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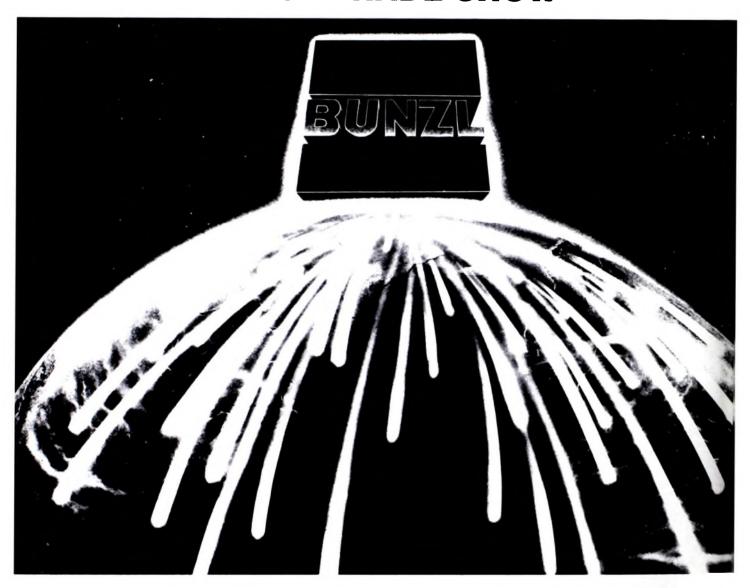


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# Executive Director's Report

Joseph D. Sarafa Executive Director Associated Food Dealers

Everytime we turn around, it seems as though somebody is doing something that's either illegal, immoral, or unethical. In the political race, Gary Hart lost his chance to be President over an affair with Donna Rice.

In the legal field, judges were accused of taking bribes in exchange

**Protect Your Name** 

for dismissing cases. Even in the financial arena, insiders caught making illegal trade transactions were fined millions of dollars. Scandal has even touched some religious figures like Jim

and Tammy Baker. And the list goes on.

And what about us? To what standard of conduct should the wholesalers and retailers be held? Have you ever

been tempted to buy stolen merchandise; to turn in coupons that weren't properly

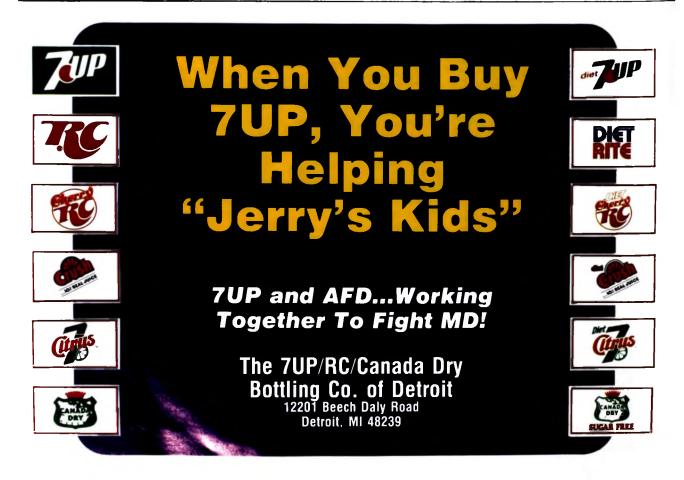
redeemed; to sell liquor to minors; or, to charge a customer for a case of product you did not deliver because you knew it wouldn't be checked?

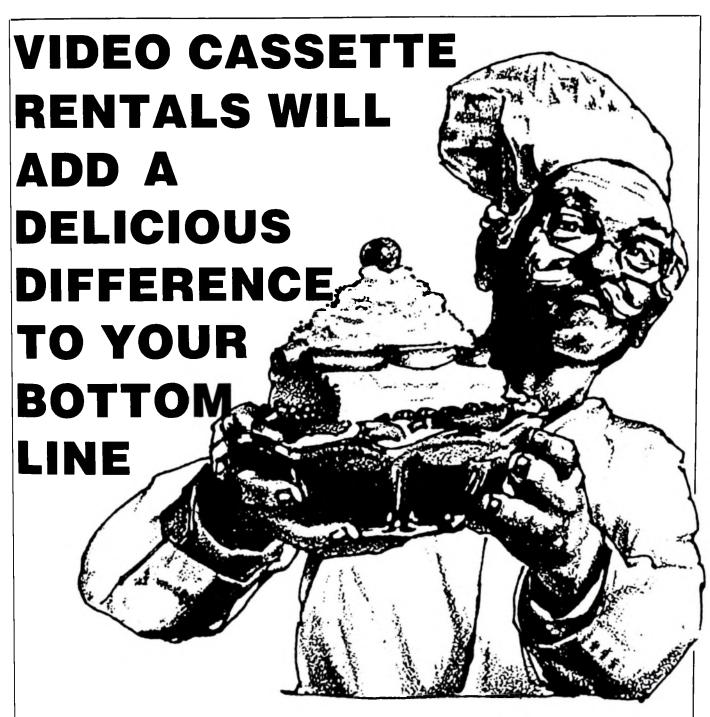
Everyday we are faced with many

decisions. Decisions that involve our own ideas as to what is right and wrong. Too often, greed and the almighty dollar are the deciding factors. But the real motivator should be your good conscience.

My father was, and still is, great about giving advice on ethics. As a very young boy, he taught me the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." As I got older, my father taught me that the most sacred thing a person will ever possess is their good name. And still today, I remember the words he spoke to me as I graduated from college. "Given good health and a reputation for honesty and integrity, there are no limits to what one can accomplish in life."

I can give you no better advice than what was given to me. There are no amount of dollars that are worth spending time in jail, destroying your family name, or ruining your reputation for. Please think about this article long and hard the next time temptation strikes. Always do what is right. In the long run, you will be a lot better off and a lot happier.





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# **Have You Noticed the Change?**

# Membership Involvement Is the Key

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# NEW AFD

omething new has happened to AFD - have you noticed? There is a different attitude, a different feeling. You sense it when you call the office — when there is talk

about the Association — when you receive your mail - and f I think f Iknow what it is. It's called involve-- it's ment called change.

Now when we call our members, they say, "I'll come to the meeting — I'll serve on a task force — I'll help you out." It has happened with

our Trade Dinner Task Force, the Golf Committee, the two task forces on the Trade Show, our Political Action Task Force and our Task Force for the Future of AFD. We needed input, we called our members, and their response was overwhelming!

We have a tremendous reservoir of talent within the AFD family that has never been utilized to the fullest .... its potential never appreciated. But, as in all things, there has been a change. A change that was needed and a change that was positive. Now, when AFD plans a function, needs help, we pick up the phone, call a few members to serve on a task force, and it's done.

The TRADE DINNER needed direction — we called — and Fran Munaco, Fryial Yono, Sharon George, Bernie Garmo, Mark Karmo, Louis Stephen, Akram Namou, Sam Yono, and Khalid Zaitaouna made positive responses.

We needed a working GOLF COM-

MITTEE — we called — and 21 said 'OK!'' They divided themselves into 9 sub-committees, under Chairman Ed Gulick, and thanks to the following, we're going to have one heck of an afJones, Gabe Mona, Frank Chiarelli, Kenny Zair, Tom Yatooma, and Fred Thomas.

Representative Harrison introduced two unredeemed deposit bills that

> would give the retailers 1/3 of estimated \$48 million annually, and Frank Arcori said, "I'll chair a Task Force and get AFD involved." We called an Bernard Moore, Tom George, Frank Kory. Emmet Denha, Sam Dallo, Joe

Mocnik, Nick Ioannou, George Kassa, Jay Welch, Ramzy Najor, Frank Cahill, Sam Yono, and Mike Ranville all said, 'I'll help.'

We put together a TASK FORCE FOR THE FUTURE, a "think tank" brainstorming group to help in defining our goals and objectives. The first meeting lasted four hours, the next another four hours, and the third finalized it in three hours. And who were these people who gave of their time to Tim Simaan, Tony Munaco, Jerry Yono, Louis Stephen, Sam Yono, Frank Arcori, Amir Al-Naimi, Emmet Denha, Ramzy Najor, Bill Viviano, Tom George, Sam Katz, Tom Welch. and Jim Bellanca.

Is this change? Is this involvement? You bet it is! And this is what we mean when we say, "THE NEW AFD."





fair on August 17th: Ray Amyot, Joe Caruso, Lou Czanko, Bob DeCooman, Don Gundle, Vito Guzzardo, Glen Mc-Callum, Rob Hollinsworth, Fred Krohn, Jack Lake, Mel Larsen, Tex McCarthy, Jack Myers, Tony Munaco, Joe O'Bryan, Ted McConnell, Mike Simon, Art Simons, Chuck Turnbull, Jim Vitale, Tony Williams; amd Don Webb.

We needed help in changing the direction of our TRADE SHOW, to make it of real value to our industry. So we called - and the following gave us a whole new dimension that you will experience on Tuesday, October 13 at Fairlane Manor. The Exhibitor Task Force is headed by Tom Davis, Jr. Ed Forest, Jim Lipari, Fred Cahill, Art Bond, Bill Larsen, Cathy Adams, Mike Brezak, Tim Sullivan, Tom Awrey, Joe Najor, and Paul Marks worked with him. The Retailer Task Force had input from Paul Saad, George Khamis, Henry

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If it's cold ... it's hot!

# Super premiums dominate ice cream a sales

merica's love affair with Premium Ice Cream flourishes at an unprecedented pace. Consumers are standing in line all across the country to buy "Premium," "Super Premium" and "Gourmet" ice cream, along with Gelato and countless other indulgences. With convenience foods more popular than ever, equipment manufacturers and home made ice cream retailers have found the quintessential product of the 80's is turning out to be ice cream. One thing is certain: the American consumer is willing to pay a good price for a smoothly textured, rich and highly flavored frozen dessert. With the recent success of the \$2.00

DoveBar and ice creams inspired by Haagen-Dazs, manufacturers and retailers have been alerted to an untapped market for extravagant desserts.

Indeed, the story of Haagen-dazs tells a lot about whats going on. Back in 1960, a fellow by the name of Reuben Mattus, who'd inherited his mother's ice cream business, found himself getting choked by the big corporate competitors. His solution? He created a high quality ice cream, devised a foreign sounding name and charged unheard of prices. Although most consumers may not know it, all Haagen-Dazs ice cream is made in the U.S.A. The rest is history. Suddenly, there's Steve's, Ben and Jerry's and countless others. Here in Michigan, Melting Moments Cafe' (E. Lansing) a modest retail/wholesale operation utilizing equipment manufactured by Sani Serv (Indianapolis) has experienced phenomenal growth



In the past, most retailers have relied on their local dairy as a source for pre-packaged ice cream delivered in 3 gallon tubs. The retailer need only place these tubs in their display cabinets and serve their customers. Today, the demand for super premium ice cream has created an unlimited demand for on premise homemade ice cream. Most of us fondly recall the method of producing ice cream by utilizing a wooden barrell with ice and rock salt placed on the outside of the ingredient chamber and chumed to

by producing some of the

finest ice cream on the market.

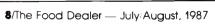


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the proper consistency. In fact, this method was laborious and not conducive to a quality product as history would have us believe. Ice cream is in fact a delicate treasure and requires careful handling. Excessive handling and poor refrigeration can render ice cream a heavy mush not worthy of even the most indescriminate palate.

With the advent of freezers for manufacturing and storing these homemade confections, countless operators have opted to make and sell their own creations. Mark Geovjian of Melting Moments Cafe' utilizes two self contained batch freezers for production, a walk-in flash freezer with a freezing temperature of -20 to -40

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# Make Money the Olde-Fashioned

### Stock London's Farm Dairy Olde Fashioned Recipe Ice Cream and watch it move.

London's Farm Dairy Olde Fashioned Recipe Ice Cream promises to be one of the hottest items in your freezer this spring and summer. Available in ten delicious flavors, this premium quality ice cream is made the old-fashioned way with lots of fruit, nuts, chocolate and other taste favorites folded in. So it's sure to capture the interest of ice cream lovers.

But to make certain everyone gets the message, we're introducing London's Olde Fashioned Recipe Ice Cream with a comprehensive campaign designed to create high visibility, awareness and excitement.

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First of all, a dramatic 4-page 4-color newspaper insert featuring all ten flavors in a mouth-watering display that's going to capture lots of attention and create a real craving. Included in this insert will be a 50¢ off coupon (good through September 30, 1987) that will help get ice cream lovers into your store and create product trial.

To further enhance our product launch, London's is running a 60-second radio commercial that highlights our old-fashioned method of creating this truly outstanding ice cream. We're also implementing prominent billboard advertising in Detroit and Flint. And an intensive public relations/promotion program that includes radio interviews.

Finally, we've designed new eye-catching packages and point-of-purchase materials that will attract in-aisle customers to your shelves and turn them into buyers.

To get in on the action with our old-fashioned money-maker contact London's Farm Dairy, or call 1-800-572-3624.



degrees to freeze the finished product, and then tempers the product in a -5 to +5-degree freezer for serving.

Ice Cream production is actually a relatively simple procedure. Ice Cream mix in liquid form in varying quantities of butterfat is available from most

dairies and is introduced into the batch freezer along with the flavor ingredients for the flavor selected. Addition of nuts and fruits to the mix occurs during the freezing process as well as hand feeding as the frozen ice cream is depensed from the machine. Production time is

generally between 7-10 minutes with batches varying in quantity from 3 to 12 gallons per batch. Continuous freezers are the next step up in high volume ice cream production, capable of producing a seemingly endless stream of ice cream, yet generally sized from 42 to 200 gallons per hour for the smaller operator. Once removed from the batch or continuous freezer, the finished ice cream is placed into a flash freezer for a period of up to 24 hours, subsequently removed from the flash freezer and placed in a tempering box or a display dipping cabinet. Due to extremely cold temperature of the flash freezer, it becomes virtually impossible to dip or scoop ice cream unless tempered in a box with less excessively cold tempera-

### **ICE CREAM CONSUMPTION**

\* Ice cream is consumed by over 98 percent of households in the United States -- with 86 percent purchasing ice cream at least once a month.

\* The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates that United States consumption of ice cream in 1986 reached a record 905 million gallons, just over 15 quarts

per person.

- \* The top five flavors of ice cream consumed in the U.S., according to a 1985 survey, are vanilla (32 percent of total consumed), chocolate (9 percent), neopolitan (6.4 percent), vanilla fudge (4.1 percent) and cookies and cream (3.5 percent).
- \* U.S. ice cream consumption is highest in June and July (National Ice Cream Month).
- \* More ice cream is consumed on Sunday than any other day of the week, with consumption in general higher on the weekends.
- \* Nearly one-third of American households consume at least one gallon of ice cream every two weeks.
- \* Approximately 25 percent of the ice cream consumed comes in the form of "bulk" servings (retail shops, restaurants, universities, etc.) 25 percent is in the form of novelty items, and the remaining 50 percent is packaged and sold for home use.



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### The Products

There is considerable confusion over the contents and description of the various types of "Premium" ice creams on the market. The factors which affect the quality of ice cream are the amount of butterfat, the amount and quality of total milk solids, the amount of overrun (air) and the intensity of high quality fruits and flavors added. A combination of all the aforementioned factors are virtually important in achieving a high quality ice cream. No one factor by itself will produce a quality product.

In the U.S., ice cream must meet U.S.D.A. standards which require not less than 10% butterfat, not less than 20% total milk solids and must weigh at least 4.5 pounds per gallon. The weight of ice cream varies according to the amount of air incorporated during freezing. Air is necessary to produce a smooth body and texture. Frozen custard must meet the same requirements as ice cream and additionally must contain a minimum of 1.4 percent egg solids.

The fruit flavor ingredients used in manufacturing premium ice cream are widely available both domestically and internationally. Here in the U.S.A. ice cream flavors in varying qualities are available from Rose Brands on the east coast, BlankBaer and Fantasy Flavors here in the midwest, and Fabbri, an Italian import. To assist the ice cream maker, most of these ingredient manufacturers offer their products in specific quantities matched to the size of batch being made. This is of tremen-

dous benefit to the novice ice cream maker in eliminating the guess work involved in adding the flavorings to the ice cream mix. Generally, it is only the natural flavors which impart a delicate and mild flavor. Chemically produced supplements are available in unlimited supply for economic purposes.

Gelato is a relatively new entry in the premium ice cream market in the U.S.A. Originally made in small shops and family coffee bars in Italy, Gelato was made from milk, sugar, eggs and flavoring material. The most obvious distinction between ice cream and gelato is the consistency. Gelato tends to carry a smoother texture and is more dense. Most Gelato manufacturers prefer to import flavorings from italy.

Be it "Premium" "Super Premium" or "Gelato", consensus has it that a higher percentage of butterfat and low air are two of the most important factors which seperate these ice creams from those available in the freezer section of your local supermarket.

Most American ice cream has as much as 100% overrun or air content. Shops specializing in premium ice cream will incorporate anywhere from 15% to 60%. Mark Geovjian of Melting Moments formulates his products with 30% to 35% air.

Rick Davis, a spokesman for Tom Davis & Sons Dairy, who manufactures a high quality line of ice cream in the Michigan area under the name of "Ashbys Sterling", insists the the percentage and quality of mild solids are paramount to the level of butterfat and overrun. Mr. Davis has indicated that his company incorporates 42% milk solids from fresh condensed skim milk and uses only, "all natural" flavorings.

### **Equipment Trends**

Aside from the ice cream making process, the next step in offering these products to the consumer is the dipping cabinet. Again, the choices are many. There are a number of domestic cabinets which hold 8 or 16 flavors and are designed to accomodate the typical 3 gallon tubs. These units are usually white enamel, and offer no real frills. For the piece de' resistance, we turn to the Italians. These European dipping cabinets are a show case of originality in design and function. Unlike their American counterparts, the European dipping cabinets are a thing of beauty.

Isa of Perugia Italy (distributed here in the United States), offers a line of cabinets designed by Guigiaro, one of the most famous industrial designers of our times. With curved glass upperstructures, electronic controls, and molded multicolor panels, these display dipping cabintes scream for attention. Impulse buyers beware. The Italian cabinet makers will arrest any customers in the store. As for function, most European cabinets are self-defrosting and allow for the display of

more flavors in a smaller space. These cabinets are designed to accomodate smaller batches in stainless steel containers. Perfect for the in-store ice cream plant.

### The Real Scoop

Veni, Vidi, Vici. If America's all consuming passion for ice cream is any barometer, then Julius Caesar's words ring prophetic for non other than America's legions of ice cream retailers. If it's cold, it's hot.

# **ICE CREAM USER**

- \* The typical heavy user of ice cream tends to be married, economically upscale, lives in a larger household, with children in all age groups and resides in the western United States.
- \* Super-premium ice cream is most commonly found in households where there are no children present. Conversely, economy ice cream is more often present in households with children.
- \* Children ages 2-17 and adults age 45 and above eat the most ice cream consumption.
- \* Males and females show remarkably similar levels of ice cream consump-
  - \* The amount of ice cream consumed increases with income and education.
- \* Adults eat 66 percent of the ice cream consumed in the househould, on average. Research shows that adults consider ice cream a "treat or indulgence;" in turn, adults serve it to children as a reward.





# **CONVENIENCE STORE**

# **IMAGE**

# It Can Make or Break You

Editor's Note: This operations white paper is based on a presentation by Coney Elliott, of Solutions, Inc., San Antonio, Texas, at the 1987 N.G.A. Convention. The workshop was funded in part by a program grant from M&M/Mars.

he convenience store image has greatly improved over the past few years. Many operators are upgrading and trying to project this stronger image. And, of course, in the past several years there has been an influx of new and better quality products and equipment directed specifically or primarily at the convenience store industry.

So, the image has improved, but there is still a long way to go. Research indicates that a very high percentage of consumers still see convenience stores as being high-priced, grubby, cluttered stores which are hang-outs for undesirables. To compound the problem, it is becoming harder to define the convenience store.

What is a convenience store today? With so many different products and services such as video rentals, food service, and gasoline, the definition is becoming increasingly murky. To define your image, start at the street. That's the first impression a consumer has of your facility. Your signage should identify those product categories and services that you emphasize. If you are going to sell gasoline, if it is branded, you need to announce it on the street. If your store's name isn't out on the street, get it out there. The goal is to get the consumer's attention as soon as possible.

How do you want customers to see you? Do you want them to see you as a big convenience store-type operation or more of a gasoline-type operation? Identify how you want your

If your store's name isn't out on the street, get it out there.

operation to be perceived, then create that perception through signage and design and other things. You can change a customer's perception and make it very positive.

The exterior can be the first attraction because of the mass, the visibility. But the interior should enhance the image with product selection and presentation that creates a comfortable shopping environment. A lot of convenience stores look just like circuses. That's okay. If that is your image and it appeals to a lot of customers, and if you do a good job of projecting that image, a circus is all right. Most important is that inside the store there are many different ways to identify and highlight areas in the store and to create a pleasant shopping environment so long as the image sells product.

Many convenience stores are over-

designed today. If customers walk into the store and their eyes go up to the ceiling or down to the floor, that store is over-designed. You can't sell the ceiling; you can't sell the floor. You sell products. Red or blue cabinets may work, but keep in mind that aggressive colors may compete with the product. Manufacturers spend millions of dollars to develop labels, and if you compete with those labels, you defeat their purpose and yours. Its product you want the consumer to see. Graphics are great as long as they identify, call attention to, and enhance product.

### **Image Through Employees**

Exterior design, signage, and interior design can all get the customer's attention. But it's the employee that can make or break the convenience store image. In this business everyone talks about location, location, location. A poor employee can ruin the best location.

An employee who projects a positive attitude, practices good customer relations, manages the products, and maintains a clean, orderly store will have the greatest influence on a customer's shopping habits. That employee will have more impact than design, signage, and in many cases, even location. When talking about image, the image of the convenience store is not just the supervisors or the operations people or the advertising or the marketing. It is that employee behind the register that services that customer.

# Gearing Product Selection to Market

Product selection should be geared to your market to attract your specific consumer group. Some of the larger chains use a cookie cutter approach, stamp the stores out. But many operators are trying to tailor their operation or their unit to their location. Tailoring doesn't mean you have to change your whole image. It could be a single product selection directed at a specific consumer group. If you are in an ethnic area and you have no ethnic products, what's that ethnic group's perception of your facility going to be?

### Keeping the C-Store Clean and Uncluttered

Clean, uncluttered stores are critical. Don't make shoppers uncomfortable by clutter and disorganization. Sometimes products are squeezed onto a shelf so the customer has to stand there and try to flick that product out to buy it. Is that convenient? If they have to break their knuckles to get the product out, what is their perception going to be? After a few times, they start to think "I don't know what it is, but there is something about that store that I don't like; it's not easy to shop, it's not convenient."

Aisle widths are also important. If you want a customer to shop your store, stay in your store longer, and buy more, widen your aisles. If you have a specific aisle where you are concentrating your impulse items, widen it. Narrow an aisle down, put a time clock on it and see how much faster the customer gets through it. The same is true of being well organized. By being well organized, you can create a specific traffic flow, a pace, and, above all, buying impulse.

### **Pricing Equals Image**

Pricing is also becoming a very important image factor. Today there is so much competition in some markets that operators are having to do things they did not do in the past to try to retain marketshare. Many operators now are trying to compete with supermarkets on selected product categories—to reach out and get new customer base.

Some operators have established every day low price programs on selected product categories that have

been extremely effective. About 12% of convenience store shoppers will shop price only. This is an excellent type of program to appeal to that consumer base.

The convenience store industry is using different methods to try to attract that additional customer segment and retain its existing customer base. If a competitor comes in your market-place and develops a pricing program, you stand to lose a percentage of your market share because of that 12%. They are not loyal customers unless you can develop a repeat habit based on price and that is the reason for using the terminology of low price. It suggests to customers that they can get low prices in your store any time they shop.

### **Quality of Food Service**

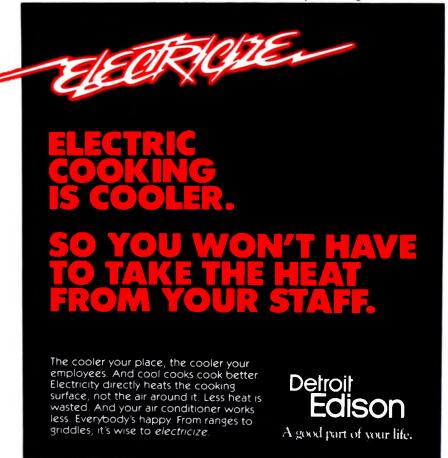
Price is extremely important but equally important is developing product quality, particularly in the food service area. To capitalize on the food service opportunities in the convenience store industry, consistency and quality are paramount.

Fast food outlets allocate as much as

20% or more of their sales to labor. A single emloyee in a high volume convenience store can't be expected to manage the store, the food service, the gasoline, the movie rentals. Research shows the consumer is telling us loud and clear, "I wouldn't buy fast food items in the convenience store. I don't trust the quality." To succeed in food service, we must change that perception. You've got to develop consistent quality, and you can't do that with a single employee managing three or four different aspects of operations.

If a customer goes into a Wendy's or McDonald's, he or she knows that those employees are concentrating totally on food service. They are not having to manage gasoline, they are not having to manage video rentals. When customers make a purchase at a Wendy's they know it is going to be of consistent quality. If a customer buys a food service item from a convenience store, does he know that the quality is going to be the same? Some operations have developed programs to insure consistency and those people have been successful.

The number one reason convenience store operations get into food





service is because John Doe did. The proper reason for getting into food service is, of course, sales and profits; but sometimes you may forget that and think, "John Doe's food service is really doing well for him so it will for me, That can't work. Selling fried chicken is not going to work in every location unless you have chosen a site good for chicken sales as well as for a convenience store. So you really must do your market research, evaluate your location. Once you make a commitment to a food service program, let the consumer know what you've got; go back to your signage; educate the consumer. Sometimes when we start new services, we forget to tell the consumer.

In summary, if you're planning to improve your convenience store image, a multi-faceted approach will help ensure results. Signage, design, human resources, product selection, quality, and price all play an important part in your new image.

# "Birthdate Sign" Available from LCC

The Liquor Control Commission has produced a "Birthdate Sign" to assist licensees and their employees identifying the date a person is of legal age to purchase alcoholic beverages.

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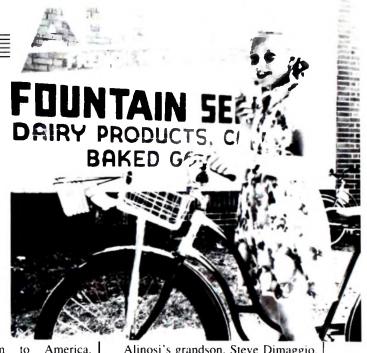
When Detroiters talk about quality home-made ice cream, the conversation almost always turns to the name Alinosi.

Louis Alinosi, the founder of Alinosi French Ice Cream Company, began his career in candy and ice cream making under the guidance of chefs in France, Switzerland and England during the early 1900s. By the time Louis set up shop at 12748 McNichols in Detroit (around 1921), he made the decision that "his name would not appear on the product unless it was the finest money

Spumoni ice cream to America. Spumoni ice cream continues to be a specialty of Alinosi's. It is an exquisite dessert that is made up of three layers of ice cream. It has a center of french vanilla with candied fruits and nuts and is flavored with rum. The top layer is pistachio ice cream made from a recipe developed by Louis Alinosi. The bottom layer is chocolate ice cream made from the finest cocoa.

Alinosi's grandson, Steve Dimaggio, still makes the Alinosi ice creams "the old world way" and the entire family takes pride in their quality reputation --- a reputation that developed a customer loyalty that includes some of Detroit's best known families.

Retailers and restaurants can obtain the Alinosi spumoni ice cream through Premier Plus Marketing at (313) 585-4760.



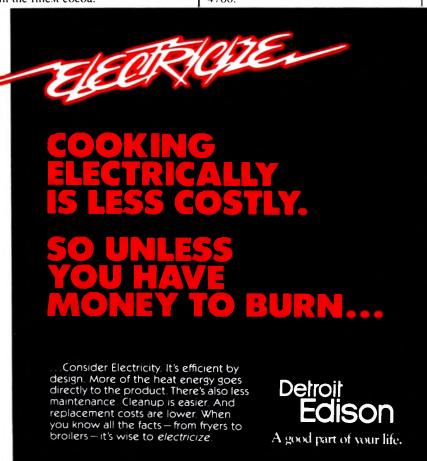


Louis Alinosi at work in his Detroit shop during the early 1900s.

could buy." Louis Alinosi's wife, daughter and grandsons continue that tradition today.

What makes the Alinosi ice cream product unique is the fact that the cream (16% butterfat) is mixed with egg yolks and has no preservatives. The egg yolks in the cream classifies it as a French ice cream.

Folk lore has it that Louis Alinosi was the first person to introduce





# TAKE-OUT

# Supermarkets may one day rival fast food restaurants in sales of hot foods to go.

oday's supermarkets are fast becoming take-out restaurants to rival the popularity of the burger, pizza and chicken chains, according to a new study.

Supermarket take-out sales totaled about \$14.4 billion per year — and are growing - according to the study conducted for the Food Marketing Institute (FMI) and Campbell Soup Company by Lieberman Research Inc., New York.

The study found that buying take-out food is a widespread American phenomenon with about 8 out of 10 households (81 percent) buying take-out food in a four week period. On average, buyers purchase take-out food more than once a week for a total of \$16.50 per week. Their total take-out food purchases from all outlets come to \$62.4 billion per year.

While a significant number of buyers purchase take-out food at supermarkets, more get take-out food at competitive outlets. Thirty percent of buyers polled reported they purchased take-out food at supermarkets in the past three months, versus the following percentages of

> people who bought at other kinds of outlets:

- 29 percent, delis
- 33 percent, ethnic restaurants
- 66 percent, pizza parlors
- 76 percent, fast food restaurants

The Campbell/FMI study was conducted after an early one Campbell marketing researchers showed that of 300 consumers veyed, 79 percent reported going to fast food restaurants for takeout and a nearly equal 69 percent named their supermarket. The reason popularity of supermarket take-out

This article is a follow-up to the article entitled "Deli's ... You Can't Compete Without One," which appeared in the March/April edition of The Food Dealer.

is that supermarkets now offer soup and salad bars, fresh pizza, refrigerated deli entrees, pastas, prepared hot foods, bagel bars and in some areas taco bars. Campbell is one of the growing number of companies which markets a variety of premium prepared entrees and gourmet soup bars to supermarkets.

"Supermarkets already are successful contenders for the 'fast food' business," says Monica Wood, Campbell's manager of marketing research, "and we think they could easily pull out ahead of the fast food chains in years to come because supermarkets offer a greater variety of healthful foods.

Joseph O. Eastlack, Jr., Ph.D., Campbell's group manager of marketing research, says the newer study reaffirms that supermarket take-out food is seen as "better for" - fresher, higher quality, offers good value for the money, more nutritious and more healthful, while restaurant take-out items are regarded as enjoyable" - more fun to eat and better liked by children.

Who buys take-out? Just about everyone, with men almost spending as many take-out dollars as women. However, younger people, higher income people and better-educated people are more frequent take-out food customers that older, or lower income, or less educated people. Heavy buyers see themselves as modern, successful, career-oriented, pressured and sophisticated, according to the study. Light buyers view themselves as home



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All agree that there are three reasons for take-out purchases — ease and convenience, being fatigued or rushed, and the need for a special treat.

Most often, prepared hamburger and fresh pizza are contenders for the title of most popular take-out food. Hamburgers are purchased by 73 percent and pizza is ordered by 72 percent of buyers.

Other choices are: prepared chicken, 49 percent; deli meats and cold cuts, 34 percent; sandwiches, 28 percent; baked or fried fish, 22 percent; and prepared salads, 20 percent. About five out of 10 buyers choose ethnic take-out with Chinese and Mexican foods in the lead.

Most take-out meals are eaten at home (82 percent) and the remainder (18 percent) at the place of employment. The same percentages support a preference for hot take-out meals over cold.

Buying take-out food is largely an impulse decision. About 8 out of 10 buyers (78 percent) make the decision to buy take-out just before they buy it.

The take-out food market has expanded tremendously in recent years, up 18 percent compared to only 6 percent for total food, including restaurants. Another opportunity about to knock on consumers' doors, according to researchers, is a greatly expanded menu of home-delivered meals. Researchers predict that there will be upscale entrees, ethnic foods, soups, salads, sandwiches and even snacks and candy on the home delivery horizon.

The main forces driving these innovations have to do with the changing American lifestyle. Just as the growth of regional shopping centers and use of the automobile once made home delivery obsolete, so factors like the growth in number of Americans living alone and the number of two-career families with more money and less time to spend shopping for and preparing meals are fostering its return and stimulating activity in the take-out market.

The Food Marketing Institute (FMI), located in Washington, D.C., is a non-profit association that conducts research, education and public affairs programs for its 1,500 members — food retailers, wholesalers and their customers. Campbell Soup Company is a major producer of a wide range of prepared food products.

# **Former Food Dealer Ad Director Dies**

Thelma Shain, who for many years served the Associated Food Dealers as advertising director for *The Food Dealer*, died August 4 at her home in Port Huron. She was

Born November 14, 1907, Miss Shain was the owner of Shain Advertising and Public Relations Agency. She was also advertising director of the Michigan Restaurant Association, public relations director the Michigan Press Photographers Association, special events director for the Detroit Free Press, publisher and owner of the Michigan Press Photographers Magazine and

publisher of the Grosse Pointe Celebrity



Thelma Shain

Miss Shain served two terms as Governor of the Michigan and Midwest

Federations of American Syrian and Lebanese Clubs and was considered a leader in the Arabic community. She was very active in the Republican National Committee, ALSAC and the St. Jude Research Hospital and the St. George Ladies Society.

Funeral services were held August 6 in Port Huron with burial at Lakeside Cemetary, Port Huron. Memorial contributions may be made to Blue Water Hospice, 2601

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# The Major Legislative Threat Of The 1980's

By: Dr. Frank Register, Senior Counselor Food Marketing Institute

The 1987 Public Affairs Assembly, jointly sponsored by FMI and the National-American Wholesale Grocers Association, included visits by members to capitol Hill, where they met fact-to-face with their Senators and Congressmen. A number of legislative issues were discussed, but far and away the one of most concern was the current avalanche of "mandated employee benefits" legislation.

It seems that almost every day a new version of this type of bill is put into the Congressional hopper. Parental leave bills were only the beginning. The key legislation here would require all public and private employers with 15 or more employees to grant up to 18 weeks of parental leave over a 24-month period for a father or mother who decides to stay home upon the birth, adoption or serious health condition of a child. It would also require that up to 26 weeks leave during any one-year period be given in the case of a worker's own serious health condition. Part-time workers would be covered in both instances and health benefits would be continued during the leave.

Now there is Senator Kennedy's announcement that he intends to introduce legislation requiring that all employers, as a condition of doing business, be required to offer a mandated level of health benefits to all employees. He may also re- in-

troduce legislation requiring businesses to provide former employees with four months of employer-paid health insurance coverage, regardless of their length of employment.

The Administration is proposing, and Congress is likely to enact, legislation to protect elderly from the devastating costs of serious illness. Under the Administration proposal, "catastrophic health insurance" for the elderly would be funded through an increase in Medicare premiums. However, several Senators and Congressmen have suggested legislation to place the cost burden for catastrophic care for those under 65 on employers.

Congress is also likely to consider legislation requiring all retiree health plans to be pre-funded, and possibly to mandate employers providing retiree health benefits.

The meetings held with Senators and Congressmen on these issues were unsettling to say the least. Many of them seemed resigned to the fact that a program of mandated benefits will be enacted, the only question is how far will it go.

A Congressman from Illinois, a member of the House Budget Committee said, "The government is broke. It can't fund these programs, and there is a health care crisis in the country. There is no place to turn, except to employers."

This was echoed by many others.

Among the many disturbing aspects of this situation, is the attitude by some in Congress that employers of all sizes can readily absorb the increased costs of these programs and the disruption of their work forces without problem. This is far from being true. Small employers, in particular, would have a major problem attempting to comply.

Proponents also fail to recognize that bills mandating employee benefits do not take into account the fact that one type of employee group needs one set of benefits, while another needs a drastically different program. Many employers have shouldered the burden of such programs for years, but have been able to do it by tailoring them to the needs of a particular industry. A fast-food chain with mostly young and part-time employees requires a vastly different type of program from an automobile assembly plant with older, long-term workers.

Mandating such programs casts an entirely different light on benefit efforts, and discourages voluntary attempts to provide employee security.

In addition, a new set of laws would return us to an era of government bureaucracy, with all that this implies. To say that these programs would not add to cost of government is nonsense. Any regulatory matter of this magnitude is going to require a new generation of government employees to administer, enforce and adjudicate. If enacted, we will see not only sharply increased costs in the private sector, but in the cost of government as well.

The only way to make these points to the Congress is to insist that there be hearings where these matters can be considered. No one wants to avoid responsibility of contributing to the public good. But shifting the major burden of financing the nation's health care to employers is wrong. It is simply a device by which Congress can avoid its own responsibility to develop a rational approach to our nation's social problems.

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According to a prominent national association, a company spends most of the working day paying off the costs of doing business. Only about 19 minutes are left in which to earn profits. Some of these 19 minutes result in dividends for the owners. The rest of the profit minutes are used for reinvestment in the business.

Out of an eight-hour day, three hours and 55

minutes will be used to pay for materials and supplies. Wages and salaries will take two hours and 19 minutes. All taxes-federal, state and local-use up another 43 1/4 minutes; repair and replacement of facilities, 29 minutes; research and promotion, 14 1/2 minutes.

By now, it is 19 1/2 minutes before the day ends. In this short time the company must earn the profits it has to make in order to stay in business. And in half this time - that part of the profits that go toward dividends must be earned.

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# London's Farm Dairy Celebrates 50th Anniversary

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Fred D. Krohn Vice President/Sales Manager London's Farm Dairy



50th Anniversary is a major event for almost every company, but for London's Farm Dairy of Port Huron, Michigan, a 50th Anniversary has a special and symbolic meaning.

Fifty years ago, two brothers decided to embark on a brand new venture. With a mere 13 cows, Clyde and Glen London began a dairy production farm which today has a statewide sales network with more

than 2,000 wholesale oulets and employs over 200 people. For the London brothers, this anniversary symbol-

izes a proud and prosperous heritage with a clearly defined plan for the fu-

Reverting to an employee-owned company in 1982 was a clear step in London's path to growth and expansion. From there, constant introductions of new product lines, such as cottage cheese, sour cream and yogurt added marketing dimensions to their already extensive milk and ice cream products.

With a goal to penetrate further into the Detroit market, London's has recently been working on the formulation of many new specialty and gourmet ice cream products and novelties. Last year, London's broke sales records with the creation of its Mackinac Island Fudge ice cream which the dairy arranged in conjunction with the famous Ryba's Mackinac Island Fudge. Sales of this new ice cream were second only to vanilla which has consistently held the number one posi-

tion in sales throughout the industry.

This year, the dairy introduced its Olde Fashioned recipe ice cream which was created in response to the increasing demand for richer, specialty ice creams. The success of novelty ice creams has also paved the way for many other unique ice creams, including Peanut Butter Mackinac Island Fudge, a companion flavor to last year's best seller. and the "University" flavors such

Maizenberry and Spartamint. This campaign was developed in conjunction with the Athletic and Licensing departments of

University of Michigan and Michigan State University. London's will hold the exclusive rights to these trademarks.

Highly supportive of the state and its economy, London's demonstrated its allegiance to Michigan and its 150th birthday with the creation of five new Sesquicentennial flavors Ryba's Mackinaw Island Fudge, Tin Lizzy Classic. Michigan Apple Pie. Michigan Blueberry Cobbler and Michigan Cherry Crisp. This effort complimented London's continuing with the "Made in cooperation Michigan" products campaign. In addition, plans are currently being formulated to join in the L.I.C.A.'s national dairy program called "Ice Cream with a statewide For America,' cooperative program called "Ice Cream For Michigan." This new project will seek to combine the forces and resources of all related dairy groups in the state.

Another example of London's

commitment is the company's involvement in the creation of Dairy Day at the Michigan State Fair. Vice President of Sales and General Sales Manager, Fred Krohn, was instrumental in initiating the project and in bringing various parties of the Michigan dairy industry together to plan this first-time-ever- event. As a result, the Governor issued a special tribute to London's honoring the company for its earnest efforts at enhancing the agricultural industry. Krohn has been extensively involved with the I.I.A.C. (International Ice Cream Association) in Washington and serves on the I.I.C.A. Marketing Council.

But London's commitment to the state and business community doesn't stop there. Community involvement ranks high in the company's list of priorities. According to Fred Krohn. "We consider our measure of success our ability to meet the demands of the people we serve. We owe a lot to our customers. Without them and their patronage, we would never have grown into the position we are in today. Community involvement is our way of saying 'thank you' to those we serve."

Playing a significant and frequent role in community events, London's was a sponsor of Port Huron's 1986 Blue Water Festival. Fund-raising for the Blue Water Boy Scout Council and many other charitable organizations was among many of the dairy's donations to the Blue Water Festival and the community of Port Huron. So successful was this support in allying the dairy with the community. London's made a major monetary com-

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mitment to the 1987 Festival and became its Official Sponsor. This sponsorship represented a \$10,000 contribution enabling the Festival to survive financially and offer the community a wide range of Festival events, including fireworks, parades and entertainment.

London's Farm Dairy has some aggressive plans ahead for its next 50 years. Continuing on its course of strong community involvement, London's will also focus its energies toward expanding its total distribution to include the western half of the state, and to move into major supermarkets as well as independent chains in the Detroit area. The company also plans to add national labels to its product lines.

Celebrating its 100th Anniversary should be an exciting challenge if the current 50 year record is an indication of London's prosperity and growth. As for now, the dairy firm set its sights on integrating its own aggressive growth plans with those of the state's dairy and agricultural industries.



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# **Great Scott! tries video recipes**

hoppers all around the Detroit Metropolitan area will soon be seeing something new and innovative in many stores this year, recipes on video tape! These recipes, displayed at the point of purchase, with selection tips and nutritional information, are starting a new trend in grocery merchandising.

Among the first to implement this program is Great Scott Supermarkets, who have begun showing the "Two Minute Chef" in eight of their twenty two area stores. Produced by Glass Eye Video Productions, Plymouth, Michigan, this recipe tape program is designed to educate the consumer in the selection, preparation, and cooking of a variety of grocery items. The current catalog includes 30 recipes for the kitchen, 8 for the Barbecue, and all focus on fresh seafood and poultry.

Tempting dishes like Crab Stuffed Lobster, Stir Fried Swordfish, Poached Trout, and Chicken Milano are prepared by Chef Lorenzo Pizzorni and are researched by Chef Kevin Gawronski, both Nationally Certified Executive Chefs and Culinary Educators. The program consists of three stages which can be implemented separately or collectively.

Step one involves presenting the recipes on a repeating VHS monitor surrounded by a product display. The next step is to print and provide index cards for each recipe that the shopper is free to pick up and take home for reference. Step three is to make VHS copies of the recipes available to the shoppers at a rental price or on loan. Each recipe runs between one and three minutes in length, and is looped on a thirty minute tape. Included in each tape is an identification of the product displayed, some nutritional information, common uses, tips on selection, a list of ingredients, and a professional demonstration of the preparation/cooking techniques.

Glass Eye Video Productions intends to market their recipe tape program both regionally and nationally. Supermarkets will be able to customize this program to include their logo on the video and recipe cards. They will also be able to arrange for exclusive rights to either the recipes or the title

of the recipe program, (Example: The Two Minute Chef is the exclusive title on recipes used in the Detroit Area by Great Scott Supermarkets.)

In addition to increasing sales by an average of 3000% for the main ingredients, the sales have also increased for the supplementary ingredients. The vendor or supermarket chain using the recipe tape program will also build or strengthen its service relationship with its customers. This benefit alone is invaluable in the competitive grocery industry. Glass Eve Video Productions hopes to have their recipes "on the shelf" of your neighborhood store by early August, and if the test results continue to indicate positive response, they plan to greatly expand their current catalog to include many more unusual items in easy to prepare recipes.

For additional information regarding the recipe tape program, please contact a Glass Eye Video representative at 313-455-6440.

# ASK THE LOTTERY

By Bruce McComb Deputy Commissioner Michigan Bureau of Lottery

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# Kowalski names Audrey Kowalski Executive Secretary

Ronald J. Kowalski, President and Chairman of the Board of Kowalski Sausage Company, recently announced the appointment of Audrey J. Kowalski, Secretary.

In her new position, Kowalski will be responsible for advertising. insurance, pension and other related legal matters, and corporate charitable donations. She will also serve as a member of the board of directors, executive and finance committee, and the Charitable Trust Fund Board of Control. Kowalski previously served as assistant to the president.

A graduate of Babson College, Wel-Kowalski lesley, Massachusetts, majored in business management. She presently is a Juris Doctoral candidate at Detroit College of Law. resides in Birmingham, Kowalski Michigan.

in 1924, Kowalski Founded Sausage Company is a manufacturer of specialty meat products, including sausage, kielbasa, hot dogs, bologna, and hams. Ronald Kowalski, president of the firm, is the grandson of the company's founder. Kowalski products are distributed in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, North and South Carolina, and Florida.

### **Spartan Stores announces** personnel promotion

Spartan Stores, Inc. has announced the promotion of Jann McKellar to the position of Director of Advertising.

A member of the Spartan Advertising Department for seven years, Mc-Kellar has been Retail Advertising Supervisor since November 1984. Her responsibilities have included both corporate and retail advertising. Prior to her promotion to Supervisor, McKellar served as an Account Executive, coordinating projects between advertising, merchandising and Spartan retail members.

McKellar's background also includes

11 years in sales, public service and promotions for TV8, the Grand Rapids NBC affiliate, and 3 years as an Account Coordinator at Jaqua Advertising. She has been chairperson for the Walter Hagen Golf Classic (co- spon-

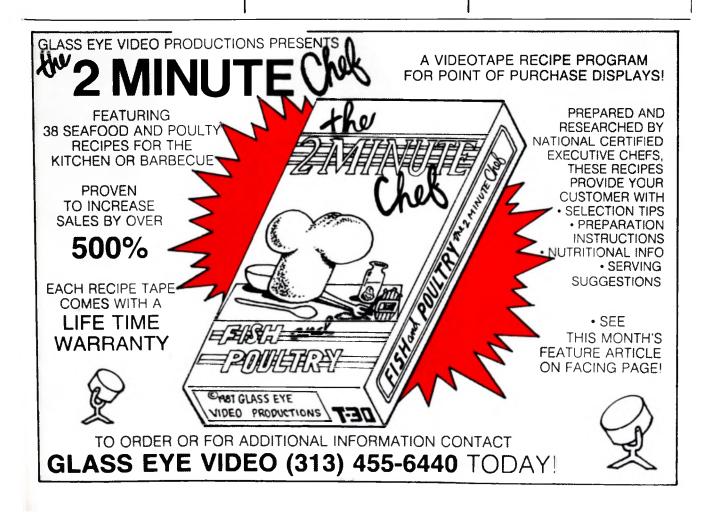


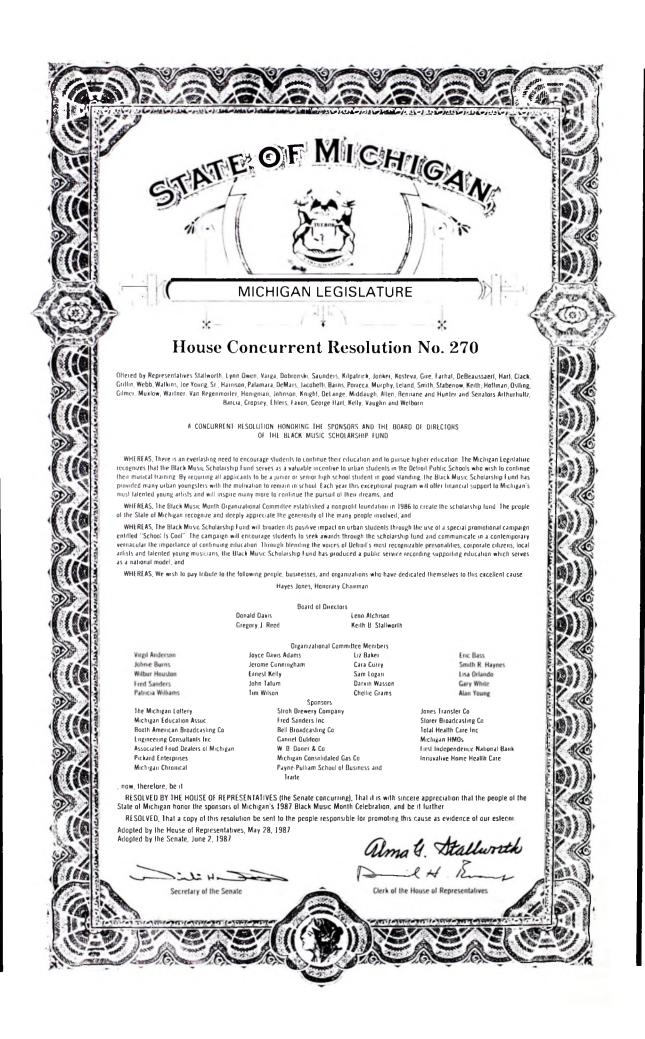
Jann McKellar

sored by Spartan and the Grand Rapids Press) for the past

five years, is a member of the board for the Grand Rapids Advertising Club, and is a Consultant for the Junior Achievemnent Applied Economics Program.

In addition to her advertising duties at Spartan, McKellar will continue to serve as company spokesperson and assist with Spartan public relations.







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By: Lisabeth A. Vernier Carl J. Trimarche Creative Risk Management

oss Control is identifying hazards which exist and then taking action to eliminate or reduce them. Operations will have to be monitored to ensure continued effectiveness of the program as well as to identify new hazards developing.

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will, should be appointed to manage and direct the organization's program towards the goals established by management. This position need not be full time; however, sufficient time must be allowed for this individual to initiate and monitor in the Loss Control area.

Part of the safety coordinator's duties may include: AWARENESS -Be aware of the loss control aspects of each job including health and safety issues and use the organization's staff to develop awareness. ACTION — Ensure all jobs are done safely. When arriving at a decision on the way a job should be done consider the Loss Control consequences. SUPERVISION -Ensure that each supervisor is aware of and follows the Loss Control program. Encourage each supervisor to look for accident trends in their area and compare them with other departments within your facility or to an industry standard. Ensure they are familiar with emergency and accident plans. AFTER AN ACCIDENT - Determine what happened and why.

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# Original New York Seltzer introduces see-through plastic cans in Michigan

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This is the first U.S. market where Original New York Seltzer Company (ONYS), of Walnut, California, has introduced its beverages in transparent plastic cans made by Petainer Development Company, of Atlanta, GA.

ONYS has launched distribution of the new packages containing its soda in two flavors initially: raspberry and peach. Vanilla cream, black cherry and root beer are to follow later. In the Detroit area, ONYS products are distributed by Pacific Ocean Pop Company, of Livonia, MI, headed by Tom Celini, president and chief executive officer.

Arch Matsos, marketing representative of Original New York Seltzer, said "our sparkling sodas look great in the new transparent containers.

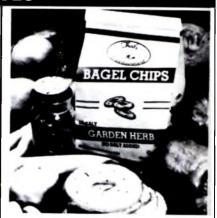
"In previous market tests, plastic cans have been very well- received by

consumers," he pointed out. "People like the look and feel of plastic cans, and they like being able to look into the container to see its contents."

ONYS sodas are highly filtered carbonated water flavored with natural fruit syrups, Mr. Matsos said. "They are sweetened with natural fructose, with no caffeine, artificial flavors or coloring added." he explained. The ONYS 12-oz. plastic cans are available, he said, at many Detroit area locations, including grocery stores, supermarkets, delicatessens and restaurants.

The new containers are made from the same PET (polyethylene terephthalate) plastic used for 1-liter and 2-liter soda bottles. After use by consumers, the new cans will be collected and returned for recycling by reprocessors how handling PET bottles. The ONYS containers call for the standard Michigan 10-cent deposit on beverage containers.

The PET cans have lids made of aluminum and an overlay plastic label.



# New Lo-Salt bagel chip offered

That's Entertainment has introduced Garden Herb — the first tasty losalt bagel chip. It blends tomatoes, onions, peppers and herbs into a uniquely satisfying flavor without adding salt

Garden Herb was developed to meet the requests from discriminating consumers who are concerned about their salt intake but still expect and demand good taste. It opens the door for higher sales to health-conscious consumers — a market segment that has just begun to be tapped and is growing larger everyday.

For further informati contact: That's Entertainment, 197D Greenfield Rd., Lancaster, PA 17601, (717) 295-1770.

### Michigan firm introduces new packaging for gourmet perserves

Rocky Top Farms, of Ellsworth. Michigan, has introduced new packaging for its gourmet line of preserves. butters and toppings, which have been recognized for years as some of the finest fruit products grown and produced in Michigan.

"Our new packaging reflects this high standard of excellence," explained Tom Cooper, owner of Rocky Top Farms

Cooper also announced the introduction of a new Rocky Top product, Sparkling Raspberry and Sparkling Cherry Cola Juices, 100% pure fruit juices with no sugar added. The new products are now available in retail specialty food stores amd through mail order.

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# **NEW PRODUCTS AND SERVICES**

# Coors Winterfest beer will be here for the holidays

Adolph Coors Company recently announced the introduction of Winterfest, a unique holiday beer which will be brewed only once in 1987 in limited quantity and offered for sale only during the Holiday season from Thanksgiving to New Year's.

For years, Adolph Coors Company has followed the European tradition of brewing a very small quantity of very special beer to share only with the Coors family and close friends. These holiday beers were never offered for sale, until 1986, when Coors brewed just enough Winterfest to sell in its home state of Colorado.

Winterfest was an unqualified success in Colorado. Supported by an outstanding public relations effort and instore merchandising materials, but no paid media advertising, Winterfest exceeded all sales goals. Consumer interest was so high that it sold out virtually statewide in just four weeks. Some retailers sold their entire order in under two weeks

Winterfest's consumer appeal is based on its uniqueness, distinctive taste and limited availability. It will allow you to meet the consumer demand for variety and uniqueness better than any other product during the holiday period.

Based on the Colorado success and

# Campbell introduces new sodium-reduced soups

Campbell Soup Company recently announced that it has introduced in national distribution a new line of sodium-reduced soups.

"Special Request" soups are available in the five most popular condensed varieties -- chichen noodle, cream of mushroom, tomato, cream of chicken and vegetable. The soups contain one-third less salt than comparable condensed varieties.

Campbell began research on sodium-reduced condensed soups over a decade ago, according to Diane Farallo, associate marketing manager in Campbell's soup business unit. The company test marketed the soups in California and Texas.

"Consumer reaction was very en-



Winterfest's consumer appeal, it was decided to offer it marketwide in 1987. But, there will be an important difference. This year, Winterfest will be backed by heavy marketing support.

An important part of Winterfest's uniqueness and appeal is that it will be for sale at retail only during the Holidays from November 16 December 31, 1987.

# Miller Introduces New Wine Cooler

Miller Brewing Company recently introduced Matilda Bay wine cooler into four test markets. The markets include Atlanta, Kansas City, Denver and San

Gream of Mushroom Soup

thusiastic," Farallo said.

"In recent years, some consumers have taken steps to reduce the amount of salt they add to their diet and this has changed their perception of many of their favorite foods. With the 'Special Request' line we are able to give these consumers a wide variety of choices," she said.

Diego. It is the first major non- carbonated, clear-based wine cooler in the United States.

Matilda Bay is made from premium white wine and a blend of fruit flavorings.

"In our preliminary product tests, consumers have told us Matilda Bay is smooth, and that it tastes fruity and juicy. Its taste is much different than ordinary wine coolers. We're excited about this new cooler entry," said David Krishock, new products brand manager.

Television, radio, print and outdoor advertising featuring the slogan, "Matilda Bay -- Take Your Taste Away from the Everyday," began this week. J. Walter Thompson USA, New York, created the campaign.

"Americans spent \$1.7 billion on wine coolers in 1986," said Krishock. "Anchored by the legal drinking ageto-34 market, the wine cooler industry is expected to continue its growth." He noted the cooler industry sold approximately 75 million cases in 1986, and is expected to sell 170 milliom cases by 1992.

The wine and fruit flavors for Matilda Bay are imported in condensed form from Lindemans Limited, Sydney, Australia and are blended and packaged in the United States.

Matilda Bay is packaged in fourpacks of 12.7-ounce bottles and a handy "party box," which contains four liters of wine cooler (slightly over one gallon). Matilda Bay packaging features a tropical scene in vibrant hues of orange, yellow and purple.

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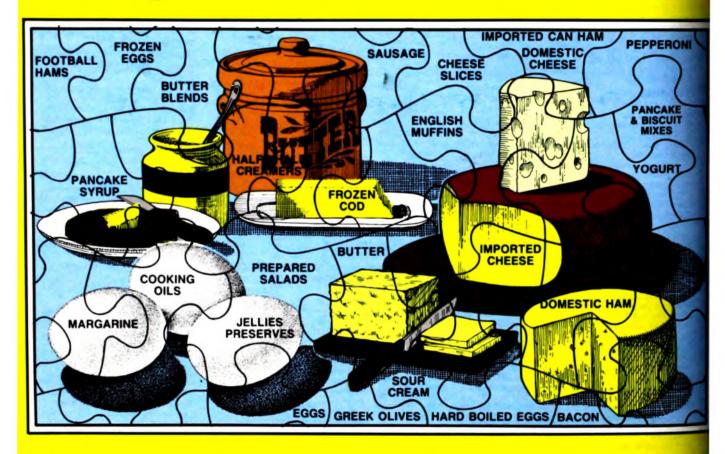
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