

Lost-and-found website will save pets' lives

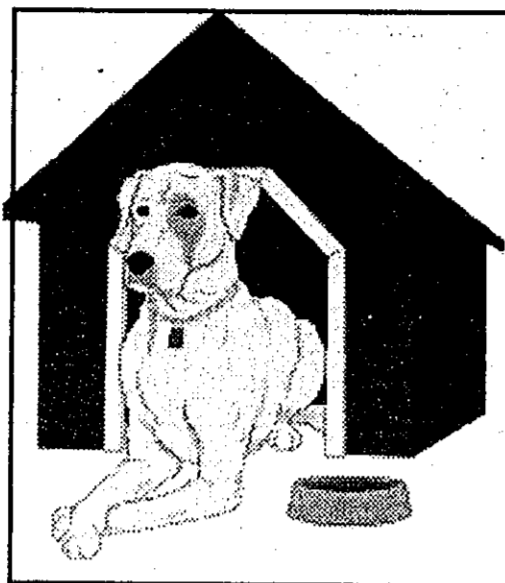
Pet portal to provide information on missing animals and more

(NC)-Thanks to IBM and a new Internet site called "Happy Paws," pet owners now have a much better chance of recovering their lost pets. Happypaws.com is a database and information website offering pet owners information and solutions to problems such as lost pet recovery, pet adoption, and pet care.

Happy Paws is sponsoring the "Interna-

tional Saving Pets Lives Program" that is currently being rolled-out to animal shelters across North America. It is the first private program ever to be publicly endorsed by the National Animal Control Association (NACA). The association is endorsing the program because it is the first workable solution to the problem of identifying lost pets

and getting them reunited with their owners. To date, over 86 percent of the shelters in America have agreed to participate in this program, making Happypaws.com the clear market leader. It is anticipated that 20 million unique visitors will log onto the



happypaws.com site to find their lost pets over the coming year.

"Eleven million pets were euthanized in North America last year," said Happy Paws Founder, Roy Anderson. "Based on information from animal shelters, 80 percent of these pets were simply lost and not reunited in time - something a more effective recovery infrastructure could help prevent. A solution to this problem was not possible prior to the Internet, but today, thanks to the national registry developed by IBM and Happy Paws, pet owners will have a much better chance of finding their lost pets."

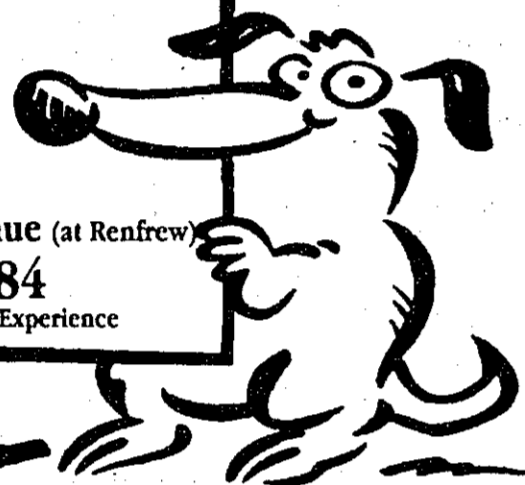
Pet owners can register their pets today at happypaws.com. Pet registration with Happy Paws provides a new level of security for your pet and the kind of peace of mind for you that was unavailable prior to the Internet.

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- An HRV provides ongoing comfort in your home through the use of humidity and timer controls.
- Dirty HRV filters reduce the performance of the system. Most filters can simply be dusted, or washed in soap and water, and reinserted.

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Bathroom Exhaust Fans - did you know...?

- A bathroom vent fan both exhaust excess humidity and ventilates the air. Clearly, the more frequently your bathroom vent fan runs when necessary, the more favourable your indoor air quality will be!
- Choose a fan that is the least noisy. The quieter a bathroom fan is, the more often it will be used!
- Remember to compare the sound level ratings (in sones) when selecting a vent fan.
- Some small quiet models are under 1.0 sone, like a quiet whisper. The sound level climbs with greater air flow capacity.

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Gas Fireplaces - did you know...?

- Accessories such as tightly-fitted glass doors and outdoor air intakes help to improve fireplace efficiency.
- Unusual odours or flames are a sign that the fireplace is not functioning properly. In such cases, contact your dealer for servicing. Better safe than sorry.
- It's a good idea to install a carbon monoxide detector near the fireplace. These devices continually monitor the air for carbon monoxide and sound an alarm when high levels are detected.
- If your gas fireplace has a continuously burning pilot light, remember to turn it off during the summer or during long absences.
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- 1/4 cup (50 mL) water
- 1 pkg (35 g) Chili Seasoning Mix (35 g)
- 1 cup (250 mL) shredded Canadian Cheddar cheese

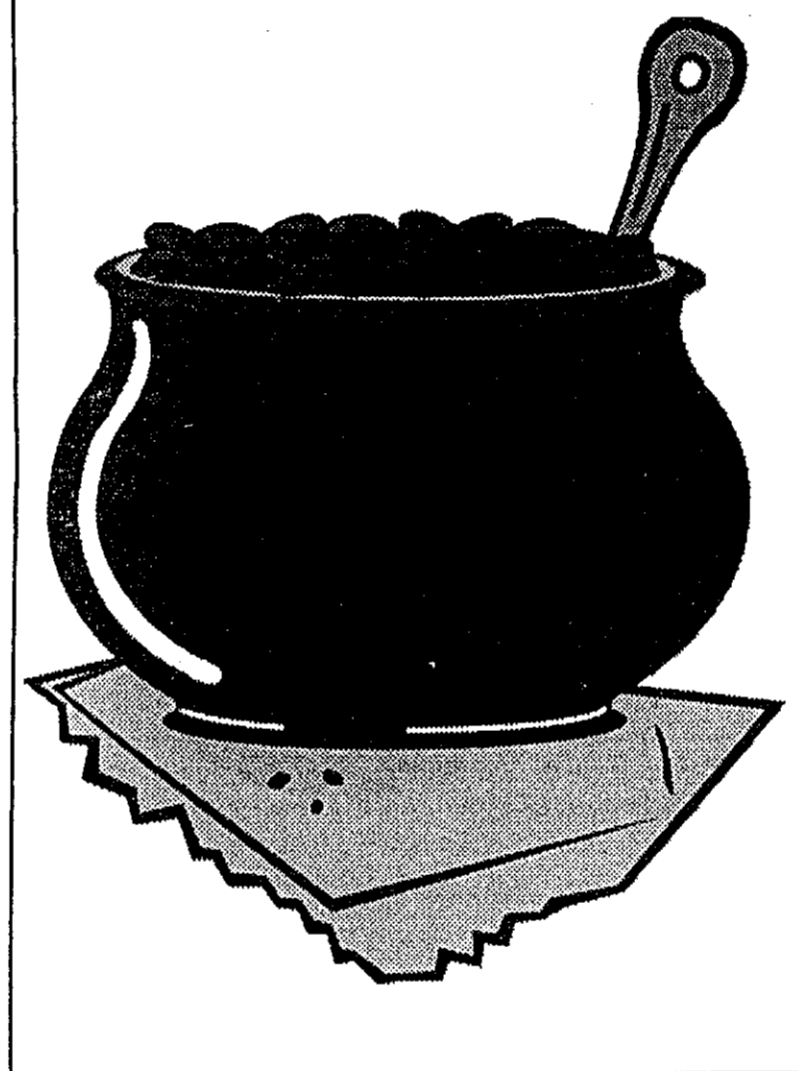
All You Do:

- In skillet, brown ground turkey over medium-high heat until no longer pink. Drain off fat.
- Stir in tomato sauce, beans, water and Chili Seasoning Mix.
- Bring to boil, reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- Garnish each serving with 1/4 cup (50 mL) cheese.

Makes:

2 to 4 servings.

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Owned and operated by Hubert Baldes, Artec is in its sixteenth year of business, but Hubert has brought a wealth of experience with him and a vision of what a kitchen cabinet company should be! And, along with the growth of this fabulous kitchen cabinet company, a superior home renovating specialist has developed to the point of being a complete "turn key" operation!!

Hubert and Interior Designer Joy Asham, in addition to helping you plan your kitchen, share their expertise in lighting, color, floor finishes, window treatments, form and geometrics.

Hubert Baldes is a highly-skilled, master cabinetmaker, with 28 years of experience in cabinetmaking. He believes in a hands-on approach and is fully involved in manufacturing and supervising Artec's expert craftsmen, making sure that every joint is a perfect fit.

Baldes encourages his clients to let loose their imaginations, for Artec is eager to meet any design challenge. They welcome curved and angled details, one-of-a-kind contouring and wood inlays.

Artec Design is always on the lookout for new products and materials and push themselves to be a little daring - not to shock but to keep their ideas fresh. "We have sales people from other provinces visit our showroom," Baldes says, "and they can't believe that these kitchens are made here in Winnipeg."

Artec's reputation for quality and innovation has grown year by year, mostly by referral from previous customers. "The cabinboards were exquisite, the workmanship excellent and the service was second to none," one customer wrote to Artec to express their satisfaction.

Some examples of their exclusive kitchen styles include "Personal Touch" - cabinets with a glass

face set in a solid wood frame. The glass fronts are interchangeable, allowing the client to change the look of their kitchen very easily by placing fabric, wallpaper or colorboard behind the glass or using etched or sandblasted glass. This is a "homegrown" idea, developed by Artec.

Another style is "Contour", conceived with lighting as a key element of its design. Three levels of lighting, each controlled separately, fixed to the cabinets allow you to create a unique look. This lighting system is often enough to light the whole kitchen. Or consider "Rhapsody" - cabinet design that allows you to intermix colors and shapes to achieve a one-of-a-kind kitchen based on a concept in design improvisation.

Is a little hint of the exotic something you desire? What about the "Mandarin" - a basically contemporary design with just a hint of eastern influence - looks wonderful in colored finish!!!

Artec has one of the largest selection of materials in the city. Hubert points out their selection of plastic laminates. There are thousands of choices including high gloss, texture, suede, pattern, metallic, and cashmere!

If you're considering wood cabinets and want something other than oak or pine, choose from fine exotic imported hardwoods or top grade North American hardwoods.

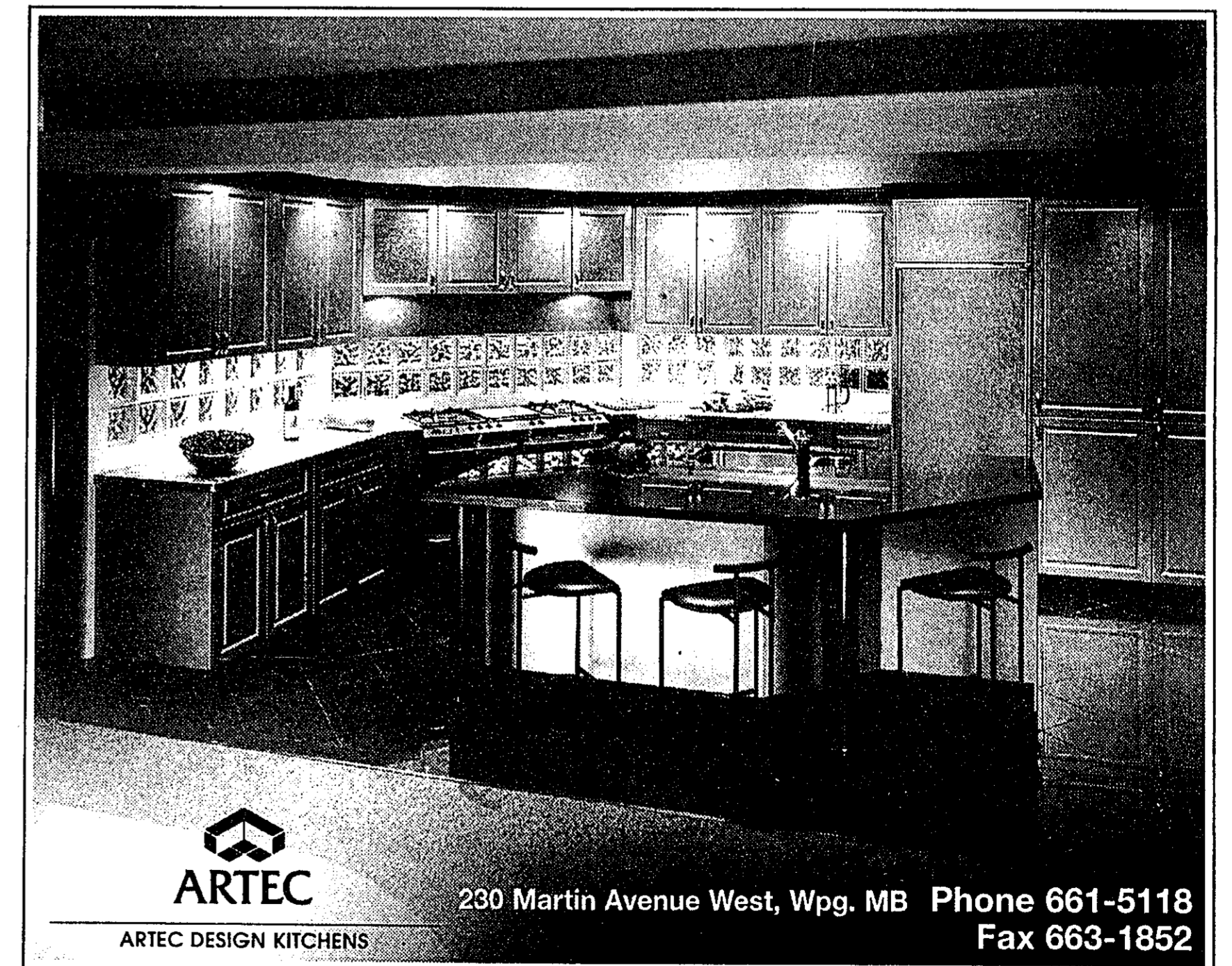
You can feel confident when purchasing a kitchen from Artec, for all cabinetry is protected by a five-year exclusive parts and labor warranty. Compare this to other companies, especially the length of the labor warranty, and you will understand why Artec feels they manufacture superior cabinets. In addition to kitchen cabinets, Artec also designs and builds bedroom furnishings, wall units, vanities, bar areas, etc.

Putting Artec to work for you usually begins with a visit to their exciting showroom. Here Hubert and Joy will answer all your questions - honestly and with expertise. There's an easygoing atmosphere and you'll never feel pressured.

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