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# SOUARE BIZ

Authority emphasizes importance of communication during construction

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

David Cole doesn't want to hear the words "downtown" and "closed" in the same sentence.

As the Northville Downtown Development Authority board he serves on rolls out a mid-summer construction project at the city's core, the co-owner of Great Harvest Bakery Company on Main Street wants to avoid roadblocks to commerce.

He's working with fellow downtown business owners and the representatives of the firm supervising the town square expansion to develop a hands-on informational guide similar to those published in other communities that focused on positively spinning their construction bar-

"When I read 'Are you Digging It, Skowhegan, Maine had their act together," Cole said. "They communicated up front to all the people who were affected."

# 'Communication key'

Pending approval from the Northville City Council, the \$1.7 million plan to create an open gathering space from Main Street to Mary Alexander Court could commence within weeks. Development authority board members want to start spreading the word to patrons, downtown business owners and residents about what's planned and when.

"I think the key to the success of this is communication," said development authority director Lori Ward. She supplied construction guide samples from Skowhegan, Milford and other communities, encouraging a similar effort in Northville promoting the downtown during construc-

Among the suggestions: hold weekly meetings, keep the public



Photo by Michael Shuster

continued on page 2 Kim Mehl and his son, Tyler, display a potential layout for the new town center.

# **Planners** fine-tune details of 'way cool' park plan

■ Leaders hope to break ground yet this spring

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

City leaders are going to play with the lights tonight.

During a special 8 p.m. meeting in Bandshell Park, the design team planning downtown improve-ments will hang rope lighting. shine architectural lighting on historic buildings and test a new light source in an existing street lamp.

The "tivoli" or rope lighting is the only lighting proposed as part of the \$1.7 million town square expansion project, while the other lighting options are being explored for use in future streetscape projects. Officials wanted to see the light before they spent the cash.

The look up tonight will follow inspection underfoot of paving material samples installed in a decorative pattern earlier this week in the park.

Scrutiny of lights and pavers is another concrete step toward the city's physical improvement plan leaders are hoping to dig in on yet this spring.

# Pending approval

During the Northville City Council meeting Monday, architect Greg Presley, chairman of the Downtown Development Authority and volunteer design team, described the status of the town square expansion project. Among the highlights: a "way cool" fountain and an inverted- butterfly glass performance pavilion.

Presley and development authority director Lori Ward said development the next step was a presentation last night to the city's historic district commissioners, who they invited, along with the council, to inspect the material mock-ups on

display downtown.
"We're really excited to be

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# Cabbagetown play area taking shape

# ■ Replacement equipment fits requests by neighborhood

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Kids soon will be swinging in Cabbagetown Park.

Improvements to the city-owned lot at the corner of Baseline and Carpenter roads on the northeast side of the city should be finished by mid-May, according to Traci Sincock, director of Northville Parks and Recreation.

They're on schedule," she said. "It's a month to six-week project

Passing pedestrians and motorists have been watching progress on the neighborhood play area -- disposal

of outdated play equipment, removal of trees and digging amidst orange fencing and piles of dirt.

Sincock said crews were on the site this week with paving forms for the sidewalk stretching the park's street sides, to be followed with additional grading. The irrigation system is in place.

Final steps will include installation of a tether ball, merry-goround, climbing apparatus and

"We picked some elements that were similar to what had been there," said Sincock, based on requests from park neighbors.

We met with the residents and did some planning charettes," said Sincock, citing Cabbagetown residents' accounts of their use of nearby Ford Field park amenities for more active recreation.

Last fall, the Northville City Council awarded contracts for the landscaping, irrigation and play equipment for a total project cost of



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northwile Record

Renovations have begun at the Northville park located at the corner of Baseline Road and Carpenter in the city's Cabbage Town section.

approximately \$70,000 to be paid for with public improvement funds. In January, when council members voted on the park's name, they

nal park supporters, the late Nancy Berg and Dave Totten.

Sincock said she has been conferring with surviving family members about the possibility of plantings in directed Sincock to erect a plaque commemorating the efforts of origihonor of the long-time Cabbagetown

**Neighborhood Park** Improvements Planned

residents instrumental in the park's establishment and maintenance.

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# Downtown lowdown

- Detour ahead: During mid-summer construction on the town square, traffic on Main Street will be routed one-way — eastbound. Signs will direct motorists westbound on Main Street north onto Hutton Street and around the Dunlap Street curve, then back to Center Street south or north.
- One-way traffic: At Center Street, motorists heading east on Main Street will be advised they will be traveling a one-lane road.
- Summer concerts: The Friday night concert series will be temporarily relocated to the grassy area behind city hall, near the corner of Cady and Wing streets. The Tunes on Tuesdays concerts will be temporarily moved to Ford Field.
- **Coming soon:** Members of the Northville Downtown Development Authority board, which guides the improvement projects, will designate a central information distribution location.

During the town square expansion project, check the Northville Record for regular updates on the project's impact on travel, event locations and construction progress.



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Kim Mehl and his son, Tyler, display a potential layout for the new town center.

# ■ Leaders emphasize importance of communication

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informed and interested, make it fun to keep people going downtown and keep a sense of humor.

# **Proactive approach**

Cole volunteered his store with a bird's eye view of the improvement project — as a venue for weekly merchant update coffees. He planned to meet yesterday with representatives from the town square construction manager McCarthy Smith to review their past practices on other projects.

"I'm just fearful if we don't do something like this — boy, we'll have a beautiful downtown - but we won't have as many merchants as we have in there today," he said.

Sherri Mewha, fellow development authority member and owner of Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art, echoed the concern that downtown businesses beleaguered by a shaky state economy can't bear more traffic diverted by construction.

Right now, we have so many merchants on the bubble," she said. "This is a business retention

"It needs to be treated like a marketing campaign."

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# Planners fine-tune details of 'way cool' park plan

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looking at those couple of projects," he said. "We hope you can join us for that."

Pending historic district commission approval, the design team would next seek council approval on the project specifies. For months, about 40 committee volunteers have worked alongside the city's design consultant, Grissim, . Andriese Metz. Associates, to create a magnetic park space stretching from Main Street to Mary Alexander Court.

Since the council's hire fast month of McCarthy Smith, the construction management team has been working with Grissim Metz representatives to review drawings and prepare cost estimates for the project.

Ward said they hope to bid the project out in early May and return to the council later in the month with hid recommendations.

# **Design specifics**

Design documents Grissim Metz submitted to the council and historic district commission this week detailed several aspects of the town square expansion.

Included in the packet were descriptions of paving materi-als; design of the trellis that would extend from building on

the east side of the park: enhancement of the Main Street clock base; a sketch of the glass and metal pavilion, and overall layout of the performance area, fountain and oversized planters.

Presley led the council through tweaks since the last update, such as a tree backdrop for the pavilion instead of a structure, safety precautions of changed curb elevations and bollards, and sound system considerations. He also described greenery growing on a trellis and a system of cables on east and west walls, a European-style fountain and gas-lit fire during cool-month community events.

"We will have two spaces that look like they've always been there — as if this is how it always was," he said. Establishing a central gathering space in the heart of the city is part of a program of development authority initia-tives to ensure long-term viability of downtown Northville, including physical enhancements, marketing, business recruitment and retention, and parking improvement efforts.

The town square expansion emerged as the priority among improvements suggested in the city's 2006 downtown strategic plan. The project will be funded primarily — \$1.2 million with tax increment financing revenues from properties within the downtown development authority district boundaries, with the \$500,000 balance borrowed on an installment purchase agreement.

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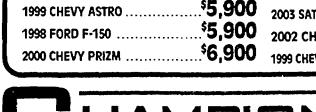


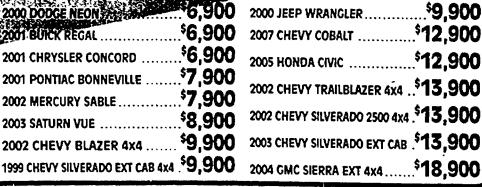






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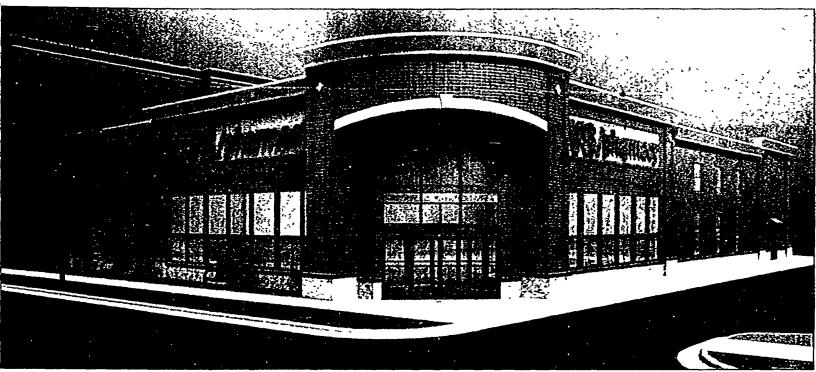


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CVS developer Velmier Companies submitted this rendering of a proposed new Northville store.

# DOWN ON DUNLAP STREET:

# Plans progress on two new buildings

# ■ Construction to begin soon on Holland site

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Dunlap Street is going to grow in this summer.

Long-time Northville accountant Lee Holland will demolish his one-floor 1960s-era offices to make room for a three-story building. And CVS is hoping to gain final city approvals for a new 13,000-square-foot building in front of the current pharmacy occupying a former grocery store. Both buildings would front Dunlap Street, creating a new city block facade between Center

Street and the Hutton Street curve. "Once Dunlap is reconfigured, the whole sidewalk and street is extended," said Walter Coponen, a historic district commissioner and architect on the Holland project. "It will feel more comfortable

from a pedestrian standpoint. It will be an advantage for the downtown."

# The Holland building

Construction on Holland's \$2.5 million office-retail building is scheduled to begin by June, Coponen said. Required permits are in-hand for the estimated yearlong project, he said.

"We're bidding the project right now," Coponen said. The brick and stone building, approved by the city's historic district commission, will be an attractive addition to the downtown, he said.

"I would say it's historic, vintage character, with a turret in the corner facing Dunlap," he said. We used very traditional details, no synthetic materials anywhere."

Demolition of the flat-roof forther medical office will follow temporary relocation by Holland and his associates who eventually will occupy the second and third Roors of the new building. Coponen said Holland has not yet contracted a retail or restaurant tenant for the main floor.

Ironing out a shared parking agreement with CVS and neighboring businesses was the final step toward proceeding with the project, he said.

The way you'll circulate through that space will be different than you do now," he said. "It will be a better situation.

Currently with the parking lot in front of CVS - and the CVS building being in an old supermarket - there's just not a lot of appeal from any standpoint."

# Pending approvals

Mere inches from Holland's building, a proposed CVS pharmacy would also face Dunlap Street.

John Baumann, of CVS developer Velmier Companies, has been shepherding the \$8 million pharmacy plan through Northville's administrative approval stages. The next step is a May 1 request for final approval of a special zoning designation from the planning commission.

Baumann said with the proper zoning, site plan and engineering approvals, his firm could break ground as soon as July. "The opening date looks like January or February," he said.

A local mainstay and sales success story within the national chain, the current Northville CVS is cramped and outdated. The new store would feature familiar services as well as drive-through prescription access, Baumann said.

"It will be a greatly improved layout and merchandising," he said, adding the existing store would stay open during construc-

"CVS would continue to operate its current location," Baumann said. "We have not worked those details out yet with the city or the fire marshal."

# At the Dunlap curve

The private investment projects with Northville Development coincide Downtown Authority's initiatives to revitalize the central business district.

City-driven physical improvements are scheduled to start this spring with expansion of the town square on Main Street. But makeover plans also targeted the area where Dunlap Street dead ends into Hutton Street overlooking Ford Field.

Professional consultants and volunteer committee members identified as a top goal for the downtown improving the connection between the historic and recreation areas accessible by vehicle from Griswold Road to the core shopping district.

Coponen and other planners sketched a potential appearance for the full stretch of Dunlap Street from Center Street to Hutton Street. However, he said he is not aware of renovation plans in the works for Jack's Barber Shop or the Comerica drive-through branch, businesses flanking Holland and CVS sites.

"Once they see what's happening with the rest of Dunlap, maybe there will be an incentive there," he said. "You can create the same kind of streetscape you have on Main and Center."

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# What's next?

Project: CVS drivethrough pharmacy Target dates: July groundbreaking; January opening

Operation: As-is in current location until new store Status: On Feb. 5,

Northville city council voted unanimously to provide preliminary approval of special zoning. Next steps: Planning

commission consideration of final planned-unit-development zoning, followed by council consideration of final PUD approval.

Background: The plans unfolding for the new Dunlap Street CVS store have been years in the making.

"When you see the building that comes in, it was a lot of work," said architect Walter Coponen, a Northville Historic District Commission member. City administrators, planning commissioners and historic district commissioners have logged many hours tweaking the CVS corporate prototype, he said.

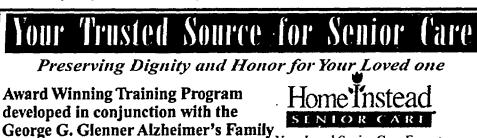
"City Manager Pat Sullivan has done a great job with facilitating," Coponen said. "He kept the parties working together and kept the ball rolling.

"We met with their architect. We met with their engineers. We met with everyone. It took some time."

John Baumann, of CVS developer Veimier Companies, said the corporation took extra steps to fit into Northville, modifying its standard design and inking parking arrangements with neighboring businesses.

"It will not be the prototypical store, not by any means," he said.





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Seeing the show Northville High School performances usually sell out. Christina Johnson, Northville High School drama production director, suggest theater-goers buy their tickets in advance by

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**Summer theater** opportunities

Tipping Point Theatre is partnering with Northville High School's drama club and having a summer theater arts camp for elementary and middle school kids. It's a great way for students who have shown even the slightest interest in set design, signing, dancing, acting or any component of theater to come out. Johnson says. . .

The two-week programs will include a full musical production, 101 Dalmatians (elementary) and School House Rock Live (middle school). The elementary school session is July 9-27, followed by the middle school session July 23 -

Aug.: 3. Visit the company's

www.TippingPointTheatre.o rg or call Johnson at (734) 446-5843 for more infor-

Web site,

mation.

The Sound of Music performs Thursday, April 26 -Saturday, April 28 (7 p.m.) and Sunday (2:30 p.m.). Ticket prices are \$12 adults, \$6 for students and

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# SOUND OF MUSIC



Above: The cast of Northville High School's presentation of The Sound of Music. Left: Maria Reiner (Erica Johnson) meets the triendly Grett, along with the other YonTrapp children; Caltlyn Knisely, Mark Jackson, Patrick Kelly, Sydney Stier, Katya Frimenko and Riley Gaidica (not pictured).

Right: Maria Reiner (Erica Johnson) is intro-

duced to Captain VonTrapp (Ron Ketelhut) and his children played by Caitlyn Knisely, Mark Jackson, Patrick Kelly, Sydney Stier, Katya Frimenko, Isabel Rocha and Riley Galdica (not pictured).

Far right: Elsa (Deanna Willis, at center) and Max (Ryan McBride, left) try to convince Captain VonTrapp (Ron Ketelhut, right) to up his principles so that he can protect himself and his family.





# This is not your parent's production of the classic musical

■ High school students and staff display unique approach to timeless classic

By Renee Gates RECORD STAFF WRITER

When you come to see the

Sound of Music performed next week at Northville High School, come prepared to see the musical you have come to love for its music and theme - with a bit of a contemporary artistic twist.

It's the same family-friendly show but with less time for scene changes and prop set-ups and more time for artistic expression in song and character development.

"This is definitely an interpretation that has not been seen before," said Christina Johnson, Northville High School drama production director.

"There's about 12 different locations that take place within this two-hour play, and I have cut those out completely," she

The result is a more focused production that the high school cast members picked up on immediately and enjoyed.

"The best part of this production is the music itself," said Patrick Kelly, a sophomore who plays one of the VonTrapp children "it's definitely a heavy focus on the characters and the

singing."
Johnson and the cast believe audiences will enjoy the combination of a classic with the opportunity to use their imagination more.

"That's what theater is really about," said Johnson. "You really are going to be able to focus on the story and the beautiful voices and the singing and the children and the laughter and not be distracted by what's being rolled on and off (stage) and flying in and out."

Johnson has been the theatrical director / choreographer and drama club advisor for the high school for five years. She's had a vision for theater in Northville since her early days as a child actor in Northville's Marquis Theatre. She recently has taken the position as executive director of Northville's new professional theater company. Tipping Point Theatre, and is excited about the partnership professional theater will bring to the high school and other arts communities in the city.

"What we're really trying to do is increase the arts cultural community in Northville, and this is a fun way of doing it," she said.

# Selecting a musical

The students who've worked with Johnson over the years are used to her creative interpretations and theatrical style. The program she has brought to the school allows students to complete a four-year cycle of different theater styles that include classics, Americana productions, rock musicals and con-

temporary Broadway musicals. "She has an idea in her head about how to expose students to lots of different types of theater," said Ryan McBride, a senior who plays Max in the Sound of Music.

Johnson selected the musical this year for two reasons: to begin the cycle again with a classic Americana piece and

because she realized she had more women than men in the

"We don't have a ton of guys; this year ... and there's not a lot of men in the show," she said.;
"There are a lot of nuns but; there's not a large chorus for young men, so it was a good fit;

for us this year."

One of the young men in the show is senior Ron Ketelhut? who plays Captain VonTrapp.

"This has been a very smooth; production," he said. "We've had lot of time to polish scenes? and make them more interesting and develop the characters," he

"It's a family show, too. More than anyone, I think little kids enjoy it the most."

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# T'S ALWAYS SOMETHING

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# Northville Gallery celebrating two years on Main Street

Utopia snagged him for an appearance! Hairdresser to the stars, Patrick McGiver, will be in town this weekend at the salon and spa owned by Tita Daskal and Kelly Sesi providing his latest style tips and trends. Beauty industry professionals are traveling form throughout the state to the Main Street salon. He's styled models appearing on the covers of Vogue, Elle and Victoria's Secret. Beautiful ...

New signage ... Did you see the new sign at the Bak Bar behind Poole's Tavern on East Main Street? Go slow as you near the intersection of Main and Hutton streets so you can read the vertical

And speaking of signs of new

Main Street, new tenants in the horse trail and the edge of the Northville Square are denoted by the sharp Main Street Bank black awnings in the southwest corner of the building, while Solid Grounds draped a "now open" banner on the coffee shop's patio.

And while you're in the Square ... Pure Barre is hosting a first annual "Live 'n Give" fund-raiser at 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Proceeds from a special class will support people struggling with eating disorders. Check out the boutique and exercise studio at www.purebarre.com.

Friends of Maybury State Park have been on owl patrol lately, swapping e-mails about where to spot them. Chuck and Andrea Murdock's tip: near the northwest business ... on the other end of corner of the pond, approaching

residential property, there is a tree about 80 yards off the trail looking north with two large holes in the trunk about 30 feet off the ground.

Been at your easel all winter? The Northville Chamber of Commerce is on the hunt for artists who want to appear at the 19th annual June festival, Art in the Sun. The deadline for reservations is April 27 for the June 16-17 event. Always Father's Day weekend, the festival features all mediums of art, lively music throughout the downtown festival and concessions. Want more information? Call the chamber at (24) 349-7640 www.northville.org.

Lots of brainstorming went on during the Wednesday morning

session at Northville City Hall ... volunteer committee members rolled up their sleeves to work alongside the city's marketing consultant to develop a promotional campaign for downtown. Keep up the positive vibes ...

Still time to sign up for the Relay for Life. During National Volunteer Week April 15-21, the American Cancer Society cites the 3 million Americans who participate nationally in the society's signature overnight community event. In Northville, the event will be May 19-20 at Ford Field. Want more information? Visit acsevents org/relay/mi/northville.

A year's reprieve ... The Northville Co-op Preschool will remain at the Detroit First Church of the Nazarene on Haggerty Road this coming school year. To spread the word, the school is hosting an ice-cream social open house from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 1. Prospective enrollees for the parent-child through age four programming are invited to attend. For information, call (248) 348-1791.

Hey, all you cultural mavens .. the First Fridays Art Walk circuit doesn't end at Tom James Gallery of Fine Art on Main Street! The Northville Gallery, owned by Jim and Prudy Vannier, are celebrating their second anniversary downtown this month. They're bringing in a new inventory of paintings and planning an anniversary sale to celebrate the milestone. So don't wait to the next Art Walk - May 3 to stop in and check it out!



Photo by Tom Griebe

Friends of Maybury State Park member Tom Griebe recently captured the nesting space of this great horned owl.

# CITY COUNCIL NOTEBOOK

# **April 16 Northville City Council Meeting**

Special budget meeting: April 23

Next regular meeting: May 7

#### Citizen comments

Anthony Bauss of Harbor Springs complained to the council about the city's action regarding his complaint of trespassing on his Dubuar Street property. He also said his reports of blight on a neighbor-

ing property date back to 2002. Reports from city administrators to council said the owner of 543 W. Dubuar will be given 60 days to restore his property and bring it into conformance with city code requirements.

# Corriveau visits

State Representative Marc Corriveau (D-20th District) invited council members to contact him with their concerns. Mayor Protem man lawmaker of Northville's unique status as a "small, grown-up

Council member Jim Allen said, Things are going to have to radically change. Please don't tax us any more."

# **Challenge Day report**

Northville Youth Assistance Director Sue Campbell showed a six-minute video to explain the impact of the Challenge Day program recently conducted with Hillside and Meads Mill middle school students and some Northville High School students. She said the youth assistance staff has not yet measured long-term impact of the presentation on 700 local students over three years, but in the week following Challenge Day, suspensions and detentions declined at the middle school level.

# **Town Square update**

director and chairman of the Northville Downtown Development Authority, respectively, described progress on the town square expansion, including meetings planned this week with the historic district commission, the project construc-tion manager and design consultant.

# Planning for recreation

council unanimously approved an intergovernmental agreement between the cities of Northville and Plymouth for operation of the recreation software the two municipalities jointly pur-

# Equipping police cars

The council unanimously agreed to pay Cruisers, Inc. of Brighton \$10.245 to equip two new police vehicles. Funds for preparation of the 2007 Ford Crown Victorias as fully marked patrol units were included in the 2006-07 budget.

# On the consent agenda

The council unanimously approved action on several items, including:

· disposal of a broken computer monitor, scanner and laser printer.

· approval for the Fund of Public Interest Research to canvass in the city for two weeks beginning May

· proclamation of April 27 as Arbor Day in the city and application to the National Arbor Day Foundation for recertification as

Tree City USA. approval of a Memorial Day parade from 10 a.m.-noon May 28.

· approval of the Northville Lions Club to solicit for White Cane Week on April 27 and 28, with rain dates of May 4-5.

 proclamation of May as "Mental Health Month" at the request of the Oakland County Mental Health Community Authority, and

appointment of Michele Fecht liaison to the Housing Commission.

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# NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORT

# Westland man driving drunk

A 29-year-old Westland man was arrested for drunk driving at 2:26 a m. March 13 at Seven Mile and Marilyn roads. An officer following the man paced him driving 48 mph in a 40 mph zone and saw him cross the fog line twice, then the center line.

The driver admitted he turned left on Marilyn Road because he knew he had swerved in front of a police car and that he was driving on a suspended driver's license.

After smelling alcohol on the driver, the officer asked him if he had been drinking, and he replied that he had had a few.

A breath test revealed a blood alcohol level of .17 percent

Police also found a baggie of marijuana on the suspect after he was patted down at the police station, at which time a possession of marijuana charge was added.

Police later found a glass, multi-colored marijuana pipe in the glove compartment under the front passenger seat of the man's vehicle.

### Breaking and entering arrest

A 17-year-old Northyille Township man was arrested for breaking and entering after police responded to a call about an alarm going off in a construction trailer at the corner of Morningside and Carriage Way at 6.05 p m. March 13.

The neighbor who called police said he saw juveniles running from the area

Police found the suspects walking north on Ridge Road near Carriage Way. After one of the suspects told police that his friend had placed a tire under a window and entered the construction trailer, the man admitted to entering the trailer.

He said he did not plan on taking anything but just wanted to

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# **Detroit woman arrested**

A 36-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for drunk driving at 11.45 a m on March 12 after an officer clocked her driving a blue 2001 Chevrolet Impala 36 mph in a 25 mph zone on Silver Springs Drive north of Seven Mile Road

Police learned the woman had two misdemeanor warrants and was driving on a suspended driver's license

# Canton woman runs stoplight

A 31-year-old Canton woman was arrested for drunk driving at 1:46 a.m. March 10 at Haggerty and I we Mile roads. The woman was pulled over when she ran the blinking red light on southbound Haggerty After smelling alcohol on her breath, the officer asked her how many drinks she had consumed that night to which she responded three beers about an hour ago

A breath test showed a blood alcohol level of .12 percent.

# Car found near township hall

A 21-year-old Northville Township man was arrested for drunk driving at 4:10 a m. March 10 at Sty Mile and Sheldon roads,

An officer was traveling westbound on Six Mile Road near Sheldon when he saw a single headlight shining from a vehicle in a wooded area of the Northville Township Hall property that appeared to have been involved in a traffic accident

The officer pulled into the township hall parking lot and found the vehicle's radio still on and engine running, extensive front end damage and the front bumper resting under a tree that had fallen.

Vehicle parts were scattered through the area, and both air bags had been deployed.

The man, who had left the scene of the accident, had his mother drive him back to the parking lot. He admitted to officers he was drink after drinking at the Wagon

Wheel Bar earlier in the evening. A breath test showed a blood alcohol level of .21 percent.

# Retail fraud at Meijer's

A 17-year-old Farmington man was arrested for stealing a bottle of Grey Goose vodka at 8:49 p.m. March 10 at Meijer's on Haggerty Road.

A loss prevention officer watched as the man concealed the bottle in his jacket pocket and leave without paying. The vodka was valued at \$30.97.

arrested for theft, obstructing police and possession of a counterfeit bill after stealing several bottles of liquor at 3:51 p.m. March 8. The man, who ran from officers,

A 20-year-old Detroit man was

had taken six bottles of Grey Goose vodka and one bottle of 1800 Silver tequila, valued at S211.77. The bottles broke when the man

Eight Mile as he man fled the Police also confiscated a counterfeit \$50 bill in the man's wallet

was running or were thrown into

the swampy area by I-275 and

during processing. Two men were also arrested for stealing liquor at 5:14 p.m. on March 22. Loss prevention agents caught the men, who had each stuffed a bottle of liquor in their pants and left without paying. One stole a bottle of Grey Goose vodka, and the other stole a bottle of Bacardi rum

# Sergeant smells marijuana

A 30-year-old Oak Park man was arrested for drug possession when a police sergeant at the Mobil gas station on Six Mile Road could smell a strong odor of burnt marijuana coming from the man, who was in front of him at the cashier window at 1 a.m. on

The sergeant pulled the man over after he got back in his minivan and drove away, telling him he smelled marijuana when he was

behind him in line and could now smell it coming from the vehicle.

After patting the subject down. the sergeant found \$1,300 in the man's front inner coat pocket and \$324 in his wallet.

The man said the money was

from a job he had completed. When asked about the marriuana, the man said he had smoked some earlier in the day with some guys in the van

The sergeant said it smelled like someone had just smoked in the van and that a K9 dog was being called to the scene. The man then told police he had

about an eighth of an ounce in a bug above the visor along with smoking papers. A criminal history on the man

revealed he had a felony conviction for delivery/manufacture of marijuana out of Oakland County in 2002 and was currently on probation on a theft charge.

# Drugs, paraphernalia found

A 19-year-old man was arrested for marijuana possession after police were called to a residence for a noise complaint at 11 p.m. on March 22 on Innsbrook Drive.

A 19-year-old woman was issued a misdemeanor citation for possession of drug paraphernalia.

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The woman said the paraphemalia, a blue pipe, was ber

boyfriend's, who no longer lived there, but she had provided it that night for her friends to use.

# Teenager arrested for drinking

An 18-year-old Northville Township woman was arrested for a blood alcohol level of .11 percent at 1:28 a.m. March 8 after officers were called to an apartment on Cedar Lake Circle on a possible domestic dispute between a man and a woman.

When police arrived, they found a man and his girlfriend standing over a woman sitting on the sidewalk wrapped in a bathrobe with no shoes on.

The woman said her boyfriend had kicked her out of their apartment.

Officers later spoke to the boyfriend who said he was upset that his girlfriend was out drinking when she was currently on probation for a previous alcohol offense

# Dearborn man speeding

A 29-year-old Dearborn man was arrested for drunk driving at 2:44 a.m. March 8 at Seven Mile Road and Swan Lake Drive after police clocked the man driving 54 mph in a 45 mph zone.

A breath test showed a blood alcohol level of .13 percent in the

# Redford man drinking, driving

A 46-year-old Redford Township man was arrested for drunk driving at 10.40 p.m. March 8 at Six Mile and Cross roads when an officer clocked the man driving 60 mph.

After pulling the man over, the officer noticed about 60 empty packs of eigarettes and both full and empty beer cans in the back

When asked about his drinking that night, the man said he had had a couple of beers on his lunch break at work about 8 p.m., later saying be had consumed four

The man told police he was an alcoholic and that he usually consumes 15 beers a day and is a chain smoker.

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> Compiled by Pam Fleming, Record Staff Writer

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# United Way:

# Residents honored with special volunteer awards

# ■ \$250 will go to charity of their choices

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Although they exemplify humility, Bob Rosowski of Northville and Mikhail George of Novi are both smiling from ear to ear this week.

The local residents both won awards at the United Way for Southeastern Michigan's

Volunteers...Recognizing HomeTown Heroes Luncheon at

Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center on Monday. During National Volunteer

Week this year, April 15- 21, staff members at the United Way for Southeastern Michigan join other organizations across the country in recognizing volunteers who enrich the lives of

The luncheon attracts more than 1,000 guests each year and is one of the largest volunteer recognition events in the nation.

This year's honorees hail Dearborn, Detroit. Huntington Woods, Madison Heights, Novi, Northville, Sterling Heights and Windsor, Ontario. They each received \$250, which they can donate to a charity of their choice.

He's become a tax time guru

Rosowski, 66, was nominated for the United Way's Heart of Gold Award by the Accounting Aid Society. For the past 20 years, he and other members of the society have helped low-income individuals and seniors with their



B. Rosowski

Detroit's east side. Retired about two

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after vears serving vice president and treasurer

of Masco Corp., he became involved with Accounting Aid Society as a board member. "A colleague of mine said, 'Bob, Why don't you take a look at this?' It allows me to use my accounting skills."

His service has put more money back in the hands of metro Detroiters each year. He recalled one client this year - a single mother with two young children who was going to school and working part time.

"I was able to get her the Earned Income Tax Credit, which she didn't know about," he said. This federal tax credit was designed to provide a work incentive and to redistribute income to low-income workers

#### Rosowski golfs in his spare time and enjoys watching sports on TV. He and his wife, Kathleen, had four children — the late John. Paul, Mary and Judith - and have 11 grandchildren.

"I've been so blessed." Rosowski said. "This has given me an opportunity to give back."

#### Volunteer since seventh grade

Nominated by the American Red Cross, George, 16, received an Outstanding Youth Award, which recognizes individuals age 12-18 who show leadership, commitment and character.

A junior at Detroit Country Day School, George has volunteered since he was a seventhgrader at Novi Middle School. He

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has spent more than 100 hours helping at local blood drives. He has completed requirements for a blood trainer certification, which will allow him to set up blood



M. George

Health Council, giving about 60 hours of his

Novi Youth

time to help organize community events that promote health awareness for children

Mikhail spent 40 hours last year helping the United States Marine Corps Toys for Tots program, soliciting donations and toys for children. He also reads to children at the Novi Public Library - his first volunteer job.

He says despite his busy volunteering schedule, he still has time to hang out with friends. "It makes me feel good about

myself, and it's rewarding to help other people."

George said his parents and friends support his volunteer work. They think it's good that I'm helping the community."

In his spare time, he reads mystery and science fiction novels, and he's trying to decide on whether to major in business or engineering in college.

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

# **O**BITUARY

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# FOODWAYS CHEF CHALLENGE:

# Schoolcraft College staff to host cookoff

# Proceeds to aid statewide exhibit

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Greg Parker says when we talk about the "culture of food," we're talking about why we eat what we

Michigan's food culture will be the focus of a statewide exhibit that will debut on Saturday, May 26, in Chelsea.

To help fund this exhibit, Parker, program and development officer of the Michigan Humanities Council in Lansing. invites area residents to the firstever Michigan Foodways Chef Challenge at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center from 7-9:30 p.m. Saturday.

The center is located at 18600 Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile Roads in Livonia.

Tickets are \$100 per person, which includes a six-station strolling dinner of Michiganinspired foods paired with wine from Black Star Farms and a live simulcast of the competition followed by judging.

During the fund-raiser, four Schoolcraft College Culinary Arts program alumni will compete to craft the ultimate meal.

Judges will be Shawn Loving, certified executive chef at Loving Spoonful Restaurant Farmington Hills; Sylvia Rector. food writer for the Detroit Free Press; and Eric Villegas of Restaurant Villegas in Okemos.

Schoolcrast College alumni who will compete in the challenge include Chunyi Hou, sous chef at the college's culinary arts school; David Koshizawa, executive chef, Asian Village, in Detroit; Brandon Taylor, sous chef at Asian Village: and Jeff Mellas, executive chef, Restaurant Portofino Wyandotte.

Proceeds from the event will benefit Michigan Humanities Council's support of the Michigan Foodways exhibit and Schoolcraft

"It's a statewide effort," Parket said. This event will support construction of that exhibit.

The Michigan Foodways Exhibit will tour with a companion exhibit from the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C.,

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called Key Ingredients, that reviews national foods.

The Michigan State University Museum is partnering with the Michigan Humanities Council to create the Michigan Foodways Exhibit, with the council coordinating the statewide tour.

# Products of our environ-

Whether we're talking pasties in the Upper Peninsula or paczki and perrogies in Hamtramck, there are reasons why we eat what we do, Parker said.

"We can learn about ourselves by looking at what we eat," he

The pastie, for example, originated in Cornwall, England, a mining area. When Cornish immigrants came to the U.P. for the mining industry, they brought the tasty meat pies with them.

"You can get southern cooking or soul food in Detroit, Coney Islands throughout southeast Michigan and Michigan cherries on the west side of the state," Parker said. " Michigan is one of the biggest fruit-producing states in the nation."

# Winner to receive cash, gift

Parker said the winner of the Chefs Challenge will receive \$250 and a gift.

Hou, 33, of Novi, graduated last year from Schoolcraft College. A native of China, Hou said her husband, Joe Drouin, asked her what she wanted to do when they returned to the states after living in Germany for about five years. She decided to pursue a career as a chef.

"My goal, jistilo, achieve Executive Chef, status, in pastry and hot foods and see what it leads to," Hou said. She wants to work days since she has two young sons, Nathan, 4, and Daniel, 8 months.

# **Tickets still available**

menu.

She currently works for Executive Chefs Jeff Gabriel and Dan Hugelier at Schoolcraft and is looking forward to Saturday's challenge.

"It's good practice and good experience," she said. "I like to be challenged. I think will give me higher self-esteem and more confidence."

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Chunyi Hou of Novi is a sous chef at the Schoolcraft College Culinary Arts Program. Hou will compe in the Michigan Foodways Chef Challenge on Saturday.

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by Dennis Engerer, P.T.

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culty using the bathroom, contact an occupational therapist, who can teach safe bathing methods.

If you have questions about anything discussed in today's column, please call our office during business hours at 248.349.9339. We are conveniently located at 215 East Main, Suite B.

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# Annual fund-raiser helps outfit children

# ■ Donations through April 25, sale April 27-28

By Maureen Johnston RECORD STAFF WRITER

Moms know how quickly their babies outgrow clothing, toys and

So, M.O.M.S. (Moms Offering Moms Support), the outreach program based at First United Methodist Church of Northville, each year hosts a "Baby, Kid and Me Resale" to help local families meet their needs.

Selling onesies to exersaucers and boots to cribs, the volunteer group raised \$5,500 last year to support Northville Civic Concern and the First Step women's shelter.

"I rarely see anyone walk out without buying something," club member Karen DeMeo said of the eight-year-old event. The fund-raising intent of the April 27 and 28 sale this year remains the same.

Baby, kid and maternity items will be accepted through April 25 at the Eight Mile Road church or picked up at the donor's home.

# It's organized

DeMeo emphasized six-hour access the first day of the sale, adding club members have been accumulating and sorting items for months to prepare for the sale.

And the workers - moms all are also sale customers.

'Changing tables, cribs, car seats, strollers - for those items, you want to get there Friday because the big things go quickly, she said. "We have a lot of stuff and it's good stuff - I've been going through it.

Some stuff has tags on it still --maybe the kids grew too fast before the parents could even get it on

DeMeo said 35 of the M.O.M.S. club volunteers, wearing red shirts, will staff the two-day sale.

The Wednesday prior to the sale, they spring into action, dividing the goods by type, size and gender and

labeling each table accordingly. Starting with baby and maternity wear, donated clothing extends to

girls' size 16 and boys' size 14. 'If you have a newborn baby girl, you can go right to the 0-3 month table," DeMeo said. "It's

# Baby, Kid and Me Resale

Who: Open to the public What: Gently used baby, kid and maternity items

When: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, April 27 and 9 a.m.noon Saturday, April 28 Where: First United

Methodist Church of Northville, 777 Eight Mile Road at Taft Road

Cost: \$1 admission Proceeds: Benefit Northville Civic Concern and First Step women's shelter

**Donations: Accepted** through April 25 at the church or by calling (248) 412-1144. Tax donation forms available.

really organized - it makes it easy

"We put a lot of hours into it."

## ft's a benefit

Throughout the year, M.O.M.S. members take items like diapers, wipe and toiletries to their counterparts receiving help from local emergency service agencies.

With proceeds from last year's sale, they supplied Civic Concern and First Step clients with Christmas gifts, gas cards, a scholarship and more.

"We've always supported those two groups as long as the M.O.M.S. group has been in existence through the church," DeMeo

Club members spread the word about the resale fund-raiser through baby-sitting co-ops, neighborhood

groups and friends. "Women look forward to this sale when they do their spring cleaning to donate items," she said. The mother of 22-month-old twins, Ellie and Leyton, will pitch in crib toys, baby monitors and an exer-

"My kids are currently wearing several of the items I bought at the sale last year."

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# A cappella group to perform at First Presbyterian Church

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

When Greg Vaden needed a name for his singing group, where did he look, of all places? He opened the phone book and pointed to a name.

Hence, the name of the fivemember a cappella vocal band, elmoTHUMM, that will perform at 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 29, at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main Street.

The concert is part of the church's 2007 Fine Arts Series.

"It started out as a joke," said Greg Vaden, of Milford, who started the group in 1998.

"We were getting ready to do a show and needed a name. I literally picked a page and pointed to a name in the Plymouth phone book.

"I honestly didn't expect the group to keep the name. It just stuck." They've been performing almost nine years under the name.

The group's namesake, Elmo Thumm, is retired and lives in Florida, and his daughters still attend some of the group's con-

"He actually enjoys the group," Vaden said. 'They even invited us to their family Christmas party one

# Group formed in high school

Vaden, a Best Buy employee, said the group began as a quartet with himself, Adam Westmoreland

of Oxford, along with Jason Miller and Ed Pendleton, both of South

The four formed the group while students at Milford High School. Paul Ellinger of Canton joined the group in 2000.

"I actually had been performing in Chicago fulltime from 1993-1996 with another a cappella group," Vaden said. "This will be my 24th year singing a cappella."

How did they become interested in singing without accompaniment?

"When I was in high school I heard a recording of a group from Canada called the Nylons," one of the first to sing contemporary a cap-"We started our group almost

immediately." In February, elmoTHUMM performed with the Nylons in

Brighton. That was my lifelong dream,"

Vaden said.

Miller, a 1992 graduate of Northville High School, was a member of the First Presbyterian Church until 1996, when he married fellow graduate Andrea Kovalak, and they joined a different

Miller was singing with an a cappella group out of high school when Vaden attended one of his concerts at the Milford Memories festival.

We exchanged information, and four years later I become one of the original members the group," Miller said.



Members of the elmoTHUMM a cappella vocal band, from left, Ed Pendleton, Jason Miller, Paul Ellinger, Greg Vaden and Adam Westmoreland, will perform at 7 p.m. on April 29, at the First Presbyterian Church in Northville.

He enjoys a cappella because, "It's always something that catches the attention of people who walk

owner of the RE/MAX Home Sale Services office in Plymouth.

# Performed for President Bush

The group also vocalizes instrument sounds.

"We call ourselves a five-man

ocal band," Miller said. They can also travel light, and that's one reason they were invited to sing for President George Bush during the 2006 campaign for Republican senatorial candidate Michael Bouchard -- no instru-

ments to be checked by security. Not a Christian-based vocal

group, elmoTHUMM sings pop, classic rock, doo wop, country, reggae and ballads.

The group was named the 2006 Midwest champions by the Contemporary a Cappella Society of America.

"We're the first group from Michigan to win the Chicago competition," Miller said. "It was a big year for us."

Although they consider them-selves one of the better a cappella groups in the country, it's still a part-time venture. Ellinger's business, for example, is the Paulmark Insurance Agency in Farmington. And, that suits them all just fine.

"We're perfectly happy with that," Vaden said, "We don't have to do shows we don't want to."

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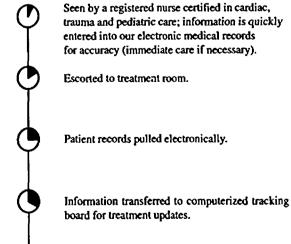
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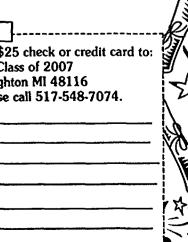


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# Credit unions help students learn personal finance

# ■ Youth **Financial** Literacy Month

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Mary Davis says it's never to early when it comes to learning about personal finance.

Davis, public affairs director of the Michigan Credit Union League, headquartered in Northville Township, said April is a special month for credit unions statewide.

This month, the league is once again partnering with state lawmakers to educate students about money management during Youth Financial Literacy Month.

The 5th Annual Financial Literacy Legislative Challenge. which pairs state lawmakers with credit union professionals to teach youth and young adults about money, credit and debt, has bipartisan support from the Michigan Legislature.

This support includes State Sen. Randy Richardville (R-Monroe) and State Rep. Andy Coulouris (D-Saginaw) who chair the Senate and

House Banking and Financial Services Committees, respectively.

Particularly during this difficult time for Michigan, it's inspiring to see members of both political parties tearning up with the credit union community to educate young peo-ple about personal finance." Davis

# Lawmakers may visit schools

Lawmakers are encouraged to visit classrooms to teach students the importance of responsible money management, tour a school credit union branch or attend next week's Credit Union Youth Week

During the first week of April, MCUL staff members delivered financial literacy resource packets to state legislators, encouraging them to promote financial literacy in their districts.

Davis said the MCUL is a trade association representing about 92 percent of the state's credit unions.

Credit union staffers educated more than 45,000 Michigan students during the 2005-06 school year about personal finance, according to the National Youth Involvement Board.

Michigan credit unions also oper-

ate 257 student-run credit union branches in school districts across the state.

In Northville, Community Financial runs credit unions for students at Amerman, Moraine and Thorton Creek Elementary, Hillside Middle School and Northville High

# Survey in 2003 showed need

Credit unions and the Michigan Legislature first partnered in 2003 after a JumpStart Coalition for Personal Finance survey.

The survey of more than 4,000 graduating high school students in 33 states, including Michigan, showed young people weren't making the grade when it came to understanding basic personal finance con-

The survey measured 12th graders' knowledge of income, money management, saving, investing and spending and compared the results with those from similar surveys conducted in 2000 and 1997.

On average, students answered only 50.2 percent of the questions correctly - a failing grade based on a typical grading scale.

# Teacher training slated

Northville Township's Michigan Credit Union League is also partnering with Michigan First Credit Union, Community Financial members and the Michigan State University Extension to host a training session for high school teachers on the National Endowment for Financial Education High School Financial Planning Program.

The training session is scheduled from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24.

#### Classroom presentations

"Credit unions often do classroom presentations in addition to helping students set up a student credit union," Davis said.

"They do it in conjunction with operating these branches. Students are not only saving regularly but also learning why they need to



Connor Armstrong (right) fills out a deposit slip before giving it to Rocco Bartelo.

Davis said credit unions are trying to reach out to students at a young age to teach them about financial matters and the importance of saving, establishing a budget and learning how to use credit wisely.

"It helps them establish a knowledge base about finances they can build on."

Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can

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# IAV Automotive will relocate, expand to Northville Twp.

# ■ \$18.2M facility will create 198 jobs for area

By Pam Fleming RECORD STAFF WRITER

Mark Abbo, Northville Township supervisor, received some excellent news the day before the city and township's combined State of the Community address Wednesday.

Northville Township learned early Tuesday it would soon become the home of an \$18.2 million expansion and relocation of 1AV Automotive Engineering Inc.'s engineering operations from Ann

Arbor. The move, aided by staff at the Michigan Economic Development Corporation in Lansing, will create 198 jobs to the area.

The firm currently employs 67 at its Ann Arbor facility.

IAV Automotive Engineering. Inc., is the North American subsidiary of the German-based IAV

IAV expects to break ground in August 2007 and move into its new facility by the end of May 2008.

Contributing to the decision was approval of a Single Business Tax Credit by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation valued at more than \$3 million over 12 years.

Northville Township also approved a 12-year abatement worth \$1.4 million to support the

"IAV Automotive Engineering Inc. is excited to expand its presence in Michigan and is extremely grateful for all the support we have received from the state, the city of Northville and our employees," said Utz-Jens Beister, president, IAV Automotive Engineering Inc. (

"By moving our operations to Northville, we are able to increase our product and service offerings while continuing to provide our customers with the highest level of service. We eagerly anticipate the possibilities this expansion creates for IAV Inc. as we continue to grow in North America."

Beister said the new IAV facility in Technology Park at the northeast corner of Five Mile and Beck roads,

will be a two-story, 43,000-squarefoot building, including 18,000 square feet devoted to workshop space and dynamometer testing.

About 130-150 engineers will be employed at the facility.

He said the company wanted to stay close to the M-14 corridor since the company has some ties to the University of Michigan in Ann

"That was an important factor," Beister said.

The area's recreational opportunities were also considered.

Beister added that the search for a new location began in the fall of 2006, with the company adding about 25 engineers since the begin-

"We hope this will encourage other companies to come to Michigan," Beister said.

# **Engineering services firm**

IAV Automotive Engineering Inc. is an engineering services firm working primarily with the North American automotive industry in powertrain and electronics applications as well as vehicle develop-

"Aside from the strong business case made by the MEDC and Northville Township, Michigan's outstanding workforce was the major factor in landing this project," said James Epolito, MEDC president and CEO.

"No other state can match our automotive talent, including the highest number of automotive engineers on the continent."

Assistance offered through the MEDC helped convince the company to choose Michigan.

"By choosing to invest and expand in Northville-over-a competing site in Ontario, IAV reaffirms Michigan's standing as the global center for automotive R&D and the best place in North America to grow and create jobs," said Gov. Jennifer Granbolm..

**Economic analysis** conducted

An MEDC economic analysis estimates the expansion will generate more than \$199.9 million in personal income for Michigan workers over the life of the tax credit. The IAV expansion is one of 10

economic development projects the governor announced Tuesday. In all, they are expected to create and retain 4,237 Michigan jobs. IAV Automotive Engineering

Inc. was formed in 1998 to serve the North American market. "The Charter Township of

Northville has worked actively to promote our venue as an exceptional location for high-quality R&D facilities," said Chip Snider, township manager.

The LAY project represents our 20 success in achieving our goal. We welcome the employees and know they will find the township a wonderful place to live, work and play."

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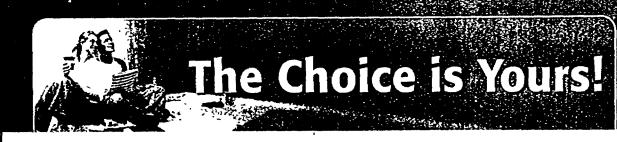
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# On Campus

# **Northwood University**

Steven M. LaRiche of Northville has been named to the Dean's List for winter term at Northwood University. To achieve this recognition, students must earn a 3.25 grade point on a 4.0 scale.

Brian C. Smith has been awarded the Free Enterprise Scholarship from Northwood University for exhibiting academic excellence during his years at Northville High School. Smith plans to attend Northwood as a freshman next fall, working towards his business degree. The scholarship comes with renewal options each year crite-

# **Grand Valley State University**

The following Northville residents were place on the fall 2006 dean's list: Megan Bostwick, Chantel Caldwell, Timothy Dalton, William Dalton, Anna Griebel, Angela Hersey, Michael Kontry, Drew Montgomery, Karen Paterson, Emily Pelc, Meredith Ponder, Jessica Pospiech, Nicole Probst, Brooke Richard, Catherine Scott, Courtney Siracusa, Victor Sultana, Kelsie Tietjen, Alaina Woloszyn.

The following Northville residents were awarded degrees at the conclusion of the fall 2006 semester: Sarah Helwig, Bachelor of Science; Andrew C. Peterson, Bachelor of Arts.

# Presidential Scholars Program

Eric Muller of Novi, a senior at Catholic Central, has been named as a candidate in the Presidential Scholars Program. Scholars are selected on the basis of superior academic and artistic achievements, leadership qualities, strong character and involvement in community and school activities. Over 2,600 candidates were selected nationally. A panel of educators will review the candidates submissions and select 500 semi-finalists in early April. Muller is the son of Steven and Mary Muller of Novi.

# Cornell College, Iowa

Jillian Liu of Northville, a freshman at Cornell College, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2006-07 semester.

# **CLASS NOTES**

# Meet the school board candidates

The Legislative Action Network Committee of the Northville Area Council of PTA is hosting a Candidates Forum on Wednesday May 2, 7:30-9 p.m. in the Forum at Northville High School.

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# **EDUCATION**

# District Court to hold session at CC

# ■ Day in Court program visits first private school

By Renee Gates RECORD STAFF WRITER

Judge Brian MacKenzie has seen this scene before: felons, misdemeanors. defendants, prosecutors and high school stu-

For 18 years, MacKenzie has taken the 52nd District Court First Division from its 8150 Grand River Ave. address in Novi and recreated it at high school auditoriums and gymnasiums to teach students about the judicial branch of government and to show them the consequences of where their potential actions can lead them.

"We've done it in all area high schools," he said.

But next Thursday will mark

the first time this traveling Day in Court program will reside in a private school. Catholic Central is getting its Day in

"I'm really excited about it. I think it's a great thing," said David Lewis, Detroit Catholic Central Assistant Principal.

"I think it's a great opportunity to see how the court system works. Many of (our students) have never had the opportunity to see how the system works in reality."

Approximately 400 to 500 social studies students from grades nine to 12 will observe as Judge Robert Bondy and MacKenzie preside over misdemeanor and felony cases. Every defendant has agreed to have his case heard in the high school setting, and because the high school is transformed into a court room, the hearings are open to the public, MacKenzie

Judge Bondy will preside over the first cases beginning at 8 a.m. and Judge MacKenzie's hearings will follow at 9:40

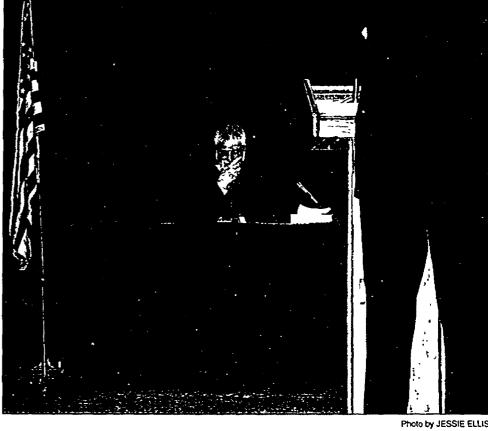
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Though alternative treatments are some-times worth considering, asthma sufferers should first see an asthma specialist, a medical doctor trained to diagnose and successfully treat this chronic inflamma-tory disease. Call the ALLERGY AND



A defense attorney states his case before Judge Brian MacKenzie on Thursday. The 52-1 District Court was held at Oak Valley Middle School as part of the Day In Court alcohol and drug prevention program.

a.m. Each session is followed by a question and answer time.

It will be a special session for Bondy because his two sons are students at Catholic Central. MacKenzie had a similar experience when the Day in Court program was held at Novi High School several years ago and his children were students there at the time. The court is talking with administrators in Novi now to plan another Day in Court at the high school, he said.

MacKenzie said has no system of detailing how many Day in Court sessions he's had or how many students have attended them, but he,does,remember the stories of students who contact him, sometimes years later

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impacted them.

One student became a lawyer because of the Day in Court session at his high school. He knows the program is having an impact by stories like that one and will continue his traveling court program as long as he is on the bench, he said.

That's welcome news to high school administrators. Detroit Catholic Central President

to tell him how the sessions Father Richard Elmer is already looking forward to the next Day in Court session at the school.

"Our student body changes and as it changes I'd like our new students to have that experience," he said.

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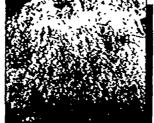


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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

# Getting it done ... locally!

Northville leaders delivered a one-two, three punch to Lansing during the 2007 State of the Community luncheon yesterday afternoon.

Township Supervisor Mark Abbo, City of Northville Mayor Christopher Johnson and Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski described how the financial shell game the state administration is playing is directly impacting local budgets. While municipalities repeatedly have felt cuts in state revenue sharing, the schools again are bracing for a mid-year per-pupil swath.

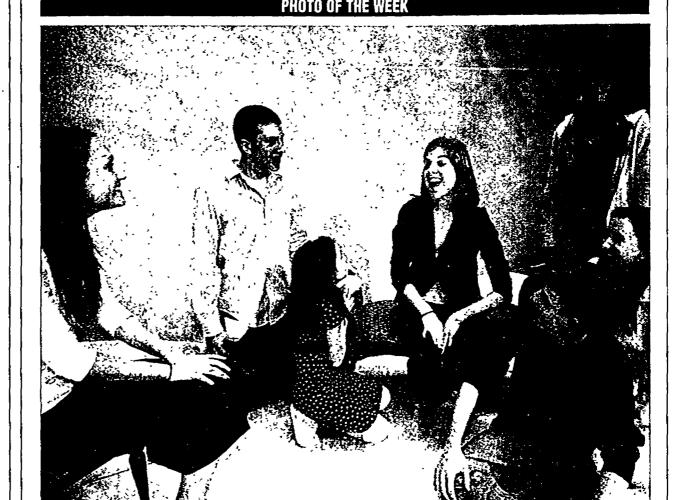
But the luncheon hosted at Meadowbrook Country Club by the Northville Chamber of Commerce was hardly a whine fest. Local leaders talked about administrative fiscal responsibility, courageous private investment and strategic initiatives under way while providing services to promote a quality of life associated with ZIP codes 48167 and 48168.

The resounding theme was accomplishment in the face of challenge.

It was also a message to Lansing: If you're not going to help us, at least don't hurt us.

The gathering of community leaders, business owners and service organization emanated an aura of optimism, collaboration and cooperation. In spite of.

Lansing, were you listening?



# A familiar sound?

Northville High School presents a not-so-traditional take on the Sound of Music. Maria Reiner (Erica Johnson) converses with the VonTrapp Children; Caitlyn Knisely, Mark Jackson, Patrick Kelly, Sydney Stier, Katya Frimenko, Riley Gaidica (not pictured) and Isabel Rocha. See story and more photos on page 4A.

# China - free/fair trade: How hot will it get?

Have you ever attempted to untangle a bowl of spaghetti or unscramble an egg? Yep, it is virtually impossible. Well, this is the phenomena that are taking place as we debate the US/China trade polices. Our economies are inextricably linked and mutually dependent on each other and to pretend otherwise is sheer foolish-

Yet, one would think that with all the chest thumping, saber-rattling, threat of tariffs and trade wars that the U.S. could simply just snap its finger and make China dance to our economic beat. Ah, if it were only that simple. If the truth be known, our mutual destinies are so tightly intertwined that we will either have a peaceful rise together or will surely sink our respective countries. And the world economy will be pulled under by the undertow.

In the foreword to John King Fairbanks' book, "The United States and China," Edwin Reischauer wrote, "The relations between the two great nations, their understanding or misconcep-tions about each other, their cooperation or friction will play a large part in determining the future of humanity." These words could not be any truer today than when they were written in 1979.

China and the U.S. are going to be the dominant powers of the 21st century. These two countries are

going to be number one and two trading countries in the world; they're going to consume the most energy in the world. They need to understand each other," wrote Jeffrey A. Bader, Director of the John L. Thornton China Center at the Brookings Institution (www.brook.edu).

The huge U.S. trade deficit, which hit a record \$765.3 billion in 2006, has many U.S. workers and politicians worried as the 2008 presidential election comes into focus, Globalization, deficits, trade imbalances, unfair trade practices, loss of high paying white and blue collar jobs and the fear of job losses begin to share the stage with the war in Iraq for voters' attention.

A recent Brookings Institute conference on trade found that Congressional Democrats "are worried by Beijing's accumulation of more than \$1 trillion in foreign exchange reserves, the continued growth of the U.S.-China trade deficit (now running close to \$250 billion annually), China's refusal to substantially revalue the RMB (Chinese currency) and its inability or unwillingness to successfully combat intellectual property rights

According to an April 10th New York Times editorial, "What must be avoided are the kinds of misunderstandings intensified by growing anti-China sentiment in this

country that lead to tit-for-tat tariff reprisals until things spin out of control. A trade war would do more harm to American business than to China's subsidies." The editorial went on to say, The Progressive Policy Institute, (www.ppionline.org) a Democratic research group, found "foreign manufacturers invest more in America than American manufacturers invest abroad."

This reality means little to the workers who believe globalization and cheap labor in China and indifferent government policies have cost them their jobs. We can expect the fear flames of globalization, China and free/fair trade will be fanned for political advantage in the coming months. In our country there is a real and growing cry for protectionist and isolationist sentiment that is likely to get stoked in a heated presiden-

tial campaign. The future presidential debate about these issues is likely to make the China barbs hurled in the Granholm/Dévos governor's contest look like child's play. While this may make for good politics, it may not bode well for our long-term relations with China and our mutual economic interests. But, will it bode well for the American worker?

The United States has filed against China at the World Trade Organization two cases for movie, music and software



# **About Tom Watkins** .

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piracy violations and barriers to market access - that it says keep legitimate U.S.-produced products out. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson said recently he wants to keep the United States' economic relationship with China on an 'even keel' amid rising trade tensions between the two nations.

Worries that recent U.S. trade actions against China signal an impending trade war between the two countries are "way overblown," U.S. Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutierrez said recently in the China Daily to dampen the fear that recent U.S. actions are causing in the People's Republic of China. We know what the Republican administration is saying...what would a Democratic administration

Clearly, as a country we must demand not simply free trade --but also fair trade -- that does not exacerbate the continual decline of

the middle class in the U.S. To deny the pain of the American worker brought about by technological and global changes would be as insensitive as it would be politically naive. The long-term welfare of our country is dependent of the long-term stability of the working men and women who have helped create it.

Even so, the American consumers are benefiting in two major ways because of China:

1) Rapid economic growth has benefited US consumers because they can purchase low-priced goods, including clothes and electronics, which helps keep inflation low and buying power high and;

2) By buying our debt/bonds, the Chinese (along with the Japanese) have helped keep our interest rates for cars, homes and other largeticket items at historical lows. Buying our debt has helped fuel our domestic consumption and economy for the past decade.

Lawrence Goodwyn, in the April 2007 edition of The Nation, wrote, "Woven deeply into the shared experience of Americans is a sense of people actually 'getting somewhere,' of being able, through hard work, to 'move up in the world ... He goes on to say, "It accounts for the peculiarly American sense of the possibility of dignity for everyone." Can we create a way for American workers to "get somewhere" while riding the China/globalization wave?

Regardless of whether you like the milder Chinese flavors of Cantonese cuisine, it is more likely that the China we will be served in the coming months will be as hot as any Hunan or Szechwan dish you ever tasted. The only questions that remain are if the debates will be spiced with xenophobia and reality and who will get stuck with the bill when the political postur-

# Time to bear down and work

My wife, Kathy, and I have a cabin way up north, in the Upper Peninsula. Like most summer places, it needs some work every now and then. For us, "then" is

Two weeks ago, a big-time blizzard hit the U.P. It spawned 48 inches of snow in four days, and the waves on the south shore of Lake Superior were reportedly 20 feet high. Old timers called it the worst spring storm in recent memory.

The carpenters working on our place were OK when the storm hit - the cabin was pretty much closed in, and they had heat. But when quitting time came, they were more than ready for a beer and a bowl of hot soup. So they piled into their trucks and mushed their way down the snow-covered road back to town.

Then, a couple miles down the road, they came to an enormous hemlock blown down right across the road, blocking their way.

They didn't complain. They didn't wring their hands in fear. They didn't shake their heads, knowing

they deserved better. They didn't whine. They didn't blame somebody else, not even Lansing.

No. They put on their mackinaws and gloves, stepped back into the driving snow, got out their chain saws, cut the tree and cleared the damn road.

That's what we Michiganders have always done when the weather gets bad ... or times get rough. We bear down!

And that's exactly what we need to do right now to weather the economic storm and get on to a brighter Michigan.

Personally, I hold with President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who told the nation during a far worse economic crisis that "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself." We're so taken up with today's current economic gloom and doom that it's hard to realize there's plenty of potential right here ... if we only have the sense to recognize it.

That's why a recent publication, "Great Lakes Strengths: A Time for Real Regional Growth," was such a spring tonic for me.

Published by the Michigan-based accounting firm, Plante & Moran, the report provides in considerable detail the reasons to push aside our self-inflicted negativity and get optimistic about Michigan's future.

One telling anecdote has to do with a conference of senior executives held in 2005. Speaker after speaker wailed about the awful state of our economy and our dim-

Nobody realized that three higshot entrepreneurs from California were in the room till one was asked what they

thought.
"We feel like we've died and gone to heaven," the executive said. Their corporation had recently relocated to the Great Lakes area. They found an employee base with a tremendous work ethic where it was easy to find workers with the necessary skills.

Not only was their workforce dependable, reliable and local, but workers focused on their jobs, no matter the weather. "What we found here is we don't worry if



# **About Phil Power**

Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics, economics and education issues in Michigan and was a regent of the University of Michigan from 1987 to 1999. He is also president and founder of The Center for Michigan, a moderate thinkand-do tank. These opinions and others expressed in his columns are his own and do not in any way represent official policy positions of The Center for Michigan. Phil would be pleased to hear from readers at ppower@hcnnet.com.

we hear 'surf's up,'" said the executive.

Ed Parks, a retired Plante & Moran managing partner, put the case for optimism this way: "The base of entrepreneurs, the base of knowing how to run small and medium-sized businesses, there's a lot of that in the Great Lakes area. These genes are born in these small towns; they have created a lot of white-collar and blue-collar jobs over the years."

That's why he's optimistic, Think about it: Michigan has a lot of durable, distinctive assets that equip us very well to compete against other parts of the world - assets that can't be moved to some other place at the whim of a big corporation's board of directors.

Everything starts with the Great Lakes. They hold a fifth of the world's entire supply of fresh water and offer remarkable environmental and recreational opportunities that provide a magnificent quality of life right at our back door.

Our universities are among the best in the world. Our community college system is flexible and adaptive. If we nurture them and

use them wisely, they give us the ability to attract, nurture and retain the single most important asset in the world; talent.

Any company in trouble needs to mount a sustained investment program in its distinctive competitive assets. Michigan has loads of 'em. All we need to do is bear down to get our financial house in order to generate the funds to start investing in what we've got to offer. Once that's done, just like the carpenters in the U.P., we'll clear the obstructions out of the damn road ... and be on our

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# OPINION

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# Vote for Price and Smith

Please vote Tuesday, May 8 in the school board election for incumbents Marilyn Price and Libby Smith. With the current crisis in school funding by the State of Michigan it is imperative that our students and staff are led by these thoughtful, fiscally prudent, experienced citizens who are available to listen to all sides of an issue. Our district has an outstanding reputation in the State of Michigan and we must do everything to continue that excellence by returning these dedicated public servants to another four years of careful, deliberate, prudent decision

I am voting for Marilyn Price and Libby Smith on May 8.

Martha Nield Northville Township

# Won't miss Northville

This past week my mother moved from her home in Connemara Hills in Northville. She had lived there 30 years. My parents built the home after buying the land from the next-door neighbor. At that time, they had seven children at home, I being one of the older four who never lived at that home. My parents took pride in their home and always kept it maintained, in fact it had one of the best-looking yards in the neighborhood.

Throughout the years, the two closest neighbors remained unfriendly and harassing. They complained about where the grass clippings blew, where the snow from the blower blew, where my parents planted trees, (my parents actually moved trees to oblige them). If my siblings crossed over a portion of the ditch near the street that belonged to them, they complained or if an errant plastic golf ball made it their yard they complained. If there were a complaint from these people, my parents would always be sure my siblings or themselves took care not to "do it again". They taught respect for others.

My father passed away four years ago after having been sick for a while. With my mother living along, neither one of them ever came over to see how she was doing. To no surprise, they could not even come over the day she moved to say goodbye, despite coming out to get

the mail and seeing her and my family standing in the driveway. I am glad that my mother will move to another place and have neighbors that will appreciate her as the wonderful person she is.

All this also led me to another thought as well, we all want peace in the world and for everyone to get along; different cultures and religions and cannot understand why it does not happen. Look at this nice street in Northville and you will find the answer.

> Carol Burrows Topsfield, Mass.

In order to be fair to everyone, this newspaper will not run letters to the editor the week prior to an election that open new issues. Expressions of thanks to political supporters are best made by buying an advertisement. The Novi Public Schools election will be held on Tuesday, May 8.

# Supports Price and Smith

As a 21-year Northville resident, a business owner in downtown Northville, and the parent of two children who have attended Northville Public Schools since preschool, it is gratifying to be part of a community that continues to not only maintain its excellent quality of life, but continually strive to improve it.

Though Northville is not immune to the state's economic woes, our community continues to be a destination for homeowners and businesses. While there are many factors that contribute to Northville's appeal, the school district's consistent delivery of academic excellence one of the critical cornerstones of our community's success.

The district's commitment to quality education is due - in no small part — to the leadership of the school board. Since their election to the Northville Board of Education four years ago, Marilyn Price and Libby Smith have shown exceptional leadership in maintaining the district's high standards while grappling with unprecedented enrollment growth

and stagnate or diminishing state revenues.

As a parent, I see the support of our school board leaders from the classroom perspective. Our children have had extraordinary - and often unique - opportunities through engaging curriculum and exceptional teaching. The school board's support of staff initiatives - from maintaining an Animal Room at Hillside to supporting a Northville High School select choir's workshop with the world-renowned vocal ensemble Chanticleer — set the district apart. These experiences have a profound impact not only on our children, but the entire school com-

Marilyn Price and Libby Smith are thoughtful, responsive and accessible leaders. Their commitment to the community beyond the scope of their school board responsibilities is evidenced by their support and involvement in organizations such as PTA, Northville Youth Assistance, Mothers' Club of Northville and numerous other groups

We need the leadership of Marilyn Price and Libby Smith on the Northville Board of Education. Their strong sense of community and advocacy of quality education for all students is critical to maintaining district cohesiveness and academic excellence in the face of tremendous challenges. It is critical that the district stay the course.

> Steve Fecht Northylle

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# **NORTHVILLE**

Northville High School Senior Student Art Show

TIME/DATE: 1-7 p.m. Thursday; 4:30-8:30 p.m. Friday; 12:30-4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday LOCATION: Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

DETAILS: The exhibit showcases the work of students selected by Northville High School art teachers. The show is planned and executed by the students. CONTACT: (248) 344-0497

**Sherrus Gallery Exhibit** 

**Opening**DATE: Friday TIME: 6-9 p.m. LOCATION: Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art, 109 N. Center St.

DETAILS: The evening will offer a wine and cheese reception to open the exhibit of "The Heart of Nigeria" art created by twin brothers Kehinde and Tayewo Oyedeji. CONTACT: (248) 380-0470

**Book Club Meeting** 

DATE: Friday TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Starbucks, 302 East Main St., Northville

DETAILS: The book for April will be "Their Eyes Were Watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston CONTACT: northvillebookclub@gmail.com

## **Johnson Creek Protection** Group

**Earth Day Storm Drain** Marking

DATE: Saturday TIME: 9 a.m.-noon LOCATION: Meet at Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile

DETAILS: Help the group mark storm water drains with "No Dumping Drains to River" in order to increase awareness that all of the trash, dirt and chemicals used around your home drains right into our local creeks, rivers and lakes. The intent is to prevent harmful pollutants from ending up in our waterways.

CONTACT: www.jcpg org for more information.

**Northville Newcomers and** Neighbors

Whirtyball Night DATE: Saturday LOCATION: SoccerZone, 41550

Grand River Ave., Novi DETAILS: Join us for an evening of Whirtyball. Whirtyball is a basketball-like game played in bumper cars on an indoor court. Cost is \$15 per person and includes the game and appetizers. Cash bar. RSVP required.

**Jiffy Baking Company Tour** DATE: Tuesday TIME: 10 a.m. LOCATION: Meet at MAGS parking lot to carpool to Jiffy

Baking Company, Chelsea. DETAILS: Lunch at 11 a.m. at the Common Grill, time to shop in Chelsea's lovely boutiques and a 1 1/2 hour tour of Jiffy, which begins at 1:30 p.m. The tour is free. Reservations are limited to 30; RSVP required.

**Golf Lessons** DATE: Tuesdays beginning May

TIME: TBD (late afternoon) LOCATION: Salem Hills Golf Course

**DETAILS:** Six one-hour small group lessons at beginner-intermediate level provided by PGA instructor. Learn the game. Improve skills.

CONTACT: Nancy Murphy (248) 305-5460.

# **Coffee with Corriveau**

DATE: Monday TIME: 8-9 a.m. LOCATION: Charlie's Deli, 16873 Haggerty Rd. DETAILS: Join Marc Corriveau

for coffee and informal conversation. You may schedule an event with Corriveau for your business or organization.

CONTACT: (877) 208-4737

# **Country Garden Club of** Northville

DATE: May 1 TIME: noon LOCATION: Cady Inn at Mill Race Village DETAILS: Plant swap and planning for Garden Walk in July. Refreshments served. Guests wel-

CONTACT: Sue Witek (248) 349-7783

# Fund-raiser for Multiple Sclerosis

DATE: Sunday-Monday LOCATION: Chicago Uno Gnil, 20420 Haggerty Road

DETAILS: 20 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 Scierosis Society.

CONTACT: (734) 432-6091

# Health Screenings at Meijer LOCATION: 20401 Haggerty Road

DATE: Tuesday, May 1 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, anwers to questions about your medications and blood pressure check. Appointments are necessary. CONTACT: (248) 449-5733

# The Muses: Twelve Artists Interpret the Figure

TIME/DATE: Opening Reception 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, May 4; continuing Thursdays 1-7 p.m., Fridays 4:30-8:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 12:30-4:30 p.m. through May 20

LOCATION: Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

**DETAILS: Artists' work focuses** on beauty of human form through drawing and painting. Exhibit features Karen Berne, Peggy Brewer, Marge Chelistorp, Daria Fileta, Linda Logan, Barbara Eko Murphy, Kathleen Montgomery, Dominique Moroz, Anne Plutshack, Linda Stems, Gail Salinsky, Mary Step. TERRESCO.

# **Household Hazardous Waste** Day

DATE: Saturday, May 5 TIME: 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. LOCATION: Ford Field, 14281 Farmington Read, Livonia

# **BeckRidge Chorale Sing for** the Cure

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 5; 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6 LOCATION: Northville High School

DETAILS: Proceeds from this concert will go to the Barbara Karmanos Cancer Institute. Sing for the Cure is a musical interpretation of the journey through the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer. Each song is set to the music of composers who have been touched by breast cancer in some way. Tickets are \$25 and

CONTACT: (866) 924-4276 or go to

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# **Daughters of the American** Revolution-Northville/Plymouth

DATE: May 21 TIME: 6-8:45 p.m. **LOCATION: Plymouth District** 

Library **DETAILS:** Genealogical Research

# **Northville Democratic Club Town Hall Meeting**

CONTACT: (734) 459-4764

DATE: Thursday, May 17 TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Hillside Middle School Forum

DETAILS: Guest speaker Dr. Henry Pollack from U of M will speak on "Meeting the Global Warming Challenge." Open to the community. Free admission. CONTACT: (248) 465-1995

# **Marquis Theatre**

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

Raggedy Ann and Andy SCHEOULE: 2:30 p.m. Saturdays through April 28; 2:30 p.m. Sundays through April 29;

DETAILS: Tickets are \$8 each. No children under 3 years of age.

**Summer Theatre Camp** Registration

**DETAILS: Registration for two**week Day Camp or Ducky Camp sessions is now being accepted. Contact the theatre or go to the Web site for more information on session dates, times and tuition.

# **Genitti's Little Theater**

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

www.genittis.com New Children's Theater Show TIME/DATE: 11:30 Saturday, April 28

DETAILS: Meal features soup, garlic bread, pasta, salad, chicken, lemonade and brownies. Show is "Commander Panic." Tickets are \$14.95 for children and \$16.95 for adults.

Dinner Theater - "In Stitches" TIME/DATES: 6:30 p.m. Saturdays, April 21-June 30; 7 p.m various Friday dates, please nquire or go to Web site.

DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person.

Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin Tribute from Las Vegas TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, May

11; 4 p.m. Sunday, May 13 DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for the Friday show and \$35 per person for the Sunday

**Neil Diamond Tribute** TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, June

**DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per** person. The Bette Midler Tribute From

Las Vegas

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, July 6; 4 p.m. Sunday, July 8 DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for the Friday show and \$35 per person for the Sunday

**Genitti's Acting Workshops** DATE: We will open any date

for 10 or more. **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.

# SENIOR **EVENTS**

9 a.m.: Take Off Pounds

Sensibly 9:30 a.m.: Yoga 10 a.m.: Bowling 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle Massage by appointment

9:30 a.m.: Strength Training 11 a.m.: Poker 1 p.m.: Movie- "The Departed" Monday

9:30 a.m.: Strength Training 10 a.m.: Oxycise-10 a.m.: Line Dance noon: Blood Pressure Check 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre 1 p.m.: Computer I Chair Massage by appointment

Tuesday 9 a.m.: Always...Patsy Cline Cornwell's Dinner Theatre 10 a.m.: Computer 11 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

2 p.m.; Hypnosis for Stress 7 p.m.; Tai Chi 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** Bridge

TIME/DAY: 12:30 p m Monday Euchre TIME/DAY, noon-3 30 p m Wednesday Pinochle (double deck) TIME/DAY: 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Monday and Thursday Pinochie (single deck) LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

## Co-ed Adult 50+ Volleyball TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, Friday

**LOCATION: Recreation Center** Week with a Vetriloquist Show at Hillside



Like American Girl character "Felicity" wears, Karen Hines Dittrick and her daughters Catherine, Emma and Caroline don costumes typical of the American Revolutionary era, the setting for teas. hosted next week by Northville's Barnes and Noble Booksellers.

# 'Tea time': Barnes and Noble hosting American Girl's **Felicity**

Ready to step back in time for "Tea with Felicity"?

The Northville Barnes and Noble Booksellers store, at the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty roads, is hosting a special event April 26 and 28 for girls ages 8-12, based on the American Girl Club

series. The free events are open to the public. But to participate in the limited-seating 18th Century style tea service, families must call the store for reservations.

"I expect it to fill up pretty quickly," said bookseller Paul Cirocco. "We won't have the seating or material for more than 20 or so."

Costumed hostesses will serve refreshments and display toys and games of the Revolution-era. American Store patrons also will have the

'Tea with Felicity'
Who: Girls ages 8-12
What: 18th century When: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 26, and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 28 Where: Barnes and Noble, Haggerty and Six Mile roads Cost: Free Reservations: Required For info: (248) 348-0696

opportunity to try handwriting with an authentic quill pen. "It will be a little taste of Felicity's world," Cirocco said.

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** Center 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.

# **LIBRARY LINES**

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

TIME/DAY: 10 a m.-9 p m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p m Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday CONTACT: For information or to

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

TIME/DATE: 4:15 p.m. today

DETAILS: Ventriloquist Vikide Gasko will perform "Reading Pirates Versus Super Danny" with a cast of characters and audience volunteers. Due to space limitations, the library cannnot accomodate day care, preschool or afterschool groups. Free tickets (100) will be available at the Information Desk five minutes prior to the program. Tickets are not available in advance.

Movies at the Library TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Monday,

DETAILS: The movie "Ship of Fools" will be showing. Junior Books, Chat and Chow TIME/DATE: 4:15 p.m.,

Wednesday, April 25 DETAILS: This is for children in fourth and fifth grade. Make friends, have treats and discuss -

"Flush" by Carl Hiaasen. Memories of a Holocaust Survivor

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Monday, April 30 DETAILS: Sam Offen tells the

inspirational story of overcoming his years in a Nazi concentration camp in World War II. Registration required. Friends Book and Author

Luncheon TIME/DATE: noon Tuesday, May

**LOCATION: Fox Hills Country** 

Club

**DETAILS: This luncheon will** feature author and attorney Steve Lehto, whose book "Death's Door" tells the story of a fire catastrophe in 1913 in the Upper Peninsula that shaped modern day law. Tickets are \$25 and are available at the Library. Proceeds from this event supports four area libraries.

# MAYBURY STATE PARK

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

# **Trail Riders Association** Easter Egg Hunt/Spring Ride DATE: Sunday, April 29

TIME: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. DETAILS: Bring your horse and join in the fun. The cost is a \$5 donation for members, \$8 donation for non-members. Lunch is included. A State Park sticker is required.

CONTACT: Heidi-Drmier@Charter.net or Sandr-Sowright@aol.com

**Maybury 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.

**Sheep Shearing** DATE: Saturday, April 28, and Sunday, April 29

TIME: 1-4 p.m. DETAILS: Come out and watch the sheep get their annual haircut. Wildflower Walks DATE: MAY 4-5

TIME: 10:30 A.M. LOCATION: Maybury State Park DETAILS: Join the "Friends of Maybury" as we enjoy a gentle stroll on open paths lined with Michigan's native wildflowers. Suitable for all ages. Donations gratefully accepted. Meet at concession stand (Eight Mile Road entrance) rain or shine.

Reservations not required. Free with park entry fee. CONTACT: (248) 347-0899 or www.friendsofmaybury.org

Trot for Animals DATE: Saturday, May 12 DETAILS: 5K walk/run through Maybury Farm for all ages. Proceeds feed animals. "Bunny Walk" for children and seniors. "Trotter Trail" and "Rooster Run" for more experienced walkers/runners. Contact Foundation office for application. Registration fee \$15 per person. Volunteers needed for

for the day. CONTACT: Foundation office (248) 374-0200.

# CHURCH **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 Ministries CONTACT: www.singleplace.org

PROGRAMS: Tonight: "Laughter is the Best Medicine" with Walt Stasinsk. Learn how humor can boost your

immune system. April 26: "Can You Hear Me Now" presented by Joanne Estes. Learn new communication skills and generate stronger connec-

tions with anyone. Divorce Recovery Workshop II DATE: May 17-June 14 TIME: 7:30-9 p.m.

DETAILS: The cost for the workshop is \$45. Child care is available for toddlers through sixth grade. Register for child care at least two weeks before workshop starts. Registration for workshop required.

CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 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 DETAILS: This is a walking/social group. Everyone is invited.

elmoTHUMM Concert DATE: Sunday, April 29 TIME: 7 p.m. DETAILS: This group is the

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Midwest's reigning Harmony Sweepstakes Champions. They will perform rock and contemporary classics. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors (65 and older), \$5 for students (12-18) and free for children 11 and under. Contact the church to obtain tickets.

# First Baptist Church of **Northyille**

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

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first

Saturday of every month "Answers in Genesis" Conference

TIME/DATE: 9:30 and 11 a.m., 6 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 15; 7. p.m. Monday, April 16; 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 17

DETAILS: Carl Kerby will help you discover how to defend Biblical truth, answer some of the most asked questions about the Bible and help to build a Biblical world view. This event is open to the public and free of charge.

# **Detroit First Church of the** Nazarene

LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty

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.

**Ward Evangelical** Presbyterian Church LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile

Road CONTACT: (248) 374-7400 **Motherless Daughters** 

Seminar DATE: Thursdays through May10 ŤIME: 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) DATE: First and third Thursday

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 **DETAILS: WOW Tuesdays offer** seven different classes, four new. Something for everyone, Bible veterans or wanting to learn 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

DATE: 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 workbook.

**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 (248) 347-3525

**Preschool Enrollment Open DETAILS:** Enrollment for the 2007-08 school year is now available. Morning and afternoon sessions for children ages 3, 4 and 5 by Dec.1 are open. Tuition and schedule information can be viewed at www.wardchurch.org. CONTACT: Carol Nowacki,

(248) 374-5911 or e-mail carol nowacki@wardchurch.org **Proud 2B American Comedy** 

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Saturday,

DETAILS Performers include comedian Nazareth, illusionist

Jarrod Mac and recording artist Ashley Reynolds. Tickets can be purchased for \$5 at www.wardchurch.org. Fun for the whole

CONTACT: (248) 374-7400

# **First United Methodist** Church

LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road

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

**Healing Service** DATE: First Monday of every

TIME: 4 p.m. Suicide Loss Support Group DATE: Second Thursday and Fourth Monday of every month

TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. **DETAILS: New Hope Center for** Grief Support is offering this support group to those who have lost a loved one to suicide.

Registration is not required. **CONTACT:** New Hope Center for Grief Support (248) 348-0115 or www.newhopecenter.net

**Career Ministry Meetings** DAY: Sunday TIME: 1:30-3 p.m.

**DETAILS: The Career Ministry** 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.

Radical Joy Womens Bible DATE: First and third Thursday

of every month TIME: 6-8 p.m.

DETAILS: This is a nondenominational group that uses the guidebook "Radical Joy" to study the New Testament book of Phillipians and holds dinner and discussion meetings that provide fellowhip and community outreach. The spring session will begin tonight and run through May 31, and the cost is \$30 per person.

CONTACT: Sue Craik, (248) 961-5911 or e-mail craik1@aol.com

St. Paul's Lutheran Church LOCATION: 201 Elm St. Sunday Worship

8:30 a.m. Blended; 11 a.m. Contemporary, 11:30 a.m. Traditional

# MILL RACE **MATTERS**

# Mill Race Historical Village

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

**DETAILS: Office Hours** Monday-Friday,9 a.m.-1p.m.; Archives Open Thursday-Friday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

CONTACT: (248) 348-1845 Thursday: 9 a.m., Archives Open; 7 p.m., Northville Historical Society Board Meeting; 7 p.m., **Cub Scout Meeting** 

Friday: 9 a.m., Archives Open; 9:30 a.m., Service Unit B Scouts Meeting; 4 p.m., Brownie Scout Meeting; 6 p.m., Rehearsal Saturday: 2:45-4:45 p.m.,

Sunday: 10 a.m., Mill Creek Church; 4 p.m., Cub Scout Meeting; 6:30 p.m., Venture Scout Meeting

Monday: 10 a.m., Heirloom Rug Hookers; 6:30 p.m., Cub Scout Meeting; 7 p.m., Lions Club Tuesday: 9 a.m., Stone Gang; 4

p.m., Brownie Scout Meeting; 6:30 p.m., Northville Democratic Wednesday: 6:45 p.m.,

Mindfulness Meditation; 7 p.m., Mill Creek Church

Grounds closed to the public

# LOOKING **FOR YOU**

# **Northville Drive for the Needy**

**DETAILS:** The Northville Chamber of Commerce is asking businesses to help raise money, from April 16-30, toward food baskets for families assisted by the Northville Civic Concern. All money must be turned in to the Chamber no later than May 2. Cash and checks made out to "Grocery Baskets" only. For more information, contact (248) 349-7640 or go to chamber@northville.org.

## **Midwest Rabbit Rescue and** Rehome

**DETAILS:** This organization houses, treats and adopts out rabbits to new homes. They would

appreciate donations to support their efforts in the responsible care and treatment of indoor pet rabbits. To make a donation, call Dominique Moroz, (248) 348-8519. For more information on Rabbit Rescue and Rehome, go to www.rabbitr.org. To adopt a pet rabbit, the shelter is open 12:30-4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday or by appointment.

# **Dance Art Requested**

**DETAILS: National Dance Week** 

is April 20-29. In recognition of this, Center Stage Dance Company invites dancers from all studios to submit an artistic representation of dance, including photography, drawings, sculpture, collage, etc. One entry per person will be accepted. The pieces will be showcased at the Northville Parks and Recreation dance performance in June. Entries must contain the following information on the front of the artwork: the phrase "National Dance Week" and the dates "April 20 to April 29, 2007." Name, age and phone number must be on the back of the art. Work must be submitted to Center Stage Dance Company, 43334 W. Seven Mile Road, Suite 250, Northville, MI 48167, by

CONTACT: (248) 380-1666

# **Beautiful Singles Hiking**

TIME/DAY: 9:30 a.m. first and third Sundays of the month LOCATION: Maybury State Park DETAILS: Join singles of all ages for hiking and other activi-

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

# **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 weekdays and weekends 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) 374-0200

# **Donations for PENNdemonium**

DETAILS: The fund-raising gala and auction to benefit the restora-tion 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.-3 p.m., April 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: Members 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 www.momsintouch.org

# Northville Yoga Classes

LOCATION: American Legion Hall, 100 Dunlap

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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 drop-in 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

# Friends of the Rouge Spring Bug Hunt

DATE: Saturday, April 28 TIME: 9 a.m.-4 p m. LOCATION: Environmental Interpretive Center, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn

DETAILS: Volunteer to help assess the health of the Rouge River by searching for "critters" in the streambed. No experience is necessary and children are welcome when accompanied by one adult per child. Registration is required by April 20.

CONTACT: (313) 792-9621 or e-mail picoordinator@therouge org

# 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, Northville, MI 48167. 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. The Friends is a volunteer organization that promotes reading, supports programs in the library and provides financial support to projects not covered by the library's regular budget. Board members attend

a monthly meeting and are also expected to serve on a committee. The only requirement for becoming a board member is an interest in the libray and a willingness to serve as a volunteer. Those interested should send a letter to James Morche, President of the Friends, c/o Northville District Library, 212

# Northville Newcomers and Neighbors

W. Cady St., Northville, 48167.

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 quilters group. All groups are led by bereavement professionals and trained volunteers.

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

CONTACT: Joan Lee, (734) 953-6012

# Anxiety Disorder Support

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

(248) 449-9950

DATE: Second Tuesday of

every month
CONTACT: Tom James of
Northville Camera at northvillecamera@sbcglobal.net or
Northville Arts Commission,

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 purchases.

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 month
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

# 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)

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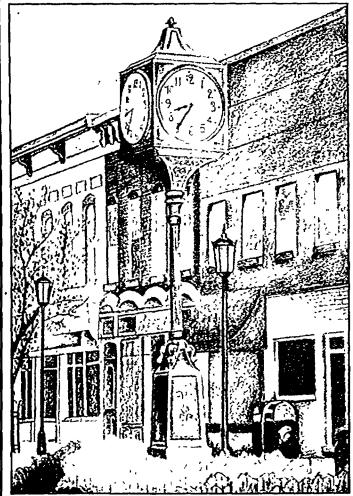
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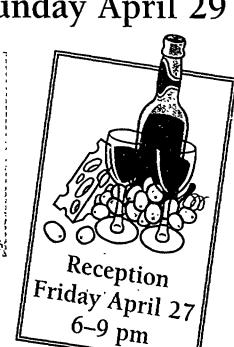
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Saturdays **LOCATION: Recreation Center** at Hillside

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

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TIME/DAY: 6-10 p.m. Monday and noon-4 p.m. Saturday LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. **Baseline Road** 

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**Total Golf Adventure's Golf Enrichment Program** DATE: Tuesdays April 24-

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

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# **CLASS REUNIONS**

Northville High School-Class of 1987

DATE: Saturday, July 28 LOCATION: Dirty Martini,

**DETAILS: Purchase tickets** and make hotel reservations online beginning in May. Details

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

Northville High School-Class of 1997

DATE: Saturday, June 9 TIME: 6 p.m. LOCATION: 5th Avenue

Ballroom, Novi DETAILS: Tickets are \$30 per person or \$50 per couple. Reservations are due by April 16. Make checks payable, and send, to: Matt Zielinski, 12829 Lantana Ridge Court, Austin, TX

CONTACT: megcauzillo@gmail.com or go

https://groups.google.com/grou p/nhsparty97

**Belleville High School Class** 

DATE: Aug. 3-5 LOCATION: Eagle Crest Marriott, Ypsilanti CONTACT: For more informa-

tion, Richelle Fales (734) 844-8704 or brotary@comcast.net

# REGIONAL

**Schoolcraft Community** College

Assistance in Marketing to the Federal Government DATE: Tuesday, April 24 TIME: 1-4 P.M.

**DETAILS: Contractors who** would like to learn more about **General Services Administration** federal supply schedules can receive assistance in marketing to the federal government. The cost of the seminar is \$40. Reservations are required.

CONTACT: (734) 462-4438 or e-mail inforeq@schoolcraft.edu **Managing Your Bottom Line** DATE: Thursday April 26 TIME: 6-9 p.m.

LOCATION: VisTaTech Center **DETAILS:** Learn to interpret your company's financial statement, so you are better prepared to make key decisions regarding your business. This number-filled seminar will make an impact on you. Make reser-

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DATES: Friday-Sunday, April 20-22 and April 27-29

TIMES: Fridays 7 p.m.: Saturdays 2 and 7 p.m.; Sundays 2 p.m.

**DETAILS:** The theatre will present "The Jungle Book," adapted by April Dawn Gladu, with music by Daniel Levy. The program is targeted for children in grades kindergarten through seventh. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for children high school age and below, and groups of 10 or more are \$4. Reservations available.

CONTACT: (313) 845-9817

**Plymouth Symphony Orchestra Pops Concert** DATE: Friday, April 20

TIME: 6 p.m. LOCATION: Laurel Manor. Livonia

**DETAILS: This concert and** dinner evening is a benefit for the Plymouth Symphony. It will include cash bar and silent and live auctions. Tickets are \$75 for adults, \$35 for children. Tickets can be obtained by phone at (734) 451-2112; fax at (734) 451-3458; by e-mail at info@plymouthsymphony.org; in person at 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 18, Plymouth.

**Chef Competition** 

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., Saturday April 21

LOCATION: Schoolcraft College VisTaTech Center

DETAILS: Four chefs to compete: David Koshizawa, executive chef of Asian Village, Detroit; Jeff Mellas, executive chef of Portofino Restaurant, Wyandotte; Brandon Taylor, sous chef of Asian Village; Chunyi Hou, sous chef, Schoolcraft College. For tickets call Michigan Foodways (517) 372-7770 or Schoolcraft College

(734) 462-4463. Price \$100 each, \$50 tax deductible. Proceeds benefit Michigan Humanities Council, a nonprofit organization that supports and creates quality cultural pro-

**Plymouth Stamp Show** 

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Saturday, April 28; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, April 29 LOCATION: Central Middle

School, 650 Church St, Plymouth DETAILS: The show will fea-

ture 2,800 pages of exhibits, 40 dealers from the U.S. and Canada and seminars. Admission and parking are free.

CONTACT: (734) 699-1026

# Film Premiere-Dom Polski: Dance Hall Days of Detroit's Polonia

DATE: Saturday, April 28 TIME: 1-4 p.m. LOCATION: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, Canton

DETAILS: The film is a documentary that celebrates Polish immigrant life and culture in Detroit's east and west side communities. Admission is \$5. including dessert reception. Reservations are recommend-

CONTACT: Laurie Palazzolo, (248) 477-8518 or e-mail lauriepalazzolo@hotmail.com

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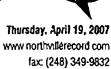
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# HEALTHY LIVING



# **Common signs** Symptoms of lung cancer:

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- . Chronic coughing
- Wheezing
- · Coughing up blood
- Chest pain
- Fever Weight loss

# Warning signs of breast

cancer: . New lump in the breast

- or underarm (armp t)
- Thickening or swelling of part of the breast
- Irritation or dimpling of breast skin
- · Redness or flaky skin in the nipple area or the breast
- Pulling in of the nipple or pain in the nipple area · Nipple discharge other than breast milk, including
- blood · Any change in the size
- or the shape of the breast · Pain in any area of the breast.

# Signs of colorectal cancer:

- . Blood in or on the stool A change in bowel habits
- Stools that are narrower than usual · General, unexplained
- stomach discomfort Frequent gas, pains or
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- · Unexplained weight loss

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#### Risk factors for prostate cancer: · Age: The older a man is,

- the greater his risk for getting prostate cancer
- · Family history: A man with a father, brother, or son who has had prostate cancer is two to three times more likely to develop the disease himself
- Race: Prostate cancer is more common in some racial and ethnic groups

Source Center for Disease Control and Presention

# Know the signs, symptoms of cancer

By Tracy Mishler

SPECIAL WRITER

Deborah Phillips wants to know as much about cancer as she can Her daughter, Monica, 17, was

diagnosed with brain stem cancer at 16 and has since been in and out of treatment "You never think it's going to

happen to you or your child," Phillips said "It's definitely hard, but she's got faith in God'

Phillips was among many area residents signed up for the Dinner with a Doctor series to hear about different types of cancers and their signs and symptoms.

Dr. Michael Kraut, medical director of the Providence Cancer Institute, spoke to 91 people about lung, colorectal, prostate and breast cancers as part of the monthly series held at Novi's Providence Hospital

last week "It's what you can do to keep yourself from dying early," said Kraut, "Most cancers are fairly silent until they are beyond the early stages, It's good to educate people on what signs to look for."

Kraut said in most cases, if you are not aware, you won't know you have cancer until it strikes.

# Learning the signs, symptoms

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the four most common cancers are lung. colorectal, prostate and breast can-

\*Looking at statistics, everybody dies from something," Kraut said. Most deaths of people in their 80s and 90s can be attributed to heart disease. But premature deaths is where cancer comes in.

Kraut said the four cancers are responsible for more than half of cancer-related deaths in the U.S. with lung cancer causing almost 30 percent by itself.

He said the best thing to do when you're not feeling well is to see your against cancer are knowing the

"Lung cancer has no early symptoms," he said. "How can you detect it, especially in a smoker whose had a chronic cough for years?

The best thing to do is have regular doctors appointments and follow the guidelines of the U.S. Preventive Service Taskforce. And any doctor can help with that.'

He said to avoid things that are bad for you or are known to be dan-

Kraut said colorectal cancer, which occurs equally in both men and women, is curable when caught

"Diet is a big issue in colon cancer," he said, "But in all cases, diet is important."

He said when it comes to breast cancer, women should know their

"The only early sign (in breast cancer) is a lump," he said. "All women should be checked yearly by a health professional."

# Doing your research

John Popovezak and his wife, Adrienne, of Novi, took notes during Kraut's speech.

"My mother had breast cancer." Adrienne said, "We're very con-

John said he enjoys going to the Dinner with a Doctor series because of the information he normally wouldn't receive. "Normally you hardly get a

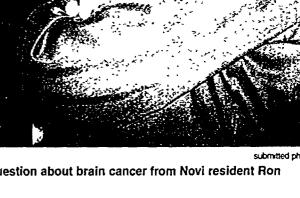
chance to talk to your own doctor," John said. "Here you get to listen for an hour and ask questions. It's a retty good deal." Adrienne said she was most interested in hearing about breast cancer

as the recently watched an episode of the Oprah Winfrey Show which dealt with a certain culture that is at greater risk for breast cancer. "I'm at greater risk," she said.

"Breast cancer killed my mother, and that's why I'm interested." Kraut said the best defenses healthy.

"We need to support research and find the underlying causes," he said. Treating cancer is difficult and a big challenge, but stopping it before it starts is a better challenge.

Tracy Mishler is a freelance writer for the Northville Record.



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Dr. Michael Kraut answers a question about brain cancer from Novi resident Ron

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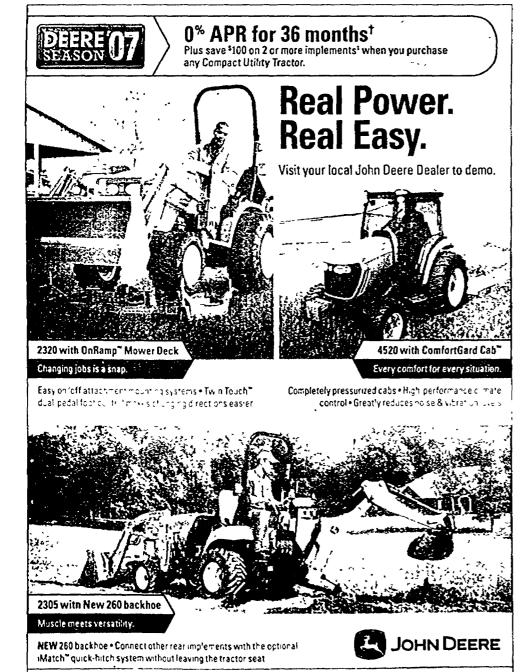
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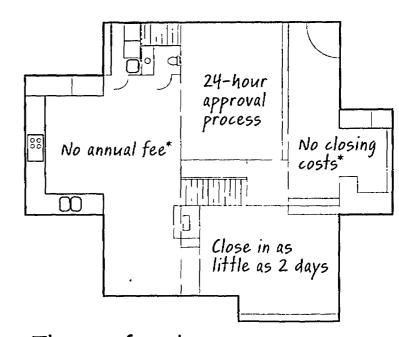


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# ALL-AROUND BEST



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Mustang gymnast Julie Foucher saved her best for last in winning the Division II all-around championship.

# All-Area Gymnastics

# ■ Best Division Il gymnast leads three Mustangs on All-Area Team

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville senior gymnast Julie Foucher finished in the top three in four events to finish as the Division II all-around champion.

While she wasn't the best in any particular event, Foucher showed she was the most polished gymnast in all events.

"To finish so successfully in each event and in the all-around takes not only impressive skills, especially at states where girls are throwing the big tricks, but probably most importantly — consistency," Northville head coach Erin McWatt said. "Sure, there were gymnasts at states who had more club experience — I won't lie, it's an advantage — and who threw bigger skills than Julie, but she was the one who put it all together that day, and that's by far the hardest part."

The ending capped a season that started with nothing more than uncertainty. With only a couple of girls returning. McWatt didn't even know if they were going to field a full team for each meet. But several new faces came out for the team, and the Mustangs formed into a team good enough to qualify for the state meet.

With Foucher being the only

With Foucher being the only senior, she had a huge hand in providing the leadership needed to bring things together.

"She has a ton of competitive experience and was a great role model for our rookie gymnasts," McWatt said. "She showed them at every practice and competition what it was going to take to be great For a very young team such as ours, her leadership was key."

McWatt said she expected Foucher to finish well at the state meet, but actually seeing it happen was extra special.

"The team got so excited when the announcer called out the fourth place finisher, and then the third, and neither of those names were Julie." McWatt said.

McWatt said she and another

Gymnast of the Year — Julie Foucher, Northville sr.

All-Area Team

Amy Reynolds, Northylle sophomore

MaKenna Pohl, Northville freshman

Jacquline Gazette, Novi sr. Jill Guffey, Novi senior

coach with the two remaining gymnasts in the running looked at each other, wondering who it was going to be.

"When (the second-placed girl's) name was called, I just looked at the girls and said, 'Oh my God, Julie!'" McWatt said. "Julie covered her mouth and started tearing up, and then when her name was called as the state champ, we all just went crazy. It was an amazing, fairy tale ending to her fabulous high school career.

"I can't think of another gymnast I've coached who's more deserving than this young lady. She's a truly exceptional athlete and person and her teammates and I are thrilled for her."

# All-Area Team

Joining Foucher at the state meet were teammates sophomore Amy Reynolds and freshman MaKenna Pohl. The two are also on the All-Area First Team.

Reynolds top finish came on the floor, with a 9.150 for eighth place She also placed 12th on the beam with a 8.850 and finished 17th in the all-around.

"I saw a new confidence in Amy this year, after a year of high school competition under her belt," McWatt said. "She improved her skills over the summer and throughout the season, and she also developed into a great leader for her team."

Pohl showed she was ready for high-level competition, despite being just a freshman.

In Division I, she finished 11th on the bars with a 9.175.

"Makenna is going to be a key all-around competitor for us in her next three years," McWatt said. "She also participates in club gymnastics and has experienced high-pressure competitive situations, which is an advantage.

"I'm expecting great things

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# Turnbull to run for the Tigers

Northville senior Jasen Turnbull signs a letter of Intent with Clemson University on Friday. With his teammates looking on, Turnbull is supported by USATF Detroit Cheetahs head track coach Harry Weaver on his left and Northville track

distance coach Scott Szukaitis on his right.

Turnbuil is a captain for the Northville track team and has run for the Mustangs for four years. Turnbuil finished All-State at last year's state finals in the mile. He also ran an All-American race in the 1,500 meters at the National Junior Olympics in the offseason. He also made it to the state meet in the fall for cross country but was hampered by pneumonia at the final meet.

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# Law leads strikers

# All-Area Bowling

By Patrick Pinter GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

If the past two years were any indicator then the chances that 2007 girls individual bowling state champion in Division 1 was going to come from either Milford

or Lakeland was fairly good.

History proved to be a good fortune teller as Milford sophomore Jenna Law captured the Division 1 individual state title. Her win made it two consecutive years a Milford bowler took home the top flight title and the third straight year a bowler form the Kensington Valley Conference

took home the title.
"She got very focused as the year went on," said Milford head bowling coach Keith Guertin. "In the second half of the season she figured it out and really cranked it

Only being a sophomore Law might have been viewed as a dark horse to take home the state title since both former champs Jessica Guertin and Addileen Pointer were both back in the fold. Law qualified just three spot and 15 pins above the cut line during qualifying block scoring with a

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Milford's Jenna Law tries to convert a spare shot.

# All-Area Bowling

Bowler of the Year — Jenna Law, Milford sophomore First Team Evan Danielson, Novi senior Mike Erlingis, CC junior Conor Milroy, CC senior Mike Horton, CC senior Raachel Ringrose, South Lyon Josh Harper, South Lyon Emily Bowers, Milford Jessica Guertin, Milford Andy Derisley, Milford Doug Farmer, Lakeland Chase Siburt, Lakeland Addileen Pointer, Lakeland Honorable Mention
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# **Gymnastics**

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from MaKenna." Also on the All-Area team are Novi's two gymnasts: Jacqueline Gazette and Jill

Guffey. The two competed as Wildcats, but they worked the whole season with the Farmington team and head coach Jeff Dwyer. The girls were allowed to compete with the Farmington team, and will be the final two gymnasts to perform as Wildcats, unless the program is reopened sometime in the future.

"You got two gymnast who have done gymmastics since they were 4 or 5." Dwyer said. They had the opportunity to finish out their career. I know that meant a lot to both of the girls."

Gazette had her season cut short before regionals when she broke her leg while performing a floor routine.

"She had the potential to be All-State in the all-around," Dwyer said, "She broke her leg three weeks before regionals. That was a very sad story.

"She would average a 9.0 on every event. Her best event was the vault, where she would average about a 9.2."

Guffey also performed allaround and was steady in almost every event.

"Her best event was balance beam. She would average in the high 8s," Dwyer said.

They're both very hard working, dedicated gymnasts, and as a coach, that was nice."

Jeff Theisen can be reached at itheisen@gannett.com or at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.

# **Sports Shorts**

Green hosts baseball camp Rick Green and the Novi Wildcat baseball team are con-

ducting another baseball camp (only outdoors this time) on Saturday, April 28 from 9 a.m -1 p.m. at the Novi High School field for players ages 7-14.

The cost is \$50. Checks should be made out to the Novi Heat and sent to the attention of Rick Green at Novi High School, 24062 Taft Rd. Novi. MI 48375. Any questions, please contact Rick Green at (248) 420-6637 or at rrgreen@servicesports net.

# All-Area 4-Star Hoop Camp

Novi basketball head coach Pat Schluter is teaming up with South Lyon head coach Daren Clayton to run the All-Area 4-Star Basketball Camp at Livonia Stevenson High School.

The first camp is for boys entering grades 3-6 from 8:30noon with boys entering grades

7-8 from 1-4:30 p m July 9-13. The second camp is for grade 5-8 from 8:30-noon and grades 9-12 from 1-4:30 p m. July 16-20 Visit www.allareabasketball-

camp.com for more information

# BOWLING: Catholic Central lands three bowlers on First Team

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score of 1229.

'It was a huge surprise," said Guertin, "That is a good way to put it. At the state meet she started a little slow, but as the day went on she just kept getting stronger Jenna didn't have an easy rode. She beat some major players."

In the round of 16, Law took down teammate Emily Bowers in two games by scores of 245-227 and 214-192. In the quarterfinals Law defeated Kristin Ball of Taylor Kennedy in two games. The semifinals proved to be Law's toughest match, during her drive to a state title. Law trailed 1-0 after game one, but rebounded by winning the final two game to move on to the title match.

In the finals she took on Teri Broughton of Sterling Heights Stevenson Law captured the title

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in two games by bowling back-to-back scored over 200. Law cemented her win with an impressive 241 in game two to close the door on Broughton.

Law will have a chance to comeback and defend her title along with helping the Mavericks earn their first team state title.

"It is going to be a big bonus having her back next year," said Guertin. "We only lose one player so she is going to comeback and play an even bigger role for us next year."

#### First Team

The All-Area First Team includes Novi senior Evan Danielson; Catholic Central junior (ninth at state), senior Mike Horton (22nd at state) and senior Connor Milroy; South Lyon's Raachel Ringrose and Josh Harper: Milford's Emily Bowers,

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Area bowlers earning Honorable Mention include Novi junior Bryan Bivins, junior Alex Dinser and sophomore Leslie Brown: Catholic Central senior

Kyle Bridges; Tori Brown, Matt Aumann and Tommy Coyle from Milford; Jeff Klego, Nick Weak and Craig Reid from Lakeland; and Chelsea Allen, Robert Dranginis, Bill Anderson and Michele Heikkinen from South

Jeff Theisen also contributed to this story.



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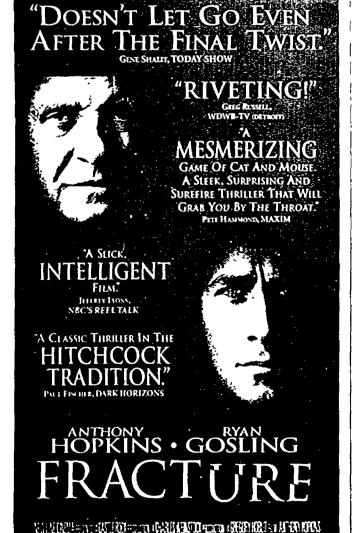
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# Mustang softball throws perfect game

# ■ Northville soccer girls outshoot Wayne Memorial 24-0 in 8-0 win

By Jeff Theisen RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville pitchers Allison Holmes and Samantha Doud teamed up to complete a fiveinning perfect Monday game

against Wayne in a 13-0 victory. Holmes started the game and threw the first innings, three striking out Doud seven. threw the final two and struck

out three more. "Holmes and pitched great today," Northville head coach Teryn Chrzanowski said. The bats were alive. The girls were patient at the plate and

The leaders at the plate included Emma Wise with a 3-for-4 performance, and Brittany Birdsall, Fleishaker. Dumbleton, Sarah Rounsifer and Kirstyn Wildey provided two hits

everyone hit the ball hard."

The Mustangs led 1-0 after the first, 4-0 after the second and 6-0 after the third. Another six runs in the fourth set up the mercy rule. and a final run in the fifth capped the scoring.

# Northville Soccer

The Mustang soccer team clobbered Wayne 8-0 Monday at home. Danielle Toney, Sarah Stern and Karen Mayhall each scored two goals. Julie Bawden and Jill

Alumbaugh each tallied a goal. Stern Mayhall each added an assist. The Mustangs

outshot Wayne 24-0 in the contest. Watza picked up the shutout in goal.

led 3-0 at the half

# **Northville**

The Mustang tennis team picked up its first win (1-2) with a 5-3 decision Monday against Churchill.

Tim Wasielewski won 7-5, 6-1 at No. 1 singles; Peter Curran won 7-6, 6-4 at No. 2 singles: Mike Baskins won 7-5, 6-4 at No. 3 singles; Kevin Zhang and Phil Irvine teamed up for a 6-0, 7-6 win at No. 2 doubles; and Andy Mills and Graham McHenry won 6-0, 7-6 win at No. 4 doubles.

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Mustang Lisa Kozub, right, tries a sliding tackle to slow down a South Lyon player earlier in the season.

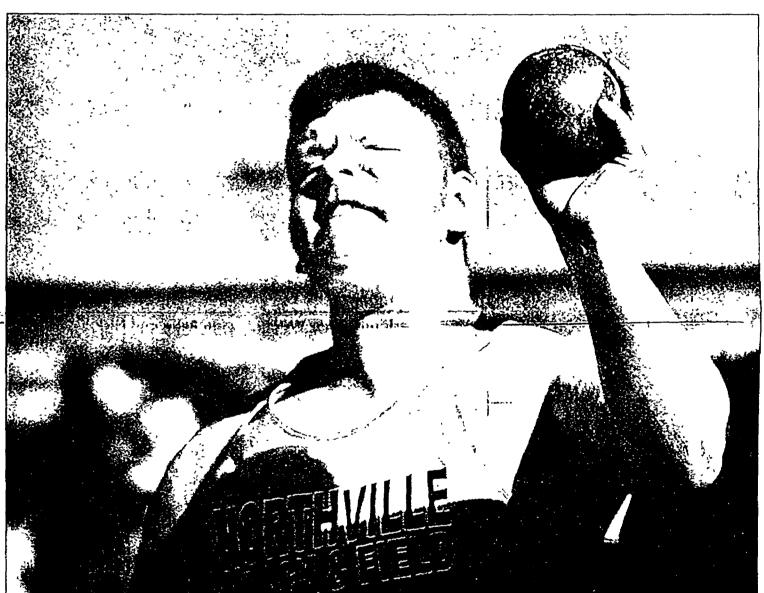


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# Northville H.S.

# Baseball

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# Softball

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4/20 vs. Churchill, 3:30 p.m. 4/21 at Grosse Ile Riverview Highlands, 9 a.m. 4/23 at John Glenn, 3 p.m.

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# Track

4/21 at Groves, 9 a.m.

# SKIING: Lakeland's Janssen on top of the hill

By Patrick Pinter GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Lakeland junior Justin Janssen put together a dominating season on the slopes. In every meet he competed in this year, his name could be found near the top of the standings.

A mighty heave!

Janssen, the 2007 All-Area Player of the Year, was heads and shoulders above the competition this year. He took a fifth place finish in the Giant Slalom at the state finals in Marquette. At the regional competition he took fourth in the GS and first in the slalom. His accolades didn't end there.

At divisionals he took second in both the GS and slalom. At the Kensington Championships he took second in the GS and first in the slalom.

He finished the season earning All State-First Team, All-Region Team, All-League Team, All-Conference Team and All-Division Team honors.

Other boys earning All-Area honors included South Lyon's Jeff Thompson, Garrett Gelfund and Jeff Beagle. Thompson earned All League, All Region and All State honors this year. He also took home the GS title at the Kensington Valley Conference Championships. At the state finals he took 11th in GS.

Gelfund was a state qualifier this year, and he took 10th at the league championships in the GS. Beagle took 10th in the GS during the season in the KVC. At the league championships he took

Mustang Anthony Petrucci throws the shotput during a home meet in March.

Lakeland boys earning All-Area honors were Drew Fiore and Mike Smallegan. For Milford Alec Magaluk and Jack Boyd

received All-Area honors. On the girls side Maverick skier Lauren Moser, the 2007 All-Area Player of the Year, carned top five finishes in both the GS and statom at the divisional and regional meets this year. She also took home a second place finished at the KVC meet in the GS.

"She was absolutely outstanding this season. She really came out for us this year," said Milford head ski coach Marty Neighbors. She skied with a whole lot of heart. She had a very tremendous season."

At the state finals she helped guide Milford to a fifth place finish. She finished second on the team in the GS and first on the team in the slalom at the finals Her slalom time of 1:35.58 was good enough for 15th place.

"She is a slalom specialist that is exceptionally quick," said Neighbors, "She is a wonderful skier, but an even better person. I

# All-Area Skiing Girls

Skiler of the Year - Justin Janssen, Lakeland

All-Area

Mark Dawson, CC junior Derek Turowski, CC so. Alec Magaluk, Milford Jack Boyd, Milford Jeff Thompson, South Lyon Garrett Gelfun, South Lyon Jeff Beagle South Lyon Drew Fiore, Lakeland Mike Smallegan, Lakeland

am overjoyed as a coach to have a athlete with that combination. It overall was a stellar season for her and I expect another breakout year for her next season."

Other Milford skiers to receive All-Area honors were Kara and Kelli Vanderbaan and Emily Brown, Brown, a junior, took second place in both the GS and slalom at the divisional meet and third place at the KVC meet this year, Highlights for Kara, a senior, included a third place finish at the KVC meet in the slalom. Kelli took second at the KVC meet in the slalom.

Skiers from Lakeland getting top honors were Kelly Dearing

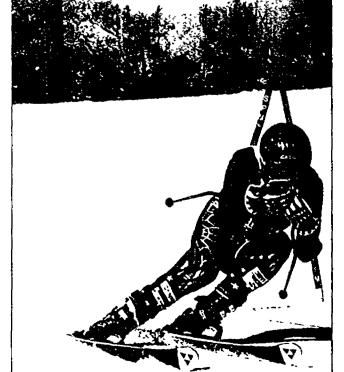
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Amy Lecureux, South Lyon Christina Bailo, South Lyon Kelli Vanderbaan, Milford Kara Vanderbaan, Milford Emily Brown, Milford Kelly Dearing, Lakeland Rachel Hogarth, Lakeland

and Rachel Hogarth. Dearing took 41 at state finals in the GS. She took 10 in the GS at regionals. Her other honors include All-Region Team, All-Conference

Team and All-Division Team. Skiers for South Lyon earning All-Area honors were Amy Lecureux and Christina Bailo. Both skiers helped guide the Lyons to a ninth-place finish at the state meet. Lecureux was a state qualifier this year and earned All League and All-Region honors. Bailo received All League

honors. Catholic Central skiers to earn All-Area honors are Catholic Central junior Mark Dawson and



Submitted photo

Lakeland junior Justin Janssens races down the hill.

sophomore Derek Turowski.

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# REGIONAL MARKETPLACE

**Home Owners** Do You Know... WHY MOISTURE CONTROL IN CRAWL SPACES IS





We all know that crawl spaces are often overlooked or not given much attention by homeowners. However, moisture in crawl spaces can have serious negative effects

on the home's structure as well as the health of the family that lives

Moisture in crawl spaces is a common problem that can contribute to rotted sills and rim joists, and insect infestation if not controlled. It has also been associated with health issues that can accompany mold, mildew, and other problem organisms. Your crawlspace can be inspected and identify the true conditions and issues which may be unknown to the home owner.

#### WHAT ARE SOME WAYS TO **CONTROL MOISTURE?**

There are a number of steps that can be taken to reduce moisture levels in crawl spaces. Some items to consider are as follows:

- Grading Ideally, the crawl space grade should be higher than the outside surface grade, and grading around the home's perimeter should always slope away from the foundation
- Ventilation Especially in colder climates, crawl spaces should be ventilated to allow air to circulate in the crawl and help remove
- Vapor barriers depending on the climate, using a vapor barrier on crawl space floors will aid in controlling excess moisture. However in some cases it can also promote mildew/mold development.
- Vent wells Vent wells should be used if foundation vents to the crawlspace are fully or partially below grade
- Downspouts should be directed away from foundation to ensure water run off is moved away from wall and prevent water penetration into the crawlspace.
- · If you house does not have downspouts and you have a crawl, then it is recommended that gutters and downspouts are installed to move roof water run off away from foundation walls. This is also true for home with basements

#### VENTED OR CLOSED CRAIVL SPACES?

There has been considerable debate in many areas about the benefits and disadvantages of vented vs. closed crawl spaces. Some building codes, particularly in warm, humid requiring closed spaces. Research continues on this topic at both local and national levels. In our area the rule of thumb has been to vent crawlspaces if they are unheated. This also requires that heat duct in untreated areas be insulated to help improve the heating efficiency for the home on a vented crawl. For homes with heated crawl spaces the process would be to not vent the crawlspace and ensure the walls of the crawl are properly insulated.

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By Cynthia Grochowski SPECIAL SECTIONS

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My Handyman technicians, like Mike Morton, have at least 20 years professional experience in home repair and are appreciated by customers for their reliability and responsiveness.

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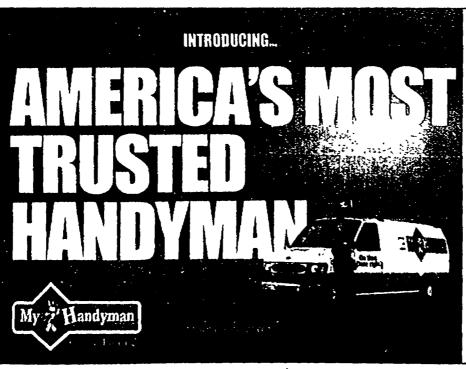
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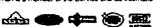
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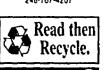
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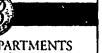
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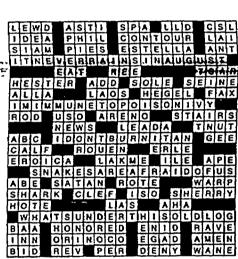
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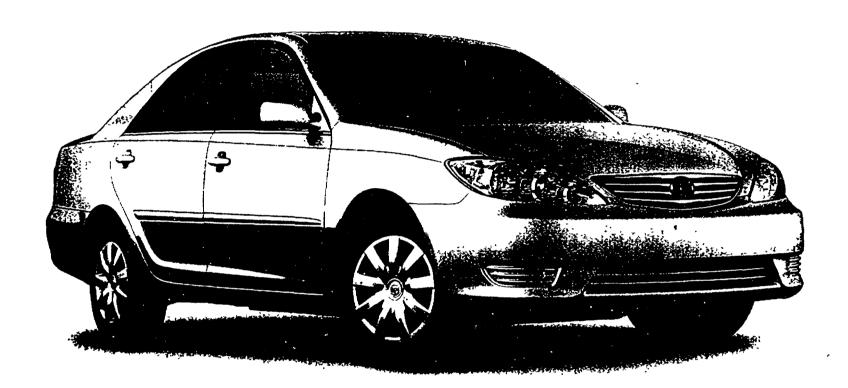
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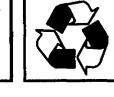
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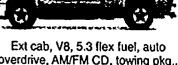
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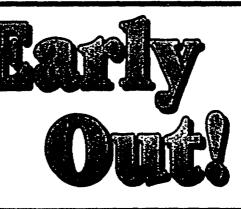
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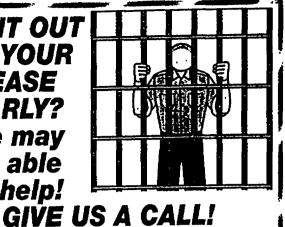


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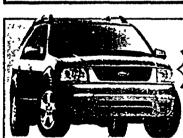
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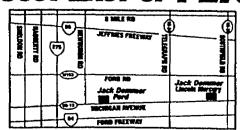
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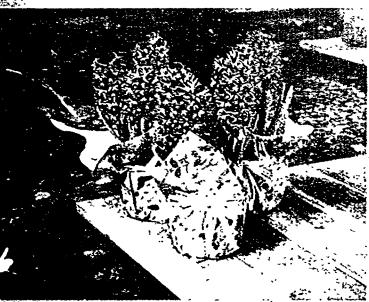






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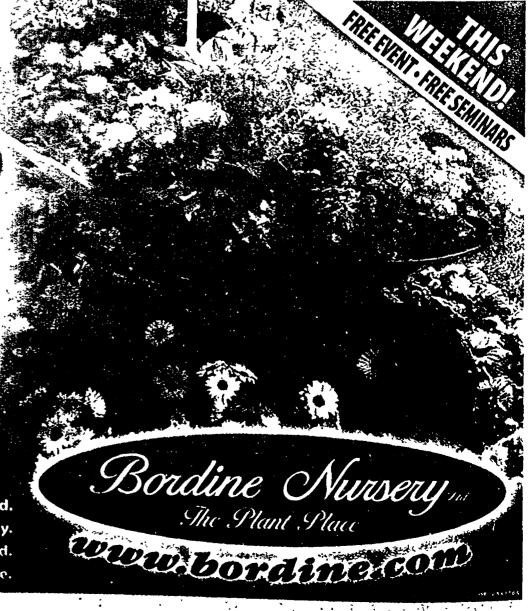
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# **■ OUTDOOR LIVING**

# Retractable fabric awnings offer affordable sun solution

By Kimberly Rinna SPECIAL WRITER

Retractable fabric awnings are very popular as an affordable sun solution for residential homes and condominiums.

They provide instant protection from damaging sunrays to your skin, pets, patio furniture, interior furniture and carpet while expanding your outdoor living space and accenting the exterior of your home.

As well, they can actually reduce the interior temperature of your home up to 18 degrees, reducing energy costs.

Retractable awnings seem to provide all of the beauty and sun protection without the unsightly framework and costly seasonal maintenance of a stationary awning and do not require supports to be fastened to your deck.

Retractable awnings, like those offered by Sunshine Awning in Fenton, provide beautiful accenting to your deck or patio while providing instant, freestanding protection from the sun.

At the touch of a button or easy turn of the crank, you can greatly expand your outdoor living space providing cool, comfortable shade.

Retractable awnings come in widths of 5 feet to 40 feet and projections up to 16 feet 6 inches.

There are several optional packages available, such as motorized movement, sun and wind sensors, protective hoods, remote control operation, and a vertical drop valance, at the front, for extra shade protection and privacy. Sturdy roof mount installations are available for homeowners with limited height.

Sunbrella brand, 100-percent solution-dyed acrylic fabric, is mold and mildew resistant and has earned the Skin Cancer Foundation's seal of recommendation as providing a significant level of sun protection. There are hundreds of colors to choose from in solids, stripes and tweeds.

Retractable awnings are, typically, the only type of awning approved within condominium communities because of their compact design. They do require a flat mounting surface and retract neatly against your home when not in use and for winter storage. When closed, the awning is only about 8 feet high and 6 inches out.

Condominium owners typically receive a discount in pricing because of quantity purchases and most retailers that specialize in condominium communities, such as Sunshine Awning, offer support for condo owners, during the approval process, through the owners association or management company.

Business owners are also showing an interest in retractable awnings to accent their storefronts, provide signage and instant shade.

Retractable awnings are very popular with businesses that have outdoor dining or sitting areas. A company's name, logo, and telephone number can be affordably added to the valance and will always remain visible, even when the awning is closed.

If the building is re-leased or sold to another business, the valance can be easily and inexpensively replaced with the new businesses name without having to remove or replace the awning entirely.

Retractable fabric awnings accent your homes



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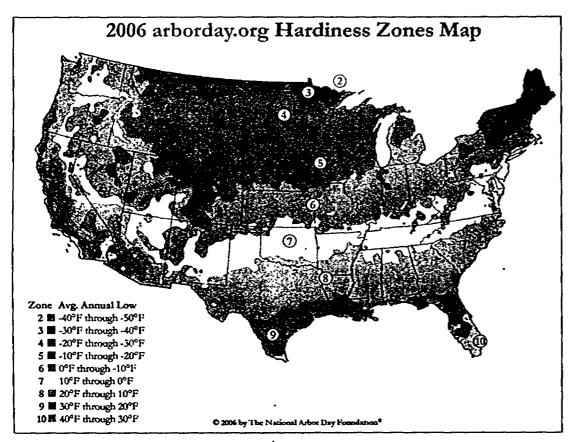


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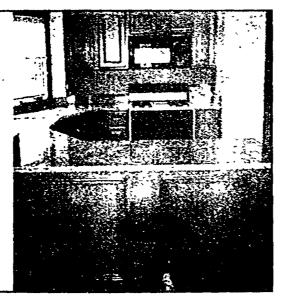
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# Spice up the outdoors

Spicing up your home's outdoor living space takes more than just a few flowerpots on the patio — especially with today's outdoor trends. More homeowners are choosing to transform their outdoor space with everything from entertainment centers to elaborate kitchens.

Nearly two-thirds of architects reported an increase in demand for outdoor kitchens, decks and patios compared to one year ago, according to the 2006 American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey. They also reported spikes in homeowners opting for upscale landscaping, more outdoor amenities-such as pools, tennis courts, courtyards and gazebos — and setting boundaries for their yards with fencing, walls and bushes.

"The outdoor living boom has clearly moved from being 'just a trend' to a lifestyle," said Susan McCoy, an outdoor living expert and president of the Garden Media Group, in a public statement. The Garden Media Group recently released its 2007 picks for spring outdoor trends.

With the increasing popularity of waterresistant furniture and appliances, practically anything goes for the great outdoors and is now built to withstand rain and temperature changes. In fact, some homeowners are even opting to place flat-panel LCD or plasma televisions outside. Some TVs even have a wireless connection and are able to communicate to indoor cable boxes or DVD players.

The most popular items homeowners say they plan to add to their outdoor spaces this year include lighting units, gas grills, mosquito eliminators, outdoor fireplaces or pits, and patio heaters, according to a national survey by the Propane Education and Research Council.

Here are some other popular outdoor trends:

- Fireplaces: Make them the centerpiece to your outdoor living space. They also can provide some heat, if necessary.
- Fountains and reflecting pools: They provide tranquility to a backyard. Add small fountains in your garden or even a small stream running throughout the yard viewable from inside your home, too. To get a spa feel, some homeowners are even installing outdoor showers near their pool areas.



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Outdoor focal points, such as fountains and reflecting pools are popular additions to outdoor spaces.

- Kitchens: Upscale gas grills or even brick pizza ovens are on the rise for fancy outdoor cooking. Some outdoor kitchens are even complete with sinks, ranges and refrigerators.
- predicts 2007 trends will include gardens with colorful foliage plants, such as elephant ears, ornamental grasses and iresine. Small gardens are also "in," according to GMG. Squeeze a small garden on your patio or rooftop, wherever there's plenty of sunlight. Also, consider a trellis with vines to create a natural canopy for your backyard.

Whatever outdoor makeover you choose, create a seamless transition from indoor to outdoor by using architecture details, flooring, color schemes and window treatments similar to the inside of your home, suggests the American Society of Interior Designers. Then, when you head outdoors, you'll still feel right at home.

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# INTERIOR DESIGN

# Don't match wood tones

To match, or to mix?

That's the toughest question, according to home decorators trying to decide which hardwoods and stain colors to choose for their floors, cabinets, furniture and trim.

The answer to the mix-or-match dilem-

ma is don't match, blend!

That word comes from top interior designers and kitchen designers around the country, who also tell why in a new 18-page brochure titled "American Hardwoods by Design" from the American **Hardwood Information** Center.

Analyzing their own approach to the mix/match question, the pros explain:

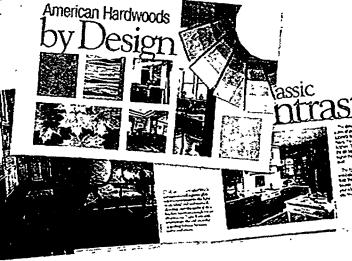
■ Why some hardwood floors should be much lighter than the cabinets in the same kitchen.

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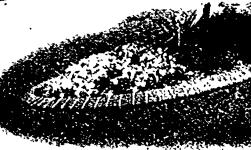
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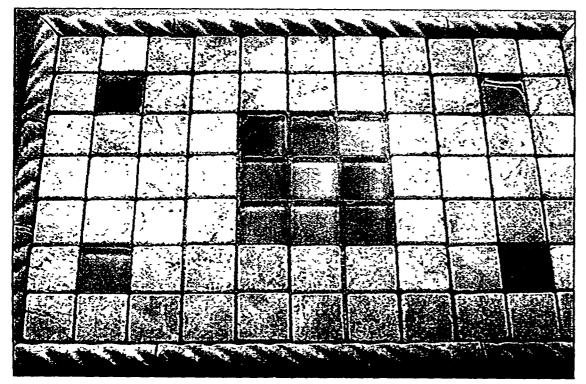
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Dick Mularoni of Trends in Tile encourages people to make a statement with tile by using color, texture and unusual items. Glass tile, pictured above, is very popular as an accent tile. Mularoni points out this pewter accent tile in the photo at right. The number of options available these days allows homeowners to create a custom look in their home.



# ■ TRENDS

# Tile transforms room, gives unique look

By Cynthia Grochowski SPECIAL SECTIONS

Porget what you saw five years ago when shopping for tile. Today it is all about individuality.

Dick Mularoni, a third-generation tile professional who operates Trends in Tile in Brighton, has seen many phases of tile's popularity.

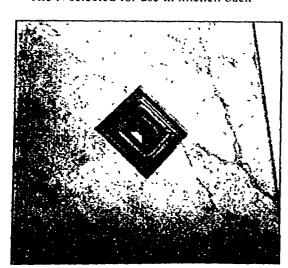
"Color and texture have come back for tile in a big way," he said. "People are getting away from the plain, the beiges and light tones."

The stone look is everywhere — varying in color and texture — to present an attractive visual appeal. The colors and textures make tile a decorative material, as well as a practical wall or floor covering.

"The flow of color and textures gives a dancing effect, like leaves on a tree," Mularoni said.

\* The trend is gaining popularity in the midwest, especially here in Michigan.

Tile is selected for use in kitchen back-



Consider adding a metal-accent tile to a large tile for a contemporary look.

Combining sizes, types and colors of tile is the latest trend.

splashes, flooring, above stoves, and for bath and shower walls. Backsplashes are in demand more than ever.

Gone is the fad of tiled counter tops.
"It is an unusual, regional look that is not called for here. A tile company will do it, but

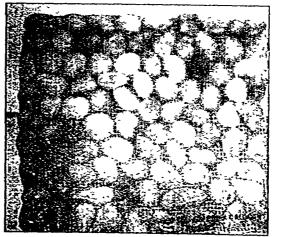
it is unusual to have someone ask for it," Mularoni said.

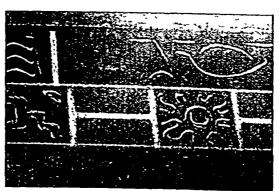
Outdoor flooring tile is popular in seasonal rooms, porches and entryways.

"People like to use the decorative stone and accents to give a welcoming feel to their front porch."

# Sizes

Floors, walls and backsplashes are running away from straight lines. Blending tile sizes is a sought-after, eye-catching look. Tiles with varying colors and textures are being laid in different size combinations and patterns to give a unique look. Couple this with





Tiles can be created out of river rock, copper, bark, flowers and leaves.

inlaid pieces of different material and the look is yours alone.

# Accents

Accents add individuality.

Metal, glass, pottery-look and acrylic bars and liners are in demand to individualize the tile look. Pewter, bronze and copper decorations accent the stone or porcelain in walls, and backsplashes. Glass accents are seen in floors also. Leaves, flowers, shells, coffee beans and other organic items encased in



acrylic are popular with people looking for something whimsical.

# Price

Tile prices have remained steady over the years. Prices for the new metals and glass accent pieces are starting to fall.

Tile holds up to heavy use, is decorative, stands the test of time, and adds value to a home.

"Dollar for dollar, tile is a deal," Mularoni

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#### **OUTDOOR LIVING**

# Proper preparation keeps wood decks looking great

the weather gets warmer, we tend to spend more and more time outdoors. There is no better place to sit and enjoy the great spring weather than on your deck.

Did you know that the key to keeping your



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Weathered wood needs to be cleaned and restored before a single brush stroke of new stain or water-repellent can be applied.

deck looking great for years is not in the stain or finish you apply — it's in the surface prep?

Weathered wood needs to be cleaned and restored before a single brush stroke of new stain or water-repellent can be applied. For a great looking deck, follow these tips from the experts at Wolman® Wood Care Products.

#### Thoroughly clean

Clean pressure-treated wood decks with an acid- and chlorine-free, oxygen-powered powder concentrate. It is tough on stains yet safe to use near plant life and shrubs. If you're not sure of your wood type, use a deck and fence brightener liquid concentrate.

Both products clean and restore wood to its natural beauty without bleaching or yellowing and remove invisible surface barriers, which can prevent the adhesion of protective coatings and stains.

These fast-acting formulas loosen and lift dirt, stains and discoloration in just 10 minutes. And they are easy to use — just mix with water, spray on, brush in and rinse off with a garden hose.

Strip away deteriorating or unwanted finishes. If the colored finish on your deck has seen better days — or if you want a different look — remove it with a stain and finish remover.

For tough to remove, 100 percent acrylic stains, use Wolman DeckStrip® ASR Acrylic Stain Remover.

Both remove oil- and water-based solid, semi-transparent and clear finishes, and prepare wood for a new finish or stain. The ready-to-use, highly concentrated formulas work in just 15 minutes without the need for multiple applications. They contain special wetting agents and thickeners that cling to all wood surfaces — even vertical surfaces — so they are great for fences, gazebos, play sets and more!

#### Beautify and protect

Once your deck has been properly cleaned and restored, beautify and protect it with a water-repellent coating.

Apply a semi-transparent or solid stain or a rich transparent oil finish to enhance the beauty of your deck.

Even if you decide not to stain, it's important to protect your deck with a clear water

repellent sealer.

Water repellent sealers stop rain from penetrating the wood surface, which can cause swelling, shrinking, warping and cracking.

Many water repellent sealers also contain a mildewcide that will impede the growth of mildew on your deck during the warm, humid months ahead.

For more information on the complete line of Wolman Wood Cleaners and Stain Strippers — and for more helpful wood care tips — visit www.wolman.com.

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# Enjoy the site and sound of water

et's face it - water features in a backyard or on a deck are cool. There is something both exciting and serene about a pool of water with light glistening off plants and rocks. Spying a darting fish, frog or visiting bird is a bonus.

Many have plunged in and incorporated a water feature at their home, but others are shy.

Just what does it take to enjoy your own personal space of water?

#### Determine type

"When designing a pond, you have to know your perimeters," Mike Bell, of Bell's Landscape Services, Inc., explained. "Do you want fish? Plants? This all goes into the actual digging of a pond."

Bell pointed out that there are two types of ponds: one is a water-feature pond and the other is a fish and plant pond.

"With one you create an environment for fish, which must meet certain depth requirements. The same goes for a pond with water plants,"

"The other type is a decorative feature with a waterfall. It is shallower than a fish pond and has more of a stony bottom that you view through clear water."

Ponds can be as small as a desk or as big as the yard.

Bell's Landscape Services "People are looking for the calmness of water," Bell explained. "You can develop that in any given space?

A yard isn't even necessary. A small pond can be next to a patio and include a feature that trickles water into a basin, said Bell. Ponds that are dug from the ground may require a

plastic or rubber liner to keep water in. Bob Krawiec of A&R Soil Source in South Lyon explained that a cushioning layer of sand is placed on the pond bottom before the liner goes in. The liner must be smoothed of wrinkles and stressed areas to avoid rips and tears. A layer of pea gravel then weighs down the liner. Water is

### Try a pond kit

For an easy pond, consider a kit. Pond kits come complete with pre-formed pond inserts, pumps and instructions for instal-

The do-it-yourselfer can dig a hole, plant the insert and have a pond in no time.

"There are pond kits of all sizes and prices, including multiple pond set-ups and waterfalls," Phil Hall, store manager of Colasanti's Market Place in Milford, said.

"You can start out with a few easy-togrow water plants, just drop in some lily pads, water hyacinth and leaf lettuce and you're good to go."

added to create waterfalls, plant shelves and walkways," Krawiec said. "Moss stone can be used to attract moss for a certain look."

rounding the pond will keep them from sinking into the dirt over time.

Many decorations, such as fountains, bubblers and water-trickling statues, also require a pump. Consult with a knowledgeable salesperson or installer before placing such an item in the pond.

What surrounds the pond is also a personal choice. Bill Lintner of Hollow Oak Farm in South Lyon said growers can suggest many plants that thrive well near a pond, including cardinal flower and jack-in-the-pulpit.

Ponds need care to remain safe environments for plants and fish. Filters, skimmers and everything necessary to keep a pond healthy can be had at nurseries and specialty stores featuring pond equipment and plants.

"A hard stone like Canadian flagstone can then be

Adding another plastic liner under the stones sur-

For water movement, pumps and the electricity to run them are necessary. A qualified pond installer will be experienced in determining the pump size necessary to handle the volume of water that is to be moved.

#### Schedule maintenance

### Container water gardens can go anywhere

Even if you are renting a house or living in an apartment or condo, you can enjoy the calming benefits of a plant or fish pond with a container water garden.

"People are looking for

the calmness of water.

You can develop that in

any given space."

This "pond in a pot" is a self-contained

Roxanne Riggs, owner of Sunshine Farm and Garden in Wixom, is an expert in container water gardening.

She recommends the following:

Choose a plastic container, between 10 gallons and 50 gallons, that has a secure plug in the bottom.

■ Place organic garden soil on the bottom, cover it with sand, then place a few inches of pea gravel on top. Slowly fill it with water.

For height and variety, plant a tall species, such as papyrus or umbrella palm, in the soil. A pygmy water lily can add

interest, also

At different heights, place potted water herbs — such as watercress, society garlic or mint - under the water. Overturned clay pots make excellent ledges for potted plants. Include floating plants like penny-

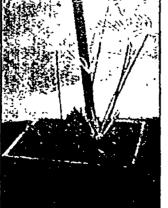
wort, parrot feather, water lettuce or water hyacinth for water cleansing. Add goldfish or snails once the water

and plants settle. Place in full sun or an area that

receives at least four hours of sun daily. ■ Move the garden to a heated indoor

room during cold seasons. The garden will need a little tending. Because water will evaporate, top off the water level frequently.

Many water plants naturally filter the water, so a bubbler or filter is unnecessary.

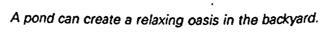


water hyacinth. papyrus, pennywort and watercress makes a lovely water oarden that can be placed on the deck.

A container

filled with

"The plants are prolific," Riggs warned. "You'll have fun giving away cuttings."



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of The Pond Place in Milford, points out the specific needs for a fish pond. ■ The pond's deep end must be at least 1½ feet deep with a diameter of 2 feet to 3 feet so fish can survive

Michigan winters. ■ Making one section of the pond deeper than the rest of the pond will also make cleaning easier.

"You push all the goop into the deep end and vacuum it up from there," Winowiecki said. Fish will not stay small in a small pond.

"One fully gown goldfish needs 50 gallons," Winowiecki said. "You need 250 gallons per koi to allow them to be fully grown."

■ Feeding fish is unnecessary if the pond has water

"Many people choose to feed their fish to forge a relationship with them," Winowiecki said. "Enhanced tood can cause the fish to grow faster, improve immunities and enhance color."

Selecting the fish

Pond fish selection is a personal choice, according to

"Goldfish are less expensive, more hardy, resistant to

disease, can withstand lower temperatures and produce less waste. They come in many shapes and sizes and colors, so you can still get a colorful pond."

Koi are a popular choice for many fish ponds because of their color and size. Koi can reach 3 feet in

"They are more intelligent and have strong personalities once you get to know them," Winowiecki said. Koi and goldfish can share the same pond.

A well-cared for goldfish can live up to 20 years. Koi are known for their longevity, living 30 years to 40

"Some in Japan are on record living 200 years," Winowiecki said.

In the store, observe the fish. If the fish stays away from other fish, does not swim up to feed when food is given, rubs itself against the tank, or has visible ulcers, it may be ill and not a wise purchase, Winowiecki said. Healthy fish have gills that are reddish dark pink.

Before you bring fish home, Winowiecki recommends checking with the expert at the store on the proper way to introduce new fish to the pond.

# Try these plants to accent the pond

piled by Sunshine Farms and Gardens, features some of the hardier varieties. However, there are many additional plants available for the pond.

Golden Club (Orontium aquaticum) -Grows 12 inches tall in part sun or shade at the pond's edge. White spike tipped with

Narrow Leafed Cattail (Typha angustifolia) — Grows 3 feet to 4 feet or more tall, with a slender head that dries well. Shallow

Four Leaf Water Clover (Marsilea nutica) - Variegated leaves float on the surface. A flowerless plant, related to ferns. Shallow water plant.

Lizard's Tail (Saururus cemuns) --Fragrant flowers on long spikes, heart shaped leaves. Grows 2 feet tall. Shallow water or pond edge plant.

Japanese Iris (Iris ensata) — Beautiful white flowers, for boggy areas that dry out in the winter.

Louisiana Iris 'Black Gamecock' --Striking midnight purple flowers grace this attractive plant for the edge of the pond. Rare

Siberian Iris (Iris siberica) ---

Outstanding violet-blue flowers in the spring. Edge of pond.

Yellow Water Iris (Iris pseudacorus) — A truly spectacular flower in the spring water

Double Yellow Water Iris (Iris pseudacorus 'Flore Plena') - Better than spectacular, a genuine gem for a garden.

Parrot Feather (Myriophyllum proserpinacoides) - Graceful foliage plant, good for edges of pools and shallow water. Sweet Flag (Acorus calamus) - Shallow

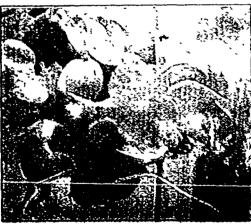
water plant with spike leaves that smell sweet when crushed, nondescript flowers. Wariegated Dwarf Sweet Flag (Acorus calamus variegata) - Beautiful shorter ver-

sion of sweet flag. Water Pennywort (Hydrocotyle verticillata) - Showy, fast growing foliage plant for shallow water. Grows about 6 inches above

Zebra Rush (Scirpus zebrinus) — Unique green and white banded foliage. Grows to 2 feet, Edge of pond.

Water Liliès Water lilies usually bloom their first year. These are the stars of the water garden.

Hardy White Water Lily (Nymphaea



Pennywort grows fast and adds a touch of green to the pond.

odorata) --- Large white star-shaped flowers. Good for medium to large ponds.

Pink Opal Hardy Water Lily -Delicate bright pink flowers. Excellent for patio pools and small ponds. Profuse

Sunrise Yellow Hardy Water Lily -Large yellow flowers, beautiful mottled foliage. Profuse bloomer, long season.

Hardy Red Water Lily - Absolutely beautiful in the garden pond!

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#### Outdoor Living

# Spring into the season with easy backyard ideas

your backyard looks like all the others in your neighborhood, here's how to solve the problem: expand your outdoor living areas and lose those backyard blahs with easy project ideas.

Bloom where you are planted.

Switch out those hardy winter plants for beautiful spring blooms.

If spring comes early to your neck of the woods, try mixing purple, green and gold for a Mardi Gras feel. Bright red blooms welcome spring back after a cold winter, while bright yellow flowers, perhaps accented with matching floral bows, add life and color to any backyard.

If you're more of the gardening type, consider adding a raised bed - constructed of Southern Pine — to your current landscape. Planter benches are easily built, as are decorative greenhouses.

Uncover your potential

If your outdoor furniture seat covers are looking a little worse for wear, take a quick trip to your local fabric store. Beautiful weatherproof fabric is available in a rainbow of patterns and colors, so you're sure to find a perfect match. New covers - and perhaps a coordinating table cloth - will give a brand new look to your backyard just in time for the outdoor entertaining season.

Have a seat

Expand your outdoor living area with quick

and easy projects. No plastic Adirondack chairs allowed.

A gorgeous Southern Pine chair, whitewashed or painted a bright color, begs for you to kick back and enjoy the warming sun. Place a gazebo off to one side for some needed shade come summertime. A charming swing adds whimsy and character and offers the family pet a cool place to rest.

#### Get decked out

To completely change the look and feel of your backyard, consider adding a wood deck.

If you're feeling extra handy, plans are available to help you tackle the project yourself. If not, check your local phone book for a reputable deck builder. Decks are a wonderful extension of your style and can add value to your home.

Lose the fake stuff

When fulfilling your weekend DIY fantasies or tackling the construction of a deck, why should you choose real wood? Unless your backyard includes plastic flowers and trees, why use plastic furniture and fake decking?

Pressure-treated wood is the best option for any outdoor project. It's beautiful, strong and durable. It doesn't conduct heat, meaning no burned feet in the heat of the summer. When treated properly, it becomes impervious to rot and pests, such as termites.

Research shows that Southern Pine is the best species of wood for the job. Its unique cel-Jular structure lets it accept preservative treat-

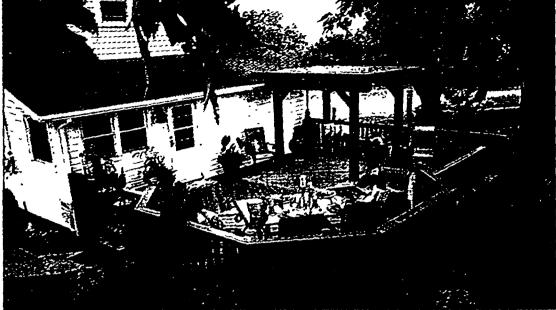


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Expanding your outdoor living area is a great way to turn a routine backyard into a haven for relaxation.

ment better than any other species. And you can rest easy knowing that treated wood preservatives are proven to be people - and pet -

Choosing Southern Pine for any home improvement project is not just smart; it's a wise environmental decision. Thriving forests create a healthier environment for all of us.

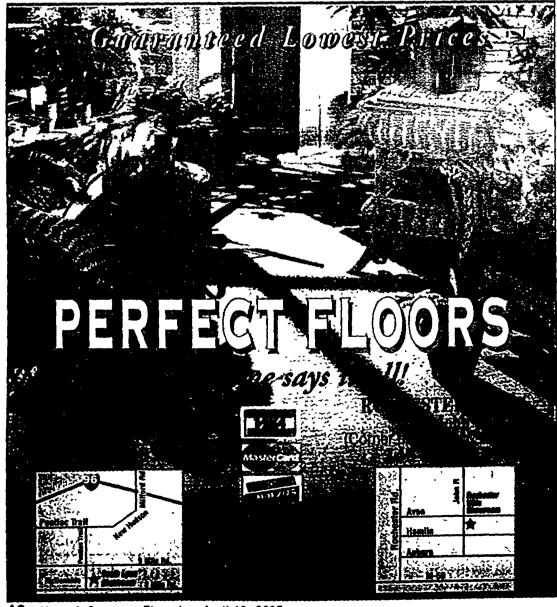
Choosing forest products encourages landowners to keep replanting trees, ensuring forests for generations to come.

Chances are there's a nice Southern Pine forest near you.

For do-it-yourself project ideas and plans, gorgeous photos to inspire you, a forum to share your DIY accomplishments and questions, where to buy Southern Pine and much more, please visit www.spanpine.com/ms.

Register before April 30 online at www.spanpine.com to win a free treated Southern Pine custom deck for your backyard.

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#### HOME REPAIR

# Are you 'house blind'?

After we live in a house for a while, the wear and tear of family life can slowly take its toll.

We may not notice the gradual build-up of clutter and accumulation of minor damage in the form of breaks, tears, leaks and cracks that can result in a certain shabby look to the home you love.

Interior decorators call it being "houseblind" or getting so used to a room that you unconsciously overlook what is spoiling its beauty ... like that dusty, bedraggled silk ficus tree in the corner that looked so good five years ago.

Interior designers recommend some easy steps for removing the blinders and taking action to give your surroundings a fresh new

Enter the room as if for the first time and look — really LOOK — at everything in it. You will be amazed at how much stuff has just accumulated over time. You will also notice that some things which used to look great have become faded, frayed or worn or just don't fit there anymore.

■ Get rid of them — be merciless. Eliminate all items that detract from the room's design or décor or just don't belong there. Some decorators recommend removing everything from a room and then putting back only the things that really support the look you want.

Consider a fresh coat of paint to brighten a tired room or new fabric on a favorite

chair. Have the window coverings cleaned.

Look for wear and tear in what you just can't give up and repair it if possible. Some damage, depending on the type of room, may include worn or torn fabric, a cracked piece of tile or broken ceramic figure, linoleum that is lifting, loose drawer pulls or towel racks, wobbly table legs, unraveling wicker, leaking hoses, loose woodwork and nicks in

Glue fixes many things

Restoring beauty to a room doesn't have to be expensive. Many household repairs require only a tube of good adhesive. You will be amazed to find that even if you need to glue, seal or bond a wide variety of materials, you really don't need a special adhesive for each job. A one-part adhesive that dries to a clear, rubbery, flexible, waterproof finish is usually the best bet for most projects. No matter which one-part adhesive you use, follow these tips for success:

■ Surfaces should be clean, dry and free from dirt. For best results, roughen surfaces before applying glue.

■ If the tube has been stored in a cool place, hold it under warm water to increase ease of application.

Apply a thin coat of adhesive directly to each surface to be bonded or repaired. Allow to partially cure 2-10 minutes before bringing the two surfaces together. Carefully position the two surfaces before applying pressure.



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Rooms falling victim to clutter and damage need not take hours of labor to restore to their natural beauty.

Allow the repair to dry for 24 hours, more or less, depending on room temperature. The warmer the room, the faster it dries. - Metro News Service

#### Beat prickly foe

A certain lawn weed may elicit fear from children and pets alike. The sand burr, also known by a dozen different names from grass burr to grass stickers to those prickly things, is a foe that turns up in the spring and summer.

The seeds of the weed are small and ball-like, and feature little thorns. The burrs easily stick to pant legs, socks and anything else that comes in contact with them. They can be a particular nemesis for dogs who end up with them stuck in their fur or between the pads of their paws. Plus, burrs can be tracked into the home and get lodged in carpeting.

Sand burrs are an aggressive plant and will take over in poor quality soil.

Maintaining a lush lawn with a strong soil can help prevent infestation from this nuisance. Keeping the grass tall will eventually choke out the burr plants, but keep in mind that the sand burrs grow more quickly than a lawn.

For problem areas, some weed killers can get rid of the burrs. You can also physically pull out the plants before the seeds mature and fall off to start new life.

Throw the entire plant in the trash because even dried seeds can germinate. Once the burrs form, however, it is much harder to stamp out the weeds. You may have to apply spot weed killer. Others use a vinegar-and-water solution sprayed onto the weed itself.

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#### CRITTER PATROL

# Protect your yard from moles and gophers

outdoor critter has wreaked as much backyard havoc as the mole and his cousins, the gopher and the vole.

These pesky creatures rose to their zenith of fame in the hit movie, "Caddyshack," and their continued reputation for stealth and elusiveness could put any covert CIA agent to shame.

Urban legends abound as to how to control moles. Remedies range from the absurd (chewing gum) to the dangerous (explosives).

Scientists have scomed the mole, as they are not life-threatening, leaving huge research gaps into the behavior of these pests. But for homeowners who have had their lawns and gardens destroyed by unsightly mounds and trails created by moles or gophers, the problem is front and center.

St. Louis is considered the U.S. epicenter of mole activity due to its humid climate and moist soil content, and one company there, Senoret Chemical Company, has decided to tackle the mole problem head-on. The company recently purchased one of the leading mole control brands, Sweeney's Poison Peanuts, and is confronting the mole problem with new products and new technology.

"There is no silver bullet for mole control," says Stewart Clark, the company's technical director. "Our approach with consumers is honest and direct — you are going to have to try a variety of products and get involved in the process."

Clark likens the process to dieting. "If you are persistent, you will eventually achieve your goal. But you'll probably have to experiment with a few tactics to see what works best for you."

Today, the Sweeney's line of products has been expanded to include liquid and granular repellents, electronic mole spikes and a steel "plunger" trap.

"This gives consumers more options to control the problem," explains Clark.

To help ease the frustration, Sweeney's has established a phone hotline and e-mail service designed to help guide consumers through the process.

"Getting rid of moles is part science, part art," says Clark, who offers the following mole control tips:

#### **Understand Your Adversary**

Homeowners should understand some basic facts about moles before beginning their "campaign." Moles live underground and rarely come to the surface. They are enormous consumers of food, eating almost 100 percent of their body weight everyday. They create tunnels to search for food and can create up to 100 feet of new tunnels per day. These tunnels are what destroy lawns, and they can range from long straight tunnels to exploratory tunnels to "volcano" tunnels that can go as deep as three feet underground. Mating season is in early spring, so expect to see the most activity then.

#### Assessment Phase

This phase involves detective work. The goal is to identify which "runs" or tunnels are active. For this, you'll need a broom handle for poking holes and small yard markers, spray paint or even plastic forks. The process is a bit different for each type of tunnel. Depending on the type of tunnel you have, you'll poke holes

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The right mole control strategy can send pesky lawn critters scurrying off into the sunset.

into the tunnels and flag them with your marker system. In 24-48 hours, if your hole has been repaired by the mole, you know you have an active infestation.

#### Treatment Phase

Moles work quickly, and you should notice "repaired" areas where the mole has either plugged up the hole or created a new "volcano" mound in a deep tunnel area. If there has been no activity, the mole likely moved on to a new area or died. In areas of activity, bait the tunnel by removing the excess dirt to expose the tunnel opening. Place Sweeney's Poison Peanuts, using the product's special coneshaped container, deep inside the hole, to ensure it reaches the mole. Carefully re-cover the hole with dirt.

Next Steps

If phase one of treatment does not appear to work, it is time to use another type of product. Try Sweeney's Sonic Mole Spikes®, which are designed to repel underground rodents. The sonic spikes emit a penetrating sound which is irritating to moles and gophers, who have an acute sense of hearing. This method encourages moles to leave the property, and the battery operated spikes continue to discourage

return visits.

Other treatment options include liquid repellent products that can be attached to a hose for easy application and granular repellent products that can be applied directly from a shaker bag.

One more alternative is a mole trap, which is similar to a mousetrap. As the mole moves through the tunnel, it pushes upward on the trap, and trips it. The traps are effective because it's a mole's natural instinct to reopen obstructed passageways.

"Every infestation is different, so different treatments may be required. However, we are committed to the ongoing study of mole and gopher behavior," says Clark. 'The challenge is that these creatures are invisible due to lives spent in seclusion in underground burrows."

Clark is currently commissioning several studies in conjunction with universities and plans to conduct some of his own research.

"Right now, getting rid of these pests requires patience and a willingness to experiment. In the future, we hope to unlock the key to what will help homeowners solve the problem quickly and easily."

For more information on mole control, call the company's hotline at (800) 837-7644.

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# Is it a mole or a gopher?

Chances are, if you live in the Western two-thirds of the United States, those unsightly mounds in your backyard are very likely from a gopher.

The strategies to get rid of moles and gophers are generally the same, with one important exception. If you decide to use a physical trap, there are devices made especially for gophers.

Gophers spend time above ground, while moles do not, so the traps operate differently.

Because gophers feed off plants, they can destroy tree roots, seedlings and other vegetation.

For the homeowner, they can quickly become a nuisance in both the lawn and garden.

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However, it's easy to reclaim your basement — and transform it into a beautiful living space - with state-of-the-art products and a few "tips" from the experts at

#### Reclaim your leaky basement

Excessive moisture can make a basement

Worse yet, it can cause structural rot and decay, which promotes the growth of mold and mildew and creates high humidity levels throughout your entire home.

That's why water problems should be taken care of immediately.

Fortunately, it's easy to keep water out and keep mold and mildew away — by painting your concrete basement walls with two coats of a waterproofer that contains mold and mildew protection, like Watertitem Mold & Mildew—ProofTM Waterproofing Paint.

Available in either an oil-base or the new latex—base formula, these superior

performance products are guaranteed to stop water and offer a 5-year mold and mildew-proof paint film guarantee.

Both are low odor, easy to use and dry to a very smooth, bright white finish and can be tinted to pastel colors. Plus, the latex version cleans up easily with soap and

Tip from the pros: Watertitem can also be applied to concrete floors before installing carpeting, tile or linoleum to prevent ground water from seeping through and ruining your new flooring.

#### Prevent the growth of mold and mildew in finished basements

Finished basements also need protection against mold and mildew to keep them looking beautiful.

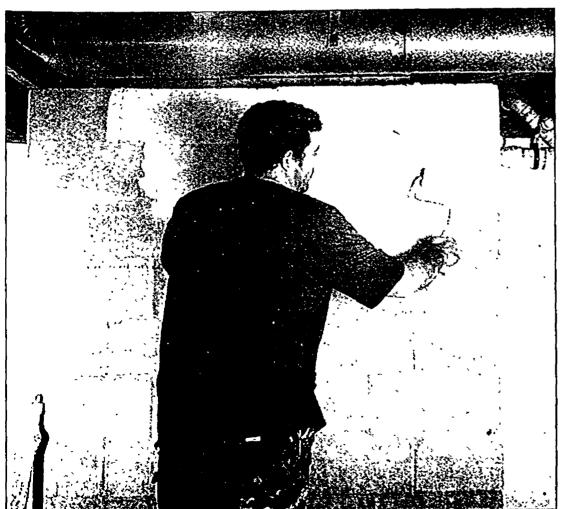
Consider painting drywall, wood or other paintable surfaces with Perma-White® Mold & Mildew-ProofTM Interior Paint.

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For more information on Watertitem, Perma-White and other products for the long-term prevention of mold and mildew, visit www.zinsser.com for more helpful home improvement tips.

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#### HOME IMPROVEMENT

# Personalize your home with these tips

Whether you've owned your home for five days or five years, it's always exciting to make changes that increase your comfort level with your dwelling.

Replacing older products in the home and making renovations can help personalize your house while adding value to the property for future resale.

"Homeowners who invest in their homes tend to get the most out of them," says James Carey, co-host of the home improvement radio show, On the House with the Carey Brothers. "Owning a home means more than just sweeping the sidewalk and keeping the grass mowed. A home's style and personality can change as a family grows. Making continuous investments in a house can be exciting for the homeowners while adding value to the property at the same time."

A third-generation contractor with 25 years experience, Carey recommends personalizing both the interior and exterior of a home.

From his vantage point of reviewing thousands of products and projects each year, Carey offers 10 suggestions of how homeowners can personalize their homes:

Turn cabinets into personalized furniture for the home. Cabinetry embellishments are the secret to an elegantly appointed kitchen. Consider adding a selection of large and small scroll corbels, split turning spools, French legs or decorative rosettes to kitchen cabinetry. These pieces add an extra element of detail, texture and character to base and wall cabinets. Look twice at how your friends and family enter your home. Personalize your entry door to match your home's architectural style. Add a selection of stunning decorative glass doorlites and transoms from Therma-Tru Doors to complement the entryway and fill the interior of your home with natural light.

- Nothing sparkles like jewelry. And, for your home, you can add personality and glitter to any room with a decorative glass window from Hy-Lite. Made of swirls of colorful and obscure glass pieces entwined with brass, nickel or black leading, these non-operable windows help provide privacy in the home while adding a distinct, eye-catching feature to any room.
- Be bold and wave goodbye to white interior walls. Add color to rooms by adding a bright accent wall of paint, a unique wall-paper design to a room or by faux finishing the walls in a hallway that connect several rooms within the home.
- Enjoy the rich, warm look of wood on your windows with none of the maintenance hassles. Woodgrain interiors on Simonton vinyi windows are easy to maintain while adding an elegant woodgrain look to the inside of the home.
- If you've ever dreamt of lazy summer afternoons on the front porch with a pitcher of lemonade close at hand, turn your dreams into reality with an expansive mainte-

nance-free porch. Made of durable urethane to resist insects, rot, mildew and all forms of weather, the addition of a Fypon balustrade system can transform the look and feel of your entire home.

- Have your family and friends help personalize your home by having a full wall in your entry foyer devoted to pictures and personal comments. Start by hanging framed pictures in a scattered array with lots of space around them. Encourage guests to view your "memory wall" and write a message to you directly on the wall!
- Make sure that the style of your bathroom offers a soothing way to both start and end your day. Visit www.moen.com to design a new bathroom, complete with new faucets, towel bars and soap dishes. The interactive web site helps you select sink colors, countertops, wall and cabinet finishes for a complete bathroom makeover.
- Stand outside your house and pretend you've never been there before. Does it appear warm and welcoming? Try personalizing your home with new accessory pieces such as decorative flags, welcome mats, and planters with colorful flowers. For a positive change, invest in a new energy-efficient fiberglass door system and trim it out with fresh new moldings.
- If you crave more organized space and less clutter in the home, invest in cabinet organizers that make the most of unused



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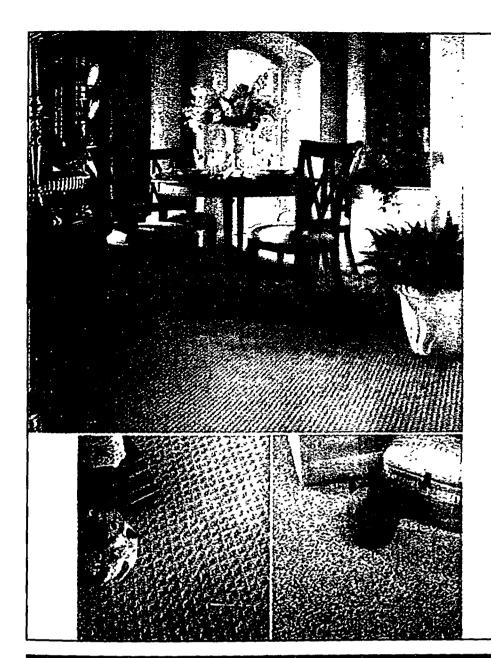
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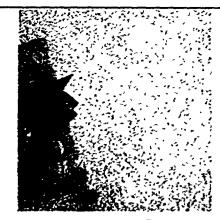
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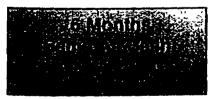
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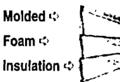
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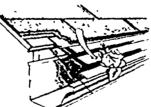
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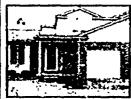




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Awards were presented in more than 18 different categories, including broker/owner of the year, top individual agent, top listing and selling team, and Children's Miracle Network Award. Multiple recipients from RE/MAX's four-county region were recognized for their achievements.

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- Carol Boji, RE/MAX Classic, of Canton, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Milford, South Lyon and West Bloomfield, multi-ofice broker/owner of the year, top multi-office total transactions; volume; commissions;
- Joan Downing and Jim Leahy, RE/MAX in The Hills, of Bloomfield Hills, broker/owner of the year, eagle; top office-total commissions; sales volume;

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A great home improvement project for the warmer months is taking care of your deck.

## Use mild spring weather to get your home shipshape

(NAPSI)-Warmer spring temperatures naturally make most homeowners think about the summer season ahead. This spring, don't just think about it. Use the milder weather to get your property in tip-top shape so you can relax once the sunny days arrive.

"Spring is the perfect time to tackle the little fix-up projects you don't want to hassle with when the weather's nice," says Jim Rocchetta of Handyman Connection, one of the nation's largest home improvement companies. "Plus, you'll have your home looking great before you and your friends head outside for those backyard get-togethers."

Start with the deck or patio. Clean weathered deck boards with a biodegradable deck cleaner. Replace worn boards. Check railings for looseness or wear, and repair them if needed. Then ensure that your deck looks great all summer by protecting it from mildew and water damage with a high-quality finish and preservative. Once the deck is done, Rocchetta

suggests inspecting the exterior of your home for signs of mold or mildew growing on wood, vinyl or aluminum siding. There are many effective and easy-to-use EPA-registered products for killing mildew, cleaning away the discoloration and protecting surfaces from future growth.

While you're checking the outside of your house for mildew, also be on the lookout for cracks or holes in siding or foundation walls. Repair the damage now before it gets worse.

Even though you aren't using them yet, don't forget about your air conditioners. Check for leaks, clean the filters and have necessary service performed before the mercury rises. "A quick check of your home's insulation and window seals is another good way to keep your airconditioning units operating at peak efficiency," says Rocchetta.

This spring, check the drainage around your home. When spring showers arrive, take advantage of the opportunity to inspect gutters and drainage tiles. A visual inspection on a rainy day will quickly reveal problems.

Finally, spring is a great time to gear up for big summer projects by taking a quick inventory of your toolbox, Rocchetta suggests. Do you have a good hammer, tape measure, wire cutters and a utility knife? How about screwdrivers and wrenches? You'll need them in various sizes and shapes for different applications. Do you have plenty of electrical tape, screws, nails and wood glue? Are your drills and saws in good working order? "Do-it-your-selfers should also make sure they have a good first-aid kit handy," Rocchetta adds with a grin.

Jim Rocchetta is vice president of Marketing for Handyman Connection, a nationwide network of home improvement and repair contractors. For more information, call (800) 88-HANDY or visit Handyman Connection online at www.handy-

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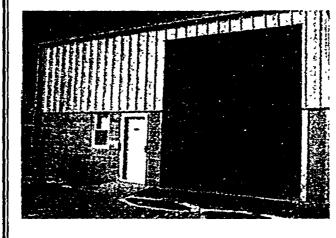
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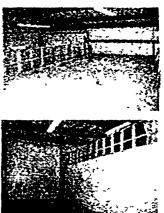
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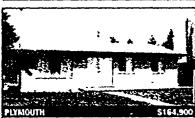
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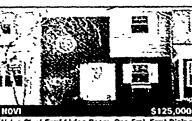


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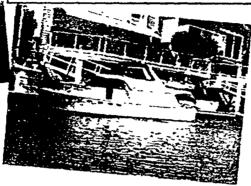


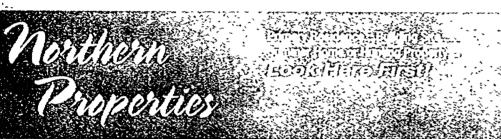
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- Eddie Mallad, RE/MAX Team 2000, of Dearborn Heights, top office average volume; top office average transactions; top office average commissions; top office total transactions;
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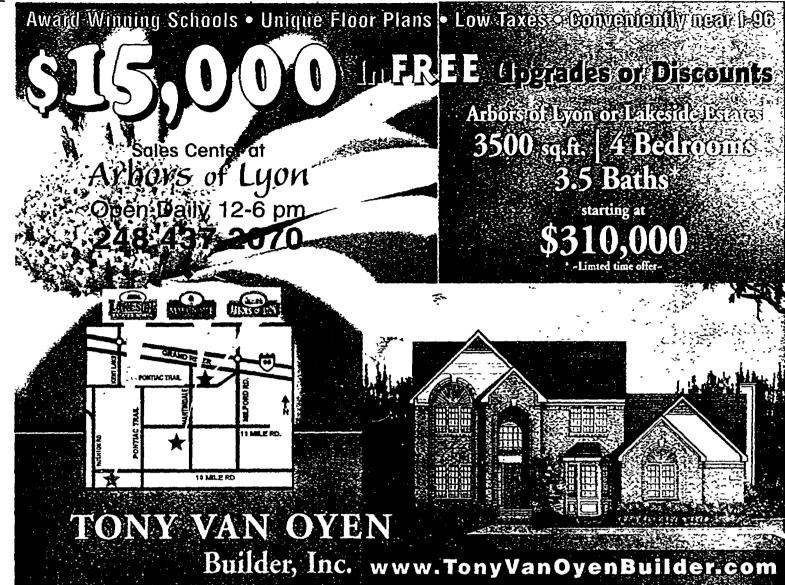
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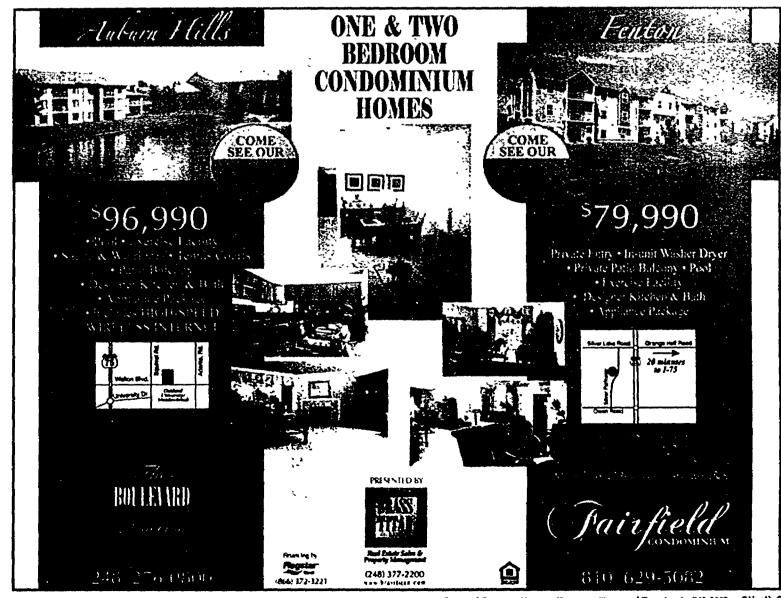
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# Local ordinance may limit number of horses allowed

Q. I am a developer who wishes to come up with an unique community dealing with maintenance of horses. I am wondering if you have any information about that.

A. There are communities that are particularly designed for equestrian communities. They obviously require specific types of restrictions to deal with the maintenance of horses, the protection of same and issues regarding the cost of maintenance. This is but one form of community association development in the form of condominiums. However, because it is a relatively new concept, you are best advised to hire an attorney who

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A. I can tell you that Barcelona, Marbella, in the Costa De Sol along the Mediterranean and Granada are burgeoning in development of new high rises including apartments for purchase. Valencia is also a city with tremendous magnetism in terms of the modern architecture and Madrid has traditional development in the city as well as the suburbs. The best opportunities, in my opinion, would be in the Barcelona area because of the international commerce with proximity to France and Italy from which a number of visitors frequent. The economy seems to be burgeoning, the

transportation system is excellent both in terms of the roadways and the rail system and the trade opportunities are excellent.

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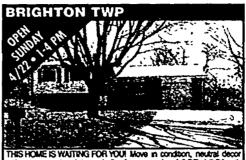
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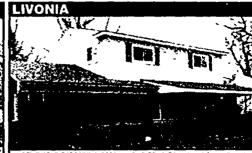
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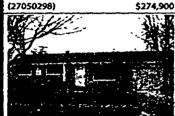


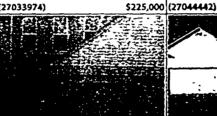




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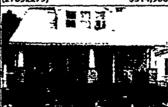






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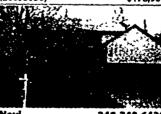








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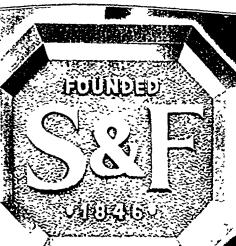








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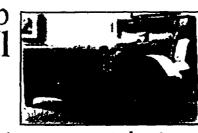
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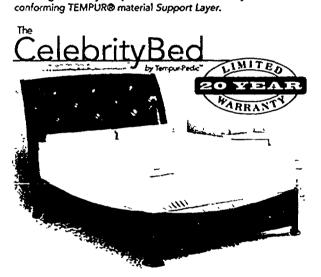


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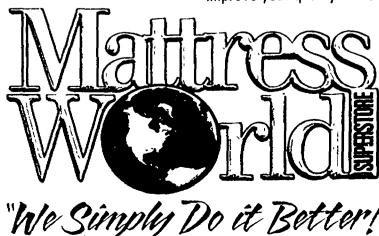






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20% off all fine jewelry already
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for misses, petities and women.
Orlg. \$10-\$34,
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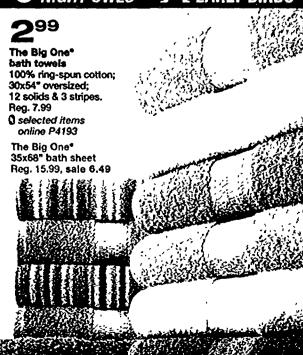
60% off
Knit tope for men
from Croft & Barrow,
Sonorine, Arrow and
Axist , Orig. \$14-\$38,
sale 5.60-15.20

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online P4192

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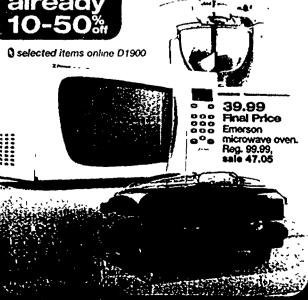


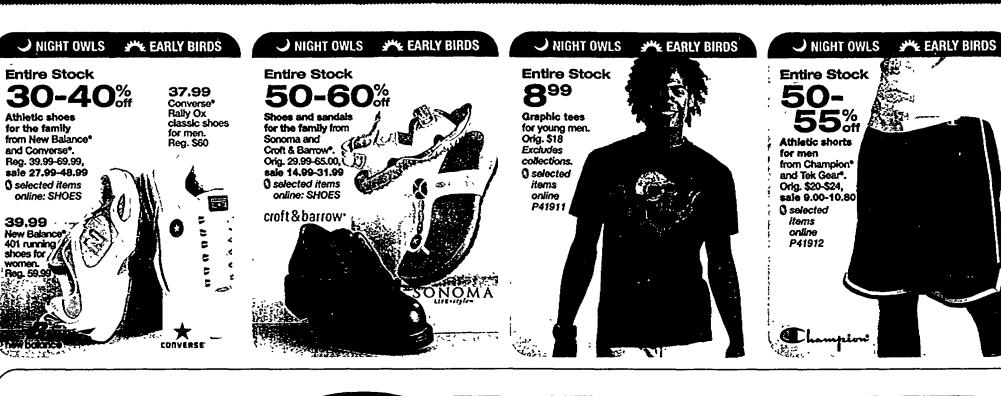
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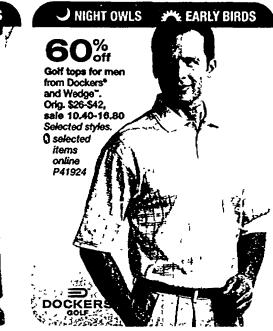
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Reg. \$65 ea., sale 19.99 ea.

→ NIGHT OWLS → ★ EARLY BIRDS



50-60% off Requirements', Chaps, Villager, Sag Harbor' and

Croft & Barrow sportswear for misses, petites & women. Orig. 14.00-99.50, sale 6.99-39.80 Selected styles. → NIGHT OWLS
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50-60% off N.Y.L.\*, Gloria Vanderbilt\* Sport

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for misses & petites, Orig. \$16-\$36, sale 6.40-18.00 Selected styles.

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for misses, petites

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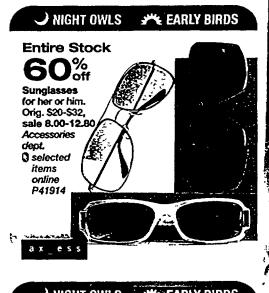
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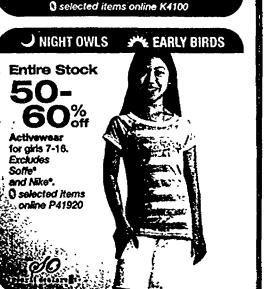












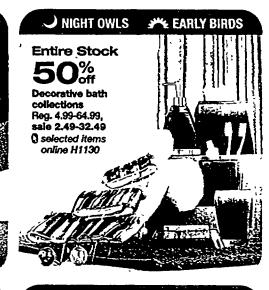




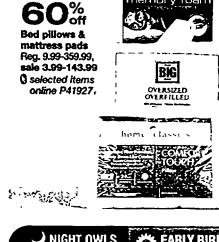


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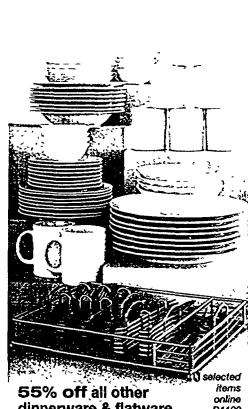
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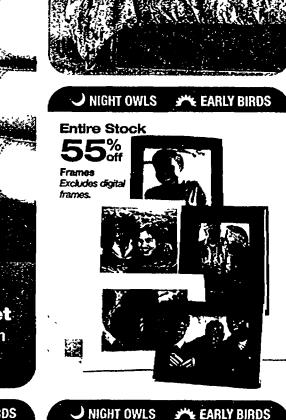
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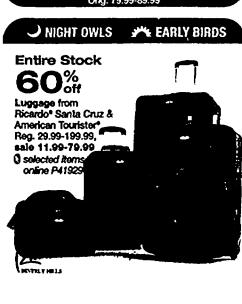




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Lee\* plain front and drawstring linen capris for misses. Orig. \$38 all other capris from Lee' & Gloria Vanderbilt' for misses and petites Orig. \$38, sale 21.99



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from Levi's\* & Dockers\* for misses. Orig. \$32-\$34 O selected items online P41932



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© selected items online P41934



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SO capris, shorts, skirts and 5-pkt. jeans for juniors. Orig. \$26-\$30, sale 12.99-14.99 3 selected items online P41935

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Sweaters &

woven tops

Orig. \$24-\$30.

sale \$12-\$18

Selected .

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**40**%

Active bottoms for juniors.
Ong. \$18-\$30, sale 10.80-18.00
Excludes MJ Soffe\* and collections. 0 selected items online P41936

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Entire stock 14k gold

Entire stock 1/4 ct T.W.

14k gold. Reg. \$300 ea.



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Orig. \$12-\$24, sale 6.00-14.40
Excludes collections.



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Fashion jewelry Orig. \$8-\$50, sale 5.36-37,50







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40-50% apt. 9º sportswear for misses, petites

and women. Orig. \$20-\$66, sale 9.99-39.60 Selected items online KOHLS.COM

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10% Fine fragrances Reg. 4.50-70.00, sale 4.05-63.00 Excludes America

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Panties & Innerwear Reg. 3/\$15 to \$21 ea., sale 3/9.00 to 12.60 ea. Excludes Jockey® & bra coordinates. 3 selected items online P41940

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villager

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30-50% Socks & flip-flops for her. Orig. \$6-\$18, sale 3.00-10.80 Villager 0 selected items online P41941



16<sup>99</sup> Dras from Vanity Fair\*, Bair\*, Lity of France\* & barely there\*. Reg. \$25-\$30 Selected styles.

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40% off entire stoc epwear, loungewear & robes for her. Orig. \$12-\$58, sale 7.20-\$4.80

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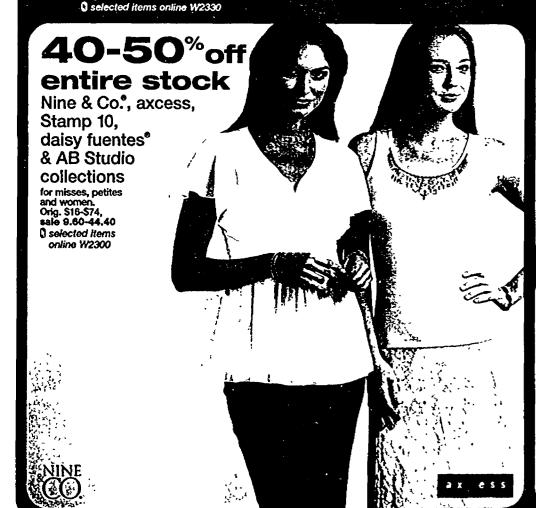
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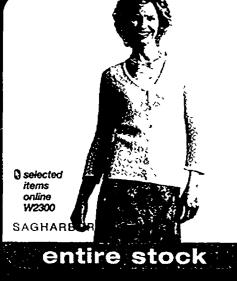
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sale 9.00-59.10

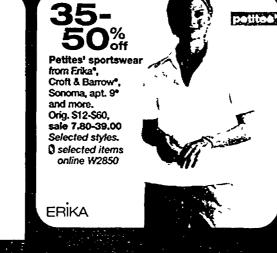
We've made it easy. Final price is marked on the ticket. We do the math. You enjoy the savings.

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Athletic active and

fitnesswear for misses. Orig. \$16-\$54,

sale 8.00-43.20 Selected styles.

items online W1300

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40-50% Oh Baby!" by Motherhood\* maternity appare Orig. \$16-\$44, sale 9.60-26,40 Selected items online W2820

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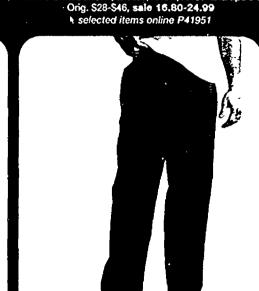
35% Swimwear for misses, juniors and women. Orig. \$24-\$86, sale 15.60-55.90 **O** selected Items online: KOHLS.COM

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Orig. \$24-\$50, sale 9.60-27.99 Selected styles.



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Swimwear for men. Orig. \$18-\$42, sale 9.99-24.99 a selected items online P41959

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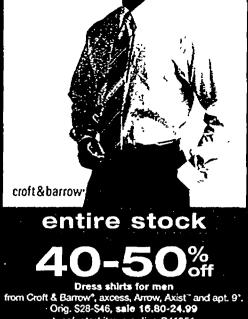
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Shorts
for men. Orig. \$28-\$44, sale 14.99-27.99
Excludes athletic. \( \) selected items online P41958



45-50% off entire stock casual pants for men from Sonoma, Croft & Barrow' and Axist'. Orig. \$40-\$50, sale 20.00-27,50



40-50%

online P41952



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Shorts for young men from Lee® Dungarees, Unionbay®, U.S. Polo Assa and Tony Hawk. Orig. \$34-\$44 O selected items online P41963 DUNGAREES

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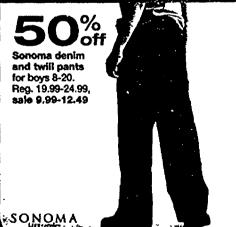
Shorts for

young men from Plugg\* and Urban Pipeline\*. Orig. \$30-\$36

Selected items online P41964



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40-50% Dresses
for girls 4-16, toddlers, infants and newborns.

Excludes Candie's'. \( \) selected items online P41968

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**40**%

Excludes Banzai Blast

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Swimwear for girls 4-16, boys 4-20, toddlers and infants. \*\* selected items online K3300 \*\*



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**50**%

Sets for toddlers, boys 4-7 and girls 4-6x. Excludes athletic.



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Tony Hawk\* collections
for boys 4-20.
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Off
Nike\* activewear
for boys 4-7, girls 4-6x, toddiers and infants.
It selected items online: NIKE



**50**% off



40-50% off entire stock Chaps sportswear collections for boys 4-20, girls 4-16, toddlers and infants.

\* selected items online: CHAPS

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Collections for girls 4-16. Excludes Candie's\*.

entire stock

Excludes TMX Elmo

and baby gear.

A selected items

Carter's\* rompers, sunsults and dress sets for newborns and Infants. Orig. \$13 ea., sale 7.99 3 selected items online P41970

entire stock

entire stock athletic apparel for boys 8-20 from Tek Gear' and Russell' Alhletic. Orig. \$15-\$20, sale 7.50-10.00 \$ selected items online P41973



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Sheet sets Orig. 19.99-209.99, sale 9.99-104.99 Bed pillows and mattress pads Reg. 9.99-359.99, sale 4.99-179.99 Selected items online P41976

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8.79 ROYAL VELVET Home Classics twin quilt set. Orlg. 59.99 bath towel. Reg. \$18

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**50**% Orig. 29.99-169.99, sale 14.99-84.99

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**50-60**‰

Bath towels & bath rugs Excludes embellished towels & Selected items online P41977

30-50%

Entire stock running shoes for kids. Orig. 34.99-44.99, sale 24.49-31.49 Excludes athletic shoes designated as HIGH-PERFORMANCE.

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Luggage Reg. 29.99-379.99, sale 14.99-189.99 © selected items online H1740

Selected items online H3900 **50**% off entire stock frames, albums & decorative art Excludes digital frames. ■ Y.= '-1

89<sup>99</sup>

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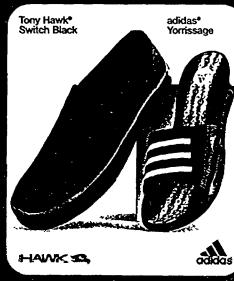
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entire stock of shoes and sandals on sale



**40**% off entire stock shoes and sandals for Women from Mootsies Tootsies & Rialto -rialto





30-40% Entire stock athletic shoes and sandals for the family from adidas\* and Tony Hawk\*. Reg. 19.99-69.99, sale 13.99-48.99

Shop online: SHOES

Mudd

bongo

40%f **39**99 Entire stock shoes & sandais Shoes & sandals for men. Orig. 59.99-69.99 Selected styles. for juniors from Mudd' and Bongo'. Orig. 34.99-49.99, sale 20.99-29.99 © selected items online P41979

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**50**% Dinnerware and flatware Selected items online D1100



**10-50**%

3 selected items online H2400

69.99 Exclusively at Kohl's After \$20 mail-in rebate Farberware\* Specialti 14-pc. nonstick Reg. 149.99, sale 89.99 FARBERWARE

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10-50% Selected items online: KOHLS.COM



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Floor care

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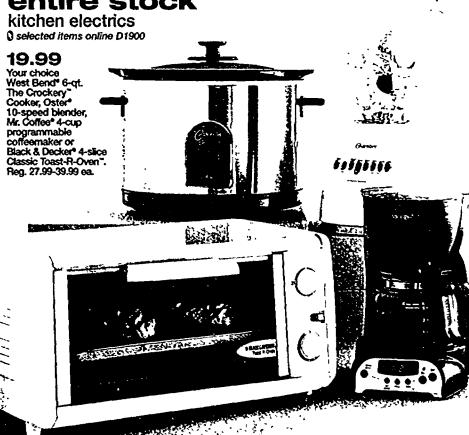
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Cuttery Henckels\* 44.99 Basic Essential

10-50% off entire stock kitchen electrics

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bras from Bali\*, Playtex\*, Warner's\*,

Olga®, Maidenform®, Lily of France®, Vanity Fair® and barely there® Reg. S20-S31 Selected styles. © selected items online P4194

**EARLY BIRDS** 

→ NIGHT OWLS

50-60% off entire stock

dress shirts and neckwear for men from Croft & Barrow and Arrow. Orig. \$25-\$46, sale \$12-\$23



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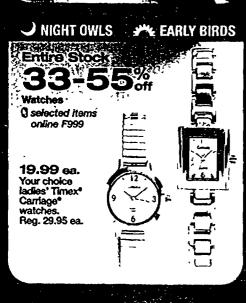
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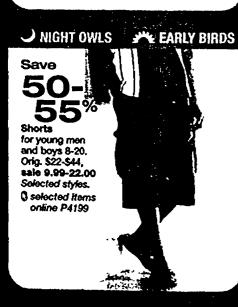


















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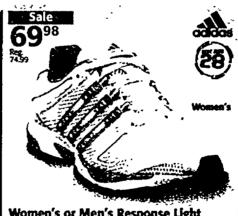
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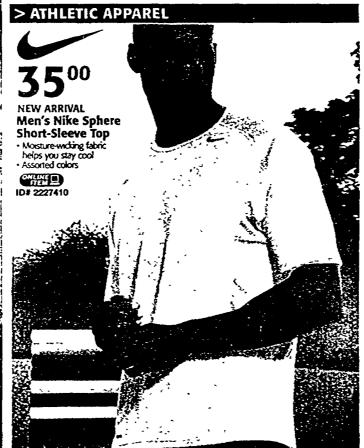
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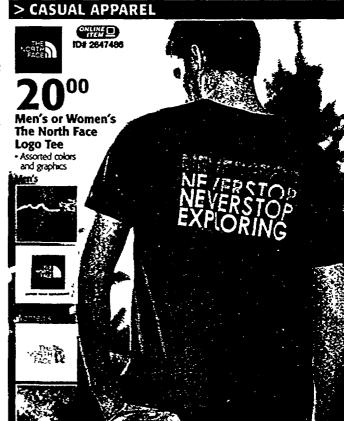
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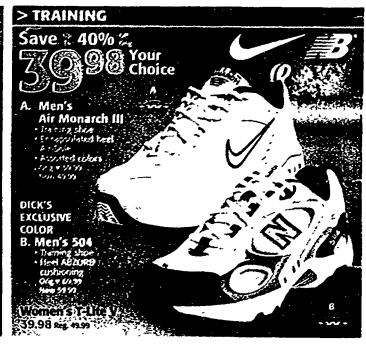
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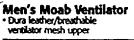
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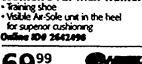
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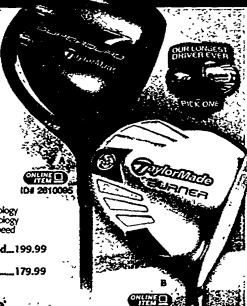
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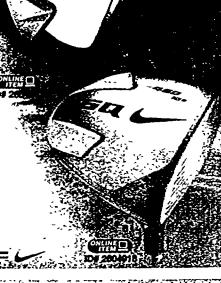
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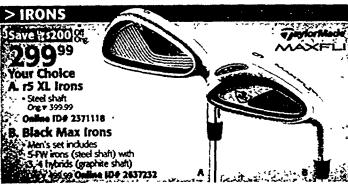


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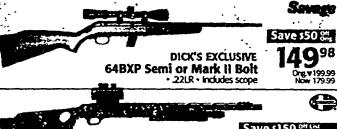


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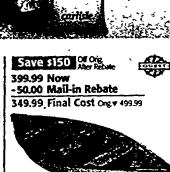
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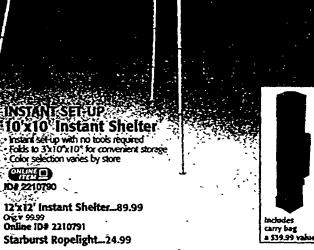


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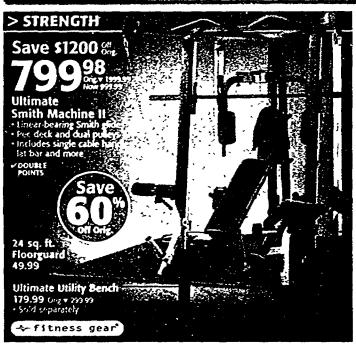
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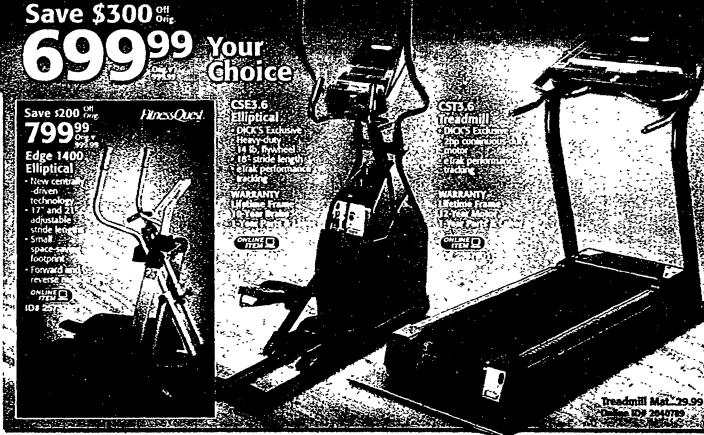
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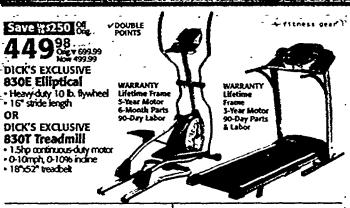














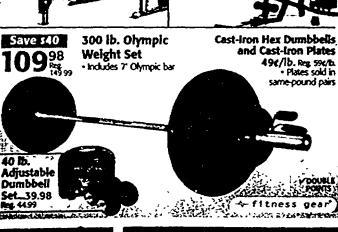










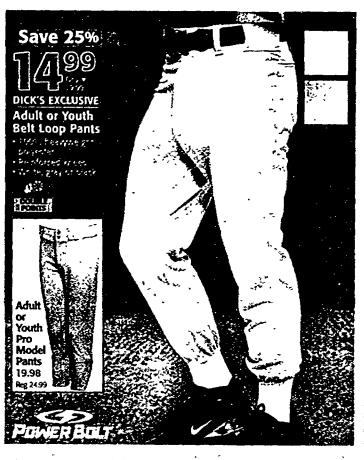




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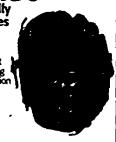
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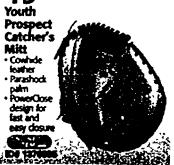


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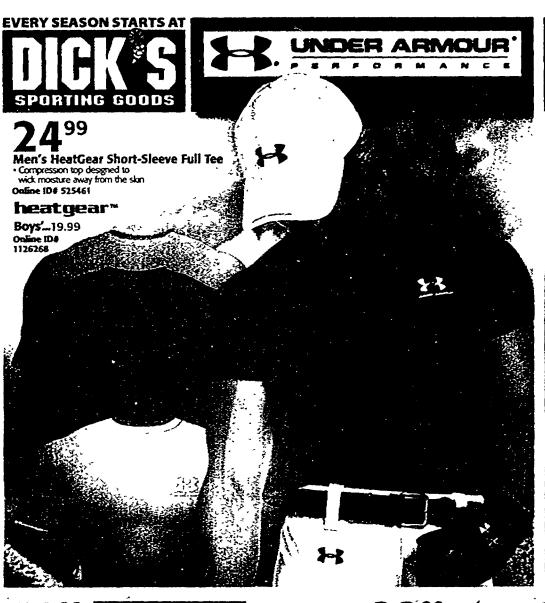
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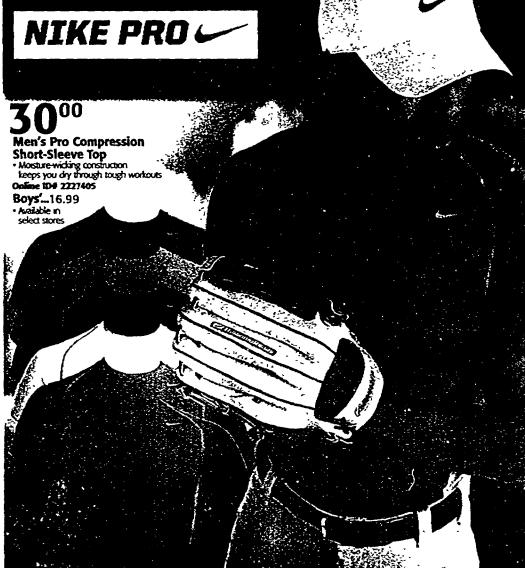




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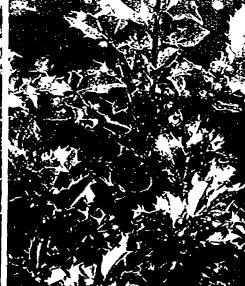
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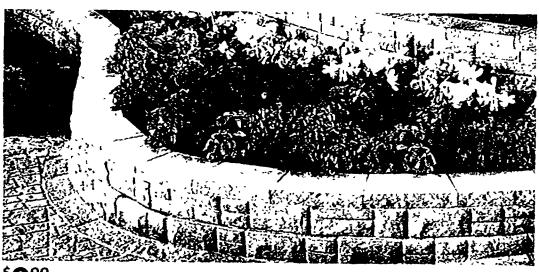
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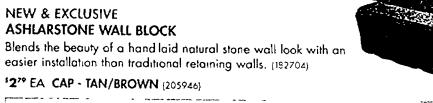
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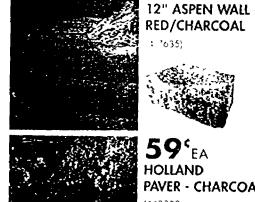


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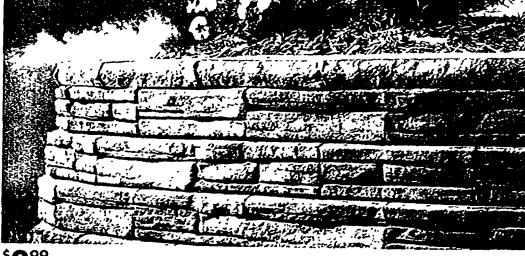












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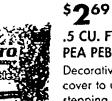


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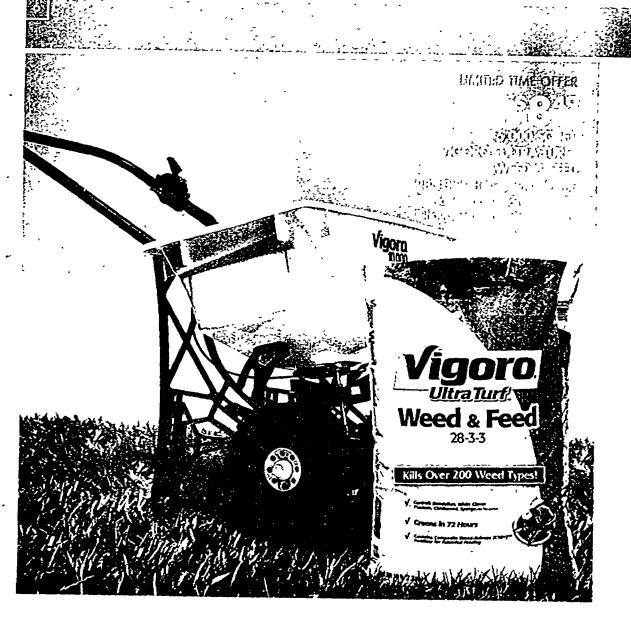
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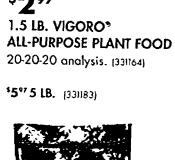
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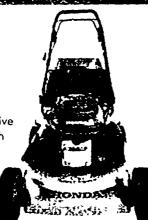
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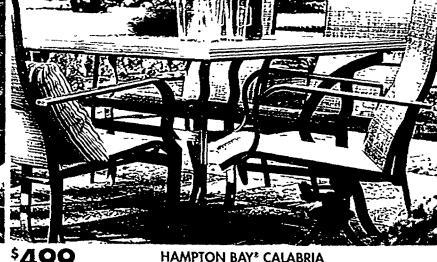


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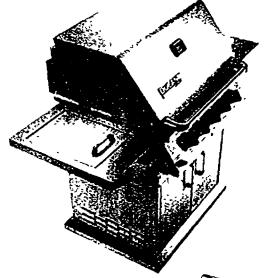
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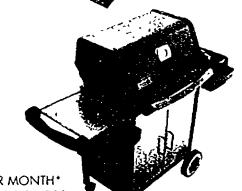
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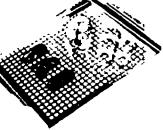


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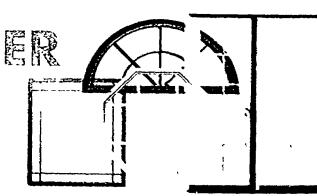
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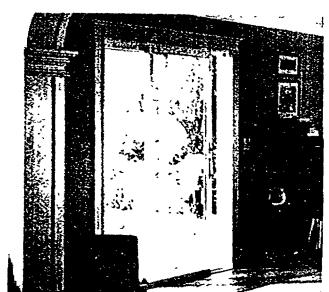


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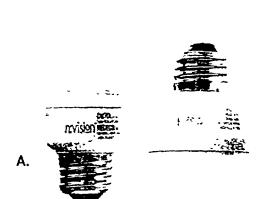




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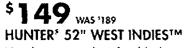


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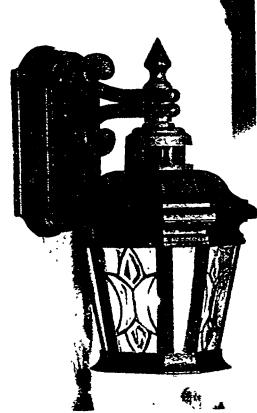
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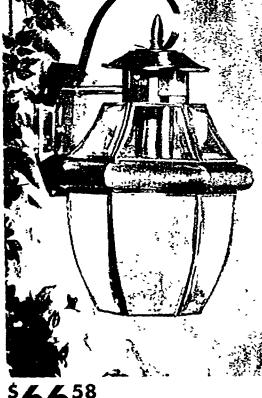
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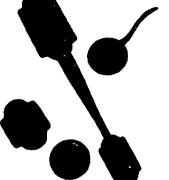


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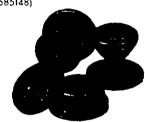
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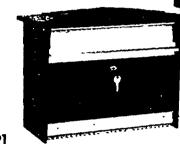


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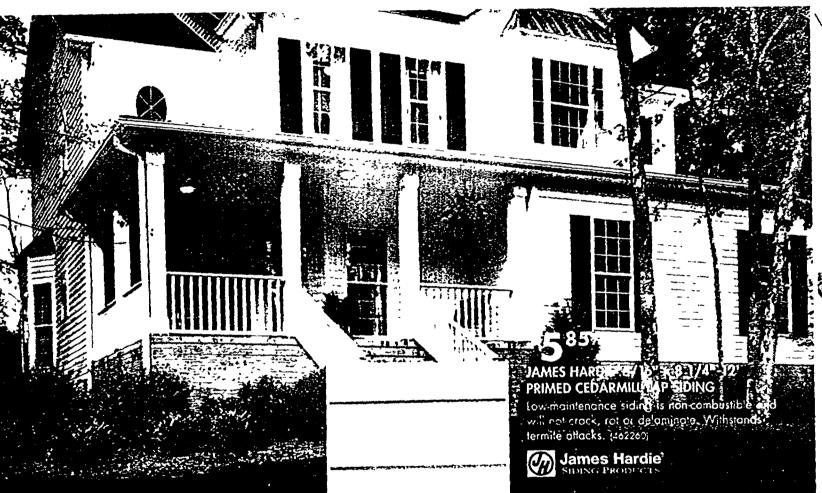
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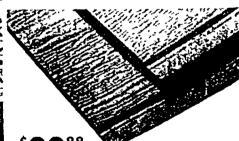
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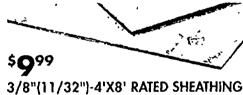
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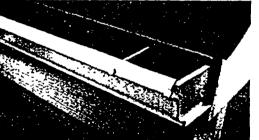
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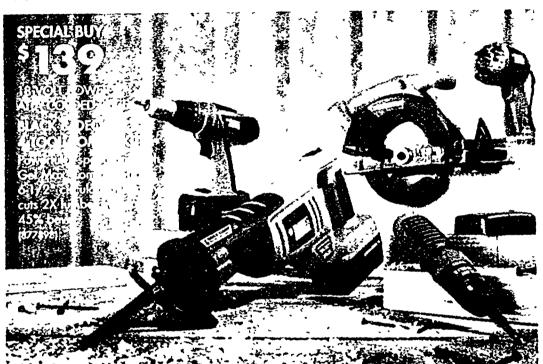


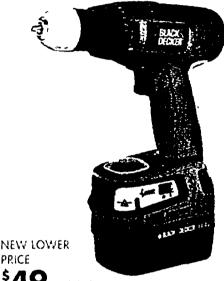
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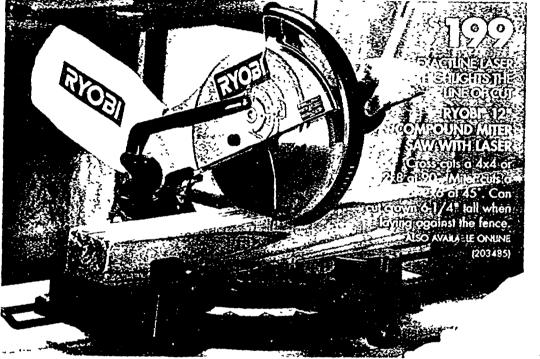
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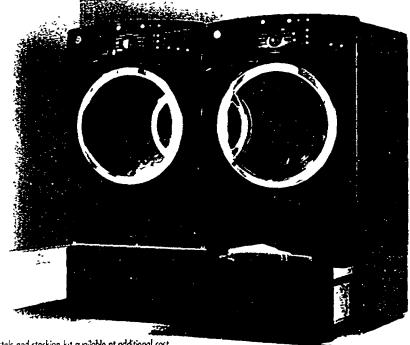
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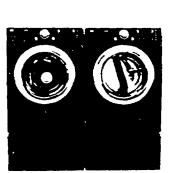


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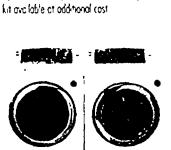
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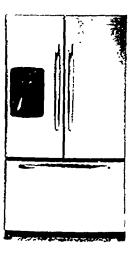
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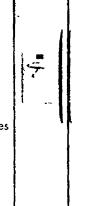
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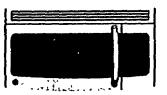
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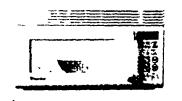
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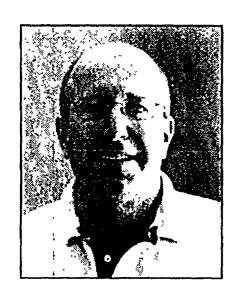


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### 1. Trying to do it yourself is a waste of money and time.

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### 2. The "Which method is better?" trap is a game some carpet cleaners play to lure you into paying for a gimmick.

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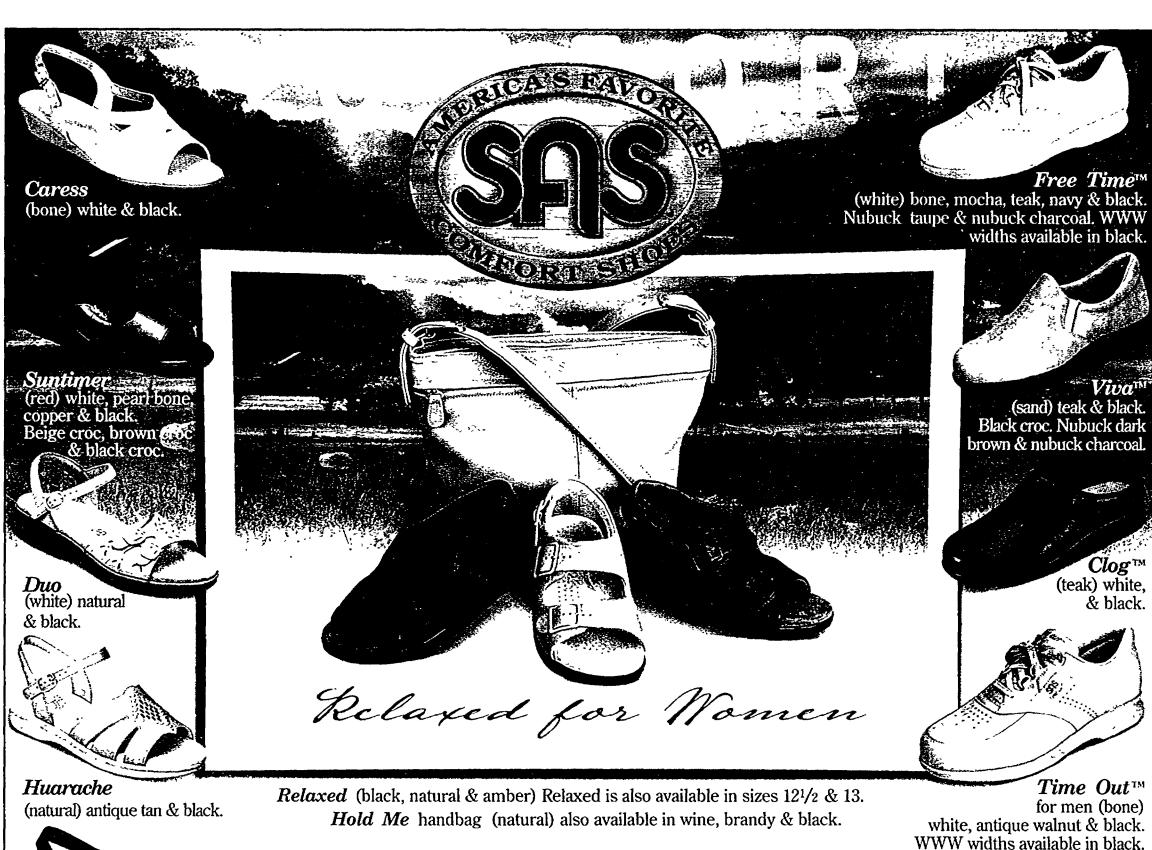
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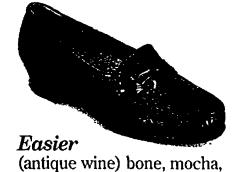
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# At The Social

### FESTIVE IDEAS FORYOUR CHURCH SOCIAL

### **Promote Your Church Social**

Plan ahead for a successful church social. Here are some great ways to promote your next event.

- Select a publicity person or small committee whose job it is to focus specifically on getting the word out.
- Create an eye-catching flyer containing the date, time and location of the event.
- Place the flyers in highly visible locations: church bulletin boards, classrooms, information table at the church, the windshields of the cars in the church parking lot. Even businesses throughout the community (grocery stores, convenience markets, the barber shop) might display a flyer for you.
- List the event in your local newspaper's church section or calendar of events page, as well as in your church newsletter or worship guide.
- Announcements from the pulpit are effective, even if it's a simple mention and a reminder that information can be found in the church newsletter or bulletin.
- Create a decorative bulletin board that will remind members
  of the upcoming event; If your event is scheduled around
  a special holiday or season, get creative with colors and
  textures and include photographs from past socials.
- Think creatively! If the weather is nice, write a reminder in chalk on a sidewalk in a high-traffic area close to the church.

With a little bit of planning and organization, you can ensure that your church socials will be well-attended, successful gatherings!

### **Keep The Kids Happy**

Here are some fun ideas to keep the kids busy.

GRIN OR BEAR IT All players but one line up in a row. One player moves down the line, making faces to try to make players

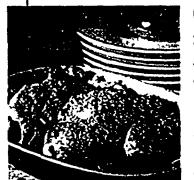
laugh. The children standing in line try not to laugh. The first player to laugh takes the next turn trying to make the others laugh.



Create an area or corner just for children and decorate it with pictures, or pages from children's books. Ask parents to bring one of their child's favorite books to the event and have an adult read to the kids. The "station" can also be used for puppet shows, a game of Simon Says, or face painting.



FACE PAINTING Face painting kits are available at art supply stores and the crafts section of department stores. Have one or two grown-ups painting faces: bears, clowns, cats – and almost anything a youngster dreams up. Use clips or a hair band to keep long hair out of the way and ask kids to close their eyes while you paint around them.



### Campbell's® Chicken Broccoli Divan

Prep: 10 min. Bake: 30 min. Makes: 4 servings

4 cups fresh or frozen broccoli flowerets

4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves

1 can (10 3/4 oz.) Campbell's\* Cream of Chicken Soup (Regular or 98% Fat Free)

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- Arrange broccoli and chicken in 12" x 8" shallow baking dish.
   Stir soup and milk in bowl and pour over broccoli and chicken.
- 2. Still South and little in bowl and pour over blocked and chicken.
- 3. Sprinkle with cheese. Mix bread crumbs with butter and sprinkle over top.
- 4. Bake at 350°F. for 30 min. or until chicken is cooked through and bread crumbs are browned.

1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
2 tbsp. dry bread crumbs







# Campbella Green Bean Casserole Prep: 10 min. Bake: 30 min.

- 2 cans (10 3/4 oz. each) Campbell's\* Cream of Mushroom Soup (Regular or 25% Less Sodium)
- 1 cup milk
- 2 tsp. soy sauce
- 1/4 tsp. ground black pepper
- 8 cups cooked cut green beans
- 2 2/3 cups French's\* French Fried Onions

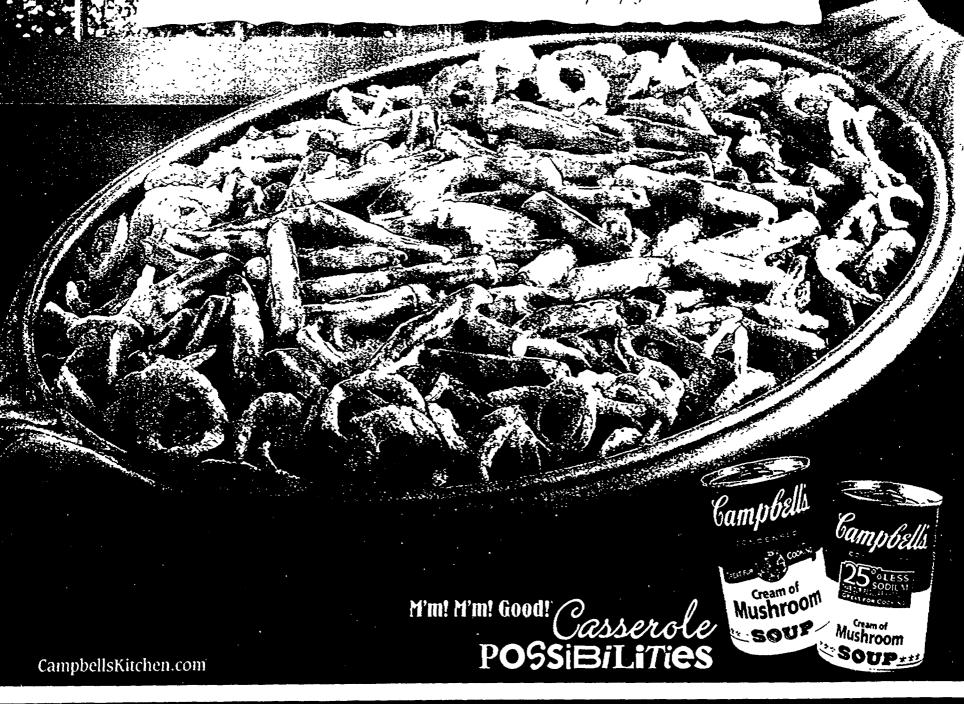
- 1. Stir soup, milk, soy sauce, pepper, beans and 1 1/3 cups onions in a 3-qt. casserole.
- 2. Bake at 350°F. for 25 min. or until hot. Stir.
- 3. Top with remaining onions. Bake for 5 min. more. Makes 12 servings.



Cheese Lovers: Omit soy sawc. Stir in 1/2 cup shredded Cheddar with soup. Sprinkle additional cheese as desired when topping with onions.



Change of Pace: Substitute 4 cups cooked broccoli florets for green beans.



### Ask American Profile

The voice of Kim Possible is supplied by Christy Carlson Romano.

Who does the voice for the cartoon character Kim Possible? My daughter loves the show and says it's someone she's heard before.

—Betty Houser, St. Louis, Mo.

Your daughter has a good ear. The crime-fighting heroine of the Disney Channel's popular Kim Possible series is voiced by Christy Carlson Romano, 22, who previously starred as Ren Stevens in the Disney series Even Stevens. The Milford, Conn., native also is a wonderful singer and dancer who's appeared on Broadway in Beauty and the Beast, Annie, Parade, The Will Rogers Follies and The Sound of Music, and last year published her first novel, Grace's Turn, about a small-town girl who dreams of becoming a star.



What's going on these days with one of my favorite singers from the 1970s, Maria Muldaur? And was that her real name? -John Karlson, Alma, Mich.

Muldaur, who was born Maria Grazia Rosa Domenica D'Amato, had a smash hit single in 1974 with "Midnight at the Oasis." Now 63, she lives in San Francisco and continues to record and tour. Her latest CD, Heart of Mine: Love Songs of Bob Dylan, was released to rave reviews last year.

Of all the songs Elvis Presley recorded, which was his favorite? -Linda Aliff. Spring Hill, Fla.

Presley often remarked that his favorite was "It's Now or Never." Based on the Italian song "O Sole Mio" and re-tooled into a catchy cha-cha by American songwriters Wally Gold and Aaron Schroeder specifically for Presley, it became his 14th No. 1 single in July 1960, four months after his discharge from the U.S. Army.

I recently saw the great William Hurt in an episode of Nightmares and Dreamscapes in which he battled toy soldiers. He didn't have a word of dialogue, but he still was riveting. Can you tell me how he got his start?

—Craig Prewitt, Valencia, Calif.

Hurt, 56, studied acting in college and did a lot of theater work before getting in front of the cameras. His first TV role was a small part in an episode of Kojak, but the movies Body Heat and Altered States made him a star. He took the role in the "Battleground" episode of Nightmares and Dreamscapes, available on DVD, because he liked the idea of



the mortal combat between his character, a strictly business hit man, and the tiny plastic soldiers. "Violence amongst humans is absurd and ridiculous," he says. "So when it takes place between humans and toys, it serves as a parody of human violence."

I'd like some info on one of my favorite comedians from the "old days," Jackie Vernon. -L.G. Hermes. Hot Springs. Ark.

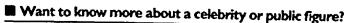
Vernon, a stand-up comedian whose low-key, self-deprecating humor earned him the nickname "The King of Deadpan," died in 1987 after suffering a heart attack. He was 63. He's also remembered as the voice of Frosty the Snowman in the perennially popular animated Christmastime TV special, which began airing in 1969.

1 loved contestant Bucky Covington on last season's American Idol. What's he been doing since the show? Anna G., Oak Ridge, Tenn.

The North Carolina native, 29, left his day job-working in his father's autobody shop alongside his identical twin brother, Rocky-when Idol fame came calling. Though he didn't win the talent contest, he completed a sold-out tour of 39 cities with other finalists from the show and appeared on The Tonight Show. Fox and Friends, Regis and Kelly and Larry King Live. Covington's debut CD, a self-titled country-rock mix produced by Mark Miller of the country band Sawyer Brown, has just been released.

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American Idol contestant **Bucky Covington** 



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McKee, 66, fondly recalls a trip to rural Maine in 1993 where the pair found themselves at a gas station along a dark, two-lane road, surrounded by burly, leather-clad bikers. "We were somewhat unnerved," she says.

The curious bikers asked the two women what they were doing all alone in such an unlikely place. "We're looking for cookbooks," they replied. "Soon we were carrying on a conversation about food with some very nice people who happened to ride bikes," recalls Moseley, 69. "When we told them about the cookbooks we publish, they all laughed, said they loved to cook, and invited us to their campsite for dinner."

Barbara Moseley (left) and Gwen McKee mapped out an adventurous plan that took them across America.





The popular Best of the Best State Cookbook series

Cooking up an idea

The genesis of the cookbook ladies adventures began with a suggestion from Gwen's husband, Barney, then director of the University of Mississippi Press

"In 1978, a little manuscript called *The Twelte Days of Christmas Cookbook* came to him, and he couldn't do anything with a cookbook at a scholarly press," McKee recalls. "But I thought it was too clever to pass up. He said, 'Why don't you publish it?' So I did!"

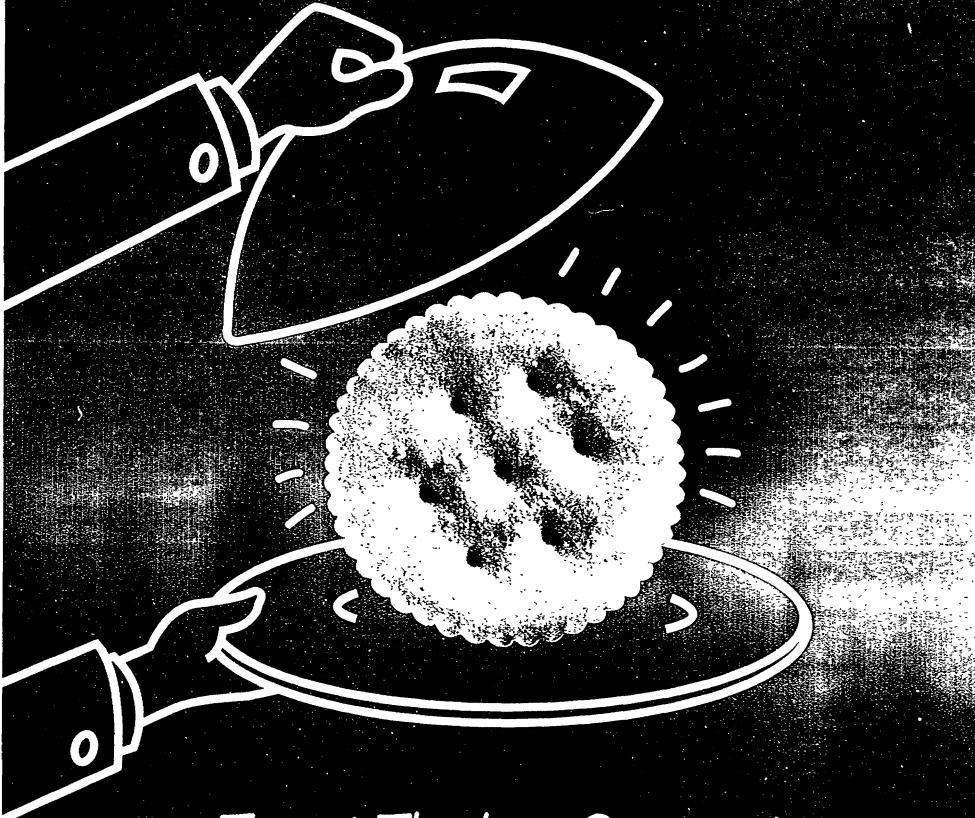
At age 37, she created Quail Ridge Press, named after the street where she lives in Brandon (pop. 16,436), and each year since she has published at least one therned cookbook, such as *The Little Gumbo Book* (1986), *The Complete Venison* Cookbook (1996) and Beyond Grits and Gravy (2004).

Friends and family started asking Gwen to recommend her favorite cookbooks and, again, Barney smelled a publishing opportunity. "You ought to do a book on the best of the best cookbooks," he said. So McKee pulled some cookbooks from her shelves, picked out her favorite recipes, and printed 4,000 copies of the Best of the Best from Missistipp Cookbook in 1982. Three weeks later, they went into a second printing, and McKee realized she was on to something.

"After Mississippi, I knew how much work was involved, so I asked Barbara, my longtime friend and golf partner, to help," McKee says. "I told her I couldn't pay her at first, but we are so much alike, and she loves to travel, so she said, "When do we kave?"

On the road

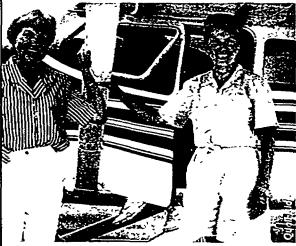
In the beginning, the pair packed a van with drinks and sandwiches because they couldn't afford to eat out. McKee (Continued on page 8)



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McKee and Moseley viewed Kentucky by air in the 1980s and dined on Maine lobster in 1993.

usually drove, while Moseley navigated with a map in her lap. On and off from 1982 to 2004, they stopped at bookstores in Texas, chambers of commerce in Kansas, tourist bureaus in New York, drugstores in Ohio, and any other place that might stock a treasured local cookbook or offer a lead to great recipes. They discovered Kentucky baked pork chops in Kuttaway, Ky., moose kabobs in Palmer, Alaska, and curried corn soup in Manhattan, N.Y. At night in their motel rooms, they flipped through telephone directories and pored over maps to determine where to drive next. Sometimes they headed to bed-and-breakfast inns, while other days they visited local restaurants.

In Punaluu, Oahu, Hawaii, they met Irene Theofanis in 2003 at her Shrimp Shack restaurant. After tasting her delectable pan-fried shrimp, they included the recipe in their *Best of the Best of Hawaii Cookbook*. "They were warm and fun and friendly, and truly interested in getting the best recipes they could," Theofanis says. "I was very happy to be in their Hawaii cookbook . . . I'm getting a lot of business from it, too."



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Moseley and McKee's 23-year journey yielded recipes and amusing misadventures.

McKee and Moseky spoke with Ann Berg of Nikiski, Alaska (pop. 4,327), after discovering her Grannie Annie cookbooks in 2002 in a gift shop in Kenai (pop. 6,942). "They used 33 of my recipes in the Best of Alaska Cookbook. including one for Alaskan enchiladas, called Alaskaladas, that's made with moose burgers," Berg says. "Oh, wow, what a compliment to me. They are the friendliest people."

The ladies' adventures weren't always trouble-free. Flat tires, overheated radiators and unsanitary restrooms were among their misadventures—usually a result of getting lost. A wrong turn in Miami routed them into an area where a group of ruffians pounded McKee's van with their fists. When they got lost in the Florida Everylades after dark, they sang hymns to quell their fears.

"Some of our getting lost on the road led us to more interesting things, more cookbooks, and people who taught us about what they ear and what they grow," Moseky says.

Through the years, the pair has learned to embrace the unexpected—especially on promotional tours for their cookbooks, which often involve television appearances. For instance, some shows don't have a kitchen on site, which requires innovative cooking prior to the show. "We made a fish salad in a motel room in Florida," Moseley says. "We had to chop the onions on a little table, and we boiled the fish in the coffeepot. Our room smelled awful."

Then there was the time that McKee turned over an upside-down pie on live television, and it failed to leave its pan. "It was a tee-total mess," she says, "but everybody identified with us, and we sold lots of cookbooks."

Another time, they refrigerated a roast at the TV station to use for a next-day appearance. The following day, it was gone. They eventually found their beautiful roast in a garbage can, washed it off, covered it with barbecue sauce, garnished it with small poratoes and tomatoes, and presented it on the show. "We told the host, 'Don't you dare taste it," says McKee, who makes frequent appearances on the QVC home shopping network.

Today, the Best of the Best State Cookbook series includes 41 books (some states are grouped together) and continues to grow as McKee, Moseky and the 11-member

staff at Quail Ridge Press update each volume with new recipes. The new editions, like the originals, will include photos from the road and snippets of information on points of interest in each state.

There's always one more

With their success, McKee and Moseley travel mostly by airplane these days, and do initial research for new books via the Internet.

"We wouldn't take anything for having gone to each state, though," Moseley says. "We learned so much about the people, the produce and the culture behind the cuisine during our travels. We also got to sample signature dishes like clam chowder in Boston, hot browns in Louisville and crab Louis in California."

With a roster of three to four cookbooks per year, you'd think they would run out of ideas.

"Oh, no," Moseley says. "There's always one more book."

Elaine Hobson Miller is a writer in Ashville, Ala.

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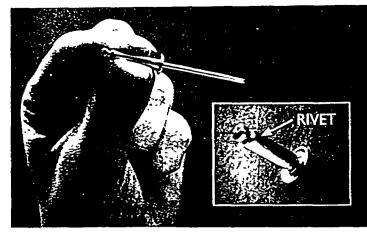


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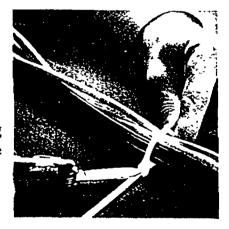






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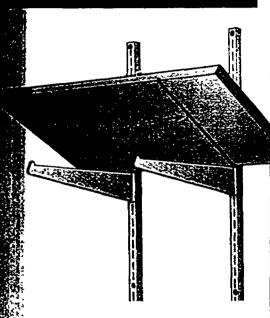


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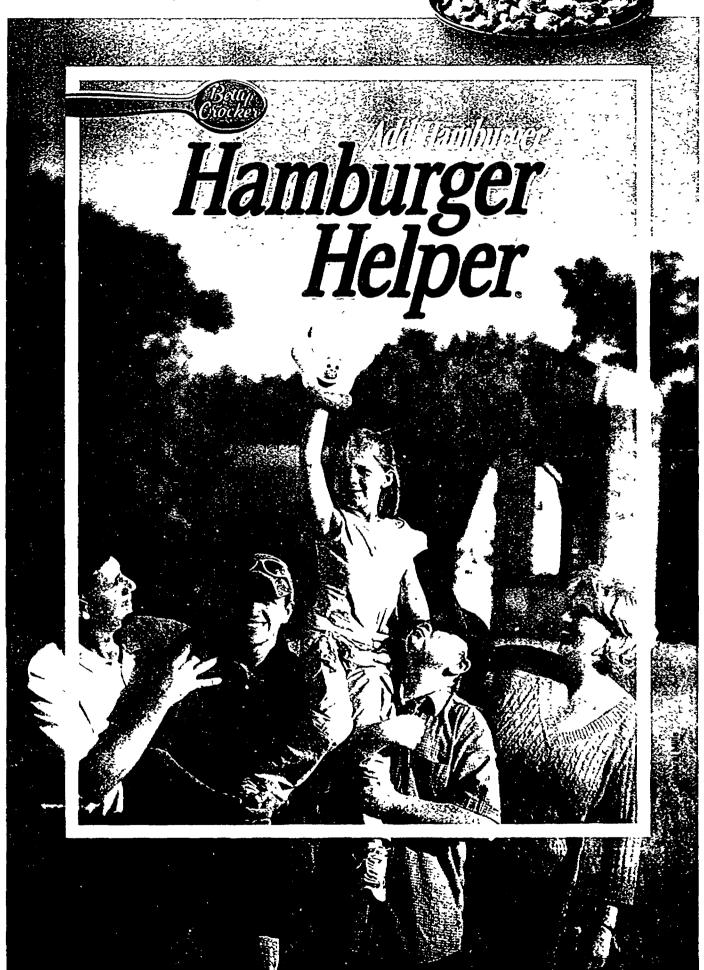
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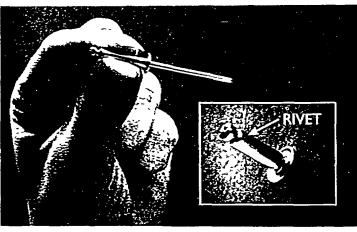
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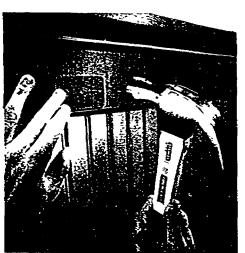


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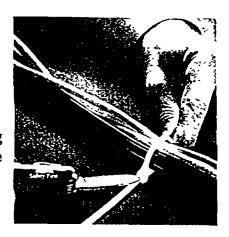






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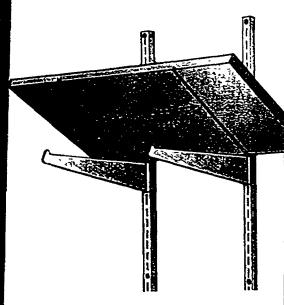
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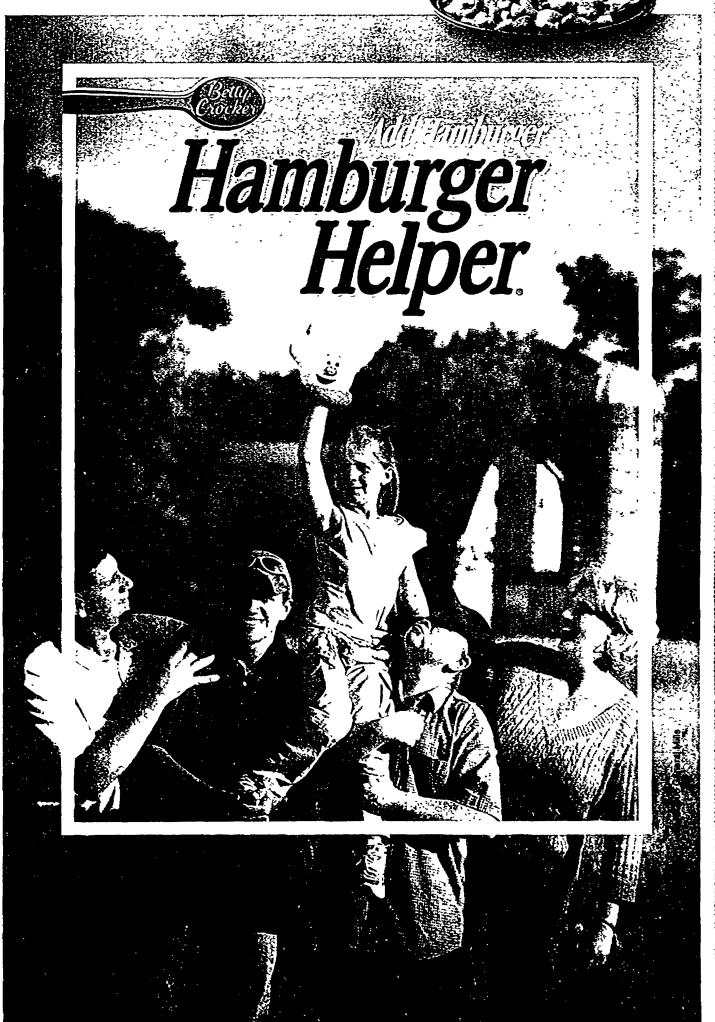
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by ROBYN HOFFMAN

# Hero Granting Hero Prom Wishes

White lights twinkle in the atrium of the CityPlex Towers in Tulsa, Okla., casting a faint glow on Tiffany Grant's pink satin formal as she glides across the dance floor with her date. Water cascades from a nearby fountain and a slow country ballad pours through the speakers. The girl from nearby Sperry, Okla., (pop. 981)

is momentarily swept away by all the pomp and pageantry.

Donated corsages and jewelry complete the formal outfits.

But when a smiling Lauren Bradshaw dances by in a peach dress, the significance of the evening crystallizes for Grant, 18.

"When you see a moment like that, it makes everything worth the effort," says the founder of Prom Wishes Inc., which provides prom dresses and tuxedos to teenagers who can't afford them. "It's an amazing feeling to see someone have so much fun and know that you helped make the moment special for them."

Last year's prom night was particularly

meaningful for Grant, a graduating senior who started Prom Wishes in 2002 as a 4-H project. She began with a few hand-me-down gowns and gave them to 19 girls the first year. Since then, nearly 800 girls and a handful of boys from across Oklahoma have received dresses and tuxedos from the organization.

"This is my passion," Grant says. "I just got hooked from the very beginning.



Tiffany Grant of Sperry, Okla., started Prom Wishes Inc. as a 4-H project.

Nobody deserves to stay home from prom because they can't afford to go."

Bradshaw is thankful for the project that outfitted her with formal gowns for her junior and senior years. There would have been no proms for the 2006 Sperry High School graduate without Grant's help.

There's no way I could have afforded to go," Bradshaw says. "I would've felt like I missed a big part of my high school years. I'm grateful that I had the opportunity to go.

Prom Wishes does more than provide the dress, however. Like all the other teens, Bradshaw also received jewelry, a matching purse, corsage and even a boutonniere for her date, plus a \$25 gasoline card and gift certificates for a manicure and hairstyle. Individuals donate the dresses and tuxedos while local and area businesses contribute everything else. The formal attire

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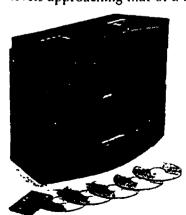
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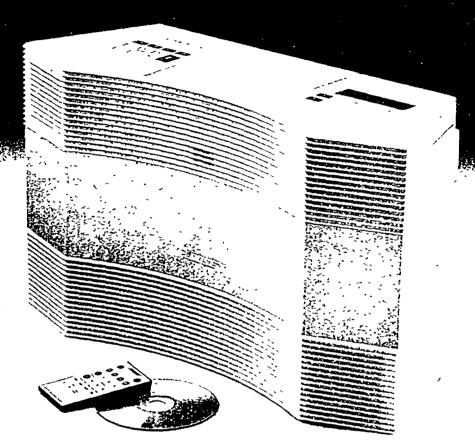
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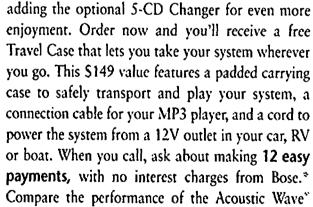
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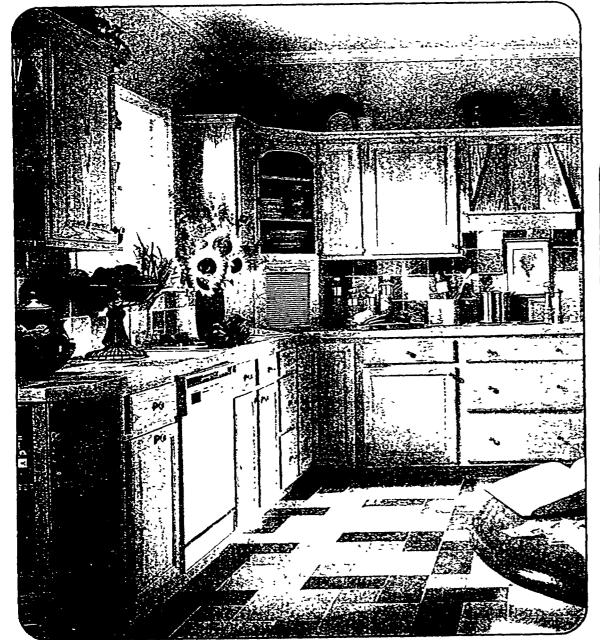
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Arlene Ruhstorfer's Company Salad also is a crowd pleaser. "Everyone insists that I bring this salad to all of our family gatherings," says the Mayville, Mich., resident.

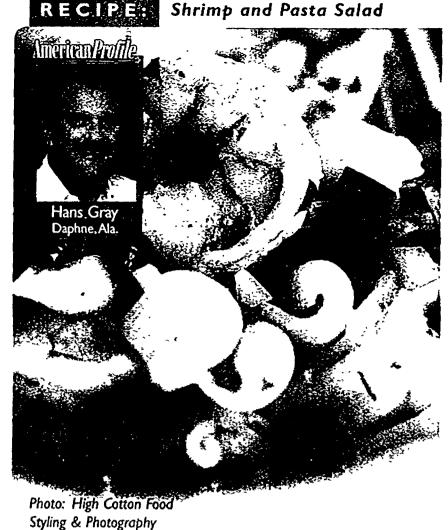
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- 2 to 3 garlic cloves, minced Salt and pepper
- 1/2 cup Italian dressing, or to taste
- I. Cook pasta according to package directions; rinse and drain well.
- 2. Combine pasta, onion, bell pepper, tomato and olives in a large bowl.
- 3. Heat olive oil in a skillet. Add shrimp and garlic. Season with salt and pepper. Sauté until shrimp turn pink, 3 to 5 minutes. Do not overcook. Remove shrimp from skillet and cool.
- 4. Stir cooled shrimp into pasta mixture. Pour Italian dressing over all and mix until well coated. Chill 1 to 2 hours before serving. Serves 10.



# Company Salad

- 34 cup canola oil
- 4 cup lemon juice
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- 2 bunches Romaine lettuce
- 2 cups diced tomatoes
- 6 strips bacon, cooked and crumbled
- I cup shredded Swiss cheese
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 cup slivered almonds, toasted
- cup Caesar-style croutons

1. Prepare dressing by combining oil, lemon juice, garlic, salt and pepper. Mix well and refrigerate until ready to use.

2. Rinse, dry and tear lettuce leaves, placing them into a large bowl. Add tomatoes, crumbled bacon, cheeses, almonds and croutons. Toss well. Add dressing just before serving. Serves 8 to 10.

Tips From Our Test Kitchen: Substitute a mixture of Romaine lettuce and fresh baby spinach if you prefer.



Grant sorts a bundle of donated dresses.

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and accessories are stored in a Sunday school classroom at the First Baptist Church of Sperry, where prom-bound teenagers can go to pick out their dream outfits.

The stories of people helped are typically poignant. Grant remembers outfitting a girl whose mother died a few weeks prior to prom and her father was laid off from work.

"The dad didn't know what it entailed to get a girl to prom," Grant says. "He had tears in his eyes after we helped his daughter. If it hadn't been for us, his daughter would have stayed home from prom. He was so grateful for everything."

Fortunately, the legacy of kindness will continue while Grant attends college at Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, Mo. After graduating from high school, she handed over the reins to Jamie Weatherman, a seventh-grader and fellow 4-H member who previously volunteered for the organization. Weatherman hopes to double the number of girls served.

"I've got big shoes to fill, but I think this is probably the best thing that ever happened to me," Weatherman says. "Tiffany has shown me that one person can make a difference if they just try."

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