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What you NEED KNOW

MAY 2 ELECTION

Voters will elect two school board members from a field of three candidates and one write-in candidate. Challenger Kristin Smith joins incumbents Karen Paciorek and Ken Roth. Chris Maloney is a write-in candidate. Visit www.northvillerecord.com to review candidate profiles. For a voter precinct map, see Page 24A.

What's Going On?

■ In town

See what's happening locally this weekend by checking out Northville's official events calendar. Page 20A.

BULLYING PROGRAMS

Northville Public Schools is taking a proactive stance against bullying, beginning today at Meads Middle School when peer mediators will conduct anecdotal skits for sixth

graders. Similar events will be held May 1, 3 and 5.

Meads Mill will also host bullying-related plays May 8, including a 10 a.m. production aimed at boys entitled, "Word," and a 1:15 p.m. play for girls, entitled, "Mean Girls."

Hillside Middle School will be hosting a May 8 Jewish Ensemble Theatre play dealing with student conflict. The production is part of a Northville Mothers' Club grant.

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4 WOMEN, 1 DREAM: 'BE MY OWN BOSS'



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Pati Heath, owner of Entrée Vous in Northville, is one of four women who have started their own businesses in the area.

Then came the Dreamers

How and why are local self-starters turning sweat into equity?

The first of an ongoing series profiling the Northville business community: Who drives it? What trends and issues affect it? What untold stories remain behind the deals you read about? And who's behind the counter?

By David Aguilar
RECORD EDITOR

Pati Heath threw everything she had into her new business — even a kitchen sink. Now the bubbly 54-year-old owner of Entrée Vous, who got her Northville Township franchise up and running two months ago by dipping into her retirement account, selling a vacation home and ultimately scraping together \$165,000, is hoping people just give her chance.

And why wouldn't they? she said. At Entrée Vous, time-strapped patrons come while putting together family meals they'd dare not try at home. Why not? Because, Heath said, for many people it's simply too much fuss to hunt down secret recipes, shop for hard-to-find ingredients and clean up a tangled kitchen mess.

But for \$120 and no more than two hours, she can change all that. With a little help from Entrée Vous staff and pre-mixed ingredients, patrons schedule a reservation and meal menu online, show up at Heath's storefront kitchen, then spend time putting together six or more family meals while enjoying the company of friends and family.

Meanwhile, their home kitchen stays clean. "It's a cozy atmosphere," Heath said.



Photo by Michael Shuster

Rebecca Stemplen, owner of the Moon & Me baby and toddler boutique at 116 E. Main St., started her own business following college.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Duo owners Nicole Jaskulka, left, and Alexandra Papasifakis relax inside their 102 E. Main St. store.

"When people come in here, they say: 'Pati, this is cool. I feel like I'm in my own house.' Yet they're not dirtying their own kitchen."

"What I'm offering is really cool, and it makes your life better."

A better mousetrap

Is it a recipe for success? Who knows? But Heath joins many Northville business owners who've shoved aside corporate climbing, comfortable titles, college degrees and in some cases six-figure salaries to go it alone, invest in a dream and be their own boss.

What kind of guts does it take? Heath remortgaged her home, borrowed money from her parents, sneaked money out of her 401K when her accountant wasn't looking, spent a portion of her savings and tapped a \$100,000 Small Business Association loan to get started.

Even her tax refund check is being poured into the business. Maybe it's not the way they design it at the Wharton School, the acclaimed University of Pennsylvania business school. Then again, this is the real world.

Heath's resume looks like this: earned a teaching degree, though she's never used it; returned to Eastern Michigan University when she was 38 to become re-accredited while her two boys, then 6 and 9, attended school; worked once as a perfume spray girl before getting promoted a short time later to area manager; former aerobics instructor who's first class began with barely a murmur because she was too afraid to speak into the microphone; 10-year car sales professional at MacDonald Ford in Northville, then later Bill Brown Ford in Novi, who originally landed the job by walking into MacDonald Ford on July 26, 1996, with no experience and having never bought a car on her own. She simply

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asked the owner: "Hey, have you ever had a woman salesperson?"

"Well, it's really hard," he told her.

"I'd like to get a chance at it."

"All right, there's your desk. Go sell a car."

And so she did, knowing the profession would hold her interest for only 10 years before she went looking for another challenge. On Aug. 4, a decade later, she signed the Entrée Vous franchise agreement, traded in her company car and bought a used car — her first-ever car purchase — and swallowed hard as she walked away from a six-figure annual income.

Did the "devastating" divorce Heath went through 17 years ago trigger her relentless ambition? (She got "dumped," she said.) Maybe. Then again, Heath has always searched for a challenge.

Either way, she's open for business, gleefully writing checks she can afford to have recipients cash.

"I have to do this," Heath said. "I will sell my soul to make it work."

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Why do it?

School Board candidates ponder why they stand up, and take the heat

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Dan Sharp distributed a map to members of the board of education, pointedly asking how they would handle the growth he carefully plotted.

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"You're

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board of

education

meeting.

Some members gave answers.

Finally board vice president Ken

Roth ended the banter, saying he

believed they answered his ques-

tion, Sharp just didn't like the

answer.

Sharp concluded his allowed

five minutes at the microphone by

asking which two board members

were up for re-election May 2.

The answer: board president

Karen Paciorek and vice president

Ken Roth.

The unspoken question: Why

bother?

Why do it?

Hours in meeting rooms, missed family dinners, donated

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Retiring

Northville High School principal, administrator say fond farewell

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

After 32 years of leading Northville High School, principal Dennis Colligan is ready for the easy chair.

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard

Rezmierski announced Tuesday

Colligan will be retiring from the

district at the conclusion of the

school year.

"He has had a great career with

our district," Rezmierski said.

Colligan served the district as a

teacher, coach, assistant athletic

director, athletic director and prin-

cipal, to name only a few of his

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Driving for a good cause

Northville post office prepares for May 13 food drive

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Tony Hubbard said local letter carriers are ready to pick up bags, cans and boxes while on their routes May 13.

Northville's mail team will be squeezing groceries alongside their plastic mail trays when the 14th annual National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive rolls around.

"It's their project," the Northville postmaster said. "They're behind it 100 percent. Their organization started it."

Again this year, the food and household staples collected will go to Northville Civic Concern, the area's emergency service agency.

Civic Concern director Marlene Kunz said the letter carriers' drive is the largest food collection each year.

"This will carry us one-quarter of our year," Kunz said. About 60 Northville families or individuals qualify to pickup pre-loaded grocery bags at the agency twice each month.

The number of qualified clients, temporarily out-of-work or using limited cash to cover bills, is continuing to rise, Kunz said.

Postcard on the way

Northville residents will receive postcard from the carriers before May 13, reminding them to set some items aside.

Roxanne Barrick-Sassaman, who coordinates the drive for Civic Concern, said volunteers will travel with the carriers, helping haul groceries left by mailboxes and on porches.

"We'll bring it back to the staging area, date-check it, sort it and move it to our warehouse," Barrick-Sassaman said.

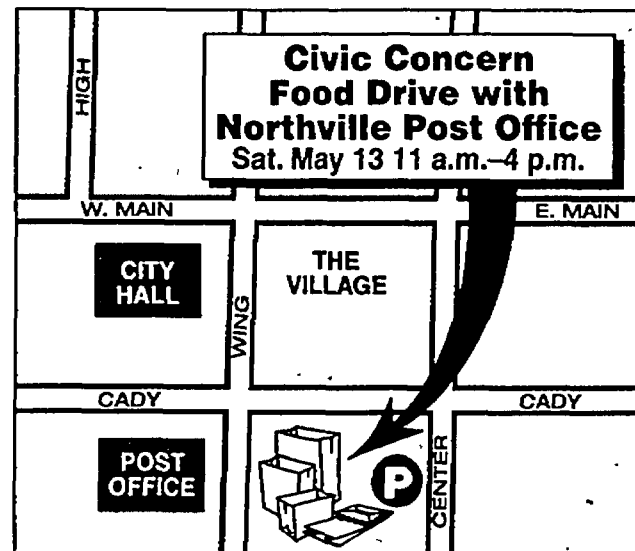
Boy and girl scout troops, honor students, city and township fire and police personnel, as well as the Civic Concern regular corps, again have volunteered to help with the food drive, she said.

The Northville City Council approved Civic Concern's use of part of the city-owned parking lot at Cady and Wing Streets.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Northville Postmaster Tony Hubbard, right, and local postal carriers will be helping Northville Civic Concern aided by Marlene Kunz, left, and Roxanne Varrick-Sassaman.



One big day

With the post office support, the food drive becomes a community-wide event, Kunz said.

"We can't have too many people that day," she said. "It's an absolute abuse-of-bodies day. We'll be there from 9 to 9, probably."

Local businesses chip in hot-dogs, pizza and water for the volunteers, Kunz said. Regardless of weather, volunteers will sort and load under tents set up in the parking lot.

One donor covers the cost of an on-site refuse receptacle for disposal of outdated food.

Hubbard stressed the importance for people who give groceries to check expiration dates.

"We need good food," he said. "Not pantry-clearing-time food." The postmaster said he will be

"If you give one can, we're grateful."

Marlene Kunz
Director, Northville Civic Concern

hanging signs in the Wing Street post office to remind people of the approaching food drive.

"If you give one can, we're grateful," Kunz said. "But if the food isn't good, it's like tripling the work for the carriers."

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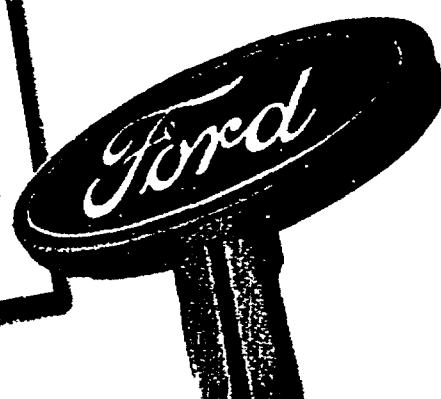
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TAKE A RIDE IN A FORD

Vandals strike, residents clean up the mess

Tournament Drive homes targeted

By Tracy Mishler
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Sandy Riney went outside about 6:30 a.m. April 13 and was shocked to find white spray paint covering the windows of her car.

The 48-year-old Northville Township resident couldn't understand why her house was targeted by vandals.

Then she looked at her neighbor's home. It had been vandalized too.

"I drove down the street and saw (the vandalism) was more widespread," Riney said.

More than seven homes on Tournament Drive in the Northville Hills subdivision off Six Mile Road were targeted by vandals late April 12, according to township police.

"It was horrible to wake up to," said Robin Diller. "It's really disappointing that this would happen in this community."

Diller said the windows on her and her husband's vehicles were painted with vulgar language and sexual references.

Police officials said the letters 'BD' and 'Black Dragons' were common in all reports.

"Due to the content found," said Detective Sgt. Matthew Mays, "we believe the vandals were most likely

- Keeping your property safe
 - Keep outside lights on at night
 - Lock all doors at night and when not home
 - Keeps vehicles in the garage
 - Lock car doors to avoid break-ins
 - Call the police if you notice anything unusual
- Source: Northville Township Police Department

juveniles just messing around." Mays said the reoccurring letters and 'Black Dragons' tag does not represent any gang activity in the community.

"Years ago we had a similar situation where kids were spraying cars," he said. "They called themselves the Smooth Criminals. They used the letters 'SC.'"

"Organized gangs use real symbols. They have their own language and purpose. This stuff is not a symbol of any recognized gang in Northville."

Diller said not only were her cars painted, but also her sidewalk leading up to her home.

"There were several homes that had spray paint not only on cars and sidewalks, but also the house itself," she said. "It's disappointing that kids would be this destructive to property."

Riney said she noticed many of the homeowners on Tournament Drive hired power washing services to clean up the graffiti.

"Years ago we had a similar situation where kids were spraying cars ..."

Detective Sgt. Matthew Mays
Northville Township Police Department

"I don't think they meant to do a high level of damage," she said. "But now it seems more of the neighbors are keeping their outside lights on."

"The street is somewhat Christmas like now."

Learning experience

Diller said she used the cleanup as a learning experience for her 5-year-old son, Bobbie.

"He didn't understand the words, but he knew what these kids did was wrong," she said. "He was out there scrubbing with us. This was an opportunity for us to teach him how wrong this was."

"So he won't be the kid in 10-15 years that does it to someone else," Mays said the police department

■ Update: 'Columbine can happen'

Northville Township Police continue to search for the responsible parties involved in the March 30 Columbine-style threat found on a boys bathroom wall at Northville High School.



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Bobbie Diller, 5, scrubs graffiti off the sidewalk after several homes were vandalized on Tournament Drive in the Northville Hills subdivision.

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Seniors driving safely topic of breakfast talk tomorrow

It's a delicious opportunity. Advertising an opening for a retail sales position, Chocolates by Renee downtown invited applicants to fax their resume to the Main Street store at (248) 349-MMMM.

If only they could talk ... the Maybury Farm animals would say, thank you Voices! Members of the grassroots support group are presenting a \$1,000 feed store gift certificate to the Northville Community Foundation to go to the farm. Voices for Maybury Farm may give additional money in the future.

As if the First Fridays Art Walk wasn't enough fun already with the unveiling of exhibits, artist introductions, musical performances and complimentary treats! Now the Northville Chamber of Commerce is adding horse and carriage rides around downtown. Northville galleries and art-related businesses host the festivities each month, fast-approaching May 5. Check it out!

To be or not to be? That is the question Jordan Pesci-Smith can surely answer. The Northville Montessori Center fifth grader's poem was selected from thousands of entries as one of the top 10 in her grade division. As a top 10 winner in the young poets contest, Pesci-Smith will receive special recognition in the anthology "A Celebration of Young Poets."

Way up the hill, behind Hillside Middle School, the repainting of Northville's water tower is under way. Public works director Jim Gallogly said the water was removed and the company contracted for the job, V&T Painting, is starting with the inside first. Cost: \$143,200. City officials say residents won't feel a disruption in water service during the six to eight weeks the tank is out of commission while painted inside and out.



Left turns

Left turns are always dicey. The Northville Record wants to hear from readers about their most harrowing local left turns — where they are and what makes them so dangerous. Share your experience by contacting Northville Record staff writer Tracy Mishler at tmishler@gannett.com.

front bus loop and sign, along with adding new landscaping elements. If you see them working hard, stop and offer some lemonade or honk your support as you drive by.

Where does wool come from? Check it out at Maybury Farm! Helping the sheep get ready for summer, Farmer Beemer is offering sheep shearing demonstrations from 1-4 p.m., Saturday. This will be a 'first' since Maybury Farm re-opened on September 20, 2005. Admission is \$5 per person for this event. For information, call (248)374-0200.

Want to buy an Abbey Knoll garden? Oh, and there's a house that goes with it. Linda Lestock, known as the City of Northville's gardener, joked as she told the city council she and



Trailing history

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

REI, James Kimball (left) and Allison Washburn, walk with Friends of Maybury State Park president George McCarthy and DNR conservation officer Frank Toarmina. REI, the outdoors' shop specialist, recently gave the Friends \$10,000 to help establish a trail noting the park's history as a tuberculosis sanatorium. Ribbon cutting for the trail, featuring informational kiosks, a playground climbing wall and signs throughout the park, will be 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 30. A history walk and fund-raising run will follow.

her husband put their house on the market preparing for their move to Florida. Lestock was credited for single-handedly accomplishing 95 percent of the commission projects around the city for more than 10 years. Her replacement will have a tough row to hoe...

That's a myth about Grandma not being able to see over the dashboard. Joan Rich, a representative of the non-profit group Traffic Improvement Association, will talk about fact and fiction related to seniors driving during a complimentary

breakfast hosted by state Sen. Bruce Patterson. That topic and other senior issues will be covered from 9-10:30 a.m. tomorrow morning at the Northville Senior Community Center.

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Donate a life

National organization wants to speed up organ donations

By Tracy Mishler
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Chris Krumins knows her husband is still alive.

And by the donation of his organs in 1995, the 53-year-old Northville Township resident is certain her husband has saved many lives.

"When you die, the spiritual side of you passes on," Krumins said. "But why not give the gift of life?"

Krumins said she and her husband, Robert, had discussed donating their organs before he died.

"We both signed our driver's licenses," she said. "But I didn't think about it again until after Robert died and the nurse asked me if I had considered organ donation."

Krumins said she became a member of Life Sharers to help save lives.

"Being able to donate was the best part of the worst day of my life," she said. "It was a way to honor my husband's memory and give meaning to his untimely death."

April is National Donate Life Month. Life Sharers, a national non-profit network of organ donors, believes people who are willing to donate their organs should be the first to receive one if needed.

"The United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) developed the national waiting list used for people needing organ transplants," said Dave Undis,

executive director for Life Sharers. "They offer organs to the top-ranked people on their lists, based on location, blood type, tissue type and length on the list."

"But what they don't take into account is whether or not those who need transplants are themselves organ donors."

Eye for an eye

Undis said Life Sharers, established in 2002, believes in order to be eligible for a transplant, you need to be a registered donor.

"There isn't a shortage of organs; there's a shortage of donors," he said. "Right now, about 60 percent of organs transplanted in the U.S. go to people who have not agreed to donate their own organs when they die. That's not fair and that's why there is a shortage."

According to the Mayo Clinic, there are about 92,000 people on the U.S. organ transplant waiting list and nearly 6,500 people died waiting for a transplant in 2005.

Undis said becoming a member of Life Sharers is free.

"Every one can offer to donate their organs," he said. "If everyone was a donor, we'd save thousands of lives per year."

Undis said the United Network for Organ Sharing does not endorse Life Sharers.

"They seem more concerned with fairness than with saving lives," he said.

"Being able to donate was the best part of the worst day of my life."

Chris Krumins
Resident, Northville Township

According to officials of the United Network for Organ Sharing, the organization is concerned that people who enroll in Life Sharers are led to believe they would automatically receive priority for all deceased donor organs.

"UNOS wishes to re-emphasize that membership in Lifesharers will not result in Life Sharers members receiving expedited organ offers through the national network," said United Network for Organ Sharing officials in a statement. "The only priority they might receive is through directed donation."

Krumins said some people are afraid to donate due to their religious beliefs or fear of pain.

"You're already dead and you



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LEFT: Chris Krumins is trying to get the word out about the importance of organ donation.

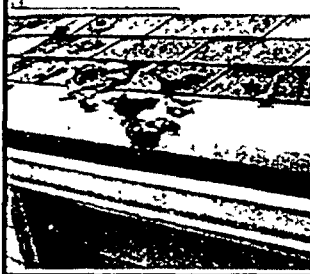
can't feel the pain," she said.

"There couldn't be an easier way to be a positive force."

"Other than giving birth, there is no other way to give life."

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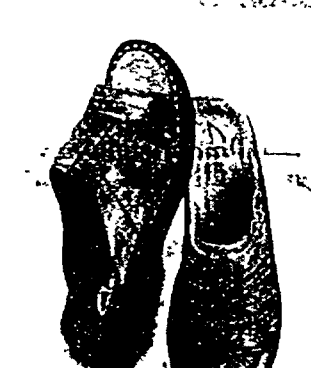
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POLICE BRIEFS

Rollover accident

Police were called to White Pine Circle near Larchwood Drive after an 18-year-old Northville Township man rolled his red Honda Civic. According to reports, the man was rounding a curve from the south to the west when he struck two trees before coming to a rest upside down. The man told police he had three beers prior to the accident. Police said he failed a Breathalyzer test and was transported to St. Mary's Hospital. The case remains open, pending lab results and an arrest warrant authorization.

Social services called

A 35-year-old Northville Township woman called police after she saw a maintenance worker from Innsbrook Apartments with two children playing outside. According to reports, the children, ages 3 and 4, were wearing wet clothes and had no shoes. The children were brought to the clubhouse and their parents were called. The woman told police she called social services on the family on other occasions. Police advised the parents the incident would be reported. The 35-year-old father told police he and the kids were asleep and they must have gone outside without his knowledge. The case remains open.

Stolen car

A 40-year-old Northville Township woman reported her car stolen April 14. According to reports, the woman said she parked her car in a space off Northville Place Drive and when she returned in the morning the car was missing. Police searched the area. The case is closed.

Threats made

A 38-year-old Northville Township woman called police after her husband allegedly made threats about harming her father. According to reports, the couple is currently going through a divorce and the woman's father is staying at the couple's home. According to police, the man left the house after the argument. The woman was advised to call the police if and when her husband returned and if there was another altercation. The case is closed.

Missing Gucci

An 80-year-old Farmington Hills woman called police after leaving her purse at Wendy's on Haggerty Road. According to reports, the woman put her black Gucci purse on the back of her chair, ate and then left the restaurant. She told police she returned to the restaurant to recover her purse and it was gone. Wendy's

Northville mourns loss

School officials said the cause of death of Northville High School counselor and assistant basketball coach Tim Turner is not yet known. Turner died Friday, April 14 while on a 30-day medical leave.

Northville High School is accepting contributions to the Turner Family Memorial Fund, in honor of their beloved colleague and friend.

Contributions can be made with checks payable to Northville High School and given to Cindy Wolsos at the high school office. The deadline is Friday, May 5.

management searched the restaurant but found nothing. According to reports, police found the woman's identification in Plymouth, but no other items were recovered. She was advised to disconnect her cell phone and cancel her credit cards. The case is closed.

Surveillance of thefts

A 50-year-old Northville man called police after three suspects were seen exiting his motor home on a home surveillance video. The man told police the motor home was locked. Police found no signs of forced entry, but were able to take fingerprints from the door. The case remains open.

OBITUARIES

WANDA SCHWAB

Age 77, of Northville, died April 20, 2006. Funeral Service was held at Casterline Funeral Home. She was laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery. Memorial contributions to American Lung Association appreciated.

EDNA BURG

Age 80, of Northville, died April 21, 2006. She is survived by her beloved husband, Milton Burg; sons and daughters-in-law, Jeffrey and Laury Burg of Birmingham, Frederick and Margie Vincent of Palm Springs, CA; daughters and sons-in-law, Lisa and Bruce Shapiro of Dexter and Sandra and Paul Trent of Asheville, NC; grandchildren, Madeline, Henry, Charles, Chance David, Christie Dawn, Alexandra, Austin, Adrienne; great-grandchildren, Vachagan, Anahit and Joshua; also survived by hundreds of loving members of her studio family. Edna was the dear sister of the late Kenneth Melton. Interment was held at the Beth Abraham Cemetery in Ferndale. Contributions can be made to The Hawthorn Center in Northville or to a charity of one's choice. Arrangements by The Dorflman Chapel, Farmington Hills, MI (248) 406-6000 or visit www.thedorflmanchapel.com.

LORRAINE J. BRICKMAN

Age 87, April 17, 2006. Beloved wife of the late Frank. Dear mother of Nancy (W. Stephen) Lawrence, Mark Brickman, Lois (David) Balsillie and Bruce (Lona) Brickman. Also survived by seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and one sister Cordelia Hayes. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 26, 2006 at the Northrup-Sassman Funeral Home, Northville.

MARY M. ROBERTS

Age 83 of Northville, passed away April 18, 2006. A Memorial Service was held Saturday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. Mrs. Roberts was laid to rest at Acacia Park Cemetery. Contributions to Angela Hospice.

LEWIS "JACK" MILLER

Age 73, of Northville, passed away April 22, 2006. Funeral Service was held at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. He was laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. Memorials to the American Cancer Society.

HANNAH ROSE DOODY

Age 7, went to be with the Lord on April 15, 2006. Dear daughter of Edward (Russ) & Christine. Sister of Grace and Caroline. Granddaughter of Bub and Lottie Tipton and the late Ed and Cathy Doody. Great granddaughter of Martha Podrasky. Niece of Roger and Sheila Tipton, Doreen and Mike Lisek, Diane and Rick Pomorski, Dave Doody, Darlene Doody, Debbie and Nigel Addison and Dean and Jen Doody. Many cousins also survive. Visitation was held at the Northrup-Sassman Funeral Home with funeral service following on Friday, April 21, 2006 at Northridge Church, Plymouth. Interment was at Rural Hill Cemetery, Northville. Contributions suggested to C.A.T.C.H.

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Remembering Hannah's hugs

Family, friends
remember
Northville girl

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Ed wears her love and Christine wears her happiness. That is how the Doody family remembers 7-year-old Hannah Rose.

"Everyone in the family is wearing a bracelet," said father Ed Doody. Bracelets signifying a wonderful characteristic making Hannah so special.

Hannah Doody died April 15 following an ATV accident and while spending time on a family farm in Ohio. It was a farm her father said brought her much enjoyment.

"She loved to spend time on that farm where the accident happened, playing with the animals," Ed said.

Hannah's mother Christine Doody said the last toy she played with was a stuffed tiger her grandmother gave her at Easter.

Hannah loved all animals, real and stuffed, she said.

"Even from like age 2 or 3 she would lift up rocks and she would be so excited about finding worms," Christine said. "So she wasn't really a girly girl."

Hannah also loved Brownies, gymnastics, soccer, dancing and singing in the school and church choirs.

"She is one of those kids who loved life, and wasn't afraid of anything," Ed said. "She is one of those kids who was never scared of even going to the doctor or dentist."

But what her father remembers most about Hannah is her wonderful hugs.

They were the kind of hugs, her father said, you really had to brace yourself for, a trait many recall.

"We remember the hugs, so much so, that she would be taking you into her, she loved so dearly," said Linda Tuttle, Northville First Care director.

Tuttle said she truly loved Hannah during her preschool years. She was a little girl, she said, who loved doing cartwheels and squirming around.

"We have pictures of her and everybody was standing straight and



Submitted Photo

Hannah Doody, 7.

she was grinning, leaning toward you so you could see her," Tuttle said.

Christine said her daughter is the kind of person who always has a spotlight shining on them, a shining star touching everyone.

"She was so alive while she was here," Christine said. "It was the opposite of what is going on here."

"I thought when she did pass away, she was really going to make a mark on this world. How could this happen?"

Ed thinks briefly into the future.

"Hannah was going to sing a solo in the school spring concert," he said. "She loved to sing."

Hannah's favorite songs were memorialized in a video tribute, played at Northridge Church during her funeral.

Ed said the tribute was comforting. Briefly.

"But my 2-year-old daughter was clawing at the screen, wanting her sister to come out," he said. "It's been tough."

Green Township, Ohio police said Doody died after the ATV she and her father were riding flipped and rolled 53-feet down a hill.

Police said the accident occurred around 7:30 p.m.

Police said Hannah was pronounced dead at Harrison Community Hospital in Cadiz, Ohio where her father was treated for injuries.

"I was driving," is all Ed could say.

Hannah was a first grader at Moraine Elementary School.

She is survived by her father

Edward (Gus) and mother Christine and sisters Grace, 3, and Caroline, 2.

"She is just one heck of a kid and for being just 7 years old," Ed said.

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Odor traced to decaying algae

Highland Lakes driven indoors by methane gas emissions

By Naomi R. Patton
GANNETT NEWS SERVICES

State Department of Environmental Quality officials said they believe decaying algae and fungus from a lake, not dumped chemicals, were the source of a stifling smell that drove the residents of a Northville Township condominium complex indoors late Friday.

Crystal Lake, the largest of three lakes in the Highland Lakes Condominiums complex, was clear and odorless Monday morning.

But Earl Friese, a senior environmental quality analyst for the DEQ, and his team conducted follow-up water quality tests Monday afternoon in Crystal Lake to confirm the initial findings.

He said the odor residents experienced Friday was methane gas emitting from decomposing algae that had risen in sheets from the bottom of the lake at Silver Springs and Crystal Lake Drive

between 7 and 8 mile roads.

The levels of the flammable gas released were not high enough to cause a fire, Friese added.

"The odor was consuming," said Maureen Osiecki, president of the Highland Lakes Condominiums Association.

"It was like bad oranges, or bad eggs," said Jon Sabo, Highland Lakes property manager, who initially thought the smell was a solvent.

Sabo, who lives just above the lake's edge, said a rust-colored film covered the lake.

Sabo urged residents to stay inside and shut their windows and doors.

He and Osiecki said the 2,500 residents of the condominium complex remained admirably calm.

Northville Township Fire Department officials called in the Western Wayne County Hazardous Incident Response Team to investigate, along with the state DEQ team.

The DEQ officials took sediment and air samples Friday night and gave Sabo the all clear around 10 p.m.. No residents reported any ill effects.

Friese said similar methane emissions have occurred at other lakes in Wayne County.

He said the mild winter and warm spring accelerated the algae's decay, and the humidity kept the gas from dissipating quickly.

The lake's fish and ducks were unharmed, Friese said.

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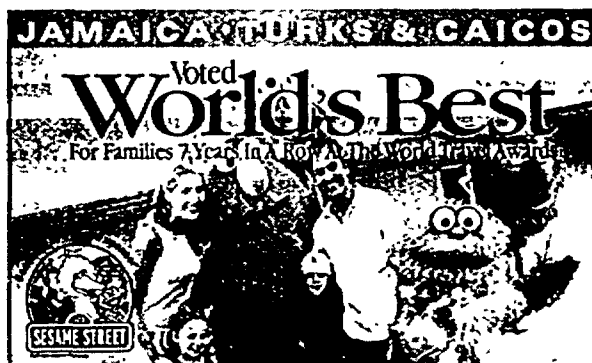
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DREAMERS:

New small business owners share motivations, dreams and 'shoestring' secrets

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Like most small business owners, she has little choice. Everything is now on the table. "Some of the projects I've tried didn't make money," she said. "This one has to, because this is my life. I put my retirement on the line."

She has a five-year lease and a five-year extension for the Highland Lakes Plaza storefront where Entrée Vous is located. It's no coincidence that adds up to 10 years.

"Truly, the hardest thing, when you believe in something or believe in yourself, is getting others to believe in it, too."

Translation: Many first-time business owners discover being the boss is much costlier, and much more isolating, than they ever imagined.

"I'm not afraid to lay it on the line, but sometimes you need frickin' help," Heath said.

Chasing the 'Moon'

Rebecca Stempien knows what it's like to go it alone. The 22-year-old South Lyon resident needed about \$30,000 to open The Moon & Me last November, her downtown Northville baby clothing and specialty gifts store, named after a poem she loved as a child ("I saw the moon, and the moon saw me ...")

Following graduation from Hillsdale College, she entered the management training program at Abercrombie & Fitch, but it never felt like a good fit. So, she set aside her psychology/biology degree and deferred indefinitely thoughts of becoming a pediatric nurse.

During her brief time at Abercrombie & Fitch, she began thinking aloud: "Why can't I do this for myself, especially if I am going to be working crazy hours for little pay anyway?"

Soon, she began listening to her own advice. By last October, she signed a lease, then spent the next month building out her 350-square-foot 116 E. Main Street storefront. She took her first buying trip to Chicago with her mom, Lorraine, who co-owns Pearlaphernalia, a home furnishing store, also located in downtown Northville.

What a trip. "Everything ended up costing more than I thought," Stempien said.

The hidden costs of self-employment piled up quickly: no Saturdays off, no regular paycheck, a peer group who often does not understand the challenges self-employment imposes and moving back home to better save money.

The holiday season got off to a slow start, she said, thanks to a stumbling Michigan economy, but then turned productive. She still remembers her first busy moment.

"I remember the first time I had a line. It was probably three people."

Rebecca Stempien
Owner, Moon & Me

"I remember the first time I had a line," she said. "It was probably three people."

Then a predictable January malaise slowed everything to a crawl. Still, she had to show up for a full, research and order product work season ahead, then open, manage and close the business as the store's lone employee.

Payback

She's hanging in there, she said, winning customers one at a time by using what comes naturally: a friendly welcome, a pleasant smile and an attentive ear.

"I think customer service is the most important thing for any business," Stempien said. "I like to get to know customers on a personal level and hear about the grandkids they are buying the clothes for."

She said patience is more than a virtue. In business, it's essential.

"You have to take the good with the bad," Stempien said, grateful for a supportive family and local business owners who've offered valuable advice. "This is just the beginning. But even if I went under today, I would be happy I tried it."

Stempien doesn't spend slow days reading a favorite book. Instead, she's sprucing up the store, cutting into a mountain of paperwork and making sure price tags are visible in the display window. A million anonymous gestures add up customer service.

"I love it. I honestly love it," she said. "There are tough days, I'm not going to lie ... but I'm doing what I love ... I wouldn't want to be working anywhere else."

Her biggest payoff to date: return customers.

"There's no better compliment at all," Stempien said. "Ultimately, that's your goal. You want people to come back."

Sometimes, though, it's a passerby who's never been in the store, but unravels things in a heartbeat: "That store is expensive."

"It's frustrating because I know they've never been in here," Stempien said. "I make sure I have gifts at all price points ... but sometimes people make snap judgments without at least giving you a chance. It's tough, but you just have to deal with it."

"You have to develop a thick skin, I guess. I wasn't good at it a couple months ago, but I'm better now."

The best salve is personal contact, she said.

"That keeps me going sometimes," Stempien said. "I like chatting with people, hearing them tell me about their families or about the history of this store."

A new street of dreams

Nicole Jaskulka and Alexandra

"They lay bare their ego to discover if they are equal to the dream, or only equal to the fantasy ..."

Erma Bombeck
Former Syndicated Columnist



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record
Pati Heath prepares food in her Entrée Vous kitchen, located in the Highland Lakes Plaza along Seven Mile Road in Northville Township

Papasifakis are Northville's newest dreamers.

The co-owners of Dueto, a 1,300-square-foot store located at 102 E. Main Street featuring women's and men's attire, officially opened their doors last week. The Troy residents and lifelong friends moved their 14-month-old store from Plymouth, where 700 square feet and a challenging store location never seemed like quite the right fit.

Now they're located on one of Northville's most recognizable corners, selling casual, work and evening wear.

Jaskulka, 24, and Papasifakis, 25, earned college degrees, then set them aside to make their lifelong dream come true.

"Owning a business together is something we have always talked about," Jaskulka said, who graduated from Michigan State University with degree in elementary education.

Papasifakis, a pre-med graduate from Albion College, was not particularly enamored with her chosen field either. So they re-ignited a dream, talked to fellow business owners their own age ... and took a shot.

"This is something I've always wanted to do," Jaskulka said. I love what I do."

What does it feel like? Hard to say, they said. Exciting? Frustrating? Motivating?

Yes



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record
Alexandra Papasifakis, left, and Nicole Jaskulka stand in front of their recently-opened storefront, located at 102 E. Main St. in downtown Northville.

"We definitely weren't paying ourselves. And we knew we wouldn't see any profits for at least two years."

Nicole Jaskulka
Co-owner, Dueto

Their first goal was simple: stay afloat and break even.

"We definitely weren't paying ourselves," Jaskulka said. "And we knew we wouldn't see any profits for at least two years."

But they were paying their bills, buying product two full seasons ahead and meeting plenty of new people. To cut costs, they both moved home, further crimping their budget.

"You can't complain," Jaskulka said. "You get your laundry done and your meals cooked. But when push comes to shove, if this is what you want, then that's what you have to do."

But sometimes sacrifice isn't enough. They remember the day when they were cleaning their Plymouth store and found two abandoned clothes hangers beneath a bathroom sink. The bathroom doubled as an extra fitting room during busy times. They were ripped off: two blouses worth \$120, they figured, follow-

ing a store inventory.

Their hearts sank. It wasn't the money — OK, it was partly the money — but mostly it was like being kicked in the stomach. Money has a different feel now. It's real.

"You double-think everything," Jaskulka said. "Everything adds up."

Sure, tax write-offs are a nice notion, but when they require spending your own money, along with the monthly health insurance check and building rent, it's a little different.

"We heard there would be expenses, but we didn't know they'd add up like they have," Papasifakis said, adding supportive family members have helped work the store during special events, designed marketing mailers and offered referrals for accountants and attorneys.

It's been a lot of work, they said. They quickly learned product does not always arrive on time, nor is it always available when you need it most. As insulation, they've built strong relationships with vendors.

"We knew it was going to be hard work, but it's even more than we thought," Papasifakis said.

What awakens them during the night are not dreams of wealth and a soft life, but little things that didn't get done today, the light that may have been left on at the store and the work awaiting them the next day.

"It never leaves your head," Jaskulka said, pausing briefly before finishing her thought. "But there's many more positives that make it worthwhile."

"It doesn't feel like work," Papasifakis said. "We always had this goal, and it's satisfying to see it come true."

Balance sheet: why bother?

Many business owners contemplate their self-employment decisions quietly, away from the store bustle. What keeps them going?

For Heath, it's more than just the challenge. She likes serving as an example for other women, she said.

"I've had people come up to me and say, 'I wish I could do that.' I say, 'Why don't you?' Deep down inside, I want to help other people do the same thing I've done."

Her trick? She does her own research, but doesn't get mired in too many details, fearing paralysis by analysis. "I do it," she said flatly.

She uses her outgoing personal-

ity to make immediate personal connections.

"My strength is talking to people one-on-one, and saying thank you so much for coming in here — welcome to my kitchen," Heath said.

But saying "hello" doesn't always come cheaply. In March, she spent \$700 for the right to give away free food samples during the Taste of Northville Business Expo, sponsored by Northville Chamber of Commerce. When she first opened in February, she gave away \$1,700 worth of food to anyone within reach, an attempt to generate interest: people walking to a nearby cleaners, patrons from the nearby smokeshop, tradesman working on the Highland Lakes Plaza renovation. Civic Concern.

Slowly, word spread: a working mother told her entire book club: a husband told his wife, who then reserved a night for her bible study group. By the end of March, April Fridays were booked solid.

"Could you do it without money?" Heath said. "No. But money isn't all it takes. You have to believe in yourself, and be willing to give yourself a chance."

On a wall just inside Entrée Vous, a framed Erma Bombeck column hangs on a wall. It's an artifact from a distant life, something Heath was given once while she was getting re-accredited at Eastern Michigan University. The column reads like an anthem for those daring to reach beyond what's comfortable: their dreams.

"They lay bare the ego to discover if they are equal to the dream, or only equal to the fantasy ...," it reads.

For Heath, the words are a touchstone, turning her eyes into melted butter when she reads them aloud. She wipes her eyes, then looks up, exposed.

She pauses, as though preparing to sneeze. Instead, she barks.

"I think it's easier than I thought," she said. "But I don't think about what I'm losing if I don't succeed, because if I thought about that, then I wouldn't have the smile on my face."

"You just have to believe in yourself. You have to believe in your dream. I just know it's going to work."

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record
Dueto co-owners and lifelong friends Alexandra Papasifakis, left, and Nicole Jaskulka moved their women's and men's clothing store from Plymouth and opened their doors last week. They are planning an April 29 Grand Opening event, featuring prizes, gifts and refreshments.

Beware the marketing abyss

Five deadly small business marketing mistakes

By Rick Weaver
GANNETT NEWS SERVICES

Here are some marketing mistakes that take a heavy toll on small businesses. They have been very harmful to businesses at any stage, but especially harmful for new businesses.

1. Have a marketing plan

Studies show that having a marketing plan equates to a 24 to 30 percent improvement in sales over those without a marketing plan. Writing a comprehensive marketing plan takes time, thought, and rethought, they help a business owner to focus on new products and services. A marketing plan will help someone to determine if the product or service will take too much time, energy, or resources to make it a proper addition to the existing array of products and services.

2. "Hit or Miss" marketing

Many entrepreneurs and small business owners buy advertising without exploring whether or not the venue is appropriate for them, or if it will appear in a place or manner that potential customers will respond to — or even see. Marketing dollars spent correctly will bring you sales. Marketing dollars spent incorrectly will not only cost you money, but will cost you your business-esteem. All marketing needs to have a "fit" with an overall initiative. They must convey a consistent message. Using advertising for name recognition is felt to be a good move by inexperienced business people. Experience dictates that success is best when even your "name recognition advertising" relates to a common theme.

3. Negative networking

Networking is one of the most important parts of marketing for the small business person. Many entrepreneurs look to groups such as Chamber of Commerce, Business Network International, and Local Business Network to build business through networking. They attend networking functions and seem to feel that the more business cards they give out, the more business they will get. They are generally disappointed and reject networking as a false prophet. Positive networking takes a different approach. Networking events are an opportunity to find synergies upon which relationships can be built. Successful networking is not how many business cards you give out, it is how many quality business cards you gather.

4. Seek support

Most entrepreneurs are people that have decided to leave corporate America in search of a better lifestyle with less stress. They find a great product or service and think they have it made. Unfortunately they do not have the focus and motivation they need to survive. In the corporate world they had a boss to continually set deadlines and goals, and to hold them accountable for hitting the deadlines and goals. They also had a boss to mentor and coach them. In the small business and entrepreneurial world, this important need is overlooked. People need accountability partners and/or mentors to keep them on track.

■ Word-of-Mouth Marketing

By Glenn Townes
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
INDEPENDENT BUSINESS

Remember that tired cliché, talk is cheap? If you are looking for an inexpensive way to promote your business without breaking your small-business bank account, creating a buzz about your business through word-of-mouth campaigning may be the way to go.

Word-of-mouth campaigning is a cost-effective way to promote your business and keep clients returning. Some small-business experts say that word-of-mouth campaigning motivates an entrepreneur to manage a tight, sound operation. What you do, in effect, is encourage your happiest customers to spread the word and create a buzz about the quality of the services you provide. This is a surprisingly easy art that many entrepreneurs have yet to master.

According to some estimates, fewer than 10 percent of businesses have a systematic, cogent formula. Many businesses flourish with the help of word-of-mouth referrals, and some say it is the most effective and economical way to market a business. If an entrepreneur doesn't encourage friends, relatives and current customers to chat up their business, revenue from potential future customers may indeed be lost.

Countless stories abound from entrepreneurs who landed their

biggest and most profitable clients from current or former customers. From business owners who run professional marketing and consulting services to the neighborhood barber or beauty stylist, how well one provides and delivers a service may cause a business to sink or soar.

There are three surefire ways to utilize the simple, yet pervasive tool to implement the word-of-mouth strategy for your business. Shed your pride and implement a referral system that fits your business, but includes the following strategies and procedures:

1. Carefully identify which of your clients are willing to help. Choose clients who enjoy working with you, are satisfied with the work you do and ultimately enjoy helping people.

2. Find a convincing and innocuous way to ask clients to promote your business by dropping your name to associates and colleagues.

A subtle approach would be to share with a client how essential word-of-mouth advertising is to the growth of your business. Let them know that you cannot succeed and prosper without their assistance. It may also be a good idea to offer incentives to customers who participate. Discounts, bonuses and special bargains are some frequent and common enticements.

3. Finally, a polite, personal follow-up note or a small token of gratitude to customers who are willing to participate is always a good idea.

5. Talent v. business savvy

Too many small business owners and entrepreneurs feel that having talent is sufficient to attain success. They feel that if they are good at what they do, word-of-mouth advertising will supply a constant stream of customers. Talent may help you find excellent investments, glean out the best mortgage rate, repair the

most difficult automotive challenge, or any of numerous other potential examples. However without business savvy in the form of a marketing system, the endless stream of customers will never materialize. You must wrap a marketing program around it to encourage or solicit additional referrals.

Business startups need quick fine-tuning

By Jeffrey Moses
NATIONAL FEDERATION OF BUSINESS

People always want their start-up company to be immediately profitable, but sometimes a little struggle at the beginning can be the best-case scenario.

Why? Because when things go too smoothly right from the start, two dangers can emerge:

1. Owners and employees may become complacent, thinking that it will always be as easy to make sales and maintain profitability. Then, if the economy or specific industry changes and sales drop or profit margins grow thinner, it can be tough psychologically to put in the extra effort suddenly required to achieve what once came so easily.

Today's real estate market is a prime example. The market has been exceptionally good for the past five or six years in many areas of the country, with seads of buyers and lots of quick sales. Sales agents who began their careers during this period often made tremendous incomes without having to put in long hours searching for buyers. Listings sold quickly, and often the biggest problem was getting in a timely offer.

Things are changing, however, as the real estate market slows in many areas. To be successful now, most agents need to get back to basics, such as paying attention to their farm area, sitting at their phones hoping prospects will call and becoming creative to sell listings. The problem is, many new agents

■ Get on track

John Osher, writing for Entrepreneur.com, has this advice for new business owners:

- Know your goals
- Recruit and hire the best people
- Develop a forgiving strategy
- Be honest with yourself
- Commit to the business

Online resources:

- Entrepreneur.com: www.entrepreneur.com
- Small Business Administration: www.sba.gov
- Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce: www.lansingchamber.org
- Michigan Small Business &

Technology Development Center: www.misbtdc.org

- Small Business Association of Michigan: www.sbam.org
- National Association for the Self-Employed: www.nase.org

Pitfalls for startups

Common mistakes to avoid when launching your own business:

- Failing to spend enough time researching the business idea
- Miscalculating market size, timing, ease of entry and potential market share
- Underestimating financial requirements
- Overprojecting sales volume
- Making cost projections that are too low

- Hiring too many people and spending too much on offices
- Lacking a contingency plan for a shortfall in expectations
- Bringing in unnecessary partners
- Hiring friends or family for convenience rather than skills
- Accepting that it's "not possible," rather than finding a way
- Focusing too much on sales volume and company size rather than profit
- Lacking clarity of long-term goals and business purpose
- Lacking focus and identity
- Lacking an exit strategy

Source: John Osher, entrepreneur.com

■ Chamber of Commerce

Northville Chamber of Commerce: (248) 349-7640, or online at www.northville.org.

The same can be said of a start-up business. When things go too easily, a company may not be forced to set up highly efficient, cost-effective operations. In the long run, this could weaken it when hard winds blow. So, if your new company is running into difficulties, look at the problems as small blessings in disguise. By meeting them straight on, you can weather-proof your organization to maximize future stability and growth.

Want coverage? Think, act like the media

Squeaky wheels don't always get grease; often just left out

By Jeff Crilley
GANNETT NEWS SERVICES

Do you have a great idea for a story, but no clue how to get it in the news? Are you tired of pitching press releases the news media simply ignores?

After 20 years of beating the street as a TV reporter, I have a scoop for you: the media needs good stories. But most stories are pitched so poorly, they are lost in the blizzard of faxes that blanket every newsroom.

So, here are five steps to increase your chances of getting covered that even some public relations professionals don't know. (Remember, there are never any guarantees, but these should at least get you a look.)

1. Be unusual. The old adage about "man bites dog" still holds true. The news doesn't cover what's normal.

Public relations whiz Carolyn Alvey knew this when she was trying to raise money for a

charity several years ago. Instead of holding a garage sale, she sent out a press release announcing a "Celebrity Garage Sale." Everything from Bob Hope's old golf clubs to Roger Staubach's long-neglected neckties were for sale. By making an ordinary garage sale extraordinary, the media was instantly sold on the story.

2. Be visual. Reporters tell stories with pictures. If the pictures aren't there, chances are the reporters won't be either.

Even the most non-visual story can be made visual if you're creative. A dog biscuit business? Boring. A dog birthday party complete with doggie guests and party hats? Now you're barking up the right tree. That's what Michelle Lamont did to boost her dog biscuit bakery. She began baking huge dog biscuit birthday cakes and inviting the media to cover the parties. She's had reporters hounding her for stories ever since.

3. Choose the right reporter. Perhaps the most common mistake even some public relations pros make is trying to sell a good story to the wrong person. Most reporters have a specialty, like "crime" or "business."

So, seek out the reporter who will have the most to benefit from your story. Start studying the news. Before you call a TV station or try and pitch the paper, become familiar with a reporter's work. Don't try and sell an investiga-

tive story to a reporter who covers entertainment.

4. Write like a reporter. If I were going to send a press release to a reporter, I'd write the kind of headline that a newspaper would run. And I'd make the rest of the release so conversational that a TV anchor could read it right on the air.

Why is this so important? A major market newsroom gets hundreds of press releases every day. Often the decision on whether to cover your story is made in a matter of seconds. Many times that well-crafted sentence in the third paragraph of your press release is never read.

5. Wait for a slow news day. The holidays are the slowest "news times" of the year. When government offices are closed, so are most of our sources. Take advantage of it.

In fact, take out your calendar and begin circling government holidays. If the government isn't making news, we reporters are scrambling to find something to cover. Pitch even an average story on a day when the media is starving for news, and you're much more likely to get coverage.

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OPEN FOR BUSINESS



THE MOON & ME

Location: 116 E. Main St., downtown Northville
Product line: Baby and toddler attire, from preemies to 4 Toddler. Specialty attire, such as christening dresses and special occasion gifts.
Owner/Background: Rebecca Stempien, 22, set aside her biology/psychology degree from Albion College and deferred her goal of becoming a pediatric nurse to open her own retail store last November.
Phone: (248) 344-1014
Hours: Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
A word from the owner: "I love chatting with people, especially in Northville ... I try to carry things people won't find elsewhere."



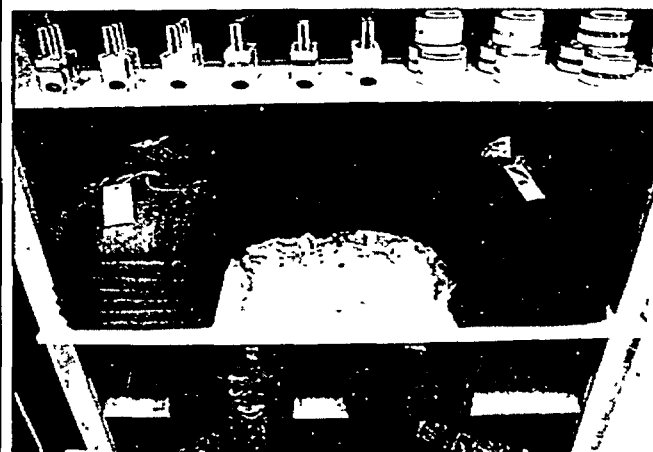
ENTRÉE VOUS

Location: 43223 Seven Mile Road, Highland Lakes Plaza
Product line: Elegant meals, made easy. Owner Pati Heath, 54, opens up her kitchen storefront to local residents who may be cramped for time or lacking inspiration when it comes to putting together family meals. Patrons choose online from 14 monthly menu entrees, then schedule a time and day that works for specifically for them — or their group. For \$120, Entrée Vous clients walk away with six full-size meals, though often prefer to make even more. Heath and her staff provide all necessary supplies and ingredients, plus a friendly atmosphere suitable for friendly parties, local clubs or single-person appointments. The big payoff: Heath cleans up the mess while your home kitchen stays clean. Carry-outs also available.

Owner/Background: Pati Heath gave up a 10-year lucrative car sales career (MacDonald Ford, Northville and Bill Brown Ford, Novi) to help time-starved residents better navigate meal preparation.

Web: www.entreevous.com
Phone: (248) 344-1545
Hours: Wednesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-7 p.m. (Check online for available times.)

A word from the owner: "It's a cozy atmosphere. When people come in here, they say, 'Pati, this is cool. I feel like I'm in my own house.' Yet they're not dirtying their own kitchen."



DUETO

Location: 102 E. Main St., downtown Northville
Product line: Women and men's attire (casual, work and for a night out on the town.) Store break down: Front features women's clothing, jewelry and belts; middle showcases neatly stacked blue jeans and accessories on either side of a faux fireplace and in front of a comfortable burgundy chaise lounge; Men's attire is located near the back of the store, including blue jeans, shirts, sweaters and T-shirts; back of the store features two "sale" areas. April 29 Grand Opening, including prizes, gifts and refreshments.

Owner/Background: Co-owners Nicole Jaskulka, 24, and Alexandra Papisifakis, 25, are lifelong friends who traded in their college degrees for the chance to turn a dream into reality by opening their own retail store, moving it from Plymouth to Northville. Opened last week.

Web: www.duetoclothing.com
Phone: (248) 449-4600
Hours: Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
A word from the owner: (Papisifakis) "What you find here, you're not going to find in other stores ... Good basics, but with a twist, so you're not wearing what everyone else is wearing when you go out."

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**Read then
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Township airs 'commercial' appeal

Board approves Five Mile and Sheldon plan, 5-2

By Tracy Mishler
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Marilyn Godfree was told to place her mother-in-law in an assisted living home that was close and convenient.

The 53-year-old Northville Township resident had no other choice but to drive more than 40 miles a day to Ann Arbor in order to visit her mother-in-law, stricken by Alzheimer's disease.

"For a while, I went there every single day," Godfree said. "Had there been a place in Northville with the capabilities to handle Alzheimer's patients, that would have been a piece of cake."

Like Godfree, many people in the Northville Township community feel there is a need for a continuum of care facility.

But despite being offered a development proposal fitting that very bill, the Northville Township Board of Trustees voted 5-2 last Thursday in favor of building a commercial shopping center on the northeast corner of Five Mile and Sheldon roads.

Many trustees said the privately-owned, upscale senior facility, offered by Presbyterian Village and Dallas-based Greystone Communities, was a good concept, just better off placed on a bigger site.

"The whole reason we voted no is because it would be like putting six township halls on that 15 acres," said trustee Brad Werner. "They also had sort of an ameba-style plan that could change at will. Nothing was definite."

Northville Township Hall is about 40,000-square-foot and sits on six acres.

Werner said township officials are discussing plans with Real Estate Interest Group, Inc. that would allow a project like Presbyterian Village as part of the developer's plans for the 414-acre former Northville Psychiatric Hospital property.

"That would be a more ideal spot," Werner said. "We are looking forward to having Presbyterian

What happened?

By a vote of 5-2, the township board approved a proposal by Farmington Hills-based Grand Sakwa Properties LLC. to develop a 67,000-square-foot shopping plaza for a 15-acre parcel of land at the northeast corner of Five Mile and Sheldon roads.

Trustee Chris Roosen and township clerk Sue Hillebrand dissented.

The deal also includes \$2 million and a 30-acre Grand Sakwa land donation to the township on Five Mile and Ridge roads.

A proposal by Dallas-based Greystone Communities and Presbyterian Village for an upscale continuum of care retirement community was rejected.

Village in the community, hopefully on the Seven Mile property. We would like to see them have 20-25 acres or more."

Presbyterian spokesman Roger Meyers said Northville remains a desirable location for the nearly 400,000-square-foot facility.

"But it's not as simple as picking it up and placing it somewhere else," he said.

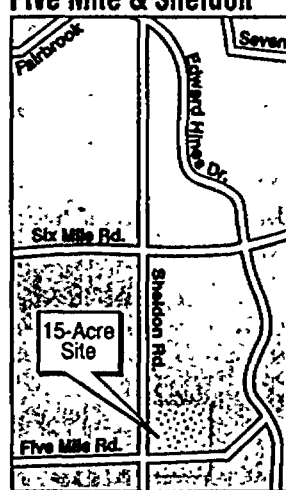
Trustee Marjorie Banner said residents correctly identified the need for a senior care facility within the township's borders.

"I don't think there was any dispute among board members that there is a need for senior living or a continuum of care facility," Banner said. "But I believe there is a site better suited to Presbyterian Village and Greystone's needs than on Five Mile and Sheldon site."

Banner said the trade of 30 acres of land from Grand Sakwa also played into her decision for the commercial project.

"There are other places for Greystone and we will work with them very hard to find it," she said. "(On a bigger site) there is the ability of building more independent living units that would not be so costly to our residents. I've checked into other communities and I think we can make (the development) even better than they presented."

Five Mile & Sheldon



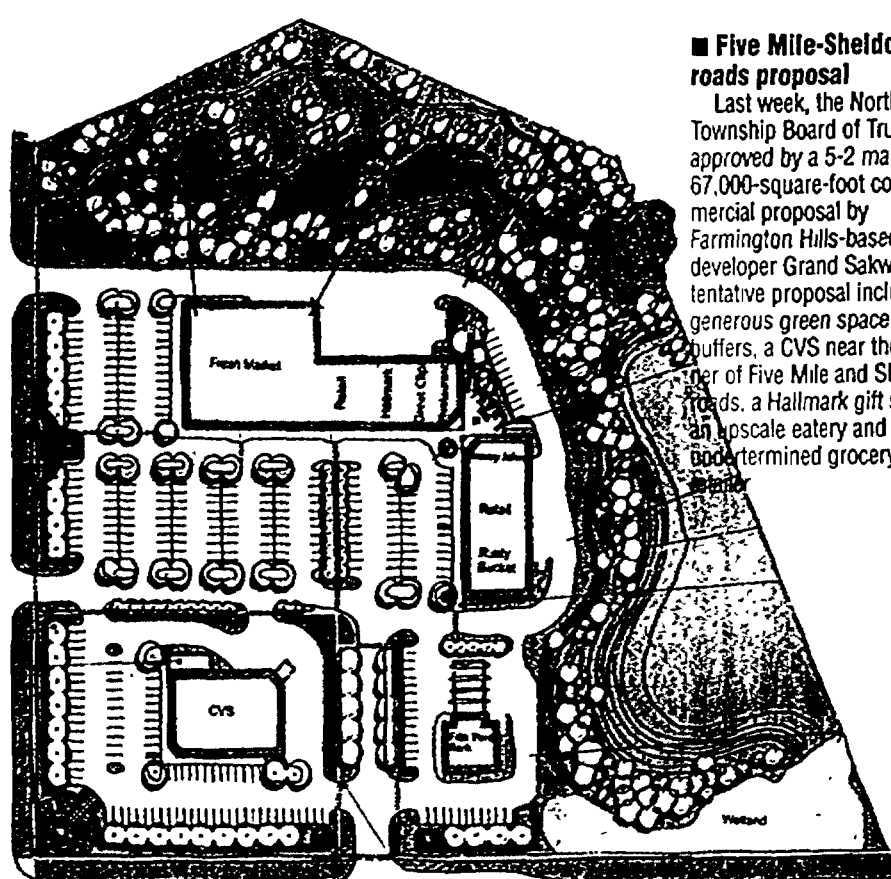
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Mark Abbo said the board held nothing against Presbyterian Village's development proposal.

"I believe it was the right idea, just the wrong location," Abbo said. "I trust their demographic research that there is a need for senior housing. I would hope they don't (leave the community)."

Some board members think the board's decision was wrong.

"Why would anyone vote for a proposal that brings in half the cash purchase price, a fraction of the tax revenue, more traffic, more noise, 24-hour-a-day retail stores, liquor sales and hurts our Downtown?" said Trustee Chris Roosen.



Five Mile

Five Mile-Sheldon roads proposal

Last week, the Northville Township Board of Trustees approved by a 5-2 margin a 67,000-square-foot commercial proposal by Farmington Hills-based developer Grand Sakwa. The tentative proposal includes generous green space buffers, a CVS near the corner of Five Mile and Sheldon roads, a Hallmark gift store, an upscale eatery and an undetermined grocery

"The only residents that wanted these things were the five elected officials who voted for them."

Roosen said the Five Mile and Sheldon roads site is a one-of-a-kind.

"Presbyterian Village looked at the Five Mile and Ridge roads site and they felt it was not a desirable site for their development," he said. "I think we missed a great opportunity."

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BOARD MEETING NOTEBOOK

April 20 Meeting

- All members were present
- Next meeting: May 18

Napier Road speed limit

The board voted unanimously to accept the introduction of the Napier Road speed limit ordinance and schedule the first and second readings for May.

The ordinance states the reduced speed limit is not to exceed 35 mph. The board requested an investigation to determine if a truck traffic law can be implemented on the road.

Ford dealership denied

By a 6-1 vote, the board denied the rezoning request for a 10-acre parcel of land located on the northeast corner of Five Mile and Technology Drive, east of Beck Road.

Trustee Marv Gans dissented.

The request, by Ford Land Development, would have rezoned the parcel from research and development to general business, in order to build a Ford car dealership.

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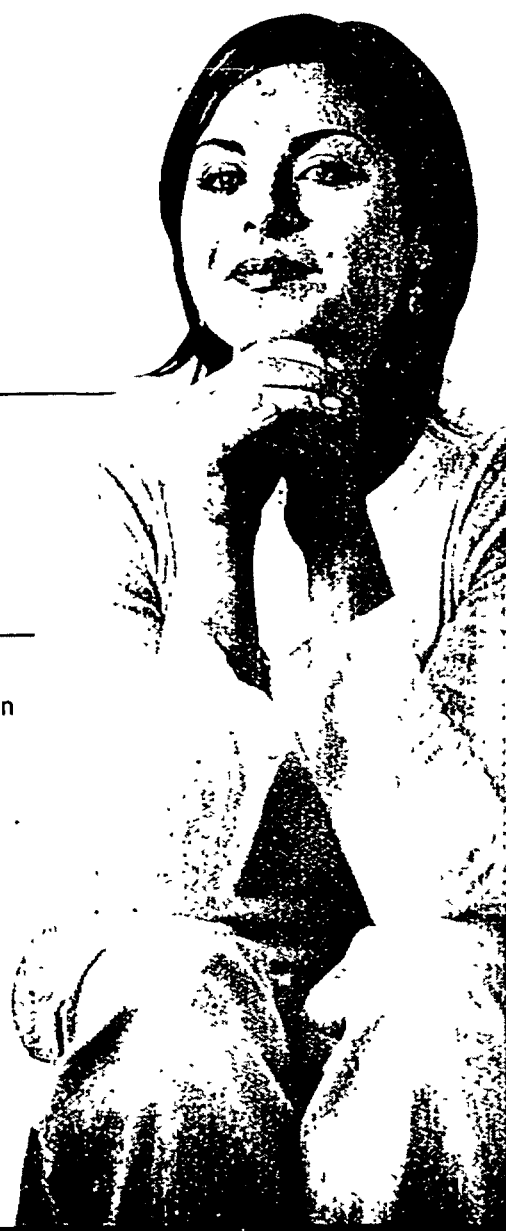
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CLASS NOTES

Board Meeting

The next Northville Board of Education regular meeting is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 2 at Old Village School, 405 W. Main St. For more information, call (248) 349-3400.

Parent Program

The Parent Awareness Committee is sponsoring Detective Sgt. Joe Brian from the Oakland County Computer Crime Unit 7 p.m. Tuesday in the NHS Forum, 45700 Six Mile Road. 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 Solution, will demonstrate how to set up a defense system on personal computers. For more information, call (248) 465-9987.

Heart N Sole Race

The Northville High School 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 gummy 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.

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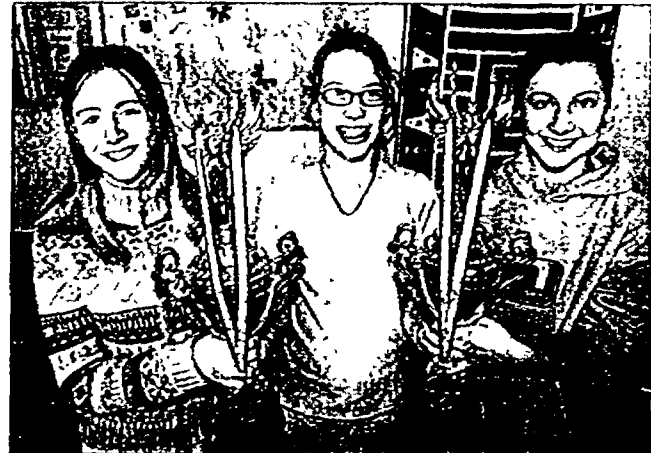


Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record
Hillside Middle School students Beth Hadley, Emily Love and Meredith Monticello comprise the "RaiderGirls," who took first place in a robotics competition held at the school earlier this month.

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 from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Senior Party

The NHS class of 2006 Senior All Night Party will be 10 p.m.-4 a.m. Saturday, June 3. If you purchased a Wooden Mustang, you can get it at the drive-through pickup 3-6 p.m. tomorrow and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, April 29 at the NHS soccer/track field concession stand. If you have any questions, call Mary Jo Blasius at (248) 349-0101 or (248) 444-2771.

ON CAMPUS

Central Michigan University

Northville residents, Kristal Cook, Jennifer Murphy and Candice Rosinski were among the December

2005 graduates of Central Michigan University during commencement exercises.

Northwood University

Northville resident, Ian O'Gieblyn, has been named to the dean's list for winter term at Northwood University.

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Local students recently learned about diversity by teaming up and helping others.

Lending helping hands

Students learn lessons about aid, diversity

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Elaina Weber sat quietly, starting on a community service project with students she'd never met before.

The Hillside Middle School sixth grader placed labels on plastic bags, listening as others spoke Spanish. "It is kind of cool to see them speaking a different language I don't know," she said. "It does make it hard and confusing though."

Weber was one of the Hillside students selected by raffle to participate in a Bridgepointe diversity activity earlier this month at St. Andrew's Episcopal church in Livonia.

The Northville Kids joined students from Maybury Elementary School in Detroit, packaging meals for the hungry.

"You can kind of tell what is going on in Detroit and other places you don't know," Weber said.

The students bagged dry meals for the non-profit organization Kids Against Hunger of Michigan to be sent to families in Guatemala.

"It will help a lot," said Mary Rumbley, Hillside Middle School sixth grader. "And it is a good way to interact with each other and help people starving in different countries."

While the students scooped, measured and sealed the packages of food, they asked each other questions.

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"I like knowing about the other kids and what they do," said Marco Munoz, a Maybury fifth grader. Munoz said he learned they all like a lot of the same things.

Maybury student Beatriz Moline said she was glad she could do something to help starving children. She said she also enjoyed meeting the Hillside students.

"We're a lot alike, we agree on a lot of things," Moline said. The revelation comes despite the 20-mile stretch of Eight Mile Road, separating the communities.

Food for thought

Connecting Northville students with Detroit sister schools is the dream and ambition of mothers Sue Simcox and Diane Powers.

Recognizing a lack of diversity in Northville Public Schools, the moms partnered creating

"We're a lot alike, we agree on a lot of things."

Beatriz Moline
Student, Maybury Elementary School

Bridgepointe.

With financial backing from organizations like The Plymouth Kiwanis Club and The Northville Mothers' Club, Bridgepointe hosts events bringing students from the two communities together.

Mothers' Club member Mary Ellen Danish said she applauds Bridgepointe's message.

"It is so precise on what it accomplishes," she said.

The two districts have been partnering in joint activities throughout the year.

Thomson Creek and Ridge Wood elementary schools and Hillside and Meads Mill middle schools are responsible for packing 68,000 meals this year with help from the Detroit sister schools.

"Our kids develop an awareness for the kids of Detroit," said Heidi Capreau, Hillside Middle School assistant principal. "The bond goes beyond cultural and economic, it is just kids with kids."

Bridgepointe also provides items for students on a non-disclosure basis.

Victoria Mitchell can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 122 or vmitchell@gannett.com.

Kids Against Hunger

Kids Against Hunger of Michigan helps starving families by going door-to-door with prepackaged meals in villages primarily in Guatemala, Africa and Central America.

Donald E. Burwell, Ph.D. and President and CEO of Kids Against Hunger, said he personally delivers the meals to village residents often surviving on one tortilla a day.

Each meal pack consists of a scoop of veggies,

soy, chicken and rice and feeds six adults or 12 kids.

Burwell said each food pack contains more than 23 vitamins and minerals.

He brings the mobile operation to schools, service clubs, community groups and churches. "We'll never do it all, but we'll make the world a better place," Burwell said.

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SCHOOL BOARD NOTEBOOK

April 25 Meeting

- All members were present
- Next Meeting: May 2

Consent Resolutions

Board members unanimously approved the second reading of policies governing online learning and conducting independent special education educational evaluations at the public expense.

Board members also accepted a \$785 donation from Sylvia Gurka in support of the Music Therapy, Leisure Recreation & Student Equipment Needs at Old Village School.

Bereavement

The district honored Northville High School guidance counselor and assistant basketball coach Tim Turner and Moraine Elementary School first-grade student Hannah Doody. Both untimely deaths occurred while the district was on break. "We are deeply saddened on behalf of both families," said Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski.

Mothers' Club

Members of the Board of Education thanked members of the Northville Mothers' Club for their contributions to the public school district. Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said the invaluable organization has donated \$30,000 and climbing this school year for district endeavors.

Retirements

School officials announced the retirements of Northville High School principal Dennis Colligan and assistant superintendent of instructional services Casey Reason. Colligan has been with the district for 32 years in a number of positions and Reason has been with the district for three years. Both will remain in their positions through the end of the school year.

Subcommittee meetings

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski invited the public to attend a series of upcoming board of education subcommittee meetings analyzing the future of the district in relation to student growth, economy and future bond proposals. The first meeting will take place Thursday, May 4 and will look at the district in the next five years and discuss survey results recently completed assessing public perception on myriad of topics. The district's kindergarten relocation plan will also be discussed. A list of meetings will be placed on the district's Web site soon.

Ridge Wood Elementary School

Ridge Wood Elementary School principal Nancy Raynes presented board members with an update on goals and achievement during the 2006-07 school year. Highlights included setting and working toward the school goal of increasing 100 percent of students in writing proficiency, working on building quality



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Meads Mill Middle School students competed recently in a 39-school forensics competition at Wayne State University. Hetall Lodaya, left, won a trophy in the Impromptu Speech category. Ali Smith won a trophy in the Original Oratory category and Alexa Patsalls, right, won an award in the Original Oratory category.

students with character in and out of classroom, increasing parent participation and highlighting 100 percent of the Ridge Wood staff is involved in various subcommittee capacities.

Enrollment projections

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski presented board members with an updated report on the district's enrollment projection accuracy. Officials said a preliminary looks indicates the fall 2005 projections for the

2006-07 school year and beyond remain accurate. District administrators will continue looking into factors such as home purchase/construction estimations and the economy. Rezmierski said despite a decrease in residential building permits, intergenerational turnover may become a new trend.

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SAVE the children

Early ID: Northville paves the way for state legislation

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

An initiative started years ago at Silver Springs Elementary School paved the way for state policy leading to the identification of early childhood learning struggles.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm signed into law last Friday a legislative package aimed at preventing early learning failure and providing students the tools and skills for educational life success, said State Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Now).

Cassis, the key sponsor and coordinator of SAVE the Children, said it was an amazing achievement to see the legislative package become state policy.

"We see it as establishing the grant money to plant a seed for a program that has ample, ample data behind it to show that it can really intervene with young children who are struggling early on so they can become strong productive learners," Cassis said.

"It empowers the teacher, parents and perhaps some learning specialists in the school to work together and identify what the problem may be and what would be the appropriate strategies to help youngsters become successful learners."

A perfect match

State Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Now) said the SAVE our Children package signed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm April 14 will, through grant funding, match applicable model schools with qualifying partners.

Cassis said the policy mandates model schools will serve as mentors to districts with high student rates in special education programs.

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Reznierski said he does not know if the district will formally apply to serve as a model school. He will first review the new policy.

"I have asked the state, if they are interested, we would stand ready if there was a grantable way we could appropriately free up people to offer this kind of in-district modeling, just as assured as we are not in any way derailing the program we are delivering," he said.

Cassis explained the program will be provided through the Michigan Department of Education and will choose schools to become mentors to others.

She said the program is slated for the 2006-07 school year. Cassis said the grant process permits schools to use at-risk and Durant special education money to establish their own programs.

Education Services Robert Somson, the district adopted a similar program in the 1990s at Silver Springs.

The Northville Public Schools Special Education Early Intervention Instructional Support Team model is based on the premise nearly all students can achieve academic success if provided with a quality education offering classroom-based support for teachers and students, as well as pull-out support as needed.

The program, now implemented

in every district elementary school, is credited with reducing Northville Public Schools resident student special education rate to 5.38 percent in 2004, less than half the state average.

Cassis said the state's special education rate is 14.2 percent.

"I really give a lot of credit to Northville schools," she said.

Cassis said Northville Public Schools has saved \$7.3 million since implementing its program, a

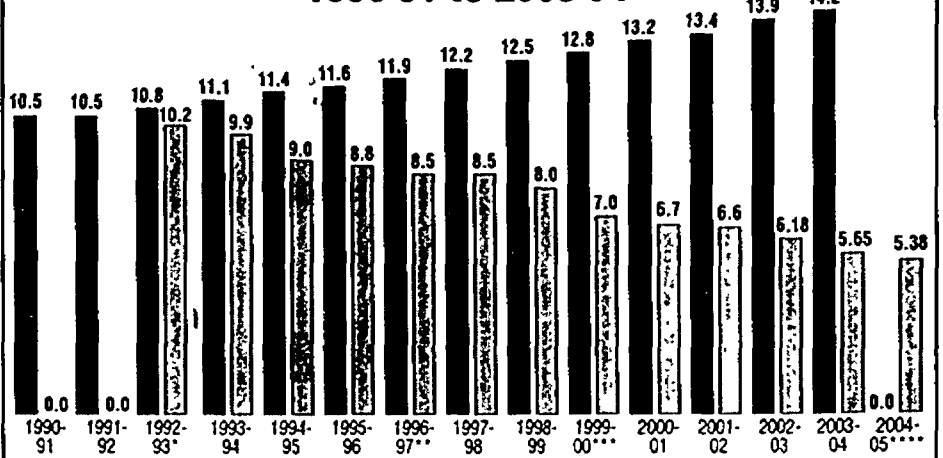
cost savings she said will be shared by future participating districts state wide.

According to data issued by Northville Public Schools, the added costs per child when placed in a classroom-based special education program is \$70,000-\$100,000 during their school career.

"I really give a lot of credit to Northville schools."

State Sen. Nancy Cassis
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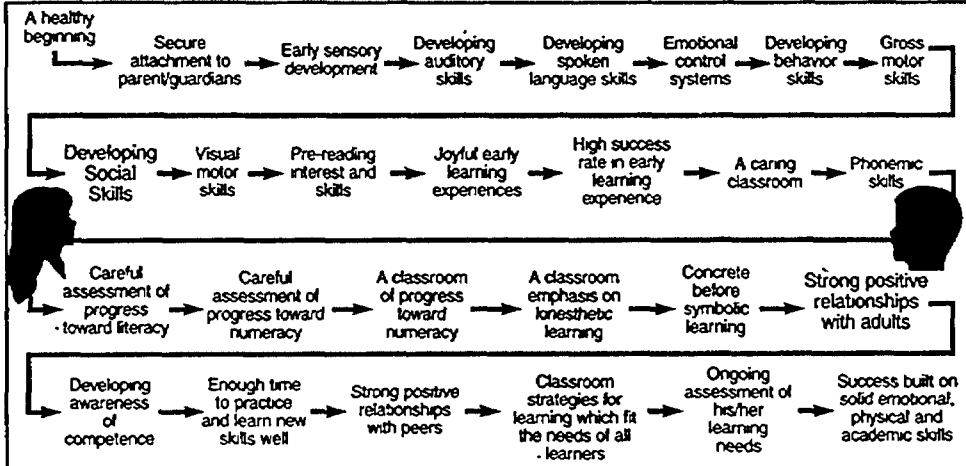
Comparison of Michigan Total Special Education Identification Rates to Northville Public School Rates, 1990-91 to 2003-04



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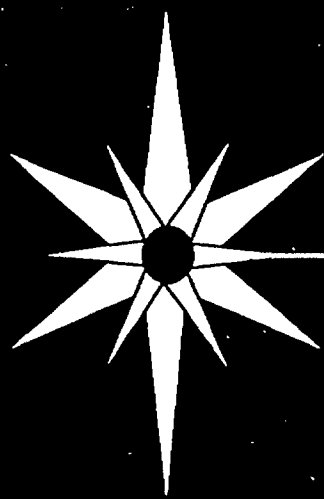
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Candidates: why do they run?

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compensation and sporadic unpopularity. Why run for school board? "You have to realize that it is part and parcel of the deal," Roth said. "We've made good decisions as a whole."

Roth and Paciorek were part of the seven-member board listening as parents cried at the podium during the announcement last April of the district's kindergarten relocation plan.

Board members said they put in innumerable hours in pre-committee meetings, studying documents, data and subcommittee suggestions before reaching the decision to relocate kindergarten and most of first grade from Ridge Wood Elementary School as a solution to the building over capacity.

The decision led, in some cases, to parental unrest and personalized verbal attacks, but never served as reason to make them want to give up their seats, they said.

"I feel I have a great deal to bring to the board," Paciorek said. "I also am able to benefit greatly from my service to the board."

Misnomer

Roth said many residents don't see how much time is spent behind the scenes.

"It is kind of like the duck in the water," he said. "You see it floating there and it doesn't look like it is working, but underneath the water it is working furiously."

Roth said the board's two monthly meetings constitute a small percentage of what goes on.

"The vast majority of time is spent in subcommittee meetings going over budgetary, educational and studying backup data made available to us," he said.

School officials said board of education members commit anywhere from 5-20 hours per week to the position.

Paciorek said board members also do not receive compensation.

Traditionally, board members have voted to donate any compen-

sation they may be eligible for back to the district, she said.

The legal edge

Although school board challenger Kristin Smith hasn't felt the school board heat, she said she is ready for the challenge.

She said years spent in family court as an attorney has provided her with necessary experience to make tough decisions under the peering eyes of families wanting only what they believe is best for their children.

Smith said she is up for the challenge and has enough time to do the

job.

"I will have a direct impact on our children here," she said. "I can't think of anything more valuable than that."

The job

According to district documents, the primary function of the board of education is to lead the district by establishing a balanced budget, setting policy, hiring personnel, and giving leadership to the overarching mission and vision for the schools.

The job is open to anyone who lives in the Northville Public School boundaries.

School Election: Tuesday, May 2

Northville Public Schools registered voters will have the opportunity to voice their opinions 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 2. Voters will be asked to choose two school board candidates, both serving four-year terms. Challenger Kristin Smith is running against incumbents Ken Roth and Karen Paciorek.

Northville resident Christopher Maloney will run as a write-in candidate.

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district

Northville Township residents living in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district will choose two school board candidates from a field of eight and cast ballots on two bond proposals totaling \$120 million for

district-wide school enhancements and improvements for extra-curricular activities at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Improvements include a theater, pool, auxiliary gym and field upgrades.

Northville residents in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district vote at Meads Mill Middle School.

Candidate Coffee

Northville Public Schools Board of Education trustee candidate Kristin Smith will host a "Coffee with the Candidate" meeting 2-3:30 p.m. tomorrow at Starbucks Coffee, 302 E. Main St., Northville.

"The board has to make some difficult decisions. We make difficult decisions," Roth said.

But, Roth said, the duty for him

has been a privilege.

The Northville Public Schools Board of Education election is Tuesday, May 2.

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RETIRING: high school principal, administrator say farewell

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Northville Public Schools accomplishments, school officials said.

Joining Colligan in end-of-the-year farewells will be Northville Public Schools Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Casey Reason.

Reason, who joined the district three years ago, will leave in July.

He plans on partnering with his wife in the field of instructional design.

"I will continue working in teaching and learning, but more with adults," Reason said.

First up for Reason, designing a curricular sequence for a Ph.D. program at a Colorado University.

Rezmierski said the hiring process has begun for Colligan and will begin soon for Reason.

He said the district is in the final steps of hiring a new Executive Director of Special Education to replace Robert Sornson, who retired last school year.

Rezmierski anticipates the hiring process for all three positions will be concluded by mid June.

School officials said the district also plans on hiring more than 20 teachers for the next school year, mostly in response to teacher retirees.

"As one of the few districts hiring, we are expecting 2,000 plus applications," Rezmierski said.

The district has hired an interim human resource consultant to help the district through all hiring processes.

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Charlie May, a fifth grade student at Moraine Elementary, was selected as a vocalist with the PRIDE National Team. He performed this month at the 29th Annual PRIDE World Drug Prevention Conference in Washington D.C. May joined 10 singers chosen from PRIDE teams throughout the nation singing about drug, alcohol, and violence-free lifestyles.

Hillside Middle School teacher Stacey Eylers was selected as a finalist for the 2006 Michigan Science Teachers Association teacher of the year.



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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.

We endorse: Roth, Smith

Northville is fortunate to have three strong candidates vying for two available Board of Education seats Tuesday, each offering specific talent and expertise which would improve the district and continue its path toward "excellence."

We believe incumbent Ken Roth and challenger Kristin Smith are the best candidates to serve on the Northville Public Schools Board of Education, and move the district in a positive direction. We believe Roth and Smith offer the best decision-making philosophy, a shared commitment to improving communication between the board and local residents and the ability, willingness and tireless dedication to make tough decisions when it matters most.

These are areas we believe the board has shown deficiency during the past two years, most notably during the Feb. 28 millage campaign when local residents overwhelmingly rejected (by about 1,200 votes) two proposals totaling \$71 million. The rebuff was the first time local residents had turned down a public schools millage since 1996.

Was it partly the economy? Absolutely. However, we fear district officials are using unstable economic times to gloss over a more fundamental problem: voters felt displaced by the board's approach, confused by its decision-making process and disconnected from

those who represent them. We believe that's a structural flaw requiring immediate repair.

The Board failed to effectively deliver its own message and, worse yet, failed to hear the message being delivered by their ultimate bosses: taxpayers.

That's not the way to do business, certainly not one whose taxpayer-funded budget is between \$80-100 million annually.

This is about more than just one school bond election.

Primarily, what we're talking about here is simple: a return to basics, where decisions are grounded in practicality and made by individuals dedicated to delivering clear answers and first-rate customer service.

To date, local taxpayers still don't officially know if the board is returning to the polls in August. (They're not, but the "grapevine" had to tell us that.) That's not leadership, or an organizational mindset worthy of being furthered. It's dismissive and inexcusable.

And while the current Board may "want" to continue business as usual, we strongly feel the district "needs" to move in another direction, one rooted in customer service and tireless in its quest to explore — and explain — all available options.

We feel Roth and Smith offer an opportunity to begin making necessary structural changes.

KEN ROTH offers a strong business and legal background, coupled with board experience, invaluable attributes we believe will help guide the district through what will continue to be a rocky shoreline: state funding issues, professional contract negotiations and funding district employee salary, benefits and retirement costs. We further believe his dedication to fiscal responsibility and firm understanding of proper business practice is a valuable asset to the district and Board of Education.

KRISTIN SMITH's background as a domestic law attorney will provide invaluable experience when it comes to making tough, logical (and perhaps unpopular) decisions, especially amidst emotional appeals made by residents. (Is there a more emotionally-charged arena than Family Court?) She's displayed a doggedness we feel has been lacking from the current board: the ability to ask "why?"; the willingness to ask "why not?"; and the commitment to delivering both sides of the story in simple terms, not merely a sifted version best suiting the district's own interest. More than any candidate, we feel Smith understands her basic role: she'd serve all of Northville, not merely those who support the district's agenda.

Voters have a tough decision to make next Tuesday, sorting between three candidates who are worthy of your consideration. In that regard, Northville is fortunate.

Certainly, the current Board has accomplished many things — academically, culturally and community-based. We applaud them for those feats.

But we believe portions of the current Board of

Education, elected by taxpayers and responsible for employing administrators who report to them, have lost sight of their overall mission: serve the public.

We believe Roth and Smith clearly understand that message and will positively influence other Board members who may have grown too accustomed to conducting business as usual.

■ Candidate clarification

Northville Public Schools Board of Education candidate Kristin Smith, 37, moved with her husband to her Northville home in August, despite the December sale of her Livonia home. She currently practices estate planning law out of her home on a part-time basis, while raising the couple's 3-year-old son.

LETTERS

Bad coverage

I am writing in response to the callous article that was in last week's Northville Record about the tragic death of Hannah Doody. After reading the article, I could not believe the insensitivity of the journalist and the Record. The article's author obviously made very little attempt to look for anything respectful to say about Hannah or her family. I also question the decision to include the comments made by the sheriff. I realize that the family was not available for comment (as would be expected during such a tragedy.) However, this family has many friends, neighbors and teachers in this community who, if given the chance, would have had wonderful words to say about the Doody's. If lack of time was the reason that the Record could not come up with something nice to say, then the article should have been postponed until the following week. In my opinion, this newspaper owes an apology for its callous insensitivity to the family and this community.

Christine Farrell
Northville

Bad coverage II

Your account of the death of Hannah Doody in last Thursday's edition was little more than a paraphrased summary of the reports from the Ohio media that week, and a disservice to the Doody family and the community you serve. Although the family was understandably unavailable for comment, you should have had no trouble finding others from her neighborhood, school, or church who could tell you about Hannah.

Had you tried; you would have learned that Hannah was part of a loving and devoted family. She was an adventuresome, caring, energetic, intelligent, free spirit whose smile would light up the room, backyard, or playground when she entered. And her laugh or her hug would stay with you long after she went home.

You would have heard stories from her neighbors, her teachers both from preschool and Moraine, her choir leader, and other groups at her church that would have left you smiling, and stayed with you too. You would have also heard that Hannah lives on in more than our memories. Hannah touched families that will never know her when her eyes, organs, and tissue were donated for transplant.

Hannah is dearly missed.

The Bernard Family
Northville

EDITOR'S NOTE: Prior to publishing last week, the Northville Record attempted to contact the Doody family. Because of the spring break recess, the Record chose to defer extended coverage until those who knew Hannah Doody best returned from vacation. A follow-up story appears on Page 7A. As parents and professionals, we mourn Hannah's death and extend our best wishes and sincere prayers to the Doody family.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Plant yourself in Northville

Marie Barr, Jim Gallogly, Steve Heidt and Linda Lestock stand among trees set to be planted by the Northville Parks and Recreation Department in both the city and township. The City of Northville and Northville Township beautification commission will join together 9:30 a.m.-noon Saturday at Northville Township Hall for the annual Arbor Day Seedlings Giveaway. Free Blue Spruce, Douglas Fir, White Pine and White Spruce are available to residents and students. More information: (248) 348-5800.

Good coverage

Your recent coverage of bullying in schools was well-researched and comprehensive. A question I would like to have answered, however, is why the Northville Schools' administration is so determined not to have an anti-bullying program or to even conduct a professional survey to measure how extensive and severe bullying may be at Moraine Elementary.

The State Board of Education has stated that all public schools should develop plans to prevent bullying and develop methods to react to bullying when it occurs. Governor Granholm and members of the State Legislature are working to create legislation to ensure that every school district will have anti-bullying policies and programs. While some school districts in Michigan have already established strong anti-bullying policies, Northville Schools have not acted to do so yet. I attended a PTA meeting at Moraine last week. I listened to Principal Mary Kay Gallagher expound on the administration's efforts to help students in their relationships with others. The programs outlined may be beneficial for the majority of students but they are not likely to be effective with bullies, in my opinion. I challenge the Northville Schools to supply the

data that will prove these programs work with bullies. Ms. Gallagher expressed that their own home-grown survey that has been conducted for the past 4-5 years shows that existing programs do not reach 15-20 percent of the students. Yet, the administration continues to use the same programs exclusively when it should be obvious that additional methods are needed to reach all students. I have a granddaughter attending Moraine Elementary School and I'm very concerned, of course, about her education and well-being at school. I am a retired business woman and former teacher as well as a concerned citizen.

Donna Anderson
Brighton

Vote for Paciorek

Karen Paciorek and Ken Roth should be re-elected to the school board on May 2nd. Besides being very well qualified and experienced, they dedicate untold hours each week to ensure that our district is one of the top in the state. Our entire community benefits from the quality of our schools. Karen Paciorek and Ken Roth are worthy of your vote.

Carol Doyle
Northville

Thanks

Recently I faced a situation that might offer help to someone else. Dealing with government bureaucracy can be daunting. Being temporarily unemployed, I received help from the state. My former company also wanted to help me through the gap, with an unexpected severance gift. This led to some conflicting advice from unemployment agency personnel, when I called. Then I got a letter that disturbed me deeply. It stated that I may have intentionally made an error on an unemployment claim and an investigation was to commence. I have always tried very hard to live on the right side of the law. I did not know where to turn.

Then I thought of Senator Patterson's office. With his helpful staff, I was able to get the issue resolved to everyone's satisfaction. The investigation concluded that "there is no evidence of intentional misrepresentation." I am repaying a small amount, but this seems fair given the circumstance of receiving an unexpected check from my former employer.

Sen. Patterson's staff followed up to the point of resolution. Without this help, I would have felt alone dealing with a large State agency that was providing me with little guidance or response.

I want to thank the Senator and his staff publicly, and I hope that someone else can learn from my experience. There is help out there.

Brian Sarookanian
Northville

'Seussical' a hit

My family and I attended the April 1st matinee of Northville High School's production of "Seussical-the Musical." We thoroughly enjoyed the singing, dancing and catchy little tunes. JoJo (Katya Freminko) was so adorable and her voice so crystal clear. The hysterical and versatile performance of Gertrude (Laura Van Valkenburgh) had us all laughing ... and wow, what a voice. The loyal and tender hearted Horton (Jake McClory) with his sincere facial expressions and beautiful tenor voice captivated us from the start. The vain Mayzie LaBird (Tina Ginitti) did a good job with her saucy attitude. A stellar performance was given by The Cat In The Hat (Ron Ketelhut) with his mischievous character. The narrating "Bird Girls" gave a sort of cabaret feel to some songs. "Seussical" would not have been complete without its supporting cast of Whos, Jungle Animals, Circus performers, Grinch and Sour Kangaroo that added style and energy to the show. The bright and clever costumes helped the audience really visualize the wacky Seuss characters. Our trip to the land of Dr. Seuss was a wonderful experience. Congratulations to the cast and crew for putting on a fantastic show.

Patty Sigma
Livonia

China poses 'growing' problem, opportunity

Michigan has the dubious honor of claiming the nation's worst non-hurricane ravaged economy. Our unemployment rate is 6.8 percent, compared to the national average of 4.7 percent. Manufacturing jobs at Ford, Delphi, GM and many other companies seem to be leaving our state nearly as fast as youth with a college education.

What was the old saying? "Houston, we have a problem?"

We are facing unprecedented global competition. Japan, India, China and other eastern European nations are salivating to get a piece of the economic pie. As the old GM commercial used to claim: "This is not your father's Oldsmobile!" The world is changing at break-neck speed and we need to get into the race or we will clearly get passed by, if not run over.

Today, the auto business is global. General Motors recently announced its sales are up, yes up 16 percent, outside of the U.S. Asia sales are up 62 percent.

Ted Fishman, author of "China, INC.: How the Rise of the Next Superpower Challenges America and the World," discusses how China is no longer a "sleeping giant," but an economy that has been "super-sized," is wide awake and on the move. Consider that the Chinese government announced recently their economy grew at an eye-popping 10.2 percent in the first quarter. In comparison, the U.S. economy grew at a rate of 3.5 percent in 2005 and was seen by our economists as solid growth.

Consider the question Ted Fishman poses in his book:

Did you know ...

• General Motors expects the Chinese automobile market to be bigger than the U.S. market

by 2025?

• China must build a city the size of Houston every month in order to absorb the greatest human migration in the history of the world, with over 300 million rural Chinese moving into the cities during the next 15 years, when China already has more than 100 cities with over 1 million people?

• China has more speakers of English as a second language than America has native English speakers?

• China, with a population in excess of 1.3 billion people, has over 320 million people under the age of 14, more than the entire population of the United States?

A recently released book that has not gotten the attention it deserves is: "China's Generation Y: Understanding the Future Leaders of the World's Next Superpower," written by Michael Stanat at the ripe age of 18, a Generation Y'er himself. (Gen Yers are youth aged 15 to 24 and there are approximately 200 million youth this age in China today!)

Michael currently attends the United Nations International School in New York, where he is Editor and Chief of the school's newspaper UNISVerse. As stated in the World Economic Forum's Global Competitiveness Report of 2004, "China is on track to become the world's second largest economic entity by 2020."

Michael's generation will be coming of age during that decade.

For those of you that still remember your mother telling you to eat your dinner there are people starving in China and visualize Hop Sing from the TV show Bonanza, or see Western tourists being pulled in rickshaws, or peasants walking behind a water buffalo in a rice paddy, think again. While it has massive problems to address, ranging from environmental to creating jobs, China is a country on steroids — economically and educationally.

In the forward of Stanat's book, Eva Shi writes that the China's Gen Yers, "are the most education-minded generation in history (bought up in a culture that highly values education and a workforce that demands it); these individuals are equipped to become an incredible marketable force to be reckoned with."

These youth have come of age under the leadership of Deng Xio Peng, who uncorked the economic genie in China. When asked how he reconciled the Socialist dogma of the past with his desire to open the Chinese economy to market forces and capitalism, he is said to remark: "I do not care if the cat is white or the cat is black, as long as the cat can catch the mice."

Certainly, the economic cat is out of the bag in China and like the Starbucks coffee ad says: "You can't un-grind the coffee beans."

So, if you hear your Mom tell you "eat your peas, the people in China are hungry," realize that she is telling you that they are hungry for a better life and are going to be our future competition or partner. During the gold rush in the mid 1800s, China referred to America as "Gold Mountain." Today, finding opportunities to work with the Chinese in a way that benefits the people of China and America will be the 21st century "Gold Mountain."

There is an old Chinese saying: "The longest journey begins with the first step." If we are going to address our dismal economic standing and put our people back to work, we need to pick up the pace and get moving.

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COMMENTARY

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Michigan's future: uncertain, unfunded

Thomas Carlyle dubbed economics the "dismal science" back in 1848. These days, however, responsible columnists seem to have inherited the "dismal" crown, since part of our job is drawing attention to the possibility that this time, Chicken Little may be right.

Or in other words, the sky is indeed falling, at least in Michigan. Want some evidence? Here goes:

If you think Michigan is in a bad place now, just hunker down. You ain't seen



Phil Power

nothin' yet. In a few years, the "unfunded" pension and health care liabilities for public employees — municipal and state, together with teachers — will make the pension and health care problems of the auto industry look pretty small.

Unfunded, by the way, means money that employers have agreed to pay in the future without any idea where the money will come from. Since Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick's budget plans are all over the news this week, let's start with Detroit.

Last year, the Detroit auditor general reported the city is obligated for more than \$7 billion in unfunded health care benefits for its retirees. Of course, that isn't due all at once — but the cost of covering retiree health care has increased from 12.8 percent of the city's payroll to 20.7 percent, according to the J.L. Boyle consulting firm. Calling the situation "dire" (in a Detroit News column) John Boyle projects that health care benefit costs will cost more than \$247 million by 2008, nearly one third of the city's entire payroll.

Other local governments are just now beginning to face up to their coming tidal wave of unfunded pension and health

care obligations. To its great credit, Oakland County has taken the lead in pre-funding some of its costs, in part by substituting a defined contribution plan for its old-fashioned, increasingly expensive defined benefit plan.

The situation for state employees is equally alarming, according to Tom Clay, the highly respected chief policy analyst for the Citizens' Research Council. Clay reports that the state of Michigan's total unfunded health care obligations for teachers was \$16 billion and around another \$6.8 billion for other state employees.

The teacher situation is particularly grave. After Proposal A was adopted, full responsibility for contributions to retired teacher pensions and health care benefits fell to local school districts.

Funding for these benefits comes in the form of contributions to the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System (MPERS). According to Clay, the contribution rate for both pensions and health care paid by school boards is estimated to jump significantly from the 14.87 percent charged by the state for fiscal year 2005 to more than 20 percent for 2008.

The budget effect these escalating costs will be dramatic, according to the Citizens Research Council report.

For fiscal 2005, the increase in MPERS contributions for teacher pensions will average around \$90 per pupil, an amount greater than the increase in per pupil state support.

Projections are that increases for the next three years will exceed \$100 per pupil per year, with the total per pupil costs of teacher pensions is estimated to

reach \$1,200 by 2008.

It's worse for retiree health care benefits, if only because the cost of health care is increasing at such a rapid rate; for example, the annual increase from FY 1995 through FY 2003 was 12.7 percent.

When the sky starts falling, Chicken Little says, it falls in little bits and not all at once. We know about the problems of Detroit, thanks to the auditor general's report. We know about teacher retiree pension and health care costs, thanks to the Citizens Research Council. But we don't know much about the accumulated unfunded pension and health care obligations of the many other cities and counties throughout Michigan.

I suspect we're about to find out, because the Governmental Standards Board has issued Statement 43 setting standards for reporting the costs of post-employment benefit plans.

The new standards will require disclosure of liabilities for retiree benefits such as health insurance. The state has reported the unfunded health care liability for school employees for years, but we're soon going to get a much better picture of what the overall unfunded costs for retiree pensions and health care.

The total figure is bound to curl what remains of your hair. And it will set off a round of agonized hand-wringing and angry negotiating that will make negotiations between the auto industry and the United Auto Workers Union look like a civilized tea party.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Phil Power's April 20 column should have indicated that the "Agreement to Lead" was initiated by Sen. Sikkema, not Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

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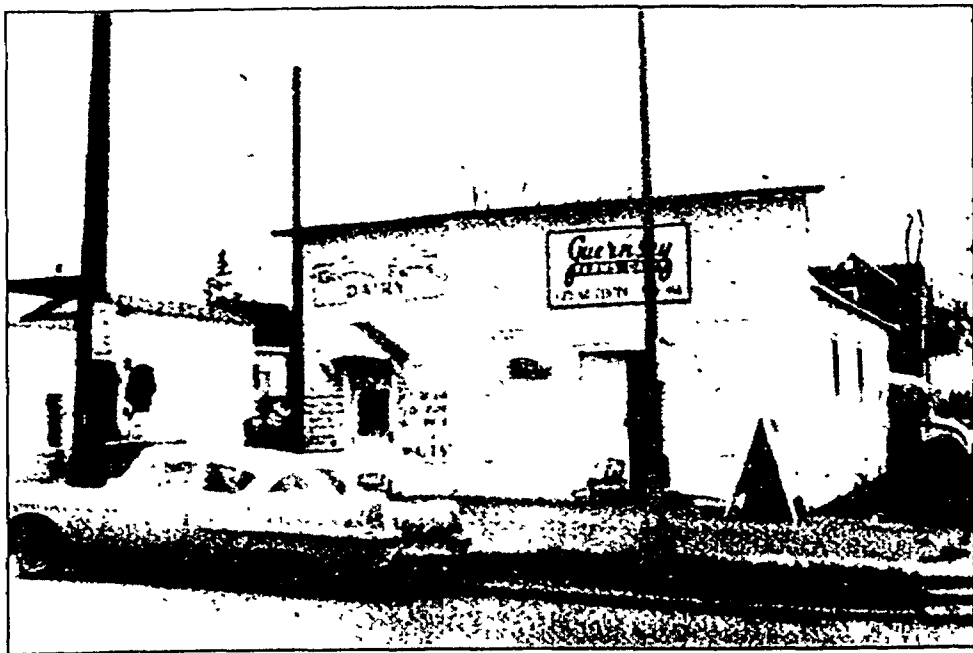


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The Guernsey Farm Dairy, located at South Center and East Cady streets, circa 1955.

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NORTHVILLE EVENTS

ART SHOW OPENING

DATE: Saturday
TIME: noon-2 p.m.
LOCATION: Cooke School, 21200 Taft Road
DETAILS: This is a reception for "Awakening Spring." The exhibit will be on display through Sunday.
CONTACT: (248) 347-0807

ART EXHIBIT

DATE: Through Sunday
LOCATION: 427 Regina
Abraham Gallery of Art, 122 W. Main St.
DETAILS: This is an exhibit of artist Mimi Prussack's oil and wax landscapes.
CONTACT: (248) 449-6501

GLASS EXHIBIT

DATE: Through Sunday
LOCATION: Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art, 109 N. Center St.
DETAILS: This is a glass exhibit titled "A Touch of Glass."
CONTACT: (248) 380-0470

CONCERT

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday
LOCATION: Northville High School, 45700 Six Mile Road
DETAILS: The Plymouth Community Chorus will be performing its spring concert, "Just For Fun."
CONTACT: For ticket information, call (866) 924-4276

COUNTRY GARDEN CLUB

DATE: Tuesday, May 2
TIME: 11:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Cady Inn, Mill Race Village
DETAILS: This is a garden walk planning meeting. Refreshments will be served and visitors are welcome.
CONTACT: Kathryn Novak, (248) 348-3263

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: Author Tim Kiska will be discussing his book "From Soupy to Nuts." Tickets are \$25 and available at the Northville, Novi, Plymouth and Canton libraries. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.
CONTACT: (248) 349-4137

ART EXHIBITS

LOCATION: Swearingen Visions, 118 W. Main St.
Portraits
DATE: Through May 5
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 project.
Abstracts
DATE: Friday, May 5
TIME: 5-9 p.m.
DETAILS: This is an exploration of "Variations on a Theme." John Swearingen presents a variety of color abstract work reminiscent of

the 60's.

WILDFLOWER PLANTING

DATE: Saturday, May 6
TIME: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
LOCATION: Cass Benton Park picnic area, Northville and Six Mile roads, Hines Park
DETAILS: Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox is sponsoring this event for Western Wayne County residents. In addition to wildflowers, volunteers will also be planting grasses, trees and shrubs. The first 50 volunteers will receive free tickets to a Detroit Tigers game at Comerica Park.
CONTACT: Carrie Ryckman, (313) 224-0946

"GENERAL STORE" FUND-RAISER

DATE: Sunday, May 7
TIME: 4-9 P.M.
LOCATION: 800 Griswold Ave.

DETAILS: This event is sponsored by the Northville Historical Society. Money will go to reconstructing a building formerly located on Main Street into a Mill Race Village store. The cost is \$125 per person.
CONTACT: Denise Jenkins (248) 982-9898 or the Northville Historical Society (248) 349-1845.

NORTHVILLE GARDEN CLUB

DATE: Monday, May 8
TIME: noon
LOCATION: Cady Inn, Mill Race Village
DETAILS: This will be the annual plant auction.
CONTACT: Julie Mantay, (248) 349-1602

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

DATE: Sunday, May 14
TIME: 9 a.m.-noon
LOCATION: VFW Post 4012, 438 Main St.
DETAILS: The cost is \$8.50 for adults and \$4 for children 10 and under. This is an all-you-can-eat breakfast of eggs, sausage, bacon, gravy and biscuits, pancakes, fruit, milk and coffee.
CONTACT: (248) 346-1689 or Kusuplci@northville.k12.mi.us

GOLF OUTING

DATE: Monday, May 15
LOCATION: Tanglewood Golf Club, 53503 10 Mile Road, Lyon Township
DETAILS: This is the seventh annual Young Life golf outing.
CONTACT: Larry Richard, (248) 347-4997 or Young Life Office, (248) 888-0166

CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION CLASS

DATE: Saturday, June 10
TIME: 2-4 p.m.
LOCATION: Revival Outreach Center (ROC), 16115 Beck Road
DETAILS: American Heart Association, Life Support Training Institute and ROC are sponsoring this class for Northville city and township residents. The class is free. Registration is required.
CONTACT: Michelle, (248) 356-3900, extension #6055 or Debra, (248) 356-6080, extension #6080

OPEN MIC NIGHT

DATE: Third Saturday of the month through May 20

TIME: 6:15 p.m., sign-up; 7 p.m., performance
LOCATION: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.
DETAILS: Northville Arts 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

FARMERS MARKET

DATE: Thursday, May 4-Oct. 26
TIME: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville Downs parking lot, corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon roads
DETAILS: More than 100 stalls include fresh produce, plants, flowers, baked goods, garden art, crafts and home accessories. This is sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce and Prestwick Estates of Northville Hills Golf Club.
CONTACT: (248) 349-7640

MARQUIS THEATER

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

"Little Mermaid"
DATE: Saturday and Sunday
TIME: 2:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Tickets are \$8 per person; no children under 3.
"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.

NEW HOPE FOR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS

DETAILS: New Hope Center for Grief Support offers groups for young widows and widowers and their children ages of 3 and up. 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

GENITTI'S LITTLE THEATER

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com
DATE: June 17, "The Shades of Blue"; July 15, "The Reflections"
TIME: 7 p.m.
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 5-6
TIME: 10:30 a.m.
DETAILS: The Friends of



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Dressed as "Mother Earth," Thornton Creek Elementary School teacher Chris Modrack addresses an Earth Day assembly.

Maybury are hosting this free event. All ages are welcome. Reservations are not required.

Maybury History Trail
DATE: Saturday, Sept. 30
DETAILS: This grand opening will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony, a "virtual tour" for those who cannot walk the length of the trail, family activities and the annual Northville Road Runner Classic (5K run, 5K walk, and 1-mile fun walk.) The trail is self-guided commemorating the people who lived and worked at Maybury Sanatorium. Proceeds will benefit the American Lung Association of Michigan and Friends of Maybury State Park.
CONTACT: Jennifer McFall, (248) 374-9928 or jpmcfall@hotmail.com

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 appointment

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 or to register for programs and request or renew library materials, (248) 349-3020

NORTHVILLE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Monthly Meeting
DATE: Sunday, May 7
TIME: 2:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Joanne Harvey will discuss ancestor searches. Ms. Harvey is a professional genealogist and lecturer and is a teacher of genealogy at Michigan State University.
Individual Help
TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m.
Monday, ongoing and by appointment
DETAILS: Volunteers are available to offer individual help on genealogy.
CONTACT: Grace Wilfong, (248) 349-9079 or visit www.rootsweb.com/~mings

TOT STORYTIME

TIME/DATE: 10:15 a.m.
Monday; 10:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., Wednesday; 10:15 a.m., Thursday
DETAILS: This storytime is

for 2- and 3-year-olds with a parent or caregiver. No additional children may attend.

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 ages 4 and 5, or in kindergarten and comfortable attending without a caregiver present. Registration is required.

KID'S CLUB

DATE: 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 crafts. Registration is required.

TEEN BOOKS, CHAT AND CHOW

DATE: Monday
TIME: 4:15 p.m.
DETAILS: Author Erik Esckilsen will discuss his book, "The Last Mall Rat," and about his experiences as a writer. Registration is required.

EVENING OF CELTIC MUSIC

DATE: Wednesday
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: This concert will feature Celtic musicians Jesse Lee Mason and Tyler Duncan. It is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Registration is required.

BOOK DISCUSSION

DATE: Monday, May 8
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: This month's book is "Songs of a Gorilla Nation: my journey through autism" by Dawn Prince-Hughes.

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: Sunday, 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.
Women's Retreat
DATE: Saturday
TIME: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
DETAILS: This event is open to all women in the community. Rev. Amy Heinrich will be leading the discussion "Catching Your Breath, God's Invitation to Sabbath Rest."
CONTACT: (248) 349-0911
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 Road
CONTACT: (248) 374-5966
Single Adults
DATE: Sunday
TIME: 11:30 a.m.
CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
College Age
DATE: Sunday
TIME: 10:20 a.m.
CONTACT: Mark Tarpinian, (248) 347-3525

First United Methodist Church

LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-1144
DATE: Sunday, May 7
TIME: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Appointments and walk-ins are welcome.
CONTACT: (248) 349-6592
Healing Service
DATE: First Monday of every month
TIME: 4 p.m.
Grief Support Group
DATE: Fourth Monday of every month
TIME: 7-8:30 p.m.

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Well done!



Submitted photo

Northville resident Lauren Perugi displays her science award with Doug Allen, vice president of the Science & Engineering Fair board of directors and DaimlerChrysler Fund representative Marilyn Graham, right.

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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 27
9 a.m.: Taking Off Pounds Sensibly

10:30 a.m.: History of Maybury Sanatorium
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Tai Chi
By appointment: Massage
Friday, April 28
9:30 a.m.: Focus Hope/Liquid Nutrition
10 a.m.: Strength Training
1 p.m.: Movie: Greatest Game Ever Played
By appointment: Massage

Monday, May 1
10 a.m.: Line Dancing
10 a.m.: Oxygise I
11 a.m.: Oxygise II
12:30 p.m.: Euchre and Pinochle
Tuesday, May 2
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
Wednesday, May 3
10 a.m.: Oxygise Level I
11 a.m.: Oxygise Level II
noon: Bridge
1 p.m.: Strength Training

BREAKFAST WITH SENATOR PATTERSON

DATE: Friday
TIME: 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
DETAILS: Seniors are invited to a free breakfast with Sen. Bruce Patterson. He will discuss senior issues. Reservations are required. **CONTACT:** (248) 349-4140

BOARD GAMES

DATE: Tuesday, ongoing

TIME: 1 p.m.
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-4140

ONGOING CARD GAMES

Bridge
TIME/DAY: noon-3:30 p.m., Wednesday
Pinochle (double deck)
TIME/DAY: 12:30-4:30 p.m., Monday and Thursday
Pinochle (single deck)
TIME/DAY: 12:30-3:30 p.m., Friday

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

LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

HEALTHY WALKING

DATE: Monday-Friday
TIME: 8-10 a.m.
LOCATION: Senior Community Center gym, 303 W. Main St.

OLE' BAG SALE DONATIONS

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 programs. **CONTACT:** (248) 349-4140

MILL RACE HISTORICAL VILLAGE

LOCATION: Griswold Avenue, north of Main Street, near Ford Field
CONTACT: (248) 348-1845
Thursday, April 27: Archives open, 9 a.m.; School Tour, 9:30 a.m.; Brownie Scout Meeting, 3:30 p.m.
Friday, April 28: Archives open, 9 a.m.; School Tour, 9:30 a.m.; Brownie Scouts, 4:15 p.m.; Rehearsal, 5 p.m.; Private Tour, 6 p.m.
Saturday, April 29: Wedding*, 2-4 p.m.
Sunday, April 30: Mill Creek Church, 10 a.m.; Mackinac

Scouts, 12:30 p.m.

Monday, May 1: Hands All Around Quilt Workshop, 9 a.m.; Cub Scouts, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 2: Stone Garig, 9 a.m.; School Tour, 9:30 a.m.; Country Garden Club, 11 a.m.; Cub Scouts, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3: Mill Race Basket Guild, 9 a.m.; School Tour, 10 a.m.; School Tour, 12:15 p.m.

Thursday, May 4: Archives open, 9 a.m.; Brownie Scout Meeting, 3:30 p.m.; Rehearsal, 6 p.m.

*Grounds closed to public

Looking for You

HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

DATE: Tuesday
TIME: 9 a.m.-noon
LOCATION: Arbor Hospice and Home Care, 331 Center St.

DETAILS: This five-week training is for volunteers interested in delivering patient and family support in the home, nursing home or an assisted living setting. Volunteers will be educated in providing comfort and support to families facing end-of-life issues.

CONTACT: Michelle Grysko, Volunteer Coordinator, (248) 348-4980 or e-mail at mgrysko@arborhospice.org

GRADUATION ALL NIGHT PARTY

*The NHS class of 2006 Senior All Night Party will be 10 p.m.-4 a.m. Saturday, June 3.
*To volunteer with decorations, come to the Rite Aid building on Seven Mile 7-9 p.m. Wednesday or Thursday evening or call Karen Poulos at



Submitted photo

Reflections!

A group of Moraine Elementary School students are honored by principal Mary Kay Gallagher for their efforts in this year's PTSA sponsored Reflections Contest. The students are: Mike Dazy, Tim Kelly, John Vallespir, Amber Hydell, Skye Hydell, Alexa Rose Ferris, Anna Dazy, Megan Bartley, William Vallespir, Kallie Bergers, Angela Steinberg, Matthew Fuller, Andrew Kearis, Christopher Boerema, Jack Miller, Olivia Gaeta, Molly DeDonna, Michael Vallespir and Stefan Piccone.

(248) 349-4684 for additional times available.

*To help with party set-up on June 2 or staffing the party on June 3, call Chairwoman Vessa Fefopoulos at (248) 347-4389 or e-mail at Fefop@comcast.net

*To make a donation of merchandise, services or cash to help make the party a success, call Carol Grimmer by May 31 at (248) 380-7244.

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

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: On or before May 1, 2006, it shall be the duty of every owner, occupant or person having charge of any land within the Charter Township of Northville, Michigan to cut and destroy noxious weeds before they reach a seed bearing stage and to prevent such weeds from perpetuating themselves or becoming a detriment to public health, or shall cause the same to be done.

The above notice is issued pursuant to the Code of Ordinances for the Charter Township of Northville, Chapter 58.2, Article 11, Property Maintenance Code.

SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CLERK
(4-27-06 NR 281133) CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

ELECTION NOTICE TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2006 PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

TO THE QUALIFIED AND REGISTERED ELECTORS
Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2006, to vote on the following:

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Terms ending June 30, 2010
(vote for not more than two (2))
Steven M. Sneldean
Mark Christenson
Dianne Gonzalez
Brandon Hynes
John T. Jackson
Larry A. Martin
Cheryl W. McKay
John Nichols

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT BOND PROPOSITION 1

Shall the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Counties of Wayne and Washtenaw, State of Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Ninety-Five Million Four Hundred Thousand and 00/100 (\$95,415,000) Dollars and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefore, in one or more series, for the purpose of paying for the cost of the following:

- Erecting, equipping and furnishing a new middle school building and a new career technical educational facility and acquiring, preparing, developing and improving the sites for a new middle school building and a new career technical educational facility;
- Erecting, equipping and furnishing additions to school buildings and preparing, developing and improving sites for additions to school buildings;
- Remodeling, re-equipping, refurbishing school buildings for technology systems and equipment;
- Equipping and re-equipping school buildings for technology systems and equipment.

The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of refunding, is not more than twenty-five (25) years; the estimated millage that will be levied to pay the proposed bonds in the first year is 0.86 mills (which is equal to \$0.86 per \$1,000 of taxable value); and the estimated simple average annual millage that will be required to retire the bonds over twenty-five (25) years is 0.83 mills annually (\$0.83 per \$1,000 of taxable value).

If this Bond Proposition 1 is combined with Bond Proposition 2 it will be outstanding, exclusive of refunding, for not more than twenty-five (25) years; the estimated millage that will be levied to pay the combined proposed bonds in the first year is 1.08 mills (which is equal to \$0.86 per \$1,000 of taxable value); and the estimated simple average annual millage that will be required to retire the bonds over twenty-five (25) years is 1.05 mills annually (\$1.05 per \$1,000 of taxable value).

If approved by the voters the bonds will be guaranteed by the State of Michigan under Section 16 of Article IX of the State Constitution of 1963, as amended. If the School District borrows from the State of Michigan to pay debt service on the bonds under the State of Michigan's guarantee the School District may be required to levy debt mills beyond the term of the bonds to repay the State of Michigan.

(Pursuant to State Law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for teacher, administrator or employee salaries, repair or maintenance costs or other operating expenses.)

YES _____ NO _____

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT BOND PROPOSITION 2

Shall the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Counties of Wayne and Washtenaw, State of Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twenty-Four Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$24,765,000) Dollars and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefore, in one or more series, for the purpose of paying for the cost of the following:

- Erecting, equipping and furnishing a performing arts center addition, a multi purpose swimming pool addition and an auxiliary gymnasium addition to high school buildings;
- Preparing, developing and improving sites for a performing arts center addition, a multi purpose swimming pool addition and an auxiliary gymnasium addition to high school buildings;
- Equipping additions to high school buildings for technology systems and equipment; and
- Erecting, equipping and furnishing additions to athletic fields and preparing, developing and improving sites for additions to athletic fields.

The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of refunding, is not more than twenty-five (25) years; the estimated millage that will be levied to pay the proposed bonds in the first year is 0.22 mills (which is equal to \$0.22 per \$1,000 of taxable value); and the estimated simple average annual millage that will be required to retire the bonds over twenty-five (25) years is 0.22 mills annually (\$0.22 per \$1,000 of taxable value).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Planning Commission has prepared draft text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding modification of special use regulations and other draft text amendments:

The proposed changes are described as follows:

Section 3.03, 4.03, 6.03, 7.03, 8.03, 9.03, 10.03, 12.03, 13.03, and 14.03	Modification of Special Land Uses permitted after review and approval
Section 16.01a, 16.01b, and 16.01c	Modifications of Special Use Requirements
Section 16.01g	Amendments, expansions and changes to Special Uses
Section 17.01.1b	Modification of parking requirements
Section 17.02b	Modification to institutional parking requirements
Section 19.04.3	Modifications of site development plan procedures
Section 25.04	Modification of Board of Zoning Appeals jurisdiction for special use permits.

The proposed text amendments will be considered at a public hearing conducted by the Planning Commission at the May 16, 2006 meeting at 7:30 p.m., at the City of Northville, Council Chambers, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300. The purpose of this hearing will be to receive public input on these proposed changes. The complete text of the draft amendments can be reviewed at the City Hall during normal business hours between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Written comments will also be received at the above address.

RICK STARLING,
BUILDING OFFICIAL
(04-27-06 NR 280328)

DIANNE MASSA,
CITY CLERK

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS ANNUAL ARBOR DAY SEEDLING GIVEAWAY

The Beautification Commissions for the City of Northville and the Township of Northville will jointly host the annual "ARBOR DAY Seedling Giveaway" which will be held on:

Saturday, April 29, 2006

9:00 a.m. to noon (or until seedlings are gone) at

Northville Township Hall

44405 Six Mile Road

(NW Corner of Six Mile and Sheldon Roads)

Back patio on the south of building off of Sheldon Road

Residents of the City and Township of Northville are eligible for the free seedlings which will come with planting and care instructions. You must attend in person to pick up your seedlings, requests by phone or mail cannot be accommodated, nor large requests from groups.

(4-27-06 NR 281132)

BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

SYNOPSIS April 20, 2006 - REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, April 20, 2006

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Abbo at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mark Abbo, Supervisor, Sue Hillebrand, Clerk, Richard Henningsen, Treasurer, Marjorie Banner, Trustee, Marv Gans, Trustee, Christopher Roosen, Trustee, Brad Werner, Trustee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. Agendas: Approve Consent and Regular Agendas - approved with amendments, addition of 5G - appointment of Iris Antuna - Senior Advisory Liaison, remove items 5A & B.

2. Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:

- A. Re-appoint Catherine Sella to Beautification - approved
- B. Re-appoint Audrey Mistor-Jackman to Beautification - approved
- C. Robert Russell retirement resolution - presented
- D. Appoint Bill Wehrle to Economic Development Corp. - approved
- E. Five & Sheldon Property Development Presentations
- F. Cable Franchising Resolution 2006-47 - approved

3. Public Hearings:

- A. Set Public Hearing for CDBG Block Grant Funds - Set for 5/18/06
- B. Brief Public Comments & Questions: Residents spoke re: Cable Service

5. New Business:

- A. Ballot Language for Public Safety Millage - tabled
- B. Ballot Language for Shared Services Millage - tabled
- C. Parks and Recreation/Senior Services Budget FY 2006-2007 - tabled
- D. Ordinance Review Committee report - tabled
- E. Silverline - EDC Advisory Services - approved with conditions
- F. Five Mile and Sheldon RFP committee recommendation - approval of Grand Sawka Proposal
- G. Rezoning request - Ford Land Development - denied
- H. Bradner/Franklin Rd. - Water Main replacement Bid - approved
- I. Five Mile Road Water Main Replacement - approved
- J. Land Contract payoff to Wayne County - approved
- K. SCBA - Fire Department equipment purchase - approved
- L. Tree Planting Bid Award - approved

6. Unfinished Business: A. Steeplechase Land Conveyance - approved

7. Ordinance: A. Introduction of Road Ordinance - approved

8. Bills Payable: A. Bills payable in the amount of \$1,691,342.76 - approved

9. Board Communication & Reports: - tabled

10. Any other business or public comment for the Board of Trustees: Grand Sawka land money deposited in secure fund - approved

11. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:
MARK J. ABBO, SUPERVISOR
SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CLERK

(4-27-06 NR 281210)

Are you an organ & tissue donor?

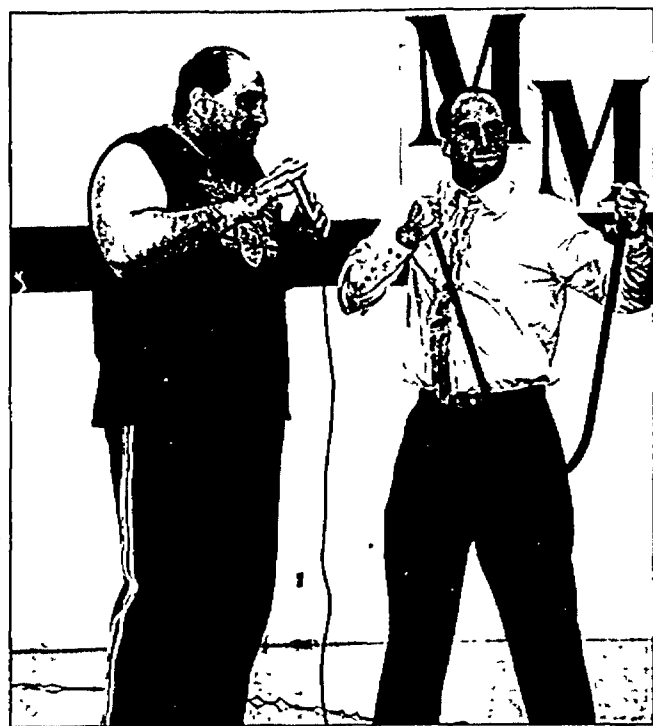
Ask your family today, and let them know your decision, too. That way you'll know, they'll know, and there will be no questions later. For a free brochure, call 1-800-355-SHARE. Share your life, share your decision. Michigan Coalition on donation



SUE A. HILLEBRAND,
CLERK

(04-27-06 NR 280632)

WHAT'S GOING ON? (CONT'D)



Submitted photo
A member of the group STAND, Striving Together Accomplishing Necessary Development in Youth, gives Meads Mill Middle School counselor Jack Wickens a strength lesson during a recent assembly. The team of body builders help teens focus on making the right decisions.

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• To offer some send-off advice, fill out a "Words of Wisdom" form to be presented to your senior at the party. Call Kathleen Kosztowny at (248) 380-8156 or print a form from the NHS Web site at www.northville.k12.mi.us/nhs
• If you bought a Wooden Mustang, you can get it at the drive-through pickup 3-6 p.m. Friday, April 28 and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, April 29 at the NHS soccer/track field concession stand. If you have any questions, call Mary Jo Blasius at (248) 349-0101 or (248) 444-2771.

FRIENDS OF THE ROUGE
DETAILS: Friends of the Rouge is seeking volunteers for the 9th Annual Rouge River Watershed Frog and Toad Survey. The survey includes the Northville portion of the Rouge. Volunteers need no prior experience but must attend one two-hour training workshop. Surveys are conducted several times a month through July. Pre-registration is required by calling (313) 792-9621 or e-mailing picoordinator@therouge.org.

MEALS-ON-WHEELS
DATE: Ongoing
TIME: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

DETAILS: Permanent and substitute drivers needed
CONTACT: Eileen at Allen Terrace, (248) 231-9950, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday through Friday or Judy LaManna, (248) 348-1761

CAMERA CLUB
DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
CONTACT: Tom James of Northville Camera at northville-camera@sbcglobal.net, Ken Naigus at kdn@comcast.net or Northville Arts Commission, (248) 449-9950

ARTS COMMISSION
DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
TIME: 7 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St., Meeting Room B

HOUSING COMMISSION
DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
TIME: 3 p.m.
LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

YOUTH ASSISTANCE
DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
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

SUMMER PROGRAM EXPO
DATE: Saturday
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 visit 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 apply. Registration is required.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0203

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.

LACROSSE CLINIC
DATE: May 9, 11, 16 and 18
TIME: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville Recreation Field, Hines Park
DETAILS: This clinic is for fourth-eighth grade boys and girls. They will learn to pass, shoot, scoop and cradle in addition to basic rules of the game. Experienced coaches from

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Wonderful Northville Homes

Quail Ridge Beauty

Lovely 4BR charming Colonial with unique touches. Beautiful Kitchen with granite counters, Sub-Zero; custom glass accents & French doors; large fam rm w/slanted wood ceiling, FP & wet bar; sun porch w/geometric windows; catwalk; formal DR & LR; large Master; partly fin'd bsmt; large private yard, deck; many updates (roof, A/C, front porch, many windows & most carpet). \$449,900.

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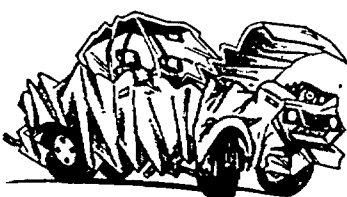
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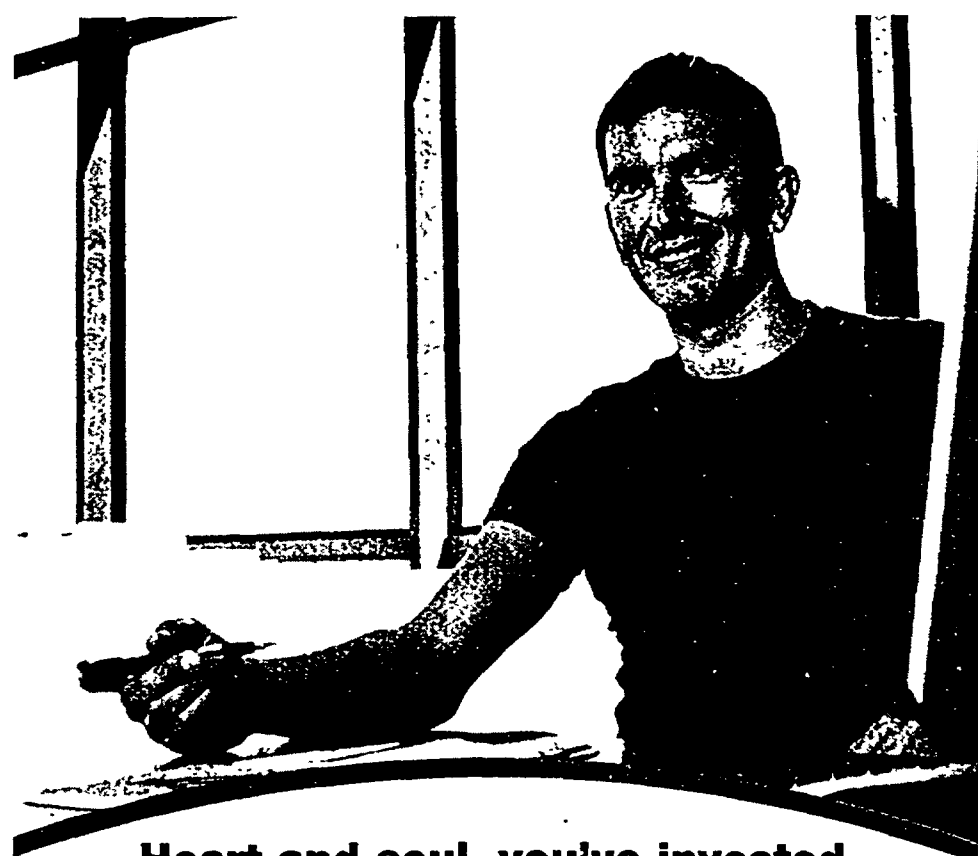
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WHAT'S GOING ON? (CONT'D)

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Northville High School Varsity Team and Middle School Teams will be conducting the clinics. Registration is required by May 5. The cost is \$25 per player. Participants will need lacrosse stick and mouth guard.

CONTACT: Parks and Recreation, (248) 349-0203 or Kathy Koupal, (248) 305-9776

WOMEN'S NETBALL

DATE: Beginning Friday, May 12
TIME: 7-9 p.m.
LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
DETAILS: Netball is a game from Britain, based loosely on basketball rules.
CONTACT: (248) 449-9947

PLAY AND MAKE MUSIC

TIME/DATE: Various times; Tuesday-Friday, ongoing
LOCATION: Soccer Zone, 41550 Grand River Ave, Novi
DETAILS: This music and exercise class is for children 4 and under and their caregivers. It will include rhythm instruments, puppets, song and creative movements. Registration is required.
CONTACT: Parks and Recreation, (248) 349-0203

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 person.

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 person.

OPEN BADMINTON

DATE: Every Tuesday and Friday
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 night.

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.

Regional

"BYE BYE BIRDIE"

DATE: Today-Sunday
LOCATION: Brighton Center for Performing Arts, Brighton High School, 7878 Brighton Road, Brighton
DETAILS: South Lyon High School will be presenting the musical "Bye Bye Birdie." Tickets will be sold in advance and at the door.
CONTACT: (248) 573-8188

BOARD MEETING NOTEBOOK (CONT'D)

continued from 11A

Paying off Wayne County

By a 5-2 vote, the board approved paying off a land contract to Wayne County in the amount of \$278,602. The funds will be taken from the Park Development Land Acquisition Fund.
Trustee Richard Henningson and township Clerk Sue Hillebrand dissented.

The property is located on the east side of Sheldon Road, adjacent to Fox Hollow subdivision.

Breathing apparatus needed

The board voted unanimously to allow the Northville Township Fire Department to spend \$134,305 for a self-contained breathing apparatus. The township had received a federal grant for \$121,500, which will be applied to the cost.

Tree planting

Members of the board voted unanimously to approve the planting of 225 trees for \$47,997.

The trees will be awarded to homeowners associations who are able to fund the match requirements for each tree. All trees will be planted in residential common areas and streets, in an effort to replace trees lost due to the Emerald Ash Borer.

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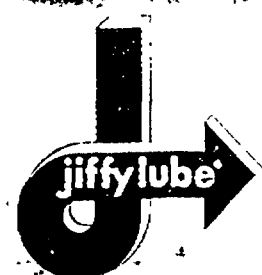
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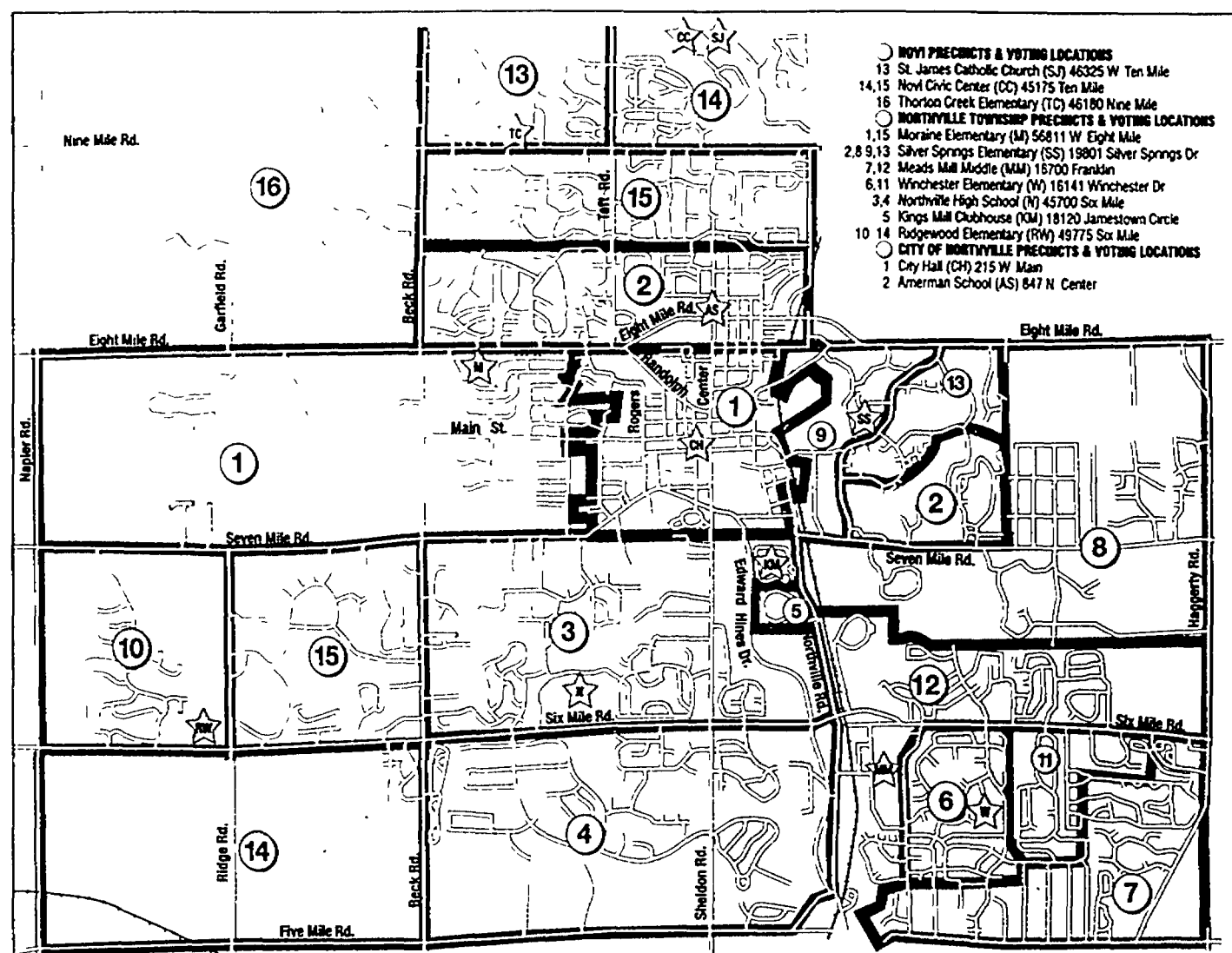
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■ School Election: Tuesday, May 2

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Northville resident Christopher Maloney will run as a write-in candidate.

■ Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district

Northville Township residents living in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district will choose two school board candidates from a field of eight and cast ballots on two bond proposals totaling \$120 million for district-wide school enhancements and improvements for extra-curricular activities at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Improvements include a theater, pool, auxiliary gym and field upgrades.

Northville residents in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district vote at Meads Mill Middle School.

■ Candidate Coffee

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Hughes of Orange

Bridget Hughes is all about Northville athletics. From girls hockey to the softball team, she wants to help her team be the best.

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Northville's past time

The Northville Mustangs baseball team is off to a strong start thanks to solid pitching and a renewed offensive surge.

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RECORD SETTER



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Mustang junior Julie Foucher is the owner of Northville High School's girls pole vaulting record: 10-feet.

Julie Foucher reaches new heights

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Ask Northville junior pole vaulter Julie Foucher how high she can go and she'll most likely shrug her shoulders.

But you don't have to ask how high she's been. It's printed right up on the wall with the rest of the school track and field records.

Foucher, who is in her second year of pole vaulting, set the record of 9-feet-6-inches last year. This year she added six more inches to the books, clearing 10 feet.

"I was very excited," Foucher said. "That was a goal

"She is a real asset to the team. She is always striving to do better each and every meet."

Nancy Smith
Girls Track and Field Coach, Northville High School

of mine from the beginning. I was very happy when I made it."

But Foucher knows there's still room to grow. She's a competitor and, already, she's setting her sights on a higher

mark.

She said at the beginning of the year she made it a goal of reaching 10-feet-6-inches at the state meet. First, she has to qualify through the regional and then she has to reach all

new heights.

"Julie is an amazing athlete," Northville girls track coach Nancy Smith said. "She has a tremendous work ethic. She gives 110 percent every day and works hard every day."

Always getting better

Foucher is no stranger to what it takes to be one of the best. As a member of the combined Northville-Novu gymnastics team, she was one of the best in the sport that the state had to offer.

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Scrum!

■ Knights' rugby squad wants to see more fans in the stands

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Ron Cornell wants to see some faces in the crowd.

That's why the Knights rugby coach has worked with Chris Gears and Ron Angove to make sure his squad can play their home games at Northville's football stadium.

"They've helped us coordinate our matches so we can use the football stadium for our home games," Cornell said. "They've been very helpful and it's nice to see the kids be able to play in Northville this year."

The Knights used to play their home games as far away as Southfield despite being based locally. This season has found more fans, more player and more interest in the sport.

The squad, made up primarily of Northville and Novi athletes, will play host to Dexter today at 5:30 p.m.

"We don't have any history

"We don't have any history with Dexter, but I expect this is going to be a very tough match."

Ron Cornell
Northville Knights Rugby Coach

with Dexter, but I expect this is going to be a very tough match," said Cornell, who is in his 10th year of coaching. "It's just their second season in the league and this will be the first time we match up with them."

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Mustang hurdle specialist Cavan Corcoran has high hopes for this season.

Ready, set, hurdle!

■ Cavan Corcoran on verge of making his mark

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Don't tell Northville sophomore Cavan Corcoran he's a good hurdler because he'll disagree with you.

Ignore the fact that Corcoran has already ran a 110-meter hurdles race in just 15.1 seconds. Never mind the school record, which was an All-State performance when it was set, is 14.2 seconds.

"I watch myself on film and I listen to what people have to say and I'm disgusted by how bad it is,"

"That's why I hate track and I love track. I love to win. In track, sometimes I win and sometimes I don't. I love it and I hate it."

Cavan Corcoran
Sophomore Hurdler,
Northville Mustangs

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Six numbers you should know about the Northville Mustangs ...

14.2

Northville's 110-meter hurdles record for boys track and field.

15.1

The 110 meter hurdle time sophomore Cavan Corcoran has already logged this year

9-6

Height in feet and inches Julie Foucher cleared to set the pole vault record last year.

10-0

Height that Julie Foucher has already cleared this year for a new record

5:30

Game time today for the Knights rugby team at the Northville football stadium.

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Northville Knights' record so far this year, losing to Brighton and beating Howell.

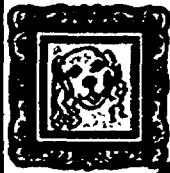
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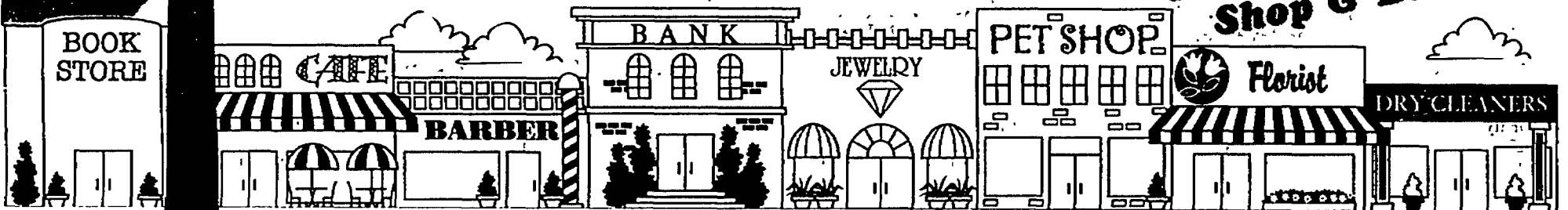
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Tennis			
4/26	Away	Franklin	4 p.m.
4/28	Home	Wayne Memorial	4 p.m.
4/29	Away	Troy	9 a.m.
5/1	Away	Canton	4 p.m.
5/3	Away	Plymouth	4 p.m.
5/5	Home	Salem	4 p.m.

Boys Track			
4/27	Away	Plymouth	3:30 p.m.
5/4	Home	Franklin	3:30 p.m.
5/5	Away	Harrison	3:45 p.m.

Girls Track			
4/27	Home	Plymouth	3:30 p.m.
4/29	Away	Stevenson	10 a.m.
5/4	Away	Franklin	3:30 p.m.

Softball			
Varsity			
4/28	Home	Canton	4 p.m.
4/29	Away	Bay City	10 a.m.
5/1	Away	Wayne	4 p.m.
5/3	Away	John Glenn	4 p.m.
5/5	Home	Plymouth	4 p.m.
JV			
4/28	Away	Canton	4 p.m.
5/1	Home	Wayne	4 p.m.
5/3	Home	John Glenn	4 p.m.
5/5	Away	Plymouth	4 p.m.
Freshmen			
4/27	Home	Salem	4 p.m.
4/29	Away	West Bloomfield	TBA
5/1	Away	Milford	4 p.m.
5/2	Away	Salem	4 p.m.
5/4	Home	W.L. Northern	4 p.m.

Baseball			
Varsity			
4/28	Away	Canton	4 p.m.
4/29	Home	Trenton	10 a.m.
4/29	Home	Allen Park	1:20 p.m.
5/1	Home	Wayne	4 p.m.
5/3	Home	John Glenn	4 p.m.
5/5	Away	Plymouth	4 p.m.
JV			
4/29	Away	Southgate Anderson	TBA
5/1	Away	Wayne	4 p.m.
5/3	Away	John Glenn	4 p.m.
5/5	Home	Plymouth	4 p.m.
Freshmen			
4/27	Home	W.L. Western	4 p.m.
4/29	Away	Clarkston	10 a.m.
5/1	Away	Milford	4 p.m.
5/2	Away	Salem	4 p.m.
5/4	Home	Plymouth	4 p.m.

Golf			
4/28	Away	Traverse City Central	9 a.m.
4/29	Away	Traverse City Central	9 a.m.
5/1	Away	Brighton	8:30 a.m.
5/3	Away	Wayne Memorial	3:30 p.m.
5/4	Away	W.L. Western	3 p.m.
5/5	Away	Livonia Ladywood	TBA
5/5	Home	Canton	3:30 p.m.

Boys Lacrosse

Varsity			
4/27	Away	W.L. Northern	5 p.m.
5/1	Home	Plymouth	7 p.m.
5/4	Away	South Lyon	7 p.m.
JV			
4/27	Away	W.L. Northern	6:30 p.m.
5/1	Home	Plymouth	5 p.m.
5/4	Away	South Lyon	5:30 p.m.

Girls Lacrosse

4/29	Away	Waverly	TBA
5/3	Home	Tecumseh	6 p.m.
5/5	Away	Notre Dame Prep	7 p.m.

Soccer

Varsity			
5/1	Home	Wayne Memorial	7 p.m.
5/3	Away	Canton	7 p.m.
5/5	Home	Saginaw Heritage	7 p.m.
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Freshmen			
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5/2	Home	W.L. Central	6 p.m.
5/4	Away	Salem	4 p.m.

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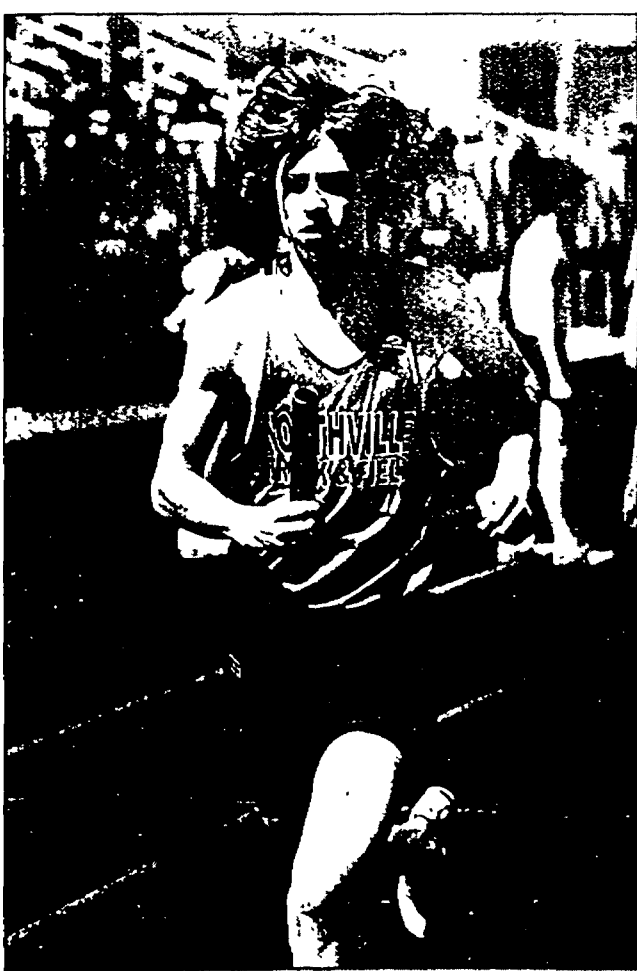


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Northville's Tommy Farrell takes the baton and heads around the track for the Northville Mustangs.

FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/NORTHVILLE RECORD

Northville Mustang softball player Bridget Hughes said this year's squad is the best team she's been on.

■ Hughes a good fit as team captain

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Bridget Hughes never stops talking.

It's not a negative aspect to the Northville senior softball player's character, but one that made her a perfect fit as a team captain.

"When I'm on the field I don't ever stop talking," she said. "It's probably annoying once in a while, but that's my responsibility as captain. I keep everyone going."

Hughes said being a captain for the Mustangs isn't difficult. The team's work ethic, experience and desire to win help everything run

smooth.

"Everyone has so much respect for the captains and everyone has respect for everyone else on the team," Hughes said. "We all have the same, common goal. We want to win."

The Mustangs have started their season with some big moments, staying undefeated in the Western Division and showcasing some impressive defensive talent.

In her first year as head coach, Teryn Fox sees this team going as far as captains like Hughes can lead them.

"Bridget works tirelessly to improve herself both defensively and offensively and her work ethic is respected by her teammates," Fox said. "She pushes everyone to work hard. No matter how the game is going for her personally or

for the team, Bridget is always ready with a team cheer before each inning."

Roaming the infield as the team's second baseman, Hughes knows the value of a good defensive presence. But when things aren't going well — and Northville has been behind in games this season — Hughes said her team is ready with their motto: Pick me up.

"Pick me up is big this year," Hughes said. "When things aren't going well and you make a mistake, you look to one of the other players and you tell them to pick you up. We're there to back each other up."

Hughes has been playing softball since she was a little girl in Northville. Her love for the sport really kicked in when she watched her older brother, Tommy, played

three years on Northville's varsity baseball team and earned a spot as a captain.

As a three-year member of the varsity softball team, Hughes knows a good team when she sees one. She said this year, the Mustangs should be counted as one.

How far can Northville go?

"States," Hughes said. "It's our year. If there's any year this program is going to go that far this is it. This is the year we want to do it."

"We're solid at every position on the field and we have great team depth. Everyone wants it bad enough and everyone has something to prove."

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SPORTS SHORTS

Girls basketball camp

Registration is underway for the Lady Wildcats basketball camp for girls in grades 2nd-9th.

The camp, which costs \$126 per player, will run June 19-23 at the Novi High School Fieldhouse. It will focus on all game phases, including dribbling, shooting, pivoting, faking, rebounding, team play, sportsmanship and an introduction to the Lady Wildcat offensive and defensive schemes.

Camp Director will be Bill Kelp, the girls varsity basketball coach at Novi High School.

Gym clothes and shoes are required. All participants will receive a T-shirt and an outdoor basketball.

For more information or to register, please contact Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206.

Boys basketball camp

Registration is currently underway for the Novi Wildcats boys basketball camp for boys in grades 2nd-9th.

The camp, which costs \$135 per player, will run June 19-23 at the Novi Middle School gym. It will focus on all game phases, including dribbling, shooting, pivoting, faking, rebounding, team play, sportsmanship and an introduction to the Wildcats offensive and defensive schemes.

Camp Director will be Pat Schluter, the boys varsity basketball coach at Novi High School.

Gym clothes and shoes are required. All participants will receive a T-shirt and an outdoor basketball.

For more information or to register, please contact Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206.

Girls and boys shooting camps

A shooting camp for boys and girls grades 2nd-9th is currently taking registrations through Novi Community Education. The camp will be packed with instruction, techniques and drills a player needs to shoot the basketball well. Emphasis will be placed on three-point shooting, free throws, shooting off the dribble and spot shooting. Awards will be given to shooting contest winners. Gym clothes and shoes are required.

Cost for the camp, which will be run by Novi varsity boys basketball coach Pat Schluter, is \$70. It will run from July 24-28 and will be held at the Novi High School Field House.

For more information or to register, please contact Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206.

Girls and boys basketball camp

Future basketball players, grades K-2nd, are invited to learn basketball skills and build confidence. Emphasis will be placed on dribbling, pivoting, passing, lay-ups and shooting. Gym clothes and shoes are required. The camp will run July 24-28.

Cost for the camp, which will be run by Novi varsity boys basketball coach Pat Schluter, is \$70. It will be run at Novi Meadows 5 gym.

For more information or to register, please contact Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206.

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 Genetti'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

• Adult
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.novicearena.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.

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 play offs 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.novicearena.com.

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 p.m. through June 18, 2006 (no sessions on May 14 or May 28). The men's league will run on Mondays at 8:30 and 9:30 p.m. through June 12, 2006 (no sessions May 29). Registration is limited.

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



Photo by SAM EGGLESTON/RECORD SPORTS

Northville's Becky Murphy clears the bar during the pole vault. Murphy, a sophomore, and freshman Amy Reynolds are two of the gymnasts making the transition to pole vaulting with a little help from junior pole vaulting record holder Julie Foucher.

RECORD: Foucher clears 10 feet

continued from 1B

A broken foot brought her junior season to a screeching halt and, perhaps, the rest of her career. The Wild 'Stangs won't be a combined team next year due to a decision by the Michigan High School Athletics Association and Northville's athletic department isn't certain it can field enough athletes to form its own team.

"I was very disappointed," Foucher said of breaking her foot. "I got the cast off before the regional and I was hoping to compete in bars, but I wasn't able to."

The foot, at that point, wasn't healed enough to sustain any kind of pressure. Just

Monday, Foucher was finally cleared to begin running again.

"Even when she was unable to practice due to her broken foot, she still came to practice every day and swam and did weights so she could be ready to compete when the doctor cleared her," Smith said.

A true team player

It's not easy for an athlete who excels in one event to spread themselves over several events, but Foucher does it.

Foucher has always been a multi-event athlete when competing in gymnastics and she was more than happy to try her hand at several events for the Mustangs track team.

Foucher is not only what

Smith calls "one of the top pole vaulters in the state," she's also a member of the sprinting corps.

"She is a real asset to the team," Smith said. "She is always striving to do better each and every meet."

Foucher will compete in the 100- and 200-meter dash as well as the 4-by-100 and 4-by-200 relays at any given meet.

When she isn't sprinting or vaulting, Foucher makes time to help her fellow gymnasts learn the ins and outs of pole vaulting.

Her close friend, Rachel Deneau, started in the sport with her last year and this year the two of them are helping freshman Amy Reynolds and sophomore Becky Murphy

learn the ropes.

"They're doing a great job," Foucher said.

Coaching Foucher is Mark Yassay, who's son, Mike, just broke the boys pole vault record when he cleared 14 feet.

Foucher said the pole vaulting crew is a close-knit family. "We're always supporting each other and cheering for each other," she said. "We're very close and we like seeing each other do well."

That's why when Mike Yassay broke the boys' pole vault record she was there to cheer him on. He was there to return the favor.

She said she was happy when Yassay finally set the bar at an all-time high.

He said he was happy for her

as well.

"She's a very good pole vaulter," Yassay said. "She's just going to keep getting better and better."

Foucher has her own goals set and she knows what it takes to get there.

But no guarantees.

"I'm just going to keep trying to go higher and higher," Foucher said. "I got 9-6 kind of early last year and then leveled off. I'm not going to guarantee anything right now, but I'm going to do my best."

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Break's timing makes for tough situation

Spring break is supposed to be fun, but it's downright disrupting in terms of athletics.

This year's break, which took up 10 days starting April 14 until Monday, managed to come at some very inopportune times for high schools

like Northville and Novi.

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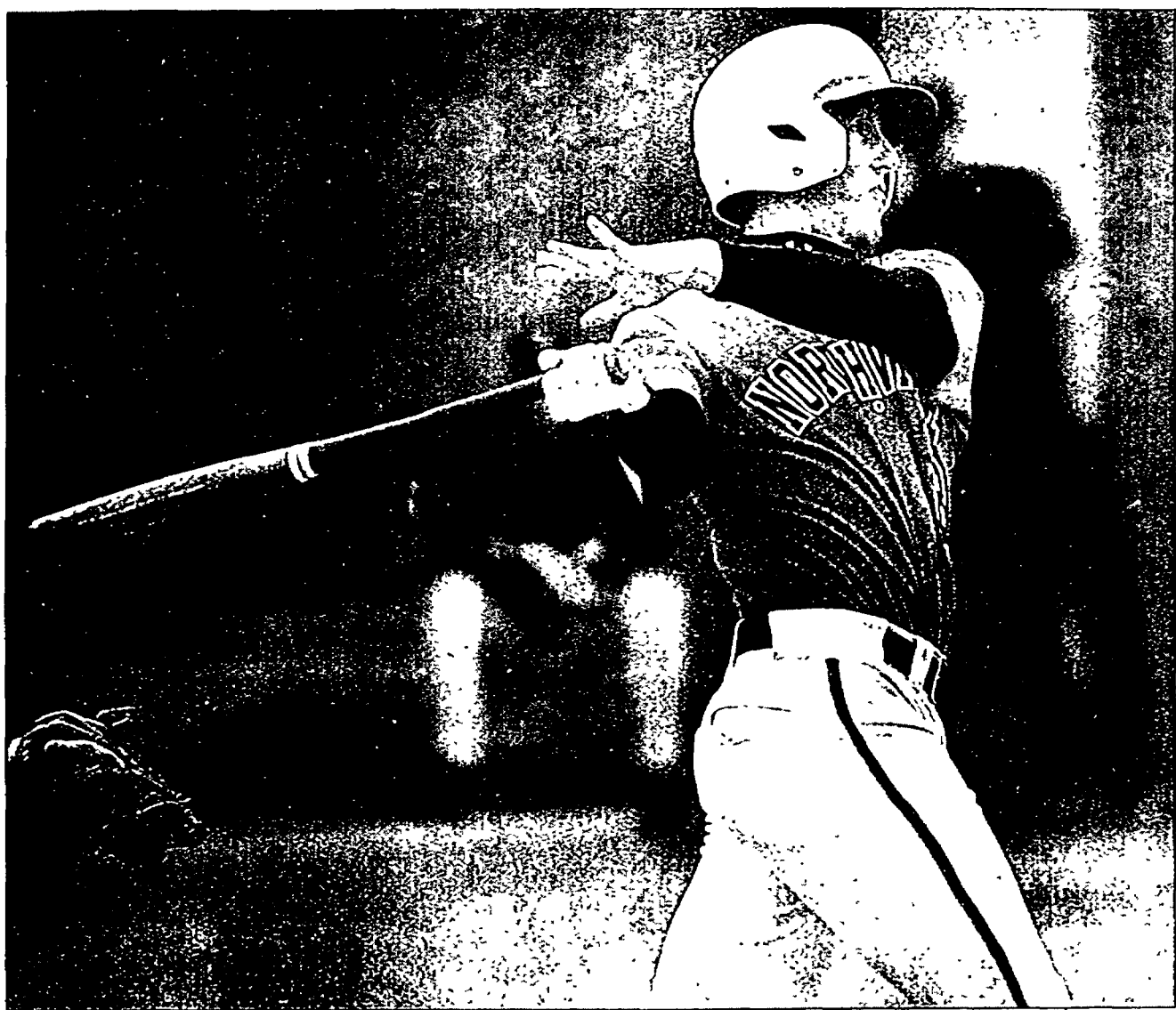
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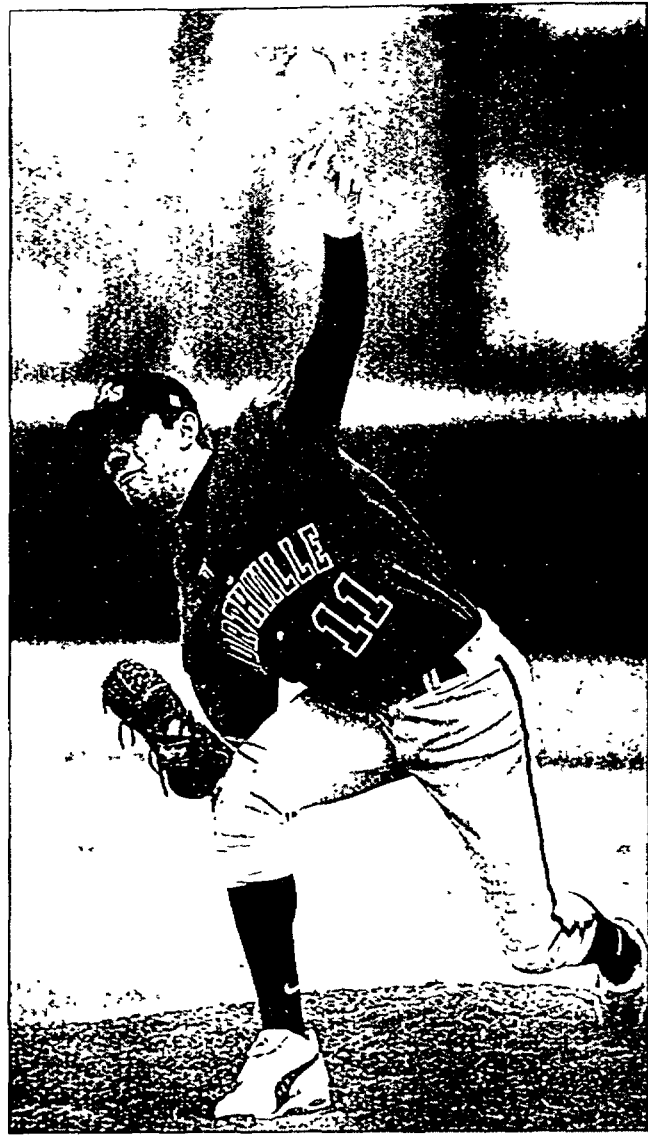
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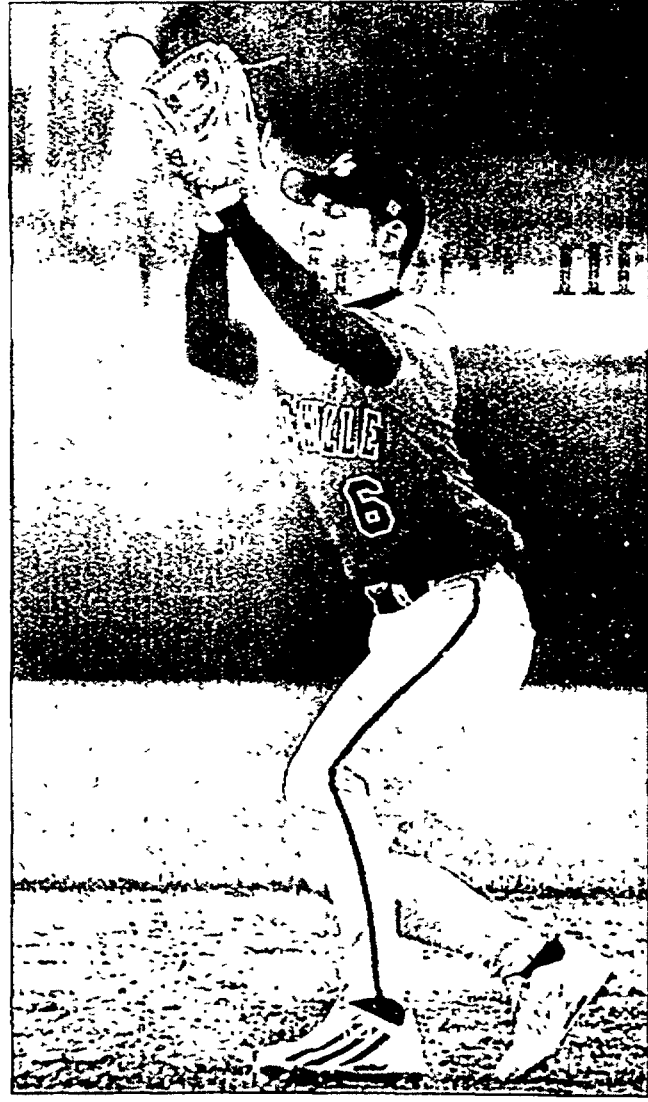
PLAY BALL!



Northville Mustang Bryce Jenney takes a cut at a pitch during an early-season game.



Pitcher Tim Parent fires a fast ball toward home plate.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Mike Deluca checks the dugout before taking position at catcher; Bryce Jenney gets a high five from Bret Spencer; Dominic Benavides snags a deep hit in the outfield.



ABOVE: Mustangs watch from the dugout as their team takes the field in an early-season contest.



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RIGHT: Charlie Thomas takes one for the team.

HEALTH

Obesity is driving type 2 diabetes epidemic

By Kathleen Doheny
GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

America's obesity epidemic is definitely driving the nation's type 2 diabetes epidemic, says a new study by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

While other factors play some role in the rapidly increasing number of people with diabetes, obesity is the major factor in the trend, said Linda S. Geiss, lead author of the study, published in the May issue of the American Journal of Preventive Medicine.

The study, based on concrete numbers drawn from the entire country, backs up what experts have long believed, said Geiss, a statistician with the CDC's Division of Diabetes Translation.

"Most incidence studies (of diabetes) have been done on samples that aren't representative of the United States," she said. "These (new) data are

On the Web

www.diabetes.org, to find out if you are at risk of diabetes from the American Diabetes Association.

nationally representative. And these data certainly help make the case that obesity is a major factor in the diabetes epidemic. I think it adds to the evidence."

Geiss and her research team looked at statistics from the National Health Interview Survey, an ongoing nationwide in-person survey of about 40,000 households. They zeroed in on the years 1997 to 2003 to look for trends in the incidence of diagnosed diabetes in adults ages 18 to 79. Each year, about 31,000 adults were asked whether a health professional had told them they had diabetes. Not included was gestational diabetes, a type that occurs during pregnancy.

Participants were asked how old they were when their diabetes was diagnosed. The researchers had access to information about height and weight so they could compute the participants' body mass index (BMI, a ratio of height to weight). A BMI of 25 to less than 30 is termed overweight; 30 and higher is considered obese.

Excess weight and inactivity are risk factors for type 2 diabetes, in which the body doesn't properly use the hormone insulin, which is crucial for converting sugars and starches in the blood into fuel for the body.

The incidence of diagnosed diabetes rose 41 percent from 1997 to 2003 among the study participants, Geiss found.

About 20 million Americans have diabetes, although many do not yet know it, according to the American Diabetes Association.

About two-thirds of American adults are now overweight or obese, accord-

ing to the National Institutes of Health. In 1960, 13 percent of adults were obese, but by 2000, nearly 31 percent were.

Geiss wanted to determine, however, if the rise in diabetes might be due at least partially to better detection methods allowing for earlier diagnosis. "If we were doing a better job, we would be detecting it earlier and when people are healthier."

But from 1997 to 2003, those diagnosed with diabetes were not healthier or younger. Increased detection of diabetes "could be part of the answer," she said, "but not the whole answer. It doesn't seem to be a major factor. Most of the increase in diabetes occurred in those with a BMI of 30 or above. In 2003, 59 percent of the newly diagnosed were at a BMI of 30 or above. Another 30 percent were overweight, with a BMI of 25 to less than 30. All together, 89 percent of the (new) cases were either overweight or obese."

The study findings will not surprise experts, said Mary Austin, a diabetes educator and a researcher at Henry Ford Health System in Detroit, and part of the ACCORD (Action to Control Cardiovascular Risk in Diabetes) study.

"These findings are very reflective of what we see around the world," Austin said. "The rise in weight and obesity is being seen globally," she said, and with it, more type 2 diabetes is being diagnosed.

Her advice? Know your risks and do something about them. "If you are not at your ideal body weight and are not active, over time, you have a risk of diabetes," Austin said.

The oft-repeated message holds here, she said. Keep your weight at a healthy level and get regular, moderate exercise.

Prevent spring injuries by easing into activities

By Chris Swingle
GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Spring's warm weather pulls people outside, where there are lots of ways to get active. That's the good news.

The bad news is that people tend to overdo and underprepare, leading to injuries.

"When spring rolls around, people think they're in better shape than they are," says Andrew Duncan, chief physical therapist at University Sports Medicine's sports rehabilitation program in Brighton, N.Y.

"People ramp up too quickly. They don't let their bodies adjust."

Even if you jog on a treadmill during the winter, running outdoors is different enough that

you need to ease into the new activity. You'll naturally take a longer stride on pavement than on a machine, which can strain your hamstrings.

If your shoulders aren't conditioned, they won't be ready for the stress of playing baseball or golf.

"When you take an exam, do you just wing it, or do you prepare ahead of time?" asks Duncan. "It's the same thing here."

Being prepared means eating well, warming up, stretching, not overdoing it, getting adequate rest and not pushing yourself through pain, Duncan says.

It's also good to be active year-round. So if you love golf or waterskiing, which have limited seasons in most areas of the country, find other activities you can do in the winter. Likewise,

skiers need to switch gears.

Soreness should go away in a few days. Pain that is in your joints, is caused by swelling or limits your activity is a sign of injury. Doing the right exercises can help rebuild after an injury as well as prevent future problems. To get help from a physical therapist, first talk to your health care provider for referrals.

It's also wise to consult your health care provider before starting a new exercise regimen, especially if you have any health conditions or past injuries.

Soreness or injury doesn't mean you can't be active, Duncan says you can cross-train — do varied activities so you don't overload one part of your body — or modify an activity. A runner who's training for a race but then suffers knee

pain might cut back to running twice a week and add cycling on some other days to avoid too much pounding from feet on pavement.

Additional resources:

• The National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS), part of the National Institutes of Health, www.niams.nih.gov.

• The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, www.aaos.org. For sports and exercise tips, check out orthoinfo.aaos.org.

• For tips to prevent youth baseball injuries, go to www.aaos.org/pemr/news/news.cfm and choose "Press Releases" under the "Newsroom" menu, then click "Children" and then scroll down to "Don't Strike Out."

Whose fault is obesity? Look in the mirror

By Bryant Stamford
GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Americans keep getting fatter, and the fatter we get the more effort we put into research that tells us it's not our fault.

Recent research suggests a virus may be the culprit. Other research suggests it's whether your mom was undernourished while carrying you in the womb.

Genetic research suggests that some of us are predisposed to be calorie-burning fidgeters, which helps keep us thin, while others are predisposed to being fat.

I realize that millions of Americans desperately want to believe that their expanding waistline is not their fault. But is this reasonable? Let's take a look.

What history tells us

Research on rats indicates undernourishment during pregnancy contributes to sedentary behavior and overeating, which in turn leads to obesity.

Because this research is on rats, it may not be pertinent to humans. Even so, it made headlines not long ago because the appeal of having an excuse for obesity was too hard to resist.

Let's assume that such research does bridge over to humans. Does it logically offer a reason for our epidemic of obesity?

No. Undemourished moms-to-be were present in much greater numbers in the past when food was less plentiful.

And in Third World countries, the undernourished mom is likely to be the norm, rather than the exception.

Therefore, shouldn't our history boast an obese past that began to wane as pregnant moms paid more attention to their dietary needs?

And shouldn't the major health problem in the Third World be obesity?

The absurdity of these propositions speaks for itself.

What about genes that produce fidgeters who burn lots of calories just sitting around? And, there are genes that control appetite that when dysfunctional cause some of us to eat way too much.

Since these genes have been around a long time and our epidemic of obesity is relatively new, unless there has been a major gene mutation that has taken place in a very short period of time, it's unlikely that these genes are to blame for our fatness.

And what about the fat virus? Recent research found a peculiar

virus in the blood of 30 percent of obese individuals in their study. In lean individuals, 11 percent had the virus in their blood.

Is this proof that a virus caused the obesity? Sorry. Is there any proof that the virus is related to the cause of obesity? Sorry again. Still, the appeal is strong, because it gets us off the hook.

Genetic links

I am not suggesting that genetic links are always inconsequential.

I believe there is a genetic link to almost every condition. But this link needs to be put into perspective.

It's helpful to picture genetic tendencies as a continuum that ranges from strong to weak.

Name any condition, and it's likely that some of us have inherited very strong tendencies toward it that likely will overwhelm us because they are too strong to resist.

But, statistically, this will be true for only a small fragment of the population. The rest of us, perhaps 95 percent or more, are able to resist the impact of the link if we take steps to do so.

For example, some have inherited the tendency to have higher levels of serum cholesterol. This predisposes such folks to heart disease.

But what if they take preventive steps, including a healthy diet, regular exercise and, if necessary, prescription medications? These steps can counteract the hereditary tendency and greatly reduce the risk of heart disease.

If no steps are taken, heart disease is likely to strike, and it may strike early in life.

The same is true for obesity. Some are lucky and are predisposed to being thinner, while others gain weight easily.

But steps can be taken to offset the tendency to gain weight. It may take more effort for some than others, but that's the nature of genetics.

Research is valuable, but ...

I am in favor of research as a means to solving our problems. Indeed, research results have greatly improved our quality of life.

But sometimes research can work against us if it's not reported to the masses in a responsible manner. I grit my teeth when I see headlines that offer excuses for our obesity, because it contributes to a sense of helplessness and destroys the will to make things better.

The truth of the matter is, if you are carrying too many pounds of fat on your body, the reason in the vast majority of cases is quite clear — you eat too much and exercise too little.



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What does tomorrow hold for the kids of today? There are ways to find out what their habits and activities today can mean for them in the future.

See what future holds for your kid's health

By Connie Midey
GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Like a cross between a crystal ball and a kindly family doctor, the online site Years Ahead provides an educated peek into your child's health future and practical information to help you alter any alarming course that peek might predict.

Following is the kind of physician-reviewed advice you might get from the consumer-health media organization, which was launched in September for the parents or other caretakers of kids 7 months through 17 years old:

— Your 9-year-old daughter spends much of her free time playing soccer and swimming. Good for her and for you for encouraging her to be active. If she keeps up the good habit you've helped her establish, her body will be about a year-and-a-half younger than her calendar age when she's an adult.

— Your 6-year-old son doesn't floss his teeth regularly. That could add more than a year to his biological age. Supervise his flossing until he's about 10 years old. By then, his fine-motor skills will be more developed and the daily habit will be more deeply engrained.

What you won't get from Years Ahead is guilt.

"We encourage better (parenting) behaviors, doing what you feel like you're not a bad job," says New York pediatrician Jennifer Trachtenberg, chairwoman of the company's scientific review board. "There's an overwhelming amount of information out there, and some parents worry. 'What does it mean? Am I doing enough?' We sort it out for you."

Years Ahead offers a free online test about childhood and family behaviors that affect health: Does your child care for the family pet? Apply sunscreen before going outside? Eat meals with the family?

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The report includes a RealAge projection, an estimate of how each of the health habits can affect biological age, by the time the child reaches the calendar age of 32.

Osteoporosis, for example, doesn't start in old age.

"A lot of parents don't know that bones can only absorb calcium through adolescence," Trachtenberg says. "You will have lost a big window of opportunity if you don't start worrying about calcium until you're 30 or 40."

The same is true of Type 2 diabetes, skin cancer, depression and high blood pressure, common adult health problems that can be set in motion — or, in some cases, headed off — during childhood.

Years Ahead also recognizes the importance of harder-to-measure influences on health.

"Modeling healthy behavior is very helpful with children," Trachtenberg says. "But there are plenty of studies that indicate going to your child's soccer game and showing your support can be just as important as (your child seeing) you exercise."

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- 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 8 fun-size chocolate, caramel, nougat and peanut candy bars, refrigerated

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease 9- x 13-inch cake pan (aluminum is fine) with butter.

Beat butter and sugar together in large bowl until blended. Beat in eggs, one at a time; stir in water and vanilla. Sprinkle salt and baking powder over mix, then beat in. Do same with cocoa. Stir in flour just until blended.

Put candy bars in blender or food processor and pulse on low speed until all have been reduced to coarse crumble. Fold candy bar crumble into batter thoroughly. Scrape batter into prepared pan. Bake about 30 minutes, until center is set but still somewhat soft, and top starts to crack a little. Cool completely before cutting into squares.

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Oven-Roasted Plum Tomatoes

- 4 ripe plum tomatoes (about 1 pound)
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- Handful fresh thyme sprigs
- 4 pinches salt
- 10 grinds black pepper

Preheat oven to 400°F. Line baking sheet with aluminum foil.

Cut off tomato tips and top cores. Halve tomatoes lengthwise. Toss halves together in bowl with oil, thyme, salt and pepper. Lay tomatoes on baking sheet, cut side up, and pour over them any seasoned oil left in bottom of bowl.

Roast until skins are shriveled and tops are lightly browned, 20 to 25 minutes. Cool to room temperature, and then gently pinch off shriveled skins. Serve at room temperature.

Makes 4 servings

Note: These tomatoes freeze well by wrapping small quantities in Glad Press'n Seal Freezer wrap to keep freshness in and air out.

Rosemary-Garlic Chicken Cutlets

- 12 (6- to 7-ounce) boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh rosemary
- 5 garlic cloves, pressed
- 3 pinches salt

Freshly ground black pepper to taste

Tear off two lengths of Glad Press'n Seal wrap, about 15 inches long each. Put 1 chicken breast in center on one sheet of wrap; cover with second sheet. Using either meat mallet or small, heavy pot, pound thick part of cutlet so that whole breast is about 1/2 inch thick. Repeat with remaining breasts.

Mix oil, rosemary, garlic, salt and pepper in bowl, add chicken and evenly coat with spice mixture. Can be prepared to this point up to a day before cooking chicken; just cover and refrigerate. To prep more than a day in advance, wrap individual cutlets in Glad Press'n Seal Freezer wrap before freezing. Then thaw a few hours before cooking.

Set up grill or stovetop grill pan. Grill chicken, turning only once, until browned and cooked through, about 6 minutes.

Makes 12 servings

All recipes adapted from *Young and Hungry*, courtesy of Hyperion

TRICKS OF THE TRADE

Learn timesaving tips from personal chefs

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Gwyneth has two of them (one for savory, one for sweets). Oprah's has written his own cookbooks. The neighbors down the street may have one visit their kitchen once a month.

"It's easy to see why personal chefs are in hot demand," says Dave Lieberman, personal chef, author of *Young and Hungry* and host of the Food Network's *Good Deal with Dave Lieberman*. "People are busier than ever and looking for ways to eat well within their lifestyles."

"What many types of personal chefs do isn't necessarily that hard," explains Lieberman. "It's primarily about cooking smarter, and all that it requires is a little planning." Lieberman offers tips for incorporating personal chef know-how into your everyday kitchen routines:

- Prep your most-used ingredients ahead of time — then store them in "quick grab" packets made from a sealing wrap like Glad Press'n Seal wrap that seals air out to help keep food fresh. Chopped onion, grated cheese, pie crusts and bread dough are great items to have on hand in your fridge or freezer. Lieberman also suggests freezing stocks in ice cube trays. "This is great for leftover wine, too."
- Pre-prepping flavorful meal starters is also a great way to jump-start weekday meals, still leaving room for last minute creativity. For example, boneless, skinless chicken breasts can be individually wrapped and frozen in a favorite marinade. By the time they thaw, they're packed with flavor and ready for a variety of recipes — from salads to fajitas.
- High-impact ingredients can transform even the most basic foods. "Adding a handful of fresh herbs to a pre-made dish — even if it's just yesterday's leftovers — is a great way to bring it to life," stresses Lieberman. One of his favorite flavor-boosters is to freeze small quantities of butter blended with herbs, spices and other seasonings, to top steaks, fish, grilled or steamed vegetables and baked potatoes.
- Whenever Lieberman cooks basics like potatoes or rice, he always ups the quantity, to keep some handy for later in the week. "That way you've always got the makings for a fast and easy side dish — simple sautéed potatoes, impromptu fried rice — you name it."

With simple ingredients and a little planning, family and friends might think you have a personal chef in your pantry.

Portion Power

Pre-portioning is a great way to enjoy chef-worthy food in moderation. Portioning out meals also allows for easy transportation, from lunch boxes to dinner at Grandma's. Prep/cook once, then enjoy over and over.

- Grab the Good Deal: From a jumbo pack of pork chops to a whole beef tenderloin or side of salmon, "nice priced" main ingredients are the perfect place to start when looking for cooking inspiration. Even if you're not going to cook up all that meat or fish now, in just a few minutes you can create individual filets for the fridge or freezer.
- Divide and Conquer: Whip up super-size batches of favorite recipes, then package in smaller size portions. That way, whether you're setting a table for one or cooking for company, it's easy to thaw just the right amount. Glad Press'n Seal Freezer wrap is indispensable in packaging custom-sized items for the freezer.

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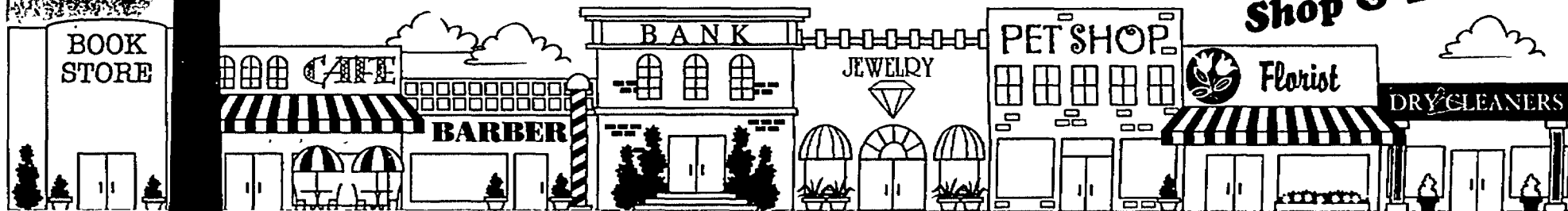
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Screening employees before hiring saves money, aggravation

By Jeffrey Moses
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Pre-employment screening is becoming almost a necessity in today's business environment. Studies conclusively show that putting a little extra effort and expense toward screening employees can effectively increase overall productivity as well as reduce theft, drug use, absenteeism and employee turnover. This can translate into big savings in the short-term and company stability and profitability in the long-term.

The Internet has made the cost of pre-employment screening extremely reasonable during the past few years. For most small companies, hiring a firm that specializes in employee screening is more cost-effective and produces better results. Screenings usually can be completed in 48 hours or less and can be surprisingly comprehensive. Firms specializing in screening can give advice on how to save money by determining the level of screening for applicants to specific positions.

Aspects you should screen during the review process include:

1. Credit history. Industry experts usually agree that a review of credit history can help determine the trustworthiness of an applicant. Individuals with poor credit history are more likely to commit theft. If the position applied for does not involve the handling of funds, however, not hiring based on credit history may be viewed as discriminatory. Consult with your attorney on this matter.

2. Criminal record. Comprehensive screening for convictions on the federal and local levels can be difficult, so you should base the level of screening on the applicant's eventual responsibility in the company.

3. Job history. Since this normally cannot be accomplished via the Internet, you should place calls to previous employers named in an applicant's resume and prepare a pre-determined list of questions for former employers. You may also want to investigate gaps in employment.

4. Educational background. You should contact all named educational institutions.

5. Contacting of references provided. You should speak with or contact all references in writing.

6. Social security number

7. Driving record (when hiring drivers or delivery personnel)

Document all pre-screening results for an applicant—and apply the same standards to all those applying for similar positions.

When instituting a policy of pre-employment screening, a company should announce to all applicants that it will use screening during hiring. As a result, many applicants with criminal histories or falsified information will simply not bother to apply. This saves the company time and expense throughout the hiring process.

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At Polished Outlook, located at 119 E. Washington St. in downtown Milford, the friendly staff makes sure clients look and feel their very best. (Left-Right) Ruslana Medyanikova, Amanda Henig, Mona Ruggers and Deanna Reason. (Not pictured: Larry Meger and Alina Medyanikova.)

Polished Outlook: Be your best

Milford spa/salon restores and rejuvenates

By Annette Jaworski
SPECIAL WRITER

Get ready to be re-energized.

A visit to Polished Outlook in Milford is the perfect place to leave behind the frantic rush of every day life. Check your shoes and stress at the door and let their staff help you unwind and rejuvenate.

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Whether it's a hair shaping, manicure or an entire day at the spa, Mona Ruggers and her staff have been indulging their clients for more than 20 years, delivering up-to-the-minute styling in hair, nails, facials, pedicures, makeovers, massages and much more. Chosen as one of the Top 200 Salons in the nation by Salon Today, they're pioneers when it comes to the latest in beauty treatments and techniques.

"The key to success is being progressive and staying updated," Ruggers said. "You've got to keep learning. You never know it all, because in this business it changes daily."

It's all about mom

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relief? Why not make her the guest of honor with a day at the spa?

There are numerous packages to choose from, including a "Mother's Makeover," with a relaxing signature facial, newly sheared and conditioned hair design and personalized makeup application. Or, put together a package with the services she might enjoy most. A gift certificate would allow the same flexibility.

A mother and daughter date at the spa is a perfect way to spend time together. Ruggers suggests "Just the Two of Us," "How do I love Thee," or "Mother Daughter Spa Day." For example, "Just the Two of Us" includes one-hour massages for two, hors d'oeuvres while relaxing in the boutique, followed by warm spa manicures.

Hot looks for a cool spring

Three-D, semi-permanent lashes are one hottest new looks featured at the Chicago Midwest Beauty Show. Recently perfected for a truly natural look, choose from a practical everyday look to fabulous glamour.

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Don't underestimate the power of an eyebrow wax. "Shaping is so important. It can change the entire facial expression," she noted. Why not combine your new lashes with an eyebrow wax or eyelift for a complete eye makeover?

You don't need a plastic surgeon to look younger. For those who want to reverse aging, an instant facelift provides a great alternative to surgery. This safe, affordable procedure can be applied to a chin lift, eye lift, face lift, even a bust line lift.

"An eye lift will cost no more than an eyebrow wax or arch," she added. It's a great way to feel glamorous at that next special occasion.

Spring is the perfect time to update your look with a mini-makeover. The entire staff at Polished Outlook are image consultants to help clients achieve their best look. Ruggers uses one word to describe their skin care: "Phenomenal."

If you're taking a spring break to warmer climates, think bare and bikini waxing. A buff and bronze sunless spray on tanning treatment, or manually applied sunless tan is the perfect way to jump-start your vacation look. Don't forget waxing for other areas, including face, legs, back, or underarms.

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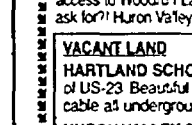
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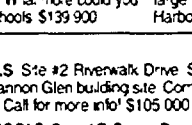
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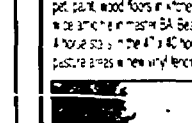
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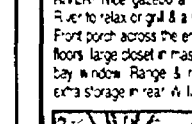
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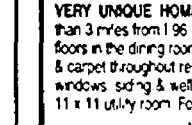
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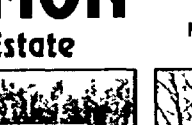
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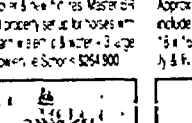
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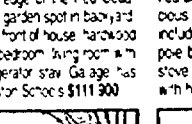
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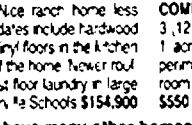
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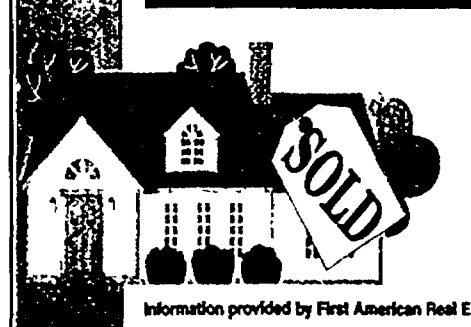
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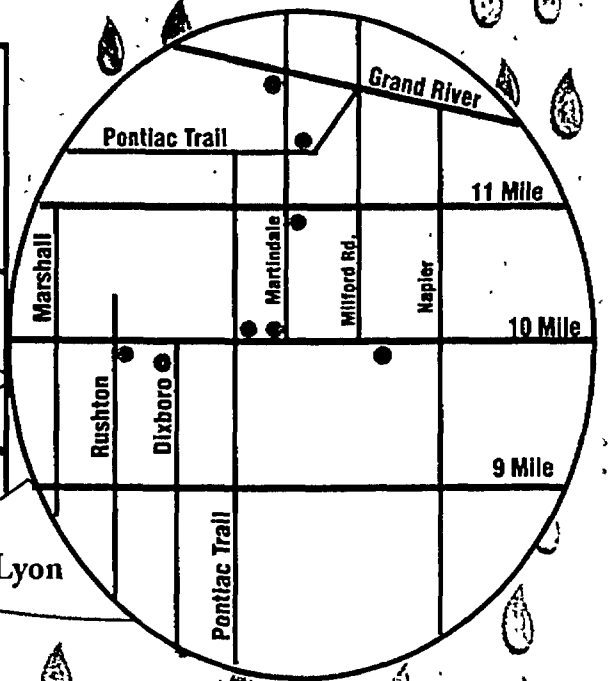
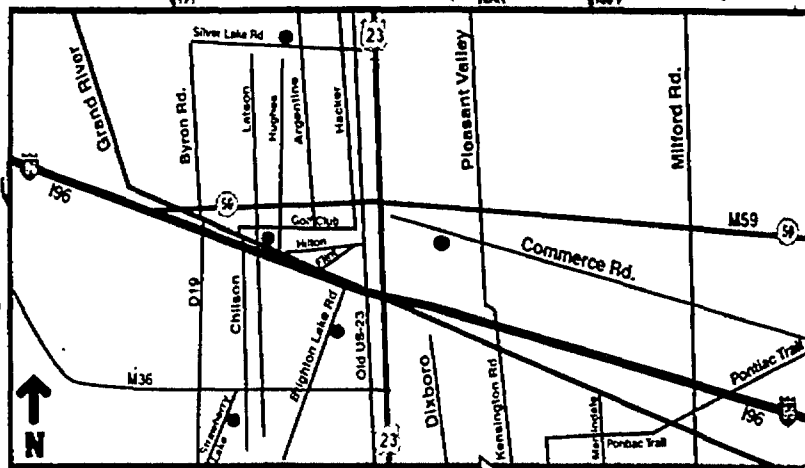
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Antiques/Collectibles (T120)

Antiques Bought! Paper dolls, postcards, dishes, perfume bottles, Shelby bone china, factory badges 248-624-3385

FRENCH FARM TABLE 18th Century Cherry, 86" X 33" \$2500 517-546-9582

Auction Sales (T160)

HOWELL AUCTION 4-29 10am Travel trailer, tractor, guns tools, trailers, generators www.howellauctions.com

5th Annual Tree Auction (T160)

Richter's Nursery
6109 Richardson Rd.
Hamburg Twp., Michigan
Sunday, April 23, 2006, 2:00 PM
200+ Evergreens -
White Pines and Douglas
Firs Trees are barked and
state inspected. Location
on-site day of auction. All
trees must be removed by
Sunday May 14. Loading
available Monday/Thursday
6:00-8:00 PM
Owner: Sam Richter
Cell Phone:
(810)599-1368
Brian and Anne
Auction Service, Inc.
10000 E. 10th Ave. Suite 200
www.brianandanne.com
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ENJOY Breakfast & Shopping
at our White Elephant Sale &
Breakfast at W.J. Macey Boys
Training School, 5006 E. M-
36, Whitmore Lake, Sat. 4/29
9am-5pm. Culinary Arts Class
Buffet. Breakfast 9-11am
\$6.00 person. Entrance on M-
36. We welcome everyone &
all proceeds are to benefit our
youth. Sponsored by the
Citizens Advisory Council. For
information call
734-449-3265

7100 Estate Sales (T100)

BRIGHTON HUGE! NO EARLY BIRDS! Park
on road, gates open at 11am.
Sat. & Sun. April 29-30, 11-
4pm 5350 Vanamberg
Pleasant Valley Rd. or Spencer
Rd. Lots of antiques, beautiful
restored, 1890 Large
antique doctor, buggy, 2
Maytag, antique, engines,
antique Old Town 18th canoe,
antique fire helmets, antique
tools furniture & dishes. WWII
bomber trailer, Bojox camera,
movie camera & equipment.
Wheelbarrow boat & boat
building form. Barn equip, fur-
niture, many pictures, house-
hold goods, 50 gallon horse
trough, saddles & tack. Hay,
Small outboard, 2-ft. sailfish
& nautical items. CASH ONLY!

HIGHLAND ESTATE SALE
April 28, 29, 30, 10-5pm
12605 Gracie Rd., Highland
Lots of antiques. Over 100
glass candlesticks, carnival
glass, nippin, batons & hold-
ers, quilts, linen, dolls,
Victorian doll bed, art glass,
silver, lots of misc., hand-
crocheted bedspread, large mir-
ror, priced to sell. M59 to
Tippico Lake Rd. to Murray Hill
to Plover to Petrel to Grebe,
follow signs 248-887-9691

Garage Sales (T110)

BRIGHTON 4/27-4/28 9-3pm
Fairway Trails Ct., Multi-
Family S Third to Fairway
Trails Furniture, household
clothes, toys, etc.

BRIGHTON Thurs. 4/27 & Sat.
4/29, 9-5, 6661 Alta Dr.,
Solitude Pointe Sub.,
Hamburg Rd./Winans Lk. Rd.

BRIGHTON 4-28-29, 9-2
Main St W to Dillon, dead-
end of Magnolia. Lots of Misc

BRIGHTON Mom-to-Mom
Sale, Sat. 4/29 9-1pm. The
Father's House Church, Old
US23 & Hyne

Auto Misc. (I150)

CANTON Thurs. Fri. and Sat.
April 27 to 29th from 9AM to
5PM In Mayfair Sub at 8571
MANWYLER located South
of Joy and East of Sheldon
Top quality Household items
including small appliances
Books clothes pictures
racks and so much more

Garage Sales (T110)

BRIGHTON 4/27-4/28 8-1
Crib, toys, baby equip, misc.
8302 Airport Lane, off Hyne
Rd

BRIGHTON April 29-30, 9-4
2647 Buckhead, off Old 23, N
of 196, Large Multi Family.

BRIGHTON 4/27, 28, 29
Sam-3pm Lots of furniture,
leather couch, oak rolltop
desk, piano, many house-
hold items. 8077 Hallside
Lakes Place, off M59 Rd

BRIGHTON MULTI-FAMILY
FUNDRAISER for Brighton
Bulldog U12 baseball team
travel, 4/27-4/28, 9-4, 11043
Kurtiss, off Spencer Rd. bet.
Old 23 & Pleasant Valley

BRIGHTON- Sat., May 6th
8am-2pm, 6438 & 6508
Grand Circle Dr. off of Chalis
Rd. Clothing, furniture, etc.

BRIGHTON Multi-family sale
Household items, children's
clothes (Gymboree) infant to
6X, toys, exercise equip., jew-
elry & misc. items. Fri. 4/28 9-
3pm, Sat. 4/29 9-11am, 6693
Rockwell Rd. S. of Lee Rd.

DEARBORN- Estate & Garage
sale. Tools, galore, fishing
equipment, something for
everyone! 27th-29th, 9-6pm.
3356 Willow, corner of Pine,
Outer Dr & Southfield area.

HAMBURG HWY GARAGE
SALE - Proceeds benefit
Youth Mission Trip - Fri. 4/28
& Sat. 4/29 - 8 am-5 pm - St.
Paul Lutheran Church, 7701 E
M-36, Hamburg 810-231-1033

HAMBURG TWP. Furni-
ture, electronics, baby items,
4/28-4/29 9-4pm, 4/30 1-4pm
9017 Buckhorn Ln., 1/2 mi. W
of Winans Lk/Hamburg Rds

HARTLAND Village, Fri. & Sat.
10-6 Sun. 1-5pm April 29-30,
3583 Sunland Rd. 1.5 miles N
of M59 & US23 intersections
in the old Historic downtown
Hartland. Antiques of all sorts.
HARTLAND-4 FAMILY Kids
stuff & household items. 4/28-
4/29 9AM-5PM, 7786 Clyde
Rd. (Stella Dr.) 2 miles W of
US-23, 2 Miles E. of Argentine

HOWELL
433 W. Caledonia, Sat. & Sun.
8am-7pm Leather sofa &
loveseat, furniture, teak pa-
bo set, household, 1980
MGB/best, electronics, lawn
care equipment & tools.
Moved out of state must sell!

HOWELL MULTI-FAMILY
Fundraiser, 4/28-4/29, 9-4PM,
furniture, tools, household
toys, antiques, clothing 5761
Curdy, M-59/Argentine area

HOWELL 3559 & 3581
Kipling Circle, off of Cooon Lk.,
between Chiscon & D-19
Misc. items, lots of kids stuff
April 28, 29, 8am to 4pm

LIVONIA- 45s, books, 7 1/2 A
shoes, stuffed animals, base-
ball cards, etc. April 28 & 29
10-4pm, 14751 Harrison, S
of 5th and Middlebelt & Ickster

LYON TWP NEW HOPE
CONGREGATION
GARAGE SALE
April 29-30 9:00am. 29218
Lyon Oak Dr. (N. of Grand
River between Old Plank &
Napier) 248-491-4996

LYON TWP.
April 29th, 10am-5pm, 60841
Lillian, Off Pontiac Tr., N. of 9
Mile. Sewing machine, fur-
niture, bike, canopy, tv, X-mas
tree/decor, snowblower, misc.

MILFORD 4/27 9-4pm 343
Jenn Lane, off Commerce blwn.
Pleasant Valley & Hickory
Ridge Lots of Bargains!

NOVI- ESTATE SALE
Brianwood Sub - 24513
Redding Dr., Novi, MI 48374
- April, Thurs 27th-Sat 29th
10 am-4:30 pm Antiques, art,
furniture, crystal, figurines,
household items

Garage Sales (T110)

NORTHVILLE Fri. & Sat. 9-3pm
44733 Gahway Dr
Furniture, household goods,
baby swing & misc

NORTHVILLE- Fri. 4/28 & Sat.
4/29, 8am-7pm. Antiques,
furniture, & clocks, glassware,
tools, dishes, freezer 672
Thayer near 7 Mile & Rogers

NOVI 4/28 9-3pm, 24380
Surfside, Simmons Orchard
Sub, N. of 10, E. of Beck
Toys, electronics, clothes, etc.

MILFORD- Huge Sale! April
27-29, 9-4pm. 864 Annie
Lang Dr. Furniture, baby
items, engine lift, snowblower,
file cabinet, and much more

NOVI-CHURCH YARD SALE
with clothes, Fri. & Sat., 4/28
& 4/29, 9am-4pm, Nov. 4
United Methodist Church on
10 mile at Meadowbrook Rd

PLYMOUTH 2 Family Sale -
Infant-adult clothes, toys,
household items, bike, crad-
dle and other infant & toddler
items, lots of stuff! On
Tennison Dr. & Ann Arbor
Rd., between Sheldon &
Beck, Fri., 4-28, 9am-5pm &
Sat., 4-29, 9am-3pm

SOUTH LYON 4/27-4/29, 9-4
1023 Arabian Ct. Trotters
Pointe Sub., household, LOTS
of Baby stuff, boy/girl clothes

SOUTH LYON Fri. 4/28, Sat.
4/29 9-4pm, Eagle Hts. 740
Stoney Dr. 11 & Martindale
Most items brand new

SOUTH LYON Sat. 4/29 8-3pm
1032 Gentry Dr. Furni-
ture, deco, audio equip

SOUTH LYON April 28-29
10:00am - 4:00pm, 428
Petabone, N. of 10 Mile & E
on Lotte, S on Pettibone, 4-
wheeler, snowmobile, Box
Van, sporting goods, floor cov-
ering tools & household items

SOUTH LYON 4-28, 4-29, 4-30
8-3pm, 10193 Pleasant
Lake Rd off 10 Mile. Micro-
wave, bikes, fishing lures,
garden tools & much more.

SOUTH LYON 4 Family Big
Sale, 4/27-4/30 9-5pm.
Trotter's Pointe Sub, 1185
Sheldahl Dr. Kid's items, misc.

SOUTH LYON 4-27 & 4-28
9-4pm, Multi family sale, toys,
clothes, furniture. Hunter's
Creek Sub 10 Mile/Martindale

SOUTH LYON April 27-29
8am-5pm, 919 Westbrook Dr.
Oak Creek Village Sub.
E/Pontiac Trail, N-9 Mile Lots
of clothes, kids & women's
kitchen table w/6 chairs, toys,
baby stuff & household items.

SOUTH LYON 4/27, 9-6, 4/28
12-6, 2 homes, Outer Dr. S
off 10 Mile, E. of Rushton.
Couch furniture, antiques
garden, bikes, like new baby
furniture/gear, clothes & toys

SOUTH LYON 4/28-4/30, 9-4
Carriage Club Sub Sale
(SE corner of 11 Mile &
Martindale) Toys, clothes, etc.

SOUTH LYON Awesome sale!
All new items-Sales repr. sam-
ples. Fri. 4/28 1-5pm, Sat. &
Sun 9-5 Pontiac Trail 1/4
mile S of 11 mile-Evergreen
Ct. Don't miss this one!

South Lyon Garage Sale.
April 29th and 30th, PC,
Small Appliances, Jewelry,
Games, 633 Carrington,
North of 10 Mile, East of
True Value off of Lyon Blvd.
Tel: 000-000-0000

SOUTH LYON- 3 family, 4/28
& 4/29, 9-5pm. Furniture,
patio sets, clothes, household,
decorative & bikes 1095 Polo
Dr., Trotter's Pointe Sub

SOUTH LYON- City-wide Yard Sales!!
April 29th & 30th, 9-5pm.
Ram or Shane Sponsored
by the City of South
Lyon. 100's of homes!!
1000's of bargains!!

SOUTH LYON 3 family sale
Lyon Trail Sub 60612 Mary
Lane Kids clothes & toys
Something for everyone!
4/28-4/29, 9 am-5 pm

Garage Sales (T110)

SOUTH LYON-812 Heartside
4/28 & 4/29, 8am-2pm.
Infant kids items, car seats,
dryer, microwave & more

SOUTH LYON/GREEN OAK
MOVING
Thurs 4-27-29, 9am-5pm,
12414 Sunview Ct. North &
West of 10 mile & Rushton Rd.

WHITE LAKE Subdivision Sale
- Suburban Knolls April 29th
9-3pm M-59 south side
between Fisk & Tepperdine
Rain or Shine

Moving Sales (T130)

BRIGHTON 4/27-4/29, 9-5PM
Lake Edgewood Condos, 3057
W. Telford. LOTS of stuff,
garden, household, kitchen,
gold, desks, shelves, TV's, etc

BRIGHTON-4/29, 9-7
New oak roll top desk. A
sleper sofa. Star stepper
Materity clothes, & misc
items 6237 Brighton Rd

HOWELL Thurs-Sat. 4/27-4/29
9-4pm, 375 W. Barron Rd., five
houses from Oak Grove Rd.

HOWELL April 29-30, 11-6PM
521 Cherokee Bend,
Red Oak Chumg Sub
Furniture, deco, audio equip

HOWELL- Fri. 10-5, Sat. 10-6
Sun. 1-5, Appliances, clothing
toys, & lots of sporting
goods. 3399 Kneeland Circle,
corner of M59 & Grand River
across from Tomato Bros

NORTHVILLE Must sell!
Couch, 2 chairs, endtables,
desk, piano, lazy boy sleeper
sofa, 2 lazy boy recliners,
pool table, weight set, snow-
blower, many more items
249-380-3528

NORTHVILLE 21668 Garfield
Rd. Antique oak dressers
\$300, oak dropleaf table
Circle Y western saddle, china
cabinet, many household
items. Indoors rain or shine!
4/29, 9 to 5pm, no earlybirds

NOVI- Moving Sale Sat. April
29, 10am-4pm, 25580 Abbey
Drive, off 11 Mile, btwn Beck
& Taft Furniture, baby
clothes, artwork, misc items

PINCKNEY- Moving Sale
April 29-30, 10-5 pm
Woodshop tools, household
items, Hide Rugs, furniture
yard tools, no checks 306 S
Honest St.

Baby & Children Items (T150)
Light Maple furniture crib
w/mattress, changing table
dresser, glider/ottoman. Exec
cond \$600 248-446-8030

WANTED TO BUY. White baby
crib, good condition
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MOVING AUCTION
Saturday, April 29 @ 10:00 am - preview @ 9:00 am
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Rd. west about 3 1/2 miles to Hines Rd. north about 10 miles to
5730 Hinchey Rd., Howell, MI 48843
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Travel Trailer, 2002 Keystone Montana 32', Traveler, Ford BN
Woods 3pt. finish mower, 2-bm plow, 3pt. aerator, 3pt.
scoop, lawn roller, 3pt. blade, 3pt. boom, 688s, Ted Williams
330; Thompson 54 cal., Roberts 257 military; Stevens 22
single, Mossberg 410 bolt, tree stand, deer blind, archery target,
Tollie; welder; air compressor; radial arm saw; drill press
band saw; scroll saw; 12" planer; table saw; compound miter
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Stall saw; tracing table, plunge router; circular saw; block plane;
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mattress, desk, chair, 2 sets of
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cherry, 5 chairs 1 armchair, 3
leaves, opens to 7ft., good
cond \$375 517-546-2421

DRESSER \$95. Large oak
desk \$275. Pine computer
desk \$70 All excellent con-
dition, Nov 248-935-0853

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61 Way up
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66 "You can -
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73 Camper's
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90 Mite
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98 Honest
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100 Lucifer
101 Learning
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102 Welts
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103 Remora's
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105 Musical
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for "equal"
108 Amoral, ad-
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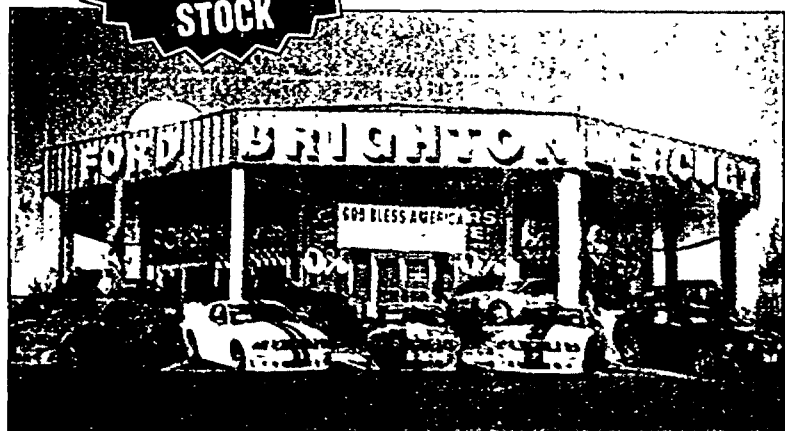
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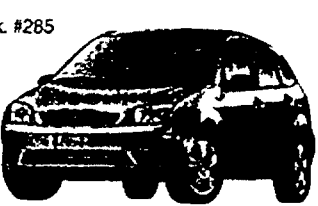
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\$48

REBATES
UP TO
\$4000

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Stk. #349
2006
EXPLORER
4DR

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\$32,255
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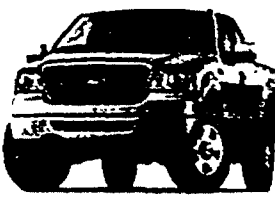
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2006 F150
SUPERCAB
XLT 4x4

Was
\$34,545
Now
\$22,773

\$89

REBATES
UP TO
\$6000

x 24 MO. WITH
\$2500 DUE



2006
ESCAPE
XLT 4 DR
AWD

Stk. #214

Was
\$26,050
Now
\$18,961

\$143

REBATES
UP TO
\$4000

x 24 MO. WITH
\$2500 DUE



2006 MOUNTAINEER
LUXURY
AWD

Stk. #1937

Was
\$33,680
Now
\$24,336

\$117

REBATES
UP TO
\$5500

x 24 MO. WITH
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Stk. #1907
2006
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Was
\$20,925
Now
\$15,753

\$73

REBATES
UP TO
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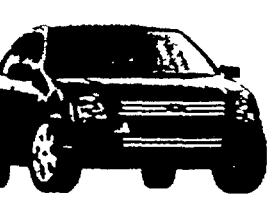
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Now
\$14,524

\$68

REBATES
UP TO
\$3750

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\$2500 DUE



2006 MONTEGO
LUXURY
FWD

Stk. #842

Was
\$26,025
Now
\$19,541

\$137

REBATES
UP TO
\$3000

x 24 MO. WITH
\$2500 DUE



2006
FREESTYLE
LTD

Stk. #521

Was
\$29,230
Now
\$22,380

\$145

REBATES
UP TO
\$3750

x 24 MO. WITH
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Stk. #369
2006
MUSTANG
GT

Was
\$27,415
Now
\$23,479

\$274

REBATES
UP TO
\$1000

x 24 MO. WITH
\$2500 DUE



2006 MARINER
LUXURY
4WD

Stk. #340

Was
\$26,890
Now
\$19,276

\$99

REBATES
UP TO
\$4500

x 24 MO. WITH
\$2500 DUE



2006 GRAND
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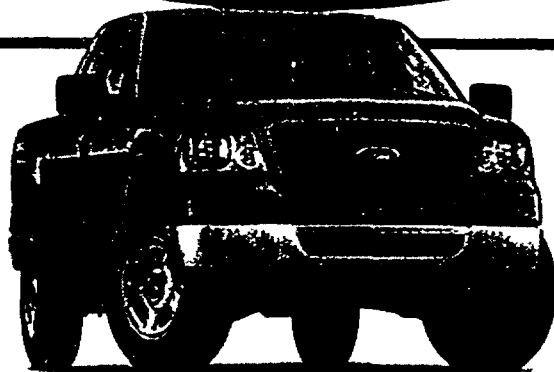
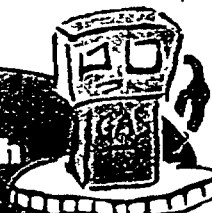
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Was \$33,875

NOW \$22,466⁵⁶

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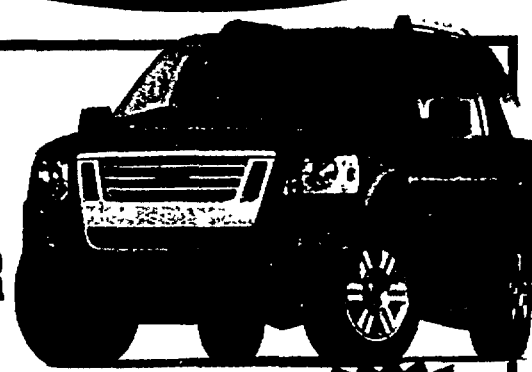
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NOW \$22,559³⁵

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RENEWAL**

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\$228⁷¹**
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Was \$19,800

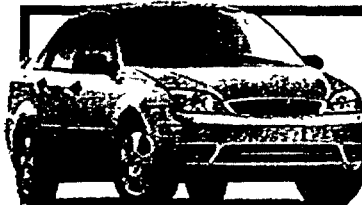
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per mo
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Stock #62591

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Was \$17,885

NOW \$11,822³³

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

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\$187⁷⁸**
per mo
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ZERO DOWN
\$172⁷⁷**
per mo
\$356.14 Due At Signing

\$1000 DOWN
\$130¹⁹**
per mo
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**Match
\$1000
Down
Payment**

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Stock #62225

Power 6-way driver seat, floor mats-front and rear, speed control, A/C, perimeter alarm, privacy glass, Duratec 3.0L V6 engine, 4 speed auto O/D trans, P235/70R16 A/S BSW tires, power moonroof w/shade, mini-oh console w/sunglass bin, cargo conv group, rear cargo storage bin, retractable cargo cover, audiophile/6-CD in dash/satellite capability.

Was \$25,335

NOW \$18,375³⁶

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

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\$260⁴⁵**
per mo
\$0 Due At Signing

ZERO DOWN
\$241³⁵**
per mo
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\$1000 DOWN
\$199⁹⁸**
per mo
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**Match
\$500
Down
Payment**

2006 MUSTANG COUPE

Stock #61320

Driver & pass air bags, AM/FM stereo/6-CD in dash/MP3, power driver's seat, manual A/C, rear wndw defrost, 4.0L SOHC V6 engine, 5-speed auto trans, V6 pony pkg, P235/55R17 A/S tire, frt floor mats Mustang logo, rear deck lid spoiler, tape strip delete, 17" alum mini spare whl/tire, anti-lock brakes, trac cntrl, 17" pntd cast alum, pony center cap, int upgrade pkg, satin alum panel, wheel locking kit

Was \$23,660

NOW \$19,646²⁰

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

SIGN & DRIVE
\$287⁹³**
per mo
\$0 Due At Signing

ZERO DOWN
\$269⁵³**
per mo
\$428.70 Due At Signing

\$1000 DOWN
\$225⁹⁵**
per mo
\$1442.51 Due At Signing



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\$500
Down
Payment**

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2006 FIVE HUNDRED FWD SEL

Stock #62480

Dual auto air conditioning, 17 x 7-7-sp alum w/tug nuts, fog lamps, message center, steering wheel audio controls, 3.0L 4V V6 Duratec engine, auto 6-speed trans, P215/60R17 BSW tires, storage compartment in arm rest, NO CHARGE LEATHER SEATING, AM/FM CDX 6 MP3 radio.

Was \$25,925

NOW \$21,615⁶⁰

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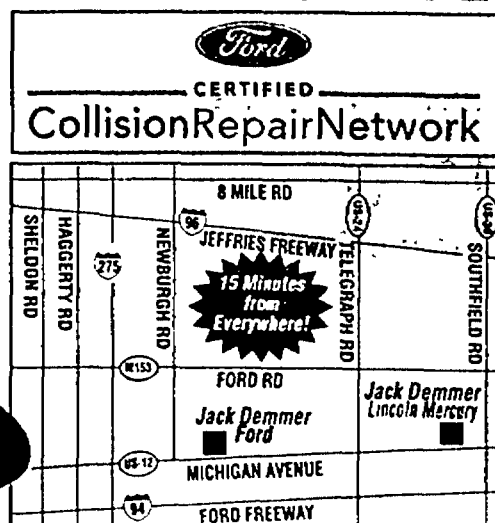
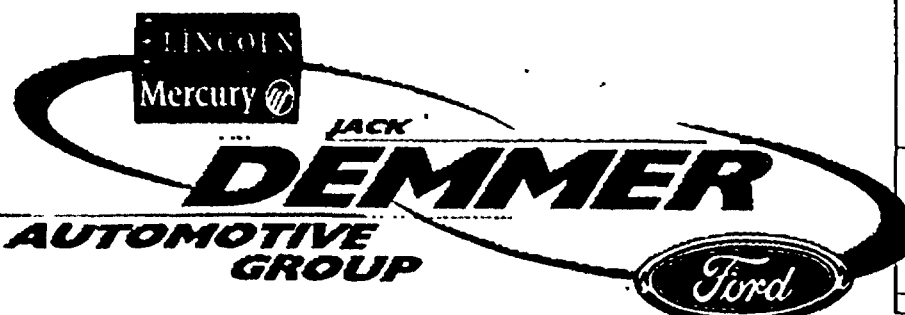
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**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** \$1,300,000

On 2.71 acre w/wetlands. 2-stry foy w/marble flr, kit w/maple cabs w/granite & SS appl's, Brazilian cherry flrs, wrought iron railings, 2-story GR w/2-story stone FP w/bridge above, 4-car gar, stone turret & more. MLS# 26058569 248-347-3050

**CANTON** \$1,149,000

Developers dream 5 ac of prime development land on Beck Rd. R-2 zoning possible, water and sewer at street. House on property sold as is. Do not let this key property get away. MLS# 26053914 734-453-6800

**NORTHVILLE** \$975,000

On 2+ Acres W/Pool, 2 Story Foyer W/curved Staircase, Granite Kt. W/marble flr, Dining Rm W/dble Trex Ceiling, Library W/coffered Ceiling, 4 Season Sunrm Hdwd Flr, Fin. W/O W/wet Bar, Sauna, Rec Rm, & Quality Thru-out! MLS# 26057113 248-347-3050

**NORTHVILLE** \$925,000

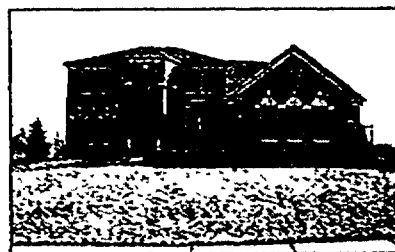
View Of 2 Lakes! LR/DR W/crown Molding, Kt. W/custom Cherry Cabs, Hdwd Flr, Island, Nook W/bay Win., 2 Stry FR W/rear Staircase, Fp, Mstr Ste w/trey Ceiling, Glamour BA W/jetted Tub, W/O LL, Deck, Patio, Sandy Beach! MLS# 26050540 248-347-3050

**NORTHVILLE** \$899,000

Colonial w/carriage house. New windows t/o granite t/o cherry cabs, hwd flrs in DR, study, 2nd flr laundry mstr ste w/FP, jacuzzi. 2 garages-2nd w/carriage house balcony off mstr ste. 2 br's in carriage house. MLS# 26056969 248-347-3050

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4****5312 Hidden Pines Ct.****GENOA** \$675,000

Cape cod on wooded cul-de-sac near beach. Kit w/hickory cabs & granite, FR w/cathedral ceilings & FP, 1st flr mstr, lib w/cherry blt-ins, daylight bsmt w/FP, 3.5 car gar, paver patio stained woodwork & 6 pnt drs t/o! MLS# 26022088 248-347-3050

**NORTHVILLE** \$615,000

Northville 2 stry brk col on lg wooded lot in exclusive Waterstone Est. Spacious flr plan, FR w/corner FP, Grmt kit w/isl, Wood flooring, butlers pantry & study. Form LR/DR, dual strcse, 1st flr Indry, Daylite bsmt. MLS# 26049996 734-453-6800

**NORTHVILLE** \$549,900

Colonial Features A Neutral Palette. Island Kt w/Raised Panel Cabs, granite Counters, Btt In Appis & Hdwd Flrs, dining Rm W/2-Way Fp To Fam Rm/den. Huge Mstr Ste W/jacuzzi Tub & Lrg Wic. 3 car Gar. Bsmt Ready To Be Fin. MLS# 26061041 248-347-3050

**NOVI** \$500,000

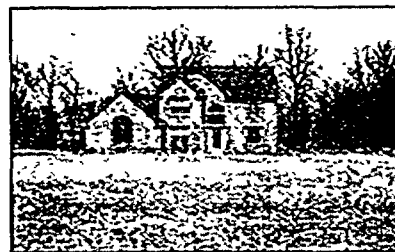
Fin. W/O LL W/full Bath, 2 Stry Foyer, Vaulted Dining Rm W/bay Win., Living Rm W/vaulted Ceiling, Lib W/french Doors, FR w/FP, Vaulted Mstr Ste W/Bath & Huge 8x24 WIC, 3 Car Side Entry Garage, Deck, paver Patio, More! MLS# 26041847 248-347-3050

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4****48526 Warwick Cir.****CANTON** \$499,900

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**SALEM** \$479,000

Home redone to studs! New kit w/grnt ctrs & ss appls, FG w/gas FP, mstr w/ba & balcony. 2nd flr Indry. 2.5 plus garage w/dual doors. New drive, walkway, sod & landscp. New furn. HWH, well pump & tank, 200 amp elec. MLS# 26048395 734-453-6800

**PLYMOUTH** \$450,000

Colonial w/community pool & clubhouse. 9 ft. ceilings on 1st fl, hwd flr in fyr, kit & hallway, 1st flr Indry, central vac, fin. bsmt w/rec rm, 1/2 acre lot, wired for spk's, granite counters in kit, pnt'd w/15-yr paint! MLS# 26056801 248-347-3050

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4****413 Ann St.****PLYMOUTH** \$408,900

New kitchen, Roof, furnace, doors & more. Wonderful hardwood floor. Giant TV stays. Fin basement. Great corner lot w/large yard, deck. 2 car garage & home warranty. MLS# 26032459 248-347-3050 11984184

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**NOVI** \$397,900

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**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4****35220 Curtis Rd.****LIVONIA** \$389,750

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**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4****44815 Deer Run Rd.****PLYMOUTH** \$384,900

Gorgeous 4bd/2ba colonial in popular plymouth twp sub, huge family room w/fireplace, 5th bd or library on 1st, 1st flr lav, finished lower level, 2643 sq ft. Newer items. Roof, vinyl siding, A/C, deck, driveway. MLS# 26058097 313-565-0450

**PLYMOUTH** \$379,900

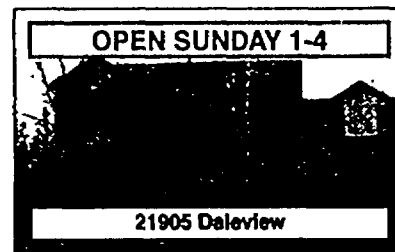
4 BR 2 Bath 2 lav colonial atop a private ct setting in Trailwood! Spac Kt-nook open to Fam Rm w/FP. Formal Dn Rm. Lux master. All new Wallside wndws. Prof fin lower level. Must see! MLS# 26050585 734-453-6800

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**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4****8984 Lantree Dr.****HARTLAND** \$369,900

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**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4****21905 Daleview****NOVI** \$365,000

Northville schools. over 1/2 acre lot overlooking tranquil pond setting! large master suite views the pond. Natural stained woodwork. Extra height in basement, oversized garage. home warranty. Freshly painted 1st fl. MLS# 26051518 248-347-3050

**CANTON** \$360,000

Den w/French doors, formal DR w/bay wind, vaulted Family Rm w/gas frpl, formal Living Rm, gourmet kitchen w/granite mstr ste w/WIC & glamour bath, side entry garage. MLS# 26057774 734-453-6800

**CANTON** \$355,000

HOWD floors Uo, Den w/French doors, formal Dining Rm w/bay wind, vaulted Family Rm w/frpl, formal Living Rm, gourmet Kitchen, Btt Nook w/dnwt, Master Ste w/WIC & glamour bath. MLS# 26057768 734-453-6800

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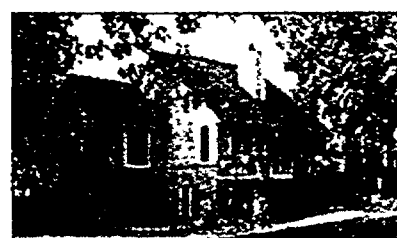


OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

14024 Richfield St.

LIVONIA \$334,900

Wow! Outstanding Ranch! Quality Built 2100 Sq ft Features Include Bath W Granite & Jacuzzi, 18x14 FR Water Fall, Pond & Pergola, 3 tiered Deck Anderson Win. Newer Furn. Air, Roof & Kit Lot 100 X 263. MLS# 26041432 734-591-0333

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OPEN SATURDAY 1-3

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HAMBURG \$324,900

Don't Miss The Boat! Newer Cape Cod open fl plan Waterfront on canal to all sports lake (Spring Fed And Private) FP in living rm, spacious kit w/nook and pantry. Bonus rm above garage possible 4th BR or office. MLS# 26027157 248-437-4500

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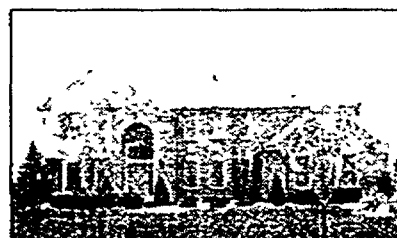


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OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

11175 Clovis Pointe Dr.

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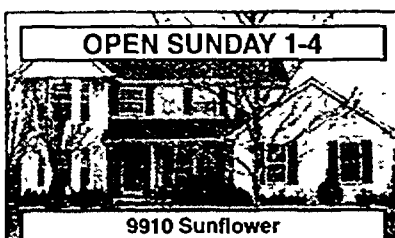
10200 Clarkshire

GREEN OAK \$299,900

New home never lived in! Private gated court yard w/ private entry. Beautiful 2 story foyer w/limestone floor. Open fl plan. Great rm w/high ceilings and FP master suite w/FP Lrg kit w/granite counters. Finished LL. MLS# 26064115 248-437-4500

**CANTON** \$297,000

Cape cod condo in golf course community Upscale condo, 1st floor mstr ste, granite Kitchen w/tumb mbrl bksp! 3 Brms 2.5 baths full bsmt 2 car att garage. Priced for quick sale! MLS# 26045275 734-453-6800



OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

9910 Sunflower

LIVINGSTON \$295,000

Four bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial in nice family sub 2 story foyer w/hardwood Large kitchen w/hardwood flrs dual staircase Family rm w/fireplace Large master w/master bath 2 car attached side entry garage. MLS# 26052947 248-437-4500



OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

807 Westbrook

SOUTH LYON \$230,000

South Lyon Schools with over 3,000 sq ft of living space. Built in 1997 this home features 4 bedrooms 2.5 baths finished basement private lot backing to wooded area Nice master suite with walk-in's and great bath. MLS# 26021366 248-437-4500

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HURON \$279,000

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GREEN OAK \$272,990

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OPEN SUNDAY 1-3

New Listing
7070 Angle Rd.**SALEM** \$264,000

Updated ranch on 2.5 acre lot! Totally new kit new countertops cab, new bath fin walkout fresh paint new doors, hdwd fls, new carpet, updated plumbing electric, extra 2 car garage, new well newer mechanical. MLS# 25137778 248-437-4500



OPEN SUNDAY 1-4

15626 Aspen Dr.

ROMULUS \$262,450

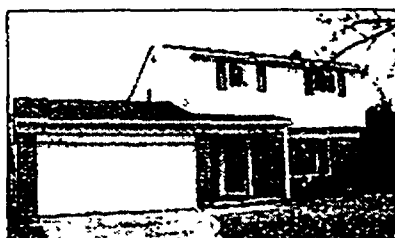
Granite Custom Cabinetry, Cherry Hardwood Floors Custom Lighting Central air Landscaping Sprinklers Appliances Upgraded Flooring And Lighting And More This is The Home That Everyone Falls In Love With. MLS# 26039437 248-347-3050

**FARMINGTON HILLS** \$249,900

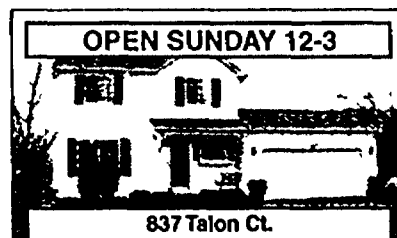
Home redone down to studs! New kit w/grnt ctrs & ss appls FG w/gas FP, mstr w/prv ba & balk 2nd flr Indry 2.5 plus gar w/dual doors New drive, walk, sod & landscp New furn HWH, well pump & tank, 200 amp elec. MLS# 26054877 734-453-6800

**WATERFORD** \$137,500

Cozy Cape Cod Three BR home has newer vinyl siding roof, windows, paint and more Newly redone master suite w/half bath & walk-in closet Great accessibility to shopping, entertainment and expressways. MLS# 26040540 248-646-1800

**LIVONIA** \$239,900

Brick Colonial W/many Updates Newer White Kit W/ appls (ss Dishw & Refrig Brand New), Roof, Siding & Gutters, Hwh Lr & Fam Rm W/elec Lts, Drwall, Vinyl Wirs Neut Decor, Most Hwd Flrs Fin Bsmt 2 Car Att Gar Patio In Yard! MLS# 26042641 248-347-3050



OPEN SUNDAY 12-3

837 Talon Ct.

SOUTH LYON \$237,500

Walk to restaurants, schools & stores! This 3 BR, 3 BA home has open floor plan vaulted ceiling in FR, spacious KT & beautifully finished bsmt w/ full bath Move-in condition Huge fenced yard. MLS# 26009506 248-437-4500

**PLYMOUTH** \$229,900

Brick Ranch w/Great Rm Addition & cath Ceiling Fp w/in & Doorwall Leading To Prvt Yard Kit w/Neutral counters Snack Bar, Brkfst Rm Open To GR Upd Inc Newer Win Siding Furnace, A/c Ba & Int Paint 2 1/2 Car Garage. MLS# 26054517 248-347-3050

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The adage in real estate about "location, location, location" doesn't just apply to residential property. Business owners too agree that a prime location is what brings customers in – and keeps them coming back.

"I guess because we've been here almost 41 years I'd have to say yes," said Margaret Harlow, who with husband Jim owns Harlow Tire on Wayne Road just south of Ford in Westland. "Just the location where it is within the city. It's at a major crossroads."

Mark Denis, owner of House of Bread at Sheldon and Five Mile in Plymouth Township, is marking his second year in business. "Extremely important," Denis said of his business location, chosen in part because of proximity to the M-14 expressway and "people going to work to pick up breakfast items."

He also gets customers coming home and buying bread. "Plus it was a growing area in terms of housing development."

He cites the current economy as a concern, along with visibility from the road and foot traffic. Denis has been encouraging his local chamber of commerce to do more to boost busi-

'We're close to everybody in the community. In that way, it's good. We're kind of off the beaten path a little bit.'

Phil Doumanian
manager, S & N Graphic Solutions

nesses outside of downtown Plymouth.

He relies heavily on regulars and walk-ins, "people that are just browsing in the center, just coming through town." Denis, who leases his space from the mall owners, believes the construction work along M-14 is both a blessing and a curse. He may get more detoured customers driving by, but some may just want to get home.

Some business owners have concerns about sign restrictions, but Harlow isn't one of them. "Obviously, you need to have signage," she said. "People need to be able to find you."

Their pole sign has served them well. The Harlows' son, Brian, is in the family business as well. "We wouldn't be talking about this renovation if it weren't

for him," she said of their plans. Their expansion at the Ford-Wayne Road site is progressing well.

"Obviously, the city is doing something positive for you," said Harlow, who's grateful to her customers and community for years of support.

Manager Phil Doumanian runs the shop at S & N Graphic Solutions on Junction in the city of Plymouth. The business has been at that site 35 years, the last three as S & N Graphic Solutions.

"We're close to everybody in the community. In that way, it's good," Doumanian said. "We're kind of off the beaten path a little bit."

Most of their customers are repeats, and being in a residential area hasn't been a big problem for the print shop, where the property is owned. Doumanian hasn't had problems with signage, noting the one sign on the building has served them well. They plan to add a sign in front.

"We like our location," he said. "It's always nice being in the city of Plymouth."

Additional information on business locations is available online at Business.gov, sponsored by the Small Business Administration of the U.S. government.

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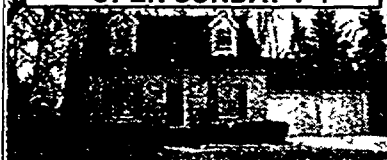
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OPEN SUNDAY 1-4**22476 Heatherbrae Way****NOVI \$229,900**

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Country living in the city! 3 BR, 2 BA cape cod. Lovely all-season FL RM, huge deck. Spacious KT w/ ceramic tile. Custom blinds. Oversized 2-car garage w/ workshop. 1462 Crest Howell. Call Ruth @ 248-318-5132. MLS# 26017855 248-437-4500

**GARDEN CITY \$207,500**

Gorgeous brick ranch. Totally remodeled. Newer kitchen w/oak cabinets, fireplace in family room. finished basement, large garage. Fresh, neutral, better than new! Warranted. MLS# 26058440 248-437-4500

**PLYMOUTH \$199,900**

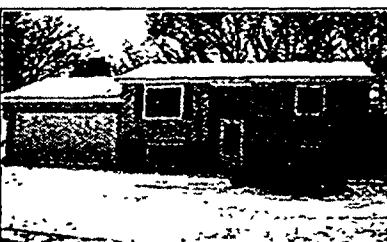
Lovely, clean, well-maintained brick ranch w/3BR, 1BA. FR bsmt & 2 car gar features open flr plan. Kit w/oak cabs, nook & DW to deck. Updates: kit, bath, furnace AC, wndws, paint, carpet & more. Also for lease. MLS# 26042204 734-453-6800

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**REDFORD \$194,900**

WOW! A great value for this Colonial on a large lot! 6 Bedrooms, larger kitchen, partially fin bsmt, 12x21 Florida room, dining room w/ fireplace. Partially finished basement and 2.5 car garage. (B26060959) MLS# 26060959 248-360-1425

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**8122 Grenada Dr.****HAMBURG \$179,500**

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DREAMS DO COME TRUE! And this could be perfect for you!! Near town! You will enjoy many updates in this home, spacious rooms & great storage. Treed lot w/deck, garage and perfect yard planted with perennials. MLS# 26061181 248-360-1425

**17148 Lennane****REDFORD \$145,000**

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**LIVONIA \$141,500**

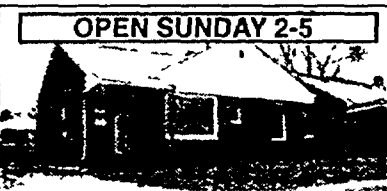
DON'T SPRING CLEAN. Move right in 3 bedrm home. New kitchen and bath. hardwood floors, dining/family room, garage. Fenced Double lot. Close to shopping playground, Livonia Schools. NEW LISTING \$144,500. MLS# 26058004 248-360-1425

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**61262 Greenwood Dr.****SOUTH LYON \$129,900**

Shows like a model! Ground floor end unit private entry w/enclosed patio. Totally updated kitchen. All new appliances. Fireplace in living room, master bedroom w/master bath. Pool and carport. Don't miss out! MLS# 26039921 248-437-4500

**22516 Kendall****DETROIT \$125,000**

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**OAK PARK \$95,000**

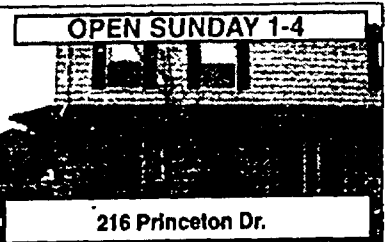
Clean well maintained 3BR, 1BA ranch features kitchen w/ceramic tile, enclosed front porch & finished carport. Updates: roof, furnace vinyl siding, electrical, kitchen carpet paint & more. Move in condition. MLS# 26052703 734-453-6800

**634 Englewood****DETROIT \$89,900**

Nicely Updated 4 Bedroom Home. Freshly Painted Thru-out, New Windows. New Doors. Updated Kitchen, Faux Fireplace, Dishwasher, Partially Finished Basement. MLS# 26051524 734-591-0333

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**LIVONIA \$79,900**

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**1553 N. Dover Hill****WALLED LAKE \$139,900**

Designer decor in a quiet setting but still close to major highways. Features new carpeting & floor tile recently painted and private patio offering a nice view of the common grounds. Basement & attached garage. MLS# 26051578 248-646-1800

**7304 Forest Way Dr.****GENOA \$899,900**

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A. There is some case law in Michigan that recognizes that although there is no case law directly allowing for reformation of an easement description after it has been recorded, the Court of Appeals recognized and in fact analogized the situation to the reformation of a deed. The Court held that the Supreme Court of Michigan has allowed a reformation of the description of a boundary line in a deed and that since the court has upheld a reformation of a deed based upon equities and facts similar to the reformation of an easement, the court upheld the trial court's decision to reform the easement description to conform with the easement actually used by the parties. You are best advised to consult with an experienced real estate lawyer to assist you in this matter.

Q. I live in a second condo in Arizona and we



Robert Meisner

are talking about making a restriction to deal with senior citizens only being able to live at the condo.

Do you have any suggestions in that regard?

A. You should, of course, consult with counsel for your association in Arizona or another attorney who has knowledge of Arizona law but I would be concerned about a recent decision from the Arizona Court of Appeals which held that a homeowners association could not amend its bylaws to limit residency to people 55 or over even though the amendment complied with Federal Fair Housing laws. In the case at hand, the court held that the association's compliance with the Housing for Older Persons Act clearly established that it would not act illegally by enforcing an age restriction but that such compliance did not mean that it had contractual authority or right to impose that requirement on its members in the first instance. The court

in that particular case felt that the rules and regulations governing the property in accordance with the bylaws did not authorize the implementation of an age-based occupancy restriction. The court held that although the language of the declaration did allocate certain powers to the association and its board, these powers are largely limited to constructing, managing, and maintaining the common areas, which we assume it owns, in enforcing the other rights and restrictions contained in the declaration. This is somewhat of an anomaly but you should be careful in terms of implementing your proposed restrictions.

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.

Sunflower grouping shows flair in home

The Web site www.lowes.com from Lowe's offers this creative idea for making a decorative sunflower.

Mark a 9-inch-diameter circle on a 24-inch-square sheet of plywood. Cut out the circle using a jigsaw. Sand the rough edges, and then prime. Spray-paint the circle with the colors of your choice (we used brown and green). Purchase packages of wooden shims from the lumber department, and stain 24 of them with Olympic, Red Mahogany #41566. Allow to dry.

Glue the thin ends of the shims around the circle using Krazy Glue. To form the seeds, spray-paint dowel plugs in the desired colors (we used black and brown), and secure them using Krazy Glue. Attach a mirror hanger to the back of the sunflower using #4 x 3/8-inch flat Phillips-head wood screws. Create multiple sunflowers for a dramatic grouping.

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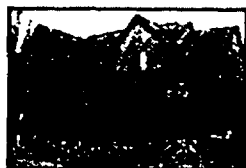
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Florida hotel sold

Milestone Realty Services, Inc. worked in a real estate brokerage capacity to arrange the sale of a 91-unit Hampton Inn Hotel in Bonita Springs, Fla. Milestone was able to secure an executed letter of intent for the full asking price less than two weeks after a previous purchaser decided not to pursue the acquisition. The transaction closed within 90 days.

The hotel is located along southwest Florida's Gulf Coast between the resort towns of Ft. Myers Beach and Naples.

Since 2000, Milestone has closed on more than \$340 million in office, residential/land, multifamily, hospitality, industrial and retail property transactions. Milestone provides mortgage brokerage and real estate management services to corporations, individuals and institutional investors. It has offices in Royal Oak and Ann Arbor.

Apartment Association

■ 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:

■ Farmington Community Education in cooperation with the institute will offer a 16-hour seminar on the

Michigan state builder's license examination, 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday, May 16, 18, 23 and 25, at The Community School, 30415 Shiawassee, Farmington. It is for those who want to subcontract construction of their own homes, real estate investors/developers and building tradespeople. Cost is \$190 plus \$20 for textbook and sample questions. Pre-registration by Friday, May 12, to Farmington Community Education. (248) 489-3333.

■ Walled Lake Community Education in cooperation with the institute will offer a 16-hour seminar on the Michigan state builder's license examination, 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday, May 16, 18, 23 and 25, at Walled Lake Middle School, 46720 W. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. It is for those who want to subcontract construction of their own homes, real estate investors/developers and building tradespeople. Cost is \$199 plus \$20 for the textbook and sample questions. Pre-registration by Friday, May 12, to Walled Lake Community Education. (248) 956-5000. On the Internet, visit www.buildersinstitute.com.

Mortgage Fraud

To address the many factors contributing to mortgage fraud, the Great Lakes Chapter of the Appraisal Institute will host a Mortgage Fraud Seminar 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, at the Dearborn Hyatt Regency. Officially endorsed by the American Society of Appraisers, the Michigan Assessors Association and the Michigan Mortgage Lenders Association, the seminar will focus on industry topics, including property flipping, straw buyers and identity theft.

"Mortgage fraud is a serious problem impacting homeowners, lenders and communities," said Les Linder, MAI, president of the Great Lakes Chapter.

"It's important that various sectors of the real estate industry work together to understand the key issues and identify ways to solve them."

The daylong seminar will feature panelists from across the industry, including representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigations, the Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth, the Michigan Board of Real Estate Appraisers and the Genesee County Sheriff's Department-Law Enforcement Division. Don Kelly, vice president of Public Affairs for the Appraisal Institute, will moderate

the discussion.

Registration for the seminar, which includes lunch, is \$75 and can be paid online using a credit card by visiting www.appraisalinstitute.org/education/GreatLakes.aspx. The seminar is approved for seven hours of Appraisal Institute continuing education credit. State of Michigan continuing education credit for real estate appraisers, assessors and realtors/brokers is pending. To learn more about this and other events sponsored by the Great Lakes Chapter of the Appraisal Institute, visit: www.glcai.com.

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OPEN SUN 1-4

AWESOME RANCH - 36555 ANN ARBOR TRAIL, S. OF ANN ARBOR TRAIL, E. OF NEWBURN Numerous upgrades such as windows, carpet, paint, hardwood flooring & paver patio. Living Room w/tp beautiful updated bath & a huge... acre lot. Put this one at the top of your list. \$229,900 (C-555AN)

OPEN SUN 11:30-1:30

GREAT HOME - 8881 TAMARACK LAKE, S. OF TEXTILE, W. OF TUTTLE HILL Outstanding colonial w/ marble flooring in foyer & kitchen. Huge master suite w/ vaulted ceiling, fireplace, WIC, bath w/ double sinks & soaking tub. Great neighborhood. \$244,900 (C-881TA)

OPEN SUN 12-3

FANTASTIC LOCATION - 1333 WAGON WHEEL, S. OF CHERRY HILL, E. OF LILLEY Beautiful Canton colonial located adjacent to park. Open floor plan w/ eat in kitchen & formal dining. Living & Family Room, large master w/ double closets & finished bsmt. Phy. Canton schools. \$225,000 (C-332WAG)

OPEN SUN 1-3

A NATURAL BEAUTY - 54258 MOTT RD., S. OF GEDDES, W. OF DENTON Custom ranch on 5 acres in Canton. Features include 5' ceilings, egress windows, island kitchen w/ granite, ceramic floors, side entry garage & an out of this world master. Wow. \$399,000 (C-250AP)

OPEN SUN 2-5

LOOK NO FURTHER - 5111 LANSDOWNE, N. OF CHERRY HILL, E. OF NEWBURN This home is a great start! 3 bd, 1.5 baths, brand new kitchen cabinets & counters, remodeled baths, updated h/w, tiled lot w/ 2 bered Deck. You must see to believe. \$216,500 (C-511UA)

OPEN SUN 2-5

BRING YOUR SUNGLASSES! - 6041 LANSDOWNE, N. OF CHERRY HILL, E. OF NEWBURN You'll be dazzled by this sparkling 4 bd, 2.5 bath home in a great neighborhood! New windows, flooring, fresh paint, nice landscaping & large floor plan. \$220,000 (C-600UA)

OPEN SUN 2-5

VERY WELL KEPT! - 3681 LANSDOWNE, N. OF CHERRY HILL, E. OF NEWBURN Beautiful colonial in great sub. Backyard opens to field & is in walking distance to park. Kitchen has new counter & flooring. Some newer vinyl windows, new carpet in living & family rooms. A must see! \$204,200 (C-368JA)

OPEN SUN 2-5

CHARMING COLONIAL - 479 BEDFORD, N. OF CHERRY HILL, E. OF NEWBURN Located in desirable Westland sub. Featuring 3bd, 1.5 ba, partially finished bsmt, some updated vinyl windows, updated A/C, Family Room w/tp & covered Patio off kitchen. Quiet neighborhood. Call today for more info. \$204,900 (C-479BE)

OPEN SUN 1-4

COUNTRY IN THE CITY - 35755 OAKWOOD LAKE, W. OF WAYNE RD, S. OF CHERRY HILL 3 bd custom brick ranch on a 1 acre lot. Wooded area in back for added privacy. 2 baths, 2 fireplaces, huge family room attached 2 car garage & on a private road. \$279,900 (C-7550A)

OPEN SUN 11-2

DETACHED CONDO - 11811 PINENEY CT., N. OF ANN ARBOR TR, E. OF HAGGERTY Nestled among the pines is this lovely 3 bd, 3 bath condo near downtown Plymouth & Hines Park. Top of the line upgrades throughout, finished bsmt & a huge great room. \$323,900 (C-811PI)

OPEN SUN 3-5

CANTON RANCH - 2878 EDGEMONT CT., S. OF CHERRY HILL, E. OF BECK Spacious ranch 1940 sq ft, 3 bd, 2 ba. Prestigious master suite w/ tray ceiling, WIC & private bath. Large Deck for entertaining, screened in porch, bay windows & skylight. Handicap accessible. A must see! \$324,900 (C-878EC)

OPEN SUN 3-5

GORGEOUS WOOD VIEW - 2944 WAKEFIELD CT., S. OF CHERRY HILL, E. OF BECK 4 bd colonial on a premium lot, backing to wooded wetland preserve. Island kitchen, 1st floor laundry, Master suite w/ tray ceiling, WIC & private bath. Finished without 3 car garage & stamped concrete patio. \$399,900 (C-294WA)

OPEN SUN 2-5

RANCH END UNIT - 3632 RIVERSIDE DR., S. OF GLENWOOD, W. OF JOHN HILL Overlooking the woods w/ huge floor plan 2 bds, 2 baths, super clean w/ vaulted ceilings, ceramic baths, attached 2 car garage & a home warranty! Great location too. \$174,900 (C-0328R)

OPEN SUN 1-4

TANGLEWOOD CONDO - 23528 SAWGRASS CT., S. OF 10 MILE, W. OF CHUBB Condo in prestigious Tanglewood Sawgrass complex. Offering wood floors, kitchen w/ double oven, fireplace, large Master WIC's, 3 bd, 2.5 baths & 2.5 car Garage. \$369,900 (P-526SA)

OPEN SUN 2-4

CANTON COLONIAL - 44256 SOUTHAMPTON, S. OF WARREN, E. OF SHELTON Spacious & open floor plan w/ formal living & dining room, family room w/tp, huge master w/ bath, large bered deck, finished bsmt, attached garage & many updates. \$219,900 (P-256SO)

OPEN SUN 2-5

CONTEMPORARY RANCH - 47862 MARINA DRIVE, S. OF HURON RIVER DR, E. OF ELWELL Gorgeous 3 bd, 3 bath ranch in fantastic Belleville sub. Open floor plan offering hardwood floors, volume ceilings, bay windows, wrap around paver patio, 3 car Garage, finished bsmt & home theater room. \$254,900 (P-062VA)

OPEN SUN 1-4

CONDO LIVING! - 1865 WESTWORTH, S. OF CHERRY HILL, W. OF CANTON CENTER Spectacular view of the woods from every room in this 2 bd, 2 bath end unit. Master w/ bath, 1st floor laundry, private study w/ French doors, 2 car garage & cathedral ceilings. \$304,000 (P-865AE)

OPEN SUN 1-4

BETTER THAN NEW! - 35128 BAMBURY, S. OF 7 MILE, W. OF WAYNE RD Completely remodeled home on almost an acre in Livonia. 4 bd, 2 1/2 bath, 2 1/2 bath, mature trees, & private yard backing to a stream. So much more to see! \$415,150 (P-1288A)

OPEN SUN 1-4

NEW CONSTRUCTION - 28477 GILL, N. OF 8 MILE, W. OF GILL FARMINGTON 4th colonial offering third floor, granite, crown molding & recessed lighting & more custom work. No expense spared! all the bells & whistles are here! \$374,900 (P-877G)

OPEN SUN 1-4

YOU FOUND IT! - 19540 NORTHBRIDGE, N. OF 7 MILE, E. OF NORTHVILLE RD Gorgeous Northville condo! Clean & beautifully decorated and w/ great master new floors & fixtures, dining & study areas, enclosed seasonal porch, & appliances. \$129,900 (P-560ND)

OPEN SUN 1-4

SOUTH LYON RANCH - 448 CHESTER CT., N. OF 10 MILE, W. OF PORTIAC TRAIL Spacious ranch on huge corner lot. Updated kitchen, baths, windows, shingles, furnace, & new Family Room carpet. Large Deck, shed, & all appliances inc. \$204,900 (P-440CH)

OPEN SUN 1-4

LIFE ON THE GREEN - 7877 TURNBERRY, S. OF 6 MILE, E. OF US 23 Immaculate & tastefully decorated 2 1/2 of an acre situated on the 11th tee in popular golf community. 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial master suite w/ jetted tub & 2 WIC's, stunning island kitchen & 3 car garage. \$289,900 (P-877TU)

OPEN SUN 1-4

GORGEOUS CAPE COD - 291 WATERLILY, E. OF MIAMI, S. OF EAST SHORE RD 3 bd, 2.5 bath cape cod overlooks natural preserve & short walking distance to all sports. Whitmore Lake. Featuring a finished walkout bsmt, upgrades to move in ready! \$239,500 (P-291WA)

OPEN SUN 1-4

MOVE RIGHT IN - 18273 RED MAPLE, N. OF ANN ARBOR RD, E. OF RIDGE Beautifully updated colonial featuring kitchen w/ granite, Anderson windows & prof finished bsmt w/ guest room & bath. Everything has been done for you call today. \$395,900 (P-273RE)

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WONDERFULLY UPDATED - 41838 RAYWOOD, N. OF CHERRY HILL, W. OF LILLEY Open floor plan w/ neutral decor on this 3 bd, 2 bath home in Canton. Oak kitchen w/ pantry, family room w/tp, updated furnace, roof gutters, windows, steel & storm doors. Much more to see! \$187,000 (P-830FA)

OPEN SUN 1-4

EXCELLENT FIND! - 44889 SALTZ, S. OF FORD, W. OF SHELTON 4 bd colonial w/ newer carpet, fresh paint, ceramic Foyer & kitchen, Family Room w/tp, Formal Living & Dining rooms, master suite w/ WIC, & partially finished bsmt. \$256,000 (P-809SA)

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Spectacular Home - 2110 North Woods, N. Of Geddes, E. Of Beck. Formal dining room flanked by columns. 2 story GR w/marble top cherry cabinets, designer ceramic & paint. Paver patio, curved staircase, & side entry garage. \$389,000 (P 110N0)



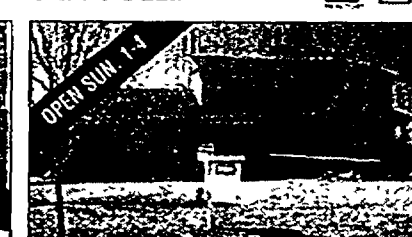
Great Neighborhood - 44819 Erik Pass, N. Of Joy, W. Of Sheldon. Beautiful 3 bd 2.5 bath brick ranch w/open floor plan. Nicely decorated & well maintained. 2 car attached Garage finished bsmt, & Plymouth Canton Schools. \$219,950 (P-819ER)



Tranquil Setting - 48853 Colony Farms Circle, N. Of Ann Arbor Rd., W. Of Beck. This 2 bd 3.5 bath town house features a spectacular view of Walden Pond. Newly finished w/out w/it bath, cedar closets, & wetbar. Minutes from downtown Plymouth. \$224,900 (P-05300)



Northville Condo - 16813 Carriage Way, S. Of & Mile, W. Of Ridge. Stylish ground floor condo w/2 bd, 2 baths. Combines function with contemporary elegance. Spacious open design w/outstanding amenities in a natural setting. \$184,900 (P-813CA)



Beautifully Maintained - 11598 Red Maple, S. Of Powell, E. Of Ridge. 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial w/formal dining room w/frpt, all newer appliances in large eat in island kitchen. 2 car garage & more all on a quiet cul-de-sac. \$394,900 (P 599RE)



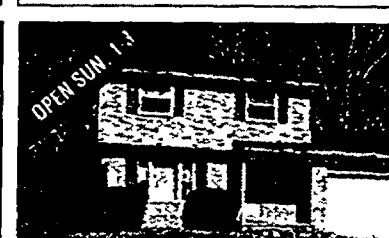
Charming Stone Home - 5291 North Territorial, N. Of N. Territorial, W. Of Geddes. 4.65 Acres embraces this charming 4 bd home. Hard & ceramic floors, 4800 sq ft lot, & pool. Great craftsmanship built in 1930, numerous updates. Ply-Canton Schools. \$445,000 (P 291N0)



Beautifully Groomed - 8248 Marlowe, S. Of Ecorse, E. Of Belleville Rd. One acre parcel w/this immaculate 3 bd home. Large country front porch. Hard floors, frpt formal living room, & doorwall to private yard. Great location. \$195,000 (P 248MA)



Downsize Plymouth - 644 Ann, N. Of Farmer, E. Of Sheldon. Charming 3 bd, 2 bath bungalow w/updated roof, hwh, furnace, kitchen & more. Hardwood floors, fireplace, finished bsmt & new deck off of the 3 season room! \$259,900 (P-644AN)



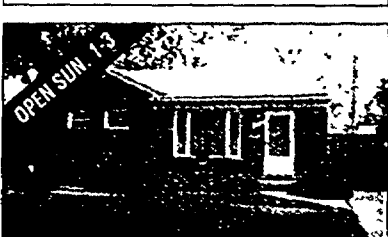
Springtime Inside & Out - 45348 Ridgeway, S. Of Palmer, E. Of Canton Center. Outstanding 3 bd, 1.5 bath colonial located near Summit Park in Canton. Family room w/frpt, formal living room, updated eat in oak kitchen, fresh paint, windows roof attic fan, & new garage door. \$199,900 (P 348RL)



Custom Home - 5638 Huron Hills, N. Of Commerce, W. Of Bogle Lake Rd. Popular Huron Hills sub boasting custom features like circular round top windows, 2 decks, oversized garage paver walkways & more. Premium location 3 bd & 2.5 baths. \$299,900 (P-530HL)



Plymouth's Old Village - 784 Holbrook, N. Of Main St., E. Of Main. Don't miss the chance to own this beautiful historic Victorian home w/ totally updated interior & old world charm. Spacious interior w/3 bd & large backyard. \$219,900 (P-784H0)



This One Won't Last - 28853 Westfield, S. Of West Chicago, E. Of Middlebelt. Brick ranch w/3 bd on a quiet street in Livonia. New roof furnace & C.A. Fabulous 3 season room in pretty fenced yard. Just move in and enjoy. \$159,900 (P 862WA)



Pleasant View Cape - 1215 Crowndale, S. Of Cherry Hill, E. Of Beck. Outstanding home on a corner lot w/huge great room. Offering dramatic ceilings, gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances, 1st floor master w/encl'd bath, crown moldings & 3 car garage. \$434,900 (P 215CR)



Fabulous Ranch - 29921 Elmwood, N. Of Ford, W. Of Middlebelt. Huge corner lot, 1500+ sq ft, finished bsmt w/4th brdm, updated ceramic bath, new carpet & Pergo tile vinyl windows, hwh, C.A. tear off roof, siding, pool deck, cement patio & new garage. \$199,900 (P 921EL)



Too Costly To Duplicate - 2313 Ivy Hill Rd, N. Of Commerce Rd., W. Of Carry Rd. Overlooking the 18th fairway & Try Lake lies this lovely Dune model w/ numerous upgrades. Dream kitchen, extensive recessed lighting, ceramic floors, finished w/out & luxurious Master. \$449,995 (P 313)



Canton Condo - 45337 Graystone, S. Of Ford, W. Of Canton Center. Newly new condo w/open floor plan, Great Room w/frpt open kitchen, Master Suite w/WC & bath. 1st floor laundry attached garage & finished bsmt. Neighborhood clubhouse pool, & tennis. \$199,900 (P-837GR)



Absolute Gem - 19685 Antago, N. Of 7 Mile, W. Of Inkster. Totally done! Beautiful Livonia ranch offering 2 newer baths, oak kitchen, vinyl windows, updated plumbing & elec, hwh floors, awesome finished bsmt, fenced yard & insulated 2.5 car garage w/220. \$149,900 (P-685AN)



Plymouth Ranch - 665 Provincetown Lane, N. Of N. Territorial, W. Of Sheldon. Terrific 3 bd ranch within walking distance to downtown Plymouth. Updated kitchen, bath, roof, furnace, AC, plumbing, electrical & more. The list goes on! Make us an offer! \$195,000 (P-465PR)



Clean Contemporary - 631 Tyler, S. Of Cherry, W. Of Lotz. Raised ranch w/newer Anderson Windows, oak front door, C.A. Living Room w/cath ceiling & tp, spacious kitchen & dining area, master suite w/ WIC, FR w/outlet to custom patio 1 yr home warranty. \$239,800 (P 631TY)



Livonia Condo - 28666 Five Mile Rd., N. Of 5 Mile, E. Of Middlebelt. Nice floor plan offering 2 bd, 2 baths & 1100+ sq ft. Cathedral ceilings, gas hpl covered balcony, & all appliances stay. Home warranty. A must see! \$140,800 (P 866F)



Real & Clean - 29688 Ridgeway, N. Of Joy, W. Of Middlebelt. Livonia ranch w/many quality updates! Gorgeous finished bsmt, heated Florida room, newer central air furnace carpeting & light fixtures. Home warranty too! \$179,999 (P-600HA)



Elegantly Appointed - 44495 Central Park, N. Of Central Park, W. Of Beck. Prestigious Pulte Carrington boasts 4 bd, 3 baths, private treed lot, premium elevation, 2 story FR, cherry kitchen w/walk in pantry. Master w/bath & 2 WIC's. Prof landscaped w/custom brick paver patio & sprinklers. \$499,900 (P-456CE)



The Finest Of All - 1878 Delaney, S. Of Cherry Hill, E. Of Deaton. Extraordinary home offers circular drive, paver walkway 3 car Garage, island kitchen w/granite, ceramic tile foyer, 1st floor laundry, separate mudroom, 4 bds & finished bsmt. \$439,900 (P-8700E)



Simply Irresistible - 48514 Castlelake, N. Of Warren, W. Of Beck. Slaty Colonial on private lot in Buckingham Place Sub. Volume ceilings, formal LR/DR w/bay windows. Kit w/hard granite, walk in pantry & nook, & Master w/bath & WIC. \$449,900 (P 514CA)



Green Acres - 6148 Page Ct., S. Of Warren, W. Of Ridge. Custom Cape on 2.92 acres w/finished w/out, 2 story entry, 30x40 pole barn GR w/frpt. Master w/volume ceiling, bath & 2 WIC's. Formal DR w/hardwood. Custom maple kit w/space saver appl. Unique setting in Canton. \$574,900 (P 140PA)



Stellar Choice - 278 Marlowe, S. Of Cherry Hill, W. Of Canton Center. 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial offering volume ceilings, dual staircases, Family Room w/frpt, ceramic floors, formal Living & Dining Rooms, wooded lot, 3 car Garage & more. \$444,900 (P 270ME)



A Rare Find - 47835 Pavilion, S. Of Cherry Hill, W. Of Beck. Nestled deep in popular Fairways West. 3100+ sq ft, 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial offers fresh paint, gourmet kitchen w/built in appl's, hwd floors, Den, Master Suite w/his & her WIC's & private sitting area. \$399,900 (P 835PA)



Start Packing - 34371 Parkview, N. Of Geddes, E. Of Beck. 3 bd, 2.5 bath Canton colonial w/fresh paint & carpet to Large kitchen w/nook, island & all appl. Formal LR & DR, Family Room w/cathedral ceiling & frpt. Master features large WIC & bath. 1st floor laundry, C.A. & sprinklers. \$224,900 (P-431PA)



Better Than New Pals - 9756 Ravenshire, S. Of Geddes, W. Of Ridge. 2003 built Pulte w. 4 bd, 2.5 baths, Kitchen w/GE appl, flex room can be formal LR or DR, master suite w/cathedral ceiling, bath & large WIC. Prof landscaped w/patio. \$224,900 (P 756RA)



Powerhouse - 46885 Warham, S. Of Ford, E. Of Beck. Magnificent 4 bd colonial in popular Cobblestone Ridge. Premium lot, sides to woods. Numerous upgrades including an expanded rooms, 3 car garage, stone frpt & more. Quick Occupancy. \$389,900 (P-885WA)

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Step 1: Apply your first color to the wall. Repeat if needed, and let dry.

Step 2: Using a tape measure or ruler

held horizontally, measure and mark the stripe widths across the wall (the stripes pictured are 12 inches wide).

Step 3: For straight stripes, use a Strait-Line Laser Level, as shown, to tape off the stripes to be painted. (Apply the tape outside the 12-inch marks.) With your thumb or a putty knife, burnish the edge of the tape along the side that will be painted to prevent paint from seeping underneath. As a handy reminder, use tape to designate stripes that will not be painted.

Step 4: Use a roller to apply a coat of magnetic primer to the stripes being

painted. Allow to dry, and then repeat. (Subsequent coats will increase the magnetic attraction.)

Step 5: With a clean roller, paint the magnetic stripes with your second color. Let dry, and repeat with additional coats as needed. For a subtle change, stick with a tone-on-tone scheme, or use a completely different shade for a bolder statement.

Step 6: Carefully remove the tape. Attach artwork to the walls using heavy-duty magnets.

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Michelle Michael, Re/Max Classic 248-737-6800



SHOWSTOPPER! Gorgeous and spacious 2 bdrm ranch Farm Hills condo. Very open plan - updates incl granite counters, tile & wood flrs, new carpeting, neutral thru-out. Large formal DR, Master BR w/2 WIC's & private bath. 1st flr laundry beautiful fin. w/basmt w/3rd bath, office, 2 car att gar. \$295,000 www.michellemichael.com
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STEP SAYER! 2 bedroom Farmington Hills ranch condo. Excellent condition neutral décor (no wallpaper), fireplace & cathedral ceiling, dining room, spacious kitchen & nook, 1st floor laundry 2 baths, basement, 2 car attached garage. Well maintained and easy to move into! \$225,000
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WALK TO DOWNTOWN from this 3 bedroom brick ranch with full basement and 2+ car garage! Oak flooring, updated kitchen, new furnace and air conditioning, windows, much more! \$179,900



FABULOUS CUSTOM CONSTRUCTION with deeded boat dock on Commerce Lake. 3 car, 1st flr master. Gorgeous! 3597 sq. ft. \$564,000

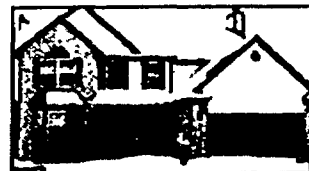
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BONNIE CAMERON 866-268-5300



IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY 4 bdrm, 2.5BA, 2065SF colonial w/major updates. Completely new kitchen - custom cabinets, counter tops, appls. Roof and gutters 7 yrs old. Windows 1 year, updated lights, custom blinds. Nice deck off fam rm & kit. 1 yr home warranty. \$259,900

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MOVE-IN CONDITION! Nice & clean Orion Tap Colonial with 4 bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Hardwood floors in dining room. Master w/jetted tub. Large family room with cozy fireplace. Great location! Walking distance to schools, easy access to M-24. \$284,900

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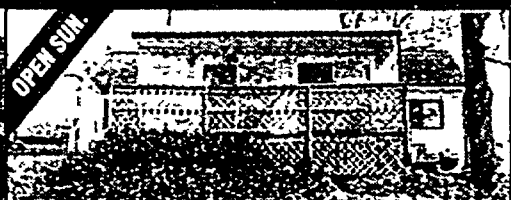
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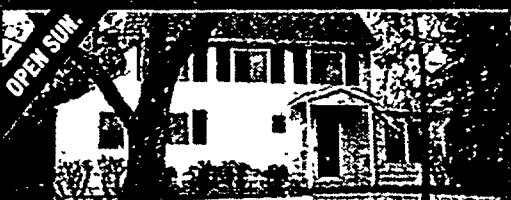
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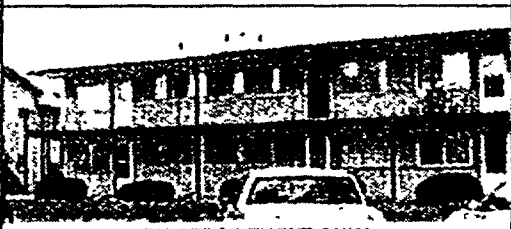
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OPEN 12:00-4:00 PM
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4 BRs, 3.1 baths. Sprawling ranch on 2.75 acres in Hickory Ridge Farms. 3500 sq. ft. plus additional 3000 SF in LL walkout can be finished for additional living space. 5 car garage. Gorgeous landscaping, gorgeous home.
MLS #26024146 \$749,900
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Wow! Reduced for quick sale. This open floor plan has 3 BRs, 3.5 baths. Great for entertaining & raising a family. Lower level walkout is finished, complete with wet bar. Build instant equity with simple personal touches. Easy access to US 23.
MLS #26020546 \$222,900
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SOUTH LYON
Nearing that Golden Age? Here's a golden opportunity! 1 BR, 1 bath co-op w/central air and beautiful lake view. Only \$48,900 brings you home.
MLS #25108586 \$48,900
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First floor condo close to town, parks and churches! 1st time home buyers and investors take note! Only \$91,000!!!
MLS #25139175 \$91,000
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LIVONIA
Private entry condo, beautiful maple cabinets throughout! Updating all done! Bonus! Seller will pay association dues through 2006 - a big monthly savings!!
MLS #26009471 \$94,499
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BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
MILFORD
Two custom homesites, both perked, walkout available w/view of pond. Milford mailing, Hartland schools, Livingston County taxes! Parcel B (MLS# 25172734) Parcel C (MLS# 25172469).
MLS #25172734 & 25172469 \$99,000 each
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1st floor condo in excellent condition. Open floor plan, large bedrooms and closets, close to EMU, St. Joe's and x-ways! Low, low price, great value!
MLS #26019879 \$124,900
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HOWELL
Immaculate home in desirable Ravines of Rolling Ridge! 3 BRs, 2.5 baths, formal LR & DR backs to woods. Fireplace in FR, bsmt. plumbed for 3rd bath. \$3000 seller concessions and a home warranty too!
MLS #26041090 \$229,000
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BRIGHTON
Beautiful, quiet subdivision. Close to schools, shopping, golfing & skiing. Possible 5 BRs, partially finished LL. Updates thru out including windows, siding, roof, garage, cabinets and more.
MLS #26025621 \$250,000
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HOWELL
Fantasb find w/1 acre, 2500 sq. ft. finished newer Colonial, wrap around porch & deck, gazebo and 2nd garage to boot! Neutral thru out. Spacious rooms, oak kitchen, master suite & more.
MLS #26059982 \$269,850
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BY APPOINTMENT ONLY • HOWELL
3 BRs, 2.1 baths. Room to breathe! Picturesque 1 acre home-site featuring newer Cape Cod. Immaculate, hickory/oak kitchen, wood floors, neutral carpets, luxury master suite. Unfinished daylight bsmt. 3 car garage & more! Accessory structures allowed!
MLS #26010811 \$296,000
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All sports lake living - this home offers open fr. plan for easy entertaining. 2 BRs on main fl., 2 BRs up w/a sitting area. A lot of potential w/a little decorating. Nat. FP, many updates in the last 5 yrs. New furnace needs cooler unit to set up for central air. Note the deep lot size, unusual for lakefront property. Home warranty. Selling agent to confirm M&D immed. occupancy.
MLS #26008729 \$350,000
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BRIGHTON
3 BRs, 3.1 baths. Spectacular lakefront home on all sports lake. This home oozes quality & ambiance. Luxury master ste., maple kitchen, fin. walkout LL w/wet bar, sauna, family rm. Top notch thru out.
MLS #25148336 \$489,000
Linda Strang (810) 444-4591



BY APPOINTMENT ONLY • BRIGHTON
4 BRs, 2.5 baths. Dutchman Farms Sub. - model for viewing. 3 homes under construction & near completion. Beautiful flr. plans, exten. trim, crown molding, ceramic tile, hrdwd flrs. in foyers & dining rms. Vacant lots available - some walkout. Bring your plans or pick from ours. Builder is Progressive Homes, Inc.
MLS #26029101 \$498,900
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BY APPOINTMENT ONLY • MILFORD
Custom farmette. 4 BR, 4 bath w/3500 sq. ft. upper and 1100 sq. ft. lower. Newer heated fiberglass inground pool, 1/2 court basketball, 7 stall, 2 story barn, paddocks & pastures. Home warranty, generator ready. Hartland schools, Livingston County. Close to x-ways.
MLS #26010416 \$635,000
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COMMERCE TWP.
4 BRs, 3.1 baths. Elegant newer home that rivals any new construction with all the details complete, this home welcomes you. Luxury 1st flr. master, granite/maple kitchen designed for a gourmet. Partly finished walkout LL, 3 car garage.
MLS #25162268 \$679,000
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HOMES SOLD IN AREA

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Dec. 5-9, 2005, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, with some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton

41554 Ayrshire Dr	\$196,000
204 Buckingham Rd	\$169,000
2245 Chateau Rd	\$147,000
1398 Elmhurst St	\$220,000
49111 Founders Ct	\$420,000
43703 Fredericksburg St	\$200,000
47318 Grand Oak Ct	\$390,000
49563 Great Falls Rd	\$189,000
42022 Hanford Rd	\$300,000
43144 Hanford Rd	\$223,000
48895 Manhattan Cir	\$360,000

1834 Maple Park Dr	\$259,000
1838 Maple Park Dr	\$255,000
1864 Maple Park Dr	\$208,000
41080 Maplewood Dr	\$229,000
41150 Maplewood Dr	\$239,000
1630 Mistwood Ct	\$203,000
1842 Mistwood Ct	\$475,000
2160 Mistwood Ct	\$181,000
45149 Patrick Dr	\$232,000
1633 Peninsula Ct	\$339,000
6980 Poppleton Rd	\$430,000
47468 Putney Ct	\$390,000
1983 Rector Ct	\$205,000
48142 Red Run Dr	\$393,000
46567 Swanmere Dr	\$294,000
47589 Torrington Dr N	\$468,000
43857 Vicksburg Ct	\$190,000
44257 Windmill Dr	\$219,000

2695 Woodington Ct	\$405,000
Farmington	
22991 Frederick St	\$167,000
33935 Glenview Dr	\$191,000
33714 State St	\$307,000
23625 Warner St	\$310,000

Farmington Hills

29280 Arlington Way Ct	\$330,000
23905 Brookplace Ct	\$230,000
29939 Club House Ln	\$334,000
23238 Cora Ave	\$187,000
23744 Cora Ave	\$289,000
23328 Derby Ln	\$248,000
37124 Dickinson Ct	\$375,000
31771 Dohany Dr	\$225,000
34031 Edna St	\$134,000
23163 Julieann Ct	\$95,000
23185 Julieann Ct	\$95,000
23186 Julieann Ct	\$150,000
23230 Julieann Ct	\$95,000
22534 Karen Ct	\$55,000
28776 Kendallwood Dr	\$255,000
36703 Kenmore Dr	\$868,000
36778 Kenmore Dr	\$533,000
29315 Laurel Dr	\$179,000
31224 Lee Ln	\$113,000
21660 Mayfield St	\$209,000
37869 McKenzie Ct	\$468,000
28868 Raleigh Rd	\$255,000
34581 Rhonswood St	\$165,000
23041 Springbrook Dr	\$235,000

Garden City

31976 James St	\$138,000
Livonia	
33605 Eight Mile Rd	\$133,000
12268 Arcola St	\$94,000
14044 Arcola St	\$195,000
14516 Arden St	\$155,000
15041 Arden St	\$157,000
18332 Bainbridge Ave	\$210,000
29546 Bobrich St	\$85,000
32911 Brookside Cir	\$300,000
20520 Chestnut Cir	\$150,000
18775 Comstock St	\$261,000
31724 Delaware St	\$153,000
36320 Fairway Dr	\$118,000
31552 Fonville St	\$214,000
29642 Gaylord St	\$155,000
20351 Hubbard St	\$360,000
32214 Lyndon St	\$185,000
19560 Merriman Ct	\$264,000
34510 Middleboro St	\$281,000
33550 Nancy St	\$215,000
27670 Oakley St	\$100,000
34066 Orangelawn St	\$150,000
20220 Osmus St	\$225,000
14649 Taylor Blvd	\$100,000
17851 University Park Dr	\$146,000
35698 Vargo St	\$300,000
9019 Virginia St	\$200,000
34990 Wadsworth St	\$183,000
16562 Whitby St	\$245,000

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30736 Ardmore Ct	\$50,000
24379 Bellingham Dr	\$562,000
41929 Canterbury Dr	\$183,000
50624 Chesapeake Dr	\$722,000
22690 Cheshire Ct	\$440,000
29307 Douglas Dr	\$258,000
50596 Drakes Bay Dr	\$1,046,000
50786 Drakes Bay Dr	\$1,172,000
24959 Hadlock Dr	\$774,000
41606 Hamlet Ln	\$205,000
40510 Heatherbrook	\$235,000
44845 Huntingcross Dr	\$318,000
26596 Island Lake Dr	\$415,000
26600 Island Lake Dr	\$375,000
31237 Kingsley Ct	\$402,000
44856 Lafayette Dr	\$144,000

44892 Lafayette Dr	\$188,000
44903 Lafayette Dr	\$151,000
44904 Lafayette Dr	\$399,000
40831 Lenox Park Dr	\$320,000
29725 Lilley Trl	\$360,000
23935 Lynwood Dr	\$213,000
23660 Maude Lea St	\$218,000
44908 Paine Dr	\$424,000
44980 Paine Dr	\$399,000
25550 Portico Ln	\$250,000
24851 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$557,000
24853 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$564,000
24901 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$618,000
22774 Renford St	\$120,000
44887 Revere Dr	\$143,000
41601 Sleepy Hollow Dr	\$262,000
21611 Sunflower Rd	\$210,000
31206 Tanglewood Dr	\$240,000

Plymouth

324 Blunk St	\$512,000
12755 Essex Ct	\$375,000
14819 Farmbrook Dr	\$233,000
13277 Hidden Creek Dr	\$333,000
12333 Pinecrest Dr	\$190,000
49750 Plymouth Way	\$180,000
8888 Rocker Ave	\$283,000
9199 Westbury Ave	\$182,000
50983 Weston Dr	\$445,000

Redford

9959 Appleton	\$122,000
14984 Aubrey	\$102,000
9044 Dale	\$127,000
19368 Delaware Ave	\$165,000
18602 Fox	\$139,000
17025 Glenmore	\$131,000
25398 Graham Rd	\$111,000
9197 Grayfield	\$210,000
19412 Lennane	\$133,000
15611 Leona Dr	\$135,000
11378 Leverne	\$133,000
18646 Macarthur	\$153,000
20495 Negaunee	\$108,000
18812 Norborne	\$94,000
16615 Pomona Dr	\$121,000
9014 Rockland	\$158,000
12125 Rockland	\$154,000
25325 Ross Dr	\$177,000
26911 Ross Dr	\$196,000
9117 San Jose	\$138,000
9950 Tecumseh	\$119,000
12800 Winston	\$143,000
12899 Woodbine	\$35,000
12899 Woodbine	\$35,000
20150 Woodworth	\$117,000
12081 Wormer	\$123,000

Westland

33003 Alamo Ct	\$115,000
6306 Arthur St	\$100,000
1301 Barchester St	\$185,000
30851 Barrington St	\$153,000
34045 Barton St	\$162,000
38031 Carolan Blvd	\$125,000
29090 Currier Ave	\$130,000
932 Fairlane St	\$165,000
1932 Golfview Ln	\$240,000
31489 Hazelwood St	\$124,000
31825 Hazelwood St	\$126,000
32046 Hazelwood St	\$151,000
33394 Hunter Ave	\$172,000
32225 Joy Rd	\$128,000
30051 Julius Blvd	\$75,000
29890 Malvern St	\$148,000
7815 Manor Cir	\$95,000
4760 Matthew St	\$59,000
5972 N Parent St	\$90,000
32316 Ogemaw St	\$98,000
29124 Richard St	\$88,000
2105 S Harvey St	\$135,000

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Horse ranch w/3 BR & 3.5 BA sited on near 4 rolling wooded acres streamside. Distinctive cedar, stone w/shake roof & a picturesque 3 stall barn, 3 horses allowed. Near town.
 (T65PRI) \$1,150,000 248-349-5600



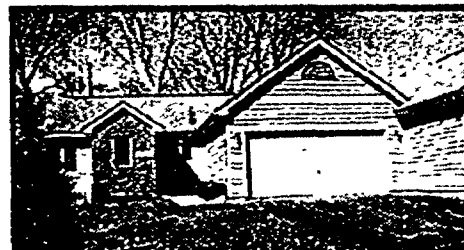
WESTLAND

Livonia schools. Brick 3 BR, 1.5 BA. LR w/frplc & cath ceiling. Nice dining area, kit w/appls, W/O LL, tons of storage, rec room & separate laundry area. C/A, 1.5 car att gar.
 (T15ING) \$184,500 248-349-5600



NOVI

Up north wooded setting. Awesome GR w/frplc & cathedral ceiling, updated kit, hrdwd flrs, newer carpet & freshly painted t/o, MBR suite w/Jacuzzi BA, fin LL, newer roof & more.
 (T61CON) \$339,900 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS

Contemporary condo w/large GR w/fireplace, kit w/updated. 2 BR, 2 BA, FFL, 2 car gar & full basement. Excellent condition. Quiet deck at back. Great location - light & bright.
 (T21ORC) \$196,500 248-349-5600



SOUTH LYON

Colonial located in Tanglewood Golf community. 4 spacious bedrooms, 3.5 baths, finished lower level, 2-story GR, kit w/oak cabs & ceramic countertops. Great home. A must see
 (T51SPY) \$479,900 248-349-5600



WESTLAND

Livonia schools. Better than new. Everything done: roof, windows, furn, C/A, kit, baths, plumb, carpet, paint, ceramic flrs, appliances, doors, brick & new siding. 2 car gar.
 (T39JOY) \$179,900 248-349-5600



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Over four acres of country living including horse barn. 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial with finished lower level W/O with brickscape patio and deck. Kitchen opens to family room with fireplace.
 (T50DIX) \$358,500 248-349-5600



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Great in-town location, walk to library, parades, cider mill, shopping, fine dining. Charming 2 BR home on a tree-lined street. Open floor plan. Move-in or build your dream home.
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SOUTH LYON

Spacious 3 BR colonial that backs to a park-like wooded common area. Kit opens to FR w/stone frplc & custom mantle. Brck paver patio. Newer custom lighting & carpet.
 (T61GRA) \$249,900 248-349-5600



WESTLAND

Livonia schools. Stylish cape cod with Westland taxes. 3 large bedrooms, 3 full baths. 3+ car garage, partially fin basement on over 1/2 acre lot. Spectacular updated kitchen.
 (T37GRA) \$259,999 248-349-5600



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Gorgeous estate on prime approx 1 acre of private property. Custom upgrades T/O. Kit w/chocolate granite, professional Sub Zero stainless appliances & much more.
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CANTON

Gorgeous 3 BR, 1.5 BA colonial. Newer roof, carpet, hrdwd floor, entry door & custom blinds. BA w/Corian. Kit w/lt oak cabs & all appls. FR w/nat frplc. Backs to commons area.
 (T94RED) \$204,900 248-349-5600



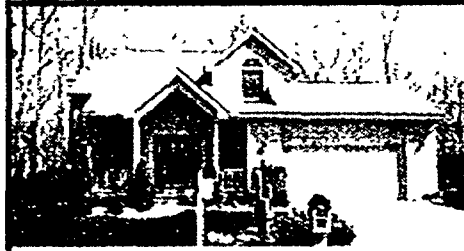
SOUTH LYON

Tanglewood golf community cape cod on an awesome wooded lot. Newer carpet, newer furnace. Finished lower level. Newer upgraded appliances. Freshly painted inside and out.
 (T59SAI) \$514,900 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH

City charmer - recently rebuilt in 2005 from the foundation up. 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2-story w/fin bsmt & newer 2 car garage. Awesome amenities and super master suite. Walk to town.
 (T87ADA) \$349,900 248-349-5600



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Located in "Anthony's Pond", this charming & meticulously maintained home is absolutely stunning. Great views of holiday pk/pond. This home offers quick occupancy & all appls.
 (T21ALM) \$278,500 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH

This Spectacular 4 BR ranch sits high on a 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



NOVI

Spacious 4 BR, 3.5 BA colonial w/loads of extras. Large MBR w/huge WIC & BA. Jack & Jill bedrooms. Guest rm w/bath. Professionally landscaped w/sprinklers & 3 car garage.
 (T25BAN) \$539,000 248-349-5600



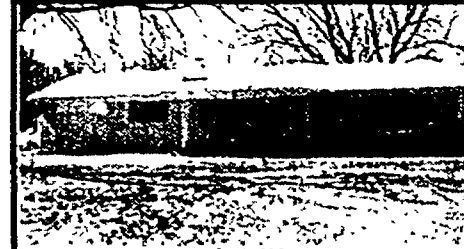
LIVONIA

Beautiful 3 BR, 2.5 BA brick ranch with extensive updates. Gorgeous kitchen w/stainless appls & baths. Large lovely approx .6 acre lot. Gorgeous sunroom. Move in and enjoy.
 (T43BET) \$289,900 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH

Charming cape cod on corner country lot. 4 BR, 2 BA, basement & GR with bay window, 3 car attached garage. Newer windows, terrific built-in dressers, storage and fenced yard.
 (T16BRO) \$249,800 248-349-5600

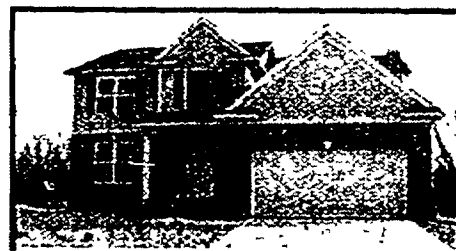


SALEM

Wonderful brick ranch on just under 2 acres that's been lovingly cared for by original owners. Spacious BRs, large LR, 1 car att gar & 2nd gar w/workshop. 3 out buildings.
 (T07CHU) \$265,900 248-349-5600

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COMMERCE
New construction. 4 BR, 2.5 BA, granite counter tops, beautiful cabinets, upgraded trim, FP, ceramic tile, 9 ft. high basement, daylight windows. Walled Lake Schools, near M5 (T50ALO) \$339,900 248-363-1200



WEST BLOOMFIELD
Gorgeous brick & limestone home in prestigious Southwyck sub. 4BR, 2.5 BA, 3 car gar. Custom kitchen w/granite counters, cherry cabinets, see thru frp. Cul-de-sac, natural area location. (T98BAL) \$549,900 248-363-1200



MILFORD
Exquisitely finished Stoneridge lakefront. Defining features include conservatory, island kitchen, deck with screened gazebo. Deluxe master suite. Beautifully landscaped. (T88EXE) \$565,000 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS
3 BR, 2.5 BA condo bld in 04. Gour kit, SS appls, Corian c-tops, 1st flr MBR jet tub & sep shower. Hrdwd flrs T/O. Soaring ceilings. Formal DR & frp. in LR. Close to parks, shops & dining. (T11BER) \$430,000 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS
Backs to Copper Creek GC. FF MBR, 2-sty GR w/frp. flr, DR, lg light & airy kit/bkfst rm. Hrdwd flrs, fin LL w/daylight wndws, 2 rec rms, 4th BR/ex rm w/WIC & French drs, powder rm. (T41GOL) \$439,900 248-626-8800



GARDEN CITY
Wow Cape Cod w/2 baths, detached condo. Great price super sharp master suite + 2 vaulted ceilings, FFL, brick & vinyl, 2 car att garage, basement, frp. CA, bidder pays trans tax. (T27BIR) \$187,000 734-455-5600



ROCKWOOD
Palatial beauty. Brick 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath w/full bsmt, mstr ste w/WIC, bath & cth ceiling, dual staircase, att 2 car garage, 2 story foyer, glass block windows in basement & FFL. (T79HER) \$264,999 734-455-5600



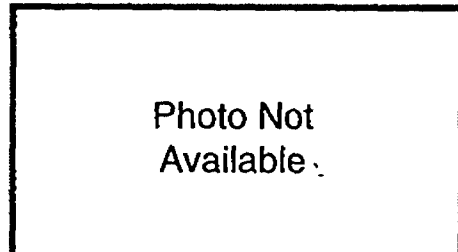
NOVI
Unique 4 BR, 2.5 BA ranch on just under one acre. Spectacular wooded lot. Newer custom kit w/upgraded appls. Ceramic & hardwood throughout. Private wooded setting w/wnws. (T28COT) \$434,777 248-349-5600



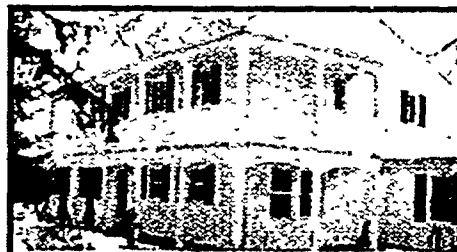
LIVONIA
Sharp & well maintained 3 BR, 2 BA home. Open floor plan, hardwood floors, newer kitchen, windows, roof, furnace, A/C in 03. LL W/O with daylight windows. Move in ready. (T11MAP) \$179,900 248-349-5600



COMMERCE
Brand new, very large home with custom features, granite countertops 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 3 car garage, 9 ft bsmt, w/daylight windows, master bedroom 1st flr. Walled Lake Schools. (T86ALO) \$344,900 248-363-1200



BERKLEY
Best of Berkley - totally rebuilt beauty featuring superb craftsmanship and attention to detail. Features inc. 4 BR, 3 full BA, handcrafted custom kitchen & outstanding master bath. (T28CAT) \$349,900 248-363-1200



CLARKSTON
Breath taking views on Village Mill Pond, distinctively large custom 4BR, 3 BA home, beautifully updated, gourmet kit, hardwood flrs, open flr plan, great landscaping, deck. (T75GLE) \$399,900 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS
Excellent buy. Super clean 3 BR, updated brick ranch w/2-car att gar, fin bsmt, updated kit & bath, ceramic tile, marble trpic, newer crpt, recessed lights, FFL, painted, Farmington schls. (T26BRA) \$214,000 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS
Great neighborhood!! 3 BR, 2.5 BA, FR w/frp. updated kit w/eating space, formal DR, large lovely lot. Newer roof, wndws, furnace, A/C, wonderful schls. This is a lovely home. HW too!! (T43HEA) \$214,900 248-626-8800



PLYMOUTH
Beautiful country home. 5 bedroom, 4 bath 19th century colonial on approx 2.9 acres. Great master bedroom, hardwood floors, country kit & formal DR. Pond, deck & gazebo. A must see! (T66HOM) \$450,000 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
Gorgeous historic home. Walk to downtown Plymouth. 3 bedroom colonial w/updated kit, bath, roof, elec & crown molding. Daylight windows in part fin bsmt, garage, newer deck. (T02MIL) \$239,900 734-455-5600



CANTON
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 kit & room used as 4th BR. 3 car garage & view. (T44COU) \$409,900 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS
Condo convenience w/health care options. The only complex of its kind in area. Ranch w/2 bedroom, 2 bath, FFL & attached garage. Nice & neutral. Super activity center on campus. (T72MUL) \$190,000 248-349-5600



COMMERCE
New construction. 3 BR, 2.5 BA, custom features such as granite countertops, built-in appls, hrdwd flrs, marble trpic, 9 ft basement, 3 car garage, Walled Lake Schools, Near M5 (T98ALO) \$329,900 248-363-1200



COMMERCE
Custom soft contemporary ranch, 3 BR, 4.5 BA, mstr ste w/spa tub, vaulted ceiling, GR w/frp. maple kit, bonus rm w/2nd kit, full w/o LL, 3 car gar. Huge deck w/wooded view. (T81CHE) \$319,000 248-363-1200



COMMERCE
Very nice 3 BR, 1.5 BA ranch w/tk priv. Updated kit, BR, windows & furnace, fin bsmt. Oversized heated garage. Large lot. Ready to move in. Walled Lake Schools, new Northern High School. (T82HAR) \$184,900 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS
Prime cul-de-sac location. Desirable sub. 4 bedroom colonial has newer drive, furnace and C/A. Large family room w/fireplace. Hardwood floors in most rooms. (T36CAR) \$269,900 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS
Country mood with city attitude. Soft contemp w/vaulted clings. Wood flrs, main flr deck w/view. Updated kitchen w/sunny breakfast area. Comfy FR with w/o to patio. Updated MBR. (T50HIG) \$364,900 248-626-8800



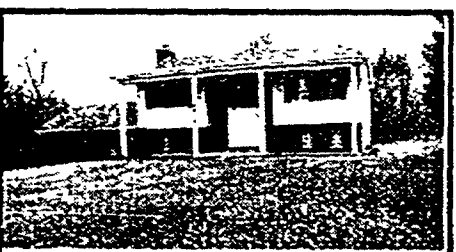
PLYMOUTH
Private treed interior lot in Ridgewood Hills! Hwd flrs in LR, DR, kit & lib. Newer kit w/counter & sink, cherry cabs, DR w/newer Andersen wndw, FR w/frp. tiered deck, bsmt & 2.5 car att gar. (T86WOO) \$349,500 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
Charming bungalow. 4 bedroom home sitting on approx 1/2 acre lot, walking distance to downtown Plymouth. Many updates and repainted interior & exterior. A real find. (T82MIL) \$199,000 734-455-5600



CANTON
Lovely brick front ranch w/3 lg bedrooms & 2 updated full bath. Kitchen w/new maple cabs 05. Large family room w/natural fireplace & beautiful stone mantle. Full basement. (T34HER) \$218,900 248-349-5600



PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP
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 ste w/ beautiful view. Even Ann Arbor Schools. (T18MUN) \$224,900 248-349-5600



COMMERCE
New construction. 4 BR, 2.5 BA, open floor plan, fireplace in great room, wainscoting in library, architectural colors, granite countertops, 3 car garage, daylight windows, near M5. (T10ALO) \$349,900 248-363-1200



COMMERCE
Private treed acreage, 2 pond setting Walled Lake Schools. Spacious 4 BR, 4 BA, plus 5th BR & office in fin w/o, with 2nd kitchen, FR & 3rd frp. Entry level mstr ste & 2nd BR. (T83CLA) \$499,900 248-363-1200



WHITE LAKE
This one of a kind sprawling contemporary ranch offers picturesque golf course frontage and a fabulous indoor jetted swim spa. 3-4 bedrooms, 4 full baths, full bsmt, 3 car garage. (T96HAV) \$414,900 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS
Fantastic location. Large colonial on approx 3/4 acre. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Entertain in the family room w/wet bar & fireplace. FFL. All appliances stay. Don't miss this opportunity. (T25DOH) \$269,900 248-626-8800



FENTON
Breathtaking hilltop views. Sprawling 3 bedroom ranch features living room w/frp. Family room w/frp. & library. Hardwood floors & wet bar. Incredible in ground pool & patio. 3 car garage. (T83JEF) \$499,900 248-626-8800



CANTON
Custom built cape cod 2005. New const. On approx 1 acre lot w/4 bdrm, 3.5 bath, 4 car att gar, 2 story foyer, formal DR, hearth rm off lg kit, bkfst nook, all bdrms w/WIC, full bsmt. (T52ROL) \$875,000 734-455-5600



MARION TWP
Custom 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home w/granite kitchen counters, custom cabs, glamour bath in master suite, LL W/O offers finished family room w/fireplace & bar, patio & fire pit. (T39LAK) \$419,900 734-455-5600



WHITMORE LAKE
Wonderful 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial in Wildwood sub. Open floor plan, private yard. Master suite w/sitting room. Walk to elementary school & short commute to US-23. Must see. (T25LAK) \$300,000 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS
Awesome architectural delight. Custom ranch w/3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, DR, den and FFL. Fin bsmt, tree lined approx 2/3 acre lot. Oversized garage. Upgraded to the max. Must see. (T51OLD) \$434,900 248-349-5600



HIGHLAND
Impeccable custom cape cod w/3 BR, 2.5 BA. Very open, frp. in GR. Lux FF mstr. Island kit opens to bay window nook. Custom moldings, deluxe lighting. Bsmt, 3 car garage, Lk priv. (T78ANC) \$429,900 248-363-1200



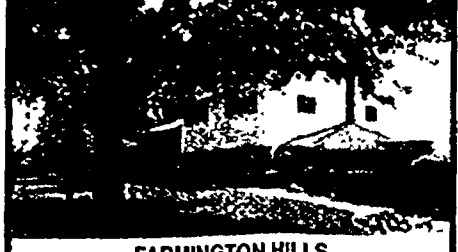
COMMERCE
Lake Sherwood lakefront, 3 BR, 3.5 BA custom built w/fin walkout and 2 car gar. 120 + ft. of frontage, sandy beach, dock & hoist. Gorgeous inside and out. Panoramic views. (T21COM) \$550,000 248-363-1200



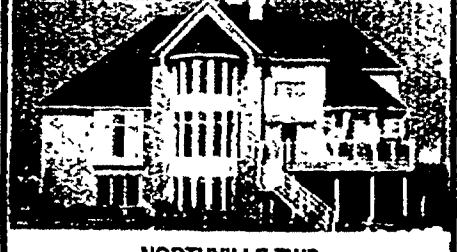
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP
Beautiful hilltop setting. Very majestic w/tremendous views of Walnut Lake. Rebuild your dream, approx 1 acre Birmingham Schools & all sports lake priv. (T15INK) \$399,000 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS
4 bedroom, 2.5 bath ranch. Full basement. Located in north Farmington Hills. Clean & ready for new owner. State & hardwood floors. Newer white kitchen. Large windows. (T31GLE) \$270,000 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS
Kendallwood quad. Popular neighborhood. 4 BRs, 3 full BAs. Big LR and FR. Basement has daylight windows. Updates include: C/A 05, windows, BAS, kitchen, hwd flr entry, lovely lot. (T32KIR) \$264,900 248-626-8800



NORTHVILLE TWP
Elegance at its best. Gallery foyer, music conservatory, mstr ste, kit w/volume ceilings, crown molding & granite T/O. Hrdwd flrs. 5 BR, 4.2 BA, fabulous custom LL w/walk-out. (T04CLA) \$1,097,500 734-455-5600



LIVONIA
Move-in condition. 3 bedroom, 2 bath tri-level, newer oak kitchen & hrdwd flrs, updated bath, mstr w/WIC, FR w/natural fireplace & doorwall to deck. Finished LL & 2 car att garage. All appls. (T83LAN) \$254,900 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE
Beautiful luxury condo w/frontage on Northville Hills G.C. Custom kitchen w/42" cherry cabs, granite T/O, hardwood floor, custom lighting, upgraded appliances. Huge master w/fireplace. (T92LYO) \$369,900 248-349-5600



COMMERCE TOWNSHIP
Builders closeout. 4 bedroom, 3 car gar, W/O bsmt, Andersen windows, huge master w/whirlpool, gourmet kitchen, lib, crown molding, landscaping, sprinklers & much, much more. (T19PHI) \$424,900 248-349-5600



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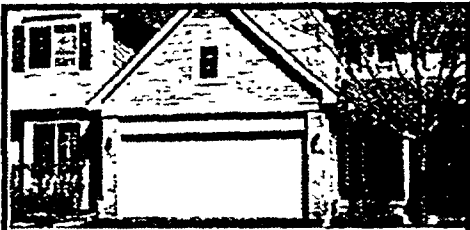
PLYMOUTH
 Character plus location. This 3 bdrm brick bungalow! Walk to 2 parks & downtown! Liv rm has cove ceiling, wet plaster, hrdwd flr in bdrms & kit. Updated kit oak cabs & kit appls.
 (T82ROO) \$215,000 734-455-5600



CANTON
 Spectacular colonial. This wonderful home offers 3 bdrms, 1.5 baths, bsmt, 2 car att gar w/ extra storage, 1st flr laundry, lg yard w/brick paver patio. Close to everything.
 (T55OAK) \$219,500 734-455-5600



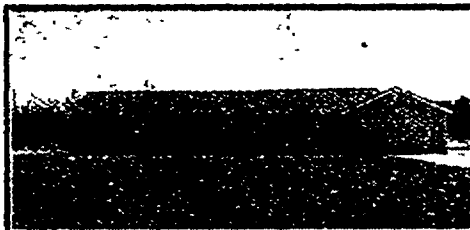
VAN BUREN
 Private wooded setting. Immaculate, neutral & open flr plan. Hrdwd flrs, mstr bdrm w/cathedral ceilings, 2 car att gar, bsmt. Fam rm w/gas frplc. Prof landscaping w/dual paver patio.
 (T13WAL) \$299,900 734-455-5600



WESTLAND
 Lovely townhouse. Beautiful hrdwd flrs in kit & liv rm. Maple cabinets in kit w/stainless appls, mstr suite w/WIC, prof fin bsmt, open flr plan & 2 car att gar.
 (T66AMH) \$189,900 734-455-5600



CANTON
 This is the one! Great 3 bdrm, 2 bath cape cod sitting on approx 1 acre offering finished bsmt, 2 car garage, inground pool. Property backs to the lower Rouge River.
 (T75SHE) \$299,999 734-455-5600



SUMPTER TWP
 Country living, city convenience. Remodeled 3 bdrm, 2.5 bath ranch sitting on approx 1 acre offering newer roof, siding, windows & kit. Corner frplc, all appls & 2 car att gar.
 (T65KOZ) \$187,300 734-455-5600



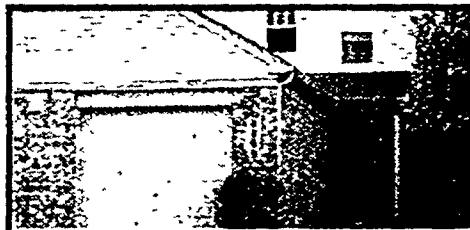
PLYMOUTH
 Private wooded setting. Spectacular 4 bdrm, 3.5 bath colonial/extensive wainscoting & show like a model. 2 story great rm w/frplc, 3 car att gar, prof fin bsmt & appls.
 (T116MAR) \$569,000 734-455-5600



NOVI
 Lake view & lake access. Tucked away in a quaint sub overlooking Shawwood & Walled Lakes/privileges. Spacious flr plan & a number of updates. Huge mstr & dream kit.
 (T90SHA) \$279,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
 Wonderful condo living. This great 2 bdrm, 3.5 bath 2 story condo nestled in a well sought after area only minutes from downtown & park. Fin LL w/whirlpool spa + view of pond
 (T11COL) \$219,900 734-455-5600



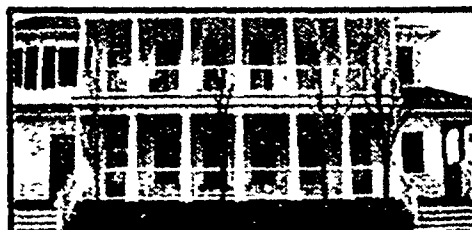
CANTON
 Absolutely gorgeous. 3 bdrm, 2.5 bath condo w/ view of the beautiful pond. Master ste offers WIC, full bath w/garden tub, frplc in GR, formal DR, appls, att gar & fin bsmt.
 (T69HUN) \$179,900 734-455-5600



GARDEN CITY
 Custom brick ranch. 3 bdrm, 2.5 bath home w/ open flr plan, GR w/frplc, skylights & doorwall to Florida rm. DR, FR, FFL, 2 car att gar, part fin bsmt, sprinklers & appls stay.
 (T30BRO) \$239,900 734-455-5600



NOVI
 Spacious condo. 2 bdrm, 2 bath unit overlooking protected wetlands. Great rm w/cathedral ceiling, gas frplc, master bdrm w/private bath. All appls, 2 car att gar & in unit laundry.
 (T09CAR) \$229,900 734-455-5600



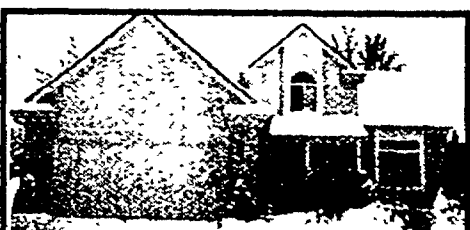
CANTON
 Gorgeous condo overlooking park. Built in 2002 w/2 bdrms, 2 baths, vaulted ceiling, GR, balcony, hrdwd flrs, open kit w/island, all appls, DR, upgrades, CA & att gar w/storage.
 (T66CON) \$214,900 734-455-5600



GROSSE ILE
 Brick stately manor. 5 bdrm, 3.5 bath, att gar, Pella windows, frplc. Kit w/Corian counters & island, hrdwd flrs, ceramic baths, fam rm, den, library, din rm & fin bsmt w/bath.
 (T41MER) \$459,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
 Located in downtown Plymouth. This 2 bdrm, 2 bath ground floor condo has it all, very large rooms, gas frplc in lg living rm, heated att gar w/ elevator to all flrs. Lg kit to formal DR & appls.
 (T77DEE) \$219,900 734-455-5600



WIXOM
 Perfection plus. In this 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath colonial built in 2002 offering 3 c att gar, full bsmt, hrdwd floors, bay window in dining rm, fam rm with custom frplc & spnnklers.
 (T71POT) \$324,900 734-455-5600



COMMERCE
 Priced & designed to sell 4 bdrm, 3.5 bath, sits on huge tucked away lot near lakes. Costly amenities & upgrades. HWH, flrs, newer carpet, high ceilings, frplc, fin LL w/O.
 (T60STA) \$358,000 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
 A dream come true 4 bdrm colonial mint condition w/open flr plan, fam rm w/frplc. Florida rm across from park & close to downtown Plymouth. Only min to expressways
 (T45ANN) \$269,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
 Great curb appeal 3 bdrm, 2 bath one of a kind ranch near downtown on a low traffic street. Lg fenced yard, open flr plan w/fam rm to deck. Eat-in kit mstr w/WIC & bath
 (T52ELM) \$204,500 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON
 This could be yours. 3 bdrm, 3 bath ranch w/2 car att gar, fin bsmt w/poss 4th bdrm. Oak kit leads to 3 season rm then to deck w/gazebo. You will love the open space.
 (T94ALB) \$224,900 734-455-5600

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WATERFORD

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 x 24 pole barn, finished bsmt. (T32MUR) \$320,000 248-363-1200



WHITE LAKE

Custom built in 2000, 3 BR, 4 BA home, w/ finished walkout & att. gar. Finest materials used w/o home, granite, limestone, ceramic, hardwood. Awesome layout. Lake priv & dock. (T80RID) \$359,000 248-363-1200



WEST BLOOMFIELD

Gorgeous 4 BR, 2.5 BA custom beauty. 1st floor master. Huge kitchen. Breakfast nook and sun/keeping room. 3 car garage. A must see home. W. Bloomfield Schools. Great 1st fl laundry. (T85SAD) \$414,900 248-363-1200



COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

4-5 BR, 3 BA, fin w/o ranch w/extra kitchen in LL. Home boasts hwd floors, cath ceiling, 1st floor laundry & spectacular staircase, deck & patio, large lot overlooks nature preserve. (T00STO) \$409,900 248-363-1200



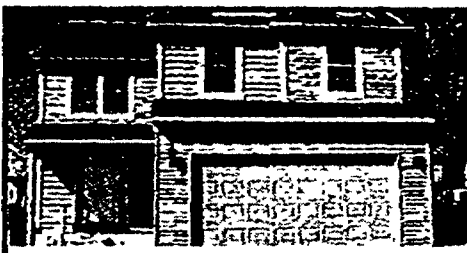
WATERFORD

Quiet neighborhood bordering White Lake, 3 BR, 2.5 BA, main floor master suite, main flr laundry, dining room, paladium window, cozy loft, fplc, full bsmt, 2 car, beach priv, spacious. (T43VAM) \$243,000 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS

3 BR, 2 REMODELED BA ranch, on huge lot. Newer kit w/all appliances included. Spac. FR w/nat. frplc. FFL. Newer windows, roof 05. Fenced lot. Full bsmt. Att. gar. Low main. (T86LAM) \$277,000 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS

NEW CONSTRUCTION. 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Great room w/fireplace. Kitchen w/island and hardwood floors. MBR suite has super sized walk in closet. 2nd floor laundry. (T150XF) \$239,900 248-626-8800



NORTHVILLE

4 BR Backs to golf course. Upgrades t/o. Hrdwd & ceramic flrs. Tray & vault cells. Dual stair. Lge MBR w/sitting rm- estate-size WIC. Paver patio & wklys. 3-car gar. Comm. pool & tennis. (T09PIN) \$619,900 248-626-8800



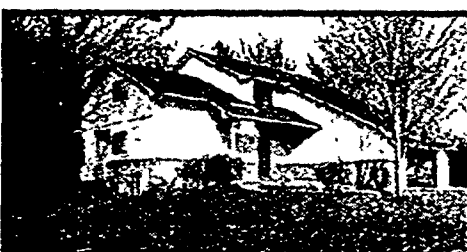
WATERFORD

LAKE ACCESS. Hardwood flooring and loads of updates. Approx 1800 square foot ranch w/ finished basement. Pictures give approx 1/2 acre lot. Gorgeous! (T41SIL) \$239,900 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS

Builders/investors: your chance for an approximately 3/4 acre site, backing to creek. 4 bedrooms, 4 baths. Home requires renovation. (T46WES) \$274,000 248-626-8800



FARMINGTON HILLS

FABULOUS YET CASUAL. 4 bdrm, 3.5 bath colonial sitting on corner lot. Many upgrades, hrdwd flrs, wood windows, 2 c att gar, fin bsmt, tiered deck overlooking wooded ravine. (T80LAN) \$333,000 734-455-5600



CANTON

INFORMAL ELEGANCE. Beautiful 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath colonial w/wonderful kit w/island & doorwall to vinyl deck, mstr ste w/WIC, 3 car att gar & a lg full bsmt. All appls. (T18RIV) \$364,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH

DOWNTOWN CONDO. 2 bdrm, 1.5 bath, fresh paint, ceramic kit & entry, frplc, master suite w/ WIC. Nicely fin space in lower level. Newer windows, att gar, private deck & appls. (T18ANN) \$189,900 734-455-5600



CANTON

Spec. Colonial. All the upgrades. 4 BR, 3 full & 2 half BA home offering att gar, full bsmt, gour. isld kit. w/granite, mstr ste w/sitting area, hrdwd flrs & open flr plan backs to priv. wooded area. (T33STA) \$459,900 734-455-5600



WEST BLOOMFIELD

Priv. wooded setting. Hrdwd flr in 2 story foyer, kit, fam rm & poer rm. Kit w/granite island, bay window overlooks deck. Mstr ste w/frplc, & 2 WIC s, fin W/O w/full bar & bath. (T37MIS) \$499,000 734-455-5600



CANTON

Gorgeous 4 BR, 2.5 BA cape cod w/new elegant decor. Large kit w/bkfst rm, see thru frplc, mstr ste w/bow window & BA w/jetted tub. Extreme professional landscaping & large deck. (T21RED) \$429,900 248-349-5600



COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

Builders closeout. Cape cod w/first floor master, library, GR w/soaring ceilings, 3 car garage, granite, sod & sprinklers. Still time to pick some colors and much more. (T40RIC) \$441,900 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE

Townhouse condo close to downtown, shopping & restaurants. Comfy 2 BR offers frplc & att garage. Private bsmt for storage. BR balcony overlooks brook & woods. Immed occupancy. (T95RIV) \$189,900 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE

Historic district. Yesterdays home for today & tomorrow. Charming Victorian featuring 4 BR, 2 BA, high ceilings, wood floors and first floor laundry. Timeless investment. (T59ROG) \$390,000 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE

Premium wooded site fenced w/in-ground pool. 5 BR, 4.5 BA luxury home with fabulous fin LL W/O. Heated Florida room with hot tub. Spectacular details in this all brck estate. (T55DEE) \$995,500 248-349-5600

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Tips for choosing a ski vacation home

(NAPSI) — Millions of Americans take a ski or snowboarding vacation every year. As people's interest in winter vacations continues to snowball, so too does interest in renting winter vacation homes.

The homes can be a comfortable way to bring family or friends together for a great trip. They tend to provide more space than a simple hotel room (good for storing equipment and lounging

around after a day on the slopes), they can help cut food costs because they often come with full kitchens and large groups can often get discounted rates.

So how do you choose the ski vacation home that best suits your needs? Try these tips. They come from experts at ResortQuest, the country's largest ski vacation home rental company.

■ **Look before you book** — Look for companies that offer a simple way to

determine a home's suitability for you and your winter sport companions. Check the company's Web site. It should provide photos as well as detailed descriptions of accommodations. It should also tell you the home's proximity to the slopes and available services.

■ **Perks** — Many vacation rental companies offer renters special perks, from discounted lift tickets to free ski lessons and even entertainment or attraction tickets for time off the slopes.

■ **Amenities** — Make sure the home has all of the amenities your group needs. Is there space for skis, parkas, snowboards and other equipment to be stored safely? Is the washer/dryer large enough to accommodate all your gear? Will there be enough towels for everyone every day?

■ **Word of mouth** — Ask the rental company if a property has a high percentage of return guests. You can also check online forums to see what people

have to say.

■ **Sleep tight/ski right** — Decide in advance who bunks with whom and where. Take into account when travelers plan to hit the slopes. Look for vacation accommodations where each bedroom has its own bathroom, or set up bathroom usage schedules in advance.

■ **Feeding time** — Can arrangements be made in advance to have the pantry stocked? Are there places nearby from which food can be delivered? Decide in advance how to share costs of food and beverages, who cooks and who cleans up.

■ **Just in case** — Be sure you can take care of urgent needs while at the property — from getting an extra toothbrush to dealing with medical emergencies. Look for properties that have local management offices or representatives from the rental management company available to assist around the clock.

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Royal Oak lofts tour scheduled for April 29

People considering a loft condominium can see the options at nine Royal Oak developments during the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce's "Royal Oak Living: Condo and Loft Tour," 2-6 p.m. Saturday, April 29.

The tours will begin at the parking garage on Lafayette Avenue south of Fourth Street, where visitors can park and catch shuttle buses. Buses will go to existing loft buildings and models or, in some cases, to leasing offices with scale models or virtual tours. Admission is \$10 per person in advance, \$15 if paid that day. To reserve, call (248) 547-4000.

Participants are The Lofts @ 11, 610 South Troy, Eight 55 South Main Lofts,

Metro Station, Main North Terraces, SkyLofts MarketSquare, 400 Parent Avenue, Main Street/Center Street Lofts and The Fifth Royal Oak.

"This isn't just about lofts, it's about a lifestyle," said Liz Tillander, executive director of the Royal Oak Chamber. "No other city in southeast Michigan offers this Soho-like experience, with restaurants, bars, shops and galleries complementing the loft living options."

People who visit six or more lofts will receive a coupon good for a 20-percent discount that day at participating Royal Oak restaurants.

For additional information, call the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce at (248) 547-4000.

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Village Green announces joint venture

Village Green Companies, a leading Midwest manager and developer of luxury apartment communities, announced a joint venture with Chicago-based CAMCO, Inc. The venture, which forms Village Green Management Company - CAMCO, LLC, in Chicago and remains Village Green elsewhere, is scheduled to occur on Dec. 1. The merger makes the combined Village Green Management Company - CAMCO, LLC entity #25 on the Multifamily Executive list of largest property managers based on *Multifamily Executive* magazine's list of largest multifamily managers published in May 2005.

"CAMCO has always been recognized as one of the most respected and quality operators of multifamily assets," said George S. Quay, IV, president and COO of Village Green Companies. "Their commitment to training, hiring the best associates and delivering exceptional quality and services to their resident integrates well with our culture and overall mis-

sion. The combined organization will provide future economies of scale allowing us to create more advancement options for our combined associate population and provide additional support to meet our client's needs. We will take a 'best practices' approach to the merger allowing both companies to realize the benefits of the other's core competencies."

"Our goal was to form a strategic alliance with a larger company whose corporate culture and management philosophy would integrate well with CAMCO," said Terry McKay, chairman of CAMCO, Inc. "After extensive due diligence, we were able to determine that a joint venture with Village Green would provide the most opportunity for our associates and represented the most logical combination for the owners we represent."

A national management group, CAMCO, Inc. manages 31 properties in 13 states through four regional offices with more than 400 employees. Since 1978, CAMCO has offered

extensive real estate experience, national market knowledge and property management expertise to its customers. Dedicated to providing value in services, CAMCO is recognized nationwide as a leader in the industry. The company's commitment to customer and client service has earned numerous industry awards for excellence.

Village Green Companies, a third-generation real estate firm (founded

in 1919) headquartered in Farmington Hills with regional offices in Chicago, Cincinnati and Minneapolis, is one of the leading builders, developers and managers of apartment communities in the nation. Ranking among the Midwest's largest developer of rental residences at luxury and market levels, the privately held company, as a result of the merger, has a portfolio of over 35,000 units and 130 apartment communities.



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LIVONIA - Premium Lot in Deer Creek! Beautiful 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath colonial w/ stunning circular stairway. Large family rm w/ frplc, full length windows & French doors to custom decks from each side. Private park-like yard. Home is like new! \$399,900 (L51Way)

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Homeowners see concrete as most sustainable

(NewsUSA) — Homeowners are becoming increasingly concerned about how the products they use in construction projects interact with the environment.

While many homeowners who purchase pre-built homes or those part of a tract housing development don't have a say in the type of materials used, they do make choices when constructing do-it-yourself home projects or during home renovations.

In a 2005 research project involving homeowners, the Portland Cement Association found that close to half of all respondents identified concrete as the most sustainable building product, with wood and steel as the second and third choices.

Three quarters of all respondents were aware of concrete block as a homebuilding product, coming in second only to wood. Overall awareness of concrete homebuilding among home-

owners went up 30 percentage points from 1998 to 2005.

What does this mean for the homebuilding market?

"When people have the opportunity to make a choice about how their home is constructed or renovated, they look for construction products that will provide fire safety, mold resistance, durability, energy efficiency, low maintenance, excellent indoor air quality and superior insect resistance," said Harry W. Junk, residential markets manager at the National Concrete Masonry Association. "This research reveals concrete masonry as a clear product


of choice. Concern for the environment is growing and people are recognizing their responsibility for making good choices."

Called "The Homeowner Report," the survey's respondents represented all regions of the United States. Half of the homeowners surveyed live in ranch-style homes; one-third live in two-story homes.

Homeowners can download a full copy of the report at www.ncma.org/2005_homeowner_report.pdf.

For more information about building with concrete masonry, contact the NCMA at (703) 713-1900.

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Guaranteed-sale program gives owners peace of mind

(NewsUSA) — Even in the hottest real estate markets, not every house sells quickly. This presents numerous problems for owners who need to move fast.

Making an offer on a house but not being able to sell the one they currently own is a common and stressful predicament sellers face.

One real estate company, however, offers peace of mind with a unique "guaranteed home sale" program.

ERA Real Estate provides the Sellers Security Plan, a program that allows sellers the freedom to buy the home they need without waiting for their current home to sell. If the house remains on the market without selling for 180 days, ERA agrees to buy it. The already popular program has been upgraded recently to make it faster and easier to enroll in the plan.

The plan, the only one of its kind, comes with multiple guarantees to protect the seller. ERA offers an upfront purchase price of at least 90 percent of the home's appraised value.

Additionally, if ERA later sells the property for a profit, that money comes back to the original owner. But if the company takes a loss on the home, the owner is not responsible for those

expenses.

A consumer can choose to take the program a step further with the ERA Mortgage Equity Advance Option, which allows qualified buyers to borrow against equity in their home. Sellers may use up to \$500,000 of the available equity from the ERA offer to purchase and close on a new home in advance of selling their house. Therefore, the down payment on a new home is no longer dependent on the proceeds from the old one.

The guaranteed purchase program eliminates the need for temporary housing arrangements such as storage, apartments and other expensive measures that can drag on indefinitely until a house sells. This can mean tremendous savings for families relocating long distance.

The qualifications to take part in the program are minimal. The home must be a single-family, primary residence, with an average appraised value of at least \$50,000 and not more than \$750,000.

The seller's costs for participation include the same expenses due in any home sale, including the sales commission, closing costs, a home inspection and an appraisal. More details can be found at www.era.com.

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NAR: News mixed on homes

Home sales should generally level out and remain at historically high levels, according to the National Association of Realtors.

David Lereah, NAR's chief economist, said mortgage interest rates are trending up but will remain favorable.

"Economic growth and job creation are providing a favorable backdrop for the housing market, but rising interest rates have an offsetting effect," Lereah said.

"Home sales will move up and down somewhat over the remainder of the year but stay at a high plateau, meaning this will be the third strongest year on record." He expects the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage to rise to 6.9 percent by the end of the year.

Growth in the U.S. gross domestic product is forecast at 3.7 percent in 2006, while the unemployment rate should average 4.8 percent.

Existing-home sales are projected to drop 6.0 percent to 6.65 million this year from a record 7.08 million in 2005. New-home sales are likely fall 10.9 percent to 1.14 million from the record 1.28 million last year – both sectors would see the third best year following 2005 and 2004. Housing starts are forecast at 2.00 million in 2006, which is 3.2 percent below the 2.07 million in total starts last year.

NAR President Thomas M. Stevens from Vienna, Va., said home prices are expected to cool, but not as much as in earlier projections. "Although housing inventories have been improving, the balance is still a bit more favorable for sellers and annual appreciation remains in double-digit territory," said Stevens, senior vice president of NRT Inc. "Even so, the market is in a process of normalization – appreciation will return to normal single-digit patterns, providing solid investment returns into the future."

The national median existing-home price for all housing types is likely to increase 6.4 percent this year to \$221,700, while the median new-home price is expected to rise 2.3 percent to \$242,700.

Inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index is seen at 3.4 percent in 2006. Inflation-adjusted disposable personal income should grow 3.8 percent this year.

The National Association of Realtors, "The Voice for Real Estate," is America's largest trade association, representing more than 1.2 million members involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries.

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Credit unions help make homes more affordable

(NewsUSA) — For first-time buyers of modest means, the goal of home ownership is more difficult to attain today. But a new initiative spearheaded by the nation's credit unions is helping more people qualify for home loans.

"Real estate prices are still high all over the country," said Daniel A. Mica, president and chief executive officer of the Credit Union National Association. "Mortgage rates are headed upward as well. The gap between the incomes of average families and the affordability of a first home is widening every day."

According to the National Association of Realtors, the median price of a single-family home was \$215,900 at the end of October, up 14.7 percent from the previous year. In contrast, median household income was only \$44,389, according to the U.S. Census Bureau's figures for year-end 2004.

In order to afford their first home, most low- to medium-income level families need some extra help. The new initiative — called the Home Loan Payment Relief program, or HLPR — makes below-market-rate mortgage loans available to borrowers with household incomes at or below the median in their markets.

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Before you jump on the IO bandwagon, it's important to determine if, in fact, it is the right loan for you. While IO loans can help you afford the home of your dreams, consumer advocates advise buyers to proceed with caution and fully understand how the product works.

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With a HLPR loan, for example, a person would need an income of only \$32,000 a year rather than \$40,000 to qualify for a \$115,000 mortgage.

"Credit unions are voluntarily bearing the cost themselves of offering the loans below market as part of their mission to help people of modest means," Mica said.

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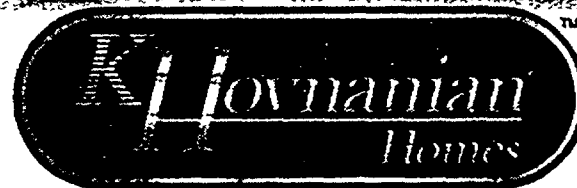
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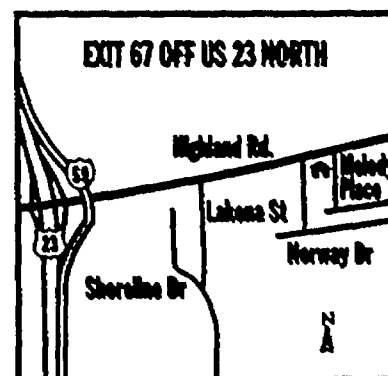
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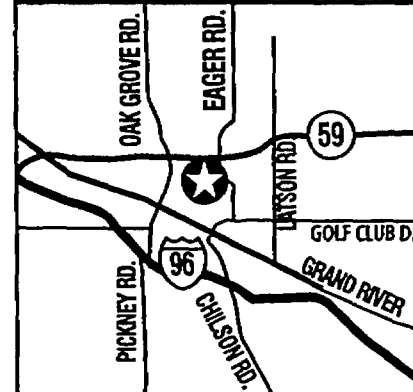


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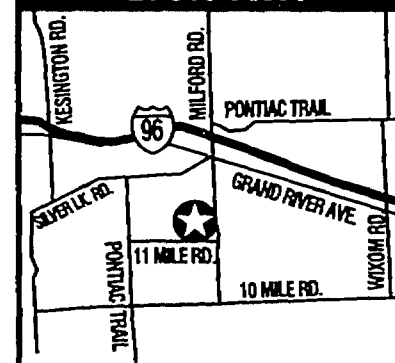
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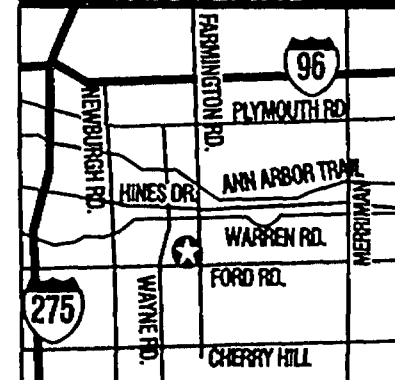


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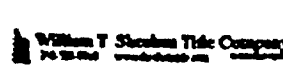
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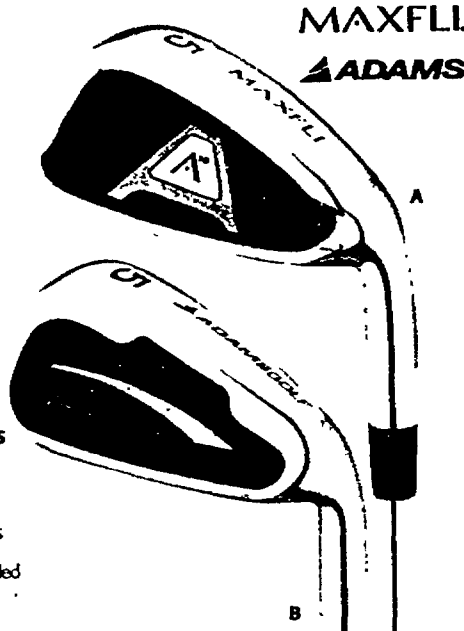
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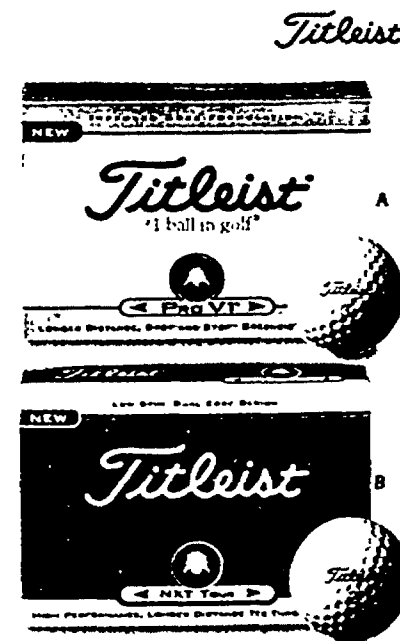
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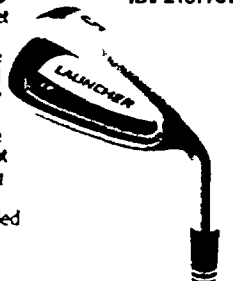


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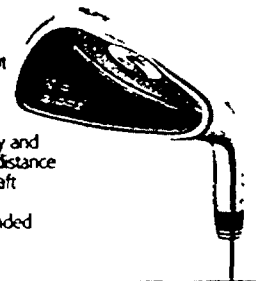
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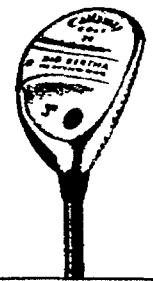
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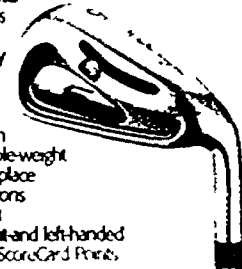


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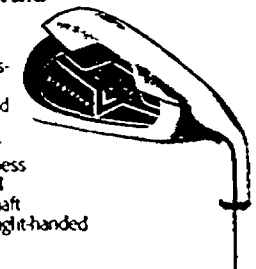


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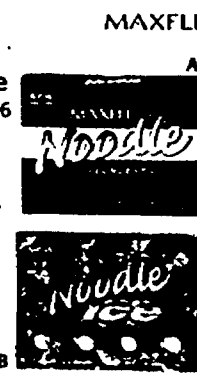


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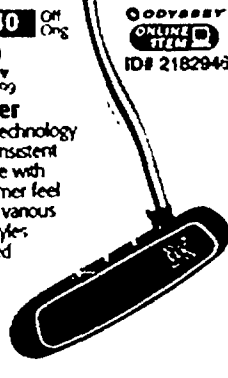
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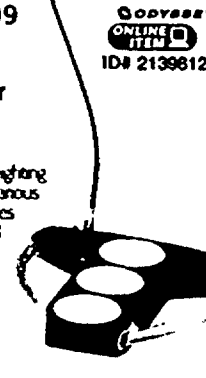


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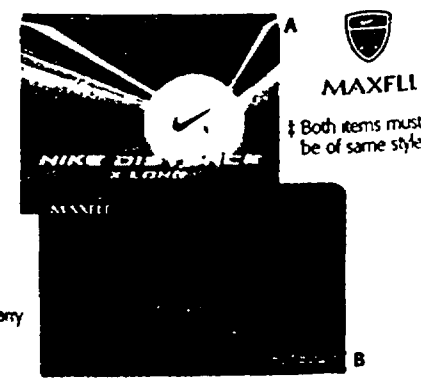
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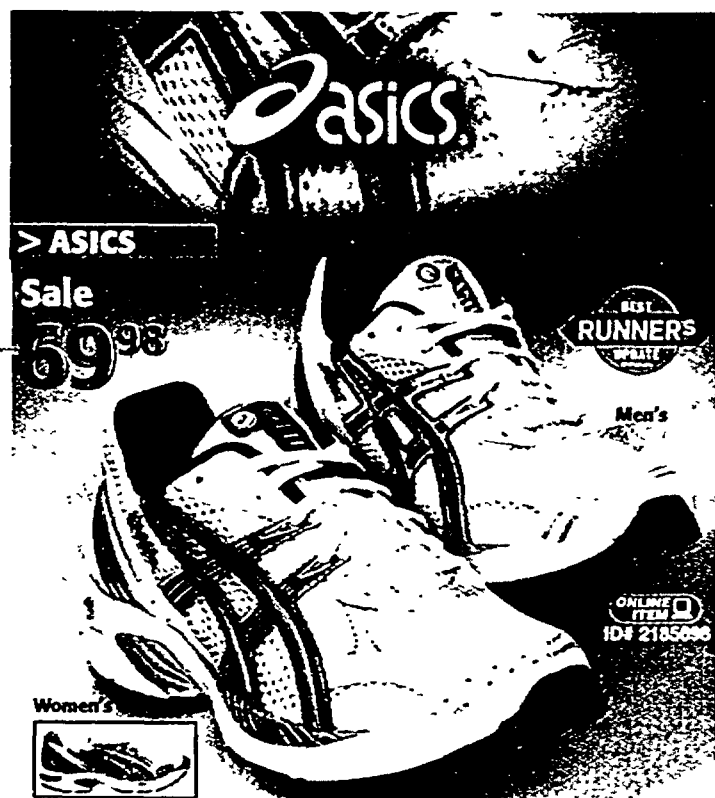
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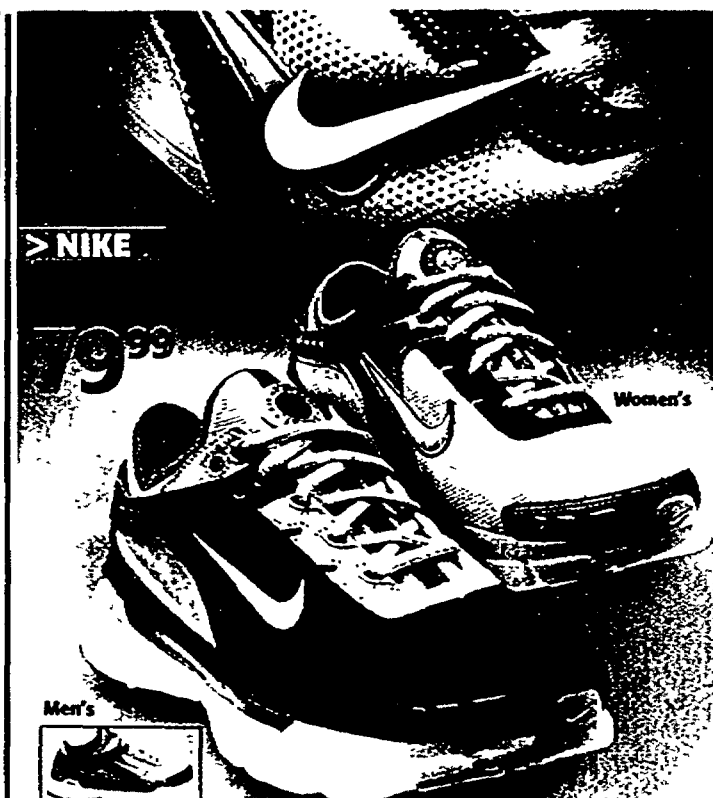
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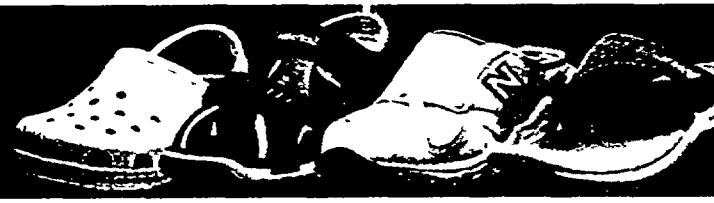
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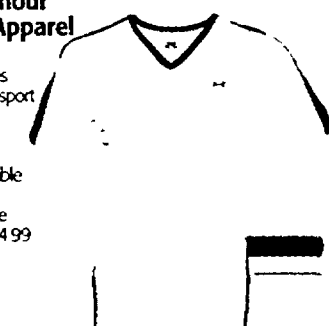
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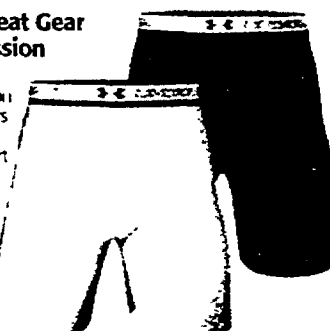
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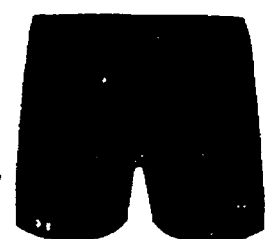
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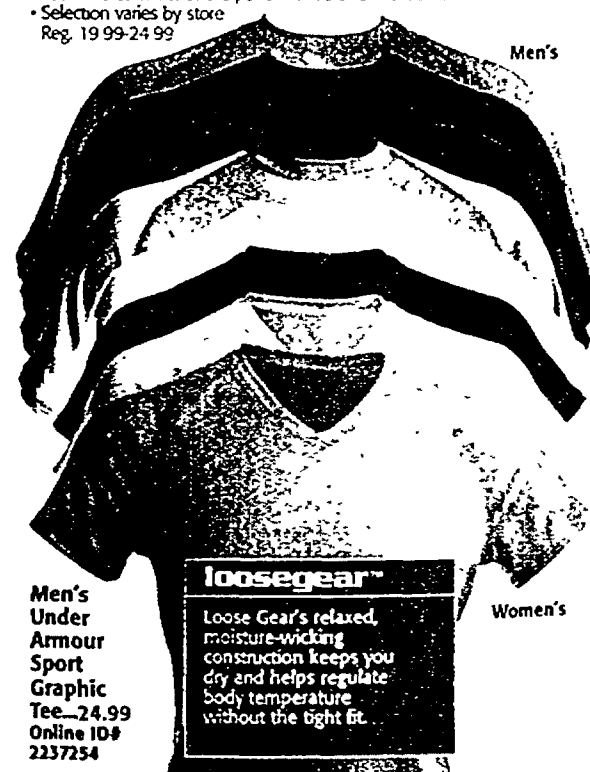
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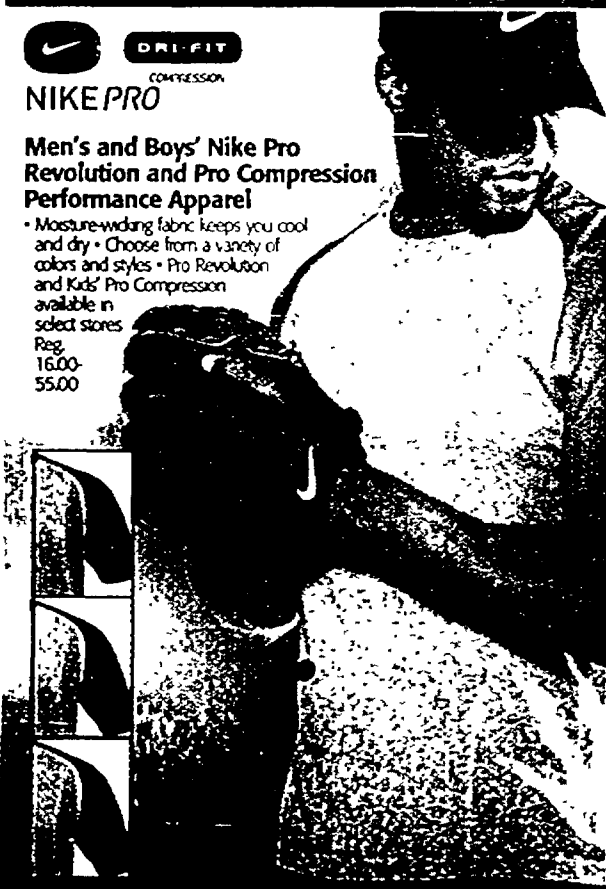
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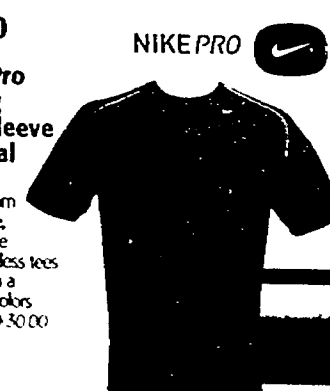
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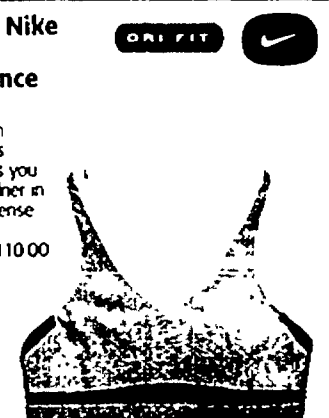
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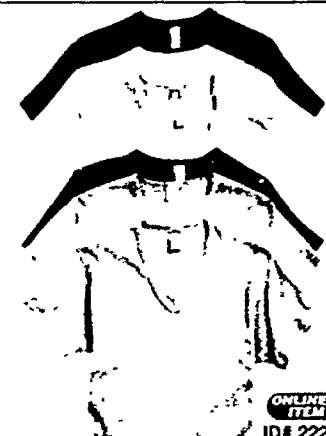
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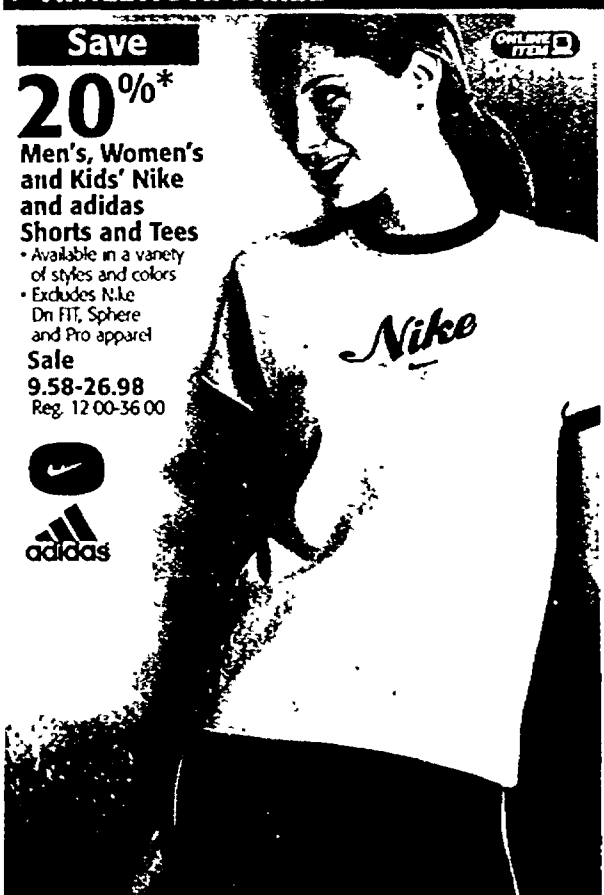
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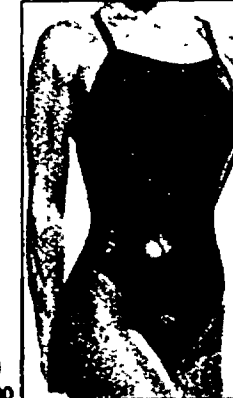
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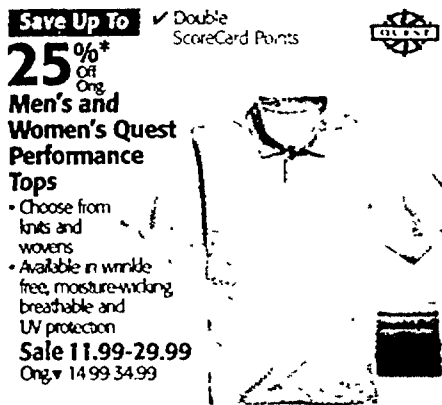
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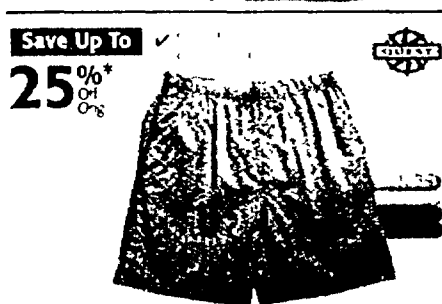


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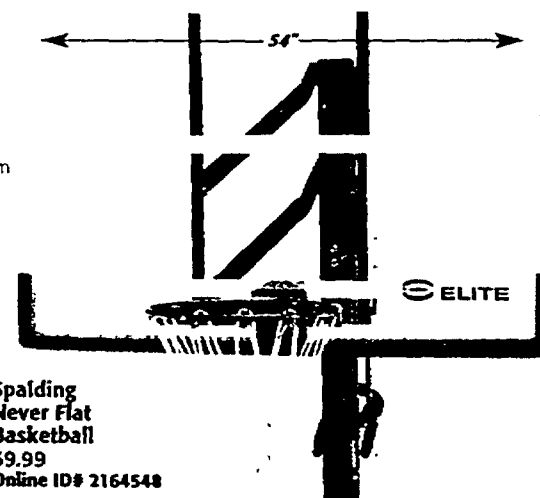
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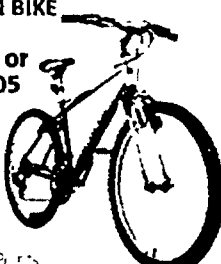
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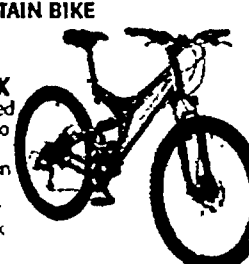
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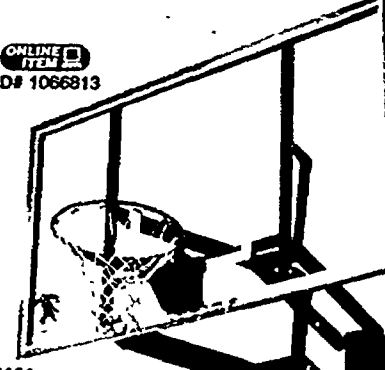
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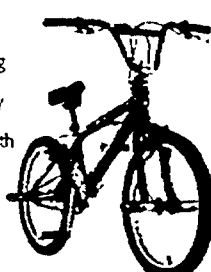
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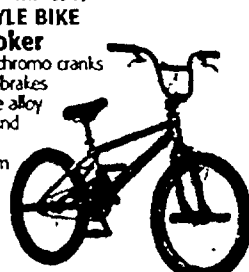
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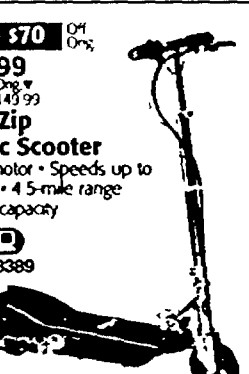
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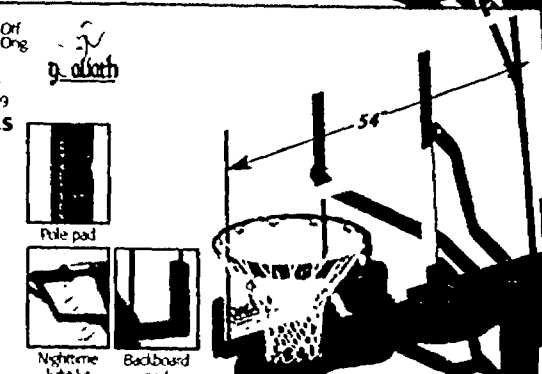


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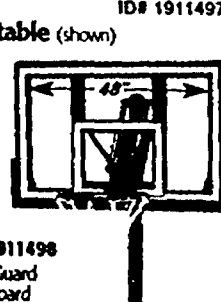


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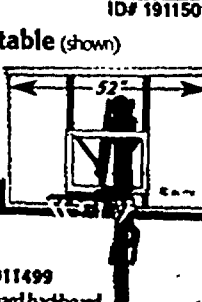


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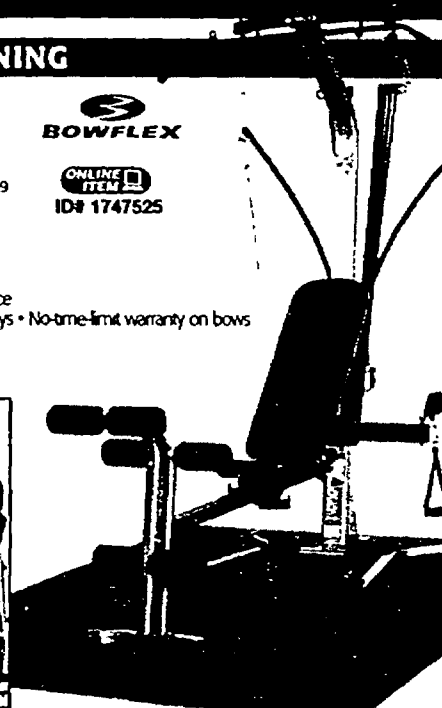
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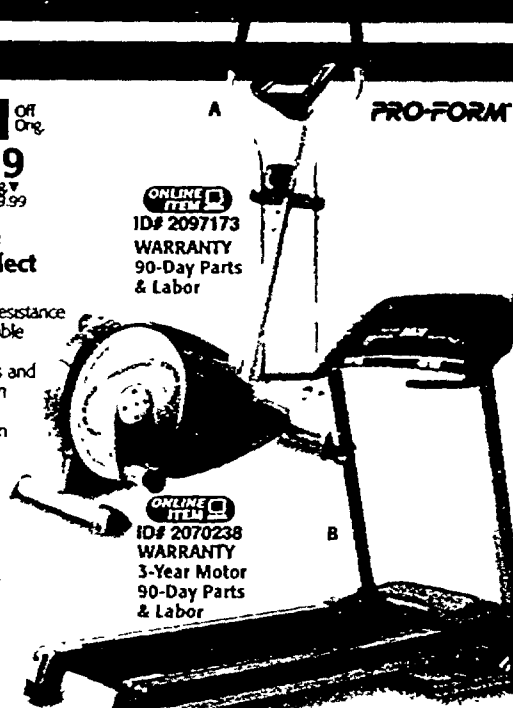
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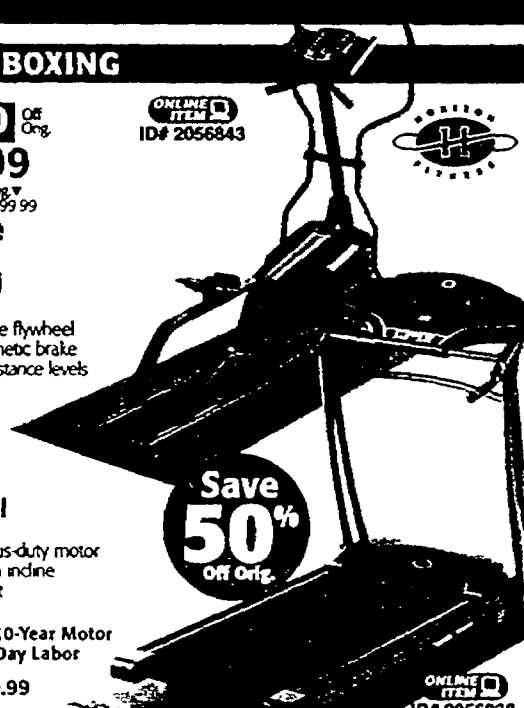
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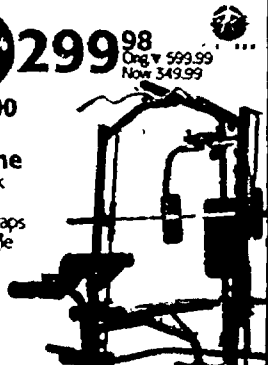


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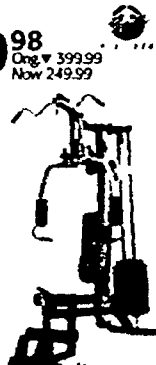
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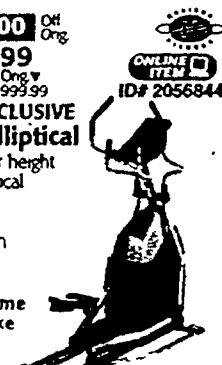


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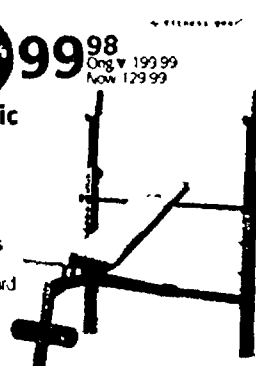
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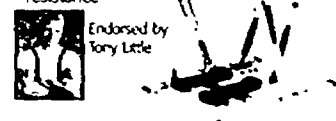
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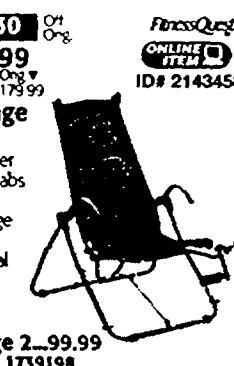


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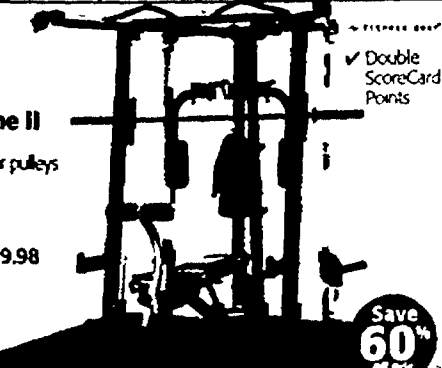
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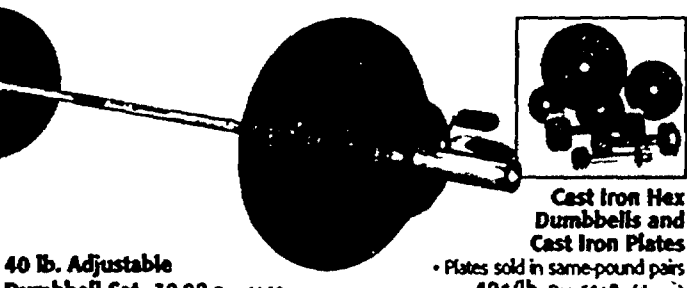
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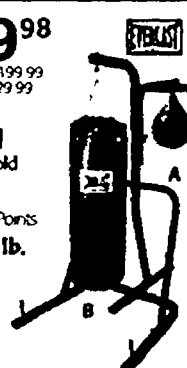
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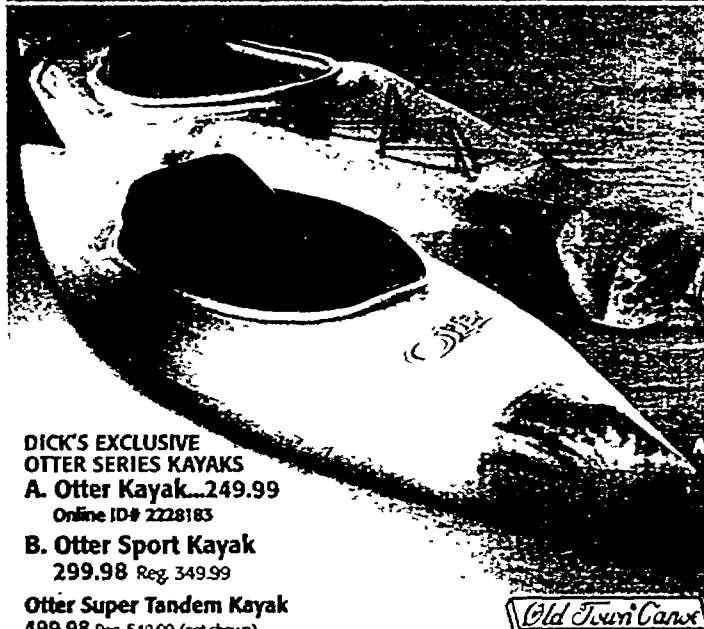
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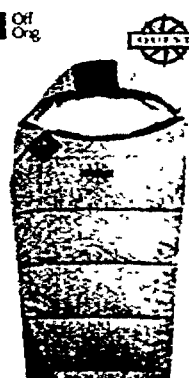


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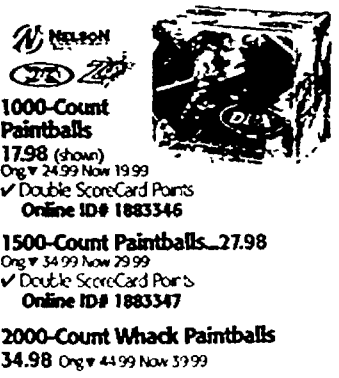
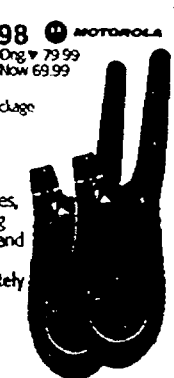
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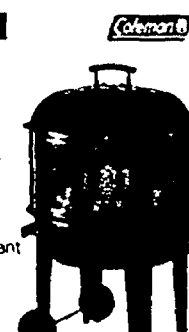
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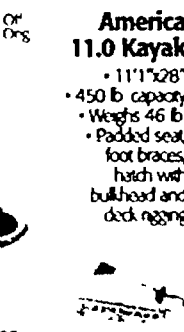
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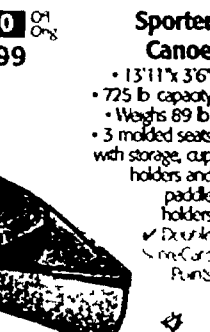
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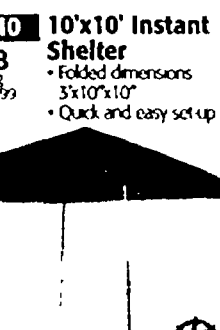
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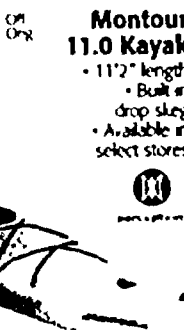
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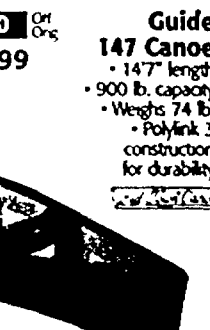
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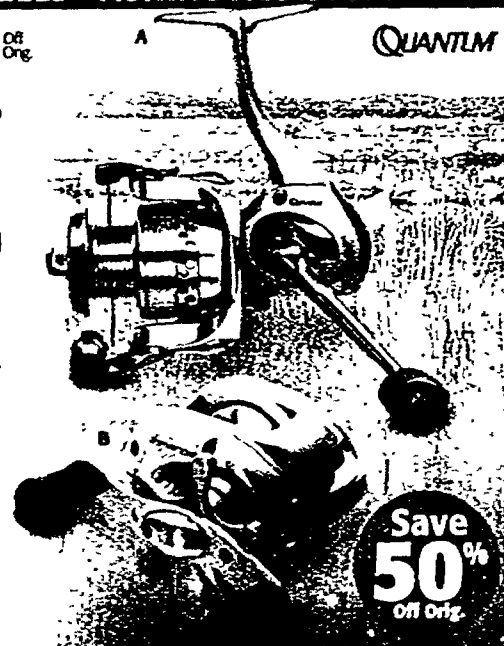
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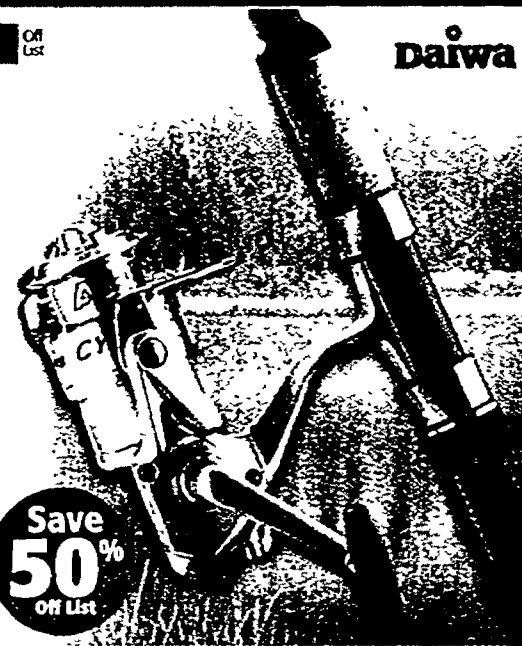
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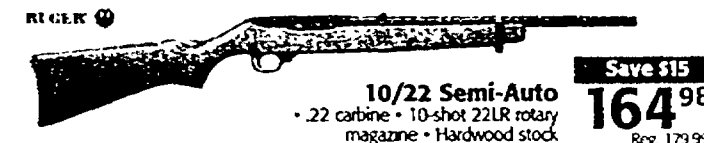
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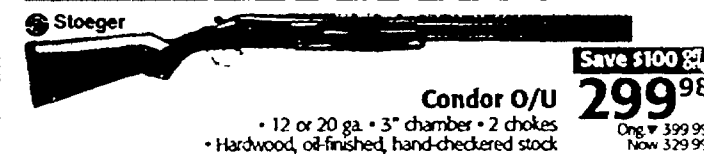
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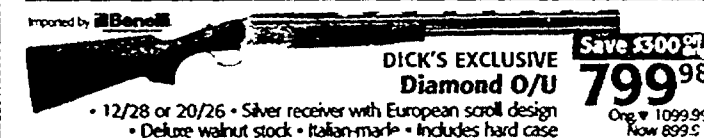
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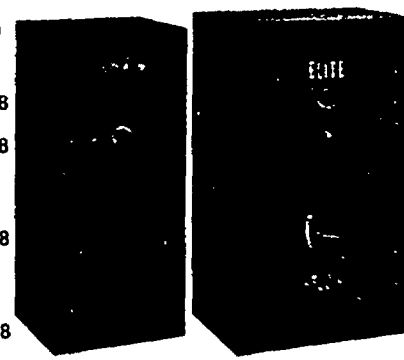
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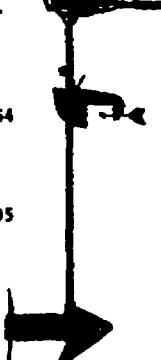
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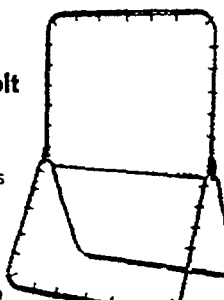
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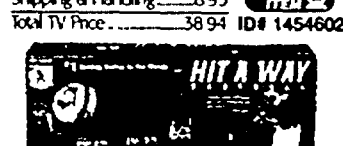


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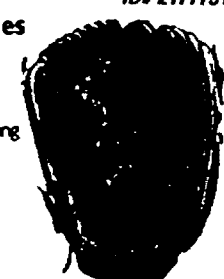
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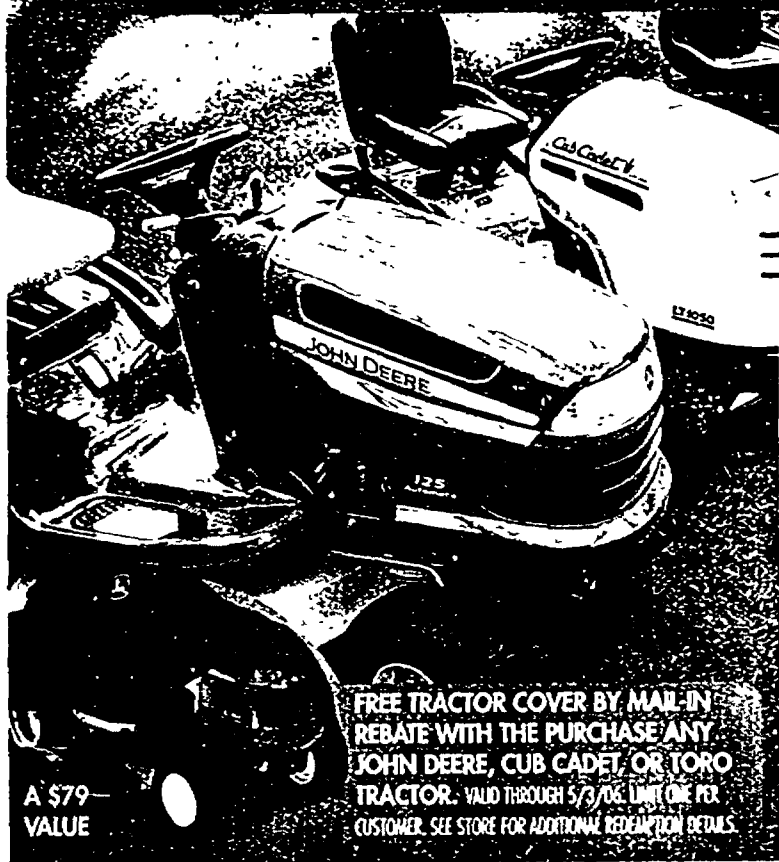
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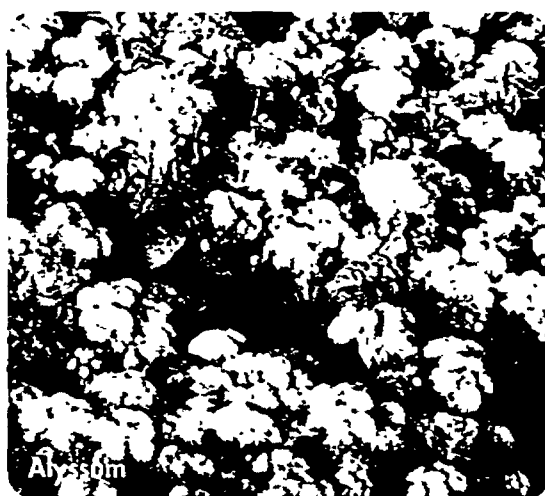
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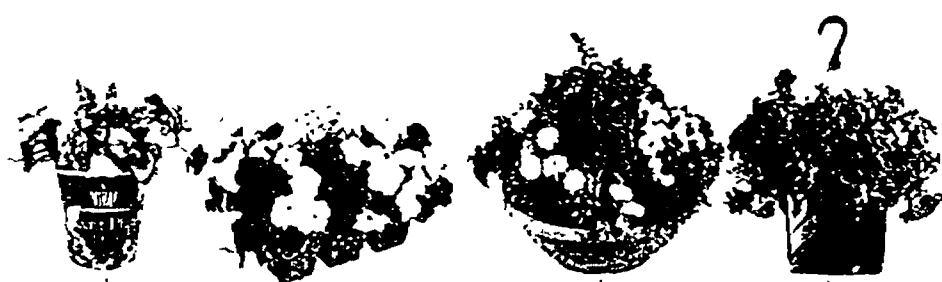
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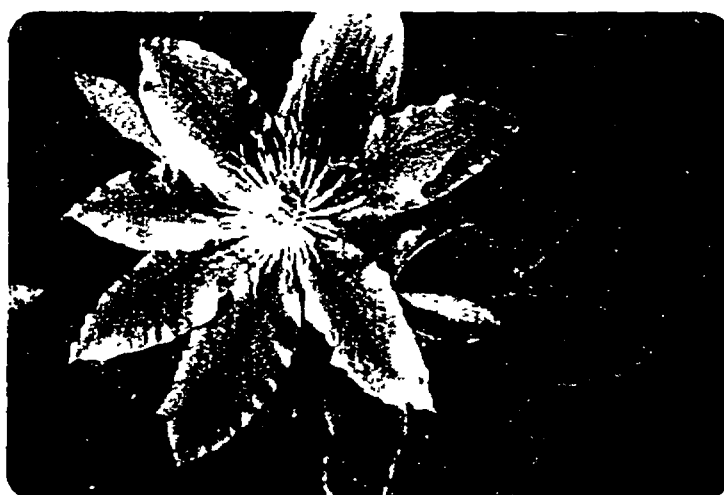
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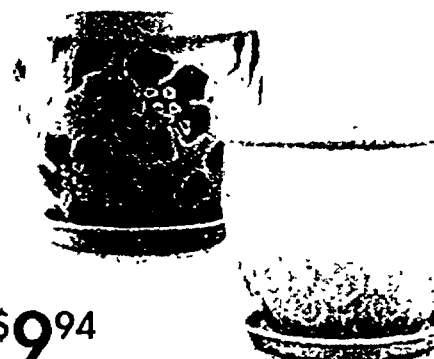


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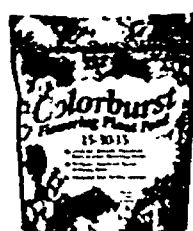
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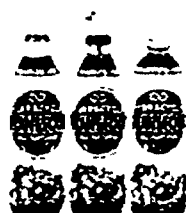
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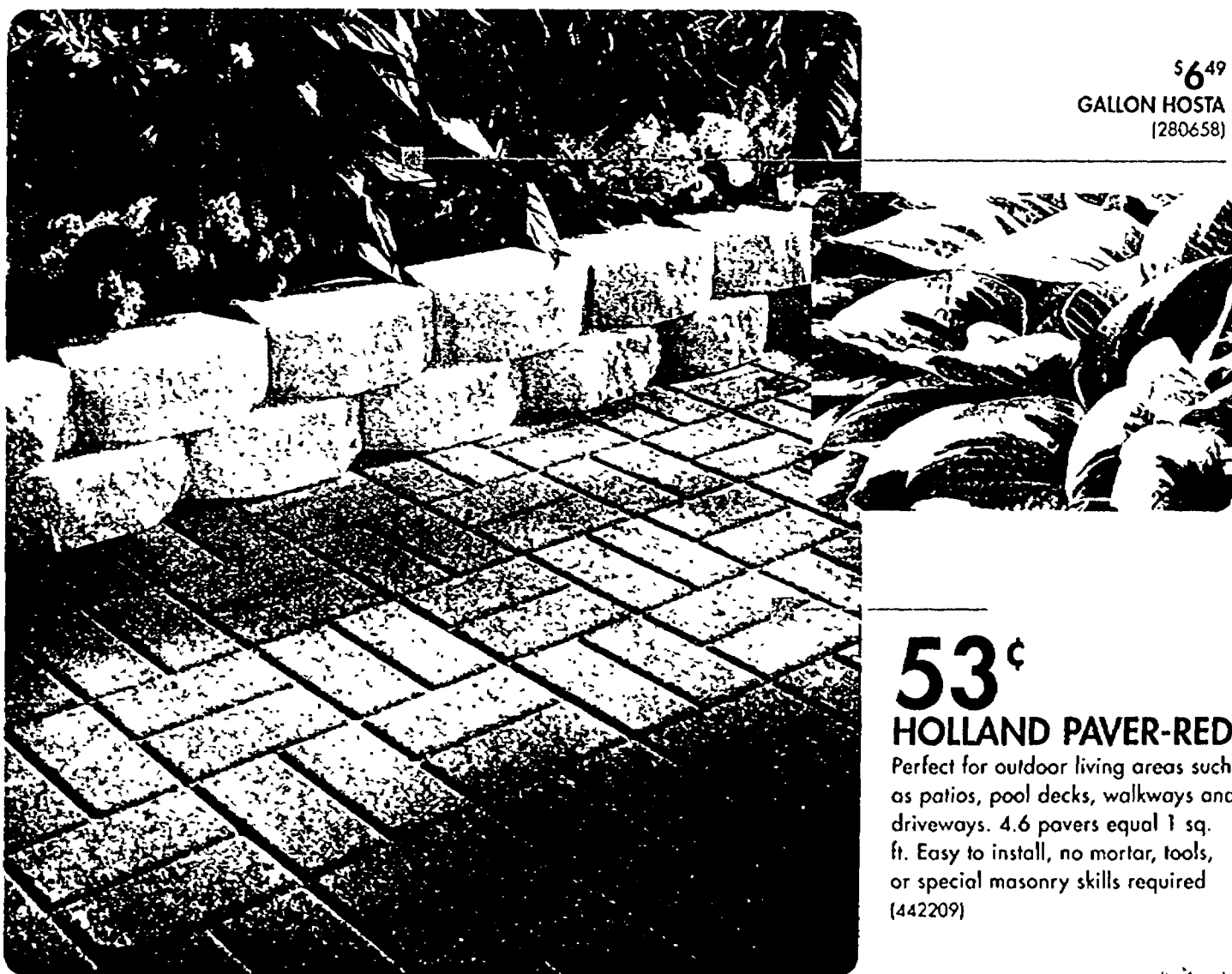
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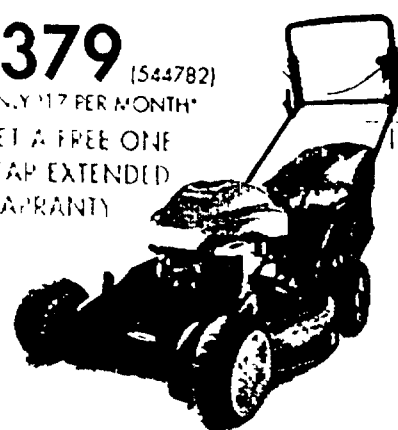
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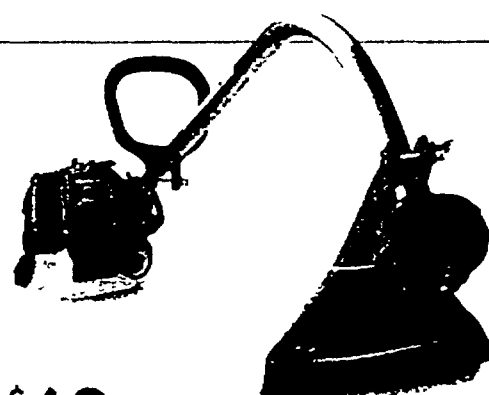
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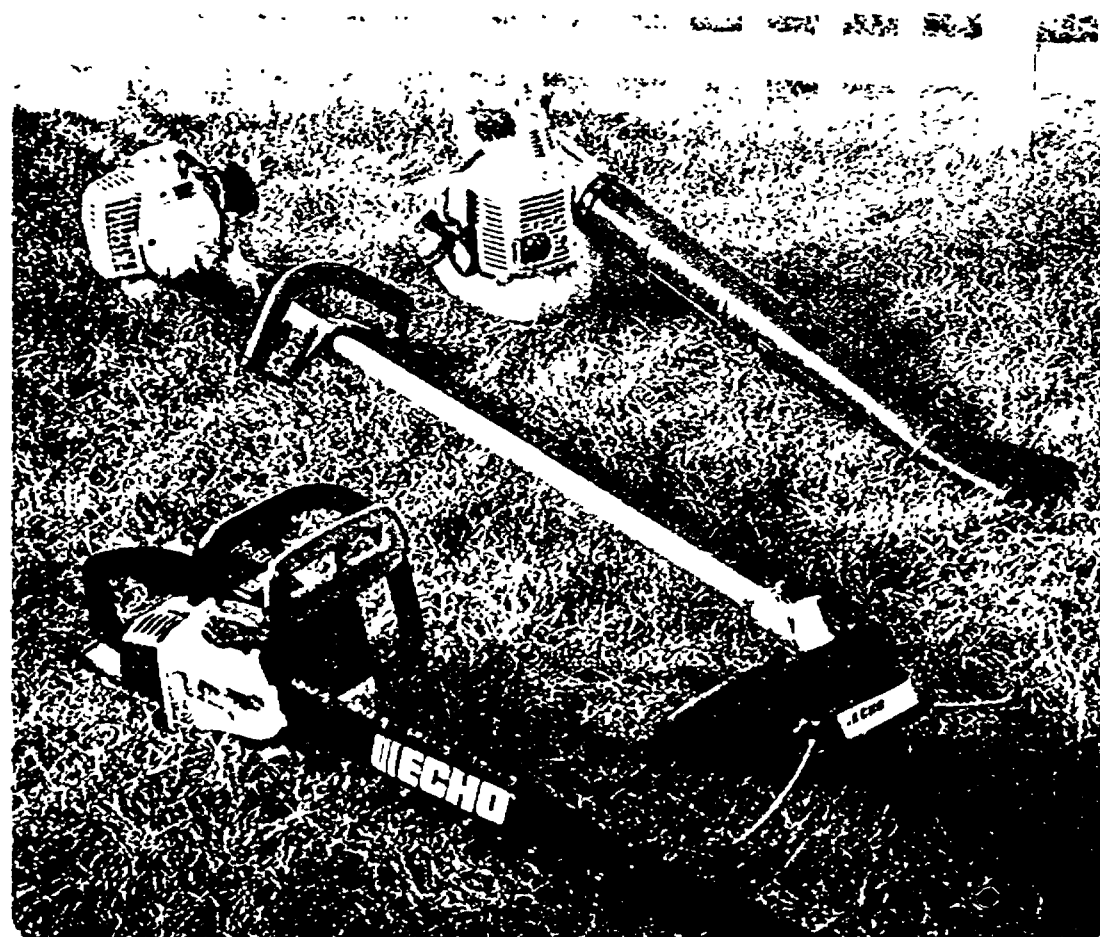


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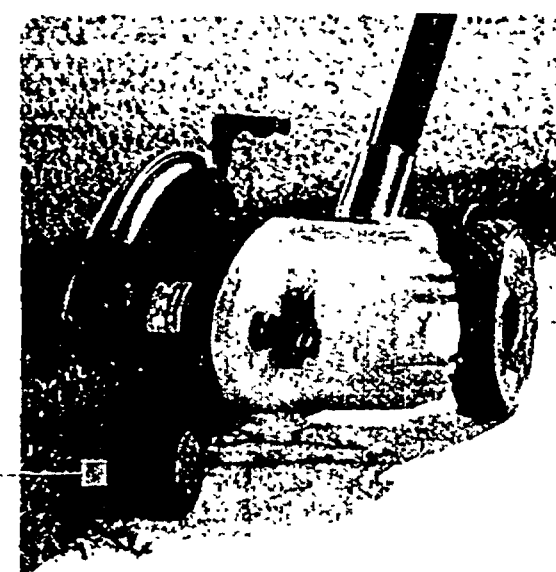
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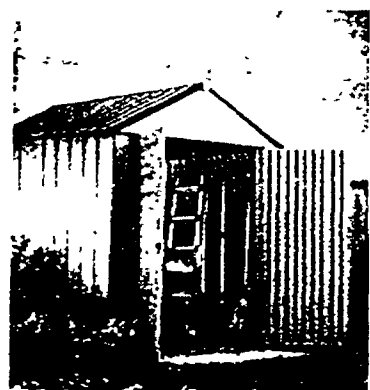
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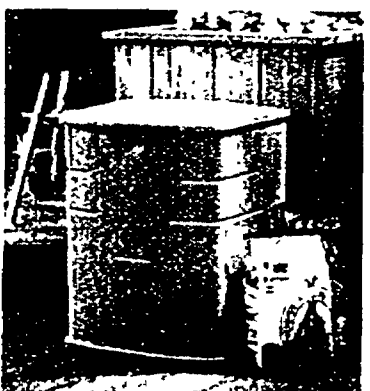
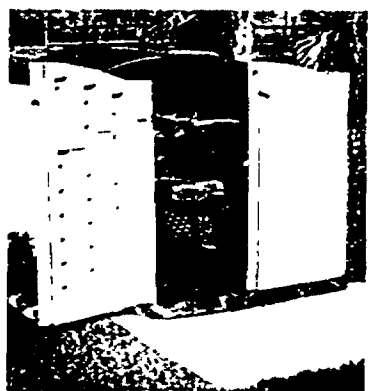
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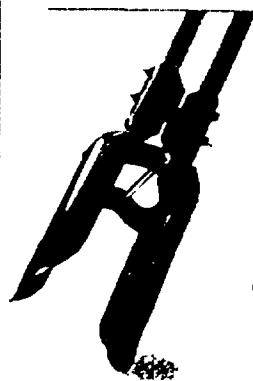
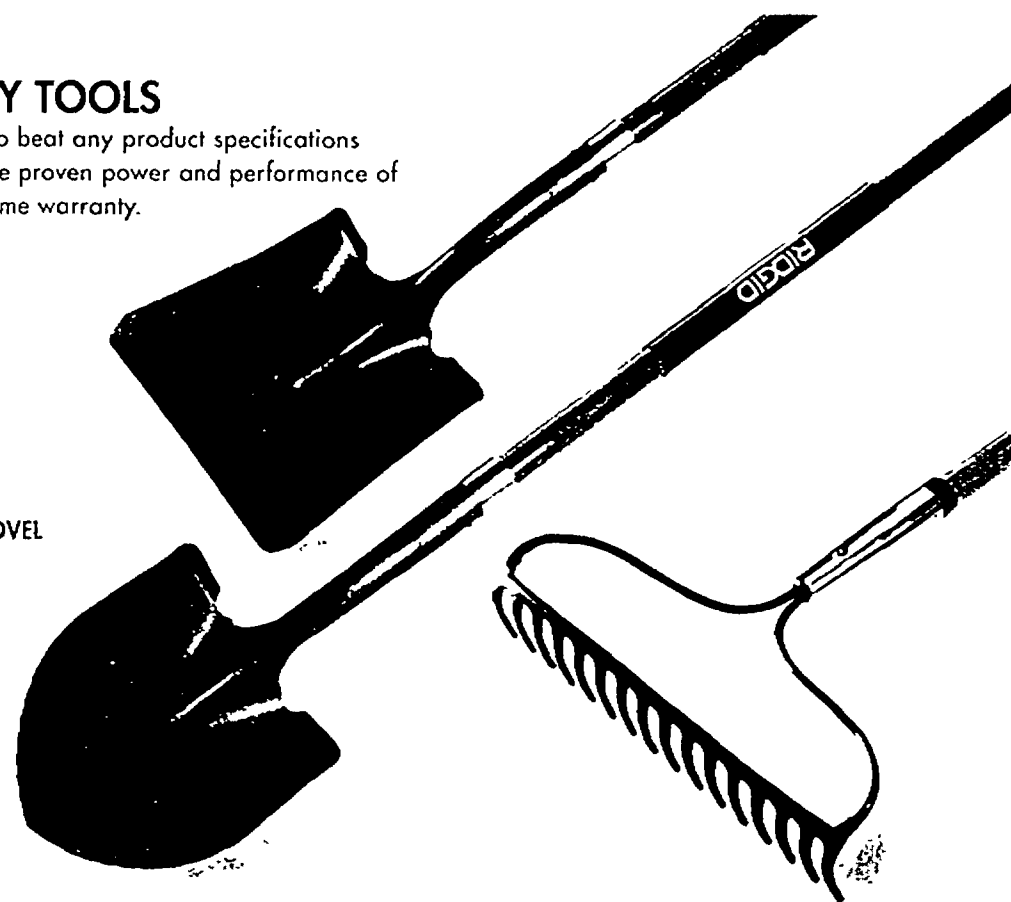
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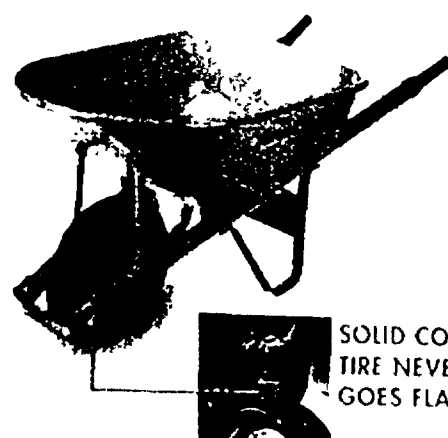
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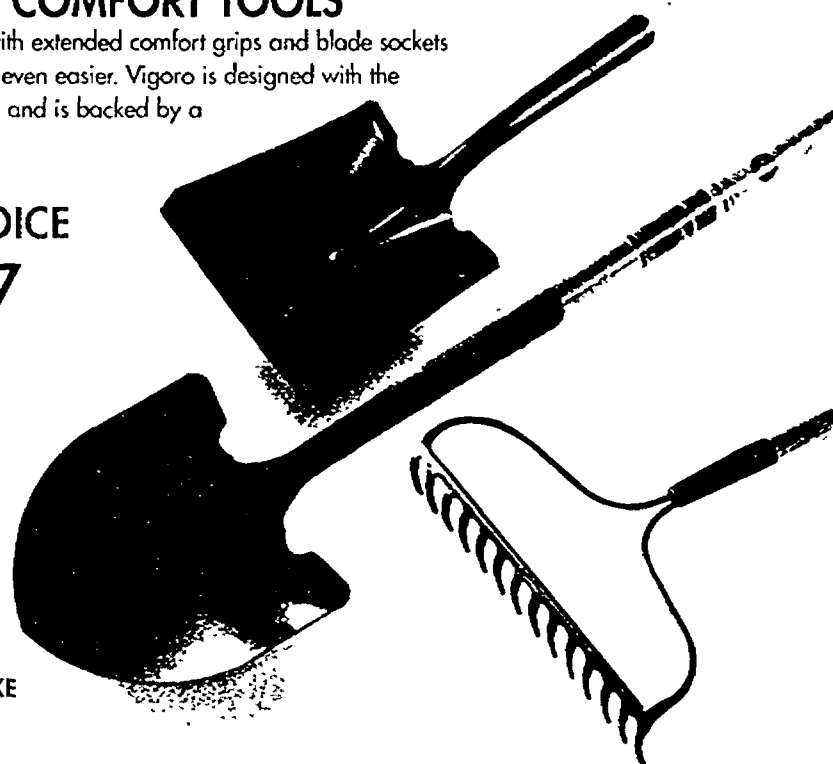
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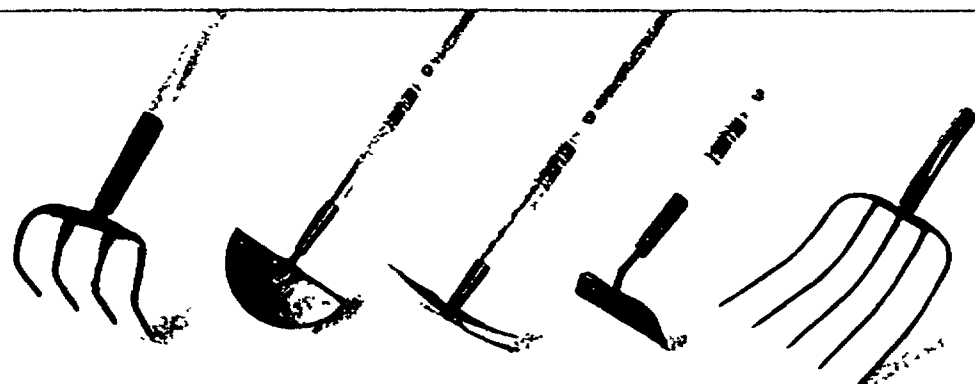
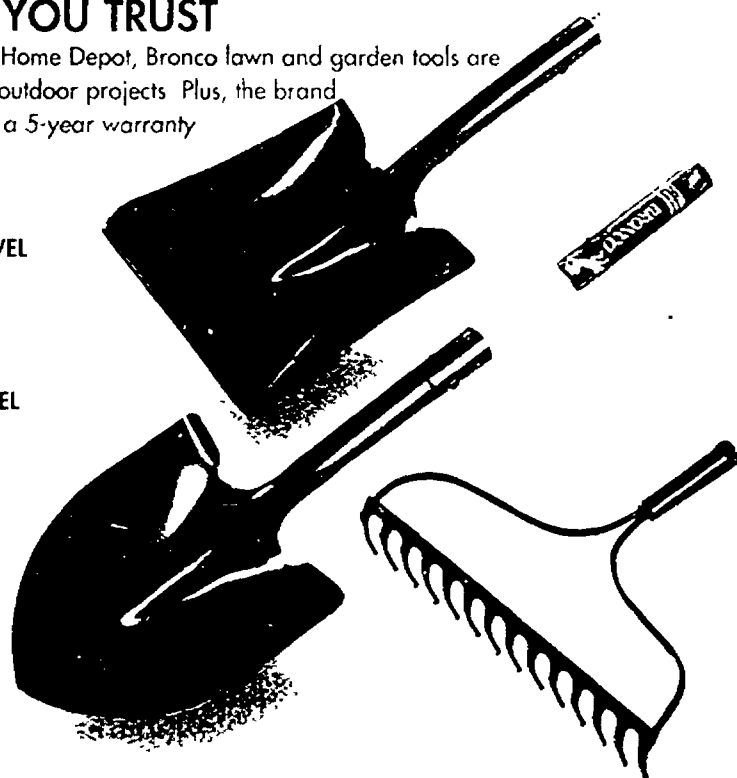
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(765236)

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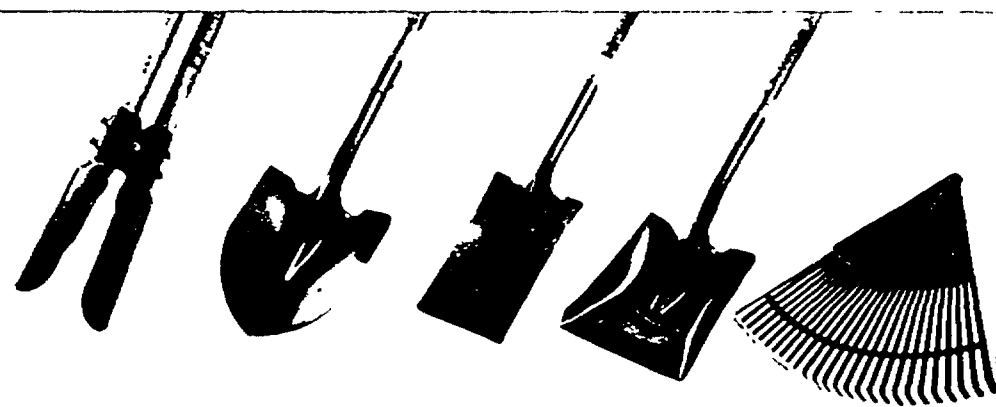
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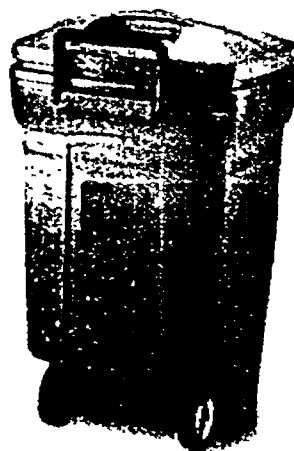


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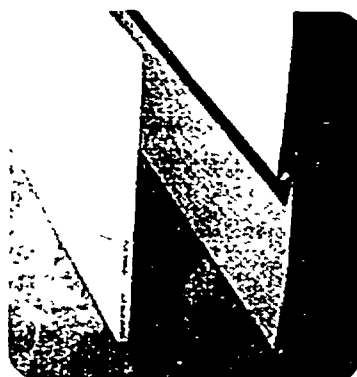


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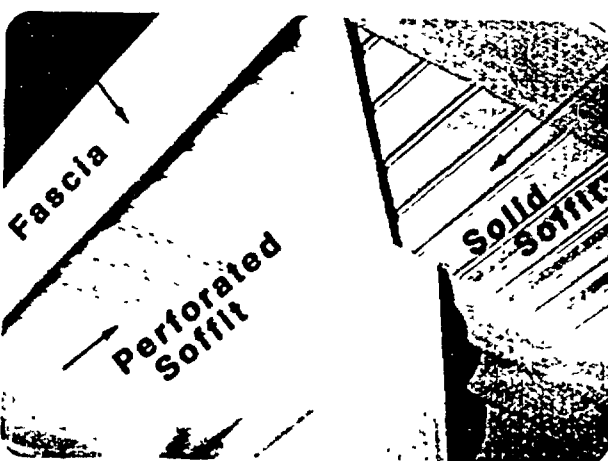
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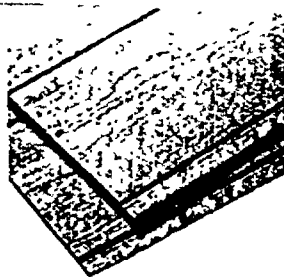
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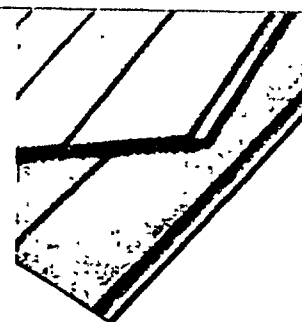
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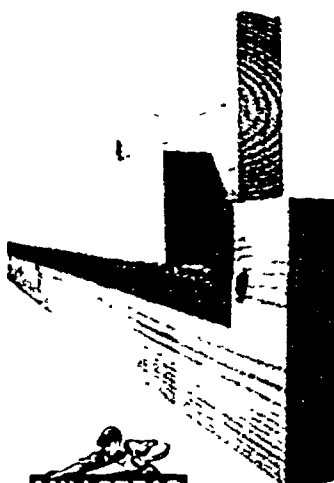


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2"x6"	\$7 ⁹⁷	\$8 ⁹⁷	\$9 ⁹⁷	\$14 ⁹⁷
2"x8"	\$8 ⁹⁷	\$11 ⁹⁷	\$12 ⁹⁷	\$18 ⁹⁷

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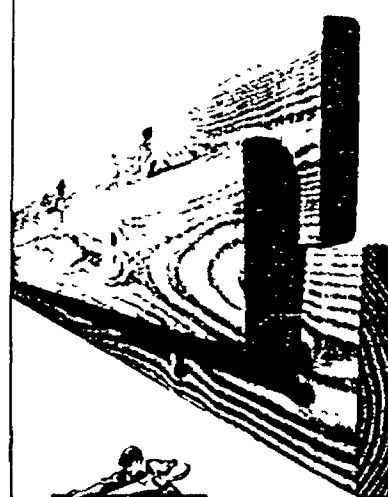


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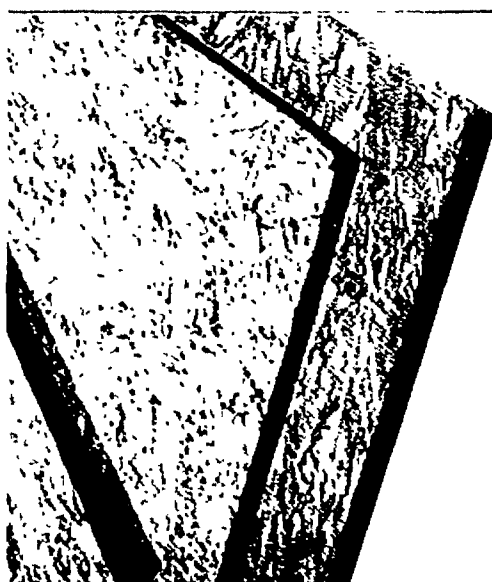
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1"x6"	\$3 ⁶⁵	\$4 ⁷⁹	\$5 ⁹⁷	\$6 ⁹⁷

PONDEROSA PINE

SIZE	6'	8'	10'	12'
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1"x10"	\$6 ⁹⁸	\$9 ²⁵	\$10 ⁸⁸	\$13 ⁴⁹
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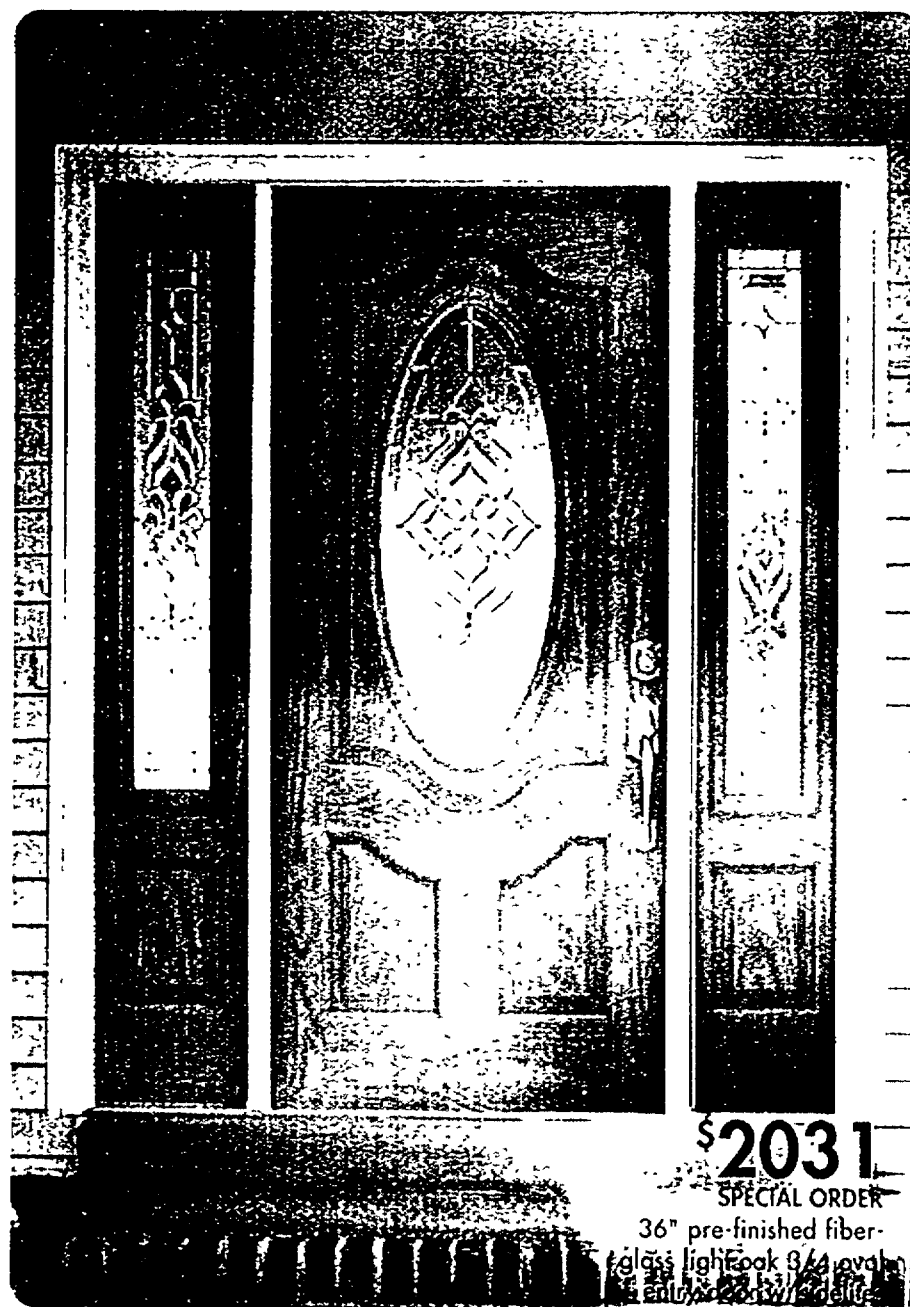
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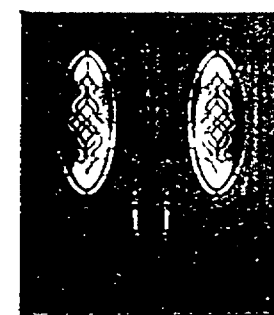


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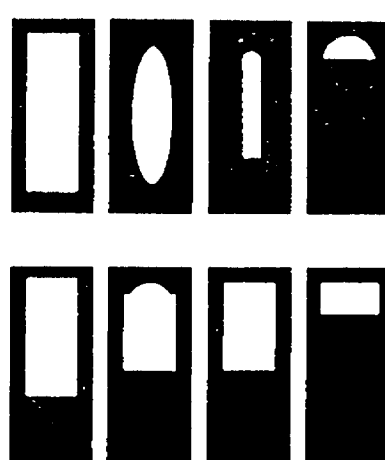
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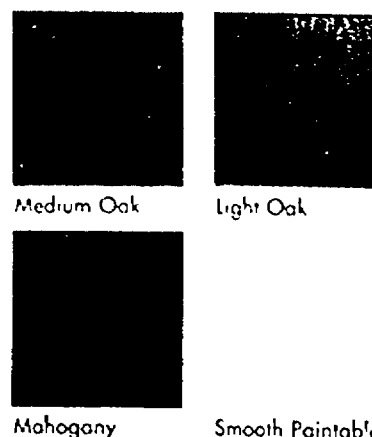
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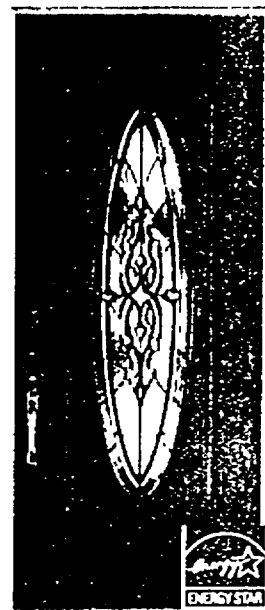
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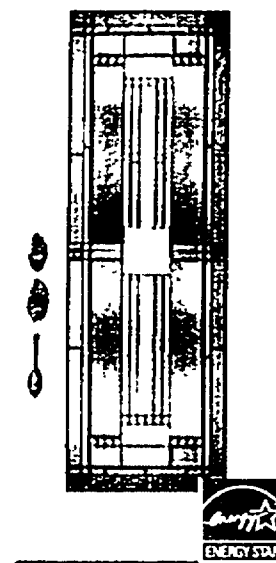
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Non-rot bottom jamb.
Foam compression
weatherstripping
seals out drafts.
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Feather River Door Company

\$429

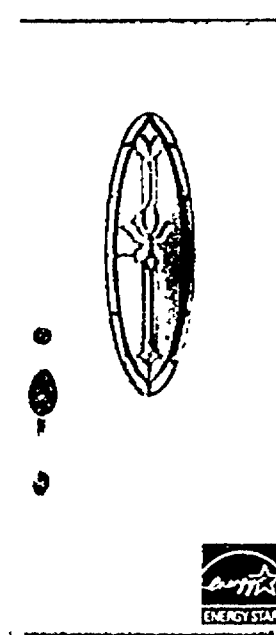
36" PRE-FINISHED
FIBERGLASS
CENTER ARCH
ENTRY DOOR
Limited lifetime
warranty. Medium
Oak finish. Impact
resistant Lakewood®
decorative glass
with brass caming
[459650][460065]



Feather River Door Company

\$349

36" PRE-FINISHED
FIBERGLASS
FAN LITE
ENTRY DOOR
Limited lifetime
warranty. Light Oak
finish. Lakewood®
decorative glass
features brass caming.
[459715][460278]



Feather River Door Company

\$299

36" SMOOTH
FIBERGLASS
3/4 OVAL
ENTRY DOOR
Impact resistant
Medina® decorative
glass with brass
caming. Non-rot
bottom jamb.
Foam compression
weatherstripping
seals out drafts.
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Feather River Door Company

\$249

36" SMOOTH
FIBERGLASS
FAN LITE
ENTRY DOOR
Limited lifetime
warranty. Impact
resistant Medina®
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with zinc caming
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SPECIAL ORDER: THOUSANDS OF OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM



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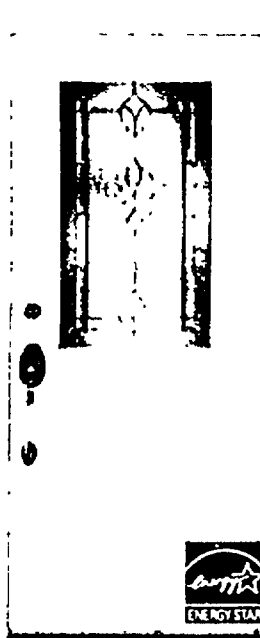
SPECIAL ORDER
36" PRE-FINISHED
FIBERGLASS MEDIUM OAK
ROUNDTOP FULL LITE
ENTRY DOOR
Silverdale® Collection
is Feather River's highest
end, luxury glass collec-
tion. It is majestically
and richly designed with
Bronze Reflective Beveled
Glass in the Center, back-
dropped by Pale Gray
Textured Glass. [466291]



Feather River Door Company

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SPECIAL ORDER
36" PRE-FINISHED
FIBERGLASS LIGHT OAK
3/4 LITE ENTRY DOOR
Lakewood® Collection
is Feather River's high
end, elegant glass
collection. The true
beauty of the Clear
Bevel design is sur-
rounded by Glue Chip
and Granite Glass.
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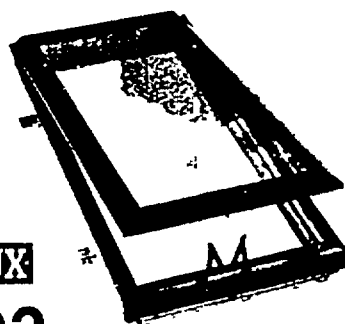
SPECIAL ORDER
36" SMOOTH
FIBERGLASS HALF LITE
ENTRY DOOR
Medina® Collection is
Feather River's simple
but elegant creation,
reflective of the lotus
flower. Affordable and
distinct, it is made up
of two types of glass,
primarily consisting of
Glue Chip glass.
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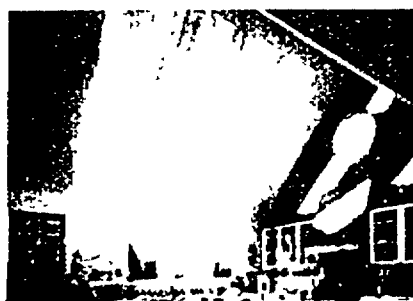


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SIZE	SKU	PRICE
24" x 46"	(200703)	\$101 ⁷⁰
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28" x 54"	(241555)	\$108
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3046	(471073)	\$279

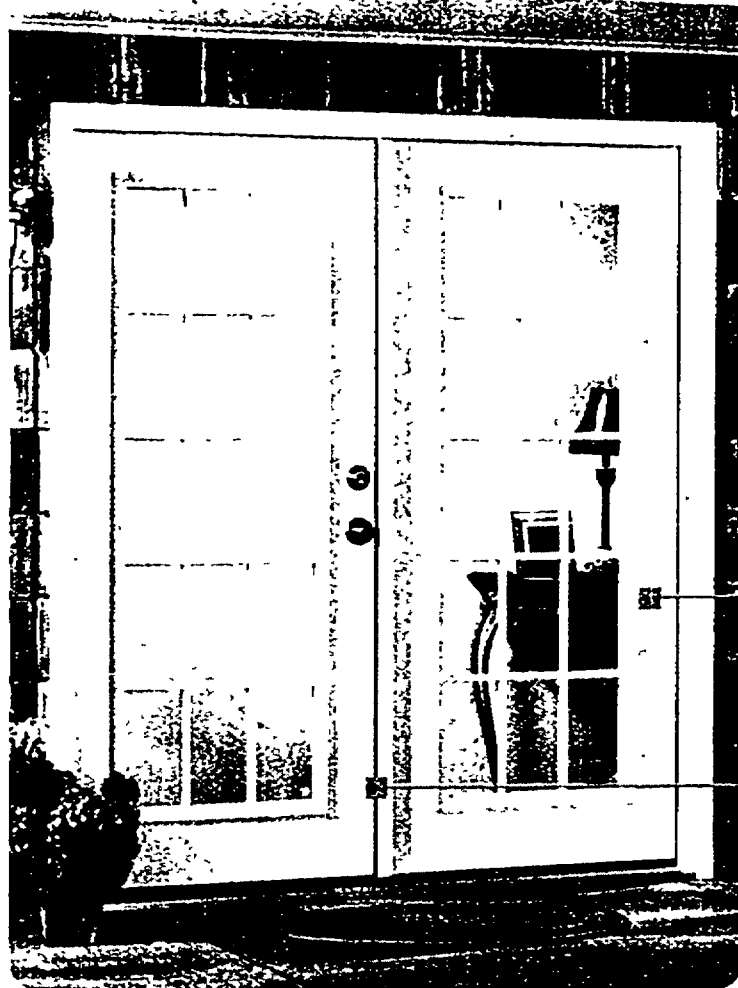


\$7740 American Craftsman Windows

SERIES 2800 VINYL SLIDING WINDOW WITH LOW-E GLASS

Sash is removable from the inside. Screen is included. Lifetime warranty. 2020 (827878)

SIZE	SKU	PRICE
3020	(828104)	\$87 ³⁰
3030	(828105)	\$102 ⁶⁰
4040	(828145)	\$129 ⁶⁰



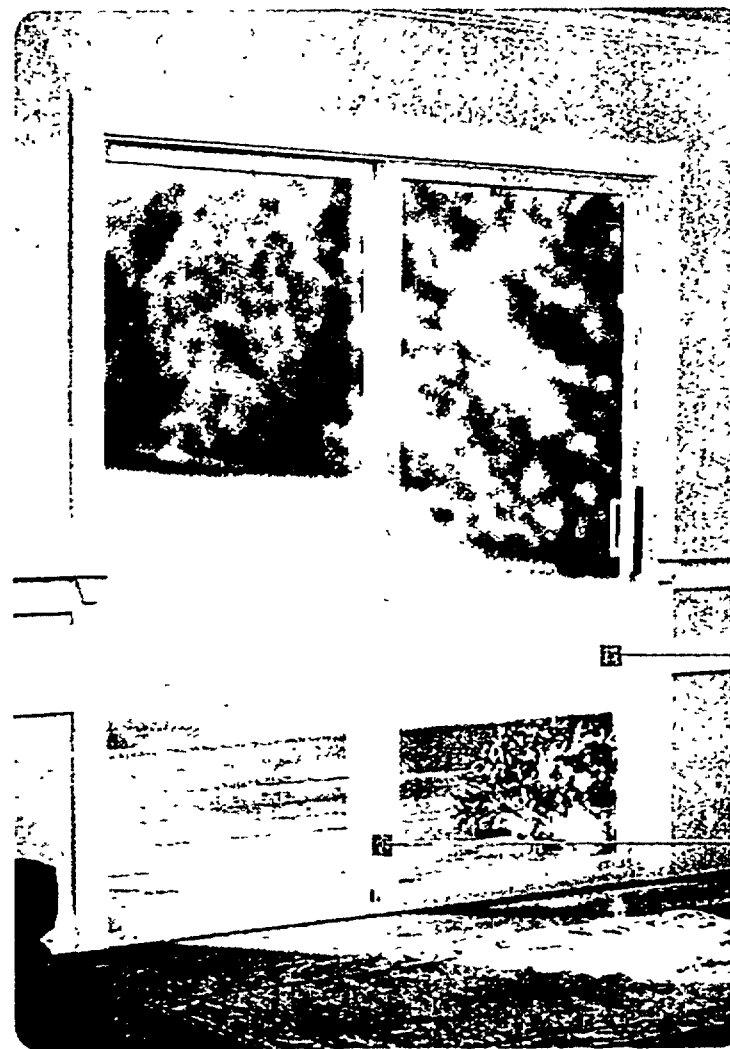
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\$299 6' 15-LITE STEEL FRENCH PATIO DOOR

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(522193)

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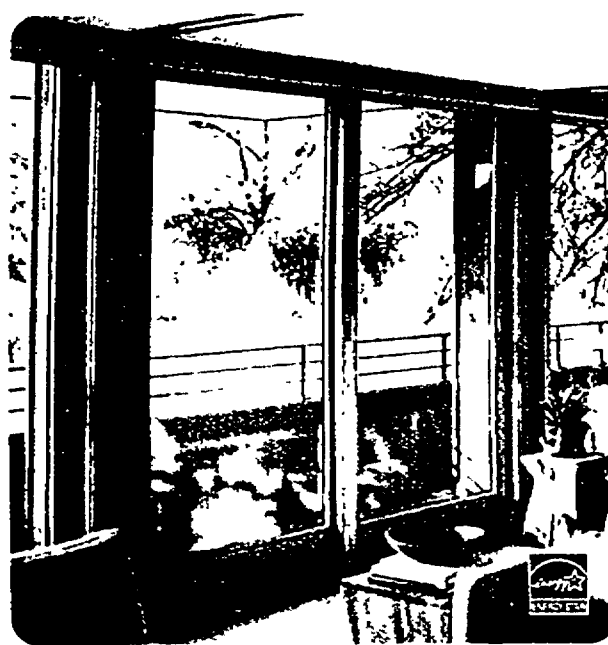
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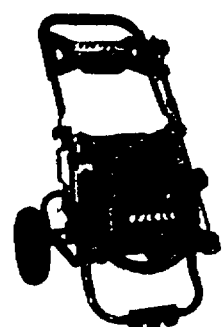


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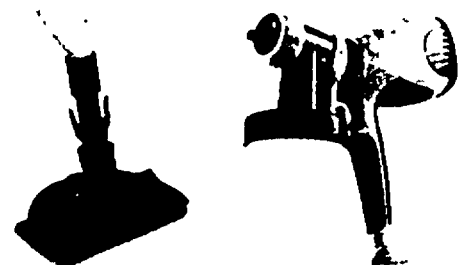


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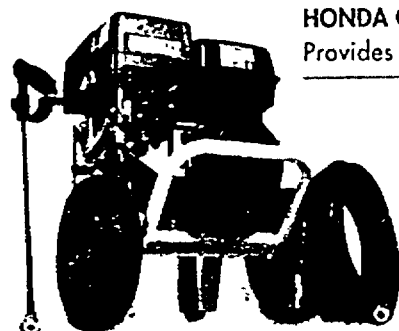
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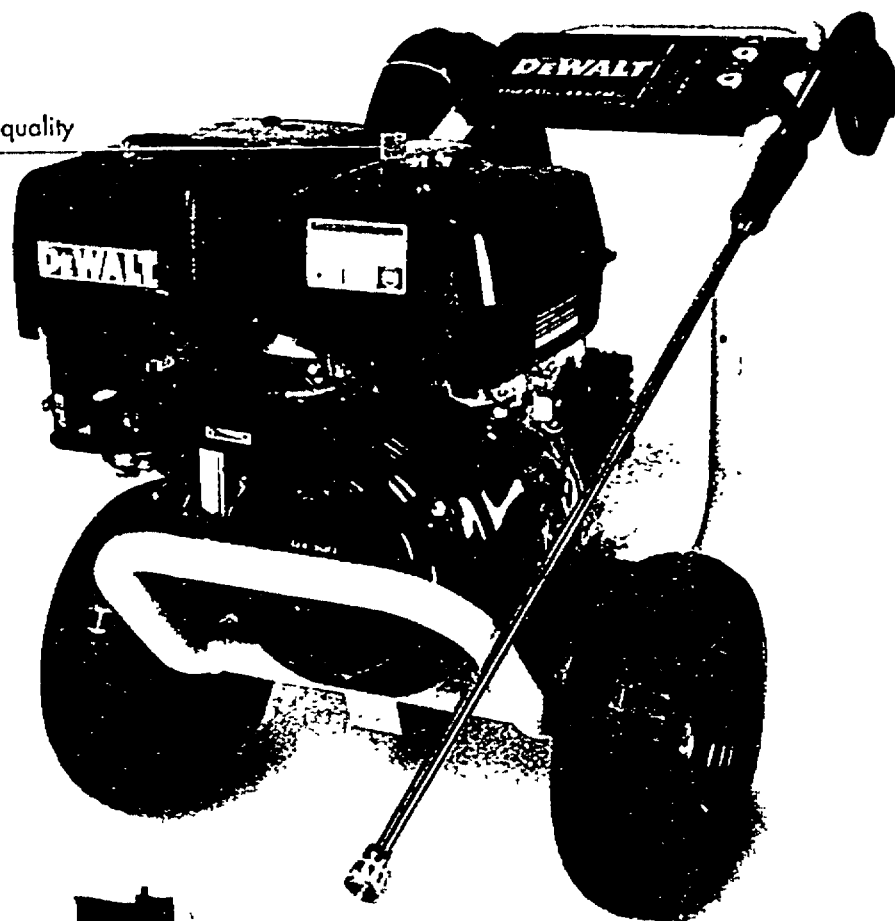


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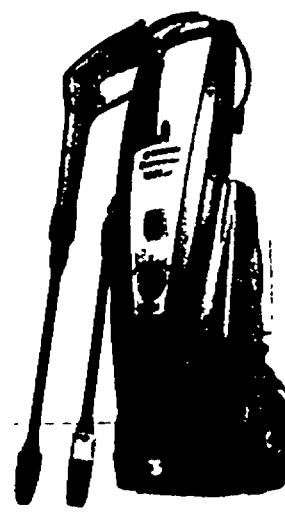
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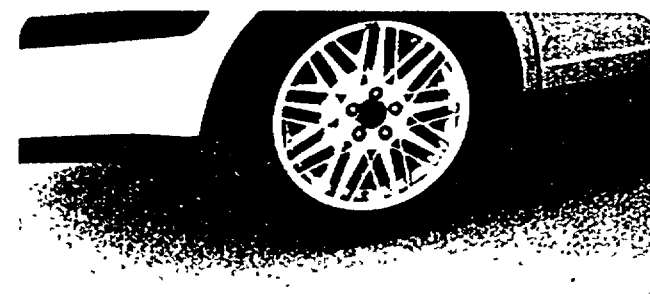


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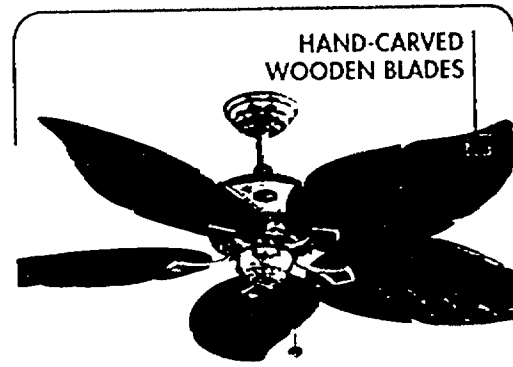
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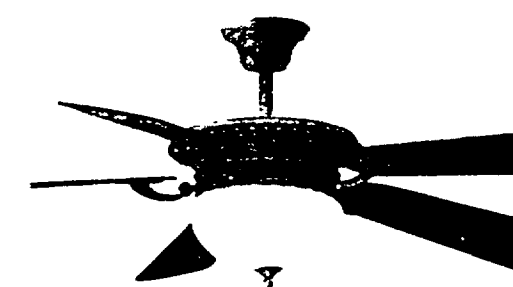
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SAVE '39" HAMPTON BAY®
56" ANTIGUA™ (278753)



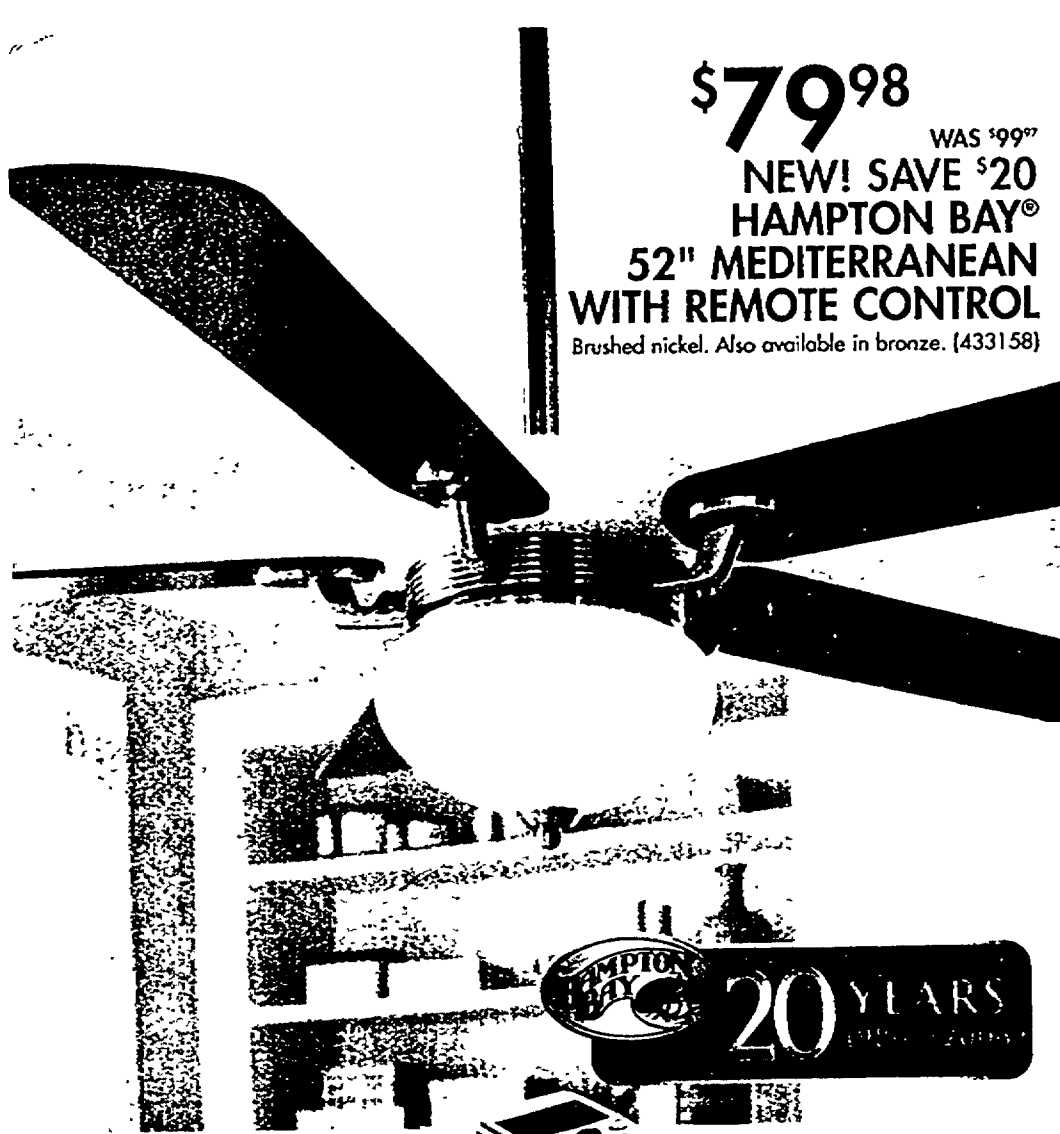
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SAVE '35" HUNTER®
52" WEST INDIES™ (517783)



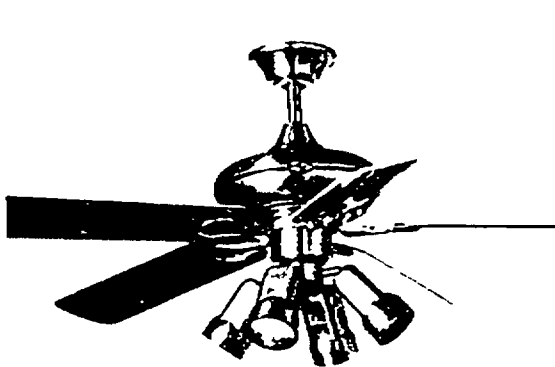
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SAVE '33" HAMPTON BAY®
52" ROMANESQUE
WITH REMOTE CONTROL
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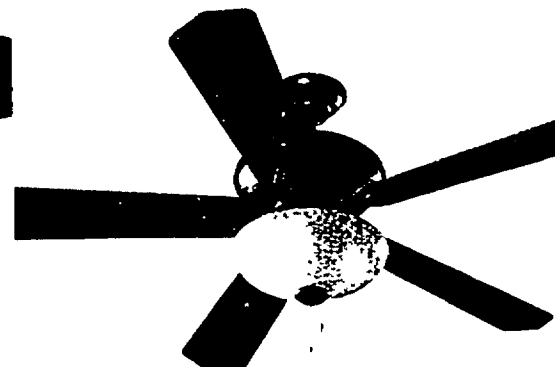
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52" TAHITI BREEZE™
(344476)



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WITH REMOTE CONTROL
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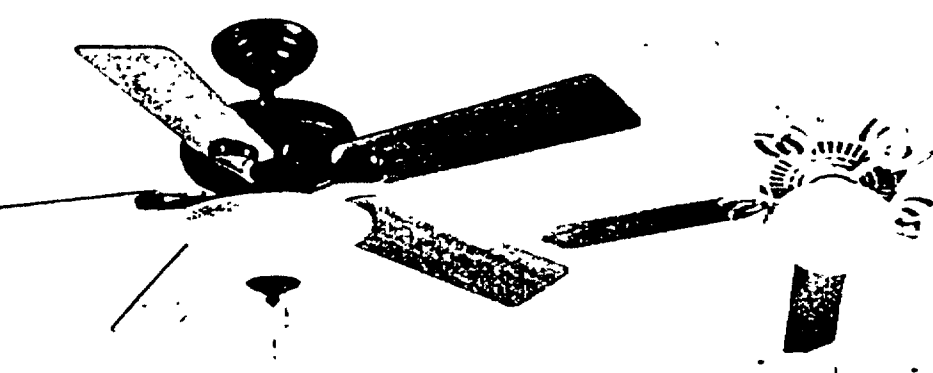


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SAVE '20 HAMPTON BAY®
52" REDINGTON III™
WITH REMOTE CONTROL
Also available in white. (523905)



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SAVE '23" HUNTER®
52" STRATFORD II™
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brushed nickel (517845)



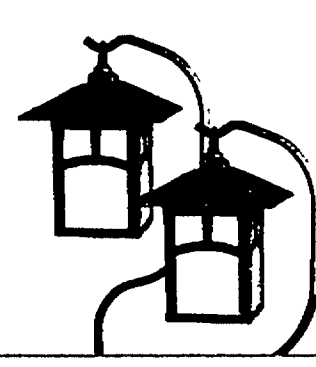
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SAVE '14 HAMPTON BAY®
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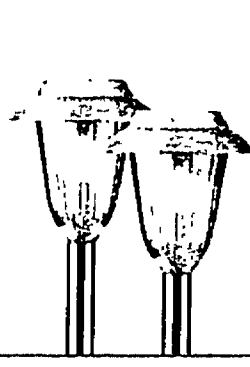
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MAIBU®
SOLAR POST TOP LIGHT
Solar walk light in
antique copper finish.
(506516)



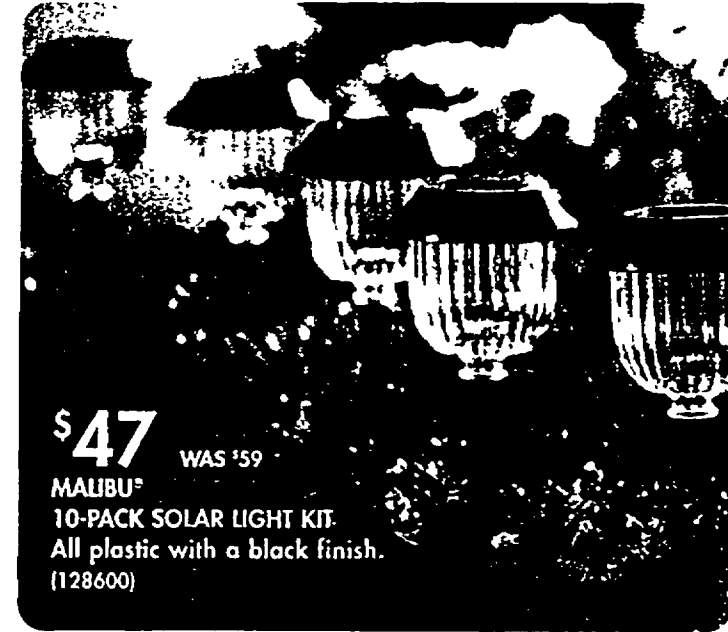
\$39 WAS '49
MAIBU® 2-PACK SOLAR
MISSION LIGHT
Metal construction with
an aged bronze finish.
White LED. (127850)



\$15⁹⁷ WAS '19"
HAMPTON BAY®
2-PACK SOLAR TIER
Stainless steel.
(116988)



\$15⁹⁷ WAS '19"
HAMPTON BAY®
DECK POST SOLAR LIGHT
Plastic construction with
bronze finish. Can also be
used as a wall mount.
(832679)



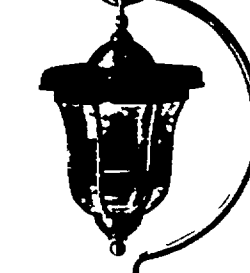
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MAIBU®
10-PACK SOLAR LIGHT KIT.
All plastic with a black finish.
(128600)



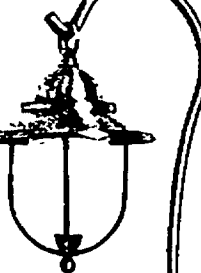
\$718 WAS '8"
MAIBU®
HALOGEN FLOODLIGHT
Cast metal construction.
Black finish. (545768)



\$14³⁸ WAS '17"
MAIBU® MUSHROOM LIGHT
Solid metal construction in
a verde finish. (486337)



\$15⁹⁷ WAS '19"
MAIBU® CARRIAGE LIGHT
Solid metal construction with
pewter finish (329794)



\$15⁹⁷ WAS '19"
MAIBU®
LANTERN WALKLIGHT
Antique copper-finished
metal. (329992)



\$9⁵⁸ WAS '11"
MAIBU® 3-TIER LIGHT
Metal construction with a
black finish. (400917)



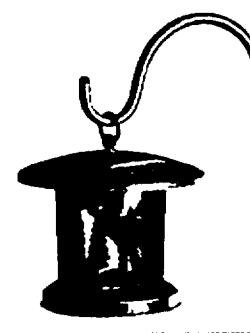
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Aged brass finish with
mission styling. (430048)

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batteries performance. (586038)



\$15⁹⁷ WAS '19"
HAMPTON BAY®
SOLAR SCENIC LANTERN
WITH CANDLEFLAME
Metal construction. Flicker
Flame technology. (833292)



\$30³⁸ WAS '37"
HAMPTON BAY®
2-PACK LANTERNS
Plastic construction with
black finish. Super bright
white LED. (562190)



\$23 WAS '39
MAIBU® 2-PACK SOLAR
WALK LIGHTS
Metal construction with
an earthy brown finish.
(131759)



\$19⁹⁷ WAS '23"
HAMPTON BAY®
2-PACK SOLAR LIGHTS
Solid metal construction with
aluminum finish.
(562257)

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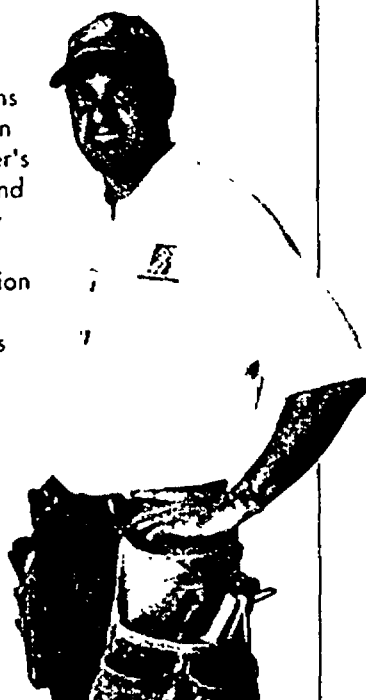
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40 GAL ELECTRIC (487675) **\$209**

40 GAL GAS TALL (182757) **\$269**

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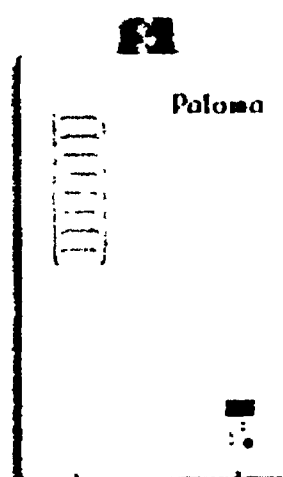
50 GAL GAS TALL (184076) **\$379**

► 12-YEAR WARRANTY GE® SMARTWATER™

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40 GAL ELECTRIC (487868) **\$309**

50 GAL GAS TALL (185191) **\$419**



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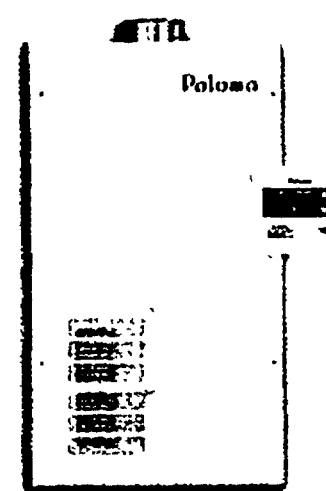
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PALOMA® 199,000 BTU TANKLESS WATER HEATER
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IMPROVING YOUR AIR QUALITY

Breathe easier with our wide selection of quality air filters. Rid your home of allergens and irritants like pollen, plant and mold spores, pet dander, cooking odors, lint, dust, bacteria and smoke.

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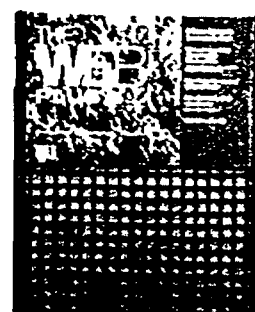
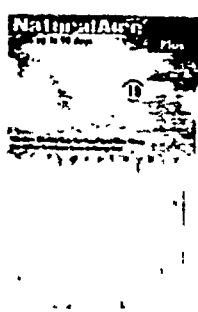
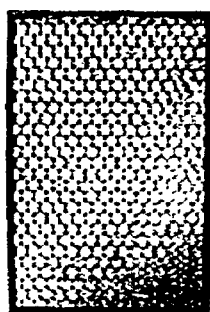
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FIBERGLASS AIR FILTER
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Lasts up to 3 months.
Captures microscopic
allergens. (799487)

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Replaces any existing 4"x10" or
4"x12" floor register.
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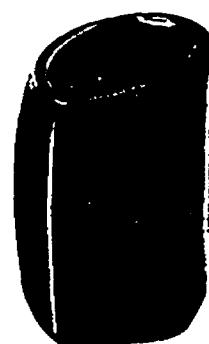
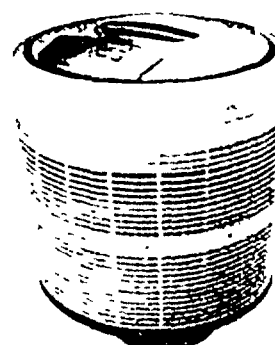
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(485491) **\$7.97**

4"x10" REPLACEMENT FILTER
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99.97% HEPA-type Filter
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common airborne
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HIGH efficiency
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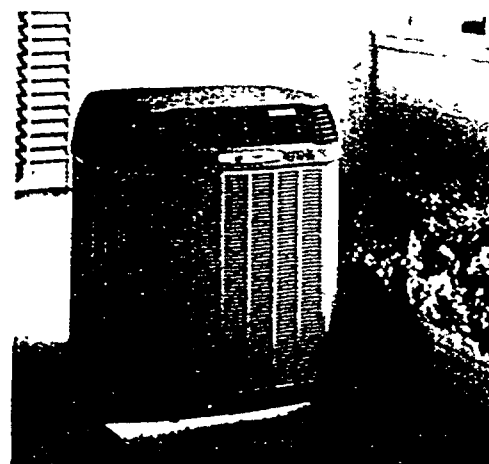
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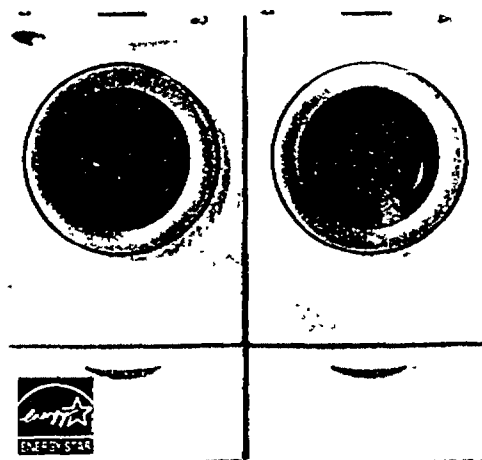
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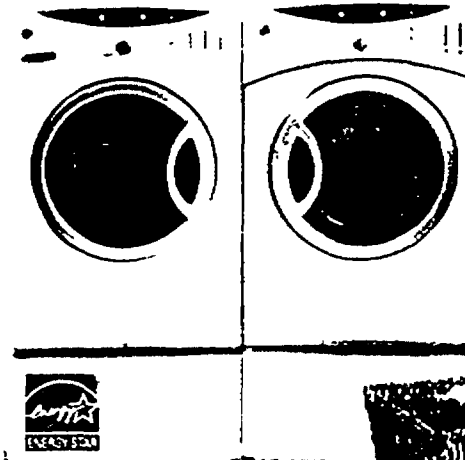


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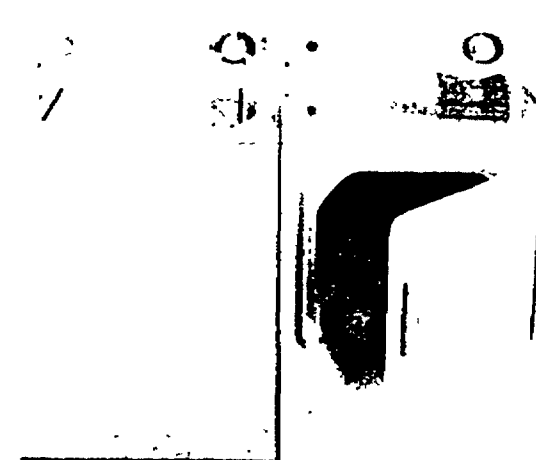
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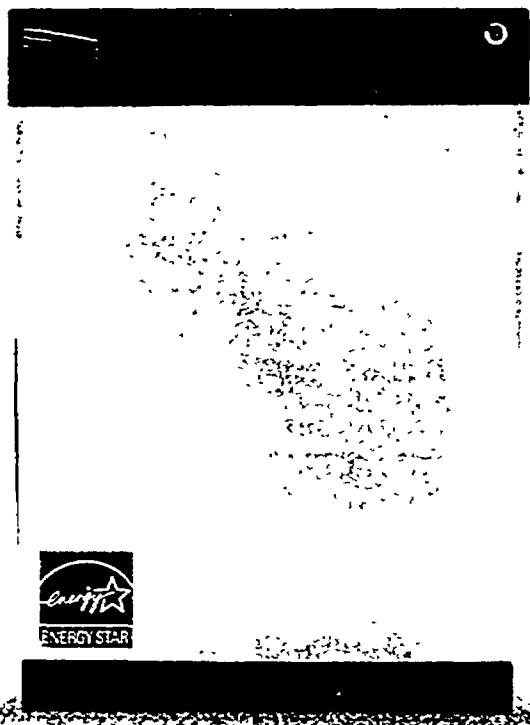
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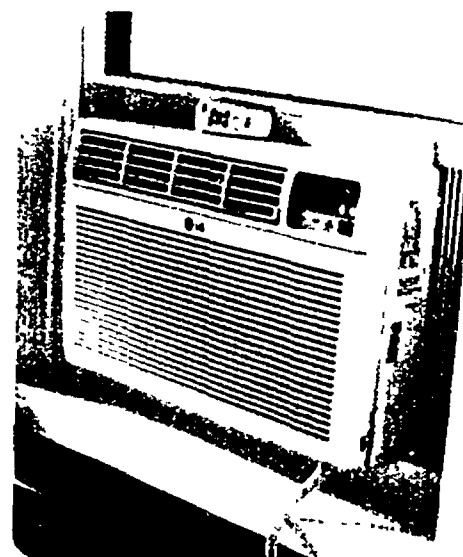
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MAYTAG® ICE₂O™ REFRIGERATOR

\$2449

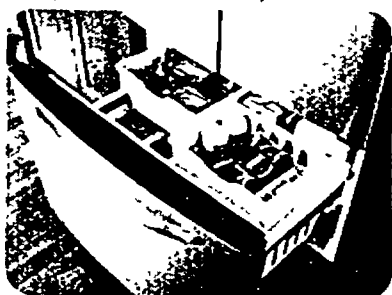
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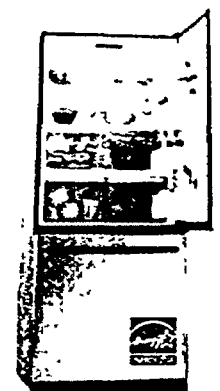
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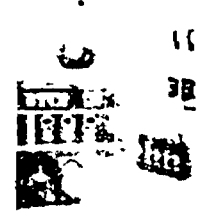
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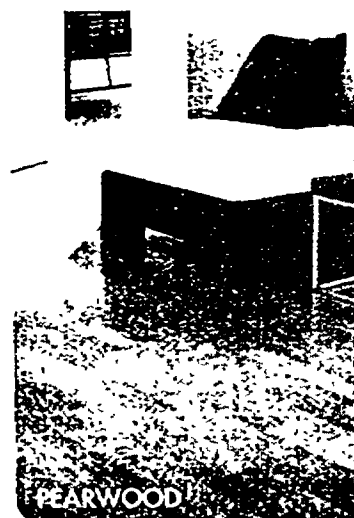
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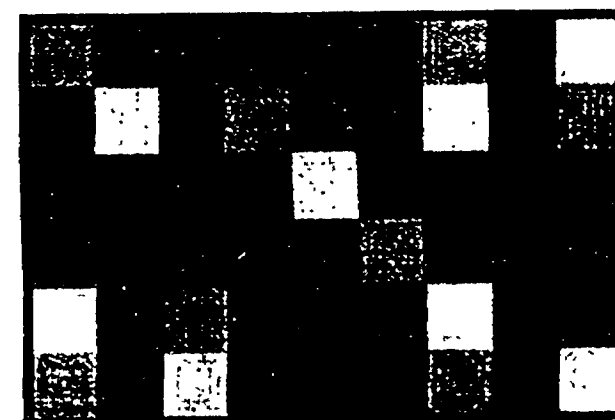
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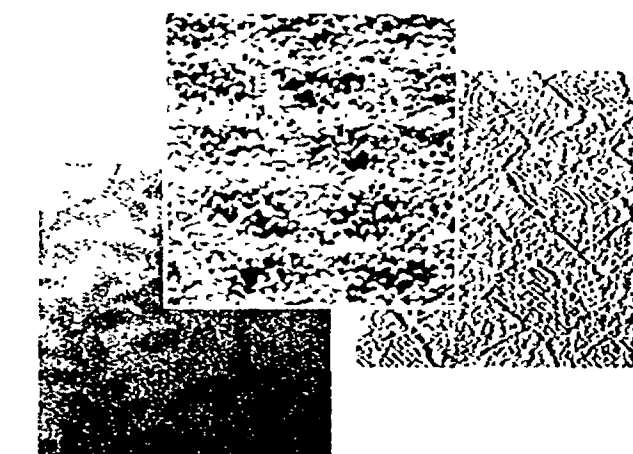
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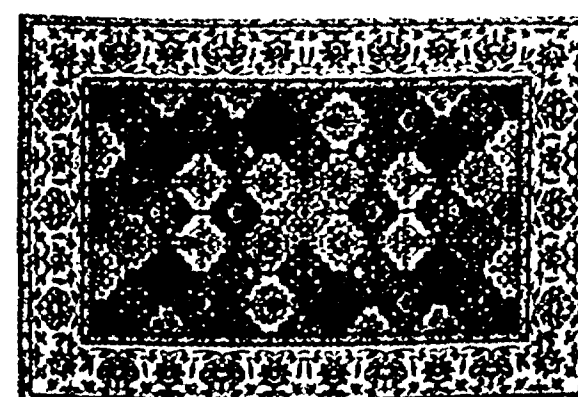


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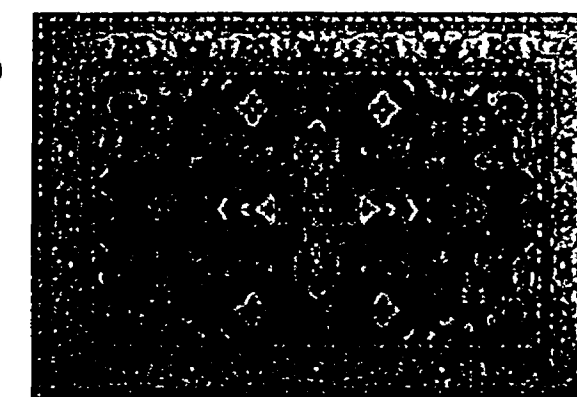
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4'11"x7'5"

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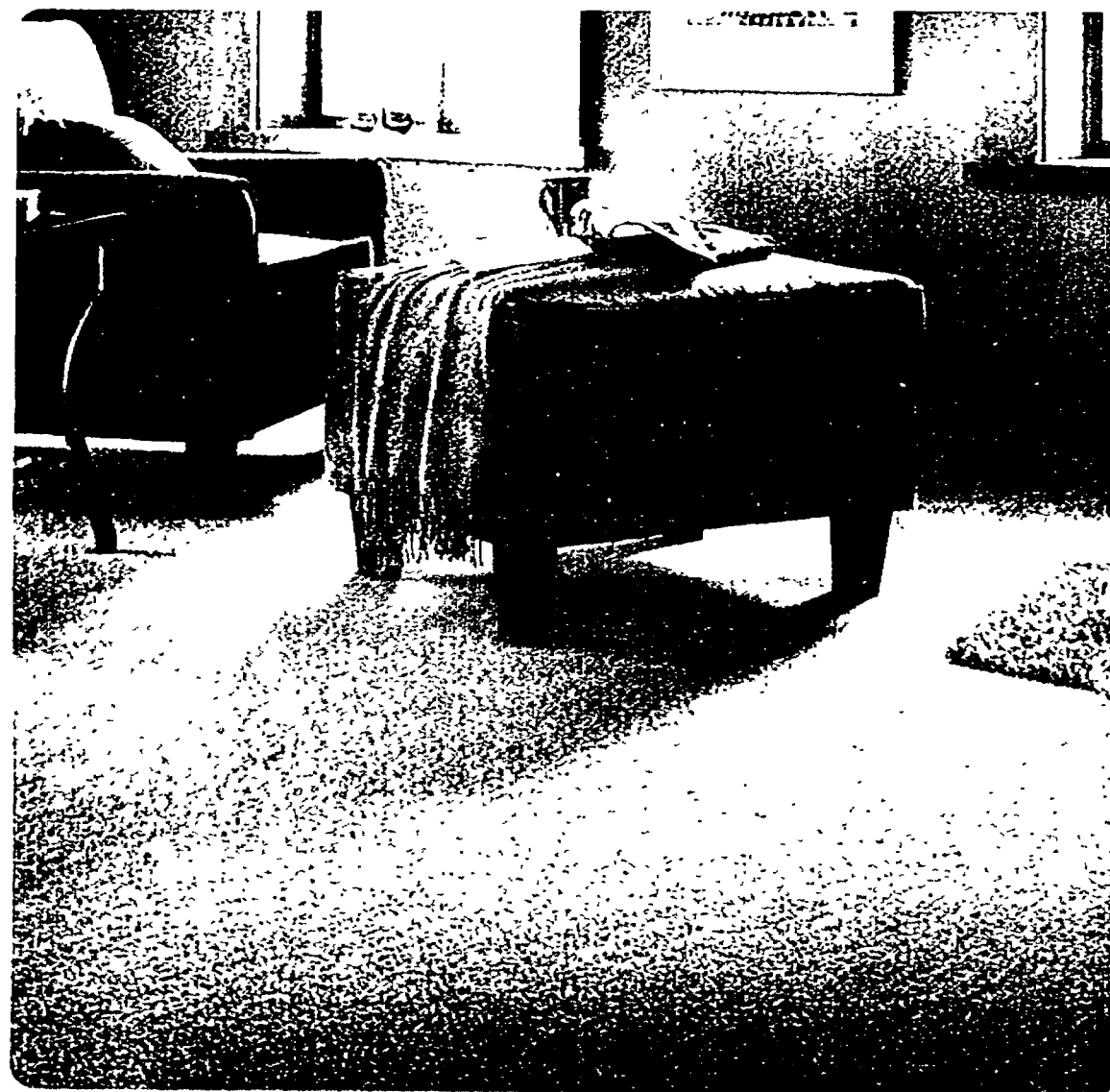
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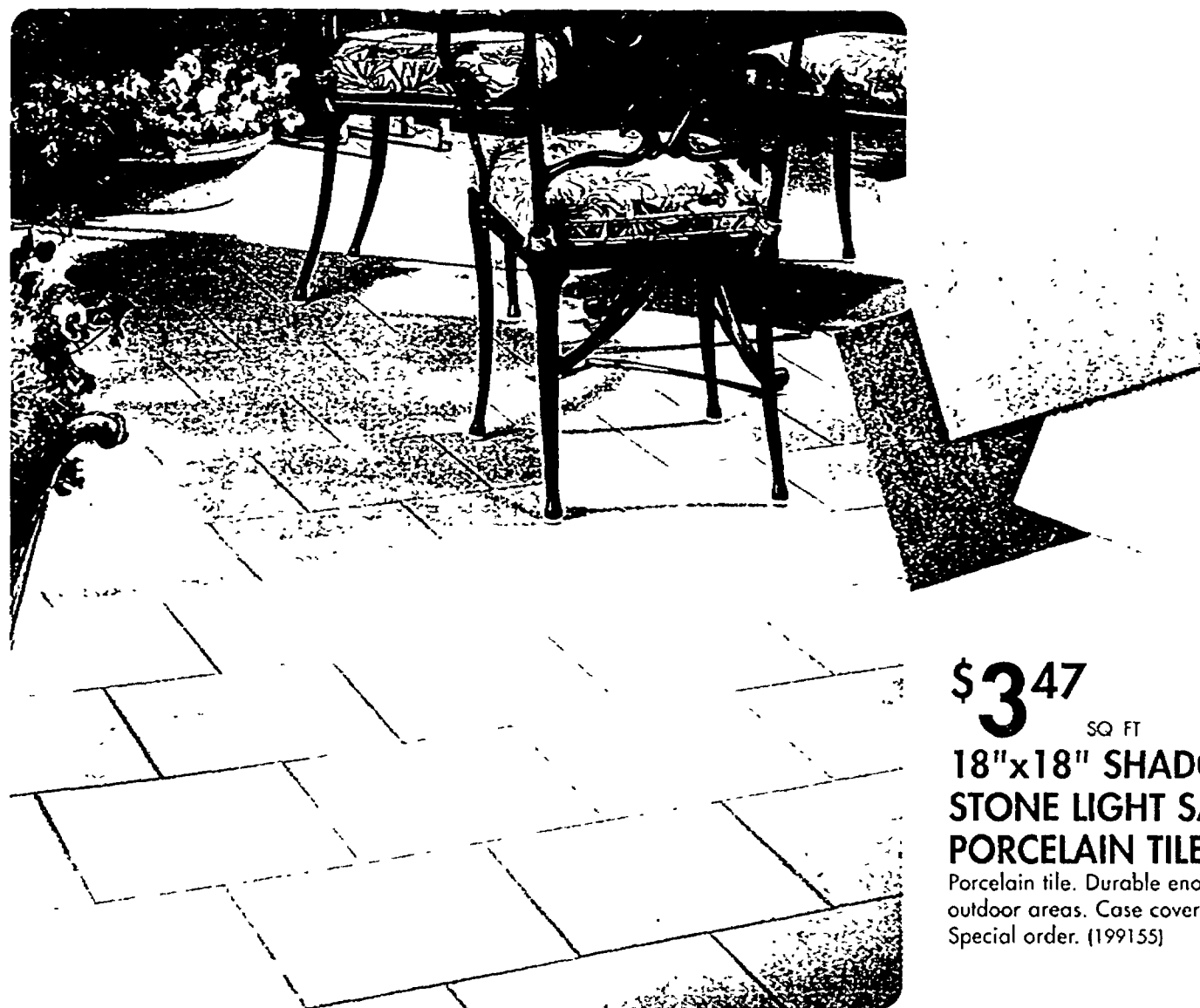
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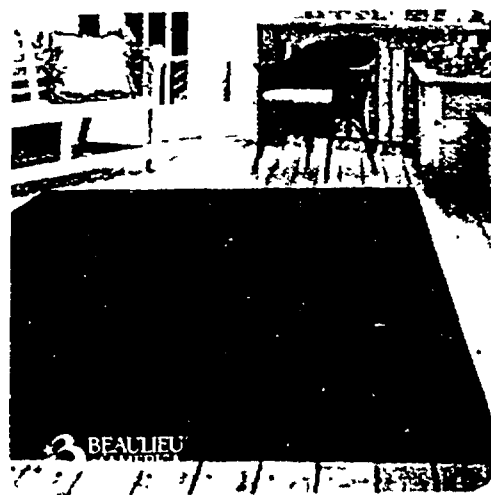
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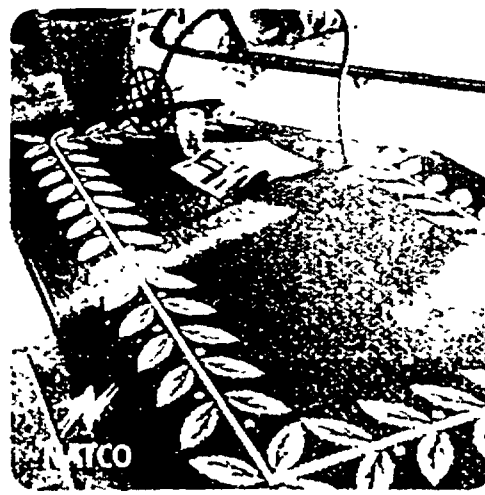
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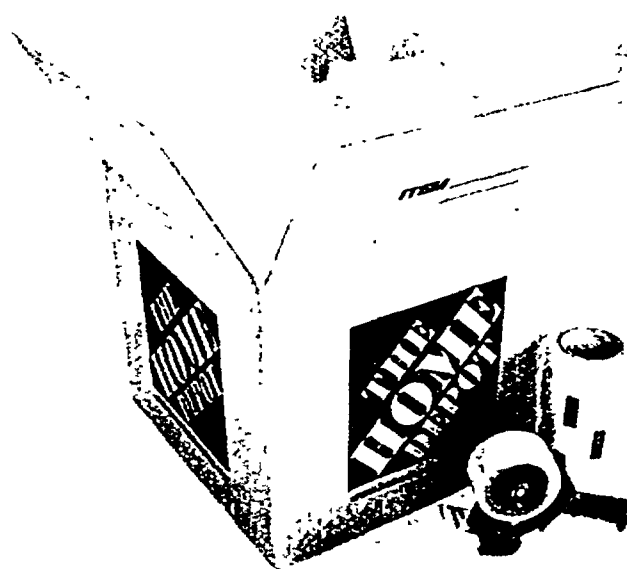
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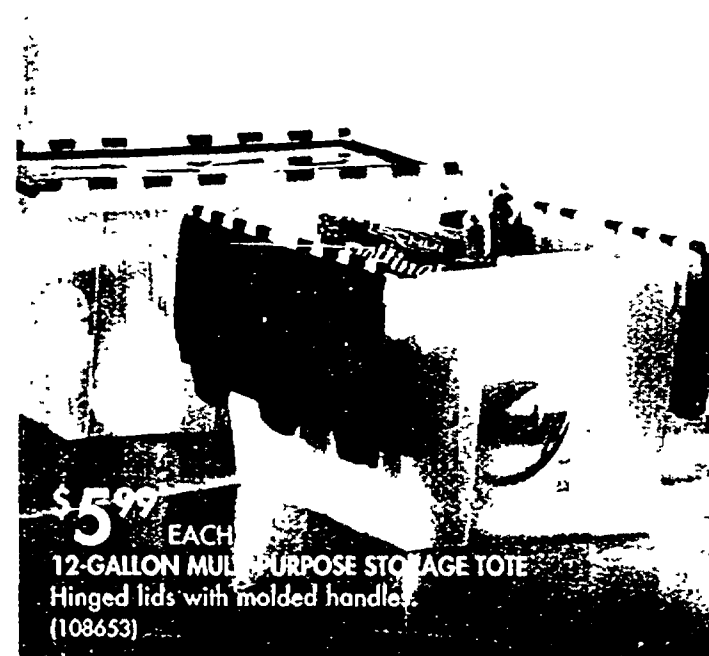
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(01)



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(370188 370826, 369894)
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14"x17" 100% cotton
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40-55% off entire stock swimwear

for misses, juniors, men, kids, women & young men

orig. \$12-\$86, sale 5.40-43.00
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35-55% off

Nine & Company®,
daisy fuentes®,
access & AB Studio
sportswear
for misses, petites
& women.
orig. \$18-\$74,
sale 9.99-48.10
selected items
online P42701

NINE & COMPANY

apt. 9

selected
items
online
P42702

SONOMA

shop
online
P42703

35-55% off

apt. 9® sportswear for misses, petites &
women. orig. \$20-\$68, sale 8.99-44.20

15.99

Sonoma capris for misses
& petites. orig. \$30

Women's
orig. \$34, sale 19.99

Lowest prices

entire stock

35-55% off

Women's sportswear
from Villager, Notations,
Sag Harbor®, Cathy Daniels,
Croft & Barrow®, apt. 9®
& Sonoma. Sizes 1X-3X &
16W-24W. orig. \$14-\$78,
sale 6.49-50.70
selected items
online P42709

villager

35-55% off

Sag Harbor®, Notations®, Norton
McNaughton®, Villager®, West End®, Cathy
Daniels® sportswear for misses, petites &
women. orig. \$22-\$78, sale 14.50-50.70

35-55% off

Croft & Barrow® sportswear for misses,
petites & women. orig. \$14-\$24,
sale 6.99-27.99
shop online P42708

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Sonoma knit
tops for misses,
petites & women.
orig. \$12-\$22,
sale 5.49-9.90
shop online
P42704

SONOMA

19.49

Gloria
Vanderbilt®
capris and
gauchos
for misses
& women.
orig. \$36-\$40
Selected styles.
selected items
online
P42705

Gloria Vanderbilt

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Petites' sportswear
from Sonoma,
daisy fuentes®,
Nine & Company®,
Croft & Barrow®,
Sag Harbor®
& apt. 9®.
orig. \$12-\$79,
sale 5.49-
35.55

SONOMA

petites'

entire stock

40-55% off

Activewear for
misses from daisy
fuentes® sport,
Gloria Vanderbilt®
Sport, N.Y.L.®
& Fu Da®.
orig. \$26-\$40,
sale 11.70-
24.00
selected items
online
P42707

SONOMA

entire stock

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Notations & Briggs®
separates for
misses & women.
orig. \$18-\$44,
sale 11.70-
28.60

notations

entire stock

17.49

Shorts for
misses from
Lee® & Gloria
Vanderbilt®.
orig. \$30-\$32
selected items
online P42710

Women's
Lee® shorts
orig. \$34,
sale 18.99

Lee

your choice

13.99

Erika® camp
shirts or
capris
for misses.
orig. \$26 ea.

Women's
orig. \$28,
sale 15.99

ERIKA

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Oh Baby!™ by
Motherhood®
maternity
apparel
orig. \$16-\$56,
sale 8.80-
30.80
shop
online
W3900

Oh Baby!

TEK GEAR



35-55% off
Fitness wear for misses
from Tek Gear®, Fussell® Athletic & Danskin®
orig. \$14-\$36, sale 6.30-23.40
selected items online P42712



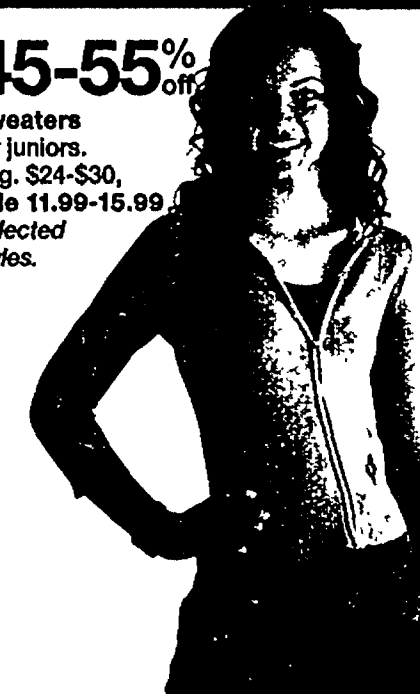
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Fashion capris and gauchos for juniors
from SO®, GLO®, Angels and more
orig. \$28-\$34, sale 12.49-18.99
shop online P42711



My Michelle

40-60% off
Collections
for juniors.
orig. \$22-\$58,
sale 13.20-34.80
selected items
online P42712

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Sweaters
for juniors.
orig. \$24-\$30,
sale 11.99-15.99
Selected
styles.



40-55% off
Woven tops
for juniors.
orig. \$20-\$28,
sale 9.99-
16.80
Selected
styles.
selected
items
online
P42713

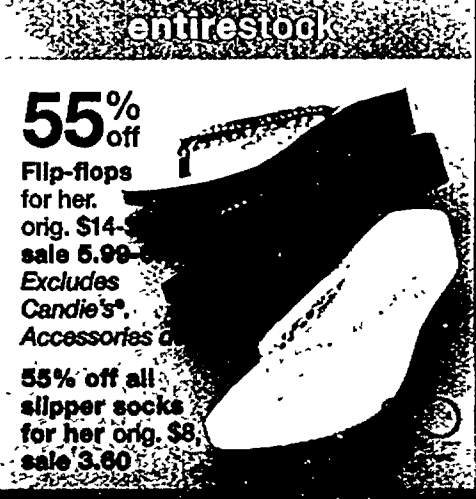


7.99
Graphic tees
& tank tops
for juniors. orig. \$18
Selected styles.
selected
items
online
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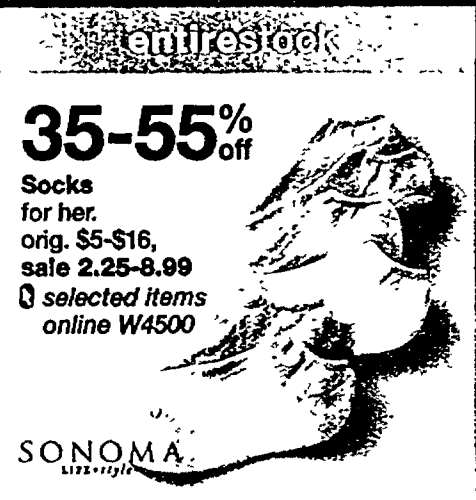


16.99
Fashion
shorts
for juniors
from I.e.i.®,
Mudd®,
Bongo®
& more.
orig. \$26
selected
items
online
P42715

I.e.i.



55% off
Flip-flops
for her.
orig. \$14-
sale 5.99-
Excludes
Candie's®,
Accessories &
socks
55% off all
slipper socks
for her orig. \$8,
sale 3.60



35-55% off
Socks
for her.
orig. \$5-\$16,
sale 2.25-8.99
selected items
online W4500

SONOMA



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Pajamas & innerwear
orig. \$15 to \$48 ea.,
sale \$9.75 to \$20.70 ea.
Excludes lacy and bra/cord sets.



40-55% off
Bra from Lily of France®, Vanity Fair®,
Bella Winters®, Playtex®, Maidenform®,
Barely There® and Oage® orig. \$20-\$32,
sale 9.00-18.00 Selected styles
selected items online P42716



40-55% off
Sleepwear, lounge wear and robes
for her orig. \$12-\$40, sale 6.40-22.00
selected items online P42717

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entire stock

45-55% off

Handbags, minibags and handbag accessories for her. orig. \$10-\$65, sale 4.50-29.25
 selected items online W1600

16.99
 Croft & Barrow® Organize It handbags, orig. \$38

entire stock

30-55% off

Fashion Jewelry from Sonoma, 1928®, Napier®, Villager & more. orig. \$6-\$50, sale 3.60-35.00
 selected items online F2500

10.99
 Sonoma® jewelry, orig. \$20

entire stock

55% off

Sunglasses for her or him. orig. \$20-\$28, sale 9.00-12.60
 selected items online P42717

NINE & COMPANY

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45-55% off

Fashion accessories for her. orig. \$8-\$40, sale 3.60-18.00

10.99
 Fashion accessories, orig. \$20

8.49
 Graphic tees for young men. orig. \$18
 Excludes collections.
 selected items online P42719

15.99
 Urban Pipeline™ polo shirts for young men. orig. \$34
 selected items online P42720

12.99
 Urban Pipeline™ polo shirts for young men. orig. \$28
 selected items online P42721

55% off
 Tek Gear® athletic apparel for men. orig. \$20-\$45, sale 9.00-10.80

Lowest prices

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20% off

Beauty from FLIRT!, American Beauty, good skin... & grassroots™. reg. 6.00-37.50, sale 4.80-30.00
 shop online: BEAUTY

FLIRT!

entire stock

15% off

selected items online P42718
 Fine fragrances reg. 4.50-68.00, sale 3.82-57.80
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Bodysource® set orig. \$30

40-45% off all bath & body reg. 1.50-30.00, sale .82-17.99
 Excludes grassroots™.

BODYSOURCE®

entire stock

33-55% off

Watches reg. 19.95-550.00, sale 13.38-368.50

selected items online F999

TIMEX

entire stock

18.99

Lee® Regular and Relaxed Fit jeans for men.
 shop online P42722

Lee

entire stock

18.99

Lee® Dungarees shorts for young men. orig. \$36

Lee DUNGAREES

entire stock

15.99

Urban Pipeline™ twill and denim shorts for young men. orig. \$34
 selected items online P42723

urban up

entire stock

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Levi's® 505® Regular Fit, 550® Relaxed Fit & 569® Loose Straight denim shorts for men.

BONUS ONE-YEAR MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION with the purchase of \$40 or more of qualifying LEVI'S® apparel now-April 29. See back cover for details. Valid on in-store purchases only.

Levi's



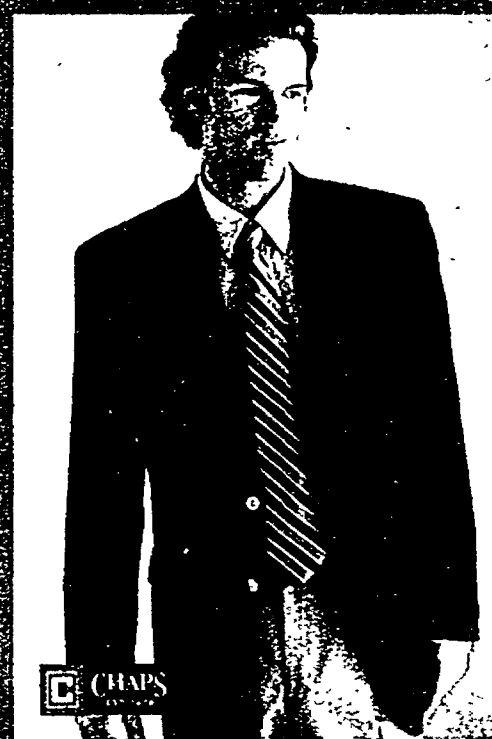
45-55% off

Dress shirts and neckwear for men from Arrow, Croft & Barrow, excess, Axiel & apt. 9. orig. \$25-\$44, sale 13.75-21.99. [shop online P42724](#)



149⁹⁹

100% worsted wool suit separates for men from excess and Chaps. reg. \$75-\$200, sale 39.99-110.00. [shop online M3810](#)



84⁹⁹

Wool blazers for men from Chaps and excess. orig. \$175-\$200



89⁹⁹

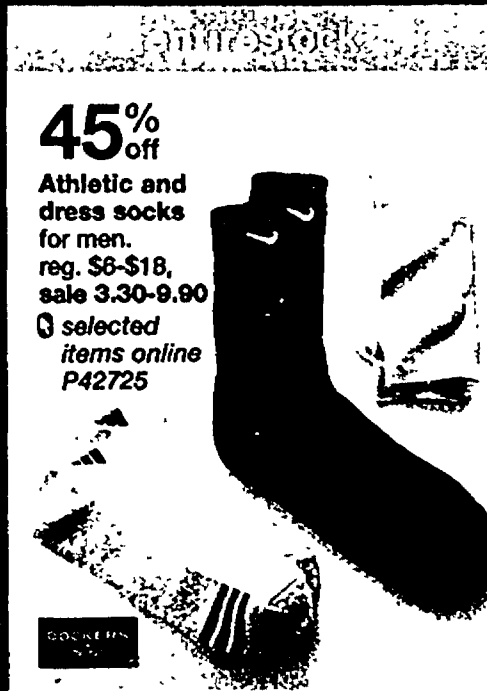
Sport coats for men from Chaps and excess. orig. \$200

Lowest prices



35-45% off

Underwear for men. reg. \$10-\$32, sale 6.50-20.80. Excludes Jockey®.



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Athletic and dress socks for men. reg. \$6-\$18, sale 3.30-9.90. [selected items online P42725](#)



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Dress pants for men from Braggi® and Axiel™. orig. \$45



40-55% off

Sport shirts for men from Haggars, Havana Jack's Club®, Arrow/Axiel, Croft & Barrow, Sonoma and Natural Issues®. orig. \$30-\$45, sale 13.99-24.99. [selected items online P42726](#)



50-55% off

Golf tops for men from Grand Slam, Wedge® and Dockers®. orig. \$24-\$50, sale 10.99-24.99. [shop online P42727](#)



50-55% off

Knit tops for men from Arrow, Croft & Barrow, Haggars and Sonoma. orig. \$14-\$46, sale 6.99-21.99. [selected items online P42728](#)



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Sportswear for men from apt. 9 and excess. orig. \$24-\$120, sale 9.99-58.99. [shop online P42729](#)

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Casual pants for men from Croft & Barrow® and Sonoma. orig. \$40. [shop online P42730](#)



28⁹⁹

Haggars® Comfort Fit and Cool 18® casual pants for men.



15⁹⁹

Sonoma shorts for men. orig. \$34. [shop online P42731](#)



19⁹⁹

Haggars® shorts for men. orig. \$36-\$38



selected items online P42732



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Collections for girls 4-16. orig. \$24-\$44, sale 10.80-26.40

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Fashion tops and bottoms for girls 7-16.

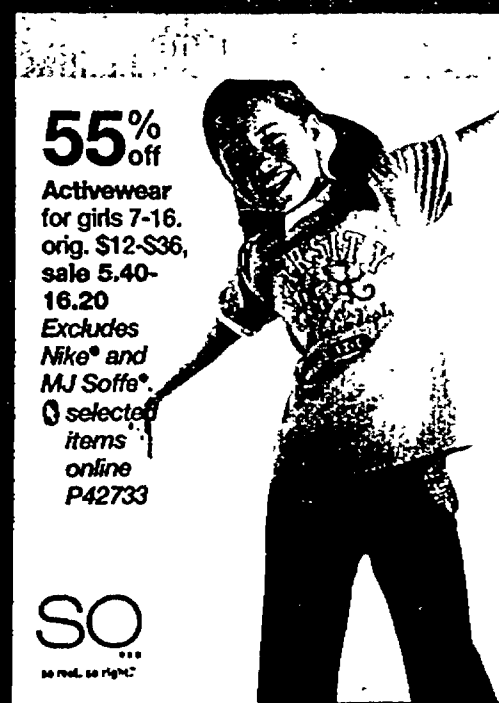
55% off

Swimwear for girls 4-16, boys 4-7, toddlers & infants. selected items online: SWIM

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Outerwear for girls 4-16, boys 4-7, toddlers, infants and newborns.

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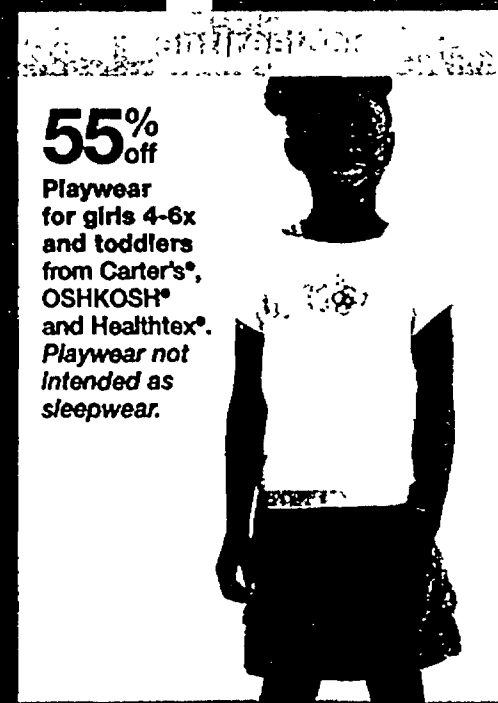
Activewear for girls 7-16. orig. \$12-\$36, sale 5.40-16.20. Excludes Nike® and MJ Softe®. selected items online P42733

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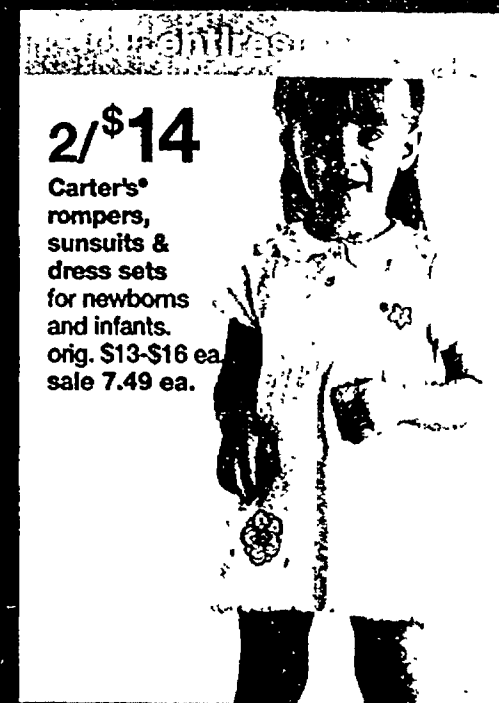
55% off

Sleepwear for girls. orig. \$22-\$35, sale 9.90-15.75. selected items online P42734



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Playwear for girls 4-6x and toddlers from Carter's®, OSHKOSH® and Healthtex®. Playwear not intended as sleepwear.



2/\$14

Carter's® rompers, sunsuits & dress sets for newborns and infants. orig. \$13-\$16 ea. sale 7.49 ea.



40% off

Tony Hawk's apparel for boys 4-20. orig. \$16-\$36, sale 9.60-21.60. selected items online P42735



40-60% off

Athletic apparel for boys 8-20 from Russell's®, Athletic, And 1® and Tek Gear®. orig. \$14-\$20, sale \$7-\$12. selected items online P42736



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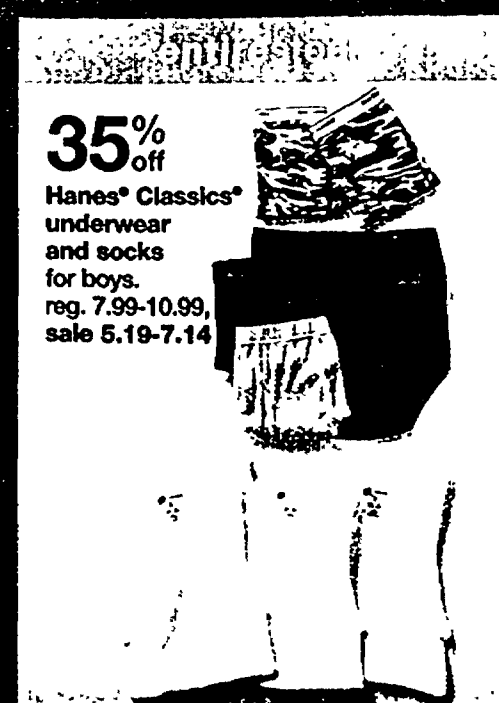
Graphic tees for boys 8-20. orig. \$12-\$18, sale 5.40-8.10. Excludes athletic tees & collections.



55% off

Playwear for boys 4-7 and toddlers from OSHKOSH®, Carter's® & Healthtex®. Playwear not intended as sleepwear.

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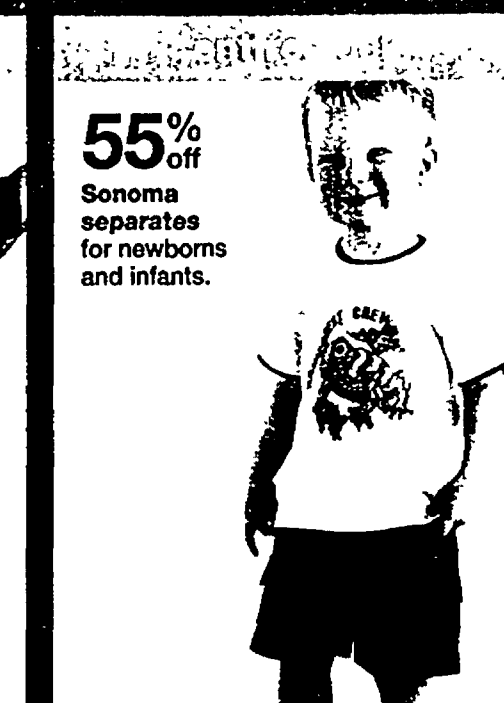
35% off

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55% off

Sleepwear for boys 4-20. reg. \$16-\$30, sale 7.20-13.50



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Sonoma separates for newborns and infants.



50% off

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Athletic shoes for men and women. Selected styles.

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new balance

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25⁹⁹

Reebok® athletic shoes for men and women. Selected styles.

Initiator for men, reg. 49.99

Versa for women, orig. 49.99

princess for women, reg. 43.99

13⁹⁹

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adidas

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kids

Lowest prices

33⁹⁹

Candle's® sandals for juniors, orig. 49.99. Selected styles.

Pazy

Korinne

20⁹⁹

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Villager Samba sandals
villager

Croft & Barrow®
Kyla sandals
croft & barrow

25⁹⁹

Sandals for juniors, orig. 44.99. Selected styles.

Mudd® Lawrie
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Skechers® shoes for men, orig. 64.99-65.00. Selected styles.

Critic

Navigator

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Sheet sets. Excludes coordinating sheet sets. selected items online P42739

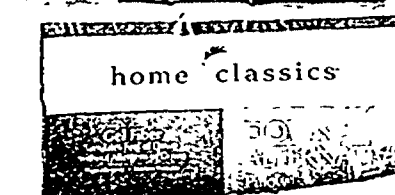
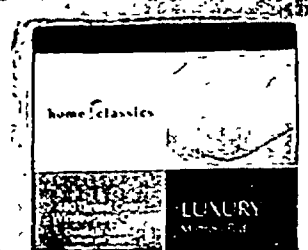
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Solid bath towels, hand towels, washcloths and bath rugs. reg. 3.99-45.00, sale 1.79-21.49

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Bed pillows and mattress pads reg. 9.99-239.99, sale 3.99-107.99. shop online P42741



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Bath coordinates, shower curtains & bath accessories reg. 3.99-59.99, sale 2.19-32.99. shop online P42742

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Slipcovers

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selected items online H1740

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Decorative pillows
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selected items online H1900

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Everyday home decor

55% off
Summer Living® Patio Shop

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33% off
KitchenAid® kitchen gadgets

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Hard anodized panini grill & press.
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Kitchen electrics
Selected styles.
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44.99
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Black & Decker® 4-slice Toast-R-Oven™
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15.99 Final Price
FoodSaver® Vac 800 food sealer.
reg. 159.99

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Black & Decker® 12" skillet.
reg. 49.99

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Dinnerware & flatware
selected items online P42747

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9.99
Winsor Pilates Deluxe Circle, Resistance Tubing or Exercise Ball
orig. 29.99 ea.

Deluxe Winsor Pilates® Circle

Deluxe Exercise Ball

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reg. 109.99

119.99
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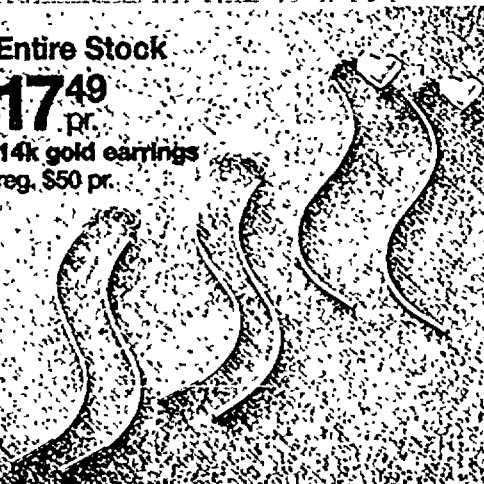
Your Choice
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Sterling silver
or 18k gold
over sterling
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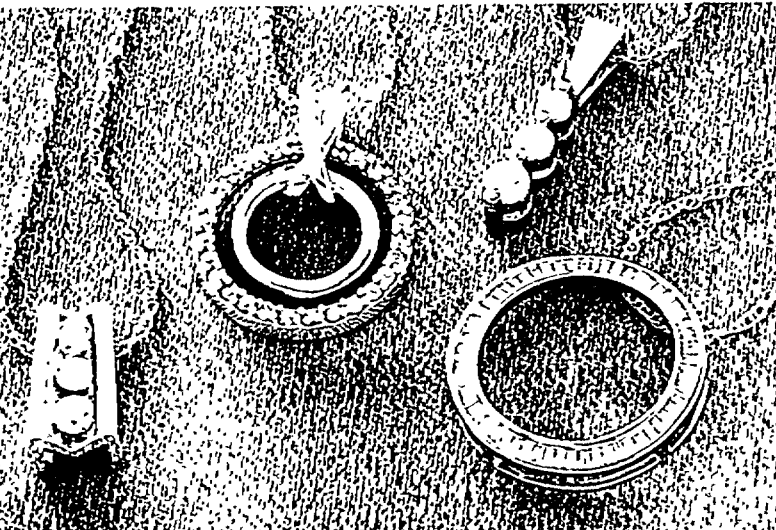
Entire Stock
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14k gold earrings
reg. \$50 pr.



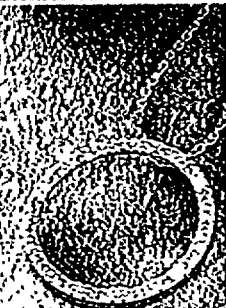
Super Buy
97.99
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Entire stock
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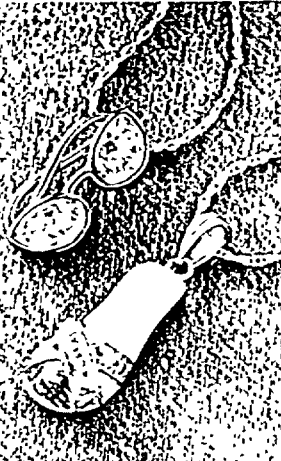
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Sterling silver
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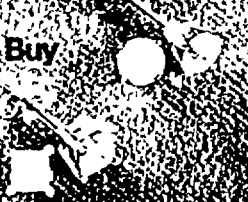
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Q Whatever happened to the cute, petite blond actress Ann Jillian, who played on so many TV movies? I haven't seen her in anything recently.

—Wilma Chasteen, Auburn, Ky.

Now 56, the award-winning singer-actress is semi-retired and raising her son, Andrew, 13, in California. She's been a motivational speaker since 1985, when she lost both of her breasts to cancer just as her acting career was heating up. Fully recovered today, she performs with symphonies around the country and leads the singing at her church's mass.



Performer Ann Jillian

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Actor John Corbett is now into music.



Q What can you tell me about John Corbett? I loved him on *Northern Exposure*.
—Jean Gables, Sunnyvale, Calif.

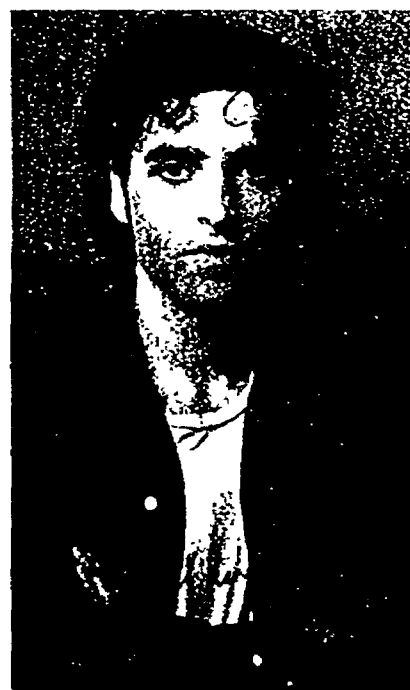
Raised in West Virginia, Corbett, 44, got into acting when a back injury sidelined him from his California factory job. TV commercials led to a starring role on *Northern Exposure*, which aired from 1990 to 1995, and numerous other TV and film parts, including a recurring role on HBO's *Sex and the City* and appearances in the movies *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* and *Raising Helen*. He's been working on a movie project, *The Messengers*, and recently turned his focus to music with the release of a self-titled, country-rock CD. "Acting has always been a lark. It's how I make my living. It's what I do so I don't have to have a real job," Corbett says. "Music has always been a passion. It's something I love, something I can't live without."

Q What can you tell me about actor David Krumholtz from the TV series *Numb3rs*?

—Barbara Franklin, Morganton, N.C.

New York native Krumholtz got his start in acting at age 13 when he played Judd Hirsch's son in *Conversations With My Father* on Broadway. His movies include *Life with Mikey*, *The Mexican*, *10 Things I Hate About You*, *Harold and Kumar Go to White Castle*, *The Santa Clause* (in which he played the head elf) and *Guess Who*, starring Ashton Kutcher and Bernie Mac. Currently appearing in the TV series *Numb3rs* as mathematician Charlie Eppes, Krumholtz is single and lives in Los Angeles.

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Numb3rs TV star David Krumholtz

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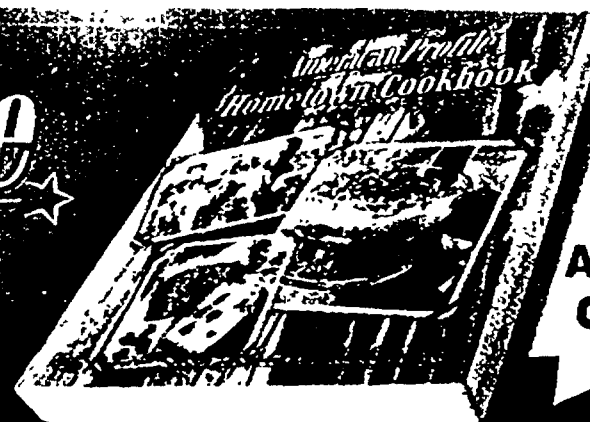
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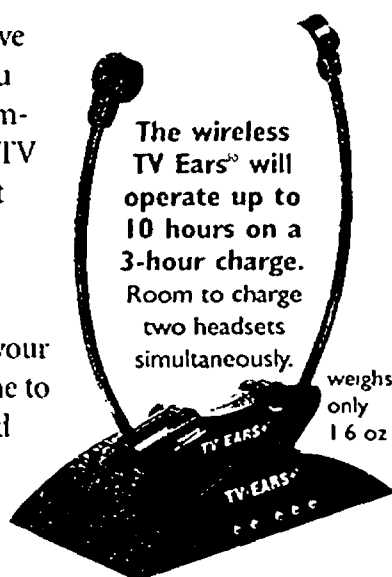
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From left: Red Hatters Bobbi Johnson, Linda Murphy and Ursula Miczewski enjoy a day at the beach near Tarpon Springs, Fla.

Red Hat Society offers friendship & fun after 50

Mary Carper, 74, and Lisa Vesnaver, 54, blend into a sea of red hats as they boogie down on the dance floor to the sounds of the Rolling Stones' "Honky Tonk Woman." The two spry women have traveled a long way—Carper from Baltimore and Vesnaver from Adelaide, Australia—to join hundreds of other Red Hat Society members gathered at Disneyland's Festival Arena in Anaheim, Calif., for a fun-filled convention of laughing, dancing and friendship.

Although Carper and Vesnaver met only moments earlier, the two women gleefully sing along to the song's rowdy lyrics, looking like best friends—and in a way, they are. That's the magic of the Red Hat Society.

"It's just so much fun getting together with everyone," says Carper of last November's convention. "It's just that sisterhood."

The Red Hat Society is an ever-growing sorority of women over 50 who want some playtime, says founder Sue Ellen Cooper, 61. Would-be Red Hatters need only locate a chapter to join, which is increasingly easy since the society has 1 million members in 42,000 chapters around the globe, from Algeria to Venezuela. Or if one isn't nearby, for a \$35 annual fee any group of women can start and register a chapter with the organization's "Hatquarters" in Fullerton, Calif.

Then it only remains for the Red Hatters to don the proper uniform: a red hat and purple outfit. Women under 50 are welcome too, but their uniform is different: pink headgear and lavender garb. From there, anything goes: tea parties, pajama parties, luncheons and field trips to plays, steamboats and shopping destinations—wherever their fancy takes them.

"If you go (out) with half a dozen other women dressed as weird as you are, it's fun," says Reba Moorman, a Red Hatter from Fremont, Calif. "We're all little girls who like to dress up."

Poetic beginning

The society had a decidedly small-scale start. On Nov. 11, 1997, at a neighborhood restaurant in Fullerton, Cooper gave friend Linda Murphy a gift for her 55th birthday: a copy of Jenny Joseph's poem *Warning*, which starts, "When I am an old woman I shall wear purple / With a red hat which doesn't go and doesn't suit me." She also gave Murphy a red hat.

"If we had thought it was going to be the start of something, we would have taken photos," quips Murphy, who now lives in Tarpon Springs, Fla. (pop. 22,554). "We had no idea anything was going to happen."

Some mutual friends liked the spirit of the poem and the vivacity of the hat, so they requested similar gifts for their birthdays. Then in 1998, Cooper and four friends donned purple outfits and red hats and went out on the town in Orange County, Calif., enjoying the curious stares they elicited.

Since then the Red Hat Society has grown into one of the largest social organizations in America. "A million members—I always feel like I'm lying when I say it," says Cooper, the organization's Exalted Queen Mother (there are no presidents in the society). "At any moment, this could have just stopped dead. No one was trying to make anything happen."

Murphy inspired the society's second chapter when, while visiting friends in Florida, she talked about going out with her Fullerton friends "in full regalia." The Floridians were enchanted with the idea, and an eight-person Florida chapter was born.

A feature in the July 2000 issue of *Romantic Homes* magazine on the "sister chapters" gave the society its first publicity. Then The Associated Press circulated a California newspaper story on the Red Hatters. Before they knew it, Cooper and company were inundated with requests for help in starting other chapters.

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Red Hat founder Sue Ellen Cooper

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"I thought, 'I'm not done (with life), I'm not dead, and I'm tired of being perceived that way. I want to play,'" Cooper says. "I had no idea everyone else would say, 'Me, too.'"

A dis-organization

Even when she was younger, Cooper wrestled with ways to retain her individuality. She recalls that, as a stay-at-home mom with two young children, she once decided to give herself a gift—a bit of time to create art. With her kids in tow, she went to buy supplies, but suffered a meltdown in the store when her children clamored for art supplies, too. "Do I ever get any time for what I want to do?" she remembers crying.

So when Cooper heard about other women who needed some playtime for themselves, she understood the void and embraced the fun-loving mission. "This," she says, glancing around the Red Hat Society Hatquarters, "probably all came out of that."

In seeking free time for herself, however, Cooper has ironically created a business that takes every minute and ounce of her energy. Red Hat Society Inc. has grown to 60 employees—including Cooper's husband, Allen, daughter Andrea and son-in-law Matt—who maintain the website, create a magazine and weekly e-mail broadcast, organize conventions, work with members around the world and design Red Hat merchandise.

The stress is worth it, Cooper says, because her work gives the 1 million other Red Hatters the encouragement they need to let loose and have fun.

"We Red Hatters are the same all over the world. We deal with similar issues," says Lisa Vesnaver, the Queen of Australia's Quentessential Adelaide Red Hats. "The best part is meeting up with people who are all dressed in purple with red hats, with the same attitude of having fun."

Cooper, known as the Exalted Queen Mother, jokingly dons regalia as she poses with members of the society's founding chapter.



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Peggy Donald, a member of three chapters in York, S.C., buffs her customized "Red Hat Nanny" PT Cruiser.

The society has no bylaws and has banned meetings; conventions include "playshops," not workshops. Hatquarters won't tell chapters what to do or when to do it. "Purple and red is a very strong suggestion," says Cooper, and that about sums up the rules.

Red Hatters can belong to as many chapters as they choose. In fact, Peggy Donald is a member of three in York, S.C. (pop. 7,028).

"I guess the funniest thing we have done was we had a pajama party—pajamas, housecoats, hair in rollers—and we made reservations at McDonald's," says Donald, who has even decked out her Chrysler PT Cruiser in red and purple. "Then we went to the movies. The point for most of us is to have fun. We have the most fun just entertaining other people, so to speak. They turn and they smile."

"We have a 'red-hatitude,'" adds Pat Moxer, a Red Hatter in Johnson City, Tenn. (pop. 57,812). "We don't mind standing out, rolling with punches, laughing at ourselves and having fun. How much more could you do with a red hat and purple clothing?"

But seriously . . .

While the reason for Red Hat Society gatherings is fun, Red Hatters often end up developing serious friendships.

"The thing that has meant more to me in Red Hat is hearing other people's stories," says Nanette Ripberger,

who started two of the society's chapters in Cheviot, Ohio (pop. 8,399). "It's just amazing listening to what these other women have to say. I didn't realize how good my life was."

According to Debra Granich, the society's director of operations, some doctors have prescribed membership in the society as a treatment for depression. Once at a society convention, she met a woman with agoraphobia (fear of open spaces and crowds) who credited the group with helping her overcome her anxiety about leaving the house. "I probably cry once a week with the stories (we hear)," Granich says.

Soft-spoken Cooper says she's "mystified" that a lighthearted gift to a friend has exploded into a worldwide phenomenon, but others say the red and purple idea simply struck a responsive chord among older women still brimming with vitality.

"Sue Ellen Cooper has no idea what she has done for ladies of our age," Donald says. "We're going to grow old gracefully, and go down having fun." ☆

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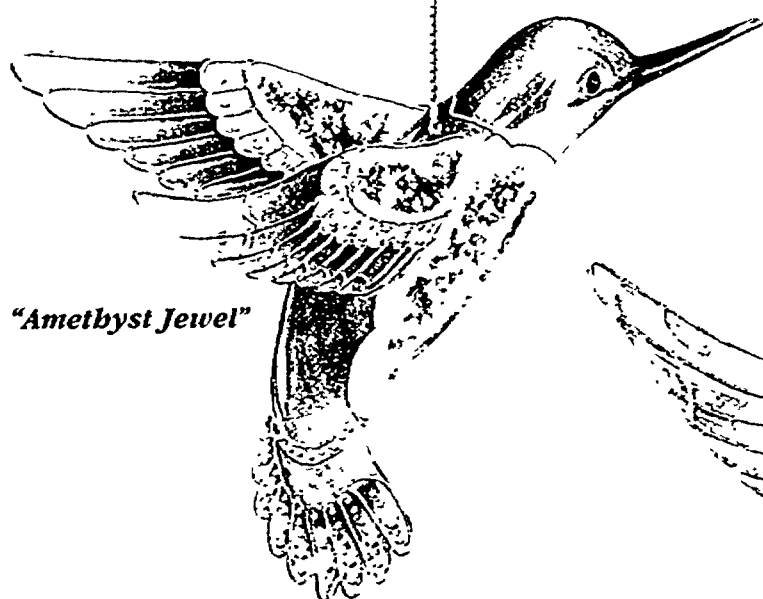
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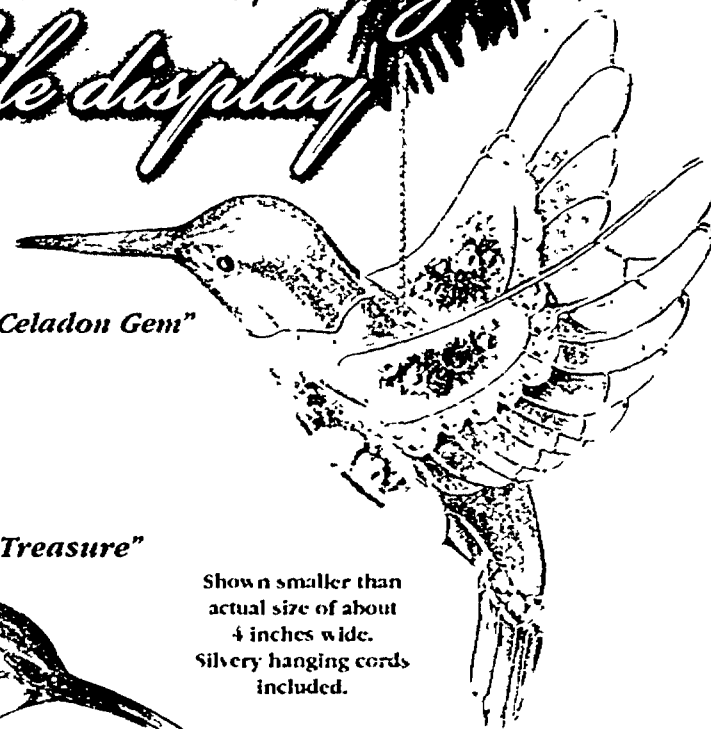
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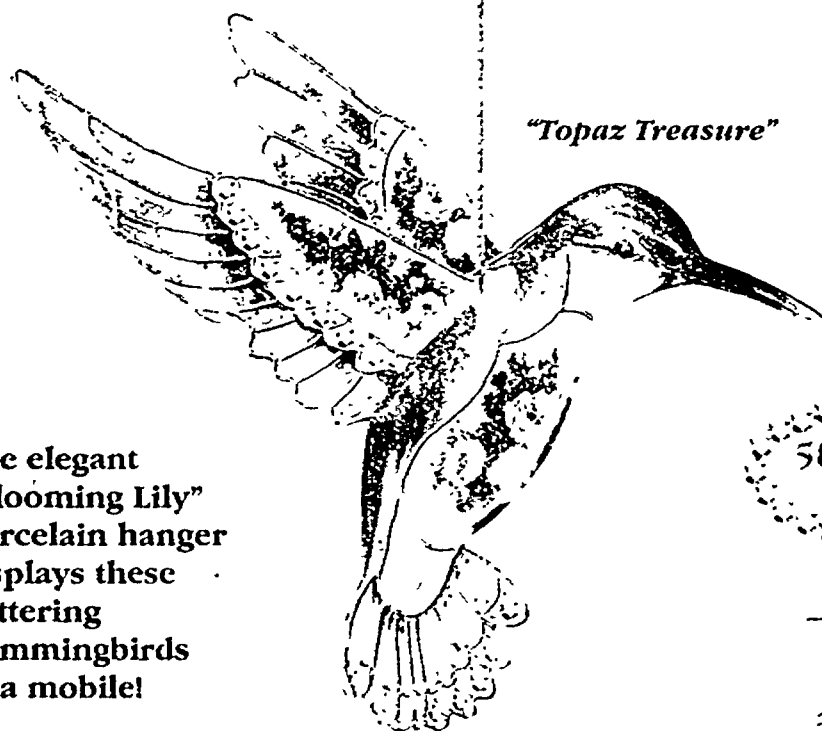


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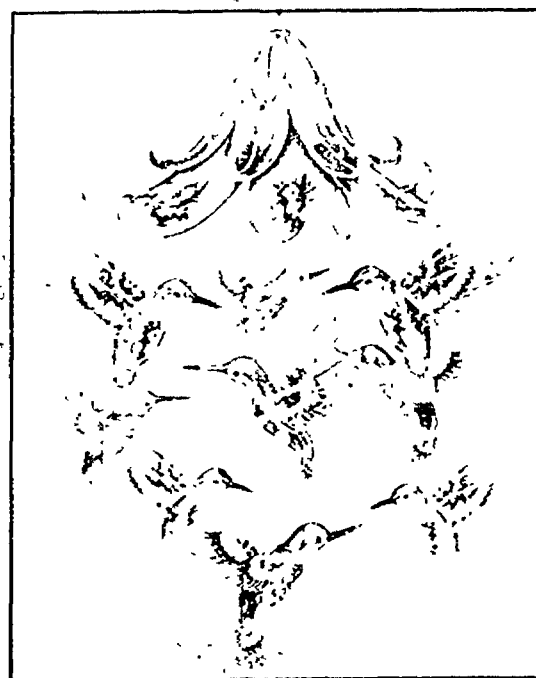


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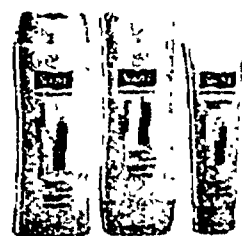
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The allure of the irises also prompted Keizer to become the self-proclaimed "Iris Capital of the World." Each May, the city commemorates the blooming season with a parade and festival that includes events at the Schreiner farm.

"The Schreiners and the farm are a big part of our identity," says Christine Dieker, executive director of the Keizer Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center. "They are community players and always involved. During the festival, we provide them with an empty bucket and they give the bucket back in the morning full of irises."

The visitors' appreciation and enthusiasm for the flowers is the reward for months of hard work, Ray Schreiner says.

"I guess because we see them (the irises) every day, we're jaded," Schreiner says. "But then others see them and get excited. And sometimes at night or in a certain light, you look out there and it's like, 'Wow! This is really something.'" ☆

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Dedicated to Racing

With a thundering burst of horsepower, sprint car driver Ray Seemann whips around the oval track in Jetmore, Kan., churning up clouds of dust. With each lap, he rips another mud-splattered plastic strip from his visor so he can see the dirt course ahead.

The fast-paced mudslinging is a source of weekend entertainment and hometown pride in Jetmore (pop. 903), a town devoted to carrying on a racing tradition that took off in the 1940s at fairsgrounds across Kansas.

"We all grew up with a dirt track," says Seemann, 32, of Jetmore, who thrills to the challenge of driving on an ever-changing dirt surface. "Going fast and driving to win—that's the fun."

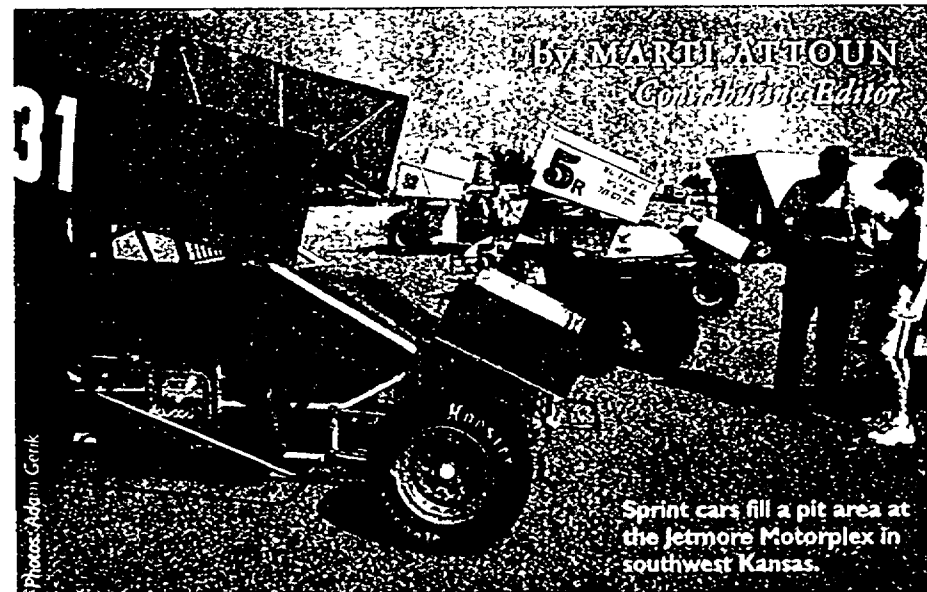
Come Saturday nights, faithful fans pack the Jetmore Motorplex, which was built in 2001 by Seemann and a group of five other investors with a lot of help from the community. The town donated 30 acres of an abandoned World War II training airfield for the three-eighths-mile dirt track, and volunteers helped build concession stands, restrooms, fences and the 2,800-seat grandstand.

"We had 40 to 50 people out here, some working every day," says Charles Leet, track president, recalling how the \$154,000 grandstand took two months to assemble.

Two years ago, owners struggled to keep the track open after paying for a turn lane to the motorplex entrance along U.S. Highway 283 south of town. Thirty-two dirt track sup-



Driver Darren Bowman signs autographs for his young fans.



Sprint cars fill a pit area at the Jetmore Motorplex in southwest Kansas.

porters came to the rescue, kicking in \$1,000 each to continue the weekend fun.

"None of us expects to make any money," Seemann says. "We're just hoping it'll make enough to pay its own bills and stay open. Racing gets people together."

By 4 p.m. every Saturday from April to October, drivers and pit crews begin unloading their prized racecars—super stocks, modifieds, bombers, cruisers and sprints. They may be competitors, but the atmosphere is as festive as a family reunion.

"Most will go out of their way to help you get going," Leet says, "then they'll murder you on the track."

Fans stake out their regular spots in the bleachers to root for their favorite drivers. The Bowman family from nearby Kinsley (pop. 1,658) settles in a middle section where 85-year-old grandmother Rosaline Schaller leads the family cheers. Her grandsons, Darren, 31, and Jim Bob, 39, race weekly in the sprint and super stock divisions. "We live for Saturdays," declares their mother, Joyce.

At 7 p.m., the crowd stands silently for the national anthem in the evening's only quiet moments before volunteer pace truck driver Tobi Huih of Jetmore leads the first group of eight lightweight sprint cars onto the track. Her husband, Ron, is a volunteer flagman and their daughters, Stacie, 13, and Meagan, 15, sell raffle tickets that benefit the track. Volunteers water, grade and pack the track before each week's races.

In nonstop action, each class of cars runs practice laps, then qualifying laps, and eventually the evening's feature races where first-place finishers take home \$300. In Jetmore, though, even the losers in the feature races take home cash.

"The guy who doesn't finish really needs the money," Leet explains. "It may just be enough for 10 or 20 gallons of gas."

Driver Adam Schrag, 30, of Hutchinson (pop. 40,787), doesn't expect to make money racing at Jetmore; he simply enjoys the thrills of the high-banked track where speeds on the straightways can reach 100 mph.



The community-built racetrack brings together friends, families and neighbors.

The drivers aren't big-name professionals, but they're local celebrities as they stand under the lights on the old World War II runway signing autographs until midnight. Dalton Konrack, 12, and his little brother, Wilson, 4, from Kinsley, make the rounds collecting signed photographs of each driver. So does Byrum Bittel, 9, of nearby Spearville (pop. 813), who has muscular dystrophy and rolls his wheelchair close to Darren Bowman's winning red sprint car.

One of the bystanders lifts Byrum into the driver's seat and Darren hands over his helmet. Byrum's grin says it all. He's just one more loyal fan enjoying the thrill of Jetmore's dirt track on a Saturday night. ☆

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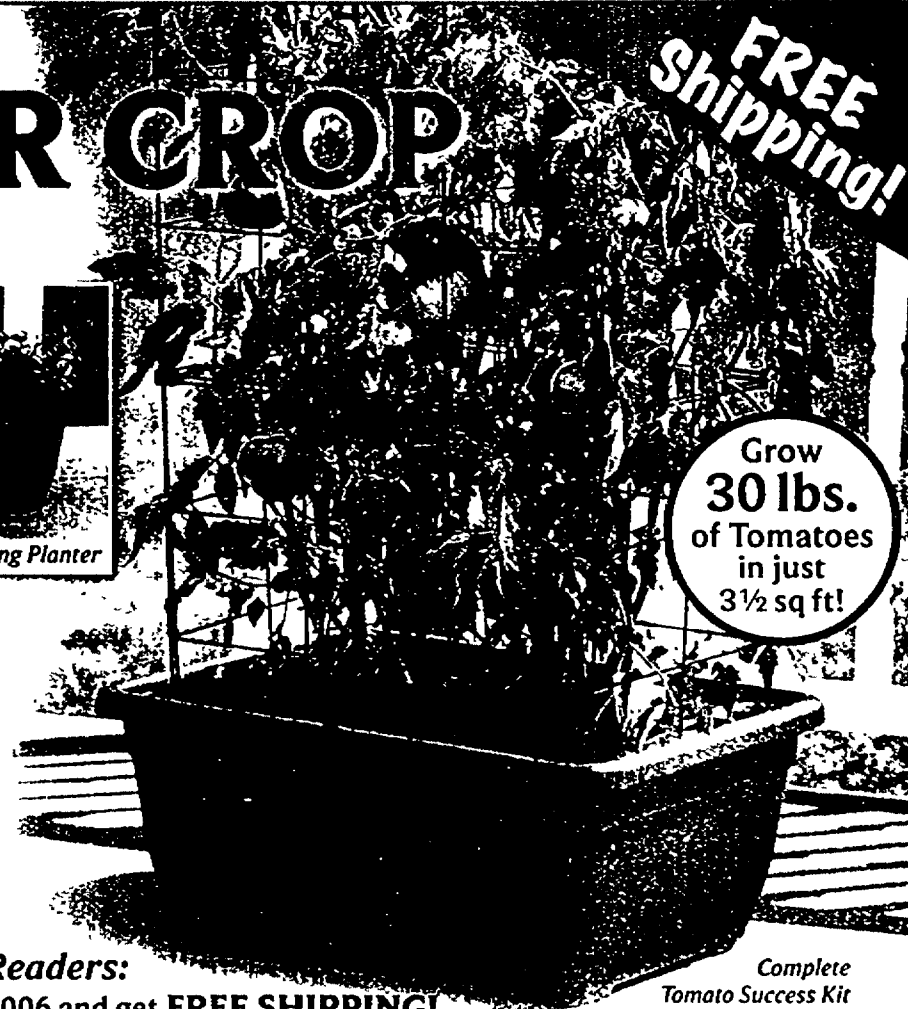
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IOWA—The nation's first female school superintendent was Phoebe W. Sudlow, who served from 1874 to 1878 as superintendent of Davenport Public Schools. In 1878, she became the first female professor at the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

KANSAS—Popeye's girlfriend, Olive Oyl, known for her hand wringing and high-pitched voice, was modeled after comic actress ZaSu Pitts, born around 1898 in Parsons (pop. 11,514). ZaSu was named after two aunts, Eliza and Susan.

MICHIGAN—Poet Robert Frost completed his Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *New Hampshire*, while a writer-in-residence at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor from 1921 to 1925. Welcoming his arrival, a local drugstore named a chocolate-covered ice cream treat "Frost Bite."

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NEBRASKA—Established in 1884, the U.S. Indian Industrial School at Genoa (pop. 981) was the federal government's fourth non-reservation boarding school and operated until 1934. Today, one of the school's restored buildings serves as a museum and cultural center.

NORTH DAKOTA—Built in 1872, Fort Seward military post at Jamestown (pop. 15,527) provided protection for 500 railroad workers and helped stabilize the region for settlement. Regular archaeological digs turn up clues about the fort's role.

OHIO—The state's longest natural beach on Lake Erie is the mile-long Headlands Beach State Park in Mentor (pop. 50,278). The sandy beach is home to a lighthouse and plant species typically found along the Atlantic coast.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Housed at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls, the Sioux Empire Medical Museum offers visitors a dose of medical history beginning with the early 1900s. Nursing uniforms, equipment and photographs depict changes and medical advancements.

WISCONSIN—Grocery tins, apothecary items and an old-fashioned candy counter offer a taste of early 1900s shopping at the Cedarburg (pop. 10,908) General Store Museum, home to the Roger C. Christensen collection of antique packaging and advertising art. ☆

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For more on the new EdenPURE™, here is my remarkable interview with John Whitehead, Chief of Research and Development for Biotech Research.

Q. Biotech Research has been in the air purification business for a long time and your previous air purifier model is an all-time best seller and was super effective. Why is the new EdenPURE™ air purifier so much better?

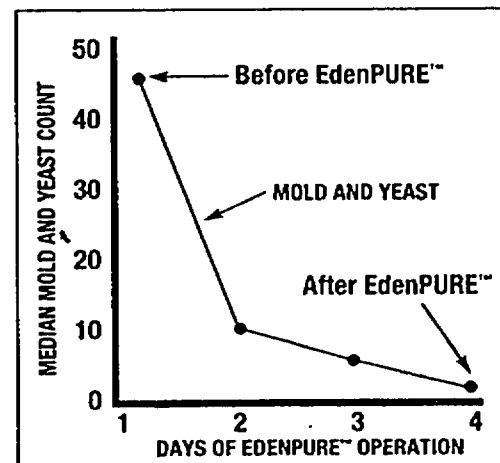
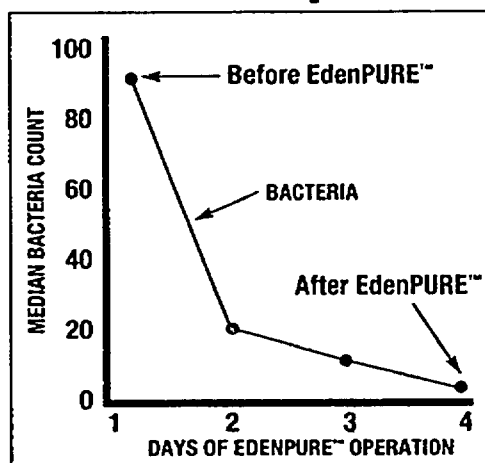
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The EdenPURE™ utilizes 4 much more advanced electronic air purification mechanisms.

The advanced technology in the EdenPURE™ is that used by NASA in spacecrafts such as the Space Shuttle and the International Space Station.

Q. What about those air purifiers that have no fan?

A. It has been well documented in scientific tests that an air purifier without a fan cannot possibly remove pollution to any substantial level. Those types mainly remove pollution that is very close to the unit. That's fine if you're purifying the air in a broom closet, but not for a wide area. Also those units have you wiping off a plate to clean off the trapped pollution. But unless those units have ultraviolet light, that plate contains live bacteria and viruses that can be harmful.

Q. How does the EdenPURE™ eliminate pollution without requiring the air to go through the unit, and how does it eliminate pollution on surfaces and fabrics?

A. The EdenPURE™ has 4 electronic mechanisms of eliminating pollution that mimic the way it is done by nature's thunderstorm. Thunderstorms produce highly activated oxygen which destroys pollu-

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Q. Does the EdenPURE™ require filter replacement like the old-style HEPA air purifiers?

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Q. So then the EdenPURE™ sanitizes everything in the house?

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Q. How well does the EdenPURE™ work on eliminating odors?

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Smart Grocery Shopping

Most parents oversee 1,095 meals per year, not including snacks. That's a lot of food shopping, even for a small family. So for busy moms and dads, a few smart strategies can save time and also significantly reduce food bills.

For faster service and fresher food, shop for groceries on Tuesday, says Steve Conover, senior group manager at Frito-Lay. "There are fewer shoppers that day so lines are usually shorter, and shelves are restocked with fresh items by 10 on Tuesday mornings," Conover says. "Stores are busiest on weekends."

Here are more time- and money-saving tips:

- Create a grocery-shopping routine at a certain time each week. Shop once a month at a wholesale club or discount store if you have storage space for extras. Smart bulk buys include paper products, toiletries, cleaning supplies, pet food, school supplies, batteries and light bulbs.

- Don't shop when you're hungry or tired. It's harder to make wise decisions.

- Keep an ongoing grocery list in a central location so family members can record requests. When you open the last bottle or package of any item, add it to the list.

- Running from store to store to buy advertised specials can actually cost you more time and money. Buy specials at the store where you plan to shop anyway and, when possible, use manufacturer's coupons.

- If the store offers a choice, choose a smaller cart. You'll fill it faster and be more aware of putting in items you can really do without.

- Stay on task. Many items you buy regularly—milk, eggs, cheese, meat—are at the back of the store. Eye-catching impulse items are strategically placed on aisles en route.

- Check top and bottom shelves. More expensive brands are often placed at eye level, and many stores stock unhealthy children's cereals and candy at their eye level.

- Avoid buying health and beauty items at the grocery store. They're usually cheaper at discount or drug stores.

- Don't assume the larger size of something is cheaper. Compare cost per unit.

- Watch out for companion foods displayed with on-sale items. Chips may be discounted, but the salsa premium priced.



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- Check "sell by" and "use by" dates on products; allow plenty of time to use before expiration. Make note of the foods you throw out each week. If you always waste a quart of milk or a certain kind of fruit, buy less.

- Be careful how you toss things into your cart. If a package gets damaged, the food is vulner-



able to contamination. Never buy a package that's dented, rusty or torn.

- Homemade is not always cheaper. Sometimes cake, brownie and muffin mixes can be cheaper than homemade.

- Try no-frills and store brands; they're often the same quality as name brands. Compare ingredients to determine similarity of products.

- If a store runs out of an advertised special, ask for a rain check and pay the reduced price when they get another shipment—even if the sale is over.

- Buy fruit and vegetables bagged instead of loose and save about \$1 a pound. No two bags weigh exactly the same, so use the produce scale to weigh a few bags before choosing one. You could get a few apples for free.

- When buying meat, a more expensive lean cut may be more economical than one that requires you to throw away excess bone, gristle or fat.

- Instead of buying precut filets, purchase a beef or pork tenderloin and cut it into filets yourself. You'll save more than 30 percent.

- Save grocery receipts for a month. You may need to return an unsatisfactory product. ☆

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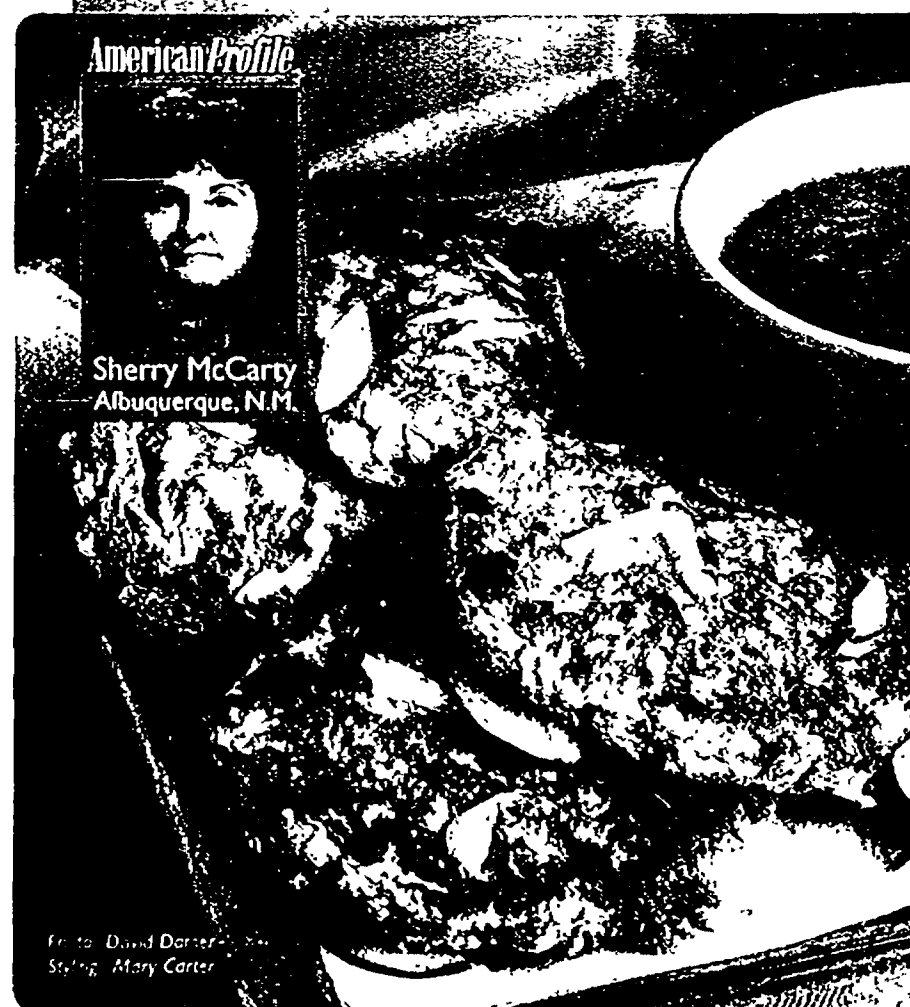
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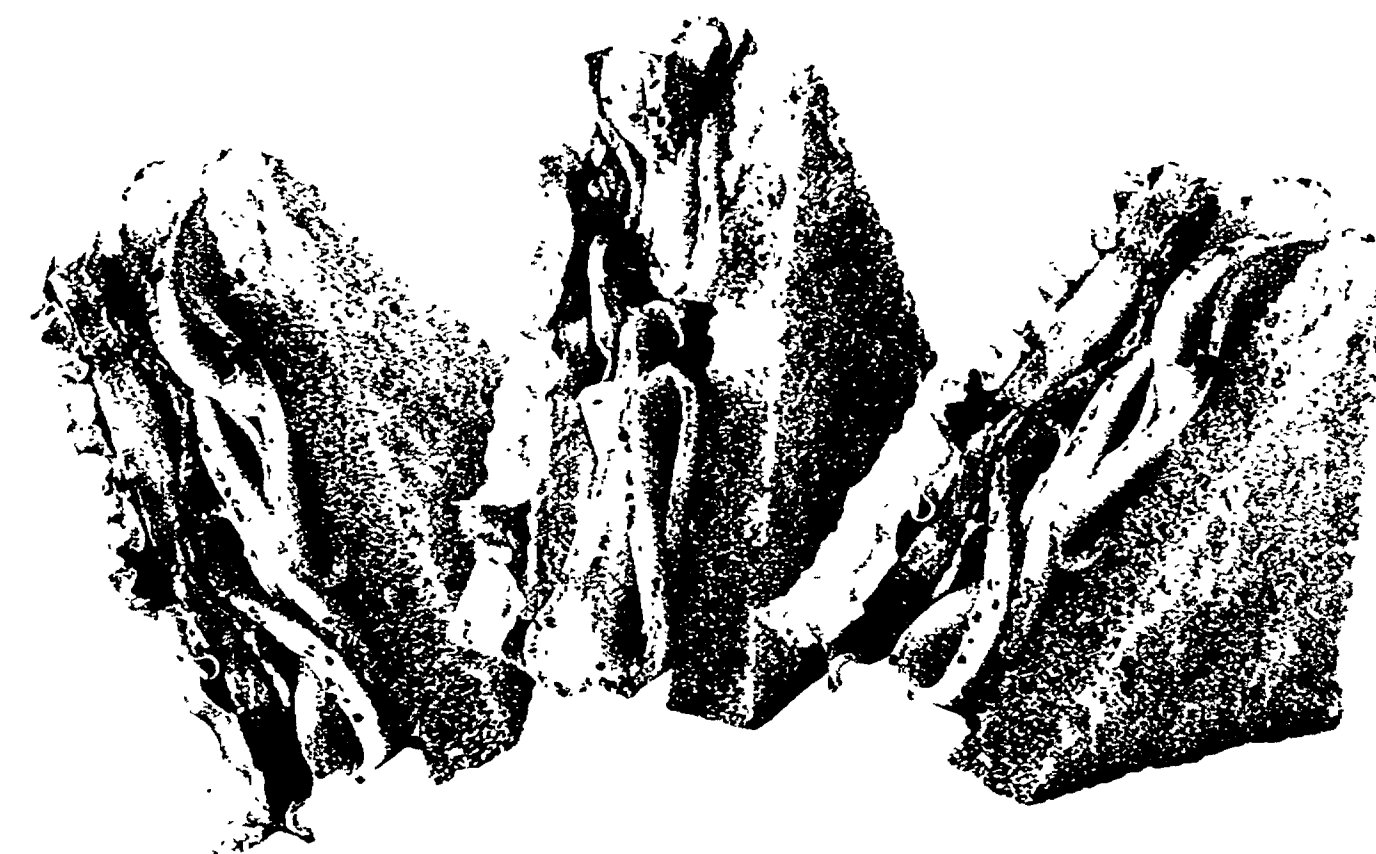
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Zucchini Patties

1 cup Bisquick or other baking mix
1/2 cup shredded mozzarella or Cheddar cheese
1/8 teaspoon salt
2 eggs, beaten
2 cups shredded zucchini
2 tablespoons chopped onion (optional)
1 tablespoon butter

Combine Bisquick, cheese, salt, eggs, zucchini and onion in a mixing bowl. Blend well. Melt butter in a large skillet. Spoon heaping tablespoons of zucchini mixture into skillet. Fry for 3 to 5 minutes per side, until golden brown. Place browned patties on a paper towel. Add more butter to skillet when necessary for additional batches. Serves 5 to 6.

Tips From Our Test Kitchen: For an Italian flair, try dipping these morsels in marinara sauce. To reduce calories, use cooking spray instead of butter.



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