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High school students

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their fellow classmates of the same thing.

mostly revolves around charities," Bell said.

By Renee Gates

RECORD STAFF WRITER

initiate week of outreach

Northville High School junior Jordyn Bell thinks out-

reach can be an exciting activity. She and the other mem-

bers of the student congress are working hard to convince

This is kind of new. It's called Outreach Week and it

"But we have spirit days to help promote Outreach Week

so people will donate to the charities that we've chosen."

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■ "Rock the Runway"

Dueto owners Nikki Jaskulka, left, and Alexandra Papasifakis prep some clothes for their "Rock the Runway" show this Saturday night at Northville's NOMI restaurant.

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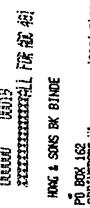
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RECORD STAFF WRITER We're all familiar with the

By Pam Fleming

Grillers

help out

Marines

Marine drill sergeant. But how about a "grill" ser-

Mark Sutton of Farmington is one of several veterans who will grab a pair of tongs this Saturday as one of the Marine grillers at the VFW Post 4012 March Steak Grill Out in Northville on Saturday.

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Future dates

Northville VFW Post 162 veterans will also grill from 5-7:30 p.m. (or until the steaks run out) on April 21; May 19; and June 23. For more info, visit the detachment's Web site at www.semperfi162.org or call Mark Sutton at (248) 390-5481.

SPRING BREAK: Try this option

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Josh Noble could have been soaking up the sun in Cancun or skiing in Lake Tahoe during his spring break last week.

But instead of having fun brothers, Noble was part of the United Way's Alternative



Hurricane Rita victims in Lake Charles,

Noble, 20, a Northville resident and junior at Texas Christian University, was one of 14 local volunteers who headed to the Gulf Coast last week to participate in the humanitarian

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FIVE WAYS Northville

residents make the most out

of life by helping those in need

spring spirit week. From left: Madison Owen, Danielle Toney, Alex Wolin, and Jackie Horning hold boxes for collecting phone cards, eye glasses, cell phones, books and canned goods they'll donate to local charitable organizations.

ping up to the task.

This year students voted to replace their second annual Spirit Week, which focuses on in-school competition and merriment, for a week with a focus of serving others and reaching out to involve community members.

"We always have a second Spirit Week in the spring, and It's not easy changing a tradition, not even for a good cause. But the 30-member, student-run congress is step-

"So we're still having Spirit Week this year, as we always do, but we're kind of incorporating this idea with it. Obviously, to help other people but also because it is another way to get people involved and ... kind of turn our focus towards somebody else rather than just this spirit idea."

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By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Singing

Tom Billings wooed the crowd with his rendition of Elvis Presley's "Love Me Tender."

for funds

Mike and Christina Noles paired for a "Paradise by the Dashboard Light" duet. And Chip DeClue kicked off

the karaoke antics with "How Sweet It Is." He and his wife, Karla, hosted 125 guests March 3 at their Northville Township home for an annual celebration that has evolved into an appreciable fund-

"We're very happy that our friends give so much when we have these things," Chip said. "It really makes it worthwhile."

Last week, Karla DeClue handed a \$1,800 check and 200 pounds of food to Northville Civic Concern Director Marlene Kunz.

'Help for those in need'

The DeClue donations arrived at the local emergency service agency as clients keep surfacing and resources are strapped, Kunz

"It means food items, it means help for people who are in need," she said. "In the past two weeks,



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five new families have qualified as

"I find more depression is in their voices than ever.

The invitation the DeClues mailed to 150 friends asked recipients to "let their voices be heard" for Northville Civic Concern. The karaoke metaphor was the couple's seventh celebration of phifanthropy, the fourth year they designated proceeds to the local agency.

Karla said the first three years they collected non-perishable items from their party guests they donated the food to a Southfield

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Groups want to change region

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville resident Mike Brennan knows the battle has just begun when it comes to tackling poverty and lack of education in Metro Detroit.

But Brennan, president and CEO of the United Way for

Southeast

Michigan for the past three years, said the United Way and five other charitable organizations are poised to transform the area with a new plan to help those less fortunate.

Announced in November 006, the "One Di 2006, Transforming Regional Detroit" program includes staff

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Marketing experts try to capture essence of Northville experience

Preliminary concept due at March 29 meeting

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville hosts like to pull another chair up to the dining table. They'll gather their guests in other rooms as well.

A recent survey conducted by the city's marketing consultant. Highland-based New Moon Visions, shows area residents treat their visitors to a variety of sights when they come to town. According to most, they take them to downtown eateries all times of

"I wanted to see if there was a particular hangout," said New Moon owner Kim Rivera. "Everybody loved a lot of different things about Northville.

"The personal touch of Northville, I think, is key.

The New Moon team is reviewing survey responses, input from the downtown strategic plan marketing committee and door-to-door data to formulate an image of the city to market. They're planning to present a preliminary concept at the committee's next meeting, March

'Stuff to chew on'

The question, "Where do you take people to visit in downtown Northville?" was one of 10 answered by 114 respondents by the March I deadline. Rivera said even that number of answers to the open-ended questions provided information vital to her firm's mis-

"I was actually very glad about the number of results that were turned in," Rivera said. "There was a lot of good stuff to chew on.

'I think from our very first meeting - when we talked about if Northville were a drink, what would it be? - some of the stuff

we've talked about every stage of the game, an idea has been rein-

Other questions included: What do you do to relax in downtown Northville? What do you do on the weekend? How often do you shop/dine in downtown Northville and why? What is downtown Northville's greatest asset?

'Things are happening'

Rivera said New Moon is on schedule to present the marketing plan as spelled out in the timeline she pitched when hired by the city for \$40,000 in December, part of a comprehensive plan designed to ensure long-term downtown vitality.

The Northville Downtown Development Authority is coordinating promotional planning with downtown redesign, business mix and parking committee efforts also afoot.

"I think it's huge," said Northville City Manager Patrick Sullivan. "What the strategic plan told us is you need an integrated approach.

"You have to do everything in con-

Sullivan said Northville has a unique story of retail, entertainment and during projects unfolding right

"With the economic downturn in the state, things are still happening in Northville," he said. "We're sort of a commercial hot spot, and we need to take advantage of that."

'Shopping and dining'

A professional consultant's marketing proposal can include anything from highway billboards to a brochure to recruit potential businesses. New Moon's suggestions for Northville are still on the drawing

"We're looking at July to start looking at the rollout," Rivera said. We anticipate these things go through a round of tweaking here and

"We keep on polishing until it's just right."

Next Thursday, Rivera will unveil

Where do YOU take people to visit

Based on 114 responses to a February 2007 survey. SOURCE: Northville Downtown Development Authority

initial concepts for Northville's brand theme, logo and marketing plan.

"I think the shopping and the dining are a strength in the town," she said. "I could also see from the survey results there are people who would like more everyday items, like a bookstore."

Rivera said one element of a promotional campaign will focus on physical improvements planned for the downtown, such as the town square expansion. "I'm sure we'll have something out there. 'Look at us

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"What the strategic plan told us is you need an integrated approach. You have to do everything in concert."

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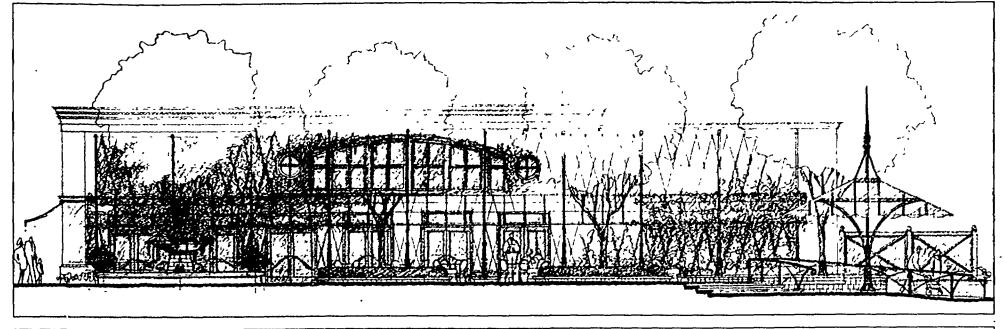
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Looking out: Buildings flanking town square expansion drawn in

■ Landlords like concept, but await cost estimates

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Owners of the two buildings that bookend the town square expansion site think the project will be a bestseller.

Like the rest of the community, they're awaiting reviews of the plot drafted by the authors of downtown improvement plans.

"I would love to see what they're planning work out," said Jerry Beale, who for 25-plus years has co-owned with John Liadis the E. Main Street building housing Helen's Uptown Cafe, which runs the eastern edge of the town square. "It has great appeal. Right now, the impression of downtown Northville is it doesn't have the curb appeal.

"But, we have to make sure it's functional and sustainable."

The Northville Downtown Development Authority and Historic District Commission were scheduled to critique renderings this week that portray a public gathering area draped with greenery, a performance arena and a European-style fountain alternating seasons with a ring of

The city council will have the final say.

Goal: long-term viability

In recent weeks, development authority board members and representatives from the city's design consultant, Grissim Metz Andriese and Associates, shared drawings of the expanded town square with property owners on both sides.

"They're absolutely beautiful," said John Genitti, co-owner with

his wife Toni of the property to the west of the town square. The couple, along with Beale and Liadis, have said they are willing to invest in building improvements to coincide with the town square expansion.

Owners of both Main Street buildings also are willing to explore new businesses to make the most of planned outdoor dining, and increased window and door access to a flexible, park-like setting. The Genittis are considering a new enterprise beneath street-level clothier, Rock on Main.

Beale confirmed the main-floor Helen's business is for sale, but declined to disclose his tenant's

remaining term.

"We have restaurants that his interested," Beale said. "He has a lease, so we can't do anything at this point."

That said, Genitti and Beale said they support the underlying motive behind planned downtown improvements — to make the city more viable long-term.

"We're going to be very careful who comes in there," Beale said "We're not interested in fast food — I don't think Northville wants that

"We want independents who are experienced in the business, to keep the downtown flavor."

Open to the square

At the development authority meeting Tuesday, board chairman Greg Presley, who is leading the volunteer design committee efforts in concert with Grissim Metz, praised the building owners' support for the town square expansion project.

"I consider it quite exciting when you're activating both sides of those buildings," Presley said. Improvements proposed for the Genitti building included a balcony overlooking the town square, a series of awnings, and additional showroom windows on

Both brick walls facing the square would be rigged with cabling for vine growth. Doors and windows leading to the square, as well as an arched trellis, would open onto the square from the Beale/Liadis building, currently a brown and tan textured exterior with a few tiny windows.

"You can imagine this would be quite a spot to sit here on a summer afternoon." Presley said.

Time will tell

Beale is reserving enthusiasm until after the engineers and contractors check logistics, functionality and practicality.

ality and practicality.

"The truth be told, are we going to be able to make up that differential in ront?" No," said Beale.

"We'll never recoup that money.
"We're looking at what it will
mean to the businesses down the

Beale and Liadis, who also own the commercial building along the south side of Mary Alexander Court, have a considerable stake in the improvements planned for downtown. This effort could go a long way toward pulling business owners together, maybe extending evening hours and collectively promoting the town he said

town, he said.

The city's core has been feeling the impact of development at Six Mile and Haggerty roads, said Beale, recalling how patrons used to wait for an hour to get in Mary Alexander Court restaurants in

the 1990s.

"Right now, it doesn't have the synergy, the ambiance people want," Beale said. "It will give the push that it needs to generate more pedestrians, more shoppers that it needs.

"But this was just brought to our attention two weeks ago."

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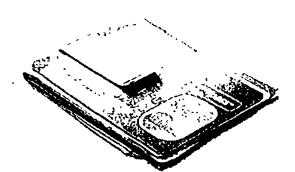
Photo: Northville's Helen's Uptown Cafe on East Main Street.
Top rendering: Grissim Metz Andriese Associates rendering of the same building as part of the downtown conceptual design plan.
Middle rendering: The firm's rendering of Rock on Main.

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On Center Street: Developer to tweak condo/retail project

■ New building replacing three homes by fall

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Kamilla Schulte didn't pay much attention to the rental house next door.

When she and her husband. Brian, bought their first home at 119 Rayson Street 10 years ago, they didn't investigate the zoning of property to the west. Now that developers are planning to purchase five parcels they've pieced together next to the Schultes' yard, the family might end up looking west at a 20,000-squarefoot combined retail-condo com-

plex.
"I don't think it's the worstcase scenario," Schulte said. "I am concerned about being at the bottom of 'Mount Center Street Square.

"I do think (the city) is watch-

ing out for me. City of Northville officials are meeting Meridien with Development representatives this week to discuss fine-tuning the \$3.1 million project. And the city council called a special meeting next Thursday to vote whether to let it proceed in its current form.

A new neighbor

At the council meeting Monday, Councilman Jim Allen,

Proposed Project Site



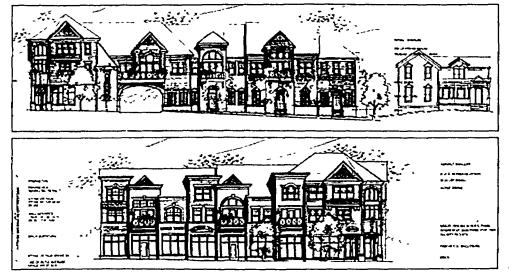




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Meridien Development renderings show Rayson Street (top) and Center Street elevations. The proposed Center Street Square, a retail/condominum development, will take the place of these homes along Center near Rayson.

liaison to the planning commission, relayed concerns expressed in the preliminary review process about the proposed building's size and scale relative to the adjacent residential dis-

Allen and Mayor But. Christopher Johnson stressed their endorsement of the special zoning the developers were seeking that would allow a single project on the connected lots.

"It's very creative," Johnson said. "It has the appearance from both Center Street and Rayson Street of being several buildings.

"It's not like you're that far off right now," he told the develop-ers. "You're pretty close."

The city's planning consult-Don Wortman Carlisle/Wortman Associates, described the series of changes Meridien has made during the past few months after meeting with city planners, administra-

tors and neighbors. The project demonstrates quality architecture within a mixed use framework which will provide an attractive development for this corner of Rayson and Center Street," Wortman said. In his recommendation to grant preliminary approval of the project, he also said the plan is preferable to the traditional strip-style office with parking in front allowed by the current zon-

Retail and residential

Pending another round of city approvals, Meridien would proceed in September with demolition of three structures at the corner of Rayson and Center, across from Hiller's Market, with construction to start in October.

Mike Mazzella, managing member of Washington-based Meridien Development, said his team designed the graduatedheight building to ease the transition from Center Street business to Rayson Street residential.

"We were striving for something that would be part of the downtown," Mazzella said. The south side of the building, next to the Schultes', features a townhouse facade of different brick colors and faux entrances. The parking lot would be encircled by the building, partially under the residential units.

Mazzella said his firm, which would maintain ownership of the three retail spaces at street level, would seek professional-service type tenants. The 15 condominiums on the upper story and a half would be one- and two-bedroom units selling for \$255,000 and up, depending on the location and

Next steps

At council's direction, Allen, planning commission chairman Jay Wendt and commission vice-

chair Dave Mielock will serve on a committee to meet with Meridien officials to make final adjustments to their design before they again seek preliminary planned-unit-development approval from the council March

Schulte has attended planning commission meetings and last Monday's council meeting to stay abreast of the project's progress. "The fact that they have to present again - that doesn't make me

think anything," she said. "I think the land the way that it is right now is a drain on my property. "It would be nice if it were

Schulte was pleased the council postponed granting approval to allow time for more discussion on

the project's design.

"I do think they're looking out for my best interests," she said. "I do think they've come a long way.

"I can't expect a nice little residential house next to me, because that's not how it's zoned.

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Downtown businesses target local clientele

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Slim beauties will be strutting stripes Saturday.

Alex Papasifakis, co-owner of downtown clothier Dueto, said the nautical look - red, white and blue, and stripes - is "in" this spring. She and her partner, Nikki Jaskulka, have selected an array of outfits to showcase during a late-night fashion show at NOMI restaurant.

The two Main Street businesses are hoping to find a new audience in

the new downtown club, "We're still fairly new here," Papasifakis said. "We have people coming in weekly saying, 'I haven't been in your store yet.'

"We're hoping it will bring in a new clientele for us,"

While the NOMI staff serves complimentary drinks from 8:30-10 p.m., the Dueto team will be prepping models to walk the temporary stage.

Open to the public

The Dueto owners moved their casual contemporary fashion boutique to the southeast corner of Main and Center streets from downtown Plymouth last April. After NOMI moved in down the street in December, Papasifakis said they looked forward to sharing an event.

She said the two businesses pooled their customer lists to send invitations, but the event is open to the public. NOMI partner Al Irish

'Rock the runway'

What: Spring preview fashion show Who: Open to the public When: 11:30 p.m. Saturday Where: NOMI, 133 W. Main St. Cost: No cover

said there will be no cover charge for the fashion show.

Papassifakis and Jaskulka are trying to increase awareness of their business by putting their merchandise in front of potential customers

during live events. In January, Dueto hosted a similar fashion show at the Dirty Martini in

"It was really successful," Papasifakis said. "People were really excited about it."

Fashions for spring

Some of the same models who appeared at the Novi show will strut NOMI's makeshift runway.

"They're all of our friends," Papasifakis said. "They're all doing it just for fun."

Patrons will be able to pick up coupons during the show valid for discounts on in-store merchandise.

'That will be an extra incentive for someone to come and see the store if they see something they like," Papasifakis said.

Models will take the stage around 11:30 p.m., she said, when NOMI typically is packed with customers.

"We're going to be showing off all of our spring clothing and accessories for men and women shorts, skirts, denim, tops, transitional jackets," said Papasifakis.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Dueto owners Nicole Jaskulka, left, and Alexandra Papasifakis prep some clothes for their "Rock the Runway" show this Saturday night at Northville's NOMI restaurant.

"We're just starting to bring in a little more on the dressy side."

A percussionist will supply the background beat while the store owners describe the outfits. What's

"You'll see a lot of the nautical

look," she said. "That's definitely a big one for spring and summer."

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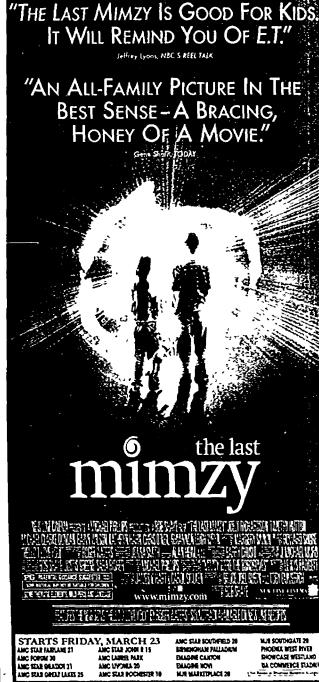
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Thursday, March 15, 2007 7:30 p m 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Abbo called meeting to order at 7.30

Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand, Richard Henningsen, Marjone Banner, Mary Gans, Christopher Roosen. PRESENT: Brad Werner
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. Agendas: A. Approve Consent and Regular Agendas approved - with removal of tem 1.A

2. Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announce-

A. Mike Hale appoint to the EDC/BRA - approved. 3. Public Hearings: Public Hearing for Grant Application for Thayer's Corner Park - opened and conducted.

4. Brief Public Comments & Questions: None.

New Business:

A. Professional Services of Duff & Phelps for EDC - approved

B. Shared Services Agreement and By-laws - approved

C. Thayer's Corner Grant Resolution - tabled.

D. Parks & Recreation Master Plan Approval - approved

Water Distribution System Improvement Bid Recommendation - approved.
Water Booster Station Bid Recommendation - approved

G. Elevated Tank Bid Recommendation - approved H. Resolution for Bond Authorization - approved

Elevated Tank Logo Selection - tabled

J. Water Main Utility Easements - approved
K. Liquor License Transfer - approved with conditions L.
Western Wayne County Mutual Aid Agreement - approved

Unfinished Business:

 A. Ethics Policy - approved with amendments.
 B. Contract for Professional Engineering Services - approved Ordinances: None.

Bills Payable: Bills payable in the amount of \$1,319,213 24 -9. Board Reports from Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand, Richard

Henningsen, Chip Snider, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Christopher Roosen, Brad Werner, John Werth were given. 10. Any other business or public comment for the Board of

11. Adjournment Meeting was adjourned at 9 30 p m The minutes (draft) will be available in the Clerk's office after March 27, 2007.

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SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CMC



Township board members deny Thayer's Park grant application

■ Friends' organization disappointed by hearing outcome

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

A grant application that could have led to improvements at Thayer's Corner Park in Northville Township hit a brick wall March 15 when board of trustees denied it.

After a public hearing on the application for a \$100,000 grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, members decided they did not have enough information to approve it.

The grant application deadline is April 1.

Members of the Friends of Thayer's Corner Park were disappointed that the board wouldn't even apply for the grant, especially when members had the option of turning it down if it was awarded.

Board members said they also didn't want to apply for the grant at this time because they were concerned about the costs the township might incur once park improvements were made.

The 58-acre park at the northeast corner of Six Mile and Napier roads is designed to be a passive recreation area. The township has owned it since September 1999.

Friends of Northville Parks and Recreation recently agreed to donate \$25,000 for improvements to Thayer's Corner Park, which could have been used as part of the matching funds for the state grant.

If the \$100,000 grant had been awarded, the Friends of Northville Parks and Recreation would have put up \$25,000, with the other \$25,000 coming from township

Township board members turned the development of Thayer's Corner Park over to the newly created Parks and Recreation Commission that will meet March

Township board members on the new commission include Mark Abbo, Sue Hillebrand and Richard Henningsen.

In denying the application, Abbo, township supervisor, said the township needs to bring its

fund balance back up. "Personally, I don't see the demand for any of the things that are being proposed here," Abbo

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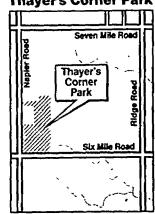
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Hillebrand also wants to make sure that any improvements to the

park will not place a financial burden the township. "I like the plan, and I like the

idea of getting this park going," she said. "But our treasurer (Richard Henningsen) said just last week that our fund balance isn't what it should be."

Friends speak out on denial

Three members of the board of trustees and the Friends of Thayer's Park were in favor of applying for the grant.
"We banned together and want-

ed to see Thayer's Corner Park receive some attention," said trustee Brad Werner.

We want to open a community garden there so residents can rent space to plant vegetables that they may not be able to plant in their subdivisions because of homeowner association rules."

Werner noted that funds are available for all parks in the community through the township's park improvement fund.

The intent was not to ram anything down anybody's throat," said trustee Mary Gans. 'The goal is to do it right and do it creatively."

Trustee Marjorie Banner said, "I think that what we were going to propose would have had minimal or no impact on the township's operating costs.

"We understand their concerns and are just disappointed that we couldn't address those concerns at

this time, she said Banner said the board's decision has stalled any further work on the plan by the Friends of Thayer's

"We do not feel that work on the plan for Thayer's Corner Park would be fruitful at this time," she

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"We can't keep ignoring our traffic engineer's comments that there's too much traffic on Six Mile Road."

> Sue Hillebrand Northville Township Board of Trustees

Township officials weigh which is better: Retail or technology?

■ Wait-and-see attitude proposed

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Local urban planner Brad Strader knows the importance of a commu-

nity master plan. Not only is it the blueprint for a municipality's future, it's also a con-

tinuous work in progress.

Consultants from Strader's company, LSL Planning, Inc., in Royal Oak, are currently working on Northville Township's plan that will guide community leaders' decision making in several areas.

These include refining the township's vision for the future, future land uses and planning policy, and identifying land use and design for Lev subareas.

Decisions also have to be made on concepts for infill development; management of the transportation system; conservation of resources: capital improvements and facilities: potential changes to regulations; and priorities for grants and fund-

The planning commission will have a public hearing on the plan in April, with an optional township board of trustees public hearing in May and adoption of the plan set the same month.

Joint meeting held March 15

A joint meeting with members of the planning commission and board of trustees took place March 15 prior to the monthly board meeting.

Strader explained to the group that state law recently changed regarding the approval process. The approval period used to be 90 days; now it's only 63 days.

The board and the planning commission also have to agree on the

Commercial on western side?

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future plans for the western side of the township and the northeast corner of Five Mile and Beck roads.

Currently, a 15,000-square-foot shopping center is under development at Seven Mile and Napier roads, but some township officials would like to see more.

"We've got to find more commercial in the western side of the township," said board member Sue Hillebrand. "We can't keep ignoring our traffic engineer's comments that there's too much traffic on Six Mile Road."

Quick fix or hold out for

Two camps of thought exist on plans for the Five Mile and Beck

One is to play the waiting game and hope that a successful firm will use it for office/technology developments, which bring more tax dollars to the township.

The property is currently zoned for that use.

The other camp recognizes that most developers, with the current economic climate, want to build commercial/retail projects, as these seem to be the generate the most revenue at this time.

Nix, planning commissioner.

Board member Marv Gans said 40 acres would still be left for office/technical even with the commercial development being proposed at this corner.

"I would like to see us get a little more for our tax base," Gans said, meaning the township should try to develop the land for an office/technology use.

Planning commissioner Mike Weaver believes retail developments are on the down slide.

"Costco has pulled the plug on all of their new developments because they're not happy with their sales figures," he said. Board member Marjorie Banner

sees the Five Mile and Beck property as a "jewel" because its proximity to M-14 makes it attractive to large companies that might want to build an office or plant at the site.

"You've got to think that the pendulum is going to swing back to office/technology," she said.

Although Mark Abbo, township supervisor, said officials don't have to deal with the issue right now, the consensus was to not develop the corner as a commercial/retail site

Pam Fleming can be reached at "I think this is a very important (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by edecision for the township," said Bob mail at pfleming@gannett.com.

OBITUARIES

KENNETH E. MEYERS

Age 76, lifelong resident of Northville, passed away March 13, 2007. He was born March 17, 1930 in Detroit, Michigan. Ken was a paint inspector for Ford Motor Company. He was a life member of the American Legion. He enjoyed ballroom dancing and was a devoted father and grandfather. He is survived by his sons Kenneth (Michelle) Meyers of Pinckney, Kevin Meyers of South Lyon, and Kristopher (Allison) Meyers of Plymouth; and his grandchildren Lauren, Emily, Niklas, Alexandra, and Noah. A Funeral Service was held Friday, March 16, at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville. Pastor James N. McGuire officiated the service. Mr. Meyers was laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. Memorial contributions can be made to South Lyon Gardens Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 700 Reynolds Sweet Pkwy., South Lyon, MI 48178 or the American Heart Association, Memorials and Tributes Lockbox, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, !L 60674.

CATHERINE D. MEINING

Age 72, passed away March 14, 2007. She was born on September 13, 1934, in Detroit, to the late E. J. and Catherine (Couture) Eckman. Catherine is survived by her loving husband of 53 years, Orville, her children: Lawrence (Turi) Meining, Cynthia (Robby) Williams, Theresa (Allan) McCardell, her brother Edward, her Aunt Theresa, 3 grandchildren, 2 step-grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. She was a retired Northville Public Schools Bus Driver. A Funeral Service was held on Saturday, March 16 at 11 a.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to U of M Speech Dept.

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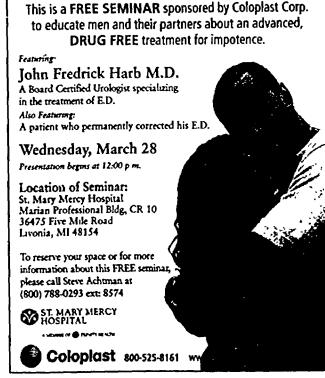
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Sue Craik, left, of Novi, and Karen DeBenedet of

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Church study group for women brings message of 'Radical Joy'

■ Group meets twice monthly

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Sue Craik doesn't want to just bring regular joy into area women's lives.

She wants to introduce "Radical Joy" into their everyday world with a new study group for women at the First United Methodist Church of Northville.

Craik, of Novi, started a nondenominational Bible study group, "Radical Joy," last September with the help of another member of the church, Karen DeBenedet, of Northville, and a steering committee.

Named after the guidebook by the same name, the meetings attract 30-70 women at the 6-8 p.m. meetings the first and third Thursdays of the month at the

The women use the guidebook to study the New Testament book Philippians, which contains Apostle Paul's letters to his church in Philippi in which he expresses great joy for God's love while imprisoned for his belief in Jesus.

"The book is very uplifting, positive, encouraging, hopeful and filled with faith," Craik said. "We feel this is a good message for women in these times."

"I think Sue and I saw the need for Christian women of all

ages to come together in study, fellowship and worship to celebrate that which is uniquely female," DeBenedet said.

"We want to give them the opportunity to learn and grow in their personal spiritual journey with other Christian women. What we do is facilitate them coming together.

"I'm just pleased to be part of it," DeBenedet said.

The creative Bible study meetings include short stories, quotes, poetry, art, scripture and even suggestions for movies, Craik said.

The spring session begins April 5 (Maunday Thursday) and will include dinner, discussion and a 7 p.m. service at the church. The spring session runs through May 31, with each twomonth session costing \$30 per

"Our discussions are deep, but in a positive, introspective way," Craik said. 'They're not evangelical. Some of the women have strong faith, and others are more questioning. It's 'we'll meet you where you are."

Join the group at any time

Each meeting stands on its own, so women can join the group any time. The meetings include dinner, an overview of one of the book's chapters followed by breakout sessions in which women continue the discussion. Child care is also provideđ.

"We tried to think of all the



reasons why women can't do this type of thing," Craik said. 'Maybe Sunday mornings don't work for them."

Community projects included

Craik said she and DeBenedet started "Radical Joy" because they wanted a community-wide group for women to be able to get together for a relaxed Bible study.

The women also get involved in community outreach, such as the Relay for Life event that raises money each year for cancer research.

"Some have knitted prayer shawls for people who are ill or in a particular crisis where they may

find that comforting," Craik said. The group also puts together "comfort bags" with lotion, lip balm, chocolate, note cards, a

anyone in the church going to visit someone in the hospital.

During the breakout sessions, women talk about how the chapter being discussed that evening relates to their individual lives.

"Everyone has a different story or opinion," Craik said. "You never know what you're going to

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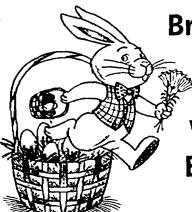
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Northville Township fire chief, deputy chief both step down

Lieutenants to run department operations

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

The winds of change are blowing at the Northville Township Fire Department.

Less than a month after Fire Chief Bill Zhmendak, 59, announced his retirement, Deputy Chief David Carignan, 49, has decided to resign.

Director of Public Safety John Werth announced Carignan's resignation at the March 15 board of trustees meeting.

His last day is tomorrow.

Cangnan, who retired from the Westland Fire Department after 25 years in the fire service, would have been with the township fire department only three years in June.

He started with the Westland department in 1982 and received credit for his four years in the U.S. Air Force toward his retire-

Carignan is looking forward to spending lots of time with his grandson, Noah, who celebrated his first birthday March 20.

As director of public safety, Werth oversees operations at both police and fire stations in the

Werth will run the day-to-day administrative duties of the fire department.

Operations will be under the direction of the three lieutenants at the fire department: Ron Lane, Guy Balok and Chris Madzik.

We will be putting out a search for a new chief as soon as possible," Werth said. In fact, he was preparing an advertisement for the job on Monday.

Why is Carignan leaving?

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"When you look at all the factors, you weigh everything and make a decision," Carignan said. "I've decided to retire from the fire service for good."

Carignan said he did offer to stay on board until a new fire chief is hired but was told that wasn't necessary.

Although he served Northville Township for only a short time.

Carignan has been in the fire service for 25 years.

He served as deputy chief for five years at the Westland Fire Department before coming to Northville Township.

A resident of Livonia, Carignan became interested in becoming a firefighter while serving in the U.S. Air Force.

After serving in the military,

Medical Technician license and then joined the Westland depart-

Carignan and his wife of 27 years, Elizabeth, who live in Livonia, plan to spend time travel-

He also enjoys gardening, hunting, reading, and clearing his property up north, where he plans

Zhmendak, whose last day with the department was Feb. 28, was not available for comment before press time.

In other department news, bids are coming in now for a new pumper, and a new rescue vehicle will be purchased in the near

Three firefighters are also now

part of the Urban Search and Rescue Team and another three are part of the Western Wayne Hazardous Materials team.

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Brad Schroeder tries his hand at one of the race car video games, sponsored by Northville's Davis Auto Care.



Attendees of the business exposition at Northville High visit the many booths.



Kim Burkle of Plymouth's Station 885 serves up a chef's pulled pork sandwich.

More than 1,000 people visited the 2007 Taste of Northville Business Showcase March 17 at Northville High School. Although this year's theme, "Race to Victory Lane at the Northville 500," focused on racing, many vendors and visitors donned their St. Patrick's Day garb. Edward's Café and Caterers won for "Best Restaurant Exhibit" and Independence Village won for "Best Business Exhibit."



A crowd gathers around Main Street Bank's booth to fill out contest forms during last Saturday's Taste of Northville event.



Becky Morelli of Edward's Cafe serves up a sample of tortelini to Rex Shaffner.



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• Request must be in writing and received by the building principal and the district administrator no later than Monday, April 16, 2007 for the 2007-08 school year.

 The building principal of the actual designated school will review the written request with the principal of the requested school.

· The principal will review the written request with appropriate building staff.

 The principal and appropriate staff will review the student's total educational program needs.

 The principal will review his/her recommended decision with the superintendent or his/her designee prior to parent notification of the decision.

· Transfer will be granted based upon:

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2) Available physical space in the school and grade being requested.

3) The ability of the parent to provide transportation, as the district does not provide transportation for open enrollment students.

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A request letter should be sent to Ms. Gallagher, with copies sent to each of the building principals involved:

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BOUNDARIES:

Parents seeking answers at community forums

Administration collects feedback. final plan to be announced March 27

By Renee Gates RECORD STAFF WRITER

Chris and Debbie Murdie live on the odd side of Crystal Downs street in the Northville Hills subdivision.

Their daughter, who starts kindergarten next year, will go to Ridge Wood Elementary.

But the Murdie's neighbor's daughter, who shares the same birth date as their daughter, lives on the even side of Crystal Downs street.

Under the proposed attendance boundary plan, she will kindergarten attend Winchester Elementary in the

"I'm anxious to hear the logic, the alternatives and voice my opinion," said Chris at the attendance boundary community forum Monday evening at Thornton Creek.

"It came right home for us because our kid's friends are divided now before they even

Many parents and community residents, like the Murdies, came to the last boundary forum Monday to ask questions of the administration and board members regarding the proposed plan and to propose boundary plans of their own on the feedback sheets turned in at the end of the evening.

"I wrote it out, my wife has written it out we've gotten several of our neighbors to do the same thing along with doing a petition in our neighborhood," said Northville Hills resident

and parent, John Wlezniak MD, "The kids my kids play with the most are across the street, so they are going to be shipped down to Winchester, which makes no sense," Włezniak, said.

His daughter and oldest son, according to the proposal, will continue attending Ridge Wood next year and his kindergartner will shift to Ridge Wood from Winchester for first grade.

"We have some vocal parents who oppose it and they are making good points," said Dave Bolitho, assistant superintendent for administrative services.

So, who do you move is the question? Whoever is impacted can develop a rationale why it shouldn't work that way," he said.

The parents we've talked with have been very reasonable



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Ridge Wood parent Lynn Osaer expresses her frustration at last Friday's community forum on new boundaries for Northville's school system. Osaer has a child at Ridge Wood and is upset that her neighborhood is slated to be divided down its street, sending some of her kid's friends to another school. Osaer said that if the school district follows through on its new boundary, she'll consider sending her child to private school.

and it's good that we have the opportunity to have these kinds of meetings, to get to know people and talk about the objections they have in a civil manner."

District administrators collected feedback sheets at each of the four forums and will present their recommends follows finalized attendance boundary plan at the Tuesday March 27 board meeting.

School board candidate Steve Lomske said he thought the board and administrators were rushing too quickly through a difficult subject for community members.

"I think they're trying to rush it to get it all done by March 27, well before the May election, Lomske said.

"It's an important issue — it affects children, it affects property value, it affects friendships and even afterschool activities.'

Bolitho said it is more an issue of transition than rushing.

There are some transition issues that need to be addressed by the principals," he said. "And the sooner we can do this, the sooner they can start doing their planning and pull the details together to meet and greet the new families.

"That's really as important a process as anything else, because if the children and the families feel that they are welcome, it alleviates a lot of the anxiety."

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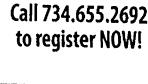
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Reading fund-raiser shows off kids, brings in money for books

By Renee Gates RECORD STAFF WRITER

Elementary school student Allison Zwarka has written her first book.

"It feels exciting because you get to write your own stories, you get to put in whatever you want," said Zwarka a third grader at Silver Springs Elementary.

She will share selections from her book along with her fellow classmates on Saturday at the Northville Public Schools Elementary Buildings Literature Collection drive at Barnes &

"We think there's a lot of good things going on with our kids being able to read and show their fluency skills," said Diane Vance, a learning consultant at Silver

"Even though it's a fund-raiser, we're not just doing it to raise money, we're also doing it to spotlight the great things that are going on in elementary schools."

Reading is fundamental

This marks the second year the English language art departments at Northville schools have held a book drive to increase the selection of books in their reading rooms district wide.

"It's not that there aren't books in all the schools," said Vance. "But there is so much new literature coming out every year that we want to update and provide the newest and the best books out. This is a way we can support our ELA (reading rooms)."

The book fund-raiser is not for the library but will support the K-5 reading and writing workshop curriculum for each school building, Vance said. The curriculum encourages independent reading by children in small groups as well as individually.

"We want them not only to be good readers, but we want them to read as writers," she said. "So we use a lot of the books for both teaching reading comprehension strategies and writing craft by using the real mentor authors.

The budget amount allocated for new books is relatively small, Vance said. And learning consultants usually get new books any way they can.

Literature upgrades

"Fifteen years ago they weren't doing a lot of nonfiction books for kids in grades K, 1 and 2, kids who are new readers," she said. "Again, it's not that we don't have books here, but the new standards and the new curriculum have made changes, and we want to provide the new literature ... that's our goal."

Literature success

The teachers and learning consultants spent so much time in Barnes & Nobles in previous years that last year that the community liaison approached them with an idea on how they could support the school's reading pro-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Silver Springs Elementary School English Language Arts students will be reading books and poems at a fund-raiser for their school Saturday at Northville Township's Barnes & Noble. From left: third-graders Allison Zwarka, Ishaan Williams and Tatiana

gram. The fund-raiser netted between \$2,000-10,000 in sales. The reading program received 20 percent of that in a gift certificate to purchase new books for reading

'We thought it was successful," Vance said. "Last year all the schools got a selection of picture books that the teachers used for good models of writing."

Zwarka is looking forward to sharing selections from her book this weekend. She hopes many people come out to help the reading room at her school get more

"I would like people to come because we could use more books," she said. "Most of our

books we reread and reread because those are the interesting ones that we like," she said. "We need some new ones.

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

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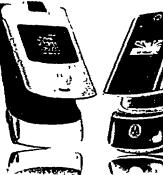
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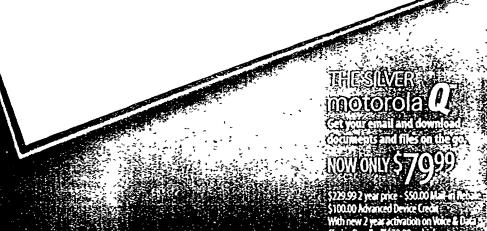




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Township should reconsider grant for Thayer's Corner Park

A funny thing happened on the way to the Thayer's Corner Park grant application.

Although community support for improvements to this park has been strong, members of the Northville Township Board of Trustees failed to approve the application for a \$100,000 grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources at their March 15 meeting.

Reasons cited for the action were not only the \$25,000 that the township would be asked to pay to help match the grant but also future costs the township would incur once improvements were made.

However, a fund already exists for park development, and \$25,000 is not a huge sum of money. Plus, the Friends of Thayer's Corner Park have said that costs to maintain the park once the plan was in place

would be minimal to the township.

Another group, the Friends of Northville Parks and Recreation, have already pledged \$25,000 to the park, which would have provided the other portion of the match.

And, rental fees for a community garden planned at the site could have offset some of additional maintenance costs once improvements

One reason Mark Abbo, township supervisor, was against applying for the grant was he felt the township needed a more detailed plan for

He asked that plans to develop the park be remanded to the newly formed Northville Parks and Recreation Commission.

Three of the board members who denied the grant application last week, Abbo, Sue Hillebrand and Richard Henningsen, also represent the township as members of the new Parks and Recreation Commission.

The Friends of Thayer's Corner Park have been working on a plan, but now feel they would be spinning their wheels to continue further work on the plan without the commissioners' support.

With an April 1 deadline, the grant application is dead in the water -

It's hard to understand why the township would not be willing to put up only \$25,000 with the chance of receiving \$100,000 from the state. And, officials could have even turned down the grant if it was awarded, although that seems foolish, too.

Even though the township's general fund balance is not where trustees would like for it to be, applying for this grant would have been

a short-term loss for a long-term gain. The township had an opportunity to win \$100,000 from the state if

the grant had been awarded.

But, you can't win if you don't play the game.

'New' Michigan can lead

I have been asked to address Michigan's economy and the many challenges that it presently is facing. I have had the opportunity to discuss this topic several times over the last year and have realized that what we are speaking about is really the "Old Michigan" versus the "New Michigan. I would like to briefly spend some time on the old Michigan but focus primarily on the new Michigan because this is where our future lies.

The old Michigan relied on the automotive industry almost 100 percent, and economic development was typically defined as chasing smoke stack projects which generated large amounts of jobs and a good amount of investment. During these times everyone was pleased with our economy, and we were moving along without any worries. Then somewhere the tide shifted.

Now the old Michigan is reeling from a devastating seven consecutive years of declining employment, the past three years during a national economic expansion. What has caused this

In large part we could say that we have been slow to adapt to the rapidly changing economy. Across the nation and the world, communities are leaving behind the Industrial Age. They have instituted an environment that is knowledge-based driven and entrepreneurial in nature. In Michigan we have seen and lived with the following:

 The struggles of GM, Ford and Chrysler and the decline in their market share.

We have lived, read and heard about our supplier base deteriorating through bankruptcy and

 We have seen state revenues decline at a rate faster than any other time in history.

 We have seen our population and "brain drain" move to greener pastures as supported by the recent study showing Michigan is tied for the most outbound migration.

We have seen companies expand and invest in other parts of North America as well as across the globe.

 The decline in per capita income for citizens of Michigan.

And I can go on and on and on.

We have all lived in this very difficult period of time. That is the old Michigan - one we cannot and will not and should not forget. This historical relationship will act as the catalyst for the new

What does the new Michigan look like? First let's understand that state and local policies are not the only answers to transforming our economy. Yes, they have a role, but the new Michigan will be dependent on collaboration - collaboration among the many stakeholders in our state.

Who are these stakeholders? We all know them: businesses leaders, legislative leaders, our educational system (K-12 going through postgraduate degrees), our unions, our civic and economic development organizations; our local and county political leaders, local newspapers and so forth. The new Michigan will be a high-prosperity one with our per capita income above the national average. How do we get there? We get

there by becoming a knowledge-based, high-education economy. As the "Road to Renaissance" report suggests. our strategie priorities should be:

1, to secure a strong future talent base,

2. expand the regions, entrepreneurial capacity,

3. grow greater Detroit's creative community.

4, become a global logistics hub and 5, become the global center for mobility.

And I do believe that the city of Novi sits right in the middle of these recommendations and is well positioned to be a major contributing influence on them. For those of you not familiar with the Road to Rennaissance, it is a report which

was commissioned by the civic organization Detroit Rennassaince for the purpose of identifying solutions to economic crisis.

the past but for whatever rea-

As you hear these recommendations, they are not new to us. We have heard them in

son chose to ignore them. The decline of economy has now forced us to focus. In my mind, the common threads among the Detroit Renaissance recommendations and the new economy are education and talent. Let's quickly look at each of these assets as discussed by the civic group Michigan Futures:

Education

Perhaps the best asset the new Michigan has to offer is our higher education system. Michigan has spent decades building a world-class system of higher education, both universities and community colleges. They are arguably the most important asset we have in developing the concentration of talent we need to be successful in a knowledge-based economy. This is particularly true of our major research universities.

Higher education's importance in preparing talent for a knowledge economy is clear, but it is also one of the most important in retaining and attracting talent. Our universities, particularly the research universities are among the few enterprises that attract talent from around the world. The single most important thing policy makers can do for the future economic success of Michigan and the region is to ensure the long-term success of a vibrant higher education system.

What distinguishes successful areas from Michigan is their concentration of talent. Put simply, in a knowledge-based and entrepreneurial economy, the places with the greatest concentration of talent wins.

Regions without concentrations of talent will have difficulty retaining or attracting knowledge based enterprises. (Where talentidesides to reside a will have a huge impact on regional economic

So now we ask, is Michigan, and in particular Oakland County and the city of Novi, on the cor-

Thelieve we are. Michigan's focus on the emering markets, defined as life sciences, alternative fuel, homeland security, advanced automotive and financial services, is the key to our

Already our life science initative has generated 31,777 jobs spread over 542 companies. Our alternative fuel efforts have resulted in the creation of Next Energy and the Global Hybrid Development Team (which is a collaboration between GM, DC and BMW). The Homeland Security industry is in the beginning stages with the formation of the Horneland Security Consortium. As far as advance manufacturing is concerned, Michigan is the No. 1 state for automotive R&D and is No. 3 in the nation for engineering graduates.

Lastly, the financial service sector has been exploding with the creation of over 10 new banks since 2005.

Oakland County continues to grow with 38 percent of the Fortune 500 companies located in its county. It is the center for international and commercial activity with 565 foreign-owned companies from 25 countries. More than 59,000 businesses and government agencies are located in the county including one-third of Michigan's

Lastly, its survey (which will ask Oakland County companies the question, "Which skills are lacking?") supports the education and talentbased initiatives. The city of Novi's economic development implementation strategies for 2007 were recently adopted by its city council. Two of the five key points pertain to the retention and attraction of current Novi businesses as well as high quality new development. In addition:

 As reported by the Lansing based Policy Associates, Inc. - The state has gained over 55,000 jobs over the last four years in areas that require higher levels of education such as healthcare, business support services and other industries

 U-M Business School regains the No. 1 spot on the National Recruiters Survey, as featured in the Wall Street Journal, dated Sept. 20, 2006.

· Michigan is the No. 3 achieving state in economic development, as reported by the site selection trade publication, Business Facilities. It is without a doubt due to a large part of the success of Oakland County and Novi attracting the talent and having a world-class education system to go hand in hand with its business attraction and retention efforts.

In conclusion, I believe that Michigan will once again become an international leader, supported by a world-class automotive industry, world class educational system and extraordinary talent. Michigan will lead this great nation into the next century.

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Repetitive boundary changes detrimental

Children are not mere pawns in a numbers game with a price tag attached. They possess feelings and emotions and have needs, However, we all have been told, "The children will be just fine, they are resilient to change." Does the school board or administration have any research studies to support this stance? I'm sure the answer is negative.

Contrary to this, research says, "Children feel stress but recognizing it is often overlooked." (Kid's Health). "Children are the most vulnerable population...recognizing stress is not easy." (Family and Consumer Sciences).

Stress is difficult for a child to express. Signs of stress are seen in physical and behavioral changes. Such signs are stomachaches, headaches, feeling withdrawn, thumb sucking, nail biting, nose picking, hair twirling, difficulty concentrating and completing schoolwork. Many become introverted and withdraw from social interaction. Some children begin to lie, bully or defy authority and may have drastic changes in academic performance. These are most evident in school-age children. Adolescents (middle school age) are typically going through an identity phase of development. The sense of "who they are" at this age is tied to their friends, school relationships and peers. Having to change schools is very traumatic even when it is well-planned.

Is it fair for any child to have to be moved into different schools repetitively? The answer is clearly NO. The administration's proposal will affect many children for a third or fourth time. A child going into second grade being sent to his/her third elementary school is ludicrous. Middle school children being switched to a new middle school after establishing a foundation is damaging and unfair. The elective programs at the two schools do not provide the same opportunities. For instance, Meads offers German as a foreign language, and Hillside

The administration is proposing another boundary change, the fourth such change in seven years. Has any other school district ever done this? Unlikely! Is it necessary when the projected enrollment for next year will be less than it is this year? Is there a better way to balance the numbers instead of another boundary change? Yes, there is.

Other districts around the U.S. adjust numbers without adjusting boundaries. Why can't our school board and administration think outside the box? In fact, not one of the school board members even questioned the This would be a cost savings to the taxpayda again. Not one of them considered the needs of the children as the top priority.

Did those school board members speak for the children, parents or the community? Isn't that their role as a school board member? They are elected to represent the community's needs, yet not one spoke for us or our children.

Why didn't the board ask the community what was more important: boundary changes or a possible slight increase in class size? I'm sure most would have chosen the slight increase over redistricting. Having small class sizes may be a goal, but it should' not come at the cost of unnecessary stress on the children and families. Property values are also being affected with these constant changes, so even a taxpayer is impacted by a potential loss in value. These changes affect the entire community.

Isn't it time we have a school board that looks out for the "best interests" of the children? A board must represent its community and not just be the stamp for the administration. I encourage everyone to let your voice be heard by voting May 8 for new school board trustees.

> Carol Grimmer Northville School Board Candidate

School board missed two bargains

At the Northville School Board meeting on Feb. 27, I attempted to make a motion that the board investigate the purchase of the old McDonald Ford dealership for a future bus garage, bus storage and maintenance department headquarters. This property is 3.3 acres and has a fully functioning repair facility of approximately 20,000 square feet. The facility has five bay doors and numerous vehicle lifts. This is many times larger than the current bus garage, which has only two bays and no lifts.

The asking price on the 3.3 acre site is \$4 million. The site also has a separate building on Main Street that sits on a seperate lot and could possibly be split off and sold for approximately \$800,000. So, if the school district acquired the parcel for say \$3.8 million and sold the front lot for \$800,000, this would give the taxpayers a huge facility for \$3 million.

In last year's February bond, the school district was asking us to approve \$6.2 million to construct a bus garage on the small lot next to the Eight Mile football stadium.

property would not only gain us more needed space, it would make it possible to centralize the maintenance department into one building. I believe the department is spread over three buildings and occupying room in some educational buildings such as Hillside Middle School. These areas could then be used for educational purposes.

Also, the existing bus garage near the football field could be used for a weightlifting or a wrestling practice area, thus eliminating some overcrowding at the high school. This facility could also be used by the middle schools. The maintenance department being located in one area would reduce operating expenses and help with the efficiency of the operation. The old bus garage site could also provide additional parking and better handicapped access to the football stadium.

With financial resources being limited, we need school board members who will look ahead to attempt to provide the best services within the taxpayers' financial limits. If we truly need a bus garage, this is a very good cost-savings opportunity that will not last long

The school board missed another great land purchase opportunity when they did not acquire the 40-acre Our Lady of Providence School on Beck Road, north of Five Mile. The site is located right in the middle of all the school district's westward growth. This school, with a pool, sold for \$3.3 million. Remember, the school was asking the voters to approve \$25.24 million for a new school in the last bond election, and \$1.35 million to \$1.95 million was to go for the purchase of 23 acres near the landfill. The best thing about the Our Lady of Providence site is that the purchasers sold 20 acres to the township for \$1.2 million. Thus, the school site only cost the current owner \$2.1 million. land and buildings. They are next to the athletic fields, paid for by the taxpayers and far from the landfill.

If the board had the foresight to purchase the Beck Road school site property we would not be spending additional funds on air quality surveys, consulting fees, bond elections and modular classrooms. We could have earmarked some of the 2004 bond money to improving the Beck Road site. We need a school board that is planning well ahead of our current needs and is willing to modify their approach to the problems.

> Steve Lomske, Architect Northville School Board Candidate

Make Thayer's Corner Park a reality

Imagine a tranquil natural spot in the furthest reaches of Northville Township - a place abundant with trees, wild flowers, fascinating wetlands and a pond. This peaceful setting would have a beautiful restored barn, places to picnic, a skating pond, a unique playground and community garden and be within walking distance of hundreds of people. It would be a spot that could host family and community events.

Thayer's Corner Park could provide such a place. It is a 50-acre historic site, owned by Northville Township, that was settled by Rufus Thayer in the early 1800s. There is an adjacent ancient cemetery and an old oneroom school called Thayer School.

A plan is in place for the beginning development of this park provided by a group of citizens called Friends of Thayer's Corner. The plan provides for volunteers to work on the property and would be a minimal expense to the township.

All that is needed to make this dream become a reality is a yes vote by the dissenting members of the township board. It is my hope that Mark Abbo, Richard Henningsen and Sue Hillebrand will provide this yes vote for the Friends of Thayer's Corner to begin work to make this dream

Jean Bemish

Take Thayer's Corner Park off the table

The decision at last week's Northville Township's Board of Trustees meeting to table Thayer's Corner Park development (by a 4-3 vote) was a step backward and a real disappointment in my opinion and many others. Not only that, but it thereby also turned down a \$25,000 donation by The' Friends of Northville Parks and Recreation to begin development of our own "up north feel" park right here. It was also a slap in the face to the newly-organized Friends of Thayer's Comer Park who would like to oversee a cost-conscious, yet professional development of this park, including woodlands, nature trails, horse trails, community gardens for citizens to plant their own vegetables and for the preservation of our agricultural history. Maintenance costs for this kind of park would be very minimal.

There is a beautiful restored historic barn picnic area, aerator in the pond and a unique children's playground reflecting activities of farm children many years ago (e.g. old-fashioned water pump, rope swing, tractor to climb on, etc.) which would have great appeal but not resemble any other playgrounds in the area. The idea is to keep the park rustic. Our Native Americans feel that one needs to stay in touch with nature ("Mother Earth") to stay healthy. As our lives become more urbanized and stressful, this is becoming even more evident.

The remark by Mark Abbo at Thursday night's meeting that he has not seen anyone come screaming and stomping their feet about developing this park was not appreciated. Does he really wish that kind of behavior from our citizenry? In January, there was a workshop on citizen input for the development of the park, and there was a great deal of interest, interaction and support for a park that would satisfy the needs of those residents desiring "passive" recreation. Thursday night's meeting approved the Northville Parks and Recreation master plan, which includes some very expensive and unneccessary expenditures (e.g. parking lot paving at Fish Hatchery Park for \$400,000, which would also destroy that park's ambiance) rather than increase recreational facilities for our community not addressed by other Northville parks.

Hopefully, the naysayers to this park will change their minds and see how a park like this would improve the quality of life for many in the community.

Erika Gans

Watch vote, township

I would like to tell you the same thing I will be saying to the Northville Township board: Any one board member who votes to give REIS Brownfield money had better plan on not being on the board very much longer. I will vote against them and will welcome a recall drive.

REIS will make a great deal of money off the site, and they are just trying to sucker us taxpayers into paying part of their cost of doing business.

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Cal Stone, editor (248) 349-1700, ext. 113 cstone@gannett.com

MMUNITY CALENDAR

udenis will hold a reading fund-raiser at Barnes

Thursday, March 22, 2007 www.northvillerecord.com fax: (248) 349-9832

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NORTHVILLE EVENTS

Ballet Production of "Anastasia"

DATE: Saturday, March 24 TIME: 1:30 p.m. LOCATION: Northville High School Auditorium

DETAILS: Center Stage Dance Company's in-house ballet company will perform to the music of "Anastasia". Tickets are \$8 each or \$6 each for groups of 10 or more. Tickets are available at the Center Stage studio or by mail, e-mail or fax.

CONTACT: (248) 380-1666, fax (248) 380-1597, e-mail csdc5678@sbcglobal.net

St. Jude's Fund-raiser

DATE: Sunday, March 25 TIME: 5-8 p.m. LOCATION: Uno's Chicago Grill, east side of Haggerty Road, just south of Eight Mile.

DETAILS: Uno's will donate 10 percent of its sales for the day to St. Jude's and employees will donate their tips. A deejay from WKQI Radio 95.5 FM will be on hand. A charity auction is

CONTACT: Ashley, (734) 432-

Northville Democratic Club **Townhall Meetings**

DATES: Tuesdays, March 27, April 17, May 17

TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Hillside Middle School Forum

DETAILS: The meetings will host a guest speaker on important issues facing our state and country. The subjects to be presented are: March 27-America's Middle East Challenges; April 17-Michigan's Budget Crisis; May 17-Earth's Changing Climate. All meetings are open to the community and admission is free. CONTACT: (248) 465-1995

Northville Arts Commission Student Exhibits

LÖCATION: 215 W. Cady St. High School Senior Show . TIME/DATE: 4:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, March 30; 12:30-4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 31; 12:30-4:30 p.m Sunday, April 1

DETAILS: This show will feature the work from seniors at Northville High School. Students plan and execute the entire show on their own. Some of the artwork may be for sale.

CONTÁCT: (248) 344-0497

Teens Aiding the Cancer **Community Fundraiser** TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m., Sunday,

April 1

LOCATION: Rebecca's **DETAILS:** Enjoy acoustic artists, food, ice cream and raffle. TACC is a non-profit student organization raising money to fill backpacks with toys for canceraffected kids in area hospitals.

Health Screenings at Meijer LOCATION: 20401 Haggerty Road

DATE: Tuesday, April 3 DETAILS: The pharmacy at Meijer will offer the following tests for low cost: Cholesterol, \$30; Liver Function, \$15; Diabetes Screening, \$4; Hemoglobin A1C, \$30. You will receive results within 15 minutes. All tests include consultation and explanation of results by the pharmacist, answers to questions about your medications and blood pressure check. Appointments are necessary. CONTACT: (248) 248-449-5733

Exhibit Opening

DATE: Friday, April 6 TIME: 6-9 p.m. LOCATION: Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art, 109 N. Center St. DETAILS: The opening reception, exhibit and sale will feature Michigan glass artists April Wagner and Jason Ruff. The exhibit will run through April 31. CONTACT: (248) 380-0470

Daughters of the American Revolution

Northville/Plymouth Chapter DATE: Monday, April 16 TIME: noon

Northville Downtown Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, April 17 TIME: 8 a.m. LOCATION: City Council

DETAILS: All are welcome to attend the monthy meeting of the

go to Downtownnorthville.com

TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Starbucks, 302 will be "Their Eyes Were

Northville High School Reunion-Class of 1987

DATE: Saturday, July 28 LOCATION: Dirty Martini, Novi make hotel reservations online beginning in May. Details to

Northville Meeting TIME/DATE: Noon Tuesday, April 3

LOCATION: Cady Inn DETAILS: Dick BayerI speaking on "Video of Garden Walk 2006." Guests welcome

349-7783

TIME: 2-4 p.m. LOCATION: Barnes & Noble, Six Mile and Haggerty Roads DETAILS: Author Susan McKenna will discuss "Divorce: Healing Hurting Hearts" and sign copies of her new children's book, "Feelings Only I Know; Mom and Dad are Getting Divorced".

Marquis Theatre

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

Raggedy Ann and Andy SCHEDULE: 2:30 p.m. Saturdays through April 28; 2:30 p.m. Sundays through April 29; 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday April 9-

No children under 3 years of age.

Genitti's Little Theater

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

Disorder" TIME/DATES: 6:30 p.m. every

DETAILS: Interactive comedy for \$45 per person. Call for reservations.

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, March 30

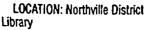
Central (248) 634-5918.

Genitti's Ácting Workshops DATE: We will open any date

DETAILS: Enjoy our famous family-style lunch or dinner, then practice voice and body movement with one of our actors on stage. Play theater games. Take a backstage tour. \$16.95 per person. Everyone gets a Genitti's fun patch.

MAYBURY STATE PARK

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



DETAILS: This will be the annual meeting and sandwich luncheon.

CONTACT: (734) 459-4764

Development Authority

Chambers, 215 West Main St.

CONTACT: (249) 349-0345 or

Book Club Meeting

DATE: Friday, April 20 East Main St., Northville DETAILS: The book for April

Watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston CONTACT: northvillebook-

club@gmail.com

DETAILS: Purchase tickets and

CONTACT: Chris (Hornberger) Noles, (248) 449-7597

Country Garden Club of

CONTACT: Sue Witek (248)

Book Signing

DATE: Saturday, April 14

DETAILS: Tickets are \$8 each.

2007 Dinner Theatre -"Law &

Saturday through April 14

Laughs for a Miracle World Tour '07

DETAILS: Grown up comedy benefit for Children's Miracle Network featuring Sue Fracker, Dwayne Gill and Michigan's oremier storyteller Norm Stulz. Tickets \$45, available at Genetti's box office (248) 349-0522 or Laughs for a Miracle Ticket

for 10 or more.

off Cady Street

TIME/DAY: 10 a.m. 9 p.m. is invited. p.m. Friday-Saturday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday

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

TIME: 2 p.m. DETAILS: This is a free event for those with a Michigan State Park Motor Vehicle Permit. 1.000 candy filled eggs and over 100 prize filled eggs will be available for hunting. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Maybury State Park. Use the Eight Mile Road entrance and meet at the Concession building.

Spring Egg Hunt DATE: Sunday, April 1

<u>MAYBURY</u> **FARM**

LOCATION: Maybury State Park

CONTACT: (248) 374-0200 HOURS: noon-4 p.m., closed Mondays and holidays

NOTE: The farm will be open as weather permits. The farm will be closed if there is rain, snow or temperatures below 50

degrees. 3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt DATE: Saturday, April 7 TIME: 1 p.m.

DETAILS: Children ages 2 to 10 are invited to visit the farm and search for Easter eggs. Find a "special egg" and win a prize. Free admission for children. After the hunt, tour the farm and see the new baby animals. NOTE: Use the farm entrance off of Eight Mile Road, just west of the

Park entrance. **Trot for Animals** DATE: Saturday, May 12

DETAILS: This is a 5K walk/run through Maybury Farm with something for all ages. The proceeds will help feed the animals through the winter months. There will be a "Bunny Walk" for children and seniors and the "Trotter Trail" and "Rooster Run" are for the more experienced walkers/runners. To register and receive a "Trot for Animals" form, call (248) 374-0200

LIBRARY

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

CONTACT: For information or

<u>CHURCH</u> **EVENTS**

First Presbyterian Church of

Northville LOCATION: 200 E. Main St. CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 Sunday Worship TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m. Single Place Events CONTACT:

www.singleplace.org PROGRAMS: Tonight: "Communication and

How to Resolve Conflict" with Dr. Terry Orbuch, Ph.D. March 29: Concert with Men of Grace

Divorce Recovery Workshop DATE: Beginning Today DETAILS: The course will run through May 10. The cost is \$35 and includes the book "Growing

Through Divorce". Registration required. Swing into Spring Dance TIME/DATE: 8-11 p.m.

Saturday, March 24 **DETAILS:** This is for mature singles 45 and older. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. CONTACT: Jane, (248) 591-

Adult Education TIME/DATES: 7-8:15 p.m., Thursdays through March 29 **DETAILS: These sessions will** deal with "Confronting the

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Controversies: Biblical Perspectives of Tough Issues." Pastor Kent Clise will discuss issues such as separation of church and state, the death penalty, euthanasia and homosexuality, and how the Christian faith relates to them. A participant book may be purchased for \$10. Call the church office to sign up.

Walking Group TIME: 11:30 a.m. LOCATION: First, second and fourth Saturday, Big Apple Bagel Shop, 2334 Farmington Road, Farmington; Third Saturday, Panera Bread Co., 34635 Grand River Ave., Farmington

walking/social group. Everyone

First Baptist Church of

DETAILS: This is a

Northville

LOCATION: 217 N. Wing CONTACT: (248) 348-1020 Sunday Worship: 11a.m. and

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m and 7 p.m.: Tuesdays Mens Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

Detroit First Church of the

Nazarene LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty

Road CONTACT: (248) 348-7600 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10.50 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study, Youth & Children Ministries: 7 p.m.

Meadowbrook

Congregational LOCATION: 21355 Meadowbrook Road CONTACT: Rev. Ed Willingham, Interim Minister, (248) 348-7757, or visit www.mbccc org or gmccc@arounddetroit.biz

Sunday Worship TIME: 10 a.m. **Special Lenten Discussion**

TIME/DAY: 7 p.m, Wednesday DETAILS: The topics to be discussed will include a critique of the sermon from the previous Sunday, and some current issues in the news with the question being asked, "What is the faith dimension?" The public is

encouraged to attend. All Day Scrapbooking Event TIME/DAY: 9 a.m.-9 p.m.,

Saturday, March 24 DETAILS: Breakfast, lunch and dinner included so you can spend the day scrapbooking. Door prizes for all and materials will be available for purchase. The cost is \$40 per person. Call

the church office to register. Gabriel Faure's "Requiem" performed by the Chancel Choir TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Sunday,

March 25 DETAILS: The Chancel Choir, chamber orchestra and soloists will perform the inspirational selection for the Lenten season. The public is invited to this free

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile Road

CONTACT: (248) 374-7400

Motherless Daughters Seminar **DATE: Thursdays through**

May10 TIME: 7-9 p.m. LOCATION: Room A101 DETAILS: We support, encourage, discuss and evalute feelings associated with the loss of a

mother. Through healing, find strength and joy ahead. MOPS (Mothers of

Preschoolers) and third Thursday DATE: First

of the month TIME: 7-9 p.m. LOCATION: Room C307-309 DETAILS: MOPs is an international organization that provides

support and encouragement for mothers of young children. CONTACT: Keli Plansinis, atplayintennis@comcast.net or

Women's Ministries (248) 374-5978 **WOW Tuesdays** DAY: Tuesdays TIME: 9:30-11:30 a.m. LOCATION: Chapel, NE corner

of church **DETA!LS: WOW Tuesdays** offer seven different classes, four new. Something for everyone, Bible veterans or wanting to fearn more. Small groups enable richer, deeper understanding of God's Word and how we can

apply it to our everyday lives. 20s and 30s Women's Bible Study

DATÉ: Tuesdays TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. LOCATION: Room C317-319 **DETAILS: Study Scriptures in** this 12 week program through "Breaking Free," a video series by Beth Moore. Reserve work-

book. **CONTACT: Women's Ministries** (248) 374-5978 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

First United Methodist

(248) 347-3525

Church LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road

CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 Sunday Worship DETAILS: 8, 9:15, 11 a.m., and

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month TIME: 4 p.m. Suicide Loss Support Group DATE: Second Thursday and

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

Career Ministry Meetings DAY: Sunday

program is to help meet the needs of job seekers and others in career transition. It is free of charge and is focused on providing career development resources, programs and networking opportunities to anyone in the Northville/Novi area.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. Blended, 11 a m. Contemporary, and 11:30 a.m. Traditional

School Open House DATE: Sunday TIME: 1-3 p.m. CONTACT: (248) 349-3146

MILL RACE

LOCATION: 215 Griswold Avenue, north of Main Street, near

DETAILS: Office Hours Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-1p.m.; Archives Open Thu-Fri 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

CONTACT: (248) 348-1845 Thursday: 9 a.m. Archives

Meeting; 6:45 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting Friday: 9 a.m. Archives Open;

Sunday: 10 a.m. Mill Creek Church; 10 a.m. King's 8th; 6:30 p.m. Venture Scout Meeting Monday: 10 a.m. Heirloom Rug

Hookers; 7 p.m. Lions Club Tuesday: 9 a.m. Stone Gang; 4 p.m.: Brownie Scout Meeting: 6:30 p.m. Northville Democratic Club

Wednesday: 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation; 7 p.m. Mill Creek Church

LOOKING **FOR YOU**

Third Sunday of the month

LOCATION: Maybury State Park DETAILS: Join singles of all ages for hiking and other activities.

CONTACT: http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/B SHiking/

Maybury Farm

DETAILS: The Farm needs help in the following areas: In the barn, cleaning on Mondays and Tuesdays and feeding the animals; four people to work part-time on week-days and week-ends to assist with hayrides. Must be experienced; docents to assist with the school programming Call (248) 374-0200.

Northville Community Foundation

Independence Day Parade

DETAILS: Planning is under way for the parade. Volunteers are needed for both the committee and parade day. Call (248) 374-

Donations for PENNdemonium

DETAILS: The fund-raising gala and auction to benefit the restoration of the historic Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth will take place at 6 p.m. on May 11. The Friends of the Penn are seeking donations for the auction. Individual donations of items or services and business donations are needed. Tickets for PENNdemonium are expected to be available in April.

CONTACT: To make a donation: Julie Johnston, (734) 354-6069 or e-mail auction@friendsofthepenn.org. For information on PENNdemonium: www.PennTheatre.com

Volunteers Needed for Visiting Nurse Association Hospice Program

DETAILS: In as little as two to four hours a week, volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family members or provide office support. A free 18 hour training program, over a three day period, is provided. The training sessions will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., April 14, 21, and 28, at the VNA of Southeast Michigan headquarters located at 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600, Oak Park. Registration is required.

CONTACT: (800) 882-5720, ext. 8361 or (248) 967-8361 or visit www.vna.org.

Moms in Touch

TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m. Thursdays

LOCATION: Member's homes DETAILS: These mothers form a college/career, interdenominational prayer group that gathers for one hour each week to pray for their adult children, the colleges they attend and their places

of employment. CONTACT: Kathy Petlicke, (248) 348-1691 or vww momsin

touch org

Northville Yoga Classes

LOCATION: American Legion Hall, 100 Dunlap

Class for All Levels TIME/DATE: 5:30-6:45 p.m. Mondays through March 26

Yoga II TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p m. Mondays through March 26

Northville Senior Center TIME/DATE: 9:30-11 a.m. Thursdays through March 29 Yin Yoga

TIME/DATE: 5:20-6:45 p.m. Thursdays through March 29

All Levels TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays through March 29

DETAILS: The winter session registration rate is \$96. The dropin rate for unregistered students is \$11 per class. There is no charge for the first visit.

CONTACT: Diane Seigel-DiVita (248) 344-0928 or e-mail trianglesix@sbcglobal net

Susan B. Galli Angel Fund

DETAILS: Hidden Springs Veterinary Clinic has created a fund to assist families in need with medical expenses for their pets. The fund is in memory of one of their longtime clients and friends, Sue Galli, who passed away in November. Hidden Springs welcomes all donations from the community to help build this fund and help as many pets as possible. Please make checks payable to Hidden Spring Vet Clinic SGA Fund, and mail to: 48525 W. Eight Mile Road,

CONTACT: (248) 349-2598

Friends of the Northville **District Library**

DETAILS: There are openings for the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Northville Library. ects not covered by the library's regular budget. Board members also expected to serve on a committee. The only requirement for becoming a Board member is an ness to serve as a volunteer. Those interested should send a of the Friends, c/o Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St., ..Northville, 48167.

Northville Colts Football

ing their teams in 2007 and are looking for good people with a willingness to serve as coaches and Board of Directors. The

organization is currently made up of teams in the brackets as follows: Freshman, ages 8-10; Junior Varsity, ages 11-12, and Varsity, ages 13-14, also cheerleaders in these age groups.

CONTACT: www.northvillecolts com and click on "Contact

Northville Newcomers and Neighbors

DETAILS: This group is for residents of Northville and surrounding communities. Activities include monthly coffees, various interest groups and special programs. New and potential members are welcome.

CONTACT: Nancy Murphy, (248) 305-5460

Hospice Volunteers Needed

DETAILS: Heartland Hospice Services, Inc., of Southfield is looking for caring, compassionate and dedicated individuals to be trained as hospice volunteers. Volunteers provide services such as visiting, companionship, and support for clients and care givers. Office support volunteers are welcome too.

CONTACT: (800) 770-9859

Angela Hospice Groups

DETAILS: Grief support groups include general grief, loss of a spouse, women's grief, parents who have lost a child and a grief support quilter's group. All groups are led by bereavement professionals and trained volunteers.

LOCATION: Angela Hospice Care Center, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia

CONTACT: Joan Lee, (734) 953-

Anxiety Disorder Support Group

TIME/DAY: 7:30 p.m. Thursdays

LOCATION: Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia

DETAILS: A.I.M. (Aim for Recovery) is an organization that will be holding meetings to offer support and recovery for those suffering with anxiety disorders, and their families. The meetings consist of planned behavioral lessons and discussions. Educational material will be available. Donations for the program and materials are accepted.

CONTACT: Robert Diedrich at robtddrich@msn.com

New Hope Center for Grief Support

DETAILS: The New Hope Center for Grief Support offers age-and loss-specific groups for men and women whose spouse has died, parents who have lost a child,

those who have lost a loved one to suicide and other specialized groups. The groups meet on a regular basis in various schedules locations. All services for adults and children are offered at no cost. to the participants.

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

YWCA of Western Wayne County

DETAILS: The YWCA is looking for volunteers to assist with office help, after-school programs, building projects, communications and marketing in its various locations throughout western Wayne County.

CONTACT: Tabatha Manuel. (313) 561-4110, ext. 20 or tmanuel@ywca-wwc org

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 northvillecamera@sbcglobal 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.

Art House Store

LOCATION: 215 W. Cady St. DETAILS: Looking for volunteers to work four hours per month. Meet interesting people. Get 10 percent off store purchas-

CONTACT: Carol Kendra (248) 344-0497

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 TIME: 8 a.m.

LOCATION: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road 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.

SENIOR **EVENTS**

Thursday 9 a.m.: Take Off Pounds Sensibly

9:30 a.m.: Yoga 10 a.m.: Bowling 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle Friday

9:30: Focus Hope and Liquid Nutrition

9: 30 a.m.: Strength Training 11 a.m.: Poker 1 p.m.: Movie: "The Prestige"

Monday 9:30 a.m.: Strength Training 9:45 a.m.: Oxycise New

Enrollees 10 a.m.: Oxycise, Line Dance 11:30 a.m.: Book Club noon: Book Club

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle, Euchre Tuesday 10 a.m.: Driver Safety Class 12:30 p.m. Pinochle

Wednesday 9:45 a.m.: Oxycise New Enrollees

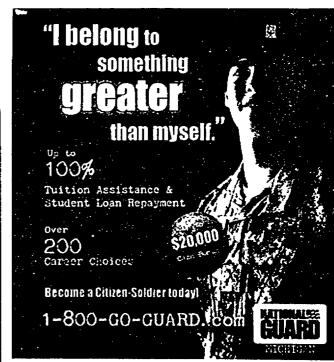
10 a.m.: Oxycise noon: Bridge 1 p.m.: Computer 1 7 p.m.: Bridge

Ongoing Board Games

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

Ongoing Card Games

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





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Does your yard need a face lift? Are your plants overgrown? Will you have a graduation, open house, or 4th of July party? We can help. Call our design department for details.

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www.plymouthnursery.net Early Spring Hours: Mon-Sat 9.6 • Sun 10-5

9900 Ann Arbor Rd./Plymouth Rd.

1 p.m.: Computer I 7 p.m.: Tai Chi

10 a.m. Driver Safety Class

Bridge

PLYMOUTH NURSERY and GARDEN CENTER

7 Miles West of I-275 1 1/2 Miles South of M-14 TOV

Fourth Monday of every month TIME; 7-8:30 p.m.

TIME: 1:30-3 p.m. **DETAILS: The Career Ministry**

LOCATION: 201 Elm St.

LOCATION: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 201 Elm Street

MATTERS

Mill Race Historical Village

Ford Field

Open; 3:45 p.m. Brownie Scout

4:15 p.m. Brownie Scout Meeting Saturday: no schedule

Grounds closed to the public

Beautiful Singles Hiking

TIME/DAY: 9:30 a.m. First and

X Physical Therapy Rehabiltation Update

by Dennis Engerer, P.T.

spongiest soles offer the most protecsoles that are too thick compromise balrally strike harder as they struggle to located at 215 East Main, Suite B. New maintain balance. As a result, runners patients are welcome. with overly thick soles on their running shoes invite ankle sprains and other running injuries even if they run only a few miles weekly. Research also shows

that runners who wear thick-soled

A BIT OF SOLE SEARCHING Runners may want to check their run- Good running mechanics are imperning shoes to see if their soles are too ative to reduce injury and a healthy thick for their own good. There is the workout. If you have questions about general perception that the thickest, anything discussed in today's column, please call our office during business tion. However, according to biome-hours at 248349,9339. We are able to chanics experts, running shoes with evaluate and treat clients at our facility. at the client's home or at extended care ance. It has been found that feet natu-facilities. Our office is conveniently

S. To see if the soles on your running shoes an so thick, stand on one foot. If you have trouble

shoes are twice as likely to injure themselves as runners in thin-soled shoes. www.northvlilephysicairehab.com



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Presented by Michael S. Rowe, M.D., F.A.C.P., C.P.I.

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TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, Friday LOCATION: Recreation Center

DETAILS: All levels of play are welcome. Bring your friends. Cost

CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation, (248) 449-9947

Co-ed Adult 50+ Basketball TIME/DAY: 10 a m.-noon

Thursdays **LOCATION: Senior Community**

DETAILS: All levels of play are welcome. Bring your friends. Cost

CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation, (248) 449-9947

Health Walking

DATE: Monday-Friday TIME: 8-10 a.m. **LOCATION: Senior Community** Center gym, 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

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Group Fitness Classes

DETAILS: Classes include Yoga, Pilates Ball, Aerobics, Step, Kickboxing, Cycle and overall strength training. The class schedules are flexible and vary. A monthly calendar is available at www.northvilleparksandrec.org, or call (248) 349-0203. The fees are \$5 for drop-in or \$45 for a monthly resident pass for unlimited classes. The classes will be held at Hillside Recreation Center or the Senior Community Center. All fitness levels are welcome to participate and certified instructors are there to provide safe and fun workouts.

Youth Basketball League Sign-Up

DATE: Until filled **DETAILS: Spring leagues for** boys in eighth and ninth grades, and 10th-12th grades are being formed. Practices begin Monday, March 26 and games begin Saturday, March 31. Each league will play an eight game schedule that will run through May 24. Cost for the program is \$105-\$115. Coaches are needed to support the leagues. Children of volunteer coaches play for free.

CONTACT: Dave DeMattos, (248) 349-0203, ext. 1405

Open Basketball

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

Open Family Baskethall

DATE: Every Sunday TIME: 4-6 p.m. **LOCATION: Senior Community** Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: There is a fee of \$2 per person.

Open 40+ Basketball

DATE: Every Wednesday TIME: 7-9:30 p.m. **LOCATION: Senior Community** Center, 303 W. Main St. DETAILS: The fee is \$3 per per-

son. Open Volleyball TIME/DATE: 7-10 p.m.

Saturdays LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside

Thursdays; 10 a.m-2 p m.

DETAILS: There is a fee of \$4 per person for Thursday and \$4 per person for Saturday.

Open Badminton

DATE: Every Tuesday and

TIME: 7-9:30 p.m. **LOCATION: Recreation Center** at Hillside

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

Table Tennis

TIME/DAY: 6-10 p.m. Monday and noon-4 p.m. Saturday LOCATION: Hillside Recreation

Center, 700 W. Baseline Road DETAILS: Eight tables are available. All skill levels are welcome. The cost is \$4 per day.

Total Golf Adventure's Golf Enrichment Program

DATE: Tuesdays April 24-June 5

TIME: 4-5 p.m. **LOCATION: Recreation Center** at Hillside Waterford Room

DETAILS: TGA introduces students to the game of golf through a five-level enrichment program that promotes advancement and achievement while teaching the game in a fun atmosphere. TGA's program promotes values, life skills, coordination and achievement. Equipment provided. Fees from \$160-\$170.

CONTACT: (734) 459-2128, tgaofmichigan@sbcglobal.net or www.totalgolfadventures.com.

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TIME/DAY: 7-8:30 a.m. every

Thursday LOCATION: Eastern Michigan University Livonia Campus, 38777

W. Six Mile Road, Suite 400 **DETAILS:** Visitors are welcome to all meetings. Reservations required.

CONTACT: Jim Green, (248) 345-3302

Great Books Discussion Group

TIME/DAY: First and Third Thursday of every month.

LOCATION: Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington Roads

DETAILS: Discuss novels. plays, poetry and non-fiction, CONTACT: (248) 349-3121

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CONTACT: Jim Green, (248) 345-3302

Park Pass

DETAILS: Metroparks and Oakland County Parks are offering a dual park pass. The annual cost is \$43 and can be purchased at

any park office. CONTACT: (800) 4?7-3178 or www.metroparks.com.

Schoolcraft Community College

Free Concert DATE: Wednesday, March 28 TIME: noon

DETAILS: Cellist Debra Fayroian will perform the "Solo Suite for Violoncello" by Cassado and Beethoven's "Sonata in A Major for Piano and Violoncello Opus 69". Pianist Maria Meirelles will accompany her in the Beethoven piece. Fayroian is a cellist with Detroit Chamber Winds and

CONTACT: Schoocraft College of Music Department, (734) 462-

Multicultural Fair

DATE: Wednesday, March 28 TIME: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. LOCATION: DiPonio Room,

VisTaTech Center DETAILS: This is free fair featuring exhibits from various countries, samples of indigenous foods

and entertainment. CONTACT: Kathy Hulik, (734) 462-4417

Allied Health and Nursing Job

DATE: April 4 TIME: 1:30-3:30 p.m. LOCATION: DiPonio Room, VisTaTech Center

DETAILS: Representatives from more than 30 health facilities will attend and accept resumes for a full range of health care profes-

CONTACT: Schoolcraft College Career and Transfer Center, (734) 462-4421

Master Gardener Association of Wayne County

DAY: Second Thursday of every

TIME: 7 p m.

DETAILS: Meet at the **Environmental Interpretive Center** at the northwest corner of the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, 4901 Evergreen Road, between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

Noah, The Musical

DATE: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Through March 25 TIME: 8 p.m. Friday and

Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday LOCATION: Grantland Street Playhouse, 27555 Grantland, Livonia. Located west of Inkster Road and south of I-96.

DETAILS: The Motor City Youth Theatre and Grantland Street Players present this musical for the whole family. Tickets are \$10-\$15. All seats are reserved. CONTACT: (313) 535-8962 or

go to www.mcyt.org

Village Voices Concert

TIME: 4 p.m. LOCATION: Village Theater of Canton, 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton

DATE: Sunday, March 25

DETAILS: The BeckRidge Chorale presents its ensemble group, Village Voices, performing "Strictly A Cappella." The concert will feature "The Peaceable Kingdom" by Randall Thompson. Tickets are \$12 for general seating and can be purchased at the number or Web site that follows.

CONTACT: (734) 416-9885, or go to www.plymouthchorus.org

Fund-raiser for Multiple Sclerosis

DATE: Sunday, March 25 TIME: noon-3 p.m. LOCATION: CiCi's Pizza, 1663 Canton Center Road, Canton

DETAILS: 10 percent of proceeds from orders will be donated to benefit the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Longest Day of Golf Event. Make sure to tell them that you are there to benefit the National Multiple Scleosis Society. CONTACT: (734) 844-5600

First Step Fund-raiser

DATE: Sunday, March 25 TIME: 6:30-9:30 p.m. LOCATION: Pansian, Laurel Park Place Mall DETAILS: This is the 13th

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Swing City Big Band

DATE: Saturday, March 31 TIME: 8 p.m. LOCATION: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, Canton

DETAILS: This performance will include dancing, cash bar and theater seating. Tickets are \$12 per

CONTACT: (734) 394-5460 for tickets:

swingcity_bigband@yahoo.com for information on the band.

Orchestra Canton "Sunday Serenade"

DATE: Sunday, April 1 TIME: 4 p.m.

LOCATION: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, Canton

DETAILS: This concert will be the last of their 2006-07 "Classical Canton" season and will feature beloved classics. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, and \$10 for children. See the contact information that follows to purchase tickets in advance. Tickets will also be available at the Village Theater box office one hour prior to the concert.

CONTACT: (734) 394-5460, ext. 0; or go to www.OrchestraCanton org.

Send calendar submissions via email to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 349-9832; or by mail to Northville Record, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167. Items must be received by noon on Tuesday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.





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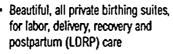
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Courtesy photo

Members of the Marine Corps League Detachment 162 enjoy flipping steaks, as well as a few burgers, each month at the VFW Post in downtown Northville. This month's Grill Out takes place from 5-7:30 p.m. Saturday or until the meat runs out.

Grillers help out U.S. Marines

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Sutton, the commandant for the Marine Corp's League Detachment 162 in Northville, invites the public to come "grill" with the Marines from 5-7:30 p.m. — or until the steaks run out.

The post is located at 438 S. Main St. in downtown Northville.

Everyone's encouraged to come grill with current and former Marines to help raise money for needy active and nonactive veterans and their families.

"You come, you pick out your own steak, add spices and grill your own steak," Sutton said. "If you need help, the Marines are there for

The group has the grill out one Saturday a month and buys 150 steaks for each event.

"Last year, we sold out at all but two dinners we had," Sutton said. 'We have a few hamburgers, too." Sutton claims it's the best steak dinner in town, and the grillers are

there come rain or shine "We use charcoal grills not gas." Sutton said.

Other posts often get involved

In 2006, the post raised about \$4,500 for veterans, active duty soldiers and their families.

"We support local Marines, as well as those in other branches of the military," Sutton said.

The money is distributed through referrals. The money helped one Marine who was off work due to a

motorcycle accident. One Marine's mother's porch pfleming@gannett com.

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burnt down. The post will provide money along with another organiza-

tion so she can get the porch fixed. "A lot of time, we team up with another post to make things hap-pen." Sutton said. "It's all about helping the vets as well as those currently serving."

10-ounce or 16-ounce steaks

Cost of the dinner is \$10 per person for a 10-ounce steak or \$14 for a 16-ounce steak.

Dinners include salad, bread, baked potato, dessert, water or ice

Come enjoy a great steak and help raise money for the men and women and their families who are serving or have served our great country," Sutton said.

The Marine Corps League is a veterans organization established more than 70 years ago by Marines for Marines.

Its purpose is to preserve the traditions and promote the interests of the United States Marino Corps: be:1 a source of information for veterans and raise money for veterans in need through fund-raisers.

The Northwest Detachment is looking for honorably discharged or active duty Marines to help continue its ongoing efforts to help fellow Marines and their families in the community.

Marine Corps League Northwest Detachment 162 meets at 7:30 p.m. every third Monday of the month.

Pam Fleming can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or at

SPRING BREAK: Try this option

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effort, a partnership between the United Way and thinkMTV.

Students came from across the country to help those affected by

MTV will air a show, "The Amazing Break," about the young people's efforts in the near future.

Angela Walker, 25, of Northville, was one of the team leaders in Lake Charles.

A graduate of Northville High School and Western Michigan University, Walker earned bachefor's and master's degrees in social work and has worked in the volunteer services department of the United Way of Southeast Michigan's office in Detroit for two

She said about 150 people traveled to Lake Charles, about two hours west of New Orleans near Houston

Former Detroit resident helped

Her team's project was to rebuild a home for a woman who used to live in Detroit and moved to the Gulf Coast about a year before Hurricane Rita hit.

The woman lost her apartment and is currently living in a Federal Emergency Management Agency

Walker's team also helped Habitat for Humanity renovate one of their warehouses. She said her team also toured Cameron, La. finding nothing but concrete slabs where homes used to be.

There are homes that were picked up by the storm and moved out into the middle of the water," Walker said, "It's extreme devastation 18 months later."

A lot of the victims brought the volunteers, breakfast and cooked them lunch.

'They were very welcoming and appreciative," Walker said.
Walker said the experience has

been rewarding. We've seen what a difference in can make to be able to provide a

home to people," she said. She hopes to get more young people involved in the United Way when she returns.

'We're looking to have a roundtable with young adults in the area to discuss what can be done locally;

such as notices through MySpace to keep this age group engaged with United Way," she said.

Devastation still exists

Noble said when Hurricane Rita struck the Gulf Coast, no lives were lost, but the damage was extensive.

"Many of us were unaware of the devastation here because the media concentrated on Hurricane Katrina," he said He said H MA is working on about 120 cases. but about 6,000 cases haven't even rewarding.

been evaluated vet.

rewarding.

"It's definitely been a very humbeen evaluated yet.

His team worked on putting a new ceiling, fixing broken windows and painting the interior of a woman's home. They had to wear biohazard suits and masks due to black mold growing in the home.

"She was scanimed by some local construction workers, and 18 months after the hurricane she's still renting a FFMA trailer." Noble-

He also said the week was

bling experience." Noble said. "This is something I'll remember for years to come. Why not donate your time to make somebody's life change forever?

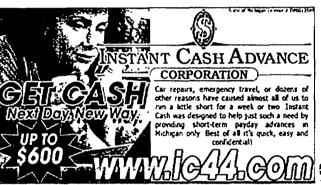
Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext 105, or at pfleming@ gannett com



Photo by Jessica Moran Josh Noble, left, of Northville, a student at

Texas Christian University, helped rebuild Salemah Broussard's home hit by Hurricane Rita in Lake Charles, La., last week during the United Way and thinkMTV's 2007

Alternative Spring Break.



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non-profit organization. Then, they learned the need existed closer to home.

'That side of Northville'

That icy Saturday night, friends, professional peers and neighbors wrote checks, doled eash and carried bags of groceries up to the DeClue's door.

"People really stepped up to the plate," said Karla, who added the suggestion of cash donations to this year's invitation. "Last year, we just asked for food.

"We piled it up in the library -you couldn't even see the floor."

Five years ago, DeClue said she was unaware of Civic Concern's impact when friends suggested she keep the party proceeds in their home town.

"I said, "Really, do they do that much?" she recalled, "Living here. I didn't see that side of Northville.

"I think we live a life of plenty in Northville for the most part. We are so blessed."

Within the past two years, the number of clients Civic Concern

assists has doubled to more than 100 families and individuals, Kunz said. Help ranges from biweekly grocery distribution to gas cards to free up cash to cover util-

The party's origin

The couple struck a deal when Chip initially eyed the sing-along device several years ago: They attached a selfless purpose to the non-essential purchase. And the karaoke party was born.

"It's just short of a professional set-up." Karla said. "I thought it would be way weird to just invite people over to sing to it.

"It usually takes them about an hour or so to get warmed up, then it's usually a fight who gets to go next.

From the premiere party for 20-30 friends, the growing event now entails hiring a professional disc jockey, catering food and clearing out rugs and furniture.

Microphone in hand, architects, attorneys and stylists belted out disco, country and rock 'n roll.

"It's nice to have a party where we can also give back and do something for the community," Chip said. "What started off as a party to break in my karaoke machine has developed into its own little thing.

"I wonder how long it will be until we have to rent a hall."

Maureen Johnston can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 107, or via e-mail at mjohnston@gannett com.

HELPING EACH OTHER



Karla DeClue, right, and her daughters Emma, 10, and Sophi, 7, recently brought in 200 lbs of food and about \$1,900 to Northville's Civic Concern - proceeds from a fundraising party they held. Civic Concern's Maryann Cotterill, left, looks at some food donations.

A case of need

Marlene Kunz hears about job loss, illness and despara-

Like many clients, a 53year-old woman the Northville Civic Concern director recently qualified for emergency assistance came to the agency reluctantly.

Kunz said the woman, employed her whole career with corporate health care providers, has drained the last of her retirement savings while battling health prob-

'She's tried everywhere for a job," Kunz said. "But because of the fact she's got the cancer - she's in remission right now — they're looking at whether she's hire-

"It was very hard for her to come in."

Donated groceries and gift cards are a lifeline to people like her, Kunz said.

'She's been living off her IRA," she said. "She declared bankruptcy.

"Those are the things that

we're seeing."

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(3-22-07 NR 343829)

NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 170**

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on March 27, 2007 at the Northwille Township Crinc Center, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northwile, Mt 48168 The Planning Commission has completed a comprehensive review of the ordinance and will consider a series of amendments. In addition to updates required per the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act and general formatting and language clarification, the following listing summarizes the major changes

Article 3 - Added a maximum four foot height standard for walls

used to screen mechanical equipment in non-residential districts.

Article 6 - Added an R-4 (One Family Residential District) to address existing small lots that do not compty with current regulations. Article 6 · Added a provision for the R-1 through R-3 districts that no less than 40% of a residential tagade may be occupied by a

Article 7 - Increase garage setbacks to 25'. Artice 10 - Increased the size of an office use permitted by right to 80,000 square feet and increased permitted building height adja-

cent to residential from 30' to 35'. Article 11 - Created a Northylle Road Mixed Use Zoning

District. Article 13 - Added provision to limit the number of drive through lanes to two for banks and one for all other uses

Article 15 - Expanded the Research & Development district to include large office uses and added day care as a special land use.

Article 16 - Modified standards for indoor and outdoor stadiums. Article 17 - Created an Industrial Commercial Zoning District to address unique industrial uses on Gerald Avenue and repealed existing

Article 18 - Decreased the front yard setback in the Industrial Zoning District to 25' within an industrial park and added a provision for lot averaging within a residential development

Article 20 - Added provisions for an Infill Planned Unit Development.

Article 22 - Added provisions for nonconforming situations created by new right-of-way acquisitions Article 26 - Revised parking requirements for churches, bars/nightclubs, video rental establishments and offices and added stak-

ing requirements for drive through uses

Article 32 - Updated requirements for traffic impact studies Article 33 - Streamlined review processes and modified planning commission review process to require administrative review prior to

ning commission review process to require administrative review prior to review by the planning commission.

Article 34 - Changed land divisions to administrative review

Article 37 - Added regulations for tent sales within parking lots and eliminated ZBA review for outdoor dining.

The public is invited to attend this hearing and express their comments and questions. Written comments regarding the proposed changes will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. A complete copy of the proposed changes is available at Township Half during regular business hours, 8 30 A.M. to 4 30 P.M., Monday through Enday.

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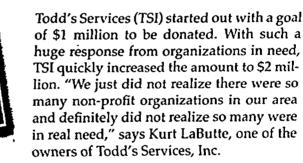
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Groups want to change region



from the United Way of Southeast Michigan, the Cultural Alliance of Southeastern Michigan, the Detroit Convention & Visitors Bureau, the Detroit Regional Chamber, Detroit Renaissance and New Detroit.

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Their goal is to develop a unified approach in the region in six areas: economic prosperity, educational preparedness, regional transit, race relations, regional cooperation and quality of life.

The organizations plan to unveil a blueprint to help residents in the region at the Mackinac Public Policy Conference in June. About 2,000 professionals are expected to attend.

Creating an Agenda for Change

The local United Way also announced its "Agenda for Change" program in December.

This will focus on three areas in which United Way staff members believe they can help area citizens - economic stability, educational preparedness and basic needs.

This is a major shift in the way the United Way does business as the organization moves from simply a fund-raising and fund-distribution agency to one that seeks to bring people and groups together to combat some of the region's most pressing problems," Brennan

The areas were determined after a year of research and investigation that included focus groups, leadership interviews and a communitywide survey that asked people what they thought were the critical

issues facing the metropolitan area.

Deloitte Consulting in Detroit did some business planning to help bring the plan together, and Edsel Ford serves as the champion of "One D."

Brennan said input from some of the 7,000 tri-county residents served by the local United Way in 2006 helped the organization identify the three areas of concern.

wnetner tney iivea 3 П Northville, Detroit, Downriver, the Northville Record. She can be Troy or Macomb County, we saw a common theme," Brennan said.

He believes the regional effort is one of the most innovative such programs in the nation.

"We're not aware of any other place in the country where six organizations have come together like this," Brennan said.

Need help? Dial 2-1-1 center

Brennan said December also marked the one-year anniversary of the United Way for Southeast Michigan's call center, which has received almost 100,000 calls since December 2005.

"Any resident can dial that number and get a trained professional who can help them with a variety of needs," he said.

The number is for nonemergency calls.

"It's an information and referral number where our staff can connect people in the community with available resources," Brennan said.

Callers might have a child who needs counseling or a parent who requires a home health nurse or meals delivered. "We have identified more than

6,000 services in the tri-county area," Brennan said.

United Way statistics reveal that since 2000 the number of individuals in the area living at or below the poverty level has grown 20 per-

Brennan said there's a misconception that most disadvantaged people live in urban areas.

There are more people living at the poverty level or below in the suburbs than there are in the city of Detroit," Brennan said.

The 2-1-1 call center can also be used by those who want to volunteer in the area.

Why volunteer?

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HELPING EACH OTHER

I From spirit week to spirited service week

Spirited Service

Starting Monday, 2,124 Northville Mustangs will go to class in their ceremonial Spirit Week outfits while being reminded each day to collect items that will benefit others in need.

"We tried to incorporate each item (we're collecting) with a different Spirit Week day," said

Each day of the week has a theme, and the items for different charities are coordinated with that theme of the day.

On Wednesday the student congress is inviting eighth graders from Hillside Middle School and senior citizens from the Northville Senior Community Center to join the outreach.

Student congress member Robyn Baidas, junior, contacted the seniors.

"They're coming to play games and enjoy refreshments with us," Baidas said. 'We asked all of them to bring soap and used cell phones, mittens, hats and reading glasses, so

they can feel part of the community and so they can give back just like all the students are giving back." Middle school students will

tour the school with congress members and participate in an outreach activity - writing letters to Michigan soldiers overseas in Iraq.
Throughout the week, tickets

are being sold for the Spring Fling dance on Saturday. All proceeds from the ticket sales will go to the Northville Civic Concern. The week ends with a pep rally where Civic Concern Director Marlene Kunz will receive a check from the student

Monday (Pajama day)

NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

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Wednesday (Occupation day)
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Charity: Civic Concern

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congress and address the stu-

dents. "We just thought Civic Concern would be a great organization to start with this year to kind of kick off our idea and help people locally, so that people can really see the impact that we're making and what high schoolers can do in the order of helping people on a larger scale, Ketelhut said.

Changing traditions

Since the fall semester, student congress members have met to discuss the best way to communicate Outreach Week to the rest of their classmates.

Announcements have been made, seminar teachers have been notified, lists have been circulated and posters have been hung during the weeks prior to Outreach Week so the student body will have a clearer understanding of the purpose and activites of the week. They asked other schools that have had similar events for suggestions in communicating and organizing their

"It's hard when you change anything at a school because you do something for a year and it becomes a tradition in people's minds," said Northville High School Principal Rob Watson.

"Getting the kids into thinking a different way is going to be difficult this year, but I think when they see the direction it's going,

they're going to be very excited."
Watson said he is excited and looking forward to the switch in emphasis from his students.

"This is I think particularly exciting because it's a shift. Instead of doing something for

ourselves ... it gives a chance to look at the other side of things and really put some assistance in

Student congress members are also excited about their new school tradition. This being the first year, they expect there will be some rough spots to smooth over, but the hope is for students to get excited and look forward to

Outreach Week for years to come. "Every single year this will get better," Ketelhut said.

"People will start hearing about it more and more, they will remember what we did the year

before and, hopefully, it will be a permanent thing we do every

Bell agreed.

"I think it will continue on. I think it will just grow with time," she said.

"This year, we're hoping it will be a big outcome, but I think as the years go on it will get better and better.

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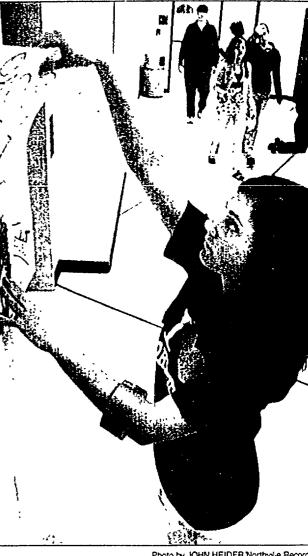


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Northville High School student Robyn Baidas hangs a poster she made advertising the school's upcoming "Spring Fling" dance.

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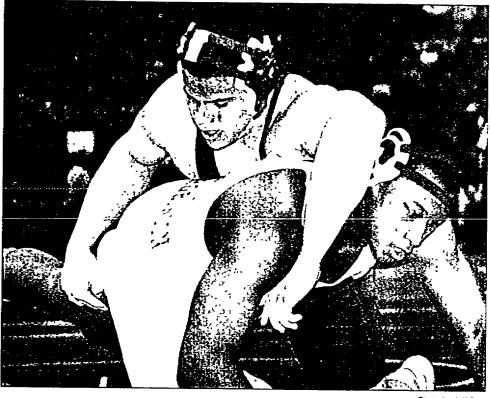
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THE AREA'S



Catholic Central's Mike Martin, top, works over Port Huron's Aaron Robinson in the heavyweight state finals.

An amazing first year

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Something happened that didn't occur in Catholic Central coach Rodriguez's previous 50 years of coaching - a first-year wrestler garnered a state title.

Shamrock junior Mike Martin was brand new to the sport. He came out for the team after his friend, 160-pounder Stefan Gatt, bugged him long enough to come out to a practice.

Martin, a 285-pounder, admitted he didn't like his first practice but stuck with it anyway. He must be a quick learner, because Martin stood atop the winner's podium at the state finals March 10 at the

Palace of Auburn Hills. "It was just outstanding," Rodriguez said. "I knew in my heart that he could do it. He had all the abilities, the skills, the quickness and, oh man, he had

devastating takedowns. "He is an awesome student to work with. I'm just so happy that I had the experience to work with a young man like Mike."

Martin's win, if not already a huge story in itself, also was the final match in Rodriguez's career, as he retired at the end of the wrestling season.

Having limited tournament experience and obviously no state experience, Martin didn't let the atmosphere get to him. He pinned his way into the finals, winning his first three matches.

All-Area Wrestlers

Athlete of the Year Mike Martin, CC junior (Hwt)

First Team Jon Lichorobiec, Novi junior

Justin Pullin, Novi senior (112)

Jonny D'Anna, Northville junior

Robbie Yusko, Novi junior (125) Shea Hasenauer, CC junior (135) Brian Bagian, Northville junior,

Ryan Thomas, Novi junior (145) Stefan Gatt, CC junior (160) Joe Kinville, CC junior (215) Kyle Liddell, Milford junior (130) Billy Curry, Milford sophomore

Goeffrey Graybeal, Milford senior (171) Jason Woodcox, Milford senior

(152)Matt Thomas, Lakeland senior (152)

Joe Snyder, South Lyon senior

Second Team Nieko lanni, CC senior (119)

Port Huron's Aaron Robinson was the only thing between Martin and a title. A 2-0 deficit in the first period was still nothing. as Martin scored the next four points and rode out all attempts

for a takedown for the title. Rodriguez said he knew Martin Matt Aubrey, CC junior (189) Ryan Brown, CC senior (152) Trevor O'Connor, CC sophomore

John Hebert, Northville junior

Brad Frey, Novi senior (130) Phil Acree, Milford senior (125) Devin Boria, Milford freshman

Nick Burt, Milford freshman (112)

Chris Emery, South Lyon (160) Shae Butler, South Lyon (160) Jeremy Sherman, Lakeland

Honorable Mention Doug Eldridge, CC freshman

Barrett Schwarzlose, CC sophomore (119) Mieka Lampe, South Lyon (189) Zack Makowski, South Lyon

Max Hill, Lakeland (145) Jason Rhodes, Milford junior

was the real deal when he started posting good matches against veteran wrestlers.

"He was beating some and losing others by one or two points, just · on simple mistakes,

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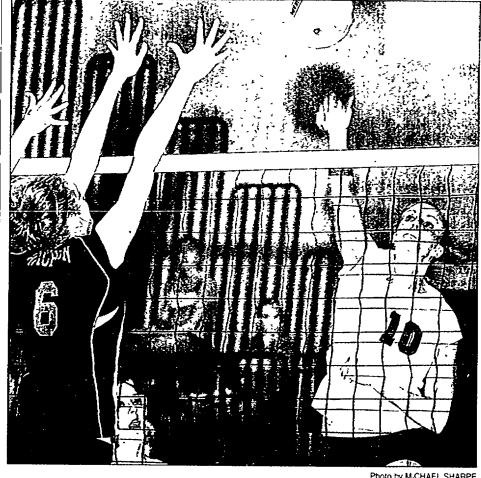


Photo by MiCHAEL SHARPE

Lakeland senior Kera Dukic is the All-Area Volleyball Player of the Year.

Dukic soars for Eagles

By Patrick Pinter and Jeff Theisen

GANNETT SPORTS WRITERS

She may not be the tallest or most physically intimidating player on the volleyball court. but for senior setter Kera Dukic heart isn't measured by height or weight. It is measured in effort,

hustle and mental toughness. This past season while leading Lakeland to back-to-back Kensington Valley Conference, district and regional titles Dukic displayed all three of those qualities. For those reasons Dukic is the 2007 All-Area team Most Valuable Player.

"Kera is just a super girl and what she lacks in height she more than makes up for in heart," said Lakeland head coach Owen Nakamura. "She had a huge impact on our team. She was the team leader on the court."

A four year varsity member, this season Dukic was a team leader, role model and an all around force for the Eagles in the middle of the court. This year she totaled over 1,000 set assists and was top five in six different statistical categories for the Eagles

Along with being one of the premier setters in the area she also excelled at defense while

All-Area Volleyball

Athlete of the Year Kera Dukic, Lakeland senior

First Team

Joanna Foss, Northville senior Krysta Cicala, Northville junior Amanda Marquardt, Northville senior

Stephanie Cripps, Novi junior Paige Janer, Novi junior Kaitlyn Schultz, Milford junior Katy Westenberg, Milford senior

Hannah Stocker, Lakeland iunior

Brooke Ward, Lakeland senior Kathleen Donehue, South Lyon sophomore

Second Team Katie Moran, Northville senior Kristen Ehehalt, Northville

senior Allison Holmes, Northville junior Jackie Elder, Northville senior

recording over 300 digs and 30 block assists. Dukie was also name first team All-KVC and was

elected to the All-Region team "As a coach you only get a player like this once in a lifeMegan Goldsmith, Novi senior Lauren Purdy, Novi senior Kim Hildreth, Novi sophomore Danielle Gotham, South Lyon sophomore Katrina Bezak, Milford senior

Laura Ward, Lakeland junior

Honorable Mention

Elise Fleishaker, Northville Amanda Diacono, Novi senior

Hayley Miller, Novi junior Rachel Falzon, Milford senior Erinn Nelson, Lakeland senior Caitlin Kleist, Lakeland senior Tina Milani, Lakeland senior Kaitlyn Vincek, South Lyon junior

Katie Williams, South Lyon junior Ashley Penny, South Lyon senior

time," said Nakamura 'I have been with her the last four years and she has learned what is needed of her. She is a player that is

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Northville's Churella 2nd in country

All-American performance makes nine for Churella family

By Jeff Theisen NOVI NEWS

Northville's Josh Churella. wrestling for the University of Michigan, finished runner-up at the NCAA wrestling championships this past weekend at the Palace of Auburn Hills..

Churella, a 2003 Novi graduate, fought his way into the finals at 149 pounds with four straight wins. He faced Edinboro's Gregor Gillespie in the title match.

Both wrestlers stalemated the

first period, but Churella went ahead with an escape point in the second period. He just missed a takedown late in the period but still entered the final period with a one-point lead.

Gillespie earned an escape point to equal the match, and the wrestlers again stalemated the rest of the way, sending the match into sudden-death overtime.

Churella shot in for a takedown and got a foot, but Gillespie countered and eventually worked in position for a takedown and the deciding two points.

Despite the disappointment of not reaching his ultimate goal, Churella said the weekend was an incredible weekend.

"It was a real good experience to come back here and wrestle in front of the home crowd," Churella said. "It was a really

awesome environment to wrestle in. The whole weekend was

"I just came up a little short in the finals ... I'll just kind of use that as a motivator for next year." Next year's season contains two

major goals for Churella. You want to win the Big 10 championships. That's a big deal," he said. "It's great to win and everything, but I think the final goal is to win a national title.

"Every year I've been going to watch the NCAA finals since the sixth grade. I always wanted to be in the final match and win it. I think I can take a lot of positives things away from this and work on a lot of stuff this summer. I've

got one more shot at it. He estimated about 50 family friends that he knew about were at

Josh Churella earned the ninth All-America honor for the family. Mark Sr., Josh's dad, was a fourtime All-American, Ryan was a three-timer, and this was the second for Josh (eighth place in

Churella's All-American performance helped the Wolverines finish sixth during the tournament. Minnesota won the championship with 98 points, followed by Iowa State (88.5), Missouri (80), Northwestern (71.5), Oklahoina State (69) and

Michigan (62). Saturday's attendance 17,780 set a new NCAA Championship attendance record. previously set in 1997 (17.436).

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Submitted by Wolverine Photo

Josh Churella competes during the NCAA Championships this past weekend at the Palace of Auburn Hills.



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Ferriman receives NCAA award

Submitted to the Northville Record

National The Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) has awarded one of its prestigious postgraduate scholarships to Albion College's Justin Ferriman (Northville), who helped the men's soccer program achieve winning seasons the past three years. The \$7,500 award, to be used toward graduate school, is presented to 29 men nationwide who compete in fall sports (cross country, football, soccer, and water polo) in all NCAA divisions.

Ferriman becomes the 11th scholar-athlete in Albion history to receive the NCAA postgraduate scholarship.

A four-year letter winner for the Britons in men's soccer, Ferriman was a two-time all-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association selection. He was a first team all-league defenseman in 2006 as the Britons finished second in the MIAA with an 11-2-I record against league rivals.

Ferriman has designed his own major in business communications, minors in psychology, and is an active member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy, which he has served as both president and vice president. He has been named to the Dean's List every semester, and has also earned a spot on the MIAA Academic Honor Roll each of his first three years at Albion.



Former Northville Mustang Justin Ferriman received a \$7,500 postgraduate scholarship from the NCAA.

He has achieved numerous academic awards, including election to Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Society (elected vice president), and Mortar Board.

"Justin possesses a unique blend of athletic and academic skills that will serve him very well in the future. He also displays an uncommon sense of ethics and high moral values. He will not only be a success in any graduate program that accepts him, he will be an outstanding leader in the future," wrote an Albion faculty member in recommending Ferriman for the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship.

Sports Med

An arm rested is an arm saved

pring training is upon us and our Tigers are returning from a brief but restful offseason. While many of these guys haven't touched a ball in four months, many of our teenagers haven't put theirs down all year. Year-round training is becoming increasingly popular for teenage athletes. When I was growing up, the traditional thought was the baseball players in the South had an advantage against us Northerners since they could play year-round. While this may hold true for hitting and position play, current thought is that the opposite is true for pitchers. Most parents are well aware of the dangers of throwing curveballs at an early age but most still think more

is better when it comes to pitching.

I was at a conference with Dr. Lewis Yocum several months ago. Yocum is the team physician for the

Sean Bak

Anaheim Angels and one of the world-renowned gurus when it comes to elbow injuries in pitch We spoke about the increase in youth throwing injuries and a rather alarming increase in use of the "Tommy John" surgery on adolescents. Amongst physicians, there is an increasingly prevailing school of thought that each pitcher has a limited amount of pitches available in his arm during his lifetime. That number differs from pitcher to pitcher and, unfortunately, there is

no way of predicting this. For some, such as Roger Clemens, that is an extremely high number. For others such as Kerry Wood, just enough to get them to the bigs before the arm blows out. There are countless others who blow out in high school, college, or the minors and are left to wonder what might have been.

Now this may sound like an overly simplistic explanation of pitching injuries but the evidence is heavy in favor of this theory. How many pitchers from the Little League World Series have made it to the majors? You can count them on one hand. Successful Little League pitchers are called on to pitch as many innings as possible year in, year out during their youth. The common scenario is that they throw with impressive velocity for their age as pre-teens but that velocity often fails to match their growth-they had great potential but for whatever reason that potential was never realized. While there may never be a specific, catastrophic injury, by the time they are in their late teens, their arms are burned out. The increasing majority of successful collegiate and professional pitchers are actually converted position players. In other words, they had great arms but spent their youth playing outfield, third base, catcher, etc. They were able to "save" their arms for later.

Too frequently, I see teenagers in my office who have shoulder or elbow pain from pitching. The story is always the same: Junior is an outstanding pitcher, has been since Little League. Besides his

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school and summer teams, we have him in a fall league and a winter throwing program. Oh and, by the way, he's got a great forkball...

Where am I going with this? There is too much emphasis on early success, early development of baseball pitchers. There is some validity to year-round training and the "more is better" mentality for fielding and hitting. Pitchers on the other hand, need an off-season. I have no problem with long-toss in the winter to keep the arm limber or even occasional, brief throwing sessions to work on mechanics in the off-season. My advice to parents is if your child has a "live arm", keep his pitching to a minimum. At the very least, limit him to one league only and keep a close eje on pitch count rather than innings pitched ideally, don't let him pitch at all until he is older. If your child truly has collegiate or professional pitching potential, let him realize it there.

Dr. Sean Bak is a Novi resident and an orthopedic surgeon who specializes in shoulder reconstruction and sports medicine. Bak takes care of the athletes of Oakland University and several area high schools. His practice, Performance Orthopedic, is based out of Beaumont Hospital

■ WRESTLING: Northville's D'Anna on First Team

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Rodriguez said. "He's a good athlete, and he picked up it up quickly. He is just awesome."

First Team

Northville juniors Jonny D'Anna and Brian Bagian represent the Mustangs on the All-Area First Team.

D'Anna (34-10) came on strong late in the season and worked his way into the state meet at 119 pounds, gaining valuable experience heading into his senior year. He also was the league champion, district champ and regional runner-up.

"Jonny was one of the leaders of the team this year," Northville head coach Jeff Balagna said. "He is a very hard worker and puts forth the maximum effort needed to win.

"Jonny really stepped it up when he needed to, with big performances at the league meet, districts and regionals."

Bagian (31-12) was a steady contributor for the Mustangs all season at 140 pounds. He finished third at the league meet and qualified for regionals with a

Photo submitted by Jeff Gatt Catholic Central's Mike Martin stands atop the podium at the state meet.

fourth-place finish at districts. "Brian' had another outstanding year for us," Balagna said. "He was one of the leaders on a young team, and he came

through for us time again. "Anytime you win over 30 junior Jason Rhodes.

matches in a season you know you put together a great year."

The rest of the All-Area First Team includes Catholic Central juniors Shea Hasenauer, Stefan Gatt and Joe Kinville and senior Ryan Brown; and Novi junior; Jon Lichorobiec, senior Justin' Pullin and junior Ryan Thomas.

Second Team

The All-Area Second Team includes Novi senior Brad Frey; Catholic Central senior Nieko Ianni, senior Ryan Brown, junior Matt Aubrey and sophomore Trevor O'Connor; and Northville junior John Hebert; Milford senior Phil Acree, freshman Devin Boria and freshman Nick Burt; South Lyon's Chris Emery and Shae Butler and Lakeland's Jeremy Sherman.

Honorable Mention

The All-Area Honorable Mention includes Catholic Central freshman Doug Eldridge and sophomore Barrett Schwarzlose; South Lyons Mieka Lampe and Zack Makowski; Lakeland's Max Hill and Milford

■ VOLLEYBALL: Three Mustangs on First Team

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able to recognize our strengths and weaknesses and able to play to them."

First Team

Northville's strong season was led by strong upperclassmen. The Mustangs finished 43-6-3, went a perfect 10-0 in the Western Division and finished runner-up and district runner-up to eventual state champion Churchill.

Senior middle hitter Joanna Foss set the school record with 477 kills and a .962 serving percentage.

"She has all the tools needed - speed, height, reach, defense, serving," Northville head coach Steve Anderson said. "She has All-Conference, All-Region and All-Area on her resumé for this year."

Krysta Cicala, a junior, reset several of her own records from last year -- 155 aces, 1,075 assists and a .421 assists percentage.

"Krysta is one of the best offensive setters in the State," Anderson said. "She not only can run a fantastic 5-1 offense, she also can play as an Outside Hitter and be one of the best in the WLAA."

Senior outside hitter Amanda Marquardt put up top-flight numbers in several different categories. She had 301 kills, 318 digs, an .892 serve reception percentage and served up 74 aces.

"Amanda is one of the best defensive outside hitters in the area," Anderson said. "Her stats speak volumes on her all-around ability.

"Amanda played as an outside hitter for Northville but will be a great Libero next year at Tiffin University. Defense is her specialty and her hard work has paid off in the form of a college scholarship.'

The rest of the All-Area First Team are Novi juniórs Stephanie Cripps and Paige Janer; Milford senior Katy Westenberg and junior Kaitlyn Schultz; Lakeland senior Brooke Ward and junior

Hannah Stocker and South Lyon sophomore Kathleen Donehue.

Second Team

The All-Area Second Team includes Novi senior Megan Goldsmith, senior Lauren Purdy and sophomore Kim Hildreth; Northville senior Katie Moran, senior Kristen Ehehalt, junior Allison Holmes and senior Jackie Elder; South Lyon sophomore Danielle Gotham; Milford senior Katrina Bezak; and Lakeland junior Laura Ward.

Honorable Mention

The Honorable Mention honorees include Novi senior Amanda Diacono and junior Haley Miller; Northville senior Elise Fleishaker, Milford senior Rachel Falzon: Lakeland seniors Erinn Nelson, Caitlin Kleist and Tina Milani; and South Lyon senior Ashley Penny, junior Kaitlyn Vincek and Katie

Sports Shorts

Northville High School pom tryouts

Northville varsity and junior varsity pom pon tryouts begin 6:30 p.m. March 29 in the main gym.

Tryout packets are available on the NHS athletic website: http://www.northville.k12.mi.us/ nhs/athletics/athleticshome.htm

Also, pom clinics run March 26-28 from 6:30-8:30 p m. each

night in the main gym For more information, contact

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Baseball

3/28	Home	South Lyon	4 p.m.
3/31	Away	Brighton	11 a.m.
4/04	Away	Walled Lake N.	4 p.m.
4/16	Home	Wayne Memorial	4 p.m.
4/17	Away	Saline High School	vian.
4/18	Home	W.L. Central	4 p.m.
4/20		Plymouth High So	hool Ann
4/21	Home	Novi	10 a.m.
4/23		Franklin	
4/25		Churchill	4 p.m.
4/27	Away	W.L. Western	4 p.m.
4/30	Home	Canton	4 p.m.
5/02	Home	Salem	4 p.m.
5/04	Away	Wayne Memorial	4 p.m.
5/05	Away	Southoate Anders	4 p.m.
5/07	Home	Southgate Anders Plymouth	
5/09	Away		4 p.m.
5/11	Away	John Glenn (West Franklin	
5/12	Home		4 p.m.
5/12		Trenton	10 a.m.
5/14	Home	Allen Park	1 p.m.
5/16	Home	W.L. Western	4 p.m.
	Home	Livonia Stevenson	
5/18	Away	Canton	4 p.m.
5/19	Home	Milford	10 a.m.
5/23	Home	WLAA Playoff	4 p.m.

Boys Lacrosse

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Girls Lacrosse

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Northville



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4/26 Home	Carman-Ainsworth	5:30 p.m.
4/27 Away	Plymouth	7 p.m.
4/29 Away	Waverly	TBA
5/05 Away	South Lyon Comm.	Park 1 p.m
5/08 Away	Hartland	7 p.m.
5/11 Away	Regina	6 p.m.
5/14 Away	Ladywood	6 p.m.
5/14 Away	Livonia Ladywood	6 p.m.
5/18 Home	Ann Arbor Huron	6 p.m.
5/21 Away	Carman-Ainsworth	5:30 p.m.
5/23 Away	MHSAA Regionals	TBA
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W.L. Central

Girls Golf

4/18 - 4/19	Away Home	
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Girls Varsity Soccer

3/21 Home Novi 7 p.m.

3/23 Home	South Lyon	/ p.m.
3/28 Away	Churchill	7 p.m.
4/02 Home	John Glenn (Westl	
4/04 Away	Salem	TBA
4/16 Home	Wayne Memorial	7 p.m.
4/18 Home	Franklin	7 p.m.
4/23 Away	Plymouth	7 p.m.
4/25 Away	W.L. Western	7 p.m.
4/28 Away	Saline	noon
4/30 Home	Canton	7 p.m.
5/02 Away	Wayne Memorial	4 p.m.
5/04 Home	Livonia Stevenson	7 p.m.
5/07 Home	Plymouth	7 p.m.
5/09 Away	Franklin	7 p.m.
5/14 Home	W.L. Western	7 p.m.
5/16 Away	Canton	7 p.m.
5/21 Away	WLAA Playoffs	7 p.m.
5/23 Away	WLAA Playoffs	7 p.m.
5/29 Away	Districts	TBA

Softball

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3/28 Home	South Lyon	4 p.m.
4/04 Home	W L Northern	4 p.m.
4/16 Away	Wayne Memorial	4 p.m.
4/18 Away	W.L. Central	4 p.m.
4/20 Home	Plymouth	4 p.m.
4/21 Home	Novi	10 a.m.
4/23 Away	Franklin	4 p.m.
4/25 Home	Churchill	4 p.m.
4/27 Home	W.L. Western	4 p.m.
4/28 Away	Saline	TBA
4/30 Away	Canton	4 p.m.
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5/11 Home	Franklin `	4 p.m.
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5/16 Away	Livonia Stevenson	4 p.m.
5/18 Home	Canton	4 p.m.
5/23 Away	WLAA Playoff	4 p.m.
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Boys Tennis

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3/29 Ann Arbor	Huron	4 p.m.
4/02 Novi	4 p.m.	•
4/04 Home	W.L. Central	4 p.m.
4/16 Away	Churchill	4 p.m.
4/18 Home	John Glenn I (V	Vestland) 4 p.m
4/20 Away	W L Northern	4 p.m.
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Boys Track

3/24 Away Ann Arbor Pioneer/Eastern Mich. Univ. 10 a.m.

3/29 Home	Novi	3:30 p.m.
4/03 Away	Canton	3:30 p.m.
4/14 Away	Novi	2 p.m.
4/19 Home	W.L. Western	3:30 p.m.
4/21 Away	Groves	9 a.m.
4/26 Away	Wayne Memorial	3:30 p.m.
4/28 Away	Crestwood	TBA
5/03 Home	Plymouth	3:30 p.m.
5/04 Away	North Farmington	3:20 p.m.
5/05 Away	Farmington	3:30 p.m.
5/10 Away	Franklin	3:30 p.m.
5/11 Away	South Lyon	4 p.m.
5/15 Away	Churchill	3:30 p.m.
5/17 Away	Canton	4 p.m.
5/18 Away	Regionals Milford	TBA
5/23 Away	Conference Canton	TBA

Girls Track

3/21 Away Wo	olverine invite U-M inc	ioor 6:30p.n
3/29 Home	Novi	3:30 p.m.
3/31 Away	EMU Relays	TBA
4/03 Away	Canton	3:30 p.m.
4/19 Home	W.L. Western	3:30 p.m.
4/21 Away	Groves	9 a.m.
4/26 Away	Wayne Memorial	3:30 p.m.
4/28 Away	Crestwood	TBA
5/03 Home	Plymouth	3:30 p.m.
5/05 Away	Livonia Stevenson	10 a.m.
5/10 Away	Franklin	3:30 p.m.
5/11 Away	South Lyon	4 p.m.
5/15 Away	Churchill	3:30 p.m.
5/17 Away	W L Northern	4 p.m.
5/18 Away	Regionals Milford	TBA
5/23 Away	Conference Canton	TBA

Baseball

Brother Rice

	3/31	Canton	Away (DH)	11 a.m.
	4/3	Grosse Pointe S.	Away	4 p.m.
•	4/4	Divine Child	Away (DH)	4 p.m.
	4/10	Ann Arbor Pioneer	Home (DH)	
	4/13	DeLaSalle	Home (DH)	
	4/18	O.L. St. Mary's	Away (DH)	
	4/21	U of D	HOME (DH)	
	4/23	Detroit Western		:30 p.m.
•	4/25	Notre Dame Prep	Away (DH)	4: n.m.
	4/28" "	Brother Rice 1 ***	'Away (DH)*'	11 a.m."
	5/5		HOME (DH)	2 p.m.
	5/9	DeLaSalle	Away (DH)	
	5/12	O.L. St. Mary's	HOME (DH)	
	5/16	U of D	Away (DH)	
	5/9	Notre Dame Prep	HOME (DH)	
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	5/22	Saline	HOME (DH)	
	5/24	Lake Orion	Away (DH)	
	5/29		HOME	TBD
	5/30	CHSL Championsh		
	6/2		HOME	TBD
	6/9		Novi	TBD
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Catholic Central



State Final Bailey Park, Battle Creek TBD

Lacrosse

3/24	East Grand Rapids	Home	4 p.m.
3/25	Seneca Valley, PA		1 p.m.
3/29	Brother Rice	Away	5 p.m.
4/3	Birmingham	Away	7:30 p.m.
4/12	O.L. St. Mary's	Away	1 p.m.
4/19	U of D	Home	7 p.m.
4/21	Ann Arbor Pioneer	Away	2 p.m.

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Tennis

3/31	Romeo Invite	Away	8:30 a.m.
4/4	Ann Arbor Hüron		3:30 p.m
4/14	Forest Hills C. Too		y 9 a.m.
4/16	DeLaSalle	Away	4 p.m.
4/18	Grosse Pointe S.	Home	4 p.m.
4/20	Saline	Home	4 p.m.
4/21	Port Huron N. Tou	rney Awa	y 8 a.m.
4/23		Home	4 p.m.
4/28	Northville Invite	Away	8:30 a.m.
4/30	Brother Rice	Away	4 p.m.
5/2	Ann Arbor Pioneer	Home	4 p.m.
5/5	CC Invite	Home	8 a.m.
5/9	Birmingham Grove	s Away	4 p.m.
5/11	West Bloomfield	Away	4 p.m.
5/12	CHSL League Tour	neyAway	8 a.m.
5/17	MHSAA Regional		
5/18	MHSAA Regional		

5/24 Birmingham SeaholmAway 4 p.m. MHSAA Championship MHSAA Championship

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3/17	Siena Heights	RelaysSiena H	lts. 9 a.m.
3/24	Ann Arbor Pio	neer Invite El	MU 10 a m.
3/31	52nd Kermit N	N. Ambrose Hu	iron Relays
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Pioneer	1 p.m.	•	
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4/16 Brother Rice HOME 4 p.m. Dearborn Elks RelaysDearborn 11 a.m. 4/23 U of D U of D 4 p.m. Jackson H.S. Relays Jackson 4 p.m. 4/30 O.L. St. Mary's HOME 4 p.m. 5/5 Observerland RelaysFarmington 3:30 p.m. Divine Child Divine Child 4 p.m. 5/11 Livonia Stevenson Last Chance Invite

Livonia Stevenson 4 p.m. 5/18 State Regional Milford 2 p.m. 5/22 CHSL Championship Ladywood 2 p.m. 5/25 Oakland County Championship 3 p.m.

South Lyon 5/29 CHSL vs. PSL Championship TBA 3 p.m.6/2 State Final Championship East Kentwood 10 a.m.

Baseball

3/31	Away	Livonia Stevenson	noon
4/02	Home	Milford	4 p.m.
4/04	Away	Pinckney	4 p.m.
4/14	Away	Detroit Country Day	noon
4/18	Away	Howell	4 p.m.
4/20	Home	Lakeland	4 p.m.
4/21	Away	Northville	10 a m
4/25	Away	Brighton	4 p.m.
4/27	Home	South Lyon	4 p.m.
5/02	Away	Hartland	4 p.m.
5/04	Away	Milford	4 p.m.
5/05	Away	Lake Orion	10 a.m
5/05	Away	Eisenhower	11 a.m
5/09	Home	Pinckney	4 p.m.
5/11	Home	Howell	4 p.m.
5/12	Home	4 Way	10 a.m
5/16	Away	Lakeland	4 p.m.
5/18	Home	Brighton	4 p.m.
5/19	Home	Troy Athens	10 a.m
5/21	Away	South Lyon	4 p.m.
5/23	Home	Hartland	4 p.m.
5/26	Away	EMU Basebali Tourney	
5/29	Away	Districts @ Catholic C.	
6/01	Away	Districts @ Catholic C.	TBA
6/09	Home	Regionals	TBA
6/15	Away	Semi-Finals	T8A
6/16	Away	Finals	TBA

Golf

4/17	Away	Milford	3 p.m.	
4/18	Away	Pre-KVC Tourney@ Ty	rone Hills	
TBA	•			•
4/19	Home	Pinckney Cattails GC	3 p.m.	
4/21	Away	Grosse lle Invite	9 a.m.	
4/24	Away	Oak. Cty@ Pontiac CC	; TBA	
4/25	Away	Lakeland	3 p.m.	
4/27	Away	Bedford Invite	9 a.m.	
4/30	Home	Howell Cattails GC	3 p.m.	
5/03	Away	South Lyon	3 p.m.	
5/08	Home	Hartland Cattails GC	3 p.m.	(
5/10	Away	Hartiand Best Ball Inv	ite	
@Dunha	m Hills Go	off Course, 8:30 a.m.		
5/14	Home	Brighton Cattails GC		
5/17	Away	Regionals @ Oak Poir		
5/22	Away	Post KVC @ Tyrone H	ills	
8:30 a.m	١.			



Boys Lacrosse

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3/27	Away	Holt 7:30 p.m.
03/29	Home	Northville 6:30 p.m.
4/04	Home	Ann Arbor Pioneer 6:30 p.m
4/16	Home	Hartland 6:30 p.m.
4/19	Home	Howell 6:30 p.m.
4/20	Away	Okemos 4:30 p.m.
4/23	Away	Milford 7 p.m.
4/26	Away	Brighton 7:30 p.m.
4/27	Away	Walled Lake Central 7 p.m.
4/30	Home	South Lyon 6:30 p.m.
5/03	Away	Hartland 7 p.m.
5/07	Away	Howell 7 p.m.
5/10	Home	Milford 6:30 p.m.
5/14	Home	Brighton 6:30 p.m.
5/17	Away	South Lyon 7 p.m.
5/18	Home	Walled Lake N. 6:30 p.m.
5/29	Away	Regionals @ Catholic C. TBA
5/31	Away	Regionals @ Catholic C. TBA
6/05	Away	Regionals @ Catholic C. TBA
6/07	Away	Semi-Finals TBA
6/09	Away	Finals TBA
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Girls Soccer

3/17	Away	Walled Lake Central	9 a.m.
3/21	Away	Northville	7 p.m.
3/23	Away	Lahser	7 p.m.
3/26	Home	Canton	7 p.m.
3/28	Away	Ann Arbor Pioneer	5:30 p.m.
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3/30	Away	Livonia Stevenson	7 p.m.
4/02	Home	Grosse Pointe South	7 p.m.
4/18	Home	Lakeland	7 p.m.
4/20	Away	South Lyon	7 p.m.
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5/09	Home	Howell	7 p.m.
5/12	Away	Hudsonville Unity Chris	stian at
Cedar Spr	ings	4 p.m.	
5/16	Home	South Lyon	7 p.m.
5/18	Home Mil	ford Meadows Stadium	7 p.m.
5/24	Away	East vs. West	7 p.m.
5/29	Home	Districts @ Novi	•
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4/23	Away	Pinckney	4 p.m.
4/24	Away	Ann Arbor Pioneer HS	3 p.m.
4/25	Home	Howell (MS courts)	4 p.m.
4/28	Home	Novi Invitational	8 a.m.
4/30	Home	Lakeland	4 p.m.
5/02	Away	Brighton	4 p.m.
5/03	Home	Livonia Stevenson	4 p.m.
5/05	Home	Novi Quad	8 a.m.
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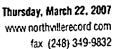
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FOOD FOR THOUGHT



Surprisingly Smart and Delicious

FAMILY FEATURES

oy ranks among a very select group of foods that provide exceptional nutrition benefits — labeled super foods by author and expert Dr. Steven Pratt. Research indicates that soy may help stem chronic conditions, such as cancer and osteoporosis. Additionally, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has stated that diets low in saturated fat and cholesterol that include 25 grams of soy protein a day may reduce the risk of heart disease.*

In a recent survey about 14 foods that Dr. Pratt considers super foods, health professionals ranked soy sixth in importance. The survey of 1,000 adults, conducted by Silk Soymilk, found that three-of-four say they are unfamiliar with the concept of super foods.

To help people understand how simple it can be to incorporate super foods, Silk has joined with Dr. Pratt, concept originator and author of SuperFoods RX and SuperFoods HealthStyle, to develop a new top 10 list of super foods that go beyond nutrition using more relevant criteria such as taste, accessibility, ease of use and seasonality.

Products like Silk Soymilk make it easy to get more soy into your diet. Silk is a smart choice, packed with nutrients, vitamins, minerals and heart-healthy soy protein, and is fortified with calcium. It is also factosefree, dairy-free and cholesterol-free.

"By creating a new top 10 super foods list with Silk and providing accompanying recipes, we hope people will see how easy it is to reap the health benefits of super foods." Dr. Pratt said. For super foods recipes, nutritional information and the latest news

about soy, log onto www.silksoymilk.com. For more information about Dr. Pratt and SuperFoodsRX, visit www.superfoodsrx.com.

*In 1999 the FDA issued a health claim for soy and its role in promoting cardiovascular health. Food and Drug Administration, Food labeling, health claims, soy protein, and coronary heart disease. Fed Reg 1999,57 699-733

Recipes Courtesy of Chef Akasha Richmond and Silk Soymilk

Cream of Broccoli Soup

Super foods include: soymilk, broccoli

- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin
- I large onion, chopped 2 shallots, peeled and minced
- 1 quart vegetable stock 1 large head broccoli or 1 1/2 pounds washed and bagged florets, coarsely chopped, stems peeled
- medium zucchini, chopped 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme 1 1/2 cups Silk Plain Soymilk
 - Additional extra-virgin olive oil Shredded fresh basil leaves
 - Freshly grated Parmesan cheese Salt and freshly ground

In large, heavy stockpot over medium heat, heat olive oil. Add onion and shallots; cook until tender and aromatic, about 10 minutes. Add stock, broccoli, zucchini and dried thyme. Bring

to boil, reduce heat to low and simmer

pepper

15 minutes, or until vegetables are soft Add soymilk; puree soup in blender or food processor in batches, until smooth and creamy. Add salt and pepper to taste. Top with olive oil, basil leaves and Parmesan before serving.

Top 10 Super **Foods** by Dr. Pratt and Silk

- Soymilk
- **■** Blueberries
- Dried fruits

■ Oranges

- Oats
- **w** Walnuts
- **■** Yogurt
- Avocados
- Broccoli
- Tea green or black

Spinach Salad with Chicken, Avocado, Walnuts and

Super foods include: soymilk, walnuts, avocado Senes: 4

> 5 ounces baby spinach

Lemon Basil Dressing

- (about 6 cups) 2 cups sliced cooked chicken (storebought roasted chicken works
- well) cup Lemon-Basil
- Dressing (recipe follows) I medium avocado,
- peeled, pitted and sliced
- 12 ripe cherry tomatoes, halved 1/4 cup raw or

toasted walnut

Salt and freshly

ground pepper Lemon-Basil Dressing

halves

- 2 tablespoons fresh Iemon juice
- cup Silk Plain Soymilk

- 1/3 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- teaspoon honey
- tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil
- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Place spinach and chicken in large salad bowl. Toss with dressing. Add salt and pepper to taste. Transfer salad to individual salad tomato on top of spinach. Sprinkle with walnuts.

For dressing, combine lemon juice, soymilk, olive oil, honey, mustard, basil and Parmesan in blender Purce until smooth and creamy, Makes I cup dressing

plates. Arrange avocado and Serve with additional dress ing, if desired.

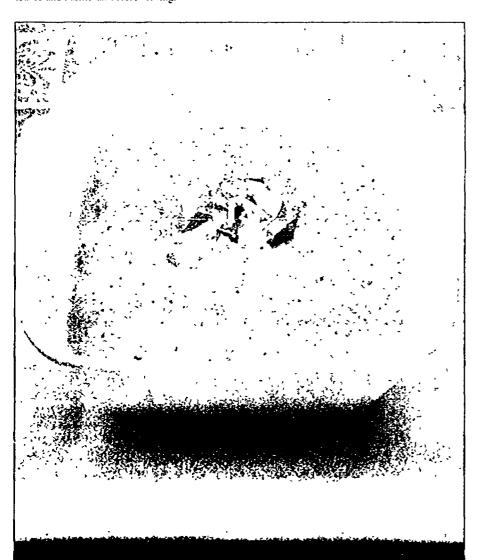
Blueberry-Orange-Vanilla Smoothie

Super foods include. soymilk, blueberries orange juice Serves: 2

- 1 1/2 cups Silk Vanilla Soymilk 1 hanana, sliced into 1-inch pieces and frozen
- cup frozen blueberries 1/4 cup frozen orange juice concentrate
- (orange blossom if available) In blender, combine all ingredients.

I tablespoon honey

Blend until smooth and creamy





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Athletes run to Total Sports

Programs cultivate necessary skills before season start

By Kate Phillips SPECIAL WRITER

With spring and summer sports just around the corner, kids and adults who want to get ahead of the game are coming to Total Sports to get a step up on their peers.

The huge sports complex hires experts in nearly every sport so that there's a place for everyone at Total Sports. There are leagues, drop-in clinics, day camps and one-on-one lessons in sports like soccer, lacrosse, softball, baseball, flag football, basketball and roller hockey.

We're the place to go for sports. said Tony Moscone, general manager. "We've been known as a headquarters for sports throughout the last decade."

AWESOME FACILITY

Total Sports Complex in Wixom is one of the largest sports complexes in the country, and has been leading the industry since it opened in 1997.

The nearly 300,000-square-foot indoor facility includes six soccer fields, a roller-hockey rink, batting cages, and baseball/softball training rooms. The facility also includes plenty of instructional space, a sport-specific training center, private meeting/event rooms and a restaurant. The outdoor area includes softball and baseball fields, soccer field and large picnic

With new Prograss turf installed last year, the indoor fields are covered with a softer surface that wards off injuries and knee problems. With a grass-like feel, it works well with all types of clears and athletic shoes. It's very similar to the turf that covers Ford Field in Detroit.

Owners continue to invest heavily in the facility, keeping it constantly updated so that it is a safe, state-of-the-art facility. In fact, they have just updated their Web site, www.totalsports complex.com. There you will find a list of available sport leagues, sport camps. individual lesson programs, registration forms, event calendars, and much more sport-specific information.

TRAINING PROGRAM

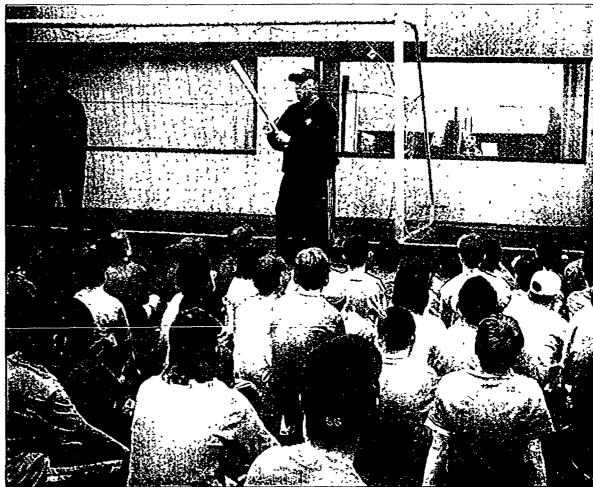
Athletes who want to get ahead of the pack workout at the Total Performance Training Center. It's the best way to prevent injuries and advance skills.

Both individuals and teams can set up training packages. It's open to both adults and children, age 8 and up. Area teams that have trained with Total Performance have gone on to win dis-

trict and state championships. Trainers use the Frappier Accelerated Sports Training programs to increase sprint speed and overall quickness. improve agility, build core strength and develop balance and body control. Sport-specific training is included, so the kick or the swing will be developed before the season even starts.

This can help prevent injuries all season long. The body is strengthened and prepared for a grueling season and work on proper techniques can prevent

We see that Total Performance training changes athletes in so many ways. said Anne Yoches, assistant director, "It



Both individuals and teams, from ages 8 to adult, train at the Total Performance Complex in Wixom to improve skills in baseball, softball, soccer, roller and floor hockey, flag football, lacrosse and basketball.

gets them in such good shape and up on technique that they feel really good and play with more confidence, plus they stay healthier and have endurance throughout the season.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Right now many baseball and softball players are coming in for private lessons, as a refresher before the season starts. Lee Bejerke, who is in the Michigan Coaches Hall Of Fame, operates the entire baseball program and has developed many of its training programs. The programs he instituted can improve the skill level of a wide variety of baseball players. It can make the difference between a good player and an exceptional player, with time spent on advanced techniques, such as different pitches and batting stances.

Entire teams can also benefit from private lessons on or off site.

"Our goal is to take each person one step beyond where they're at now," said Jessie Milosek, softball coordinator.

"It's a good starting point to make sure kids are on track, or to prepare for varsity and travel-team tryouts," added Scott Gardner, baseball coordinator.

LIL' KICKERS

Even toddlers and preschoolers can get active with Lil' Kickers classes They're the perfect chance for little ones to get exercise while learning soccer hasics in a fun, non-competitive environment. The class was actually developed by a child psychologist so that is nurtures the young children and provides skills in movement. And mascot Hoppy the Bunny gets kids really excited about playing.

They are structured classes with constant changes to keep the kids interested. It is a wonderful program that helps build the child's self-esteem while developing happier and healthier kids," said Jen D'Annunzio. Lil' Kickers coordinator.

Families can try out the first Lil' Kickers class at no charge, and can start the ongoing class at any time. Kids as young as 11, can play with help from a parent, or youngsters through age 10 can play independently. Classes are available at many times on both weekdays and weekends.

TOTAL SPORTS COMPLEX

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LEAGUES AND CAMPS

There is still space in spring-break camps for baseball, softball, soccer and roller hockey. The camps accommodate both beginners and advanced players. ages 7 to 13.

In addition to spring-break camp, there are plenty of regular classes and leagues at Total Sports for ages 3 to adult. From flag football to roller hockey, there are plenty of new sports to try in addition to the favorites.

Those interested in floor hockey and roller hockey can borrow equipment at Total Sports to keep costs down.

"Roller hockey is fun because it is fast paced with lots of scoring," said Jim Gorney, coordinator.

This summer there will be camps available for every sport. The camps are half-day or full-day, with lunch. Latchkey programs are available before and afterward to fit the schedules of busy parents. Kids can come for a funpacked week or can spend the entire summer learning and playing at Total

PARTIES

Total Sports is the perfect place for parties - for both kids and adults.

Kids can choose a birthday party with a fun activity like flag football, art. seience, soccer, inflatables or baseball. Everything is taken care of, and when the party is over, there's no mess to clean up. And prices are actually lower at Total Sports than other nearby ven-

Once spring arrives, picnics will abound at Total Sports. Company parties can be held in the beautiful parklike setting. Those planning a company picnic or corporate team-building event will be surprised by the possibilities at



Total Sports is a great place to hold an activity-filled birthday party, company picnic or teambuilding event.

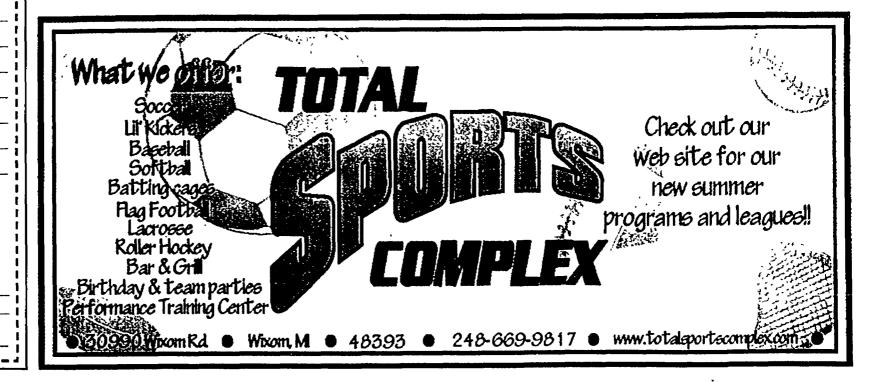
Total Sports Complex.

The best insurance against inclement weather is the ability to move the festivities indoor and not miss a beat

SIGN UP NOW

In-house leagues in many sports are offered for every age and skill level. Also, Total Sports in Wixom has a path for improvement in a variety sports through leagues, camps, private lessons, and/or sport skill-specific train-

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Home Owners Do You Know How To Avoid MOLD IN THE HOME: **PREVENTION** AND CONTROL

Mold is a common occurrence in



homes, which can potentially cause health problems as well as damage to structures and surfaces if it is not controlled It begins

growing indoors

when spores come in contact with wet surfaces or substances. Once established, mold can be very difficult to remove successfully - so prevention is the key.

Mold cannot grow in the absence of

MOLD PREVENTION

mold will thrive:

moisture. Moisture can come from leaks, spills, condensation build up in basements and/or attics from poor ventilation, Bathroom exhaust fans venting into attics, or not bathroom exhaust fans in the home, and humidity setting on the furnace humidistat being set to high. Therefore controlling sources of moisture is the most important step in mold. Here are a few ways to avoid creating conditions in which

- · Look for signs of leaks in supply and waste lines for bathrooms, kitchens, utility sinks, and laundry areas. Have any leaks repaired immediately and dry the area thoroughly
- Check the condition of grout and tile on shower walls and floors to prevent water penetration into walls and
- Increase ventilation to the outside by using exhaust fans for kitchens, bathrooms and attic condensation build up install proper attic ventilation
- · Regularly empty and clean drain pans and hoses for air conditioning units and dehumidifiers
- · Check for roof leaks that cause water to enter attic spaces or build up under roof shingles and any flashing
- If possible, lower the humidity in the home to decrease condensation and create a less mold-friendly environment

Areas of the home that tend to stay damp, such as showers, may be more difficult to keep entirely free of mold but it can be minimized. Regular cleaning, opening a window or using a ventilation fan are often enough to keep mold in con-

MOLD REMOVAL

Once mold has become established in the home it can be difficult to clean yourself. Depending on the location and severity of the mold problem, a homeowner may need to hire a professional certified remediation company to remove it. A qualified professional will also take preventive measures to lessen the likelihood of mold recurrences

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Blossom with Everything Grows

Master Gardener Jodi Slankard shares passion for flowers with the community

By Kate Phillips SPECIAL WRITER

any people dream about having the most beautiful garden in Ltown, but just don't have the time or the patience to work on it.

Jodi Slankard and her professional staff at Everything Grows can help make dreams of a beautiful garden a reality at

MAKING GARDENS BEAUTIFUL

Advanced Master Gardener Jodi Slankard designs and plants area gardens, and also can work through the summer to maintain the garden so it looks good throughout the seasons. She also cleans up gardens in the fall so that they will be

ready to blossom again in the spring.

There's nothing like a well-planned flower garden. She knows that people love sitting in them, walking through and just looking at colorful flower gardens.

But some just don't have the time to

keep a garden looking good, others don't have the physical capabilities, and many realize that they don't have the expertise to plan a garden that looks spectacular.

"Just sit back, relax and let me do the work so you can enjoy the beautiful outdoor spaces filled with vibrant colors and memorable fragrances," she said.

Jodi is flexible and happy to work with any size garden or budget. She understands that some people enjoy doing some of the gardening tasks so is glad to perform the jobs the home or business owner would prefer not to do.

PLANNING THE PERFECT GARDEN

Jodi specializes in flower gardens. She uses a combination of bulbs, perennials and annuals that will flower through the spring, summer and early fall.

"I like to see a dramatic effect throughout the seasons," said Jodi.

Jodi's experience in planning ensures that her clients will get the desired results for their dream garden. Customers may choose the services they want from planning and planting to maintenance and

Jodi sits down with each customer to determine their likes and dislikes in colors and flowers. She considers color schemes that range from monochromatic (shades of the same color) or polychromatic (oppo-

site sides of the color wheel).

She'll also consider the unique features of the yard, such as shade, sunny areas and trouble spots.

The location of your garden and soil base are the most important factors," Jodi said. "Most plants need six hours of sunshine to bloom and thrive.

Shade gardens can be difficult, with fewer planting options. However shade gardens can be made incredibly beautiful, with good planning," she added.

ONE-OF-A-KIND **GARDENS**

Jodi views flower gardens as constantly changing works of art with new shapes and colors as the gardens mature.

'Your garden is like a watercolor painting, with nature painting outdoors," she

One thing that distinguishes the work of Everything Grows is Jodi's use of annuals to accent the perennials and provide color all season long, so there's always something blooming.

It's all sorts of little details that make Jodi's gardens spectacular. For example, she often prefers to edge her gardens with sweet alyssum which effectively hides



Jodi Slankard and her staff at Everything Grows understand there is nothing like a well-planned flower garden. From shade gardens to sunny pool-side blooms, rose gardens to commercial flower beds, Slankard can plan, plant and take care of anyone's flower needs.

EVERYTHING GROWS

Jodi Slankard Master Gardener (248) 259-1363

rubber tubing and produces a wonderful

Jodi's background as a master gardener can provide invaluable input on selection of plants that will thrive in every garden location. A garden designed by a professional looks planned rather than planted haphazardly.

She also can renovate an existing bed that is overgrown and overcrowded.

START WITH A GOOD BASE

Jodi Slankard believes that cultivating good soil is the most important part of gardening. She likes to do it right the first time instead of having to rip out dead plants after a year of struggling in poor soil.

The majority of Jodi's time in a garden

is spent amending the soil, adding organic compost and fertilizer.

The good soil makes Jodi's gardens look amazing, setting them in a different class than the average garden.

"It's crucial to start with a good base," said Jodi. "It's so important that the plants get the nutrients that they need from the soil. Even if the soil starts out filled with rich nutrients, gardening over the years will deplete the soil of these nutrients." To replenish the soil, Everything Grows recommends adding fresh compost to their gardens annually.

ROSE GARDENS

Jodi has a passion for roses. She actually comes from a family of rosarians. Her passion for the thorned beauties is inherited through the generations.

She loves to plant roses in Michigan. They are always blooming, providing continuous color from June until November.

She can provide customers with all sorts of varieties for a custom rose garden -from gorgeous fragrant hybrid tea roses in every shade, to easy-care and low maintenance roses such as Knockouts and carpet roses. There is a rose for everyone - from dark purple beauties to an entire garden filled with red roses.



Jodi Slankard is an advanced master gardener who owns and operates Everything Grows gardening service.

The flowers bring beautiful fragrance to a home and produce enough flowers to keep a bouquet inside every single day. She also likes to add lavender and hybrid lihes in with the roses to make gorgeous fragrant bouquets.

"Roses have gotten a bad rep throughout the years and are not as difficult as people think. There are many varieties that require almost no care, and they keep blooming much longer than most perennials," Jodi

COMMERCIAL GARDENS

Jodi services both residential homes and commercial gardens. She keeps common areas looking good for several subdivision associations. She is also available to plant and maintain gardens at apartment complexes and businesses.

Jodi prides herself in being reliable and trustworthy. Commercial customers especially appreciate her attention to detail and timeliness. "If I say I'll be there at a certain time, I

will be there," Jodi said. "If I say I can do it at a certain price, I won't go over budget without your approval." If your home is for sale, Everything

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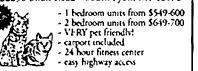
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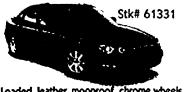
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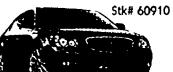
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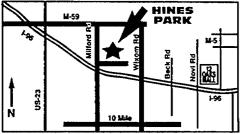




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Was \$18,930

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

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air cond., speed/tilt wheel, power windows/locks, perimeter anti-theft lamps, 6-way power seat. Stock #72099

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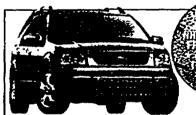
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3.0L 4V V6 duratec engine, continuously variable trans, P215/65R17 BSW tires, 5.19 ratio regular axle, 50/50 3rd row split seat, 60/40 split 3-passenger 2nd row, 4 wheel anti-lock braking system (ABS), power windows/locks, remote keyless entry, speed control/tilt column, safety & security package. Stock #72000

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OXFORD ESTATES! Backs to private woods! Freshly painted w/new roof. 1st floor library and master bedroom w/newry bath, finished daylight basement.



5 BB, 2.5 attached Gar/2 Car Detached, Remodel Kit Wil maple Cabs & Granite Counters, remodel master bath w/jac, 1/2 bath W/limestone fl & Pella Windows T/0



Backing To Woods! Family room W/fieldstone fireplace, gourmet kit. W/granite, new carpet t/o, 4 bed/3.1 baths, fin. LL w/GR room, bedroom, bath, rec. rm, 3.5 car garage MLS# 27022254 248-347-3050



Exquisite Beyond Belief! 2-story Foyer w/ndwd floor, frml Dining room w/custom moldings, gourmet kitchen vaulted master suite & lower level walkout! 248-347-3050



2 Sty family room w/bridge, frpl, Liv room w/French Drs, Gourmet Kitchen w/Granite, Dining room w/butler's Pantry, Vaulted master Ste w/glam bth & Princess Ste!



Stunning! 2-story foyer, howd floor, formal living room, dining room w/trey ceiling, gourmet kitchen w/granite, tibrary w/French drs, master ste w/fireplace & 3+ gar. MLS# 27041116 248-347-3050 ace & 3+ gar. 248-347-3050



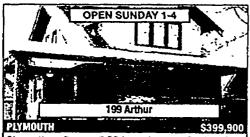
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Ptymouth craftsman, 5 BR bungalow, opn fir pin, HDWD firs, oak strease, huge eat in kit. 2.1 BA & pt finished bsmt. Loaded w/character, Must see!



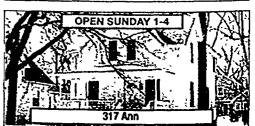
3 BR, 2 BA Col. Totally updated. Kit w/granite c-tops, tumbled marble bkspls & HDWD fir. Leaded glass dr to den. Mstr w/W/C & bath. Secret area in BR #2.

MLS# 27046639 248-453-6800



kitchen, AC, rool/gutters, garage & driveway. Master BR w/att bath. LR, FR, DR, Library, 2 FP's.
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PLYMOUTH 3 BR, 2 Bath renovated T/O in '03. Prime Location Chef's kit. Pella & Andersen windows, hdwd T/O 1st fl. Master ste w/wik-in closet, 2 luxury baths. MLS# 27032014 248-453-6800



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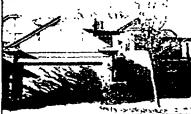
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Located on quiet cul-de-sac. 2BR 2.1BA Condo prof painted. BRs have priv BA & 1g closets. GR w/ vaulted clgs, skyfite, FP. Fin LL. Condo has it all!



Gourmet kitchen w/all apols, formal DR w/Pergo, large FR w/FP, formal LR w/crown mldg. Large fenced yard, updates incl: wind, crpt, drs, furn &



38R home w/lrg fenced bck/yd. So Lyon schools, Green Clak taxes. Remodled kit, fresh paint. Nat wd stove. LL fin w/28R. Rd w/no thru traffic. Imm OCC. . MLS# 27032209



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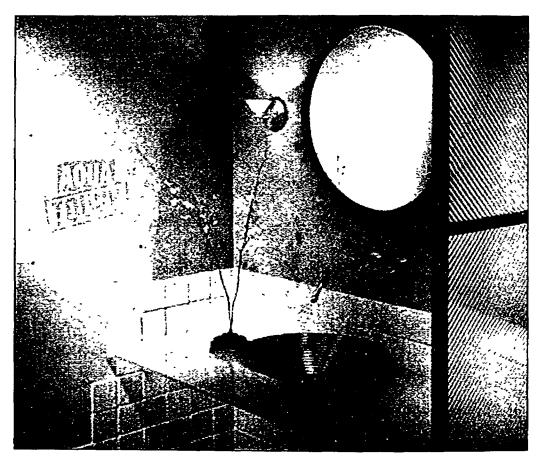
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Pop-up property tax bill passes House; local Realtor forecasts it as stimulant

The state House passed legislation Wednesday that would temporarily eliminate the "pop-up" in taxable value that occurs when property is sold. House Bill 4440, which passed the lower chamber 77-31 and now goes to the Senate and is sponsored by state Rep. Andy Meisner (D-Ferndale), would allow consumers who buy a house in the next 18 months to inherit the seller's taxable value for as long as they own the home.

Currently, under Michigan's 1994 Proposal A school-finance reforms, the taxable value can rise dramatically at sale, to match the property's assessed value. Meisner's bill would eliminate the pop-up on the transfer of a principal residence from March 1, 2007, to Sept. 1, 2008.

According to Nanci J. Rands, Realtor with SKBK Sotheby's in Birmingham and former president of the Michigan Consolidated Association of Realtors®, "The ability for a buyer to move without experiencing an enormous increase in the tax 'While property tax reform is badly needed, this bill is a temporary fix on the unintended consequences of Proposal A.'

Nanci J. Rands Realtor, SKBK Sotheby's, Birmingham

base is a true incentive to many buyers who have been sitting on the fence."

In areas that have experienced significant appreciation, the proposed suspension is even more important, but Rands noted that the ripple effect will stimulate not only the housing market overall, but also the local economy. She expects the positive impact to reach two secondary markets: 1) title companies, lenders, Realtors and insurance agents first, then 2) home improvement retailers, contractors/handymen, carpet and furniture retailers and finally nurseries and landscapers.

"While property tax reform is badly

needed, this bill is a temporary fix on the unintended consequences of Proposal A," Rands said.

State Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) said the Senate will soon start looking at the bill in committee. Gov. Jennifer Granholm has already endorsed the version passed by the House. It includes a nearly 13-percent increase in the real estate transfer tax and the extra money goes directly to local governments instead of K-12 schools.

"Our plan was to help pull Michigan out of this temporary economic slump," state Rep. Paul Condino (D-Southfield) said. "Residents who buy a house during this window of opportunity will not have to pay the pop-up tax for as long as they own the home and may use these added saving on big-ticket items like furniture and appliances, which will help jump start local economies."

Home builders are generally opposed to the bill because all those new houses have the highest possible tax assessment, making them less attractive to bargain hunters.

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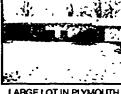


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Laws govern display of U.S. and foreign flags

Q. I understand there is a new federal law regarding the American flag. Do you have any information about it?

A. The Freedom to Display the American Flag Act of 2005 bars associations from prohibiting residents from displaying the American flag in areas where residents have exclusive use, such as in their windows, or on their terraces, or on their doors. But the new law also lets associations place reasonable restrictions on the time,



Robert Meisner

place and manner of the flag's display. The new law went into effect on July 24, 2006. The law states that any display of an American flag must comply with the United States Federal Flag Code which details a proper display of the American flag. The USFFC specifies that

when displayed on buildings or on free

standing flag poles, the flag may be displayed only from sunrise to sunset, unless the flag is properly illuminated in the hours of darkness. The USFFC also states that the flag should not be displayed in inclement weather unless it is an all-weather flag. In addition, the flag must be taken care of properly at all times. It should never touch the ground or get soiled or torn. Moreover, no disrespect should be shown to the American flag as it "represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing." The association may wish to promulgate regulations concerning the use of the flag that reflect the USFFC requirements.

Q. I understand there is a new law with respect to the American flag but what about foreign flags?

A. Associations may wonder whether they can continue to prohibit residents from displaying other flags such as those from other countries. Under the current law, it seems that associations continue to have the right to ban the display of all flags except the American flag but, of course, it depends upon your documents

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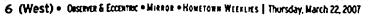


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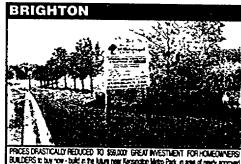


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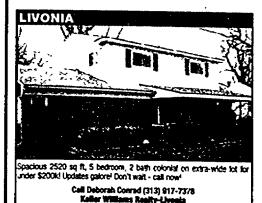
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BIA offers programs

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and the Construction Association of Michigan will present the following programs:

"Energy Efficiency Home Building Training" – from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, March 27, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Douglas Black (HERS accredited,

LEED AP) of WARM Training Center will lead the seminar, using real-life examples of homes built in Michigan to compare different energy standards. The seminar will compare the Michigan Residential Code, Energy Star and the Federal Tax Credit standard and look at what it takes to get there, how much it costs, and how to market it.

The registration fee is \$10 per person. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ "Green Products: What You Need to Know - What You Need to Have" - from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 'at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Jacob Corvidae, Green Programs
Manager, WARM Training Center will
instruct attendees on the basics of green
building products, and will provide
many pass-around samples, from bamboo flooring to low-VOC paints, recycled glass terrazo to all-natural carpeting, and much more.

Registration fees, including continental breakfast, are \$20 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$40 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ A comprehensive builder's license preparation course on Thursdays, April 12, April 19, April 26 and May 3, 2007 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Prepared by NCI Associates, Madison Heights, the course is designed to prepare students for the Michigan Builder's License Examination. Material covered will include topics on the exam, laws and rules, building practices and procedures, sample test questions and test-taking strategies.

The registration fee is \$200 per person. For registration information, call (248) 548-2090.

■ A "Design/Build" seminar from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, April 13, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. The seminar is part of the Certified Graduate Builder (CGB) series.

Chuck Breidenstein of Builders Professional Services Group Inc. will instruct attendees on how to create a well-managed, full-service building or remodeling business that can pocket more profits while maximizing customer satisfaction.

Registration fees are \$155 for Remodelors Council members, \$175 for BIA members and \$200 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ "A 10-Point Game Plan for Success" seminar from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

on Wednesday, April 18, at the Troy Marriott, 200 West Big Beaver Road, in Troy. The seminar is sponsored by First Horizons Home Loans.

Tom Richey of Richey Resources will instruct attendees on "Heeding the Ten Commandments of Today's Challenging Economy," "marketing to address the new market," "bringing sales management up to an A-performance level," and "learning how to neutralize the negotiators."

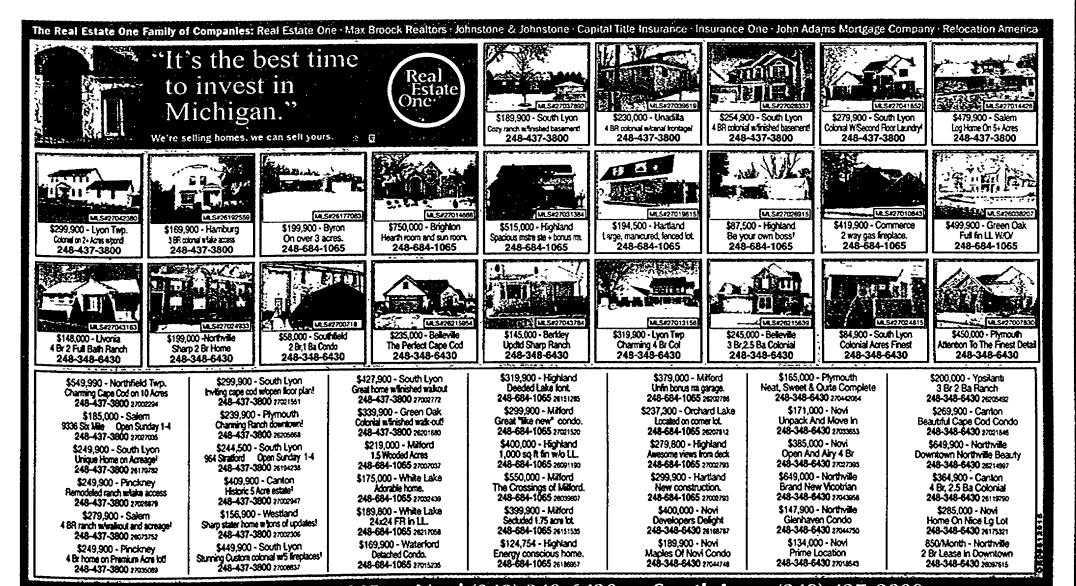
Registration fees are \$35 for Sales and Marketing Council and Remodelors Council members, \$55 for BIA members and \$75 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ "Codes and Quality Control" – from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday, April 20, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills.

Chuck Breidenstein of Builders Professional Services Group, Inc. will instruct attendees on defining quality within one's company by identifying five essential quality components. The course outlines a superintendent's responsibilities regarding codes and provides tips on code enforcement and compliance on the job site.

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642 Gilman St	\$115,000
1034 Henry Ruff Rd	\$207,000
7007 Lathers St	\$100,000
32731 Maplewood St	\$90,000
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33436 Six Mile Rd	\$255,000
36511 Seven Mile Rd	\$183,000
38192 Ann Arbor Trl	\$96,000
17458 Edgewood St	\$305,000
15530 Mayfield St	\$128,000
29516 Nottingham Ct	\$150,000
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16959 Carriage Way	\$427,000
15997 Morningside	\$180,000
16407 Mulberry Way	\$384,000
46294 Norton Ct	\$290,000
47845 Venice	\$2,052,000
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31092 Arlington Cir	\$185,000
23006 Brookforest	\$220,000
22713 Cheshire Ct	\$370,000
22667 Chestnut Tree	\$240,000
23651 Dunston Rd	\$327,000
1870 S Lake Ct	\$132,000
25435 Sullivan Ln	\$410,000
47106 Sunnybrook En	\$637,000
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43680 W Nine Mile Rd	\$316,000
Plymouth	
14800 Greenbriar Ct	\$266,000
51384 Plymouth Valley Dr	\$605,000
43045 River Bend Dr	\$235,000
Redford	
15505 Beech Daly Rd	\$160,000
19192 Negaunee	\$104,000
19498 Poinciana	\$104,000
- 16661 Ryland	\$155,000
South Lyon	
229 Brookwood Dr	\$113,000
809 Huntington Dr	\$304,000
23683 Lyon Ridge Dr	\$517,000
116 Maplewood Ct	\$160,000
Westland	
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■ A "Negotiating Skills" course from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. The course is part of the Certified Graduate Remodelor (CGR) series and counts toward Certified Graduate Associate and Graduate Master Builder designation, as well.

Chuck Breidenstein of Builder Professional Services Group will instruct attendees on strategies for specific negotiating situations through a combination of lectures, exercise and role-playing.

Registration fees are \$155 for Remodelors Council members, \$175 for BIA members and \$200 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

A "Business Management for Building Professionals" course from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, May 7, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills.

Registration fees are \$185 for Remodelors Council members, \$235 for BIA members and \$275 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033. Check the Classified sections of these fine community newspapers for more property listings:

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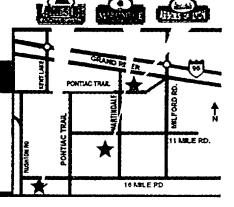
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349,900 Nevi - 4 Borms, 2.1 Baths, Granite Kitchen, 2 Story Foyer, Patio, +3 Car Garage and Basement.

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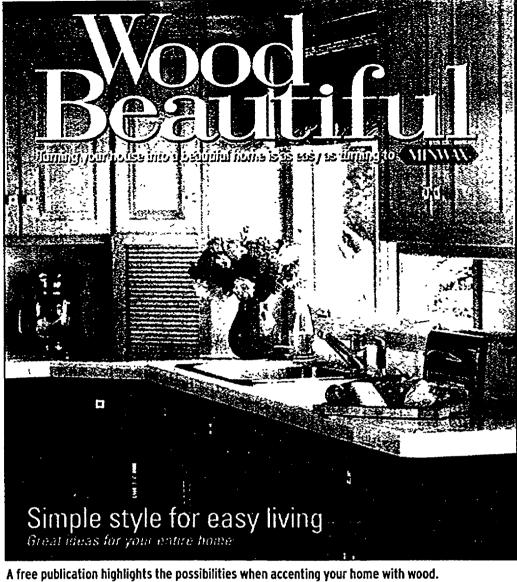
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Detroit to be featured at CREW Midwest conference

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Scheduled for May 3-5 at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center, the annual Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Midwest Regional Conference (MWRC) will feature Detroit River development efforts in several conference sessions, including a narrated river cruise, an expert panel discussion of Midwestern waterfront revitalization projects and a keynote address by Matt Cullen, General Motors Corp. general manager/economic development & enterprise services and an active proponent of Detroit River redevelopment.

The Thursday, May 3, afternoon riverboat cruise will highlight recent and planned developments on the Detroit and Windsor sides of the Detroit River.

On May 4, the conference's signature panel, "On the Waterfront: Revitalizing Riverfronts and Leveraging Lakefronts," will examine successful waterfront development projects in the Midwest and Ontario. The Friday

morning event will feature speakers from participating regional CREW chapters — including host chapter CREW Detroit — presenting case histories, best practices and biggest chal-

Cullen, an instrumental figure in Detroit's riverfront revitalization since GM's 1996 purchase of the Renaissance Center, will deliver the conference's keynote address during Friday's afternoon luncheon.

GM has signed on as a \$10,000 "Superior" level conference sponsor, says Joan Cleland, conference chair and president of Acquest Development Inc. in Bloomfield Hills. Other sponsors include the Michigan Economic Development Corporation and Oakwood Healthcare System Foundation as a sponsor of the conference "NetWalks" - morning walking and running tours of Detroit led by local CREW members.

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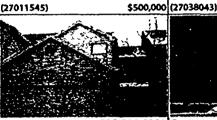


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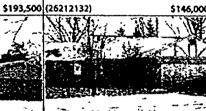


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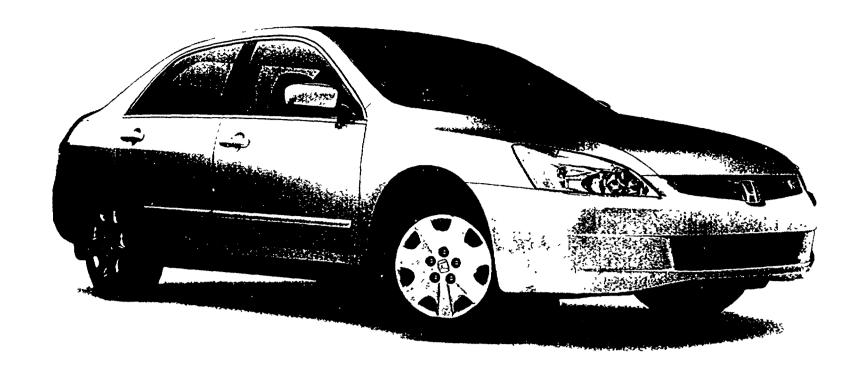
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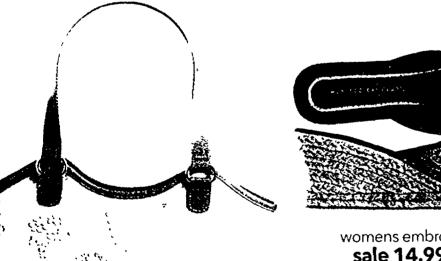
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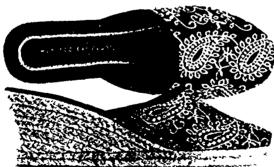
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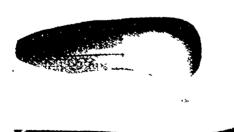


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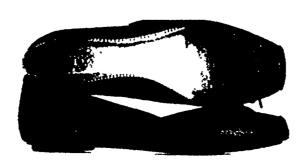


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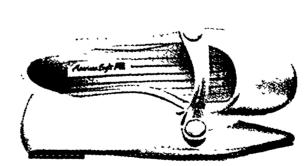
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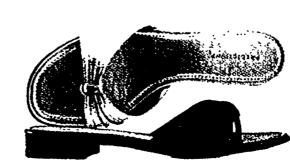
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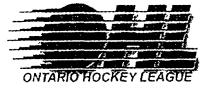
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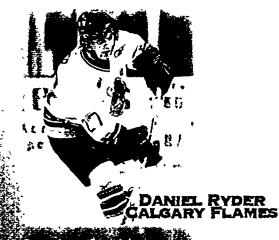
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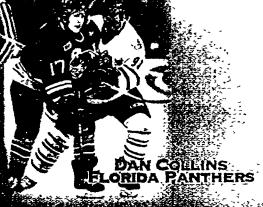
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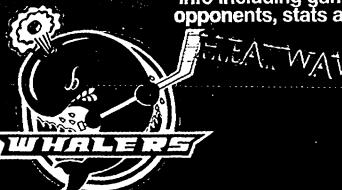
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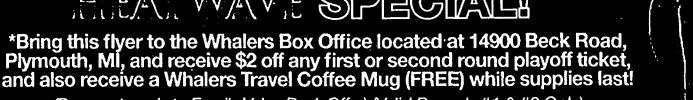
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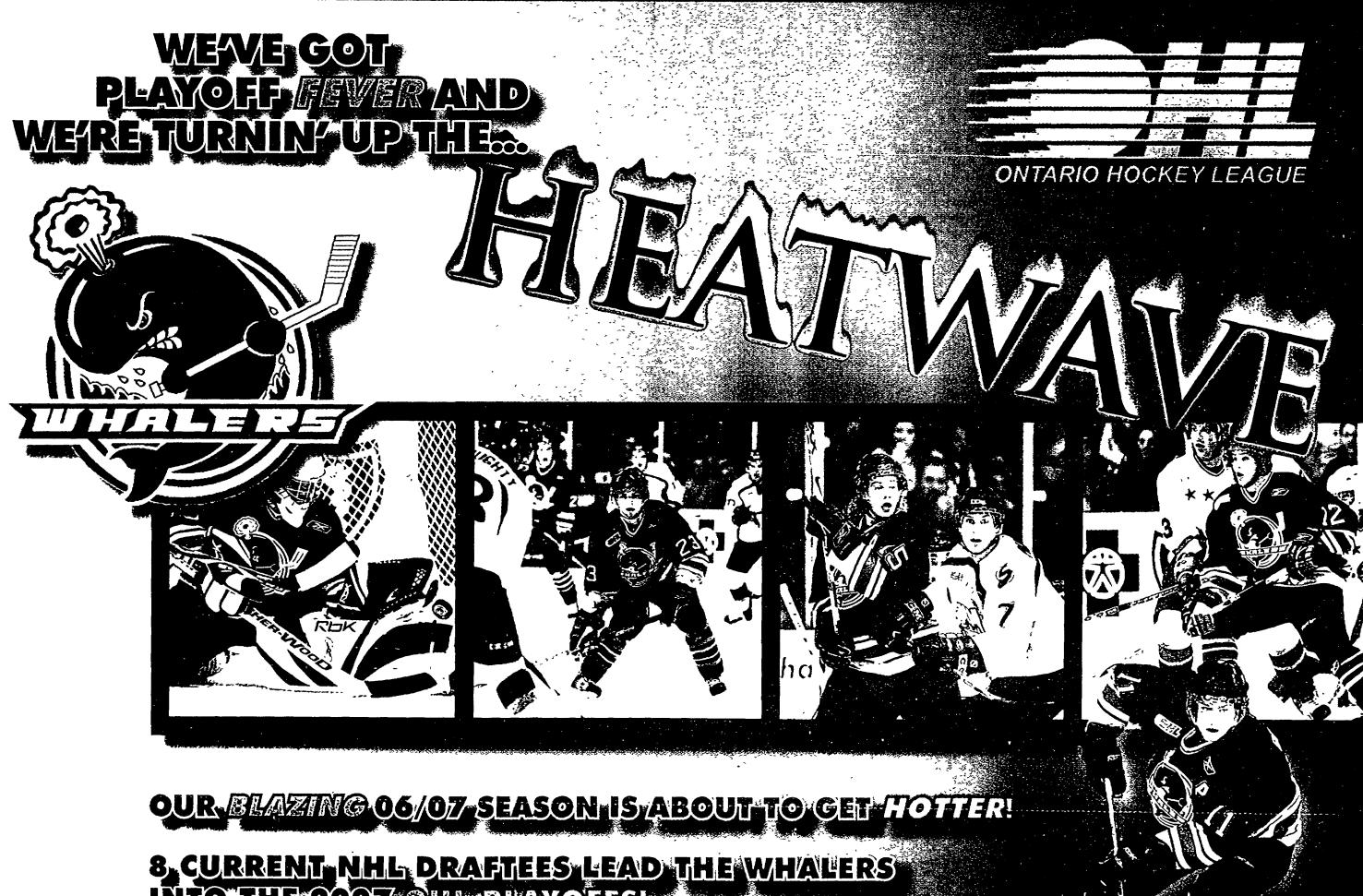
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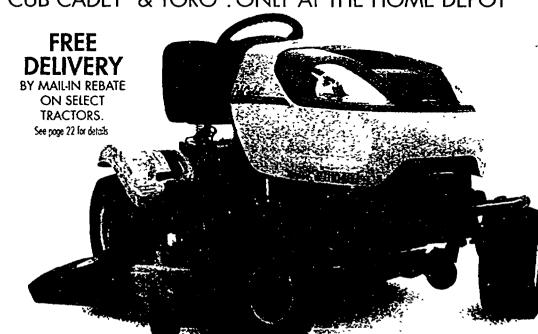


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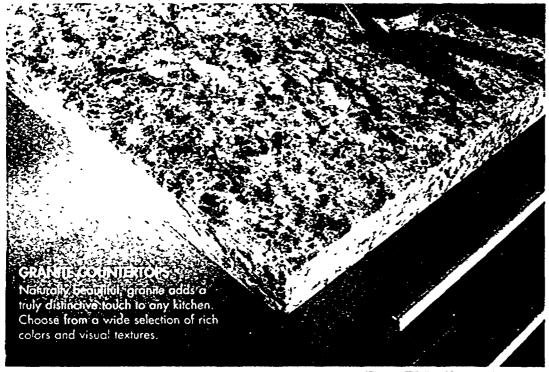
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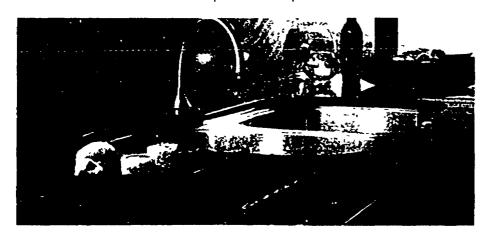


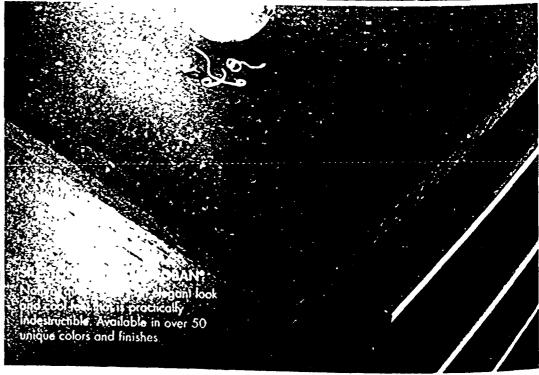


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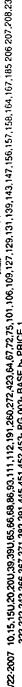
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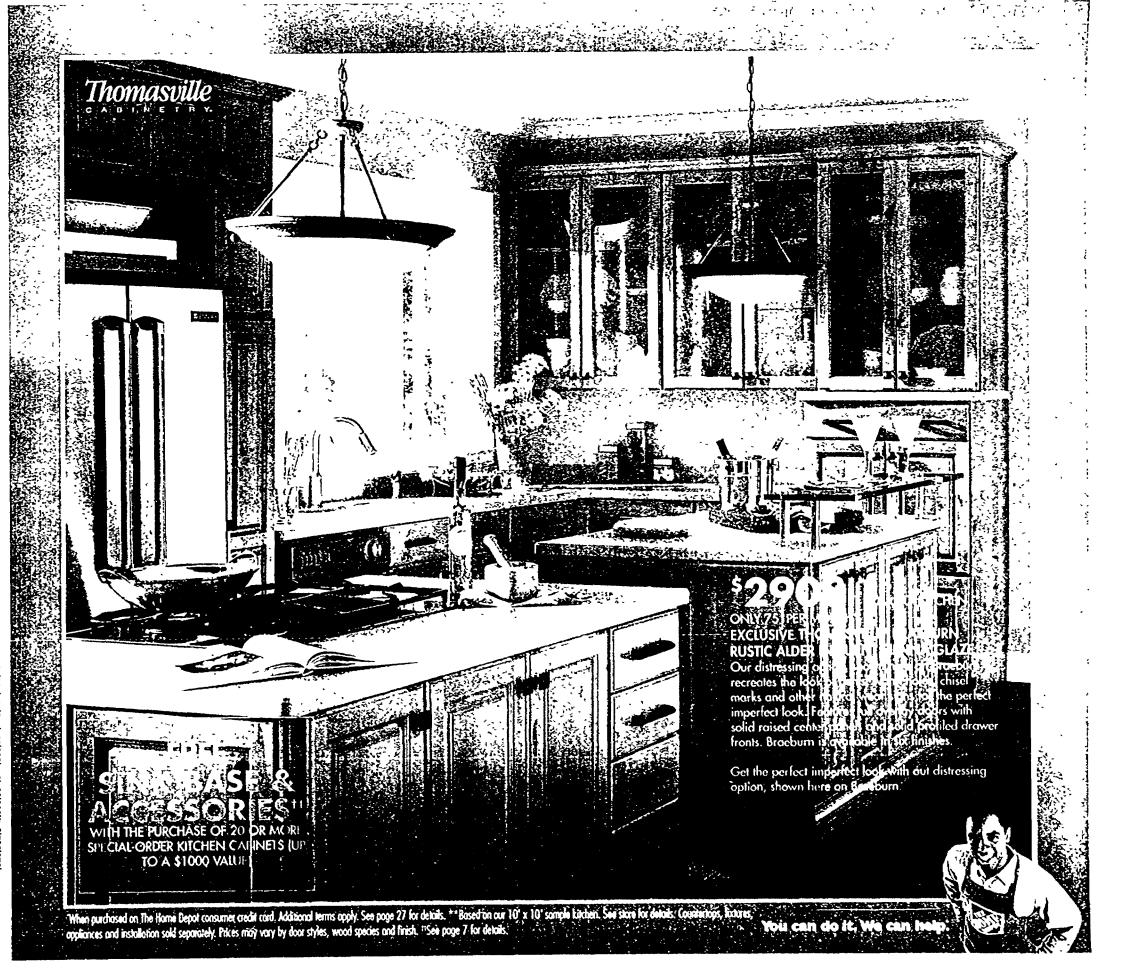
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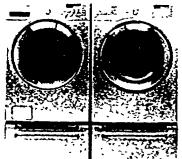
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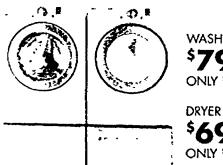
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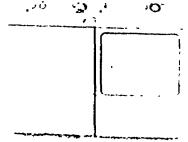
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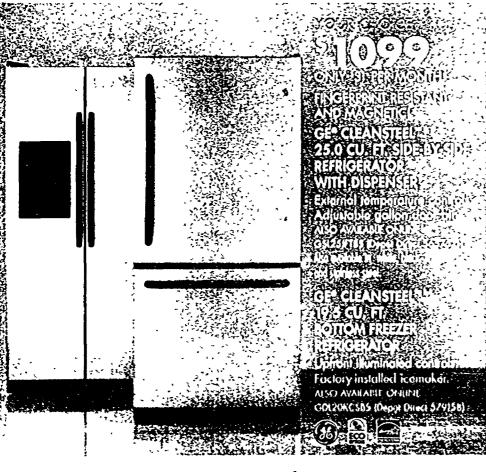
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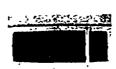
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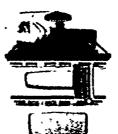




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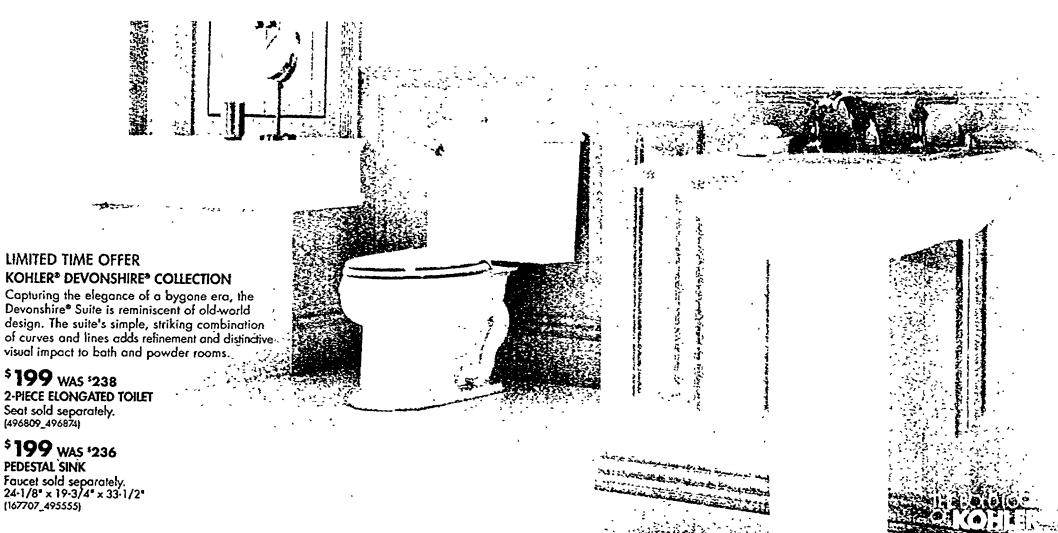
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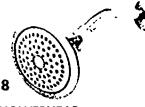
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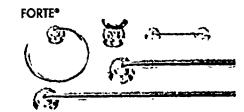
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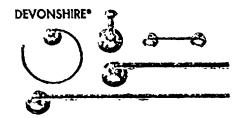


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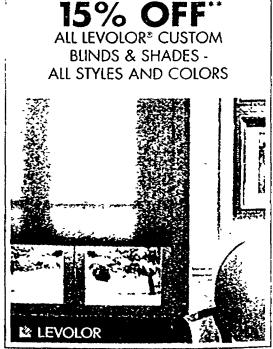
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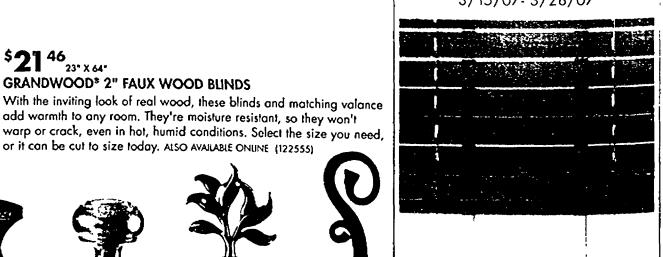
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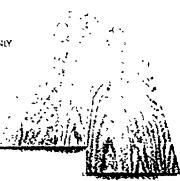
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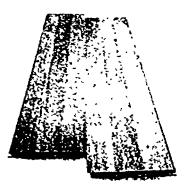
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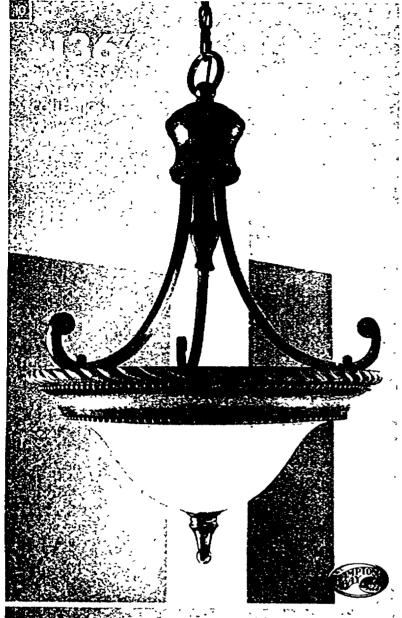


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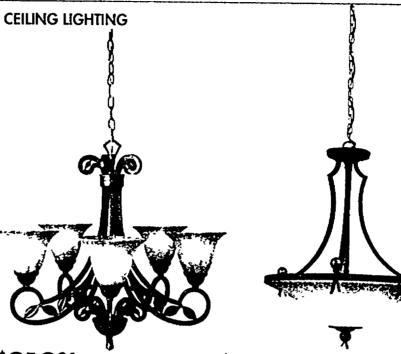


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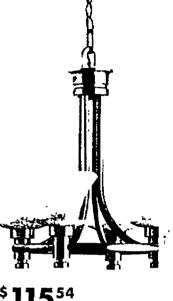
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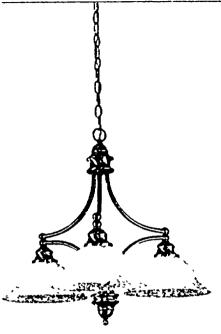
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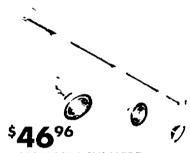


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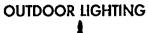
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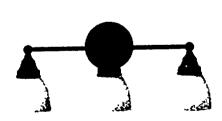
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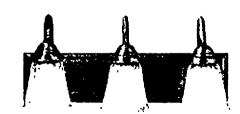
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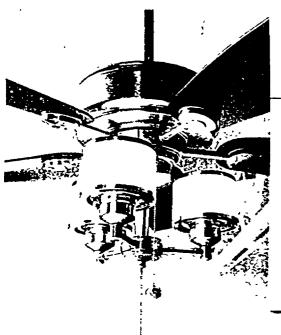
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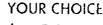
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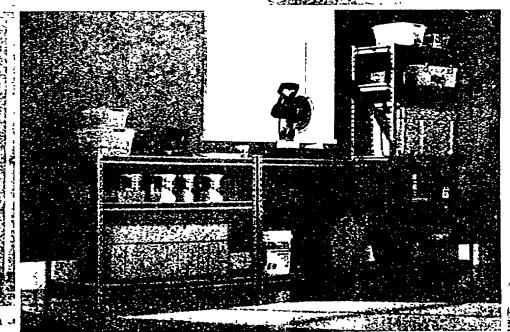
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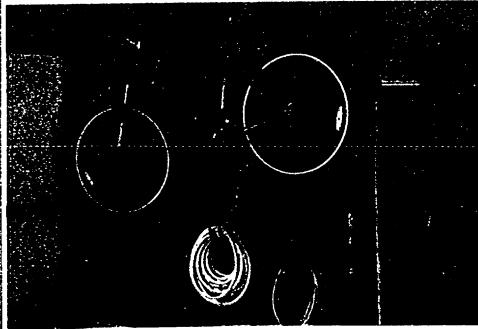


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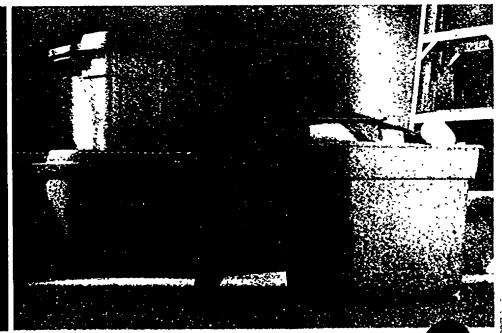
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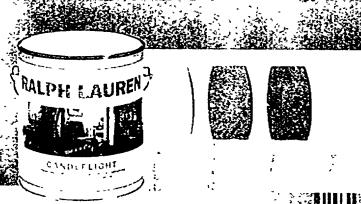


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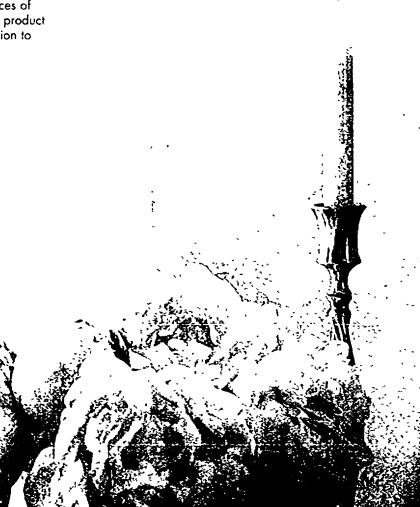
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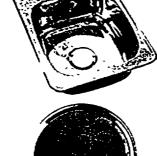
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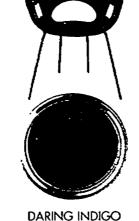


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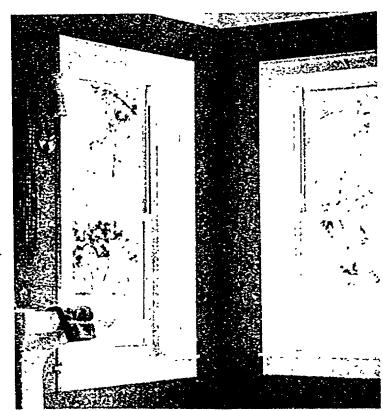
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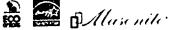
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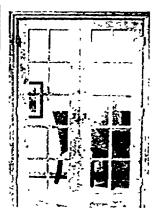
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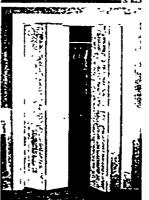
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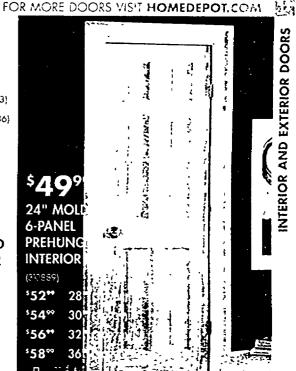
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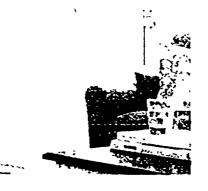
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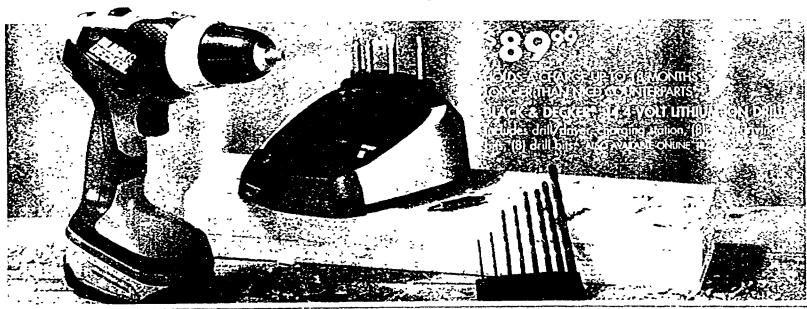


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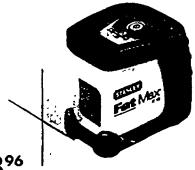
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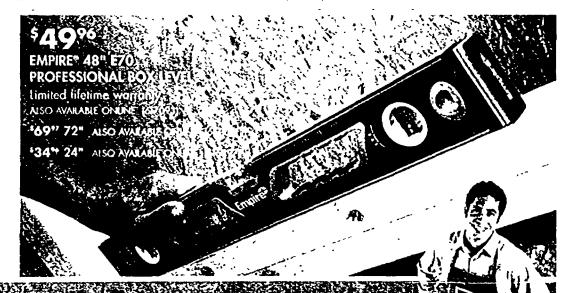
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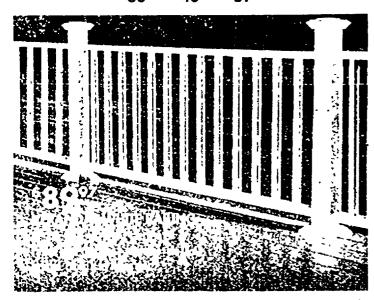






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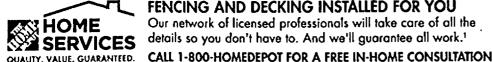
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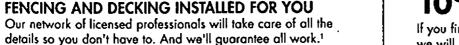
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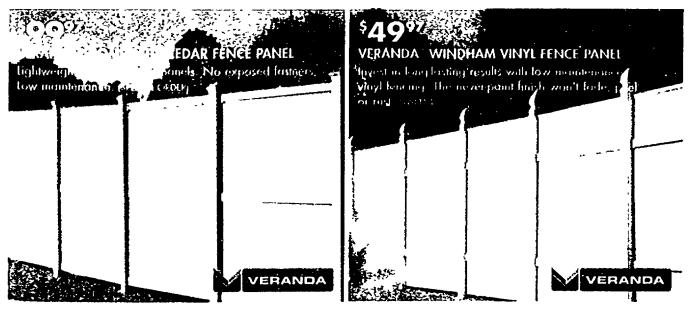


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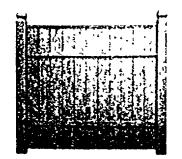


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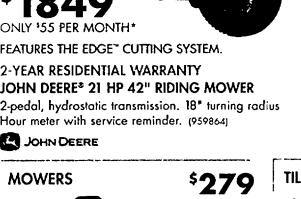


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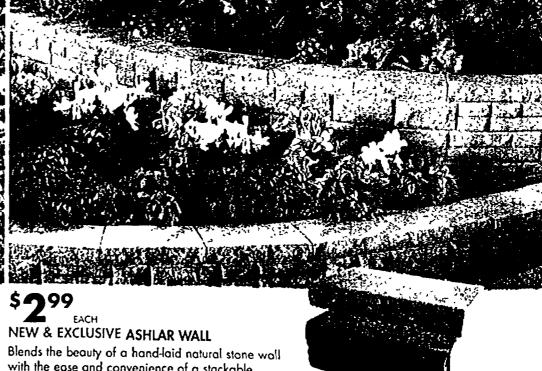
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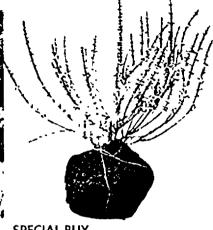


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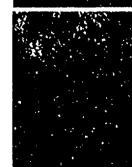
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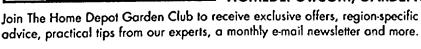
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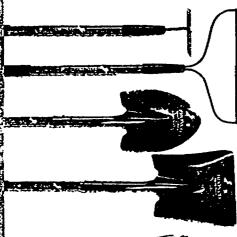
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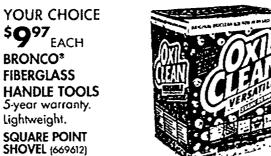
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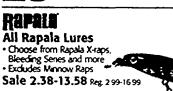
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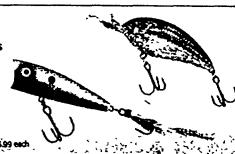
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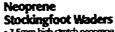
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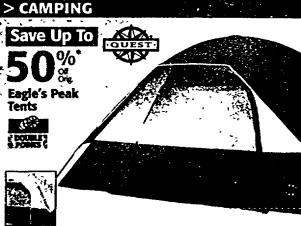
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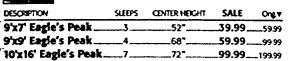
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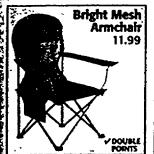
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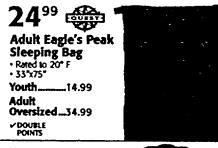




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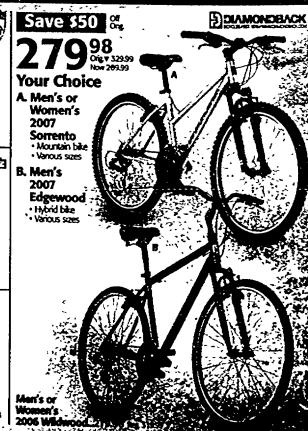


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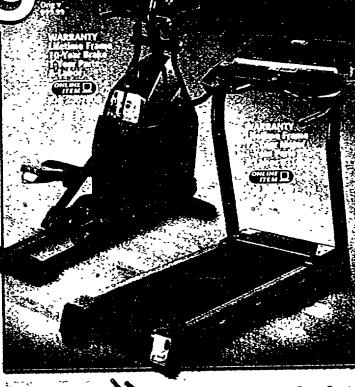
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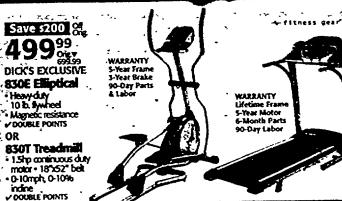






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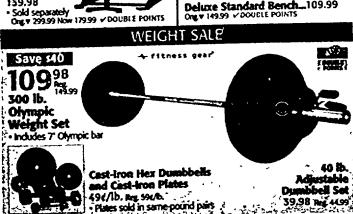


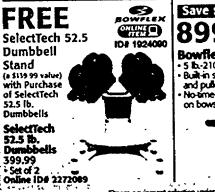
















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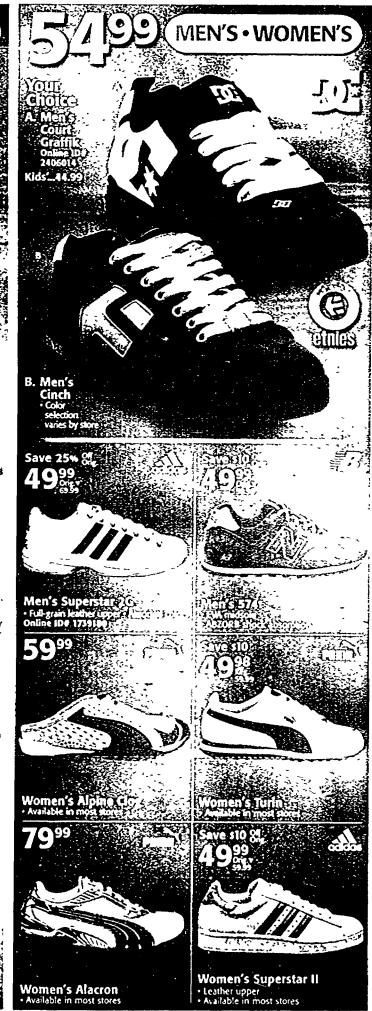
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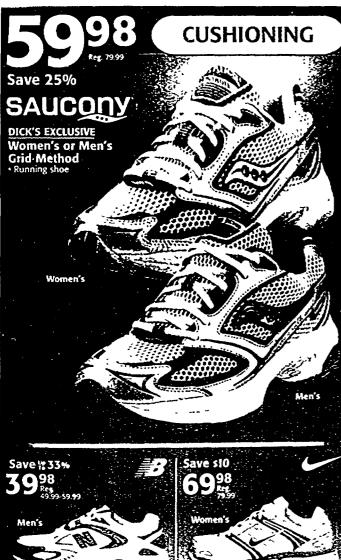
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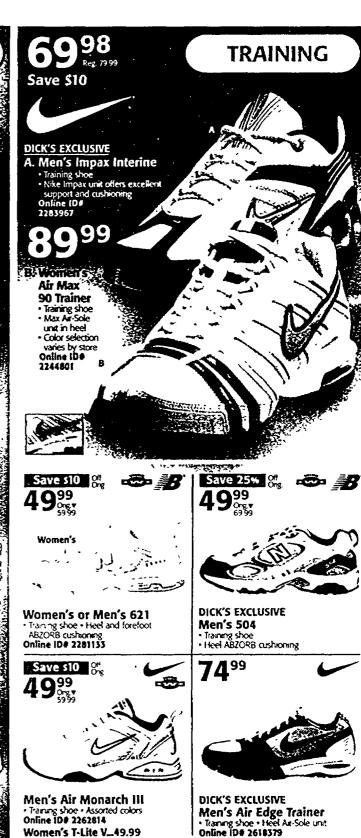
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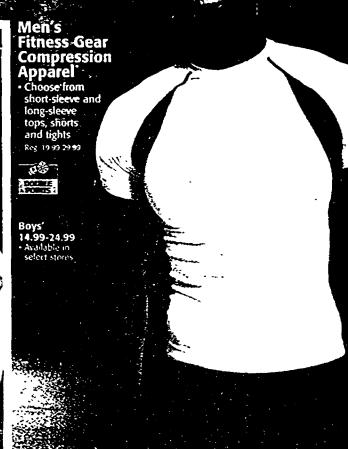
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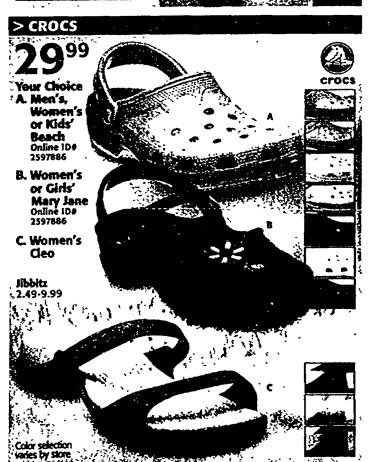


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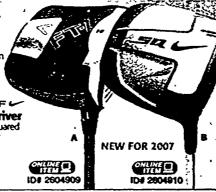
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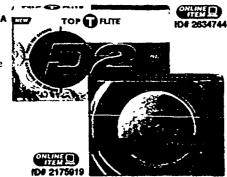
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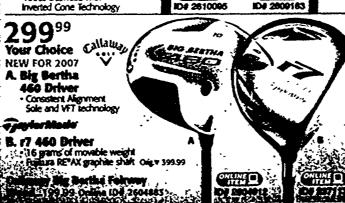


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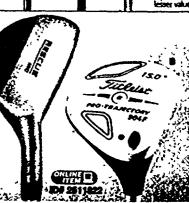
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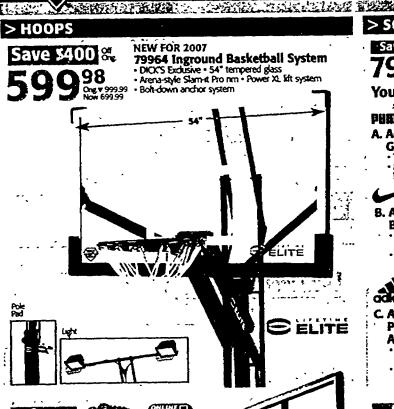
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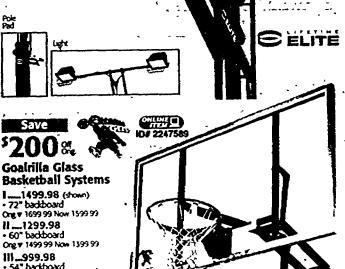




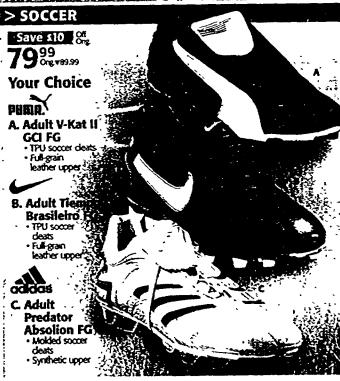
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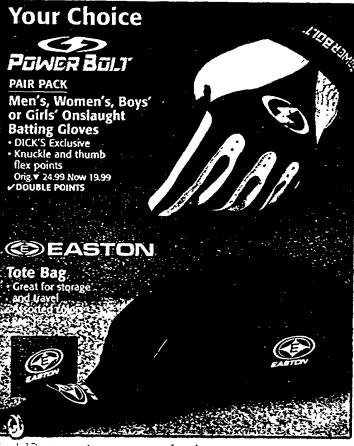
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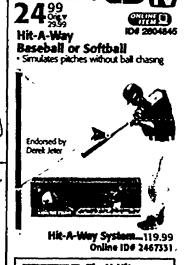




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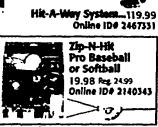


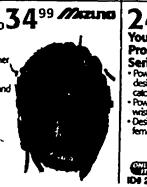












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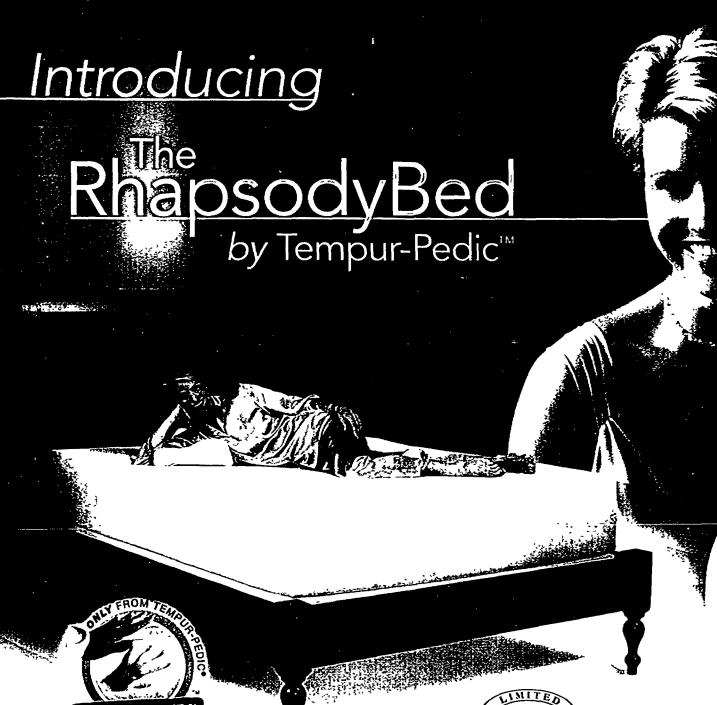
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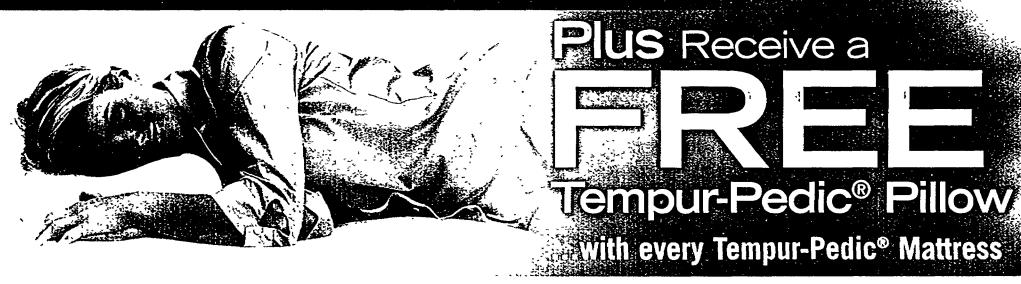
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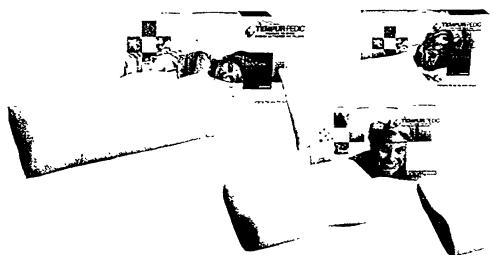
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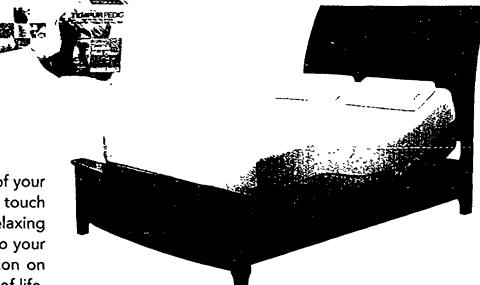
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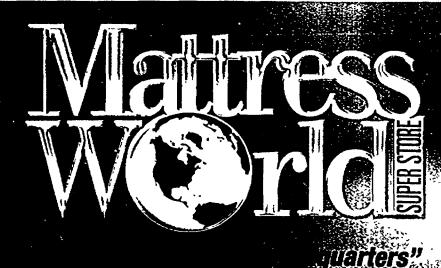
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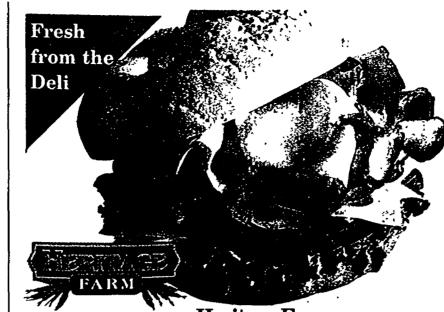
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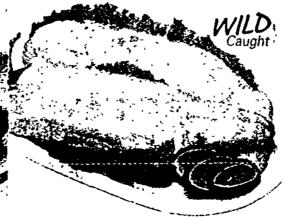
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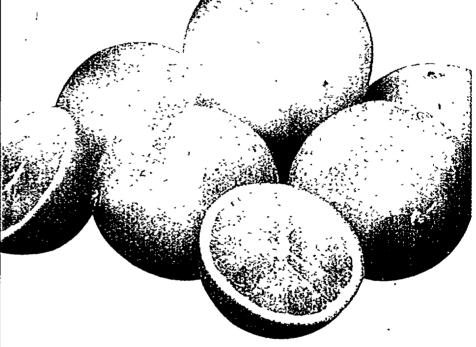
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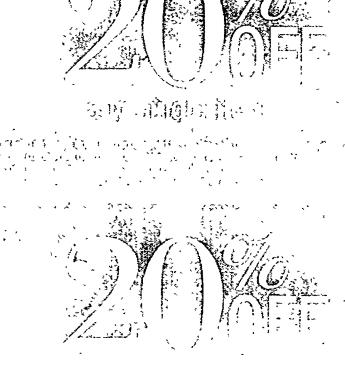
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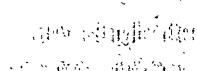
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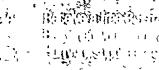


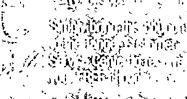














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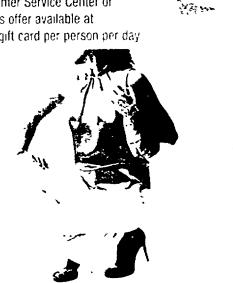
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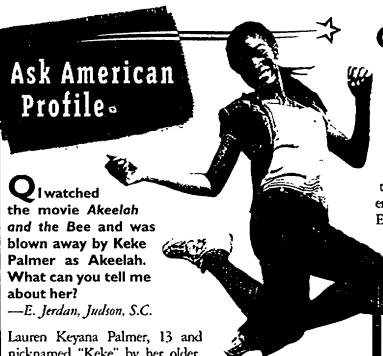
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nicknamed "Keke" by her older sister, was born in Chicago and began her acting career with a

small role in the movie Barber Shop 2: Back in Business in 2004. Since then, the budding actress has appeared on the TV shows Cold Case and ER, been nominated for a Screen Actors Guild award for her performance in the acclaimed TV movie The Wool Cap, played the title lead in Akeelah and most recently co-starred in the Disney Channel movie Jump In!, about the fast-paced world of double-Dutch jump-rope competitions.



What do you know about Nate Berkus, the cute "home improvement" man on Oprah? —C.K. Janis, Springfield, Mo.

Keke Palmer

stars in Jump In!

Directly out of college, the California-born, Minneapolis-raised Berkus, 34, worked for an auction house, where he learned a great deal about furniture and decorative art. Along with doing the actual auctioneering, he was responsible for the look of the showroom floor, which gave him hands-on design

experience. It became his passion. "I consider myself really lucky to be doing what I do for a living," he says, "which is what I choose to do even when I'm not working." He's single and lives in Chicago, where Oprah is based.

Can you settle a bet? My dad and I say actor Eric Close was in the TV series The Magnificent Seven. My mom says he wasn't. She owes us both lunch if we're right!

—Melissa McCament, Aztec, N.M.

Forty-year-old Eric Close—no relation to actress Glenn Close, as several readers have asked—did indeed star in the TV actor Eric Close



Emmy-winning Magnificent Seven series from 1998 to 2000. He's appeared in smaller roles in numerous other TV shows, currently stars in the CBS-TV drama Without a Trace and can be seen in the upcoming movie Saving Angelo. Enjoy your lunch!

How did actor William Shatner conquer his tinnitus? It was reported that it bothered him so much while working on Star Trek that he almost quit. —Inez M. Stewart, West Bandoo, Wis.

Shatner, 75, suffered from tinnitus (ringing in the ears) after standing too close to a special-effects explosion during filming for a 1967 episode of TV's Star Trek. Treatment at the University of Maryland Medical Center taught him how to ignore the sound by a process called "habituation," in which response to a stimulus is lessened through repetition. His 2006 TV game show, Show Me the Money, was canceled recently due to poor ratings, but Shatner continues his starring role in the popular ABC-TV series Boston Legal.

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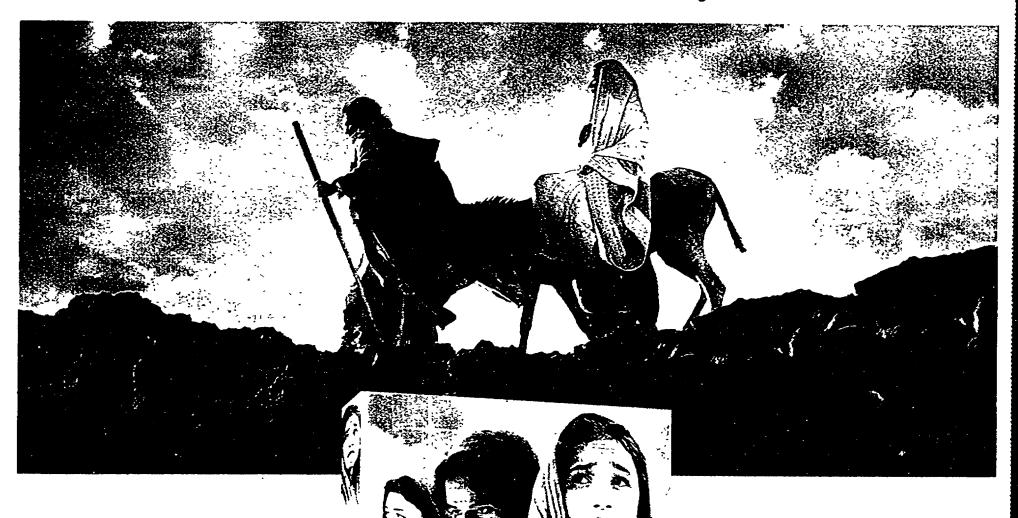
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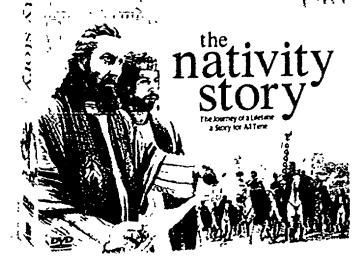
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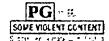
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Country music's legendary Oak Ridge Boys stand taller—and stronger—than ever

On a rainy morning in Nashville,

Tenn., the Oak Ridge Boys' idling tour bus is parked outside the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, where they're scheduled to sing a little later. For the moment, however, the members of one of the longest-running and most successful vocal groups in musical history are relaxing in the bus' forward cabin, recalling one of the darkest—yet most life-affirming—days of their four decades together.

Last April 7, a deadly tornado ripped through the Oaks' hornetown of Hendersonville, Tenn. (pop. -10,620), and demolished a portion of the historic 221-year-old house owned by William Lee Goklen, the quartet's bushy baritone.

"It was a wild experience," recalls Golden, 68, who rode out the storm in the basement with his wife, Brenda, and their 5-year-old son, Solomon, "You hear it taking the roof off and blowing the windows out. We feel fortunate that we survived it."

After the twister cut a swath of destruction directly across Goklen's property, his singing partners worked feverishly to get to him. Lead singer Duane Allen, 63, who lives two mikes away, tried to drive to Goklen's home but was stopped by downed trees that blocked the madways. Bass singer Richard Sterban, 63, managed to navigate the chaos and arrived on site, followed soon after by tenor



At the height of their 1980s popularity, the Oaks energize the stage of the PBS series Austin City Limits.

Joe Bonsall, 58. "The house looked like al-Queda hit it," Bonsall recalls.

Elronger than ever

Within eight months, Gokken had rebuilt his home, making improvements so the structure is sturdier than before. It is an apt metaphor for the Oak Ridge Boys

Like Goklen's historic house, the group has weathered storms—both personal and professional—and today stand stronger than ever.

The Oaks' roots date back to 1943 with the formation of a gospel quartet named for the East Tennessee town where they first performed regularly, Oak Ridge (pop. 27,387). The group's lineup changed as years passed, with

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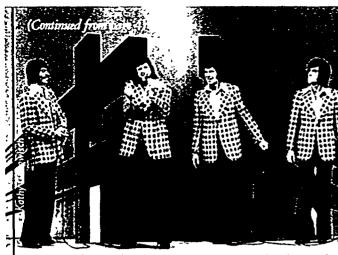
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Bonsall, Allen, Golden and Sterban on TV in 1973 more than 30 members coming and going before the current lineup fell into place. Golden joined in 1964, Allen in 1966, Sterban in 1972 and Bonsall in 1973.

In 1974, the foursome shifted to country music—a transition met with significant opposition from their gospel fan base—and, after a difficult start, eventually began a run of radio hits that included their signature upbeat harmonies on "Elvira," "Bobby Sue," "Fancy Free" and "American Made," as well as a dozen other chart-toppers. They won five Grammys, two Country Music Association awards and four Academy of Country Music awards.

But tension in the group led to Golden's exit in 1987 over concern that his hairy "mountain man" appearance didn't fit the Oaks' image. There were struggles with record labels and lagging sales. By the 1990s the group had fallen out of favor with mainstream radio, and it seemed that the Oak Ridge Boys' best days were behind them.

After several years dabbling in music publishing and recording studios, the group sold most of those business ventures and worked to regain their focus and direction, returning eventually to what drew them into the business in the first place. "We got back to what we all dreamed of doing as little boys," Allen says. "Singing in a harmony group."

Real Umerican values

Most importantly, Gokken was welcomed back into the fold in 1997. With its most popular lineup again in place, the group recorded a string of well-received albums. Last September, the quartet released *Front Row Seats*, filled with songs that reflect the small-town life and real-America values they've witnessed through decades of cross-country touring, averaging some 150 days on the concert trail each year.

On the road, they're once again a hot ticket. "We have sold-out houses just about everywhere we play," Bonsall says with pride. "People know that when they



Staying together for 34 years, says Bonsall, third from left, means being "strong oaks" and flexible "willows."



In the late '70s, the look of the group began to change.

come, they're gonna see a good, fast-paced, wholesome, clean show with a lot of music and a lot of fun."

Fans of all ages fill their audiences. "The typical Oak Ridge Boys fans would probably be baby boomers," Allen says. "But now we're seeing their kids and even their grandkids."

Some of the folks who grew up on the Oaks have formed singing groups of their own. "I remember my mom, my dad and me riding around in our big 98 Oklsmobile with an eight-track of the Oak Ridge Boys, jammin' out," recalls Jimi Westbrook, a member of the new country music quartet Little Big Town, who fulfilled a childhood dream when his group sing with the Oaks last summer.



With Larry Jones, founder of Feed the Children

And their audience is expanding. The Oaks recently took part in the National Association for Music Education's National Anthem Project, which is devoted to ensuring that schookhildren learn "The Star-Spangled Banner."

"For the last year, the Oak Ridge Boys have been appearing at grade schools, middle schools and junior high schools, so those kids are now familiar with the Oaks," says Jim Halsey, the group's longtime manager.

Country and community

The National Anthem Project is only one of the deserving endeavors supported by the Oaks. They try to connect their fans with charities such as the relief group Feed the Children and America Supports You, which encourages communication with soldiers abroad.

The Oak Ridge Boys headlined a United Way fundraiser that netted \$100,000 for Golden's fellow Sumner County tornado victims and joined in the rebuilding of a Hendersonville family's home, as featured on ABC-TV's Extreme Makeover: Home Edition.

Their love for their country and community reflects the love in their own households. All are married with children: Allen has a son and a daughter; Bonsall has two daughters; Golden has four sons; and Sterban has three sons and two daughters.

Having journeyed across four decades together in the roller-coaster music business, group members consider their relationships with one another like those of a family, with the same fellowship, friend-





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Always known for their high-energy shows, the Oaks continue to tour extensively.



Johnny Cash, center, helped launch the Oaks' career.

ship and frustrations that accompany blood relations.

"We all love and respect each other," Bonsall explains. "That doesn't mean we all get along every minute of every day. All four guys are as different as night is from day, but we've all learned how to be men. You not only have to be solid oaks, you have to be willows. You have to learn to bend a little bit."

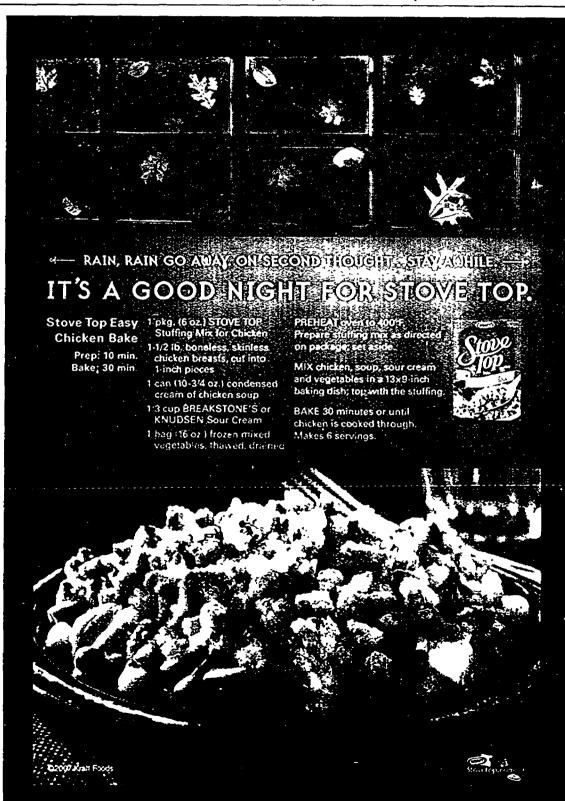
They also have come to appreciate that, working collectively, they create a beautiful synergy. "When we come together as the Oak Ridge Boys, we think as one," Allen says. "It makes us bigger than any one person can be."

Because of that attitude, the group has forged a powerful bond that withstands the tests of time, trouble and tornadoes. The Oaks have no intention of retiring, or scaling back their touring schedule.

"We're not the young guys on the block anymore," Bonsall says. "But we're singing good, we're feeling good, we're making new music, we're constantly reinventing ourselves and people still come out to hear the Oak Ridge Boys. Why would we quit?"

Chris Neal is a writer in Nashrille. Tenn.

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Meet the Oaks

The current members of the Oaks represent four different states and have been making music together since 1973.



Philadelphia native Joe Bonsall joined the Oaks in 1973. He likes sports and playing the banjo (his band mates sometimes call him "Ban-Joey").



A member since 1966, Duane Allen was born in Taylortown, Texas. His wife, Norah Lee, is a member of the Grand Ole Opry's backup singing group.



A native of Brewton, Ala., William Lee Golden has been with the group the longest of any of the current Oaks—since 1964.



Born in Camden, N.J., Richard Sterban joined in 1972. An avid baseball fan, he's part owner of the minor-league Nashville Sounds baseball team.

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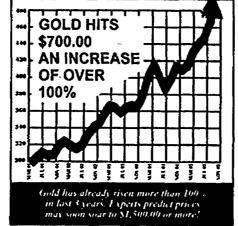
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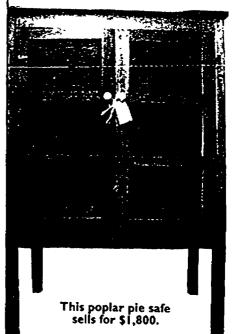
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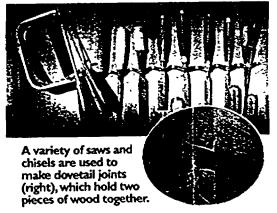
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While he's happy to have loyal customers,



Pedersen—whose pieces sell from around \$100 to several thousand dollars—seems most anxious to live up to the integrity of his 1870s predecessors. He relishes knowing, for instance, that a 19th-century cabinetmaker would have chosen to work with a softer wood like pine after a long day spent pounding on a hardwood like maple.

"I can relate perfectly to what they would have gone through back then," Pedersen says. "When I wake up with sore muscles, it tells me what the trade was truly like in 1875." "

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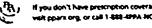
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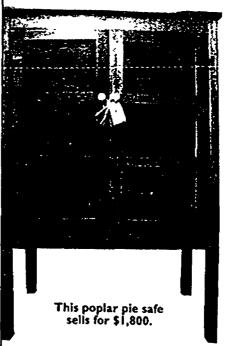


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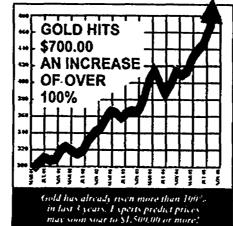
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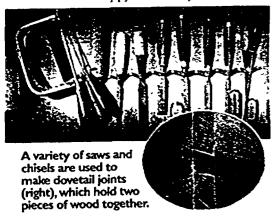
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Customers get free history lessons, too. Scott Saienga, 54, of Story City, Iowa, purchased a stepstool after wandering into the shop one day, then later commissioned a jelly cupboard and a trestle table. "You learn all about the history of the piece from Robby," he says. "You get an education besides just a piece of furniture."

While he's happy to have loyal customers,



Pedersen—whose pieces sell from around \$100 to several thousand dollars—seems most anxious to live up to the integrity of his 1870s predecessors. He relishes knowing, for instance, that a 19th-century cabinetmaker would have chosen to work with a softer wood like pine after a long day spent pounding on a hardwood like maple.

"I can relate perfectly to what they would have gone through back then," Pedersen says. "When I wake up with sore muscles, it tells me what the trade was truly like in 1875."

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ADVAIR should not be used to treat a severe attack of asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPO) requiring emergency medical treatment.

ADVAIR should not be used to relieve sudden symptoms or sudden breathing problems. Always have a fast-acting inhaler with you to treat sudden breathing difficulty. If you do not have a fastacting inhaler, contact your doctor to have one prescribed for you.

What is ADVAIR DISKUS?

There are two medicines in ADYAIR. Fluticasone propionate, an inhaled anti-inflammatory belonging to a group of medicines commonly referred to as corticosteroids; and salmeterol, a long-acting, inhaled bronchodilator belonging to a group of medicines commonly referred to as beta, agonists. There are 3 strengths of ADVAIR. 100/50, 250/50, 500/50

For Asthma

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Who should not take ADVAIR DISKUS?

You should not start ADVAIR if your asthma is becoming significantly or rapidly worse, which can be life threatening. Senous respiratory events, including death, have been reported in patients who started talong salmeterol in this situation, although it is not possible to tell whether salmeterol contributed to these events. This may also occur in patients with less severe asthma.

You should not take ADVAIR if you have had an allergic reaction to it or any of its components (salmeterol, fluticasone propionate, or lactose). Tell your doctor if you are allergic to ADVAIR, any other medications, or food products. If you expenence an allergic reaction after taking ADVAIR, stop using ADVAIR immediately and contact your doctor. Allergic reactions are when you expenence one or more of the following: choking: breathing problems; swelling of the face, mouth and/or tongue; rash, hives, stohing, or welts on the skin.

Tell your doctor about the following:

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- may tell you to stop the regular use of these medications.
- If your peak flow meter results decrease. Your doctor will tell you the numbers that are night for you. If you have asthma and your symptoms do not improve after using ADVAIR regularly for 1 week.
- If you have been on an oral steroid, like prednisone, and are now using ADVAIR. You should be very careful as you may be less able to heal after surgery, infection, or serious injury it takes a number of months for the body to recover as abaity to make as own steroid hormones after use of oral steroids. Switching from an oral steroid may also unmask a condition previously suppressed by the oral steroid such as allergies, conjunctivitis, eczema, artintis, and eosinophilic conditions. Symptoms of an eosinophilic condition can include rash, worsening breathing problems, heart complications, and/or feeling of "pins and needles" or numbness in the arms and legs. Talk to your doctor immediately if you expenence any of these symptoms.
- Sometimes patients experience unexpected bronchospasm right after taking ADVAIR. This condition can be life threatening and if it occurs, you should immediately stop using ADVAIR and seek immediate medical attention.
- If you have any type of heart disease such as coronary artery disease, irregular heart beat or high blood pressure. ADVAIR should be used with caution. Be sure to talk with your doctor about your condition because salmeterol, one of the components of ADVAIR, may affect the heart by increasing heart rate and blood pressure. It may cause symptoms such as heart fluttering, chest pain, rapid heart rate, tremor, or nervousness.
- . If you have seizures, overactive thyroid gland, liver problems, or are sensitive to certain medications for breathing
- If your breathing problems get worse over time or if your fast-acting inhaler does not work as well for you white using ADVAIR. If your breathing problems worsen quickly, get emergency medical care.
- If you have been exposed to or currently have chickenpox or measles or if you have an immune system problem Patients using medications that weaken the immune system are more likely to get infections than healthy individuals. ADVAIR contains a conticosteroid (fluocasone propionate) which may weaken the immune system infections like chickenpox and measles, for example, can be very senous or even fatal in susceptible patients using corbcosteroids.

How should I take ADVAIR DISKUS?

ADVAIR should be used 1 inhalation, twice a day (morning and evening). ADVAIR should never be taken more than 1 inhalation twice a day. The full benefit of taking ADVAIR may take 1 week or longer

If you miss a dose of ADVAIR, just skip that dose. Take your next dose at your usual time. Do not take two doses at one time

Do not stop using ADVAIR unless told to do so by your doctor because your symptoms might get worse

Do not change or stop any of your medicines used to control or treat your breathing problems. Your doctor will adjust your medicines as needed

When using ADVAIR, remember

- Never breathe into or take the DISKUS' apart
- · Always use the DISKUS in a level position.
- After each inhalation, trise your mouth with water without swallowing.
 Never wash any part of the DISKUS. Always keep it in a dry place.
- · Never take an extra dose, even if you feel you did not receive a dose
- Discard 1 month after removal from the foil overwrap
- Do not use ADVAIR with a spacer device

Children should use ADVAIR with an adult's help as instructed by the child's doctor

Can I take ADYAIR DISKUS with other medications?

Tell your doctor about all the medications you take, including prescription and nonprescription medications, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

If you are taking ADVAIR, you should not take SEREVENT* DISKUS or Foradil* Aerolizer* for any reason.

If you take ritonavir (an HIV medication), tell your doctor. Ritonavir may interact with ADVAIR and could cause serious side effects. The anti-HIV medicines Norvin Soft Gelatin Capsules, Norvin Oral

No formal drug interaction studies have been performed with ADVAIR.

In clinical studies, there were no differences in effects on the heart when ADVAIR was taken with varying amounts of albuterol. The effect of using ADVAIR in patients with asthma while talong more than 9 puffs a day of albuterol has not been studied.

ADVAIR should be used with extreme caution during and up to 2 weeks after treatment with monoamine oxidase (MAO) inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants since these medications can cause ADVAIR to have an even greater effect on the circulatory system.

ADVAIR should be used with caution in people who are taking ketoconazole (an antifungus medication) or other drugs broken down by the body in a similar way. These medications can cause ADVAIR to have greater steroid side effects.

Generally, people with asthma should not take beta-blockers because they counteract the effects of beta, agonists and may also cause severe bronchospasm. However, in some cases, for instance, following a heart attack, selective beta-blockers may still be used if there is no acceptable alternative.

The ECG changes and/or low blood potassium that may occur with some diuretics may be made worse by ADVAIR, especially at higher-than-recommended doses. Caution should be used when these drugs are used logether.

In clinical studies, there was no difference in side effects when ADVAIR was taken with methylizanthines (e.g., theophylline) or with FLONASE:

What are other important safety considerations with ADVAIR DISKUS?

Osteoporosis: Long-term use of inhaled corticosteroids may result in bone loss (osteoporosis) Patients who are at risk for increased bone loss (tobacco use, advanced age, inactive lifestyle, poor nutrition, family history of esteoperosis, or long-term use of drugs such as corticosteroids) may have a greater risk with ADVAIR. If you have risk factors for bone loss, you should talk to your doctor about ways to reduce your risk and whether you should have your bone density evaluated.

Glaucoma and cataracts: Glaucoma, increased pressure in the eyes, and cataracts have been reported with the use of inhaled steroids, including fluticasone propionate, a medicine contained in ADVAIR. Regular eye examinations should be considered if you are taking ADVAIR.

er respiratory tract infection: Lower respiratory tract infections, including pneumonia, have been reported with the use of inhaled corticosteroids, including ADVAIR.

Blood sugar: Salmeterol may affect blood sugar and/or cause low blood potassium in some patients, which could lead to a side effect like an irregular heart rate. Significant changes in blood sugar and blood potassium were seen infrequently in clinical studies with ADVAIR.

Growth: Inhaled steroids may cause a reduction in growth velocity in children and adolescents.

Steroids: Taking steroids can affect your body's ability to make its own steroid hormones, which are needed during infections and times of severe stress to your body, such as an operation. These effects can sometimes be seen with inhaled steroids (but it is more common with oral steroids). especially when taken at higher-than-recommended doses over a long period of time. In some cases, these effects may be severe. Inhaled steroids often help control symptoms with less side effects than oral steroids.

Yeast infections: Patients taking ADVAIR may develop yeast infections of the mouth and/or throat ("thrush") that should be treated by their doctor

Tuberculosis or other untreated infections: ADVAIR should be used with caution, if at all, in patients with tuberculosis, herpes infections of the eye, or other untreated infections.

What are the other possible side effects of ADVAIR DISKUS?

ADVAIR may produce side effects in some patients. In clinical studies, the most common side effects with ADVAIR included

Resoratory infections

Yeast infection of the mouth

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- Bronchitis Cough
- Headaches
- Nausea and vomiting • Diarrhea
- Musculoskeletai pain Duzzness
- Fever
 - · Ear, nose, and throat infections Nosebleed

Tell your doctor about any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. These are not all the side effects with ADVAIR. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for more information

What if I am pregnant, planning to become pregnant, or nursing?

Talk to your doctor about the benefits and risks of using ADYAIR during pregnancy, labor, or if you are nursing. There have been no studies of ADVAIR used during pregnancy, labor, or in nursing women. Salmeterol is known to interfere with labor contractions. It is not known whether ADVAIR. is excreted in breast milk, but other corticosteroids have been detected in human breast milk. Flubcasone propionate, like other controsseroids, has been associated with birth defects in animals (e.g., cleft palate and fetal death). Salmeterol showed no effect on ferbility in rats at 180 times the maximum recommended daily dose

What other important lests were conducted with ADYAIR?

There is no evidence of enfranced loxicity with ADVAR compared with the components administered separately. In animal studies with doses much higher than those used in humans, salmeterol was associated with utenne turnors. Your healthcare professional can tell you more about how drugs are lested on animals and what the results of these lests may mean to your safety

For more information on ADYAIR DISKUS

This page is only a brief summary of important information about ADVAIR DISRUS. For more information, talk to your doctor. You can also visit www.ADVAIR.com or call 1-888-825-5249. Patients receiving ADVAIR DISKUS should read the medication guide provided by the pharmacist with the prescription.

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Photographing the Family Pet

Getting the family pet to

sit still while you snap a photograph can be a challenge. With that in mind, American Profile asked professional per photographers to offer their best tips on taking frameworthy photos of Fido and Fluffy.

Keep the camera handy. Be ready when your pet strikes a pose. "Catch your dog or cat at their most natural, or when they're doing something funny, like rolling on their back," says photographer Kim Levin, owner of Bark & Smile Pet Portraits in Little Silver, N.J.

Get eye level. "The most important thing is to get eye level with your pet, whether that means putting the car up on the counter or lying down with the dog," says Leila Grossman, owner of Grannis Photography in Nashville, Tenn. Experiment with different perspectives. This can mean the difference between a stunning, professional-looking photo and an ordinary snapshot.

Go outdoors. Instead of using a camera's flash, which can produce unnatural effects like red-eye and can frighten animals, photograph your dog outdoors in natural light. A bright, overcast day is ideal. Cats usually do best indoors, however, so place kitty near a sunny window.

Get the pet's attention, Most dogs like squeaky toys, while cats are mesmerized by moving objects. Levin says that the shrill sound of a harmonica perks up canine ears. For cars, try waving a feather or a noisy shopping bag, or dangling a toy just out of their reach. If you don't have props handy, whistle or make funny sounds.

Look at the overall picture. Consider what's in the background; avoid distracting or unnecessary elements. Also, try photographing the animal's profile, or position your pet offcenter in the picture.

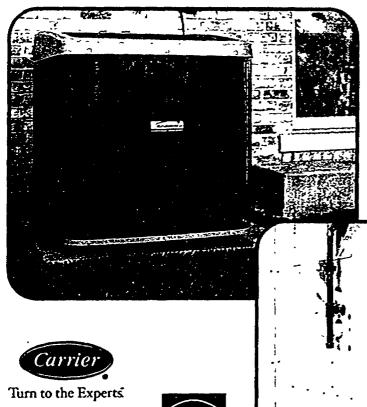
Be patient. "Have fun with it and don't make it stressful," Grossman says. It may take some time to get that perfect shot, so be patient, keep trying and make it a pleasant experience for you and your pet. 🍣

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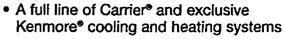
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Candace McMenamin uses produce from her garden to prepare Sugar Snap Peas with Mesclun Greens. "I created this recipe to serve at a spring dinner party," says the Lexington, S.C., resident. "Sugar snap peas are plentiful here in the spring and I actually grow the greens and green onions here from late February to late April."

Jeanette Brinker of Washington, Mo., submitted the recipe for Crunchy Pea Salad. Although she recommends using frozen green peas in the salad, fresh can be substituted. You'll need about 11/2 pounds of peas in their pods.

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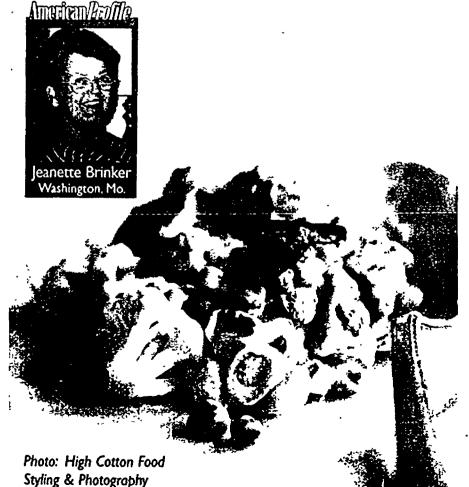
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RECIPE: Crunchy Pea Salad





- 2 tablespoons butter
- tablespoons pine nuts
- shallot, finely chopped
- pound sugar snap peas Salt and pepper
- ½ cup dry white wine or water
- 2 cups loosely packed mesclun greens or spring mix
- green onions, finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons shredded fresh basil
- 1. Melt butter over medium-high heat in large saucepan. Add pine nuts and shallot and cook, stirring frequently, about 2 minutes or until browned. Add peas, salt, pepper and wine or water. Heat until just simmering; cover and cook 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 2. Stir in greens and simmer, uncovered, until greens wilt slightly. Stir in green onions and basil. Remove from heat and serve immediately. Serves 4.

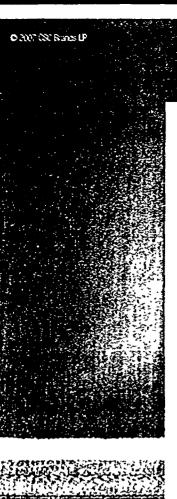


Crunchy Pea Salad

- (10-ounce) package frozen peas, thawed
- cup diced celery
- cup cauliflower florets
- cup diced green onion
- cup chopped cashews
- ½ cup sour cream
- ½ to I cup ranch dressing
- ½ cup crisply cooked and crumbled bacon

Combine peas, celery, cauliflower, onion, cashews, sour cream and dressing in a salad bowl; mix well. Chill until ready to serve. Top each serving with crumbled bacon. Serves 8.

Tips From Our Test Kitchen: If you prefer softer cauliflower, steam and cool the vegetable before adding it to the mix. Lowfat yogurt and low-fat ranch dressing can be substituted for the sour cream and ranch dressing if you're counting calories.



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Beef Taco Skillet

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1/2 cup water

6 flour tortillas (6"), cut into 1" pieces 1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

1/2 cup salsa

- 1. Cook beef in 10" skillet until well browned, stirring to break up meat. Pour off fat.
- 2. Stir in soup, salsa, water, tortillas. Heat to a boil. Reduce heat to low and cook for 5 min. Stir. Top with cheese. Makes 4 servings.



Creamy Mexican Fiesta: Stir in 1/2 cup sour cream with soup.

Ranchero Style: Use corn tortillas instead of flour tortillas and shredded Mexican cheese blend instead of Cheddar.



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Educator Dennis Daniels delivers

some of his most inspiring lessons to children without ever seeming to open his mouth—as a ventriloquist.

When he's not working as the dean of students at Hope Academy Charter School in Asbury Park, N.J. (pop. 16,930),

Daniels performs at fairs, festivals and other schools, playfully encouraging kids to believe in themselves and respect others.

"I want them to smile and laugh, but I also want them to learn something, says Daniels, 46, whose entertainment always presents a positive message.

Daniels and his cast of "dummy" characters lightheartedly help kids understand and appreciate people's racial, cultural and age-based differences. Old Mac, a puppet resembling a very old man, habitually falls asleep in mid-sentence, and kids delight in waking him up. But Mac also can become an unexpected font of wisdom.



Students Yailene Sanchez and Zaniyah Harris are captivated during Daniels' show in Asbury Park, N.J.



Ventriloquist and educator Dennis Daniels uses puppets to teach kids lessons in respect.

Daniels recalls a little boy asking the character, "Why are my grandparents always touching me, grabbing my cheeks and hair? It makes me feel weird." Old Mac replied, "It's because they love you and they aren't going to see you very long, so they want to touch you as much as they can."

"The kid hesitated for a moment, then said, 'You know what? I'm going to go home and hug my grandma."

"What Dennis does with kids is magic," says Colleen DeGeorge, a licensed social worker from Middleton, N.J., who's worked with Daniels in psychiatric facilities for children and adolescents. "I've seen tough teens downplay his act as silly, but then get caught up in it. One little boy was mute and extremely withdrawn until he started interacting with the puppets."

Daniels became captivated by the art as a teenager watching legendary ventriloquist Paul Winchell on television. Seven years ago, he custom-ordered his first dummy and began working ventriloquism into his teaching.

When he introduces his 42-inch-tall characters, he quickly tells children that he's the one doing the talking and then explains his vocal sleight of hand, since many kids aren't familiar with ventriloquism.

"Some of them freak out a little bit," he says. "The first thing I tell (Continued on page 17)



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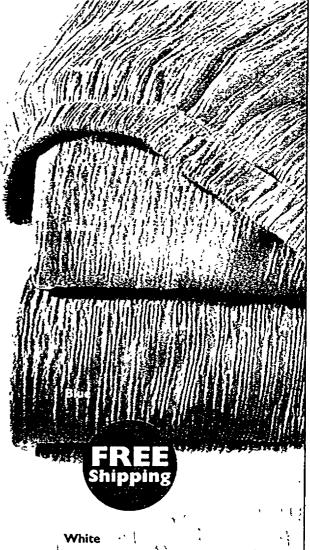
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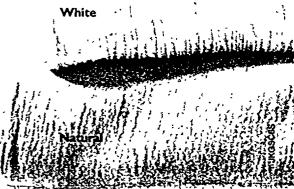
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Putnam County Easter Egg Hunt-Greencastle, April 6-7. Teens search for eggs on April 6 and children search on April 7, with prizes for all, plus enjoy visits with the Easter bunny at Robe-Ann Park. (800) 829-4639.

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Family. Easter Party—Urbandale, April 7. Features games, horse-drawn wagon rides, a toy hunt, egg-rolling contest, pancake races and a visit with the Easter bunny at Living History Farms 1875 Walnut Hill town. (515) 278-5286.



KANSAS

Mid-America Farm Exposition— Salina, March 27-29. More than 350 exhibits featuring farm products and services highlight this event at the Salina Bicentennial Center and Saline County Livestock and Expo Center. (785) 827-9301.

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Spring Antique Show-New Haven, April 14-15. Browse antiques, ranging from furniture to jewelry, from more than 50 dealers and have up to two of your antiques appraised at New Haven High School. (586) 725-9480.

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Northwest Sportshow-Minneapolis, March 27-April 1. Celebrating 75 years, this event showcases the latest in boats and recreational vehicles, fishing and hunting gear, and vacations. Minneapolis Convention Center. (800) 777-4766

MISSOURI

Sherlock Holmes: The Final Adventure-Webster Groves, March 21-April 15. The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis presents this production about the world's most masterful detective at the Loretto-Hilton Center on the Webster University campus. (314) 968-4925.

NEBRASKA

Sandhills' Spring Fox Hunt-Burwell, April 7-8. Join in or watch as more than 100 horsemen and their hounds pursue coyotes in the English riding and fox hunting tradition on the Kahlandt Ranch. (308) 346-4856.

NORTH DAKOTA

Urban Cowboy-Grand Forks, April 14. Enjoy this Broadway musical about a new breed of cowboy, his whirlwind romance and marriage performed at the University of North Dakota's Chester Fritz Auditorium. (701) 772-5151.

OHIO

Southern Ohio Indoor Music Festival-Wilmington, March 30-31. Delight in bluegrass music performed by Rhonda Vincent and the Rage, the Cherryholmes, David Parmley and Continental Divide, and others at Roberts Convention Centre. (937) 372-5804.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Spring Fling-Hot Springs, April 13-14. This home and garden show features booths with a variety of new and innovative products, live demonstrations and a spring fashion show at the Mueller Civic Center. (800) 325-6991.

WISCONSIN

Quartet San Francisco Concert-Baraboo, March 31. The string quartet performs Big Band, Latin, jazz and other tunes at the Al. Ringling Theatre. For tickets, call (608) 356-8864.

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Daniels communicates with a colorful cast of characters.

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them is that I'm not trying to trick them. The dolls are not alive. It's me doing all the talking. Once I do that, they just relax and enjoy the puppets."

If a rambunctious kid tries to grab, poke or taunt one of this pupper troupe, he lets the character handle it and finds the kids often correct themselves. Daniels recalls one little girl who kept calling his pupper Carmen "ugly" and "a dummy."

"Carmen said to her, 'I just met you. Why would you want to do that to me?' and the girl stopped, regrouped and began apologizing," he says.

A former counselor who has worked extensively with handicapped students, Daniels believes his talent is God-given and enables him to touch children's hearts. It's a gift that he calls on every day on the job at Hope Academy, a public kindergarten through eighth-grade school that emphasizes mentoring and character education.

"He is a very special person, and we feel very privileged to have him on our staff," says Peter Cheney, the school's co-director.

Four years ago during Daniels' job interview, Cheney invited him to demonstrate his ventriloquism skills. "He did a 10-minute presentation to our fifth-grade class on understanding older people," Chency recalls. "Old Mac talked about what it was like to get old. When he finished, most of them were in tears."

Seeing the children absorb such life lessons is humbling for Daniels. "I'm always amazed at how kids respond to puppers," he says. "It's a magic that surprises me to this day."

Karen Karvonen is a frequent contributor to American Profile.

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If You Purchased POAST® Herbicide Between January 1, 1992 and December 31, 1996 for Use on Your Crops

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POAST® is a herbicide

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sugarbeets, sunflowers,

potatoes, field beans,

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class action, Peterson v. BASF Corp., File No. C2-97- attorneys' fees of \$29 million and to be reimbursed 295. The case is in the Norman County District \$561,602.92 for expenses. Class Counsel worked

money award to farmers across the United States who purchased POAST* herbicide between January 1, 1992 and December 31. 1996. Because of another lawsuit, this class action excludes North Dakota residents who purchased POAST* in North Dakota

This judgment affects a "Class" or group of people that may

To get complete information and see if you qualify to receive a cash payment, you should visit www.POASTclassaction.com or call 1-800-678-9587.

What is the Class Action About?

The lawsuit was filed in 1997 by 11 farmers who claimed that BASF Corporation ("BASF") fraudulently marketed the same herbicide as different products POAST* and POAST Plus* - at different prices. The lawsuit claimed that this marketing was intended to obtain inflated prices for POAST* herbicide from minor crop farmers. Minor crop farmers are growers of sugarbeets, sunflowers, potatoes, field beans, fruits and vegetables, and flowers.

The case was certified as a class action under the New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act. Notice was published nationwide and no Class Members optedout. After a five-week trial, a jury verdict was entered. Proof of purchase is required. for the farmers. All appeals are final.

What is the Amount of the Judgment?

On November 17, 2006 BASF paid \$62.5 million into the Farmers' Common Fund ("Fund"), an interestbearing bank account that will hold the money until it is paid to the Class and Counsel. It is estimated the amount in the Fund will increase to about \$65 million by the time the money is distributed.

How Will the Money be Distributed?

Class Members will be able to file a claim to receive a share of the Fund. About \$32 million should be available for the Class. Your share of the Fund will depend on the number of gallons of POAST* you purchased, and the total number of valid claims filed. The specific formula that will be used is described www.POASTclassaction.com.

A final judgment has been reached in a national Class Counsel are asking the Court to award Court, Ada, Minnesota. The judgment provides a on this case for 9 years and paid all expenses

during that time. The Court has preliminarily approved this amount, but may award more or less at the final approval hearing.

The Court has also preliminarily approved a \$100,000 incentive award to each of the 11 Class Representatives for their time and effort representing the Class. The Court can change

include you. This is a summary of your rights. these amounts at the final approval hearing if it

What Are My Legal Rights?

- To obtain money from the judgment, you must file a claim as discussed below.
- As a member of the Class, you may object to the proposed Distribution Plan and request for attorneys' fees. You must file your objection in writing by May 9, 2007. If you wish to speak about your objection you must file a Notice of Appearance by May 9, 2007.

Can I Make A Claim?

If you purchased POAST* herbicide between January 1, 1992 and December 31, 1996, you are a Class Member and can file a claim. Because of another lawsuit, this class action excludes North Dakota residents who purchased POAST' in North Dakota.

How Can I File a Claim?

If you are a member of the Class, you must file a claim by May 16, 2007 with the POAST* Claims Administrator. Claim forms and additional information can be requested by visiting www.POASTclassaction.com, calling the toll-free number below, or writing the POAST' Claims Administrator at the address listed below.

When Will the Plan Be Approved?

The Court will hold a final approval hearing on the proposed Distribution Plan and request for attorneys' fees on June 5, 2007 at 9.30 a.m. in the Courtroom of the Honorable Michael J. Kraker, at the Norman County Courthouse, 16 East Third Avenue, Ada, MN 56510. Class Counsel will represent your rights at more detail on the Web site, the hearing but you can hire your own lawyer, at your own expense, if you wish

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Before you begin, amend your garden's topsoil with organic fertilizers and compost. Perennials will be around for years, so addressing any soil problems before planting is much easier than waiting until after your garden is growing.

Make sure new plants are suitable for your area before you buy them. Check local public gardens and your neighbors' yards to see which perennials thrive in your climate zone, then select plants based on their bloom time, ultimate size and flower color. Ideally, you'll want a mix of early blooming flowers, such as iris and coral bells; midseason show-stoppers, such as daylilies and phlox; and late-season bloomers, such as asters

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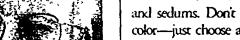
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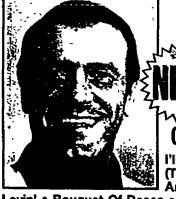
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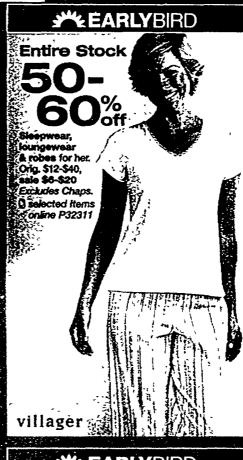




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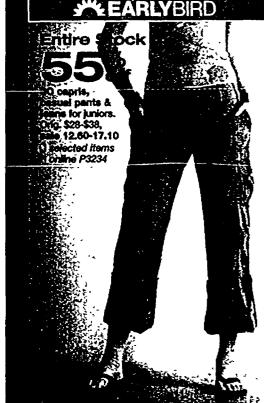
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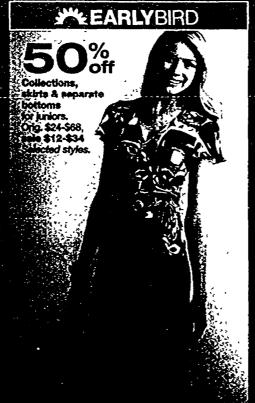










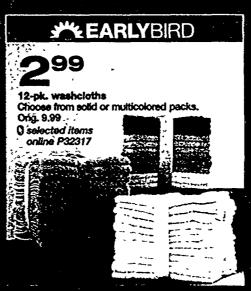








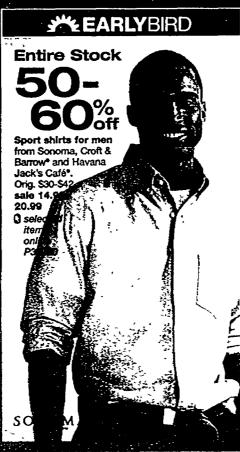


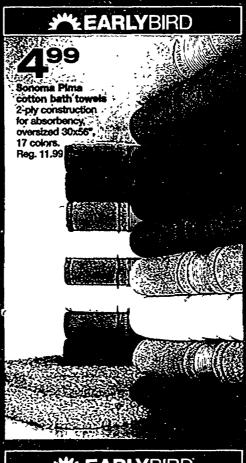




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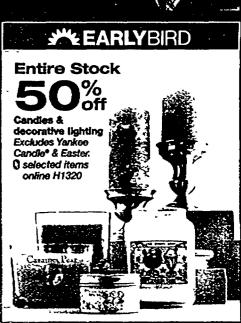


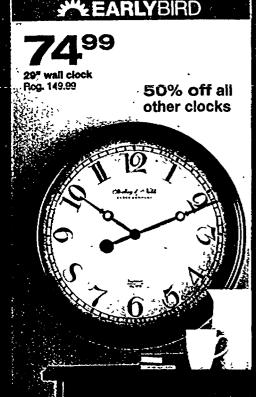


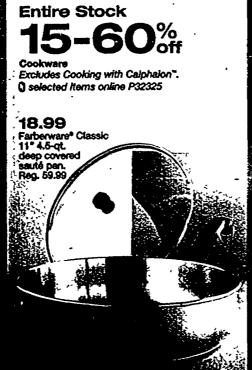




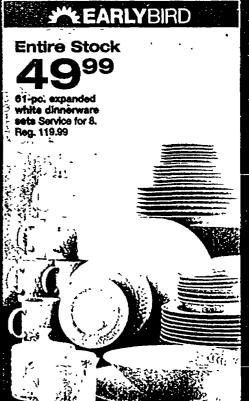




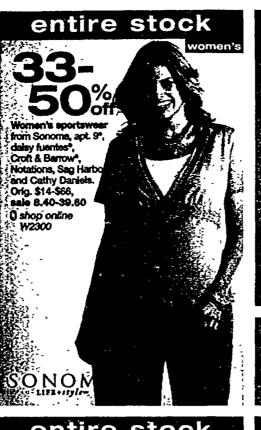
















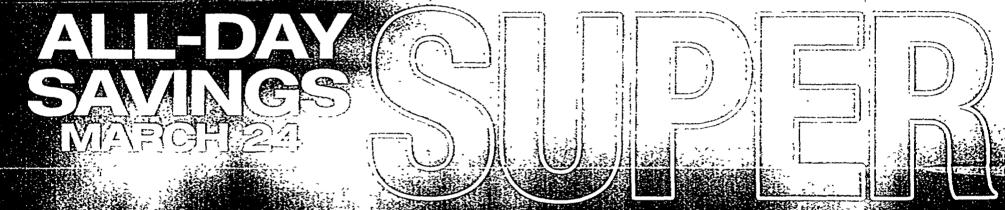
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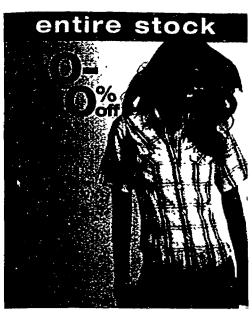


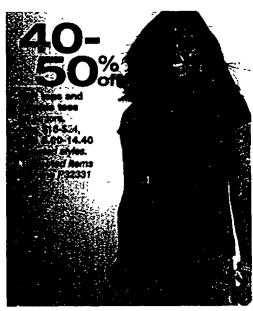
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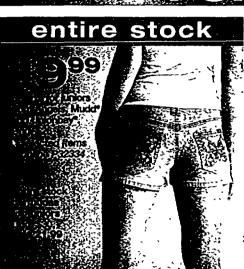




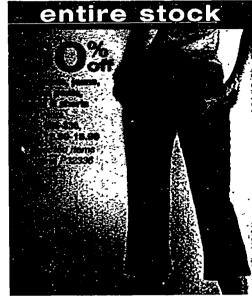
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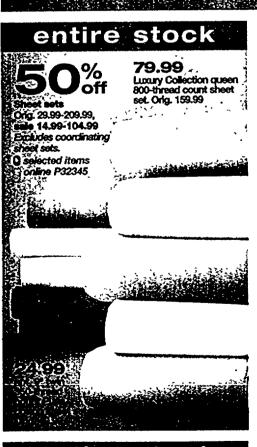
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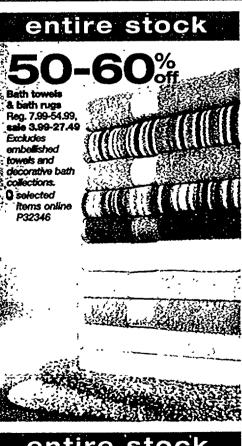
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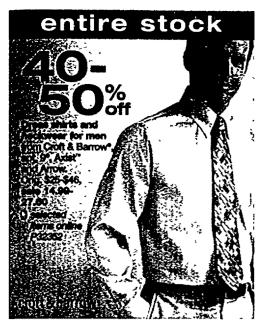






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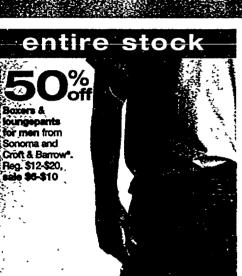




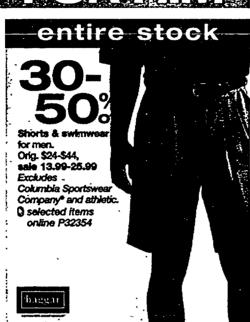






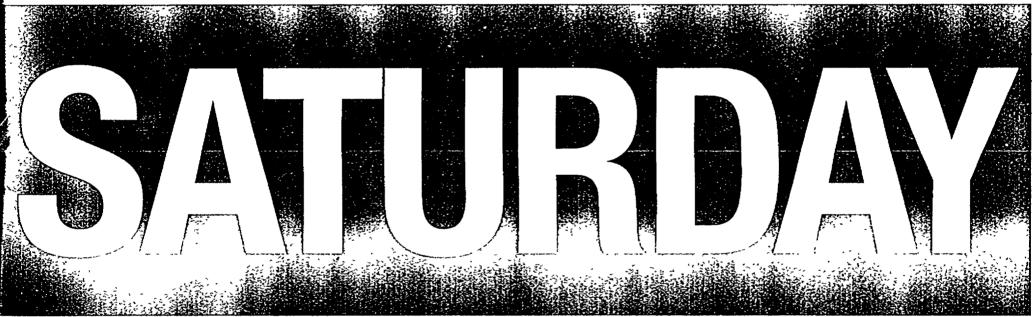


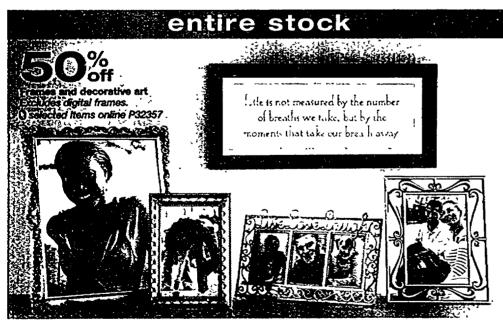
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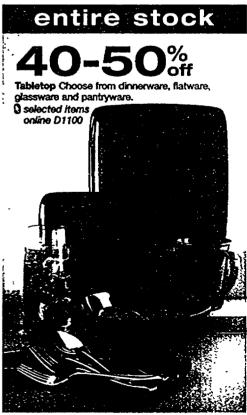




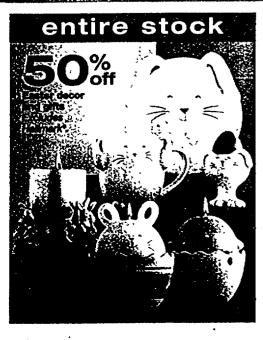




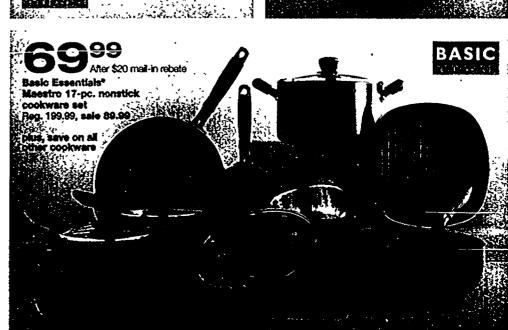




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