. "But they're only careful for so long." Van Dam, who five years ago

moved her women's boutique to Main Street after 20 years in the Renaissance Center in Detroit, agreed product diversity is important.

While downtown planners are focusing on parking concerns, Bonnici and Van Dam said the key for retailers is supplying appealing products in a wellmaintained shopping district.

Van Dam said the more clothiers downtown the better.

The more women's retail clothing stores that are here, the more women come here to

"The scary thing is that we'll lose the small-town sense."

Chris Van Dam Owner, Van Dam's

shop," she said. "If I'm the only game in town, I have to work that much harder to bring people

"I takes a while to learn your clientele and grow."

New retailers on the north side of East Main Street and those proposed on the south side in the Village project is an exciting prospect for current merchants, Van Dam said.

"If they get the mix, I'm looking forward to the new growth." But there is a limit for expansion, Van Dam said.

"The scary thing is that we'll lose the small-town sense," she said. "That's why people come here, come here to live and come here to shop.

"It's charming, it's unique. It's quaint."

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CHURCHES:

By Tracy Mishler RECORD STAFF WRITER

Barry McKenna enjoys attending church, even if it means worshiping with thousands.

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville Township is the largest church in the communi-

McKenna, director of administration, said morning service attendance has always been high, but since 1995, attendance has risen from 260,059 to 270,070 in 2005.

"At first, like with any large group of people, it is intimidating. McKenna said, "We work hard to ensure it is a friendly space for them to be in.

Ward relocated to Northville Township in 1998, from its Six Mile and Farmington roads location in Farmington Hills.

McKenna said the original church was 86,000 square feet, the new facility is about 200,000

square feet. "I believe the church will grow more in the next 10 years," he said. "We are looking to the tuture as to what would be the next thing to

Ward's original location was situated on about eight acres of property. The new church sits on 99 acres at Six Mile and Haggerty

roads. "Some people prefer attending smaller churches," McKenna said, 'When you're here during our worship experience, there is a wide

diversity of people. 'There's a real richness to that. We're all together worshiping the

McKenna said he was pleased

"We probably have a \$45 million complex and ... we have been debt-free since December."

> Barry McKenna Director of Administration, Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

with Ward's growth in attendance. but displeased with the drop in memberships since 1995.

He said the church had 4,520 members in 1995, but only 4.396

"Membership is lower, but attendance is higher," McKenna said. 'There are a bunch of reasons for that ... Part of it is people moving or going to other churches."

Most remarkable, McKenna said, is the Church's debt-free sta-

"We probably have a \$45 million complex and through the faithfulness of the people who attend and give, we have been debt-free since December." McKenna said, "We've been here eight years and that's pretty amaz-

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SCHOOLS:

By Victoria Mitchell

RECORD STAFF WRITER Hannah Ackerman painlessly experiences community growth

every day. "The high school lunch lines are really long," she said. "And it's crowded before school."

But more bodies filling Northville High School hallways doesn't lessen the high school experience for the Mustangs jun-

Ackerman said it doesn't really phase her. It's an afterthought, at

"You just shove through," she

Junior Liz Brick also embraces the school's 2,083-student popu-"I like it here," Brick said.

"There is more opportunity." Brick voices a sentiment shared by other Northville High School students: more kids equals

more opportunities. High school special and extracurricular activities include National Honor Society, activities council, equestrian team, foreign language club, Rotary Interact, forensics, year book, Adopt-a-

Student, choir and quiz bowl. But school officials believe continued growth will impact Northville High School athletics. The high school boasts 62 var-

sity sports and five club sports. but finds it difficult to find adequate practice locations for all of them. Some students practice in the

Angela Wang said learning

"You just shove through."

Hannah Ackerman Student, Northville High School

, isn't impacted. The Northville student said class size is consistent, and in some classes, sparse.

There are only 10 kids in my CPC class," Wang said. Wang attributes the small col-

lege preparatory composition class to student drops.

"It is a really hard class," she According to district docu-

ments, the average class size in ninth-12th grades is 23.3 stu-Enrollment at the high school

this year is up 139 students from last year and 842 from 10 years And school officials expect the

growth to continue.

According to district growth projections, more than 2,500 students will enroll at the high school for the 2010-11 school year. Northville High School apacity is 2,200 students.

Bricks welcomes the growth. She said she enjoys what large schools offer, including diversity. "There are so many more types of people," she said.

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Alleged thief could face up to 25 years

By Tracy Mishler RECORD STAFF WRITER

Dave Gress is relieved knowing his identity is safe and the man who allegedly stole it is

Blair Langston could face up to 25 years in a state prison for posing as Gress, in order to obtain credit in his name.

Langston, a 24-year-old Detroit man, was charged two weeks ago with two felony identity theft counts and obtaining personal identity card information under false pretenses.

Gress said problems started after he tried to switch cell phone carriers and was forced to fill out an application with his Social Security number.

"I was nervous about it, but I was told in order to get my corporate discount I had to fill out a manual application," said the 30-year-

old Northville Township resident. Then I got a call from Dell four to five days later."

Gress said he saw several inquiries on his credit report requiring him to call each financial institution and explain to them he had been the victim of identity theft.

The other interesting thing is the person actually had my cell phone number recorded to a different account," he said. "I contacted my phone carrier and they told me my number had been ported to a competitive carrier

and that I had authorized it."

Looking back, Gress said his mistake was using his cell phone number as the contact number for credit alerts on his accounts.

This happened on a Saturday, and by Monday there were 14 credit applications made in my name," he said.

Detective Sgt. Matthew Mayes said identity theft is on the rise, even in Northville, due to instant access of information from the

He said the majority of identity theft cases originate from Internet transactions and by

"With someone's identity, you can get instant credit very easily, unless there is a fraud alert on their accounts," Mayes said.

He said Langston's mistake was physically entering banks and the Secretary of State office, which had surveillance cameras.

Those cameras and the Clemis Facelink database, allowed police to positively identify Langston and connect him with illegal transactions, Mayes said.

Caught red handed

Mayes said Langston obtained a school identification from Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn in order to obtain a drivers license in Gress' name.

Langston opened (a home equity line of credit) for \$77,000 using a false identification," Mayes said, "We have video of him doing the transactions and withdrawing cashiers checks."

Mayes said Langston waived his prelimi-

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Bridget; and two siblings, Edward Owings and Lois Gallivan. Memorial contributions to the Alzheimer's Association would be appreciated.

SHARON M. PERRY Age 66, died April 2, 2006 in St. Mary's Hospital. She was born in Detroit to the late William Hall and Madeline Cobb Hall. Mrs. Perry was an administrative assistant with General Motors prior to her retirement. Visitation for Mrs. Perry will be on Thursday, April 6, 2006 from to 8 P.M. at the Northrop-4 to 8 P.M. at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville. Services will be 11 A.M. on Friday. Pastor Ron Blake will offi-ciate. Mrs. Perry is survived by her husband Paul J. Perry; four children, Cathy Taylor, Sandee (Bryan) Lembke, Jeffery Perry and Suzanne Perry; and five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren Mamorial seven great-grandchildren. Memorial contributions to the Scleroderma

-OBITUARIES -

MILDRED L. CONNELLY Died April 3, 2006 in Brighton Gardens in Northville. She was born

in Hazel Park, Michigan to the late

Edward Owings and Marjorie Cardin

Owings. Visitation for Mrs. Connelly

was on Tuesday, April 4, 2006 at the

Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in

Northville. The funeral Isturgy was at

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

on Wednesday, April 5, 2006 at 11

A.M. Fr. Terrence Kerner officiated.

Interment was in Rural Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Connelly is survived by her

husband John E. Connelly, Two children, Michael (Donna) Connelly and Susan (John) Murphy. Four grand-children, Ian, Brian, Maureen and

"This happened on a Saturday, and by Monday there were 14 credit applications made in my name."

> Dave Gress Resident, Northville Township

nary examination March 31.

His bond is continued and he is still being held at the Wayne County Jail," he said. "The next step in the judicial process is an arraignment on the information, April 14 at the 3rd Circuit Court in Detroit."

Gress said he is finally getting his life back to normal.

Every night I was logging onto the computer to check my balances," he said. "I've still got lingering things on my credit history that I have to sort out, but I've got have a keen eye on my credit files."

Gress said having his identity stolen made him feel angry and violated.

"I've got a limited amount of free time," he said. "And think I had to waste so much time dealing with this and continuing to deal with it. When do I get that time back?"

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POLICE BRIEFS

Second offense

The Oakland County prosecutor is considering enhanced drunk driving charges against a 24-year-old Novi man after his arrest last Friday.

A Northville police officer stopped the driver on Center Street at North Ely after allegedly traveling 35 mph in a 25-mph zone and having illegal window tint on his black Ford Contour.

Police reports indicated the man admitted he had been drinking before a Breathalyzer test showed a .10 blood alcohol content. A system check showed a previous drunk driving ticket in Farmington in December 2003, the report said.

Following his arrest, the man was taken to the Northville Township police station where he was held pending bond.

All too young

A 16-year-old Northville girl could face charges for furnishing alcohol to a minor following a March 17 incident.

Northville police records indicate the Oakland County prosecutor is reviewing circumstances of the case when the subject allegedly allowed a 14-year-old Northville girl and her 15-year-old boyfriend to con-

sume alcohol at her home. Reports indicate the younger girl's 44-year-old mother took her daughter to the Northville police station, telling officers she suspected she had been drinking. After a Breathalyzer test showed a .10 blood alcohol content, officers cited the girl for underage consumption of alcohol.

The case remains open.

Vandal strikes

On March 29, the foreman supervising construction of the new private school at the corner of West Main Street and Orchard reported a broken window to Northville

The man reported the gray-tinted window's value at \$450. The man reportedly told police the Our Lady of Victory construction site can't be secured because no fencing is up yet. The case is closed.

Breaking and entering

Police were called to Choo Choo Car Wash on Northville Road after employees found the front door to the facility pried open. According to reports, a coin box containing about \$1,000 in cash and coins had been broken into. The car wash manager said the facility was broken into sometime between 10:30 p.m. April 1 and 8:30 a.m. April 2. Police took photographs of the door and cash box, and also took fingerprints. The case remains open.

No trespassing

Police were dispatched to the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital March 31 after three teens were caught trespassing. Police observed two girls, an 18- and 16-year-old from Northville and a 17-year-old man from Redford Township climbing out a window. The three suspects were arrested and given April 13 court dates at the 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Missing kitchen

A 46-year-old construction manager called police reporting parts of

a kitchen island missing from a home under construction on Belle Vista Court in Northville Township. According to reports, the man said the parts had been special ordered and nothing else was missing from the house. Police found no signs of

forced entry. The case is closed.

Stolen money

A 52-year-old Northville Township woman called police after a cable television representative allegedly stole money from her home. According to reports, the woman was informed by her husband that there was money in a pill container near the area the cable man was working. The woman said she checked for the pill container once the man left and it was gone. Police contacted the 26-year-old Westland man who denied taking the money. The case remains open.

Scary threats

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The rate has a limit.

A 43-year-old Commerce Township woman called police after she received a threatening phone call on her cell phone. According to reports, the woman said the male caller said he knew

where she was, while hosting an open house in Northville Township. The woman said she became scared and immediately called her sales manager to end the open house. The case remains open.

Construction larceny

Police were called to Angell Boulevard in Northville Township after a 33-year-old Toll Brothers employee noticed about 200 bags of mortar missing from a home under construction. The case is

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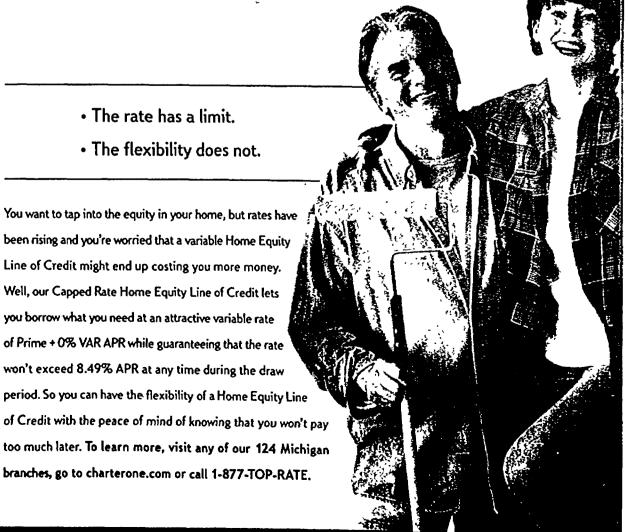
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CLASS NOTES

Board Meeting

The next Northville Board of Education regular meeting is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Old School (Early Childhood Program), 405 W. Main St. For more information, call (248) 349-3400.

Iowa Testing

The Northville Public Schools Office of Instruction will host a parent presentation on the meaning and interpretation of the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and the Cognitive Abilities Test. The meeting will be held 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, April 10 at Hillside Middle School, 775 N. Center St. The tests are given to all third and fifth graders; parent-nominated second graders; and new students to the district who have missed the testing period and are used to place students in to the district's Alternative Learning Program (ALPS) at the elementary level.

Essay Contest

United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan invites students in sixth-eighth grades to take part in a statewide essay contest about disabilities. Essays can be about a personal disability or a

friend or family member with a disability and should be 500 words. Winning essays will be published in an upcoming issue of UCP Michigan's newsletter Pathways and authors will receive a plush "Ability Bear" and gift certificate for a free pizza. The winner's school will also receive a set of The Gun Lake Adventure Series mystery books, whose main character has cerebral palsy. Deadline for entries is Friday, April 28 and can be mailed to UCP Michigan, 3401 E. Saginaw, Ste. 216, Lansing MI, 48912. All entries must include the student's name, age and school address. For more information, e-mail Pam Patchak-Schuster at schuster@ucpmichigan.org or call (517) 203-1200.

Parent Program

The Parent Awareness Committee is so sponsoring Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 2 in the NHS Forum. He will be speaking to parents about dangers of the Internet, predator tricks and what rules to set on computer use in the home. Kevin Mooney and Pete Marsack of Vision Computer Solutions, will

demonstrate how to set up a defense system on personal computers. For more information, call (248) 465-9987.

Heart N Sole Race

Northville High School's Rotary Interact Club is hosting its seventh annual Heart N Sole race 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 6 at the Hillside Middle School track, 775 N. Center St. The race is for children ages 5-14. There will be a 1 mile run, 1/2 mile run, 400K, 200K and 100K. Fun races such as gunny sack and the three-legged race will also take place. The entrance fee is \$5 per person with proceeds going to Operation Blessing: Hunger Relief, a program providing world-wide aid to the hungry.

St. Paul's Kindergarten

Children who will be 5 by Dec. 1 may register now for full- or half-day kindergarten at St. Paul's Lutheran School, 201 Elm St. Please call the office, (248) 349-3146 or stop by the school between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Drivers Education Training

Northville Public Schools will host driver's education training the summer of 2006. The cost per pupil is \$375 and classes will be held at the high school. A minimum of 50 students must participate and students will be added in increments of 25.

Parent Program Canceled

Parent Awareness The Committee at NHS regrets that its April 12 evening with moti-vational speaker Jeff Yalden has been canceled. Due to unforeseen circumstances, Yalden will not be able to meet with students or parents as originally planned.

Open Enrollment Policy

The Northville Public Schools open enrollment deadline for 2006-07 is Friday. The policy addresses situations in which parents would like students to attend a school within the district that is not in their attendance area. Letters should be directed to Dr. Casey Reason, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, with copies sent to each of the building principals involved. Open enrollment letters must be submitted on an annual basis.

Literature Exhibit

The Northville Public

Schools Early Childhood Center is planning a community exhibit, The Children's Exhibit-Learning through Literacy, highlighting the importance of literature in early childhood and school age care programs. The exhibit will provide an opportunity to share children's work with the community. exhibit is on display now through April 11 in the Northville Senior Center lobby, 303 W. Main St.

Graduation

The Northville High School Class of 2006 commencement ceremony will take place 7 p.m. Saturday, June 3 at Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth.



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On Campus

University of Michigan-Dearborn

Bradley Moore, of Northville, was named to the dean's list for fall 2005 term at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

John Hopkins University

Northville resident, Ying-Ying Wang, was named to the dean's list for fall 2005 semester at The Johns Hopkins University.

University of New Haven

Northville resident, Sarah

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Lefler, has been named to the Selwood, Novi. dean's list for fall 2005 semester at the University of New Haven,

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Novi resident, Aaron Selwood, will present his senior engineering project "Total Army School Systems (TASS)" at the 38th Conference on Senior Engineering Design Projects in April at Western Michigan University. He is a 2001 graduate of Northville High School and the son of Barry and Cheryl

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Northville resident, Matthew Bemis, was named to the dean's list for fall 2005 semester at Azusa Pacific University, Calif.

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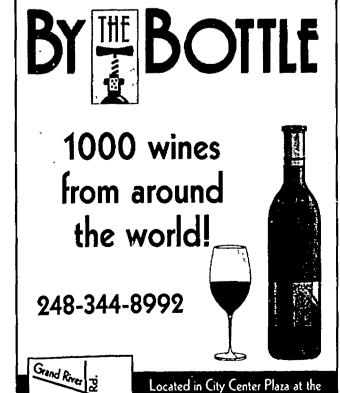
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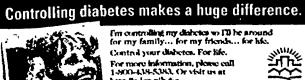
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ALL ITEMS SUBJECT TO MINILANCITY

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Stepping up to bullies In Northville, distriction of the strict of the s

Local mom hopes parents learn lessons, intervene before tragedy

By Victoria Mitchell RECORD STAFF WRITER

Cecelia Bruck began her mission with a

The Northville parent asked for signatures, hoping to bring an anti-bullying program to Moraine Elementary School.

Now Bruck wants to see steps taken toward preventing bullying at the elementary school level.

"I want to take the chance out of it," she said. "I want to see a program brought in." Bruck will make her plea Tuesday at the Moraine Elementary School PTSA meeting.

"I would like to see a lot of concerned parents coming in," Bruck said. "I would like the message heard that bullying will not be tolerated in any way shape or form and then the kids need to see that.

Bruck hopes Moraine will be a model school for the district, doing more to win the fight against bullies.

Getting the word out

Bruck appreciates the steps the district takes toward mitigating bullying, including the Stand up For Justice school theme and other anti-bullying programs held at Moraine. But she said more needs to be

A good start to the Northville mom: letting kids know there are consequences to

"When they discipline the kids, it is a secret," Bruck said. "The kids know nothing is being done.

Bruck said parents don't even know the district's protocol.

"Sometimes it is the adults that have a hard time making the shift."

Kevin Epling Lansing resident who lost his son to bullies left unchecked by school officials and police

"Where is the bullying policy in Northville?" she said.

Bring it on

Kevin Epling has seen the worst effects of bullying.

His son, Matt, committed suicide after repeated bullying and hazing by middleschool age children.

The East Lansing resident now speaks out in favor of anti-bullying policies for all public schools. Epling is also an essential contributor to pending anti-bullying legislation known as "Matt's Safe School Law." If the bill passes, all state public schools would be required to adopt anti-bullying policies.

He embraces the change, and wants to see more being done. He wants a communitywide anti-bullying effort.

One foot forward

Epling said the first step is to quit covering bullying up, or pretending it is just kids

play.
"I call it the Ostrich principle," Epling said. "Yes, it's a cliché, but it's true."

He wants to see district policies, assemblies, town hall meetings and training for kids, teachers and school staff.

Through an organization Epling co-found-"Safe Schools, Safe ed called Communities," he has seen significant changes in student behavior after taking ini-

tiative in East Lansing schools.

"These kids get this," Epling said.
"Sometimes it is the adults that have a hard time making the shift."

What Epling doesn't want is for another parent to lose their child to bullying.

A mother's fears

Bruck fears for her daughter, a petite blond, she says is a bullying victim.

"She is showing signs of depression and doesn't want to go to school." Bruck said. "And we do believe what our daughter is saying."

That's what sparked Bruck's motivation for the petition.

"These are things these kids are going to carry around forever," Bruck said. "You just have to get through all these old myths like ■ Say 'no' to bullies

Parent Cecelia Bruck will be speaking out against bullying at 9:15 a.m. Tuesday, April 11 during a meeting held at Moraine Elementary School, located on Eight Mile Road, west of Taft Road.

"I would like the message heard that bullying will not be tolerated in any way shape or form and then the kids need to see that."

> Cecelia Bruck Resident, Northylle

it is a rite of passage."

The program

If Bruck's pleas are heard, she won't be the first person to bring an anti-bullying program into a district school.

Hillside Middle School hosted "Challenge Day," a two-day event charged with stamping out the negative social consequences attached to adolescent behavior, including bullying and teasing.

Hillside parents called "Challenge Day" life-changing and principal James Cracraft deemed the event a success.

But Meads Mill Middle School, where a hazing incident two years ago led to state legislation outlawing the practice and a "hate club" dispute between 13-year-old female students last year garnered considerable local attention, has yet to undergo any such awareness program focused on trustbuilding and facing stereotypes head-on.

Hillside's seventh-grade program was paid for using PTSA funds and donations from the community, including Northville Youth Assistance.

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relies on student code of conduct

By Victoria Mitchell RECORD STAFF WRITER

When it comes to school-yard bullies, Northville Public Schools rules through its code of conduct.

Although a formal bullying policy does not exist, school building principals and administrators may discipline actions deemed as bullying through existing policies defined in the code of conduct.

"We address issues in bullying, of which I'm proud to say we don't have too many because of all the prevention things we do. But the issues in bullying we do have there is mechanisms in the student code of conduct that we can deal with," said Casey Reason, Northville Public Schools assistant . .. superintendent for instructional services.

Other policies include: improper communication, inappropriate use of technology, hazing, discriminatory harassment, intimidation, threats, fighting, violent assault and verbal ...

"A student code of conduct is usually written in such a way that if it is a behavior that you want to respond to, you have the mechanism to respond to it in a number of ways." Reason said. "It doesn't necessarily mean you have to have a specific policy address for every specific thing, but we do have mechanisms to respond to bullying in the student code

Reason said governing through the code of conduct allows for programmatic or individual responses when kids don't treat others well.

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Next week:

■ What is a bully?

A closer look at makes a bully and what you should do if you find out your child is one.

■ What now?

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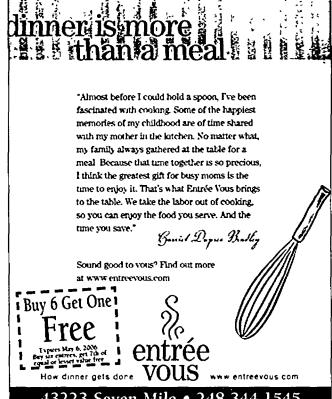
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police officers from Dearborn, Ann Arbor, Wayne, Macomb County, Washtenaw County and the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

"There are a lot of people affected by silly actions of very few students," Werth said. "Unfortunately, in today's society you have to investigate everything, and you can't take anything lightly."

Werth said the department will seek restitution from the court, once a suspect is caught, then prosecute to the fullest extent of the law.

"I estimated the six agencies overtime based on our departments rate," he said. "When we ask for restitution through the court, and if awarded, we would reimburse the other agencies involved."

Paying the price

Snider said Northville Township does not have a cost-recovery ordinance ordering law-breakers to pay restitution.

"As public safety director, I pursued such an ordinance (around) 1998," Snider said. "Shortly after the ordinance was initiated, the Michigan Court of Appeals issued an opinion which impacted the township's ability to recover cost.

"(Now), in almost every criminal case where the defendant has been found guilty, the police department seeks to recover costs incurred during the investigation."

Snider said the request for restitution is in the form of a court order.

"Failure to comply represents contempt of court and violation of probation," he said.

Don Green said having a costrecovery ordinance would be in every city or townships best inter-

"We adopted the ordinance in 2001," said the Milford Township supervisor. "The ordinance covers police and fire expenses in the case of negligence.

"It's in their best interest because it takes the undue burden off the people in the municipality."

Business as usual, almost

Northville High School police liaison officer Detective Matthew MacKenzie said it has been business as usual at the school since the incident.

"The classes were basically on lockdown for Thursday and Friday," MacKenzie said. "If a student needed to use the (bathroom), they were escorted by a hall moni-

tor or available teacher."

MacKenzie said the cost of putting three words on a bathroom wall is significant.

"It's going to be a hefty bill," he said. "But it was nice to see once word got out, we had six canine teams within a couple of hours."

Werth said what people may not understand is there is no set cost for covering such an incident.

"That is my cost" be said "It

"That is my cost," he said. "It doesn't include school administrators, fire officials and other personnel readily available."

Werth said a message and a consequence, must be tied to the incr den

"Somebody is going to be made an example," he said. "Young people tend to make poor decisions at times, and as parents and citizens we have to stress to them why they should do these types of things.

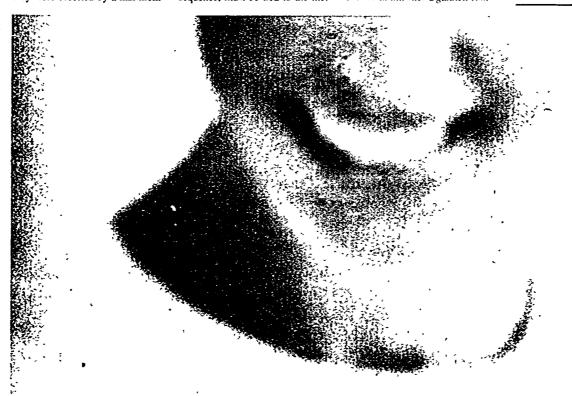
"I commend the community for sending their kids back to school. Don't let these threats or actions stop you from your normal daily lives"

Tracy Mishler is a staff writer for the Northylle Record. She can be rad cd at (248) 349-1700, ext. 107 or at trushler@gannett com "In this community, we put a price on public safety everyday and these types of pranks come with a price."

Chip Snider Northville Township Manager



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northwise Red Township Police Officer Matthew MacKenzie patrois the halfs.



STUDENT REACTION

Greeted by cops, lockdown, students react to 'Columbine' message

Following the discovery last week of a pencil-drawn message reading "Columbine can happen," Northville High School students had the! following reactions as they were greeted by local police and a "lockdown" atmosphere:

"I was concerned because there were a lot of rumors going around. It wasn't really that different in class, there were just a lot of extra police."

Rachel Grezlik Junior, Northville High School

"It didn't seem to bad, but if someone had to go to the bathroom, they had to call for an escort."

"It was more of an inconvenience."

"When I found out about it, I was a little unsettled, but when I got here, I felt better."

Erica Hagan
Junior, Northville High School

"I felt perfectly fine."

"I'don't think something is going to happen here, but one day it will, so I'm glad they took it seriously."

Laura Halash Junior, Northville High School

"I felt pretty protected."

Amy Ferng Junior, Northville High School

Some students knew about the incident last Wednesday night, when the message was discovered, while participating in extracurricular activities:

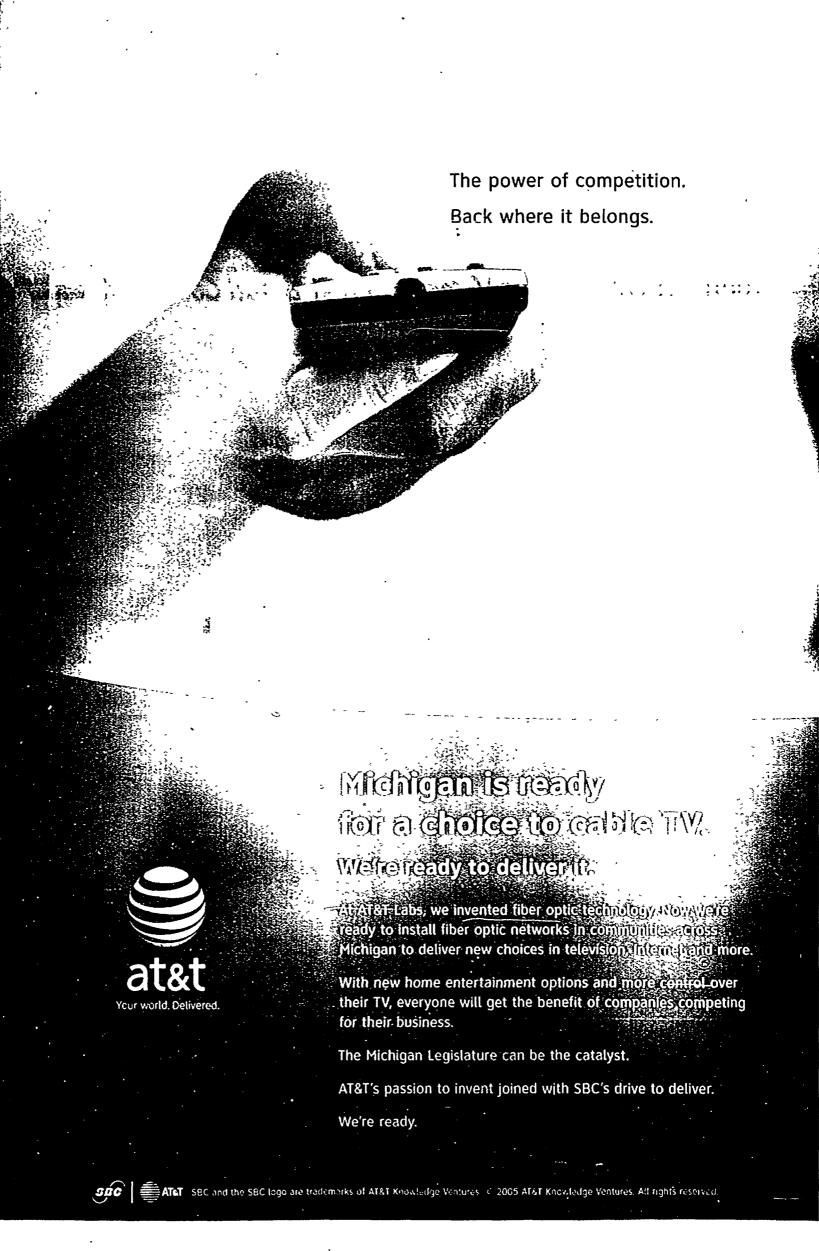
"They basically just told us to pack up and go." "It was a little nerving."

Laura Halash Junior, Northville High School

"The message just got around. Most people knew last night."

"The word spread fast through text messaging and (the Web site) Myspace.com."

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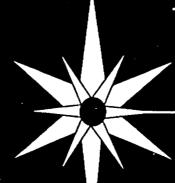
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Gallogly makes space for parking

Public works director can add 125 spaces

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Jim Gallogly has a few more parking spaces up his sleeve.

As downtown strategic planners dehate the shortage of convenient places to park, potential deck locations and how to manage cityowned lots, the city's public works director is making more parking available, a few spaces at a time.

"There are just a few things you can do easily," Gallogly said. "You can pick up three here, one there, two over there. By redesigning reads, over a period of time, you can get about 60 more."

Another 30 spaces could be found behind the Marquis Theatre once the city demolishes the 116 E. Dunlap St. building occupied by Edward's Cafe and Caterer.

That project, slated for next month, will be a visible step in the city's plan to create new, convenient parking for downtown customers.

Other steps are restriping street spaces, increasing awareness of the MainCentre deck vacancies and gradual redesign.

Gallogly's total: 125 downtown

As it stands

Those additional surface parking spaces come without a multi-milhon price tag for a deck, like the one voters rejected in November

The city's downtown consultant, Ann Arbor-based Beckett and Raeder, has been hosting discussions with the downtown steering committee members about perceived need for additional parking and options to address it. Parking recommendations will be part of the consultant's final report due to the city council in June.

The consultant's early estimate of 345 additional on-street parking spaces was too high, Gallogly said, once you factor in state parking space size standards.

"It gets real tight on the road," Gallogly said. "You don't need people having difficulty getting in and out of spots.

"So the traffic can run smoothly."

Quick fixes

Meanwhile, the lower level of the MainCentre deck has 35 more spaces available for \$10 per month, Gallogly said. The reserved, secure parking, administered by the build-ing owner, is convenient but overlooked, he said.

said. "But I think there's a pedestri-

to have the parking at the risk

striped parking along south Cady

Street to increase parking efficiency

behind the library, senior center and

school administration building.

They likewise will stripe Wing

Street, south of Main to the residen-

the number of spaces increase,"

"That doesn't necessarily mean

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"Maybe you decide it's better not

Last summer, public works crews

an crossing issue.

you're taking."

Gallogly said.

Removal of the Edward's building will allow a row of parking to continue all along the Dunlap curve where it turns into Hutton Street, Gallogly said.

"It will look a little funny because it is a quick fix," he said. "What would be ideal is to re-do the whole lot and park it the most effi-

But the city is stopping short of that plan because the area behind the Marquis Theatre still is being considered as a possible parking deck location. Other options are behind the 120 West Main Street building and behind the Village project, at the corner of Wing and Cady streets.

Recent steering committee sug-gestions have included revising parking management policies, attempting to force downtown employees to park on the shopping district outskirts.

One plan would allow employees with paid permits to park along the lot perimeters. The key would be to offer options, Gallogly said. "You're trying to accommodate them, instead of kicking them out."

Currently, workers who opt for a slot close to their workplace, as well as out-of-town visitors unfamiliar with the three-hour limit in the free lots, run the risk of a citation.

"Each lot could be looked at for more efficiency," Gallogly said. "If we got every employee out of these lots, they would look empty."

More potential

Meanwhile, Gallogly is trying to jimmy in extra spaces wherever possible. Last year, a new Main Street curb in front of the Village project at the corner of Wing Street created a few more on-street spaces.

Gallogly and Greg Presley, a local architect and downtown steering committee member, walked the city looking for simple design changes

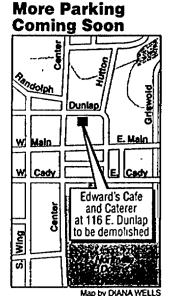
Removing the center islands along the Dunlap curve would allow more on-street parking, he said, conveniently located across from the Ford Field entrance. Likewise, a space or two could be squeezed onto Main Street be eliminating curb bulbouts near the

"The re-design might happen over the next few years," Gallogly



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Jim Gallogly said a parking lot behind the Marquis Theater will expand when Cafe Edwards' is razed.



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Annual food drive set

Northville Civic Concern's request to use portion of the city parking lot at the comer of Wing and ady streets was approved by the Northville City Council Monday night. On Saturday, May 13, volunteers for the local emergency relief agency will work with Northville post office employees to collect donated food. The parking lot area will be barricaded 6 p.m. Friday through 6 a.m. Sunday.

Margo's parking limited

In response to a request by salon owner Margo Kramar, the city counall agreed to timit to three hours parking in the seven western stalls in the city-owned lot in front of her 141 E. Cady Street business. Another eight spaces will retain their all-day status. Margo's of Northville customers were being shut out of convenient parking spaces by downtown employees parking in the lot all day, Kramar said.

Budget process under way

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The city council met last night to begin it's review of the city's 2006-07 spending plan. Monday night, Nickie Bateson,

finance director and acting city manager, presented the first draft of \$6.5 million general fund plan to the city council, including a \$1.9 million fund balance and the same general operating millage rate as last year.

The council also will hold special budget sessions April 12 and 24, both at 7 p.m. in the council cham-

Contracts awarded

Following recommendations by housing director Joanne Inglis, the city council hired two contractors for work at Allen Terrace.

The city will pay ThyssenKrupp \$270 per month for three years to service the elevators at the senior high-rise and \$8,420 for lawn maintenance over two years to Meadowbrook Services.

Event policy adopted

Monday night, the city council adopted a special events policy to standardize the procedure for residents and organizations requesting to host an event in the city.

The two-page application, to be reviewed by each city department, requests information including liability insurance, signs, and traffic control requirements. It will apply to events from block parties to the Victorian Festival.

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NORTHVILLE BUSINESS

Local radio buff makes noise statewide

By Tracy Mishler RECORD STAFF WRITER

Rob David is riding the waves after being named "Associate of the Year" by the Michigan Association of Broadcasters.

The 49-year-old Northville Township resident said aside from being active in the Northville community, radio is his life.

David said broadcasting is constantly being challenged due to new technologies, but in the end, local radio will prevail.

"The thing that keeps broad-

municate one on one (with the listeners) and localize to their needs and wants," David said. 'We've all been given opportunities and choices to make (in life), but it's all about how you give

The annual award, presented at the Great Lakes Broadcasting Conference and Expo in Lansing March 14, was created by the Michigan Association of Broadcasters to recognize the essential contributions made by members, and to acknowledge their hard work in enhancing the

community.

"It's tough work," David said. "But I encourage young people to consider it for a career, because people in the community really depend on you."

David said to be considered for the award, you must be an active member of the Michigan Association of Broadcasters and have shown exceptional and sustaining support for the association and broadcast industry.

David is president and general Handyman manager

cast alive is the ability to communicate one on one (with the casting while supporting their ally syndicates the metro Detroitbased Handyman Show with Glenn Haege on WDFN 1130, also heard on more than 160 radio stations nationwide.

He is a media sales and management veteran who has worked for leading broadcast companies like CBS, Fritz Broadcasting and ABC.

"Radio has been around since the 1920s and it's not going away," David said. "(Radio) is in so much of peoples lives ... It really makes an impact and dif-

When he's not working behind the scenes, David said he is very active in the Northville community and enjoys spending time with his wife, Marcia, of 25

"It's the people in Northville that make it great," David said. "It's not the geography, it's the people."

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high quality sewing."



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northwile Record Rob David was named Associate of the Year by the Michigan Association of Broadcasters.



Lilly's tailor shop owner Yoonggee Kim works on a dress at a sewing machine in his Main Street location.

Yoonggee Kim Owner, Lilly **Dress Shirts**

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Local clothiers

SEWWHAT? Local clothiers custom-fit choosy clientele

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

The bride-to-be found the perfect gown, but the manufacturer couldn't make it in time for her wedding day. So, Yoonggee Kim picked up his measuring tape and

MOUNTAIN STELLES

needle. With two weeks to spare, the owner of Lilly on Main Street sent the bride gliding down the aisle in a

Kim, a design veteran of the Los Angeles haute couture scene, followed the pattern he had learned in his native Korea 25 years earlier, carefully measuring. sewing and fitting to translate the design on paper to a one-of-a-kind wearable product.

"I can make a garment from a picture," Kim said. "I can do everything."

Though the primary trade in his one-year-old Northville and 10-year-old St. Clair Shores stores currently is alterations. Kim said he is itching to return his attention to his passion, creating clothes from scratch.

While most of the Midwest is content with ready-towear fashion, some customers want and or need a custom fit, Kim said, and the capability to create unique clothing is a dying art.

Custom made

Alex Hamka, also new to the Northville fashion scene, offers custom-made clothing at his Main Street store, Alexander's Custom Clothiers. A completely hand-stitched, custom-made suit costs \$1,200-3,000, Hamka said.

More customers seeking a tailored fit opt a made-tomeasure ensemble, Hamka said.

"It's similar to custom-made, but it's machine work," he said, "Most people prefer that - they're getting two suits for the price of one. "It's more of a work suit."

They might pull their custom-made suit from the

closet for special occasions, he said. For made-to-measure suits, customers still are able to select from fabric swatches and specify preferences in

style, vents and pleating. Those run \$600-1,000, Hamka said.

Standard sizing matches a jacket to pants with a 6inch drop, he said, a 40-regular with a 34-inch pant, for example. But not all men are built that way.

Sized right

Custom-made garments are more expensive than ready-to-wear clothing because it is time-consuming to make them from scratch, the tailors agreed. But, there are some practical aspects to the high-ticket wear.

Hamka said he does a brisk business in custom shirts because the fabric and quality stitching wear well.

"With off-the-rack, it might be \$120," he said. "It's only two measurements, neck and the length of the **■** Get fitted

Once customers start buying custom shirts, they never go back, said Alex Hamka.

The owner of Alexander's Custom Clothiers said pre-made shirts have 12-16 inches of extra can look messy and even show through the jacket fabric. After selecting fabric, custom

shirt customers have cuff, collar, stitching, pocket and button choices, Hamka said, and their name

The more material, the more it

wrinkles," Hamka said. When worn

with a quality suit, oversized shirts

inside. Tailors take 22 measurements, instead of the two standards of off-the-rack brands.

"That's what I'm doing a ton of business in," he said. "They're made in the U.S. and they're done in 15-22 days. "When they have a few shirts

made, they never go back."



Lilly's tailor shop owner Yoonggee Kim.

"You can have a shirt made for that much, but it will fit you better."

Alexander's, Lilly and Mark Trudeau's Fine Threads, also on Main Street, offer alteration services. Customers who can't wear an off-the-rack size are candidates for custom clothing, the tailors said.

Hamka said he fits professional athletes and body They're large on top but have a small waist," he

said. "They can't buy an off-the-rack suit." Kim said custom business in his Northville store has been a variety of special requests.

"Right now, most of my customers have some reason," Kim said. Like the woman who has 65-inch hips, he said, or the mother and grandmother who asked him to create a christening gown from a wedding dress. "My goal is someone who really likes unique

clothes," Kim said. On one of the hangers lining the Northville workshop walls is a tattered vest with many pockets. It's a customer's favorite but he can't find one in a store, he said, so Kim will duplicate it exactly.

"In that kind of case, I can do that, too," he said. "If a body is changing. I can make a modification."

Sew specific

Kim's plan for promoting his custom capabilities includes sewing a sample outfit for potential customers to inspect. From there, he will pull out his measuring tape, hip curve ruler, pattern paper and start by creating a muslin model for fittings before cutting the fine fab-

So far, the clientele of his Northville store, named for his daughter, has grown through word-of-mouth referral and people passing his dress form in the front window next to Chocolates by Renee.

Part of the challenge of growing the custom-made clothing business is finding skilled laborers, Kim said. He and his wife, Sunhee, know how to use the row of specialized machines, for binding, serging, hemming, sewing leather and so on.

But the sewers he has found so far in the Motor City are accustomed to running seat upholstery through

Kim said he plans to tap his resources in Los Angeles, New York and Toronto to find fabric sources.

'I am turning my business to custom-made," he said. 'You have to create everything, the design idea, the pattern making, the high quality sewing.

"If I turn my business to custom-made, my customers will be everywhere, not just in Northville."

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Stuck in the back? Get a sign

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Sharon Werner said the hot-pink rectangle proclaiming "Lilly, alterations" is a good first step.

And though the tailor's location at the rear of another Main Street business is a marketing challenge, the business consultant and Schoolcraft College professor said it shouldn't be a deal-breaker.

Effective signage can be the difference between a business' success and failure. Werner said

Werner said the three keys guiding successful selection and development of commercial properties are visibility, accessibility and parking.

"An effective on-premise sign is a entical component of visibility, and the sign should receive the same careful attention as these other components," Werner said. This is especially true for the tailor because of the location at the rear of another store. "The tailor's signage must be visible and easy to read

for people who are driving and walking past the business and should be as large as allowable for its loca-Werner said marketing research supports the notion

that signage has a positive impact on the number of annual customer transactions and on annual sales rev-

"The right sign often prompts an unplanned stop, or changes the customer's mind once on the premises," she said, "It is estimated that 35-50 percent of the consumer population today shops outside their local area.

"Legible, conspicuous, on-premise signage will assist in attracting a large percentage of these non-local and newcomer consumers.

Key points to consider
Business consultant Sharon Werner offers the follow-

Signs are always on the job

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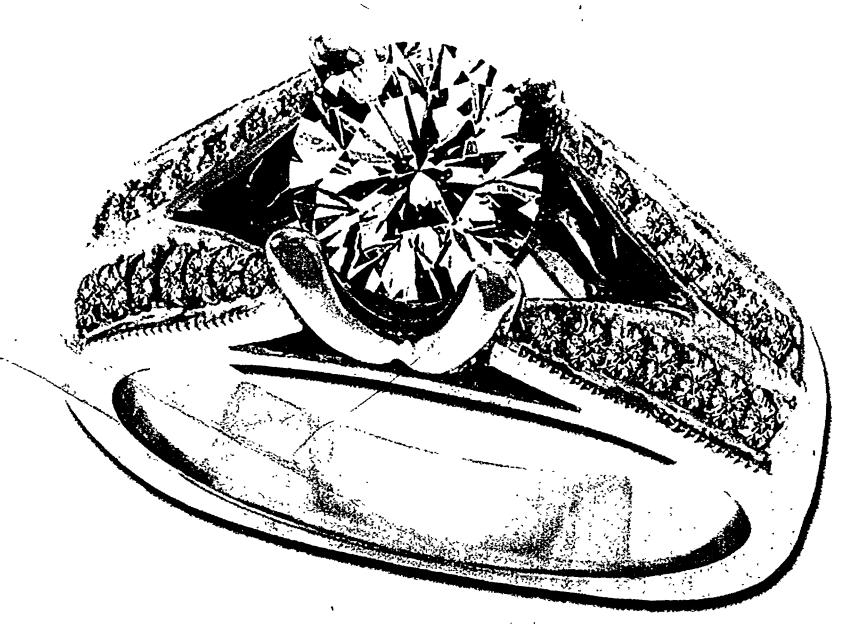
 People often judge a business by its signage. Small businesses increase sales by adding a good sign. Conversely, many have gone out of business because they simply were not identified well.

 The U.S. Census Bureau states 18-20 percent of households relocate each year. As existing customers move, businesses must attract new customers. Lighted signs communicate with customers even

when the business is closed. A sign should not be viewed as an expense, but as a

capital investment.





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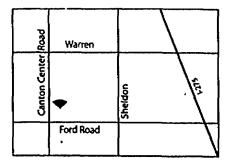
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Former state hospital: deal, or no deal?

Pending litigation has delayed plans; officials still expect proposal within next month

By Tracy Mishler RECORD STAFF WRITER

Mark Abbo hopes to see plans for the 414-acre former Northville Psychiatric Hospital soon.

Meanwhile, the Northville Township supervisor said talks

The last official word to the township was that Real Estate Interest Group, Inc. and Schostak Brothers would be submitting a site plan in the latter part of April or middle part of May," Abbo said. "And thus far, we have heard nothing to the contrary and fully expect there will be a site plan submittal."

A \$31.5 million deal was made last August for the former hospital property between the State of Michigan and Bloomfield Hillsbased Real Estate Interest Group,

Under terms of the sale, Real Estate Interest Group was expected to close on the property Sept.

Legal issues

Terri Fitzpatrick, real estate division director for the State of Michigan, said the sale has been delayed because of a lawsuit filed by Lansing-based Michigan's Promise.

"The sale has not gone through," Fitzpatrick said. "Due to pending litigation, (Real Estate Interest Group) has not been able

"The frustration of this waiting period is neither the fault of the state or the prospective buyer."

> Chip Snider Northville Township Manager

to close."

Fitzpatrick said the hearing for a preliminary injunction has been moved back to April 28.

"Michigan's Promise did not bid on this property," Fitzpatrick said. "They did nothing to prepare

She said another preliminary injunction request made last October by Farmington Hillsbased Grand Sakwa Properties L.L.C. was denied. Auburn Hillsbased Victor International also filed a grievance disputing terms of the sale, but later dismissed their case against the state.

Fitzpatrick said Real Estate Interest Group cannot officially take ownership of the property until pending litigation is com-

Township Manager Chip Snider said he isn't surprised no plans for the former hospital property have been proposed.

"Legal challenges would have a great bearing on their momen-tum," Snider said. "The frustration of this waiting period is neither the fault of the state or the prospective buyer.

"It's a result of the litigious society we live in."

So now what?

Snider said township officials are certain Real Estate Interest Group and Schostak Brothers will be the new owners of the former hospital once pending litigation has been completed.

"Schostak has said that in fact they have purchased the property on a land contract and the bulk of the money will be paid when the litigation in resolved," Snider

"Our professional staff and consultants are maintaining contact with both companies and addressing issues."

A spokesperson on behalf of both Real Estate Interest Group and Schostak Brothers was unable to be reached for comment.

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'Promise' keepers: Group thinks state reneged on taxpayers' best interest

Michigan's Promise, a Lansing-based non-profit watchdog monitoring state government, has filed a lawsuit against the State of Michigan regarding the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital.

Former Speaker of the House Rick Johnson, representing Michigan's Promise, said he is trying to prevent the sale from going forward. He wants the state to be held accountable for their actions of selling the property at a lower price.

"In the way the property was sold, it was not in the best interest of taxpayers in the State of Michigan," Johnson said. "There were many parts of the sale that did not meet with the way the Legislature passed the statute to sell the property.

Johnson said Michigan's Promise will present their appeal to Ingham County Circuit Court Judge James Giddings April 28.



OFFICE HOURS

Senator Bruce Patterson's District Representative, Sue Trussell, will hold office hours noon-2 p.m. Monday at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St., for Northville city and township residents. For more information, call (248) 349-3020.

TOWNSHIP BRIEFS

State of the Community

Officials will meet next Wednesday for the State of the Community address from noon-1:30 p.m. at Meadowbrook Country Club at 40941 Eight Mile Road.

The community luncheon offers the opportunity to hear from city and township officials on the future of the Northville Community. Speakers include Township Supervisor, Mark Abbo; City of Northville Mayor, Christopher Johnson; Northville School Superintendent, Dr. Leonard Rezmierski; and Northville District Library Director, Julie Herrin.

For more information, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640.

Township hall will be closed Friday, April 14 for Good Friday.

Meeting

The Johnson Creek Protection Group will meet at 7 p.m. April. 17 at township hall. Tom Smith, with Grassroots, will be speaking about the importance of native landscaping.

Ready to work?

The Johnson Creek Protection Group is hosting Work Day at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 22 at Northville Community Park. The group will be clearing trails and cleaning up the park. Wear work clothes, boots and gloves. The groups needs extra clippers.

To contribute an item for consideration in this column, e-mail tmishler@gannett.com.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2006-07 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), Schoolcrast College publishes this notification of a public hearing on the proposed 2006-07 College budget. This hearing is to take place at 7.00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26, 2006, 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

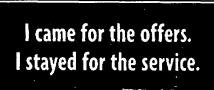
The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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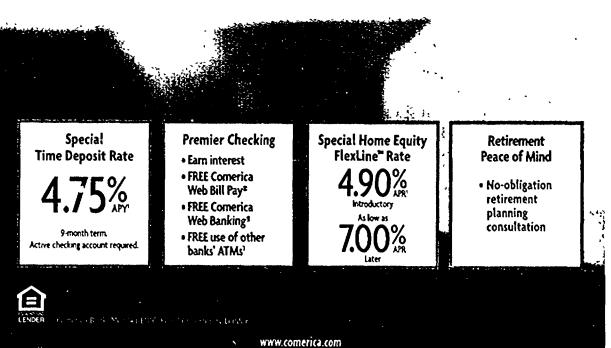
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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Parking: now what's on deck?

Small towns always put a big not enough parking, or because emphasis on public parking.

The common outcry: there's never enough, and it's located in all the wrong places.

It's never close enough to downtown businesses, never enough sheltered from inclement weather and never fool-proof enough to scare away local employees.

Too often, we use parking as a security blanket to comfort us against the specious notion that, horror of horrors, too many people will one day show up downtown and will be unable to find the perfect place to park.

Only baseball great Yogi' Berra could better relate: "No one goes there anymore. It's too crowded.

Heaven forbid anyone walk a block or two through a beautiful downtown corridor.

But as a city council appointed steering committee draws closer to making a formal presentation about where downtown should head next, the "parking issue" has bubbled up again.

Some are subtly, and not so subtly, floating notions of one,

maybe even two, parking decks. Certainly, parking decks have plenty of silver-bullet planning appeal. But do we know for certain that all of Northville's current unoccupied retail and office space will get, and remain, filled?

people are now turning away

it's poorly located?

Or could the answer be that existing signage, parking policies and parking enforcement is so haphazardly handled that visitors simply return to communities - or malls - where such concerns are not such painstaking tasks?

Should planners build parking decks using taxpayer money, anticipating Northville will be the next Royal Oak? Or should we wait until that day and risk always playing catch-up?

A \$3-5 million 200-space parking deck, wrapped with residential lofts, sounds enticing.

But we believe in Jim Gallogly, the city's director of public works, who said he can find 90 new parking spaces as part of scheduled improvement work and potential redesign. Then add another 35 unused spaces at MainCentre, now leasing for \$10 per month.

That's 125 parking spaces for a lot less money than building a multi-million dollar parking deck. It's also a more cost-effective first step.

Maybe Northville does need a parking deck, or two. If so, Downtown Development Authority and City Council members better have a good reason why more cost-effective solutions aren't worth a try.

And why during tight finan-Do we know for certain that cial times the private developers who covet them most can't step from Northville because there's up, and share some of the cost.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Reading doctor!

Old Village principal Art Fischer shows Dr. Seuss' "The Foot Book" to student Tyler Diaz. Fischer read to students as part of the March is Reading Month campaign.

READER REBUTTAL

'Power' struggle: Get government off my back

all our earnings to the government and the government would send us back what they thought we deserved to keep.

The people at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy have given us a well defined action plan to not only eliminate the SBT but to replace it with, nothing - i.e. no new taxes. Why won't you present their plan as an exerfairness? (http://www.mackinac.org/article.aspx?ID=76

How to Replace the SBT with Nothing

There is a broad consensus that the state's Single Business Tax is too complex and harms our economy. In Lansing, this recognition is usually followed up with, "It's impossible to eliminate the SBT without replacing it with a different tax. There's no way to cut the \$1.855 billion it brings in."

Not so fast! Below is a list of ways to achieve \$1.855 billion in savings, with little heavy lifting. Much of the savings comes from injecting competition into government operations, providing government employee fringe benefits comparable to (generous) private sector plans or eliminating non-core functions.

Higher education: Change the funding mechanism to a standard "per-pupil foundation grant" in which the money is attached to the students, rather than each university getting an amount determined by legislative maneuvering. As colleges are forced to compete for students they would "sharpen their pencils," rein in costs and eliminate the kinds of inefficiencies highlighted in recent audit reports. If the effect was that costs fell by just 5 percent, the savings would be \$70 million.

Shift state police road patrols to less expensive county sheriff deputies. With benefits and related expenses it costs more than \$100,000 per year to employ a state trooper; most sheriff deputies cost much less to employ. Effect on public safety: Zero. Savings: \$65 million.

Adopt the Hay Group report recommendations on rationalizing public school health insurance, including requiring co-pays and preferred provider networks. This could save 422 million.

Eliminate the Michigan State University cooperative extension service and agriculture experiment station to save \$61 million.

Repeal the "21st Century Jobs Fund." (Act quickly on this one. The money hasn't been

In Phil Powers world, all of us would send wasted yet, but the spending starts soon.): \$40 million in annual debt service avoided.

Prison privatization: according to a Rio Grande Foundation report, if 5 percent of prisoners are placed in privately-managed prisons, the state saves 14 percent on overall prison spending, because government-managed prisons have an incentive to "sharpen their pencils." Savings: \$192 million.

The state's portion of the budget for the Department of History, Arts and Libraries is \$45 million. Around \$20 million of this is on libraries (which also get \$5.5 million in federal money). The "history" portion should come from user fees and the arts portion from voluntary contributions. Cut state spending on libraries in half and eliminate the rest: \$35

In 1999 the Citizens Research Council noted that "a number of changes have occurred over the past decade that have reduced the need for intermediate school districts." Let's help the ISDs catch up by reduc-

ng their operations grants: \$32 million.

Cut so-called "20j" payments to affluent schools in half. This extra money is a political response to the fact that under Proposal A certain wealthy school districts benefit less from per-pupil state foundation grant increases than other districts. (They still benefit, though.)

Savings: \$26 million. Cut transit funding in half. By eliminating protectionist regulations that restrict alternatives, empty buses driven by public employee union members can be replaced by private sector innovations like jitneys, commercial van pools, "call-and-ride" services, car-sharing and more. This will improve service for transit

users at a much lower cost: \$112 million. Repeal the "prevailing wage" law that requires above-market rate wages be paid on school construction projects: \$150 million.

Don't send extra money to declining school districts. Gov. Jennifer Granholm proposes sending extra money to districts that are losing pupils. Here's a better idea for those districts: consolidate and downsize. In the private sector, this is what an enterprise that's losing customers must do. That's a useful model and would save \$50 million.

Reduce the Merit Award Scholarships by 50 percent. When families face economic hard times, the first thing they do is cut luxuries. Non-need based college scholarships is a luxury Michigan can no longer afford: \$60 mil-

Reform Medicaid and welfare: The state spends almost \$15 billion on these two programs, more than \$6 billion of which is from state taxes and fees. Medicaid in particular is a command-and-control monstrosity rife with perverse incentives. Reforming it in ways that give recipients an incentive to economize and take better care of themselves could save hundreds of millions of dollars, while actually giving recipients greater freedom and choice. If just 1.6 percent of the expense in these two programs could be reduced in this way, the state would save: \$240 million.

Stimulate growth. Can anyone doubt that eliminating the SBT, one of the most complex and burdensome business taxes in the nation, would be a shot of adrenalin for the state's economy? It would send a powerful message that Michigan is open for business. The dynamic effects of such a change on income, property and sales tax receipts would easily t odiopite t raise \$300 million. Total: \$1.855 billion.

This is how much the Single Business Tax now takes in.

There is a common theme that runs through opposition to every one of these commonsense reforms: "That's not the way we've done

it in the past." That's not good enough anymore. Michigan is at the tipping point of going from relative decline in population and income, to absolute decline. If we don't reduce the disincentives to doing business here, there's nothing to prevent the entire state from going the way of Detroit, with a declining population and an economy

that is unable to support a government estab-

lishment that believes its citizens exist to serve it - not the other way around. None of the items above would be "devastating" to the state, "vulnerable populations" or even to any particular interest group. Most people would not even notice that these changes had taken place. If the elimination of the SBT were "paid for" with spending cuts, Michigan residents might notice something

else instead. Michigan's economy would start growing, property values would increase, and jobs and

income would start to rise.

If citizens, not special interests come first, then these reforms are no-brainers.

Jim Kress is a Northville resident.

Township: A pricey prank, in many ways

City: Thanks, Chief

Petres

Monday night, Police Chief Jim Petres formally announced his

retirement from the Northville city department, with his wife Sue

by his side. He entered the department as a part-time dispatcher,

advancing through the ranks to the top job, which he held for

eight years. Petres thanked the council for letting him serve the

city for 34 years. The council audience applauded, and Mayor

Chris Johnson told Petres the city will miss his wisdom and

efforts. Best wishes on your retirement, Chief!

There are no excuses for a threatening message found at Northville High School last week referring to Columbine High School. Township police have made it clear, no exceptions will be made and necessary actions to stop future threats will be taken. Everything has a price, and police officials said when the person who left the message is caught, they will be punished. For the hours and hard work spent searching for the responsible party, the Northville Township Police Department should be commended. Here's hoping those responsible will be charged, and billed.

Schools: Career paths and footsteps

More than 80 employers will fill Northville High School classrooms today, sharing with students insights about their chosen careers. Northville High School career day combines professionals from a wide range of careers with student interest. Spotlighted professions range from accountants to musicians. The annual effort is a strong example of the combined effort between Northville High School, district administrators and many members of community donating their time for the event.

March lingers

Reading "Ides of March" drew the pen to my hand. Although Cheryl Eberwine did not attend the March 18th, Walk for Peace event, which was held in commemoration of the three-year anniversary of the Iraq War, her coverage of the event was journalism at its best.

Like Cheryl, I myself dabble in journalism, here and there. For instance, at the event, I talked to an elderly woman and her daughter. The elderly woman came to the event from Royal Oak and is a member of Moms for Peace. Her daughter came from Columbus, Ohio, to be with her mother for the event.

And then there was the man from Livonia who is a stickler on using the dictionary. As he said to me, at the event, he encourages his children to keep the dictionary on the kitchen table.

And, while on the Walk for Peace, I met and talked to a young woman who supports the War in Iraq. She said President Bush should not be blamed for deception because the whole world believed Saddam had the weapons risk crossing the border with

of mass destruction. The young woman complained she had been treated rudely at this event. As Cheryl and I both share our

commonality in journalism it is on the Northville Record's coverage of the Walk for Peace event, where our ties loosen.

Even though this event was held in Northville and sponsored by the Northville Democrats, the majority of people attending were from surrounding areas, not Northville. This became evident to me as I walked around and talked to people.

Isn't it true, The Northville Record concerns itself in bringing news and features that interest the Northville community? Why then would it show an array of photos and a long commentary devoted to an event the majority of its subscribers were not interested enough in, to attend?

> Phyllis Clancy Northville

Border dispute

Jim Nowka writes: People that

abandon are not interested in legal systems. Therefore having nothing to lose but being returned to their home country.

You are right, Mr. Nowka they are primarily interested in feeding their families, steady wages and obtaining new skills in the work force, and to create a brighter future for their children. If immigrants have "nothing to lose," does that mean immigrants don't hold established family and cultural bonds in their home country?

I have to agree that we should stop wasting tax moncy on ineffective legal enforcement (border patrol), if that is your main point, but the nativist sounding statements you included in your letter concerned me enough to respond.

Selena Browne

What I said ...

I would like to respond to Anna Marie Fallek's letter of March 23. (Bond dispute)

Nowhere in my letter to the

Record regarding the bond issue did I suggest that Northville Public Schools should take back Cooke School, Although I never visited the school, I am most aware of its purpose and the renovations to accommodate special needs students. For that, I thoroughly approved.

What I did say was: 'The board missed an opportunity when the last bond was floated. Meads Mills could have been incorporated with Cooke at the present Hillside. There was ample room for both schools to co-exist either separately or as one unit. Much money was expended to enlarge classrooms to accommodate Cooke students and the leftover was "donated" to Parks and Recreation. Two schools can and have co-existed on one campus. I proposed this solution by mail, but it was never considered.

"Meads Mills is a great facility and would have been most suited as an elementary school."

I cannot understand how these words could have been misinterpreted as urging N.P.S. to reclaim Cooke School.

Mary Elizabeth Braddock

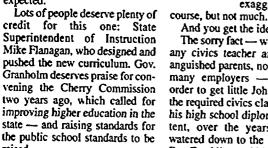
COMMENTARY

Finally, Lansing earns a high education mark

Now some good news, for a ful in the face of our present ecochange: The Michigan Legislature and Gov. Jennifer Granholm have actually cooperated in taking a significant step toward promoting

a better educated workforce and a brighter economic future for us all.

Last week, the legislature adopted much tougher high school graduation standards, and the governor promptly signed them into law. This all came with relatively little of the wateringdown and endless delaying tactics that were feared widely



Republican-led lawmakers get applause for realizing how important it is that new high school graduates have the education they'll need to compete in the modern world.

Until now, we have only required our graduates to have one semester of civics. But starting with the high school graduating class of 2011, students will need to complete at least three and a half years of math, four years of English, three years of science and social studies and two years of a foreign language to graduate.

The new high school diploma actually now will be a document demonstrating educational attainment. There is also talk that the legislature may finally take the sensible next step and raise the age when students are allowed to legally drop out of school from 16

But raising the standards themselves is a terrific accomplishment. It even gives us a sliver of hope that our long-gridlocked political system may just be capable of doing something meaningnomic crisis.

Yet amid all the backslapping, here's a note of caution.

Talk to most high school graduates about what remains in their

heads from the required civics course. You'll find the answer is basically ... nothing. Separation of powers? "What's to separate?"

The Bill of Rights? "I know my rights, I gotta pay a bill for them?" Judicial review? "Sounds like the review session I took to pass civics." I exaggerate, of

And you get the idea.

The sorry fact - well known to any civics teacher and to many anguished parents, not to mention many employers — is that in order to get little Johnny through the required civics class and on to his high school diploma, the content, over the years has been watered down to the point where Ben Franklin would blush.

How did that happen? Easy. When little Johnny failed civics the first time, his parents went tearing in to the principal's office whining about how tough the course was and about how unfair it was to require their little darling to learn the material. When little Johnny failed the second time, his parents screamed off to the local school board meeting and raised holy hell.

How could they impose such a difficult course on their little darling, who needed desperately to graduate so he could get on to a relatively mindless career in automobile manufacturing?

And if little Johnny was a minority, charges of racism were thrown in for good measure. What does the education system do when confronted by hordes of 'angry parents? Cave in, of course.' The required civics course was gradually watered down so much even little Johnny could be assured of passing.

That's the downside of local

control of our schools, folks. So beware! Now we have not only civies, but math, English, science, even foreign languages. All of which are prime targets for legions of little Johnny's and little Sally's parents. If you think civics was watered down, just wait till you see the pressure on teachers, principals and school boards when the curriculum is actually

But when I talked with Mike Flanagan, he seemed reasonably confident that this time, the curriculum won't be watered down.

"First of all," he explained, "every required course will have a detailed set of course expectations up front. We'll have that ready by August, and every school - and every parent who wants to find out will have a clear and detailed read map of what's expected from the required courses."

"Second," Flanagan continued, "each required course will have a required end-of-course exam. If the kid doesn't pass the exam, he or she will have to take the course again or some acceptable variation. If the kid fails Algebra, for example, he'll have to master the same material, but perhaps in a vocational education setting."

So what's the education system going to do with parents who come in yelling their heads off about how unfair you're being to little Johnny? "Simple," Flanagan says, "cite the law."

The law, that is, which "requires us to teach to the content standards and demonstrate success by way of passing the exam."

I admire Flanagan's cool toughness. But all I can say is that I sure hope the school system is as determined and tough in standing up to the intense pressure that is sure to

Pressure, that is, to water the new standards down. This, after a rare moment of lucidity in which the political class realized that without stern standards, Michigan may never be able to compete.

For in a sense, what has just been done was easy.

The tough part is about to

Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics, economics and education issues in Michigan.

He would be pleased to hear from readers at ppower@hcnnet.com.

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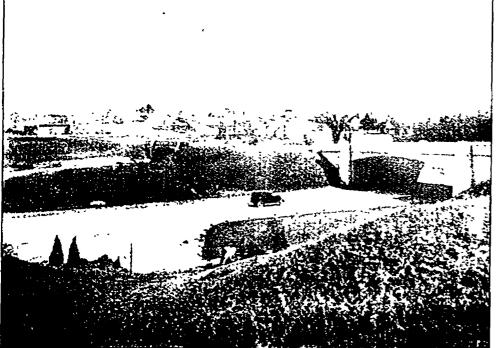


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A view of Hines Park, near Six Mile Road and Hines Drive, circa 1920. Up the hill, the Six Mile and Northville roads Intersection.

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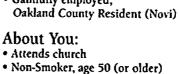
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Children's book author Laura Numeroff reads from her book, "If You Give a Pig a Party," during an assembly at Silver Springs Elementary School.

NORTHVILLE **EVENTS**

Dance Performance

DATE: Saturday TIME: 1:30 p.m. LOCATION: Northville High School Auditorium, 45700 Six Mile

DETAILS: Center Stage Dance Company will perform 'The Wizard of Oz." Tickets are \$8 per person. CONTACT: (248) 380-1666 or email esde5678@sbcglobal net

Northville Genealogical Society

DATE: Sunday TIME: 2:30 p.m. LOCATION: Library, 212 W.

DETAILS: The Daughters of the Revolution group and how to access their archives will be discussed. The public is welcome. CONTACT: Grace Wilfong,

(248) 349-9079

Northville Garden Club

DATE: Monday TIME: noon LOCATION: Cady Inn, Mill Race Village

DETAILS: Jane Kenyon Geisker will be presenting "Beautiful

Butterflies." Guests are welcome. CONTACT: Julie Mantay, (248) 349-1602

Senator Patterson's Office Hours

DATE: Monday TIME: noon-2 p.m. LOCATION: Library, 212 W. Cady St.

DETAILS: Senator Bruce Patterson's District Representative, Sue Trussell, will hold office hours for Northville city and township res-

CONTACT: (248) 349-3020

Cardeners of Northville and Novi

DATE: Monday TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic Center. 45175 W. 10 Mile Road

DETAILS: The program will be "Art and Architecture in the The public is welcome.

CONTACT: (248) 348-1946 or www.gardenersnorthville-novi org

Author Presentation

DATE: Tuesday TIME: 6:45 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi

DETAILS: Robert H. Bartlett, M.D., will be discussing his first novel. He is a professor of surgery at the University of Michigan Medical School in Ann Arbor. This program is presented by the Northille/Novi American Association of University Women (AAUW.)

CONTACT: Beth Ann Knisely (248) 305-8992

State of the Community Address

DATE: Wednesday TIME: noon-1:30 p.m. LOCATION: Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 Eight Mile Road

DETAILS: City and township officials will speak on the future of the community. Speakers include

Township Supervisor, Mark Abbo; City of Northville Mayor, Christopher Johnson; Northville School Superintendent, Dr. Leonard Rezmierski; and Northville District Library Director, Julie Herrin.

CONTACT: Northville Chamber of Commerce, (248) 349-7640

Daughters of the **American Revolution**

DATE: Monday, April 17 TIME: noon

LOCATION: Mill Race Village DETAILS: The topic for this meeting will be "Antique Buttons." CONTACT: (734) 459-4764

Barnes and Noble Bookstore

LOCATION: 17111 Haggerty CONTACT:

Author book-signing DATE: Thursday, April 20 TIME: 7:30 p.m. DETAILS: Chef Craig Common of the Common Grill, Chelsea will be signing copies of his two cook-books, The Common Grill Cookbook and Return to the

Common Grill. Author book-signing DATE: Tuesday, April 25 TIME: 7:30 p.m.

DETAILS: Kawsky will be presenting an art slide lecture: Fact versus Fiction in the Da Vinci Code.

Art Contest

DETAILS: Children ages 3-12 are invited to submit an original work of art expressing theme of "Awakening Spring." All art mediums are welcome. Applications are available at Awakening...The Artist Inside, 111 N. Center Street beginning Saturday. Submission deadline is 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 25. All entries will be displayed April 25-30 with a reception for artists and their guests noon-2 p.m. Saturday, April

29 at Cooke School. CONTACT: (248) 347-0807

Art Exhibit

DATE: April 7-30 LOCATION: 427 Regina Abraham Gallery of Art, 122 W.

DETAILS: This is an exhibit of artist Mimi Prussack's oil and wax landscapes. A wine and cheese exhibit opening reception will be held 6-9 p.m. tomorrow. It is free and open to the public.

CONTACT: (248) 449-6501

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 29 and 4 p.m. Sunday, April

LOCATION: Northville High School, 45700 Six Mile Road

DETAILS: The Plymouth Community Chorus will be performing their spring concert "Just

CONTACT: For ticket information, call (866) 924-4276

Library Fund-raiser

DATE: Tuesday, May 2 TIME: 11 a.m. registration: 11:30 a.m. lunch

LOCATION: Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth

DETAILS: Tim Kiska, author of the book "From Soupy to Nuts," will be the speaker. Tickets are \$25 and available at the Northville, Novi, Plymouth and Canton libraries. This event is sponsored by



Silver Springs students enjoy listening to author Laura Nemeroff talk about her book, "If You Gave a Mouse a Cookie."

the Friends of the Library and is open to the public. CONTACT: (248) 349-4137

Art Exhibit

DATE: Opening Friday through

LOCATION: Swearingen

Visions, 118 W. Main St. DETAILS: This is a portrait exhibit of Michigan business women of distinction. Nancy Swearingen, owner of Swearingen Visions, creates these portraits for the National Association of Women Business Owners and as a personal

Open Mic Night

DATE: Third Saturday of every month through May

TIME: 6:15 p.m., sign-up; 7 p m., performance LOCATION: Art House, 215 W.

Cady St.

DETAILS: Nonhville Ans Commission hosts this event for acoustic, folk and traditional musicians. The cost is \$5 at the door. Performers are free. CONTACT: (248) 449-9950

Art Walk

DATE: First Friday of every month

TIME: 5-9 p.m. LOCATION: Downtown Northville

DETAILS: Art galleries, arts and crafts stores and restaurants will be open; art demonstrations and exhibits available in shops.

CONTACT: Tom James. Northville Camera and Digital Imaging, (248) 349-0105

Marquis Theater

LOCATION: 135 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or www.northvillemarquistheatre.com

"Little Mermaid"

DATE: Monday through Friday. April 17-21; Saturday and Sunday through end of April

TIME: 2:30 p m DETAILS: Tickets are \$8 per person; no children under 3 years old.

"Vaudeville Tonight"

DATE: Friday and Saturday TIME: 8 p.m.

DETAILS: Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for seniors and students; no children under six years

New Hope for Grief **Support Groups**

DETAILS: New Hope Center for Grief Support offers groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 3 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a parent, pet loss and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year. There is no cost for participants.

CONTACT: (248) 348-0115 or visit www.newhopecenter.net

New Pathways Support Group

DATE: Now through May 23 TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. LOCATION: Arbor Hospice and Home Care, 331 Center Street

DETAILS: This free group is for adults who have experienced the of someone death Registration is required. CONTACT: Sandy VanKoevering, (248) 348-4980

Genitti's Little Theater

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com

Dinner Show

DATE: April 22, "The Vogues"; June 17, "The Shades of Blue"; July 15, "The Reflections"

TIME: 7 pm. DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for dinner and show, Reservations are required.

Maybury State Park Events

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road between Beck and Napier roads CONTACT: (248) 349-8390

Wildflower Walks

DATE: Friday and Saturday, May

TIME: 10:30 a.m. DETAILS: The Friends of Maybury are hosting this free event. All ages are welcome. Reservations are not required.

Maybury Farm Programs TIME/DATE: noon-5 p.m.;

Friday-Sunday

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road, one mile west of Beck Road, look for farm entrance sign CONTACT: (248) 374-0200

DETAILS: Groups by appoint-

Library Lines

LOCATION: 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall; parking off Cady Street

TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday-Saturday; and 1-5 p.m., Sunday

CONTACT: For information about programs, services or to request or renew library materials, (248) 349-3020

Northville Genealogical Society

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Monday, ongoing and by appointment DETAILS: Volunteers are available to offer individual help on

CONTACT: Grace Wilfong. (248) 349-9079 or www.rootsweb.com/~mings

Little Me Storytime

DATE: Friday, April 14 TIME: 10:30-11:15 a.m. DETAILS: Babies to 2-year-olds, along with their parents or caregivers, can enjoy music, beanbag fun, and simple stories. Older children are also welcome to attend. No

Tot Storytime

registration is required.

TIME/DATE: 10:15 a.m. Monday through May 1; 10:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., Wednesday through May 3; 10:15 a.m., Thursday through May 4

DETAILS: This storytime is for 2- and 3-year-olds with a parent or caregiver. Additional children may not attend.

CONTACT: To register, call (248) 349-3020

Stories for Children

TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. Monday through May 15; 10:15 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tuesday through May 16

DETAILS: Sessions are designed for children who are 4, 5, or in kindergarten and comfortable attending without a caregiver pres-

CONTACT: To register, call (248) 349-3020

Kid's Club

DATE: April 13 "Tangrams"; May 18 "Families"

TIME: 4:15 p.m. DETAILS: This is an after-school program for first, second and third graders featuring stories, games and

CONTACT: To register, call (248) 349-3020

Junior Books, Chat and Chow

DATE: Wednesday, April 26 TIME: 4:15 p.m.

DETAILS: This program is for fourth and fifth grade students. It will include snacks and discussing the book. The Boy who Spoke Dog" by Clay Morgan. Registration is required.

Teen Movies

DATE: Monday, April 17

TIME: 4 p.m. DETAILS: This program is for sixth through 12th grade students. The movie is "Wallace and Gromit: Curse of the Were-rabbit." Refreshments will be served. No registration is required.

Spring Break Movies

TIME/DATE: Noon, Tuesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 20 DETAILS: These movies are intended for all ages; children 4 and younger must attend with a caregiver. Children are invited to bring a lunch. Popcom and beverages will be provided. No registration is required.

Friends Store

DETAILS: The Friends Store, located inside the library, offers a variety of gifts for all ages. All proceeds benefit the library.

Book Donations

DETAILS: Used books and materials are needed by the Friends of the Library. The library adds to the collection and donates the rest to the Friends for sale, with proceeds benefiting the library. Donations are tax deductible. If you need assistance unloading books from your car, call (248) 349-3020 in advance to make arrangements.

Library Board of Trustee Meetings

DATE: Fourth Thursday of every month

TIME: 7:30 p.m. DETAILS: Public is welcome.

Church Events

St. Paul Lutheran Church

LOCATION: 201 Elm Street CONTACT: (248) 349-3140

Concert Series

TIME/DATE: April 30, Daniel Foster and Martha Folts Violin and Harpsichord; May 21, 'The Music of St. Pauls" TIME: 4 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church of

Northville

LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.

Single Place Ministry

DATE: Thursday, ongoing TIME: 7:30-9 p.m. DETAILS: This includes "Divorce Recovery" and "Living Beyond Divorce" workshops. CONTACT: (248) 349-0911

Ward Evangelical

Presbyterian Church LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile

CONTACT: (248) 374-5966 **Single Adults**

DATE: Sunday

TIME: 10:20 a.m.

DATE: Sunday TIME: 11:30 a.m. CONTACT: (248) 374-5920 College Age

CONTACT: Mark Tarpinian, (248) 347-3525

First United Methodist Church LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile

Healing Service

month TIME: 4 p.m. **Grief Support Group**

DATE: First Monday of every

DATE: Fourth Monday of every TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. DETAILS: New Hope Center for Grief Support is offering this support group to those who have lost a

loved one to suicide. Registration is not required. CONTACT: New Hope Center for Grief Support, (248) 348-0115

or www.newhopecenter net Senior Events

Thursday, April 6 9 a.m.: Taking Off Pounds Sensibly 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

1 p.m.: Tai Chi By appointment: Massage By appointment: Taxes Friday, April 7 10 a.m.: Strength Training l p.m.: Movie: Walk the Line By appointment: Massage Monday, April 10 10 a.m.: Line Dancing 10 a.m.: Oxycise I 10 a.m.: My Medicare Matters 11 a.m.: Oxycise II 12:30 p.m.: Euchre and Pinochle Tuesday, April 11 10 a.m.: Diabetic Footwear 10 a.m.: Get Out of Debt 11 a.m.: Brain Boosters noon: Rummy 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle 1:30 p.m.: Games

Reflexology **History of Maybury**

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Wednesday, April 12

10 a.m.: Oxycise Level I

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appointment:

Foot

DATE: Thursday, April 27 TIME: 10:30 a.m. LOCATION: Senior Community

Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: The Friends of May bury State Park are hosting this free seminar. Registration is

CONTACT: (248) 349-4140

Board Games

DATE: Tuesday, ongoing TIME: I p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-4140

Ongoing Card Games

TIME/DAY: noon-3:30 p.m., Wednesday

Pinochie (double deck) TIME/DAY: 12:30-4:30 p.m.,

Monday and Thursday Pinochie (single deck)

TIME/DAY: 12:30-3:30 pm.

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City Clerk Dianne Massa

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Joint meeting April 13

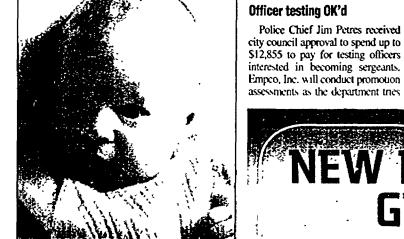
to fill two sergeant vacancies.

Councilmember Michele Fecht Results of a shared services survey will be discussed when the city council meets with the Northville agreed to serve as election commis-Township Board of Trustees next sioner for the May 2 election. The

Lillian Wailea Smith

David and Amy Smith of South Lyon are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Lillian Wailea Smith on January 20, 2006 at 7:25 p.m. at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital. She. weighed 7 pounds 2 ounces and was 21 inches

Proud grandparents are Paul and Susann Grondin of West Bloomfield and Gene Smith of Northville and the late Phyllis Smith, also, Uncle Jon Grondin of Novi and Aunt Suzanne Smith of Ft Myers, Florida



Wagner Jack Carrel

Steven G. and Meredith Free Carrel of Birmingham are proud to announce the birth of their son, Wagner Jack Carrel on February 16, 2006 at Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. He weighed 8 pounds 12 ounces and was 21 inches long at birth. Wagner joins big brother, R.J., 22

Proud grandparents are Beth and Gary Heberlein of Northville, Sue and Alan Carrel of Buffalo, N.Y. and Babs and Dan James of



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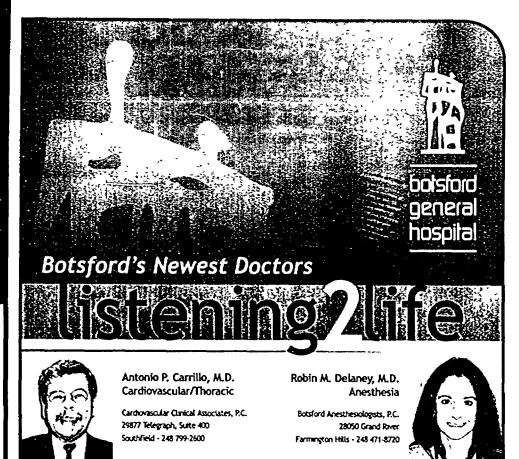
The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is coming to Northville on May 20-21 for 24 hours of cancer fighting fun, remembrance celebration.

Event planners are currently looking to local businesses and organizations for help in sponsoring or donating to the Relay For Life. If you are interested, please call Barb Iovan of the American Cancer Society at 248.483.4317 or visit www.acsevents.org/relay/mi/northville.



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Kowalkowski-Delaney

Walter and Marilyn Kowalkowski of Novi announce the engagement of their son. Andrew Walter Kowalkowski, to Jennifer Ann Delaney, daughter of Joseph Delaney of Melbourne, Fla. and Charlotte Delaney of Commerce Township.

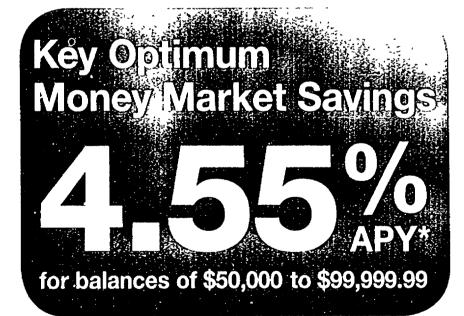
The groom-elect is a 2000 graduate of Northville High School and a 2004 graduate of Michigan State University earning a bachelor of arts degree in humanities-prelaw. He currently is pursuing a law degree at the Wayne State University Law School, Detroit.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School. She is a 2003 graduate of Western Michigan University earning a bachelor of science degree in psychology and a 2005 graduate of Southern Illinois University earning a masters of science degree in behavioral analysis and therapy. She currently is employed by Beaumont Hospital.

A May 2007 wedding is planned.







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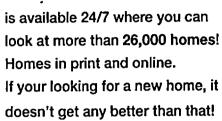
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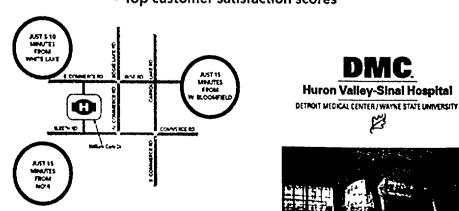


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Howell	910	\$830,000	Pat Convery	3	no	\$78,000	no
Huron Valley	550	\$250,000	Sue Happel	3.5	yes	\$48,500	no
Northville	502	\$400,000	Jody Humphries	1.5	no	\$67,000	no
Novi	493	\$245,000	Nora Champion	6	no (yes if bylaws OK'd)	\$75,000	no (yes if bylaws OK'd)
South Lyon	320	\$203,000	Jeff Fisher	one week	no	\$54,000	no

Novi chamber bylaw revisions draw vote, questions

Proposed changes would keep CEO salary private

By Pam Fleming GANNETT NEWS SERVICES

Novi Chamber of Commerce members will vote Tuesday on whether to adopt new bylaws proposing some significant and, some say, questionable changes.

Only members who attend the noon luncheon at Fox Run Village will be eligible to vote.

The proposed changes would include giving the president a vote ard keeping the president's salary confidential.

In the Chamber's March newsletter, members received a summary of the proposed changes, outlining the current and proposed bylaws. In a separate mailing last week, members received a copy of the complete proposed bylaws by mail.

The proposed bylaws are the result of at least three years of review by various committees, the board and legal counsel, according to Peggy Hayes, board chair.

The 17-member board approved the proposed bylaws at their January meeting.

"These bylaws have not been updated for a number of years," Hayes said. "Primarily what we're trying to do is bring them up to date with current rules and laws that are common with organizations like our chamber," she said.

The current bylaws were last revised on Oct. 18, 1994.

"We may look at them again in a year," she added. "We think these changes are absolutely necessary to get us up to speed."

Some of the changes

continued from 18A

Center, 303 W. Main St.

DATE: Monday-Friday

Center gym, 303 W. Main St.

Ole' Bag Sale Donations

Healthy Walking

TIME: 8-10 a.m.

TIME/DAY: 12:30 p.m., Monday

LOCATION: Senior Community

LOCATION: Senior Community

DETAILS: This event will be

Friday and Saturday, May 12-13, at

the Senior Community Center, 303

W. Main St. Purses, belts, scarves

and jewelry donations may be

dropped off at the center now. All

proceeds will benefit senior pro-

CONTACT: (248) 349-4140

Historical Village

LOCATION: Griswold Avenue,

north of Main Street, near Ford Field

Thursday, April 6: Archives open,

9 a.m.; Service Unit B Scouts, 9:30

a.m.; Brownie Scout Meeting, 3:45

Friday, April 7: Archives open, 9

Saturday, April 8: Wedding*, 3-5

Sunday, April 9: Mill Creek

Monday, April 10: Hands All

Around Quilt Workshop, 9 a.m.;

Northville Garden Club, 11 a.m.;

Brownie Scout Meeting, 4:15 p.m.;

Tuesday, April 11: Stone Gang, 9

Wednesday, April 12: Girl Scout

Thursday, April 13: Archives

open, 9 a.m.; Brownie Scout

Meeting, 3:30 p.m; Mill Creek

*Grounds closed to public

a.m.; Brownie Scout Meeting, 4 p.m.

Church, 10 a.m.; Heirloom Rug

Hookers, 1 p.m.; Venture Scouts,

a.m.; Brownie Scout Meeting, 4

p.m.; Cub Scouts, 6:45 p.m.

p.m.; Rehearsal, 5 p.m.

Lions Club, 6:30 p.m.

Chister Meeting, 9 a.m.

Church, 4 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

CONTACT: (248) 348-1845

Mill Race

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grams.

One of the most significant proposed changes would allow only the executive committee to determine the president's salary, which would be kept confidential from the rest of the board and the membership. The proposed bylaws would also give voting power to the president, who would also sit on the executive com-

What's Going On? (cont'd)

mittee. That committee currently includes the chair, chair elect, vice chair, treasurer and past chair.

"I think there is a provision that the president would sit out on any votes concerning their pay

increase," said Hayes. A review of the proposed bylaws does not indicate any such provi-

Though Hayes said she was not sure what type of organization the chamber is, Nora Champion, Chamber president, said it is a 501(c)(6) organization under the Internal Revenue Code.

"It is a nonprofit organization, but we pay taxes," said Champion.

Hayes would not divulge the amount of Champion's current

"We're not a governmental organization, we're a private organization, so we're not required to release information to the public about the president's salary," Hayes said. "Our attorneys have said this is common practice.

The Chamber's treasurer, Jim Koster, said Champion's current annual salary is \$75,000. She was hired six years ago.

The Chamber's budget for this year is \$245,000, according to Koster. A recent survey of members Michigan Chamber of Commerce Executives lists the average salary of a CEO in the \$201,000-\$500,000 budget range at \$52,398; a high salary of \$75,000; and a low of \$25,000.

President now gets a vote

Another major change in the proposed bylaws would give the president a more active voice on the board, including the right to vote as an ex-officio member on all committees.

The presidents of other local chambers have a vote," Hayes said. "I think it's important to allow them to have an opinion. I think this is crucial. Any president should be an active member in the direction of the organization."

In a phone survey of eight area chambers of commerce, only one (Milford) allows the chief executive officer to have a vote. The chambers

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DETAILS: Volunteers are needed

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Friends of the Rouge

questioned included Brighton, Howell, South Lyon, Milford, Northville, Fenton, Farmington Hills and West Bloomfield.

'The president already has an active voice," said J.R. Atiyeh, who was chairman of the bylaws committee that created the Chamber's original bylaws. At that time, Atiyeh was treasurer of the organization. He is a former board chair and was a 20-year member of the Chamber.

Atiyeh does not think the president should have a vote on Chamber

The board is the policy-making body of the Chamber," he said. "The president is only supposed to administer policies set by the board. The board is supposed to be representing the members, and the president is not a member of the

Atiyeh said he dropped his membership a couple of years ago

because he did not like the direction the Chamber leadership was taking. **Moving forward**

Hayes said none of the

Chamber's more than 500 members have called to comment on the proposed bylaws.

"I hope the members realize that we're working in their best interest and that these proposed bylaws have been reviewed by many people. "I'm hoping that they trust that

we're moving the organization in a positive step forward. I'm not anticipating any problems with the passage of the proposed bylaws," Haves said. Past chair Keith Wilson, a member of the committee that helped

changes would be more appropriate from a non-committee member Chair elect Art Johnson was not

available for comment, and vice chair Joe Sutschek preferred Champion or Hayes comment on the proposed bylaws. Executive committee member Koster is in favor of the proposed changes.

it's long overdue, and it's been reviewed, re-reviewed, re-reviewed and re-reviewed. We have exhausted the reviewing process, and it's time to pass it," he said.

Past revision attempt

Several years ago, the current bylaws were reviewed by a committee comprised of the late Doug Shaeffer, board members who are attorneys and business people such as seven-year, former board memdraft the proposed bylaws, said he ber Gina Kozlowski.

"We pulled together by laws from feels comments about the proposed the local area and chose the three stronges, chambers," Kozlowski "We wanted to polish our bylaws so that they would be comparable to theirs."

The committee met once a week for over a year, according to Kozlowski. But the revisions that bylaws committee created were never implemented.

Champion said the new bylaws committee was initiated because the Chamber's legal counsel thought that the bylaws needed to be updated to protect the Chamber and its members. Hayes said that committee includes former board chairs Lou Martin and Wilson; non-board member Frank Hickey; and chamber attorney Kevin O'Malley of Varnum, Riddering, Schmitt & Howlett LLP's Lansing office.

"Our legal counsel researched between 50 to 100 chambers," Champion said. 'The chamber is a business organization, and it was recommended that we run the Chamber like a business.

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DATE: Second Tuesday of every

TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St. Meeting Room B

Housing Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of TIME: 3 p.m.

LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

Youth Assistance

DATE: Second Tuesday of every

TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: Youth Assistance office, 775 N. Center St. CONTACT: (248) 344-1618

Parks and Recreation Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of every month

TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

Parks and Recreation

Bunny Hop

DATE: Saturday TIME: 4-6 p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community

Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: This dance includes crafts, designing cookies with Great Harvest Bread Company and visiting the spring bunny. The fee is \$10

CONTACT: (248) 349-0203 or

www.northvilleparksandrec.org

Spa Night

DATE: Monday

TIME: 6-8 p m. LOCATION: Margo's of Northville Salon and Spa, 141 E. Cady St.

DETAILS: This event will include demonstrations and information on hair styling, skin and nail care, make-up/color analysis and massage. The fee is \$50 for two residents; non-resident fees apply. CONTACT: (248) 349-0203

Summer Program Expo

DATE: Saturday, April 22 TIME: 10 a.m.-noon LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road

DETAILS: This expo will include meeting instructors and program coordinators that will be supervising summer activities. Children can participate in face painting, crafts and games.

CONTACT: (248) 349-0203 or www.northvilleparksandrec.org

Babysitter Training DATE: Saturday, May 6 TIME: 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. LOCATION: Hillside Recreation

Center, 700 W. Baseline Road **DETAILS: American Red Cross** Babysitter Training course provides participants with child safety, basic child care, safe play, first aid and critical emergency action skills. The fee is \$72 per Northville resident; non-resident fees Registration is required.



Fly Fishing

DATE: Saturday, May 6 and 13 TIME: 9:30-11 a.m. LOCATION: Senior Community

Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: This program is designed for novice, occasional and skilled anglers with limited or zero fly fishing exposure. The fee is \$45 per Northville resident; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

Drop In Cheerleading

TIME/DATE: 4-5 p.m., sixth grade and up; 5-6 p.m., first-fifth grade, every Tuesday

LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road DETAILS: This drop-in program promotes fitness, dance routines, stretching, jumps and cheers. The fee is \$6 per person per day. CONTACT: (248) 349-0203

Open Basketball

DATE: Every Sunday TIME: 6-9 p.m. LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: The fee is \$3 per per-

Teen Basketball

DATE: Every Thursday TIME: 3-5:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: The fee is \$2 per per-

Open Badminton

DATE: Every Tuesday and

TIME: 7-9:30 p.m. LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road.

DETAILS: Competitive style badminton is available. All skill levels are welcome. The cost is \$7 per

Table Tennis

TIME/DAY: 6-10 p.m., Monday and noon-4 p.m., Saturday
LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road DETAILS: Eight tables are available. All skill levels are welcome. The cost is \$4 per day.

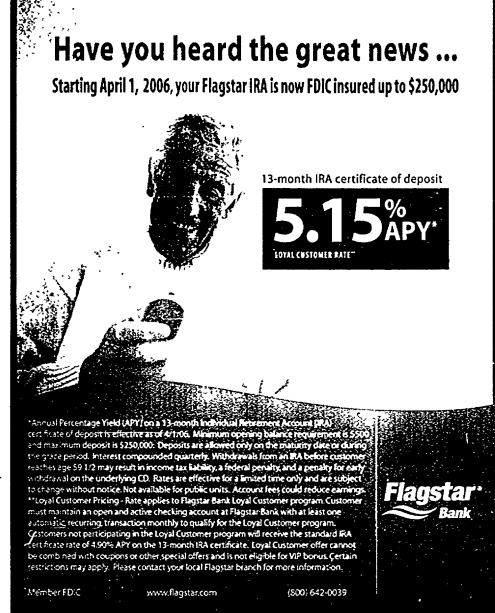
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Piano Workshop

DATE: Saturday TIME: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. workshop; 7:30 p.m. recital LOCATION: VisTaTech Center,

Haggerty Road, Livonia DETAILS: Oberlin piano professors and concert artists Angela, Chang and Alvin Chow will present this workshop and recital.

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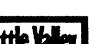
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Ready to rumble?

The Northville Mustangs baseball and softball teams are ready to hit the diamond and hunt down a Western Division title this season. — Page 2B



SPRING PREVIEW

It's all about desire

The Northville Mustangs golf team wants to win and that's what makes them so dangerous in the Western Lakes Activities Association again this year.



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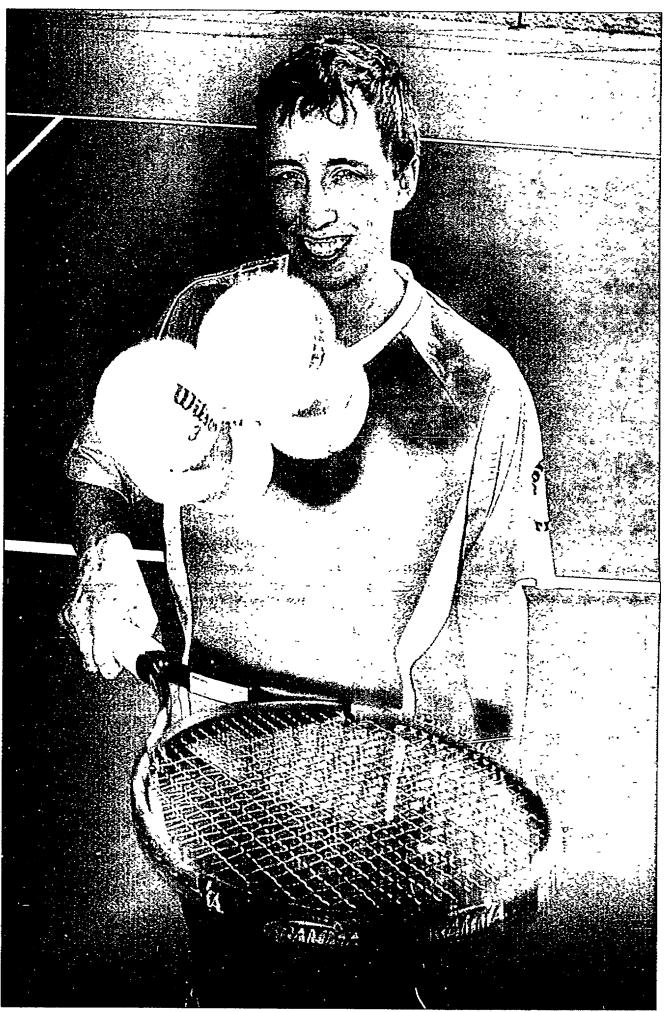


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Northville tennis captain Chris Doud is hoping to lead his team to Western Division and WLAA championships.

Tennis team wants division, league crowns

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville boys tennis coach Matt Stetson may be only in his third year with the program, but he's been around long enough to know nothing comes easy in his sport.

The Mustangs will be coming into this season looking to collect a Western Division and Western Lakes Activities Association Neither will be easy. crown.

'Walled Lake Western and Salem will both be tough," Stetson said. "We only had one conference dual match loss last year (to Walled Lake Western), but we avenged the loss by winning the conference tournament."

This year the Mustangs bring plenty of talent to the court to help hunt for their season goals. The only problem is a slight case of inexperi-

"The strength of our team is our depth," Stetson said. "We can go 20 deep and not have a drop off.
"Our weakness may be that we lost

our top four players from last year, so all of our singles players are getting their first taste of singles play. But the Mustangs should still field

a very competitive singles lineup. Leading the team will be senior captains Austin Jenkins and Chris Doud, who will find themselves in

the doubles flights this year. Junior Peter Curran earned the top nod this season, taking the first singles position with junior Mike Baskins taking second singles. Juniors Kevin Zhang and Harry Zhang will take third and fourth sin-

gles, respectively. The doubles teams will be tough contenders as well. Most notable are sophomores Phil Irvine and Any Mills, who return as a unit after taking first in the conference tournament and second in the regional as freshmen on varsity last season. It is expected they will play at the second

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4/11 Awa	y AA Huron	4 p.m.	5/5 Home	Salem	4 p.m
4/11 Hon	ne AA Huron	4 p.m.	5/6 Away	Holly	TB/
4/12 Awa	y Stevenson	4 p m.	5/6 Away	AA Huron	8 a.m
4/24 Hon	ne W.L. Western	4 p.m.	5/8 Away	W.L. Central	4 p m
4/26 Awa	y Franklin	4 p.m.	5/13 Away	WLAA	TB/
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doubles flight this year.

Other players on the team include senior Cory Talbot, juniors Jeff Behmer, David Connett, Travis Dehne and Jason Raymond as well as sophomore Ben Ackerman and fresh-men Lee Schechter and Michael Hagan.

Northville has a lot of experience needed to be collected in a relatively short amount of time if they hope to

reach their season goals. Stetson said he expects his team

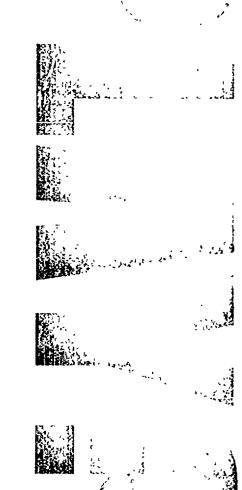
will make a run at it. 'Our team goals this year are to be division and conference champs," he said. "From there we want to qualify for the state tournament through our highly competitive regional.

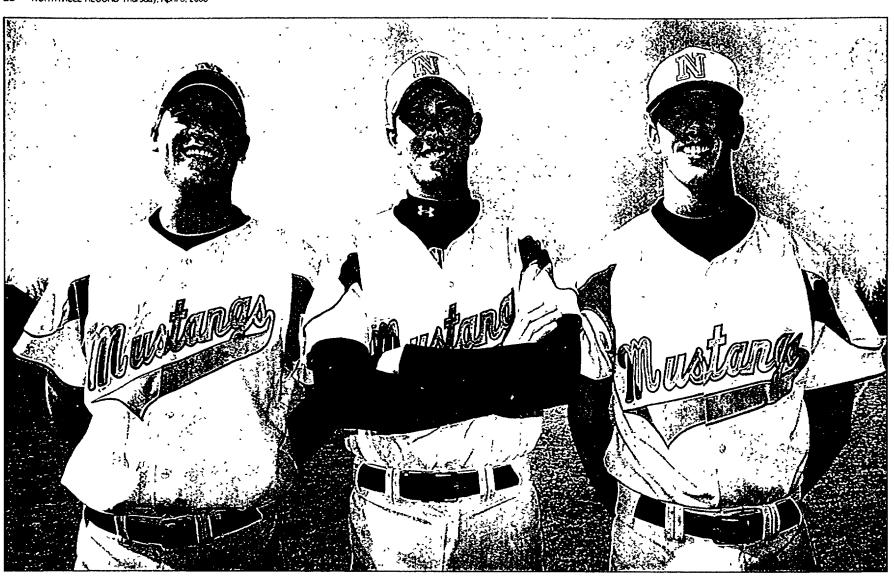
"We are a very balanced team with very few weaknesses. We should have a very strong year."

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PITCHING A FIT

■ Northville's deep pitching staff expected to lead Mustangs through tough division, conference games

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The Northville Mustangs baseball team expects defense could win championships this

The squad, coached by John Kostrzewa in his second season, is hoping to use their pitching, speed and defensive capabilities to make a run at the Western Division title.

"We need to continue to improve game to game, especially from an offensive standpoint." Kostrzewa said. "Our pitching will be our biggest strength.'

Northville returns three starting pitchers from last year's lineup. Junior Bret Spencer. junior Bryce Jenney and senior Tim'Parent will all have time on mound this year. Defensively, junior Dominic

Benavides and the pitchers who aren't on the mound but playing various spots in the field will be key in Northville's success.

Northville's other pitchers are Nick Balow, Joe Mitchell, Mike Deluca and Anthony Hutting.

Coming back offensively will be senior Charlie Thomas, who will also see time in the outfield and at first base this season.

"This is a very hard working group that loves the game and are very coachable," Kostrzewa

Northville's biggest weakness will be their inexperience. Behind the plate alone the squad will work three new catchers in Deluca, Mitchell and freshman Anthony Sergi. The team will also have at least one new player starting in the outfield and infield.

Standing in the way of Northville's division champi-

onship goals will be Wayne Memorial, Walled Lake Western and Canton. In the conference, Walled Lake Central, Livonia Stevenson and John Glenn are expected to be tough.

Last year, the Mustangs worked through inexperience as well, starting several underclassmen.

The team had a lot of close games that fell out of their hands, something Kostrzewa hopes his team learned from.

"Hopefully with the experience of several one-run and extra-inning losses last year, we will be able to use it to our advantage this season and do a better job of finishing games," Kostrzewa said.

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Softball captains Christy Badeen, Laura Zima, and Bridget Hughes will lead the Mustangs year.

Teamwork will be key to softball success

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

First-year Northville softball head coach Teryn Fox knows it takes more than great individual players to make the Mustangs a contender.

It takes a team.

"Our goals throughout the season are to play as a team, continue to improve, have fun and win games," Fox said. "The girls are working hard and plan to be contenders to win the division, the conference and our district."

Of course, Livonia Stevenson, Walled Lake Central and Plymouth Canton may want to have a say about who wins the conference this

Northville isn't worried about what other teams think. Instead, they're more concerned about how tired they're going to be after all is said and done.

With a 30-plus game schedule, the

Mustangs could be all tuckered out come state

"It's very difficult to keep up the stamina going into the state tournament when you've played that many games," Fox said. "The girls know what's ahead and will work hard to

make sure they don't peak too soon." Northville knows all about that. Last year the team picked up a 24-12 record overall and a 10-5 mark in the conference. They tanked out against a struggling Novi team in the first round of the district.

Leading the squad in their hunt for titles will be senior captains Christy Badeen, Bridget Hughes and Laura Zima. They will be joined by fellow seniors Emily Doren, Lisa Mueller and Kelly Lockman.

Juniors Elise Fleishaker, Emma Wise. Andrea Soloko and Kirstyn Wildey will be key this season, as will sophomores Jenna Dumbleton, Kelsey Lewis and Allison Holmes. Rounding off the rosters are freshmen Sarah Rounsifer and Samantha Doud.

"We're very strong offensively," Fox said. The girls have worked hard to learn patience at the plate and have really improve their overall power. We plan to score a lot of runs this year to take the pressure off our pitchers."

Northville has plenty of pitching staff to rely on this year. Dumbleton will lead a crew that will include Holmes, Rounsifer and Doud.

The Mustangs will look to challenge each team they face and have already started the season with a 2-0 mark. Fox said they're lucky to have so many tools at their disposal, pitching especially.

This is the first time in years that we have multiple girls who can pitch," Fox said, who was an assistant with Northville for three years before taking the head coaching job. "This has provided us the luxury of hitting off different pitching in practice and will help pitchers stay healthy.

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SPORTS SHORTS

Northville alumni athletes dinner

Northville alumni athletes, coaches and administrators are invited to attend the Varsity Alumni Dinner May 12, starting at 6 p.m. at Genitti's in Northville.

The cost is \$20 per person plus a cash bar and the event is open to any former Northville High School student-athletes, coaches, administrators and their guests that graduated in 2001 or before. Payment is due by May 5 and can be sent to the Athletic Department of Northville High School with the guest's name, year of graduation, address and if they are a former athlete, coach or administrator. Please mail payment to Bryan Masi, Athletic Director, 45700 W. Six Mile Road, Northville, MI, 48168.

For more information, please contact Northville athletic director Bryan Masi at masibr@northville.k12.mi.us.

LTC camp hosts NCAA Division I coaches

Lacrosse Training Centers brings some of the top East Coast lacrosse coaches (and staff) during their June 23-25 lacrosse camp in Brighton.

Tom Mariano enters his tenth season as the head men's lacrosse coach at Sacred Heart University.

Marino has helped the Pioneers evolve into a solid and competitive program as they enter their fourth season as members of the Colonial Athletic Association (CAA), arguably one of the top lacrosse conferences in the country.

Currently in his eighth season as head coach, Tim McIntee has been at the forefront of the successful turnaround of the Manhattan men's lacrosse program. McIntee joined Manhattan after a stellar playing and coaching career on the collegiate, professional and international level

Darryl Delia is a certified US Lacrosse Progression Instructor, as well as a co-director of Run and Shoot Lacrosse Camps. Delia coaches at Fairfield University where his duties include serving as Offensive Coordinator as well as, Recruiting Director for the Stags. Register online at www.LacrosseTC.com or give (248) 788-7020.

Spring Learn to Skate at Novi

Novi Ice Arena will run an eight-week spring session of its Learn to Skate Program through May 13, 2006 (no classes April 12-23). Classes are offered Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and skate rental is available.

Learn to Skate students get a punch card for free admission to open skating at Novi Ice Arena throughout the program they are enrolled in. Classes will run once per week for 30 minutes with optional 30-minute practice sessions.

The following classes will be offered:

- Beginning Tots
- Snowplow Sam 1-3
- Basic 1-5
- · Skater's Edge Accelerated Bridge Program

Open registration for Learn to Skate is underway and skate rental is available. The Learn to Skate Program is very popular so call the Novi Ice Arena at (248) 347-1010 or visit www.noviicearena.com today to inquire about the proper class for your skater.

Sign up for Suburban Showdown

Team and individual registration is underway for the Suburban

Showdown Youth Spring Hockey League.

All West League games will take place at Suburban Ice-Farmington Hills and Novi Ice Arena, while all East League games will take place at Suburban Ice-Macomb and the Onyx-Rochester Ice Arena.

Two divisions will be offered for team registration this year - the Gold division permits up to three players who competed at the A, AA, Junior Varsity or Varsity level during the 2005-06 season, while the Silver division does not allow players from those levels to compete.

mo Teams will only play other teams in their division at the mite (1998-99 birth years), squirt (1997-97 birth years), pee wee (1994-95 birth years), bantam (1992-93) birth years) and midget (1990-91) age classifications. All teams will play 10 games plus playoffs and practice ice can be purchased at a discounted rate based on

availability. Individual registrations are being accepted at the mite, squirt, pee wee and bantam age classifications. Players who competed at the A, AA, AAA, Junior Varsity or Varsity levels are not eligible to compete. New this year is a girls division. All girls ages 7-14 are welcome to register, regardless of ability level. Players who sign up as individuals will participate in an evaluation skate to form teams, and will only play against other teams made up of individuals.

Requests to play together will be honored whenever possible The Suburban Showdown Youth Spring League schedule will begin in April and end in mid-June, with no games during Spring Break, Mother's Day or Memorial Day weekend.

All players in the Showdown will be eligible for a discount towards a Suburban Hockey Schools summer program if they register by April 30!

For more information, contact Novi Ice Arena at (248) 347-1010 or go to www.noviicearena.com.

Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp

Applications are now being evaluated for The Ten Star All Star

Summer Basketball Camp.

This camp is by invitation only. Boys and girls, ages 10-19, are eligible to apply. Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison. Players from every state and 18 countries attended the

College basketball scholarships are possible for players selected to the All-American Team. Camp locations include: Lebanon, Tenn., Prescott, Ariz., Thousand Oaks, Calif., Sterling, Colo., Bridgeport, Conn., Babson Park, Fla., Gainesville, Ga., Champaign, Ill., North Manchester, Ind., Towson, Md., Y; silanti, Glassboro, N.J., Schenectady, N.Y., Hickory, N.C., Commerce, Texas, Blacksburg, Va., Lyndonville, Va. and Beloit, Wis.

For more information and a free brochure, call (704) 373-0873.

Registration underway for spring beginner adult developmental hockey leagues

Suburban Ice-Farmington Hills will offer separate Beginner Adult Developmental Hockey Leagues presented by Labatt for men and women during the spring season. Both leagues will run once per week for nine weeks. After an evaluation skate, players will be divided into teams and receive jerseys, then they will play six regular-season games followed by two playoff games.

Included in the league fees is the cost of awards for the league

champions, jerseys and instructors, who will also serve as referees during games in order to coach the players and teams during the play, on the bench and in between periods. As a bonus, all players in the BADHL will get a free membership to the SIFH Fitness Club from April-June.

The women's league will run on Sundays at 6:30 and 7:30 pm from April 2-June 18, 2006 (no sessions on April 16, May 14 or May 28). The men's league will run on Mondays at 8:30 and 9:30 pm from April 3-June 12, 2006 (no sessions April 17 or May 29). Registration is limited

For more information, call (248) 888-1400 or visit www.suburbanice.com.

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The Northville Record wants to print your sports notices. From tryouts to banquets to calls for coaches and help, the sports shorts are the best way to get your announcement read.

To get your sports notice listed here, contact sports writer Sam Eggleston at seggleston@gannett.com for more information.



Photo courtesy of STEVE FECHT

Some of Northville's top soccer stars recently signed their National Letter of Intent to play college soccer.

Northville soccer wants to defend title

■ WLAA crown will be first on team's list, but what about states?

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

To say the Northville Mustangs are talent laden is a bit of an understatement.

The girls soccer team, coached by Ron Meteyer, comes into this season loaded with standout players such as senior midfielder and forward Lauren Hill and junior Danielle Toney.

Joining them will be 23 other girls, six of which have signed to play Division I college soccer and another who will play Division

But Meteyer isn't about to start guessing at where his team might finish, even with the crew he has at his disposal.

Northville will look to defend their Western Division and Activities Western Lakes Association titles from last season and are no doubt hoping to get playoffs.

In 2004, Northville captured the state title for the first time in 20 years. They topoled Novi in the district finale that season.

Last year, the roles were reversed as Novi beat Northville in the district and went on to win the first-ever girls soccer title for their school.

This year, that rivalry will be as strong as ever and both teams will be loaded to the gills. Northville's names are some that were on the team in 2004, including Hill and Toney.

Hill returns as the team's leading scorer from last year. The senior recently signed with Michigan State University and will be a captain this season. She's the team all-time leading scorer with 61 and lead in total points with 103. Last year she scored 29 goals and 20 assists.

Simone Toney, who will be headed to Bowling Green, will also play a big factor on this year's team, as will her standout sister Danielle who scored 51 goals and 20 assists over the past two seasons.

Other standouts who have signed to colleges include Lindsey Blair, who will play for Oakland and collected eight goals and 15 assists last year, Jennifer Ulmer, a transfer student committed to Michigan State; Katie Weicksel, a goalie headed to Alma; and Vanessa Bailey, a forward who will take a trek to waii to play Warriors.

Northville completes its roster with goalies Liz Watza and Julie Biaszczak as well as Amanda Harkness, Karen Mayhall, Julie Raymond, Brianna Jenkins, Lydia Blair, Lisa Kozub. Hawthorne, Sarah Stern, Kristen Slack, Christine Colleran, Kristen Engstrom, Theresa Yankovich, Jessica Meyer, Kelsey Baskins, Kayla Hogan and Camille Junca.

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	4/7	Away	Novi -	7p.m.			
	4/10	Home	W.L. Northern	7 p.m.			
	4/12	Away	Stevenson	7 p.m.			
	4/24	Home	W.L. Western	7 p.m.			
•	4/26	Away	Franklin	7 p.m.			
•	5/1	Home	Wayne Memorial	7 p.m.			
	5/3	Away	Canton	7 p.m.			
	5/5	Home	Saginaw Heritage	7 p.m.			
	5/8	Away	Ptymouth	7 p.m.			
	5/10	Home	Salem	7 p.m.			
	5/13	Home	Rochester Adams	12 p.m.			
	5/15	Away	W.L. Central	7 p.m.			
	5/22	Away	WLAA Playoffs	TBA			
	5/24	Away	WLAA Playoffs	7 p.m.			
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	4/7	Away	Novi .	5 p.m.			
	4/10	Home	W.L. Northern	5:30 p.m.			
	4/12	Away	Stevenson	5:50 p.m.			
	4/24	Home	W.L. Western	5:50 p.m.			
	4/26	Away	Franklin	5:30 p.m.			
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	5/24	Away	WLAA Playoffs	5:30 p.m.			
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	4/4	Home	Salem	6 p.m.			
	4/6	Away	W.L. Northern	5:30 p.m.			
	4/11	Away	Plymouth	4 p.m.			
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Away

Photo by SAM EGGLESTON/record security

Though it's not one of their listed goals this year, fans have to wonder if the Northville Mustangs girls soccer team has another banner like this in mind for the end of the season?

Northville Mustangs track team members (from left) Gretchen Warner, Bryn Smetana, Emily Kreichelt, Laura Gabrys and Kari Oshanski prepare for the upcoming season.



Girls track squad dashes for success

■ Northville Mustangs hope to improve state finals representation this year

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The Northville Mustangs girls track team has plenty of time between now and the state finals, but the final meet of the year is something that weighs in

of their beginning of the season goals.

Nancy Smith, the team's coach entering her sixth year, said her team will focus on winning the Western Division and finished in the top three in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Then, they'll worry about finishing top three in the regional meet and sending as many athletes to the state finals as they can.

"We want to send more athletes to the state meet (than last year)," Smith

In 2005, Northville sent six athletes to the finals after finishing fourth in the conference and first in the Western Division. The team compiled a 6-1 dual meet record with their only loss coming to a tough Livonia Churchill squad.

Churchill will once again be a team to beat in the conference, along with Livonia Stevenson.

This season we may be able to surprise them as we have some great relay ome great open ra times," Smith said. "Recently at the U-M Invite, we beat them in the 800, 3,200 and the 1,600 relays. We also beat them in the open 200 and 400."

The Mustangs will follow the lead of captains Laura Gabrys, Emily Kreichelt, Kari Oshanski, Bryn Smetana and Gretchen Warner as they use their relays, open sprints, mile. two-mile, high jump and pole vault athletes to pursue their goals.

The team will have to overcome some weakness in the shot put and discus, but Smith said they've already shown improvement from last year.

Though the Mustangs boast slew of athletes, the squad has leaders ready to step up in their respective events.

Leading the way in the sprints will be junior Emily Kreichelt, who runs the 100- and 200-meter dashes as well as in the relays. In the 400 and relay events will be Smetana, a senior, as

well as freshman Daniella Drury.

The Mustangs will also rely on pole vaulters Julie Foucher and Rachel Deneau, and Anita Foss and Jackie Bolinger in the shot put. Flavia Gaeta and Chelsea Miller, juniors, will be integral in the discus. Brianna Jenkins, a sophomore, will run the relay and compete in the high jump while sophomore Paige Stuart will run the 200meter dash, the relay and participate in the long jump. Junior Laura Keys will also play an important role in the long

Northville's hurdle team is in good hands with sophomore O'Malley King while Mary Sprader will run the 300meter hurdles.

The middle-distance and distance team will expect plenty from the marquee athletes. Ashley Flohr, a senior, will run the 800-meter event while sophomore Lindsay Hagan will be inte-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/wor

The Mustang girls' track team is readying for the spring campaign.

gral in the mile and sophomore jenny Murphy in the two-mile.

The Mustangs will use their talent to help drive them toward their goals this

"We have a lot of good athletes," Smith said. "They're already putting in some very good times and have some very good results."

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■ Girls Track Schedules

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4/12	Away	Wayne	3:30 p.m.
4/27	Home	Plymouth	3:30 p.m.
4/29	· Away	Stevenson	10 a.m.
5/4	Away	Franklin	3:30 p.m.
5/11	Away	Canton	3:30 p.m.
5/12	Away	. South Lyon	4 p.m.
5/16	Away	Churchill	3:30 p.m.
5/19	Away	Regionals	TBA
5/24	Away	 WLAA Conference 	TBA

Boys just need sprinters to complete squad

■ Lack of speedsters won't stop several Mustangs from advancing to the regional and state finals

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

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The squad has quality distance and field events. The hurdles crew is led by a potential state-finals contender.

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Field events aren't a problem. But the Mustangs don't have a sprint corps.

"We don't have the depth we need," coach Bill Cornelius said. "The only way we are going to compete in the conference meet is to get some sprinters."

But the squad still boasts sophomore.

plenty of talent. Returning from a trip to the state finals last year is captain Mike Yassay, who has his eyes set on the pole vaulting record this year. Alex Manor will again compete in the pole vault as well, giving Northville a solid one-two combination in the as they can.

Joining him in field events will be Brad Birdsall in the high The Northville Mustangs are jump and Nick Kaldis in the jump.

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Bill Cornelius Northville Boys Track and Field Coach

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· In the hur-Northville will turn to sophomore Cavan Corcoran for both the 110and 300-meter events.

The Mustangs also have two top-

notch distance runners in Jasen Turnbull and Tommy Farrell, who will run the two-mile, mile and half-mile events. Also running distance will be newcomer Jon Zurek, a

In the 400-meter dash, the Mustangs will look to first-year senior Evan Demetriou and

sophomore Habib Khan. The Mustangs have about 95 kids on the boys track team this year and will try to qualify as many of them for the state finals



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Northville's track captains are (from left) Mike Yassay, Alex Manor, Brad Birdsall, Ishaan Sandhu Jasen Turnbull, Colin Sheldon and Cavan Corcoran.

Cornelius said he expects Livonia Churchill and Plymouth Canton to be the two toughest

teams in the conference. "They have depth across the board," he said. "They're the kind of teams that manage to have everything from distance

runners to pole vaulters."

But if Northville is able to find sprinters in their lineup, Cornelius said the puzzle might seggleston@gannett com. end up coming together.

"If we can pull it all together and get some sprinters I think we can compete in the conference," he said. "There are a lot of athletes that haven't come out for the track team yet. If we can get them, then we'll be able to put it all together."

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■ Boys Track Schedule

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4/6	Away	W.L. Western	3:30 p.m.
4/8	Away	Novi	1:30 p.m.
4/12	Home	Wayne	3:30 p.m.
4/27	Away	Plymouth	3:30 p.m.
5/4	Home	Franklin	3:30 p.m.
5/5	Away	Harrison	3:45 p.m.
5/6	Away	Churchill	3 p.m.
5/11	Home	Canton	3:30 p.m.
5/12	Away	South Lyon	4 p.m.
5/16	Home	Churchill '	3:30 p.m.
5/19	Away	Regionals	TBA
5/24	Away	WLAA Conference	TBA



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W.L. Western

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Salem

Franklin

Plymouth

Stevenson

W.L. Central

Regionals

WLAA Conference

MHSAA Finals

Livonia Ladywood

Mustangs golf captains Jessica Reuter, left, and Brittany Fillipps will be expected to help keep Northville on track.

Golfers ready for run to WLAA crown

■ Talent leads Mustangs in conference championship, state finals hunt

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

There's potential for a very mpressive season from coach Mary Jane Ossola and her Northville Mustangs girls golf

The squad, in its second year under Ossola, returns 10 players from a team that last year finished tied for first in their conference, third at the regional and sixth in the state of Michigan.

"I am very excited about our team this year," Ossola said. We have very good players returning and an excellent group of new players, the best I have seen in the four years I have been involved with the

Of the 10 returning players, five are letter winners and two played in the regional and state tournament. Junior Susan Snyder returns with the team's leading 18-hole scoring average and state finals experience. Joining her is sophomore Kirsten Freisen, who also played at the state finals and recorded an 89 as a freshman.

"I expect her to continue to improve as she gains more match experience," Ossola said. "I expect both Susan and Kirsten to compete for top honors in the conference.

The Mustangs will look to captains Jessica Reuter and Brittany Fillipps to take charge of the team. Joining them will

be senior Megan Monticciolo . and junior Taylor Johnson. Sophomores Eve Avdoulos and Lauren Kerr are also on the varsity team this season. Other players on the team include junior Marisa Frink, sophomores Amanda Cook, Brook Fillipps and Jennifer Ha and freshmen Arianne Frink, Kelley Hill, Alicia Weber and Meghan

Northville's goal will be to win their league title and advance to the state finals. Standing in their way for the first goal will be Plymouth Salem and Livonia Churchill.

"They both have their top players returning," Ossola said. "I think they'll be the teams to

Girls	Golf Sc	hedule		5/4	Away
4/6	Away	Novi	3 p.m.	5/5	Away
4/8	Away	Grosse lle	9 a.m.	5/5	Home
4/10	Away	Churchill	3:30 p.m.	5/8	Home
4/12	Home	John Glenn	3:30 p.m.	5/9	Home
4/24	Away	Stevenson	3 p.m.	5/10	Away
4/24	Away	W.L. Northern	3:30 p.m.	5/12	Home
4/28	Away	Traverse City Centra	1 9 a.m.	5/15	· Home
4/29	Away	Traverse City Centra	1 9 a.m.	5/18	Away
5/1	Away	Brighton	8:30 a.m.	5/23	Away
5/3	Away	Wayne Memorial	3:30 p.m.	6/02	Away
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The Mustangs will rely on the new additions, we should see their depth and competition for plenty of competition for the six starting positions to help them on their way.

"With the returning players and is very attainable.

MHSAA Finals plenty of competition for the six varsity spots," Ossola said. "I think our goal of getting to states

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Parks and Rec 3-on-3 winners

Northville Parks & Rec sponsored their inaugural 3 on 3 Youth basketball tournament held at the Recreation Center at Hillside March 25. Thirteen teams participated in the event.

Winner of the 8-10 year old division was The Chargers. Team members included Angelo Zannis, Sean Conway, Andrew Atevens and Zack Wilds. The Chargers were coached by John Zannis.

Winner of the 11-13 year old division was Michigan Wolves. Team members included Brandon Phillips, Josh Levine and Jeremy Alain. The Wolves were coached Kwiatkowski.

Winner of the 14-15 year old division was The Hustlers. Team members included Eric Malse, Scott Wagner, Jerry Yono and Ryan Zarras. The Hustlers were coached by Pete Maise.

Thanks goes out to tournament director Tony Sanders, Sports Around Town, for running an exciting and fun tournament. Sports Around Town conducts many of the Parks & Rec Summer Camps.

Rugby squad aiming for top with season, post-season team goals

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

The Knights rugby football club is ready to get their season rolling despite being jammed into one of the state's toughest conferences. Led by coach Ron Cornell, the Knights

are hoping to finish as one of the top teams in the state in order to advance to the Division I state playoffs. Last year, the team finished seventh in the state.

"This year we have some really nice additions to the team," Cornell said. "We have some very good athletes that will help us out a lot. We have a big part of our starting pack coming back this year as

Dan Williams, Jonathan Pace, Cam McNamara and four-year player Jack Mason are some of the marquee players on this year's squad. Newcomers who will have a big impact are Peter Cohen and Evan Corbeil of Northville.

"We have a really nice core to start with," Cornell said. "This year we are mostly made up of kids from Northville, but we have a few from Novi and Walled Lake Central."

Also on the team this year are David

Sam Dillon, Steve Fannon, Alex Fink, Dan Griffin, Alex Hamilton, Patrick Keady, Austin Kellar, Josh Kelly, Dan Kosztowny, Andrew Kozlowski, Mike Krafft, Michael LaCivita, Maxx Lesnick, Will McAlpine, Tim Min, Jeff Monticello, Brad Moss, Anthony Murtha Steve Oubre, Gene Simon, Joseph Frank" Tafralian and Aaron Towne.

This year will see a few changes as far as personnel. Last year's starting hooker, Lucian Boar, is trying to earn time as the team's scrum half along with Greg

But its going to take a lot more than just athletic talent to earn playing time on this year's squad. With about 30 players coming out for the team, Cornell has some big decisions to make.

Those decisions will have an impact on how well the team is able to handle state powerhouse Brighton, who split into two teams this year thanks to overwhelming participation numbers.

Both Brighton squads are expected to be tough and Northville lands in a division with one of them along with Grand Blanc, Dearborn, Dexter and Howell.

"It's a pretty tough division," said Cornell. "Our goal is to stay up with the Anderson, Zach Craig, Shadi Deaibes, elite teams and to qualify for the top **■** Knights Roster David Anderson

Lucian Boar Peter Cohen Evan Corbeil Zach Craig Shaid Deaibes Sam Dillon Steve Fannon Alex Fink Dan Griffin Alex Hamilton Patrick Keady Austin Kellar Josh Kelly Dan Kosztowny

Andrew Kozlowski

Michael LaCivita

Mike Krafft

If Northville is able to finish in the top eight out of the state, they'll compete in the Division I state playoffs. If not, they'll drop to Division II like they did in 2004.

"It's going to be a challenge, but I think we have the team to do it," Cornell said. Maxx Lesnick **Greg Manley** Jack Mason Cam McNamara Will McAlpine Tim Min Jeff Monticello **Brad Moss Anthony Murtha** Steve Oubre Jonathan Pace Gene Simon Joseph "Frank" Tafralian Aaron Towne Dan Williams

COACHES Ron Cornell Mark Moebus Noel Novarra

"We have experience coming back and we have athletes. This should be a really fun year for us."

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Tragedy: Huron Valley athletic director dies

Police still investigating Gene Balawajder's unexpected death

By Lon Medd and Matt Smith GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Police are investigating how a Hartland Township described as "beloved" by students and his colleagues at Milford High School died Sunday after falling into Dunham Lake. Gene

Balawajder. 63, was the athletic director Milford High School and had worked for the district decades, said Robert

O'Brien, the

for

Balawajder

school district's superintendent. At about 3:22 p.m., deputies from the Livingston County Sheriff's Department were dispatched to Briar Hill Road on the west side of Dunham Lake in Hartland Township.

Preliminary reports said that a canoe was found adrift on the lake and that the owner was

Further investigation revealed man, later identified as Balawajder, in the water.

Lt. Don Jakrewzski of the Livingston County Sheriff's Department said there were resuscitate attempts to Balawajder at the scene until Livingston County Ambulance personnel arrived.

Balawajder was transported by ambulance to Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital in Oakland

County's Commerce Township, school's track and field and where he was pronounced dead. According to witnesses, Balawajder was seen fishing

from the red canoe before he entered the water. O'Brien said the news of

Balawajder's passing was "just a tragedy." Balawajder, married to wife

Joanne for over 35 years, had recently been selected as the Interscholastic Michigan Athletic Administrators Association's regional athletic director of the year. It was the latest in a long string of accolades for Balawajder, who had served as a coach for the

cross country programs.

In 2003, he was named to the Michigan High School Coaches Hall of Fame and in 1992, he was the Huron Valley Teacher of

the Year. Balawajder also was known for hosting the Oakland County freshman track and field championships for 21 years, has hosted 18 MHSAA track and field regional meets, and originated and organized the inaugural Oakland County Bowling Championships.

Balawajder was a "very beloved and dedicated man, O'Brien said.

The superintendent also said Sunday that the district would be putting its crisis plan into action today, including notifying students and staff members about Balawajder's death and making grief counselors available in the district.

Milford softball coach Terry Frikken, who had worked with Balawajder for the past five years, called him "a classy guy, a good man."

'No matter what was going on, you knew he always had your back," Frikken said.

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Mustang Lacrosse captains Matt Wollack, Derek Gelven, Zach Elker, and Jackson Doyle will be key to Northville's success this season.

Lacrosse goal: to topple Canton

■ After playoff loss to rival last year, Northville wants to get big win over the Canton Chiefs

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville lacrosse coach Greg Durham is anything but

The second-year helmsmanknows his team has potential. They have experience. They have ability.

And they're going to win.

"We're going to win games," Durham said. "I don't doubt that. I'm expecting a lot out of this team.

Leading the Mustangs this season are senior captains Zach Elker, Matt Wollack and Jackson Doyle as well as junior captain Derek Gelven.

Durham expects leadership from his captains, both on and off the field. It's something they've done already, from getting their teammates in the

weight room to leading their squad in scoring in the opening two games that have resulted in a 1-1 record.

The Mustangs will look to Elker for scoring as he returns as the team's top point-getter-from last year. Pat Larabell and Kyle Ziomek, both attackmen, will be expected to pitch in their fair share of scoring, too.

'Kyle's good," Durham said. "He has an unbelievable shot, probably the hardest on the

Also playing attack will be Andy Cauzillo.

Northville's strength this year is their defense, led by first-year Northville assistant coach Mark Schwartz, who graduated from Catholic Central as an All-State player in the late 80s and went on to play lacrosse for Michigan State University.

m Boys Lacrosse schedule

	4/6	Home	W.L. Northern	6:30 p.m.
	4/7	Away	Brighton	7:30 p.m.
	4/11	Away ·	Plymouth	8 p.m.
	4/24	Away	Andover	7 p.m.
	4/25	Home	Ann Arbor Huron	7 p.m.
	4/27	Away ·	W.L. Northen	5 p.m.
	5/1	Home	Plymouth	7 p.m.
	5/4	Àway -	South Lyon	7 p.m.
•	5/11	Home	Farmington	7 p.m.
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	5/16	Away	Orchard Lake St. Mary's	4:30 p.m.
	5/20	Away	Flint Powers	3:30 p,m.
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Gelven and sophomore Alex integral part of Northville's success as well. Derek Faucher, John Cass, Zachary Matyiku,

Massara. Nick Mitich and Mitch

Gayner will also play midfield.

Splitting time in goal will be Thurman. Wollack, who plays freshman Andrew Lamoureux to develop a lot of these young defensive midfield, will be an and senior Michael Zervos. The Mustangs goals are to

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by the first round of the playoffs, beat Canton and to chal-Steven Bartz, Tyler Probts, Tory lenge for their conference title. We just have to go out and

Sam Eggleston can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at play our game," said Dunham. seggleston@gannett.com.

"While we're at it, we're going

guys. We've got a great team

will to help each other out."

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Leading the defense on the field will be Grant Ponte, Jack Duffield, Clayton Engel and Neal Gallagher, Joining them will be Chris Jeffery, Matt Zielke and Tim Street.

At midfield, Northville will look to Doyle to take the lead, followed by Nick Thurber,

Girls lacrosse team returns experience

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By Sam Eggleston

The Northville Mustangs girls lacrosse team isn't going to be sitting idly while everyone else is out having fun. They're going to be right out there in the mix.

The squad, coached by Aurora Zinck in her second year at the helm, returns several players from last year's squad and fills in the holes with some very talented underclassmen.

Zinck was not available at press time.

The team's captains will be in charge of keeping their team on track as they march toward improvement over last year and staying competitive in each contest. Junior Rachel Maurer joins seniors Meredith Cole and Erin Keranen as the captains this year.

On the roster this season is senior Kristina Ninivaggi and juniors Jackie Horning, Liz Cullen, Katrina Reis, Lauren Gonyea, Kara Piwowar, Sarah Gutman and Reshmie Kottoor.

Sophomores on the team include Kristin Randall, Annie Laurie Medonis, Erica Frogner, Danielle Brace, Jackie Turner, Liz Souther, Marie Schneider, Katherine Underwood, Katie Roy, Keegan Warner and Kenzie Lebeis.

The lone freshman on the team is Sarah Bielskis.

4/12 Home Milford 5 p.m. 4/26 Away Lahser 7 p.m. 4/29 Away Waverty TBA 5/3 Home Tecumseh 6 p.m. 5/5 Away Notre Dame Prep 5/8 Home Regina 6 p.m.

4/11 Home Ann Arbor Huron

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5/30 Away MHSAA Regionals

and will play some talented teams. The squad is in it's second year of existence at Northville High School where it is a varsity club sport.

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rivals, Northville, 76-61. "It was a really good meet," Jasen Turnbull took first with a said Northville coach Bill Cornelius. "Novi has a really strong early-season showing of 4:39.1 while Josh Lumley fingood team, but I thought we ished second for Novi in 4:49.2 followed by Wildcat Mike showed a lot of promise as well." Wheat in 4:59.7. Novi coach Bob Smith In the long jump, Novi's Zhao agreed, saying he was happy to took first with a leap of 19-4, followed by Northville's

Mustangs have

strong showing

have such a strong competition between the two teams. "We're in the KVC and they're not, so we don't get to

It was about as close as a

meet can get without theatrics,

but when the smoke cleared and

the dust settled, the Novi

Wildcats boys cross country

team edged their cross-town

see as much of them as we might like," Smith said. "They have some very talented athletes and so do we. That's why it was such a good competition.'

The Northville Mustangs started the day off on the right foot, winning the 3200-meter relay with a time of 8:32.2 to Novi's 8:38.7, and it looked as thought the Wildcats were going to keep that edge when Cavan Corcoran took first in the 110 hurdles over Novi's Chris Alberty and Dan Coleman. But Novi bounced back in the 100 dash, winning the top two events with Bobby Duquette running a 12.1 race followed by Eric Zhao's 12.2. Northville's Brad Birdsall finished third with a 12.4.

In the 800-meter relay, Novi

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took first in 1:38 before Wildcat Sean Kelly took first in the high jump with a leap of 5-11 followed by teammate Peter Andrews with a leap of 5-9. Birdsall cleared 5-9 for third.

In the mile run, Northville's

Birdsall with a 19-2.25. Novi's Coleman went 19-0.75 for third. Northville took first in the next event, the 400 relay, with a 48.9-second performance while Novi was disqualified in the

In the discus. Novi's John Brown threw a 115-4 while Northville's Andrew Gorley threw a 115-2 for second and Mustang Sheeton was third with a throw of 100-10.

Novi turned in a top performance in the 400 dash when Brandon Coles took first in 52.7 followed Northville's Habib Khan in 54.8. Novi's Eric Johnson ran a 55.1 for third. In the 300 hurdles, Corcoran took first in 41.3

for second and third, respective-Northville notched another

seconds, followed by Novi's

Lee and Wildcat Eric VanBuhler



first in the 800 run with Nick Kolbow taking the top spot in 2:06.7, followed by Novi's Matt Morrison and Alex Prasad. In the 200 dash, Bobby Duquette took first for Novi, followed by teammates Benjamin Foerg and Dan Simmons.

The two-mile run was won by Northville with Turnbull taking first in 10:15.1, followed by Novi's What and Scott Wagner. The 1600-meter relay was won by Northville with a time of 3:43.1 while Novi's Brown won the shot put with a throw of 45-1.5, followed by Northville's Erik Markstrom and Gorley.

The final event of the day was one of the most intense, with Mike Yassay winning the pole vault with a mark of 12-11, followed by Novi's Chris Machisak's 12-5 and Dan Coleman's 12-5.

Girls track gets win

The girls track team ran over Novi last week, 82-55, in their first outdoor meet of the season. The Mustangs had an outstanding day scoring in all 13 events.

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By Elizabeth Weise GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

America, step away from the French fries. Experts say that, despite recent news reports, less is still best when it comes to the amount of food you consume.

Just this month the largest clinical trial on low-fat diets seemed to say that, despite earlier evidence to the contrary, it doesn't much matter how much fat you eat. The study of 5,000 women, part of the landmark Women's Health Initiative, found that low-fat diets do not significantly reduce postmenopausal women's risk of heart disease or breast or colorectal cancer.

Cause for confusion? Yes. Cause for change? Experts say no, citing limitations in the study that made the subsequent headlines

misleading. And, they say, we know what a healthy diet is and we've known for years - centuries and millennia actually. Rome's Seneca wrote 2,000 years ago that herbs, vegetables and plain bread "were sufficient food for the stomach."

and her famous sister, Harriet Beecher Stowe of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" fame, wrote "The American Woman's Home" in which they said that health comes from exercise in the fresh air, whole grains, vegetables and not too much meat.

The message hasn't changed, says John Foreyt of the Behavioral Medicine Research Center at Baylor in Houston. "The overwhelming science suggests eating a healthy diet with balance and moderation and watching your calories is the way to go."

Other health-conscious consumers are adopting a similar staythe-course attitude.

Janet Bright, a 62-year-old saleswoman from Hendersonville, N.C., says she's decided to take these sprinklings of scientific advice with a grain of salt.

Everybody has a different study," she says. "How can you tell what's right?"

Terry Clark, 71, of Tulsa has simply stopped paying attention. When you get right down to it, people need to really have common sense," says the retirement-center And in 1869 Catharine Beecher administrator. "Maybe moderation . It's not hard, people

Despite what headlines might lead you to believe, there's actually broad agreement among doctors that the road to health is paved with

Don't smoke.

 Exercise regularly Maintain a healthy weight

· Eat a diet heavy in vegetables, whole grains and fruits and light in meat, full-fat dairy products, white flour and sugar.

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And Cordia Wade, who took part in the Women's Health Initiative study, says she is disappointed that the study didn't find a significant reduction in breast cancer, but she isn't about to stop reading labels and counting fat grams.

Wade, a retired gerontology professor in Sacramento, joined the diet trial to honor and benefit the women in her life. Wade's older sister died of breast cancer in 1990, leaving three daughters. And Wade, now 71, has two daughters herself.

"I'll buy the Eggbeater. I take the skin off the chicken," she says. She cooks collard greens with smoked turkey wings instead of fat. She makes sandwiches with turkey ham. What she learned in the WHI trial "has definitely changed my life," Wade says.

Study participants were assigned to one of two diet groups. One ate their normal diet, the other was asked to cut fat intake to 20 percent of total calories and eat at least five servings of fruits and vegetables and six of grains a day.

The world's junk food manufacturers may have breathed a collective sign of relief when papers published in the Journal of the American Medical Association on Feb. 8. showed that the women in the low-fat group didn't have a reduced risk of disease.

But there was one little fly in this soup. Hardly any of the women to 20 percent. And fruit and vegetable intake only went up by about a serving a day. In other words, nobody stuck to the diet, says JoAnn Manson, study researcher and chief of preventive medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

The women in the low-fat group only got down to 24 percent of calories from fat in year one of the study and were back up to 29 percent by year six. Not much of a drop when the average American is at 32 to 34 percent of calories from fat, she

So one of the most useful bits of information the researchers learned was simply how hard it is to get people to eat a diet that only gets 20 percent of its calories from fat. For an average woman, that means only the equivalent of two tablespoons of oil a day, Manson says.

Another problem is that the study didn't increase heart-healthy polyunsaturated fat and decrease heart-clogging saturated fat. That's because overall fat seemed to be the culprit when the study was being planned in the 1980s, says Kelly Brownell, director of the Rudo

managed to get their fat intake down Center for Food Policy and Obesity

at Yale University.

There's another big, on-going study called the Nurses' Health Study II that's found that 80 percent of heart attacks and strokes and 90 percent of Type II diabetes are preventable by lifestyle modification, says Walter Willett, a Harvard University professor who oversees

As for breast cancer, Willett says, 'We have seen that higher intake of animal fat, mainly high-fat dairy products and red meat, is related to higher risk of breast cancer, but that vegetable fat is not."

This is not the first time that Americans have faced conflicting diet information. A year ago, headlines proclaimed that being overweight will not necessarily kill you.

But excess weight is linked to higher rates of cancer, cardiovascular disease and Type II diabetes and those do kill, says Alice Lichtenstein, professor of nutrition science at Tufts University in

Sugary soft drinks quickly pave the road to dietary ruin

By Bryan Stamford GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

What's wrong with the American diet? Lots of things. But the one thing that stands out is our consumption of soft drinks and sweetened beverages.

They are the leading source of calories in the U.S. diet, replacing white bread, the food that reigned supreme for many years.

There's not much good you can say about white bread, but at least it contains some vitamins and nutrients. Soft drinks lack nutritional value.

A typical 12-ounce soft drink contains about 10 teaspoons of , sugar, water, a concoction of colorings and flavorings, and more than 100 calories.

⁰ Unfortunately, 12-ounce servings are going out of style. In the past four decades, bottles and cans

have progressed from about 7 ounces to 12 and now to 20 (with about 18 teaspoons of sugar per bottle).

Soft drinks are replacing healthier options. As little as 20 years ago, teens drank twice as much milk as sodas. This has been reversed, and there are many implications.

One is the reduced dietary calcium status of young women, which means less calcium is available for young bones during the years when the bones are supposed to be warehousing extra calcium to help keep them strong into old age.

Put another way, reduced calcium storage in the teenage years greatly increases the odds of osteoporosis later in life.

Are we consuming less fat? The soft drink scourge helps explain a seeming inconsistency: The consumption of fat in the

American diet has been reduced in the past two decades by several percentage points to about 34 percent of total calories. Even so, our society is not only getting progressively fatter, we are getting fatter

The reduction in fat intake as a proportion of total calories should be good news, because we know that too much fat in the diet makes our bodies fat.

It also contributes to a variety of chronic diseases that disable and kill us in epidemic proportions. So how is it possible that the

percentage of fat intake is down. but the incidence of obesity is skyrocketing?

The answer is we are still taking in about the same amount of fat we did several years ago. Unfortunately, this same amount of fat now represents a lower percentage, because the total number

of calories consumed daily has increased.

And where has this increase in calories come from? You guessed it. Sugary drinks —liquid candy!

Research is finding that, not surprisingly, obesity rates are highest among those who consume the most soft drinks. In contrast, those who consume more low-fat milk and 100 percent orange juice tend to weigh less.

If you are among the millions of Americans who consume soft drinks each day, consider dropping iust one of them.

If you do, and all other aspects of your diet and lifestyle stay the same, you will save about 100 calories a day.

Extended over a year, you can lose more than 10 pounds of body fat (and more if you drop one of the 20-ouncers.)

That's not much of a dietary

change to make, but it pays huge dividends in the long run. If this doesn't attract your atten-

tion, consider the additional pounds of fat you will gain next year if you don't. Thankfully, we finally have

begun making modest inroads toward changing the availability of soft drinks in vending machines in' our public schools. It's amazing that the battle to get this done was so heated and the

resistance so great, even though the incidence of obesity in the nation's children is increasing at an alarming rate and the association with soft drink consumption is My hat is off to all those who

took on this fight and dedicated themselves to educating and persuading those who should know

Obesity and the health compli-

cations it brings are closing fast, and soft drinks are the arch villains responsible for a good part of the stranglehold obesity has on our youth, and society in general.

In many ways, soft drinks are like sugary-sweet cigarettes, with similar health-destroying potency.

It's time we realized the truth about soft drinks and demonized them as we have cigarettes.

Bryant Stamford is an exercise physiologist and director of the Health Promotion and Wellness Center at the University of Louisville. If you have questions about sports injuries, health, exercise or fitness, write to Body Shop, Gannett News Service, care of The Courier-Journal, 525 Broadway, P.O. Box 740031. Louisville, Ky. 40201-7431, or email bryant(AT)louisville.edu.



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Scoreboard: Northville gets big early-season victories

First place finishes included 3200 relay team of Lindsay Hagan, Mary Sprader, Ashley Flohr and Bryn Smetana (10 13), Emily Kreichelt (100 dash in 12.5 and 200 dash in 27.2), Bryn Smetana (400 meters in 100). Ashley Flohr (800 run in 2:30): Lindsay Hagan (mile run in 5/33); Jenny Murphy (two-mile run in 12:21), 800 relay team of Bryn Smetana, Parge Stuart, Daniella Drury and Kreichelt (1 49), and 1600 relay team of Kreichelt. Gretchen Warner, Sprader and Smetana (4·24)

Second place finishes included. Jackte Bolinger (shot put throw of 26.4), Flavia Gaeta (discus throw of 80-7); Tori Garland (high jump of 4-7); Rachel Deneau (pole vault of 8-0); O Malley King (100 hurdles in 162), Sarah Rush (100 dash in 13.1); Jenny Murphy (mile run in 5:50); Daniella Drury (400 meters in 1.04). Mary Sprader (300 hurdles in 518): and Paige Stuart (200 dash in

Lacrosse takes loss to Novi

The Novi lacrosse team got over Southgate Anderson.

""The bats just haven't come alive quite yet. That was the story of this game. I think offensively we will begin to turn it around."

> John Kostrzewa Northville Baseball Coach

the best of Northville last week. edging them 11-8 in a nonleague game.

Zach Elker led Northville with four goals while Kyle Ziomek had two goals and one assist. Jackson Doyle added one goal and one assist.

coaching "Since Northville, I believe it was the most intense game the boys have played," said coach Greg Durham, "They showed a lot of grit and poise playing one of the better programs in the state."

Softball starts undefeated

The Northville Mustangs softball team earned three straight wins with a doubleheader handling of South Lyon. 12-0 and 12-3, and a 6-4 victory

South Against Lyon. Northville's Jenna Dumbleton earned a shutout in the first game. Offensively, Emma Wise went 5-for-7. Laura Zima went 4-for-6, Emily Doren went 3for-3 and Allison Holmes went 2-for-3 and earned the pitching win in the second game.

Sarah Rounsifer, a freshman, went 1-for-1 with a triple, a sacrifice fly and two walks in the first game. "It was a totally team effort

all around," said coach Teryn Fox, "Jenna and Allison pitched well, defense was great and the bats were on fire. Against

Dumbleton earned the victory while Zima and Wise each had

Northville is now 3-0 on the

the mind.

SHARON STONE

Against South Lyon, Tim Parent and Bret Spencer combined for a one hit game and nine strikeouts while Drew Lefesnew, Joe Mitchell and Anthony Hutting each had RBI

We played very well defensively and our catchers Mike Deluca and Joe Mitchell did a fine job for their first varsity Kostrzewa.

"The bats just haven't come alive quite yet," Kostrzewa said. That was the story of this game. I think offensively we will begin to turn it around."

Bryce Jenney earned win with eight strikeouts over three innings and also hit a two-run home run. Bret Spencer and Abba Cheaib had two RBI dou-

In the second game Spencer earned the win with no runs and

Baseball starts with wins

earned a 3-1 victory in their opener against South Lyon before splitting their weekend with Lahser.

said coach John

Against Lahser, Northville won the opening game, 8-3, before dropping the nightcap, 2-

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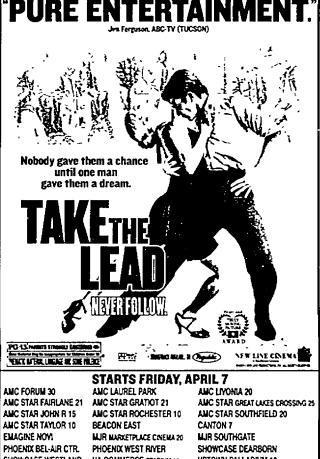
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Home Owners...Do you have Well Water & Septic?

Wells: The quality of well water depends upon the type of well and the ground conditions in your area. A well collects water that filters down through the soil and seeps into the well. In some cases there may be an aquifer, which the well is tapped into. If the well is to shallow, it may be contaminated by dury runoff water, and if it is to deep, it may contain sulfur and other minerals. Wells should be tested regularly for bacteria, chemicals and other debris. Remember water that has a bad odor or taste could be dinikable, and clear water with good or no taste mat be contaminated. This is why it is very important to have the well water check regularly.

Well Pumps are used to bring the water from the well and place it into a storage tank until needed. Submersible pumps with an electric motor are submersed into the well let pumps, where the pump is located above ground, is a motorated version of the old hand pump. Puping to the storage tank is filled with air or a dapphragmibladder. The air is compressed and when there is a demand for water the air forces the water from the tank. Typical pressure for a tesidential short cycling. This is an indication of a leak in the storage tank. Another symptom is when the pump starts and stops frequently this is called short cycling. This is an indication of a leak in the storage tank. Another symptom is when the pump starts as soon as a faucet is turn on. If you hear the pump inning, at long intervals while no water is being used this could also indicate a leak in the main pipe, or a leak in the foot valve.



HOW TO ENSURE A PROPER SUPPLY OF WELL WATER:

- Ensure a properly sized storage tank for your family's needs
- Check the motor, storage tank, electrical ground, filters, and air control for sinks of leaks and corrosion
- Install a filter system to temove bacteria and particles as well as eliminate odors
- Consider a water softener if you water contains minerals
- Have a water quality test perform every 2 years to ensure the water is safe for your family and the well has not had any underground seepage occur to con-taminate the well water

Septic System: The septic tank is a watertight container located underground, for holding the waste water form the home. This allows sewage to be decomposed by bacterial action into a liquid and sludge. The sludge settles to the bottom of the tank and the liquid and scum rises to the top. The liquid is dispersed into the septic field area. The septic tank is generally about 10 feet from the house and is recommend to be 100 feet from the well (lot size permitting). For some small lots approval has been given for 55 feet of separation. The liquid get to the filed from the tank by a distribution systems of pipes leading into the field area. These pipe are perforated and are laid out over the entire field area to properly disperse the liquid into the soil. The make up of the soil is very important for proper operation of the entire system. A good mixture of soil, sand and gravel is required to have a good field. A heavy clay field is not recommended. This can be checked and venfied by a certified professional.

SIGNS OF TROUBLE WITH THE SEPTIC SYSTEM:

• Do not have any plants, bushes or trees growing over the septic field area

- If you have areas of burnt grass over the field this could be an indication that the system has failed or is failing
- Sewage odors in the house drains Field area has standing was
- spongy areas indicates too much water in the system which could indicate a clog pipe/s
- If you see black oily liquid on the surface, or waster water backing up in the house this is signs of a serious problem

HOW TO ENSURE A PROPER SEP-TIC SYSTEM OPERATION:

• Dispose of solids appropriately – do not put cooking grease, cigarette butts or paper towels down drains or toilets

- Avoid doing multiple loads of laundry and/or dished in one day Ensure all rain water and sprinkler sys-tems water is diverted away from the septic field area
- It is not recommend to have the waste water from a water softener drain into the septic system as this does not break down easily and could clog system
- It is not recommend to have a heavy use of a garbage disposal when using a septic system, and only certain items when it is used
- Have the septic tank pumped every 3

 4 years. This depends on the size of the tank, number of people living in the home, amount of water used (showers, clothes/dish washing cycles, number of tollets, etc.)

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Bell's Landscape Services, located at 28401 Haas Road in Wixom, provides a wide array of services for customers seeking ultimate curb appeal. (Left-Right) Dave Crain, Breeann Castiglione, Ron Falkewiez, Marcy Bell, Mike Bell and Scott Bell (inside truck).

Bell's Landscape Services

Dependability and experience matter most

Bell's Landscape Services, Inc. of Wixom has been a name to trust for 34 years. Family owned and operated, owner Mike Bell has built his loyal customer base by providing quality workmanship and personal service.

Bell's prides themselves on the diverse range of services they offer, from Landscape installation to Grounds Maintenance Services. Not only do they maintain residential homes, they maintain homeowners associations common areas, condominium and apartment complexes. office, retail and industrial sites, too.

Mike Bell says, "His philosophy is to be able to provide clients with quality services and not have them have to deal with several contractors. We can do it all ... one call can have your property managed for the season.

From start to finish, Bell's will create, construct, design and install an award-winning landscape on your site. As a licensed builder, Bell's Landscape Services can install a custom deck, retaining wall or gazebo; complete that with brick paver walkways and patio. Enjoy evenings outdoors and improve security by installing landscape lighting. Water features such as ponds and fountains, creates a relaxing atmosphere for your home.

Many of Bell's landscape 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, who have stayed with them throughout the years. Not only is Bell's Landscape adding second generation staff, they are now getting clients whose parents have used Bell's services.

The sales staff at Bell's will meet with clients to personalize their landscape space. "This is their home or business and their input is very important," says Mike Bell.

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.

"Dual-income families make up 70 percent of households today, and most don't have the time to maintain their landscape," said Bell. "My customers rely on me to take care of their grounds maintenance needs

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 flower beds. Seasonal services include those big jobs like spring and fall cleanup, the jobs that can be so overwhelming and time consum-



Bell's Landscape Services provides various services.

many beautification awards for their design and maintenance from their local city officials. In addition to their routine maintenance, they also offer professional parking lot sweeping and maintenance for commercial buildings and subdivisions. During the winter season they offer professional snowplowing and salting services.

Forget shopping around with several vendors. Bell's philosophy is simple: offer a complete . range of services with professional results. While some landscape 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 Township for the past 17 years. They have been active supporters to the schools and community since they moved here.

Scott Bell, Vice President of

Bell's commercial property Grounds Maintenance Division customers have also received Sales; Ron Falkewicz, Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, Dave Crain, Landscape Construction Supervisor; Mike Goolsby, Parking Lot Maintenance; and Breanne Castiliglone, Landscape Design and Horticulturist. Together they have over 50 years of combined experience in the landscape industry. They are a dedicated group of men and women 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 par-ticipate in the new, (CLT) Certified Landscape Tech program, along with attending many trade seminars throughout the

"It's part of an effort to show a higher level of professional-

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ism," said Bell.

Bell's Landscape is licensed and insured, which is another guarantee that clients will receive quality work. To ensure prompt service they also own; maintain and repair all of their own equipment. Their service region covers a thirty mile radius that encompasses a wide area north to M-59 and south to I-94 west to D-19 and east to Telegraph Rd.

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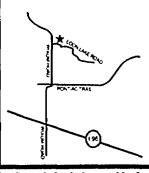
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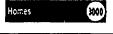
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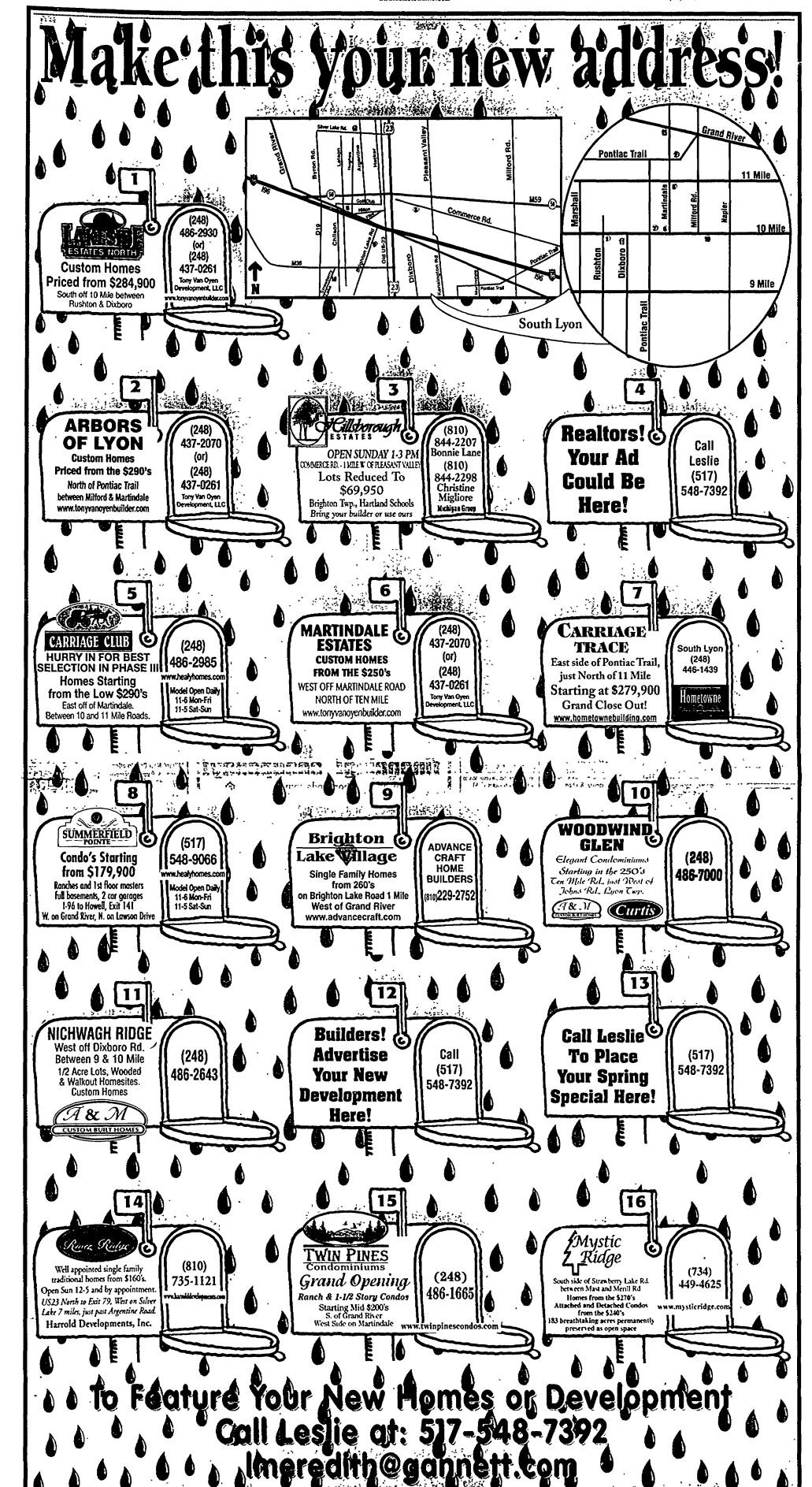
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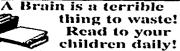
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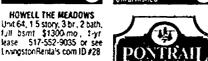
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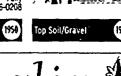
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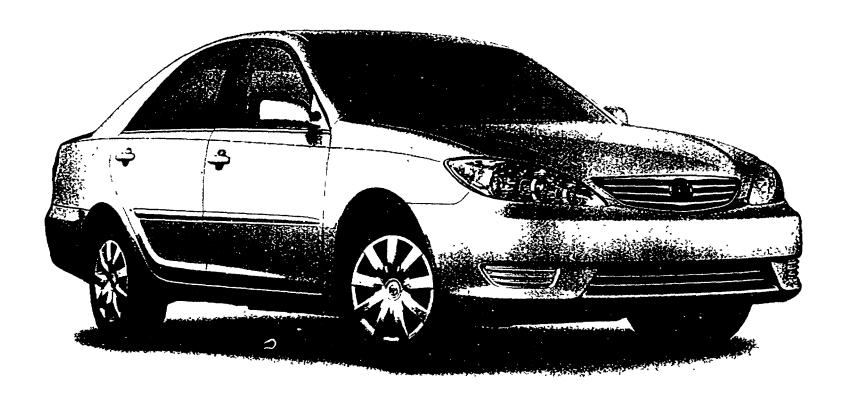
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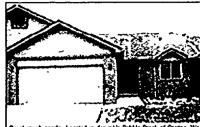
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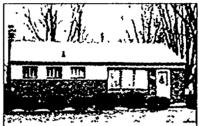


Beautiful ranch. 3 bd brick ranch in popular Holiday Park sub-likely maintained, Family Room wifing, attached Garage, beautiful cak Kitchen



New construction. This home offers 4 bd 35 baths, 3400 sq ft, 8, walkingt borth. Add to this an oversized 3 car garage island kitchen with the same of the same strong room istudy withuit insi 3 freplaces. 8 low York twp raises, \$549,900 (P-056EM)





Picture perfect. Great curb appeal ears targe tenced lot, absolutely mericulous inside & out. Seatiful hard floors. Big ticket updates include at brand new concrete tear of noof copper pumbing. & more \$169.500 (IP-674GR)



Ranke lot in Ehrona. Great location for this spaceus ranch of ering 3 bit formal living room, family room, 8 raised hearth first likes updates include minders furnate root carret, Korhen floor siding gutters garage door 8 more Ca8 todays \$234,900, P \$25(E).



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Irresistible Darling 3 bd, 2 bath ranch of ening finished bort, Florid room fantastic yard. & prime Cambri location. Don't miss out on the one! \$189,900 (P-847ME)



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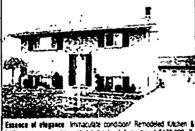


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45432 Augusta Dr	\$377,000
2208 Brookfield St	\$240,000
1577 Brookview Dr	\$211,000
6801 Chadwick Dr	\$270,000
4089 Cornerstone Dr	\$46,000
4107 Cornerstone Dr	\$46,000
4167 Cornerstone Dr	\$46,000
4185 Cornerstone Dr	\$46,000
1670 Defancy Ct	\$465,000
1525 Emerald Pines Dr	\$85,000
4098 Forest Bridge Dr	\$58,000
46927 Glengarry Blvd	\$495,000
47500 Hanford Rd	\$345,000
4159 Hunters Cir E	\$155,000
7049 Kennesaw Rd	\$485,000
43680 Laurelwood	\$196,000
47307 Northgate Dr	\$335,000
43940 Parkside St	\$251,000
1628 Peninsula Ct	\$259,000
4696 Pond Run	\$319,000
429 Princess Dr	\$200,000
1470 Rand Rd	\$230,000
3493 Riverside Dr	\$245,000
461 Robyn Dr	\$245,000
8352 Rolling Meadows Dr	\$553,000
320 Roosevelt St	\$258,000
42522 Saratoga Rd	\$152,000
44443 Savery Dr	\$97,000
44045 Somerset Sq	\$206,000
44033 Southampton Dr	\$235,000
1909 Stonebridge Way	\$409,000
49664 Taft Ln	\$135,000
50002 Thetford Ct E	\$475,000
40930 Westfield Cir	\$258,000

Farmington 25264 Branchaster Rd \$283,000 \$196,000 24016 Earl Ct \$175,000 33216 Flanders St 31831 Grand River Ave \$43,000 32090 Grand River Ave \$109,000 29461 Juneau Ln \$259,000

SOOTS EARSDUFY LIT	\$ 240,000
23828 Wilmarth St	\$187,000
Farmington H	ills
24819 Arden Park Dr	\$287,000
25079 Chapelweigh Dr	\$305,000
37618 Dorchester Dr	\$340,000
21721 Flanders St	\$234,000
29294 Glen Oaks Blvd W	\$190,000
26057 Hidden Valley Dr	\$354,000
29235 Laurel Or	\$173,000
29939 Mullane Dr	\$280,000
30414 Orchard Lake Rd	\$138,000
20904 Parker St	\$141,000
30226 Pipers Ln	\$263,000
22541 Vacri Ln	\$300,000
30024 W 12 Mile Rd	\$74,000
28474 Wildwood Trl	\$215,000

29939 Mullane Dr	\$280,000
30414 Orchard Lake Rd	\$138,000
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24483 Wistaria Dr	\$240,000
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31540 Alvin St	\$101,000
29671 Balmoral St	\$118,000
1722 Belton St	\$121,000
29016 Dawson St	\$94,000
31460 Donnelly St	\$200,000
31429 James St	\$122,000
33131 Kathryn St	\$128,000
6256 Lathers St	\$130,000
28585 Maplewood St	\$135,000
33217 Pierce St	\$123,000
Livonia	
14956 Alexander St	\$124,000

\$100,000

\$227,000

\$259,000

24667 Bashian Dr

44700 Bayyiew Dr

34969 Andrea Ct

11300 Auburndale St

9924 Blackburn St

32902 Brookside Cir	\$323,000
32907 Brookside Cir	\$276,000
18506 Deering St	\$125,000
18668 Fairway St	\$245,000
9935 Garden St	\$170,000
35450 Gardner St	\$370,000
20093 Gill Rd	\$140,000
19008 Gillman St	\$124,000
29644 Grandon St	\$176,000
16291 Inkster Rd	\$190,000
33119 Kentucky St	\$75,000
37473 Kingsburn Dr	\$348,000
38321 Ladywood Ct	\$255,000
9301 Lathers St	\$167,000
18716 Levan Rd	\$247,000
29725 Mark Ln	\$195,000
9620 Mayfield St	\$189,000
11303 Melrose St	\$284,000
35688 Minton St	\$168,000
9065 Newport Way	\$180,000
27601 Oakley St	\$100,000
20129 Rensellor St	\$117,000
31038 Roycroft St	\$200,000
33135 Scone St	\$242,000
20205 Shadyside St	\$268,000
19990 Southampton Dr	\$368,000
32931 Southgate St	\$280,000
32940 Summers St	\$192,000
18596 Sunset St	\$185,000
20246 Sunset St	\$220,000
14310 Susanna St	\$215,000
28242 Terrence St	\$206,000
18385 University Park Dr	\$107,000
18851 Van Rd	\$380,000
36039 Whitcomb St	\$258,000
33614 Wood St	\$207,000
14094 Woodside St	\$226,000
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43379 Ashbury Dr	\$354,000

50585 Billenca Dr	\$611,000
28556 Carlton Way Dr	\$210,000
21685 Chase Dr	\$590,000
45787 Cider Mill Rd	\$271,000
45107 Courtview Trl	\$377,000
25514 Danyas Way	\$133,000
50269 Drakes Bay Dr	\$722,000
50672 Drakes Bay Dr	\$1,186,00
50943 Drakes Bay Dr	\$826,000
26328 Fieldstone Dr	\$317,000
26432 Fieldstone Dr	\$321,000
22237 Hazelton Ct	\$510,000
23033 Heatherbrae Way	\$310,000
40535 Ladene Ln	\$290,000
44922 Lafayette Dr	\$143,000
31171 Livingston Dr	\$169,000
25852 Lochmoor Ln	\$393,000
42142 Loganberry Rdg N	\$250,000
25103 Newberry Dr	\$330,000
24435 Olde Orchard St	.\$121,000
24929 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$568,000
24931 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$574,000
21921 Shadybrook Dr	\$275,000
24672 Simmons Dr	\$245,000
27954 Stockton Dr	\$262,000
23443 Stonehenge Blvd	\$124,000
25147 Sullivan Ln	\$363,000
25130 Sutton Ct	\$609,000
39848 Village Wood Cir	\$104,000
22646 Woolsey	\$133,000
21913 York Mills Cir	\$545,000
Plymouth	
49656 Ash Ct -	\$595,000
11841 Beacon Hill Dr	\$366,000

39848 Village Wood Cir	\$104,000
22646 Woolsey	\$133,000
21913 York Mills Cir	\$545,000
Plymouth	
49656 Ash Ct	\$595,000
11841 Beacon Hill Dr	\$366,000
11469 Brownell Ave	\$205,000
41453 Greenbriar Ln	\$192,000
13259 Haverhiii Dr	\$320,000
823 Irvin St	\$325,000
13229 Karl Dr	\$396,000
231 Pinewood Cir	\$126,000
112 Pinewood Dr	\$126,000

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2044 Talltree Dr
1158 Trillium Ln
1822 Turkey Run
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25751 Beech Ct
6772 Beech Daly Rd
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11822 Turkey Run	\$239,000
827 W Ann Arbor Trl	\$644,000
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25751 Beech Ct	\$173,000
16772 Beech Daly Rd	\$120,000
14009 Brady	\$125,000
25888 Cathedral	\$193,000
14031 Centralia	\$153,000
12135 Columbia	\$159,000
19465 Daiby	\$100,000
15595 Delaware Ave	\$137,000
17445 Denby	\$150,000
18860 Denby	\$121,000
20488 Denby	\$100,000
13560 Dixie	\$125,000
24788 Donald	\$164,000
11348 Garfield	\$95,000
11399 Garfield	\$137,000
12852 Garfield	\$140,000
18241 Garfield	\$100,000
19610 Garfield	\$77,000
20589 Garfield	\$138,000
17720 Glenmore	\$190,000
9256 Jerome	\$160,000
26790 Joy Rd	\$48,000
15408 Leona Dr	\$119,000
16557 Lexington	\$141,000
26221 Margareta	\$117,000
19481 Negaunee	\$100,000
19151 Olympia	\$80,000
19544 Olympia	\$125,000
24920 S Sylbert Dr	\$144,000
25036 S Sylbert Dr	\$155,000
8876 Salem	\$146,000
15143 Salem Ct	\$135,000
9601 Sarasota	\$179,000
10038 Virgil	\$127,000
26341 W Seven Mile Rd	\$69,000

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120 Wakenden	\$138,00
136 Winston	\$171,000
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Q. One of our members tripped and fell over a crack in the driveway in front of her unit. She is threatening to sue the association for negligence claiming the association failed to repair the crack even after she had told the association about it. The board indicates that it had no duty to repair the crack because it was a trivial defect and was not dangerous. Do you think the association has a liability?

A. Based upon the composition of the Supreme Court of Michigan, and based upon a California court ruling recently, I do not believe the association would have any liability because the crack apparently on the sidewalk was not more than 1-2 inches high and it was, therefore, at least in California, trivial unless other conditions existed that made it dangerous. In a California case, the court said that examples of other conditions that could make the crack dangerous included broken pieces or jaded edges of pavement, and things that concealed the crack, such as debris, grease, or water. But if no such conditions existed in that instance, the



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court said the defect was trivial and not dangerous and that the association had no duty to repair it. That does not mean that the association should not consider taking care of cracks to the extent that it deems it

appropriate to do so.

Q. Our condominium association shares a road with an adjoining property owner which is relatively narrow but each entity owns one half of the road. Our association has a right of way over the adjacent property owner's portion. The association is threatening to sue the adjacent property owner to force him to stop letting his enants park on the portion of the road over which it has a right of way. The association is claiming that by letting his tenants park on that portion of the road, the adjoining property owner is interfering with the association's members use of the road. The adjacent property owner is claiming that because he owns one half portion of the road the association was complaining about, he could allow his tenants to park there. What do you think?

A. In a similar case out of Massachusetts. the court ruled that because the road in question was so narrow, the adjoining property owner was causing a nuisance by letting his tenants park there. The court explained that according to the properties' deeds, the association's members had the right to use the road without interference so the court indicated that the adjoining property owner could no longer allow his tenants to park on the road other than temporarily such as to unload groceries.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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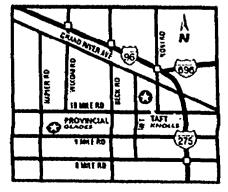
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On awesome private lot backing to preserve. 9 ft ceilings on 1st fl, dual staircases 3.5 car gar, unfin full w/o 2 story FR w/lp, hwd in foyer, half BA, DR & lot , spac mstr ste w/2-way FP, cath ceiling MLS #26028224 (248) 347-3050



Custom built spacious Strathmore colonial, 25 car gar, bridge overlooks 2 story FR, custom kit w/tons of cabinets, Corian counters, sunroom fin bsmt w/2nd kit wet bar rec rm, bath & office w/closet MLS #26007615 (248) 347-3050



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Exceptional Cape Cod Condo w/wooded lot prof decorated First fl mstr BA. handicap accessible, tab kit w/granite counters & island, open Loft w/o basement 25 car gar MLS #26047805 (248) 347-3050



Magn.ficent unbelievable price Dramatic 2 stry foyer w/art alcove, vaulted LR/DR Lib w/crown molding, gournet kit w/hardwood fir, dble oven, linuny master ste, fabulous fin LL w/theater! MLS #26043032 (249) 642-2400



Gorgeous new construction Open fir plan 9 ft ceilings, kit w'desk area, island, WI pantry, cherry cab 2 stry foyer/GR w'gas FP Formal DR, lib'den 1st II laundry Mstr ste w/sriting rm w/full bath MLS #26031355 (248) 437-4500



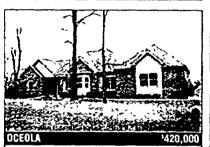
Sprawling gorgeous ranch wooded 2 acre Kit remodeled in '03 w/cherry cab, stainless appls & grante counters, fin w/o (addi 1800 sq. ft.) w/FR, study, bath & wet bar MLS# 26032279 (248) 347-3050



Cape Cod, 5 4 acres w/24x36 pole barn 3 gas FPs, cath ceiling oak tim 8 drs t'o Spac oak bit w/c ceramic tile, central vac, intercom on every fir W/0 bsert w/Fla rm hot tub Unfinish Bonus rm above garage MLS #26019457 (248) 437-4500



On large lot w/southern exposure to enjoy in-ground pool Master ste w/13x10 sitting area for nursery or exercise rm. Hwd firs in foyer, half BA & kit., P. fin. bsmt. w/rec. rm. & partial kit. 2.5 car. gar. MLS #26046472 (248) 347-3050



iorgeous custom ranch on 64 acre wooded fot in riestigious Moorlands Estates Builder's home Spac. Justom kri granite, maple cab, skylights, stainless sti ppl and 2-way fireplace. Fin bsmt and sunroom. MLS 26049220 (248) 437-4500



Beautiful custom home 5 acres, hrdwd firs, 1st fir master ste with beautiful master BA. Gorgeous kit, possible 4th bedroom 21x13 bonus room over garage MLS #26005778 (248) 437-4500



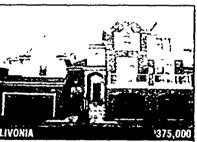
Immed occupancy! Private street witrees on side and across street, hirdwid firs in foyer, half bath, halfway, kit & family room Paver patio, p fin bsmt, wirec m, Corian counters in kit 1st fir laundry MLS #26021589 (248) 347-3050



This "Sheffield Estates #2" perfectly maintained throughout New Roof (04), custom window treatments oak firs under carpet in DR & foyer Newty decorated (05). Home warranty MLS #26048275 (248) 347-3050.



Perfection! Custom built 4 BD colonial located on a 1/2 acre wooded lot in Willowcreek Sub. Built in 1994 Formal DR. 20x16 FR fin. lower level w workroom, 1st fir. laundry. value-location! MLS #26036944 Party Zielinski (248) 345-5951



Spacious "Cartyle" model w/premium exterior location Open kit w/42" maple cabs & maple fir, Fir w bit-in maple cabs & marble gas FP, 9 ft ceilings on 1st fir 2nd fir laundry, fin Lt w/fuil bath MLS #26028483 (248) 347-3050



Job transfer - priced to sell! 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath newer subdivision with tennis court and park 3 car garage. Private backyard backs to woods. Finished basement! MLS #25108458 (248) 437-4500



Best value in Island Lake! Pristine 2 sty formal LR/DR FR w/fieldstone fireplace, gourmet kit w/grande resort amenities common pool, tennis courts trails & clubhouse MLS #26033926 (248) 347-3050



Enjoy this outstanding condo w'private wooded views walk out LR w'fipl 2 driwalls to private deck. Huge master widual W'C glamour wisoaking tub, shower dual sinks skylight neutral decor move-in condition! MLS #26049806 (248) 347-3050.



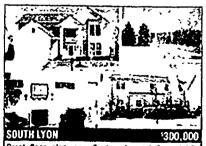
Transferees are sorry to say goodbye to this wonderful home & neighborhood! Great low traffic location in back of sub. Foyer features leaded from door & hdwd fir island kit is oak cab. spac. mstr. ste. so much more MLS #26030860 (248) 437-4500.



Fabulous Laurel Pk 4-BR colonial wimany updates! 2 Ther cedar deck, all appls say! Pergo firs in 11x2! Toyer 1st fir Indry 1st fi den fin bsmt & oversized garage. MLS #26045653 (248) 347-3050



Spectacular inside & outl 2 story w/upgrades galore! Spacious kit w/42" cabs, hrdwd ffr, eat-in nook w/french door to deck, FR w/fireplace, DR, Burliers pantry sturning master ste 25 car fin gar MLS #26042937 (248) 347-3050



Great floor plan, new 2 story beauty! Formal LR, formal DR, gournet kit w/hdwd fir, island, 42" cabinets FR w/firpic Stunning vaulted Master fireplace, jetted tub, 1st fl laundry MLS #26042999 (248) 347-3050

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Location 5 acres in Northville 4 BR home plus separate 2 BR apartment for in-laws. Home has over 2000 sf Fireplace in FR. Bring horses, near golf. MLS #25182679, (248) 437-4500



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Marry updates roof, siding, windows, furnace, C/A flooring, lighting, kritchen and Irg 1st fl laundry. Great area close to shopping and xway access. Seller will look at all offers. MLS #26001391 (248) 437-4500



Beautiful brick ranch, fin W/O bsmt, private lot Walking distance to Downtown Northwile Schools Newer windows, gorgeous howd firs, updated baths, heated solarium w/hot tub. 25 car gar MLS #26042481 (248) 347-3050



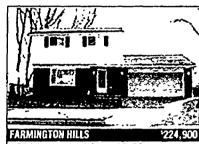
custom window treatments, spac for weating area and appl. Master bed w/priv bath, jetted tub, walk-ins, GR winp, full wall of windows. Lib and fin bsmt. MLS #26002735 (248) 437-4500



Premium location on golf course 3 BD, 35 BA in prestigious neighborhood. Marble foyer circular stauway. Professionally finished basement. MLS #24135585 (248) 437-4500



Exceptional Ranch Condo in popular Coves of Canton Ceramic foyer & baths, Open fliplan Beautiful gas FP w/mantie Driwall in DR leades to prv deck, Full bsmt +1st fl laundry 2 car att gar MES #26034187 (248) 347-3050



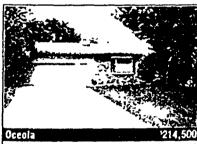
4 BR brk colonal 1 5 BA, Irg LR, DR, spac lut, new unyl siding, windows, carpets, gutters Hrdwd firs throughout Fenced in yard Lrg Rec rm in LL Move in condition MLS #26008182 (248) 437-4500



Convenient to Laurel Park Mall, 1467 st. 2 BD, 2.5 BJ convenient to Capter Park Mail, 1407 St, 2 BD, 2 S BA end unit. Marry extras 20x9 fin loft w/wet br, huge great rm w/gas frole Applis stay! 1st fl laundry, fin bsmt bath & pssss 3rd BD, 2 car att gar MLS #26043344 (248) 347-3050



Beautiful end unit ranch with high volume ceiling and brand new carpet throughout (2005) Prof fin bsmt w/2nd kit, family rm, office, and wet bar Private walled patio done in brick MLS# 26041820 (218) 347-3050



Picture perfect! Spacious quad on over 3/4 acre 4 bdrm, 2 BA, 2 car att gar Updates galore! 30 shingles, siding, windows, cak island kit, bath w/ Jacuzzi tub and skylight Beautiful hrdwd firs MLS #26007323 (248) 437-4500



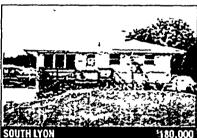
Country setting 25 acres, 3 BR, 2 full BAs, 1400 st ranch, full basement, att 2 car gar. This is a very nice home in a rural location that only needs your touch Estate sale. MLS #25124907 (248) 437-4500



Gorgeous end unit condo Updates include new kri-cabinets, corian, flooring, lighting HWH, A/C and furnace Gas fireplace, 2 car garage All appliances MLS #2603*846 (248) 437-4500



Everything updated & pristine, hrdwd firs thru-out, neutral decor finished bsmt w/new carpet, 2 car gar w/new door, new front & back landscaping w/brick paver walkway to patio! MLS #26043909 (248) 347-3050



Investors take a look! Possible rental home just N of South Lyon solid home with 100x300 lot 2 BD, 1 BA in location of possible future commercial growth-take a lock! MLS #25140002 (248) 437-4500



Ore Lake privileges! 3 BR. 2 BA ranch on 37 acres Open fir plan, great for entertaining Cathedral ceilings throughout. Over 1/3 acres lenced wimature trees MLS #26003757 (248) 437-4500



Wow! New construction at affordable price. Quality by local builder 3 Bd. 1 1/2 BA. 1st fi laundry. Open fir plan and spacious kitchen. Love the fron yard. MLS #25181913. (248) 437-4500.



Purchase this year round residence or 4 season

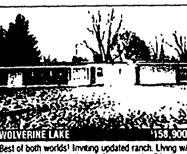


Enjoy subdivision fiving and privacy all in one! One of the largest lots in sub-1st fir mstr and laundry, 2 BD up, 3 BA, bsmt and 2 car gar Lovely oak lot willoads of cabinets. Move in condition! MLS #26017142 (248) 437-4500





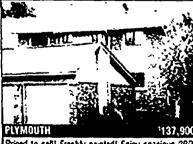
4 bedroom, 2 bath brick charmer. Updates galore ideal location with front of house facing fabulous part and baltfield! MLS #25166416 (248) 437-4500



Best of both worlds! Inviting updated ranch. Living w/ Wohenne Lake privileges. Newer main BA, furn, HWH, water softner, & doors. Fresh as a dassy. Enjoy the new year in this warm friendly home!! MLS each use of year 124, 124, 2050.



Great opportunity to own a highly upgraded Cherry Hill Place condo. Open floor plan, vaulted ceilings, separate bdrm suites w/WICs, professionally painted throughout, all new appliances. Unbelievable! Imm occ? MLS #26049322 (248) 347-3050.



Priced to sell Freshly painted! Enjoy spacious 28D/ 28A w/secure bldg entry FP in LR w/dming area. New furnace w/humdfer 04, newer roof 03. Digital thermo, ceramic tile entry. Home warranty. Bring all offers MLS #26010363 (248) 646-1800.



Over a quarter acre w/a fenced yard and Livonia schools 2 BR, bsmt and gar Updates include siding windows and doors, roof, electrical, heating plumbing and paint. Wet plaster, cove ceiling and hardwd firs. MLS #26036088 (248) 437-4500

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Building Industry Association

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan will offer:

- A Builder's License Preparation
 Course, 6-9 p.m. Thursdays, April 6, 13,
 20 and 27, at BIA headquarters, 30375
 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in
 Farmington Hills. The course, presented
 by NCI Associates, is designed to prepare
 students for the Michigan Residential
 Builder's License Examination. Fees are
 \$200 per class for BIA or Apartment
 Association of Michigan members,
 guests and nonmembers. To register, call
 (248) 862-1033.
- A field superintendent designation course, "Office and Subcontractor Relations," 8 a.m. to noon Tuesday, April 18, at BIA headquarters, 30375
 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Chuck Breidenstein of Builders Professional Services will identify how to spot promising characteristics as well as how to recruit subcontractors. Fees are \$145 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.
- An Effective Business Management Seminar, "Masonry Veneer: What Really Works?" from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. A representative from the Masonry Institute of Michigan will speak. Fees are \$20 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$40 for nonmembers and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.
- *Negotiation Skills," 8:30-10 a.m.
 Wednesday, April 19, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Speakers will be Janine LaPorte and Rick Weaver of Executive Image Group. Fees, including continental breakfast, are \$40 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$60 for nonmembers and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.
- Effective Business Management
 Seminar, "When Do You Need To Go
 Condo?" from 8:30-10 a.m. Tuesday, April
 25, at BIA headquarters, 30375
 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in
 Farmington Hills. Speakers will be Gregory
 J. Gamalski of Cox, Hodgman & Giamarco

and H. William Freeman of Freeman, Cotton & Norris. Fees are \$20 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$40 for nonmembers and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

- BIA's Sales and Marketing Council will sponsor "IRM III Lifestyle Merchandising, Advertising and Promotion Strategies" 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, April 26-27, at Charter One Bank in Troy. Speakers will be Dottie Faucet of HomeBuilder.com and Georganne Derick of MIRM, Merchandising East and MS Interior Design. Fees are \$375 for SMC members and \$425 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members. To register, call (248) 862-1033.
- Remodelors Council will offer a Certified Graduate Remodelor seminar, "Profitable Sales," 6-8:30 p.m.
 Wednesday, April 26, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Speaker Michael Stone will address marketing and advertising, sales calls and more. Fees are \$50 for Remodelors Council members, \$60 for BIA or AAM members and \$75 for guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

Apartment Association

The Apartment Association of Michigan will offer:

- A professional maintenance course by the association's Property
 Management Council, 9:30 a.m. to 4
 p.m. Monday, April 24, at AAM headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway,
 Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. The
 PMC's Refrigerant Recovery Course will
 give maintenance professionals who
 maintain, service, repair or dispose of
 appliances that contain regulated refrigerants the opportunity to be certified in
 compliance with the Federal Clear Air
 Act. Fees are \$85 for members and
 guests. To register, call (248) 862-1004.
- Property Management Council will offer a "Super Leasing Extravaganza" program 8:30 a.m. to noon Friday, April 28, at AAM headquarters, 30375

 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Kathleen Mabie of Success on Suite will speak on the leasing process, including knowing your product, information gathering, relationship selling and follow-up. Fees are \$69 for PMC members, \$79 for AAM or Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan members, \$99 for guests. To register, call (248) 862-1004.

Oakland Builders Institute

Oakland Builders Institute will offer the following classes:

- Livonia Community Education in cooperation with the institute will offer an eight-hour seminar, "Basement Remodeling," 6-10 p.m. Monday/ Wednesday, April 24 and 26, at Holmes Middle School, 16200 Newburgh, Livonia. It is designed to help people make better use of space by planning and completing a remodeling. Cost is \$101 plus \$10 for textbook and materials payable to teacher. Spouse's discount is half of the tuition. Pre-registration by Thursday, April 20, to Livonia Community Education. (734) 744-2602.
- Henry Ford Community College in cooperation with the institute will offer an eight-hour seminar, "Basement Remodeling," 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/ Thursday, April 25 and 27, at the Dearborn Heights campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail. Cost is \$95 for residents plus \$10 for textbook and materials, or \$104 for nonresidents plus \$10 for textbook and materials. Spouse's discount is half of the tuition. Pre-registration by Friday, April 21, to Henry Ford Community College. (313) 317-1500.
- Waterford Community Education in cooperation with the institute will offer a 16-hour seminar, "How To Build Your Own Home," 6-10 p.m. Monday/ Wednesday, April 24, 26, May I and 3, at Mott High School, 1151 Scott Lake Road, Waterford. Designed for those who want to contract their own home construction, it is also for those who wish to work with a builder. Cost is \$199 plus \$30 for text-books to instructor. Spouse's discount is half of tuition. Pre-registration by Thursday, April 20, to Waterford Community Education. (248) 682-1088.
- Berkley Community Education in cooperation with the institute will offer a 16-hour seminar, "How To Build Your Own Home," 6-10 p.m.

 Monday/Wednesday, April 24, 26, May 1 and 3, at the Tyndall Center, 14501

 Talbot, Oak Park. Seminar cost is \$190 plus \$30 for textbooks to instructor.

 Spouse's discount is half of the tuition.

 Pre-registration by Thursday, April 20, to Berkley Community Education.

 (248) 837-8900.
- Birmingham Community Education in cooperation with the institute will offer a 16-hour seminar to help you pass the Michigan state builder's license examination. The seminar will be 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday, April 25, 27, May 2 and 4, at Berkshire Middle School, 21707 W. 14 Mile, Beverly Hills. The course is for those who want to subcontract construction of their own homes, real estate investors and developers and building tradespeople. Cost is \$190 plus \$20 for the textbook and sam-

ple questions. Pre-registration by Friday, April 21, to Birmingham Community Education. (248) 203-3800.

Education in cooperation with the institute will offer an eight-hour seminar, "Basement Remodeling," 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday, April 25 and 27, at Andover High School, 4200 Andover Road, Room 133, Bloomfield Hills. Cost is \$95 plus \$10 for textbook and materials payable to teacher. Spouse's discount is half of the tuition. Preregistration by Friday, April 21, to Bloomfield Hills Community Education. (248) 433-0885. On the Internet, visit www.buildersinstitute.com.

Excellence Awards

The Property Management Council of the Apartment Association of Michigan has announced winners of its Apartment Management Industry Excellence Awards. Winners were recognized March 9 at an awards reception at the Novi Sheraton Hotel.

Maintenance Professional of the Year (Under 300 Apartment Homes) was Glenn James of Fourmidable in Farmington Hills. Receiving the Maintenance Professional of the Year (300 Apartment Homes or More) was Howard Goraj of Brody Companies in Bloomfield Hills. Leasing Consultant of the Year (Under 300 Apartment Homes) was Karen Bruce of Palazzolo Brothers in Sterling Heights. Leasing Consultant of the Year (300 Homes or More) was Stacie Rikard of Brody Companies in Bloomfield Hills.

The award for Resident Manager of the Year (Under 300) went to C.J. Gildersleeve of Singh Management in West Bloomfield. Resident Manager of the Year (300 or More) was awarded to Paige Rourke of Beztak in Farmington Hills. The winner for Associate of the Year was Karen Wischmeyer of Premier Apartment Staffing Services in Farmington Hills.

Receiving the award for Property
Manager of the Year was Cheryl
Schilling of Concord Management in
Livonia. Winning the award for
Distinguished Service to the Industry
was Dan Lumm of Concord
Management in Livonia. Heritage Park
Apartments of DHS Management in
Birmingham was recognized for Best
Print Media. Best Decorated Model was
Cider Mill Village – Singh Management
of West Bloomfield.

Property of the Year (Under 15 Years) was awarded to Village of Fox Creek - Rock Management in Livonia. Property of the Year (15 Years or More) was Fountain Park Westland - Brody Companies in Bloomfield Hills.



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Awesome architectural delight. Custom ranch w/ 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, DR, den & FFL. Fin bsmt, tree lined approximately 2/3 acre lot. Oversized garage. Upgraded to the max. Must see. (T510LD) \$434,900 248-349-5600



WESTLAND

Livonia schools. This stunning colonial shows fike a model. Great floor plan with professionally finished basement & view of pond. Oversized garage and huge lot with deck.

(T21ALM) \$288,500 248-349-5600



LIVONIA

Best of the best. This stunning 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch shines. Updated country kitchen w/ appls. Full basement w/glass block windows. Spacious LR. Attached garage w/opener. (T91BAI) \$199,900 248-349-5600



Golfside W/O 3 BR, 2.5 BA Tanglewood condo immediately available. Large rooms, open floor plan 2-tier deck looks over 3rd fairway. 1st floor MBR and study. Seller ready to sell. (G28SAW) \$384,150 24 248-349-5600



CANTON

Gorgeous 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial. Newer roof, carpet, hrdwd fir, entry dr & custom blinds. BA w/Corian. Kit w/lt oak cabs & all appls. FR w/ natural Irole. Backs to commons area 248-349-5600 \$204,900



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Lovely 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial with open floor
plan built in 2001. Master suite w/WIC, private
BA & sitting room. Spacious kitchen, nook, FR,
LR & DR. Wiktwood Lake privileges.
(T25LAK) \$300,000 248-349-5600



1 IVONIA

Sharp and well maintained 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Open floor plan, hardwood floors, newer kitchen, windows, roof, fumace, A/C in 2003. LL W/O with daylight windows. Move in ready. (T11MAP) \$179,900 248-349-5600



WESTLAND

Absolutely beautiful 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath colonial with updates galore. Formal LR & DR, FFL, finished basement & gorgeous golf course view. Bright kitchen & corner fireplace in FR. (T35NEL) \$257,900 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH

Charming cape cod on comer country lot. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, basement & GR w/bay window, 3 car attached garage. Newer windows, terrific built-in dressers, storage & fenced yard. (T16BRO) \$259,800 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON

3 bedroom brick ranch w/finished basement. Ceramic floor in kitchen and Florida room. Newer windows, one car garage, 3rd bedroom is now a dining room. All newer appliances. (T55WAR) \$194,900 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE

4 bedroom, 3.1 bath colonial in one of Northville's finest sub. Boasts LR, DR, lib, 2-sty GR, kit w/WI pantry, mstr ste w/dual staircases & FFL. Neutral decor & southern exposure. \$599,900



NORTHVILLE

Gorgeous estate on prime approx 1 acre of private property. Custom upgrades throughout. Kitchen w/chocolate granite, professional Sub-Zero stainless appliances and much more. (T30PRI) \$724,900 248-349



NOVI

NUVI
Spacious 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath colonial w/loads of extras. Lg MBR w/huge WIC & BA. Jack & Jill bedrooms. Guest room w/bath. Professionally landscaped w/sprinklers & 3 car garage.
(T25BAN) \$539,000 248-349-5600



Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick ranch w/ extensive updates. Gorgeous kitchen w/SS appls and baths. Large lovely approx .6 acre lot. Gorgeous sunroom. Move in and enjoy. (T43BET) \$299,900 248-349-5600



Unique 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath ranch just under one acre. Spectacular wooded lot. Newer custom kitchen w/upgraded appls. Ceramic & bardwood 1/2 Proposition and a policy control of the contro hardwood Vo. Private wooded setting w/views (T28COT)



COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

Builders closeout. 4 bedroom, 3 car garage W/O bsmt, Andersen windows, huge master w/ whirlpool, gournet kitchen, library, crown molding, landscaping, sprinklers & much more. (T19PHI) \$431,900 248-349-5600



COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

Builders closeout. Cape cod w/first floor master, fibrary, GR w/soaring ceilings, 3 car garage, granite, sod & sprinklers. Still time to pick some colors and much more.





FARMINGTON HILLS

Condo convenience w/health care options. The only complex of its kind in area. Ranch w/2 bedrooms, 2 baths, FFL & attached garage. Nice & neutral. Super activity center on campus. (T72MUL) \$193,900 248-349-5600



Gorgeous 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath cape cod w/ neutral decor. Large kit w/brkfst mr, see thru frplc, mstr ste w/bow window & BA w/jetted tub. Extreme professional landscaping & large deck. (T21RED) \$429,900 248-349-5600



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new small sub. Vaulted GR witmic. Master ste. v/9 ceilings. Huge 3 car gar, Others avail 248-363-1200 \$308,900



Southwyck sub. 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 3 car garage. Custom kitchen w/granite counters, chen'y cabs, see thru frpic. Cul-de-sac, natural area location.

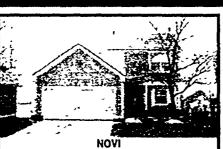


COMMERCE



acreage, 2 pond setting. Walk





Two story detached condo has fin w/o bsmt. Master bedroom/bath. 2 car attached garage. Kitchen has bay window, hardwood floor. Close to shopping and freeway access. (T13COL) \$214,500 248-363-1200

COMMERCE

Lake Sherwood lakefront, 3 bedroom, 3.5 bat

MILFORD



on premium lot overlooks pond & park. This home is handicap equip, including elevator to 3 levels, hrdwd firs, Ig ms, FF laundry. Fresh. (T71HUR) \$388,616 248-363-1200

Million dollar White Lake front sunsets here

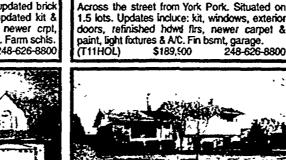


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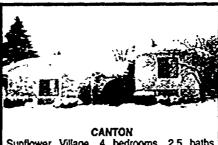


FARMINGTON HILLS

Backs to Copper Creek Golf Course. FF MBR.
2-sty GR wfirple, fib., DR, Ig fight & airy kirbridst
rm. Howd firs. Fin LL w/dayfight wndws, 2 rec ms, 4th BR/exer rm w/WIC & French doors. (T41GOL) \$439,900 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS Kendaliwood quad. Popular neighborhood. Kendaliwood quad. Popular neighborhood. ABR s, 3 full BA s. Big LR & FR. Basement has daylight windows. Updates include: C/A 05 windows, BA s, kit, hdwd fir entry. Private yard. (T32KIR) \$269,500 248-626-8800



VAN BUREN
Newer cape cod. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, oper

floor plan, maple kitchen w/island, ceramic master bath w/separate shower, great room w/

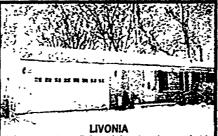
frpic, howd fir entry, 2 car att gar, FFL & bsmt.

734-455-5600

\$247,900

(T22DAN)

Sunflower Village. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, updates include: roof, windows, furnace, carpet, deck & the list goes on. 2 car attached garage, basement, FR w/frplc, formal DR & Ig eat-in kit. (T72CLA) \$240,000 734-455-5600



Desirable interior lot! Outstanding 2002, 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial offers upgrades, neutral decor & ready for you. Large master

734-455-5600

neutral decor & ready for you. Large maste suite w/WIC & bath, + 2 car att gar & full bsmt.

\$249,500

Private setting. Enjoy sitting by the pool this summer! Many updates include: roof, newer windows, siding, gutters, bath & driveway. Finished LL w/fireplace, 2 car attached garage. (T59MAY) \$198,800 734-455-5600



kitchen has newer ceramic floor, cabs &

countertops. Fin bsmt, updated baths, 2 car garage. Newer roof, furnace & A/C, Florida room (TS3SHI) \$174,900 248-349-5600

home w/2 car garage. Loads of updates. Sharp partially finished basement that just needs your final touch. Hardwood floors under carpeting.

(T71VIR) \$119,900 248-349-5600



Townhouse condo close to downtown, shopping & restaurants. Comfy 2 bedroom offers trpic &

att gar. Private bsmt for storage. BR balcony overlooks brook & woods. Immed Occup. (T95RIV) \$189,900 248-349-5600

Elegant cape cod situated on a cul-de-sac backing to the 5th tee w/treed buffer. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths w/profess fin bsmt w/2nd kitchen & room used as 4th BR. 3 car & view. (T44COU)



4.5 bath, mstr ste w/spa tub, vaulted ceiling, GR w/frpkc, maple kit, bonus rm w/2nd kit, tull w/o LL, 3 car garage. Huge deck w/wooded view T38CHE) \$319,000 248-363-1200



WATEHFORD

Come home to tranquility. This sharp 3-4 bedroom, 3 bath ranch sits on over an acre of wooded/landscaped property complete with waterfall. 40 x24 pole barn, finished basement. (T32MUR) \$320,000 24-363-1200 kitchen, deck with screened gazebo. Deluxe master suite. Beautifully landscaped. (788EXE) \$565,000 248-363-1200



4 bedroom w/lots of updates. Newer HWH, roof windows, siding, gutters & carpet. Finished basement, double front door entry, ceramic tile 1/o. Recessed lights, newer int doors 1/o. (F10GRE) \$289,900 248-626-8800



Country in the city. 3 BR brick ranch on wooder tot. New kit in 06 w/maple cabs, granite cntrs, heated fir. GR boasts nat frplc, cath ceiling & skylights. MBR w/walk-in closet. Hot tub in yd. (T40LAM) \$227,000 248-626-8800



Absolutely stunning. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial w/newer siding, windows, roof, furnace & kit cabs & flooring. Family room w/fmlc, 2 car attached garage & lg deck w/newer lumber top. (TOOLAD) \$299,900 734-455-5600 734-455-5600



5 star condo. 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths w/2 car attached garage, fin LL W/O, lib, 2 fireplaces, hardwood floors, loft overlooking great room, all appls, gated courtyard w/brick pavers & more. (T41BEA) \$389,900 734-455-5600



This spectacular 4 bedroom ranch sits high on hill on over 1 acre. Tons of updates, newer windows, roof, furnaces & more. Car lovers dream - 2nd 4 car heated garage. A must see. (T48ANN) \$549,900 248-349-5600



Beautiful kixury condo wifrontage on Northville Hills Golf Course. Custom kit w/42" cherry cabs, granite t/o. Hrdwd floor, custom lighting, upgraded appliances. Huge master w/fireplace. (T92LYO) \$369,900 248-349-5600



CLARKSTON Breathtaking views on Village distinctively ig custom 4 bedroom, 3 bath home, beautifully updated, gournet kitchen, hardwood floors, open floor plan, great indscpg, deck.

T75GLE) \$399,900 248-363-1200



custom built w/fin. walkout and 2 car gar. 120+
It. of frontage, sandy beach, dock & hoist.
Gorgeous inside and out. Panoramic views.

(T21COM) \$550,000 248-363-1200

Million totial winite take front sursets here.

Older home with contemp flair. Great weekend retreat or build VIP parking for 9 cars, roll in/out dock, 540 acres all sports lake fun.

(T38JAC) \$269,333 248-363-1200

WEST BLOOMFIELD
The perfect fit. New construction on premium lot overlooks pond, you'll love the quality t/o, high-end light & plumbing fixtures, granite tops, hdwd firs, 4 bedrooms, 3 5 baths, a gem (T28PEM) \$679,417 248-363-1200



Great neighborhood! 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, FR w/Irpic, updated kit w/eating space, formal DR, large lovely lot. Newer roof, windows, furnace, A/C, wonderful schools. This is a lovely home. (T43HEA) \$214,900 248-626-8800



Vacation at home. Lake frontage. Updated oak kitchen, carpet installed in November, very open floor plan. Wake up locking at Wolverine Lake. You will feel like you are on vacation.

(T73LAD) \$499,000 248-626-8800



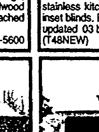
3 bedroom, 2.5 bath condo w/view of the whole, very open Wolverine Lake. tion.

248-626-8800

3 bedroom, 2.5 baar conto while will bath beautiful pond. Master suite offers WIC, full bath wigarden tub, fireplace in great room, formal dining room, appls, attached garage & fin bsmt.

(T69HUN) \$179,900 734-455-5600





Custom brick ranch. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath home whopen fit plan, GR wfirplc, skylights & doorwall to Florida rm, DR, FR, FFL, 2 car att gar, part fin bsmt, sprinklers & appls stay.

(T30BRO) \$239,900 734-455-5600

WESTLAND

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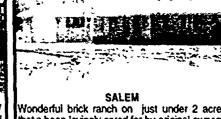
WESTLAND

A place to call home. Charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath colonial wheutral decor. Master ste w/Jacuzzi tub. Newer Pergo flooring. Large kitchen. Family room w/frplc. 2 furnaces, & above ground pool. Newer roof & furnace. (T69MAE) \$179,900 734-455-5600

(T57WAY) \$314,000 248-349-5600



Walk to town from this W/O condo. Maple/ stainless kitchen w/granite & Pella windows w/ inset blinds. Formal dining room. Master suite w/



Wonderful brick ranch on just under 2 acres that's been lovingly cared for by original owners.
Spacious bedrooms, large LR, 1 car att garage 8. 2nd garage w/workshop, 3 out buildings.
(T07CHU) \$265,900 248-349-5600 248-349-5600



WHITE LAKE
WOW. Incredible all sports takefront. This delightful cottage is situated on a very large waterfront lot on beautiful Round Lake. Property has great potential. A must see.

WHITE LAKE
This one of a kind sprawfing contemporary ranch offers picturesque golf course frontage and a fabulous indoor jetted swim spa 3-4 bedrooms, 5 full baths, full bsmt, 3 car garage (T22CLE) \$184,000 248-363-1200

WOLVERINE LAKE
Full lake privileges on all sports Wolverine Lake. Move in ready home has open kitchen, living room Beautiful bnck fireplace in FR, fenced yard, attached garage. Hardwood floors.

(T82PIN) \$187,500 248-363-1200

(T50HIG) \$364,900 248-626-8800

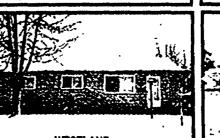


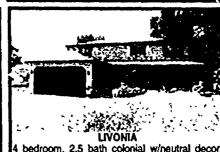




FARMINGTON HILLS
Welcome to elegance! 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath w/
LL w/o in private comn. Open fir plan, winding
stairs, gourmet kit, dechs, 2 frplos, skylights. Fin
LL w/home theater. 1 yrassoc paid by seller.
[T08LEG] \$369,900 248-626-8800









Immaculately maintained 4 bedroom, 2 bath home on just under 1 acre w/oversized 2.5 car garage, W/O LL, deck off DR & master suite with beautiful view. Even Ann Arbor Schools.

(T18MUN) \$224,900 248-349-5600

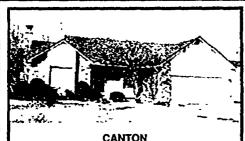
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Absolutely beautiful. 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch w/ tons of updates, plus newer landscaping, Florida room to deck, finished basement w/bar, 1st floor laundry & 2 car att garage. This one won t last. (T08PRE) \$233,900 734-455-5600



CANTON

Detached luxury condo. 1st fir master suite, elegant foyer leading to great room, dining room eat-in kit, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 car att gar & bsmt. Great deck off back for entertaining.

(T54VIS) \$289,900 734-455-5600



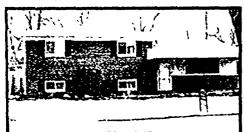
CANTON
Absolutety gorgeous. Marble frplc, skylight, professionally decorated. 3 bedrooms, fin bsmt, newer kit & flooring, beautiful new main bath in 2003, 1st floor laund & numerous updates.

(T32CHA) \$269,900 734-455-5600



SCIO TWP

Stunning contemporary sitting on prime lot in great location w/3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, open floor plan, kitchen to GR w/lrplc, master ste has WIC & full bath. Enjoy the lovely pond in back. (T10VER) \$299,970 734-455-5600



WESTLAND

Backs to Hines Park. Great location offering numerous updates Vo. Hardwood floors in LR hallways & bedrooms. Vinyl windows & 6 panel doors. Huge FR w/irplc, garage & fin bsmt. (T24WIN) \$188,000 734-455-5600



1930 s farm house on a large private lot offers 4 bedrooms, 2 ceramic baths, oversized 2 car garage, Florida room on the 2nd floor & 2 tiered deck off unique kitchen.

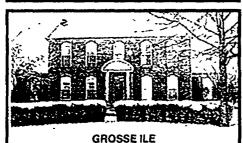
(T17JOH) \$223,000 734-455-5600



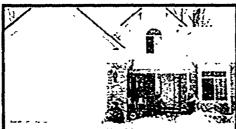
NOVI
Spacious condo. 2 bedroom, 2 bath unit overlooking protected wetlands. Great room w/ cath ceiling, gas frplc, master bedroom w/private bath. All appls, 2 car att gar & in unit laundry.



CANTON
Gorgeous condo overlooking park. Built in 2002 w/2 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceiling, great room, balcony, hwd firs, open kitchen w/island, all appls, DR, upgrades, CA & att gar w/storage. (T66CON) \$214,900 734-455-5600



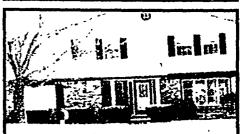
Brick stately manor. 5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, att gar, Pella windows, fireplace, kitchen w/Corian counters & island, hardwood floors, ceramic baths, FR, den, library, DR & fin bsmt w/bath. (T41MER) \$459,900 734-455-5600



WIXOM
Perfection plus. In this 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial built in 2002 offering 3 car attached garage, full basement, hardwood floors, bay window in DR, FR w/custom frplc & sprinklers (T71POT) \$324,900 734-455-5600



COMMERCE
Priced & designed to sell. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, sits on huge tucked away lot near lakes. Costly amenities & upgrades. HWH, floors, newer carpet, high ceilings, frpkc, fin LL W/O. (T60STA) \$358,000 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
A dream come true. 4 bedroom colonial mint condition w/open floor plan, FR w/firplc, Florida room from park & close to downtown Plymouth. Only minutes to expressways.

(T45ANN) \$269,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
Great curb appeal. 3 bedroom, 2 bath one of a kind ranch near downtown on a low traffic street. Large fenced yard, open floor plan w/FR to deck. Eat-in kitchen, master w/WIC & bath (T52ELM) \$204,500 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON
This could be yours. 3 bedroom, 3 bath ranch w/
2 car att garage, fin bsmt w/poss 4th bdrm. Oak
kitchen leads to 3 season room then to deck w/
gazebo. You will fove the open space.
(T94ALB) \$224,900 734-455-5600



SUPERIOR TWP
Surround yourself w/nature sitting on approx 14 acres This 2001 cape cod offers 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, master w/WIC & garden tub. Dining room 2.5 car attached garage, extra deep W/O LL.
(T44HAR) \$479,500 734-455-5600



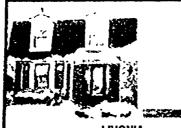
LIVONIA

A sparkling geml 3 bedroom, 3 bath ranch w/2 car att gar, part fin LL, FR w/gas fireplace, all appls, and endless updates. Wonderful landscaping with great curb appeal.

(T92BOB) \$232,900 734-455-5600



CANTON
Original owners. Large 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial w/2 car att garage, part fin basement, FR w/wood burning stove & cath ceiling, bay window in LR, patio & home warranty.
(T54FOR) \$235,500 734-455-5600



LIVONIA

Beautiful updated colonial. Desirable sub offering 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, 2 car attached garage, finished basement, oak krichen, FR w/ frpic & doorwall to deck, formal DR & FFL. (190NOR) \$250,000 734-455-5600



BRIGHTON
Absolutely a 10+. 2 bedroom, 3.5 bath end unit condo w/spacious GR w/trplc, extra wide stairs to LL FR w/dayfight windows + all sports lake privileges, attached garage. Built in 2002. (761WOO) \$199,900 734-455-5600



LIVONIA
Wonderfully updated home. Features wood floors in LR, DR & kitchen. All appls. FR w/lrplc & doorwall to patio. Updated furnace w/electric fitration, roof, bath, siding, most windows, CA. (T95SUN) \$234,900 734-455-5600

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FARMINGTON HILLS

seautiful 4 bedroom colonial on a wooded lot w. 2 full and one-half baths. 1st floor laundry, fin bsmt, newer windows, carpet, kit apps, garage door. FR w/vaulted ceilings, frplc, sprinklers. T84OLD) \$345,000 248-626-8800



House to be built. Come home to paradise. This sub features canals, covered walking bridges and trails. All sites are walkout, canal front only. Only 3 remain.



FARMINGTON HILLS

4 bdrm home. Updated kit, cer tile t/o, fin bsml w/cedar wood closet, newer wndws t/o, newer fi dr entry, newer gar dr opener, MBR w/bit-ins & full BA, pool w/hot tub, lib w/glass French drs. (T20STO) \$369,900 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS

Master suite with private bath, Jacuzzi and fireplace. Central air, newer water tank. fireplace. Central air, newer water tank. Finished basement. Big great room, stone and tile family room. Sprinkler system.
(T15TUC) \$299,900 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS

Builders/investors: your chance for ar approximately 3/4 acre site, backing to creek. bedrooms, 4 baths. Home requires renovation.

(T46WES)

\$274,000

248-626-8800



Gorgeous ranch. Has numerous updates: hdwo firs, kitchen w/appls & wine cab, master bedroom w/bath, finished attic & basement + 2 car attached garage on approx .86 acre. (T919MI) \$249,900 734-455-5600

CANTON Better than new! 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath end unit

w/numerous upgrades, extra lg windows & skylights. GR w/fireplace, loft, basement, 2 car attached garage & top of the line kitchen. (T44SHE) \$229,500 734-45 734-455-5600



CANTON

Freedom from the city, 3 bedroom, 1 full & 2 half bath custom ranch on approx 1 acre. Open floor plan, great room sizes, finished basement, fireplace in LR & heated workshop in 2 car gar. (T88DIO) \$239,900 734-455-5600 (T88DIO)

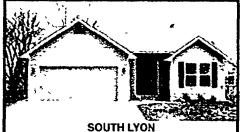


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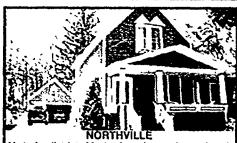
itunning colonial! This 4 bdrm, 2.2 bath home is built w/many custom features, open fir plan from kit to FR w/frplc, doorwall to deck, finished basement, 2 car attached garage & appliances (T28HAN) \$321,500 734-455-5600



Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home w/dining room, gas fireplace in family room, eat-in kitchen w/cherry cabs & granite counters, 3 car attached garage, master suite w/dressing area. (T60WIL) \$415,000 734-455-5600



Spacious 2002 built ranch w/3 BR, 2 BA, GR w/ frpkc, FFL, part fin bsmt, att 2 car extra deep garage. Great backyard w/deck & private fence. C/A, all appliances included. Move right in. (T20DOR) \$238,500 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE
Historic district. Yesterdays home for today & tomorrow. Charming Victorian featuring 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, high ceilings, wood floors and first floor laundry. Timeless investment. (T59ROG) \$390,000



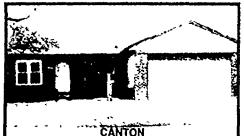
FARMINGTON

Custom built colonial situated on private cul-desac features 3 huge bedrooms, walk in closet, 2.5 baths, FFL, formal dining, partially finished basement & 2 car attached garage.
(T30WHI) \$299,900 248-349-5600



Meticulously maintained 3 bedroom, 3 bath cape cod on large lot w/2 car attached garage, soaring cerlings, skylights, open great room, formal dining, ceramic floors & neutral decor.

(T22WIN) \$247,900 249,340 5000



Lovely brick front ranch w/3 large bedrooms & 2 updated full baths. Kitchen w/new maple cabs-05. Large family room w/natural fireplace & beautiful stone mantle. Full basement.

(T34HER) \$218,900 248-349-5600



COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
4-5 bedrooms, 3 baths, finished w/o ranch w/ extra kitchen in LL. Home boasts hidwd flirs, cath ceiling. FFL & spectacular staircase, deck & patio, large lot overlooks nature preserve \$409,900



WHITE LAKE Nice lakefront cape cod w/2 bedrooms, 2 baths.
Natural fireplace in GR. First floor bedroom, 4
season Florida room. Newer roof, well &
furnace. Fin w/o has kitchen, FR & full bath.
(T71SUG) \$229,900 248-363-1200



Great 4 bedroom, 3 bath condo 2005 built w/
upgrades galore. 4th bedroom/library office, GR
w/lrplc, mstr bedroom w/WIC, 42" kit cabs, FFL,
full bsmt. This is an end unit w/nice location.
(T18TIM) \$254,900 248-363-1200



Incredible value awaits one lucky buyer. Impeccable 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 2 story with finished walk out basement, FR w/gas fireplace, fenced yard w/hot tub & 2 tier deck.

(T85PRI) \$229,900 249,250 400.



Custom built in 2000, 3 bedroom, 4 bath home w/linished walkout & att gar. Finest materials used t/o home, granite, limestone, ceramic, hdwd. Awesome layout. Lake priv & dock. (T80RID) \$359,000 248-363-1200 (T80RID)

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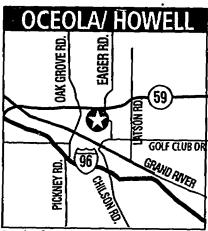




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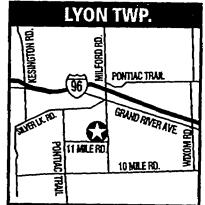
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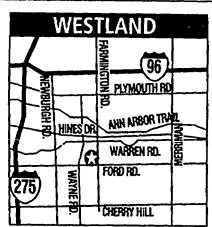






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Mortgage should meet your financial goals

any homeowners have difficulty choosing a mortgage because they must choose between one that offers better cash flow and one that will improve their equity stake in their home. Some borrowers want lower monthly mortgage payments to save their cash for other income-generating opportunities. Others opt to pay down their mortgages to build up their home equity.

Choosing between cash flow and equity is not easy. If you tend to view money as a tool, you might like a mortgage option that preserves your cash so that you can put your cash to work elsewhere. Conversely, if you want to either reduce your overall debt or leave a huge estate for your posterity, then the equity option might make more sense for you.

Your choice of mortgage type will be heavily influenced by your circumstances. Young borrowers generally have less disposable income and may



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simply require a mortgage that preserves their cash flow. Similarly, elderly homeowners may decide that paying off their home may not be as important to them as enjoying their golden years with some extra spending money each

month.

Regardless of their rationale, when borrowers want cash flow instead of equity they have several different options. For an immediate cash infusion, borrowers can use a conventional "cash-out" refinance. Many of my senior clients are surprised to find how much they can borrow against their home even on a fixed retirement or Social Security income. Others choose reverse mortgages to convert their equity to cash over time.

Some borrowers choose to convert

their home equity into cash flow through the use of a negatively amortized loan. Unlike regularly amortized mortgages that let borrowers increase their equity over a set period, negatively amortized loans allow borrowers to systematically decrease their equity over time. These borrowers enjoy greatly reduced monthly mortgage payments compliments of the bank they own called "home equity."

Today's TIMBIT! Your mortgage is a financial tool. Like a skilled craftsman, your loan officer (in concert with your financial planner) should be able to select the correct tool to accomplish your financial goal.

Timothy Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. Visit www.PhillipsH0.com for article archives and www.CarteretOnline.Biz for mortgage calculators and solutions. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

State Realtor group has new leadership

The 2006 Michigan Association of Realtors president is Cathy Sherman Bittrick of the Grand Kapids Association of REALTORS. Serving as president-elect is Furhad Waquad of the Metropolitan Consolidated Association of REALTORS. The 2006 treasurer is Jeff Young from the West Michigan Lakeshore Association.

Along with the officers, MAR's 2006 board of directors has been announced. The board is made up of 15 district directors, who are elected during the MAR One Realtor, One Vote online election and six other representatives who are appointed.

Serving as representatives for 2006 are: David Ledebuhr, Greater Lansing, Appointing Body: past president; Paul Schweitzer, MCAR, Appointing Body: Large Office; Tom Paarlberg, Grand Rapids, Appointing Body: Large Office; James Lambrecht, CBOR, Appointing Body: MiCAR; Van Martin, CBOR, Appointing Body: MiCAR; Doris Nurenberg, Flint, Appointing Body: Local Association EO.

The directors whose terms expire in 2006 are the following: District 1:
Mary Rockwell, Northeastern; District 4: Robin Stressman, Central
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MCAR; District 11: Claire Williams,
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Gamber, Downriver

Directors whose terms expire in 2007 are: District 2: Beth Foley, West Michigan Lakeshore; District 3: Terry Westbrook, Grand Rapids; District 5: Michael Grabowski, Bay County; District 7: Fred Hetherwick, Jackson County; District 8: Nancy Rademacher, Livingston County; District 10: David Elya, MCAR; District 12: Gary Arini, MCAR; District 13: Derek Brown, Detroit.

For more information on the 2006 officers and directors, visit MAR's Web site at www.mirealtors.com.

The Michigan Association of Realtors is a 34,000-member trade association which protects the rights of private property owners while serving as the primary source for Michigan housing and real estate data. MAR is comprised of 44 local Realtor associations, which adhere to a Code of Ethics, established by the National Association of Realtors.

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Leases signed

Liberty Property Trust, which owns and manages nearly four million square feet of office and industrial space in Michigan, announced that it has signed leases with two new tenants and three existing tenants for a total of 24,728.

Emergency Restoration, experts in residential and commercial disaster restoration, has signed a long-term lease for 8,768 square feet of industrial space at 1358 Rankin Drive in Troy. which brings the building's occupancy level to 100 percent. This location serves as the company's headquarters. and will be home to 25 employees. Emergency Restoration cites the building's ideal location and friendly customer service for the decision to sign with Liberty.

Liberty has signed leases with one new tenant and two existing tenants at Liberty Center. USG Insurance Services Inc., a premier brokerage firm, has signed a long-term lease for 6,911 square feet of office space at 50 W. Big Beaver Road which will be occupied by 13 of the company's employees. The company, formed in 2001 by Gerald Horton, represents more than 200 car-

riers and is experiencing continuous growth. USG chose Liberty Center because of its ideal location. In the same building, Powerway Incorporated has renewed with Liberty and expanded its space commitment from 1,886 square feet to 3,024 square feet.

Also at Liberty Center, Universal Mortgage has renewed its existing agreement and expanded its space from 2,518 square feet to 3,815 square feet at 100 W. Big Beaver Road. Liberty Center has 281,505 square feet of space and is located slightly less than one mile east of I-75. Amenities at the two-building complex include a full service cafeteria, sundry shop and

RF Connect has renewed its lease for 2,250 square feet of flex space in Liberty's Technology Park at 27260 Haggerty, Farmington Hills. Technology Park is a six-building Business Park on over 20 acres featuring units for the office, high-tech and light industrial users. Located on Haggerty south of 12 Mile in Farmington Hills, Technology Park accommodates a wide range of tenants in spaces of 1,000 to 10,000 square feet. It is centrally located with easy access to I-275 and I-696.



FARMINGTON HILLS - Gorgeous updated 4 irm, 2.5 bath Williamsburg colonial in great family sub near commons area. Kitchn w/hrdwd floors, granite counters & painted maple cabs; library w/French drs & buil-ins, wonderful large mstr + Home Warr. \$339,900 (D77For)

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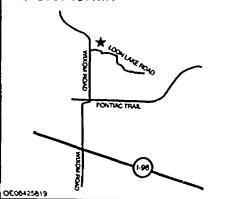
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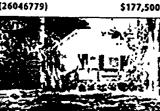
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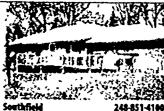
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o. 1st floor master, GR, custom kitchen. Fully windows & plumbed for bath in lower level. \$324,900

Lathrun Village 734-591-9200

fireplace, 4th bedroom on entry level for moldings. 1st Floor laundry. possible home office.

\$169,000 248-684-1065

granite counters, finished basement, so OLD WORLD CHARM! Impressive in style & 248-851-1900 acres. Great location! Huge daylite front basement with FP.

(26016182) \$675,000

Milford 248-684-1065 efinished hardwood floors. Newer roof, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, basement,

(26011080) \$274,900 Milford 248-684-1065

WOODED 3.08 ACRES IN A PAVED SUBI Over Rochester Hills 3 acres of mature trees with southern sub. Building restrictions include minimum square footage.

(26044831) \$149,900

Novi 248-851-1900 248-851-1900 PRIVATE CONDO, BACKS TO WOODS! Rochester Hills roam! Large lot in desirable sub. 3BR, 2.5BA Built. New carpet, kitchen floor, paint. Private entrance. White kitchen cabinets, LR Newer white kitchen with appliances. Dehote master suite with jacuzzi, fireplace. Coved ceilings. Hardwood floors. Family Great Room fireplace. Great association maintenance. Immedate occupancy. (26012057)

Incredible value! \$245,000 (25171231) \$249,900

Oaldand with gas fireplace. Screened porch \$319,900

586-532-5500 Royal Oak PERFECT HOME AT A PERFECT PRICE! OXFORD - BEAUTIFUL SPLIT-LEVEL! Freshly painted in neutrals, HW floors in kitchen dining, very open floor plan, finished designer kitchen cupboards. Finished LL basement with half bath, bar & workout room. 2 bay windows in spacious kitchen. (30355483) \$235,900

> 248-723-0055 SPACIOUS COLONIAL, OPEN FLOOR PLAN! CONDO ALTERNATIVE IN ROYAL OAK Walk Great room with FP, Hardwood foyer & to downtown, restaurants, boutiques. basement, attached garage.

\$210,000 Rochester 248-652-6500

Gorgeous 3700 SF 1.5 story home, 4 BR, 4 kitchen. Very private backyard retreat with waterfall & pond. Library & finished

(25111004) \$589,000 Rochester Hills 248-548-9100

MAJESTIC VILLA CONDO "Sanctuary In The Hills" of Rochester Hills, Incomparable 3-4 NEW CONSTRUCTION BEAUTYI Beautiful 4 BR, 2.5 bath with Premium appointments bedroom, 2.5 bath Cape Cod in Hartland. thru-out! Basement, attached garage,

\$399,900

Rachester Hills 248-652-6500 Private, wooded lot, deep front yard. Updated t/o. 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Finished W/O 4 BEDROOM brick Cape Cod located on a basement with bar & FP. Large kitchen with corner lot. Living room with natural eating area. FR with FP. LR with crown

(26029865) \$269,900

Rochester Hills Special Kings Cove condo. This one is totally eating area, den, FR, LR, & DR. On private 6 counters. Deck off back. Private patio in

(26025948) \$169,900 **Rochester Hills** 248-851-1900

CHARMING RANCH! Totally updated ranch

(26031211) 248-851-1900

3BR Ranch, Full Updated Bath, New Floor, Paint, Drywall, Electrical, Lighting, Flotures Open Kitchen. Private Fenced Yard, 2 Car Garage, Motivated Sellers!

(26031195) \$159,000 248-652-6500 Condo located toward back of property.

appliances stay. Low fees & pets welcome \$138,000

Rochester Kills 248-548-9100 ROCHESTER HILLS LEASEI Beautiful 3 BR. 2 SPACIOUS DETACHED RANCH CONDO-A & granite Island. New windows, tiered

Recarille 734-591-9200 248-652-6500 HAVE THE RENTAL BLUES? HERE IS ANSWER! (25125546)

248-851-4100 Charming 4 bedroom Colonial! Living room 28R approx. 900 SFT. Ceramic tile in Kirchen and Bath. LR with vaulted ceiling. In-unit overlooks private yard. Formal dining room. Jaundry on main fevel. All appliances Finished basement. Easy route to 1-75. Included. Private deck. Great value. (26040894) \$93,000

248-851-4100 | Springfield GREAT ROYAL OAK LOCATION!

2.5 car garage. Being sold as isl (26025507)

Royal Oak 248-851-4100

Great room with FP, Hardwood foyer & to downtown, restaurants, boutiques. powder room. Cathedral ceiling & bath in master BR. 1st Floor laundry, finished basement attached parage. garage.Revitalized area of \$400K homes.Sharp & dean!

(25166830) \$124,500

Shelby Twp SHARP RANCH CONDO Wonderful newer 2 bedroom ranch style unit has studio ceilings, fireplace, private entry & attached garage, ideal location.

(26047341) \$144,000

South Lyon 734-591-9200 covered patio. CHARMING, FLOWING RANCH! UPDATED & (30338095) CLEAN, newer kitchen with loads of Van Buren Twp

(26023968)

Southfield BREATHTAKING HOME INSIDE & (26044421) OUTI3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, farmly West Bloomfield 248-851-4100 room, Berber carpéting, C/A, Industrial freshere appliances stay

248-652-6500 (25174260) \$237,000

Conthfield OLD WORLD CHARM! Impressive in style & updated & in move-in condition! White Southfield 248-851-4100 (260-48287) sizel 4-5 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, huge kitchen, kitchen with hardwood floors & Corian A GREAT VALUE Energy efficient 2 BR, 2 BA West Bloomfield brick condo in prestigious Park Place. THREE BEDROOM RANCH Good house for Master suite bath with separate tub & someone interested in 'fixing up'. Nice fireplace & dining area.

(26048823) Southfield 248-548-9100 West Bloomfield

private lot. Perfect for first time home buyer.

fireplace and doonwall to deck. First floor

CONDO! 2 story with attached 2 car

laundry, attached 2 car garage, basement.

garage. Porcelain tile floors in DR, hall, (26029054) Courthfield

248-851-1900 TOTALLY UPDATED RANCH! Superb, Clean GREAT VALUE 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. Large mature treed lot. Fireplace in living (26041752) room, garage conversion offers large bonus | West Bioomfield room with many possible uses. French FABULOUS 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH CONDO! doors off family room to deck.

(26018040) \$153,900 Southfield

with doorwall to deck, 1st floor laundry. All kitchen with nook & appliances to stay. Pets (26016417) are allowed. Includes gas & water. (26022432) \$139,900 Southfield

248-348-6430 248-723-0055 RUCHES I THUS LEDGE PERSONS OF THE PROPERTY WITH PARTY COSEL. MUST SEE! Wood entry with pantry closet. READY TO MOVE INTO: Clean, updated & WELL MAINTAINED RANCH Oak Park, three hardwood floors, porcelain tile, whiripool repeting. Tear-off roof in 2000. Family room floors, fireplace in FR, finished basement.

| FR finished basement | Capture | Cap front. 349-6200

> \$139,900 Southfield

248-851-4100 SO MUCH FUR SO LITTLE! Great starter bungalow on corner lot and 1/2. Fully to the charm. Vaulted GR with fireplace fenced with patio, deck, shed, 2 car attached garage with direct access (26002618) outhfield area. Better than renting! (26012019) \$120,000

248-652-6500 Gorgeous 1 1/2 story home w/Pine Lake Walk to downtown.3 bedroom frontage. Gated community with Colonial with large eat-in kitchen. Clarkston Schools. 5 BR, 3.1 BA. Ext. Full partially finished basement. renovations '04-'05. 3 Car attached garage. An absolute 10!

\$184,900 (25158610) \$439,000 Sterling Heights 248-851-4100

GREAT HOME -- GREAT AREAL Home has a lot to offer, 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 2 car attached garage. Hardwood floors t/o. FR with

marble FP. Great kitchen leads to doorwall to covered patio & inground

(26042215) \$230,000 248-851-4100 Sterling Heights 586-532-5500 STERLING HEIGHTS - VERY SHARP & CLEAN! Newer updated maple kitchen, finished basement with lots of storage. HW floors, newer carpet in living room. All window treatments & appliances stay,

\$172,000

248-723-0055 cabinets & counterspace. New windows & WHY WAIT TO BUILD? Only 7 mos old roof. Spacious Family Room with natural FP. (2453sqft) Colonial. 4 BR, 2BA, formal DR, 2 door walls to deck.

FP in GR, gournet kitchen with nook & \$184,900 HW floors, fully landscaped, 2 car

313-273-0800 attached garage.

natural fireplace, appliances stay. floors, first floor laundry. Many recent Great curb & beautiful landscaping, 2 car updates & upgrades. Bloomfield Hills schools & Pine Lake privileges. New extra wide driveway

248-851-4100 (26048287) \$318,900 248-851-4100

shower. Loft/office. 2 story GR with gas size lot. Lake privileges on all sports Pine Lake \$185,000 (26038569) \$235,000

248-851-4100 with walk-out basement on a half acre RANCH CONDO! Spacious living room with TOTALLY UNIQUE & SOPHISTICATED \$179,000 kitchen. Ceramic baths. everything new in past year. Flexible floor plan, loft style living. Great location!

> 248-851-4100 Kitchen remodeled in 2005. Excellent location in complex. Cathedral ceiling, 248-723-0055 doorwall, private deck, all appliances, in-HARD TO FIND END UNIT Great location unit laundry room. Complex features open foyer. Formal DR, FP in LR. Updated Clubhouse & pool.

\$165,000 Wixam 248-348-6430 IMPRESSIVE HOME W/WOOD ENTRY. BATH & KITCHEN Light cabinets, counters

Wixon 248-348-6430

ELEGANT END-UNIT CONDO! Condo with first floor master suite. Cherry cabinets, hardwood floors & custom built-ins add overlooks woods, 349-6200

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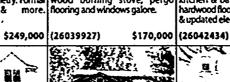
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BEAUTIFUL NOVI HOMEI 3300 sq fr overlooks woods. Flowing floor plan, ig kitchen w/granke counters, stone plan. Perfect for entertaining. Perfect for entertaining. Somewhat work work work with open concept plus work. Award winning Novi schools. Award winning Novi schools. 248-348-6430 Livolia 248-348-6430 Livolia 734-326-2000 Garden City 734-455-7000 Redford 734-551-9200 Redford 734-55

\$159,900 (26016514)

734-326-2000 ATTRACTIVE COLONIAL ON A GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY CHARMING CAPECOD with formal COUNTRY ATMOSPHEREI Defines KID & DOG SPECIALI Cute 2 BR, 1

> ' \$139.900 [(26040434) \$109,900

Beautiful 4 BR, 2.1 BA Col. Backs to downtown Charming Cape Cod 2FP, woods. \$20K in upgrds. Neut. decor. DR w/bay window. Updtd lxt & BA. Lawn & Paver brick patio. Cozy sitting Mechanics dream gar. Lovely lot w/ many perennials. 349-6200 \$374,900 (25068900) \$ 734-455-700

734-455-7000 Herthelife 2983 SQ.FT. HAMPTON MODEL ! HISTORIC NORTHYILLE! Walk to

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URED HOME

Caston 734-455-7600 PERFECT FOR THE FAMILY THAT BEAUTIFUL POND VIEWI Maint-free Discrets from maint. + 2500 sq ft-condo living. Kitchen w/center island. Deck overlooks Beautiful & wndws, open fix plan, hdwd firs t/Pond. 2 car att. gaz. (26006603) \$194,500 (26046077) \$369,000

TRACE TONS NAMED 2434600 CONDOW/PRIVATE SETTING Immac SHARP 4 BR, 2.5 BA NEUTRAL 2BR/1BA condo w/att. gar. & full COLONIALI GR w/FF; spacoal lot. 1st bisnit. Neut. decor. 1st fi mistr, cath. fir indry, form. DR w/crown molding, dng in GR. Loft can be office/BR.

MSTR w/private BA & WC. 349-6200 \$156,500 (26030456)

245345600 734-455-7000 Herd THE CONDO OF CHOICEI 3 BR. 2.5 BA RANCH! Finished
Terrific location. 1st fir, 2BR/ basement, updated lutchen w/
2BA Ranch end unit. View of granite, all appliances stay 349-6200
pond & mature trees from patio. New
cet life entry, HWH & blinds t/o.

\$129,500 Hod 248-348-600 734-655-7860 YOU CAN BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME HERE! 1 acre lot in presbgous area NORTH CANTON CONDO Great buy w/NVille schis, Mature trees, vewly on this 28R, 1.58A, w/bsmt, Needs of woodlands & wedands on 3 sdes work but has great potential, 2 story townhouse style, end unit.

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\$109,900 Physical L. 248348-6138 BUILT IN 2001, 3 BR 25 BA Cape Cod. FOR THE DISCERNING BLIVERI Totally incl maple bit cabs, set, hrived first updated & gorgeous inside. New latchen, BA & everything else. Fin. LL W/O incl. FRW/FP. 4 car gar on over 2 (25130836) 5424,900 incredible acres. 248-348-6430

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GORGEOUS HOME! Open floor plan, BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED 38R, 3 full BA. Fresh paint, cer. BA. UPDATED Spac. 38R in affordable HDWD & Pergo T/O. FR w/sky lgts & Twin Arbors w/12 x 11 surroom w/dhialito privideck w/built- in hot n.b. Pella windows & doorwal. \$209,900 \$219,900 (26001103)

734-455-7008 248348436 Phonesch QUALITY BUILT COLONAL ON A 1/2 PRICED TO SELL_FASTI 28R upper ACRE LOT Clean, well mains, coved franch condo w/bay window, vitid closs, bay window in DR. Updtid litt. ceiling, slystes, oak cabs. MSt 8R w' root, windows, all appl. 3 BR 1/5 BA. 2 WK. Andersen windows new furnitudes of the condocated o in Aug. 05. Seller motivates \$219,000 (26005046) \$124,900

248-437-3808 734-591-9200 South Lyon SUPER: 3 BR, 2 full BA brick rands! CUSTOM HOME ON TANGLEWOOD Fin bsmt completely updat & clear? GOLF COURSE, Col., 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 2 (26022382) \$169,900 sty foyer w/hidwd firs Kit W butlers portry & cust wine rack Grit counters. \$519,900

THIS HOME HAS IT ALLI Ranch on (26042618) 1.16 acres. GR has cath. ceilings & nat. FP, open löt. overlooks yard. Master BR w/mstr BA.

5 MINUTES 248-349-62M S MINUTES FROM DOWNTOWN \$289,900 SOUTH LYONE Pristine, 2400 sq ft. doors lead to deck & yard 248-348-

(26029365) 245-345-4431

West Bloomfield AWESOME EXECUTIVE STYLED COLONIAL New grmt Isl but, new mate RA w/letted tub & huge mstr BA w/jetted tub a nov-shower, 3 car gar, 1st fir mstt. den fin, bent w/lot. 4,653 sq ft. 248-800-736-8899 349-6200 \$694,000

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GORGEOUS SECLUDED ESTATE! GUTSTANDING DESIGN & GORGEOUS ACRE IN A PRIVATE FUN IN THE SUN! 4BR, 2.5BA DEAL OPPORTUNITY In this 2 EVERYTHING DONE - FANTASTIC Fabulous Cape God on Nature's QUALITY! Stunning Gourmet SETTING. This house is for you! Golonial Backs to park and has a bedroom, 1.5 bath 2 story condo in VALUE!!! 3 BR Bungalow w/ finest 3.5 acres. High-end custom kitchen, library with fireplace, Enjoy the brick paver patio, pool. Finished walkout basement! Westland. Full finished basement, Finished Bsmt. Refinished builder's personal home filled with spacious FR, luxurious master hardwood floors thru huge FR, kit. What more could you ask for? Call 2 car attached garage, first floor hardwood in all bedrooms. floor, ultimate dream home. crown molding. Master BR with 349-6200 balcony. \$379,500 (26038946)

\$359,900 (26002791)

248-348-6430 Canton

\$350,000 (26005045)

\$384,900 (26034625)



\$296,500 (26017837)

734-455-7000 Royal Oak

\$289,900 (26041189)

734-591-9200 Relleville

\$336,900 (26035290)



734-455-7000 Westland

\$224,999 (25142567)

laundry, C/A.

\$214,900 (26005043)

734-591-9200 Garden City 258A Canton Colonial Formal DR
PRIVATE WOODED LOTI 4
Open, airy floorplan with neutral dining room, library, 3 8R plus
this Aluminum Bungalow on a bath with basement (prepped for
GR, library.Master suite with sitting
the decor. Full unfinished basement, 2 summer porch. Basement, garage,
the kitchen with panoramic view of serene backyard, 6 panel doors
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bar, home warranty, 349-6200

Soft Colonial Formal DR
diving room, library, 3 8R plus
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248-348-6430 Northfield COME HOME TO A NEW CAPE COD WITH PREMIUM, BEGINNING! Lovely 4BR, 2.5BA | 2.5BA | 5.5FA | 5.5FA

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St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

5301 McAuley Drive Ypsilanti, MI 48197 734-712-3456

Saint Joseph Mercy Livingston Hospital

620 Byron Road Howell, MI 48843 517-545-6000

Saint Joseph Mercy Saline Hospital

400 Russell Street Saline, MI 48176 734-429-1500

Mission Statement

We serve together in Trinity Health, in the spirit of the Gospel, to heal body, mind and spirit, to improve the health of our communities and to steward the resources entrusted to us.

Core Values

- Respect
- Social Justice
- **■** Compassion
- Care of the Poor and Underserved
- Excellence

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System and its physician partners provide a comprehensive range of health care services for residents in Washtenaw, Livingston, Jackson, Lenawee, Monroe and western Wayne counties.

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The Community Health Guide is produced and published by the Business Communications and Market Development Department of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. If you have any comments or would like additional copies of this guide, please call 734-712-2357.

Art for Fun Workshop

Local artists introduce their art technique to adult cancer patients. Participants experience a creative activity, have fun, meet new people and develop a piece of artwork. Free

Ypsilanti/Cancer Care Center:

First Wednesday monthly; 3-5 p.m.

734-712-5948

Cancer Prevention, Cancer Survival Cooking Class

Get on the right track to healthy earing with cooking demonstrations, tasting and nutrition presentations. Sponsored by The Cancer Project. Free

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Wednesdays, May 17-Jul. 19; 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. 10-31; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

734-712-5800

Cancer Research Studies - Seeking Volunteers

Hot Flash Study: Men receiving prostate cancer treatment and having hot flashes can participate in this study evaluating Gabapentin.

Sleep problems for patients receiving cancer treatment: Patients receiving cancer treatment are invited to participate in a study evaluating the herb Valerian.

Found yourself with low energy? The goal of the study is to assess whether taking the American Ginseng herb will improve symptoms of fatigue, sleep and overall quality of life.

Call 877-590-5995 for more information.

Look Good, Feel Better

A free workshop by the American Cancer Society for women in treatment for cancer. Participants will receive tips on skin care and makeup and learn about wigs, hats and turbans. Pre-registration required.

Ypsilanti/Cancer Care Center:

Third Wednesday monthly; 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

734-971-4300

Prostate Screening

If you're a male age 50 to 70, are an African-American male age 40 to 70, or have a family history of prostate cancer, you are eligible for a free first time prostate cancer screening. Repeat screenings are \$15 in subsequent years.

Ypsilanti/Cancer Care Center:

Thu., Apr. 27, Sept. 28, Oct. 26; 4:30-5:30 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

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Volunteering

Hospice

Provide support and comfort to terminally ill patients and their families, assist in our office or on special projects. Training required – call to receive an information packet and to pre-register.

Ann Arbor/Saint Joseph Mercy Hospice: 734-327-3413

Howell/Saint Joseph Mercy Livingston Hospice: 517-540-9125

Hospice/Home Care Speakers' Bureau: 734-327-3413

Community Support

Hospitals

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System has ongoing needs for volunteers to assist patients and staff. Call for details or to make an appointment.

Ypsilanti/St. Joseph Mercy Hospital:

734-712-4159

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

517-545-6296

Saline/SJM Saline Hospital:

734-429-1692

The ABC's of Asthma: Childhood Asthma

This two-session program for students, ages 5-7, and their parents covers an overview of asthma, warning signs of an emergency, common triggers, how to maintain an active lifestyle, and current medications. Each child will receive a FREE spacer and peak flow meter. Must register for each session. \$30/session (may be covered by insurance).

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Thu., May 18 & 25; 6:30-8 p.m.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Tue., Sept. 19 & 26; 6:30-8 p.m.

734-712-5800

Asthma 101: Effective Strategies/Child's Asthma

This two-session program for children, ages 8-13, and their parents covers an overview of asthma, warning signs of an emergency, common triggers, how to maintain an active lifestyle, and current medications. Each child will receive a FREE spacer and peak flow meter. Must register for each session. \$30/session

Saline/SJM Saline Hospital:

Tue., May 2 & 9; 6:30-8 p.m.

734-712-5800

Common Pediatric Conditions

Three leading pediatricians, Dr. Brian Woodruff, Dr. Harvey Leo, and Dr. Scott Moore, will discuss common pediatric conditions: headaches and seizures, allergies and asthma, and ear infections. Learn common signs and symptoms, testing and treatment options. Refreshments provided, pre-registration required. Free

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center, Classroom 1:

Thu., Sept. 7; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

734-712-5800

Comprehensive Asthma Program

Program consists of six weekly education sessions that occur during the school day and enable students to gain control over their condition. Call for availability.

734-712-5206

Father & Son Puberty Class

Program provides fathers and sons, ages 9-12, information about normal, physical and emotional changes that pre-teen boys experience as they enter puberty. \$25/father-son pair.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Thu., Apr 20; 7-9 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Heart-to-Heart Conversation for Mothers and Daughters on Puberty and Growing Up

Provides mothers and daughters, ages 9-11, information about normal physical, social and emotional changes that pre-teen girls experience as they enter puberty. \$45/mother-daughter pair, \$10 for each additional daughter.

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Sun., May 21; 1-5 p.m.

Canton/Canton Health Center:

Sun., Apr. 30; 1-5 p.m.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Sun., Jun. 25; 1-5 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

ShapeDown

Parents and kids, ages 6-18, work together in this innovative 10-week weight management program to learn how healthy eating, an active lifestyle and effective communication promote weight loss. Free orientation. \$400 (may be covered by insurance).

734-712-5694

Advanced ShapeDown

Ongoing meetings held every other Monday; 6:30-8 p.m. A parent/child exercise session is held on the alternate Mondays, for a total of 10 sessions. \$175/10 sessions (may be covered by insurance)

734-712-5694

"Surgi-nauts" Pre-operative Teaching Program

This unique program helps children and their parents understand the surgical process, thus easing their fear of surgery. A tour is included.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

First and third Saturday monthly at 10 a.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Transitions

Therapy group to help ease the transition from middle to high school. Topics include how to handle increased social pressure, parents (Earth to Mars), fitting in, mood swings and changing friendships. Fee involved (may be a covered by insurance).

Ann Arbor/Behavioral Services:

Wednesdays from 6-7:30 p.m.

734-786-2330

Adult & Pediatric CPR & First Aid Initial Certification

This initial class covers CPR, choking, automated external defibrillation (AED) and first aid for adult, child and infant. This class is for day care providers, teachers and anyone who requires American Heart Association heartsaver class for their job. \$90

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Sat., May 6; 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

517-545-6517

Adult & Pediatric Heartsaver CPR

American Heart Association CPR course covers adult, child and infant CPR, foreign body airway obstruction maneuver and AED. This heartsaver class is recommended for day care providers, teachers, and anyone who requires CPR for employment. Prerequisite for First Aid class. \$50

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Tue., May 16, Aug. 15; 6-10:30 p.m.

517-545-6517

Basic Life Support Initial Certification

This basic life support healthcare provider class is designed by the American Heart Association for healthcare providers. This course teaches the skills of CPR for all ages (including ventilation with barrier device, mask and bag-mask device) use of AED and relief of foreign body airway obstruction. Certification is valid for two years, book included. \$125

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Tue., May 23, Jul.25; 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

517-545-6517

Basic Life Support Renewal

This basic life support healthcare provider class is designed by the American Heart Association for healthcare providers. This course teaches the skills of CPR for all ages (including ventilation with barrier device, mask and bag-mask device), use of AED and relief of foreign body airway obstruction. Must have current AHA BLS card. Certification is valid for two years, book included. \$65

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Tue., Apr. 11, May 9, Jun. 13, Jul. 11, Aug. 8, Sept. 12; 8:30-11a.m.

Thu., May 25, Jul. 27; 8:30-11 a.m.

Thu., Apr. 27, Jun. 22, Aug. 24; 12-2:30 p.m.

517-545-6517

CPR for Family and Friends

This American Heart Association class is for community members over the age of 16 who are interested in learning the basic skills necessary to respond to emergencies in infants and children. This course does not meet the requirements for persons seeking a credential for CPR. \$38

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Mon., Apr. 10, May 22, Jun. 12, Jul. 17, Sept. 11: 6-9 p.m.

Tue., Aug. 1; 6-9 p.m.

Thu., Apr. 27; 6-9 p.m.

734-712-5800

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Thu., Apr. 27, May 25, Jun. 22, Jul. 24, Aug. 24; 7-9:30 p.m.

517-545-6517

First Aid

American Heart Association training program that covers basic first aid information and techniques for injury, sudden illness and trauma. An adult or pediatric CPR class with AED is a prerequisite for First Aid. \$40

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Thu., Jun. 1, Aug. 3; 6:30-10 p.m.

517-545-6517

One-time Specialty Fitness Classes

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Greek Dances	Tues., May 9 & 16	11:30 a.m12:05 p.m.	\$10
Increasing Bone Density & Strength	Tues., May 16	10:30-11:30 a.m.	\$30*
Increasing Bone Density & Strength	Thu., Jun. 15	10:15-11:15 a.m.	\$30*
Increasing Bone Density & Strength	Sat., Jul. 15	9:30-10:30 a.m.	\$30*
Increasing Bone Density & Strength	Tues., Aug. 15	10:30-11:30 a.m.	\$30*
Increasing Bone Density & Strength	Tues., Jun. 8	9:30-10:30 a.m.	\$30*
Increasing Bone Density & Strength	Thu., Aug. 17	9:30-10:30 a.m.	\$30*

Exercise and Fitness Classes (Cont.)

For more information or to register, visit www.sjmercyhealth.org or call 734-712-5800. All classes are co-ed and held at the Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center unless noted. Sessions held the following dates: May 8 - Jun. 23, Jul. 10-Aug.25

Class	Day	Time	? 2 3 3 9
Ballet Fitness - Level II	Mon.	1-2 p.m.	\$75
Cardio & Strength Circuits	Mon.	5-5:30 p.m.	\$27
Cardio & Strength Circuits	Wed.	5-5:30 p.m.	\$27
Pilates Matwork	Tues.	5:30-6:30 p.m.	\$64
Pilates Matwork	Thu.	4:20-5:20 p.m.	\$64
Pilates Matwork	Thu.	5:30-6:30 p.m.	\$64
Strength Training	Mon.	12:15-12:50 p.m.	\$27
Strength Training	Mon.	4:15-4:45 p.m.	\$27
Strength Training	Wed.	4:15-4:45 p.m.	\$27
Strength Training	Tues.	12:15-12:50 p.m.	\$27
Strength Training and Fitball	Thu.	11:30 a.m12:05 p.m.	\$27
Strength Training for 65+	Tues.	9:30-10:15 a.m.	\$32
Strength Training for 65+	Thu.	9:30-10:15 a.m.	\$32
Tai Chi	Fri.	12:05-12:55 p.m.	\$60
Tai Chi at SJM Livingston	Wed.	4:15-5:15 p.m.	\$70
Yoga	Mon.	11:30 a.m12:05 p.m.	\$32
Yoga	Wed.	12:15-12:50 p.m.	\$32
Yoga	Wed.	5:45-6:45 p.m.	\$64
Yoga for 65+	Wed.	10:30-11:15 a.m.	\$45

Healthier Living

Diabetes Education

Learn how to live well with diabetes. This in-depth program teaches you how to control your blood sugar, e it properly and prevent complications. Fee involved.

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

734-712-2431

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

517-545-6125

Health Information Library

Books, journals, videos and pamphlets available on a variety of health and wellness topics. Call for information.

Ypsilanti/Reichert Health Center:

Monday-Thursday; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

734-712-5177

Overcoming Anxiety and Depression

A therapy and education support group for people with anxiety, depression or both. Fee involved (may be covered by insurance).

Ann Arbor/Behavioral Services:

Mondays; 6-7:30 p.m.

734-786-8009

Washtenaw Asthma Coalition

The Washtenaw Asthma Coalition is a community-wide collaboration to prevent the development of asthma and to improve the quality of life for those living with the illness.

Ypsilanti/Administration Services:

Tue., May 16, Jul. 18; 7:30-9 a.m.

734-712-4543



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Classes are held at the Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center Culinary Studio and are \$30. For a complete description and to register online, visit www.sjmercyhealth.org or call 734-712-5800.

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Thu., April 6	5:30 p.m.
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Thu., May 4	5:30 p.m.
Mon., May 8	4:30 p.m.
Mon., May 15	5:30 p.m.
Mon., May 22	5:30 p.m.
Mon., May 29	5:30 p.m.
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Mon., Jul. 10	5:30 p.m.
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Mon., Jul. 24	5:30 p.m.
Mon., Jul. 31	5:30 p.m.
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"...And the Beat Goes On" (Cardiovascular Education Classes)

Cardiovascular classes take place from 8:45-9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m., 2:15-3 p.m. and 5-5:45 p.m. on the dates listed below. For complete descriptions, visit www.sjmercyhealth.org or call 734-712-3105. No registration necessary.

Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute – Ypsilanti

Wed.	May 17, Jun. 28
Wed.	Apr.12, May 24
Wed.	Apr. 19, May 31
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^{*} For heart patients and their families

Atrial Fibrillation A to Z: Options for Care

Educational workshop for patients, families, friends and health professionals who care for patients with atrial fibrillation. Speakers feature doctors and nurses who specialize in cardiology and atrial fibrillation, the most common form of irregular heartbeat. Includes continental breakfast and lunch. Registration required, deadline April 24. Free

Ypsilanti/Administration Services:

Sat. Apr. 29; 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Cardiac Rehabilitation

Supervised exercise program for individuals with cardiovascular disease or significant risk factors for developing heart disease. Fee involved.

Ypsilanti/Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute: 734-712-3105

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital: 517-545-6385

Heart/Cardiovascular (Cont.)

Healthy Hearts Yoga

Gentle stretching, yoga postures and techniques for relaxation and stress management. Ideal for people with or at risk for cardiovascular disease. Free trial class! \$60/six sessions.

Ypsilanti/Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute:

Tuesdays; 5:30-6:45 p.m.

734-712-3546

Heart of a Woman Clinic

Learn more about your cardiovascular health and seek guidance from a female cardiologist. Fee involved (may be covered by insurance).

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Wednesdays; 9 a.m.-noon

734-712-5100

Stress and Lifestyle Management

Stress is a normal part of life, but when it becomes unmanageable it can affect our lives in a negative way. Call for dates and times. \$100

Ypsilanti/Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute: 734-712-3583

Vascular Rehabilitation

Ongoing medically supervised exercise program for people diagnosed with peripheral artery disease. Program includes education and medical supervision. Fee involved.

Ypsilanti/Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute: Call 734-712-3583

Lungs/Pulmonary

Pulmonary Rehabilitation

Exercise and educational program for those who suffer from lung disease. Supervised by a respiratory therapist. Fee involved.

Ypsilanti and Howell:

734-712-5367

Pregnancy, Childbirth and Infant Care

Saint Joseph Mercy Breastfeeding Clinic

New service is now available for moms needing assistance with breastfeeding. Appointments can be scheduled with a licensed Lactation Consultant. Individual sessions are held at the Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center. 'Call 734-712-4214. Variable fees.

Breastfeeding Preparation

Class offers expectant mothers and their partners (optional) instruction on breastfeeding techniques. \$20 per couple.

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Monday; 7:30-9:30 p.m. or Saturday; 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Call for dates or register online.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

First Tuesday monthly; 4-6 p.m.

Third Thursday monthly; 7:30-9:30 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Childbirth Education

Labor and delivery preparation class for expectant mothers and their labor support coach. Information regarding natural childbirth techniques, relaxation exercises, medical intervention and Caesarean births is included, \$65

Ypsilanti/Brighton/Howell:

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Family Birth Center Tours

Tour the birthing facility of your choice. Pre-registration required! Free

Ypsilanti/St. Joseph Mercy Hospital:

Monday and Thursday evenings, call for dates and times or register online.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Call for dates and times or register online.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Infant Care

Learn about basic newborn care. Includes information on feeding, burping, bonding, diapering, bathing, infant safety and much more! \$20 per couple.

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Monday; 5:30-7:30 p.m. or Saturday; 9-11 a.m. Call for dates or register online.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Sat., May 6, Jun. 3, Aug. 5, Sept. 9; 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Infant Massage

This four-week course guides families through a research-based massage routine that promotes healthy parent-child relationships, supports physical growth and development, and enhances vital early brain connections while nurturing growing communications in families. \$75

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Mon., Apr. 24; 7-8:30 p.m.

734-712-5800

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Tue., May 2, Jun. 6, Aug. 1, Sept. 5; 10-11:30 a.m. 517-545-6517

Pain Management During Labor

Class reviews different relaxation techniques and answers questions about available options, including labor epidurals. \$10 per couple.

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Thu., May 11, Jul. 13; 7:30-9:30 p.m. 734-712-5400/800-231-2211

Parents' Newsletter

FREE! Expectant and new parents can receive a weekly e-mail newsletter. Sign up by visiting www.sjmercyhealth.org today!

Pet Preparation Before Baby Comes

Educates dog and cat owners about common behavior problems that occur and strategies to prevent them. \$20 per couple.

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Tue., May 9; 7-8:30 p.m.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Tue., Apr. 11, Jun. 13, Jul. 11, Aug. 8, Sept. 12; 7-9 p.m.

734-712-5400/800-231-2211

FIRST TIME PARENT CLASSES

Separate training classes for moms and dads held at the same time! Register online at www.sjmercyhealth.org or call 800-231-2211.

Survival Skills for New Moms

Prenatal class designed for women expecting their first baby. You'll learn lots of practical information on surviving those first few weeks at home with baby, caring for yourself, juggling visitors and managing fatigue. \$25

Boot Camp for New Dads

Class, taught by men, that teaches first time fathers practical information on parenthood, baby care, becoming a family and supporting the new mom. You'll even get hands-on experience holding and comforting a baby with the help of "veteran" dads who bring their babies to class. \$25

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Sat., Apr. 29, Jun. 17, Jul. 15; 9 a.m.-noon Thu., Jun. 1, Aug. 3, Sept. 14; 6-9 p.m.

Canton/Canton Health Center:

Sat., May 6; 9 a.m.-noon Thu., Jul. 27; 6-9 p.m.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Sat., Jun. 3, Aug. 26; 9 a.m.-noon

Prenatal/Post Partum Aquatic Exercise Classes

Provides women an opportunity to exercise safely during pregnancy and post partum recovery. Unique classes offer numerous benefits. \$49/seven-week session.

Canton/Summit in the Park:

Thu.; 7-8 p.m.

734-712-5800

Howell/Aquatic Center:

Wed.; 8-9 p.m.

517-545-6517

What Now? From Maternity to Motherhood

Free drop-in monthly meeting for new mom and her baby. An informal discussion to share ideas and learn more about caring for yourself and your newborn.

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Wed., May 3, Jun. 7, Aug. 2, Sept. 6; 10 a.m.-noon

Fall Prevention for Seniors & Families

Education on risk factors such as weakness, balance, cognition and vision, plus prevention strategies and home modifications. Free

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Fri., May 12: 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

734-712-2749/734-712-5357

LifeLine

Phone response system that links subscribers to 24-hour emergency assistance at the touch of a button. Especially suited for those living alone or with special needs. Installation, plus a monthly fee involved.

Ypsilanti/Senior Health Building:

734-712-3922

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

517-545-6427

Making Safe Decisions Before & During A Crisis – 2-Part Lecture Series

A light lunch will be provided at this Silver Advantage & Huron Woods event. 87 for Silver Advantage members, \$9 for guests.

When to call 911: Part I features Joyce Williams, Public Affairs Manager, Huron Valley Ambulance.

Tue., Apr. 18; 12-2 p.m.

Home Safety...How Safe Is My Home? Part II features Dawn Vogel, Director of Operations, Neighborhood Senior Services.

Wed., May 10: 12-2 p.m.

Ypsilanti/Senior Health Building:

734-712-2989

Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program

Peer counselors are available to answer questions regarding Medicare, health and long term insurance or doctor/hospital bills. Appointment required.

Ypsilanti/Senior Health Building:

Wednesdays; 9:30-11:30 a.m.

734-712-3625/800-803-7174

Prescription Assistance Program

If you are a patient at Senior Health Services and are unable to pay for your medications you may qualify to: this ongoing program. Call for more information.

Ypsilanti/Senior Health Building:

734-712-0164

Questions About Your Bill?

Volunteers are available to assist you with questions related to billing, insurance and other financial issues. Individual sessions are scheduled each Wednesday morning by appointment. There is no charge for this service offered in partnership with Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw County.

Ypsilanti/Senior Health Building:

734-712-3625

Senior Health Fair

Free health screenings, current health information from the health professionals right here at Saint Joseph Mercy Health System plus drawings, door prizes and refreshments. Sponsored by Silver Advantage, Huron Woods, Senior Health Services and Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. Silver Advantage members are encouraged to attend and bring a guest.

Ypsilanti/Senior Health Building:

Wed., Jun. 21; 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

734-712-2989

Silver Advantage – A Program for Adults 50 and Over

Health, wellness and educational program specifically designed to help seniors better understand personal health issues. As a Silver Advantage member you will enjoy numerous benefits at no cost! Call for additional information.

Ypsilanti/Senior Health Building: 734-712-2989



Golf Classics

Saint Joseph Mercy Livingston Hospital Golf Classic - The 2006 Saint Joseph Mercy Livingston Golf Classic will benefit the Cancer Care Center project at the Woodland Health Center.

Prestwick Village Golf Club, Highland: Mon., Jun. 5; 8:30 a.m. 734-712-8684

Saint Joseph Mercy Saline Hospital Golf Classic - The 2006 Saint Joseph Mercy Saline Hospital Golf Classic will benefit the Imaging Center project.

Travis Pointe Country Club, Ann Arbor: Mon., Jun. 19; 8:30 a.m. 734-429-1580

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Pro Am Golf Classic - The 2006 St. Joe's Pro Am Golf Classic will benefit the purchase of a da Vinci surgical system.

Pheasant Run Golf Club, Canton: Wed., Jun. 21; 8 a.m. 734-712-2889

Dawn Farm Education Series

Free series developed to provide accurate information about chemical dependency, recovery and related issues. Visit www.dawnfarm.org for more information.

Ypsilanti/Administration Services:

Tue., Apr. 18, Apr. 25, May 16, May 23, May 30, Jun. 20; 7:30-9 p.m.

734-485-8725

The Growing Tree

Eight-week educational support program for children ages 4-12 who are closely associated with someone abusing alcohol or drugs, or is in recovery. A concurrent parenting program teaches new strategies to foster substance abuse prevention in children. \$300 per child and up to two caretakers (\$100 for each additional child).

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Sundays; 6-7:30 p.m.

734-712-2851

Parenting for Prevention

Program explores existing parenting skills and teaches new strategies to foster substance abuse prevention in children. Runs concurrently with the Growing Tree program.

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center:

Sundays; 6-7:30 p.m.

734-712-2851

Teens Using Drugs Series

Free workshop for parents, families, teens or people who work with teens.

Part 1 - What To Know: Learn how to understand and recognize the signs of teen substance abuse problems.

Ypsilanti/Administration Services:

Tue., Apr. 4, May 2, Jun. 6; 7:30-9 p.m.

734-973-7892

Part 2 - What To Do: Learn how to respond to teens who may have substance abuse problems.

Ypsilanti/Administration Services:

Tue., Apr. 11, May 9, Jun. 13; 7:30-9 p.m.

734-973-7892

Specialty Services

Massage Therapy Services

Nationally certified massage therapists use techniques including myofascial, neuromuscular, Swedish, pregnancy, sports, repetitive use injury and seated massage. Gift certificates available. Call for rates and appointment.

734-712-5911

Personal Fitness Assessments

Baseline measurements include body composition, BMI, strength, flexibility and other assessments. Call for rates and appointment. 734-712-5800

Personal Training

Nationally certified trainers design a program to meet your specific needs. Call for rates and appointment. 734-712-5800

Women's Health Boutique

Retail shop featuring wellness and health specialty items, as well as great gift ideas. Visit www.sjmercyhealth.org to shop online at the boutique!

Monday-Thursday: 10 a.m.- 6 p.m.; Friday: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 734-712-5806

Support Groups and Programs

Alzheimer's Support Group

Peer support and information for caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's and other dementias.

Hartland/Senior Center:

Third Monday monthly; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

517-545-6023

Arthritis Support Group

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Fourth Tuesday monthly; 12 p.m.

517-545-6289

Breather's Club

Reduce the impact of lung disease and improve your breathing in this free support group.

Ypsilanti/St. Joseph Mercy Hospital:

Second Wednesday monthly

734-712-5367

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Second Tuesday monthly

517-545-6020

Pain Solutions Anonymous

Twelve-step support group for people who are experiencing or have experienced chronic pain.

Ypsilanti/Administration Services:

Tuesdays; 7-8 p.m.

734-961-0483

Stroke Club

For stroke survivors and/or their caregivers, family and friends.

Ypsilanti/St. Joseph Mercy Hospital:

Second Wednesday monthly; 1:30-3:30 p.m.

734-712-4290

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

Third Tuesday monthly; 12:30-2 p.m.

517-545-6710

Survivors of Suicide Support Group

Adult grief support group for family members/friends coping with the suicide of their loved one.

Howell/SJM Livingston Hospital:

First Tuesday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m.

517-540-9125

Cancer Support Groups

Brain Tumor Support Group

Ypsilanti/Cancer Care Center:

Fourth Tuesday monthly: 7-8:30 p.m.

734-712-3658

Breast Cancer Support Group

Ypsilanti/Cancer Care Center:

Third Thursday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m.

734-712-2920

Prostate Cancer Support Group

Ypsilanti/Cancer Care Center:

Third Thursday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m.

734-712-3655

Share and Care Cancer Support Group

Discussion group open to those diagnosed with cancer, their families and friends for support and information.

Ypsilanti/Cancer Care Center:

Second and fourth Wednesday monthly; 7-8:30 p.m.

734-712-3958



Grief Support Groups

■ Ann Arbor/SJM Hospice: Five-week hospice support group to assist those coping with the loss of a loved one. Mondays, Jul. 10-Aug. 7; 7-8:30 p.m.

734-327-3409

 Canton/Canton Health Center: Five-week support and education series dedicated to helping those who have experienced loss adapt to their grief. Thursdays, Jun. 1-29; 7-8:30 p.m.

734-327-3409

- Fowlerville/Senior Center: Adult drop-in support held first and third Monday monthly; 10-11:30 a.m. 517-540-9125
- Howell/Church of the Nazarene: Ongoing support group held every Wednesday monthly; 6:30-8 p.m. 517-545-6368
- Howell/SJM Livingston Hospice: Six-week "Walking with Grief" series for adults who have lost a loved one.
 517-540-9125
- Howell/SJM Livingston Hospice: Individual and family grief counseling available for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one.

517-540-9125

■ Ypsilanti/Administration Services: Five-week grief support group to assist those coping with loss of a loved one. The focus is grief recovery for widows(ers). Thursdays, Apr. 20-May 18; 7-8:30 p.m. 734-327-3409

Heart/Cardiovascular Support Groups

Amputee Support Group 734-712-3516

Atrial Fibrillation Support Group 734-712-0595

Group Heart-to-Heart Network (for people with cardiovascular disease) 734-712-3852

Heart Failure Support Group 734-712-5100

Implanted Cardioverter Defibrillators Support Group 734-712-8036

Partners at Heart

(for spouses/significant others of people with cardiovascular disease) 734-712-3852

For more information about other support groups, call the Michigan Self-Help Clearinghouse at 800-777-5556

(Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.)

Classes held at the Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center. For more information and to register, visit www.sjmercyhealth.org or call 734-712-5800. All classes are \$30.

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Triggers and Cravings	Tue., Apr. 4	7 p.m	
Food and Stress: Healthy Ways to Deal with Emotions and Food	Sat., Apr. 22	1 p.m.	
Maximizing Your Food Choices	Tue., Apr. 25	7 p.m.	
Finding Fats that Fit	Tue., May 2	7 p.m.	
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For Women Only 5K Run/Walk

24th Annual For Women Only 5K Run/Walk sponsored by the Ann Arbor Track Club and held on the campus of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. This run/walk is a great opportunity to promote health and wellness for girls and women of all ages. A training program for beginners is also available through the Ann Arbor Track Club. For more information and to register contact the Ann Arbor Track Club directly at www.aatrackclub.org/fwo or call 734-827-2792. \$15-20

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center: Sun., May 21 734-827-2792

Healthy Habits to Manage Stress

Stress affects us all. Although some stress can lead to creativity and success, it can also be detrimental to our health, relationships and performance. This program will help you identify your own stress, learn how stress affects your health and help you learn a variety of coping strategies. Each participant will develop a personalized stress management plan. Available for group presentations. \$10

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center: Wed., Apr. 26; 6-7:30 p.m. 734-712-5800

Healthy Habits to Survive Menopause

Did you know that hot flashes, mood swings and other symptoms can occur as much as eight years before actual menopause? Designed for women ages 35-50, this program is an all-in-one package of information. Content includes a comprehensive overview of the physical and emotional changes, symptoms and health risks associated with menopause. For women in the late 30s through the 40s, making lifestyle adjustments now can reap numerous health benefits later, including easing some symptoms associated with menopause. \$10

Ypsilanti/Women's Health Center: Tue., Aug. 29; 6-7:30 p.m. 734-712-5800

Men: Tune into the Change

Dr. Dan McMurtrie, Department Chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Chief of Staff for St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, will provide a lively educational discussion aimed at helping men understand the menopause transition that their partner is going through and how to best support her. Both men and women are encouraged to attend. Light refreshments provided. Pre-registration is required. Free

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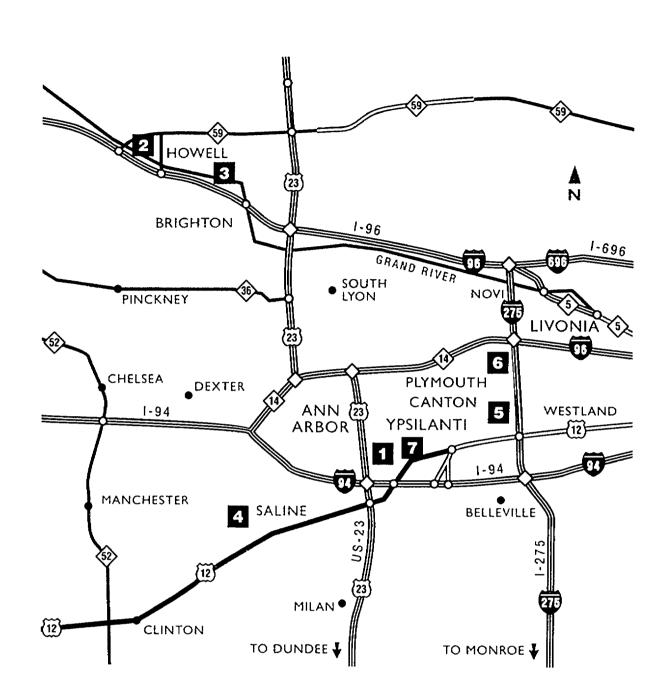
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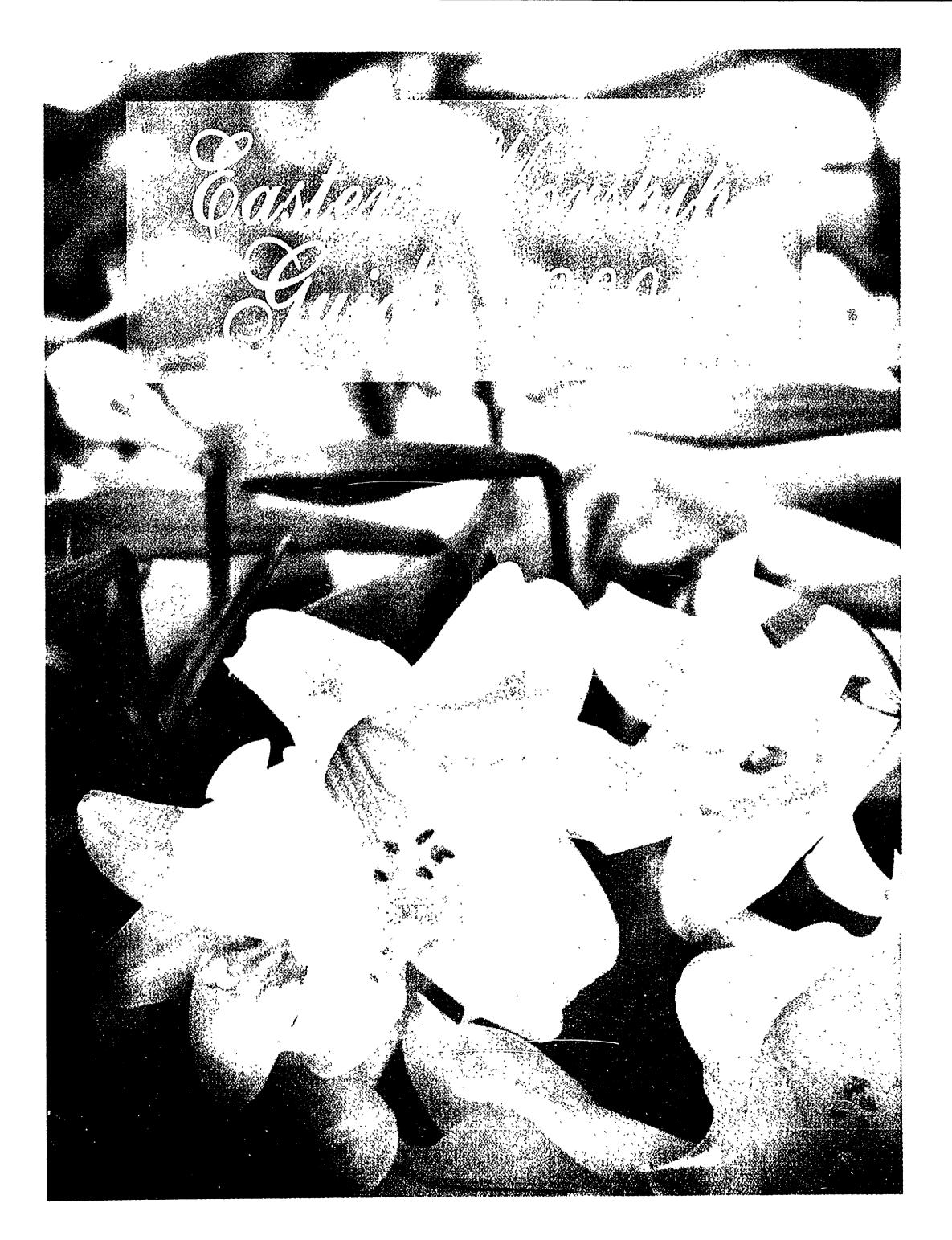
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Good Friday April 14, 1 & 7pm

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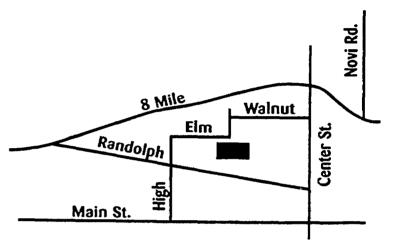
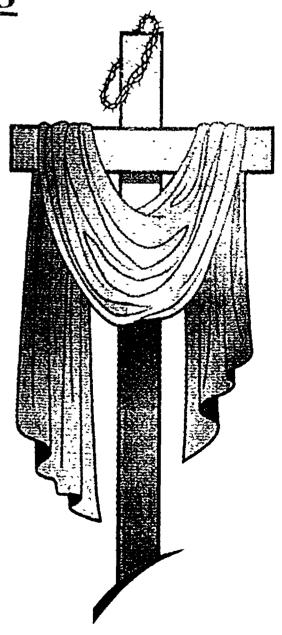


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Traditional Worship • 9:00 & 10:20 a.m. Contemporary Worship • 11:40 a.m. *Nursery and Sunday School provided.*

Easter Concert* • 7:00 p.m.
featuring the Chancel Choir, Teen Choir, Christian Company,
Orchestra, Handbells

Maundy Thursday Service* April 13 • 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday Service*

April 14 • Noon – 3:00 p.m.

"Come when you can, leave when you must"

Easter Sunday Worship Services April 16

Traditional Worship • 7:45*, 9:00, 10:20 a.m.

Contemporary Worship • 11:40 a.m.

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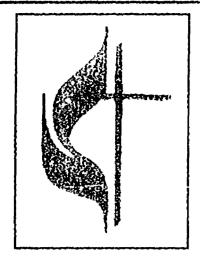
Holy Week and Pascha Services

- Sunday, April 16 Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 a.m. and Bridegroom Service @ 7:00 p.m.
 - Holy Monday, April 17 Bridegroom Service @ 7:00 p.m.
 - Holy Tuesday, April 18 Bridegroom Service @ 7:00 p.m.
 - Holy Wednesday, April 19 Holy Unction @ 6:30 p.m.
- Holy Thursday, April 20 Divine Liturgy @ 6:00 a.m. and 12 Gospels @ 6:00 p.m.
 - Holy Friday, April 21 Royal Hours @ 10:00 a.m., Apocathelosis @ 3:00 p.m., and Passion of Christ @ 6:30 p.m.
 - Holy Saturday, April 22 Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
- Sunday, Pascha, April 23 Resurrection Service 12:00 a.m. (midnight Saturday night)
 Agape Vespers @ 2:00 p.m.

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WOMEN'S EASTER BRUNCH

Tucs., April 11, 2006

9:30am

Meditation, Communion, Brunch

MAUNDY THURDAY

April 13, 2006

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Meditation, Choirs,

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at First United Methodist Church (with First Presbyterian) April 14, 2006 - 7:30 pm

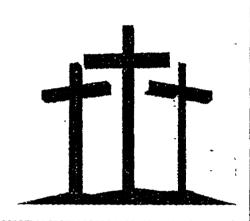
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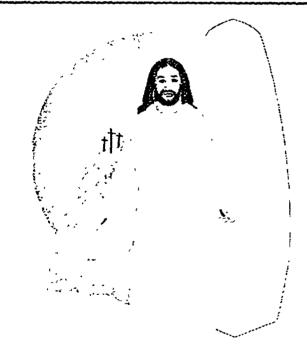
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Good Friday 7pm

Easter Sunday

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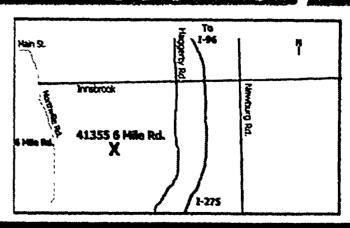
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Holy Week Events

Palm Sunday

Worship and Cantata by Faith Community Adult Choir & Orchestra Sunday, April 9th, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

Maundy Thursday

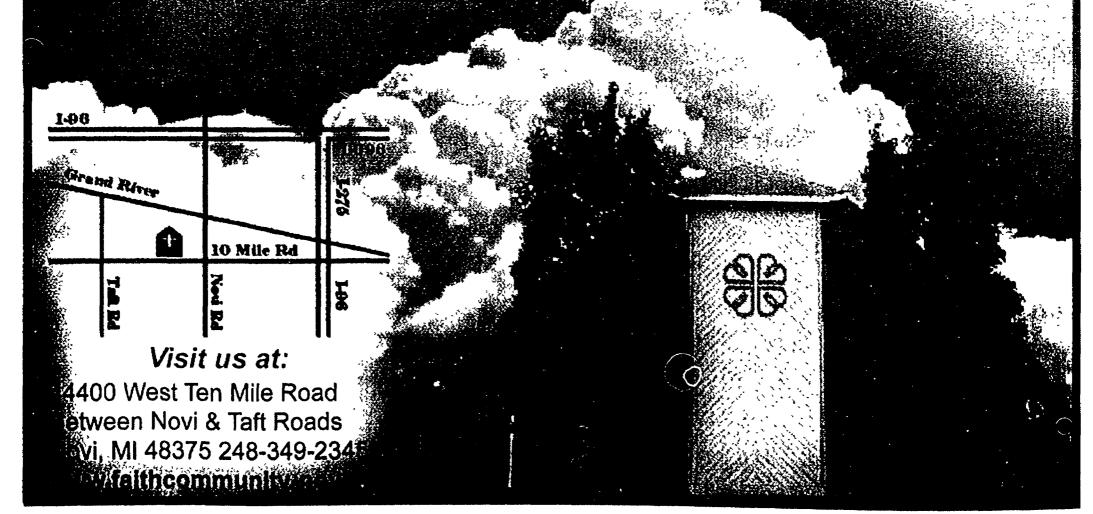
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Thursday, April 13th, 7:30 PM

Good Friday Community Worship

Friday, April 14th, 12:00 noon at Holy Family Catholic Church on Meadowbrook Road north of 10 Mile Road

Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service Sunday, April 16th, 7:00 AM Celebration of the Resurrection 9:00 & 10:30 AM



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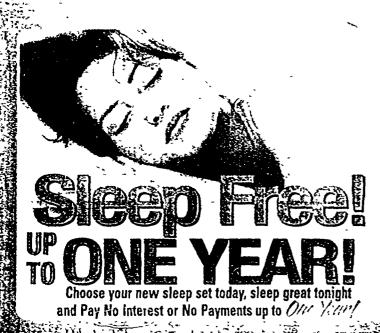




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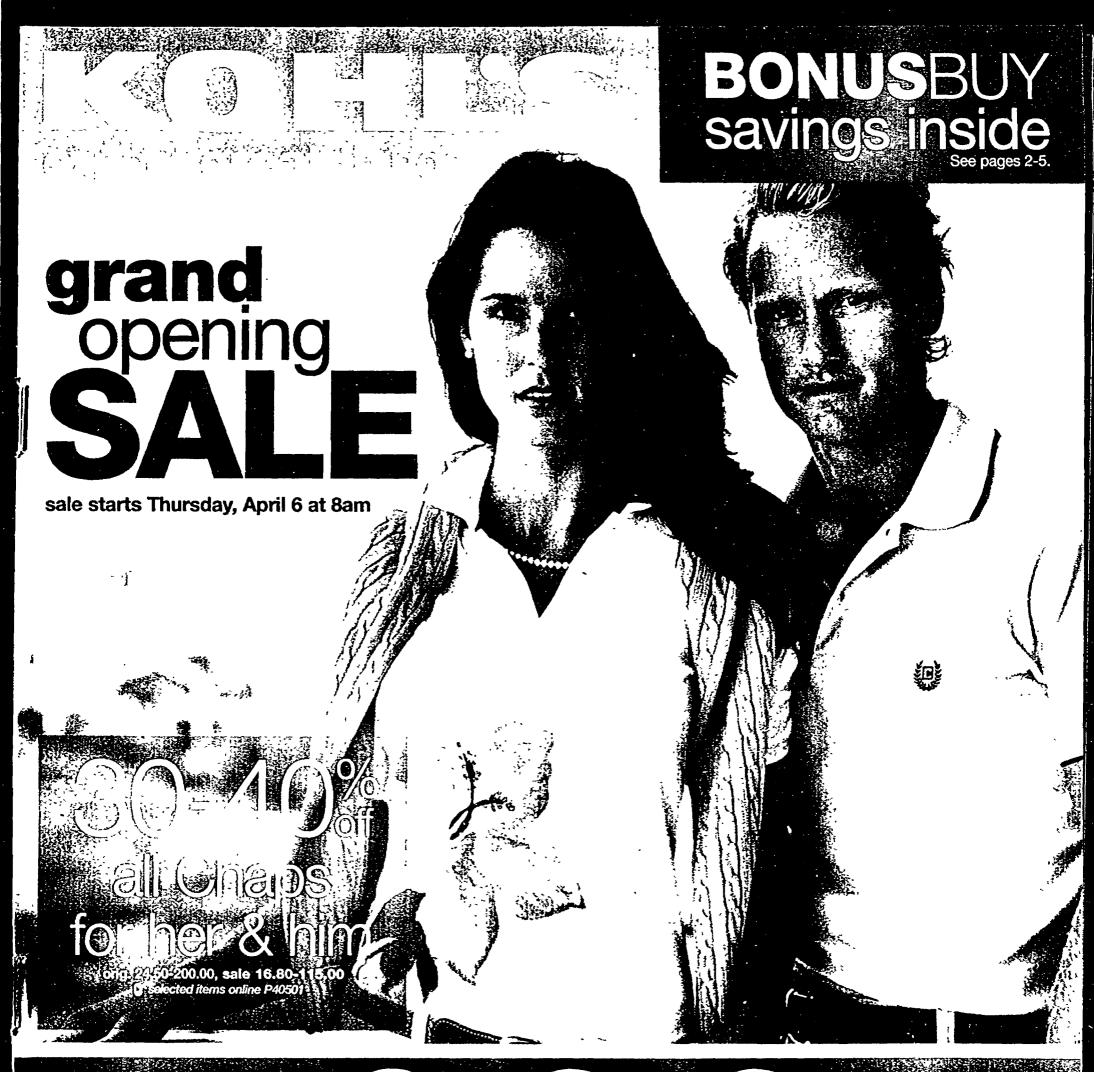
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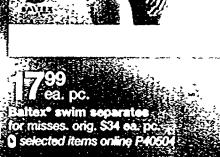


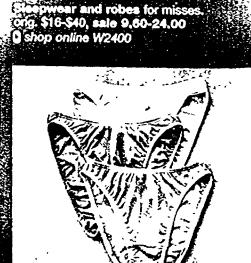


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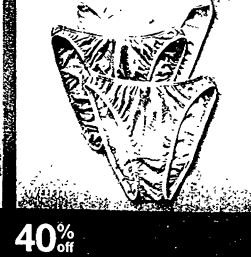










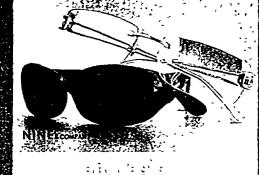


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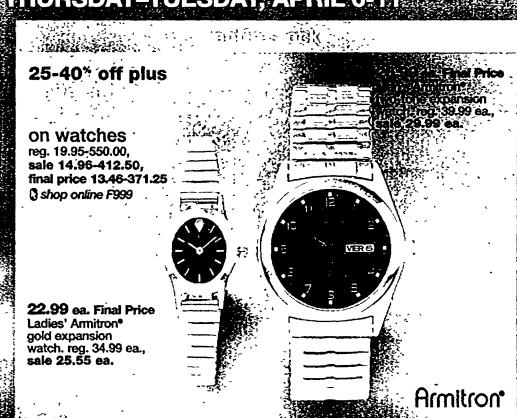


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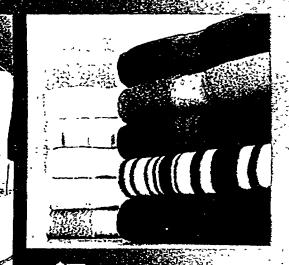




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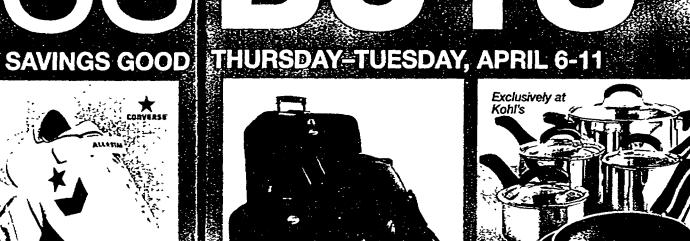




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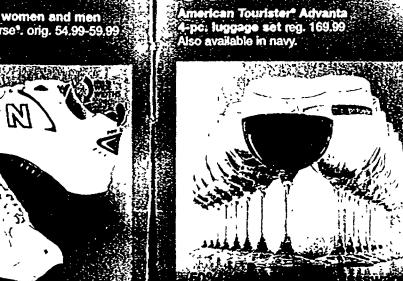




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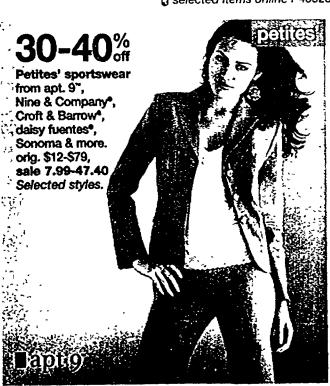
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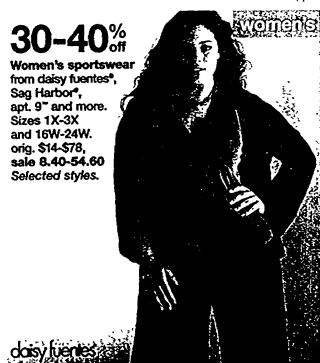
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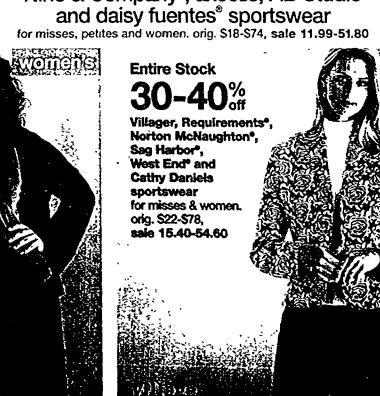
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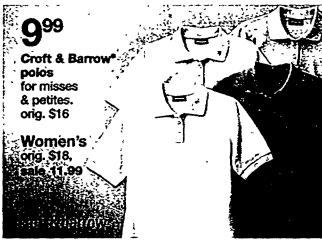
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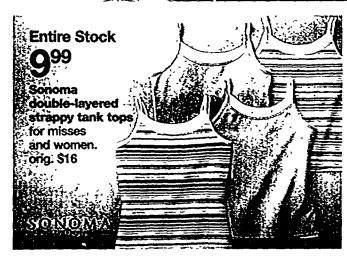
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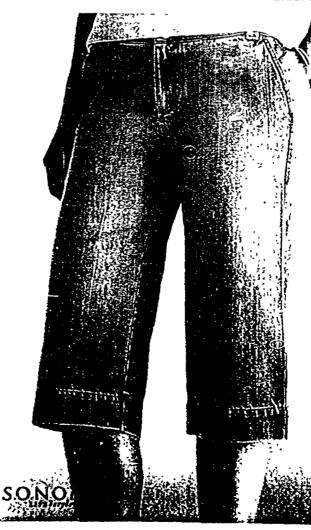
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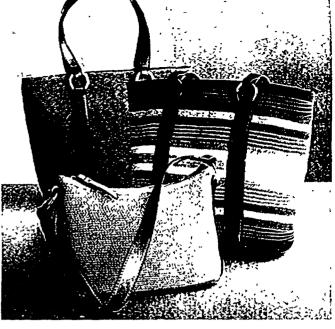
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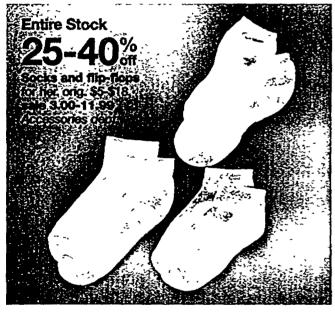




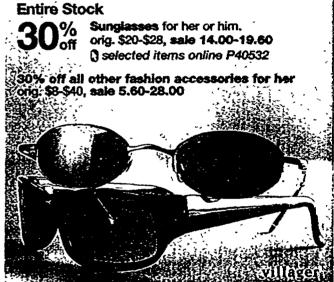
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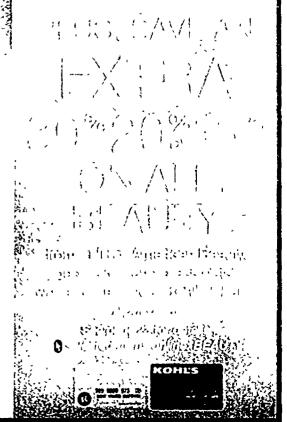




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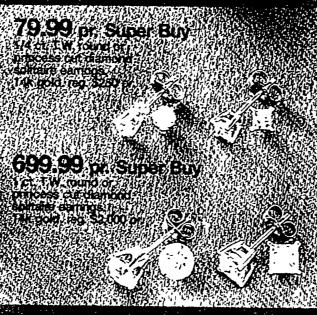
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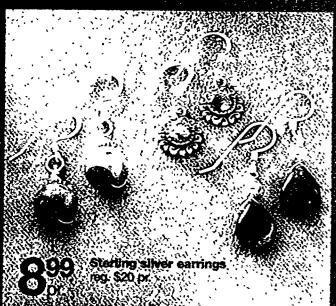


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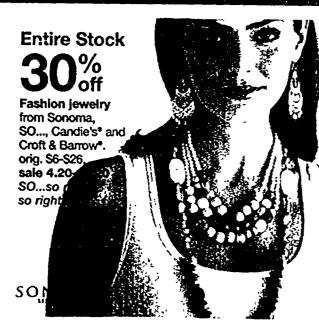










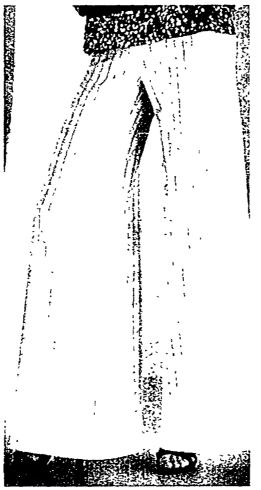




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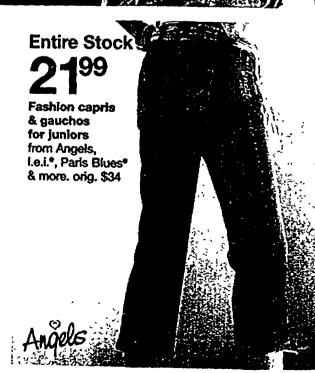














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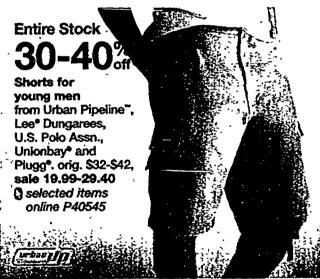
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Knit and golf tops for men from Arrow, Croft & Barrow*, Sonoma, Wedge*, Dockers* and Axist*. orig. \$14-\$46, sale 9.80-32.20 § shop online P40539

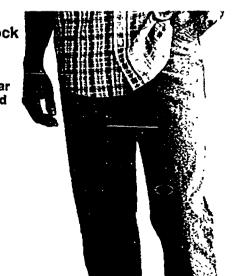


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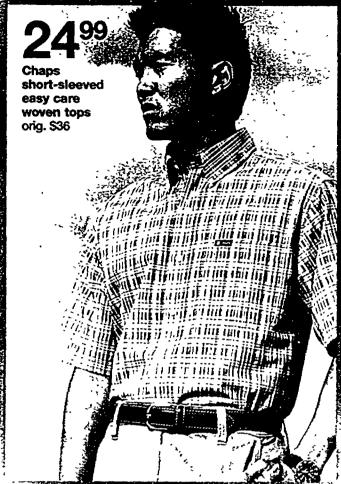
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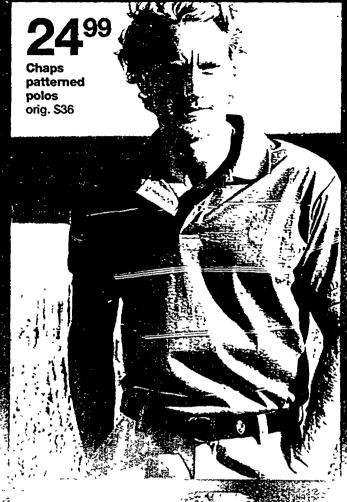


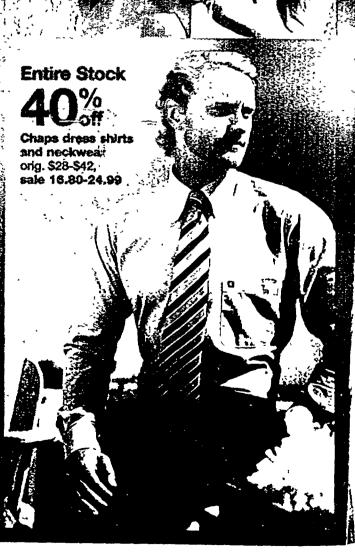
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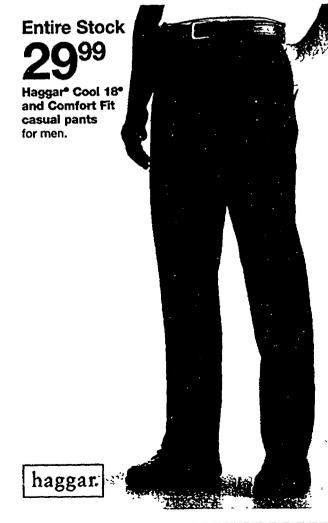
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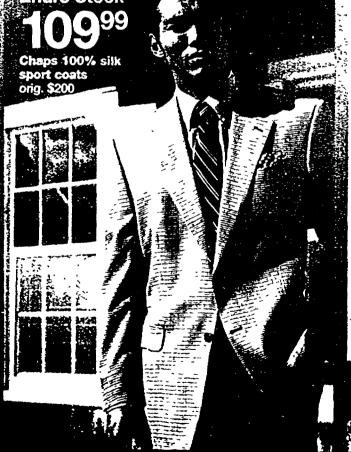






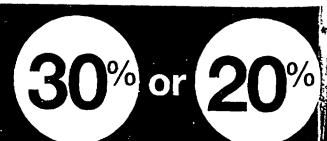






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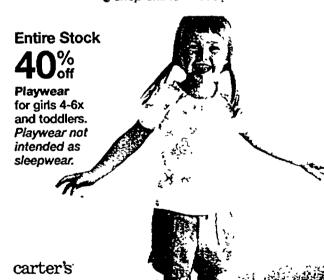


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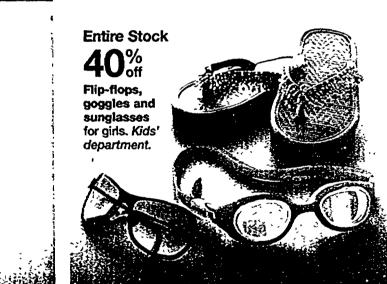








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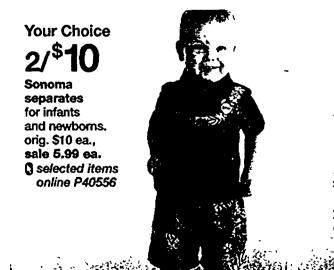


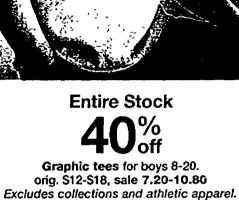




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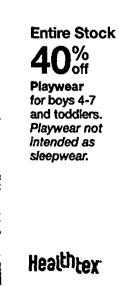












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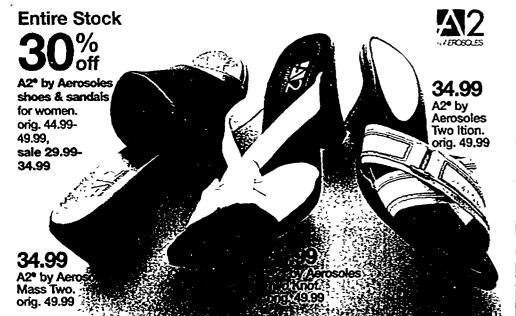
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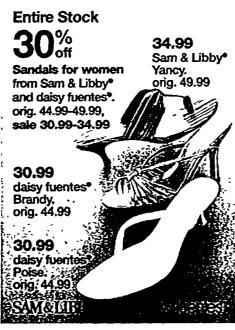


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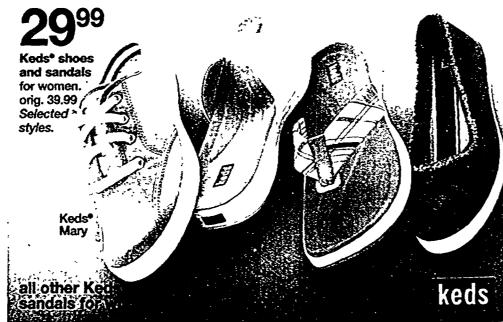
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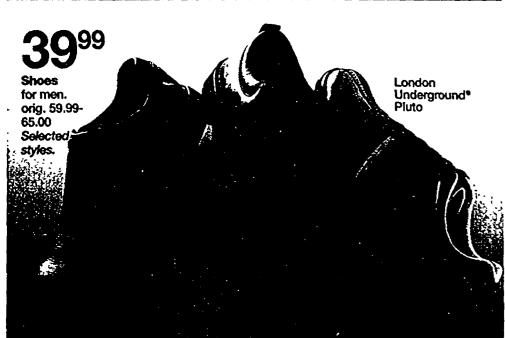




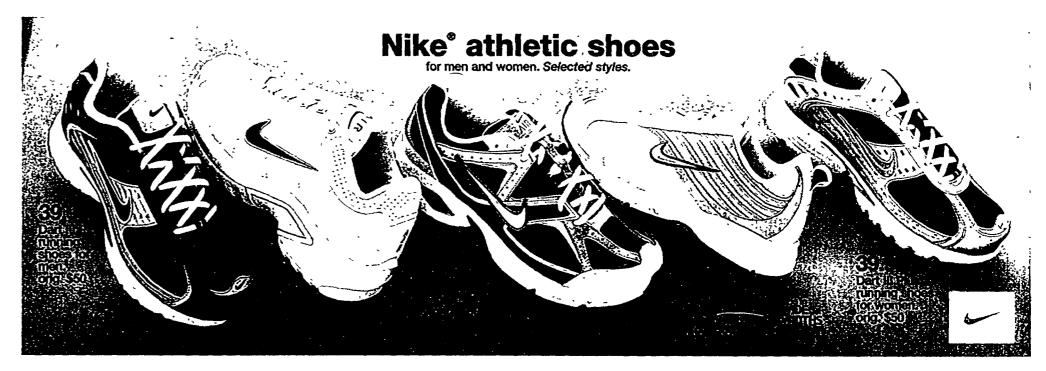




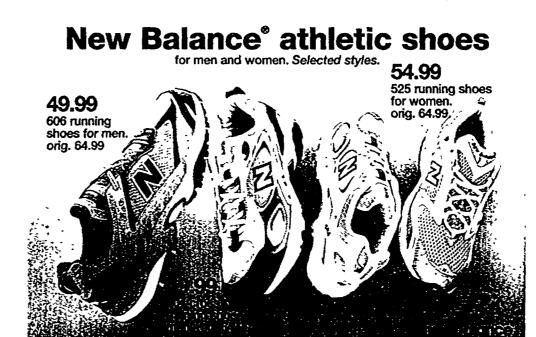


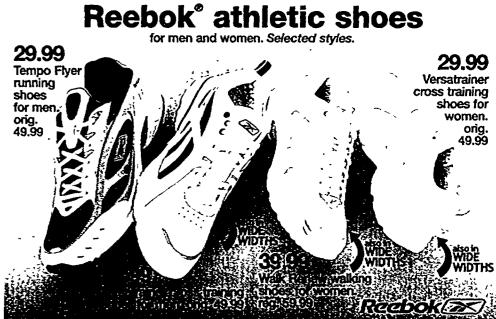


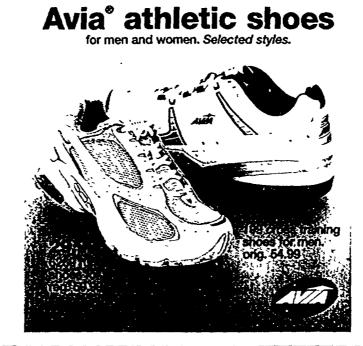


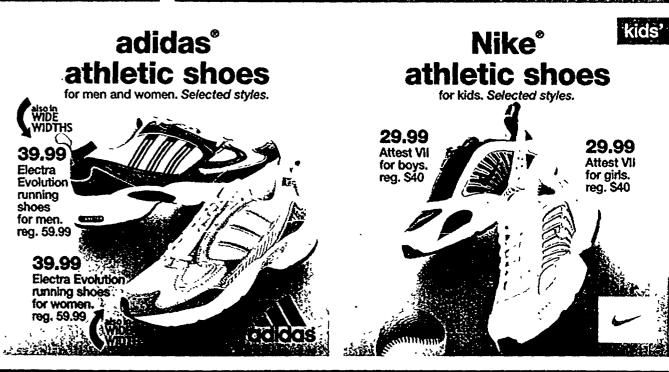


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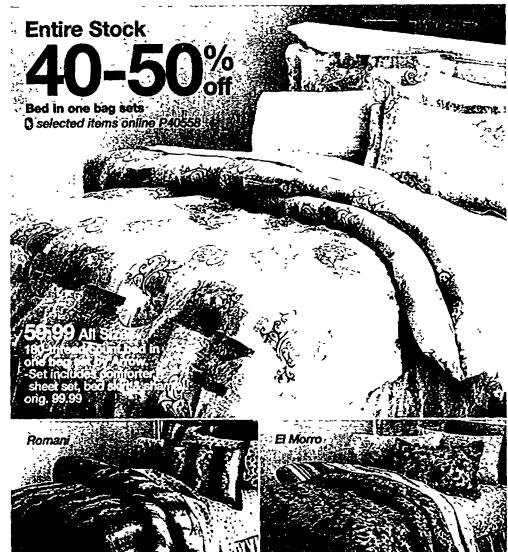
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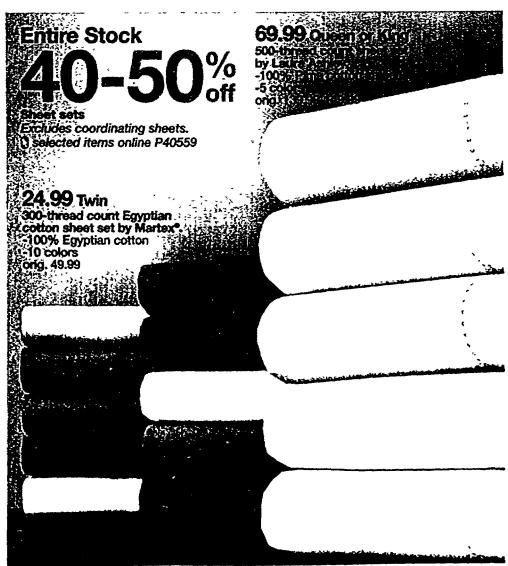
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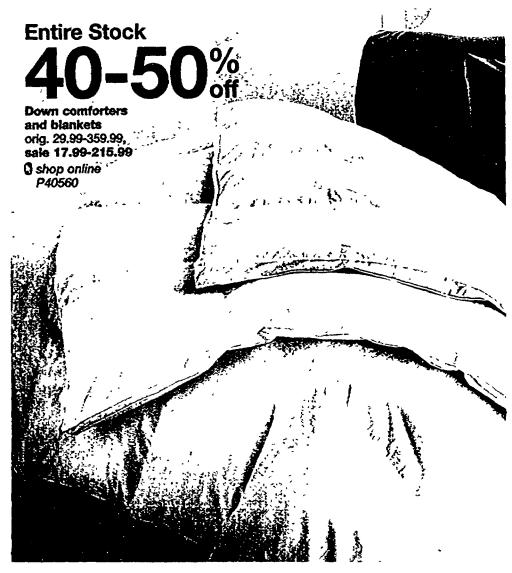
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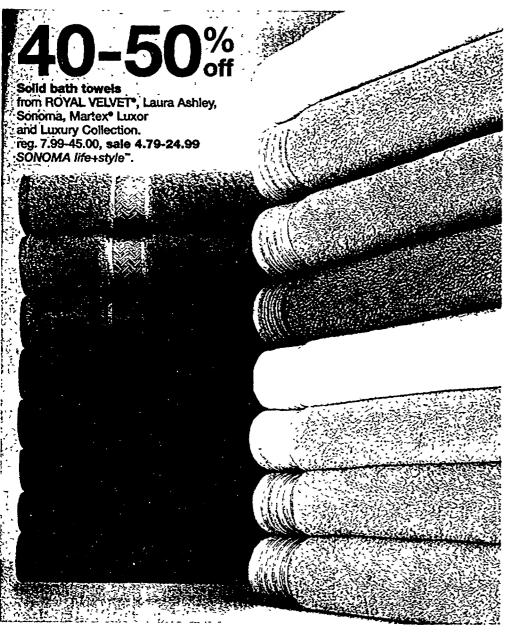




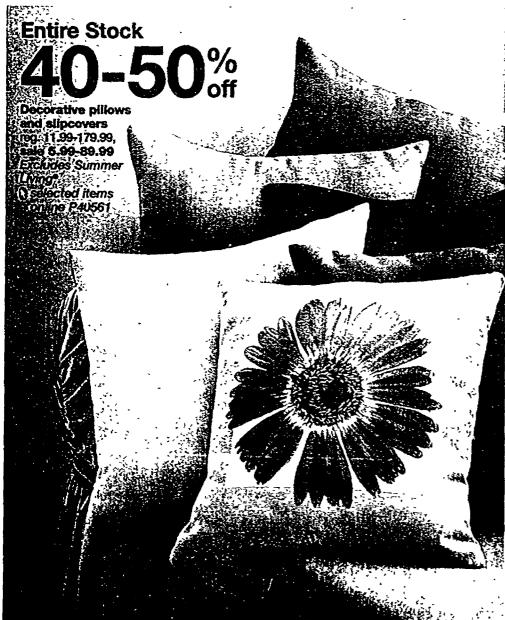
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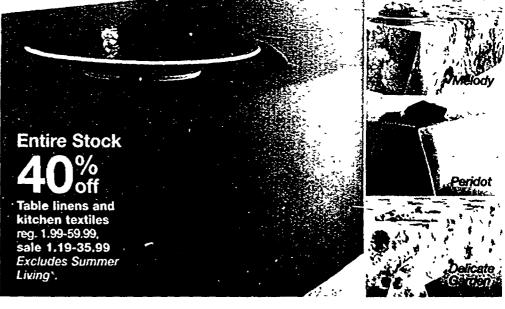
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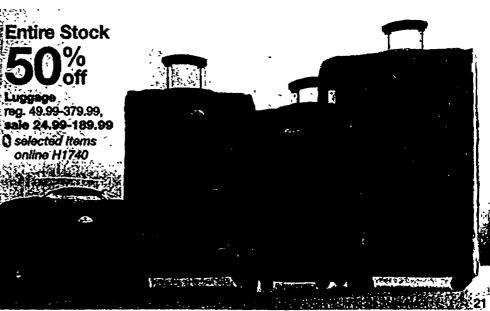
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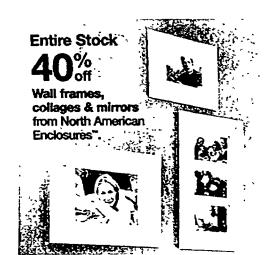




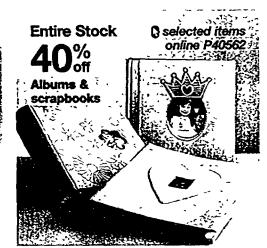




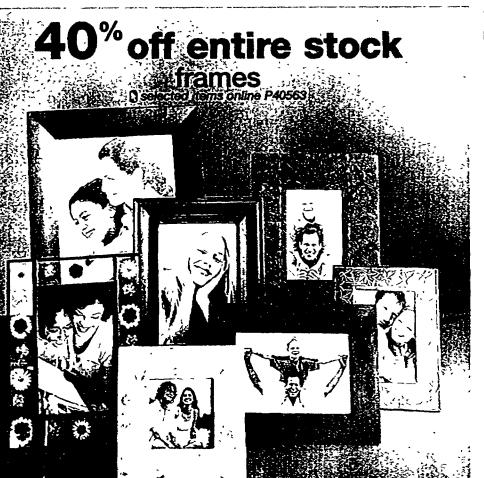










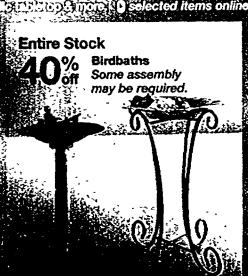








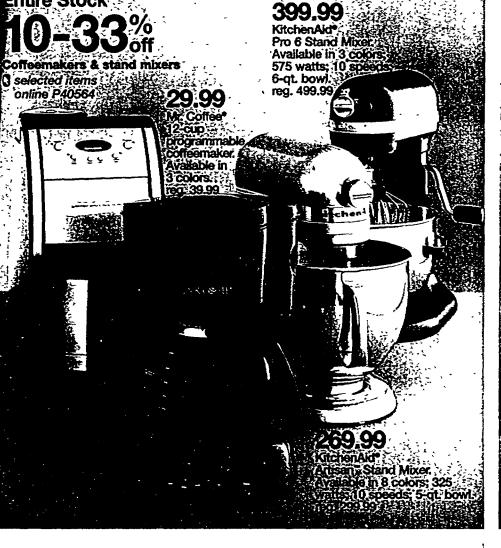




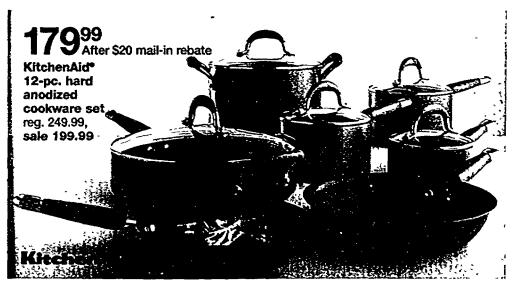




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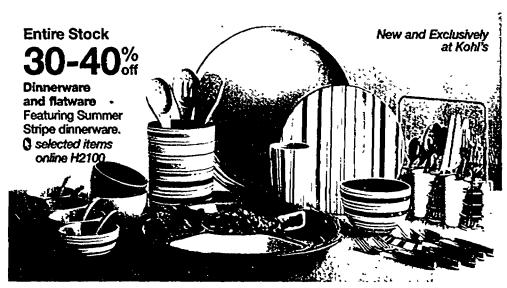












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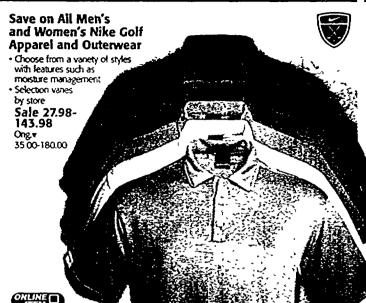




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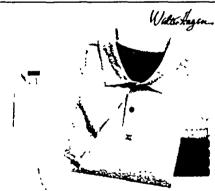
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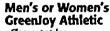
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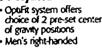
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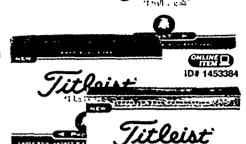
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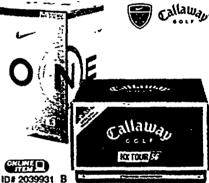
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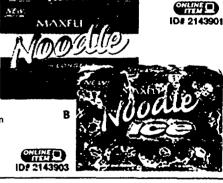
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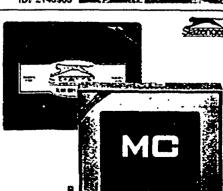


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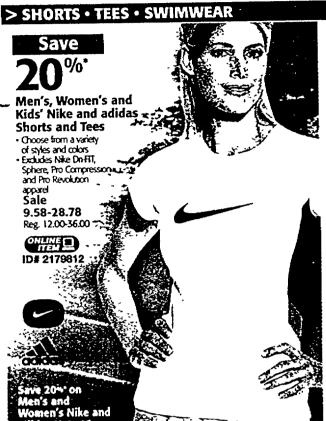
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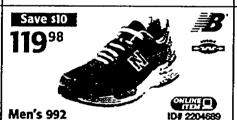


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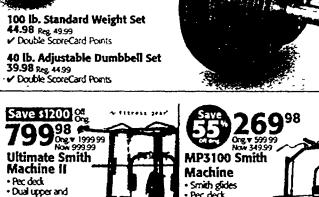
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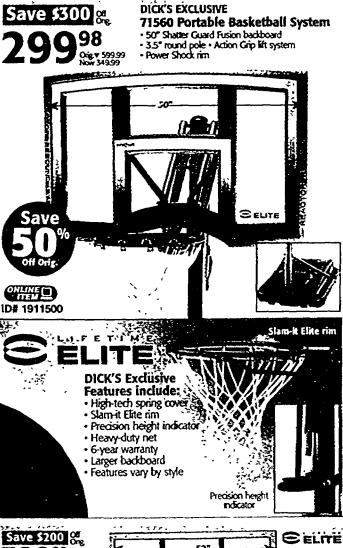
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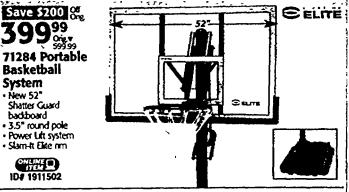
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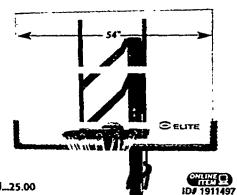


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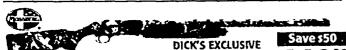
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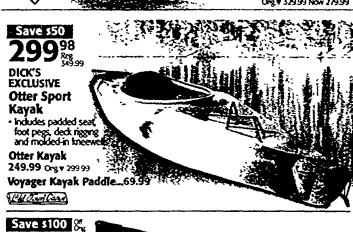
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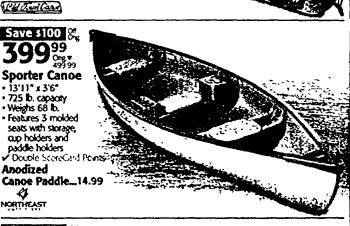
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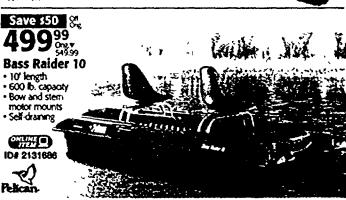
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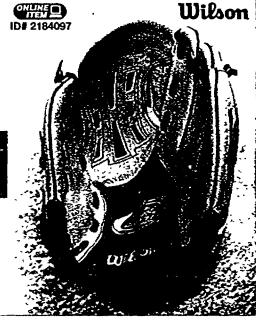
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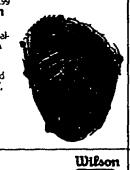
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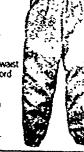
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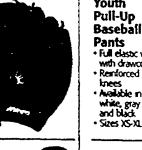
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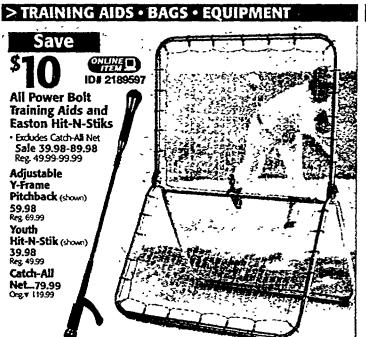
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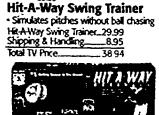
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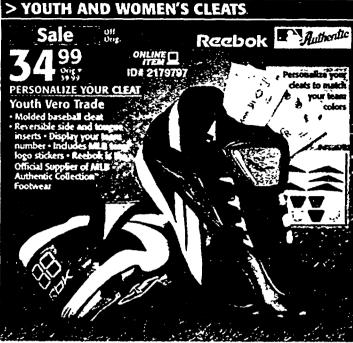


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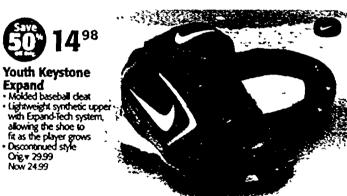
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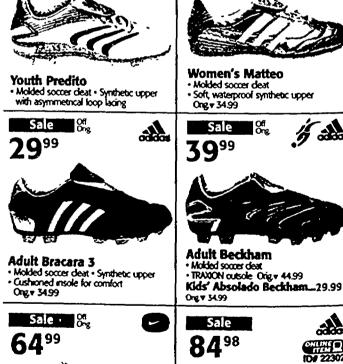
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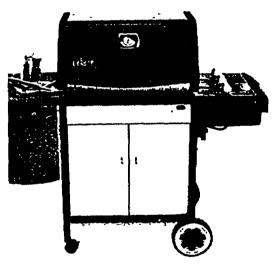


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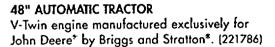
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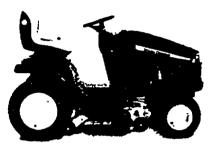


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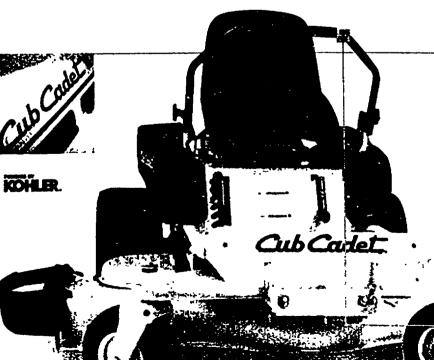
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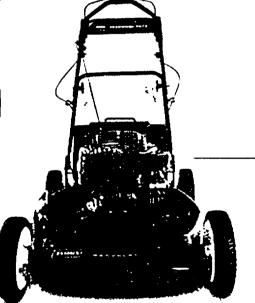
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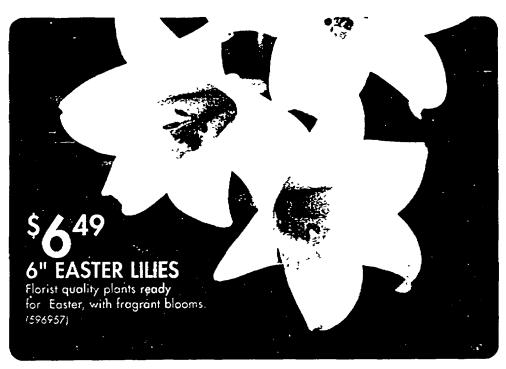


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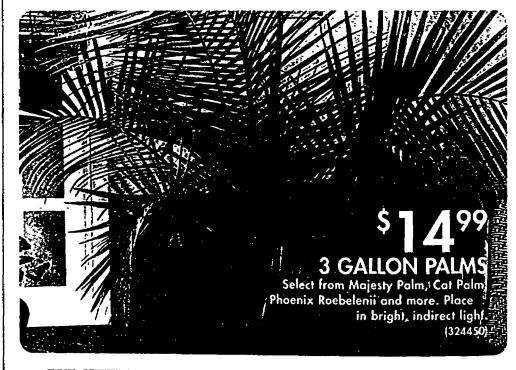
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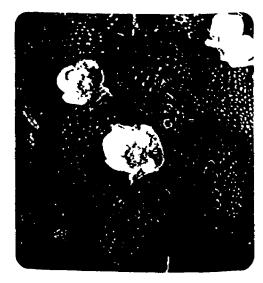
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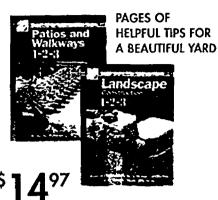
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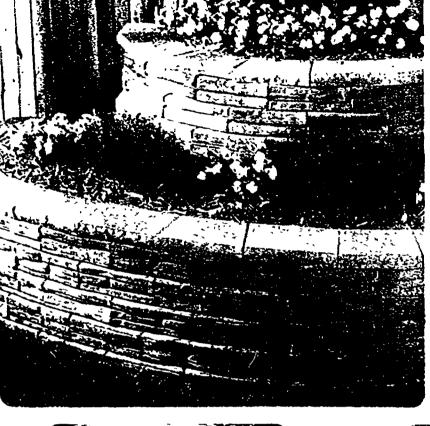
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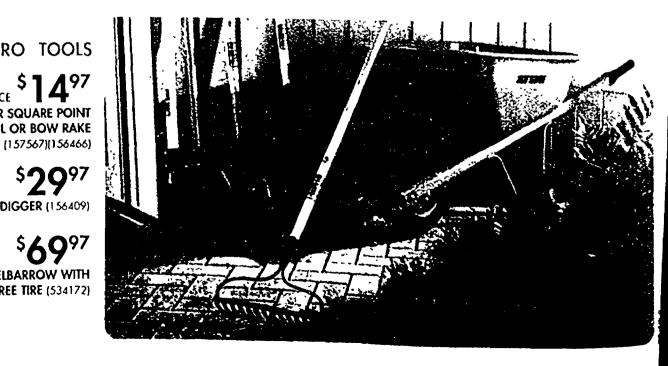
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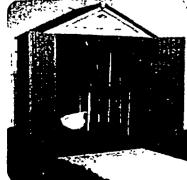




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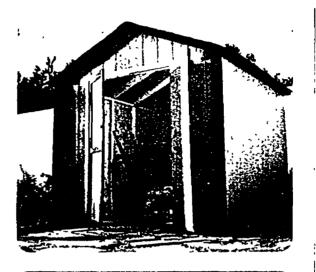
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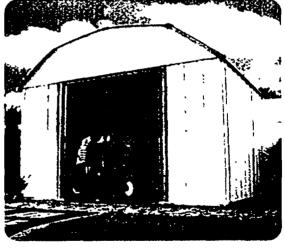
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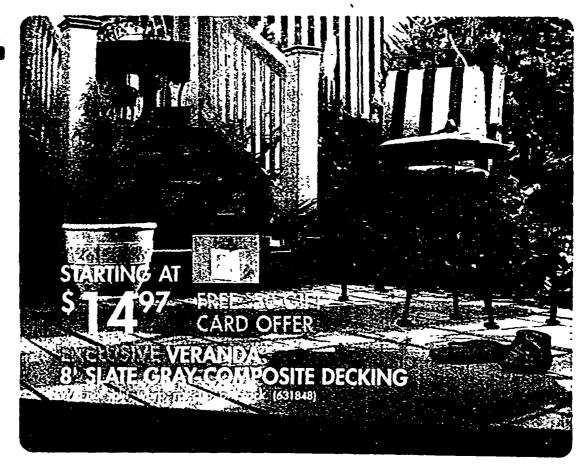
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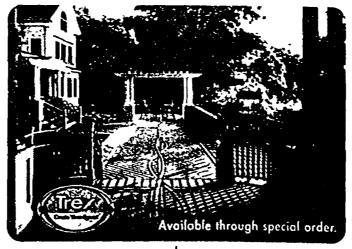


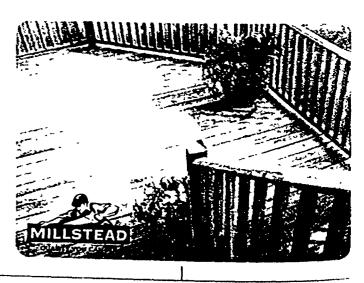
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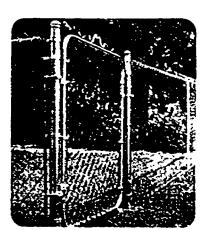
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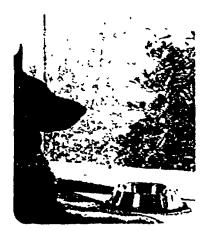
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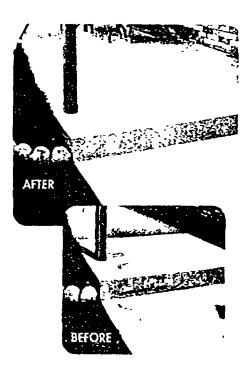
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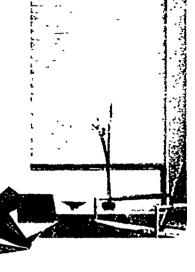
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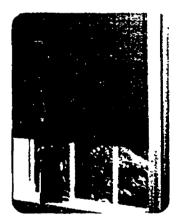
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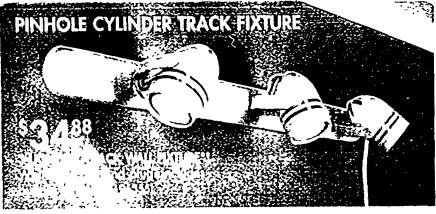
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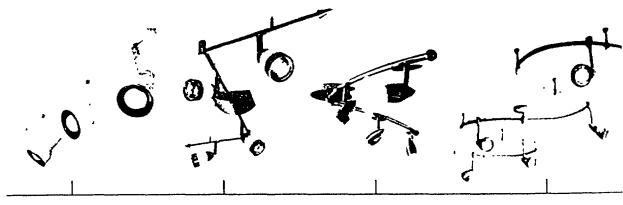
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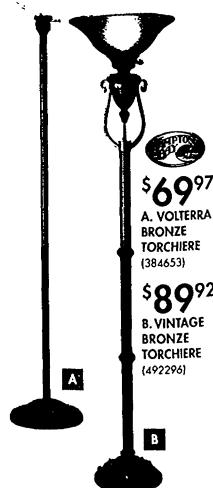
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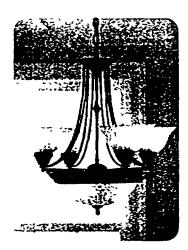




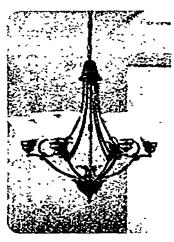
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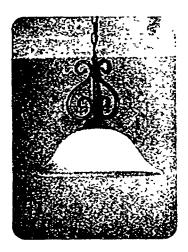
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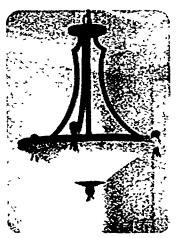


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COPPER PATINA CHANDEUER
(687067)



\$58 WAS \$7286

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[468781]



\$ 127 WAS 159
HAMPTON BAY* EASY STREET
HANGING PENDANT (132435)



\$125 WAS \$157 HAMPTON BAY* DEL RIO 5-LIGHT CHANDEUER (317977)



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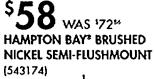


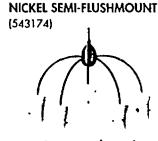




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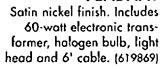


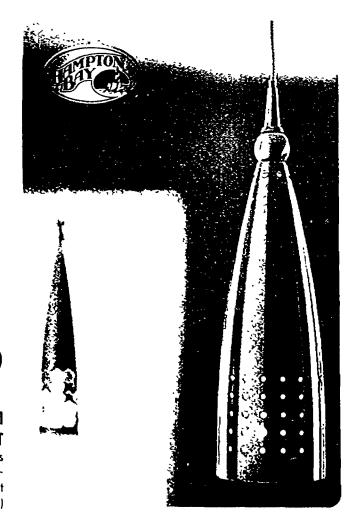
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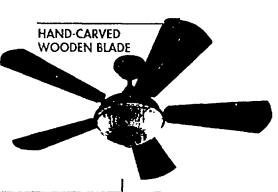
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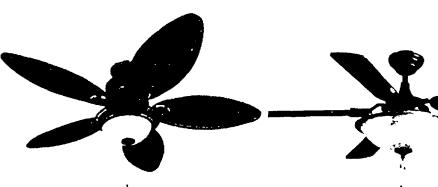
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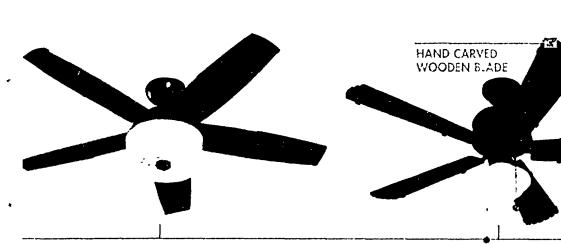
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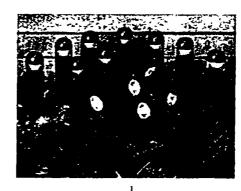
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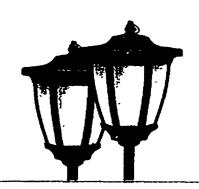


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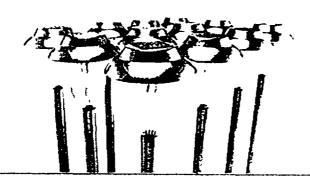


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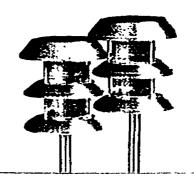




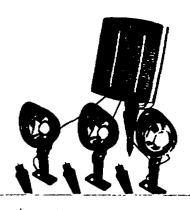
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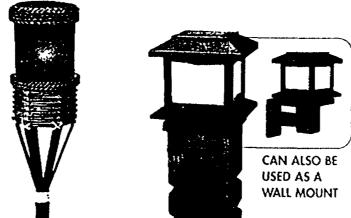
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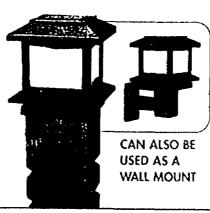
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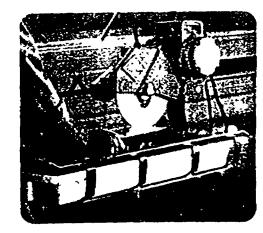


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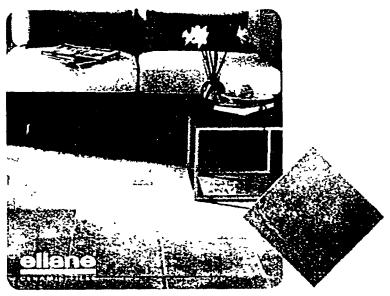


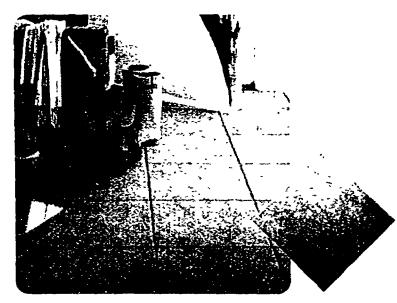
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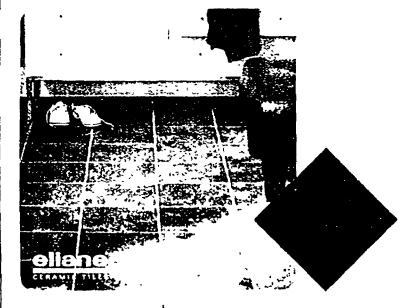
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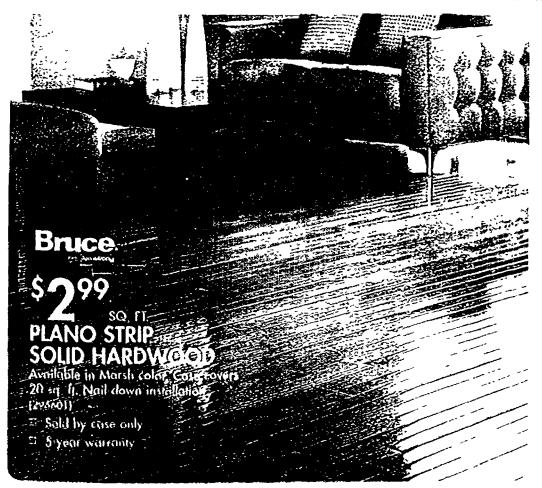
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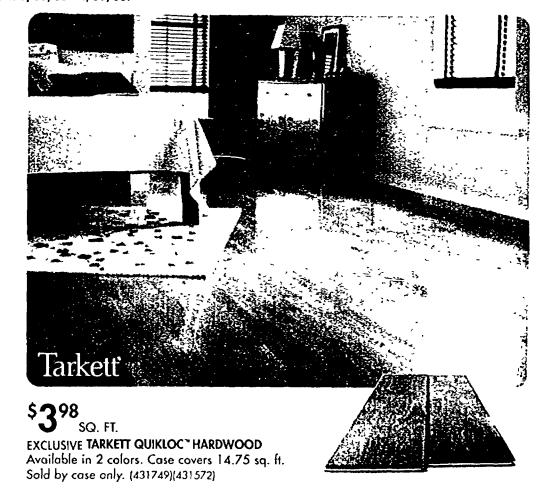
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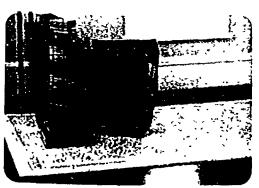
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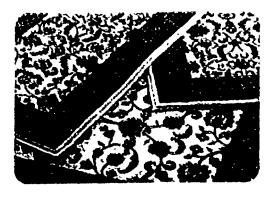
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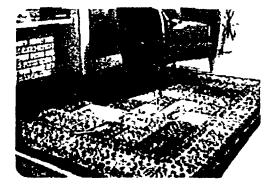
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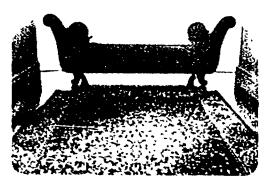












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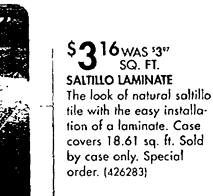
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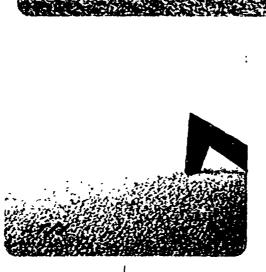
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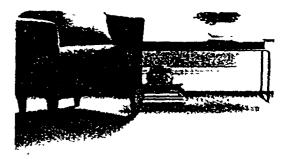


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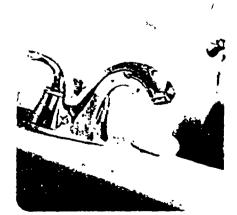
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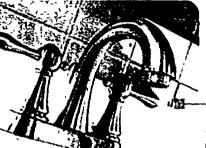
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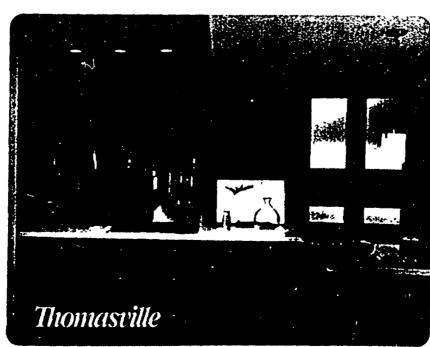
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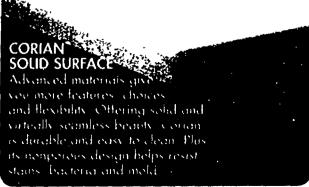
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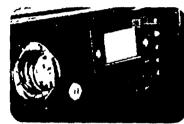
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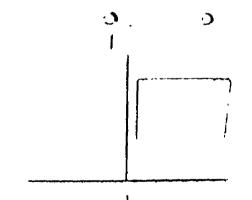
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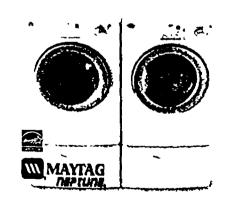


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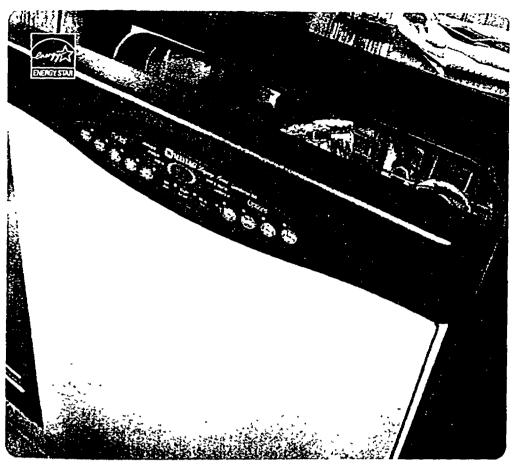
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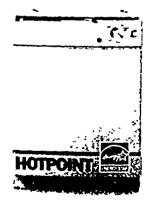
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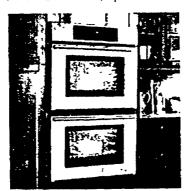
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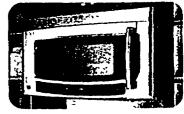
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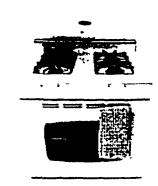
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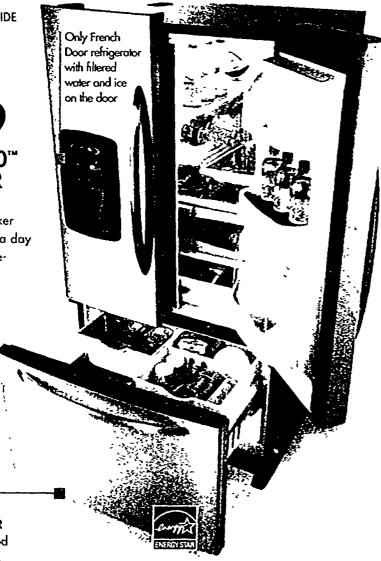
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Singer Barbara Mandrell

drell retired from performing in 1997. These days she exercises her creativity through gardening, mosaic-tile art and faux painting. "I've painted three ceilings," she happily reports. She also enjoys going to hockey games. "My husband and I are hockey nuts, but he tells me that if there is not a hockey game, it's hard to get me out of the house." The former superstar, who was voted Entertainer of the Year two times by the Country Music Association, has no plans to return to the spotlight. "Now I sing in the pew at

church like everybody else."



David McCallum on NCIS

What can you tell me about a show that used to come on in the 1960s featuring Robert Vaughn and the man who plays on NCIS? It seems like it was a spy show.

-Carolyn Wells, Winnsboro, La.

Yes indeed, The Man From U.N.C.L.E. (United Network Command for Law and Enforcement) was an extremely popular TV spy series starring Robert Vaughn as suave Napoleon Solo and David McCallum (who now plays Dr. Donald

"Ducky" Mallard on NCIS) as his Russian sidekick, Illya Kuryakin. The two super-agents were a hot prime-time crime-fighting team for almost four years.

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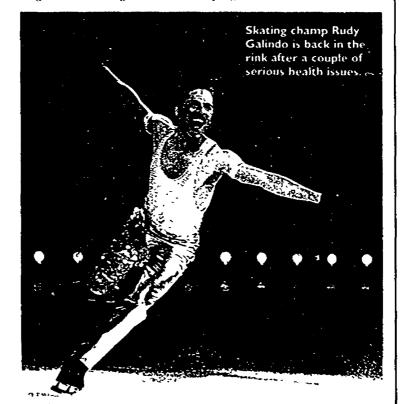
Music takes center stage for the live telecast of the 2006 CMT Music Awards, Monday, April 10, 8 p.m. (ET) on Country Music Television. Featured performances by many of today's top country stars, including Toby Keith, Kenny Send your questions to: Chesney, Gretchen Wilson, Brooks & Dunn, Rascal Flatts, Sugarland and Trace Adkins, will rock the Curb Event Center in Nashville, Tenn., and comedian Jeff Foxworthy will once again handle hosting duties. TV viewers will select the Video of The Year winner through online voting at ununcont.com during the live event.

Can you tell me about Dennis Farina on Law and Order? 1 remember him from a TV series about La Vegas back in the 1980's, but I can't recall the name. What other shows has he been in? -Orto Eredman, Albuquerque, N.M. In the late '80s, Dennis Farina played Lt. Mike Torello on TV's Crime Story series, which was set against a '60s Las Vegas backdrop. Aside from Law & Order, Fari- Dennis Farina na-who was a Chicago policeman before breaking into show



business-has starred in such other TV series as In-Laux and Buddy Faro, and in dozens of movies, including Get Shorty, Snatch,

Big Trouble, Midnight Run and Out of Sight.



'm a big fan of ice skating. What happened to Rudy Galindo? I never see him anymore.

-Elsie Archer, Peoria, III.

After Galindo's success as the winner of the 1996 U.S. National Figure Skaring championships, he faced several serious health obstacles. He was diagnosed HIV positive in 2000, and two years later found out he had AVN (avascular necrosis), a degenerative bone condition for which he underwent replacement surgery on both hips. But 2004 found him again on the ice, and he is skaring on an extensive 2006 Olympic tour that will cover 77 cities beginning this month. He's also a judge on the Women's Entertainment Network's new reality show, Skating's New Star. Currently his HIV is under control and he is in excellent health.

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Selecting Growing Annuals

Because an annual plant completes its growing cycle—seed to flowers to seed—during the course of a single season, it must pack a lot of living into a short amount of time. Fortunately for gardeners, this built-in urgency helps these one-season plants grow easily and flower abundantly.

Annuals such as zinnias, sunflowers and nasturtiums can be planted from seed right in the garden or can be started from seed indoors for an earlier bloom. An even easier option is to buy annuals as plants from a local nursery.

Of course, choosing from among the hundreds of different plants can be difficult. Start by selecting the colors and flower styles that appeal to you. Then check to see if the plant prefers sun or shade. Also consider the plant's ultimate height and form, deciding between tall, medium, short, trailing or climbing varieties. Some plants even have special virtues such as a delightful fragrance or fancy foliage.

Once you've selected your plants, put them in the best soil possible. In the garden, most annuals prefer a light-textured, well-drained soil. If your soil is sandy or heavy clay, dig (Continued on page 4)





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- if you are breast-feeding. It is not known if BONIVA passes into your milk and if it can harm your baby
- have swallowing problems or other problems with your esophagus (the tube that connects your mouth and stomach)
- if you have kidney problems
- about all the medicines you take including prescription and non-prescription medicines, vitamins and supplements. Some medicines, especially certain vitamins, supplements, and antacids can stop BONIVA from getting to your bones. This can happen if you other medicines too close to the time that you take BONIVA (see "How should I take BONIVA?")

How should I take BONIVA?

- Take BONIVA exactly as instructed by your health care provider.
- Take BONIVA first thing in the morning at least 1 hour (60 minutes) before you eat, drink anything other than plain water, or take any other oral medicine
- . Take BONIVA with 6 to 8 ounces (about 1 full cup) of plain water. Do not take if with any other drink besides plain water. Do not take it with other drinks, such as mineral water, sparlding water, coffee, tea, dairy drinks (such as milk), or juice
- Swallow BONIVA whole Do not chew or suck the
- tablet or keep it in your mouth to melt or dissolve.

 After taking BONIVA you must wait at least 1 hour (60 minutes) before:
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- Choose one date of the month (your BONIVA day) that you will remember and that best fits your schedule to take your BONIVA 150-mg tablet.
- Take one BONIVA 150-mg tablet in the morning of your chosen day (see "How should I take BONIVA?").

What to do if I miss a monthly dose:

- If your next scheduled BONIVA day is more than 7 days away, take one BONIVA 150-mo tablet in the morning following the day that you remember (see "How should I take BONIVA?") Then return to talong one BONIVA 150-mg tablet every month in the morning of your chosen day, according to your onginal schedule
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 Take one BONIVA 2.5-mg tablet once a day first thing in the morning at least 1 hour (60 minutes) before you eat, drink anything other than plain water, or take any other oral medicine (see "How should I take BONIVA?").

What to do if I miss a daily dose:

- · If you forget to take your BONIVA 2 5-mg tablet in the morning, do not take it later in the day. Just return to your normal schedule and take 1 tablet the next morning. Do not take two tablets on the same day.
- If you are not sure what to do if you miss a dose, contact your health care provider who will be able to advise you.

What should I avoid while taking BONIVA?

- · Do not take other medicines, or eat or drink anything but plain water before you take BONIVA and for at least 1 hour (60 minutes) after you take it
- Do not lie down for at least 1 hour (60 minutes) after you take BONIVA.

What are the possible side effects of BONIVA? Stop taking BONIVA and call your health care provider right away if you have:

- pain or trouble with swallowing
- · chest pain
- very bad heartburn or heartburn that does not get better

BONIVA MAY CAUSE:

- pain or trouble swallowing (dysphagia)
- · heartburn (esophagitis)
- ulcers in your stomach or esophagus (the tube that connects your mouth and stomach)

Common side effects with BONIVA are

- diarrhea
- pain in extremities (arms or legs).
- dyspepsia (upset stomach)

Less common side effects with BONIVA are shortlasting mild flu-like symptoms (usually improve after the first dose). These are not all the possible side effects of BONIVA. For more information ask your health care provider or pharmacist

Rarely, patients have reported severe bone, joint, and/or muscle pain starting within one day to several months after beginning to take, by mouth, bisphosphonate drugs to treat osteoporosis (thin bones) This group of drugs includes BONIVA Most patients expenenced relief after stopping the drug. Contact your health care provider if you develop these symptoms after starting BONIVA

What is osteoporosis?

Osteoporosis is a disease that causes bones to become thinner. Thin bones can break easily. Most people think of their bones as being solid like a rock Actually, bone is living tissue, just like other parts of the body, such as your heart, brain, or skin. Bone

just happens to be a harder type of tissue. Bone is always changing. Your body keeps your bones strong and healthy by replacing old bone with new

Osteoporosis causes the body to remove more bone than it replaces. This means that bones get weaker Weak bones are more likely to break. Osteoporosis is a bone disease that is guite common in women after menopause. At first, osteoporosis has no symptrans, but nearly with asteogorosis may develop loss of height and are more likely to break (fracture) their bones, especially the back (spine), wrist, and hip

Osteoporosis can be prevented, and with proper therapy it can be treated.

Who is at risk for osteoporosis? Talk to your health care provider about your chances for getting osteoporosis.

Many things put people at risk for osteoporosis The following people have a higher chance of getting osteoporosis.

- are going through or who are past menopause ("the chance")
- · are white (Caucasian) or Asian

People who

- are thin
- have a family member with osteoporosis
- do not get enough calcium or vitamin D
- do not exercise
- dnnk alcohol often
- take bone thinning medicines (like prednisone) for a long time

General information about BONIVA

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for conditions that are not mentioned in patient information. Do not use BONIVA for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give BONIVA to other people, even if they have the same symptoms you have. It

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Keep BONIVA and all medicines out of the reach of children

This summarizes the most important information about BONIVA. If you would like more information, talk with your health care provider. You can ask your health care provider or pharmacist for information about BONIVA that is written for health professionals

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in some peat moss or compost to help retain moisture and allow roots to grow freely. If you're planting in a pot or window box, don't use garden soil. Instead purchase a quality growing mix that contains ground sphagnum moss and vermiculite or perlite.

Most annuals will flower and flourish until cold temperatures put an end to their display. To ensure healthy plants and a colorful show, be sure to pinch off or cut back spent blooms. This prevents plants from producing seeds and keeps them focused on flower production. Don't forget to water regularly because if the soil dries out, plants get stressed and become more susceptible to disease and pest problems. If possible, apply water at the base of the plants and keep the foliage dry. And don't forget to fertilize. In the garden, annuals require just one spring application of an allpurpose organic fertilizer. If you're growing in containers, apply an organic-based watersoluble fertilizer every two weeks to keep your plants blooming at their best.

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INDIANA

Wildflower Foray—Brown and Monroe counties, April 28-30. Celebrate the area's natural history during this 21st annual event featuring wildflower and bird hikes, programs and a boat trip on Lake Monroe. (812) 988-2785.

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Quilt Show & Sale—Kalona, April 27-29. Examine more than 300 handmade quilts and learn about new designs and fabrics during this 35th annual show at the Kalona Community Center. (319) 656-2240.



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MICHIGAN

Red Hat Ladies Founder's Day Celebration—Tecumseh, April 21-22. Join in this second annual celebration of the founding of this Red Hat Society chapter and enjoy a hat parade, fashion events and workshops. (517) 424-6003.

MINNESOTA

Spring Festival: An Arts & Crafts Affair-Shakopee, April 7-9. Browse the creations of more than 500 artists and craftspeople from 30 states, and enjoy entertainment, food and presentation of hourly gift certificates at Canterbury Park. (402) 331-2889.

MISSOURI :

Dogwood Festival—Camdenton, April 20-23. Blooming dogwood trees, arts & crafts, musical entertainment, a parade, fish fry and children's carnival highlight this 55th annual event. (800) 769-1004.

NEBRASKA

Country Bluegrass Show-North Platte, April 26-29. Enjoy the music of bluegrass bands, including Ralph Stanley II and the Clinch Mountain Boys, jamming and local showcase competitions, crafts and food at Lincoln County Fairgrounds. (308) 532-1465.

NORTH DAKOTA

Gentlemen Prefer Blondes-Grand Rapids, April 9. Delight in this zany musical production about the adventures of chorus girl Lorelei Lee. The University of North Dakota's Chester Fritz Auditorium. (701) 777-4090.

OHIO

Mike Albert's "Ultimate Tribute"— Wilmington, April 29. This Elvis Presley impersonator honors the king of rock 'n' roll by singing some of the legend's greatest hits at Murphy Theatre. (937) 382-3654.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Quilt Show-Brookings, April 22-23. Enjoy a display of 300 quilts, silent auction and merchandise, and attend classes by quilter Debbie Bowles and a luncheon ar the Swiftel Center. (605) 542-2051.

WISCONSIN

Easter Egg Hunt & Breakfast with the Easter Bunny-Markesan, April 15. Bring your children to meet the bunny and enjoy games and a coloring contest at Sandy's Diner followed by an egg hunt at Markesan Elementary School. (920) 398-8023. ズ

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Greek Egg Lemon Soup

6 cups chicken stock 1/4 cup converted rice 2 eggs, beaten Juice of one lemon Salt and pepper, to taste

In a large saucepan, bring chicken stock to a simmer. Stir in rice and simmer for 15 minutes or until rice is soft. Combine eggs with lemon juice. Slowly add juice mixture to simmering broth. To prevent curdling, do not boil. The egg will cook instantly. Season with saft and pepper. Serves 8 to 10.

Tips From Our Test Kitchen:

This quick recipe makes a delicious first course. Garnish with rosemary sprigs and thin slices of lemon.

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Our largest organ often is our most neglected.

The average adult has nearly 20 square feet of skin that protects us from the sun and wind, insulates our bodies from infection, and stores a life-sustaining system of blood vessels and nerves. Yet we generally don't give the skin the same consideration as internal organs such as the heart or lungs, says Dr. Stephen Webster, a dermatologist in La Crosse, Wis. (pop. 51,818).

"It's a very complex and miraculous organ," says Webster, a past president of the American Academy of Dermatology, the nation's largest dermatologic association. "One of the problems is people take it for granted."

The best way to care for the skin is to use sunscreen, protective clothing and common sense against sun damage. Sunshine is the biggest cause of wrinkles and blemishes associated with aging. Webster suggests wearing sunscreen every day during the summer and also in the winter when outdoors for extended periods. That includes young children, since 80 percent of sunrelated damage occurs before age 18.

"All the Botox and the (chemical) peels and the facelifts that people are talking about now—if they would use sunscreen, they wouldn't need all that stuff," Webster says.

Beyond sun protection, each area of the body has its unique qualities and needs. Here's a quick overview on head-to-toe skin care:

- Scalp. An easy way to maintain the sensitive skin atop your head is to wash it regularly with a mild shampoo. Avoid harsh chemicals, and don't inflame your scalp with tight braids or ponytails or hair extensions worn for long periods of time. When treating conditions such as dandruff with a medicated shampoo, be sure to follow directions.
- Face and neck. Acne is most prevalent in teenagers as hormonal changes invigorate oil glands, but adults also can get pimples. Keep the face clean and avoid clogging pores with greasy lotions or makeup. Many over-the-counter treatments work well on mild acne, but serious cases should be treated by a dermatologist to minimize scarring.
- Hands. Lotions help retain the body's moisture and are an important defense against dry air. They work best when applied within three minutes after a shower or bath.
- Legs. For women, cellulite is the body's way of storing fat for pregnancy. Nearly all women who are not severely malnourished have it. Weight control helps minimize cellulite and stretch marks. Guard against varicose veins by elevating the feet.
- Feet. Athlete's foot is a fungus that thrives in a warm, dark, moist environment. Choose cotton socks and shoes made of breathable materials, use anti-fungal powder and go barefoot at home to let feet dry and breathe.
 - Nails. Fingernails and toenails can reveal much about over-

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all health, as many diseases and serious conditions can be detected by changes in your nails. If you bite or pick your nails, quit. It not only makes nails less attractive but can spread germs and lead to infection. Keep your nails clean, dry and trimmed.

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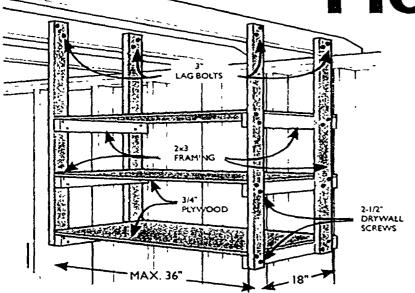
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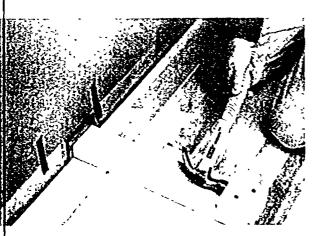
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Hanging garage rack

This rack takes advantage of the "free" storage space over the hood of your car. Build the two-by-four and two-by-three ladder-like support frames first, tailoring the width and spacing to fit your needs. Hang the frames from the overhead trusses or cross-ties using 3-inch lag bolts, then use drywall screws to hold the 3/4-inch plywood shelves in place.



Plank tugger

Use this homemade tugger to install wood or laminate flooring that abuts walls. Screw a two-by-four block to one end of a two-byfour and a metal plate to the other. Lightly tap on the block while guiding the tongue into the



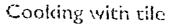
Cord for organizing wire

Before you toss that old phone, cut off the coiled handset cord. You can wrap it around a tangle of wires behind your stereo or computer to keep them organized.

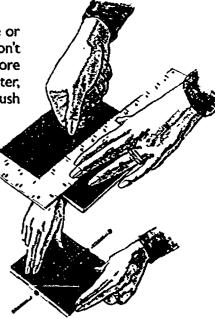


Cheapskate tile cutting

If you have a project where only one or two tiles need to be cut and you don't want to rent a tile cutter, try this: Score the glazed tile surface with a glass cutter. place the seam over two nails, then push down on the sides.



Trimming thick 12-by-12-inch vinyl tiles around curves and irregular objects can be tough. The solution is to warm the tiles in an oven set at about 150 degrees, then cut with a pair of scissors. Be sure to wear gloves or oven mitts!



Preventing deck decay

Use an old saw—any coarse-tooth saw will do—to push or pull leaves, pine needles and other crud from between your deck boards. You'll help your deck "breathe" better and last longer by

getting rid of this rot-promoting gunk.

if you have stubborn wallpaper that won't separate from your walls, try this quick and easy stripper: Mix 2/3 parts very hot water with 1/3 part liquid fabric softener in a paint tray. Apply several coats of this mixture to the wallpaper with a long-nap paint roller. Let it soak in for at least 10 minutes, then scrape the paper off with a broad-blade putty knife.

Invisible roof patch

When you have nailhead holes, tears or exposed nailheads you're covering with roofing cement, sprinkle loose shingle granules into the sticky cement to create an invisible patch. Your gutters are a good source of loose granules.

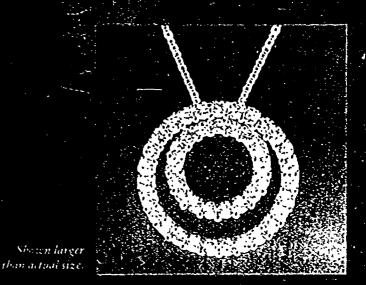
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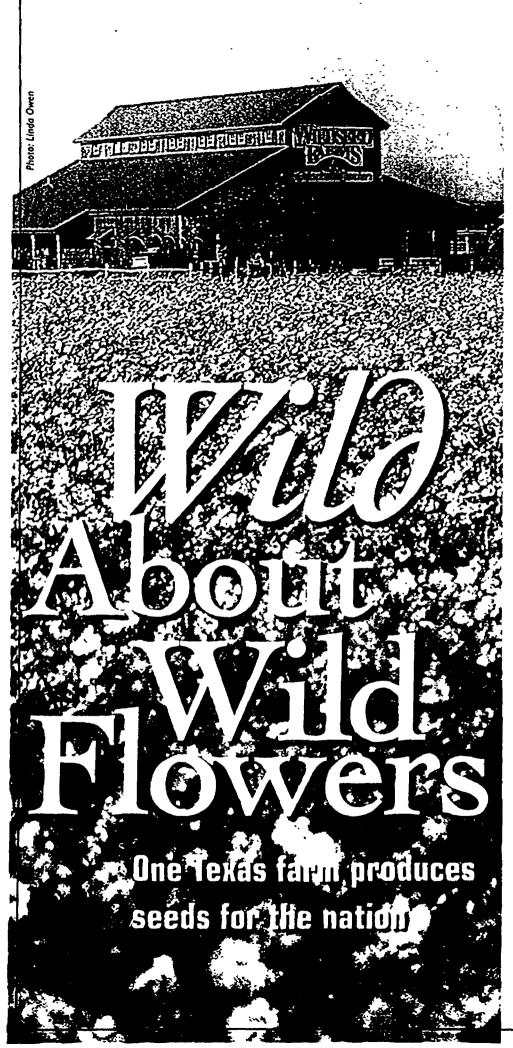
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John Thomas stands in a field at Wildseed Farms

near Fredericksburg, Texas (pop. 8,911), and surveys the surrounding canvas of mixed wildflowers—black-eyed Susans, purple coneflowers, white daisies, red and orange California poppies, yellow coreopsis and pink buttercups. He knows that next spring the seeds from his farm will blanket the edges of highways across America.

In all, Thomas' wildflower business supplies seed for 29 state highway departments, including those in Florida, Maryland, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

"One of the greatest treasures of spring is the diversity of color provided by wildflowers along our highways," Thomas says. "When I travel this great country of ours and see the color in the pastures and on the roadsides, it makes me proud to have a small part in it."

A passion blooms

Thomas grew up working at his father's ranch near the Texas Gulf Coast, fascinated by the blooming flowers his father wanted to kill so his cattle would have more grass to eat. One day he observed people taking photographs of their children in the bluebonnets along the roadside. "While people were looking at wildflowers, I was looking at the people," says Thomas, who lives in Fredericksburg. "I could tell people loved color. And I knew there was an interest—and thus a market."

However, when he asked for acreage to plant a crop of wildflowers, his family scoffed at the idea. Texas farmers planted and sold rice, cotton and corn, he was reminded. "How can you expect to make a living growing flowers?" they asked.

But in 1983, Ralph Thomas, a thirdgeneration farmer-rancher, finally allowed his son John to plant wildflowers on a few acres. The younger Thomas started his enterprise by growing bluebonnets for the Texas Highway Department and made \$60,000 on his first seed production. "Dad began to pick up the seeds in his hand as if he were holding gold," Thomas says with a laugh.

Today, Wildseed Farms is one of the most successful wildflower production farms in the nation, with 65 employees that include horticulturists and botanists. Eighty-eight vari-

eties of seeds are collected on 200 scattered acres in the Texas Hill Country near Fredericksburg, and on another 1,000 acres in Eagle Lake, Texas (pop. 3,664), along the Gulf Coast. Last year, the farms harvested 50,000 pounds of bluebonnet seeds—70 percent of the workl's supply.

Although Marilyn Thomas, John's wife of 35 years, was "not sure at first how anyone could make a living



John Thomas, founder of Wildseed Farms raising wildflowers," she now helps run the business. "He's a visionary who knows what he wants and methodically makes it happen—one step at a time," she says. "He thinks wildflowers 24 hours a day."

Walking among the wildflowers

While Wildseed Farms primarily supplies seed for state highway departments, Thomas also has built a successful sightseeing attraction at his Fredericksburg farm. "I was the first working (wildflower) farm to open my fields to the public," he says. "We get a lot of people stopping here. I've seen cars come to a screeching halt and tour buses pass by only to turn around at the insistence of the passengers. People seem to really enjoy the opportunity to walk among the wildflower and touch them."

Some take home packages of seeds or ported plants for their own gardens; other photograph their children sitting in a field of bluebonnets. Inside the Butterfly Haus, visi-

tors find a 3,000-square-foot live butterfly exhibit, where they learn about individual species and what plants attract them. Along the half mile of walking trails, tourists view beautifully landscaped gardens surrounded by 40 acres of production fields.

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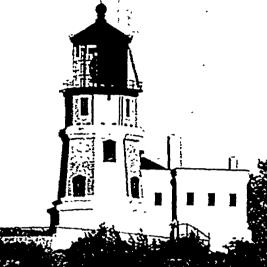


TOP 10 ROAD TRIPS

As the new season arrives, give in to the urge to explore. You'll find spectacular scenery, great stops and more along our favorite drives. 1. NORTH SHORE DRIVE, MINNESOTA One of the most scenic areas anywhere (pictured). See article, right. 2. GREAT RIVER ROAD, ILLINOIS A waterside twolane winding along soaring bluffs to eagle-watching spots and antiquing towns beside the Mississippi River near St. Louis (877/477-7007). 3. KEWEENAW PENINSULA, MICHIGAN A mountainous finger of land. reaching into Lake Superior with roads to mountaintop. views, harbor towns and lighthouses (888/646-6784). 4. FLINT HILLS, KANSAS A twisting route to historic Santa Fe Trail towns through the world's largest surviving tallgrass prairie (620/273-8469). 5. WINE REGION, MICHIGAN Tastings, tours and fine restaurants amid lush. vineyards rising above Lake

Michigan and Grand Traverse Bay (800/940-1120). 6. BROWN COUNTY, INDIANA Pretty hill country where you'll find artists at work in small-town studios and along country roads that weave through deep woods (800/753-3255). 7. AMISH COUNTRY, OHIO A horse-and-buggy pace through tidy farm country where signs point to homebased shops of Amish bakers and crafters (330/674-3975). 8. DOOR COUNTY, WISCONSIN New Englandlike white villages, cherry orchards and historic lighthouses on a Lake Michigan peninsula (800/527-3529). 9. FOX RIVER VALLEY, CHICAGO AREA State-31: meandering along the water to wildlife areas and townswith cafes and antiques and specialty shops (800/217-5362): 10. GREAT RIVER ROAD, IOWA Bluff-top views of the Mississippi River and quaint towns along its banks

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In Bloom: Gardens to Visit This Spring

With their splashes of color and scent, flowering crab-apple trees at the Chicago Botanic Garden (pictured) light up the Midwest spring with the same grace that

dogwoods bring to the South.

At this 385-acre north-suburban
Chicago oasis, among the nation's
premier public gardens, crabapple blooms also provide a
dramatic substitute for Washington
D.C.'s cherry blossoms.

At the new Gardens of the Great Basin, white- and pink-flowering crab apples surround a lake. When the 260 trees bloom, "It's a wow garden," according to Peter Bristol, curator of woody plants. Peter says this section of the new garden took its inspiration from the annual blossom show in the nation's capital. "It replicates, and probably does even a better job, than the cherries in Washington D.C.," he says.

In all, you can browse 23 gardens and three habitats on the grounds, which encompass several lakes, a 15-acre prairie and 100 acres of woods (847/835-5440).

MORE SPRING GARDENS If spring had an official aroma, it would be the perfume of lilacs at 3,500-acre Holden Arboretum on Cleveland's northeastern outskirts (440/946-4400).

At Botanica, The Wichita
Gardens, the 100-plant peony
collection puts on a show on the
west side of Button Fountain, not far
from the Shakespearean and rose
gardens (316/264-0448).

A children's garden opens in April at St. Louis' Missouri Botanical Garden. The new attraction is designed to resemble a 19th-century riverfront town, with a tree house and hands-on activities (800/642-8842).

SPRING OUTDOORS

Fresh Spin

Cyclists glide past sweeping Lake Michigan views and into quaint resort towns on the Little Traverse Wheelway, a 26-mile path that follows the northwestern shore of Michigan's Lower Peninsula from Charlevoix to Harbor Springs. The section between Bayfront Park in Petoskey and Petoskey State Park traces closely the path of the original route by the same name, which stretched from Petoskey to Harbor Springs in the late 1800s. A gate over the trail at the east end of Bayfront Park is a replica of the original gate that stood in nearly the same spot. Horses are allowed on the trail, but not snowmobiles (800/845-2828). MORE GREAT TRAILS Minnesota's Heartland and Paul Bunyan Trails, 110 miles through north-central lakelands (888/646-6367). The Great River Trail,

Heartland and Paul Bunyan Trails, 110 miles through north-central lakelands (888/646-6367). The Great River Trail, traveling 60 miles in Illinois beside the Mississippi River (309/793-6300). The Elroy-Sparta State Trail, linking pretty towns in southern Wisconsin's farm country (608/463-7109).

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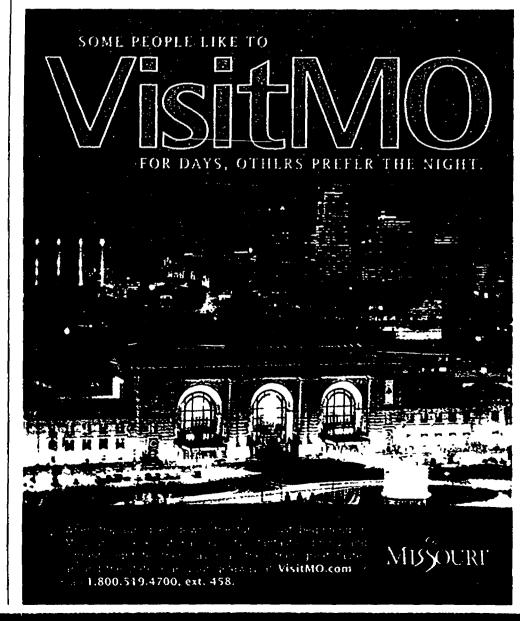
Tokyo Disneyland.

Beat the spring-break crowds by starting early in the day, and plan ahead by making reservations for popular character breakfasts and dinner at Epcot's ethnic eateries. Plus, spring visitors can be among the first to test the Florida park's newest attraction, Animal Kingdom's "Expedition Everest." The roller coaster encounters the hairy guard of the Himalayas: the legendary yeti. The ride officially opens in early April, but March guests may get a sneak preview.

Disney resort rates start at \$115 per night at the family-friendly and fun, but basic, All-Star Sports and Music resorts (407/934-7639).

If anyone knows how to throw a blowout birthday bash, it's Disney. This year all 11 parks worldwide celebrate the 50th anniversary of the opening of California's Disneyland with extra-glittery festivities and events. At Florida's Disney World, don't miss "Soarin'" at Epcot—like a breathtaking flight over California landscapes—or the redesigned fireworks.

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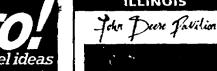
This year brings lots of events and new attractions worthy of building getaways around. (Admission charged to events and attractions listed; opening dates can change so call before you visit.) Here's a sampling: ILLINOIS One of Chicago's hottest tickets this summer promises to be Tutankhamun and the Golden Age of the Pharaohs, opening May 26 at the Field Museum. The exhibit features 50 major artifacts from the tomb of "King Tut" (312/922-9410).
INDIANA Voyage, a new roller coaster at Holiday World Amusement Park, goes so fast (67 mph) that riders experience a 24-second feeling of weightlessness. The ride is part of a \$13.5 million expansion at the park, opening May 6 in Santa Claus (877/463-2645). IOWA The new Iowa Hall of Pride in Des Moines showcases high schoolers' accomplishments with interactive displays and more (515/280-8969). KANSAS Opening in July, the Underground Salt Museum in Hutchinson spreads through 67 miles of caverns 650 feet below ground, once a working salt mine. Trams will take visitors on 90-minute tours (620/662-1184). MICHIGAN In Dearborn, the Arab-American National Museum traces Arab culture and life (313/582-2266). MINNESOTA The Minneapolis Institute of Arts almost doubles its gallery space with a new addition opening in June (888 '642-2787). Also in June, the curtain goes

up in the Guthrie Theater's new

facility (877 447-8243)

Titanic Museum Attraction was scheduled to debut in Branson last month with interactive exhibits and re-creations of the ship's interior, including the famous Grand Staircase, austere third-class areas and plush staterooms (800/381-7670). NEBRASKA Musicians and actors have a new home in downtown Omaha. The Holland Performing Arts Center opened last fall (402/345-0606). NORTH DAKOTA Displays tell the stories of cowboys, ranchers and Native Americans at the new North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame in Medora, the gateway town to Theodore Roosevelt National Park (701/623-2000). OHIO Tidal Wave Bay is the centerpiece of an expansion at Geauga Lake and Wildwater Kingdom in Aurora, south of Cleveland. Opening in May, the 30,000-square-foot pool features seven kinds of waves (330/562-7131). Eighteen rides and favorite television characters will highlight Nickelodeon Universe, opening in May at Paramount's King's Island amusement park in Mason near Cincinnati (800 *288-0808). SOUTH DAKOTA Life-size bronze statues of Herbert Hoover, Calvin Coolidge and other U.S. presidents stand on street corners in downtown Rapid City (800/487-3223). WISCONSIN In April. the Madison Museum of Contemporary Art is scheduled to relocate to a new, larger space in the Overture Center for the Arts (608/258-4177).

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Thomas, pictured with his wife, Marilyn, bucked conventional wisdom and turned an idea to grow wildflowers into a booming business that helps beautify highways across the nation.

blooming season, which begins in March and lasts until the first frost, visitors can identify dozens of varieties of wildflowers that vary by season. A field of red poppies in the springtime may be a field of cosmos or zinnias when guests return for a summer visit.

Toni Ann Wallace, who drove to Wiklseed Farms from Florida, recalls seeing the bluebonnets a mile before reaching the front gate. "They were a sea of blue which seemed to extend beyond the horizon," she says.

Marsha Greasley says the butterfly house with hundreds of brilliantly colored butterflies was itself worth the trip from Lexington, Ky. Her husband, Phil, was so impressed by the blooming landscape that he bought seeds from the gift shop to take home some of the beauty.

Beautifying America

Keith Sowell, landscape coordinator at the Alabama Department of Transportation, has visited the farm twice since 1988. Because Alabama's seeding efforts had not been altogether successful, Sowell asked Thomas to come to Alabama and train state employees on how to plant wildflowers. "John was instrumental in getting our program off the ground," Sowell says. "Although we purchased a drill seeder that he invented, I felt that he wasn't just interested in selling something. He wanted to help us prepare beds properly."

Today, stretches along Alabama highways boast 15,000 acres of black-eyed Susans, cosmos, tickseed, crimson clover and gaillardia. Every point of entry



A 3,000-square-foot butterfly exhibit graces the farm grounds.

into the state has two miles of wildflowers blooming in the medians, which Sowell sees as "our welcome mat." Now Alabama plants 22 tons of seed annually along its highways and follows Thomas' guidelines for soil preparation. Much of the seed is sown 35 feet off the roadsides so mowing and maintenance can be done without disturbing the flowers.

Highway officials have found that once established, wildflowers can save time and money because they require less maintenance than many other plants. They also add diverse color, beauty and variety to state landscapes. In West Virginia, more than 250 wildflower sites dot state highways, and North Carolina maintains 20 varieties of roadside wildflowers.

Thomas hopes that travelers who see them are inspired to plant their own wildflowers, beautifying their homes and towns.

"Someday I hope everyone will be able to pick bouquets of yellow, red and orange wildflowers from their front yards and gardens, too," he says. "Then we really will be America the Beautiful."

Linda Owen is a freelance writer in San Antonio. Texas.

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A Peek At Potlucks: Your Neighbors' Socials

When it comes to church socials, there are as many customs and traditions as there are congregations.

Harvest View Church in Murfreesboro, Tennessee On the second Sunday of every other month, potlucks or fellowships are held. The congregation's food ministry provides a meat entrée while members bring their potluck favorites in the form of vegetable and dessert dishes.

Farmville Baptist Church in Auburn, Alabama Fellowship groups are held in local restaurants. Done in groups of about 25, the tradition is to reassign the groups every few months with the hope that eventually, each member will have the opportunity to meet everyone in the congregation.

Lincolnshire Church of the Brethren in Fort Wayne, Indiana Gatherings are held at least once each month, where part of the fun is in the large selection of food: homemade casseroles, fried chicken, meatloaf and beef with noodles. Oh, and the desserts! Members indulge in fruit, custard and pudding pies, cakes, cookies, brownies and candy. Whether your congregation gathers in a social hall or under a tall tree, the tradition of the potluck ensures us that feasting and fellowship will continue to nourish our stomachs as well as our hearts and souls.

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1 cup frozen peas

2 cans (about 6 oz. each) tuna, drained

2 cups hot cooked medium egg noodles

1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

Stir soup, milk, peas, tuna and noodles in a 1 1/2-qt. casserole.

Bake at 400°F for 20 min. or until hot. Stir.

Top with cheese.

Keeping The Kids Entertained

RING TOSS:

Fill jars of varying sizes with small candy, toys, charms, and marbles; replace lids. Arrange the jars on the floor in a square pattern, with a few inches between each jar. Provide wooden embroidery hoops (found in any crafts or sewing store) as the rings. As a child successfully tosses the ring over one of the jars, they win that jar.



If weather permits, try an outdoor activity such as Simon Says, potato sack races or non-competitive games such as jump rope.

BUBBLE WALK:

Place a 4- to 5-foot length of bubble wrap packaging material (available from office supply or discount stores) on the floor. Players take turns walking the length of the bubble wrap, trying not to pop it. It's harder than it looks! If a child walks the entire length without popping any bubbles, they get a prize or are simply declared the winner.

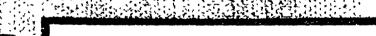
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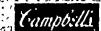
1 cup milk 2 tsp. soy sauce

2 cans (10 3/4 oz. each)
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Hometown Stitching by CAROL Bears that Heal



Seamstress Tynsy Foster helps mend grieving hearts with the cuddly keepsakes she creates in her clothing alteration shop in Grove, Okla. (pop. 5,131).

"About six years ago, a customer asked me to make a teddy bear out of clothing that belonged to her late husband," says Foster, 58, who since has created more than 1,000 Healing Memory Bears. "Other customers saw the results and the idea took off."

Foster uses her imagination—and a variety of materials—to create the stuffed bears, which become cherished and huggable mementoes of deceased loved ones.

Foster and her husband, Ron, make the bears for \$20 each from almost any clothing material, including suit shirts, sweatshirts, T-shirts, leather coats, denim, rabbit fur, flannel gowns and robes. "The only material I can't really work with is sweater material," Foster says.

Shank button eyes, felt noses and color-coordinated neck bows give each bear a distinct personality, and Foster's love is evident in the special attention she gives each project.

Sibyl Gines, of Salina, Urah, sent an unfinished baby quilt to Foster with the following message: "This was to have been a blanker for a great-grandchild that never came home from the hospital. Can you make a bear, please?"

When Gines received her bear in the mail, it included a small quilt from the leftover fabric. Embroidered on the quilt was the baby's name, birth date and date of death. Gines surprised her daughter with the bear while the miniature quilt was given to her granddaughter-the baby's mother.

"She could have just thrown that odd scrap away and not done anything with it, but she made a nice little quilt



Healing Memory Bears are made of a variety of fabrics.



Tynsy Foster poses with one of her cuddly creations. so both of them were able to have something to remember Nicole. It meant a lot to us," Gines says.

Foster's handmade bears have comforted customers from across the nation.

When Barbara Compton, of Bella Vista, Ark., lost her second husband to lung cancer in 2003, she asked Foster to make two bears as keepsakes of the love of her life. "I sent Foster two of my late husband's shirts and had one bear made for myself and one for his 40-year-old daughter," Compton says.

Soon after she lost her husband, Compton's mother died. Wanting another bear memerito, she sent her mother's mink stole to Foster.

"I knew that if I had it made into a bear it would not be hidden in the closet," Compton says. "I see that bear everyday now and it is a sweet reminder of my mother. My husband's bear sits in the corner of my bedroom so I see it everyday too. They are very special."

"It gives me a sense of peace to know I can be a part of their healing," Foster says. "If you need to cry, you can hug the bear, and talk to it and have a little piece of that loved one with you."

Foster's gift of love has been returned tenfold. A scrapbook filled with customers' letters attests to the

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Before Foster packs a bear for shipping or before an owner comes to claim his animal friend, a special card is attached. It reads, "I'm only a bear. I'm made of clothes from someone so dear who from loving memory will always be here. So when you hug me up close to you . . . just remember that I loved you too."

Carol Beck-Round is a freedance writer in Clarenore, Okla.

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Ethan Ray, 14, stands in front of the Stone County Courthouse in Mountain View, Ark. (pop. 2,975), singing "Keep on the Sunny Side" accompanied by his mother, Lisa, on guitar and family friend Wayne Choate on acoustic bass.

Across the lawn, Janis Huff of Lonedell, Mo., plays "Golden Slippers" on her hammered dukimer, while within earshot, another group of musicians performs "I'll Fly Away," a local gospel favorite.

Night or day, weather permitting, the music of guitars, mandolins, fiddles, banjos and dulcimers drifts through downtown Mountain View. And on weekends, hundreds of spectators gather around the courthouse square to soak up the free, folksy entertainment.

"Everybody in Stone County's a musician," says James "Rusty" Fraser, publisher of the Stone County Leader. "Most people around here play something."

Mountain View has been known as the "Folk Music Capital of the World" since the 1960s when local musicians first gathered on the courthouse lawn during the Arkansas Folk Festival. In its 44th year, the festival, scheduled April 14 to 16, celebrates the handmade crafts, homespun humor and mountain music of the Ozark people.

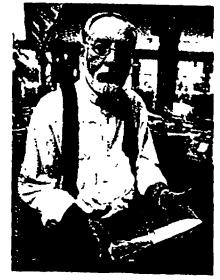
The courthouse square isn't the only place to hear live music in Mountain View. Bluegrass, folk, country and gospel tunes are performed several nights a week at a half-dozen local musical theaters. including the Jimmy Driftwood Barn two miles north of town. Built by Driftwood and friends in 1976, the wooden barn continues the legacy of the Stone County native who wrote the 1959 hit songs "The Battle of New Orleans" and "Tennessee Stud."

Glen Branscum, 77, and his wife, Nellie, 64, host admission-free variety shows at the barn each Friday and Sunday evening, carrying on the family friendly entertainment favored by Driftwood. "What Jimmy wanted and played was as good as you could get, so

that's the reason we do it that way," Branscum says.

Driftwood, who died in 1998, was instrumental in bringing national attention to old-time music and promoting establishment of the Ozark Folk Center, which opened a few miles north of town in 1973.

The center's mission is to preserve and perpetuate the cultural heritage of the self-reliant people who settled the uplands of Arkansas, Illinois, Kansus, Missouri and Oklahoma between 1820 and 1920. Isolated by rugged terrain, people in the Ozarks used ingenuity. Jack Thomas with a handcrafted knife





Ethan and Lisa Ray perform outside the Stone County Courthouse in Mountain View, Ark.

and whatever materials were available to make life easier and more enjoyable, whether it was creating a patchwork quilt with leftover pieces of fabric or fashioning a musical instrument from a gourd grown in their garden.

"They were the original recyclers," says Kay Thomas, who retired as crafts director at the Ozark Folk Center in 2004. "They used everything they had and left little to waste."

Located in an 800-acre state park, the center offers heritage craft and music workshops from March to October as well as demonstrations of basket and broom making, pottery and woodworking, candle and soap making, wool spinning

and weaving and other pioneer

There's a lot of hand work in these knives," says lack Thomas, 61, the center's knife maker and gunsmith, smoothing a steel blade with a piece of sandpaper. "It's not a sitting-down job."

In the adjoining blacksmith shop, Cakb Barksdale, 17, works a piece of metal clamped in a vice, practicing a trade that's been passed down from generation to generation in the Ozarks. "If you learn some of these skills, you don't have to have someone else do it for you," says Barksdale,

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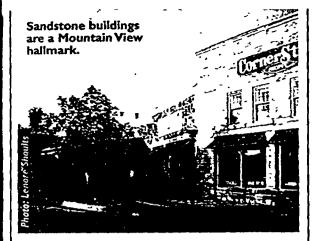
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while his sister, Brook, 22, attends a fiddle workshop at the center.

Later in the evening, the Barksdale siblings, from nearby Calico Rock, Ark. (pop. 991), play guitar and fiddle at the Stone County Courthouse alongside dozens of other musicians performingand selling-the music of the Ozarks. The toads and crickets sing along.

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