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What's Going On?
In town See what's happening locally this weekend by checking out Northville's official events calendar. Page 16A.

Library Board
The filing deadline for candidates interested in serving on the Board of Trustees of the Northville District Library is July 20. The seven-trustee board, responsible for overseeing the operation, policy-making and resource allocation of the Northville District Library, is expected to have four available trustee positions at the end of the year. The library district includes the City of Northville and Northville Township. City and township residents are eligible.

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Get to know area businessmen in today's special section!

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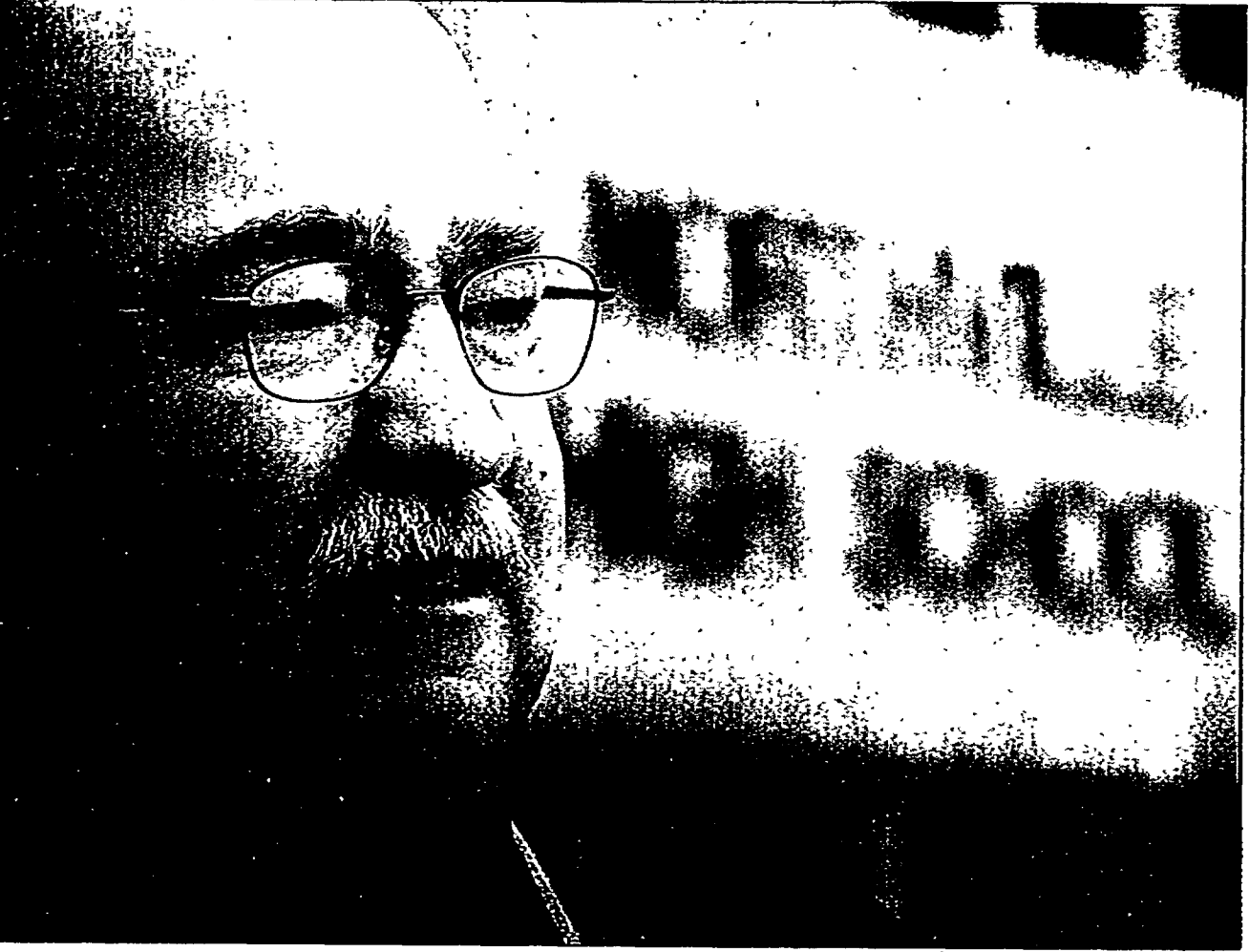
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COLLIGAN RETIRES



Principal Dennis Colligan, who officially retires tomorrow, stands outside his second home: Northville High School.

LEAVING HOME

After 32 years, Dennis Colligan says good-bye to Northville Public Schools

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

You can hear Dennis Colligan smile when he talks. Incessantly jovial, he could say you aren't graduating, and you'd thank him. Colligan's not the archetype of a leader of Northville's largest school. Then again, wielding tyrannical rule has never been his style. So when Colligan announced in April he would retire after 32 years with Northville Public Schools, the district gave a collective sigh before trying to imagine how to say goodbye. And how to replace him. Tomorrow, Colligan will place the final box top on the contents of his desk drawer, walk down the expansive hallway and exit through the doors one last time as principal.

Going out on top
There are two ways to make an exit: on top, or after the fall. "I always thought about retirement coming at a time when you still felt good about yourself and good about your position," Colligan said, who's seen his share of people come and go, noticing what frustrated them. He didn't

want to reach that point. Colligan, 57, said he is going out on top. "I wanted to walk out feeling pretty good about things," he said. "And I feel really good about the position the high school is in right now and the time was good."

Hired:
New principal Robert Watson was named Tuesday as the new high school principal. Page 10A.

Nearly 2,100 high school students, the largest to date, have exceeded federal and state academic standards, collected record-breaking numbers of awards and trophies and participated in groups and clubs. School officials said the graduating class of 2006 earned nearly \$7.5 million in scholarship dollars and 70 percent of the class graduated with honors. State championships, 23 National Merit Scholarship Program honorees, 14 division titles in the Western Lakes Activities Association and a student-run blood drive responsible for collecting 280 pints of blood spell success to Colligan.

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Retiring Northville High School principal Dennis Colligan laughs while students Shawn Spire, left, and junior Brett Spencer, right, acknowledge what many have long felt: "He's the man!"

Cooke heads for heated discussion

But reclaiming former middle school would come with notable human costs

The second installment in a series regarding Northville Public Schools growth talks.

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Marie Morrison can't imagine her world without Cooke School. She feels so strongly, she penned a letter to Northville Board of Education members letting them know how much the school and the district's participation means to her and Elizabeth — her daughter born with Down Syndrome. The Northville mom said she compares the district to a loving, caring family looking out for her daughter's best interest.

"We'd lose something that is valuable."

Joan Wadsworth
Treasurer, Northville Public Schools
Board of Education

"I hope ... you (the board members) will be able to understand just what Northville Public Schools, Cooke School means to Elizabeth and me — what



Cooke School principal, Marilyn Bachorik, right, chats with student Danielle Malaniak.

Get busy

Geared up for downtown makeover, officials seek volunteers

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Frequent downtown concert fans, Jerry and Terry Mittman have long thought there should be more grass around the gazebo. Jim Long wants to talk about whether Mary Alexander Court should become a two-way street. Carolann Ayers wishes parking rules were clearly posted. On Monday night, the Northville City Council accepted an inch-thick downtown strategic plan from Ann Arbor-based consultant Beckett and Raeder encompassing those ideas. Now city leaders are turning to their constituents with one question: What's your passion?

Sign me up:
Get involved

Proven strategy
Ten years ago, the community's rallying point.

Fort Griswold, grew from a commitment by grassroots experts and local individuals. The revitalization of downtown is Northville's new playscape, where design ideals are about to collide with existing conditions and regulations, challenging leaders to make the best use of local talent and investor interest. "The Northville community has a long history of volunteering," said Jerry Mittman, a former councilman and perennial volunteer. "Once the key elements of the downtown strategic plan are identified and the implementation

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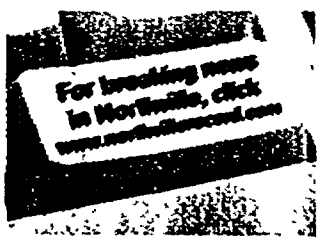
PARADE

Northville grad will make 'Stealth' flyover Tuesday

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Flying a Stealth jet while your whole hometown is watching: How cool is that? U.S. Air Force Capt. Tim "Maddog" Smith, a 1995 Northville High School graduate, will have better than a bird's-eye view for the Independence Day parade Tuesday. Last year, Smith stood along a downtown sidewalk for the parade. Next week, he'll be one of the pilots who will swoosh over the thousands of spectators lining Main Street for the 10 a.m. community celebration. "This is a once in a lifetime opportunity in which I am proud to showcase the USAF Stealth Fighter for such a patriotic event and crowd," Smith e-mailed from

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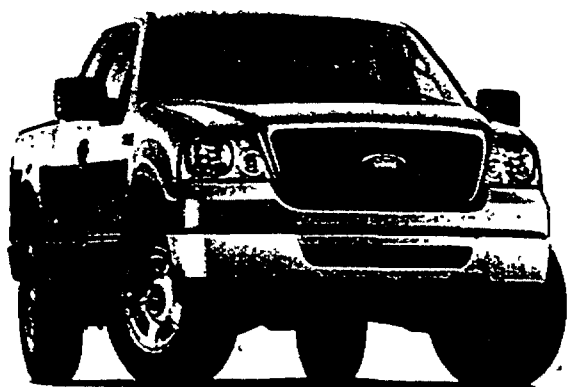
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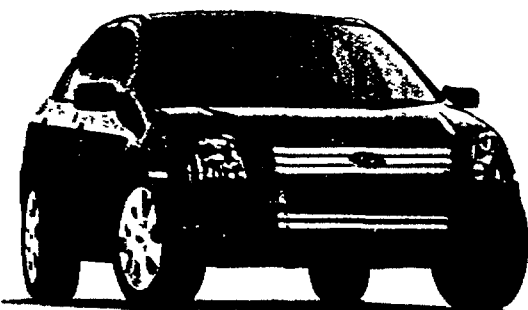


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OPEN SATURDAYS

Behind the scenes: Northville's annual patriotic salute taking shape

Flower power helps keep Fourth effort afloat

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Laura Droze makes paper napkin flowers in her sleep.

In her sixth year as float coordinator for Our Lady of Victory Church, the Northville resident targeted a goal of 15,000 white, yellow, black and green pods of color. On Monday, she and her volunteer corps will finish securing flower-studded chicken wire and wood forms in place on a mobile platform.

Rain or shine, the church's float will be ready to roll in time for Tuesday's 10 a.m. start of Northville's Independence Day parade, Droze said.

"This next week will be our crunch week," she said. "We'll be there July 3 until it's done."

"We'll pray for nice weather," she added with a laugh.

Mercy Hospital.

Festivities will begin with the Sweet Adelines singing patriotic tunes in front of city hall prior to the parade, followed by the National Anthem.

Foundation president Shari Peters said she added many children's characters to the parade cast so the youngest spectators will have a chance to wave to Paws from the Detroit Tigers, Louie the Lighting Bug, the Hamburglar, Shooter from the Whalers, the Big Boy and others.

The reward of teamwork

Droze hasn't stood by the parade sidelines for several years. She said the march down Main Street alongside the church's float is a reward for the months of teamwork she's supervised.

"You can just see the pride and hear them, 'I made flowers for that,'" Droze said. "It's a nice lit-

tle community social gathering for them."

When the float is parked in the church lot after the parade, volunteers take their photograph near the finished project, Droze said. The mother of four recruits her husband and children early on.

"We do it at home watching TV, one will be cutting wire, one will be folding."

Creating flowers joins 9-year-olds to 90-year-olds toward the same purpose, Droze said.

"There's not many projects with that span that you can say, 'We worked on this together,'" she said. "It's about giving back to the community."

"This is my one big project for the church. It's time consuming, but it's good to see people socializing."

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Submitted Photo

Capt. Tim "Maddog" Smith, a 1995 Northville High School graduate.

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Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico. "Besides, how many people get to fly a \$50 million fighter jet over their hometown!"

"It will be great!"

Once in a lifetime

The military fly-over, always a show stopper while crowds are watching the annual patriotic procession, landed in Smith's lap by chance.

"It was completely random that our squadron (9th Fighter Squadron) was assigned this flyby," Smith wrote. Headquarters Air Combat Command has an air show office that processes all aerial event requests, he explained, handing them off to individual bases with the type of jet for the event.

Smith said when he saw the air show schedule about a month ago, he volunteered for the Northville event. A seven-year Air Force veteran, he has more than 1,200 flight hours in fighter aircraft, including the F-16 and F-117.

"This is a once in a lifetime opportunity in which I am proud to showcase the USAF Stealth Fighter for such a patriotic event and crowd."

Tim "Maddog" Smith
Captain, U.S. Air Force, 1995 Northville High School graduate

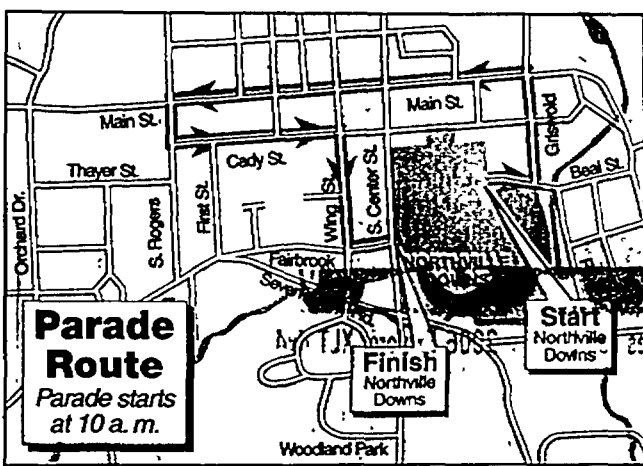
Veteran flyer

Smith has been stationed at five different bases, including Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina, Laughlin and Kelly bases in Texas, Eielson Air Force Base in Arkansas and currently at Holloman.

He's been deployed all over the Pacific theater, serving in Korea, Okinawa, Singapore, and Guam. He's also flown in support of Operation Nobel Eagle and Enduring Freedom.

On Tuesday, his in-laws, Phyllis and Anthony Heckemeyer, will be on Main Street below. His wife, Katrina, another 1995 Northville High School graduate, and their three children will be back on the base.

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Claire Naughton, 12, right, helps make thousands of paper flowers that will adorn the Our Lady of Victory Fourth of July Parade float.

"You can just see the pride and hear them, 'I made flowers for that'"

Laura Droze
Float Coordinator, Our Lady of Victory church

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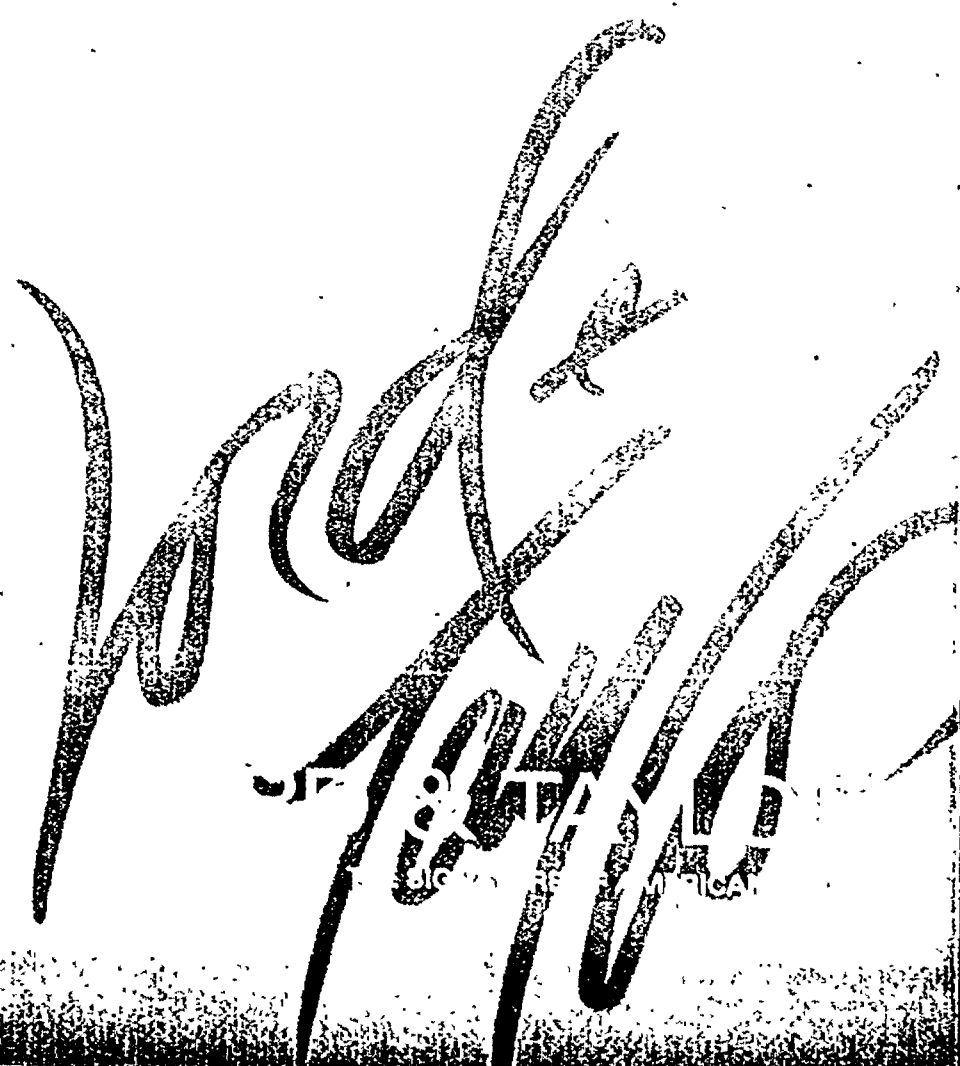


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LEAVING HOME: Colligan retires

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A far cry

The successes Colligan experiences today differ dramatically from 35 years ago when he began his education career. In 1971, he accepted a special education teacher position at the Hawthorn Center.

But it was a 7 a.m.-3p.m. job, and Colligan wanted more. He wanted after-school football practices and the rush of cheering students through tight games.

Colligan accepted a special education teaching position with Northville Public Schools in 1974.

"I started really enjoying the after-teaching part of the position of education right away," he said. "That was a lot of fun and that was the start of my career," he said.

By 1983, when Northville Public Schools Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services David Bolitho was principal of the high school, Colligan was already head football coach.

Later, Colligan became part-time, then full-time, athletic director before taking on the role as assistant principal and ultimately principal.

"Dennis has always exhibited the highest degree of professionalism possible," Bolitho said. "Always focusing on the welfare of his students, the high school and the district."

Triple hit

Colligan looks at his career in three different sections:

Back in the saddle:

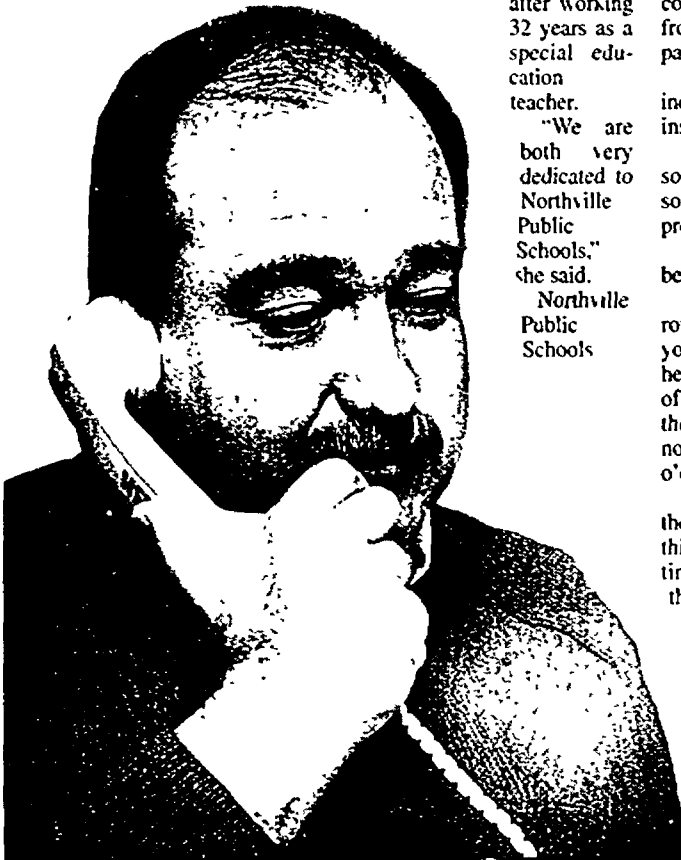
■ He's back!

Dennis Colligan may be retiring from the principal's chair, but he's returning to the gridiron as a JV coach with friend Darrel Schumacher. Page 1B.

administrator for 32 years. I wasn't a teacher for 32 years. I was able to do three different things, and I think that really was healthy in my career."

Colligan remembers fondly his stint as athletic director.

"I was able to kind of work a hobby and work with all the athletes and break away from just the football element I was coaching at the time," he said.



FAREWELL FRIEND

Over the years, I watched Dennis Colligan shake the hand of every graduate of Northville High School and call them by name as they approach. It takes a special person to know every student in a class of 500. Your relationship with students was really something special Dennis. Thanks for giving so much of yourself to this community.

— Casey Reason, Northville Public Schools Assistant Superintendent

Dennis, enjoy spending well deserved time with your family and know there are 35 years worth of students who have benefited greatly from your teaching, coaching, athletic directing and leadership as principal at NHS. As a board member, I always enjoyed listening to the personal comments you made to each graduate as they shook your hand after receiving their diploma. Many of the students greeted you with a big hug and thanked you for all you did to support them in their education. You're clearly a very positive influence in the lives of our students and will be missed. Warmest wishes.

— Karen Paclorek, President Northville Board of Education

WE WILL MISS YOU!

Dennis was an excellent mentor as I succeeded him as the athletic director for the Northville Public Schools. He always took the time to answer my questions and help me whenever necessary. He understood the complex issues of running an athletic department and his administrative support was greatly appreciated. Now that he is retiring I will need to get additional strokes on the golf course.

— Larry Taylor, Retired NPS Athletic Director

Dennis has been a tremendous leader of Northville High School. The students and staff respect and love what he brings to them daily in the form of stability, boundaries, and encouragement. He supports the efforts of kids far beyond the school day and can be found at a band concert just as readily as a football game. He leads with his heart and teaches by example. Dennis has given us the perfect mixture of administrative talent, empathy, wisdom, and a sincere respect for a community he loves, and that in turn, loves him.

— Shelia Brown, Northville High School Assistant Principal

I have had the privilege of working with Dennis for the last seven years (five as his assistant). Dennis has mentored me and helped me grow in my profession. He has given me invaluable advice as it relates to work as well as raising my own family. Though I am happy for his opportunity to retire at the top of his game, I am saddened to not see him every day.

— Rob Watson, Northville High School Assistant Principal

HAPPY RETIREMENT!

But in the early to mid 1990s his own children began competing athletically at Novi High School. Colligan knew he had difficult decision to make. He couldn't be a bleacher parent while serving as Northville's athletic director.

Family won. Colligan applied for a job opening as an assistant principal at the high school.

"I went into the assistant principal job around, I believe, 1995 and I was able to watch my kids compete at Novi and still fulfill the requirements of the assistant principalship here," he said.

All in the family

Joanne Colligan said it is no surprise her husband of 34 years changed career paths to relish his family.

"He is a devoted family man, always managing to find a balance between his family and career," she said.

The Colligans have three children, their youngest graduating from college this year.

The couple also had their first grandchild in January.

"Certainly a big change in our life is having a grandson to spoil and to pay some attention to and they are local so we can get down there and do a good job of spoiling him," Dennis said.

Joanne joins Dennis in retirement this year, leaving Amerman Elementary School in January after working 32 years as a special education teacher.

"We are both very dedicated to Northville Public Schools," he said.

Northville Public Schools



Northville High School principal Dennis Colligan has worked in Northville since 1974.

Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said he has tremendous respect for both.

"Dennis and his family are a part of the fabric of Northville Public Schools," he said.

A new attitude

The sight of a Dunkin' Donuts coffee cup will likely be absent from the credenza in the principal's office after tomorrow.

A familiar morning drive, including a stop for coffee, will instantly vanish for Colligan.

"I do have routines, and I am somewhat predictable and maybe some cohorts would say I'm very predictable," Colligan said.

But finding a new routine will be something he will work at.

"Maybe get into a nice exercise routine that is hard to do when you are in the position I am in," he said. "Being able to take care of yourself a little better and read the morning paper. Sometimes now I read the paper at 10-11 o'clock at night."

"It would be nice to read it in the morning, and just catch up on things and get into some new routines. I'm looking forward to that."

Another daily constant he will miss: his assistant Cindy Wolso.

For 12 years, she has greeted him with a smile.

"Cindy has just been a pillar of strength in running the administra-

"I think the community, the students, the parents and the staff have given me much more than I have given them, and I am really appreciative of being able to spend my career here."

Dennis Colligan
Principal, Northville High School

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Principal has seen changes

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

When Dennis Colligan began his Northville Public Schools career things were just a little different around Northville.

"He started in 1974 when we were a small-town school district," said Leonard Rezmierski, Northville Public Schools superintendent.

Colligan said the population changed quite a bit during the 1970s and 80s.

"We had a low of about 1,000 kids at the high school," Colligan said. "To a high now of 2,100, of course we're bigger than we've ever been this year."

Colligan said historically attendance went up to about 1,300-1,400 and leveled off at about 1,200 before it would grow again.

"I was able to see a lot of growth; a lot of change within the community and the school district; a lot of people coming and going; and the population has definitely changed," he said.

Biggest challenge

The biggest challenge Colligan said he faced as principal of Northville High School was trying to deliver a personal experience to a student body hovering at 2,100 young adults.

"One of our goals since I started with the administrative team was to make sure kids are involved with their high school and not just a 7:30-2:15 student," Colligan said. "To offer activities outside of the athletic world and band and music."

Initiatives like gaming club, SADD, Make a Difference club and Rotary Interact helped offer respite for everyone.

"The personality of the high school is largely dependent on what the kids do," Colligan said. "We work hard to try and get students involved."

"I think that is what high school is all about."

Another challenge Colligan said he faced while changing from a 1,000-student enrollment to 2,100 kids: knowing every student's name one day, then suddenly realizing it's no longer possible.

"I can remember when it was 1,000 kids or 1,200 kids and you knew every body, it was just one of those things you needed to do," he said. "You miss that, that personalization and you miss that as you grow."

Biggest success

Rezmierski said Colligan's career is about never losing focus.

"What he has taught us is phenomenal," Rezmierski said.

But Colligan won't acknowledge personal successes.

"When I look at success as a person, I have a hard time individualizing that it is all me," Colligan said. "It is just success that the team has had, success we've had as a school and as a unit."

"I try not to take credit as a person, it is a team approach."

Colligan lists success as watching students come in as nervous freshmen and leave as mature young adults, with so many wonderful opportunities.

Other success stories include seeing the smiles on students' faces as they are accepted to the college of their choice.

"Knowing they were able to pursue the further degrees because of training and some of the background they've had at Northville High School and certainly from their parents," he said.

A word of advice

Colligan has this advice for his successor: "continue the relationship with the people you work with, continue the open relationship and open-door policy with students, and be personable on the job."

"Lend that personal element that people are comfortable to come in and talk."

Colligan said he hopes people feel that way about him. He hopes that is his legacy.

"I think when you come in as the principal of such a large school, with 125 staff members plus and 2,100 kids, which means over 4,000 parents and central office folks ... I think you have to be approachable."

"And I think the biggest thing that a principal needs to have and one of the most important communication skills that a principal needs to have is to be an active listener."



The answer is ...

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

As principal of Northville High School, Dennis Colligan experienced years when one day never matched another.

It's been a profession where fielding responsibilities was like standing in front of school doors on the last day of the year.

So what was the biggest surprise of taking the leadership reins? "The one thing I didn't prepare for is ... I might have to answer 300 different questions everyday and that was really surprising to me," Colligan said.

Colligan said he knew he answered a lot of questions as an assistant principal, and watched his mentors answer query after query. But it wasn't until he assumed the high school's lead administrative role that it really hit him.

"A lot of them are minor decisions and just common sense things, but boy you get asked a lot and you really have to be on guard and ready to give a response," he said.

Colligan said questions came from students, faculty, parents, administrators and outsiders calling in.

"You just have to be prepared to answer a lot of concerns," he said.

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When Dennis Colligan joined Northville Public Schools in 1974...

- Faced with impeachment for his role in the Watergate affair, President Richard Nixon resigns
- Vice President Gerald Ford is sworn in as the 38th President of the United States
- President Gerald Ford pardons former President Richard Nixon
- OPEC ends oil embargo begun in 1973
- Patricia Hearst, daughter of multimillionaire publisher Randolph Hearst, is abducted
- Screaming - running naked in a public place - becomes a fad
- Golda Meir resigns as premier of Israel
- Henry "Hank" Aaron hits his 715th home run, breaking the record set by Babe Ruth
- Miami plays Minnesota in the Super Bowl
- The Oakland A's play LA Dodgers in the World Series

- Muhammed Ali knocks out George Forman and regains the heavyweight title.
- "People" magazine debuts with Mia Farrow on the cover
- "The Sting" wins an Academy Award for Best Picture
- "Killing Me Softly With His Song" by Roberta Flack wins Record of the Year at the Grammys
- People mourn the loss of Bud Abbott, Dizzy Dean, Duke Ellington, Charles Lindbergh and Ed Sullivan
- Movies released this year are: "Chinatown," "The Godfather Part II," "Day for Night," "Blazing Saddles," "The Towering Inferno" and "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore."
- Top TV shows are: "All in the Family," "Sanford and Son," "Chico and the Man," "The Jeffersons" and "M*A*S*H"

SOURCE: W. H. WALKER

POLICE BRIEFS

In the park

Police cited a 22-year-old Commerce man June 20 for allegedly urinating in public at Northville Recreation Park. The man told police he was aware of the public restroom nearby. He was given a July 9 court date at the 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Purse found

Police were dispatched to Babies R' Us on Haggerty Road after an unknown person turned in a black leather purse, containing more than \$1,275 in cash found in a shopping cart outside the store, according to the store manager. Police were unable to locate any identification from the purse. The case remains open.

Gas and go

Police were dispatched to the Mobil gas station on Six Mile and Haggerty roads after a 29-year-old Redford Township man, driving a 1993 GMC pickup truck, allegedly stole \$30 worth of gas. Police said a sales associate approached the suspect while he attempted to leave via Haggerty Road, but the suspect turned his vehicle around and fled through the north exit onto Six Mile Road.

Police contacted the suspect who said he would make full restitution to avoid prosecution. Police said if full payment was not received, a warrant for the suspect's arrest would be issued. The case is closed.

Family trouble

A 36-year-old Northville Township woman reported family trouble after her husband allegedly pushed and knocked her to the floor. According to reports, the couple is going through a divorce and the woman asked for her new credit card. The woman told police her husband knocked her to the floor and slammed the door, saying she had been evicted from the bedroom. The woman did not want police to contact her husband at this time. The case is closed.

Break-in

Police were dispatched to Northville High School after an 18-year-old female custodian

and her mother, working in the school cafeteria, witnessed two male suspects allegedly break into their car and steal a Louis Vuitton wallet containing \$30. Police were unable to locate the suspects. The case is closed.

Stolen on lunch

A Toll Brothers Construction manager called police after a condenser valued at \$1,400 was allegedly stolen while workers were at lunch. According to reports, the manager said he was working in the basement of a home on Pine Hurst when an unknown suspect cut the piping and electrical wiring from the machine and fled the scene. The case remains open.

Busted

A 22-year-old Detroit man was arrested from Meijer on Haggerty Road after he was caught allegedly stealing five bottles of Grey Goose vodka. According to reports, loss prevention officials observed the man place the bottles into a grocery bag inside a shopping cart and attempt to exit the store. Police arrested the man, who was given a court date for today at the 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Garage invasion

Police were dispatched to a home on Weatherfield after the homeowner observed an unknown male suspect inside her garage. According to reports, the man fled to an awaiting car once he noticed the homeowner. Police said nothing was stolen from the garage. The case is closed.

Identity theft

An 18-year-old Northville Township woman called police after being contacted by Community Financial Credit Union in reference to several suspicious transactions on her account. According to reports, three June 3 transactions were made from Montreal, Quebec in the amounts of \$83, \$86 and \$89. The woman said she didn't allow anyone to use her account information. The woman told police she had canceled and destroyed the credit card. The case is closed.

City nearing decision on police chief replacement

But state rep. candidate asks: do they need one?

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville police chief candidates had five minutes to prioritize an in-basket of problems Friday.

The time-management exercise, along with role-playing with irate citizens and an oral exam, were part of the regimen being used to select a new City of Northville police chief. A city consultant put the five finalists through their assessment paces in order to rank their capabilities for the city's top cop job.

Meanwhile, police Capt. Mike Carlson is filling in for recently retired chief James Petres.

City Manager Patrick Sullivan expects to have a replacement named by August. Until then, he said Carlson will continue wearing two hats.

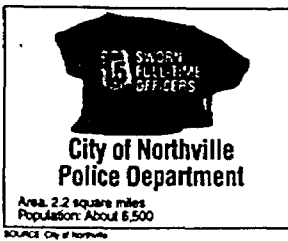
"It's going great," Sullivan said. "He's doing two jobs."

Department leadership

But Carlson's double-duty is a stop-gap measure, Sullivan said, and he discounted a recent public claim that cities the size of Northville and Plymouth do not need a police chief.

"That department needs a department head," Sullivan said. "The kinds of questions that a police chief gets called for in the middle of the night you don't want me answering. 'Do we need to get a search warrant?' 'The suspect's in the building,

■ Chief Vacancy
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Staff size: 15 full-time sworn officers



do we kick the door down?' 'You want someone with a law enforcement background that can answer those questions.'"

As part of his bid for the 20th District state representative seat, Plymouth resident Jason Vorva suggested Northville police sergeants can adequately schedule and supervise police personnel, reporting directly to the city manager.

"In these economic times, I think it's a great opportunity for small municipalities to look at what they really need," Vorva said. "For cities this size, you don't really need any officer higher than a sergeant."

"They don't need another level of administration," Sullivan said he does not know of any city that does not have a police chief. He said he has not scrutinized the department's structure during his two months in Northville, but the chief's position calls for after-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Acting City Northville police chief Mike Carlson reviews paperwork with newly-hired officer Claudia Finn.

hours judgment calls during special circumstances, as well as routine responsibilities.

"It's not just the things he does all day long when he's actually in the building," Sullivan said. "There are communities that have a public safety chief, but he has to have expertise in police and fire areas."

"Here, they are separate functions."

Adding staff

With the recent addition of Claudia Finn and the offer pending hire of another patrol officer, Northville Police Department will return to 15 full-time sworn officers. When the new chief joins the force, two sergeant vacancies will remain.

"There hasn't been any discussion of the framework of the organization," Sullivan said. "I want to continue it (as is) with the new chief."

Friday afternoon, Sullivan reviewed with the consultant results of the evaluations to determine which of the candidates, all men, to interview. After reviewing 80 resumes, the city manager narrowed to five the candidates for the consultant to scrutinize.

"It's a full day they put the candidates through," Sullivan said. "That gives us an objective, very credible assessment of their qualifications for this job."

"The next step is the actual interview."

Sullivan said candidates vying to replace Petres, who retired in April after 34 years on Northville's police force, are small-city chiefs or command officers in larger Michigan cities. Each candidate asked for confidentiality until making the final cut, he said.

The city council budgeted a \$76,000-\$85,000 annual salary range, plus health insurance and pension benefits.

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DOWNTOWN: officials gear up, gathering volunteers is next step

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phase is ready to be launched. I anticipate numerous volunteers will step forward — both from the city and the township.

"Downtown Northville is the community's downtown and there is a lot of enthusiasm and energy out there to help move projects on to further strengthen this core area of the community."

Time to sign up

At last week's Northville Downtown Development Authority meeting, board members agreed to restructure their body, incorporating volunteer assignments.

Development authority members — downtown property owners, merchants, residents and city officials — will chair subcommittees stacked with volunteers to target specific tasks.

"Volunteers will be able to focus on areas of special interest to them," Mittman said. "I believe they will be excited to help. And to see the results of their efforts come to fruition."

Greg Presley, authority board member and chair of the downtown steering committee that worked alongside Beckett and Raeder representatives, proposed dividing tasks into five categories: organization, business mix, marketing/promotion, design/aesthetics and parking/circulation.

"We're going to need more than just DDA members to get any work done," City Manger Patrick Sullivan said, adding some of the steering committee volunteers will remain involved.

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Time to make it happen

According to Presley's proposal, each subcommittee will be chaired by a development authority member, supported by volunteer voices. The downtown development group will serve an oversight role.

The business mix group will look at retention, recruitment and downtown businesses, and encouraging healthy practices, such as standardized hours of operation and open hours during special events.

The design/aesthetics subcommittee will help police design, ensure proper maintenance routines and help develop an effective sign program, Presley said.

Mittman said he would like to see the greenspace expanded. "The major studies are complete,"

What's next
What: Northville Downtown Development Authority meeting
When: 8 a.m. Tuesday, July 18
Where: City Hall council chambers
Who: Public invited
More info: (248) 349-1300

he said. "It is now time to make things happen."
"I look forward to the upcoming implementation phase."

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Northwood University

Northville residents, Lauren Brackel, Jeffrey McCullough, Ian O'Gieblyn, Eric Pfefferle and Alena Vancleave, were named to the spring 2006 term dean's list at Northwood University.

Washtenaw Community College

Northville residents, Kim Aigner, Kara Beckerman, Hailey Buchinger, Karen Formella, Heather Gillespie, Deanne Hatton, Christopher Haywood, Mai Ishihashi, Tammy Impullitti, Kirsten Migoski, Jason Moore, Lindsay Pearce, Daneil Pitts, Jordana Ringo, Laura Roberts, Troy Ross, Elizabeth Senak and Melissa Zilch were named as honor students at Washtenaw Community College in May 2006.

Indiana University-Purdue University, Fort Wayne

Northville resident, Michelle Manno, was recently honored at the 2006 North Central Sociological Association June meeting. She won second place in the undergraduate student paper competition.

Wal-Mart Scholarship Recipients

Northville High School student, Ashley Flohr, has been awarded a Sam Walton Community Scholarship for 2006-07.

Grand Valley State University

Northville residents, Katherine Bradley, Jeffrey Breault, Joshua Cassidy, Emily Cummins, Charles DeCoster, Lauren Denomme, Lauren Duggan, Maureen Emaus, Anna Griebel, Kristin Kirk, Svaja Mikulionis, Drew Montgomery, Karen Paterson, Andrew Paterson, Brooke Richard, Courtney Siracusa, Victor Sultana, Patrice Wade and Adam Zobl, were named to the winter 2006 dean's list at Grand Valley State University.

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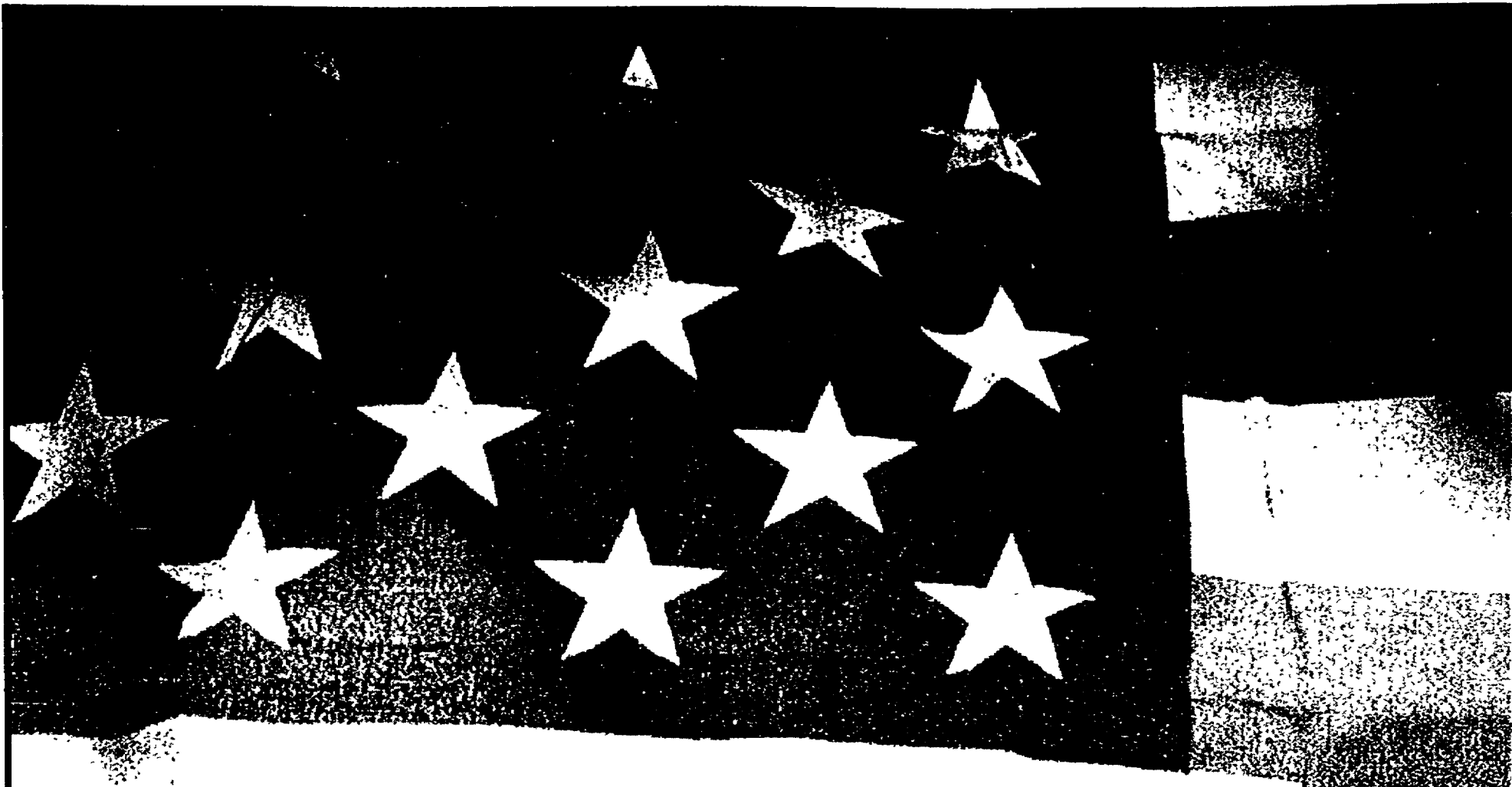
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Welcome, district guests

High school serves as site for national learning conference

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Katie Doerr Parker might just take a breather today. She's been working hard all week making sure educators are learning how to build better schools.

Parker, Northville Public Schools Director of Instructional Projects, was in charge of overseeing a national learning conference hosted at Northville High School.

The three-day "Professional Learning Communities at Work Institute" conference was expected to wrap-up today, bringing nearly 1,000 educators from across the country to the high school.

"It has really been an honor, but a lot of hard work and a lot of thanks needs to go to many, many people in the district for working very hard," Parker said. "The event is the first of this kind for the district."

School officials said there is no financial benefit for the district, but the community exposure is welcomed.

Parker said the Northville Chamber of Commerce placed brochures in registrants' packets, highlighting places to dine.

"Unfortunately ... they are going to miss the Thursday evenings where the stores are open, but we are just hoping they will have a chance to get into town and see the community," Parker said.

School officials said the district was one location contacted last summer to host the event.

Northville Public Schools Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Casey Reason said the district was ultimately selected because of its investment in the community, new facilities and long-time involvement with the Galileo Leadership Consortium.

The consortium is a nationally recognized leadership develop-

"The event is the first of this kind for the district."

Katie Doerr Parker
Director of Instructional Projects,
Northville Public Schools

ment program for educators comprised of nine school districts, three community colleges and two regional educational service agencies in southeastern Michigan.

Reason said Northville Public Schools began exploring Professional Learning Concepts more than five years ago.

"A number of our staff and administrators have been trained and we now see evidence of Professional Learning Community strategies in nearly all our school improvement initiatives," he said.

At Moraine Elementary School the staff created a formal learning community complete with ongoing book talks to support shared learning, and a very structured shared governance process allowing for staff input at all levels.

"We've been doing this for quite awhile," Parker said. "Different buildings are more involved than others, but every building is certainly aware of it and practices some of the concepts."

Keynote speakers at the conference this week included Solution Tree experts Dr. Richard DuFour, Rebecca DuFour and Robert Eaker, Ed.D.

Conference attendees learned how to:

- Align school practices to promote higher levels of learning for all students;

- develop strategies to provide additional time and support for students who experience initial difficulty in learning; and

Professional Learning Communities

The Professional Learning Communities at Work Institute is designed to help educators implement strategies for improving their schools.

"It is finding a way to work together for a common goal for the benefit of the students and also for the benefit of those who teach," said Katie Doerr Parker, Northville Public Schools Director of Instructional Projects. "So it becomes transforming."

"It turns both students and teachers and administrators into life-long learners."

Parker said Professional Learning Communities is headed by Dr. Richard DuFour.

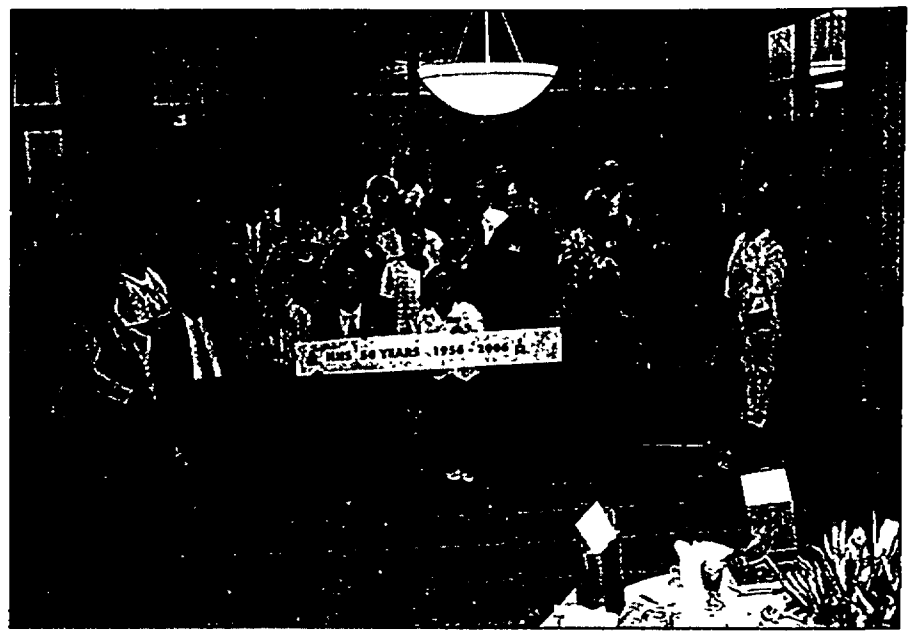
She said DuFour is a former high school principal known for developing a way of making a very large high school seem smaller and more responsive to students by getting teachers involved in empowerment and decision making.

• create a new sense of what their school might become by investing the practices of some of North America's most successful schools.

"It can change your culture completely," Parker said.

More than 50 Northville educators including teachers, principals and administrators, attended the conference at a discounted rate.

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Class of 1956 returns!

Maintaining a tradition they pledged at the time of their graduation, members of the Northville High School Class of 1956 have been meeting every five years for a reunion. On June 17, they marked 50 years. Of the class of 94 students, 49 classmates plus 29 guests and spouses attended the Novi Sheraton Hotel event after traveling from throughout Michigan, Indiana, Virginia, Wisconsin, Florida, Iowa, Kentucky, California, and Colorado. Donald Van Ingen, a former teacher and coach, was a special guest at the reunion planned by Conrad Doan, Suzanne (Mairs) Lily, Sue (Cantrell) Dahlager, Norman Somers, Delores (Burrell) Barber, Gerald Davis, Darwin Teshka and Joan (Perry) Iversen. The morning before, many classmates toured the Main Street school administration building, their former high school, and Amerman elementary school.

Library Board filing deadline approaches

The filing deadline for candidates interested in serving on the Board of Trustees of the Northville District Library is July 20.

The seven-trustee board, responsible for overseeing the operation, policy-making and resource allocation of the Northville District Library, is expected to have four available trustee positions at the end of the year. The library district includes the City of Northville and Northville Township.

City and township residents are

eligible.

Trustees elected this year will serve four-year terms, beginning in January 2007. Meetings of the Board of Trustees are held on the fourth Thursday of each month. Trustees also serve on several standing committees, for which meetings are also scheduled.

Petitions are available at the library, and potential candidates must collect a minimum of 40 valid signatures. The deadline for filing the petitions at the Wayne County Clerk's office in the Coleman Young Municipal

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Budget: No new teachers

Board adopts \$63 million budget; new hires not included

Third installment in a series regarding the Northville Public Schools 2006-07 budget, including the impact on teachers, administration, infrastructure and children.

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

School officials delivered the good news-bad news edict Tuesday night while approving Northville Public Schools \$63 million budget.

The good news: no teacher layoffs. The bad news: no new teachers will be hired as originally anticipated.

The news comes to the chagrin of Amber Slusser and other Thornton Creek Elementary School parents.

Slusser is concerned static teacher hiring will mean one less section of third grade classes at her son's elementary school.

She is also afraid class sizes will creep up.

"My son will be in a class 44 percent larger than last year ... and I think it will impact his education," Slusser said.

School officials said eliminating the need for a fourth third-

grade teacher at Thornton Creek means class sizes are expected to be 25-26 student per class.

"We're a district that is very committed to low class size," said board president Karen Paciorek.

Board members said maintaining low class size is still their main priority and studying enrollment for all district buildings will continue through the summer.

School officials said they originally hoped to hire nearly 10 K-12 teachers, including a new counselor at Northville High School.

The announcement that no new teachers will be hired came during a special-call meeting last week, when board members decided to cut by 66 students enrollment projections for the fall.

The enrollment adjustment eliminated about \$500,000 in expected state per-pupil revenue.

School officials said they decided to adjust student enrollment projections after input from building principals and an end-of-the-year count showed previous estimates were too high.

Northville Public Schools Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services David Bolitho said this is the first slow down he's seen since 1991.

"Is this an event, or is this the beginning of a trend?" he said.

According to district documents, a \$100,000 contingency fund exists to hire up to two teachers, if needed.

"We're noting it so people don't think this is the absolute final word," said John Street, Northville Public Schools director of business and finance. "We're still looking at enrollment as they walk in the door."

Board treasurer Joan Wadsworth expects adjustments will be made.

She said the economy, contract negotiations and a pending state announcement regarding per-pupil funding could trigger changes.

Wadsworth said historically the district has refrained from making many mid-year budget changes, but does not anticipate that trend to continue in Northville Public School's new fiscal year, which begins July 1.

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

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING NOTEBOOK

June 27 Meeting

Judith Wollack was absent
Next Meeting: July 11

NHS principal named

Board members offered a one-year probationary contract to Robert Watson to serve as the high school's new principal. Watson, a current Northville High School assistant principal, will become principal effective July 1.

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierksi said Watson is the man to take the high school well into the next decade, tackling issues including unprecedented growth and new graduation requirements. He complimented Watson as a man and an administrator.

"He is a visionary, yet practical," Rezmierksi said.

Go Mustangs

Northville Public Schools Board of Education members and administrators congratulated Northville High School athletes for a job well done this year. Congratulated at the meeting were: girls' varsity soccer team, 2006 state runner-up; 2006 boys' varsity baseball, 2006 district champions; and Jasen Turnbull and Michael Yassay members of the 2006 boys' track team named "All-State."

Teacher honored

Hillside Middle School social studies teacher Dee Krause was honored by members of the board for receiving the National Council for the Social Studies teacher of the year award. Hillside Middle School

Assistant Principal Heidi Capraro quipped, "Dee is so important now she requires an escort," while standing beside Krause as she was honored. Krause thanked the Hillside team for creating a scholarly school culture, paving the way for her national recognition.

Budget adoption

The decision was unanimous to adopt the Northville Public Schools \$63 million 2006-07 fiscal year budget. The document is pending the announcement of per-pupil funding by the state, and school officials said mid-year adjustments are expected.

Policy considerations

Two Northville Public Schools policies were unanimously approved for first reading by board members Tuesday night. Policy 5119 Students Leaving or Entering the School District and 5142 Wellness Policy will come before board members again for adoption. Board members said the Wellness Policy is a state mandate regulating students' health and fitness. Changes to Policy 5119 address students who complete their junior year and move, allowing them to return to the district to complete their senior year.

Cablecast

The Northville Public Schools June 27 regular board meeting was video taped by Dan Davis and will air to Comcast subscribers on Channel 18 at 9 p.m. Monday, July 3.

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COOKE: remodel would come at human cost

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Northville Public Schools, Cooke School has done for us in the past, the present and for Elizabeth's future."

Potentially telling Morrison the special education program will be removed from Cooke is one of many difficult decisions board members and district administrators face as they look for additional student space.

Seventh elementary

Deciding to remodel the 73,855-square-foot Cooke School building would mean moving the Wayne County Center program for physically, cognitively and dual-diagnosed impaired students.

Evicting 136 students from 14 Wayne County districts, including Northville, who are educated at the Taft and Eight Mile roads campus would be at the center of the plan.

School officials said if they terminated the district's agreement to house the program, the building would be remodeled at an undetermined cost and become Northville's seventh elementary school.

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said a one-year termination notice is required before relocating the locally based program.

Finding additional elementary school class space for the 2007-08 school year and beyond has become a top district priority since the failure of two February bond proposals totaling \$70.7 million.

The proposals included a \$25 million elementary school in the western portion of Northville Township, an area officials previously said was the fastest-growing part of the community.

Fall out

Rezmierski said reclaiming the Cooke building would not eliminate district management of the county center program, which includes Old Village School.

No changes would be made to Old Village School, and the district would continue managing its sister program now in the Cooke building.

But instead of running over to the Taft Road building for program needs, school administrators could

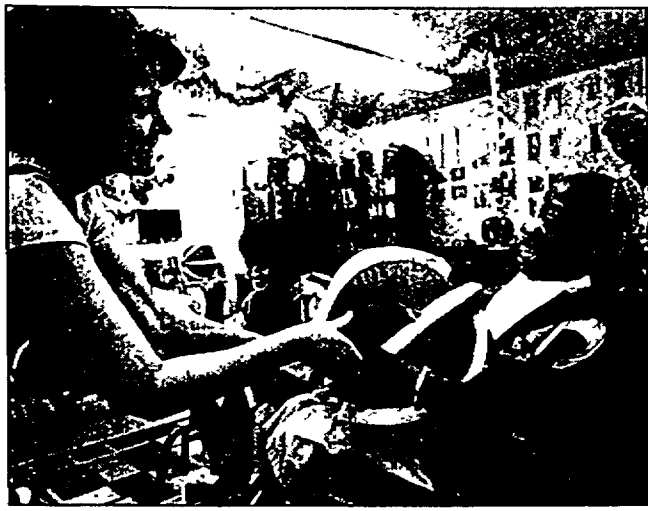


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Cooke School teacher Martine Leech, left, helps student Brigitte Thomas.

"What is the implication of the extended program for Hillside and Northville High School?"

Karen Paciorek
President, Board of Education

be running to Wyandotte - another Wayne County community.

Northville would still oversee the program, Rezmierski said, but it's administrative responsibility would be located in another district.

Northville Public Schools Board of Education Treasurer Joan Wadsworth said part of the decision hinges on whether the district could find a reasonable location.

"We need to be doing this other piece (finding a new building) at the same time," she said.

Added value

Northville Public Schools Board of Education President Karen Paciorek said the loss to Northville K-12 students who've benefited from the interaction with Cooke School students would be significant.

"What is the implication of the extended program for Hillside and Northville High School?" she said. "Would we still maintain two classes at the high school?"

Currently, Cooke School satel-

lite classes are housed at Hillside Middle and Northville High schools, providing interaction between public and special education students.

Rezmierski questions the viability of satellite classes if they are housed in a far-off district.

School officials said center program students also participate in work programs with Northville businesses.

"We'd lose something that is valuable," Wadsworth said.

Who would attend?

But reclaiming Cooke would only be the first step toward solving Northville's growth concerns. Deciding which students would attend the renovated building would be the next challenge.

Cure-all

Though she's considering it, school board treasurer Joan Wadsworth is not sure if reclaiming Cooke School is the best long-term option. "Is this a cost effective solution for a period of time?" she wonders?

Officials said renovating Cooke School would not be a permanent fix for the district's impending growth. Officials said a maximum of 597 students could attend the school once it's been retro-fitted to suit elementary school children.

According to projection data, under some scenarios the district anticipates it would outgrow Cooke in six years. "It is not a solution forever," Wadsworth said. "Who knows what the future will hold."

School officials said renovating Cooke wouldn't take as much money as building a new school, but it would take more money than the district has. "So, one, we need to find out what the community thinks of these options and two: if we're going to have to ask for some kind of money, even if it is a relatively modest amount, we need to be about that relatively quickly," Wadsworth said.

Northville Public Schools Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services David Bolitho said options include busing kids from subdivisions along Sheldon Road, which provide a direct and cost-effective route. Busing students to Cooke from the southwest portion of Northville Township may not be practical, he said.

School officials anticipate busing costs could be significant, though have yet to officially esti-

What would it take to remodel Cooke?

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville Public Schools Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services David Bolitho said reconfiguring Cooke School for a district elementary building would take some remodeling.

Bolitho said projects would include:

- Removing coat storage located in hallway lockers to meet the revised Life Safety Code;
- major remodeling for water supply and sanitary connections;
- construction of kindergarten and grades 1-5 playgrounds; and
- placing coat storage inside classrooms.

Bolitho said moving the coat storage to the classroom interiors would make the rooms smaller.

The district's minimum standard for first through fifth grade

classrooms is 700-square-feet, larger than several Cooke classrooms now.

School officials said on-site meetings with construction contractors are expected soon followed by remodel dollar amounts.

Bolitho said installing new lighting and removing adapted program equipment are also expected to make the list.

Northville Public Schools is exploring the option of using Cooke School as the district's seventh elementary school.

Currently the Eight Mile and Taft roads building houses a Wayne County Center program for emotionally, physically and cognitively impaired students.

Students from 14 Wayne County districts, including Northville, are educated at school.

Cooke School Fact & Comparison Sheet June 2006



Building	Square Footage	Lot Size	Capacity
Amerman	69,564	10.2	540
Moraine	66,864	10.0	445
Ridge Wood	90,366	15.2	580
Silver Springs	66,575	10.1	465
Thornton Creek	70,000	18.8	540
Winchester	69,319	10.0	540
Cooke	73,855	10.0	*

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SOURCE: Northville Public Schools

Other options

mate how much.

Members of the board of education authorized \$45,000 in additional transportation costs for the Northville Public Schools kindergarten relocation plan. The plan sent Ridge Wood Elementary School students to buildings throughout the district.

Bolitho said about 100 kids were affected by that plan, noting "this would be four times the amount."

No decisions have been made.

Wadsworth said board members will spend the summer discussing details of all possible solutions.

"We're hoping to have thoughtful analysis done by the end of the summer," she said.

Other options include adding portables, redistricting, new construction and using Early Education Childhood Center classrooms.

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The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Mercy High School and a 2005 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is currently employed by Barnes and Noble and by Marshall Music and serves as assistant conductor of the Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan.

The groom-elect is a 1998 graduate of Franklin High School and a 2005 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He is currently employed as an administrative assistant by TRAM, and is bass player for the Macomb Symphony Orchestra and the Southern Great Lakes Symphony Orchestra.

An August 2006 wedding is planned.



Gorshak-Gasparick

John and Maureen Gorshak of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachel, to Joseph Gasparick II, son of Joseph and Ann Gasparick of Kingsford.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Northville High School and a 2003 graduate of Michigan State University. She is currently employed at Kohler Company as a buyer with the Corporate Purchasing Group.

The groom-elect is a 1999 graduate of Kingsford High School and a 2003 graduate of Michigan State University. He is currently employed at Kohler Company as a buyer with the Power Systems Group.

A summer 2006 wedding is planned.



Corless-Baetens

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Corless of Acworth, Ga., formerly of Novi, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynne Corless to Kirk Bradley Baetens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Baetens of Fla., formerly of Novi.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Novi High School and a graduate of Michigan State University receiving a bachelor's degree in Marketing. She is employed by Coca-Cola Enterprises.

The groom-elect is a 1994 graduate of Novi High School. He received an undergraduate degree from Arizona State University and a Master in Business Administration from Michigan State University. He is employed by Marketing Strategies Inc.

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It's great to be gifted, but gifted and talented is even better. And no one knows this better than Northville students Connie Fu, Jonathan Lee, Hetali Lodaya, Allen Yuan, Catherine Culkin, George Li, Zachary Fuller, Rebecca Malinas, Katherine May, Teja Ravipati, Andrew Tang and Zhounan Xie. They were all recognized by the Michigan State University Gifted and

Talented Program.

No Tunes on Tuesday next week ... it's the Fourth of July. The Northville Parks and Recreation Department and Downtown Development Authority will resume its 11 a.m. concert series July 11 with Guy Louis and the Chautauqua Express in Bandshell Park. Louis is known for exciting performances with active audience participation, expert musicianship and light-hearted humor.

It's been a big year for Northville Public Schools Board of Education President Dr. Karen Paciorek. Not only was she recognized with one of the highest honors bestowed by Eastern Michigan University for her work as an early education professor, she also received the President's Award earlier this month. Presented to Paciorek at the board of education regular meeting, Paciorek was thanked for serving as board president for the 2005-06 school year.

The Independence Day parade keeps growing ... starting at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Main Street spectators will see music, floats, marching bands, clowns, children's characters, vintage and classic cars, a bike parade, a pet parade and Mrs. Michigan. Host for the eighth year, the Northville Community Foundation invited Lisa Barry and Tom Mackinnon to emcee the event.

No, it's not the Olympics, but three Northville young women went for the gold and scored. Katherine Ehlert, Emily Smith and Morgan Daul earned their Gold Awards, the highest honor presented by the Girl Scouts. Great job!!

In his weekly newsletter, Park Avenue financial plan-

ner Nicholas Hopwood acquaints his clients with a Reuter's report that says U.S. chief executive officers on average earn more in one workday than an average worker earns in 52 weeks. In fact, during 2005, American CEOs earned 262 times an average worker's pay, up from 1965 when CEOs at major companies earned just 24 times a worker's pay.

Time to showcase some homegrown talent at the Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art at 109 N. Center St., starting with a wine and cheese reception from 6-9 p.m. Friday, July 7. "Awakening II," a group exhibit featuring works by Sherri Mewha gallery and art supply store, will feature works by adult and children aspiring artists using a variety of styles and media.

There are still a few tickets left for the second annual Grub Crawl, slated for 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 25. Twelve restaurants are offering free samples of appetizers and signature items along with cash bar specials for our Northville Chamber of Commerce "Crawlers." Tickets are \$35 per person, 21 and older, and can be purchased at Gardensviews, Good Time Party Store or the chamber office.

"The Family Stone" is tomorrow's Friday Flick at the Northville Senior Community Center. Cost: \$1. Show time: 1 p.m.

Speaking of flicks ... break out the bug spray and head to Ford Field Monday night. The Northville Parks and Recreation Department is hosting the family flick, PG-rated, "Nanny McPhee," at dusk or about 8:30 p.m. Pre-show activities for the kids begin at 7 p.m. Show organizers suggest bringing bug spray, a blanket or lawn chairs and snacks, but no alcohol. Hot dogs, chips, soda and popcorn will be available for sale. For info: (248) 349-0203. Sounds like fun!



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Phyllis and Charles Ely, Jr. are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, June 30, with a small gathering of family and friends. They were married June 30, 1956. Charles is a lifelong resident of Northville and was a third generation businessman for 40 years in the city. He and his wife have been active members in the community for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hall, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. George Hall, Jr. of Northville, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary, May 25, with a family dinner. They were married on May 25, 1946 in Vancouver B.C., Canada. They have lived in Detroit, Cleveland, Plymouth and been residents of Northville for 17 years. George was born in Detroit. He is active in the F.O.T. Club-Mill Race and is retired. Dale was born in Vancouver B.C., Canada. She is active in bridge clubs and is also retired. Both are St. Mary Hospital volunteers. They have four children, Linda Hall, Cheryl Cassidy, George A. Hall III and John R. Hall. Their daughter, Cheryl and her husband, Dennis celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on May 28. They were married May 28, 1971 in Detroit. George and Dale have 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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Colligan: 32 years, and out

If he were a student, the fact that it took Dennis Colligan 32 years to get through Northville Public Schools would be a pretty good headline for us.

But since Colligan's tenure is measured in career years, his official departure tomorrow as Northville High School principal seems far less sexy, though no less noteworthy.

During the past five years, Colligan served as Northville High School principal. Prior to that, he served the district as a teacher, athletic director, coach and school administrator.

During that time, Colligan has been known as a good guy, affable and approachable. Quietly, though, he's also been tremendously effective, especially when it came to cultivating talent and encouraging teachers, administrators and students.

To his detriment, and to his lasting credit, Colligan was never a "me first" guy. Unlike those who often spend too much time furthering their own personal agendas, Colligan rarely got bogged down in petty politics and personal grudges.

He measured success by the success of those around him, not by his ability to manipulate bureaucracy or climb corporate ladders.

Ironically, Colligan's professional legacy should be shaped by the fact that Northville High School, where students have thrived during his five-year tenure as lead administrator, will open its doors and continue next year, unaffected by his absence.

The school will not suddenly fall apart. Students will not suddenly under-perform on MEAP tests. Teachers will not suddenly look for work elsewhere.

Colligan will leave. A new principal will replace him. And education will continue.

That's the way Colligan wanted it: no one is bigger than the team. His primary goal was never to serve as dictator, the world reliant on his every edict.

That says a lot. Colligan's departure is tough, not because of the shadows he cast. Rather, he will be missed most for his willingness to work amid the shadows of others, each day helping individuals be better than they ever dreamed.

Colligan taught us that caring, coupled with hard work, still counts for something in life, and that when used as fuel can make a difference. It's a redemptive lesson delivered on the verge of a teacher's final farewell.

Lesson learned, Dennis. Thank you ... for testing us.

City: Northville, pick a project

They came, we listened, you saw. The city's downtown strategic plan now is in the hands of the city council, complete with some great visual images of what is possible to revitalize the downtown. Images, as in, it will take putting pen to paper and words into action to make them reality. City leaders want to hear Northville's ideas for making those projects happen here. So, what's your passion? If it's expanding Bandshell Park, better connecting Ford Field, moving the Farmers Market or something else, pick a project, sign up. And let's get going.

Township: Clean up the clutter

Trustee Richard Henningsen believes outdoor sales are cluttering up the community, and he's vowed to continue asking for ordinance changes aimed at keep retail goods indoors. Township ordinance allows outdoor display, with a proper permit. Henningsen's concern: parking lots have become overrun with tents, instead of cars. We applaud Henningsen's watchdog approach, but caution good sense. Businesses complying with local ordinances have every right to exercise the limits of existing ordinances. Necessary change should come after careful planning department review and Board of Trustees consideration. No one likes clutter. But government acting on impulse is a mess no one needs to see.

Schools: Budget work in progress

More than any other year, the Northville Public Schools fiscal year budget is a work in progress. A \$63 million balanced budget was adopted Tuesday night with little or no "cushion." With teacher contract negotiations ongoing and only state preliminary funding numbers to work with, school officials will most likely be taking advantage of budget adjustments throughout the year. We applaud the board's dedication to working toward a feasible budget and encourage them to keep up the hard work at a time when tough decisions and solid leadership are needed most.



Thanks, Dennis!

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Northville Record

Northville High School principal Dennis Colligan chats with PTA members Chris Lysaght, left, and Vessa Afepopoulos at a ceremony to thank him for his years of service to the school. Colligan retires tomorrow.

LETTERS

T-h-a-n-k-s!

The Northville High School cheerleading teams would like to thank the community for their very generous support at our two car washes held on June 10 and June 17. We would also like to thank our generous hosts: Chip Snider, Northville Township Manager and his staff for the use of the old Northville Township Financial Building and The Good Time Party Store for the use of their facility and all the great beverages on such a hot day. Thank you to everyone.

Denise Bateson
NHS Cheer mom



The Northville High School cheerleading teams held two fund-raising car washes June 10 and June 17.

Labor pains

It was good to read about the Sept. 5 opening of schools in Northville. That was when schooling started when I was growing up in St. Louis, Missouri. It gives families a full summer to enjoy, right up to and including the Labor Day weekend. Some have said the bill was passed in Lansing because outdoor businesses and resorts needed the extra business. Maybe so, but the real beneficiaries are the students and parents. Everyone will learn to love the new, later start dates.

Bob Moreillon
Northville

NYA support

As an adult facilitator at Hillside Middle School's Challenge Day on April 26, I must commend Northville Youth Assistance and the Hillside PTSA for their vision in bringing this powerful program to our community.

The program is a testament to the commitment of school staff, parents and community volunteers in making Northville's youth feel valued, respected and appreciated. As a parent of a high school student and middle school student, I was impressed with the honesty and compassion of the Hillside seventh graders participating in the program. The dedication of so many staff, parents and community volunteers in helping facilitate two daylong programs was extraordinary.

If we truly value youth in our community, we need to help them respect, accept and tolerate their differences. Challenge Day did just that. Again, kudos to Northville Youth Assistance and Hillside PTSA for bringing this exceptional program to our community.

Steve Fecht
Chairman, Board of Directors
Northville Community Chamber of Commerce

Notable teachers

My wife and I just had to write and tell you about three extraordinary teachers our daughter had at Meads Mill Junior High this school year. Our daughter, Tawney Sayre, had a tough adjustment going into sixth grade this past school year. She was an excellent student all throughout elementary school. Her first junior

high report card came home filled with Ds. As her parents, you could just imagine her dismay.

We immediately contacted her primary teachers, Amy Balog, Wendy Martin and Kristi Maurer. They were more than eager to meet with us, and did. Our first meeting was just one of many throughout this past school year. These teachers were more than willing, at any time, to sit down with my wife and I. We also have to mention the numerous hours, many times after school hours, always keeping us up to date with missing assignments, test scores, etc. More importantly, the extra time they would spend with our daughter including their lunch times.

These three teachers went so far beyond what any parent would ever expect. They truly cared about helping our daughter's transition to junior high and succeed.

Our hats are off to you and the quality of teachers Northville Public Schools employ. You should be proud and honored to have Amy Balog, Wendy Martin and Kristi Maurer working in your school system.

Michael and Rita Sayre
Northville

District faces tough choices

In a Special Report published in 2004 by the Michigan Land Use Institute entitled "Hard Lessons," regarding Michigan's school construction boom, Northville's assistant superintendent David Bolitho stated, "We know our enrollment will stabilize and decline in the next 5 to 10 years. The community is getting built out and not many new families with children are moving in. But our elementary schools are already at capacity. Do we build another school now, knowing that one will have to close in a few years?"

That is a very timely question, since the recent Epic-MRA Northville Public Schools survey results show that respondents were almost evenly split as to whether there is currently enough space or if more space is needed, and as to whether they would be willing to send their children to a Livonia school leased by Northville Schools, when including undecided responses.

Another important consideration is the impact that the restructuring of the automotive and airline industries is having on the district, and enrollment in the district. In the next school year, the

district now expects 129 less students than originally projected, and 189 less students than projected in the Short Term Options Committee Report from January, 2005.

A less costly alternative to building new may be to renovate an existing Northville school. The "Hard Lessons" report highlighted that an independent feasibility study in the Jackson School District concluded that renovation was between 20 and 50 percent less expensive than building new, and in every case studied, building a new school cost more than renovating an older one. Cooke School is about 4.46 miles from Ridge Wood Elementary. It appears that this option should require less of a bond/tax increase.

It was recently reported that the Plymouth-Canton Schools are going to be leasing Washington Elementary from Livonia Public Schools for \$24,000 per month or \$288,000 for one year. Over a 10-year period that would amount to \$2.8 million dollars, a fraction of the \$25.24 million dollars recently proposed to build a seventh Northville elementary school. Furthermore, this option would not require any bond/tax increase.

Among the Livonia Elementary Schools reported to close this year: Taylor Elementary (located at 36611 Curtis Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads, east of Newburgh Road.) This school is about 7.28 miles from Ridge Wood Elementary, and less than three additional miles, compared to Cooke School.

Washington Elementary (located at 9449 Hix Road, Ann Arbor Road, west of Newburgh Road.) This school is about 9.21 miles from Ridge Wood Elementary, and less than five additional miles, compared to Cooke School.

Whether building new, renovating or leasing, the operating costs will have to come from the general fund, and according to John Street, operating a new school would cost \$600,000-\$700,000 per year. The less money spent on operating costs, the more money potentially available to maintain/improve education programs, and after all, it is the excellence in education that attracts residents to the district.

Ed Sarpoulos, vice president of Epic-MRA, recently stated that "People invest in millages and bonds because they believe there is a need." At this point, aside from redistricting, it appears that leasing elementary school space from Livonia Schools may very well be the most cost-effective, flexible and cautious solution, instead of building new or renovating.

Amid a statewide economic crisis, and a drastic decrease in stu-

dent enrollment, how could the district justify asking for a tax increase?

I hope that this leasing alternative "Board Study Session" agenda for equal consideration and presentation to the residents/taxpayers.

Laura J. Lorenzoni
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Record 'Miss'-ed the point

I am the Executive Director of the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association. In a June 22 article ("All State Process Needs to be Tweaked") he took our association to task in regard to our All-State selection process and our Miss Soccer selection process.

As the Executive Director and a high school coach, I couldn't disagree more firmly. Not only did the article leave out important facts while attempting to slay us in the public eye, it made statements that are simply not true. Although there are many examples to select from, in my response I will consider only two.

The first has to do with criticism of our selection for Miss Soccer. The article openly states the writer has never seen our selection play, but criticizes that the player from a school in your readership should have been selected over the selection our committee made. I find it hard to take him seriously. With this statement alone, the column should have made it no further than the copy room floor. How can a sports writer be taken seriously when he makes the statement, "I have never seen her play but know she is not as good as ...?"

The second example is an inflammatory statement that our process is made up of coaches who favor small, west-side schools and that is why we made the decision we made about Miss Soccer. Again, he shows no journalistic integrity. Of the 13 coaches on the selection committee, eight of them would be considered from a large school and from the east side. In the past 10 years, our process has been the same. During that time frame, eight of the 10 Miss Soccer awards went to large, east-side schools. One of the two who were not east-side went to Lindsey Tarpley from a large school, Tarpley Central. Tarpley plays on the U.S. National team.

I believe the writer not only set out to hurt the credibility of our coaches, but took an unjustified shot at quality high school athletes to feed his own prejudice. He showed a lack of credibility and a complete lack of journalistic integrity.

I have prepared a point-by-point response. I believe he owes our association a public apology. Not because we disagree with his assumptions and conclusions, but because he obviously took little time to get the facts right. He used a paper that buys their ink by the barrel to make statements that are incorrect, based upon false assumptions and lack any work ethic in research.

David Hulings
Executive Director, MHSSCA

COMMENTARY

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Legislature status should match results: part-time

The most enduring memory I have from the Detroit Chamber of Commerce's policy conference on Michigan last month was the widespread scorn for the Michigan Legislature. The kindest thing I heard was "uninformed and inexperienced." Other, more candid comments ranged from those not suitable for a family newspaper to "unbelievably incompetent."



Phil Power

Granted, politicians have never been popular... but this is a level of contempt unknown two decades ago. Why?

Much of it has to do with the sad fact that legislators in Michigan are term-limited. State house members can stay six years, maximum; state senators, eight. And then they are out of those offices — for life.

The voters adopted term limits in 1992. The theory was that they would break the arbitrary power of long-time incumbents and encourage "citizen legislators" over professional politicians and special interests.

I supported term limits back then. Boy, was I ever wrong! I cannot for the life of me figure out why I should have reasoned that holding public office is a job where experience is a bad thing.

Today, most Michigan lawmakers have little idea of what they're doing or how to go about it. Ambitious legislators no sooner get elected to office when they start floundering to run for the next one, hitting up the lobbyists with their hands out to raise money for the next campaign.

Either that, or they start angling for some high-paying private sector job, with all the potential conflict of interest that implies.

Yet though term limits clearly don't mean good government — the only problem is that voters seem to still like the concept. Polls repeatedly show

overwhelming resistance to lengthening term limits, let alone doing away with them altogether.

So earlier this month I was delighted to read a column on the subject by Nolan Finley, editorial page editor of the Detroit News. Finley argued that lengthening the terms is merely fooling around the edge of the problem.

And he pointed out that you have to offer the voters something important if you're going to abandon term limits. His solution: Put on the 2008 ballot a proposal to eliminate term limits — in return for creating a part-time legislature. That makes a lot of sense.

A part-time legislature — which is what Michigan used to have, decades ago — would achieve the original goal of "citizen legislators." It should cost a lot less than our full-time body. And it would provide those elected with time to gain experience in their job, while at the same time leaving the voters the ability to throw the bums out if they screw up. (We have always had the best form of term limits: they are called elections.)

According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, it turns out only four states — California, New York, Pennsylvania and Michigan — have truly professional, full-time legislatures.

Of our neighboring states, Ohio, Illinois and Wisconsin have "full-time lite" lawmakers. Iowa, Minnesota and Indiana have legislators who spend around half-time in session.

Excited by the prospect, I called some of my smartest and most experienced friends to get what I figured would be support for the idea. To my surprise, several came down hard against it.

Craig Ruff, a self-described "child of the executive branch" who served in the Milliken Administration,

told me trading a part-time legislature for removing term limits would be "poison."

Politics and policy are tough enough, Ruff says, and expecting people with very limited investment in their job to do it well is silly. Worse, a part-time legislature would unduly increase the already strong power of the executive branch.

Probably the best political image strategist I know is Rick Cole, who served in the Blanchard Administration and who spent years trying to do away with term limits. To my amazement, Cole is dead set against a part-time legislature. "It's an invitation to wholesale conflict of interest. Take a guy who works for the railroad in his regular job. Is he really going to be independent of the railroad interests when he's in the capital?"

Paul Hillemonds, who served as Speaker of the House in 1995-96, knows the legislative process about as well as anybody. He does find the idea of trading a part-time legislature for an end to term limits attractive.

"It's worthwhile thinking hard about," he told me. "The present legislature lacks experience, basic legislative craftsmanship and the independence to take unpopular stands. And if you didn't place any limits on committee hearings, which is where the bulk of legislative work is really done, you wouldn't cease unlimited power to the executive."

My own view? I still think our term-limited Legislature is an albatross around the neck of good policy and good politics. But I fear that public attitudes are likely to favor term limits until a big-time scandal can be traced directly to the practice. At the end of the day, I still think the idea of a part-time legislature is a good one and worth serious debate.

For one thing is clear: We need to do better than we are doing now.

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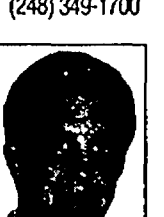
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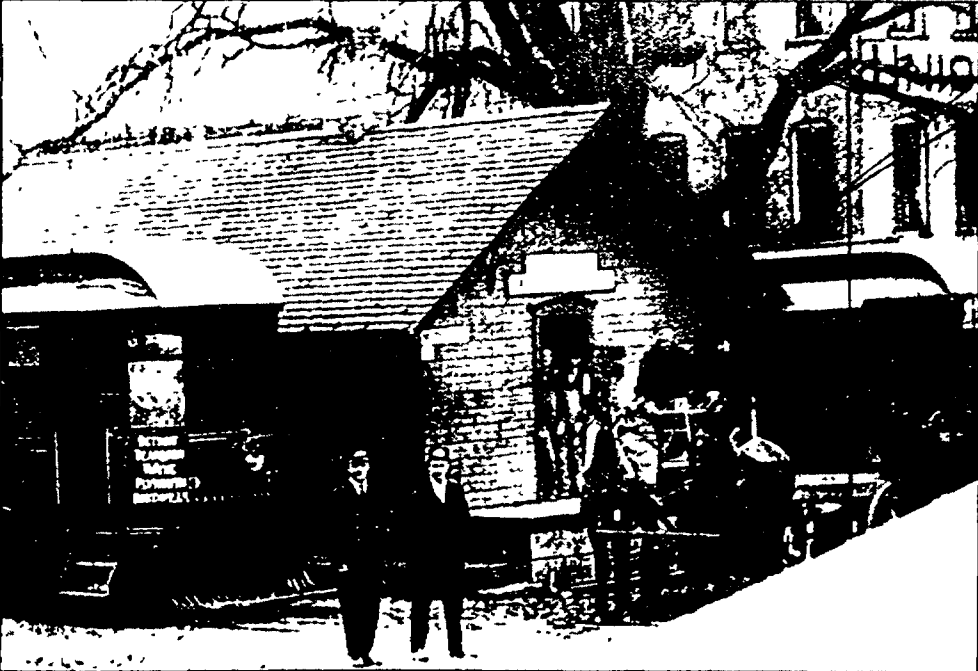


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A Ford Motor Company post card, portraying the former Dubuar Manufacturing building purchased by Henry Ford in 1917. The building, located on Griswold and E. Main streets, operated for many years as the Northville Valve Plant.

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE CLOSE OF REGISTRATION AUGUST 8, 2006 ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland counties, notice is hereby given that Monday, July 10, 2006 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the primary election to be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2006.

The City Clerk's office is located in the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, and is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. for the purpose of registering to vote. You may also register to vote at any Secretary of State branch office or County Clerk's office during their normal business hours.

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WHAT'S GOING ON?

Northville's Official Events Calendar • For a complete calendar, visit www.northvillerecord.com.

NORTHVILLE EVENTS

ECLIPSE BASEBALL CLUB
DATE: Home games are: July 4, 23, Aug. 26, Sept. 15-17

TIME: 1 p.m.
LOCATION: Ford Field, Mill Race Village
DETAILS: This is a group of Northville business men playing baseball, using rules from 1869.

ART EXHIBIT

LOCATION: Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art, 109 N. Center St.
CONTACT: (248) 380-0470
Tom Slack

DATE: Through Friday
DETAILS: This is an exhibit of impressionist art titled "Captured Light and Reflections," by artist Tom Slack.

Gallery Artists

DATE: July 7-21
DETAILS: This is a group exhibit of Sherrus Gallery artists titled "Awakenings II." An opening reception will be held 6-9 p.m. Friday, July 7.

Rock and Roll

DATE: Aug. 4-31
DETAILS: "It's Only Rock n' Roll—And We Love It" exhibit featuring rock and roll icons. An opening reception will be held 6-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4.

ART EXHIBIT

LOCATION: Swearingen Visions, 118 W. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 347-1642
Prints

DATE: Through July 5
DETAILS: This is a collection of prints, created from the drawings and paintings of Nancy Swearingen.

FAMILY MOVIE

DATE: Monday, July 3
TIME: 7 p.m., children's activities; 8:30 p.m. movie
LOCATION: Ford Field, Downtown

DETAILS: The movie will be "Nanny McPhee." Participants are asked to bring chairs. Refreshments will be available. Children's activities will include crafts and balloon animals.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0203

FARM BREAKFAST

DATE: Tuesday, July 4
TIME: 7-10 a.m.
LOCATION: Northville Masonic Center, 106 E. Main St.

DETAILS: The cost is \$5 per adult and \$3 for children 12 and under.

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

DATE: Tuesday, July 4
TIME: 10 a.m.
LOCATION: Downtown Northville
CONTACT: (248) 374-0200

ANNUAL GARDEN WALK

DATE: Wednesday, July 12
TIME: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
DETAILS: This event is sponsored by Country Garden Club of Northville and includes five Northville gardens. Tickets are \$10. They are available at Gardenviews, 202 W. Main St.
CONTACT: (734) 591-0360

GARDENING ADVENTURE

DATE: Saturday, July 15
TIME: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
DETAIL: This event is sponsored by the Gardeners of Northville and Novi Club. Tickets are \$10. They are available at Gardenviews, 202 W. Main St., WaterWheel Health Club, 235 E. Main St. and online at www.gardener-northville-novi.org. Registration is required.
CONTACT: (248) 348-1946

YOGA CLASS

DATE: Monday and Thursday through Aug. 3
TIME: Various
LOCATION: Tuesday, American Legion Hall, 100 Dunlap St.; Thursday, Northville Senior Center, 303 W. Main St.
DETAILS: The cost is \$87 per person. Registration is required.
CONTACT: Diane Siegel-DiVita, (248) 344-0926

CLOCK CONCERTS

DATE: Friday through August
TIME: 7:30-9 p.m.
LOCATION: Downtown bandshell

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 through 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

MASTER GARDENER CLASSES

DETAILS: Wayne County classes will begin Aug. 15-Nov. 7
CONTACT: (313) 833-3412

MARQUIS THEATER

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

GENITTI'S LITTLE THEATER

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com
Dinner Theater "Mocha Madness"

DATE: Various days through August
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for dinner and show. Registration is required.

Concerts
DATE: July 15, "The Reflections"; Oct. 20, "The Frank Sinatra Tribute from Las Vegas"
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for dinner and show. Registration is required.

MAYBURY STATE PARK EVENTS

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

DATE: Today, "Oh Deer!"; Friday, "Habitat Hunt"; Saturday, "Michigan Mammals"; Tuesday, "Catch that Hummer"; Wednesday, "Nature Hike"

TIME: Varies
DETAILS: These one-hour programs, led by Explorer Guides, are for all ages. Registration is not required.

CONTACT: Karen, director of Explorer Program, (248) 349-3858 or visit www.friendsof-maybury.org

Maybury History Trail

DATE: Saturday, Sept. 30
DETAILS: This grand opening will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony and 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 one-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 Gary Hef, (248) 231-6114

MAYBURY FARM PROGRAMS

TIME/DATE: noon-5 p.m., Friday through Sunday
LOCATION: Eight Mile Road, west of Beck Road, look for the farm entrance sign
CONTACT: (248) 374-0200

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

"FARM LADY" PROGRAM

DATE: Today
TIME: 11 a.m.
DETAILS: Margaret Schmidt will bring animals and present farm stories and activities. One hundred free tickets will be available at the information desk 10 minutes prior to the program. The library cannot accommodate day care, preschool or summer day camp groups.

ADULT BOOK CLUB

DATE: Monday, July 10
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: This is a discussion of the book, "Nickel and Dimed on (not) getting by in America" by Barbara Ehrenreich.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

DATE: Through July 31
DETAILS: The theme is "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales." This program is for ages 2-12 and will include storytime, special events, reading games and weekly prize drawings. Registration is required.

TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM

DATE: Through July 31
DETAILS: "Creature Feature" is the theme for this program. It is open to middle and high school students and will include prizes and activities.

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 contributes 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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

LOCATION: 200 E. Main St. (248) 349-0911
Portofino River Cruise

DATE: Saturday, July 15
TIME: 8-11 p.m.
DETAILS: This is a Hawaiian-themed cruise on the Detroit River. The cost is \$25 per person and includes door prizes, dancing and pizza. There is a cash bar.

Stratford Trip

DATE: August 18-19
DETAILS: The cost of this trip is \$350 per person and includes transportation, hotel and two musicals. Reservation deadline is July 5.

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



Feast your eyes on flowers!

The annual garden walk hosted by the Country Garden Club of Northville is right around the corner, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wednesday, July 12. May Dubuc, left, walks in her 3/4-acre "sunken" garden with her cousin Lillian Roller and master gardener Sally Lemus, right, who helps Dubuc care for her Fox Hollow grounds. The tour will feature five gardens and a stop at Mill Race Historical Village's Cady Inn where sweets and lemonade will be served amidst a "Potting Shed" theme. The \$10 tickets are available at Gardenviews, 202 W. Main St.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-1144
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.

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, June 29
9 a.m.: Taking Off Pounds Sensibly
9:30 a.m.: Yoga
12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
1 p.m.: Tai Chi

By appointment: Massage Friday, June 30
10 a.m.: Strength Training
1 p.m.: Movie: The Family Stone

By appointment: Massage Monday, July 3
10 a.m.: Line Dance
10 a.m.: Oxycise I
11 a.m.: Oxycise II

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre
Tuesday, July 4
Independence Day
Senior Center will be open 8 a.m.-2 p.m. for parade and picnic.

Wednesday, July 5
9 a.m.: Strength Training
10 a.m.: Oxycise Level I
11 a.m.: Oxycise Level II
noon: Bridge
By appointment: Foot Reflexology

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.

HEALTH WALKING

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

MILL RACE HISTORICAL VILLAGE

LOCATION: 215 Griswold Avenue, north of Main Street, near Ford Field
CONTACT: (248) 348-1845

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WHAT'S GOING ON? (CONT'D)

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Thursday, June 29: Archives open, 9 a.m.; Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m.; Rehearsal, 6 p.m.
 Friday, June 30: Archives open, 9 a.m.; Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m.; Wedding*, 4-7 p.m.; Rehearsals, 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.
 Saturday, July 1: Wedding*, 1-3 p.m.; Wedding*, 3:30-5:30 p.m.;
 Sunday, July 2: Mill Creek Church, 10 a.m.; Village open, 1-4 p.m.; Rehearsal, noon
 Monday, July 3: Wedding*, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, July 4: Office Closed, 9-1 p.m.; Village open, 10 a.m.; Eclipse Baseball, noon; Family Activities, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
 Thursday, July 6: Archives open, 9 a.m.; MOMS Club, 10 a.m.; Rehearsal, 5 p.m.; Rehearsal Party, 5:45 p.m.; Rehearsal, 7 p.m.
 *Grounds closed to Public

Looking for You

BABY WALK VOLUNTEERS
 DETAILS: The non-profit statewide organization, "Tomorrow's Child, Michigan Sudden Infant Death Syndrome," needs volunteers to serve as team captains for the second annual Baby Walk. The walk will be Sept. 17 at Maybury State Park. Team captains will recruit friends and family to participate. Teams collect pledges for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome research.
 CONTACT: Carol, (248) 650-3729 or visit www.tomorrowschildmi.org

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS
 DETAILS: Families are needed to host foreign exchange students for fall 2006. The commitment is to provide a room, caring home and meals.
 CONTACT: Judy Morante, (248) 380-7390

MEALS-ON-WHEELS
 DATE: Ongoing
 TIME: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
 DETAILS: Permanent and substitute drivers are 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 ACTIVITIES

LOCATION: 775 N. Center St., back entrance of Hillside Middle School
CONTACT: For registration and information on camps, classes and activities, (248) 349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org

TUNES ON TUESDAY
 DATE: Tuesday, ongoing
 LOCATION: Downtown band-shell
 TIME: 11 a.m.-noon
 DETAILS: These are free summer children's concerts sponsored by Northville Parks and Recreation and the Downtown Development Authority.

SUMMER DAY CAMPS
 DATE: Monday-Thursday through August
 TIME: 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
 LOCATION: Maybury State Park, Eight Mile Road, between Beck and Napier roads
 DETAILS: These camps are for ages 5-12. The resident fee is \$160 per week, \$245 per two-week registration and \$860 for eight weeks; non-resident fees apply. Campers will go on weekly field trips. Activities include games, sports, crafts, art and drama. Registration is required.

ART PROJECTS
 DATE: Tuesday through Aug. 8
 TIME: 5:30-6:15 p.m.
 LOCATION: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.
 DETAILS: Projects are based on letters of the alphabet each week. This class is for toddlers and their parents. The fee is \$82 per resident; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

ALL SPORTS CAMP
 DATE: Session I, July 10-14; Session II, Aug. 14-18
 TIME: 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
 LOCATION: Northville High School Plateau, located behind Amerman Elementary School, 847 N. Center St.
 DETAILS: This camp is for ages 6-12 and includes baseball, basketball, touch football, floor hockey, volleyball and whiffleball. The fee is \$150 per resident; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

BASKETBALL CAMP
 DATE: July 17-21
 TIME: 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: This camp is for ages 6-12 and includes includes lessons on dribbling, passing, teamwork, basic rules, a mini tournament and skill competitions. The fee is \$150 per resident; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

FOOTBALL CAMP
 DATE: Aug. 7-11
 TIME: 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
 LOCATION: Northville High School Plateau, located behind Amerman Elementary School, 847 N. Center St.
 DETAILS: This camp, for ages 6-12, will teach the basic fundamentals of the game of football, including daily scrimmages and contests. There will be no tackling or physical contact. The fee is \$150 per resident; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

BASKETBALL CAMP
 DATE: July 31-Aug. 4
 TIME: 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: This camp, for sixth-

eighth grade students, will teach the basics of basketball, game situations, floor awareness, rebound positioning and ball movement. It will also include individual dribbling, passing and shooting techniques as well as rebounding, blocking out and defensive awareness. The fee is \$150 per resident; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

T-BALL CAMP
 DATE: July 24-28
 TIME: 9:30-11:30 a.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: This camp is for ages 5-6. Campers will learn the basics of throwing, catching, batting, running the bases, concentrating on where to throw the ball and when to run when a ball is hit. The fee is \$75 per resident; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

ALL SPORTS CAMP
 DATE: July 24-28
 TIME: 1-3 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: This camp is for ages 5-6. Campers will receive group and individual instructions focusing on the basic fundamentals of floor hockey, basketball, soccer, touch football and kickball. The fee is \$75 per resident; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

WOMEN'S NETBALL
 DATE: Friday, ongoing
 TIME: 7-9 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: Netball is a British

game, based loosely on basketball.
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 under 4 and their caregivers. The class will include rhythm instruments, puppets, songs and creative movements. Registration is required.
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.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS

OFFICE CLOSING
 The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, July 3 & Tuesday, July 4, 2006 in observance of Independence Day.
 The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday July 5, 2006. The Department of Public Safety (Police and Fire) will remain open.
 SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CLERK
 (6-29-06 NR 295109)

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF REZONING

The Charter Township of Northville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, July 25, 2006, at 7:30 P.M. at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan. The Planning Commission will hear comments regarding rezoning the 15.48 acre township owned parcel located on the northeast corner of Sheldon and Five Mile Roads from R-3 (One-Family Residential) to B-3 (General Business). The property transfer will be subject to a development agreement.
 The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments and ask questions. Written comments regarding the proposed rezoning will be received by the Northville Township Planning Commission at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168.
 GEORGE MCCARTHY, CHAIR PLANNING COMMISSION
 (6-29 & 7-20-06 NR 295115)

CITY OF NORTHVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

2006 CITY OF NORTHVILLE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES DUE JULY 1, 2006 WILL BE PAYABLE WITHOUT PENALTY AT THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, THE NORTHVILLE BRANCH OF COMERICA BANK, AND ALL BRANCHES OF COMMUNITY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION FROM JULY 1, 2006 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2006.
 Taxes may be paid by mail, addressed to City of Northville, Attn: Tax Department, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, or in person at the City Clerk's Office Monday through Friday 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. The office will be closed Monday, July 4th, 2006.
 On September 1st, 2006 a two percent (2%) penalty will be added, plus an additional 1/2 of 1% interest per month beginning October 1st, 2006.
 JENNIFER L. SHEPARDSON DEPUTY TREASURER
 (6-29-06 NR 292679)

CITY OF NORTHVILLE HELMET BID

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Northville for the purchase of 30 Cairns Model 1010FD fire helmets, deluxe configuration, includes leather cushion liner, flannel crown pad, PBI/Kevlar earlap, carved brass eagle, 6" front holder and 4" PA tuftshield.
 Sealed bids must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk located in the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167 on or before Tuesday, July 11, 2006, 11:00 a.m. at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Late bids will not be considered. Bids must be in a sealed envelope marked Helmet Purchase. For complete specifications, contact Chief Jim Allen at (248) 449-9920.
 The City of Northville reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, to waive any informality or irregularity in the bids, or to award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be in the best interest of the City to do so.
 JAMES ALLEN, FIRE CHIEF
 DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK
 (6-29-06 NR 295117)

CITY OF NORTHVILLE TURN OUT GEAR BID

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Northville for 30 sets of Janesville Model #CMDM/PSUM-Isodri Command Fire Fighting Suits with 7.25 oz. PBI #CD Plus Matrix-Isodri. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk. Questions relative to the bid and specifications should be directed to Chief Jim Allen at (248) 449-9920.
 Sealed bids must be submitted to the office of the City Clerk located in the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167 at or before 11:00 a.m. local prevailing time, on Tuesday, July 11, 2006 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Late bids will not be considered.
 The City of Northville reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, in whole or in part, to waive any informality or irregularity in the bids, or to award any contract to other than the low bidder, should it be in the best interest of the City to do so.
 JAMES ALLEN, FIRE CHIEF
 DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK
 (6-29-06 NR 295119)

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

For information regarding rates call The Northville Record or Novi News (248) 349-1700

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD High & Elm Streets, Northville I. Luback, Pastor Church 349-3140 Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Contemporary Service at 11:00 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Classes 9:45 a.m.	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 200 E. Main St. at Huron - (248) 349-0911 Worship & Church School - 9:30 am & 11 am Children Available at All Services Youth Logos Prog.-Wed. 4:15 or 5:30 M/S/S/H Singles Place Ministry - Thurs 7:30pm Rev. W. Kent Cline, Senior Pastor Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor
NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN Experiencing Life Each Week Sunday Worship and Children's SuperChurch 10-15 AM For more information, contact us www.northvillechristian.org 41355 Six Mile Road - Northville 248-348-9030	OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH 770 Thayer, Northville WEEKEND LITURGIES: Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 7:30, 9 AM, 11 AM, 12:30 PM Church 349-2621, School 349-3610 Religious Education 349-2559 Rev. Terrence Komec, Pastor
MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi at 8 1/2 Mile 248-348-7757 • MCC@congregationalbzbiz.com www.mbcoc.org • Sunday Worship 10 a.m. For further information, ask for Denise Part, Chairperson, the Board of Deacons Minister: Rev. Dr. E. Neil Hunt	GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 9 Mile & Meadowbrook Worship: Ev. Lutheran Synod Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 8:45am Worship 10:00am Thomas E. Schroeder, Pastor - 349-0565
CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL (Anglican) 10 Mile between Meadowbrook & Haggerty Phone 248-427-1175 Sun. 7:45 & 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Sunday School & Nursery 10 am Rev. Karen Henry, Pastor www.churchoftheholycross.com	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 349-1144* 8 Mile & I-96 Roads Worship Services 8am, 9:15am & 11am Rev. John Rice Rev. John Cook www.fumcnorthville.org
FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 44400 W 10 Mile, Novi, 248-349-2345 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Service Dr. Richard J. Henderson, Pastor	FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE on Haggerty Rd North of 8 Mile Rd Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Celebration 10:50 a.m. (248) 348-7600 Dr. Ron Sake, Pastor
ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI 46325 10 Mile Rd. Novi, MI 48374 Sunday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:30 & 11:30 a.m. Reverend George Chamley, Pastor Parish Office 347-7778	BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place..." - Luke 2:15 35300 W 8 Mile, Farmington Hills, MI (248) 478-6520 (2 mi E of Haggerty N. side of 8 Mile) Sunday Morning Worship 8:30 & 10:45 AM Sunday School (All Ages) 9:30 AM
CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY 24305 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi MI 48375 Masses Sat 5 pm, Sun 7:30 am 8:45 am, 10:30 am, 12:15 pm Holy Days: 9 am, 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm Fr. John G. Budde, Pastor Fr. Robert Stafek, Associate Pastor Parish Office 349-8847	OAK POINTE CHURCH At Novi High School 10 Mile & I-96 Roads Sunday 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Casual, contemporary, live band (248) 912-0043 www.oakpointe.org
NATIVITY OF THE VIRGIN MARY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH 39851 Five Mile Rd (S & Haggerty) Plymouth, MI 48170 Phone 734-420-0131 Sunday Services Matins (Orthodox) 9:00 a.m., Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Rev. Fr. George M. Vaportis, Pastor www.nativitygochurch.org	CROSSPOINTE MEADOWS CHURCH Pastor Danny L. Langley Traditional Service - 9:00 A.M. Contemporary Service - 10:30 A.M. Meeting at Novi Civic Center 248-444-7755 crosspointemeadows.org
WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Dr. James N. McGuire, Senior Pastor 4000 Six Mile Road - Northville MI 248 374 7400 Morning Worship 9:00, 10:20 & 11:40 a.m. Sunday School & Nursery Provided No Evening Service July 2 www.wardchurch.org	CONG. BEIT KODESH 1-248-477-8974 31840 W Seven Mile Rd., Livonia Friday Night Services 8:00 p.m. Saturday Services 9:00 a.m. HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sept-May

WHAT'S GOING ON? (CONT'D)

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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
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EVENTS
 CONTACT: www.ci.plymouth.mi.us
Music in the Air
 DATE: Friday through
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 TIME: 8-10 p.m.
 LOCATION: Downtown,
 Kellogg Park
 DETAILS: These concerts
 include musical entertainment
 for all ages. Families are
 encouraged to bring a picnic
 and seating.
 Fourth of July Parade

DATE: Tuesday, July 4
 TIME: 7:30 a.m.
 LOCATION: Downtown
 Art in the Park
 TIME/DATE: noon-8 p.m.,
 Friday, July 7; 10 a.m.-7 p.m.,
 Saturday, July 8; 10 a.m.-5 p.m.,
 Sunday, July 9
 LOCATION: Downtown
 DETAILS: This event will
 include 400 artists, live entertain-
 ment and food.
 CONTACT: (734) 454-1314

BORDERS-NOVI EVENTS
 LOCATION: 43075 Crescent
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 CONTACT: (248) 347-0780
Author Book-signing
 DATE: Tuesday, July 11
 TIME: 7 p.m.
 DETAILS: Author L.A. Banks
 will be reading, discussing and
 signing her new book, "The
 Forsaken."
Author Book-signing
 DATE: Tuesday, July 25
 TIME: 7 p.m.
 DETAILS: Author Gordon
 Castelnero will be discussing
 and signing his new book, "TV
 Land-Detroit."

ANGELA HOSPICE GROUPS
 DETAILS: Grief support
 groups include general grief,
 loss of a spouse, women's
 grief, heartstrings: parents
 who have lost a child and a
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 LOCATION: Angela Hospice
 Care Center, 14100 Newburgh
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 CONTACT: Joan Lee, (734)
 953-6012

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ASSOCIATION
 DAY: Second Thursday of
 every month
 TIME: 7 p.m.
 DETAILS: Meet at the
 Environmental Interpretive
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 DETAILS: South Lyon United
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 CONTACT: Barb, (248) 437-
 0385 or Carol, (248) 437-2112

MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES
 DATE: Second Thursday of
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 TIME: 7 p.m.
 LOCATION: Witch's Hat
 Depot, 300 Dorothy St., South
 Lyon
 DETAILS: Kensington Valley
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 their families.
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Developers 'open' up Seven Mile proposal

Former state hospital plans include open spaces — but is it enough?

Part of a series reviewing the development proposal for the 414-acre former Northville Psychiatric Hospital property.

By Tracy Mishler
RECORD STAFF WRITER

George Wesley and his wife, Carol, remember when trees and green could be seen for miles.

And though the couple knows times have changed since they moved to Northville in 1972, they hope some green will be preserved once the 28 buildings come down at the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital on Seven Mile Road.

"That property is one of the few natural areas left in Northville Township," George said. "If they're going to do anything with it, they should make it one big park for the community to enjoy."

Carol said strip malls and parking lots are not natural characteristics of the township.

"Everywhere you go, there's buildings and shopping," she said. "Soon there isn't going to be any green left if we keep allowing these builders to put up



these huge developments to draw more people to the area.

"We have enough people, and we have enough shopping."

Plans for the Highwood development, proposed three weeks ago by Bloomfield Hills-based Real Estate Interest Group, Inc. and Schostak Brothers, call for portions of the land to be left open or be donated as public space or township-owned property.

According to the developers, about 100 acres of the site has been proposed as open space for the development and more than 15 acres will be dedicated as a green belt for commercial and residential areas.

"Every community or subdivision needs its own fair amount of open space so people don't have

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to drive to find trees and nature," said township Clerk Sue Hillebrand.

More than enough

Hillebrand said the planned unit development for the Seven Mile Property called for a minimum of 5 percent, or 20 acres of open space.

"It all depends on how they plan it," she said. "You can get pretty creative with open space."

According to plans submitted to the township, of five proposed Highwood neighborhoods, 15 percent of each neighborhood will be dedicated as open space for recreational use by its residents.

"This type of development, in terms of the quality that

Northville and Northville Township need, is keeping with the standards and also enhancing the area," said Linda Busse, director of corporate communications for Schostak Brothers.

Trustee Chris Roosen said he's scanned the plans submitted by Real Estate Interest Group and Schostak, but needs more details before he makes his mind up.

"There are two areas on that property of old growth forest that we would like to preserve," said Roosen. "They are attempting to do this in their plans, but we can't allow them to count the wetlands as part of their open space."

Details needed

Roosen said he is also interested in seeing plans for the proposed subdivisions in greater detail.

"I don't want to see a copy of Arcadia Ridge or Northville Ridge," he said. "I want less density and more open space."

According to the proposed plans, at the heart of the residential neighborhoods is a wooded 19-acre site for an elementary school.

"If there is a school site, that would help contribute to the feeling of open space," Hillebrand said. "The township's philosophy is to guard against

being overly dense ... Trees generate oxygen. We need trees."

Chip Snider said open space is a personal philosophy.

"Some communities are more dense than others," said the township manager. "Older cities are more dense than younger cities ... It's not about future growth (in Northville Township), it's about comfortability."

Tracy Mishler is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 107, or at tmishler@gannett.com.

'Promising' justice

Legal issues continue to loom in the shadows of the sale of the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital.

Michigan's Promise, a Lansing-based non-profit watchdog monitoring state government, continues to accuse the State of Michigan of not following the intent of law by selling the 414-acre site at a lower price.

According to state officials, the case was dismissed in May with a ruling from Ingham County Circuit Court Judge James Giddings, who found that Michigan's Promise did not have standing in court.

Former Speaker of the House Rick Johnson, representing Michigan's Promise, said the organization has filed an appeal with the Michigan Court of Appeals. "The State of Michigan and taxpayers are going to lose money if the court continues to rule in favor of the state," Johnson said. A date has not been determined for Michigan's Promise to appeal Giddings' ruling.

Candidate forum set for July 13

Voters eager to get a look at the crowded field in the race to replace term-limited state Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, in the state House's 20th District get their chance July 13.

That's when the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County, along with the Observer Newspapers, sponsors a two-part candidates' forum at Plymouth City Hall.

All eight candidates have been invited to participate. The five Republican challengers — Mark Abbo, Beth Stewart, Don Schmetter, Jason Vorva and T. Cortez Spann, Jr. — will face off at 7 p.m. in the Republican forum.

The forum for the three Democrats — Joanne Lamar, Joe Hawver and Marc Corriveau — starts shortly after 8 p.m.

The event will be taped for broadcast on local-access television several times before the Aug. 8 primary.

Candidates will be allowed a one-minute opening statement, one-minute responses to questions and a two-minute summation. The event will be moderated by a League of Women Voters member, who will read questions submitted by audience members.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan, political organization whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League does not endorse or oppose candidates or parties, but it does work to obtain and distribute information to the public on candidates and their views.

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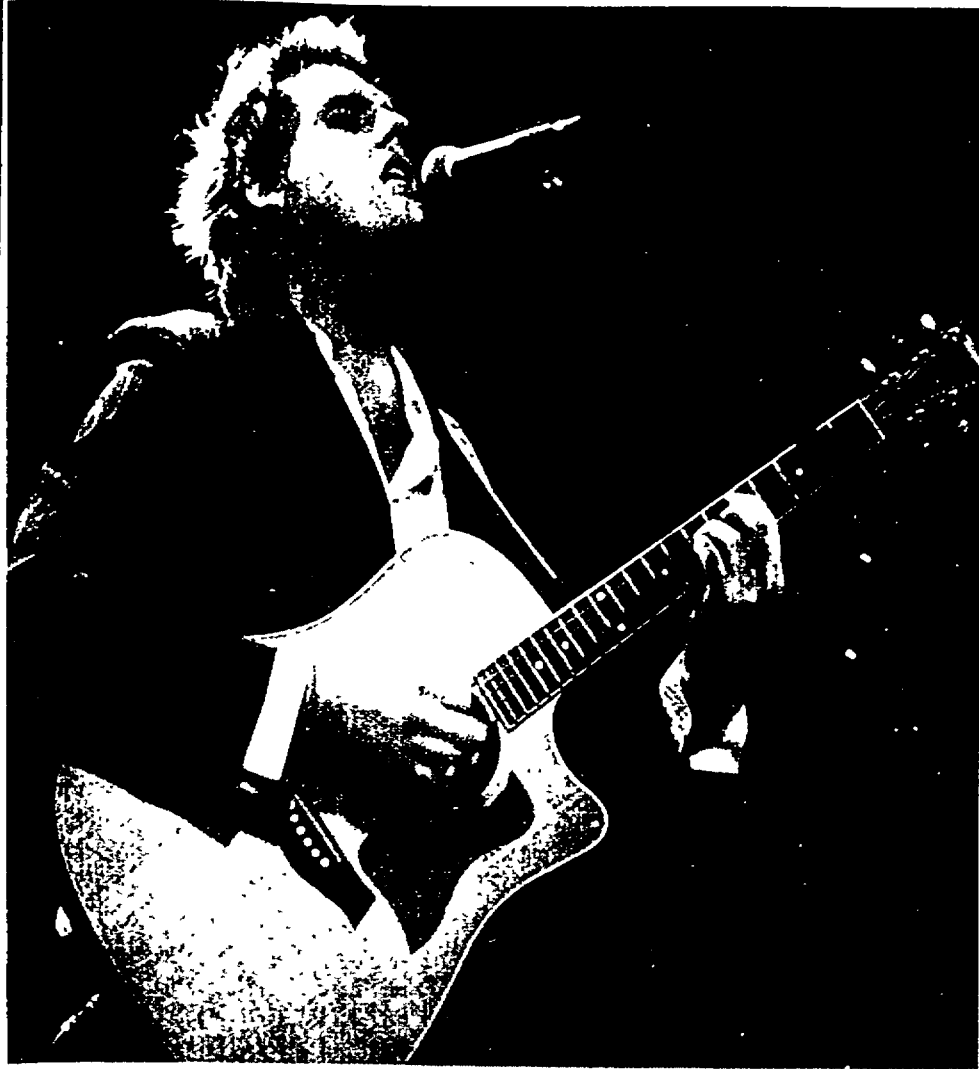
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Northville High School graduate Robin Horlock is ready to rock. Fronting The Robin Horlock Band, he and fellow band mates will launch their self-titled CD Friday, July 7 at the Magic Bag in Ferndale during a party hosted by radio personality Cal Cagno. The recording was produced by Marlon Young who has worked with Kid Rock and the Dave Matthews Band, and Horlock lists some of the EP's musical influences as John Mayer, Goo Goo Dolls, Oasis and Jack Johnson. The band line-up includes Robin Horlock as lead singer and guitar; Kenny Sams, lead guitar; Tom Sheppard, bass; Mike Vartanian, keys; and Ryan Hyland, drums. The Northville native also performs monthly at the Tuscan Cafe.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS A SPECIAL LAND USE PUBLIC HEARING

The Charter Township of Northville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, July 25, 2006 at 7:30 P.M. at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The Planning Commission will consider Special Land Use requests for the property on the northeast corner of Sheldon and Five Mile Roads in Northville. The Special Land Uses include a retail center of approximately 68,000 square feet, a drive-thru bank and pharmacy; restaurants with outdoor seating, and outdoor sales associated with a fresh food market.

The public is invited to attend this hearing and provide their comments and ask questions. Written comments regarding the development proposal will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168.

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HEART & 'SOL'



Photos By David Aguilar/Record Editor

George Lentz of Southfield joined runners and walkers in downtown Northville Saturday for the 2006 Solstice Run.

Solstice Run finish line reveals giant strides

One year ago, Danell Andersen looked out her Northville Township home with envy. And contempt.

She watched recreational runners slide by her home with ease, like tiny birds stopping by for a quick snack before fluttering into the warm summer air. One after another they beat a path in front of her home, relaxed and taut, moving to the beat a built-in metronome that kept them in rhythm, in stride and on pace.



David Aguilar
RECORD EDITOR



Runners prepare for the start of the 10K Solstice Run, shortly after 7:30 a.m. Saturday.

It was disgusting. Andersen watched in awe, like a child trying hard to figure out a magician's trick. But no matter how close she sat to the stage, she could never unravel the secret.

So one day she tried the trick herself, laced up a pair of running shoes and headed out. She could this! she told herself. Just put one foot in front of the other. She made it one block before

"Every time we drive it now, we will remember that we ran it once."

Danell Andersen
Resident, Northville Township

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she quit. Winded. Heaving. Hurting. Must. Stop. Now. Before. Heart. EXPLODES!
Who was she kidding? the Class of 1975 Northville High

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They're back!

Veteran grid coaches return for JV program

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Darrel Schumacher and Dennis Colligan just smiled when the topic of getting back in the saddle to coach again came up.

"It's going to be a lot of fun," said Colligan, who officially retires tomorrow as principal of Northville High School this summer. "You never really give it up. When you're watching games on TV or on a Friday night, you still feel that excitement."

This fall, the two former varsity head coaches will return to the Northville Mustangs football program as junior varsity coaches, running a West-Coast style built on the same offensive chassis as varsity head coach Ryan Hockman.

It'll be a change for the two coaches. The passing-heavy offense is a contrasting style to the ground-based program they both ran while at the helm.

"We're still learning," Colligan said. "It's a very sophisticated offense and we're

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History

Former head varsity football coaches Dennis Colligan (1977-1985) and Darrel Schumacher (1986-2001) return to the Northville grid-iron this fall when they take over the junior varsity Mustangs.

Schumacher retired from football to coach the boys basketball team in 2001 and was replaced by Clint Alexander (2002-04) and current coach Ryan Hockman (2005-current). During his time at the helm, Schumacher recorded a 74-80 record, making the playoffs five times.

Colligan stepped down from his post in 1985 to take the position of athletic director for Northville schools, a position he held for 10 years before being replaced by Larry Taylor (1995-2002) and Bryan Masi (2002-current). During his tenure as head football coach, Colligan recorded a 47-34 showing. His squads did not make a playoff appearance due to a different format than today's, which allows any team with six wins to automatically get a berth.

PLAYING NICE

Northville, Novi soccer players set aside state finals for club team

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

It could have been an ugly situation, but the girls from the Northville and Novi soccer teams took a deep breath, swallowed their rivalry and stepped out onto the field together.

Instead of opponents, they were teammates. Michigan Hawks.

The Northville Mustangs boast three players on the U17 Michigan Hawks squad that, once again, is competing in the regional tournament after winning a state club soccer title. The regional, held in Appleton, Wis., will determine which club team goes to the national tournament, held in Iowa this year.

"(The state final) wasn't an issue at all," said Novi forward Stephanie Crawford. "We just went out there and practiced like we normally do. We were teammates again. We were friends."

Despite Novi edging their cross-town rivals Northville, 3-1, in the Division I state finals June 17, the representatives of the two squads put it behind them and got to work. The Hawks, considered one of the

"We just went out there and practiced like we normally do. We were teammates again. We were friends."

Stephanie Crawford
Michigan Hawks

top club programs in the state, had a single goal in mind with a regional title in their sites. If they win the regional tournament, which was still being played at press time, it will be their third straight.

"That would be great," said Northville junior Kristen Slack, who plays midfield and defense for the club. "This is a great team. We have a lot of really talented players."

A lot of big names, too. Novi's representatives are Crawford, Emily Esbrook, Kristine Chaklos and Jessica Barndt. Northville's are Slack, Vanessa Bailey and Dani Toney. Of the seven, four were All-

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East takes All-Star softball win

Northville players help 9-0 victory

By Sam Eggleston
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Audrey Sabourin stepped into the pitch and made solid contact, firing the ball out of the infield and driving in three runs to give her team a major advantage.

And that was the third inning. Sabourin, a Lakeland High School softball standout, joined seniors from Novi, Northville and Milford to form the East team in the annual East-West All-Star softball game last Tuesday. When the dust settled at Pinckney High School, the East toppled the West, 9-0.

The West team was made of players from Brighton, Howell, Hartland, Fowlerville and Pinckney.

"It was a lot of fun," Sabourin said after the game. "I really think it was a great way to end our high school careers."

Sabourin, who normally patrols the field as a shortstop, played catcher for the East and handled the task of snagging pitches from hurler Jessica Wojcik, of Milford. Wojcik allowed just two hits and walked one while striking out nine batters.

"I'm really glad I was able to play," Wojcik said. "Getting a chance to play with girls who I normally play against was a lot of fun."

The East took a 2-0 lead in the first inning when Northville's Bridget Hughes and Sabourin crossed the plate on a hit by Novi's



Photo by SAM EGGLESTON/Record Sports

continued on 2B Laura Zima inches away from first base.

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

9

Runs scored by the East All-Star softball team in last week's contest.

0

Number of runs scored by the All-Star squad from the West.

4

Total players on the U17 Michigan Hawks squad from Novi High School.

3

The number of U17 Hawks players who represent Northville High School.

121

Combined wins Dennis Colligan and Darrel Schumacher earned as head coaches.

114

Number of combined losses amassed by the two coaches during the 1977-2001 seasons.

YOUTH SPORTS EARN BIG VICTORIES



Submitted Photo

Congratulations U14 Broncos

The U14 Northville Broncos won the June 2006 Frankenmuth Tournament in their third tournament trip to the semifinals and finals for the team. They have been victorious for both the Clarkston and Frankenmuth tournaments and were runners-up for the Canton Tournament. The team and their father's posed for the Father's Day Frankenmuth victory picture. The team said thanks to all the dad's for all they do for the team and their support. Team Members and fathers are (left to right): first row: Coach Terry Mills, Dan Mills, Coach Rick Montgomery, Daven Montgomery; second row: Ryan Sherry, Robby Buschbacher, Jonathan Savakus, Marc Zughaib, Dan Flowers, Ron Flowers, Anthony Capatina, Gene Capatina; third row: Jerry Sherry, Ryan Liening, Mike Leining, Chris Buschbacher, Trevor Grigg, Hal Savakus, Ed Grigg, Kevin Andrews, Kevin Andrews Sr. and Marcel Zughaib.



Submitted Photo

G-League Champions!

The Mets baseball team, part of Northville's G-League, earned a championship win over the Cubs in the bottom of the sixth inning, 4-3. The team includes (from left to right): First row: Eric Ripper, Kyle Skillman, Alex Coe, Alex Agne, Antony Manchesky, Aaron Kosmowski, Tim Harrell; back row: Head Coach Adam Coe, Nate Lightner, Forrest Ickes, Austin Lightner, Jake Widmer, Ryan O'Callaghan, Jacob Bates, Assistant Coach Scott Manchesky.

Want to see your team in the Northville Record? E-mail the sports department at seggleston@gannett.com!



Submitted Photo

Broncos win!

The U8 Northville Bronco's Travel Baseball team won third place at their first tournament of the season when they competed in the Elba Little League Summer Tournament. Pictured are: front row: Joshua Gertley, Bradley Huth, David Weber, Willie Yanagi, Peter Blust; second row: Coach Jeff Gertley, Zachary Prystash, Alex Putman, Dominick Montone, Nicholas Wilds, Paul Steffes, Michael Townsend and Coach Mike Putman. Not pictured: Kevin O'Connell.



Submitted Photo

Premier soccer showcases talent

Northville Premier Soccer showed just how bright soccer's future is when they earned some tough wins recently. The team includes: top row (left to right): Coach Tony Deacon, John Hatzis, Christopher Long, Brian Finley, Bobby Laski, Nathan Hrivnak; middle row: Edwin David, Max Wujczyk, Cameron Burdette, John Donikian, Arthur Huerta; bottom row: Trenton Buycks, Joshua Pascarella, Michael Simms, Nick Kristock, Alec Iwasko and Scott Santoro; not pictured: James Dutcher.

Please send the photo as a jpeg image, include the team name and identify the players in the photo.



Submitted Photo

Pizza Cutter champions

Taking a championship isn't easy, especially in Northville's tough H-League. Pictured are the Pizza Cutter champions: front row: John Lippert, Grant Dixon, Connor Manross, Troy McManus, Rob Stonik, Nick Mardeusz; second row: Tim Eis, Michael Conder, Robby Parks, Alex Stellen, Adam Pond, Jack Rathsburg; back row: Coaches Todd Eis, Dan Parks and Paul Mardeusz.



Submitted Photo

Victorious Cougars

The Novi Cougars Squirt B team wrapped up a successful 2005-06 hockey season by capturing the Novi House tournament championship in a thrilling 14-overtime victory over the Novi Wildcats, 1-0. After losing the first game of the double elimination play-off, the Cougars rattled off six straight wins including two that ended in shootouts. The Cougars finished the season with a 42-13-2 record, which also included winning the Little Caesars Squirt Division 7 regular season title and the Brad Stone tournament championship along with trips to the District 4 and Little Caesars quarterfinals. Team members are: Jal Sura, Mark Czapski, Taylor Turner, Anton Marinelli, Sean McDonnell, Jake Lennard, Nick Gasparotto, Bobby Witkowski, Cameron Gromek, Zachary Stanley, Jacob Zadorozny, Trevor Malarkey, Alex Turner, Christian Schneider, John Steffes and goalie Blair Myers. The Cougars were coached by Chris Steffes, Gary Myers, Jeff Zadorozny and Tom Malarkey.

Runners, make your mark!



Northville Township residents Mellanee Asher, 38, left, and Danell Andersen, 46, enjoy a few laughs after they crossed the finished line Saturday morning during the 10K Solstice Walk/Run. The annual event also featured a 5K Walk/Run.

Photos by DAVID AGUILAR/Record Editor

SOLSTICE: finish line reveals distance traveled

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School graduate mumbled to herself as she headed home, discouraged. After all, she had never been a runner, so what made her think that starting in her mid-40s was a good idea?

"It was awful," Andersen said Saturday morning, moments after crossing the Solstice Run 10K finish line at Ford Field, the final destination for a race that began promptly at 7:30 a.m. in the middle of Main Street, took a quick left at Center Street and headed for the hills of Hines Drive before returning runners downtown, wearing the faces of children who'd been spanked and sent to their rooms to "think about what they'd done."

Andersen, 46, finished last in her female 45-49 age group, needing 1:13:01 to complete the course. Of 10 runners in her competitive division, nine finished before her. And

of the 450 overall 10K runners, Andersen finished 443.

The overall winner finished the course in 29 minutes, 17 seconds.

Andersen's time was hardly noteworthy. But she finished, alongside good friend and Ford Motor Co. co-worker Mellanee Asher, 38, who for the past year has been encouraging Andersen to keep at it, training with her whenever their schedules allowed.

Why do it?

Andersen began running last October, motivated by a friend who had been diagnosed with breast cancer. On her behalf, she ran the Race for the Cure, an annual event benefiting the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

She raised \$4,000. Since then, Andersen and Asher established a three to four-day running regimen, amassing about 16 miles weekly.

"A year ago, running a race like this was just a dream," Andersen said while standing beside Asher, participants' medals dangling from their necks. She credited Asher with being a dedicated coach, a personal mentor and a good enough friend to sacrifice her own personal performance — and likely a much better finishing time — just to stay by her side during the entire race.

"She runs slow just for me," Andersen said. "I never, ever imagined I could run six miles ... but I did it."

Asher shook off notions of self-sacrifice, but bristled when someone reminded her the two finished near the end of the line. "It just feels good to finish," she said. "But every time someone would pass us ... it was kind of hard to take."

Someone asked how they liked the course, a herky-jerky trail that at one point wended past their own homes. Asher, a mother of two kids

who has run a few races on her own, including a marathon a few years back, was enthusiastic. "I loved the course. It was great," she said, before getting cut off by Andersen.

"What do you mean it was great?" Andersen said, noting the steeply-inclined Hines Drive portion of the early course. "It was hilly!"

Still, pain is not without its enduring pleasure. "Every time we drive it now, we will remember that we ran it once," Andersen said, who a year ago couldn't run a single block without heaving and having to stop. Things are different now.

At the finish line, seven runners removed from dead last, it's sometimes difficult to tell the winners from the losers.

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Stephanie Johnson of Clawson walks the 10K course.



2006 Solstice Run



Northville resident Sean McCullough, 9, races for the 5K finish line.



Novi resident Debra Davis heads for Ford Field.



Carl Fontana of Bloomfield Hills turns on Hutton Street, heading for home.



Northville resident Kristen Gajda heads for the finish line at Ford Field.



Northville resident Laura Stewart, left, runs alongside Williamston resident Cheryl Hansen.



Phil Gruenhagen of Canton passes Center Street as he heads for the final leg of the 2006 Solstice Run.



For complete Solstice Run race results, visit www.solsticerun.org

IN THE KITCHEN

A Family AFFAIR



Ginger and Hot
Pepper Prawns and Grilled
Salmon and Crème Fraîche Pizza

FAMILY FEATURES

The game of golf took Greg Norman around the world, and he returned home with more than 91 professional titles. Greg's travels also ignited a passion for wine and a sense of culinary adventure that he has always enjoyed sharing with his tight-knit family.

In those early years, whenever the family traveled with Greg, he encouraged his children to experience local culture, introducing them to sometimes exotic regional cuisine. These experiences made a lasting impression on his daughter, Morgan-Leigh, who now shares her father's passion for great food and wine.

"Most kids aren't very adventurous eaters, but in our family Dad always encouraged us to try different things in order to decide if we liked them," Morgan-Leigh says of her father. She soon learned to trust her own palate, and further honed her culinary skills by cooking with her mother, Laura. Over time she became especially intrigued with the intricacies of food and wine pairing and began her formal training by studying in Florence, Italy. She's now enrolled at a top culinary school in the U.S. and plans to become a food and wine educator.

As for Greg, he became so fascinated by wine that he created Greg Norman Estates in 1999. The initial collection included wines from his native Australia, which quickly won critical acclaim.

Today the Greg Norman Estates portfolio also includes varietals from some of California's best viticultural regions. Although his reputation as a vintner is now well established, Greg remains relaxed and open in his approach.

"Experimenting with different varietals from diverse regions is a necessity and really the only way to truly understand what flavors and qualities you prefer," he says.

What started as an adventurous streak has turned into a Norman family tradition. These days Greg can often be found sampling Morgan-Leigh's creations, such as the Ginger and Hot Pepper Prawns and the Grilled Salmon and Crème Fraîche Pizza recipes below.

"When your children become adults and develop their own interests, you cherish every opportunity to spend time with them," says Greg. "Food and wine pairing is a great way to spark lively debate and bring our family together."

Ginger and Hot Pepper Prawns

Prep time: 20 minutes
Marinate time: 30 minutes
Cook time: 6 to 10 minutes

- 16 very large prawns
- 2 tablespoons rice vinegar
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro
- 1/2 tablespoon minced fresh ginger
- 1 medium-size hot pepper (red or green jalapeño), stemmed, seeded and minced
- 1 large clove garlic, minced

Rinse prawns and pat dry; remove shells, leaving tails on. To butterfly, carefully cut along curved edge of each prawn, cutting almost all the way through. Thread 2 skewers through each prawn, putting 2 prawns on each set of skewers. (This helps keep prawns from turning on skewers.) Place in shallow dish. Stir together remaining ingredients and pour over prawns, covering well. Marinate 30 minutes, then cook over hot coals 3 to 5 minutes on each side, or until prawns are very pink. Makes 4 appetizer servings.

Bacon-Wrapped Tenderloins With Marinated Portabellas and Blue Cheese

Prep time: 30 minutes
Marinate time: 1 hour to overnight
Cook time: 10 to 15 minutes

- 1 cup balsamic vinegar
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 teaspoons cracked pepper
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 4 (6-ounce) beef tenderloin steaks
- 4 strips center-cut bacon
- 4 portabella mushroom caps, cut into 1-inch slices
- 2 ounces blue cheese, crumbled
- Chopped fresh rosemary or Italian parsley

Place vinegar, oil, garlic, pepper and salt in small bowl. Divide mixture into 2 large resealable bags. Place steaks in 1 bag and set other aside. Seal bags and refrigerate steaks at least 1 hour, or up to 24 hours. Place mushroom slices in reserved bag of marinade 30 minutes before cooking.

When ready to cook, remove steaks from marinade and wrap 1 bacon strip around edge of each, securing with toothpicks. Cook beef and mushrooms on grill over medium coals about 5 minutes on each side, or until beef reaches desired doneness, making sure bacon is fully cooked. (Steaks will be medium-rare at this point.)

Turn off grill and top steaks with blue cheese. Cover grill and let stand until cheese has melted. Serve steaks over mushrooms, garnished with fresh herbs. Makes 4 servings.

Greg Norman and his daughter Morgan-Leigh



MENU matches

Here are Greg's recommendations for pairing with his daughter's menu. For the full menu, recipes and additional wine suggestions go to www.shark.com/gneates.

2004 Santa Barbara Chardonnay — Crisp apple, and tropical fruit flavors layered with creamy vanilla and nuances of toasty oak.

2003 Lake County Zinfandel — Flavors of blackberry and raspberry with hints of spice and a long, elegant finish.

2004 Limestone Coast Shiraz — Ripe blackberry and cassis flavors with notes of pie spice, eucalyptus and coffee.

2003 Limestone Coast Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot — Rich berry and black plum fruit flavors with supple tannin and a silky mouthfeel.

Grilled Salmon and Crème Fraîche Pizza

Prep time: 20 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes

- 1 pound pizza dough
- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
- 2/3 cup crème fraîche (about 8 ounces)
- 8 ounces thinly sliced smoked salmon
- 1/4 red small onion, very thinly sliced
- 1 to 2 tablespoons tiny fresh dill sprigs

Divide pizza dough in half. Roll into 9-inch circles on lightly floured board. (The thinner the dough, the crisper the pizza.) Brush each side lightly with oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Carefully place dough on grill over medium-hot coals. Grill about 10 minutes, turning several times, until dough is cooked through and lightly charred; remove from grill and let cool.

Lightly spread crusts with equal amounts of crème fraîche, leaving 1/2-inch border around edge. Top with slices of salmon and sprinkle with onion and dill. Cut into small wedges and serve with lemon wedges. Makes 6 to 8 appetizer servings.

HEALTH

Family fitness goals help get 'em off the couch

By Barb Berggoetz
Gannett News Service

Remember spending all day playing outside in the summer?

Kids hopped on bikes, went from house to house, played four square, freeze tag or dodge ball, jumped rope or shot baskets — and then hit the pool.

In this age of Xbox and computer games, iPods and widescreen TVs, though, fitness experts say it's more crucial than ever that parents make sure children aren't glued to the couch over summer.

Easier said than done. But there are hundreds of new and traditional games and activities that youth can play with friends, beside such stand-bys as bike riding, swimming and skateboarding.

Better yet, parents should join in. "If they see you, even if you are just facilitating the activity, that's

good," says Anne Graves, program coordinator for Committed to Kids, a fitness and nutrition program of Clarian Health Partners in Indianapolis. "They live by example."

Recent research shows a direct link between kids' weight and the amount of time they spend in recreational physical activity, not with friends, but with families, says Dr. Caroline Cederquist, columnist and bariatric physician in Naples, Fla. She wrote "Helping Your Overweight Child — A Family Guide" (Advance Medical Press, \$14.95).

Activities, fitness specialists say, can be as simple as playing Frisbee, tossing a baseball, having a water balloon fight or taking a family walk or jog.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends 60 minutes of daily moderate activity

for youth. But its research found more than 60 percent of 9- to 13-year-olds don't participate in any organized physical activity outside of school hours, and a quarter don't engage in any free-time physical activity.

Athletic and competitive youth more likely will be active on their own, but some children, especially those who aren't athletic, or who shy from competition, need more motivation.

For all, activities have to be fun and suited to kids' interests and abilities.

"If it's not fun, they're not going to want to do it," advises Audrey Satterblom, a school wellness director.

Youth need to see improvement, help decide on family activities and perhaps get some recognition or reward, like an active toy or small trip. It's a good idea to set fitness

goals, such as biking for a half-hour or doing 50 sit-ups, for kids.

"If you set a bar, many kids are going to be motivated to hit that bar," Satterblom says.

Families can set a daily fitness hour and decide on Sunday what to do the next week.

"Plan for it. Otherwise, it just doesn't happen," says dietitian Amy Moyer.

Whatever parents and youth decide to do, author Michael Pastore of Ithaca, N.Y., says play is vital for children physically, socially and developmentally.

"It defines childhood and what makes childhood special," says Pastore, who wrote "Kids Play Games: 101 Active Games for Cool Kids" (Zorba Press, \$16). "It's the way they understand the world, and it gives them their special place."

10 Ideas to motivate your kids to stay active

1. Create a friendly competition between parents and children to reach certain daily or weekly fitness goals - number of push-ups or steps walked, minutes of running.
2. Let your child be your personal trainer and you can be your child's trainer - count repetitions, time exercises, track progress.
3. Plan daily fitness activities on Sunday night for the coming week and reserve a specific hour every night to do them.
4. Involve child in decision-making regarding choices of family fitness activities.
5. Set realistic fitness goals for your child - and yourself - and raise the bar once they reach them. Post them in a prominent spot like the refrigerator.
6. Reward your child when he or she meets fitness goals for a week or month with quality parent time, an active toy, fun activity or short trip - not food.
7. Make fitness activities fun, not drudgery - obstacle courses, water balloon fights, treasure hunts during walks.
8. Suggest a variety of activities-games for your child and try them out. Help your child find a "fitness" niche, based on interests, abilities and body type.
9. Set up play dates or get-togethers involving neighborhood children or friends and organize active games or fun competitions.
10. Choose fitness-oriented gifts - a jump rope, mini-trampoline, tennis racket, baseball bat, youth membership at the local Y.

From traditional to new, games for the entire family

Traditional favorites

Red light-green light: One person plays the "stoplight," facing away from the rest, standing 15 feet away. When the stoplight says "green light," everyone moves forward, trying to touch the stoplight. When the stoplight says "red light," he turns and anyone caught moving is out. He wins if everyone is out before touching him. Otherwise, the first player to touch him wins and becomes the stoplight.

Annie Annie Over: Two teams get on either side of a house. One player from a team throws a rubber ball over the house. If a player from the other team catches the ball before it bounces, the team runs to the other side with the ball. If the player who caught the ball touches or hits an opposing team player with the ball before he reaches the other side, the player changes teams. If the ball is caught after it bounces, players can't chase the other team. Then they throw the ball back over the house.

Four square: Draw four 8-foot-by-8-foot squares, making a larger square. Each player occupies one 8-foot square. The squares each have a rank order. One player serves a kickball by bouncing it in his square once and hitting it toward another square.

The receiving player hits the ball to any other player. Play continues until a player hits the ball or is hit by the ball before it bounces once in his square, or a player does not hit the ball before it bounces twice, or a player hits the ball out of bounds. Once a player is "dead," he moves to the lowest-ranking square, or another player takes his place.

Kids' favorites

Capture the flag: Played on a soccer-sized field, the object is to defend your team's flag (bandana or cloth) and also grab the opposing team's flag in its territory and run back without being tagged. Players are safe from capture on their own side, but can be captured across the midline if an opposing player pulls out their flag belt. Each team has a jail and a flag, both located anywhere in its territory that's at least 10 yards from a boundary. A player can get out of jail if a teammate tags him. A round ends when a player returns with the opposing team's flag and touches his own flag.

Scavenger hunts: Hide clues around the yard, directing each person to the next clue by describing a landmark or object. Children

and adults can work in teams or individually to see who gets done first. The winner can create the next game or get a prize.

Obstacle course-boot camp: Set up a course in the backyard, using buckets, pans, trees, balls, old tires, hoses - anything to crawl through, under, over, around or jump on. Or set up a boot camp, with stations for jumping jacks, push-ups and wall squats. Host a neighborhood Olympic day with similar events for parents and kids; the winning family gets a prize.

Game of chance: Write names of activities, such as running around the yard, to the swing set or down the driveway, on slips of paper. Fill out other slips with movements, such as doing the crab, elephant or gorilla walk, galloping or hopping. Put each activity in one bowl and each movement in another. Each person pulls one slip out of each bowl and combines the activity and movement - hopping around the "house" or skipping down the driveway.

Creative games

Generate an unusual game related to a sport with the Game Generator at www.verbnow.com created by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Some are:

Yard basket Frisbee: Grab a Frisbee and make a basket out of anything in the yard (tree stump, pile of leaves, rock). Assign certain spots to be two-, three- and four-point areas. Try to hit the baskets from those spots. If you're on defense, you can block throws and knock the Frisbee down. First one to score 25 points wins.

Yard volleyball: Set up a volleyball game, but replace the ball with a beanbag. You can use your hands, feet or whatever you want to get the bag over the net. First team to score 15 points wins.

Playground footbase: Place four bases on the playground to form a baseball diamond. From home plate, punt a football to anywhere on the playground. If it's caught, you're out. If not, run the bases like regular baseball. If you hit a home run, perform a touch-down dance.

From Michael Pastore's "Kids Play Games: 101 Active Games for Cool Kids"

Spring tag: Team captains pick two teams. Each team selects a base, where they are safe from capture, and a jail to put prisoners in. Team A chases team B and tries to capture them by tagging them and shouting, "7-8-9, you are

Steps youth can take to stay active in summer

- Start an activity log during the summer (track progress online at www.presidentschallenge.org and win medals) and set goals for yourself.
- Use a pedometer to count steps between your favorite places (for instance, house and park).
- Practice dance moves to music, invent some new ones.
- See how long you can hop on one foot, jump rope, do jumping jacks or other fun exercises and try to increase your times over the summer.
- Do sprints or short runs in the neighborhood; keep record of your times; go on longer runs if you're able.
- Work in the family garden (visit kidsgardening.com for ideas).
- Wash your parents' or neighbors' cars.
- Organize badminton, volleyball, basketball, capture the flag or other games weekly with friends.
- Suggest active family vacations or weekend trips that include hiking, canoeing, swimming, biking.

Sources: www.kidshealth.org; www.shapeup.org; American Heart Association; Audrey Satterblom, Indianapolis Public Schools wellness director; Amy Moyer, Indiana Action for Healthy Kids chairman

mine." Captured prisoners are brought to the jail, but can be freed if a team member touches the jail and shouts, "1-2-3, you are free" without being tagged. After a while, or when one whole team is captured, let team B chase and team A run away.

Knockout basketball: Play on half of a basketball court with two basketballs. All players stand in a line behind the foul line. Players shoot fouls to determine who goes first. Give the first two players basketballs at the foul line. The first

player shoots. Immediately after the ball leaves his hands, the second player shoots a foul shot. The object is to score a basket before the player behind you scores. If you do, you are safe for that round. Then you pass the ball to the next player and run to the back of the line. If the player behind you scores before you do, you are eliminated. If you miss your shot, you run to get your ball and shoot again from that spot (or a layup for younger players) before the next player makes a basket.

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Early Warning: There is another key benefit of smoke alarms: early warning. The sooner you know you have a fire, the better the outcome. For a minor fire, early warning may make the difference between quick containment and a fire that is out of control. For a bigger fire, early warning could make the difference between minor damage and complete loss of your home.

The Benefits of Carbon Monoxide Detectors

To Wake You: If a gas furnace or hot water tank should release carbon monoxide while you are sleeping, the alarm will wake you and allow you to get your family safely out of the home. Stay out of the house and call a heating professional to inspect. Do not enter the house until the home can be verified that it is safe to re-enter.

Smoke Alarms

- Here are the general guidelines:
- There should be at least one smoke alarm per floor including the basement.
- Many authorities suggest an alarm in each bedroom.
- The alarm can be placed on the ceiling or high up on the wall.
- If the alarm is on the ceiling, it should be at least four inches away from any walls.
- If the alarm is on the wall, it should be at least four inches but not more than twelve inches from the ceiling.
- Peaked ceilings have stagnant air at the top. The smoke alarm should be three feet from the highest point.
- Do not place the smoke alarm where it could be affected by drafts such as near a window or air vent.
- Follow the installation instructions provided with the smoke alarm.

Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- There should be one carbon monoxide detector in each sleeping area and the main living area of the home.
- Installed carbon monoxide detectors as described by the manufacturer.

Types of Smoke Alarms

There are two different types of smoke alarms: photoelectric and ionization. Photoelectric smoke alarms are slightly better at detecting smoldering fires such as from a cigarette burning on a couch whereas an ionization type is slightly better at detecting flaming fires such as burning paper. In the past, this generated much discussion about which one was better. The fact is they are both good and that the difference is insignificant. Both must pass the same certification requirements for all types of fires.

Maintaining

- Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors require very little maintenance.
- Test the alarm once per month by pressing the test button until the alarm sounds, then release the button.
- If the smoke alarm is battery operated, replace the battery every year.
- If you hear a chirping sound from the smoke alarm, it identifies the battery is weak and requires replacement. Charge the batteries.
- Dust or vacuum the surface of the alarm periodically.
- Replace the entire unit if it is older than 10 years or if you are not sure how old it is.
- Print the installation date inside the cover.

False alarms

Nuisance tripping of your smoke alarm is bound to happen occasionally. For example, smoke from the stove could trip the alarm. Unfortunately, many people remove the batteries to silence the alarm with the good intention of replacing it after the smoke clears. This is one of the most common causes of non-functioning smoke alarms.

Here are some better ways to deal with nuisance tripping:

- Move the smoke alarm a little further from the kitchen area.
- Try a different type of alarm. Some experts say that a photoelectric smoke alarm is a little less sensitive to common causes of false alarms.

Hard wired alarms

Many homes today have smoke alarms wired right into the household electrical system. There are two benefits:

- The alarm is powered from the electrical system. Many also have a battery back-up so the alarm operates even if there is a power outage. These should also be replaced yearly.
- You can have the alarm interlocked. This means if one alarm in the home sounds then the others sound as well. This is a big advantage. For example, if there is a fire in the basement, you may not hear a smoke alarm sounding from two floors away while you are asleep. If the alarm is interlocked, the alarm in the basement will trigger all of the alarms in the home.

Escape plan

Smoke flame and carbon monoxide can spread quickly so you need to react quickly. It is vital that you and your family know what to do on hearing an alarm. You should plan an escape route from every area of the home and identify a safe area to meet outside the home. You should rehearse the escape plan with your family. Walk through and identify obstacles that may slow you down such as windows that are jammed or exits that are crowded with storage etc.

Home owners should understand that these are just a few recommendations to help keep your family safe from fire and carbon monoxide.

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The Hidden Lake residential development, located in Green Oak Township, offers a unique lifestyle for families of all ages and sizes.

Hidden Lake: home, at last

Residential community offers unique flair

By Annette Jaworski
SPECIAL WRITER

It could be the gentle waves lapping near the marina, or the six miles of paved walking paths. Maybe it's the lush landscaping dotted with formal gardens and waterfalls that make Hidden Lake development seem like a resort. Although they call it home, residents say they often feel like they're on vacation. Homeowners here can enjoy everything from biking, boating or swimming to nature walks, all in their own back yard.

You might think an exclusive development like this would require a long commute to work and other daily activities. Think again. Hidden Lake is located minutes from two major expressways in Green Oak Township and Brighton School District. It's 20 minutes from Ann Arbor, 10 minutes from South Lyon and Brighton and five minutes away from the new shopping development at Lee Road and US-23.

"There's really no place like it. It's truly resort style living. Every day you can play, relax and unwind," said Diane Paczas, marketing director and office administrator for Beck Development Co. and Green Oak Properties.

Mystery and mystique

From the beginning, developers set out to develop a one-of-a-kind community and lifestyle. A jewel in the heart of Livingston County, once prospective buyers visit here, the community sells itself, Paczas said.

"Hidden Lake is so aptly

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Hidden Lake offers plenty of unique features and services for community residents.

named, because we are tucked back from the main roads," she said.

Not visible to the public is the dramatic entryway, breathtaking lake view, waterfalls and luxurious mature landscaping, natural woodlands and wetlands. It's a pleasant surprise to first-time visitors.

Hidden Lake is a 110-acre all sport spring fed lake, (jet skis prohibited). It features a private community marina with boat launch, fishing pier, as well as a sandy beach and designated swimming area. The community commons area features a cabana building equipped with a concession stand that sells ice cream, slushes and popcorn during the summer months. It also features an amphitheater where many events are scheduled. Homes not located on the lake may purchase or lease boat slips for lake access.

Four different floor plans are available, with base prices starting at \$395,000 for these attached condominiums. Single-family and estate homes come in various sizes and prices ranging from the low \$500,000s to \$1 million-plus.

From condos to estates

In addition to single-family homes, there are many premium attached condominiums available, with full privileges of the community.

"They have some of the prettier

views in the community, because they're not only by the lake, they also have a view of the waterfalls," Paczas said. Attached condominium units range from 2,200-2,700 square feet, each with a walk-out lower level which allows expandable living space.

"They've very livable, well-designed floor plans."

Events are scheduled throughout the year by the community association at the gazebo. That includes weekend concerts at the amphitheater for residents (only), school's out picnic, special activities for teens and "tweens," annual

Octoberfest, holiday tree lighting and more. Although there are many social opportunities, those who enjoy solitude will find it there, too, she assured.

A home and a lifestyle

Another feature that adds to the mystique of Hidden Lake is the sense of community that's fostered among residents. Paczas said camaraderie develops among them.

"There's such a large social fabric people have picked up on it and created their own subgroups for things like card parties, golf or ladies night out," she said.

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In addition to the numerous recreation opportunities already found at Hidden Lake, even more activities and points of interest are close at hand including Moose Ridge Golf Course, Kensington Metropark, Mt. Brighton and Island Lake State Park.

"The overall theme for Hidden Lake is set to be English Manor or French Country Cottage," said Paczas. To maintain the integrity of this premium development, there are architectural controls and landscaping standards. Several builders have been pre-approved by the development for single family homes.

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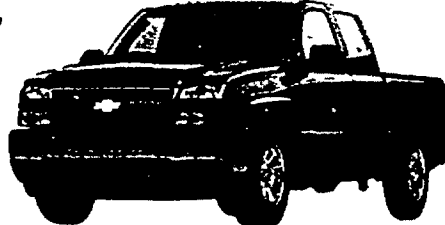
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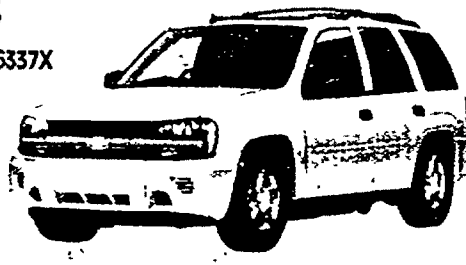
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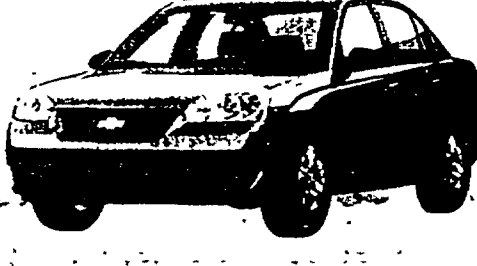
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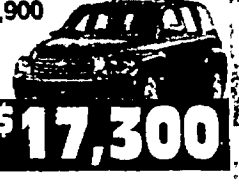
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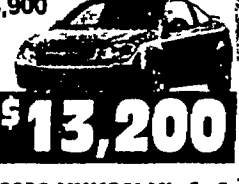
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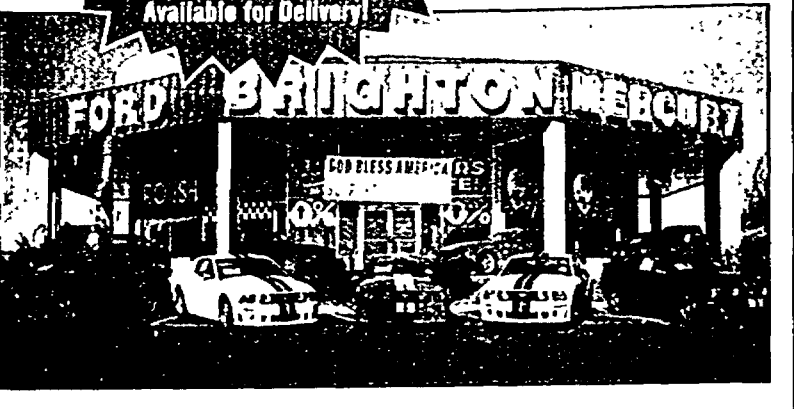
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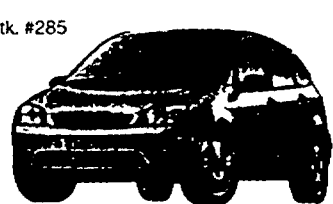
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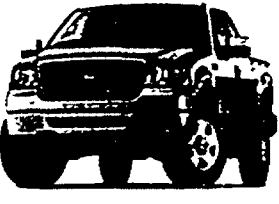


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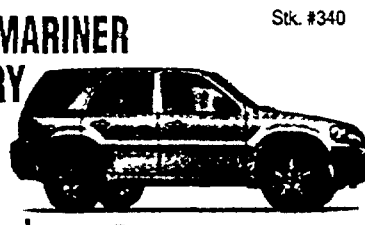


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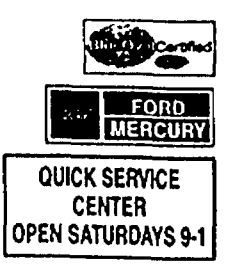


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At left, Jeffrey Allen is pictured with his certified international therapy dog, Chyna. Chyna, a doberman, was trained by Allen's wife, Karen, a trainer with Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital rehabilitation unit in Ann Arbor. Below, Allen and Irene Metro, MD, are performing a trigger point injection. At the bottom, Allen and Emily Neff take time to understand each client's physical condition. They create specialized plans appropriate to the individual.



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There is physical therapy and there is advanced skilled physical therapy.

If you know anything about Jeffrey Allen, Board Certified Orthopedic Clinical Specialist and owner of Allen Physical Therapy in South Lyon, you know that he practices the latter.

Allen has extensive experience with industrial medicine, sports medicine, and is a current member of the American Physical Therapy Association. He knows there are lots of choices in the physical therapy profession but he knows that what he does sets himself apart from all of the others.

Allen specializes in all types of orthopedic injuries, but one of the most common afflictions he treats is FMS or fibromyalgia syndrome. FMS affects ten million people every year and is characterized by widespread muscle and joint pain with severe fatigue. Fibromyalgia means pain in the muscles, ligaments and tendons — the soft fibrous tissues in the body.

Allen said that FMS can be treated but people often are not

Allen said that most physical therapists treat the more common trigger points, but he has taken the practice a step further, training with some of the world's foremost experts in myofascial pain and trigger point dysfunction.

Although treatment for FMS patients is becoming an integral part of Allen's business, he still maintains an outstanding reputation for his work in manual physical therapy, which is used to correct physiological barriers in the body caused by injury, overuse, or prolonged poor posture.

Examples are restricted connective tissue, tightened or knotted muscles, swollen joints, and misaligned joints, all of which can cause pain, restricted mobility, and function. Allen is a skilled therapist that employs techniques to physically correct and aid in the healing of these problems, resulting in more successful and quicker recoveries. For many

chronic pain patients these manual therapy skills may be their only hope for improvement.

What also makes Allen unique in the physical therapy profession is his personal attention to each patient that walks into his clinic. Each patient meets face-to-face with Allen in the small, high-quality atmosphere of his office on 304 N. Lafayette St., in South Lyon.

"When they come in, I am the one they work with," he said. "I am here creating my own reputation as the sole clinical therapist in the office."

Allen believes in ongoing training and education as a means for offering the best treatment to his patients. He updates his training with advanced courses, seminars, and out-of-town sessions, including specialized training through Pain and Rehabilitation Medicine in Maryland (www.painpoints.com).

Allen Physical Therapy is located in the Lafayette Plaza, one block north of Lake Street. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

— *By John R. Hall*

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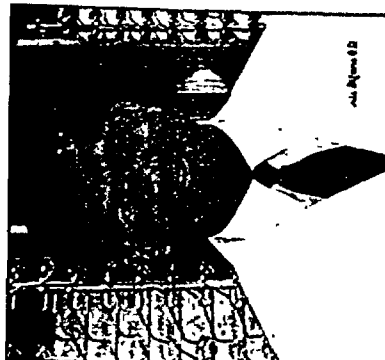
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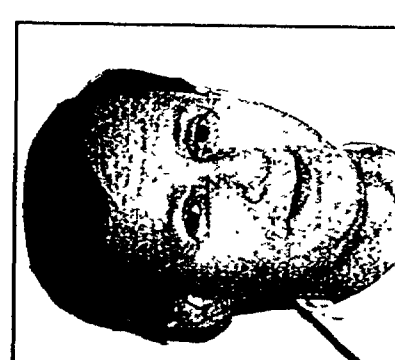
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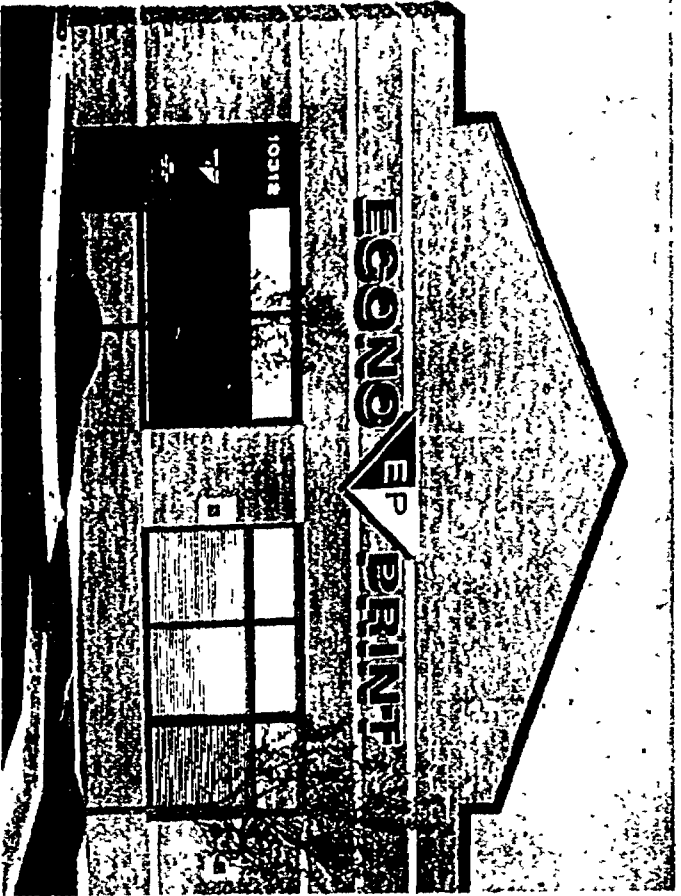


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Gentlemen In Business



Econo Print offers printing and mailing services for businesses of all sizes. After many years in downtown Pinckney, the company is celebrating its second year in its new facility on Dexter-Pinckney Road.



Ted Stilber proofs a sheet printed on Econo Print's new fully automated Heidelberg Printmaster. Photos by CYNTHIA GROCHOWSKI

Econo Print

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Stilber and his team at Econo Print have been serving the business community since 1988, growing in client base and services each year.

"Thanks to the ongoing support of the community we have grown," Ted says. Because of the growth, Stilber has realized his greatest accomplishment in building Econo Print's new facility while staying in Pinckney. The company moved operations from downtown Pinckney to a new, larger facility across from the new Pinckney Community High School in 2004.

Printed materials and direct mailers are still in big demand in the business world and Stilber thrives on rising to the challenge each customer's order brings.

"It's staying current with technology in the ever-changing printing and mailing industry that I like best about the job," he said. Stilber also believes staying current with technology insures customer satisfaction. One of the recent upgrades at Econo Print this year include a new, fully automated Heidelberg Printmaster featuring an infrared dryer.

Another upgrade is making mass mailing jobs more efficient. Econo Print's new Bell & Howell six-station envelope inserter automatically inserts up to six pieces into an envelope as large as 6.5 inches by 9.5 inches.

"We are able to provide more efficient production at a higher quality," Stilber said. Paying attention to what technology can offer his customers, providing it and offering unbeatable personal customer service has grown Econo Print tremendously each year.

The growth is due, in part, to Stilber's personal dedication to getting the job done, including operating the machinery himself at the midnight hour.

Stilber attributes his work ethic to his father-

- TED STILBER**
- Family: Married to Julie for 14 years, with children Katie and Allie
 - Dream vehicle: Bentley Continental GT
 - Hobbies: Golfing and watching NASCAR
 - Community: Pinckney/Lakeland/Hanburg Chamber of Commerce and the Pinckney Merchants Assoc.

In-law Dave who he looks upon as a mentor. "He possesses the qualities that have helped me become successful," Stilber said. "He is hardworking, honest, has great integrity and is always willing to help."

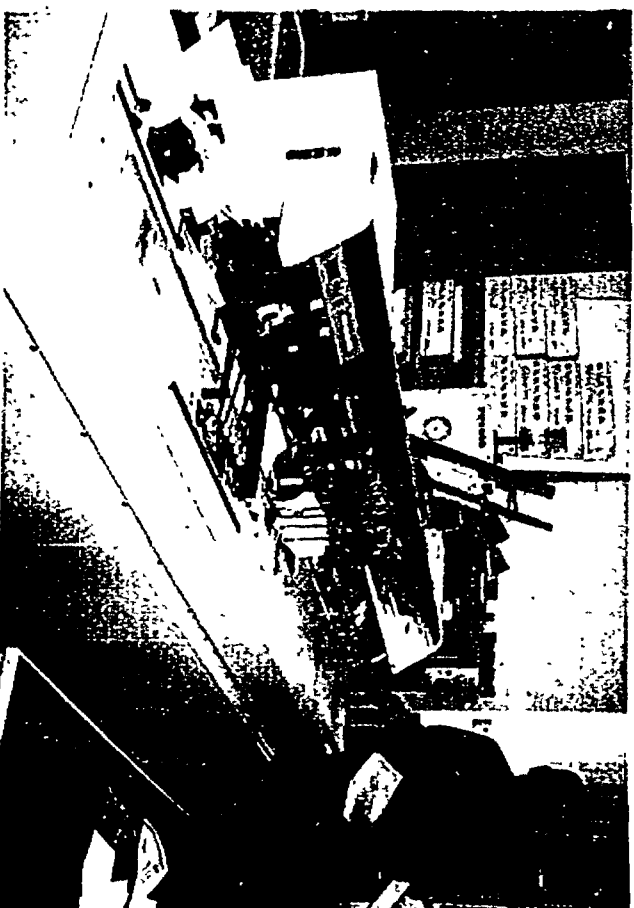
Econo Print provides businesses, both large and small, with a variety of printing services and products including postcards, brochures, newsletters, business cards and fliers.

Econo Print also offers over 500,000 promotional items for company outings or events like coffee mugs, magnets and pens with a business logo. Econo Print accepts completed files in either a PC or Mac format for printing.

On-site graphic design services are available to assist customers in the project layout and design.

"We are able to handle our customers' printing and mailing jobs from the design stage through the mailing process all under one roof," Stilber said.

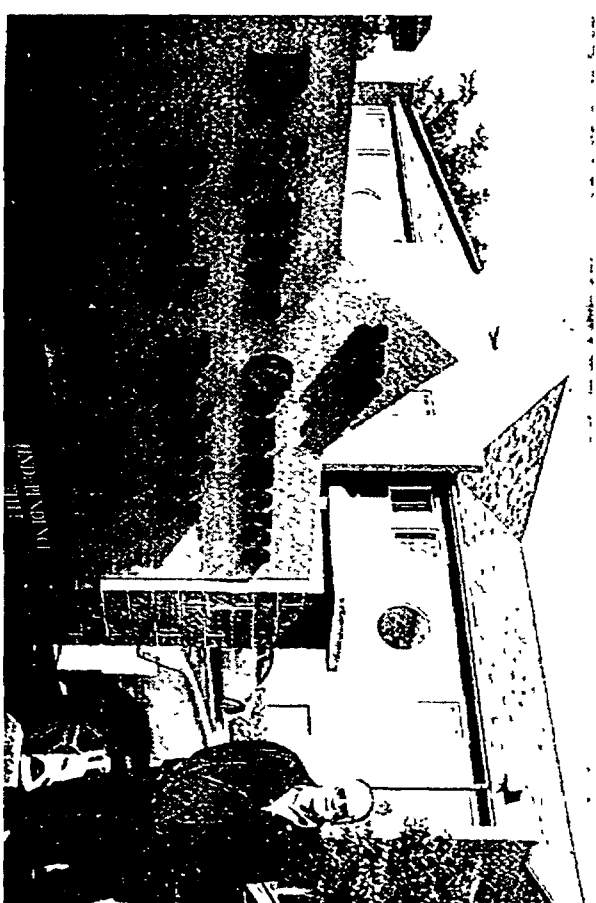
Direct mailing of advertising material has been a strong suit at Stilber's company, saving customers time and money. Projects can be handled from beginning to end — from design to



Econo Print constantly upgrades equipment to better service customers. This new Bell & Howell six-station envelope inserter automatically inserts up to six pieces into an envelope as large as 6.5 inches by 9.5 inches.

production — including postage and post office drop. Scheduled or seasonal mailings of bulk mail are also available. Another plus is Econo Print's ability to manage variable data letters when some of the content within a mailing may change.

Stilber's firm is also a mailing list provider offering mailing lists of consumers and other businesses for direct-mail pieces. Automation of a customer's own list is also available.



This year Bill Tomlinson celebrates six years as the courier for Brighton Commerce Bank.

Brighton Commerce Bank

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Within the walls of Brighton Commerce Bank men and women work hard to personally meet the needs of each and every customer that calls or walks into their lobby.

On the road, delivering documents and meeting customers and bank representatives alike, is an important representative of the bank, as well. For the past six years, Bill Tomlinson of Brighton has been the courier for Brighton Commerce Bank, providing a necessary link to the bank for business accounts.

"Traveling around and meeting bank representatives and bank customers is what I like best about this job," Tomlinson said. He looks upon helping maintain good relations with bank customers as one of his greatest accomplishments. Brighton Commerce Bank offers courier service at no charge for all business accounts. Monday through Friday during bank business hours using locked courier bags.

"We are the only bank that offers courier service to our commercial customers," states Gary T. Nickerson, president and CEO. "This saves commercial customers from having to take time away from their businesses to come into the bank."

Many customers enjoy coming into the bank, however, and receiving the exceptional service Brighton Commerce Bank provides.

Brighton Commerce Bank is truly a community bank, attributing its continued, growing success to unrelenting attention to personalized service and a complete array of banking services for every commercial and consumer customer.

"When you come into our lobby you are served promptly," John Szydzik, senior vice president and cashier says. "When the telephone rings, we answer it immediately. Our customers quickly discover every manager and employee is easily approached."

Numerous customers have told bank staff that having a person answering the telephone, instead of an automated message system, is very important to them. Brighton Commerce Bank is a full-service bank and Brighton's only local bank. The staff offers numerous years of banking

- BILL TOMLINSON**
- Family: Married to Jane for 51 years; sons Neil and Dale, daughter Mary
 - Hobbies: Stamp and coin collecting
 - Community: American Legion and Historical Society
 - Dream Car: A mint condition Ford Thunderbird

experience and all of the bank employees reside within the local community.

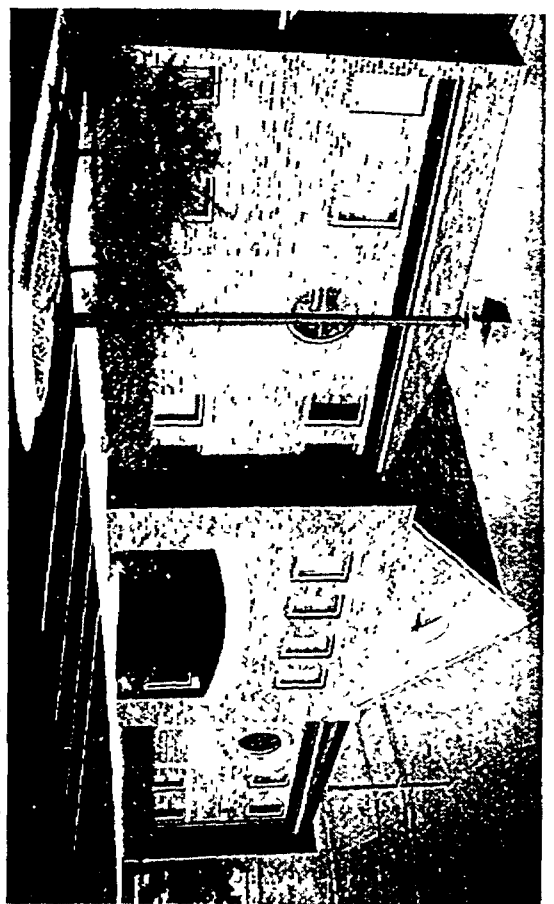
"Full service means we can do everything, so ask us anything," Nickerson said. "Because we are local, we know our customers and we are more apt to be able to support our customers' requests than the other non-local banks."

Brighton Commerce Bank offers everything from checking and savings accounts to investments, loans, mortgages and 24-hour banking. Free checking is offered to small businesses, seniors, juniors, mortgage customers, direct deposit customers and more.

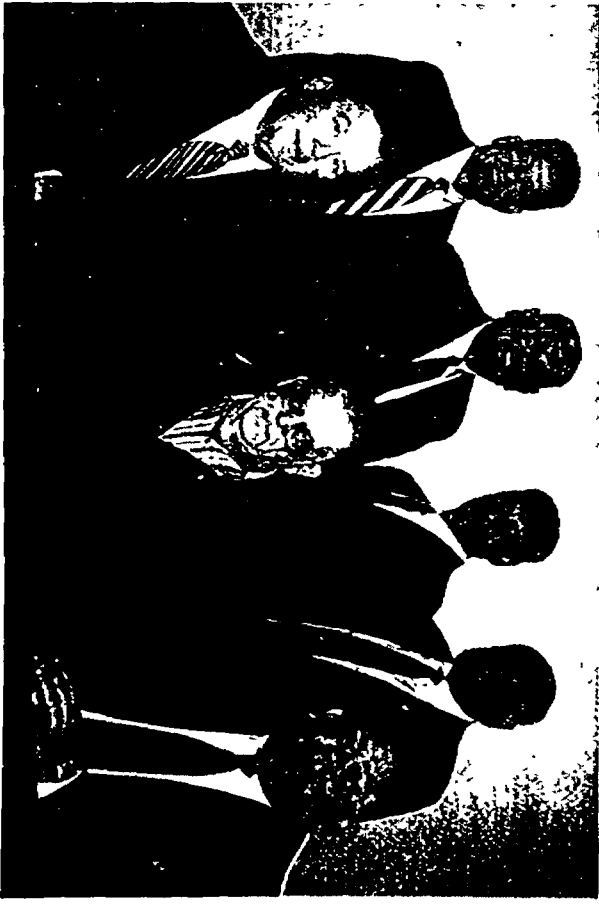
Banking services also include ATMs, debit cards, direct deposit, overdraft protection, safe deposit boxes, money orders, cashier checks, travelers checks, credit cards, notary services and signature guarantee for bank customers as well as wire transfers.

Thus, and investment services are offered including all the traditional brokerage services such as stocks, bonds, mutual funds and annuities.

Customers with Brighton Commerce Bank have access to their accounts any time and from any location, 24-hours-a-day with telephone banking and internet banking including Online Bill Payment, all at no charge, allowing customers to pay virtually anyone — companies or individuals — at any time.



Brighton Commerce Bank is the only bank that offers free courier service for all business accounts Monday through Friday during bank business hours using locked courier bags. Photos by CYNTHIA GROCHOWSKI



The gentlemen of Brighton Commerce Bank include, from left, Mark R. DuShane, vice president, trust and investment services; Gary T. Nickerson Sr., president and CEO; Corey Ruthig, assistant vice president, commercial lending; William R. Anderson, vice president, commercial lending; front row, from left, John Szydzik, senior vice president and cashier; Bill Tomlinson, bank courier; Joseph M. Petrucci, senior vice president and chief credit officer.

Consumer lending services include automobile and recreational vehicle loans, manufactured homes on foundations, and secured loans. Construction loans, mortgages and lines of credit are available to both personal and commercial customers. Home improvement, home equity loans and lines of credit are available to homeowners.

"We excel in providing construction loans and mortgages for both commercial and residential customers," says Nickerson. Most importantly, Brighton Commerce Bank conducts all of its commercial loan underwriting, approvals, processing and funding in-house. Decisions are made more quickly and with a sense of urgency on behalf of the customer.

"We provide everything the larger banks do, but on a more personal level," notes Szydzik. "Customers appreciate our friendly local staff and the terrific personal service that they provide. Customers genuinely enjoy banking here." "Our philosophy is to exceed customer expectations, not just to meet them," adds Nickerson. "You won't believe the difference. This is banking as it should be."

Brighton Commerce Bank is located at 8700 N. Second St., in Brighton. They are open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. The drive-in window is open until 6 p.m. on Thursday and Friday.

Little Archie's • Mike Palushaj (248) 437-3065

With his history of several restaurants and many years of hard work behind him, one thing has stayed consistent for Mike Palushaj, owner of Little Archie's — when he was 24 years old he set a goal to own his own business.

Today that dream has been realized in the shape of Little Archie's restaurant. Even better for Mike is a third restaurant that will be opening in Brighton in the Green Oak Village Mall in October with the same menu and same family friendly tradition started by Mike and his brother.

"I told myself and my children, 'If you are willing to work hard you will never starve,'" Mike explained.

He and his brother opened and owned the first Archie's in Livonia in 1980. Today Mike is happy to have his wife Olga and children Valentin, Christin, Anton, and Jonathan, and his daughter-in-law Maria working side-by-side serving South Lyon's finest home cooked

meals. The menu Mike offers the customers at Little Archie's is such a variety of choices, that they continue to return again and again to try something new. This fact, and Mike's personality, make the dining experience a family event.

"More than 90 percent of the customers know me and get a handshake when they come here to eat," Mike said. "Even a lot of the people from the Livonia Archie's come out to see us and say hi."

Who is Little Archie? Mike smiled and answered, "Archie? Oh, that is me. My friends used to call me little Archie, like Archie Bunker." His friends, family and customers do appreciate his warmth and sense of humor.

Share the experience at Little Archie's on 20889 Pontiac Trail, just north of Eight Mile. The restaurant is open from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday.

— By Michael Pilotti



Photo by MICHAEL PILOTTI
Mike Palushaj, left, and his son Valentino are looking forward to opening a new place in Brighton.

Flowers of Novi • Orv Borg (248) 380-8250 • www.flowersofnovi.com

He has redone the store and former customers probably wouldn't recognize the changes. But they will enjoy visiting with the staff and Borg's therapy dog, Nanook, a Siberian Husky.

In the short period of time since opening, his business has been voted "Best Floral Shop of 2006" by readers of The Novi News. Active in giving back to the community through many service projects, Borg recently helped sponsor a local bowl-a-thon.

Borg sells a lot of gift items besides flowers, too. These items include fruit and gourmet baskets, balloons, figurines, Beanpod candles, blown glass ornaments, and stuffed animals. Flowers of Novi has special wedding, funeral, and corporate packages, too.

"Flowers make you feel better," Borg added. "They pick you up."

Flowers of Novi is located at 24261 Novi Road, in Novi.

— By John R. Hall

"Flowers make you feel better. They pick you up."

— Orv Borg
Owner of Flowers of Novi

Borg understands that people can buy flowers from many different places and not only does uniqueness matter, but so does customer service. He said his staff strives for "good of fashion" service.

"A lot of places treat customers as more of a burden," Borg added. "We need customers or we would be out of business." Borg took over the former "Flowers of VI" in October 2005, relocating from his Beanpod Candles, at Flowers of Novi.

It shouldn't take a special occasion like a wedding or anniversary to bring out the beauty and inspiration of fresh flowers.

"Just because" is the perfect occasion for a beautiful floral arrangement.

That's the philosophy of Orv Borg, owner of Flowers of Novi. Borg believes in the European philosophy that fresh flowers around the home every day makes people feel good. And he has the experience to create just the special arrangement to bring out that effect.

"We try to be very unique with our arrangements," he said. "What you buy from us should be different from everyone else."

Orv Borg and his Siberian Husky therapy dog, Nanook, offer custom flower arrangements and a variety of gift items, including Beanpod Candles, at Flowers of Novi.



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Essex Park Law Office • Dennis B. Dubuc, Attorney at Law (248) 486-5508

who was bitten by a dog on the man's property.

But the elderly man didn't own the dog. He could have lost his home in the court battle but Dubuc helped him defeat the lawsuit.

In the other example, Dubuc was asked by a woman to file a wrongful discharge suit concerning her employment.

The matter was settled without going to court and the woman was pleased with the settlement.

"Many cases can be very difficult, especially child custody cases," he added. "That's why people need someone who cares — to help them."

Dennis B. Dubuc, Attorney at Law, can be found at Essex Park Law Office, P.C., 12618 Ten Mile Road, in South Lyon. Call (248) 486-5508.

— By John R. Hall



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Dennis B. Dubuc has a fully equipped law office in Green Oak Township.

South Lyon Cycle • Mark & Gary Childs (248) 437-0500

As the owners and operators of South Lyon Cycle, the Childs brothers are devoted to bikes.

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Customers are sold a bike that meets their needs with proper fit for comfort and safety emphasized.

Helmets are recommended and correct sizing and fit for safety and comfort is free. South Lyon Cycle offers an extensive parts inventory and popular accessories — including trailers, pedal trailers, child carriers, bike carriers and women's and men's gel comfort saddles. Cross footwear and Life is good casual wear are also now in stock.

One-day repair services are available on all brands. Tune-ups are a specialty for better performance and safety of any bike.

South Lyon Cycle sponsors two charitable events — The

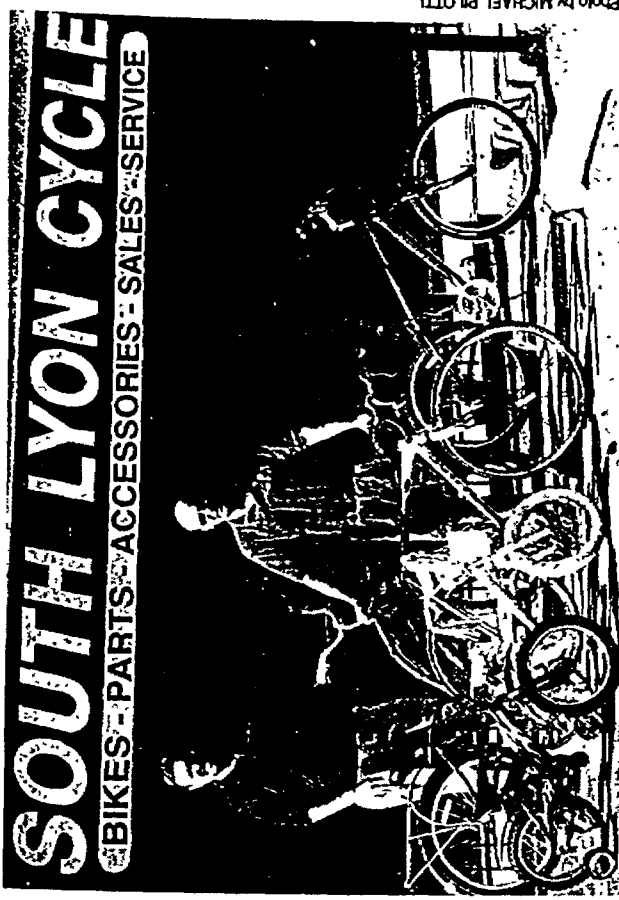
American Diabetes Association Tour de Cure and The Multiple Sclerosis Society MS 150.

South Lyon Cycle is located in downtown South Lyon at 209 S. Lafayette (Pontiac Trail), two blocks south of Ten Mile — minutes from Island Lake State Recreation area, Kensington Metropark, Huron Valley Trail System and South Lyon's Rail Trail.

Hours are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mark, left, and Gary offer quality bikes, one-day repair service, tune-ups and more at South Lyon Cycle.

Photo by MICHAEL PILOTTI



Quality Insurance Services • Dave Grimes, Sr. and Don Beck (248) 437-1700

Use most of the time. And then there are special occasions when we utilize other companies."

Beck handles the personal lines of insurance — auto, home, recreation. Grimes manages all the commercial accounts.

"The insurance industry is changing, but the needs of the people stay the same," Beck said. "Protect your assets is my advice to people."

Both men remember when they would make house calls to write a policy. Now, they say, most of their business is done over the Internet, phone, or fax machine. Busy schedules leave little time for kitchen table meetings.

Representing multiple insurance companies allows Quality

Insurance the opportunity to provide a customer four or five quotes, to choose from. Some companies prefer, or are more suited to, specific types of insurance. Beck said a tool and die shop, for instance, may find a better rate with one company because they already have policies written for that industry and prefer that type of customer.

"Our commercial accounts can be as varied as home builders, truckers, bakeries, and any main street business," Grimes said.

The two owners operate their business from a small-town approach, especially since Beck and Grimes came from small towns.

"Providing service, friendliness and trust is the way we like to conduct business," Beck said. Quality Insurance Services is located at 214 S. Lafayette St., in South Lyon.

— By Nathan Merriam

DAVE GRIMES, SR.
Hobbies: Church, family, granddaughter and golf

DON BECK
Hobbies: Spending time in his place up north, fishing, hunting and snowmobiling

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Our Place To Yours • The Goodlaski Men

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Photo by DEB GOODLASKI

Amid some beautiful furniture at Our Place To Yours are, from left, standing, sons Tim and Rick Goodlaski and father Rick Goodlaski. Seated is son (and future mover) John Goodlaski.

Our Place To Yours offers new and quality used furniture, home accents and collectibles including Ashley, Thomasville, Ethnik Allen, Norman Rockwell and Boyd's Bears, just to name a few.

Our Place To Yours, opened eight years ago in Harland, was the first furniture consignment store in Livingston County and now is the largest with the addition of its second location in Milford opened almost two years ago.

The success of the business has been helped along greatly by the Goodlaski men.

As partner with wife Deb, Rick Goodlaski helps with the furniture moving whenever needed, and works

as finance manager at Krug Ford Lincoln Mercury in Howell. Oldest son Rick, a sophomore at MSU, has worked at the store since 1999 unloading and assembling new Ashley furniture, and currently helps with evening and weekend pickups and deliveries of consignments and new furniture.

Tim, a freshman at MSU in the fall, has worked in the store since 2000 also unloading and assembling new Ashley furniture, and picking up and delivering consignments and new furniture.

John has finished 2nd grade at Creekside Elementary in Harland. John spent his first five years helping Mom at the store.

The Web site, www.ourplacetoyours.com, provides a look for both shoppers and sellers at some of the beautiful items available at each store, and offers a link to the Ashley furniture web site.

Our Place To Yours is located at 10534 Highland Road, (M-59) just east of U.S.-23, behind McDonald's in Harland, and at 143 S. Milford Road, in the new Farmer Jack plaza behind Wendy's, in Milford.

Both stores are open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

—Dr. Susan Mandulitis

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“Don’t mess with the rest, deal with the best,” is the slogan Jim Seghi stands behind when he presents his customers with best-in-class home renovations.

Jim’s no-pressure consultation and project planning assure his customers that the price they see at the beginning of the job is the same price they see at its completion.

Jim likes to talk about Wixom, Novi, South Lyon, New Hudson, Milford, Brighton and other wonderful towns around him.

“I love to focus on local communities because word of mouth and personal references are how my business has grown so well,” Jim said. “Anybody that has any inclination to do any remodeling needs to give me a call.”

To Jim, price shouldn’t be a determining factor.

“Don’t settle for the cheapest bid when

you want quality and the assurance that you’ll be happy with the job for life,” Jim added. “I have customer referrals from people who I helped 12 years ago.”

As Jim and his wife Ellen watched their son Mauro, 10 and daughter Emilie, 5, grow, they were faced with the same challenge that many of his customers face — upgrade their existing home or buy a larger home and have their property taxes skyrocket. Jim practices what he preaches, and expanded his home.

“I help people find space where none existed before,” Jim explained. “That way they can take advantage of their existing home and not stress about moving or higher year after year taxes.”

Jim’s office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call for an appointment and he’ll be the guy you interface with from beginning to end.

—Dr. Michael Pridall



Submitted Photo

Jim Seghi practiced what he preached and added on to his own house.

Mayfair Realty • Abe Ayoub

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Ayoub has learned from the best. Therefore, he can probably be considered one of the best, too.

Ayoub is an associate broker at Mayfair Realty and serves several western suburbs as well as Lyon Township, South Lyon, Milford and Brighton.

When “best” is mentioned in Ayoub’s presence, he thinks of his three mentors.

“I have worked with Marvyn Mosher, Jay Hughes, and Bill Willis,” he said. “All of these individuals had between 30 and 50 years in the business. They were all different people and I took a little bit from all of them.”

As an associate broker, the 12-

year veteran of Mayfair Realty never faces the same routine on consecutive days — and that’s his favorite part of the job.

“You can learn something new every day,” Ayoub said.

Ayoub’s motivations and priorities in life have changed over the years.

“Some people would say their business or how much money they make is their greatest accomplishment,” he added. “My greatest accomplishment is my family. They are what drive me.”

Ayoub believes in personal contact and interacting with members of his community through work and play. He is a member of the South Lyon Chamber of Commerce, the South Lyon Kiwanis Club, and a

volunteer with the Lyon Township Fire Department. All of these important activities compliment a successful professional life.

“When people call Mayfair, they are dealing with an agent, not a company,” Ayoub said. “I work 24/7 for customers and I work very hard.”

Part of that work is doing his utmost to sell homes. Although open houses are important, Ayoub said that the personal touch needs support from the technical touch.

“I stress technology, like our Virtual Tours, and Internet presence,” he added.

For more information contact Ayoub at (248) 486-9227 or via e-mail at soldabe@comcast.net.

—Dr. John Hall

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“We take care of people when they are sick, help healthy people remain healthy and ease the suffering of those people we cannot cure. We want to make an influence on people’s lives by making their personal and professional lives more satisfying. We want to make the world a healthier place.”

—Robert Brateman, M.D.,
Family Practice Doctor

Robert Brateman and Dr. Peter Bullach have one thing in common — their professional lives revolve around the wants and needs of their patients.

That philosophy is also shared by Dr. Olga Mondrusova, who was featured in the recent “Women in the Know” supplement May 18.

The office, located on Grand River Avenue, just west of Haggerty in Novi, is state of the art as Brateman describes.

“We try to be the best doctors with the best equipment in the best office,” Brateman added.

“We have an on-site medical lab and are located close to Providence Hospital in both Novi and Livonia.”

Brateman and Bullach are both on staff at Providence.

“We work in partnership with our patients and do what is in

their best interest,” added Bullach. “We tailor each program to individual patients who need

individualized care. We do not take a cookie cutter approach to treatment.”

Both doctors have very caring approaches to their professions.

“We take care of people when they are sick, help healthy people remain healthy and ease the suffering of those people we cannot cure,” said Brateman. “We want to make an influence on people’s lives by making their personal and professional lives more satisfying. We want to make the world a healthier place.”

“We are here to provide the best possible care — not only physically but mentally and spiritually. And we are always available to our patients, whether it is being on-call or working late.”

Brateman’s care for his patients is deeply rooted in his childhood days, thanks to his family doctor.

“My family doctor was my mentor,” he added. “He took care of the whole family and he was always there for us, not just for physical problems but for other things like grief counseling.”

He graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine in 1979 and then completed a residency in family practice at Providence Hospital in 1982.

After his residency, Brateman served in the Providence Family Practice residency program as a faculty physician for six years. He founded this practice in 1989.

Bullach has been influenced by the teachings of the various doctors he has worked for.

The graduate of Albion College shows a special concern for his young patient athletes, thanks to



Peter Bullach, M.D., at left, and Robert Brateman, M.D. have very caring approaches toward their patients and believe in treating the mental and spiritual as well as the physical.

Bullach played baseball in college and baseball and football at his high school Warren DelaBelle. He is a graduate of Wayne State University’s School of Medicine.

He completed his residency at Providence Hospital and Medical Center in Southfield and joined this practice in 2002.

Brateman and Bullach never rest on their laurels, believing that life is a learning and improving process.

“We are always striving for improvement,” added Brateman. “We are always looking for ways to make the practice better.”

But in the end, the brick-and-mortar building and the equipment inside are only secondary tools for this practice.

“Our patients are the most important feature of our office,” added Brateman.

Dr. Brateman, Bullach and Mondrusova are located at 40015 Grand River Ave., Suite 100, in Novi.

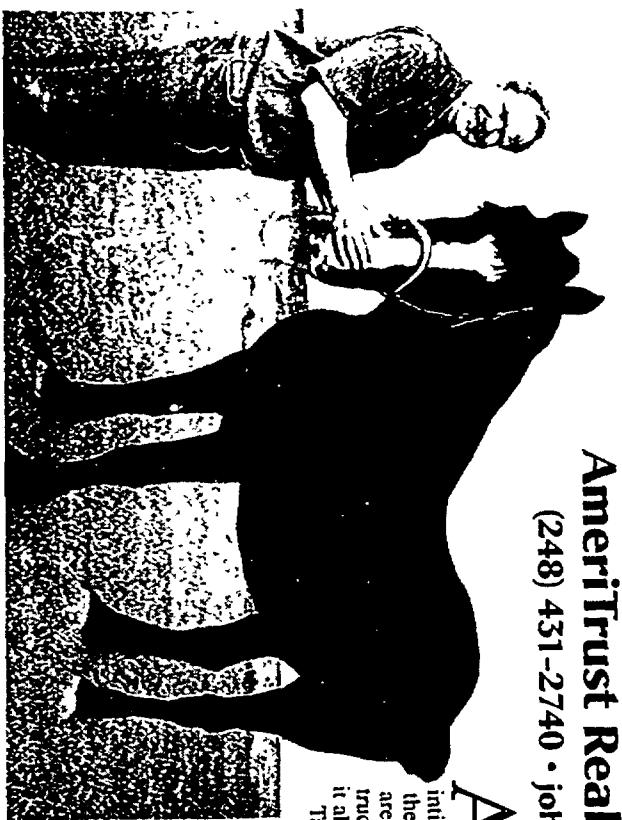
The hours are 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call (248) 473-8580 for a routine or follow-up appointment.

Also visit the new Web site, www.drbrateman.com, which features interesting and educational topics that change monthly.



Abe Ayoub of Mayfair Realty believes Virtual Tours and a presence on the Internet are vital to selling property in the age of technology.

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AS a resident of Brighton for the past 28 years, John Underwood is intimately familiar with one of the hottest residential growth areas in all of Michigan. By truck or by horseback, he's seen it all.

Taking that knowledge of the community, along with the skills gained in his 35-year career in sales and marketing, John is enjoying working with sellers and buyers of home and commercial properties in his new career in real estate.

When not selling real estate, John enjoys training his Percheron, Roxie.

"It's the ultimate reward," John said, "finding a perfect match between a buyer and a home." Because each real-estate situation is unique and brings its own share of challenges, John smooths the path for his clients along the way.

Ameritrust, John discovered a small, devoted company that specializes in personal service. And with his background in sales, John knows that it's often the service a customer receives that seals the deal.

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John and his wife Susan have lived in Livingston County since 1978. They have four children — Heather, Holly, John and Matt — and five grandchildren.

Ameritrust is located at 7015 Fieldcrest, in Brighton. Stop by and see John for your real estate needs, or talk to him about his passion for horses. He's worked with the Brighton High School Equestrian Team and helped create the Lower Michigan Horse Association.

For more information, call John at (810) 229-5060 or e-mail him at johnunderwood@ameritrustrealty.com.

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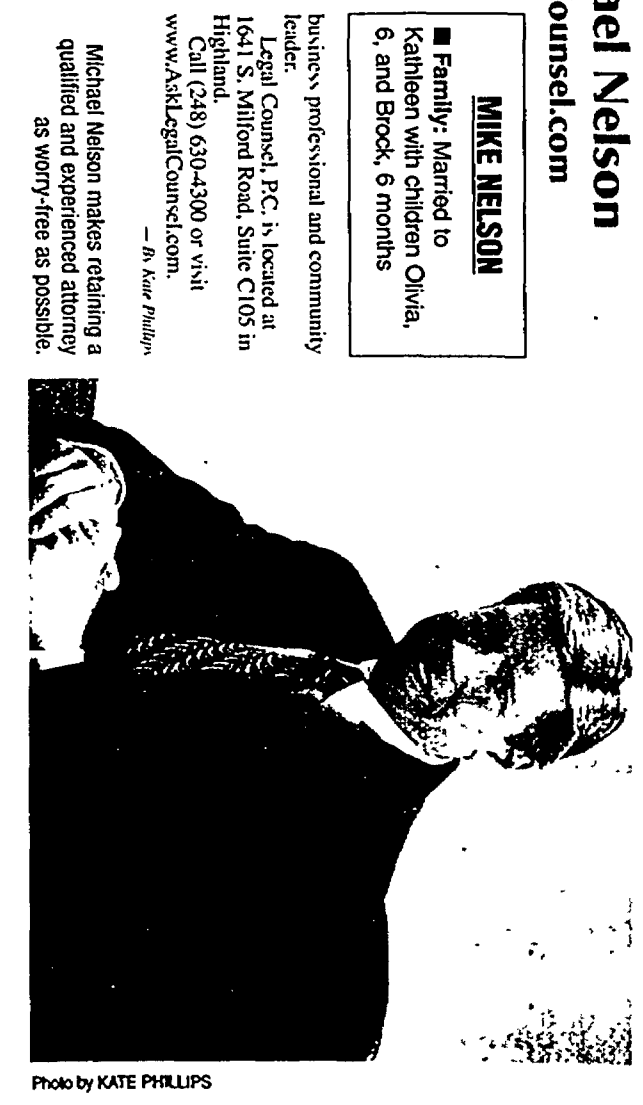


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MIKE NELSON
 ■ Family: Married to Kathleen with children Olivia, 6, and Brock, 6 months

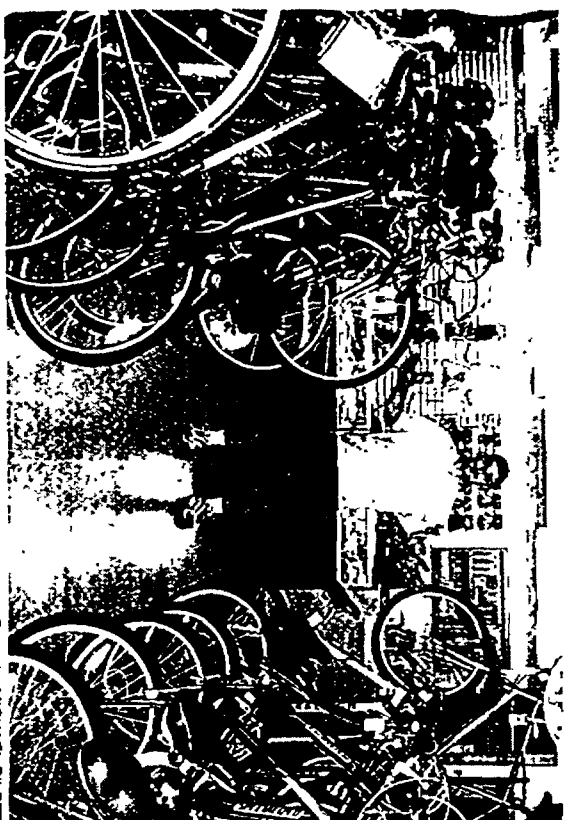
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— *By Kait Phillips*

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Town-n-Country Bikes and Killer Paintball
 Ken Powell • (248) 491-0088



Ken Powell and his family are not new to South Lyon though his newest store is, "I'm building Town-n-Country Bikes and Killer Paintball as a family business so my kids have a place that they can use as a stepping stone toward their future," explained Ken explained with a grin.

"My son is already helping me figure out which skateboard items to stock."

Ken takes time out to coach Panther football and travel basketball. His children — Jacob, Sarah, Abigail and Jesse — all attend South Lyon schools while his wife Allison makes sure that the important things are taken care of on the home front.

For bikes and accessories, trailers, tires and tubes are available for owner installation or Ken will have one of his highly trained mechanics install and tune-up the bike at his shop.

"With the South Lyon community growing so quickly I felt there was room for a store that offered a variety of sporting products," he said as he looked around the store.

Paintball, air soft rifles, bikes, Raleigh, Specialized, Hero, Diamondback, and various safety gear and skateboards hang on the walls. The store also has the very popular Elites shoes in stock.

"My business philosophy is to be absolutely friendly and not just sell product, but sell service and educate the buyer to help them make a solid decision based on good advice," he said. "I feel I have South Lyon's support and the warmth of the community hits me each time a customer comes in the store."

Town-n-Country Bikes and Killer Paintball will be sponsoring evening bike outings for road and trail riders on Tuesdays and Thursdays this summer. Contact the store for details.

The store is open 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

— *By Michael Philant*

Sam Rosenberg, M.D., F.A.C.S.
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frustrated when they are put on hold and told that there are no appointments available for a week or a month.

From his Novi office, Dr. Rosenberg and his staff are "very accommodating" to new and existing customers.

"I surprise answering the phone a lot," he added.

"If the phone is ringing and I'm there, why wouldn't I answer it?"

Dr. Rosenberg is chief of urology at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital and affiliated with Providence Hospital.

Dr. Sam Rosenberg

"We are in the business of taking care of patients. And same day appointments are available."

— *Dr. Sam Rosenberg*
 Urologist

Perfect Floors • Ron Williams
 (248) 437-2838

Ron Williams brings tradition and experience of carpet, area rugs, laminate, wood floors and vinyl floors to South Lyon from Rochester where he and his brothers opened the first Perfect Floors back in 1994.

Working with hardwood and other floor coverings seems like a natural transition from his original career in the bowling alley business.

The service that distinguishes Perfect Floors from other stores is, in Ron's words, "selling the right products at a price and service which makes them very happy."

"Floor covering is usually done every seven to 10 years. Consumers should educate themselves so they will be satisfied," he advised.

Ron added that the key differentiator for his store is quality of service.

"Our quality of service and follow through after the job is complete," makes the store the best in the industry.

Ron said he is content only after satisfying his

RON WILLIAMS
 ■ Family: Married to Carolyn for 26 years, with children Ronnie, Steven and Caitlin
 ■ Favorite Movies: "Rocky" and "Austin Powers"
 ■ Hobbies: Boating, golf and bowling

customers from start to finish.

Stop by Perfect Floors, and check out their guaranteed lowest prices.

Perfect Floors is located at 21946 Pontiac Trail in South Lyon. The store is open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

— *By Michael Philant*



Photo by JOHN HALL

Dr. Sam Rosenberg specializes in urological disorders from his office in Novi and as chief of urology at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital. He is also affiliated with Providence Hospital.

of people suffering from urinary urge incontinence.

Dr. Rosenberg and his staff pay special attention to customer care and do so with a smile. Each member is trained in urological procedures.

In return for their care, patients have often brought in cakes and cookies to show their appreciation.

"When a patient comes in to a doctor's office, the last thing they want to see is someone with a grim face acting like he or she is doing them a favor," he said.

"We are in the business of taking care of patients. And same day appointments are available."

Dr. Rosenberg's office is located at 41935 W. Twelve Mile Road, Suite 308, in Novi. Contact him today.

— *By John R. Hall*

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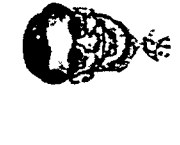
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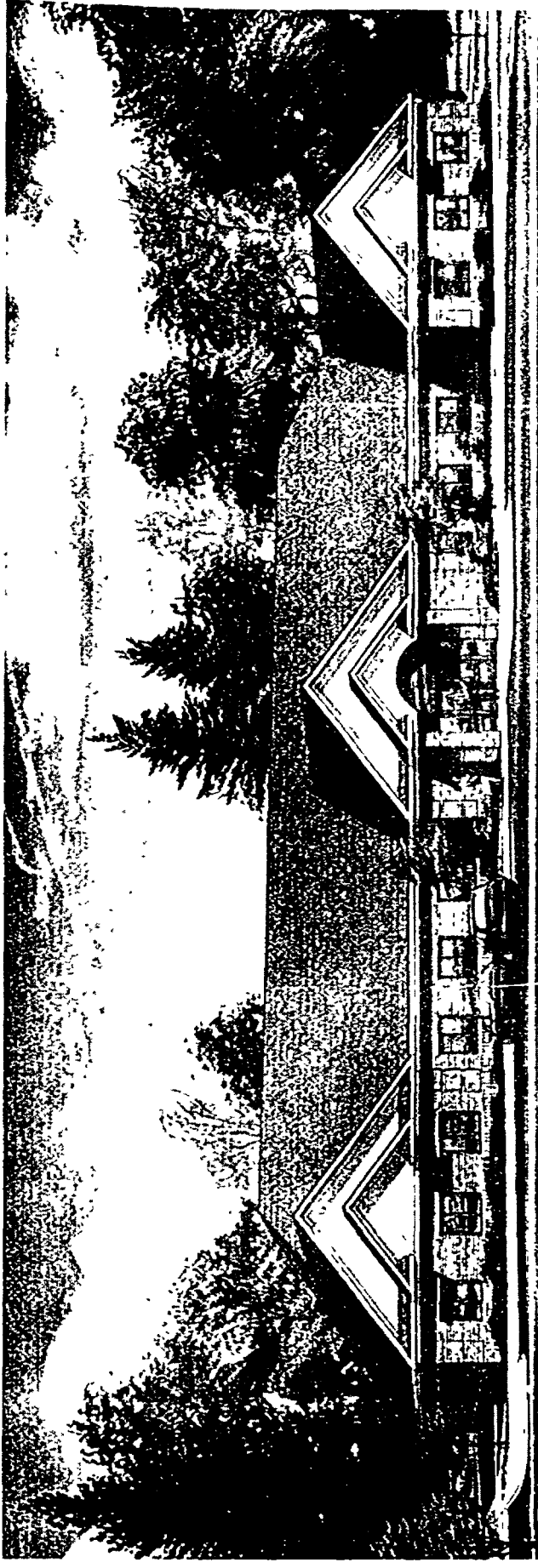
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Specialists in Orthopedic Surgery make it easy for patients to get immediate care with this new location in Hartland Township. They also care for patients in their Commerce Township location.

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Earning a reputation that spans the globe, Dr. Brandt serves as Vice President and Medical Director of Orphan Medical Network International, a charitable organization devoted to providing medical treatment, education, and food for orphaned children. He travels to Zambia several times a year to provide medical care to children orphaned by AIDS.

"At first I took this on as a challenge, but once I went to Zambia it was in my blood. It's a desire to do something to make a difference in the world," says Dr. Brandt.

"We want to take care of our kids. Our goal is to make sure they get the best sports physicals possible — so that they can stay healthy."

— Dr. E. Patrick Mitchell,
Specialist in Orthopedic Surgery
Chief of Orthopedic Surgery
Huron Valley Hospital

Specialists in Orthopedic Surgery, an orthopedic practice that specializes in orthopedic medicine, sports medicine, hand surgery, arthritis surgery, spine surgery, arthroscopic surgery, and trauma surgery, just opened a second office on Highland Road in Hartland Township in addition to its Commerce Township center located at the Regional Specialty Center at Huron Valley-Sinair Hospital.

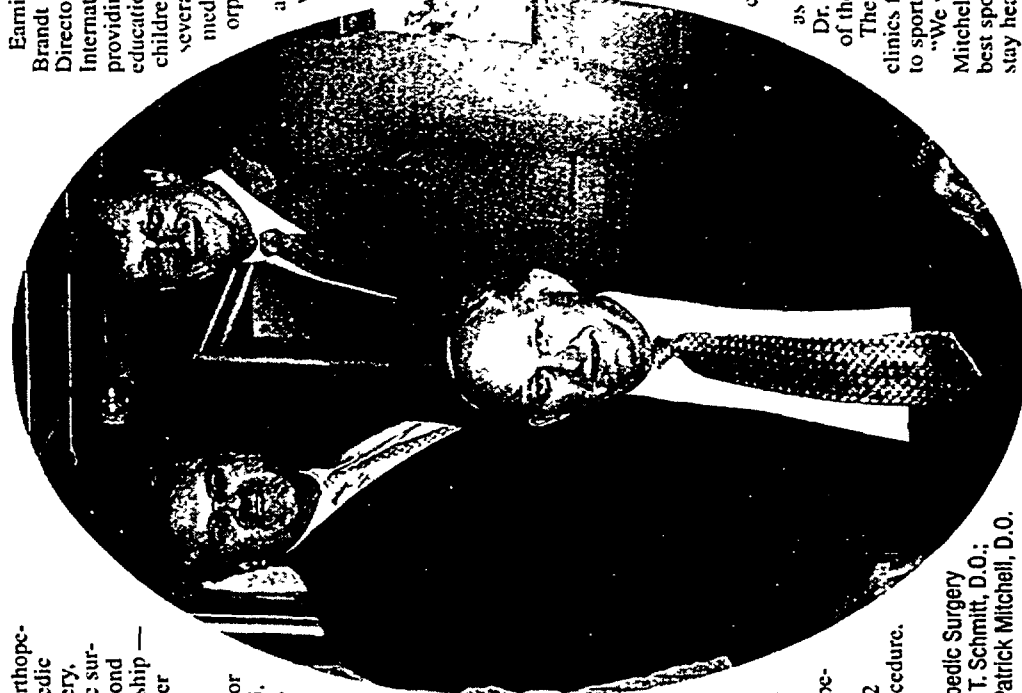
"Our locations make it very convenient for our patients to get to us," says Dr. Roland J. Brandt, D.O. "We can see patients immediately if they are hospitalized."

The practice's three physicians are: Dr. E. Patrick Mitchell, Dr. Phillip T. Schmitt, and Dr. Roland J. Brandt. All highly experienced orthopedic physicians and surgeons, the team solves complex orthopedic problems — from broken wrists to sprained ankles, to damaged knees to arthritic hips.

"We are constantly trying to do new things to make our surgical treatments better," says Dr. Mitchell, Chief of Orthopedic Surgery at Huron Valley-Sinair Hospital.

This month, Dr. Schmitt will be performing the Birmingham Hip Resurfacing surgical procedure, an innovative bone conserving alternative to total hip replacement surgery commonly used in patients who have severe damage due to degenerative joint diseases like osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, and dysplasia.

Schmitt mastered the technique during specialized training earlier this year in Birmingham, England and is one of only 32 physicians in the country trained in the procedure.



The doctors of Specialists in Orthopedic Surgery are, from left, Phillip T. Schmitt, D.O.; Roland J. Brandt, D.O.; and E. Patrick Mitchell, D.O.

as team physicians," said Dr. Schmitt. "We are there on the field as part of the team."

The practice also sponsors sports physical clinics for all teams. Fees generated are donated to sports programs.

"We want to take care of our kids," said Dr. Mitchell. "Our goal is to make sure they get the best sports physicals possible — so that they can stay healthy."



Photo by JOHN HALL
Brian Bak offers a lot of floral design choices and products for his customers in the South Lyon area.

Bakman Florist of South Lyon, Inc.

Brian Bak
(248) 437-4168

www.fhd.com/bakmanflorist

Twenty-six years is a long time to be in business — and to remain a solid business in the local community. That's true of Brian Bak and his business, Bakman Florist of South Lyon, Inc. Bak is proof that quality customer service and quality products add up to business longevity. But rather than take the credit for his success, Bak prefers to deflect accolades to his staff.

"We've always been fortunate to have a great crew," he said. "We've had very little turnover. Even when someone has had a baby, she has returned to work here."

He said that customers like seeing the same faces all of the time and will usually ask if they haven't seen an employee in a while. Even the extra help Bak brings on during the holidays keep coming back to work each season.

The three main designers at Bakman Florist include Bak, Diane Craig, and Teresa Lavigne. Bak said that all three keep up with the latest design techniques by regularly attending floral conventions.

"The three of us combined have 70 years of experience," he noted. "We are all unique and complement each other's individual expertise."

Bak said that his staff goes the extra mile to give customers that "extra touch." That includes maintaining a good rapport with other area florists if Bakman doesn't have exactly what the customer needs.

He is especially proud of the bridal packages that his staff designs.

"We make the bride's dreams come to life," he said. Bakman Florist is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. During holidays the florist on 22880 Pontiac Trail, is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

—By John R. Hall



Huron Valley State Bank

Dave Blosssey
(248) 684-9626

area's first community bank is coming up on their one-year anniversary. President and CEO Dave Blosssey said they've grown beyond their projected opening goals. A simple theme guides them: "Customer Focused and Community Based."

From any Main Street business to real estate development, Huron Valley State Bank stands ready to help. Since opening for business last August, they've been helping residents and businesses of Milford, Commerce, White Lake, Hartland and Highland.

Blosssey said small businesses passed over for loans by larger banks would find Huron Valley State Bank more willing to help them out.

With 45 percent of their bank stock sold to various people throughout the area, Huron Valley State Bank, at 525 N. Main St., Suite 260, Milford, is committed to doing their part to help the area thrive.

through, a wide range of banking services, a committed focus on small businesses, and community involvement.

Blosssey has been in banking 25 years. He earned a Masters of Business Administration from Central Michigan University, and prior to that attended

Michigan State University for undergrad studies. He is excited about having an opportunity to open a bank and see it grow from the ground up. In fact, the past year has been successful enough that a second Huron Valley State Bank branch, a stand-alone structure with drive-through convenience, in the south end of Milford, should open the 1st quarter of 2007.

"We're equally excited about our staff being involved in many organizations in this area. From The Highland Commerce Development Authority, The Chamber of Commerce, The Rotary Club, to coaching Little League baseball. Our desire is to be as active as we can in the community," Blosssey said. "Our involvement also includes donations."

The bank's Vice President-Louis, Patrick Burnett, is part of the bank's six-person staff interested and excited about creating something new in the community, according to Blosssey.

"People get into banking because they like interacting with others," he said. "Milford has a strong sense of community, and when people see someone getting involved there will be positive results. We want people to think of us as a bank involved in this community."

—By Nathan Merwin

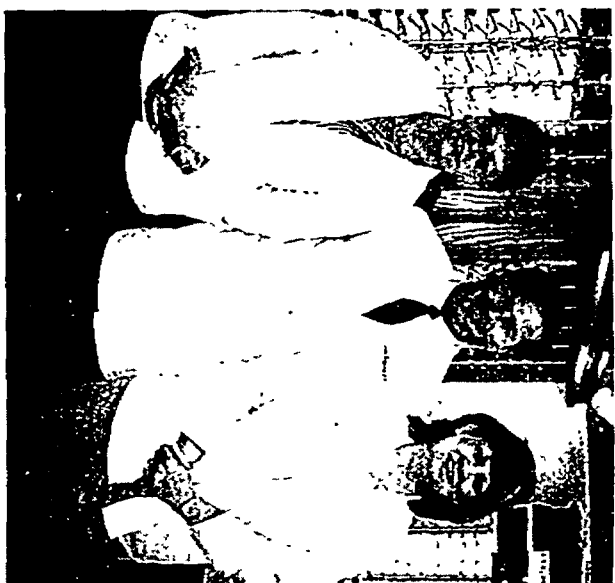


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Eager to serve clients at Bifano Family Eye Care are, from left, Nora, Dr. Chris Bifano and Karen. The practice is conveniently located in downtown South Lyon.

Bifano Family Eye Care Christopher Bifano, O.D.

(248) 446-1146

Patients visiting Bifano Family Eye Care in South Lyon get a good feeling from the moment they enter to the time they leave the familiar business, located just north of Lake Street.

That's because Christopher Bifano, O.D. and his staff provide personal service in a friendly, comfortable atmosphere. That isn't always the norm in other similar businesses.

"The doctors and staff are what set us apart from others," Dr. Bifano said. "It is a family tradition that we carry on including many services we offer."

Those services include eye exams, contact lenses, eye-glasses, eye disease treatments and a doctor on call 24 hours a day. Dr. Bifano prides himself on keeping current with all of the latest technology in eye exams and treatments. Bifano Family Eye Care offers refractive surgery in partner with the TLC Laser Eye Centers.

Great products and brand names are not the main reasons that patients keep coming back to this business that occupies its current location since 1998. It is the service.

"Patients feel comfortable here," Dr. Bifano added. That comfort level comes from a family tradition that has continued to grow in the Bifano family. Dr. Bifano comes from a family of optometrists that includes his sister and his father who practiced in Dearborn for many years. Dr. Bifano also operates a second office in Dearborn Heights.

Dr. Bifano is a 1991 graduate of the Ferris State College of Optometry and has been in business for 15 years. He lives in South Lyon.

The Bifano Family Eye Care staff includes two doctors and three opticians. Doctors are available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The office is located at 317 N. Lafayette St., in South Lyon.

Office hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday; and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

—By Michael Pilotti

Attorney at Law • Philipp J. Weipert • (248) 486-1100

Philipp Weipert says the law is always changing, but people keep doing the same old things.

As a South Lyon attorney since 1989, Weipert has seen a lot of things change around him. The population has grown, the landscape has changed, and the law has grown more complex.

He has a book listing the name of every licensed lawyer throughout the state. There are 35,000 in Michigan. South Lyon has about 20.

"People still need lawyers. That hasn't changed," he said. "My grandfather was a country lawyer, and I count him as a mentor of mine," Weipert said. "I do what I can to help people. It's what I love doing."

The courthouses in Novi, Pontiac, Detroit, Howell, and even Lapeer are places he has gotten to know. Clients and cases, mostly civil, take up his daytime hours. He stays on top of changing laws by per-

sonally attending seminars, and others available on-line over the Internet. He updates his law books annually, too.

Weipert's community involvement makes a lengthy list: Kiwanis Club, Chairperson of the Zoning Board of Appeals, Historical Commission, and many others.

Last month he received The Paul Baker Citizen of the Year Award for his on-going volunteer efforts throughout the community. But what he's done as a volunteer only points to his professional effort.

"My greatest accomplishment is having a successful practice in town," Weipert said. Even though he calls himself a small-town lawyer, Weipert offered simple advice even big-city attorneys would agree with.

"Lawyers can't undo scrambled eggs," Weipert said with a woe-filled grin, referring to clients attempting to practice law on their own, or act as their own lawyer. "Don't try to do it yourself," he advises.

PHILIPP J. WEIPERT
■ Dream vehicle: A Jag
■ Hobbies: Biking, fishing, golfing, target shooting, woodworking, photography, and a few others

enthusiastic clients. The legal services he specializes in cover: Elder law, will/probate, living trusts & estates, real estate, personal injury, traffic offenses, automobile no-fault claims, divorce and custody, and family law.

"Spending as much time as I can with each client is the key to what I do," Weipert explained. "I try to help them as much as I can."

Weipert's office is located at 415 S. Lafayette, Suite 100. Call (248) 486-1100. —By Nathan Merwin

Bistro 127 • Don Waldemeyer (248) 921-4488 • www.bistro127.com

Move over Mike Illich and make way for partners Don Waldemeyer and Mark Koffey. South Lyon has the good fortune of having caring visionaries like Don and Mark in town.

Currently Don and Mark are renovating the old blacksmith's building across from Bistro 127 with the goal of maintaining its historic charm and structure while providing functionality and ample space. They plan to open a new Italian family restaurant, catering facilities, and the Kurnon Center, which occupied a portion of the building before renovations began. The men are working tirelessly to open the new restaurant by October.

If anyone can pull off this mini Foxtown plan, it's Don and Mark. They have the experience of managing Chicago hotels, degrees in culinary arts and business. They have worked with other local restaurateurs and have consulted with the likes of master chef Jeff Fugler on a project that has helped lay the foundation for the theater renovations next door.

Before you step into Bistro 127 you can tell Don and Mark are thinking about the community and their patrons. Signs decorate their windows heralding events and charities around town.

The design and style of the original architecture of their buildings is preserved and enhanced to reflect the small town charm and its historic beginnings. The blend of progress with compas-

■ Age: 39
■ Family: Two children: Lauren, 8, and Michael, 10
■ Hobbies: Softball, golf

■ Dream Vehicle: '14 like to get back the 1969 Fally Sport Camaro I had to sell before going overseas with the Air Force.
■ Hobbies: Golf — he played on his high-school team and stayed with it.

■ DREAM BLOSSSEY
Dave Blosssey has been in banking 25 years. He earned a Masters of Business Administration from Central Michigan University, and prior to that attended Michigan State University for undergrad studies. He is excited about having an opportunity to open a bank and see it grow from the ground up. In fact, the past year has been successful enough that a second Huron Valley State Bank branch, a stand-alone structure with drive-through convenience, in the south end of Milford, should open the 1st quarter of 2007.

"We're equally excited about our staff being involved in many organizations in this area. From The Highland Commerce Development Authority, The Chamber of Commerce, The Rotary Club, to coaching Little League baseball. Our desire is to be as active as we can in the community," Blosssey said. "Our involvement also includes donations."

The bank's six-person staff interested and excited about creating something new in the community, according to Blosssey.

"People get into banking because they like interacting with others," he said. "Milford has a strong sense of community, and when people see someone getting involved there will be positive results. We want people to think of us as a bank involved in this community."

—By Nathan Merwin



Photo by NATHAN MERWIN

South Lyon attorney Phillip J. Weipert opened his practice in 1989. He has been living in town since 1988.



Photo by HAL GOULD

Don Waldemeyer, co-owner and chef at Bistro 127, shows off a few of the 85 different varieties of wine available at the South Lyon restaurant.

of until they return. Bistro 127's wine steward, Susan Lalonde, can be contacted at (248) 613-6845 for additional information.

Dinner and Theater
Anne Levy is in charge of putting together a fantastic line-up of first class shows that will feature extremely talented artists, including the Phoenix Players. Dinner and theater packages are available for making memorable nights and wonderful gifts. Visit www.southlyonbistro.com for information.

Catered from Bistro — Laura Livingston has charge of Catered from Bistro, as a personal event planner. Her mission is to offer full-service catering amenities for any private or corporate event imaginable. Call Laura at (810) 923-4422. It's obvious one doesn't have to travel far to find first-class dining, fabulous wines, and safe

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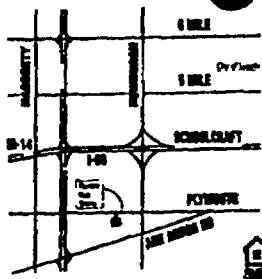
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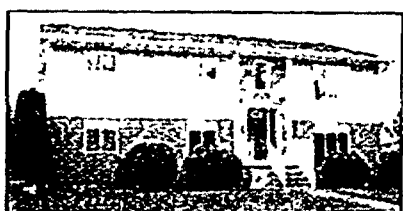
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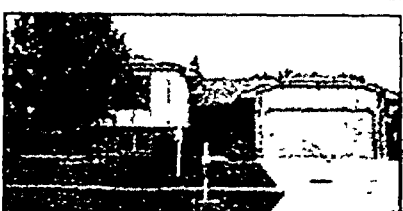
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CANTON \$250,000
4 BR Quad w/a Kit W/ceramic Tile & Cust Oak Cabs Bkfst Area For LR w/Bay Window & For DR W/ wd Flrs & Drwl To Prof Lndscpd Yard FP & Wet Bar In FR Fin Bsm't w rec Rm, Laund & Plenty Of Storage!
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Form LR W/Crown Molding Bow Window, French Drs To FR w/ Vault Cing Skylights, Gas FP Kit W/gas cooktop cus Cabs w/glass Uppers, DR w/trey Cing Recess Lgts BA w/dble Sinks & Gardens/Andscop!
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COMMERCE \$163,000
Sharp updated ranch with all sports take access New roof, septic field, vinyl siding and paint Remodeled kitchen and bath Possible 4th bedroom in basement
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Condo w/unfin w/o w/2-sided fp GR w/vaulted ceiling w/marble FP & butler's pantry formal DR w/vaulted ceiling white cabs in kit new dw & Sub Zero refing 1st flr mstr & ceramic tile in foyer & kit
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FARMINGTON HILLS \$329,900
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Priced well below market this raised ranch (3 steps up to bdrms), wooded private lot, C/A covered patio, alarm 1st floor laundry, 2.5 car garage, newer HW/H, 2 way fireplace between living/family rooms
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Rustic and charm on gorgeous private setting of 1.9 acres! 3 BR 2 BA Cape Cod has warm wood floors quant kit, spacious DR unfinished walkout and more!
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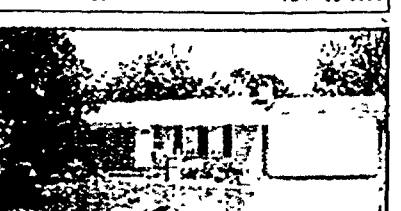
GREEN OAK \$324,000
Protected woodlands offer privacy! 3 BR, 3 BA Colonial w/huge tiled deck Sun filled KT 1st flr laundry GR w/cath ceiling Spacious MBR & more!
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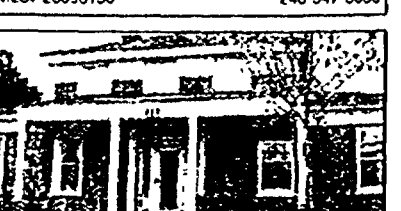
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MARION \$240,000
Vaulted GR w/gas FP, open kit w/island nook w/view to spectacular wooded yard 1st flr indry mstr ste w/ vaulted ceiling WIC & glamour BA prof finished lower level w/daylight wind & F.N.B.A.
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Updated Ranch w/open fir plan HDWD flrs T/O newer A/C windows & plumb freshly painted T/D Glamour bath w ceramic LL w/kitchenette & updated full bath w ceramic Fenced yard backs to park
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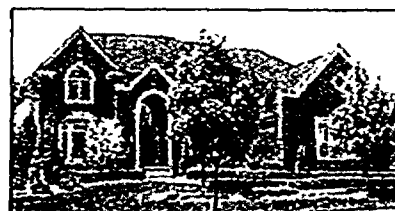
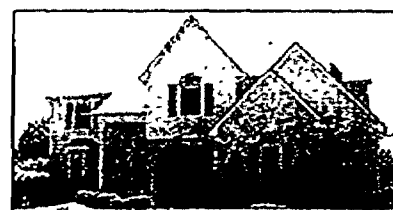
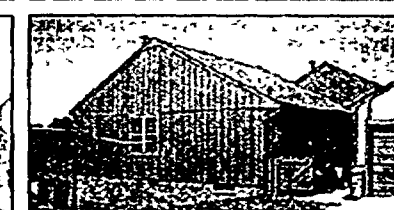
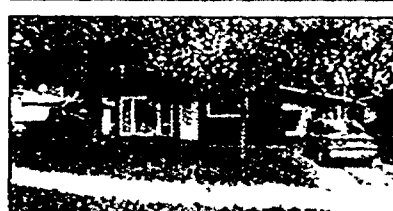
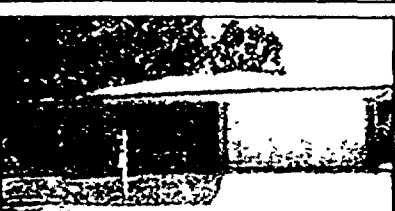
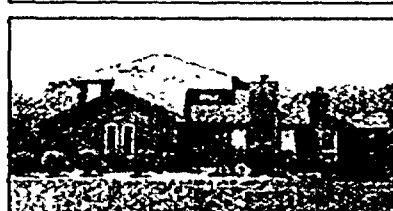
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On A priv Cal-de-sac Location. Clean Home w/neutral decor Beautifully Appointed Updated Kit w/ granite, SS appls, Maple Cabs Kohler Accessories. Lrg mstr Has 2 WCs. Granite to Vaulted Ceilings. Gorgeous Paver Patio. MLS# 26102901 248-347-3050**NOVI** \$1,250,000
Home On Private Cul-de-sac w/Landscaping Premium Stone elev 4 Fp's, extensive "jharra" hwd frs In DR, LR & Entire 2nd fr Handmade Cabs. Home Theatre In Study, gran'ie 2 story Foyer w/ marble, exercise rm OPI mstr ste. W.S.# 26074428 243-347-3050**NOVI** \$569,900
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On large lot w/in-ground pool, mstr ste w/sitting area for nursery or exercise rm. 2-story foyer, hwd frs in foyer, half bath & kit. Bsmt w/rec rm & partial kit. 2.5 car garage, dual staircases, 3.5 baths, & new siding. MLS# 26071210 248-347-3050**NOVI** \$190,000
Golf Course Views. Foyer Open To Vaulted GR w/ Staircase. FP w/ marble Surround. 1st fr mstr w/ dual Closets & mstr BA, 2nd BR w/private BA, 1b/3rd BR. Kit w/cock top. All Kit appls Stay. Attached Garage. Pool & Clubhouse! MLS# 26104356 248-347-3050**NOVI** \$160,000
Brick Ranch! New schools! Updates incl 06 wndws & drnd, kit fr 6 panel doors to OS fresh paint, hot water newer c/a-furnace. Huge yard! All appls stay. Immediate occupancy. Motivated sellers - won't last! MLS# 26094788 734-453-6800**PINCKNEY** \$167,900
Sharp well maintained 3 BR Ranch. New paint throughout, formal finished basement, doorwall leads to privacy fenced backyard and deck. Home warranty. MLS# 26083223 248-437-4500**PLYMOUTH** \$549,900
Plymouth Commons col. 4 BR 4 1/2 BA exec home on park-like setting backs to acres of commons. Kit w/ plenty of cabinet space, newer B1 appl. Lux mstr ste w/FP & bath BA. FR w/FP. Lg BR's Prof fin LL w/Kit & N.J. ba. MLS# 26067846 734-453-6800**PLYMOUTH** \$449,900
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Truly unique! Secluded covered front porch for your summer enjoyment, remodeled kitchen & baths, quality throughout, spacious bedrooms, two gazebos, storybook shed, finished basement with full bath. Beacon Trail Sub. MLS# 26096368 248-453-6800**REDFORD** \$124,900
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Gorgeous contemporary 3 BR Colonial Open fr plan, FR w/FP & bath cng. Kit w/ ceramic tile, spacious master ste w/vaulted cng & WIC. Fin LL w/rg rec rm, prof indsp yd w/sprinkler sys. This home is extremely clean! MLS# 26100321 734-453-6800**WESTLAND** \$131,900
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Cute starter home in Westland. 2 bed, 1 bath, fresh paint. Updated bath, cute kitchen and a huge garage in a fenced yard. MLS# 26075061 248-437-4500 12851427**WESTLAND** \$105,000
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Take look around your home to help 'babyproof' it

Babies learn quickly in their first year. For new parents, it's a pleasant surprise to see how soon they begin moving and exploring. But turn your back for a moment, and the infant who was squirming helplessly on a blanket is suddenly crawling across the room at high speeds.

Children are naturally curious. Tasting, touching and feeling are how infants and toddlers learn about the world around them. Take a moment to look at your surroundings from a youngster's point of view. Then make any necessary adjustments to babyproof your home.

Mechanical suffocation and suffocation by ingested objects cause the most home fatalities to children 0-4 years of age. Drownings and home fires also contribute to the death of young children.

SUFFOCATION AND CHOKING

■ Infants, when placed on an adult bed of any kind, can roll into the space between the wall and the mattress and suffocate. Exercise caution if sleeping in the same bed with an infant. It is possible for an infant to become wedged

between your body and the mattress and suffocate. Infants should never be placed on top of soft surfaces like sofas, large soft toys, sofa cushions, pillows, water beds or on top of blankets, quilts or comforters.

■ Babies should sleep on their backs.

■ Crib bars should be no more than $2\frac{3}{8}$ inches apart to prevent infants from getting their heads stuck between them. Cribs manufactured after 1974 must meet this and other strict safety standards.

■ The crib mattress must fit tightly so there are no gaps for an infant to fall into. Keep the crib clear of plastic sheets, pillows and large stuffed animals or toys. These can be suffocation hazards.

■ Keep toys with long strings or cords away from infants and young children. A cord can become wrapped around an infant's neck and cause strangulation. Toys with long strings, cords, loops or ribbons should never be hung in cribs or playpens. Similarly, pacifiers should never be attached to strings or ribbons around the baby's neck.

■ Place an infant or child's bed away from any windows. Check window coverings for potentially hazardous pull cords.

■ Use child safety gates at the top and bottom of all staircases and be sure they're installed correctly. Avoid accordion style safety gates with large openings that children could fit their heads through.

■ Choking is a common cause of unintentional death in children under the age of 1. Avoid all foods that could lodge in a child's throat. Some examples include popcorn, grapes, foods with pits, raisins, nuts, hard candies, raw vegetables, and small pieces of hot dogs.

■ Never let children of any age eat or suck on anything, such as hard candy, while lying down.

■ Keep floors, tables and cabinet tops



free of small objects that could be swallowed. Such objects include coins, button-sized batteries, rings, nails, tacks and broken or deflated balloons.

FALLS AND BURNS

■ A mixer faucet on the basin, tub and shower will prevent scalds. Set your hot water thermostat for 120° F. A baby's bathwater should be 100° F. Always check bathwater temperature with your wrist or elbow before putting a baby in to bathe. Don't allow children in a whirlpool, Jacuzzi or hot tub. Their bodies are more sensitive to hot water.

■ Teach youngsters that matches are tools for adults, not toys. Adults should never ignite lighters or matches in front of children. Store matches in a fire-resistant container out of the reach of youngsters.

■ Do not smoke, use matches or drink hot beverages while holding an infant. Don't leave burning cigarettes unattended.

■ Remember that radiators, heating vents, space heaters, fireplaces, stoves and hot water taps are not always hot. Children can touch them once safely and the next time receive a severe burn.

■ Keep electrical cords and wires out of the way so toddlers can't pull, trip or chew on them. Cover wall outlets with safety caps.

DROWNING

■ Never leave a child unsupervised in the bathtub. If you must leave the room for a telephone call or to answer the

door, wrap the child in a towel and take him or her with you. Don't leave a small child alone with any container of liquid, including wading pools, scrub buckets, and toilets.

■ A swimming pool drowning could also be called a "silent death" as there is rarely a splash or cry for help to alert parents to the problem. The typical drowning victim is a boy between 1 and 3 years old who is thought not to be in the pool area at the time of the incident.

■ Fence in the pool completely. Doors leading to the pool area should be self-closing and self-latching or equipped with exit alarms and should never be propped open.

■ Never take your eyes off children when they are in or near any body of water, not even for a second. Don't rely on inflatable devices, such as inner tubes, water wings, inflatable mattresses and toys or other similar objects to keep a youngster afloat. Keep toys, tricycles and other playthings away from the pool area. A toddler near the water could unexpectedly fall in.

■ All pool owners and their families are encouraged to seek training in swimming, lifesaving, first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

If it seems that there is a lot to do before that new bundle of joy comes home - you are correct. However, simple safety checks can help ensure that you and baby will have many happy and healthy years together.

For more, visit the National Safety Council online at nsc.org.



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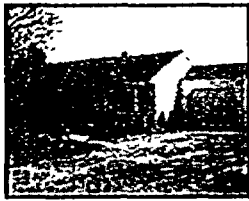
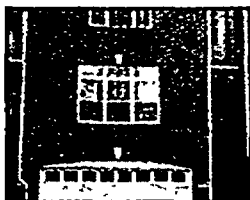
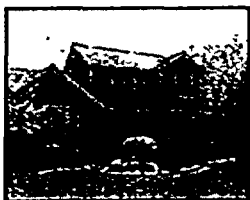
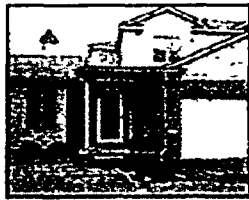
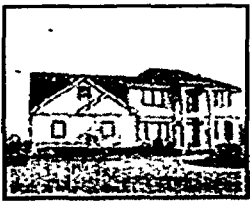
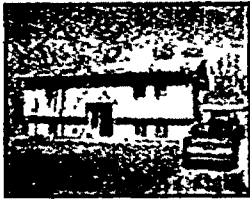
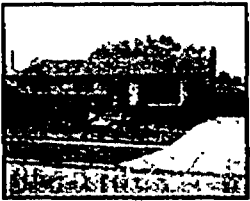
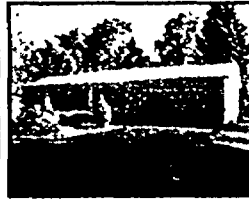
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(P-607MA) **\$149,900****GARDEN CITY PRICED BELOW MARKET** Lovely 3 bd, 2 bath ranch w/ new siding, windows, doors, picture window, partially finished bsmt, new garage & vinyl fencing. (P-224RO) **\$149,500****HOWELL MAINTAINED CONDO** Neutral décor w/many builder upgrades. Open & spacious floor plan w/cath ceilings, & kitchen w/ceramic tile & cherry cabinets. Great location! (P-654OL) **\$124,900****INKSTER CURB APPEAL PLUS!** Extremely well maintained brick ranch w/2 bd, 2 baths, finished bsmt, new furnace, ac, windows, fenced yard & appliances. (P-994GL) **\$99,900****INKSTER GREAT STARTER HOME** Nice ranch w/eat in Kitchen, hwd floors, enclosed porch, 2.5 car Garage & large backyard. Land contract available. (C-825NO) **\$84,900****LATHRUP VILLAGE IMMACULATE RANCH** 3 bd, 2 ba, bsmt, garage, freshly painted, bright kit, FR, doorwall to deck, oversized closets, 1st floor laundry. (C-215LA) **\$194,900****LIVONIA NICE HOME** Nice starter w/ plenty of possibilities. 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(C-118HE) **\$137,500****COUNTRY FEEL** Have space & convenience in this Plymouth Township ranch. 3 bedrooms, lots of updates, deck w/hot tub & located on a half acre lot. A must see! (C-850MA) **\$225,000****ONE OF A KIND** Full brick home featuring 3 car Garage, 3100 sq ft, huge Great Room, open Kitchen w/upgraded cabinets, hwd floors, all appliances stay, deluxe Master Suite, extra deep bsmt, & backs to open land & sides to stream. (C-083SH) **\$379,900****MOVE-IN CONDITION** Decorated w/designer colors t/o. Hwd floors, attached Garage w/direct access to unit. Open area upstairs could be library or study. Great Room wired for surround sound, & Patio This will not last! (C-110NE) **\$188,750****PEACEFUL SETTING & WOODED VIEW** Spotless 3 bd Livonia ranch, recent updates: driveway, porch, vinyl siding w/insulation, main sewer line & storm doors, spacious oak kitchen & breakfast room & 2 car detached garage. (C-201OR) **\$150,000****SPACIOUS RANCH** This 3 bd, 2 bath ranch has all the bells & whistles. Formal Living & Dining Rooms, Family Room, fenced yard, 2 car Garage, & all appliances stay. 1 yr home warranty. (C-535WH) **\$187,000****CUSTOM HOME** Impressive approach to this 1998 custom built home. Many high quality amenities, 4 bd, 3.5 baths, home gym, 3 car garage, finished lower level, enclosed Deck, pole barn, & situated on 5 1/2 acres. South Lyon schools. (P-710PO) **\$649,900****LIVONIA SCHOOLS** 3 Bd ranch featuring 2 car Garage, 32x12 Deck, updated roof, updated Bath & electric. Large eat-in Kitchen w/loads of oak cabinets, all appls + washer & dryer included. Fenced yard, immediate Occupancy. (C-262CA) **\$137,000****DUPLEX OR SINGLE FAMILY HOME** Whitmore Lake. 1800 sq. foot, 4 bd, 2 bath home currently set up as a duplex but could easily be converted to a single family home. Each level w/2 beds, 1 bath, living room & kitchen. 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June recognized as 'National Homeownership Month'

Realtors and Realtor associations across America are organizing homeownership and community improvement projects in June in honor of National Homeownership Month. President George W. Bush has proclaimed June "National Homeownership Month" to raise awareness of homeownership and encourage more Americans to consider the benefits of owning their own home.

To support that initiative and encourage member participation, the National Association of Realtors has provided

each state and local Realtor organization with a National Homeownership Month kit titled "It Takes a Realtor." The theme springs from the awareness that Realtors contribute to their communities and build better neighborhoods, towns and cities. It also illustrates how Realtors give their time to strengthen their communities by promoting legislation, wielding a hammer, and helping others.

NAR President Thomas M. Stevens said Realtors work in their communities to improve neighborhoods and increase

possibilities for homeownership. "Realtors build communities and we are carrying out the nation's housing mission - helping to elevate homeownership to more than 69 percent of U.S. households."

Proof of that is in the community improvement projects Realtors run, the homeownership workshops they sponsor, and the thousands of community-run programs to which they contribute. "Realtors and their associations are getting out and helping others because it's just good business to be a good citizen," said Stevens.

"Yet the work isn't finished," he said. "Realtors will keep donating their time to manage community improvement projects, and we will continue to speak up and work for everyone's homeownership rights. It's up to us to ensure that our voice comes through loud and clear. There's no challenge we can't overcome together."

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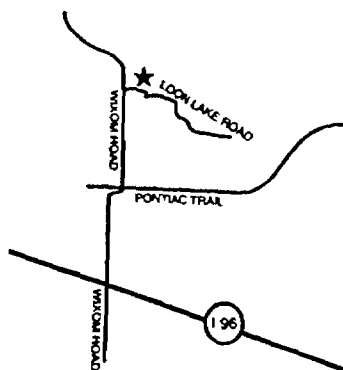
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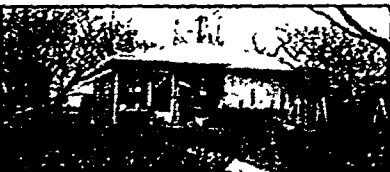
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Brownstown - Drastically reduced for quick sale! Beautiful and well kept 4 bed 2.5 bath home built in 1999. Beautiful hardwood in living and great room, ceramic tile in kitchen, nook and laundry. Marble fireplace in great room, nook with doorwall to patio. Beautiful finished bsmt with kitchen, 2 car garage. \$299,900 (08EM)



Dearborn Hgts - Beautifully updated 3 BR brick ranch. Updated light oak kitchen, updated bath, neutral paint, & new Berber carpet. New triple pane windows, entry screen doors, furnace & central air installed in 2005. 1.5 car garage and all appliances included. This home is a must see. \$399,900 (83AMH)



Dearborn Hgts - Spacious 3 bed 2 bath ranch on corner lot. Large modern eat in kitchen w/dining area. Updates in last 7 years include furnace w/C/A, windows w/marble sills, copper plumbing, circuit breakers, vented glass block windows in bsmt. 1100 sqft. \$126,900 (152CUR)



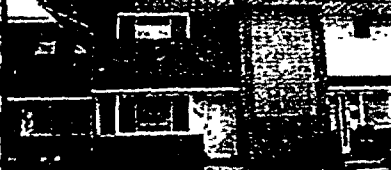
Garden City - Well maintained 3 BR 2 BA ranch. Home sits on nearly half an acre. Brand new kitchen installed in late 2005. Most appliances are included. Too many updates to mention. Gorgeous and peaceful Florida room to enjoy year round. This home should not be missed out on. You will not be disappointed. \$184,900 (1380C)



Farmington Hills - Everything has been done on this spacious 2 BR possible 3 BR ranch. Updates include a remodeled oak kitchen w/ceramic tile floors, updated baths, and freshly painted. Newer vinyl windows with marble sills. Natural fireplace in the living RM & basement. 1st floor laundry. This home is a must see! \$189,900 (75MID)



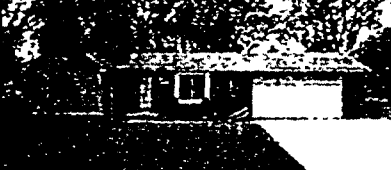
Livonia - Priced to sell! Charming 3 BR brick ranch with updates including new furnace & C/A, HWI windows & roof. Hardwood floors, updated kitchen and updated electrical. Partially finished basement with wet bar. This home is super clean and is waiting for its new owners. \$154,900 (715SL)



Livonia - Great value on this freshly painted 2 bed, 1.5 bath condo. Move in good lot! Nice hardwood floors, C/A, bsmt, one assigned space with additional parking lot in front. Complex is well kept, close to bus, church and shopping. \$69,900 (39MD)



Livonia - Vacant land! Property abuts City Park and Bell Creek. Irregular lot with 159' 93" frontage. Ideal lot for walk out basement. Total sqft of lot is 13,915. On a corner lot wooded and hilly ravine. \$49,900 (VACSUN)



Livonia - Gorgeous! 3-bed 3 bath ranch on 1/2 acre lot built in 1994. Finished bsmt w/full bath, extra insulation gives this home the lowest gas bills in town. Sprinklers, deck, patio, 2 car garage has work area and wood burning system. Home warranty, C/A, security alarm. \$219,900 (71AMH)



Livonia - Lovely 3 bed, 1.5 bath brick ranch. Spotlessly clean! Updated bath, newer windows & furnace. nice gas fireplace in LR, very spacious, gorgeous Florida room. Extra wide driveway, beautiful curb appeal. Home warranty, 1300+ sqft bsmt, sprinklers, garage, C/A. \$229,900 (45HOU)



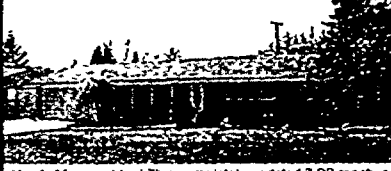
Northville - A rare find! This 6 BR, 4.2 BA Victorian style sits on 2.5 acres backing to Maybury State Park. Private spring led pond. Home offers over 9000 sq ft of living space including walkout, media room, rec room, and 5 1/2 replaces. Too many details to mention. This home is unbelievable. \$1,989,000 (10WES)



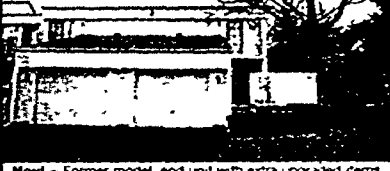
Northville - Beautiful 4 BR, 3.1 BA colonial in Woodside Village. Spacious kitchen & nook boasts Jen-Air appliances. Custom window treatments, crown moldings, & twin bay windows. Master Suite w/bath offers separate shower, jetted tub & double vanity. Extra deep finished lower level w/full bath & kitchen. 2 tiered deck overlooks private woods. \$465,000 (56WOO)



Northville - Wow, this is your next home! This 3 BR, 2.1 BA ranch is beautiful inside & out. Everything has been done for you, just move in and enjoy! Gorgeous quiet pool & spa are ready for sun & fun in the summer. Enjoy your own private retreat which backs to the commons! Home warranty included. \$385,000 (85BAN)



Novi - Move right in! This completely updated 3 BR ranch is in a desirable location. Custom kitchen w/island & breakfast room. Hardwood flooring, updated roof, furnace & C/A. Beautifully landscaped backyard w/custom stamped concrete patio & driveway. Finished garage w/new insulated door. \$199,900 (211EB)



Novi - Former model, and unit with extra upgraded items. 2 bedrooms with full ceramic baths. 2.5 baths. Living room w/gas fireplace and doorwall to patio. Ceramic floor in white kitchen w/recessed lights. Finished bsmt w/office, C/A, bsmt, sprinklers, garage and 1300 sqft. \$169,900 (22C0U)



Novi - This one is a beauty! 2 BR, 1.5 BA condo with an enormous master suite. Hardwood floors in living room. Newer carpeting, private basement and newer windows. 1 car attached garage & 1 assigned space. Gas and water are included. Close to everything. Hurry - one won't last! \$145,000 (36SDT)



Deerpark - Beautiful corner lot, 2 story colonial w/3 bedrooms and 2.5 baths built in 1997. Kitchen w/built in appliances, hardwood floors. Master w/separate bath and walk in closet. Corner lot w/wrap around deck and playground. C/A, bsmt, 2 car attached garage. 1500+ sqft. \$210,900 (54CAS)



Redford - Awesome & spacious 3 BR 2 BA brick ranch. Ceramic floor, tray & coed ceilings in living & dining rooms. Beautiful gourmet kitchen offers an island and plenty of counter space & cabinets. 1st floor laundry, full part all in finished basement and a 2 car attached garage. This home is a beauty. \$189,900 (36WES)



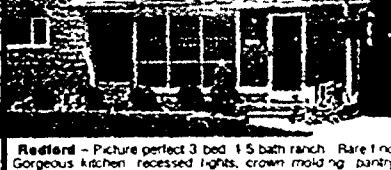
Redford - Totally remodeled 3 bed ranch. Everything is updated! Bsmt newer appliances stay fenced in yard w/deck & shed, garage, 1000+ sqft. Updated roof, windows, carpet, vinyl C/A, hardwood kitchen & bath. Hardwood floors throughout with new landscaping and home warranty. \$137,430 (41AM)



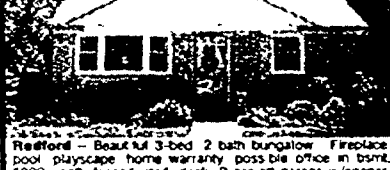
Redford - Check out this 3 bed ranch, some wood floors, remodeled kitchen w/oak cabinets. Newer kitchen floor, breakfast nook overlooks family room. Newer vinyl windows, sliding furnace & C/A. Freshly painted, purified water system, bsmt fenced yard, garage. 1100+ sqft. \$124,900 (29LEX)



Redford - Adorable 3 bed ranch with home warranty. Updates include new kitchen floor, new roof, gutters, furnace and water heater. Large fenced backyard, stove & fridge stay, fenced yard. Almost 1000 sqft. \$97,500 (67DAL)



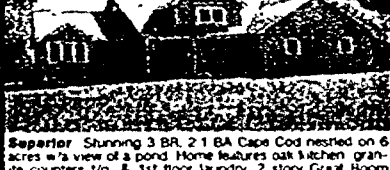
Redford - Picture perfect 3 bed, 1.5 bath ranch. Rare find! Gorgeous kitchen, recessed lights, crown molding, pantry, lots of counter space and cabinets. Nice carpet in LR, mfr door closet in 2 bedrooms. 2 car garage, sprinklers, fenced yard. Finished bsmt. 1100+ sqft. \$159,900 (29LEV)



Redford - Beautiful 3-bed 2-bath bungalow. Fireplace, pool, playground, home warranty, possible office in bsmt. 1300+ sqft, fenced yard, deck, 2 car attached garage w/open most appliances stay. C/A. \$149,900 (42NOR)



South Lyon - Ready to move in! 3 BR, 1.5 BA ranch has been freshly painted, new carpet installed and a new roof. Partially finished basement and a 2 car detached garage. Walking distance to parks and to downtown South Lyon. This is a great home. Don't miss out on this one! \$174,900 (66NOR)



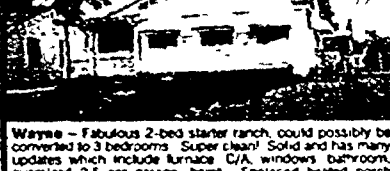
Superior - Stunning 3 BR, 2.1 BA Cape Cod nestled on 6 acres w/a view of a pond. Home features oak kitchen, granite counters, 1st & 2nd floor laundry, 2 story Great Room w/ vaulted ceiling & a 2 story stone gas FP. Master Suite w/private bath including dual sinks & jetted tub. 2 car garage and a large pole barn. \$629,900 (66JOY)



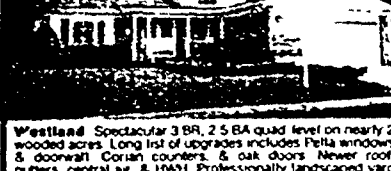
Taylor - Wow, this 3 BR ranch sits on almost 1 acre! This is a truly turn the key home. Home offers cathedral ceilings in the family room, neutral decor, wallside vinyl windows & central air. Private Master Suite w/large closets. 2 car detached garage. Home warranty included. \$179,900 (51BEE)



Warren - Reduced \$10,000 for quick sale! Very sharp 3-bed ranch built in 1984. Remodeled bath, C/A in 96, furnace in 97, newer HWI paint and carpet through out. Nicely decorated finished bsmt w/bedroom and rec room. Move in condition! \$114,900 (43TIM)



Warren - Fabulous 2-bed starter ranch, could possibly be converted to 3 bedrooms. Super clean! Solid and has many updates which include furnace, C/A, windows, bathroom, oversized 2.5 car garage, bsmt. Enclosed heated porch could be a great library! Home warranty, fenced yard, garage. \$119,900 (42NIE)



Westland - Spectacular 3 BR, 2.5 BA quad level on nearly 2 wooded acres. Long list of upgrades includes Pella windows & doorwall, Corian counters, & oak doors. Newer roof, gutters, central air & HWI. Professionally landscaped yard offers hot tub & heated pool. Stamped concrete & aggregate patio, sprinklers, and shed. \$294,900 (43SIE)



Westland - Ideal home to raise a family! This beautiful 4 BR, 2.1 BA home is simply amazing. Elegantly finished basement with terrific storage. Beautiful custom interior design. Huge kitchen with breakfast dining area opens to family room w/FP. Ceramic Master bath w/spa, HW floors & more. \$327,000 (11CAS)

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(NAPSI) — Despite some less than encouraging news about nationwide conditions in the real estate market, this can still be a good time for consumers looking to purchase a home. Recent trends toward stabilizing prices, moderating appreciation rates and increasing inventory all work in the favor of homebuyers for several reasons.

First, consumers should realize that "all real estate is local." National statistics are weighed heavily by what hap-

pens in large markets at the extremes and don't take into consideration many factors that impact local changes in pricing and inventory, such as business growth, employment and other aspects unique to each community.

Increased inventory also means more choices, more time to look at more properties and, once buyers find the home they want to purchase, more room for negotiation. Closing costs, special assessments, personal property

and other terms and contingencies that had been nonnegotiable are again open for discussion. Offers that in a hot seller's market would have gotten laughed off the table are now getting serious consideration, counteroffers and even accepted.

Not only that, but with more properties staying on the market longer and longer, and with fewer and fewer buyers competing for them, some of the pressure on buyers has been reduced. Often

in hot seller's markets, conditions dictate so much of what buyers are able to do, driving so many of their decisions. The pressures of such a market can even force consumers who have to buy — transferees or retirees, for example — to just "settle" on properties that they might not otherwise purchase under other circumstances. But as the pace slows, patience can again become the virtue that it should be, instead of a victim of the market.

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Research shows public workers often struggle with owning home

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officers in Dover, Del.; social workers in Richmond, Va.; or municipal court clerks in Kent County, Md. That was the gist of studies released recently by the National Association of Realtors at

NAR's Mid-Atlantic Regional Summit on Housing Opportunities.

The new "Paycheck to Paycheck" analyses of incomes and housing costs in 13 localities in the four-state Mid-Atlantic Region and the District of Columbia were conducted by the National Housing Conference's Center for Housing Research. Communities studied were Prince George's County, Md.; Prince William County, Va.; Baltimore County-Towson, Md.; Frederick, Md.; New Castle, Del.; Charleston, W.Va.; Fairfax, Va.; Cumberland, Md.; Dover, Del.; Washington, D.C.; and Richmond, Va.

"This growing issue isn't just about the ability to buy a home. Lack of affordable housing diminishes the quality of life for everyone in the community. Workers who devote a disproportionate share of their income to housing are forced to cut back on other necessi-

ties, such as health care," said NAR President Thomas M. Stevens of Vienna, Va.

Stevens announced NAR is launching a new campaign to create more affordable housing opportunities for public and private sector workers by encouraging and training Realtors nationwide to work with employers to develop employee-assisted housing benefit plans for their workers. The new program, called "Home from Work," is already in place in two state Realtor associations, Florida and Arizona. Realtors are holding home-buying workshops for employees, arranging one-on-one counseling through non-profit groups and helping to arrange financial incentives for buyers. Training will be offered later this year to Realtors in the Mid-Atlantic Region as well as

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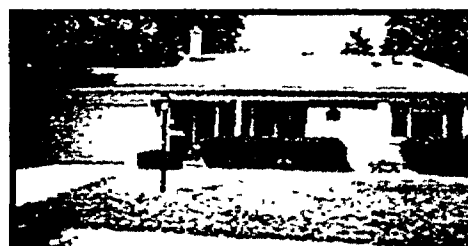
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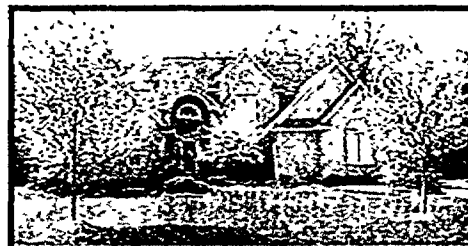
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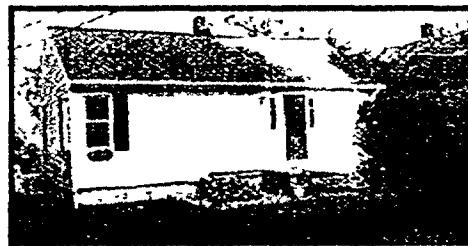
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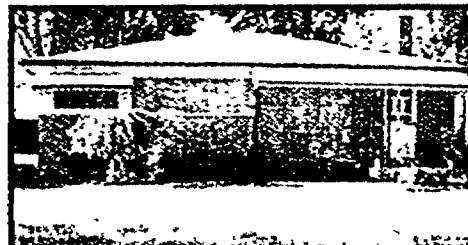
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GREAT LOCATION
 Newer condo built in 04. Open floor plan, bay window, stainless steel appls & maple cabs. MBR has pvt BA & huge WIC. Att gar, pvt entrance. Clubhouse & pool.
 (T41ABB) \$165,000 248-349-5600



WESTLAND
 Livonia schools. 3 BR, 2 BA brick ranch. Partially fin bsmt, 2 car garage. Newer windows, electric, furn. All appliances included. Home warranty. Nicely landscaped. A great home.
 (T02BER) \$154,900 248-349-5600



GARDEN CITY
 Style & charm. 3 bedroom home w/new furnace, roof and windows in 2006. Updated kitchen and bath. Neutral throughout. First floor laundry. Come see for yourself.
 (T08CAM) \$150,000 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS
 Two bedrooms, 1.5 baths, fresh paint, newer Berber carpeting, window treatments, lighting, storm door, dishwasher and more. Finished basement and one car garage.
 (T23COU) \$142,900 248-349-5600



WESTLAND
 Gorgeous newer 2 BR, 1.5 BA townhouse w/fin bsmt & 2 car att gar. FFL w/extra pantry. Both BR s w/cathedral ceilings. Freshly painted. Large LR w/marble frpc.
 (T74DER) \$159,900 248-349-5600



WALLED LAKE
 Super location! Clean & updated 2 BR, 1.5 BA condo w/full bsmt, att gar, huge MBR w/WIC, frpc, Pergo floor in kit, crown molding, newer neu carpet. All appliances included & more.
 (T74DOV) \$149,900 248-349-5600

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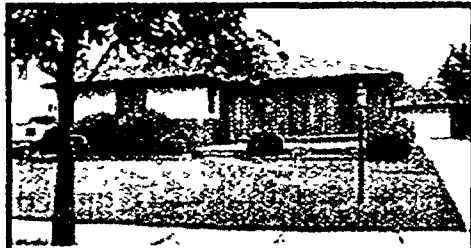
<p>HIGHLAND Impeccable custom Cape Cod w/ 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Very open, frpic in GR. Lux FF mst. Island kit opens to bay window nook. Custom moldings, deluxe lighting. Bsmt, 3 car garage, LK Ptv. (T78ANC) \$399,900 248-363-1200</p>	<p>WEST BLOOMFIELD 3 bedroom brick Ranch situated on 1/2 acre lot. Features completely updated kitchen and bath, frpic, bsmt, 2+ gar, newer windows, furnace, water heater, patio, lake privileges (T51DAR) \$225,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>MILFORD Impressive, quality, custom, new built home. Beautiful pond view setting. Crown moldings on first floor. Gorgeous maple kit, library/DR wainscot. W/O bsmt, High ceilings. Ready. (T310LU) \$350,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS READY, SET, MOVE! Deep into Copper Creek & at the highest point is this golf community beauty! 3 BR, 4 BA w/GR, formal DR, study & kitchen. Pro fin LL w/BR, BA, wet bar & lots of storage. (T64GOL) \$390,000 248-626-8800</p>	<p>WATERFRONT WATERFRONT LIVING w/DOCK Newer custom granite kit, hardwood flooring & carpeting. LR w/ granite FP, FR and DR. Dock your boat in front of heated parking steps from front door. (T65POR) \$295,000 248-626-8800</p>	<p>CANTON SPECTACULAR COLONIAL 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath home in the premier Glengarry Village Sub. Very open fr plan great for entertaining, updated kit in 05, bsmt & 2 c att gar. (T68DAN) \$354,900 734-455-5600</p>	<p>WESTLAND A PLACE TO CALL HOME Charming 3 bdrm, 2 bath ranch offers 2.5 car garage, fam rm w/frpic & 2 doorwalls, part fin bsmt, & above ground pool. Newer roof and furnace. (T69MAE) \$179,900 734-455-5600</p>	<p>LIVONIA Great price & updates. 3BR, 2.5BA w/fin bsmt & gar. Newer roof, furn, C/A & windows. Remodeled kit & BA. Livonia schools & home warranty. (T84GRA) \$149,800 248-349-5600</p>	<p>WEST BLOOMFIELD Spacious 4BR, 2.5BA col on a premium lot, boasts beautiful landscaping, GR w/frpic, prt study w/French doors, large kit w/eat-in area looking out to the deck. Master ste w/dressing area. (T20MIL) \$424,900 248-349-5600</p>
<p>WEST BLOOMFIELD Great party kitchen with island and plenty of cabinets, 3 BR, 3 BA. Gently curved staircase to upper BRs Walled Lake schools, deck off kitchen, gas frpic and wet bar in family room (T31ANN) \$269,900 248-363-1200</p>	<p>HIGHLAND Private/quiet approx. 10 acre estate inside approx. 6,000 acre state park. New equestrian stables & paddocks, direct access to snowmobile & horse trails. (T31DUC) \$1,300,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>MILFORD Peaceful, private 3+ acre setting w/ woods and pole barn near Kensington Metropark. Sharp home w/ updated kitchen, bath, windows and more. fireplace, C/A, bered paver patio. (T25PEA) \$290,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>LIVONIA EXTENSIVELY UPDATED 3 BR ranch, remodeled kitchen, newer windows, exposed hardwood floors in LR, hall & all BRs. FR with FP & downwall to deck. Partial finished basement LL. 2-car garage (T40LEO) \$204,900 248-626-8800</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS SPRAWLING BRICK RANCH 4 BR, 2.5 BA on huge lot. Full bsmt. FFL 2 car att side entry gar. Circular driveway. MBR has dressing room or nursery. Home warranty. (T50SPR) \$224,900 248-626-8800</p>	<p>PLYMOUTH BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY HOME 5 bdrm, 4 bath 19th century colonial on approx 2.9 acres. Great mstr bdrm, hrdwd frs, country kit & formal din rm. Pond, deck & gazebo. A must see! (T66HOM) \$450,000 734-455-5600</p>	<p>GARDEN CITY CHARM & CHARACTER 1930's farm house on a lg private lot offers 4 bdrms, 2 ceramic baths, oversized 2 c gar, bsmt, Florida rm on the 2nd floor, & 2 bered deck off kitchen. (T17JOH) \$190,000 734-455-5600</p>	<p>LIVONIA Updated 3BR ranch in the past 10 years: furn, A/C, kit, roof, windows, trim & gutters. Basement w/ block windows, electrical & plumbing. Sharp. (T95HAT) \$164,900 248-349-5600</p>	<p>SOUTH LYON Lake privileges 55+ ranch w/2BR, 2BA, C/A, Florida, finished lower level, garage & covered porch, plus clubhouse & beach on Crooked Lake. (T19NAN) \$139,900 248-349-5600</p>
<p>WEST BLOOMFIELD 3 wooded lots, lake priv, at 3 beaches avail Great open floor plan for entertaining. All newly redecorated & great room w/ hardwood floors 2 story garage 3 bedroom. Walled Lake schools (T71BUN) \$189,900 248-363-1200</p>	<p>MILFORD Exquisitely finished Stoneridge lakefront. Defining features include conservatory, island kitchen, deck with screened gazebo Deluxe master suite. Beautifully landscaped (T88EXE) \$549,900 248-363-1200</p>	<p>WEST BLOOMFIELD Gorgeous 4 BR, 2.5 BA custom beauty. First floor master. Huge kitchen. Breakfast nook and sun/keeping room 3 car garage. A must see home W. Bloomfield schools. Great first floor laundry. (T85SAD) \$383,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>NOVI A BEAUTY Newer hardwood floors in formal dining room, kitchen and breakfast room. Spacious great room with fireplace and library 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. First floor laundry (T02MAR) \$295,000 248-626-8800</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS CAPE COD Boasts 2-story decks overlooking breathtaking acre lot Huge GR w/natural FP. FFL. Big kitchen w/bonus room. DR. Hardwood floors under most carpet. Finished walkout basement. (T00SPR) \$369,000 248-626-8800</p>	<p>CANTON NEW CONST HOME Elegant cape cod w/4 bdrm, 3.5 bath, 4 c att gar, 1st fl mstr, WIC & bath w/ garden tub, cath ceiling in foyer & great rm. Kit w/ granite tops, grand staircase. (T02ROL) \$810,000 734-455-5600</p>	<p>VAN BUREN NEWER CAPE COD 3 bdrm, 2.5 baths, open fr plan, maple kit w/island, ceramic mstr bath w/ separate shower, great rm w/frpic, hrdwd fir entry, 2 c att gar, FFL & bsmt. (T22DAN) \$242,900 734-455-5600</p>	<p>HOWELL Stunning ranch condo w/lots of upgrades: rolling showers, low countertops, upgraded carpet, kit w/ roll-in lunch counter. Upgraded appls. Security system & intercom for added piece of mind. (T60KNE) \$149,900 248-349-5600</p>	<p>LIVONIA Turn-key ranch. Homey 3BR, 2BA w/bsmt & garage. Super fin bsmt w/FR & office. Lots of updates in BA's, kit, furnace, A/C, HWH & more. Newer appliances (T89ORG) \$169,900 248-349-5600</p>
<p>COMMERCE Lake Sherwood lakefront, 3 BR, 3.5 BA custom built w/ fin. walk-out and 2 car gar. 120+ ft. of frontage, sandy beach, dock & hoist. Gorgeous inside and out Panoramic views (T21COM) \$550,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>COMMERCE The ideal home with the ideal location Impeccable 3 BR, 2 BA Ranch on a large wooded cul-de-sac lot. Finished bsmt, family room w/ door wall to deck. City water, Walled Lake schools (T35JEN) \$269,900 248-363-1200</p>	<p>COMMERCE TOWNSHIP 4-5 BR, 3 BA, fin w/o Ranch w/ extra kitchen in LL. Home boasts hrdwd frs, cath ceiling, 1st fl laundry & spectacular staircase, deck & patio, lg lot overlooks nature preserve (T00STO) \$392,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>NOVI Transferee mourns loss, newer 4 BR in small community that co-owns beach lot on Walled Lake. Hardwood floors, granite counters, walkout. Backs to wooded preserve. Never deck & paver patio (T95WOR) \$449,900 248-626-8800</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS 4 BR, Updated kit, ceramic tile flo, bsmt w/cedar wood closet, newer windows, double front door, gar door opener, circular dr, MBR w/built-ins & full BA, inground pool w/hot tub, lib w/ French doors. (T20STO) \$369,900 248-626-8800</p>	<p>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 d'ning rm, fam rm with custom frpic, & sprinklers (T71POT) \$282,500 734-455-5600</p>	<p>CANTON SUNFLOWER VILLAGE 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths, updates incl. roof, windows, furn, carpet, deck & the list goes on 2 c att gar, bsmt, FR w/frpic, formal din rm & lg eat in kit (T72CLA) \$235,000 734-455-5600</p>	<p>GREEN OAK 55+ RANCH WALKOUT Sunny ranch w/O w/3BR & 2 full ceramic BA's. Fla room, recently painted, covered front porch, 1 car gar, clubhouse & beach on Crooked Lake (T08LEX) \$150,000 248-349-5600</p>	<p>BROWNSTOWN Beauty from door to deck. Brck ranch condo new 05 Open island kit, GR w/frpic, FFL, 2BR, 2BA, 2 car att garage, C/A, Sprinklers & deck. Beautiful quiet setting (T70WES) \$178,500 248-349-5600</p>
<p>COMMERCE Enjoy a stately 2 story home with everything you need with int designer flair. Custom window treatments, hardwood floor, 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 3 car garage. A great location, a must buy (T23CRO) \$364,999 248-363-1200</p>	<p>WHITE LAKE Fall in love w/ this Writon III, tastefully decorated, fin. daylight LL, step-up MBR suite w/ Jacuzzi, FR w/ plasma TV, 3 car gar. Trex deck, serene setting in prestigious neighborhood. (G96KEN) \$398,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>HIGHLAND Exceptional 3 BR, 3 BA Ranch on 1/2 + acre. Fin w/o nearly doubles the living space. MBR w/ BA, 2 frpic, w/ hrdw frs 2 + car gar. W/ workshop. Elevated decking w/ lovely views Lk priv (T78TAG) \$240,000 248-363-1200</p>	<p>FENTON TOWNSHIP LAKEFRONT HOME Open floor plan, Florida rm & FR to yard & lake. 4 BR, 2 BA, MBR walk-in closet & jetted tub, updated kitchen, ceramic floor & maple cabinets. 1 yr home warranty. Pre-approval w/offers. (T81POM) \$299,000 248-626-8800</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS Builders/investors: your chance for an approximately 1/2 acre site, backing to creek. 4 bedrooms, 4 baths Home requires renovation. (T46WES) \$274,000 248-626-8800</p>	<p>PLYMOUTH LOCATION! LOCATION! Just a few blocks to downtown & 2 parks. English style colonials. 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath home. Fine molding & hrdwd frs. Beautiful English gardens, & 2 c gar. (T44HAR) \$264,900 734-455-5600</p>	<p>CANTON GORGEOUS CONDO OVERLOOKING PARK Built in 2002 w/2 bdrms, 2 baths, vaulted ceiling, GR, balcony, hrdwd frs, open kit w/island, all appls, DR, upgrades, CA & att garage w/storage. (T68CON) \$189,900 734-455-5600</p>	<p>NORTHVILLE Open floor plan, wrap around deck off kit, fin LL w/ O has FR w/gas frpic, rec rm, BA & kit. Dual entrances to LL (in-law prt entry), granite T/O, 3 frpics, 3.5 car gar, paver patio. (T10MER) \$829,500 248-349-5600</p>	<p>SOUTHFIELD Spacious home on a large country approx 1 acre lot. Newer wndws, furn, A/C, HWH & ductwork. Move in & enjoy. The work's already been done. Plant your garden now. (T45LEE) \$159,900 248-349-5600</p>

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DEARBORN HGTS
 SPACIOUS BRICK RANCH Wonderful 4 bdrm, 3 full bath ranch with fin bsmt, family rm with fireplace, newer furnace and windows. 2 car garage in nice yard with patio.
 T87BRO \$224,500 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
 POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS in this 3 bdrm downtown Plymouth bungalow offering updated window, vinyl siding, roof, furn, A/C & freshly painted. Bsmt, hrdwd flrs, & eat-in kit.
 T001RV \$199,900 734-455-5600



SUMPTER TWP
 ENJOY SUNRISE & SUNSETS from your wrap around deck overlooking a gorgeous fenced yard. Many updates including kit w/oak cabinets, roof, windows and so much more.
 T18LOH \$184,852 734-455-5600



SOUTHFIELD
 ELEGANCE AT ITS BEST. Stunning 3 bdrm, 2 bath ranch offers 2 way frplc, high ceilings, hrdwd flrs, custom lighting, prof décor & landscaping, fin bsmt & 2 car att gar.
 T68MON \$335,000 734-455-5600



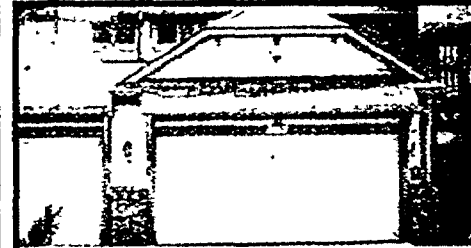
VAN BUREN
 ATTENTION TO DETAILS. 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath colonial w/high ceilings, crown molding, maple cabs T/O, & hrdwd flrs. Mstr ste w/cath ceilings, 3 car att gar, bsmt w/daylight windows.
 T91PON \$319,900 734-455-5600



CANTON
 FREEDOM FROM THE CITY. 3 bdrm, 1 full & 2 half bath custom ranch on approx 1 acre. Open flr plan, great room sizes, fin bsmt, frplc in liv rm, & heated workshop in 2 car garage.
 T88DIO \$229,800 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
 EXCEPTIONAL BUNGALOW. Beautifully updated w/coved ceiling, hrdwd flr, lg kit, bsmt, & gar. Newer windows, furnace, deck, driveway, paint & carpet. Nothing has been ignored.
 T64PAC \$239,900 734-455-5600



CANTON
 RELAX ON YOUR DECK. Enjoy lovely wooded setting for this 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2 story condo w/2 car att gar, bsmt, custom window treatment & newer carpet T/O, master suite w/bath.
 T97SAR \$199,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
 LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH. 2 bdrm, 2 bath ground floor condo has it all, large rooms, gas frplc in lg LR, heated att gar with elevator to all flrs. Lg kit w/appls opens to DR.
 T77DEE \$215,900 734-455-5600



DEARBORN
 LIVE THE ENCHANTED LIFE. Gorgeous 5 BR, 4.5 BA remodeled & expanded colonial sitting on approx .5 acres in the city. 2 car att gar, fin bsmt, spacious kit, LR & FR both w/ frplcs.
 T3RIDG \$585,000 734-455-5600



SCIO TWP
 STUNNING CONTEMPORARY sitting on a prime lot in great location w/3 BRs, 2.5 Bas, open floor plan, kit to GR w/frplc, mstr suite has WIC & full bath. Enjoy the lovely pond in back.
 T10VER \$279,000 734-455-5600



CANTON
 DETACHED LUXURY CONDO. 1st flr master suite, elegant foyer leading to great room, dining room & eat-in kit, 3 bdrm, 2.5 bath, 2 car att gar & bsmt. Great deck off back.
 T54VIS \$274,900 734-455-5600



CANTON
 ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL 3 BR, 2 BA ranch w/ tons of updates, plus newer landscaping, Florida room to deck, fin bsmt w/bar, 1st flr laundry & a 2 car att garage. This one won't last.
 T08PRE \$231,900 734-455-5600



NOVI
 EVERYTHING IS BEAUTIFUL 4 BR, 3.5 BA colonial w/2 story foyer, library has French doors, maple & granite kit, 2 car att gar, prof fin bsmt, frplc in GR, din rm off of liv rm & more.
 T84FUL \$399,999 734-455-5600



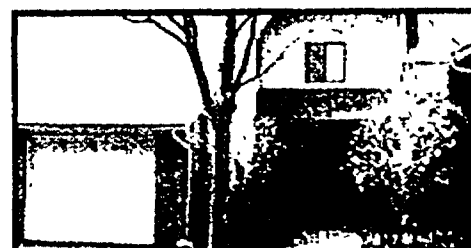
PLYMOUTH
 CRAFTSMAN HOME 3 BR, 1.5 BA home w/all org trim & woodwork in orig state. Great flr plan w/hrdwd flrs, LR w/brick frplc & wonderful blt-ins T/O & many updates.
 T10MIL \$324,900 734-455-5600



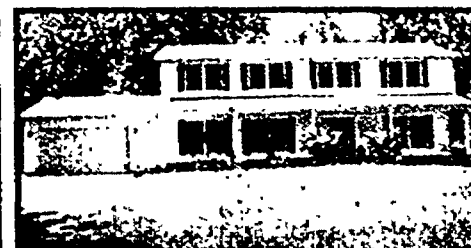
PLYMOUTH
 1924 CRAFTSMAN HOME has vintage woodwork, leaded glass drs & hrdwd flrs, LR w/ blt-in bookcases surround gas frplc, updated kit, newer wood windows, furn, fin LL.
 T43MIL \$238,500 734-455-5600



CANTON
 SPACIOUS RANCH CONDO. Approx 1730 sq ft 2 BR, 2 BA upper unit w/open flr plan, lg kit overlooking brkfst area, mstr w/glamor bath, att gar, huge private balcony, & den w/french drs.
 T34CON \$199,900 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH
 WONDERFUL CONDO LIVING. This great 2 bdrm, 3.5 bath 2 story condo nestled in a well sought after area only minute from downtown & park. Fin LL w/whirlpool spa + view of pond.
 T11COL \$214,900 734-455-5600



BRIGHTON
 WOODED VIEW. Escape to serene 4 BR, 2.5 BA home. W/O bsmt, pond w/fountain, lg mstr suite, 2nd flr laundry, formal DR, FR w/stone frplc, deck, all appls. & WIC.
 T30PEA \$388,500 734-455-5600



CANTON
 WELCOME HOME. This charming 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath quad has updates galore: newer maint free exterior, vinyl windows, & more. Patio & tiered deck, 2 car att gar & bsmt.
 T02HAR \$234,995 734-455-5600

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Well maintained colonial w/4 lge bedrooms & lots of closet space. Spacious kitchen w/plenty of cabinets & counter space. Formal LR & DR, family rm w/cozy fireplace, and large deck in back for enjoyment. \$249,900 (3964-0)
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ESTATE SALE



Very nice 3 Bedroom Bungalow. 1,000 Sq ft, Living room w/faux fireplace. Hardwood floors, great starter home or investment property. Only \$70,000 (4013-0)
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Like new 4 BR Colonial, 2.5 bath home on premium lot backing to pond. Lg brick paver patio, gorgeous 2-story foyer, hrdwd flrs, neutral décor T/O, luxurious mstr ste and bath. Beautifully landscaped and very clean. \$279,900 (3949-0)
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WESTLAND



Nice brick 3 BR ranch w/covered patio and huge 2.5 car garage. Newer roof, vinyl siding on home and garage, & door opener C/A, vinyl windows, carpet, partially finished bsmt, & copper plumbing \$139,789 (3978-0)
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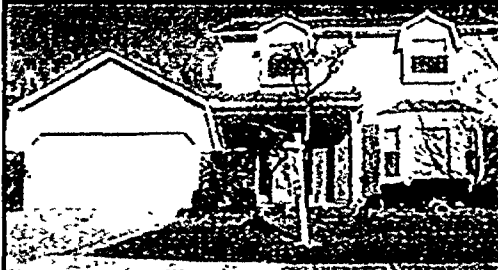
Spectacular cape cod w/open floor plan. 4 BR, 3.5 baths, foyer w/balcony overlooks great rm w/cathedral ceilings & gorgeous fireplace. Gourmet kitchen offers lg center island & plenty of cabinets. Finished bsmt w/lg bar for entertaining \$439,900 (4130-0)
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FARMINGTON HILLS



Stunning brick tudor on premium corner double lot! Privacy w/beautiful view from deck and paved patio, inc. the hot tub! 5 BR's, 3.5 baths, neutral décor, ceramic tile in foyer & baths. Professionally finished bsmt, newly updated kitchen, new carpet & more \$359,555 (4133-0)
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CANTON



Beautiful colonial w/3 Bedrooms. New kitchen, inc. SS dishwasher, stove & micro. Ceramic baths, foyer, & kitchen. Lge FR w/fireplace & door to patio. Lge mstr w/double doors & bath. New furnace, C/A, roof, gutters, windows & more \$225,000 (3958-0)
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Sharp brick cape cod with open floor plan. 4 BR's, 2.5 baths, huge great rm w/vaulted ceilings, nat. fireplace & 2 doorways that exit to a 2 ber deck & fenced yard. Spacious kitchen w/breakfast area & bay window. First flr mstr BR & laundry \$229,900 (4096-0)
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CANTON



Gorgeous elevated brick colonial w/4 BR, 2.5 baths, & almost 3 car side entry garage. Custom features: crown moldings T/O, wainscoting in form. DR, custom window treatments, neutral carpet & paint, raised panel kitchen cabinets. Too much to list! \$369,900 (4027-0)
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CANTON



Brick beauty on premium lot in desirable Royal Point West. Gorgeous kitchen & lge sitting area w/2 doorways, 2-sided marble FP in fam. Rm & breakfast rm. Oak flrs in foyer, kitchen & lav. Mstr BR w/jetted tub and WC. \$427,000 (4111-0)
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5 ACRES



Great 3 Bedroom ranch with attached 2 car garage and a pole barn! Great wooded area with nature trails throughout the 5 acres. Large country kitchen, and over 1,200 sq ft. First floor laundry too \$204,900 (4058-0)
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Well maintained brick ranch w/updates. New roof, windows, sump pump, pergo floors in great room, finished bsmt w/glass block windows & 2 rooms. Beautiful maple kitchen cabinets, vaulted ceilings, large deck & fenced yard \$199,900 (3926-0)
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CANTON



Great 4 BR colonial situated in premier golf course community. Walking distance to Pheasant Run & the Summit. Large open fam. Rm w/gas fireplace, spacious mstr BR w/jetted tub, 3 car heated garage w/220V, paver walkway leading to lg deck. \$389,900 (4114-0)
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PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP



Elegant Robert Jones built home w/private wooded lot. Over 4,800 sq ft of luxury living. Maple flrs on 1st flr, lg island kitchen w/Ann Sachs ceramic tile, granite flrs in 1/2 bath, butlers pantry, formal DR, prof. finished walk-out bsmt. Inc. heated pool! \$745,000 (3952-0)
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Country living still near the new IKEA store! Little doll house on over an half acre. Newer kitchen, furnace, A/C, roof, some windows, carpet, and updated bath. Huge garden area and lots of yard! Only \$146,900 (4097-0)
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LIVONIA



Spacious ranch with 4 BR, & 1.5 baths. Kitchen is huge and has been updated w/oak cabinets & tile floor. Mstr bedroom with door that leads to deck and hot tub. Fenced back yard, 1st flr laundry, new furnace, HWY vinyl windows, berber carpet & more \$139,900 (3974-0)
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Great home with 4 good sized bedrooms. Over 2,500 sq ft colonial. New oak kitchen w/corrian counter tops, new roof, siding, gutters, pergo flooring, carpet, furnace & A/C. Close walk to schools, club house w/pool & tennis courts in Sub. Just move in! \$299,900 (4049-0)
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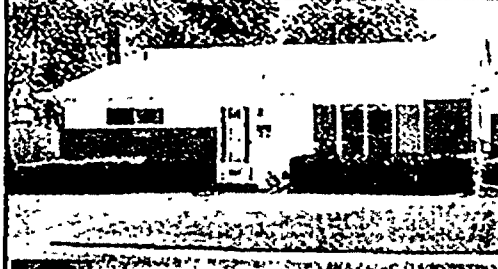
Custom built in 2001 on over 1 acre. 3 Car garage, 4,000 sq ft w/2,000 additional sq ft in WOLL. Fine detail w/Venetian plaster paint, marble flooring. Fpic in mstr suite, granite & cherry wood kitchen! \$799,000 (DM-3969)
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CANTON



Wooded lot, over 3,200 sq ft, 4 bedrooms & bonus room over garage. Huge granite & maple kitchen w/Jenn-Aire appliances. Heated in-ground pool too! Plymouth/Canton Schools. \$399,999 (DM-3962)
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GARDEN CITY



Great open floor plan with massive LR & cathedral ceiling, finished walkout basement. Newer roof, vinyl windows, HWY, tastefully decorated, central air and nice landscaping. 3 BR's and 1.5 baths, 2 car garage \$162,900 (DT-4123)
Call Deborah Teague 734-748-8098

HOMES SOLD

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the weeks of Feb. 6-10, 2006, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, plus some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

City	Address	Sale Price	City	Address	Sale Price	City	Address	Sale Price	
Canton	7777 Alton St	\$181,000	Novi	9886 Milburn St	\$161,000	Westland	26648 Five Mile Rd	\$115,000	
	46159 Bartlett Dr	\$244,000		29813 Richland St	\$162,000		17441 Beech Daly Rd	\$114,000	
	4001 Berkeley Ave	\$152,000		39344 Ross St	\$225,000		19301 Delaware Ave	\$172,000	
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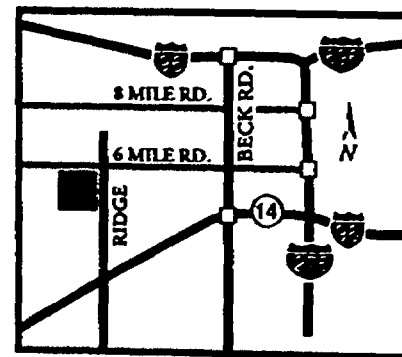
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Attendees will get answers to these questions: Why do buyers receive free buyer agency representation and why do they need it? What is the difference between a private inspection and a required municipal inspection? How much home can I afford and how do I protect my credit score while shopping for a loan? How can buying a home actually save me money? How do I get seller concessions to cover my costs?

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Builders Institute

Henry Ford Community College in cooperation with the Oakland Builders Institute will offer a builder's pre-license class to help you pass the Michigan state builder's examination. The 16-hour seminar will be 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday, July 11, 13, 18 and 20, at Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn Heights campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail.

The course is for those who want to subcontract construction of their own homes, real estate investors and developers and building tradespeople who want to work legally in Michigan. Cost is \$189 for residents plus \$20 for textbook and sample questions, \$208 for nonresidents plus \$20 for textbook and questions. Pre-registration with payment is required by Friday, July 7, to Henry Ford Community College. To register, call (313) 317-1500.

Building Industry Association

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan will present:

■ Its Macomb County Golf Spectacular 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, at Cherry Creek

Golf Club, 52000 Cherry Creek Drive (24 Mile and Van Dyke), Shelby Township. Fees, including 18 holes of golf (spikeless course), cart, lunch, refreshments, dinner and golf competitions are \$145 for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, guests and nonmembers; \$60 for dinner only, \$200 for a hole sponsorship and \$250 for a hole sponsorship with dinner. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ A development site tour of Partridge Creek in Clinton Township 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2. The tour begins at Burton Katzman, 30100 Telegraph, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Bingham Farms. Parking is available on the south side, adjacent to the boundary of Bingham Office Park and Fitness USA. The community will feature 360 single family homes, 40 models and already constructed homes, 600 condo units, senior housing and a 600,000-square-foot lifestyle center. The community is developed by Taubman Group and Trinity Land Development. Registration fees, including lunch, are \$40 for BIA members and \$60 for nonmember building industry professionals. For information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ A Certified Graduate Builder Series seminar on "Introduction to Business Management" 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. It will be taught by Chuck Breidenstein of Builders Professional Services. The seminar introduces builders and remodelers who are interested in improving their bottom line to systematic planning processes used by industry experts. It focuses on basic management tools such as developing a business plan and implementing control procedures to monitor efficiency and profitability. Fees are \$140 for Remodelers Council members and \$160 for BIA members and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

■ Apartment Association of Michigan will sponsor a technology seminar, "Electronic Rent Collection," 8:30-10:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, at AAM headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Kirk McNeil and Greg Fish of Biznet Internet Solutions will demonstrate the benefits of an e-payment program. Fees, including continental breakfast, are \$10 for

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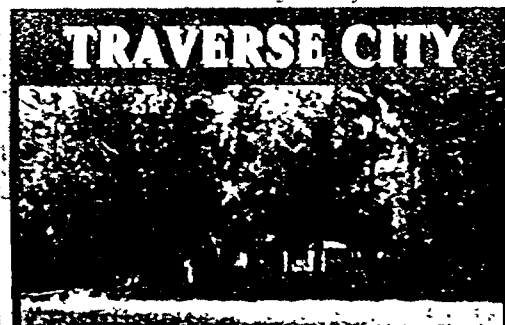
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the Gulf Coast.

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West Virginia Association of Realtors, the Mid-Atlantic Regional Summit on Housing Opportunities featured public and private sector housing experts addressing affordability issues confronting the four-state region.

Speakers included Alphonso Jackson, secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; former HUD Secretary Jack Kemp; Tom Donohue, CEO, U.S. Chamber of Commerce; Mayor Bill Euille, Alexandria, Va.; Councilman Steve Silverman, Montgomery County, Md.; Conrad Egan, National Housing Conference; Rich Parsons, Montgomery County (Md.) Chamber of Commerce; Dr. Steve Fuller, George Mason University; and Realtor leaders from Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia.

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■ BIA's Sales & Marketing Council is sponsoring a real estate continuing education seminar presented by Lori Chumura of Middleton Training. It will be 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 9, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. The course meets the state-mandated six-hour requirement for continuing education. Fees are \$60 for SMC members, \$75 for BIA members and \$90 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ A Certified Graduate Remodeler course on "Negotiating" 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Chuck Breidenstein of Builders Professional Services Group will offer a practical approach to interpersonal problem-solving and suggestions for negotiating. Fees are \$140 for Remodelers Council members, \$160 BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, non-members and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

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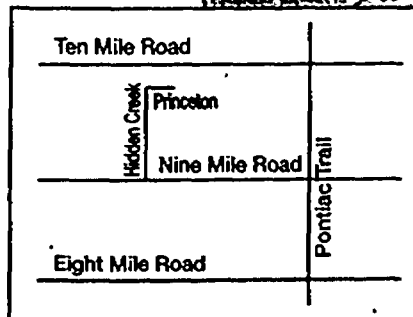
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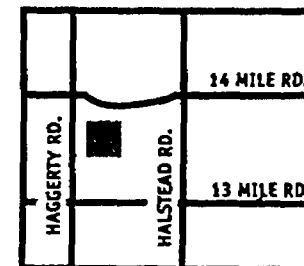
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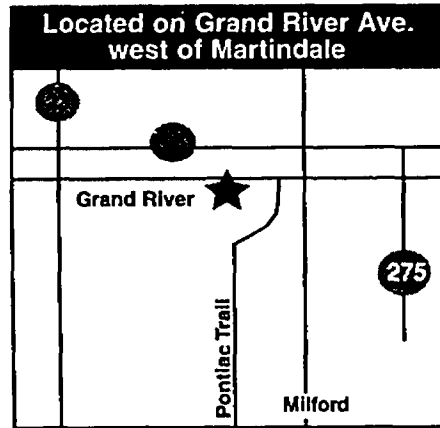
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(NAPSI) — Life happens when you're not ready. Hurricanes, tornadoes, fires, floods, landslides, earthquakes — all of these things can come when you're unprepared. That's why it's important to safeguard important documents by storing copies in a safe place away from your home.

What do you do if you need to prove ownership of your property, and you cannot locate your ownership documents? Where can you obtain copies of your deed, deed of trust, warranty deed, or title policy? In order to rebuild or repair your home, you may need to prove ownership.

In most circumstances, your county courthouse will have copies of your property ownership documents, unless the courthouse also was damaged, such as occurred in Louisiana and Mississippi after Hurricane Katrina. Here's how you might be able to track down replacement documentation:

■ When your county courthouse is intact and undamaged, the county clerk can provide, for a fee, certified copies of your deed or mortgage showing that you own your home. If that's not possible, there are other options.

■ Contact your attorney, closing agent or real estate agent to obtain the name of the title company you worked

with. They can put you in touch with the title underwriter that issued your Owner's Title Insurance Policy.

■ Contact your lender to ask if they can provide you with a copy of your mortgage. Your attorney or closing agent might have the name of your lender if you cannot locate it.

Now is a good time to make copies of your important homeownership documents (as well as your personal documents). One method is to scan your documents and save them to a disk or CD-ROM and send it to a trusted counsel, family member or friend who lives in a different part of the country. Another method is to photocopy the documents and store the copies in a bank safe deposit box or home safe. In either case, to prevent likely water damage, seal the disks, CDs or documents in plastic storage bags. Hopefully, you will never have to rely on this information, but it's good to know there are things you can do to prepare for an emergency.

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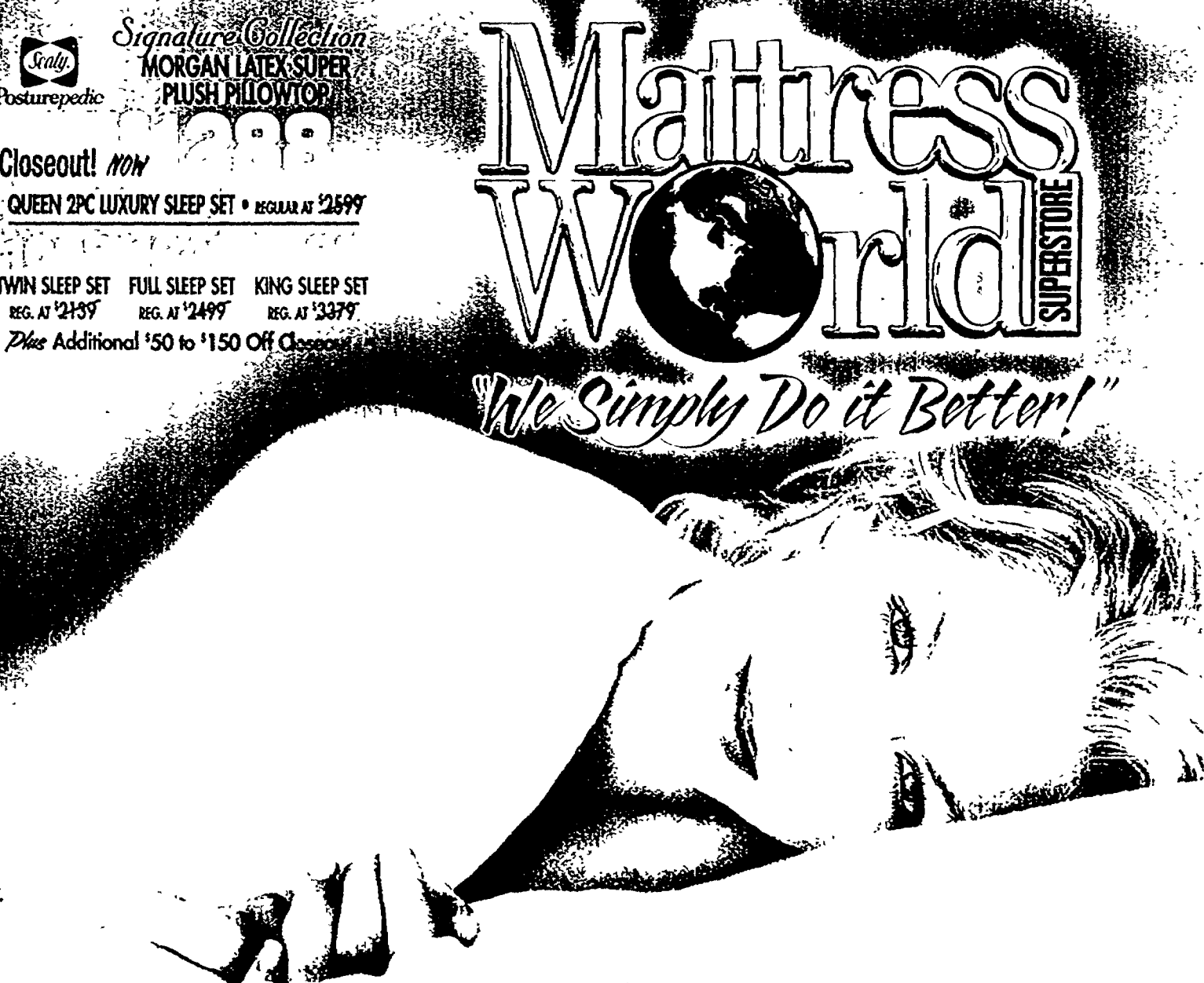
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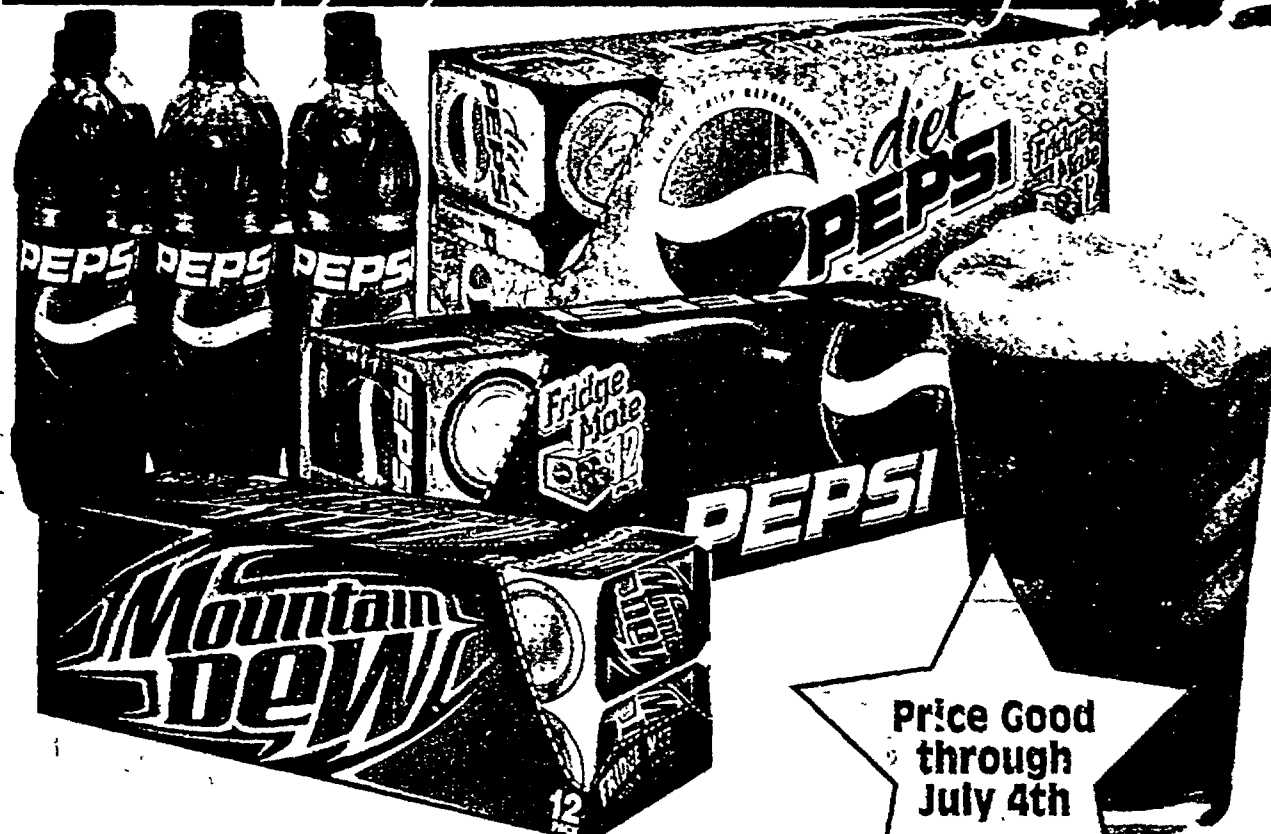
Right Store. Right Price.

Pharmacies Open 4th of July



NOW OVER 10,000 YELLOW TAG SAVINGS WEEKLY

4th of July Sizzlin' Savings



When You Buy

4 Pepsi 12 Packs or 6 Pack, 24 oz Btls.... **4\$10**
Get 1 Pepsi 12 Pack.... **Free!***

Final Cost

12 Pack Pepsi Products
12 oz Cans or 6 Pack 24 oz Btls
All Varieties

5\$10
for

WITH **Plus**

*Offer good with Plus Card, must purchase 5 products in one transaction. Limit 1 offer per transaction.

Price Good through July 4th



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Whole Boneless Beef Rib Eye

USDA Select Beef Rib Value Pack
5 steaks or more 5.99 lb

4.97 lb

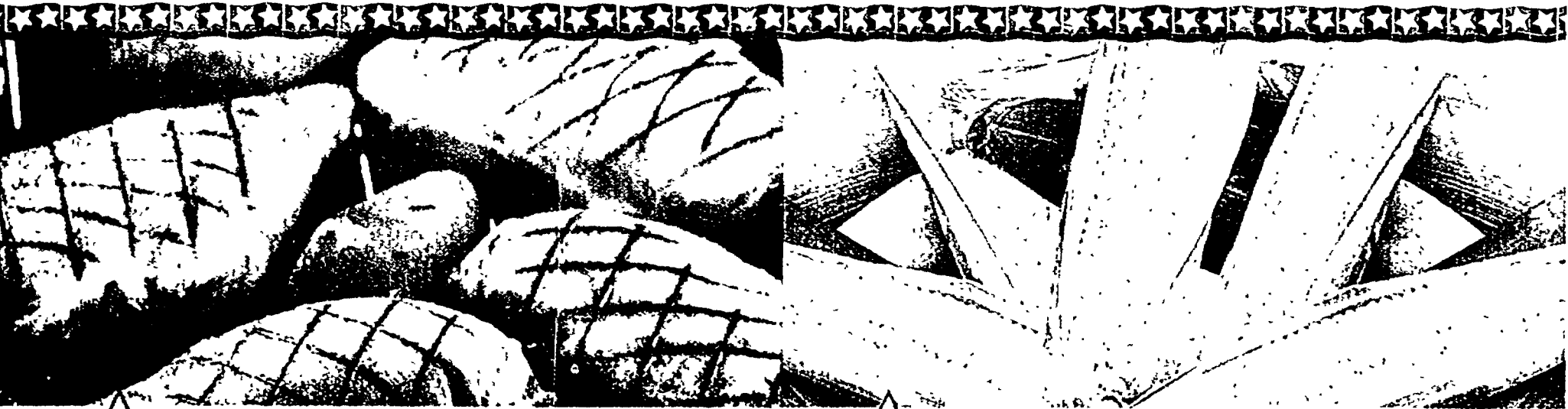
WITH **Plus**

Price Good through July 4th

Whole Seedless Watermelon

2.99

WITH **Plus**



Price Good through July 4th

Amick Farms Fresh Boneless Skinless Chicken Breasts

USDA Inspected Value Packs or Smaller Package 1.99 lb

1.77 lb

WITH **Plus**

Price Good through July 4th

Sweet Corn In-Husk

14\$2 for

WITH **Plus**

Celebrate the Holiday!

Prices and Items good at your local Kroger Store through July 2, 2006.

10\$10

SALE



7-UP 6 Pack Cans
All Varieties
12 oz Cans

10\$10

for

Limit 10 total with \$10 purchase (Excluding alcohol, tobacco, fuel and prescriptions) **Plus**



Kroger Tender Twist Bread
20 oz or 8 ct Kroger Sandwich or Hot Dog Buns
All Varieties Except Jumbo

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Cool Whip
8 oz Carton
All Varieties

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kroger Salad Dressing
16 oz Btl or Kroger Croutons
5 oz All Varieties

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Gatorade Sports Drink
32 oz Btl
All Varieties

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kroger Bagged Snacks
3-16 oz Bag
All Varieties Except Super Size

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kroger Cottage Cheese, Sour Cream or Dips
16 oz All Varieties
(Excludes Special Recipe Dips)

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Pillsbury Truckload Sale!
Select Varieties Grand! Biscuits 10.2 oz, Golden Biscuits 10 ct, Cinnamon Rolls 7 oz, Crusty French Loaf 11 oz, Pizza Crust 13.8 oz or Breadsticks 11 oz. While Supplies Last!

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kool-Aid Bursts Drinks
6 Pack All Varieties

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Lipton Noodles or Rice Side Dishes
4-9 oz All Varieties

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kroger Ice Cream Novelties
12 ct Twin Pop, 6 ct Eclairs or 8 ct Ice Cream Sandwiches

10\$10

for

WITH Plus

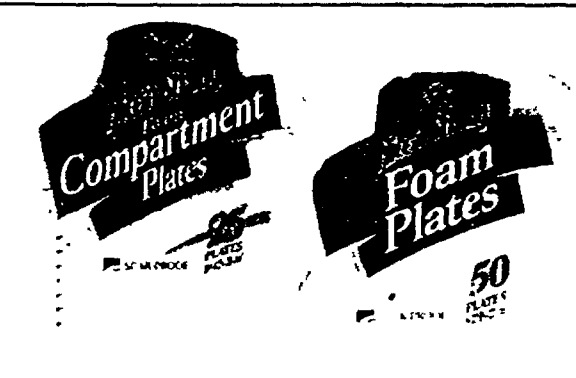


6 Pack Big K Soft Drinks
12 oz Cans All Varieties

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kroger Foam Plates
50ct or 25 ct Compartment

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kroger Ketchup
24 oz or 12 oz Brown or 14 oz French's Yellow Mustard

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Healthy Choice Familiar Favorites
or Marie Callender's Chicken Pot Pie 9-10 oz

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



General Mills Chex Mix
8.75 oz or 8.6 oz Gardetto's or 7.5 oz Bugles

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Nabisco Go-Paks!
2.75-4 oz or 2.125 oz Barnum's Animal Crackers

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Frito Lay Stax
5.75-6 oz All Varieties

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kroger English Muffins
All Varieties
6 ct

10\$10

for

WITH Plus



Kroger Steak Sauce
10-16 oz Btl All Varieties or Marinades or Tabasco Pepper Sauce 2 oz

10\$10

for

WITH Plus

Summer Cookout



Sold in 10 lb Case for 69.90

Jumbo King Crab Legs and Claws

Frozen. Smaller Packages 7.99 lb

6.99 lb

WITH *Plus*



Flavor Seal Ground Chuck

USDA Inspected 5 lb Flavor Seal Pkg for 7.45 or Honeysuckle Ground Turkey Sold in 3 lb Pkg for 4.17 ea

1.49 lb

WITH *Plus*



Kroger Bratwurst

All Varieties 18 oz Pkg

2\$5 for

WITH *Plus*



Free Coca-Cola 2-Liter with the purchase of 3 Piece Chicken

Hottest Price of the Year!
8 Piece Fresh Baked or Fried Chicken

2-Breasts, 2-Thighs, 2-Legs and 2-Wings

3.99

WITH *Plus*



Deli or Bakery Party Trays

29.99 or Higher

5.00 Off

WITH *Plus*



Private Selection Apple or Apple Streusel Pie

9 Inch

4.99

WITH *Plus*



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We accept ALL third party prescription transfers!

See Pharmacist for full details.



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2-DAY PRE-FOURTH OF JULY

SALE

featuring

POWER HOURS

DURING THESE SPECIAL HOURS,
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SELECT ITEMS IN THE STORE

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Original Kohlsville, PA store open until 10pm

 **SHOP EARLY BIRDS**

SAT. JULY 1 7AM-1PM

 NIGHTOWL

 EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock

50-60% off

Swimwear for misses,
men, kids, juniors,
young men & women

orig. \$14-\$86, sale \$7-\$43
Excludes Columbia Sportswear Company®
selected items
online: SWIM



 NIGHTOWL

 EARLYBIRD

129⁹⁹

8" portable
DVD player

Includes carrying case,
headphones, A/C
adaptor, battery and
full-function remote.
orig. 269.99
While quantities last -
sorry no rain checks.



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Entire Stock

50-60% off

Sonoma & apt. 9" knit tops
for misses, petites & women. orig. \$12-\$38,
sale \$6-\$19 SONOMA life+style™
selected items online P62901

selected items
online P62902



Entire Stock

60% off

Short-sleeved knit and
woven tops & shorts for men
from Sonoma, Croft & Barrow™ and Arrow.
orig. \$14-\$46, sale 5.60-18.40



Entire Stock

40-50% off

Athletic sandals
for the family. orig. 18.99-40.00,
sale 9.99-24.00



50-60% off plus
save an extra 10%

on entire stock of luggage
reg. 49.99-379.99, sale 24.99-189.99,
final price 22.49-170.99

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



50-60% off

Nine & Company, axcess, daisy fuentes and AB Studio collections for misses, petites and women. orig. \$29-\$59, sale 14.50-29.50 Selected styles. selected items online P62912

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 50-60% off

Erika, Briggs and Notations separates for misses. orig. \$16-\$40, sale \$8-\$20

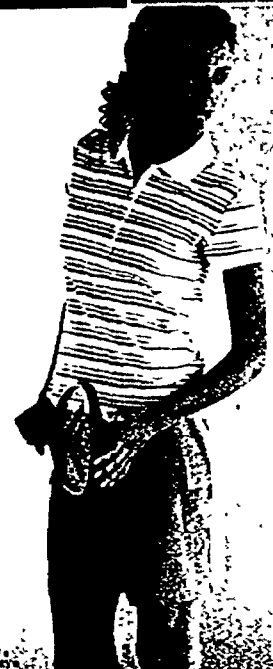
NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 50-60% off

Cathy Daniels, Sag Harbor, Requirements, Norton McNaughton, Villager & West End collections for misses, petites & women. orig. \$22-\$74, sale \$11-\$37

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 50-60% off

Active & fitness wear for misses from N.Y.L., Gloria Vanderbilt Sport, daisy fuentes sport, Fu Da & Tek Gear. orig. \$14-\$40, sale 5.60-20.00 selected items online P62913

POWER HOURS

DURING THESE SPECIAL HOURS, GET OUR BEST PRICES ON SELECT ITEMS IN THE STORE

Selected Night Owls & Early Birds also available online.

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock 50-60% off

Handbags & minibags orig. \$15-\$65, sale 7.50-32.50

selected items online W1600

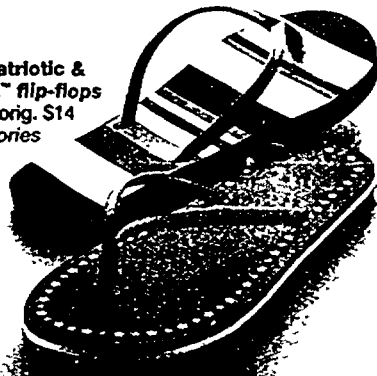
13.99 apt. 9" Tower handbags. orig. \$36



NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock 5.99

SO... patriotic & Corona flip-flops for her. orig. \$14 Accessories dept.



NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

4.99

SO... tees and tank tops for juniors. orig. \$12 Selected styles. selected items online P62914

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NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



7.99

Graphic tank tops & tees, shorts and skirts for juniors. orig. \$18 Excludes MJ Softe

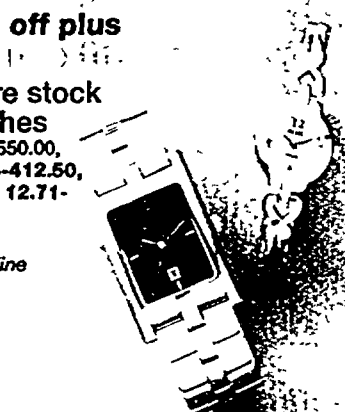
NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

25-50% off plus

on entire stock of watches reg. 19.95-550.00, sale 14.96-412.50, final price 12.71-350.62

selected items online F999

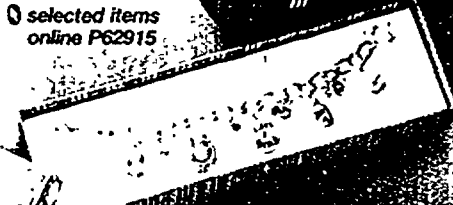
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NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock 33-50% off

Fashion jewelry orig. \$6-\$28, sale 3.60-18.76 Excludes Napier and 1928. selected items online P62915

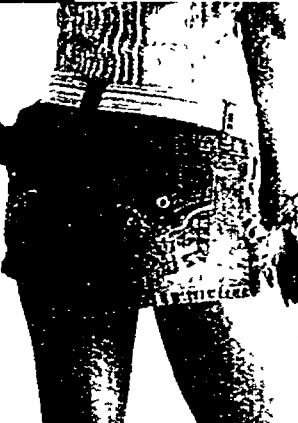


NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock 11.99

Fashion shorts for juniors from Angels, Bongo, i.e.i., Unionbay and Mudd. orig. \$26

Angels



NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 60% off

Shorts for boys 8-20. orig. \$22-\$40, sale 8.80-16.00 Excludes athletic & collections.

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 55% off

Sundresses for girls 4-16, toddlers, infants and newborns.

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock 50-60% off

Summer playwear for boys 4-7, toddlers and girls 4-6x. Playwear not intended as sleepwear.



NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock 60% off

Summer sets for girls 4-6x, boys 4-7 and toddlers.



NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

10-40% off plus Save an extra 15% on entire stock of toys



152.99 Final Price Banzai Blast inflatable water slide. 18' long, 8' high; includes blower, carrying bag & repair kit. Maximum weight capacity 100 lbs. orig. 249.99, sale 179.99

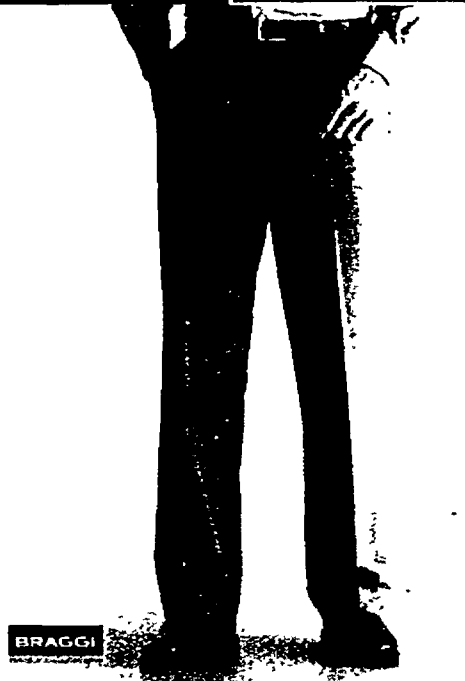
NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



50-60% off

Casual pants for men from Axist, Croft & Barrow and Sonoma. orig. \$40-\$45, sale 16.00-22.50. Selected styles. SONOMA life+style. shop online P62918

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 50-60% off

Dress pants for men from Braggi, Axist, Chaps and Croft & Barrow. orig. \$45-\$75, sale \$16-\$30. shop online P62919

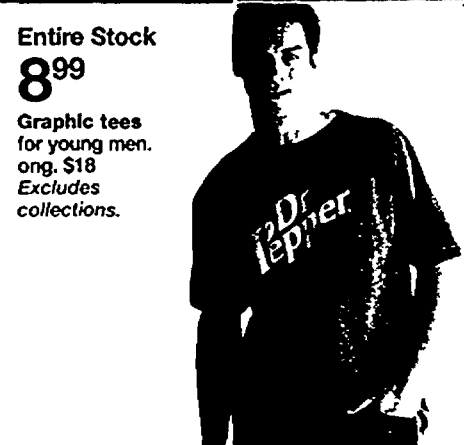
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Entire Stock 99.99

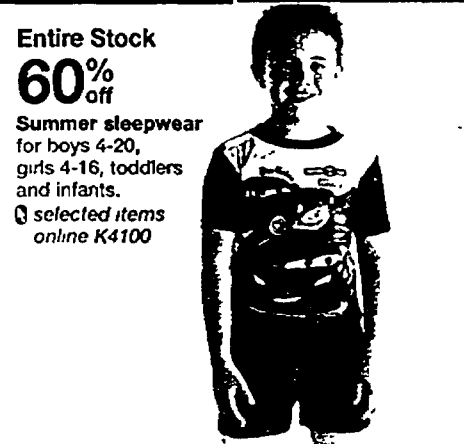
Men's herringbone suit separates for men. Mid-weight three-button suit separates ideal for dress and casual looks. orig. \$65-\$200, sale 24.99-75.00

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 8.99 Graphic tees for young men. org. \$18 Excludes collections.

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 60% off Summer sleepwear for boys 4-20, girls 4-16, toddlers and infants. selected items online K4100

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SATURDAY, JULY 1 7AM-1PM

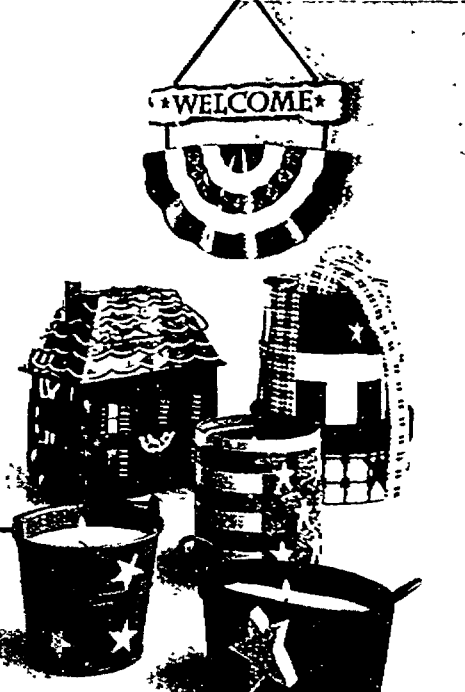
NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



36.99

Athletic shoes for men and women from New Balance and Nike. reg. 59.99 Selected styles.

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 60% off

Patriotic decor Includes candles, ceramics & more.

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



99.99 Your choice Hoover WindTunnel Lite vacuum with onboard tools or Bissell PowerSteamer Pro deep cleaner. reg. 199.99 ea.

Entire Stock 20-50% off

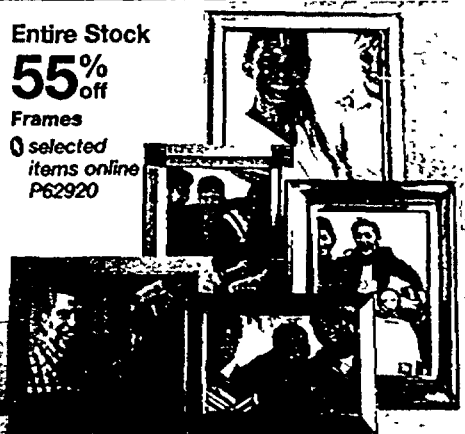
Floor care shop online H1400

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



50% off Pyrex and Corningware shop online P62916

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 55% off Frames selected items online P62920

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 55-60% off

Accent, area & kitchen rugs and doormats selected items online P62921

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



Entire Stock 50% off Aerobed Classic reg. 129.99-199.99, sale 64.99-99.99

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



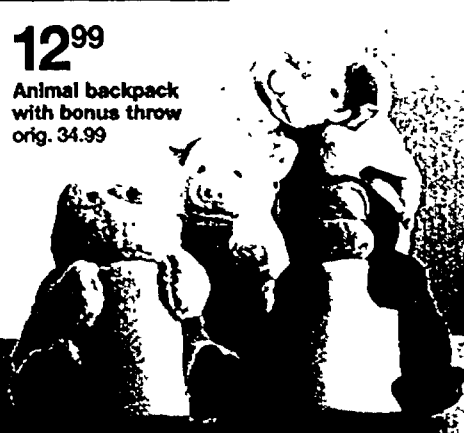
161.99 Final Price Park Avenue queen comforter set. orig. 279.99, sale 179.99

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



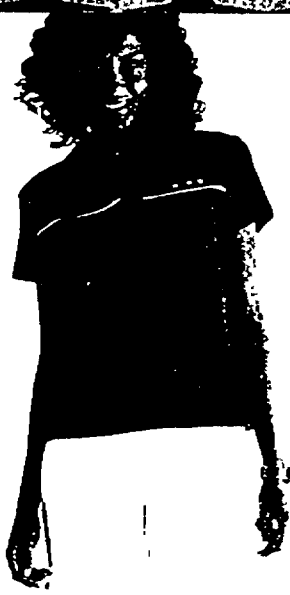
Entire Stock 55% off Flatware selected items online H2120

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD



12.99 Animal backpack with bonus throw org. 34.99

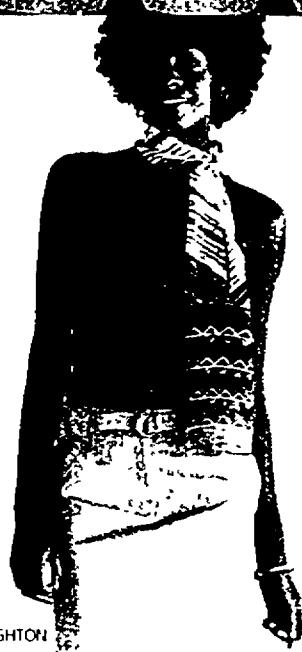
30-50% off plus save an extra 10% on entire stock of comforters, accessories & bed in one bag sets shop online P62922



SONOMA

Save
40-50%

Sonoma sportswear for misses, petites and women. orig. \$12-\$39, sale 7.20-22.80. Selected styles. selected items online P62923



NORTON/MCNAUGHTON

Entire Stock
40-50% off

Norton McNaughton*, Requirements*, Villager*, Sag Harbor*, Cathy Daniels and West End collections for misses, petites and women. orig. \$22-\$74, sale 13.20-44.40

women's



ERIKA

Save
40-50%

Women's sportswear from Erika*, daisy fuentes*, apt. 9*, Sonoma & more. Sizes 1X-3X and 16W-24W. orig. \$14-\$66, sale 7.49-39.60. Selected styles.

selected items online P62924



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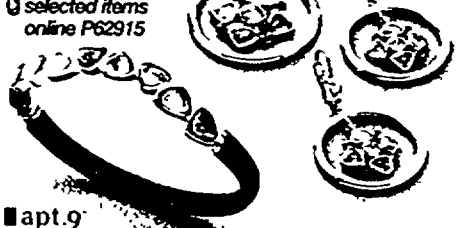
Save
20-50%

Active and fitness wear for misses from Tek Gear*, Nike*, adidas*, Russell* Athletic*, Danskin*, N.Y.L.* and more. orig. \$12-\$54, sale 6.00-43.20. Selected styles.

entirestock

30-40% off

Fashion Jewelry orig. \$6-\$28, sale 4.02-19.60. Excludes Napier* and 1928*. selected items online P62915



apt.9

Save
40-50%

Petites' sportswear from apt. 9*, Sonoma, Croft & Barrow*, daisy fuentes* and more. orig. \$12-\$60, sale 6.99-30.00. Selected styles.



petites

apt.9

2-DAY PRE-FOURTH OF JULY

entirestock

60% off

Sterling silver jewelry reg. \$10-\$150, sale \$4-\$60. selected items online F2200



7.99 ea. Sterling silver rings, reg. \$20 ea.

entirestock

40% off

Panties & innerwear reg. 3/\$15 to \$46 ea., sale 3/9.00 to 27.60 ea. Excludes Jockey* and bra coordinates.

40% off bras from Maidenform*, Barelythere*, Bali* & Olga* reg. \$20-\$32, sale 12.00-19.20. Selected styles.



Entire Stock

40% off

Sleepwear, loungewear & robes from SO... Rewind*, Mudd*, GLO* & I.e.i.* orig. \$12-\$40, sale 7.20-24.00. selected items online W2400



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Entire Stock

35-50% off

Collections for juniors. orig. \$28-\$58, sale 18.20-37.70. selected items online P62925

entirestock

60% off

Fine Jewelry selected items online F999



17.99 ea. Super Buy Entire stock boxed toe rings, anklets or earrings. 10k gold, orig. \$50 ea.

entirestock

35% off

Handbags, minibags & handbag and fashion accessories for her. orig. \$8-\$65, sale 5.20-42.25. selected items online W1600



entirestock

2/\$15

Carter's* rompers, sunsuits & dress sets for infants & newborns. orig. \$13-\$16 ea., sale 7.99 ea.



entirestock

40% off

Fashion tops for girls 4-16.



entirestock

35-50% off

Fashion capris and gauchos for juniors from SO... Rewind*, Mudd*, GLO* & I.e.i.* orig. \$28-\$34, sale 13.99-21.99



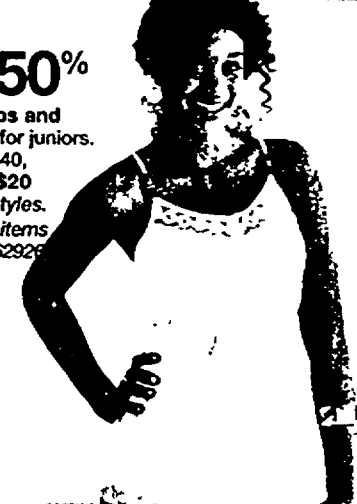
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entirestock

Save

40-50%

Woven tops and sweaters for juniors. orig. \$20-\$40, sale \$10-\$20. Selected styles. selected items online P62926



Jewelry photos enlarged to show detail. Diamond Total Weights are approximate. TW may vary up to .05 ct. Actual savings may exceed the percent savings shown.

gold star clearance



Entire Stock
50% off
Camp shirts for men from Hawaiian, California, Florida, National, and more. Excludes...
Shop online P62927

Entire Stock
50% off
Short-sleeved polo shirts for men from Arrow, Grand Slam, and more. Excludes...
Shop online P62928

Entire Stock
50% off
Golf tops for men from Grand Slam, Dockers, and Wedge. orig. \$24-\$50, sale 11.99-24.99
selected items online P62929

Entire Stock
16.99
Urban Pipeline™ twill & denim shorts for young men. orig. \$32-\$34

SALE

Save **25%**
Nike® athletic apparel for boys 8-20. orig. \$16-\$28, sale \$12-\$21. Selected styles.

entirestock
50% off
Short-sleeved polos for young men from Machine® and Urban Pipeline™. orig. \$28-\$34, sale \$14-\$17

entirestock
60% off
Summer Living® Patio Shop. selected items online H4500
23.99 Lawn games. orig. 59.99

entirestock
30-50% off Candles & decorative lighting. Excludes Yankee Candle®. shop online P62930

entirestock
40-50% off
Short-sleeved graphic tees for boys 4-7, girls 4-6x and toddlers. Excludes collections & athletic.

entirestock
30-50% off
Cross-training & walking shoes for men and women. reg. 49.99-64.99, sale 29.99-45.49. selected items online: SHOES
44.99 New Balance® 504 cross-training shoes for men. reg. 64.99
plus, all other athletic shoes on sale

entirestock
50-60% off
Solid bath towels, sheet sets & bath rugs. reg. 3.99-179.99, sale 1.99-89.99. selected items online P62931

entirestock
40-50% off Summer Stripe
Tabletop

entirestock
40-50% off Mudd
Sandals & shoes for juniors from Mudd® & Le.I.®. orig. 34.99-44.99, sale 20.99-26.99. shop online: SHOES
21.99 Mudd® Ballad. orig. 44.99
21.99 Le.I.® Falcon. orig. 44.99

entirestock
29.99
Casual shoes for men. orig. 59.99-69.99. Selected styles.
Croft & Barrow® Semler
Croft & Barrow® Brent

entirestock
50-60% off
Decorative pillows & slipcovers. orig. 14.99-179.99, sale 7.49-89.99. selected items online P62932

entirestock
selected items online P62933

save **70%** and more on original prices when you take an additional 50% off our already-reduced yellow ticket clearance prices

Final prices given at register. Clearance prices represent savings off original prices. Selection varies by store. Interim markdowns may have been taken. Sorry, no price adjustments given on prior purchases. selected items online: clearance

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock
50-60% off

Croft & Barrow® tank tops, tees & polos for misses, petites & women. orig. \$14-\$18, sale \$7-\$9
selected items online P62903

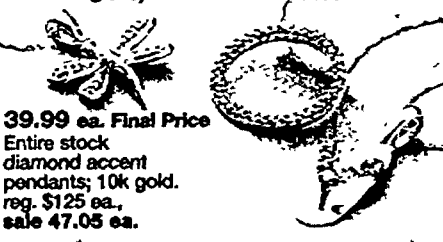


POWER HOURS

Selected Night Owls & Early Birds also available online.

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

60% off plus
an extra 15%
on entire stock of fine jewelry
& sterling silver jewelry
Extra 15% off excludes Super Buys.
shop online F999 & F2200



39.99 ea. Final Price
Entire stock diamond accent pendants; 10k gold. reg. \$125 ea., sale 47.05 ea.

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

14.99

Bras from Warner's Playtex®, Lily of France & Vanity Fair®. reg. \$24-\$30
Selected styles.

50% off all pairs from Vanity Fair Maidenform®, Barelythere® & Warner's® reg. 3/16.50 to 9.99
sale 3/8.25 to 4.99
Excludes bra co.

selected items online P62903



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Oxford Valley, PA store open until 10pm.

SHOP EARLY BIRDS

SAT., JULY 1 7AM-1PM

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock
9.99

Sunglasses for her or him. orig. \$20-\$25
Excludes polarized sunglasses.
selected items online P62905



NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

55-60% off

Shorts, capris and skorts for misses, petites & women from Lee®, Levi's®, Gloria Vanderbilt® & Dockers®. orig. \$30-\$40, sale \$12-\$18
Selected styles.
selected items online P62906



NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock
55-60% off

Shorts for young men from Unionbay®, Lee® Dungarees, U.S. Polo Assn. & Urban Pipeline®. orig. \$32-\$42, sale 14.40-18.90
selected items online P62907

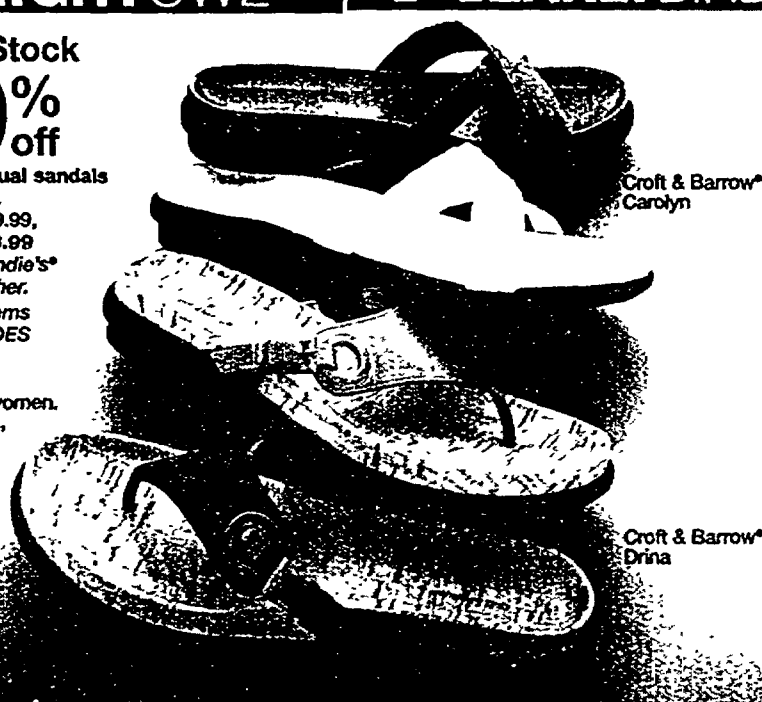


NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

Entire Stock
60% off

Dress & casual sandals for the family. orig. 24.99-59.99, sale 9.99-23.99
Excludes Candie's® & Chaps for her.
selected items online: SHOES

2/\$18
Sandals for women. orig. 29.99 pr., sale 9.99 pr.



Croft & Barrow® Carolyn

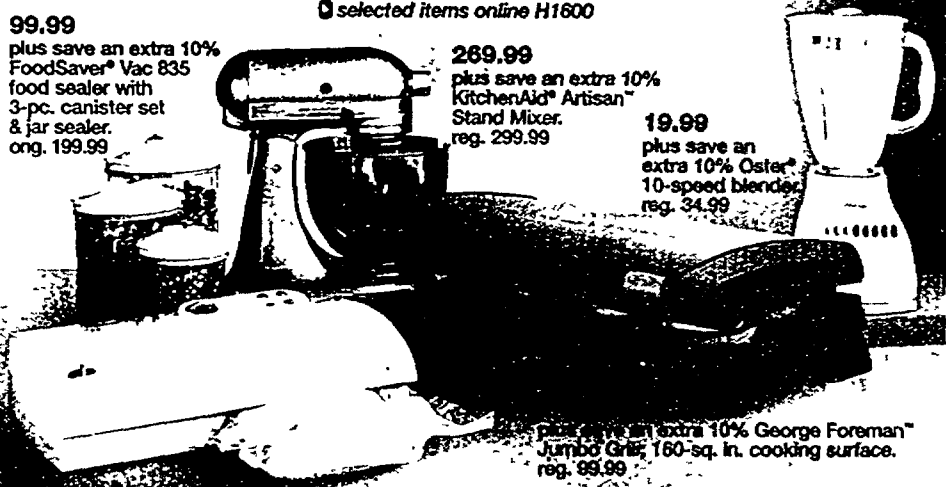
Croft & Barrow® Drina

NIGHTOWL EARLYBIRD

10-50% off plus
an extra 10%

on entire stock of kitchen electrics

Includes food sealers, mixers, blenders, grills, slowcookers, coffeemakers & counter tops
selected items online H1600



99.99 plus save an extra 10% FoodSaver® Vac 835 food sealer with 3-pc. canister set & jar sealer. orig. 199.99

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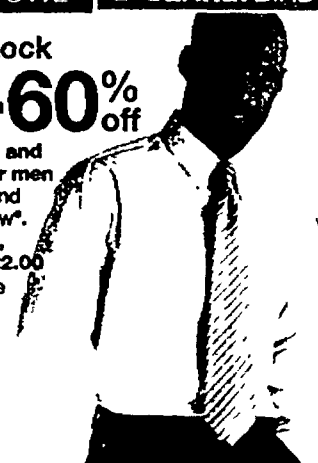
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Entire Stock
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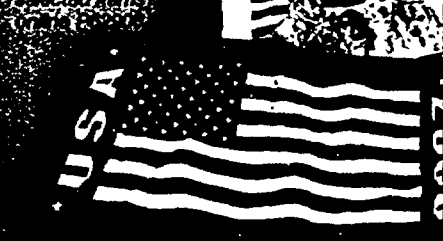
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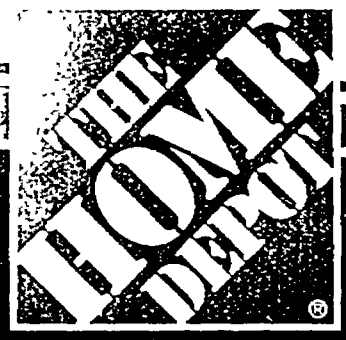
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SAVE ON ALL BEHR
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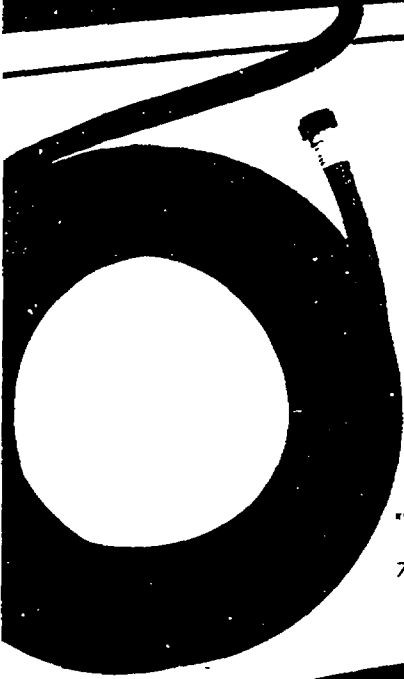
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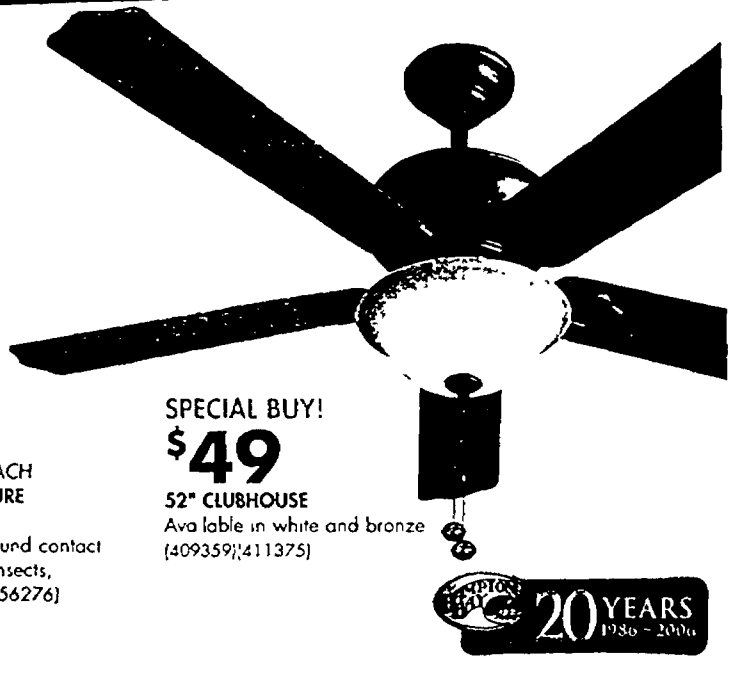
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 50' SOAKER HOSE
 "Weeping" watering
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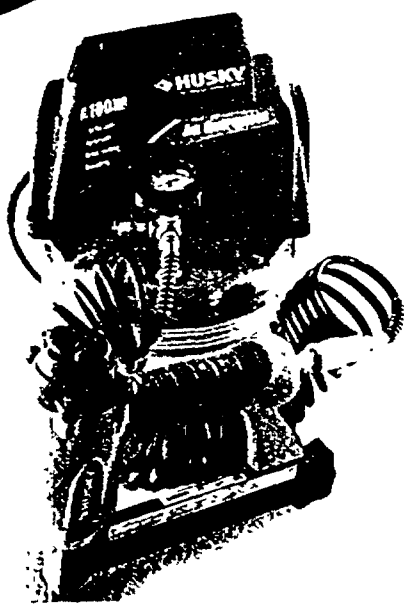
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\$5.97 EACH
 4"x4"-8' PRESSURE
 TREATED POST
 Approved for ground contact
 Treated to resist insects,
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SPECIAL BUY!
\$49
 52" CLUBHOUSE
 Available in white and bronze
 (409359; 411375)

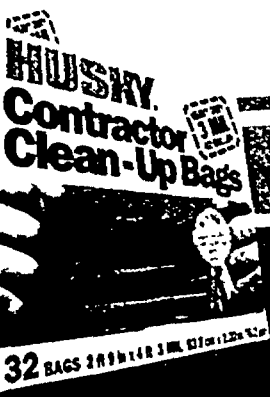
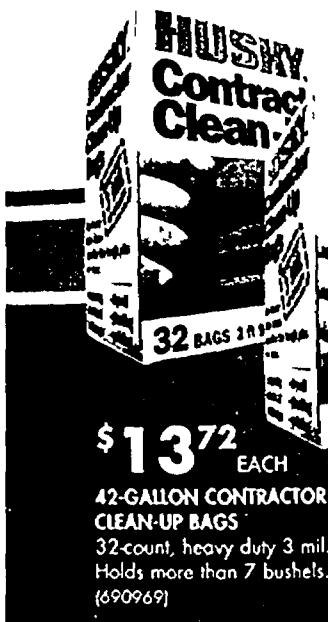


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 HUSKY 1-GALLON
 COMPRESSOR
 WITH 2-IN-1
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 CLEAN-UP BAGS
 32-count, heavy duty 3 mil.
 Holds more than 7 bushels.
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 5/8"x5-1/2"-6'
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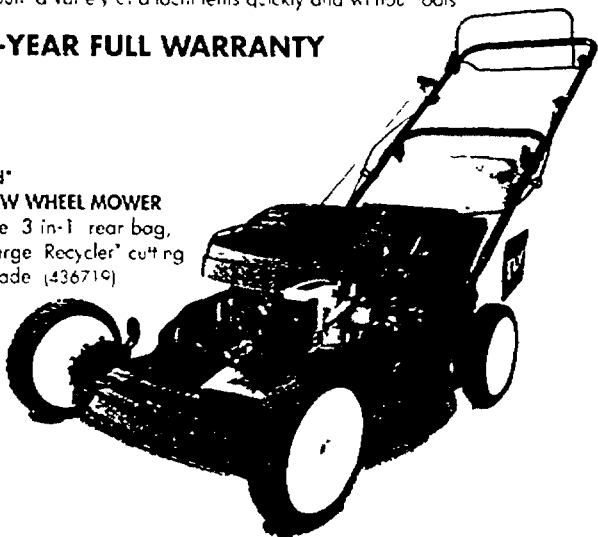
TORO

Incredibly versatile tractors at an incredible value. All models feature the Atach-a-Matic™ Hitch System, which allows you to mount a variety of attachments quickly and without tools.

2-YEAR FULL WARRANTY

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ONLY \$13 PER MONTH*
6.5 HP 22" 3-IN-1 LOW WHEEL MOWER
Tecumseh GTS® engine, 3 in-1 rear bag, mulch and side discharge, Recycler™ cutting system with Atach-a-Matic blade. (436719)



\$1299

ONLY \$37 PER MONTH*
18 HP, 42" TORO AUTODRIVE TRACTOR
6-HP Kohler™ Twin Cam OHV engine, Automatic CVT transmission with Cruise Control, 42" Manual PTO, 2 Blade Cutting Deck. (621466)



YARD MACHINES

Great features at the value you want for all your lawn mowing needs. Most models offer 2 in 1 capability, allowing you to mulch, bag or side discharge grass clippings.

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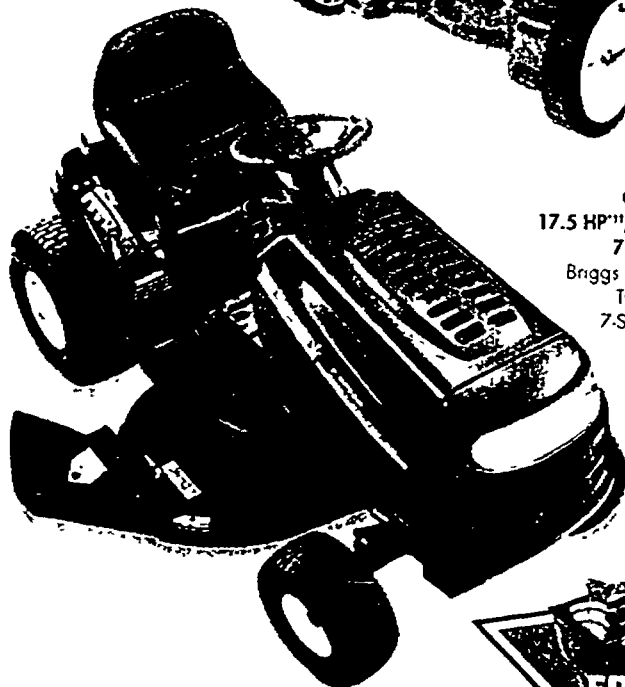
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4.5 HP, 22" 2-IN-1 SIDE DISCHARGE MOWER
Briggs & Stratton® engine, Recoil start system, 2 in 1 mulch and side discharge, optional bagger sold separately. (407875)



\$999

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17.5 HP™, 42" YARD MACHINES®
7-SPEED LAWN TRACTOR
Briggs & Stratton® engine, 42" Twin-Blade Cutting Deck, 7-Speed Shift-On-The-Go™ transmission. (475728)
As rated by engine manufacturer.



10% OFF ALL STRING TRIMMERS**



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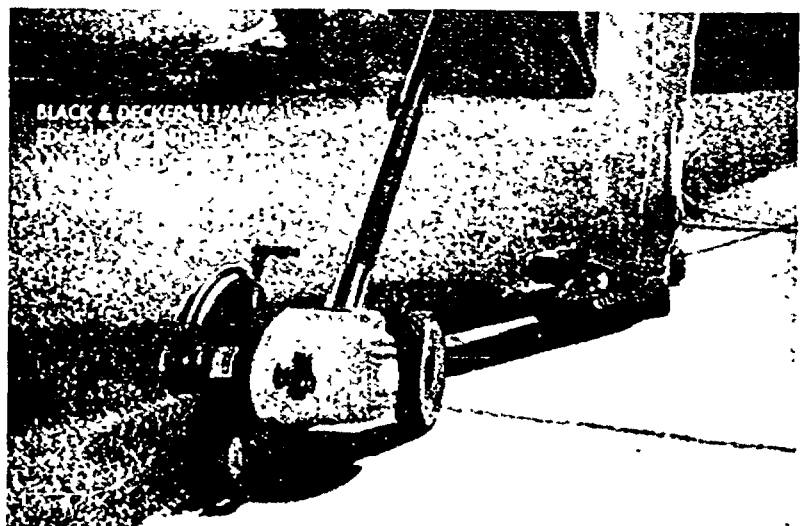
HOMELITE 17" 25CC TRIM N' EDGE™ CURVED SHAFT GAS TRIMMER (440447)



BLACK & DECKER 24" ELECTRIC HEDGE HOG™ TRIMMER (499405)



\$89¹⁰

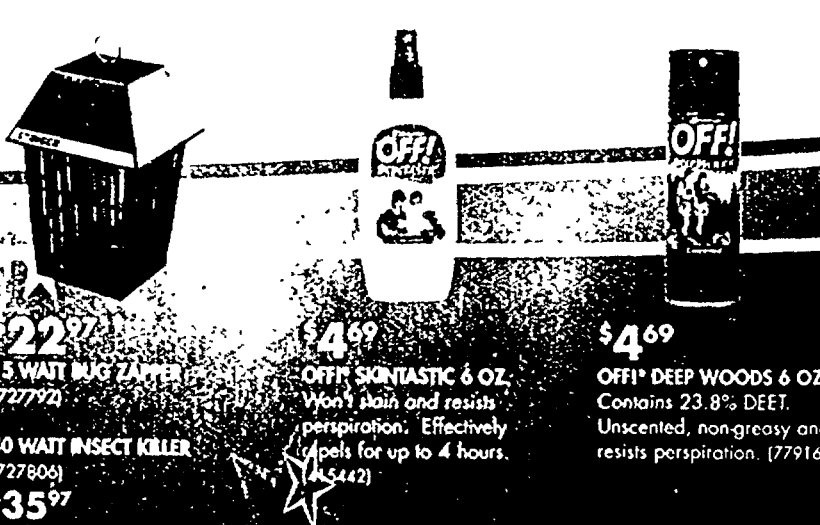


BLACK & DECKER 15 WATT BUG ZAPPER (727792)



\$64⁹⁷
BLACK FLAG PROPANE FOGGER. Dual action kills and repels. (541108)

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AFTER \$25 MFR. MAIL-IN REBATE**
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DEFENDER MOSQUITO MAGNET (220044)



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15 WATT BUG ZAPPER (727792)

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40 WATT INSECT KILLER (727806)

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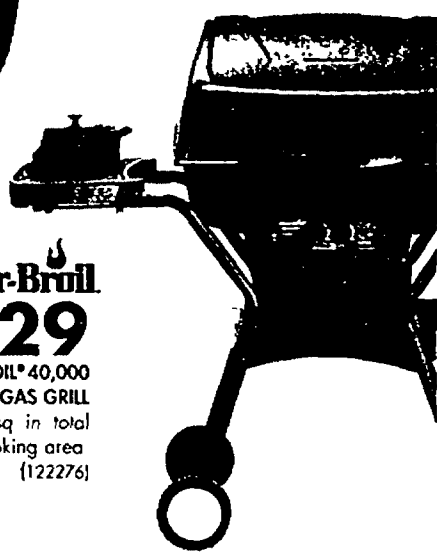
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CHARBROIL® 48,000 BTU PERFORMANCE SERIES™ GAS GRILL WITH SIDE BURNER
 Exclusive patented PrecisionHeat™ cooking system. 675 sq. in. total cooking surface includes 195 sq. in. warming rack. 480 sq. in. primary cooking surface with porcelain cast iron grate. 13,000 BTU stainless steel sideburner. (132026)

Charmglow



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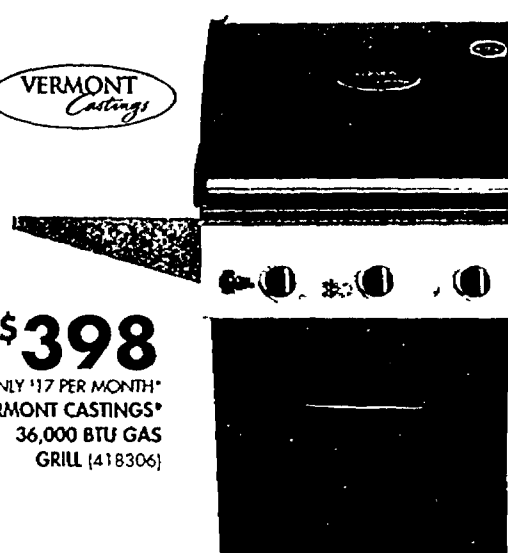
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CHARMGLOW™ 40,000 BTU STAINLESS STEEL GAS GRILL WITH SIDE BURNER (431915)



Char-Broil
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 680 sq. in. total cooking area (122276)

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VERMONT CASTINGS® 36,000 BTU GAS GRILL (418306)

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 Combine 4 dining chairs and a glass tempered top rectangular dining table for a contemporary outdoor dining experience.

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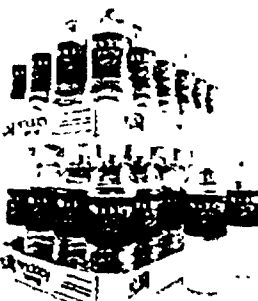
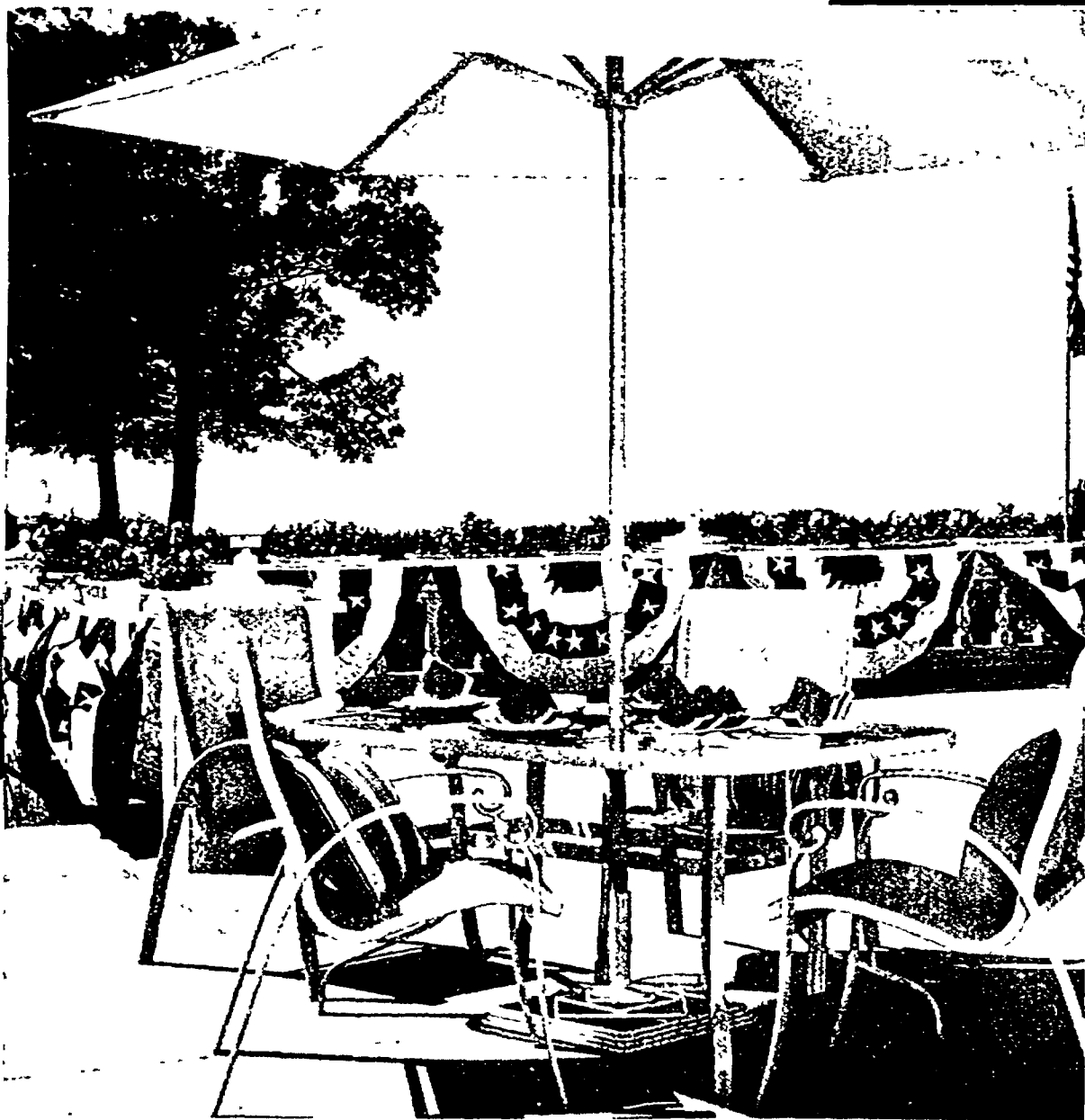
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OFF!™ POWERPAD™ LAMP (312676)

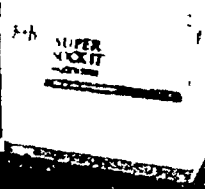
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VERANDA

FREE \$50 GIFT CARD

Receive a \$50 THD gift card by mail-in rebate for every \$500 spent on Veranda products (includes fencing, decking and lattice). Qualifying total is based on pre-tax price. Offer valid on a single receipt purchase. Offer valid on purchases made between 6/22/06 and 7/5/06. Limit 10 per household. See rebate form for complete details.



VERANDA

COMPOSITE DECKING

Veranda is a composite material manufactured using wood fiber and resins. No need for restaining, waterproofing or sanding. Slate Gray (featured) is available in stock; Cascade Redwood, Tuscan Walnut or Buff Cedar colors available through special order. See store for details.

SIZE	8'	12'	16'
5/4"x6"	\$14 ⁹⁷	\$21 ⁹⁷	\$28 ⁹⁷

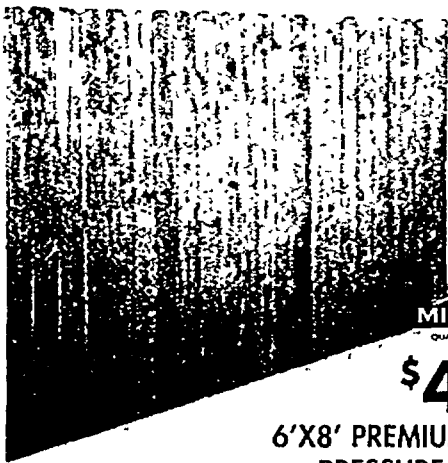


VERANDA

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VERANDA® 6'X6' WINDHAM VINYL FENCE PANEL

Invest in long lasting results with low maintenance vinyl fencing. The never paint finish won't fade, peel or rust. (198354)



MILLSTEAD

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6'X8' PREMIUM NO. 1 PRESSURE TREATED DOG-EARED FENCE PANEL

Durable 5/8"x6" pickets have been treated to resist insects, rot and decay includes three 2"x3" backer rails for stability. (647217)



MILLSTEAD Thompsonized WOOD

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PRESSURE TREATED DECKING

A wood deck is aesthetically pleasing, economical and easy to maintain.

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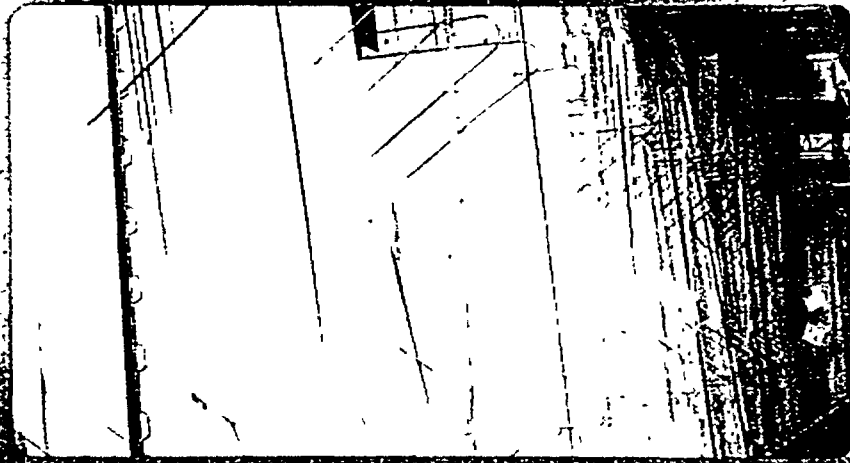
SIZE	8'	10'	12'	16'
5/4"x6"	\$4 ⁹⁷	\$5 ⁹⁷	\$7 ⁹⁷	\$13 ⁹⁷

THOMPSONIZED® PREMIUM TREATED DECKING

SIZE	8'	10'	12'	16'
5/4"x6"	\$7 ⁹⁷	\$8 ⁹⁷	\$11 ⁹⁷	\$15 ⁹⁷

TRIM & FINISH PROJECT BOARDS

We have the size and finish you need for any project. High strength, plus mill finish. It's all in one place. Just one stop to find the right board for your project.



SPECIAL BUY

88¢ ea

1"X2"-8' FURRING STRIP

Used for hanging pegboard, paneling (160954)



SPECIAL BUY

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1"X4"-8' SUPER STRIP

Great project board. Smooth surface on all sides. (667642)



SPECIAL BUY

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1"X12"-8' PINE BOARD

Highline #2 grade. Smooth on four sides. Grade stamped. (445-535)

APPEARANCE GRADE PINE/SPRUCE BOARDS

Highline #2 grade. Smooth on four sides.

SIZE	6'	8'	10'	12'
1"x4"	\$2 ²⁵	\$2 ⁷⁷	\$3 ⁷⁵	\$4 ²⁹
1"x6"	\$3 ⁴⁸	\$4 ⁶⁴	\$5 ⁸⁰	\$6 ³⁹
1"x8"	\$5 ⁴⁹	\$6 ⁷⁵	\$8 ³⁹	\$9 ⁷⁹
1"x10"	\$6 ⁹⁸	\$9 ²⁵	\$10 ⁸⁸	\$13 ⁴⁹
1"x12"	\$8 ⁹⁹	\$5 ⁹⁹	\$13 ⁸⁸	\$15 ⁴⁸



CEDAR BOARD

Naturally resistant to insects, rot and decay. Great for any outdoor project.

SIZE	8'	12'
7/8"x2"	\$2 ⁹⁵	—
7/8"x4"	\$3 ⁹⁸	\$6 ²⁵
7/8"x6"	\$7 ⁸³	\$11 ⁷⁵
7/8"x8"	\$11 ⁹⁷	\$16 ⁹⁵



SELECT PINE BOARDS

SIZE	6'	8'
1"x2"	\$2 ⁷²	\$3 ⁵⁹
1"x4"	\$5 ²⁵	\$6 ⁸⁹
1"x6"	\$10 ⁵⁹	\$13 ⁹⁷
1"x8"	\$13 ²⁵	\$16 ⁹⁷



FURRING STRIP

Used for hanging pegboard, paneling. Smooth surface on all sides.

SIZE	8'	SIZE	8'
1"x2"	88¢	1"x4"	99¢
1"x3"	\$1 ⁵⁹	2"x2"	\$1 ⁸⁸



\$250

2 CU. FT. CYPRESS MULCH (304549)

\$469

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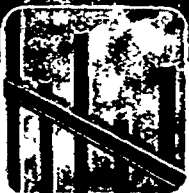
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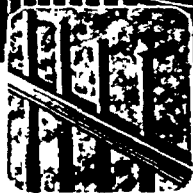
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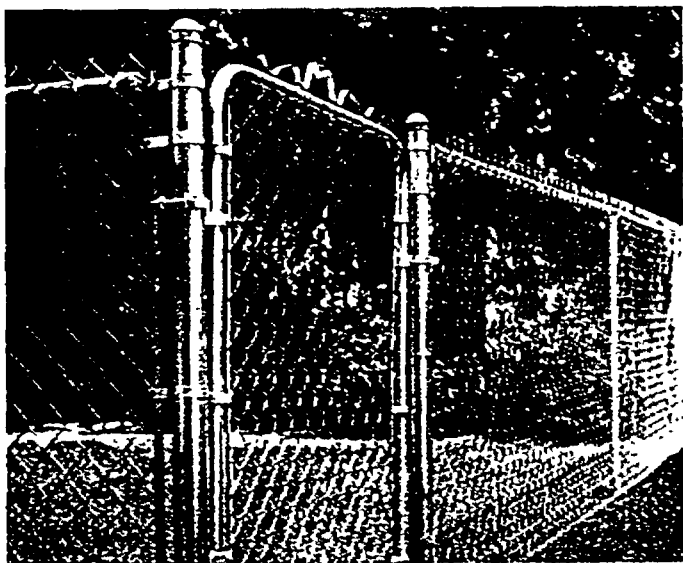
FLAGSTONE CAP (283728)



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20' RESIDENTIAL EDGING (627301)

60' (774421) **\$17.98**



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4'x50'

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11-1/2 gauge, 2-3/8" mesh fabric galvanized for durability. Chain-link systems offer years of maintenance-free, long lasting protection. Easy to install. (373141)

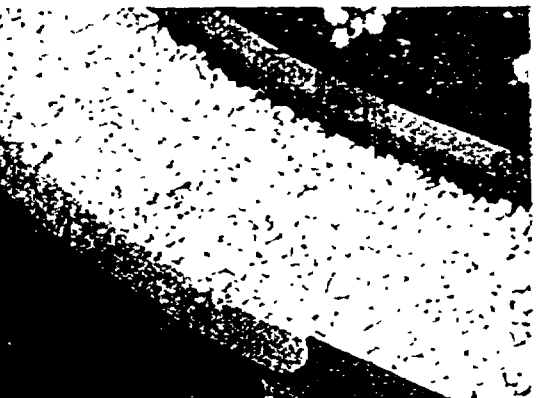
6'x50' (551554) **\$79.97**



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SPECIAL BUY 5 GAL. LATEX-ITE® SAND MIX DRIVEWAY SEALER/FILLER

Rubberized formula. Fills hairline cracks. 2 year warranty. Non-skid formula. (225580)



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EA 12" EDGESTONE RED. Easy to install, durable and maintenance-free! (504216)



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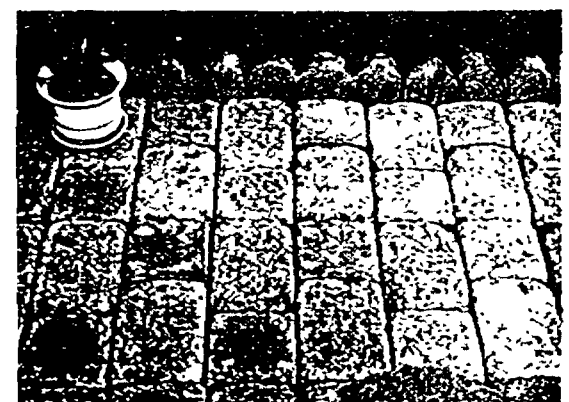
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Premium, no-stir formula. Recommended for all conditions on driveways but works especially well on driveways that have been sealed many times before. (225749)

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PRE-FINISHED WINDOW
WITH LOW-E GLASS**

Low-E glass. Pre-finished white interiors
Grilles sold separately. 2436 (238416)

SIZE	SKU	PRICE
2440	(238519)	\$175
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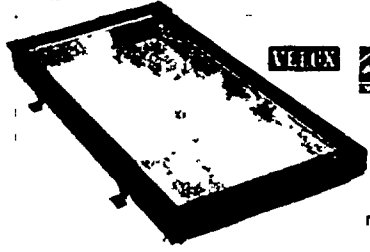
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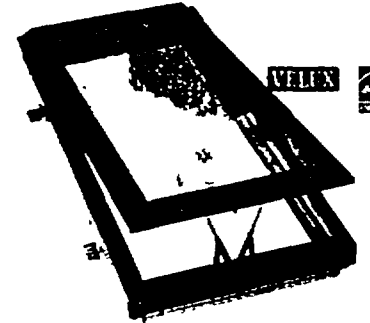
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**FIXED SKYLIGHT
WITH LOW-E GLASS**

Premium wood construction with maintenance-free aluminum exterior. Skylight window coverings also available. 21-1/2"x46-3/8". FS106 (588175)



\$293

**VENTILATING SKYLIGHT
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Tight, weatherproof close. Scissor operator for easy opening and maximum ventilation. 21-1/2"x38-1/2". VS104 (166522)



\$94

**SERIES 2900 SINGLE-HUNG VINYL
WINDOW WITH LOW-E GLASS**

Features Low-E glass for energy savings. Sash tilts in for easy cleaning. Low-maintenance vinyl never needs painting. Screen is included. Lifetime warranty. 2030 (828264)

SIZE	SKU	PRICE
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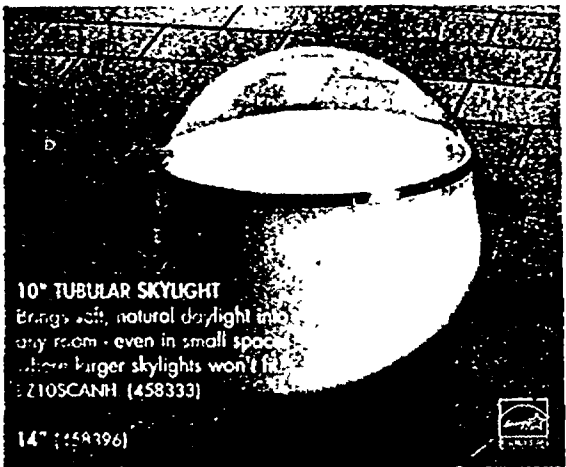


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**SERIES 3000 VINYL WINDOW
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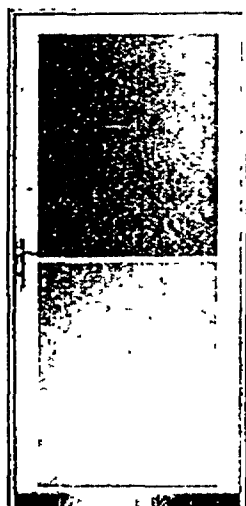


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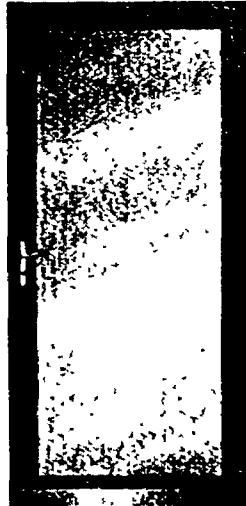


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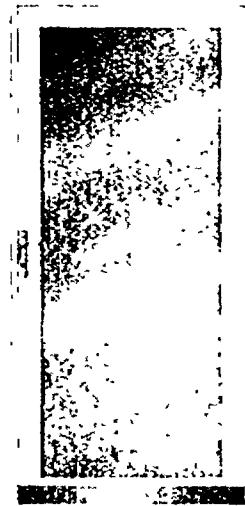


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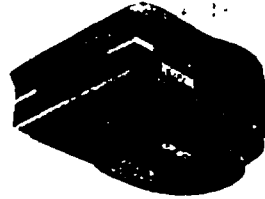
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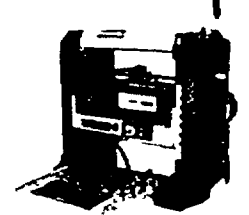
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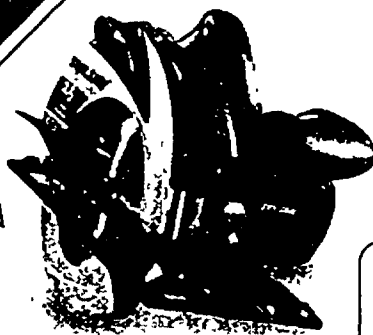
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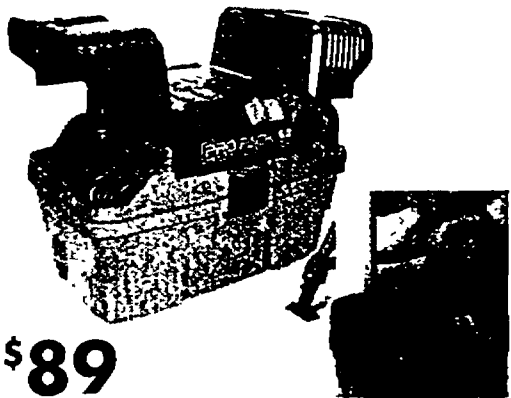


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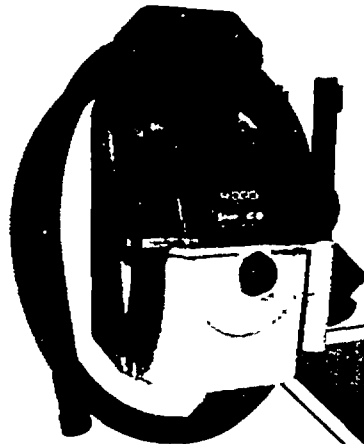


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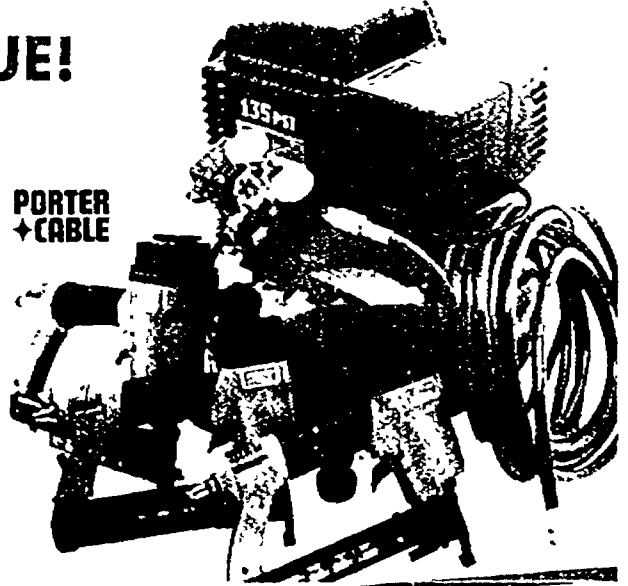
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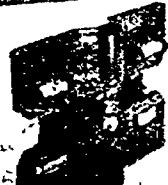
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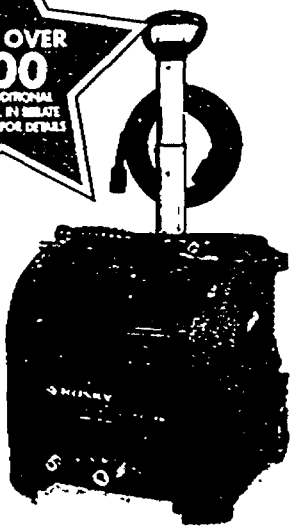
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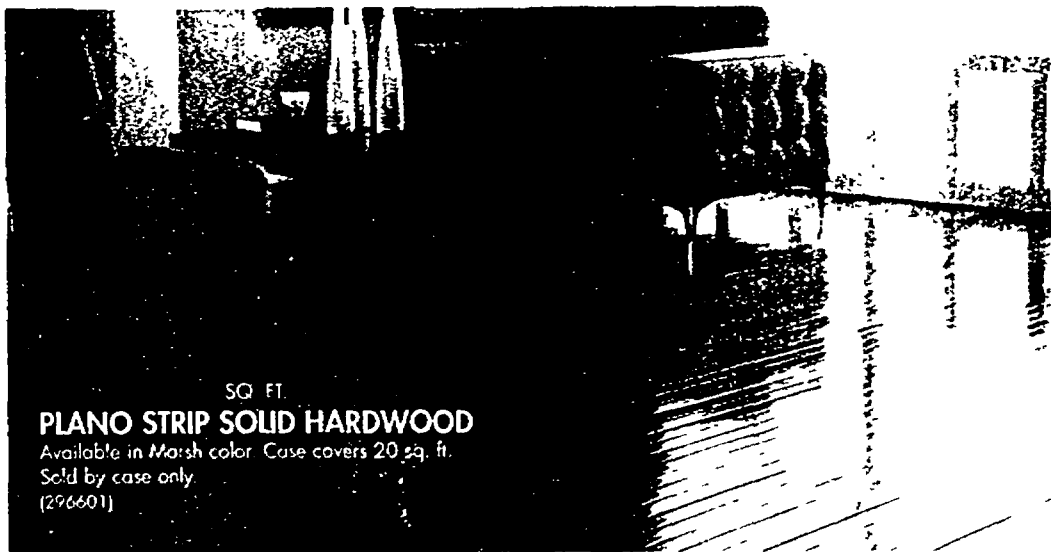
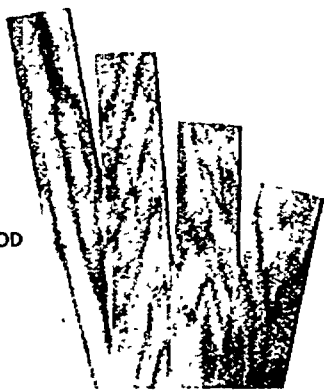
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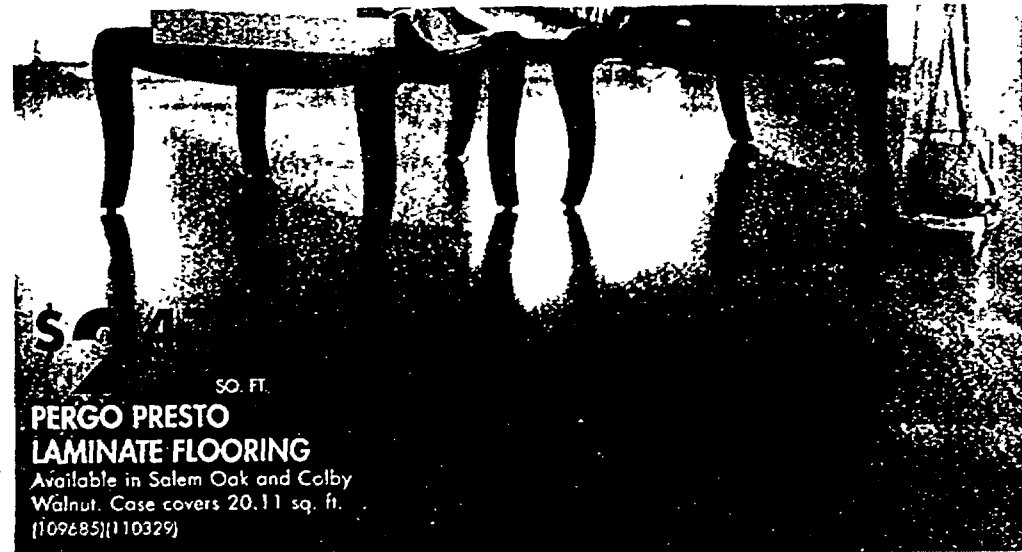
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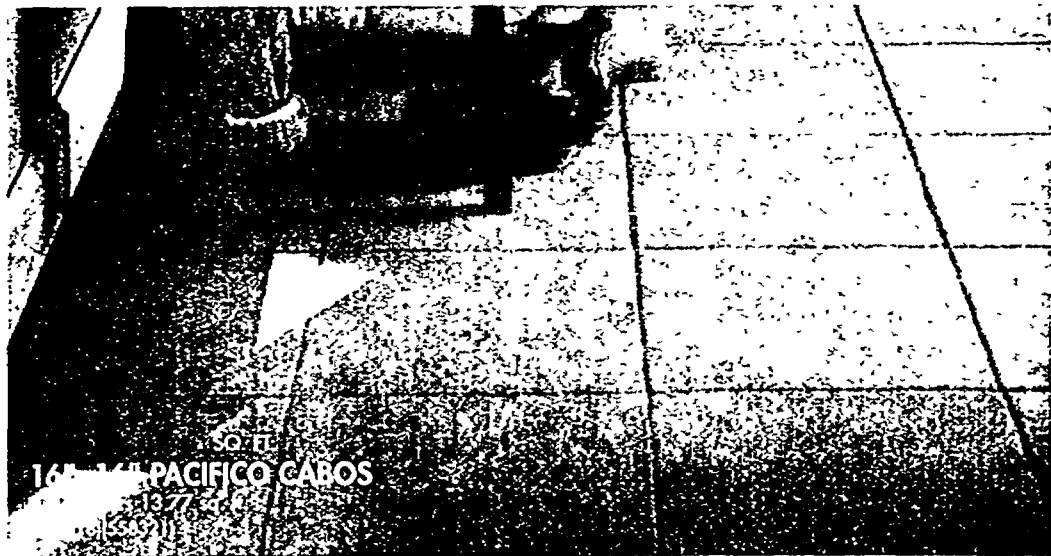
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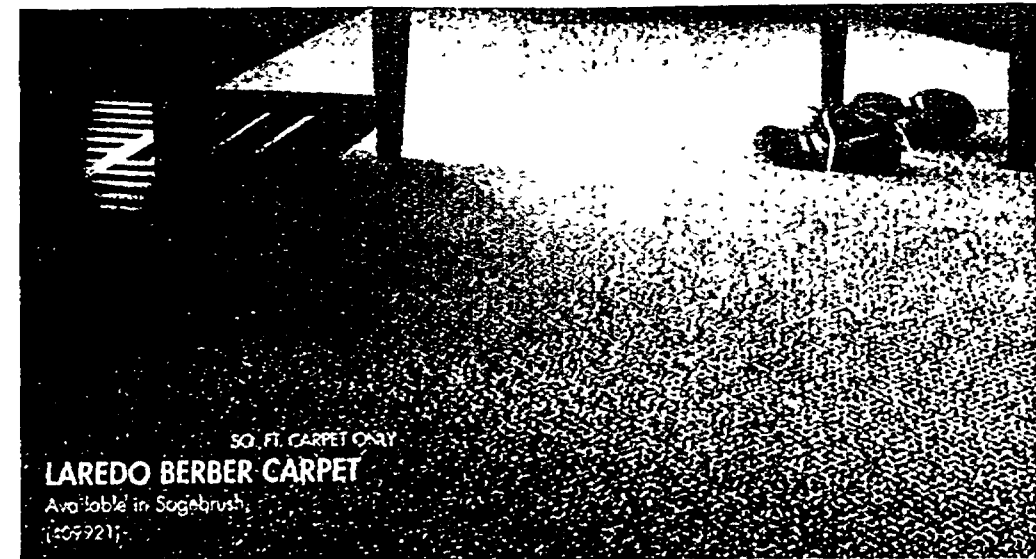
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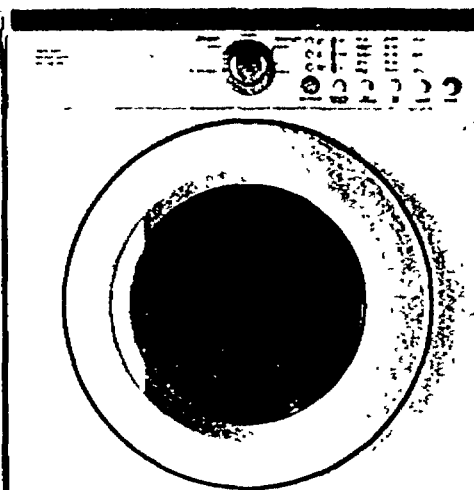
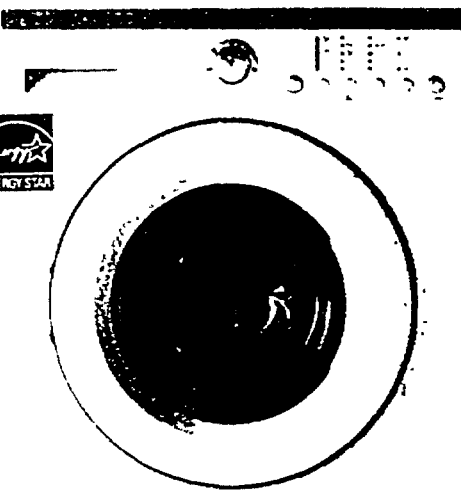
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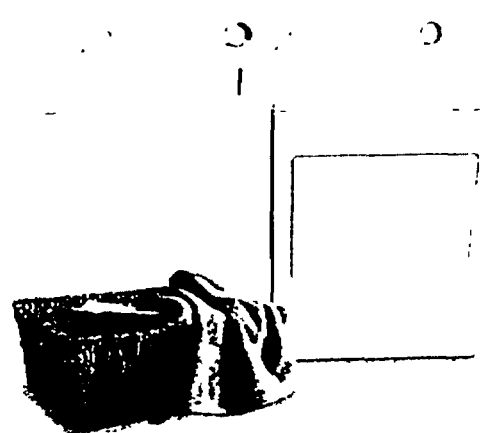
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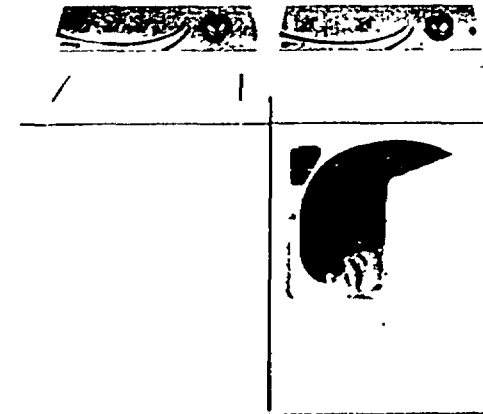
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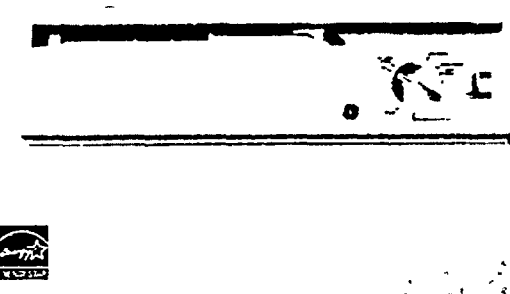


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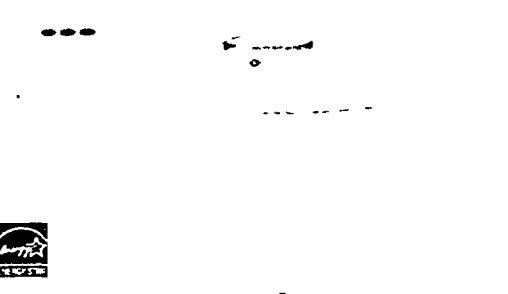
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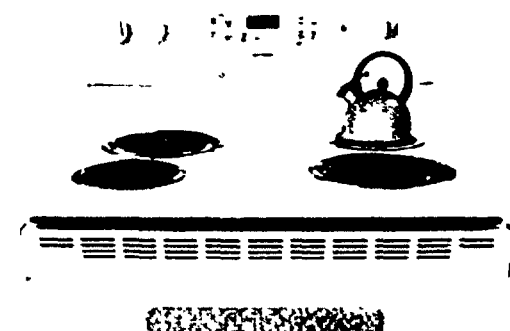


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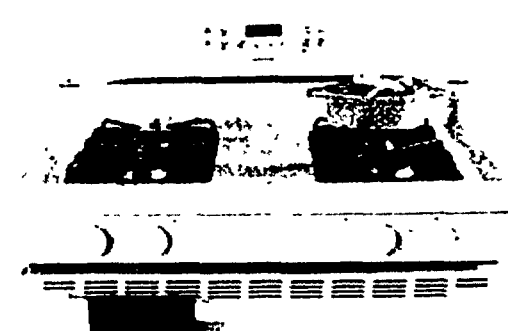
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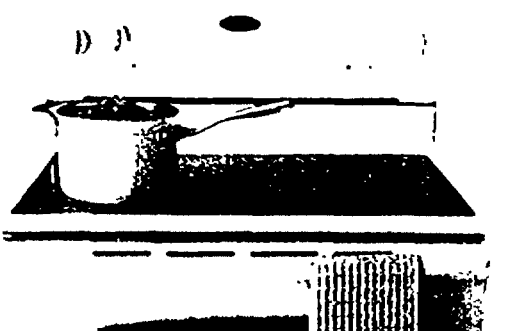


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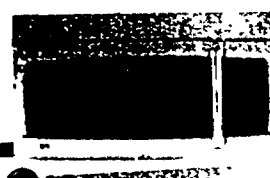
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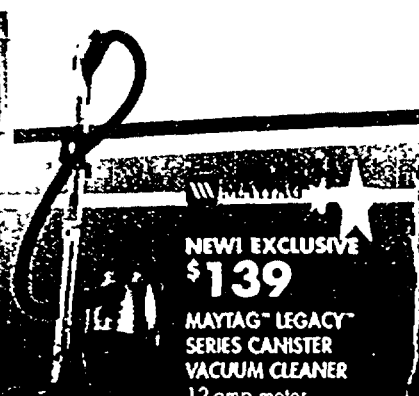
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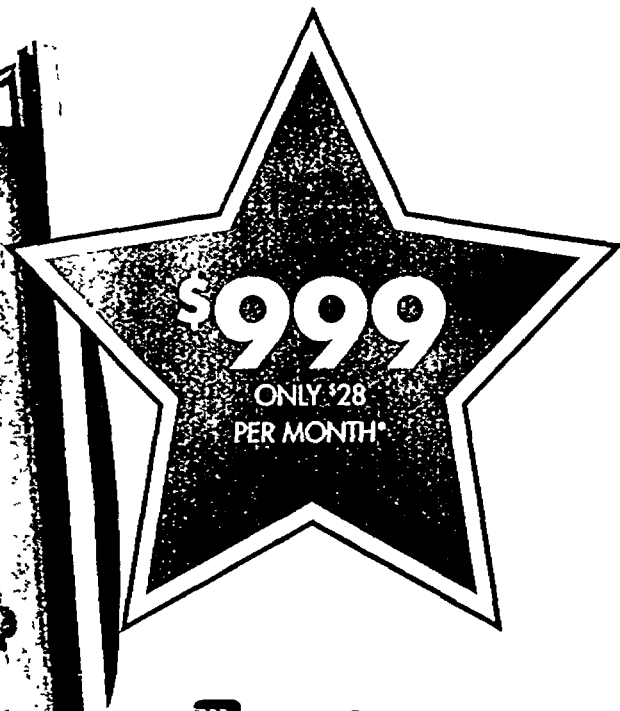


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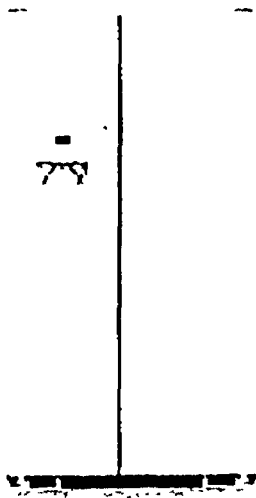
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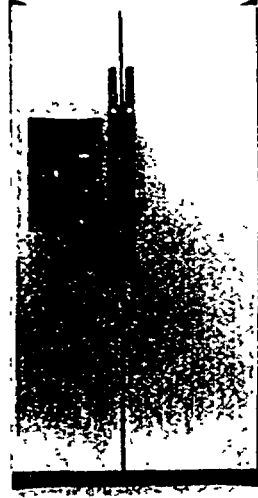
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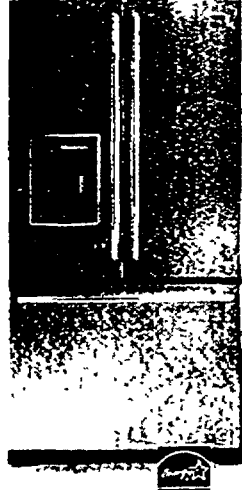
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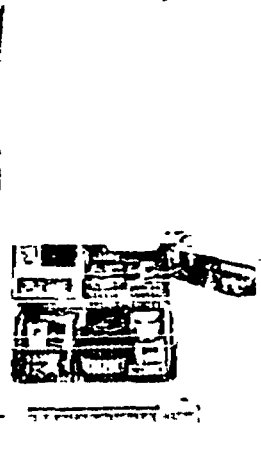
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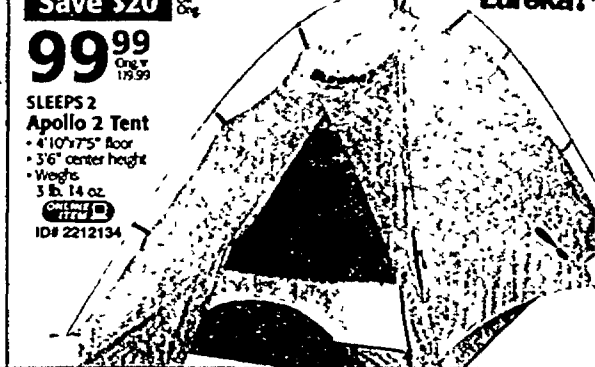


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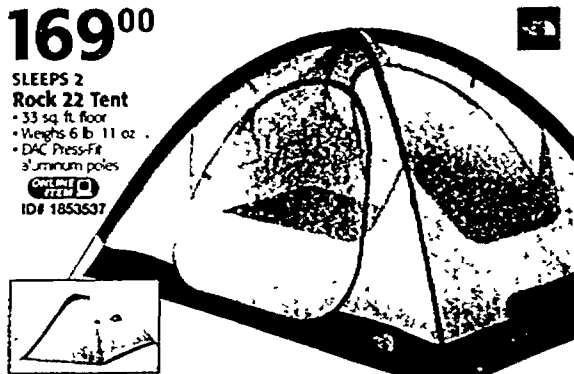
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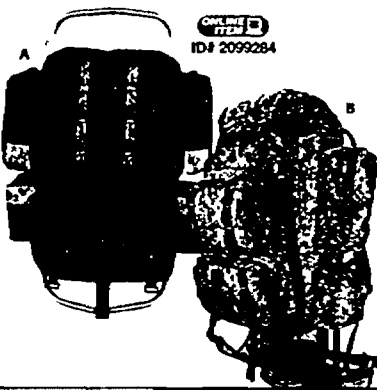
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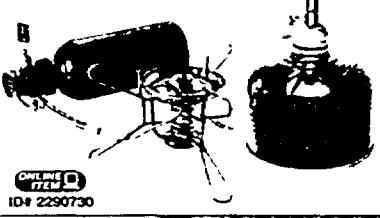
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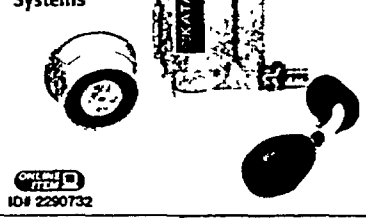
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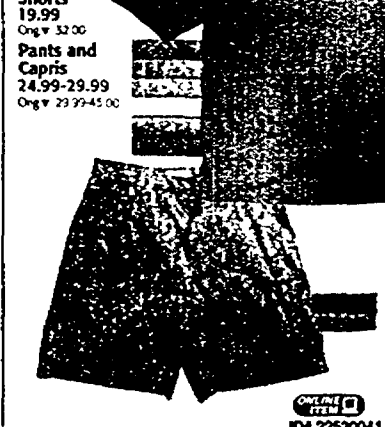


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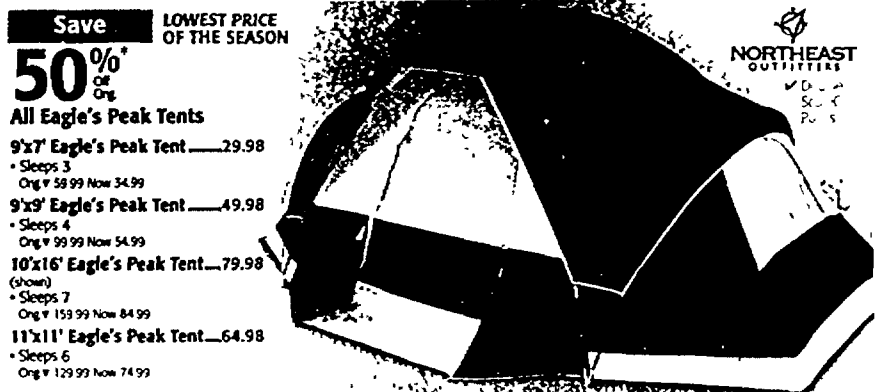
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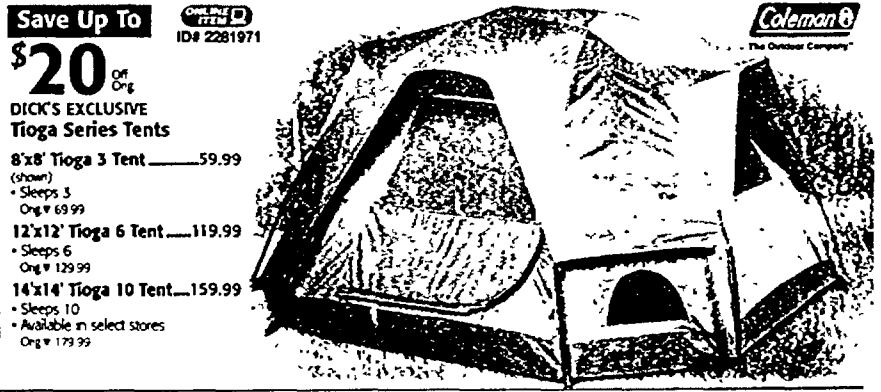
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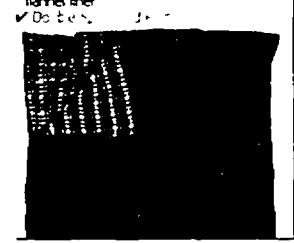
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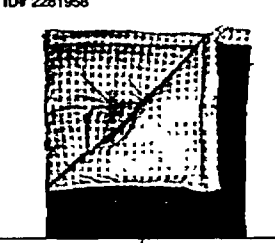
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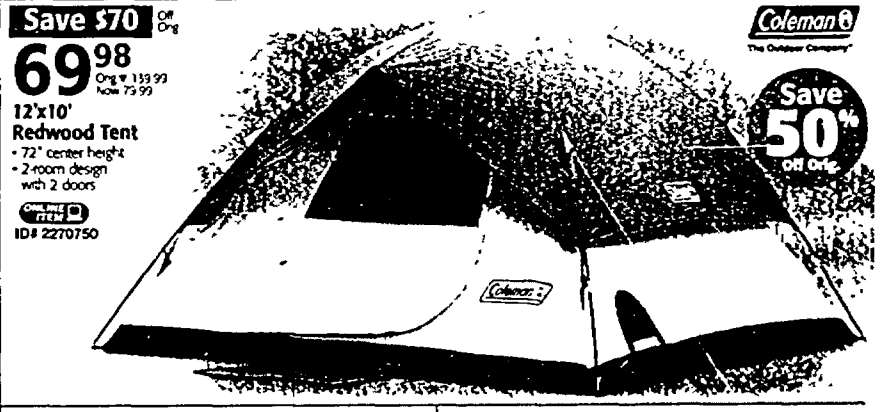
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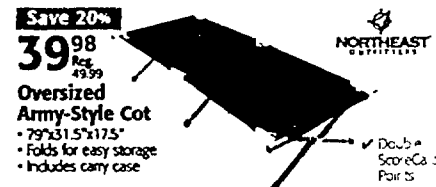
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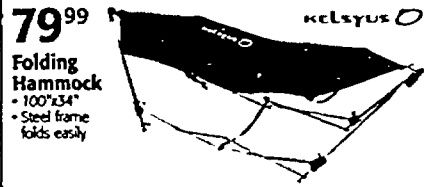
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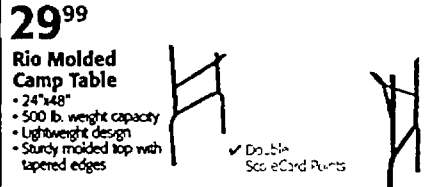
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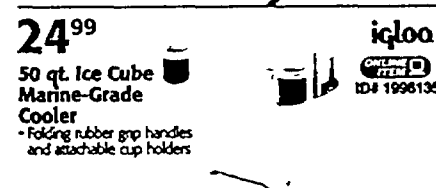
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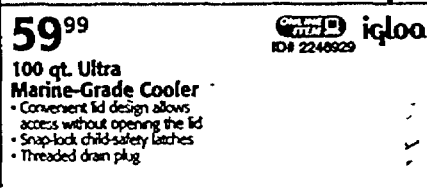
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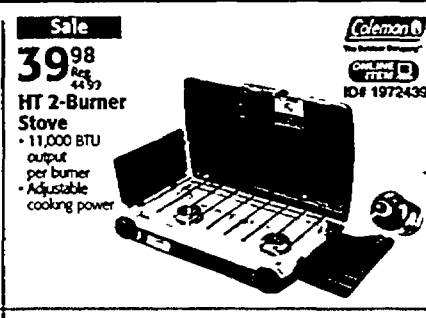
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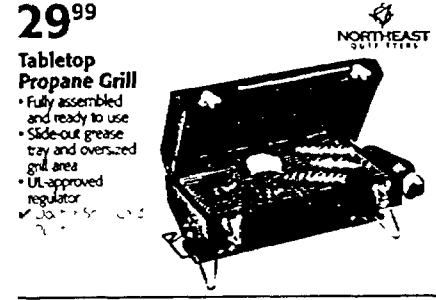
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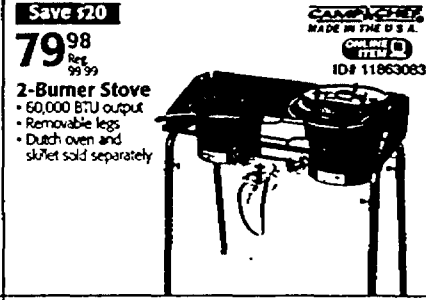
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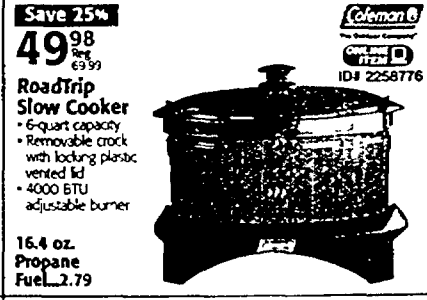
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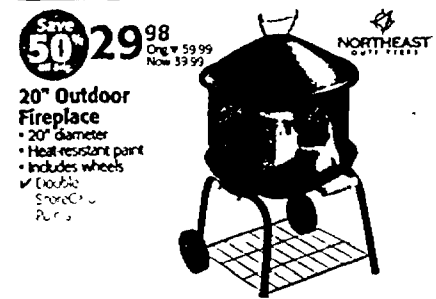
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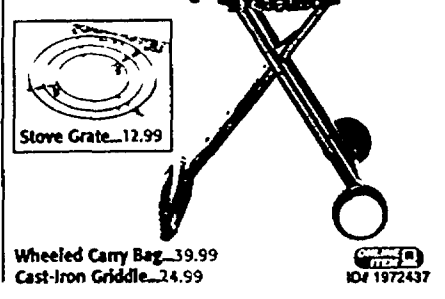
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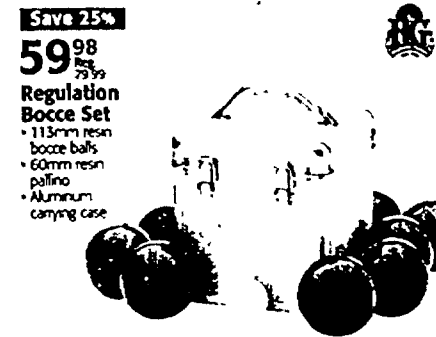
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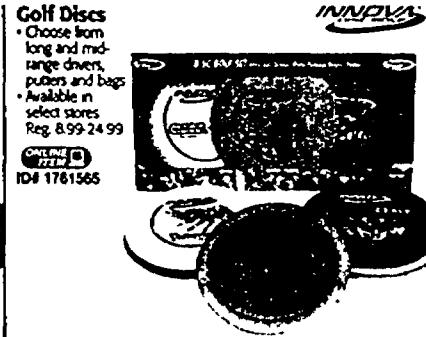
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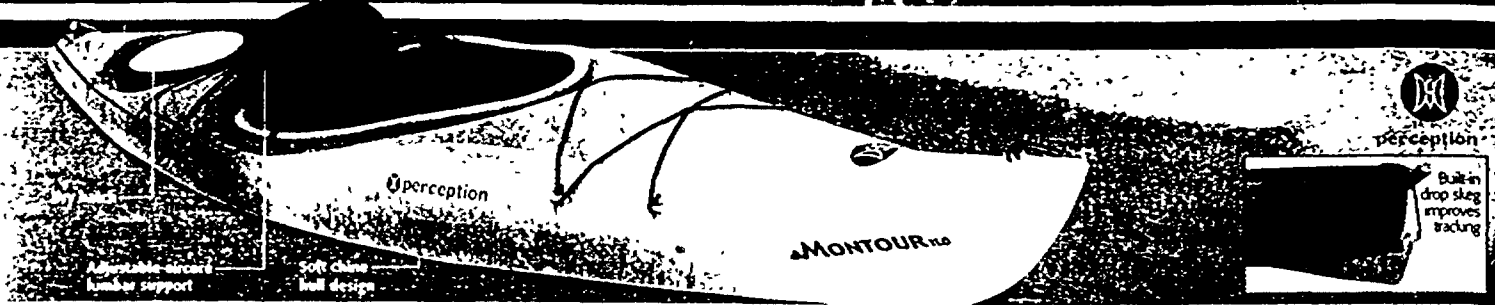
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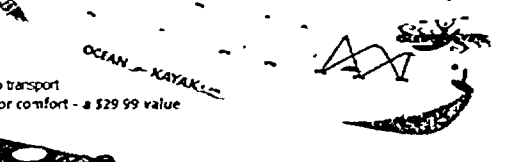
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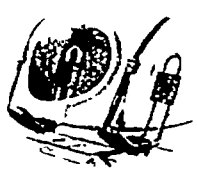
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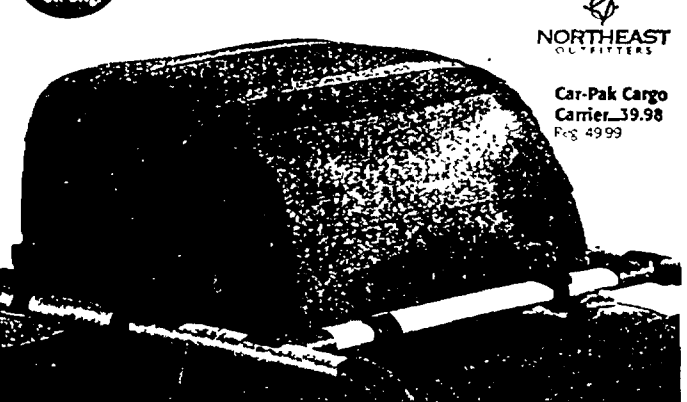


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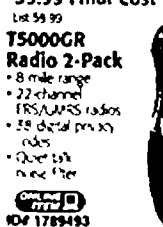
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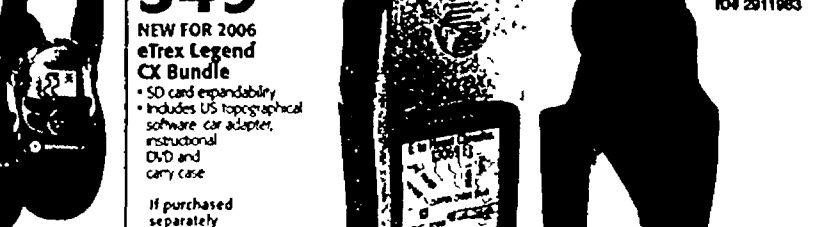
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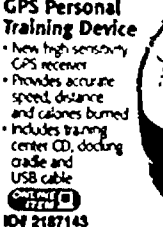
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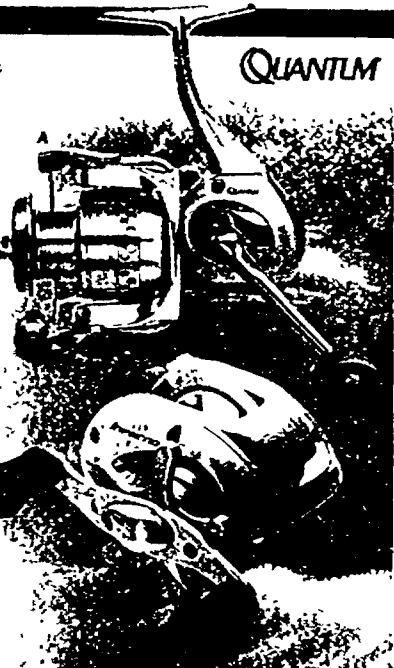
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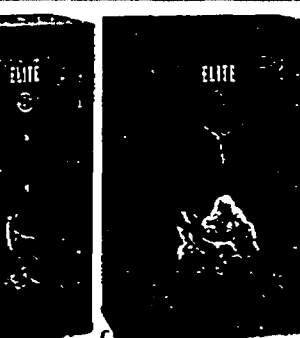
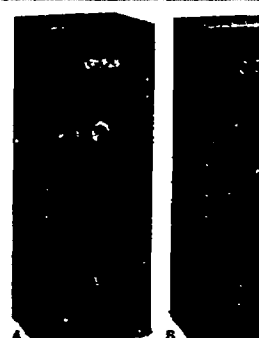
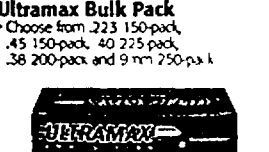
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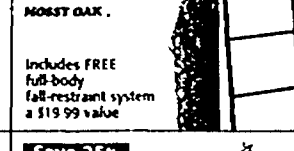
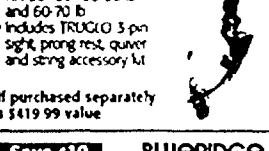
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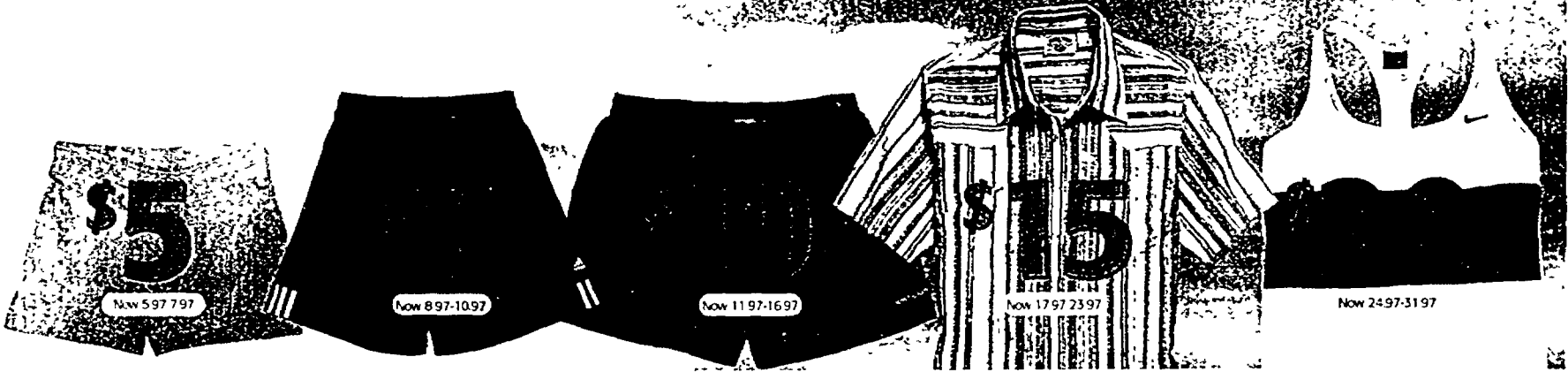
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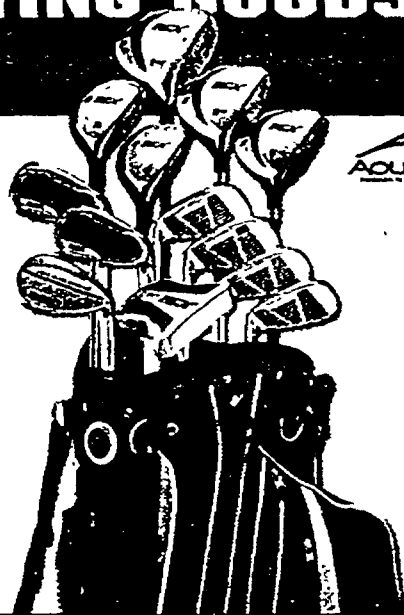
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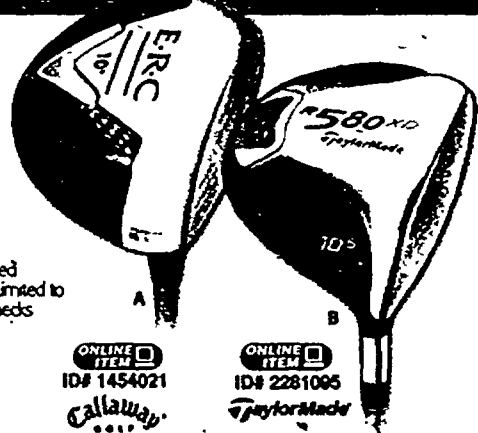
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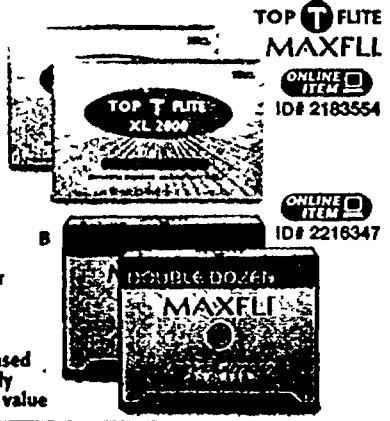
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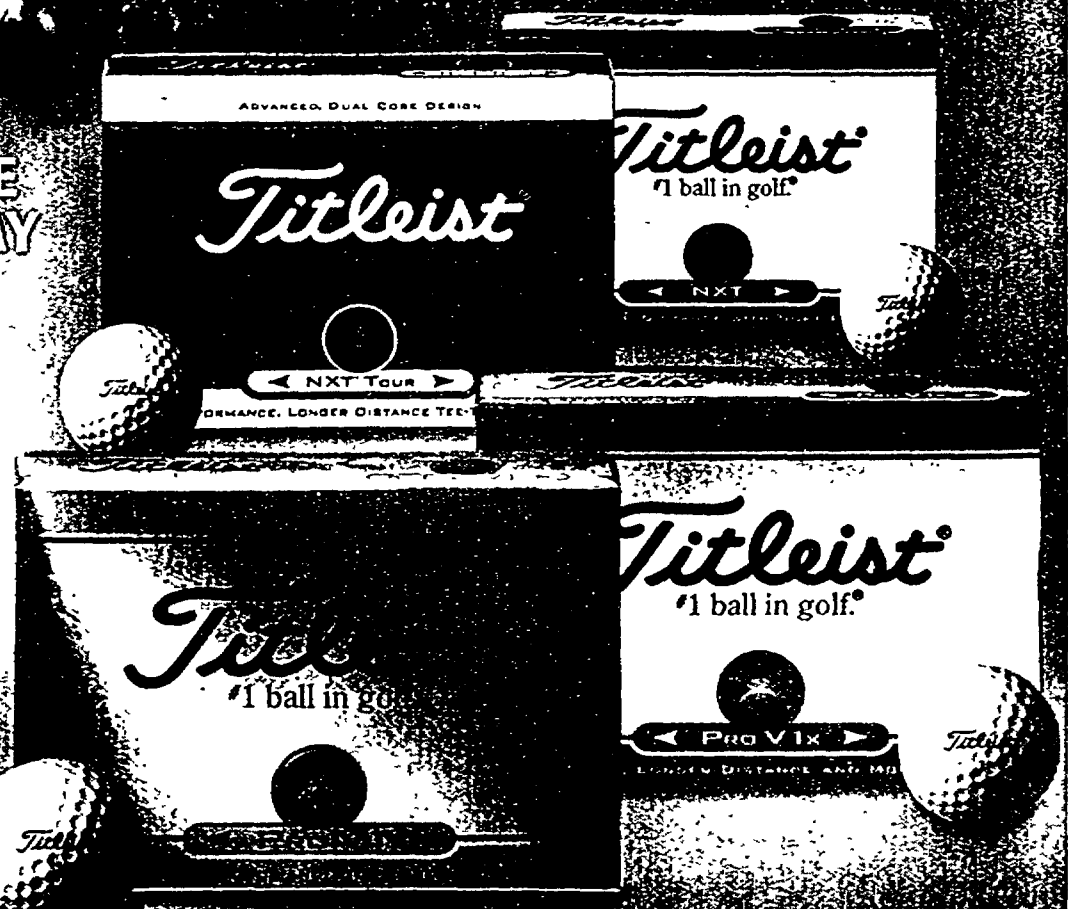
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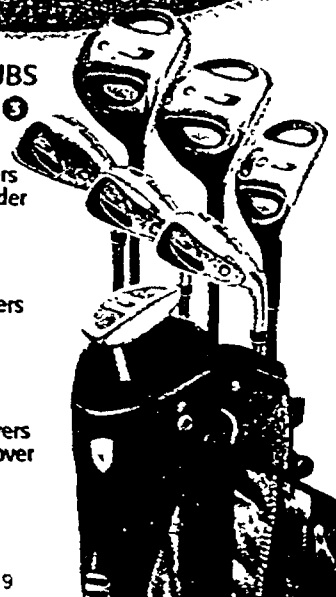
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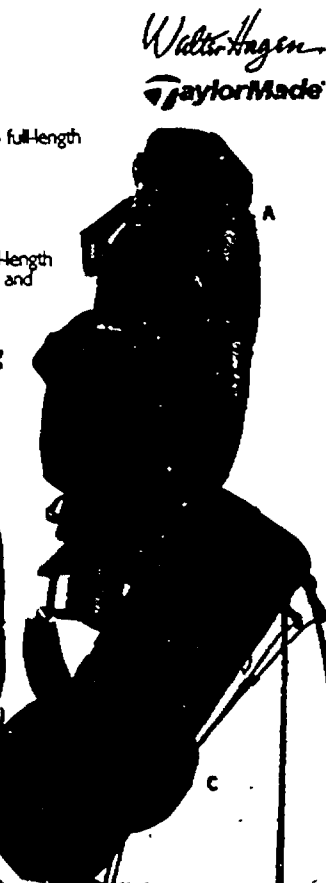
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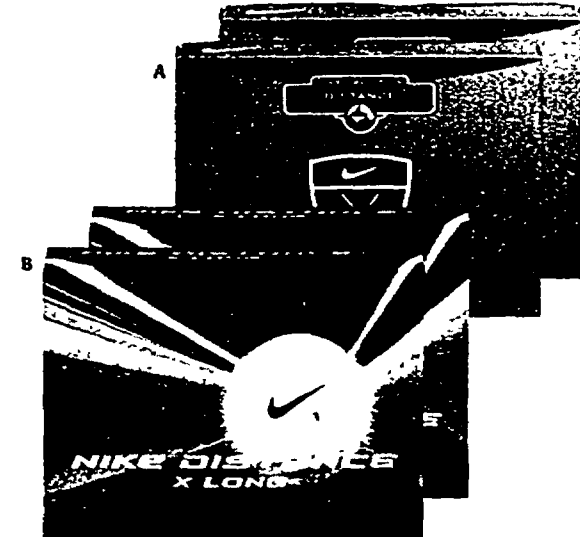
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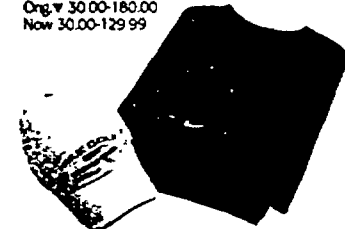
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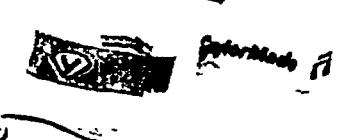


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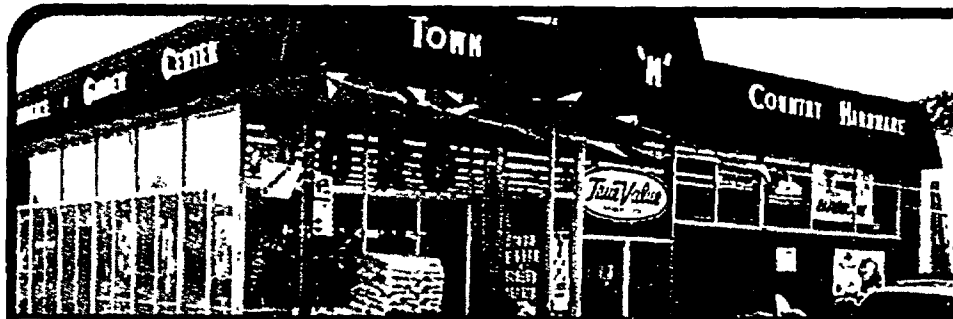
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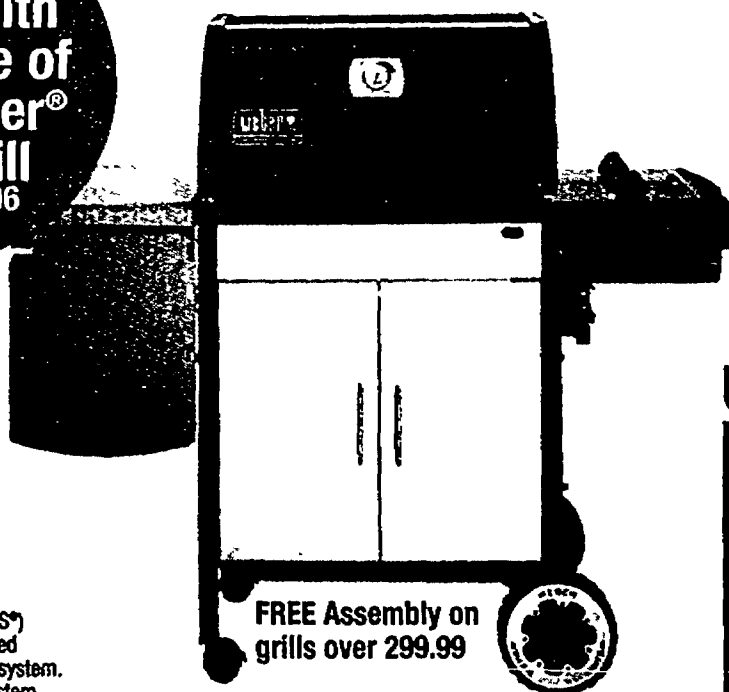
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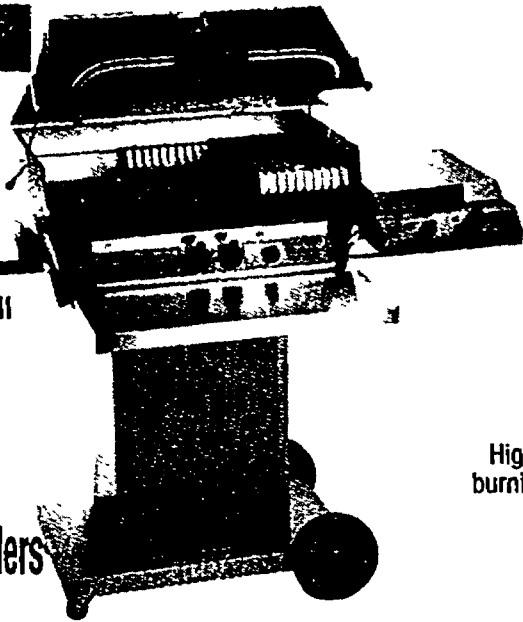
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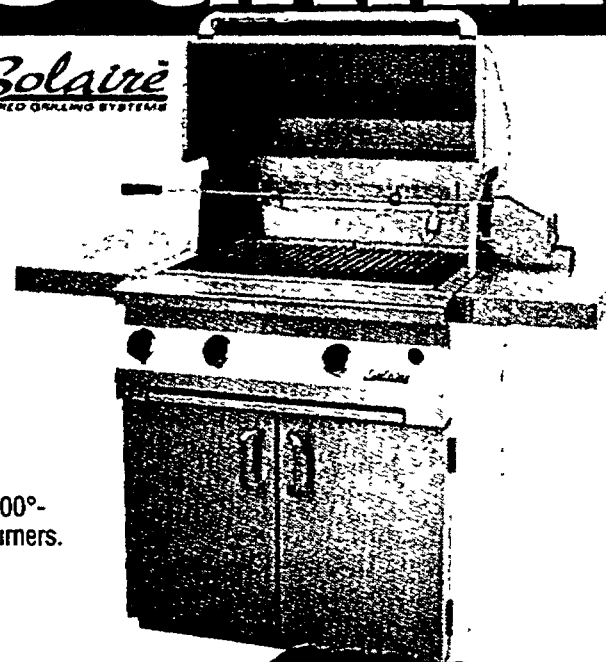
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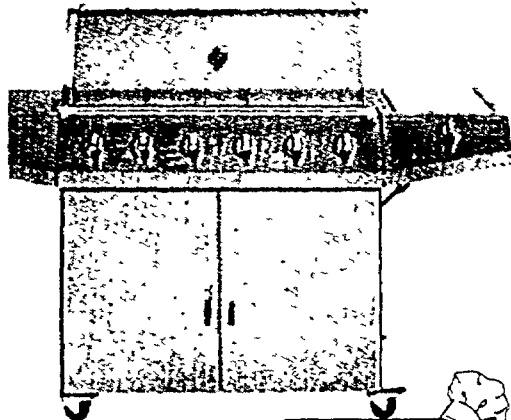
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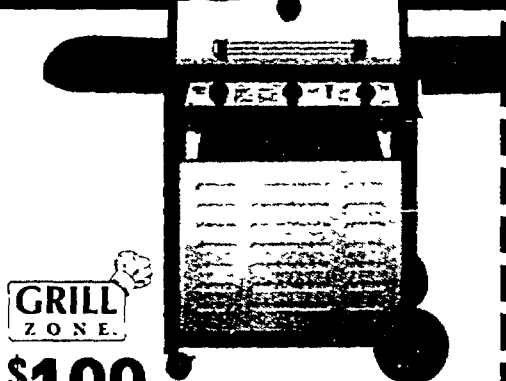


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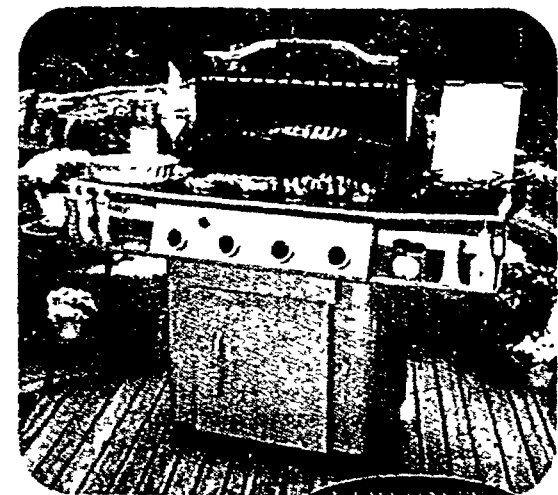
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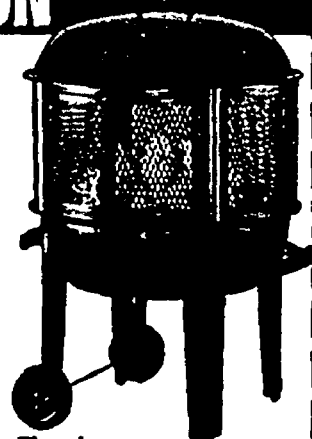
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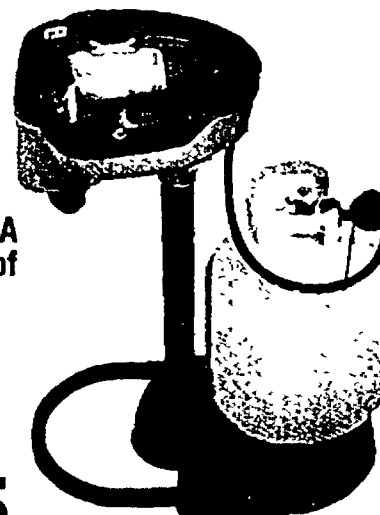
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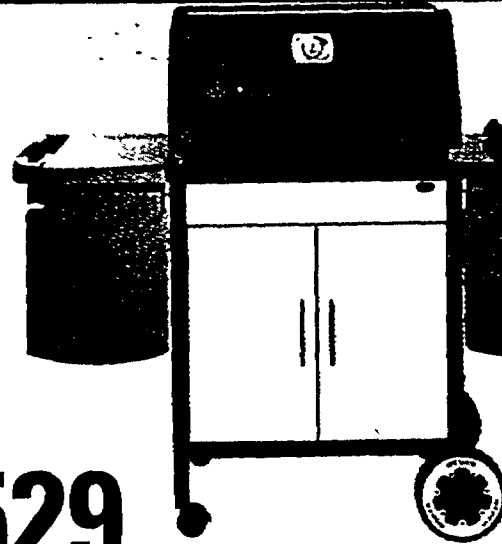
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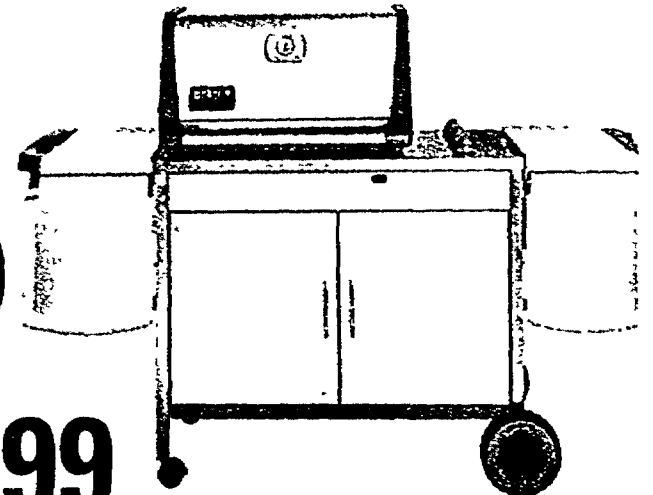
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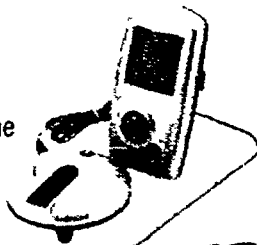


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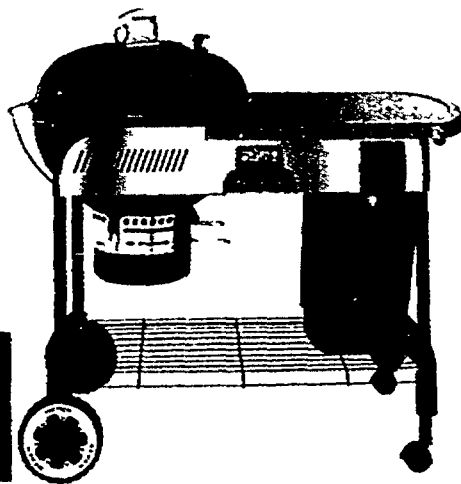
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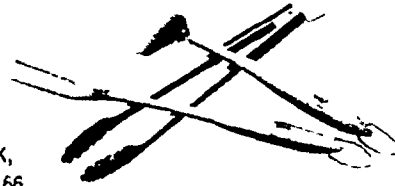


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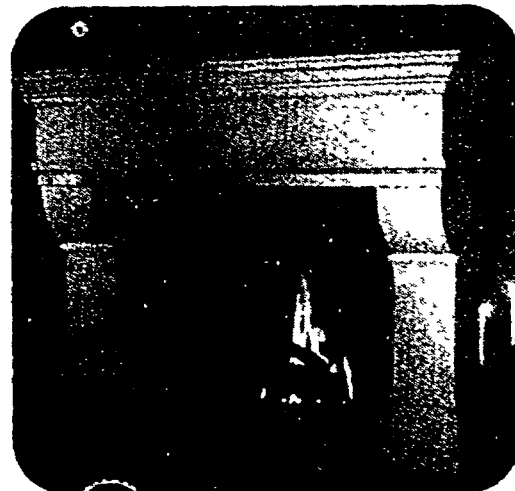
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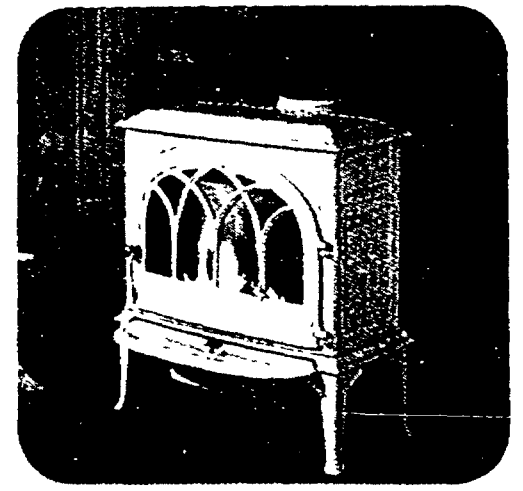


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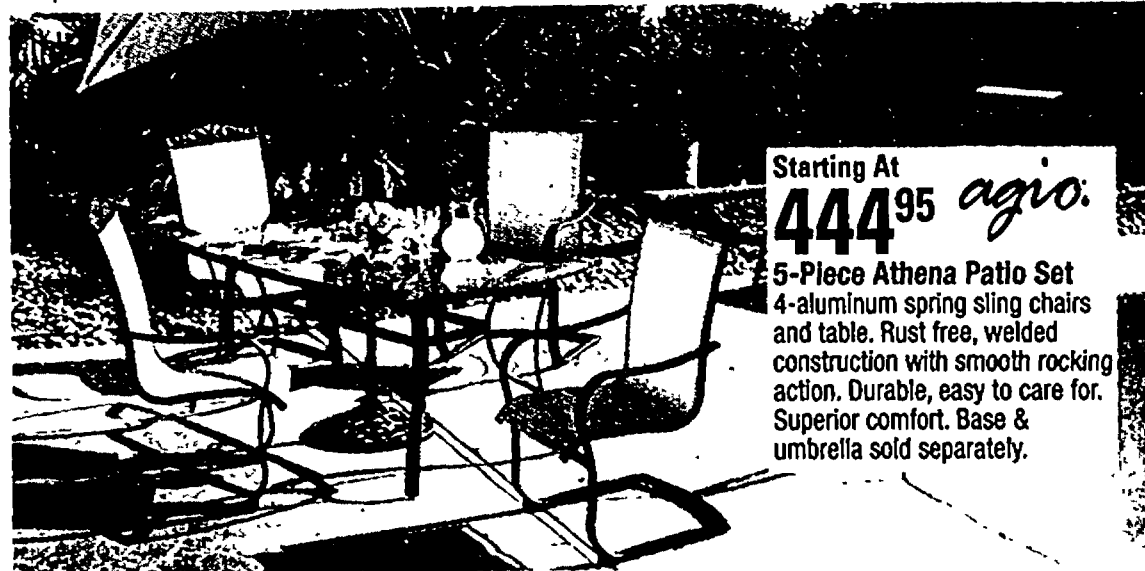


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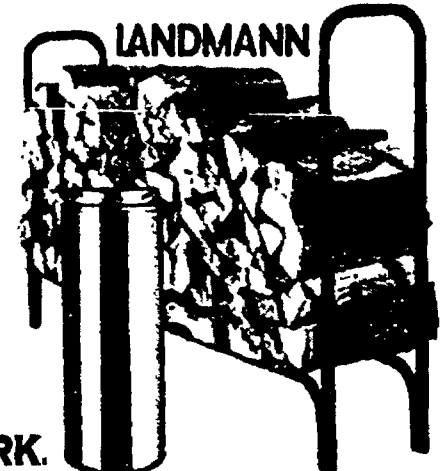
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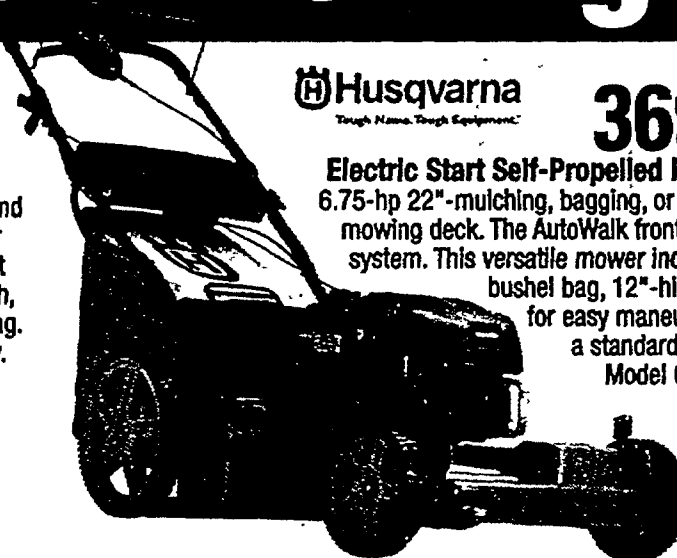


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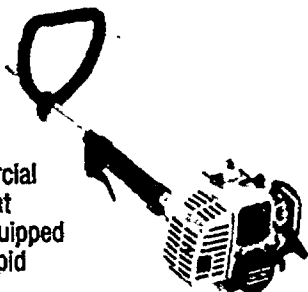
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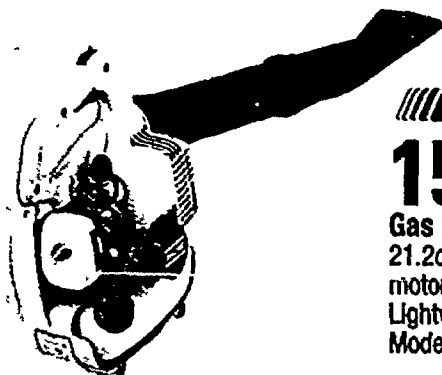
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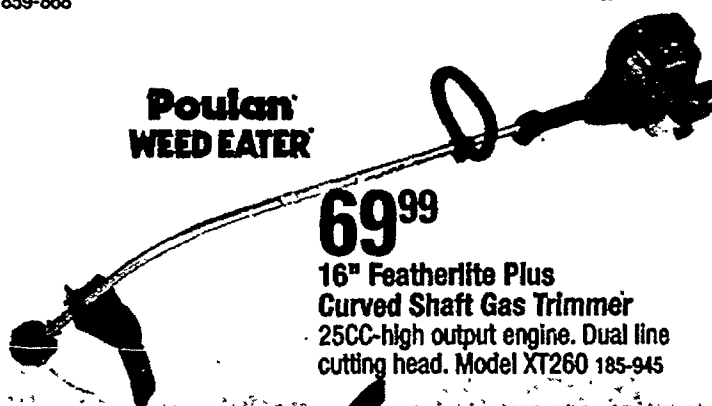
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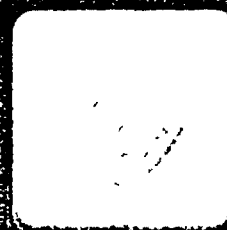
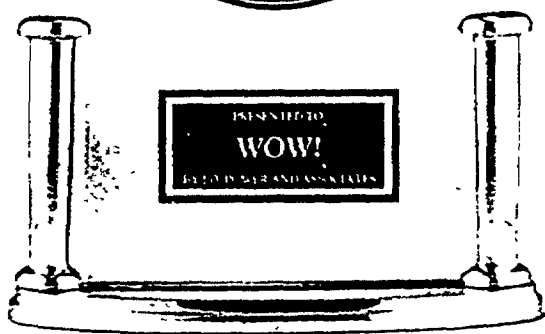
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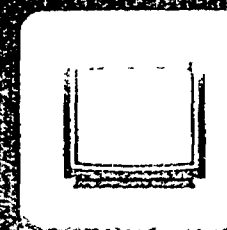
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Q: What can you tell me about Jim Cantore?

—Debra C. Tussey, South Lake Tahoe, Calif.

Cantore, a field weatherman who started working for The Weather Channel fresh out of college 15 years ago, frequently is dispatched to cover "extreme weather"—chasing tornadoes, riding out blizzards or waiting on monster hurricanes to make landfall. While he doesn't worry about being in harm's way, he knows his wife and two kids are concerned. "But they know that daddy won't be happy," Cantore says, "unless he's out swashbuckling in a storm."

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Q: Is the Scott Grimes on ER the same Scott Grimes who has an album out?

—Mary Daly, Lebanon, Mo.

Yes, they are the same. Massachusetts-born Grimes, 34, began his career at age 10 as a singer on Broadway and later traveled with Bob Hope on USO tours. As an actor, he had roles on TV's *Party of Five* and *Band of Brothers* and in the movies *Crimson Tide*, *Critters* and *Mystery, Alaska*. Portraying Dr. Archie Morris on *ER* for the past three years, he's also managed to keep together a band, Scott Grimes and the Misdemeanors (of which his wife, Dawn, also is a member), touring and performing on weekends. Last year, Grimes released a CD called *Luvin' on the Run*.



Scott Grimes on *ER*

Q: I've fallen for Kari Matchett, who plays the brainy, beautiful Dr. Underlay on *Invasion*. What can you tell me about her, including how to correctly pronounce her name?

—S. Cherry, Findlay, Ohio

The *Invasion* actress (who pronounces her name KAH-ree MATCH-it) was born in rural Spalding, Saskatchewan, where passing motorists today can see a sign welcoming them to her birthplace. Matchett, 35, attended theatrical school in Montreal and later Russia, and began working almost immediately after graduation in television on the A&E mini-series *Five Days to Midnight*, the CBS movie *A Very Merry Christmas*, the Sci-Fi Network series *Earth Final Conflict* and the FOX-TV series *Wonderfalls*. For her biggest role yet, in the aliens-among-us series *Invasion*, she relocated earlier this year to Los Angeles, where she enjoys running, yoga and living half a block from something she never had back in Saskatchewan: a beach. ☆



Kari Matchett stars in TV's *Invasion*.

Q: What can you tell us about Guy Mitchell?

—Mary Bona, Sequim, Wash.

Mitchell, whose 1950s hits include "My Heart Cries for You" and "The Roving Kind," was born Al Cernick in Detroit, the son of Yugoslavian immigrant parents. His last No. 1, "Heartaches by the Number," came in 1959. He also had a handful of acting roles, most notably in the movies *Those Redheads from Seattle* (1953) and *Red Garters* (1954). He died in 1999 at age 72.



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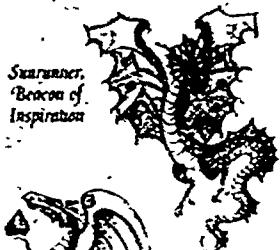
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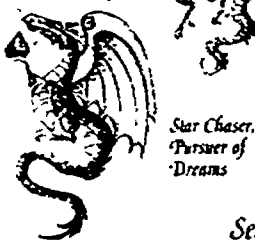
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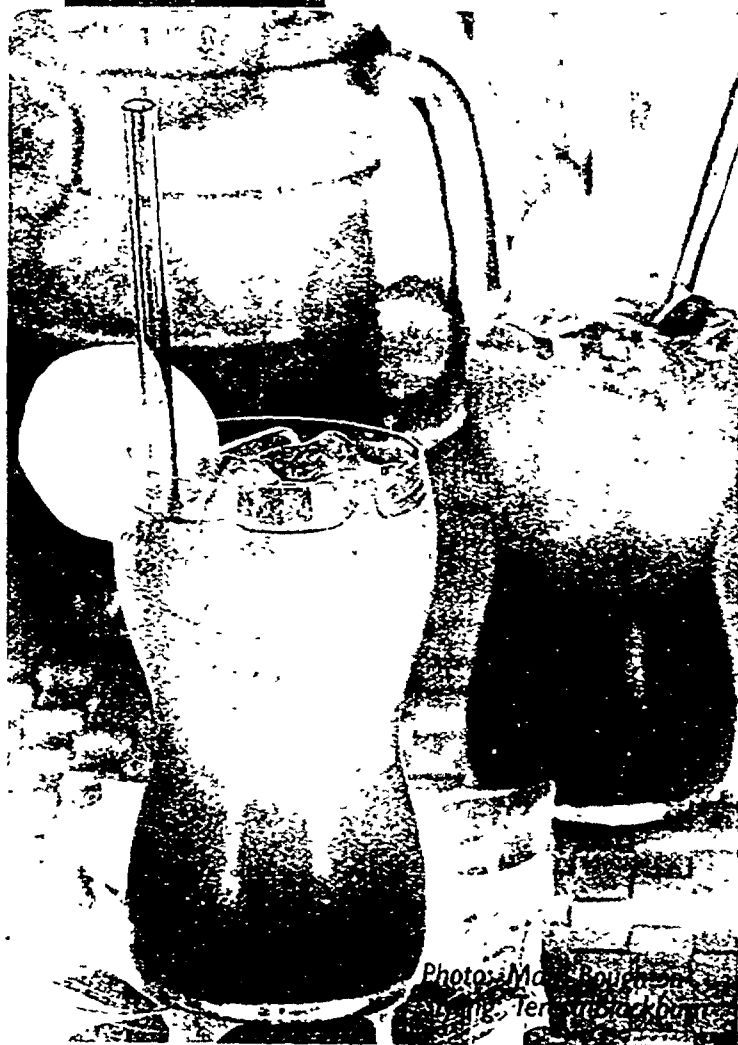
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RECIPE: Pitcher Punch



Pitcher Punch

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- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Dash of salt

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J. B. Robert Murphy, N.C.

Boil 2 cups water and pour over tea bags in a glass container. Steep for 20 minutes. Squeeze juice from lemons, reserving juice and rinds. In a large pot, bring remaining 2 cups water to a boil. Add lemon rinds to boiling water. Add sugar. Simmer until slightly thickened, about 10 minutes. Remove from heat and remove lemon rinds. Let cool. Squeeze and remove tea bags. Combine lemon-sugar syrup and tea. Strain reserved lemon juice and add to tea mixture along with vanilla, almond extract and salt. Mix well and refrigerate. To serve, pour 1/3 to 1/2 cup mixture over ice and top with about 1/2 cup of water. Yields 5 and 1/3 cups tea mixture.

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Q. What is the technology behind the CoolAir 3000?

A. The CoolAir 3000 is an evaporative cooler which produces effective cooling by combining the natural process of water evaporation with a simple reliable air moving system, like a fan or a blower.

Q. How does evaporative cooling work?

A. If you wet your arm and blow air on it your skin feels cooler. That's evaporative cooling. In an evaporative cooler, outside air is pulled through moist pads where it is cooled by evaporation. Evaporation is an endothermic reaction, it absorbs heat. So the air that goes through the pads has had heat absorbed out of it. This cooler air is then circulated through the room by a blower. The pads are kept moist by the water you pour into the water tank.

Q. How effective is the evaporative cooling?

A. On the average, the CoolAir 3000 can lower the temperature 12-20 degrees. With optimum conditions, it can lower temperatures as much as 35 degrees. A great deal

depends on the humidity in the air. Evaporative coolers work best when humidity is below 50%.

Q. Why does an evaporative cooler save so much electricity?

A. Because the technology is so basic, the electricity is used mainly to run the fan or blower. This takes about the same amount of electricity as using a lightbulb. In air conditioning, for instance, the electricity must power a compressor which is much more complex and involves high energy usage.

Q. How does the CoolAir 3000 clean the air?

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Air purifiers can cost hundreds of dollars but with one CoolAir 3000, you get a top quality air purifier as part of the package.

Q. Why would a person choose a CoolAir 3000 over a portable air conditioner?

A. The biggest reason is cost. The CoolAir 3000 costs under \$200 while portable air conditioners run between \$450.00 and \$799.00. As mentioned, air conditioners can also use at least 4 times as much electricity as air coolers.

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Q. Can I use the CoolAir 3000 in conjunction with other cooling devices?

A. That is the way many people are using the CoolAir 3000. People who have whole house air conditioning use the CoolAir 3000 in places where the air conditioning does not reach. Air coolers are perfect for the sun room where you can have the windows open and stay cool with the CoolAir 3000.

They are also great for the office, condo, RV and dorm room.

Q. Is the CoolAir 3000 easy to use?

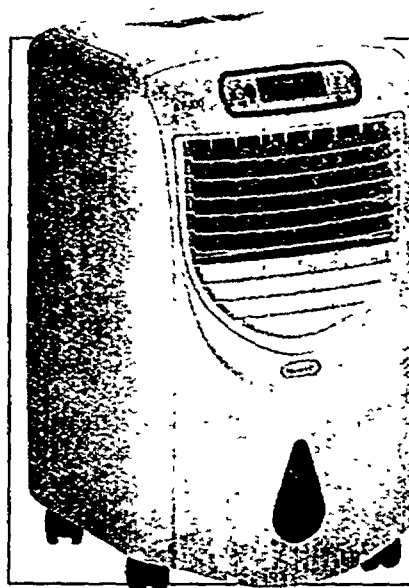
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The Schutte family's demolition derby devotion

Above: Cars collide during motorized mayhem at the Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds in Davenport, Iowa. Below, from left: Tory, Vicki, Ryan and Russ maintain the Schutte family's 38-year car-smashing tradition.



Russ Schutte, of Monroe, Wis. (pop. 10,843), sits behind the wheel of the 1976 Chevy Impala that he has spent hundreds of hours and a few thousand dollars rebuilding.

This is not, however, your average Saturday night car cruise.

Wearing his lucky helmet and his seatbelt, Russ, 52, shifts into reverse, guns the Chevy engine, and slams his back bumper into one of the dozen other cars circling the large dirt oval in front of the grandstands of the Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds in Davenport, Iowa, last September.

The other drivers, including Russ' younger brother, Tory, 34, do the same, and the cars—mostly 1970s sedans and station wagons—smash together in the kinds of crashes you'd normally only see in Hollywood action movies.

Mud from spinning tires flies into the stands and pelts some of the 1,000 fans. Flames shoot from exhaust pipes that stick straight up through holes cut into the car hoods. Steam and fluid spew from punctured radiators. Smoke billows from burning tires and failing motors. The crowd roars.

It's a familiar scene at county fairgrounds across the nation during the heart of the May-through-September fair season. Every year in the United States, an estimated 100,000 drivers crash, bang and zoom their cars in 3,000 demolition derbies from coast to coast.

The derbies range from 10-car crash-ups to mega events such as the annual Metal Mayhem in Oregon, Ill., where 5,000 fans

watch 200 cars compete for \$15,000 in prize money. The more unusual derbies feature colliding school buses, motorcycles or farm machinery.

Demolition derby's roots

Many consider the now-closed Islip Speedway in Long Island, N.Y., to be the birthplace of organized demolition derbies. In the late 1950s, Larry Mendelsohn, a 28-year-old stock car driver, observed that the crashes drew the most cheers and organized an event billed as "a night full of car wrecks."

"Larry is one of the most overlooked guys in motor sports," says Marty Himes, owner of The Himes Museum of Motor Racing Nostalgia in Bay Shore, N.Y. "He was a genius. Just look at the legacy he left."

By the 1960s, demo derbies—and the Islip Speedway—were regularly featured on ABC's *Wide World of Sports*.

"The first time I saw a derby on TV, I couldn't believe it," Russ Schutte says. "It was the coolest thing I'd ever seen. When a derby came to the (Green County) fairgrounds, I entered a junker. I was a one-hit wonder. One hit and I was done."

That was 1968, and Russ was hooked.

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Russ gets a good-luck kiss from his wife Cindy.

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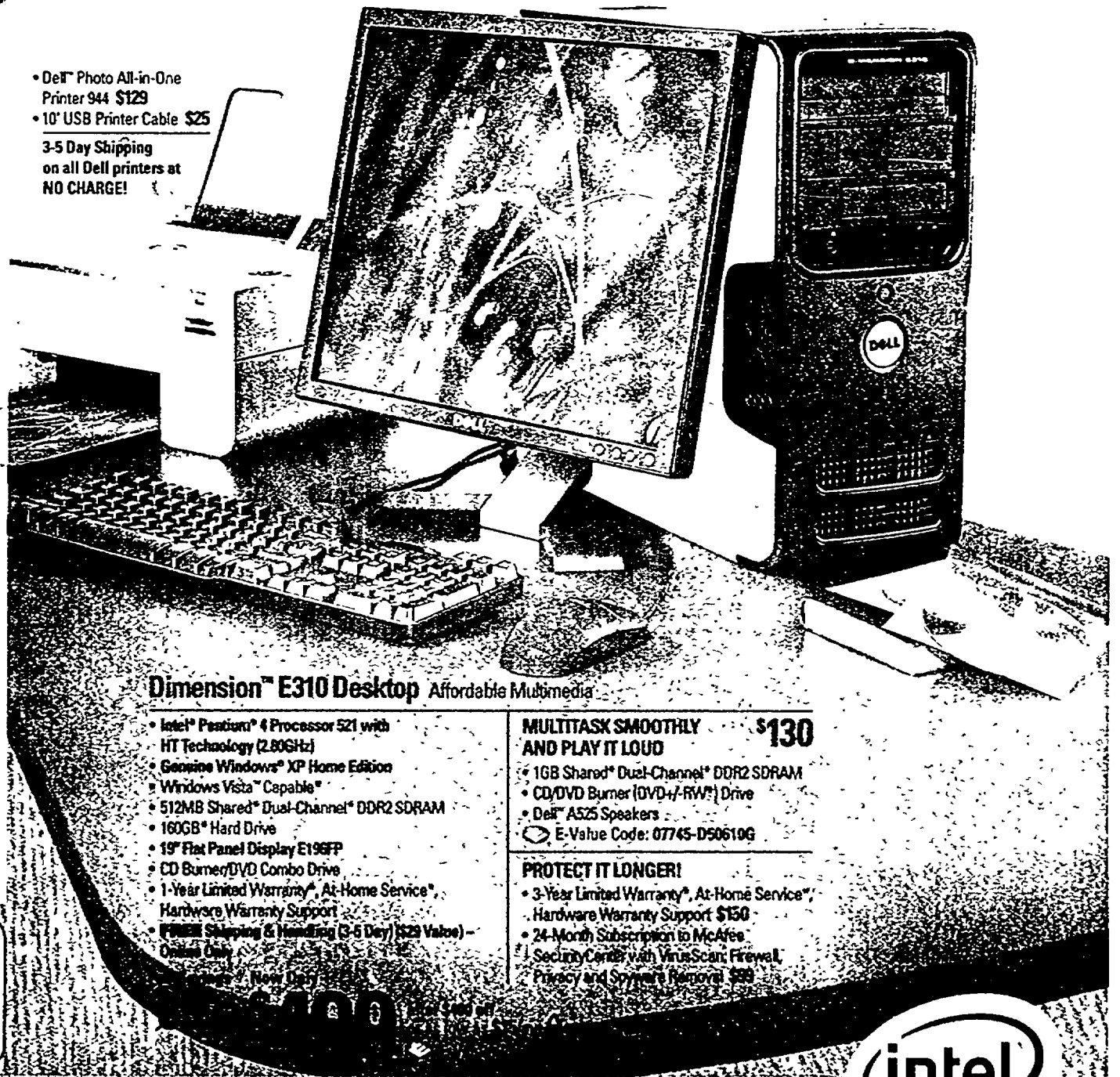
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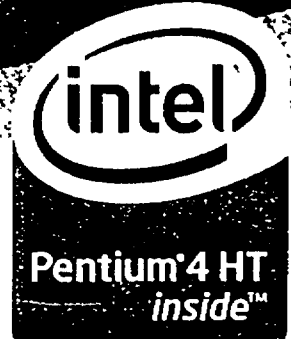
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Through the years, 12 of Russ' 16 brothers and sisters, who range in age from 32 to 60—and a few of their children—have driven in an estimated 300 demo derbies and won trophies and cash prizes in more than 100 events throughout the upper Midwest.

In 2000, a love for the sport prompted Tory to form the Demolition Derby Drivers Association, a 5,500-member group that supports standardized track rules across the country. The association's website, www.wcrash.com, features an events calendar, classified ads with 600 demo cars for sale, and car-building tips and techniques.

"We don't charge for memberships in the association," says Tory, a Navy recruiter. "I just wanted to give something back to the drivers. I want people to love the sport as much as I do."

Family tradition

Last September, Tory drove 1,600 miles in three days from his home in El Paso, Texas, to spend a weekend building, and then smashing, the 1976 Chevy station wagon that he hauled on a trailer to Russ' house in Wisconsin.

For two days before the derby, a dozen Schutte family members and friends put

the finishing touches on Russ' and Tory's cars. The occasional white flash of arc welding, the sound of sledgehammers on steel, and the smell of fresh spray paint filled Russ' garage, which primarily serves as a 32-by-42-foot demo derby car workshop.

The self-taught mechanics welded and hammered bumpers to the frame and painted Tory's station wagon Green Bay Packer green. Russ' wife, Cindy, who has attended nearly every demo event with her husband since the mid-1970s, packed lunches—and aspirin—for the four-hour round trip to Iowa.

"That is what it's all about," Russ says. "Spending time together as a family. I guess it's what they call bonding. With 17 kids in the family, we didn't get to do a lot of that growing up. This workshop is like our sandbox."

Tory drove his wreck to a third-place finish.



Russ relaxes in his demolished Chevrolet, bound for his garage in Monroe, Wis.

The Schuttes number their demo cars based on birth order. Russ, the fourth oldest, drives the No. 4 car. Youngest sibling and regular derby driver Ryan, 32, drives the No. 17 car.

Russ' daughter, Vicki, 24, is one of the rare female drivers—an estimated 2 percent—in the world of demo derbies. She's driven in a dozen derbies since winning a women-only event in 2001.

"It's something I can relate to the guys in the family with," says Vicki who, as Russ' oldest child, drives the '4a' car. "It's one time I know we can all hang out together. And when I drive, there's something pretty powerful in taking out my road rage on someone else."

Track rules

The requirements for demo cars are simple: Remove the windows, move the battery to the passenger side floor and replace the original gas tank with a small tank in the back seat.

Attention to detail, though, is what separates one-hit wonders from winners.

"A car shifts a lot when you hit it at 30 miles per hour," Russ says. "We strip the cars down to the frame, then completely rebuild them. We put in motors that can take a lot of abuse. We put a lot of time into protecting the wires and distributor cap and the radiator and hoses. We can spend an entire night welding one bumper."

The average Schutte car costs from \$500 to \$3,000. They spend an estimated 100 man-hours preparing each car for derby competition.

"I don't golf," says Russ, who operates heavy machinery for a fertilizer company. "Those golfers spend a lot of money on greens fees."

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"And," Tory asks, "do they get to feel like human gladiators?"

Demolition derby rules are simple: Don't hit a driver's side door. Sandbaggers—drivers who spend more time avoiding crashes than causing them—get disqualified. The last car moving wins.

Derby night

During the final event in Davenport, Russ and Tory never got a chance to go head to head on the track. Just a few minutes after the starter's flag dropped, Russ' rear bumper got hooked to another car and, vulnerable, his Chevy Impala took a direct hit that bent the car's front end straight up in the air.

"The distributor cap exploded," Russ says, "and every piece of metal in the car became an electrical conductor. It was, for me, a shocking experience. At least until I turned the engine off." He finished 12th.

Tory landed a number of solid hits with his station wagon and knocked out three cars. He finally got wedged into a corner—against one of the concrete barricades that surround the track—and couldn't work his way out. He took home \$300 and a 3-foot-high, third-place trophy that eventually will make its way to the family's collection displayed on Russ' living room table.

Long after the last fans exited the grandstands, Russ winched his car, with the front bumper sticking up higher than the car's roof, onto his flat bed trailer. "It doesn't look too bad," Russ says. "If we can't straighten the body out, we'll just buy another car and start all over again."

"It's really just a good excuse to spend some time with family and friends. And then spend another Saturday night wrecking some cars." ☆

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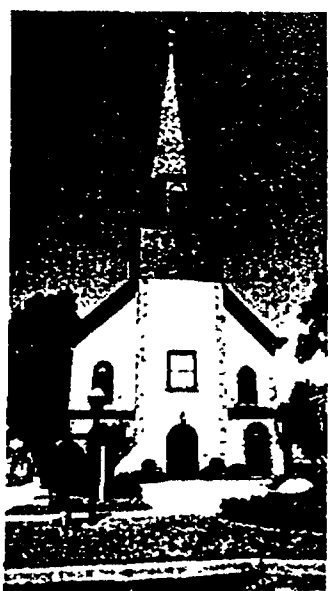
On the morning of the Fourth of July in Fishkill, N.Y. (pop. 1,750), residents Jim Pagonos and his wife, Joan, stand atop the steps of the community hall—Van Wyck Hall—to carry on the 104-year-old Fishkill tradition of reading aloud the Declaration of Independence. The event draws hundreds of patriotic spectators from the state's mid-Hudson Valley region who gather on the street and sidewalk to hear the words crafted by America's founding fathers in 1776.

"I feel honored," says Joan, 58, a town supervisor. "It's such a thrill and a privilege, and the children who are here today will carry on this tradition to the next generation."

"The Declaration of Independence is as alive today as the day (Thomas) Jefferson wrote it," adds Jim, 55, a Dutchess County surrogate court judge.

Before the reading takes place, the crowd sings a rousing version of "The Star-Spangled Banner" and the bell at the 1731 Dutch Reformed Church tolls once for each year since 1776. Last year, Toni Houston and Roy Carruthers, who regularly ring the bell for Sunday morning services, pulled the bell's rope 229 times.

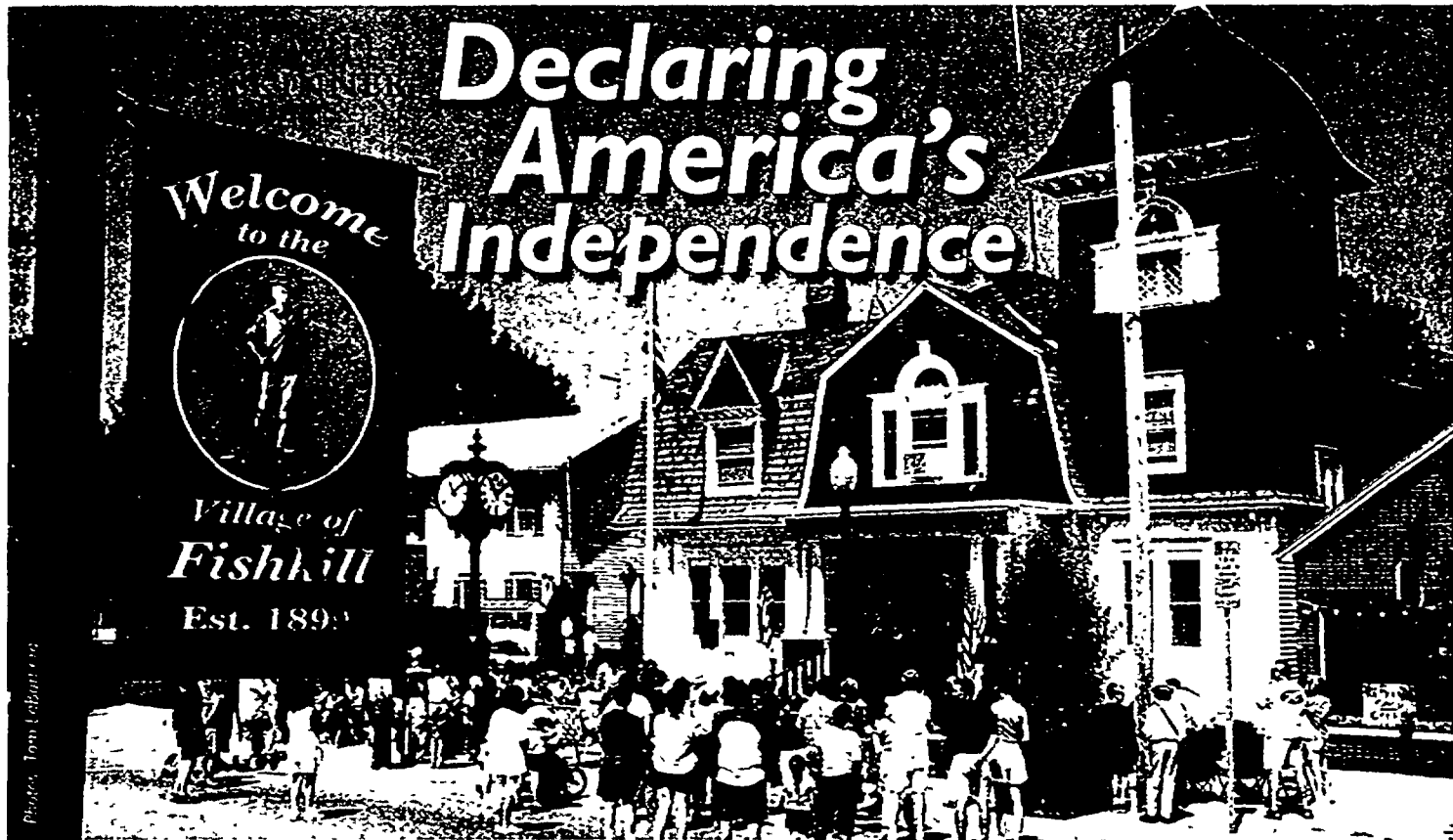
The church is an appropriate part of the Fourth of July celebration. During the American Revolution in the fall of 1776, the New York Provincial Congress met there to conduct business and write a constitution for the new State of New York. Among the delegates were Hudson Valley natives Robert Livingston, who helped draft the Declaration of Independence; his cousin Philip Livingston, who signed it; and John Jay, who became the first Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.



The Dutch Reformed Church

The annual reading began in memory of Henry DuBois Van Wyck, a native son who ventured west, made a fortune in the California gold rush and returned home. Van Wyck served as the first mayor when Fishkill was incorporated in 1899. He also built Van Wyck Hall as a working theater with the intention of giving it to the town, but died before his wishes could be carried out. Later, his heirs fulfilled that

Declaring America's Independence



A crowd gathers outside Van Wyck Hall in Fishkill, N.Y., awaiting the annual Fourth of July reading of the Declaration of Independence.

wish and made an informal request that the Declaration of Independence be read aloud at the hall to honor their uncle's memory and his love of country.

"There is nothing in writing that says this should be done," says Fishkill historian Karen Hitt. "It's just a custom that has continued unbroken since the first reading in 1902."



Joan Pagonos and Jim Miccio

The custom, however, hasn't always had such a great turnout. There was a time in the 1950s when two residents, businesswoman Mary Bogardus and Sarah Taylor, who served as mayor from 1965 to 1975, found themselves alone at Van Wyck Hall on a dreary, rainy July Fourth. Undaunted, they stood outside on the steps and recited the Declaration just to keep the tradition alive, with no one but Taylor's dog for an audience. In succeeding years, Bogardus served as the reader and helped spread the word as new families moved to the area.

Since Bogardus' death in 1983, people from all walks of life—teachers, homemakers, a Gulf War veteran and historians—have been chosen to read the Declaration. There is no set policy on choosing each year's new reader, according to Hitt, who arranges the annual festivities with a committee and the Fishkill Historical Society.

Once the Pagonoses conclude their 20-minute reading, spectators file inside Van Wyck Hall to sign a guest book and celebrate the nation's birthday with slices of red, white and blue birthday cake donated by local merchants.

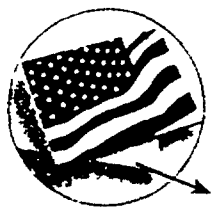
"It's not the fanciest celebration," Mayor Jim Miccio says. "But it's one of the best. It lets us know the meaning of why we celebrate." ★

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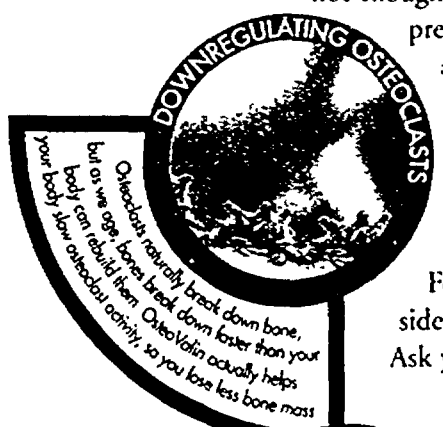


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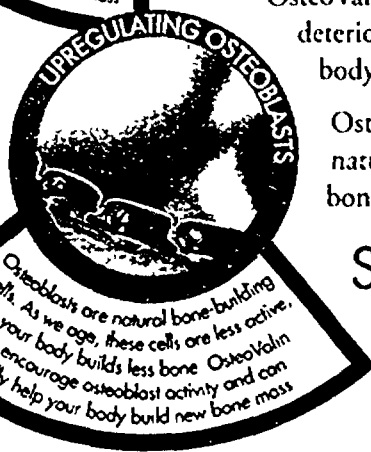
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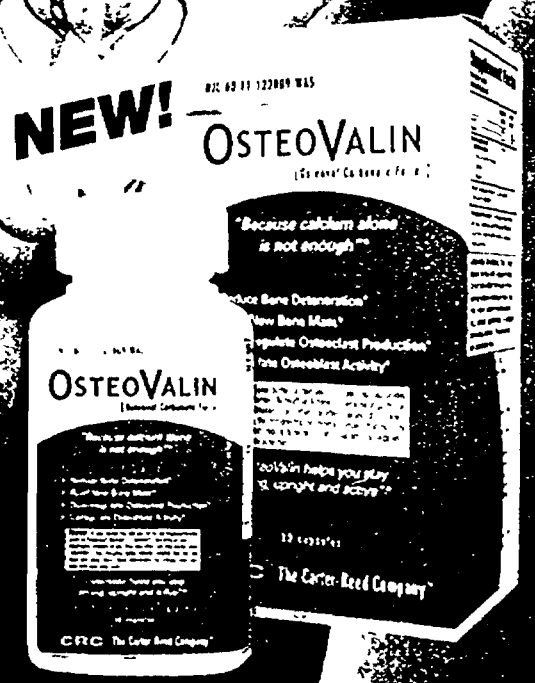
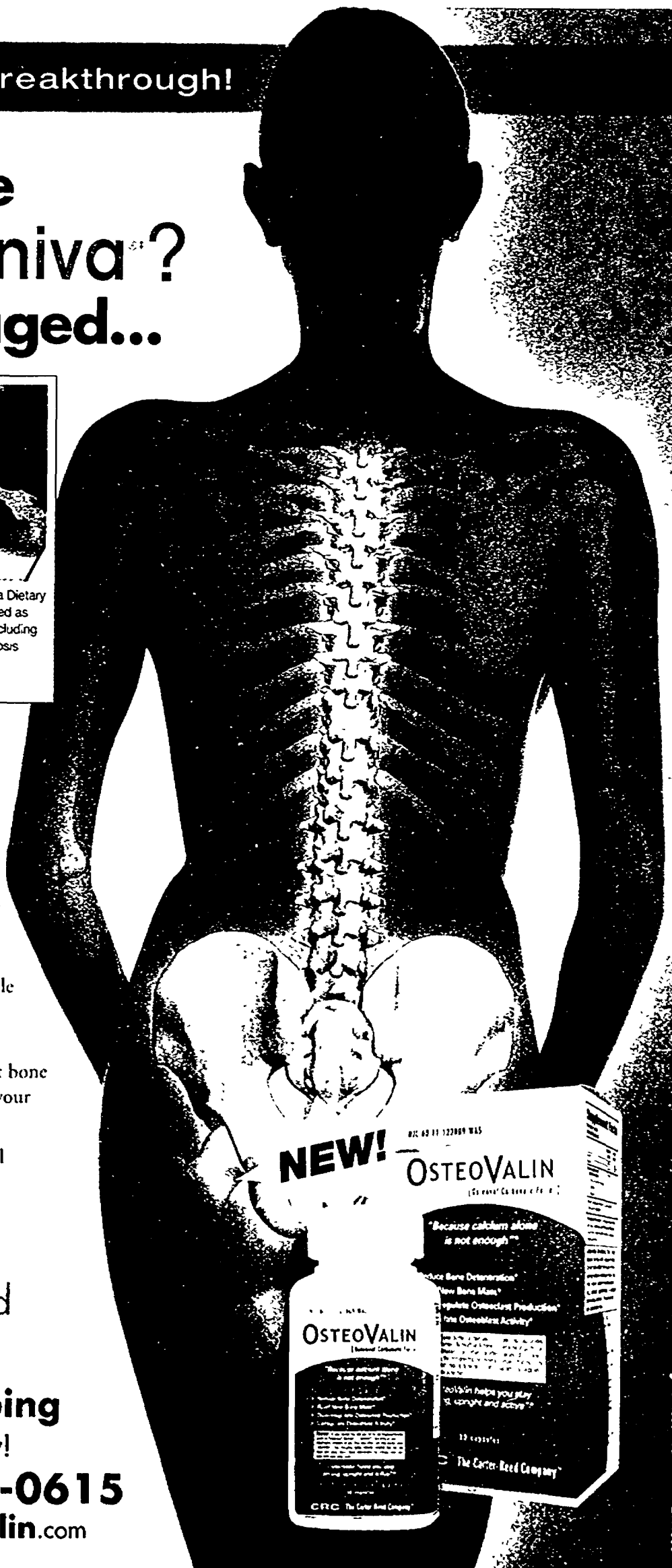
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KANSAS—After restoring more than 50 antique pump organs, Dick Rhea orchestrated them into a pump organ museum in downtown Sharon Springs (pop. 835). The organs date from the late 1800s to early 1900s.

MICHIGAN—Sanctuary and Safe Haven for Animals, or SASHA Farm, in Manchester (pop. 4,102) is among the largest farm-animal sanctuaries in the Midwest, offering shelter to more than 200 animals that have been neglected or discarded.

MINNESOTA—Madison (pop. 1,768) is the self-proclaimed "Lutefisk Capital of the World," where the town mascot is a 25-foot-long codfish statue aptly named Lou T. Fisk. Loved or loathed, lutefisk is a traditional Scandinavian dish of dried cod treated with lye. Lutefisk-eating contests are held during Madison's annual Norsefest each November.

MISSOURI—The Butler (pop. 4,209) Public Library is endowed by pioneering science fiction writer Robert Heinlein (1907-1988), who was born in Butler, and his wife, Virginia (1916-2003). The library houses many autographed and first editions of Heinlein's books, including *Strangers in a Strange Land* and *The Moon is a Harsh Mistress*.

NEBRASKA—An obsolete Titan 1 intercontinental ballistic missile stands in a park in Kimball

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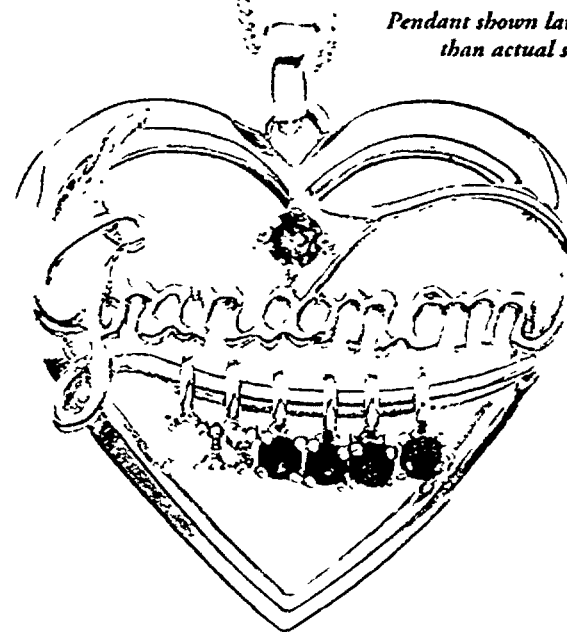


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Grandmother to the Nation

Her name was Anna Mary Robertson Moses, but the nation knew her as Grandma. She didn't start painting until age 77, but she lived to become one of America's most popular artists.

Grandma Moses (1860-1961) left behind an evocative record of rural America in a simpler era. She grew up during the Civil War on a farm in upstate New York, married and raised five children. As a widow and grandmother, she began to paint her memories of farm

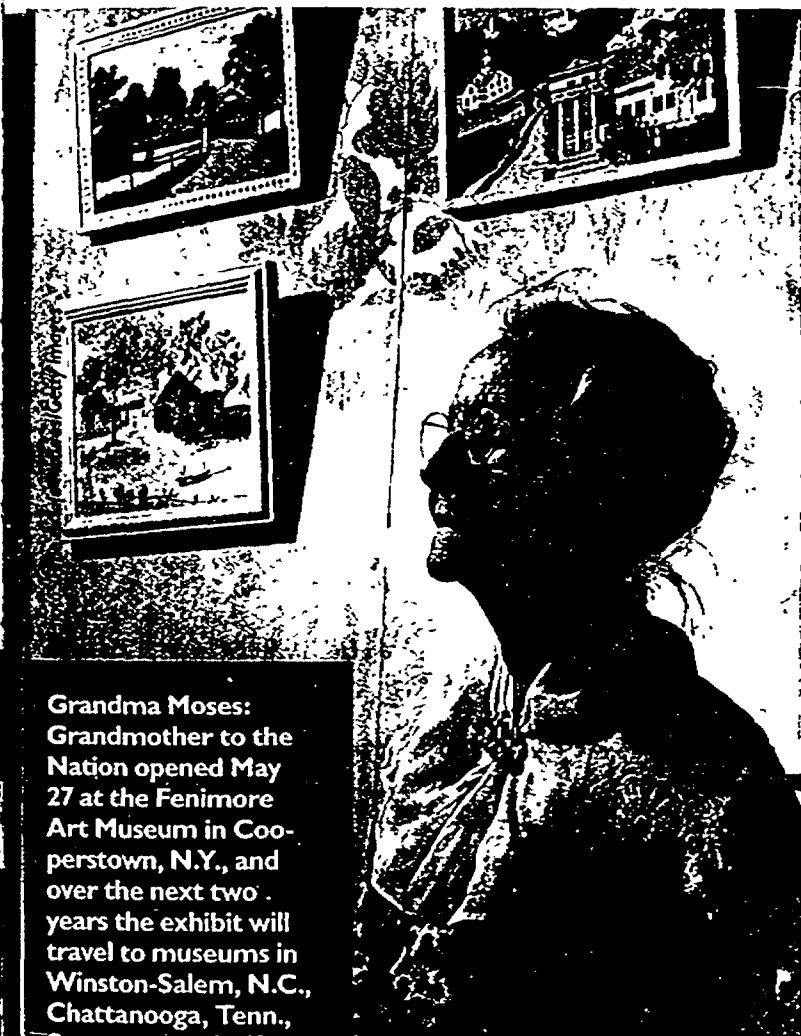


life—Thanksgiving dinners, maple sugaring and winter sleigh rides. In 1939, an art collector discovered her paintings in a drugstore window. Before long, the notion of the "painting grandma" captured the public's imagination, and her images were appearing on greeting cards, lamps, drapes and many other household products. She painted more than 1,600 works before her death at 101.

To learn more about this captivating and spirited lady, *American Profile* interviewed Karal Ann Marling, whose new book, *Designs on the Heart: The Homemade Art of Grandma Moses*, provides a portrait of the painter in the context of her time.

AP: Why take a fresh look at Grandma Moses in the 21st century?

KAM: Some critics have done her the disservice of shunting her into the category of "primitive" artist or pop culture icon. But Grandma Moses first became popular in the 1940s and 1950s because her work represented the values our soldiers were fighting for and offered reassurance during the anxious period of the Cold War. Today, we are again looking for order in an increasingly disordered world. Grandma Moses and her work evoke some of the bedrock American values: independence, self-confidence, family, simplicity and tradition.



Grandma Moses: Grandmother to the Nation opened May 27 at the Fenimore Art Museum in Cooperstown, N.Y., and over the next two years the exhibit will travel to museums in Winston-Salem, N.C., Chattanooga, Tenn., Sacramento, Calif., and Sarasota, Fla. Visit www.fenimoreartmuseum.org/exhibitions/amoses.htm for more information.

Self-taught artist Grandma Moses in 1947

AP: What did you learn about her that surprised you?

KAM: Her character. I had known about her work, but I didn't understand what a gallant soul she was. Here

was a woman who went to work at age 12, who toiled hard all her life, who made the most of the little schooling she had, who sewed her own clothes and who was still active at 101—she was a truly admirable person. Her attitude toward money is especially refreshing today. Having come out a rural economy where cash didn't mean much, she never paid it much mind. She would deprecate the monetary value of her paintings; she was proud of them simply as paintings.

AP: Does Grandma Moses have something to say to baby boomers?

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KAM: Certainly, she could serve as the role model of someone who stayed active all her life. She was always full of curiosity and willing to try something new. She wasn't the type to retire to Florida. Her mantra was work, and she found in work a source of satisfaction and self-respect. Grandma Moses is a poster girl for living well indefinitely through vigorous mental activity, good humor and strong family ties.

AP: What new perspective will the book offer on this familiar artist?

KAM: It gives a sense of how she fit into the culture of her time. Her work is often seen as being timeless. I wanted to show that the enormous popularity Grandma Moses enjoyed resulted from the fact that her art spoke to people of the period in which she

worked. It was a new era of television and rail fins, and though we wanted to gain these things, we didn't want to lose our root values.

AP: You call her "the Nation's Grandma." Why?

KAM: "Grandma" really brought out the fact that her art, her memories, her statements to the press, all were grounded in family. The name was both important and true. It didn't obscure her contribution as an artist. Instead, it put a finger on the essence of what made her special. ☆

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