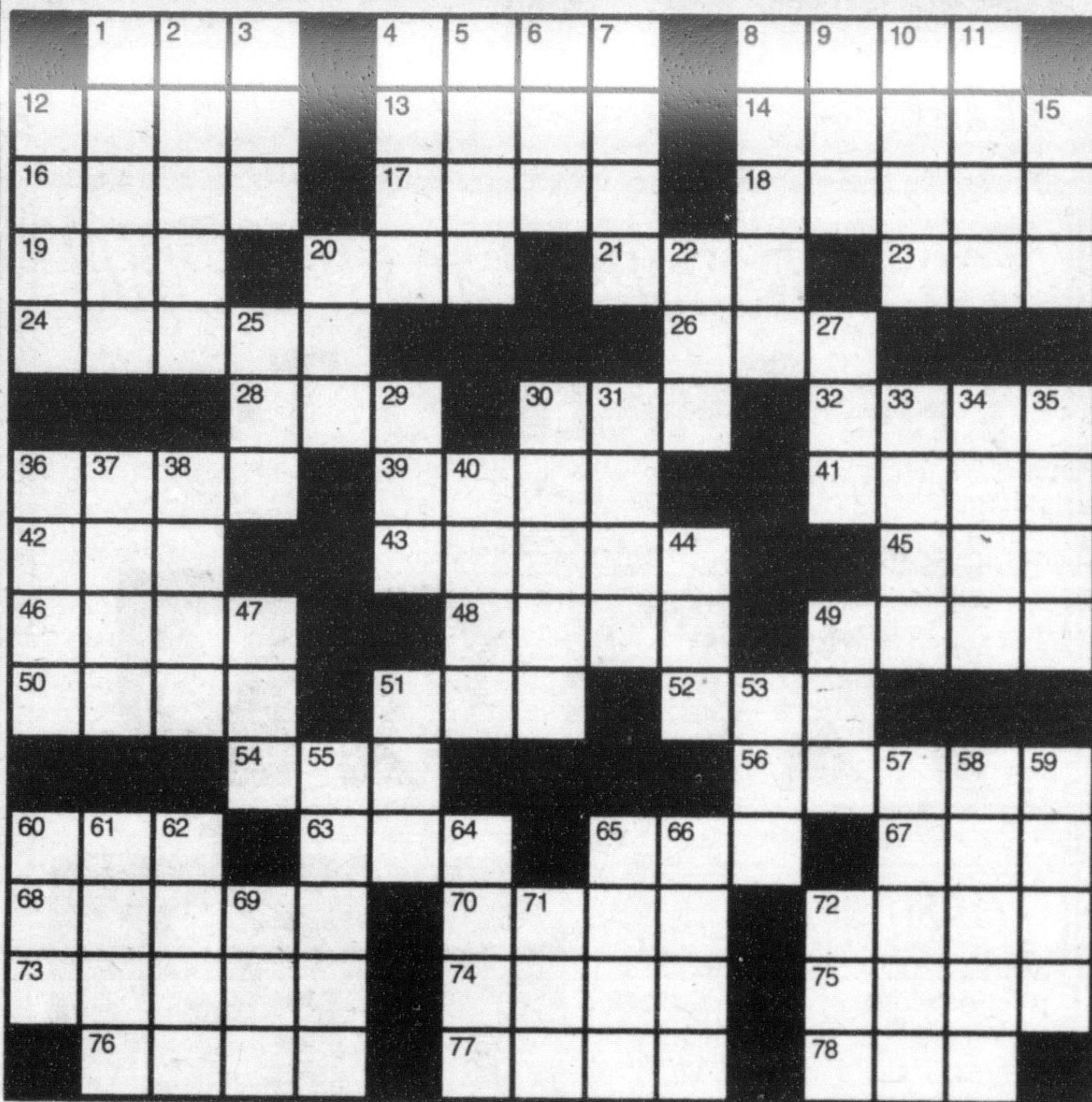


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- Across**
1. Monopolize
  4. Baker's unit
  8. \_\_\_ du jour
  12. Chesterfield, e.g.
  13. Voting "no"
  14. Go over
  16. Dagger handle
  17. Capital on the Dnieper
  18. Postal scale unit
  19. "Act your \_\_\_!"
  20. Undertake, with "out"
  21. "Chicago" lyricist
  23. Long, long time
  24. Biblical gift
  26. "Fantasy Island" prop
  28. "Are we there \_\_\_?"
  30. Caught
  32. "I \_\_\_ you!"
  36. Appropriate
  39. Make, as money
  41. \_\_\_ terrier
  42. "Rocky \_\_\_"
  43. Age
  45. Setting for TV's "Newhart"
  46. Christian Science founder
  48. The America's Cup trophy, e.g.
  49. Sermon basis
  50. Change
  51. Beast of burden
  52. Adage
  54. Dot-com's address
  56. Chivalrous
  60. \_\_\_ system
  63. Decide to leave, with "out"
  65. Make sense, with "up"
  67. CD follower
  68. Latin dance
  70. \_\_\_ Bowl
  72. Central points
  73. They're entered in court
  74. Catch a glimpse of
  75. Forbidding
  76. Acad.
  77. 1987 Costner role
  78. Infomercials, e.g.
- Down**
1. Grinder
  2. Bid
  3. Gangster's gun
  4. Camp sight
  5. "Don't bet \_\_\_!"
  6. Absorbed, as a cost
  7. Quintet
  8. Investigate
  9. Moldovan monetary unit
  10. Bad marks
  11. Snack in a shell
  12. Bogus
  15. Ballpoint, e.g.
  20. "\_\_\_ Cried" (1962 hit)
  22. Diner sandwich
  25. "The Catcher in the \_\_\_"
  27. "\_\_\_ De-Lovely"
  29. Golf ball support
  30. Matures
  31. "\_\_\_ bitten, twice shy"
  33. "\_\_\_ From Muskogee"
  34. Wildcat
  35. Job for a body shop
  36. Ticket info, maybe
  37. Man Friday
  38. Scottish sea captain accused of piracy and hanged
  40. "Planet of the \_\_\_"
  44. "48 \_\_\_"
  47. "Yeah, \_\_\_!"
  49. Losing come-out roll in craps
  51. Mont Blanc, e.g.
  53. Used to connect words, clauses or sentences
  55. Certain tribute
  57. Think moodily
  58. Place
  59. Arab chieftain
  60. Death on the Nile cause, perhaps
  61. "Road" film destination
  62. Black cat, maybe
  64. Accordingly
  65. Heidi's home
  66. Quite a while
  69. Undergrad degrees
  71. "It's no \_\_\_!"
  72. Kind of approval

## Milton is Booming. Buy and Sell Now!

Undoubtedly, real estate has experienced a challenging market this year especially during the spring season. However, home prices have increased and the economy is in recovery.

According to the real estate board, the average sale price of detached homes has increased 4.6% overall while the average sale price of freehold town-homes has increased 6.5% overall from July 2008 until September 2009. During the month of September, Milton had 80 detached homes listed for sale in 2009. That is a 60.6% decrease from the same month, of the previous year with 203 detached homes for sale. However, September 2009 showed 66 sales, resulting in a percentage increase in detached homes sold compared to only 41 sales in the same month of the previous year.

Buyers who are looking to purchase a home this close to the holiday season are serious buyers. Thus, increasing your likelihood of selling your home fast and for top dollar!

### HOME BUYERS ARE FUELING THE ECONOMY

Although home prices have increased, government programs are providing leverage to home buyers to help offset the rising prices. Home buyers can benefit from lower interest rates and a multitude of Government tax incentive plans.

First-time homebuyers may be eligible for a refund on all or part of their land transfer tax. Home buyers can receive up to \$25,000 per person to be withdrawn tax-free from RRSP's to buy or build a principal residence. This means, couples and common-law partners could essentially withdraw up to \$50,000 from RRSP's to contribute towards their home.

Buyers are beginning to take advantage of the Government incentive and tax breaks. Consequently, fuelling the economy and spurring home sales in the real estate industry. As the economy continues to increase year-over-year, land and housing purchases are your biggest and best investment.

Contact the Manchisi Selling Team today and become informed on current up-to-date information on buying and selling in today's economy. Milton is certainly booming and with increased home sales, lower interest rates and several Government programs available, now couldn't be a better time to buy and sell in Milton and surrounding areas.

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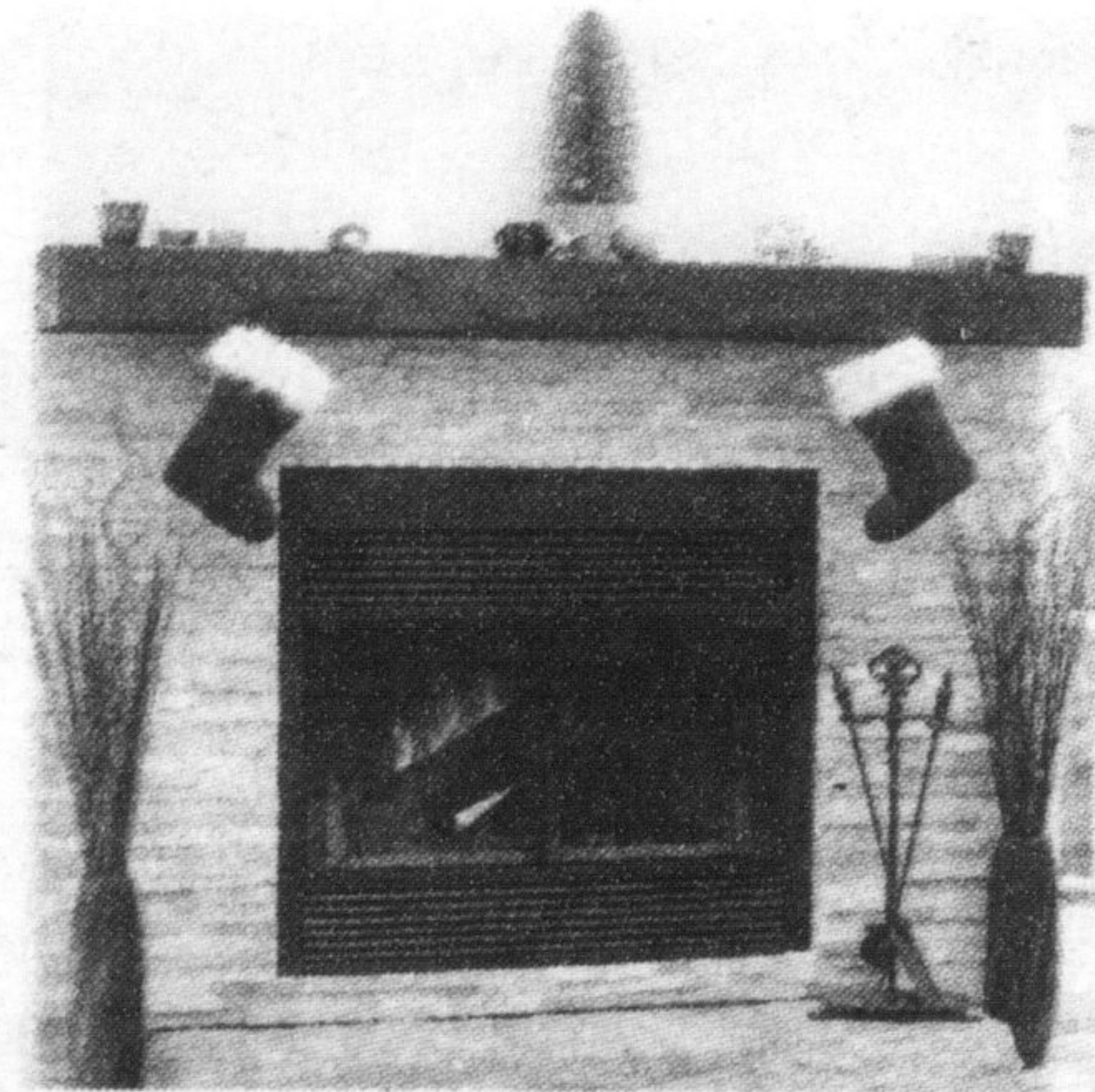
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## Ten tips for selling your home during the holidays

(NC)—As houses tend to be packed with decorations, baked goods and parcels, the holiday season can present challenges for sellers who know the importance of keeping their property minimally adorned and tidy for showings.



To assist, here's a list of 10 tips to help houses shine (and sell) this holiday season:

- 1. Outdoor lights:** Exterior holiday lights can brighten up any house and increase curb appeal. Keep the less-is-more motto in mind and use sparingly.
- 2. Fake it:** Placing frost resistant potted plants such as flowering kale or miniature trees in the walkway and garden to give buyers a sense of the landscape potential.
- 3. Let it snow:** Snow can look beautiful on the trees, but driveways and walkways should be cleared. Don't forget the backyard terrace and walkways around the house.
- 4. Toasty and cozy:** A warm home is always more inviting than one that has you reaching for your coat. Be sure to have the heat set at a warm temperature for the entire day.
- 5. Sugar and spice:** To create an inviting and festive atmosphere, boil a pot of cider with cinnamon during any open houses or showings.
- 6. Home sweet home:** From fish to cabbage rolls, the holidays can be a fragrant time of favourite family dishes. Certain dishes may leave an odour in your home that not everyone will appreciate, save the holiday cooking for another day.
- 7. Photos:** Display several photos of the home's yards, gardens and patios in spring and summer to show potential buyers what the house looks like at different times of the year.
- 8. Size matters:** Choose a smaller Christmas tree, and dress

it with minimal decorations; a huge tree will make your room look smaller, and busy decorations can look messy.

**9. Presents:** It is important to cut back on clutter when listing a home; so wrapped presents should not be on display.

**10. Less is more:** A tasteful greeting card, or themed ornament can accent a home during the holidays, but be mindful not to go overboard.

More information and advice are available from a real estate agent or online at [www.royallepage.ca](http://www.royallepage.ca)  
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## Send your cards in style with festive Stamps!

(NC)—Add a touch of holiday wonder to your greetings with three Christmas stamps featuring Nativity scenes and one featuring a festively decorated tree. The Nativity stamps include one domestic-rate Permanent stamp (meaning this stamp will always be worth the going rate), one U.S.-rate (98¢) and one international-rate (\$1.65). The decorated tree is also a domestic-rate Permanent stamp.



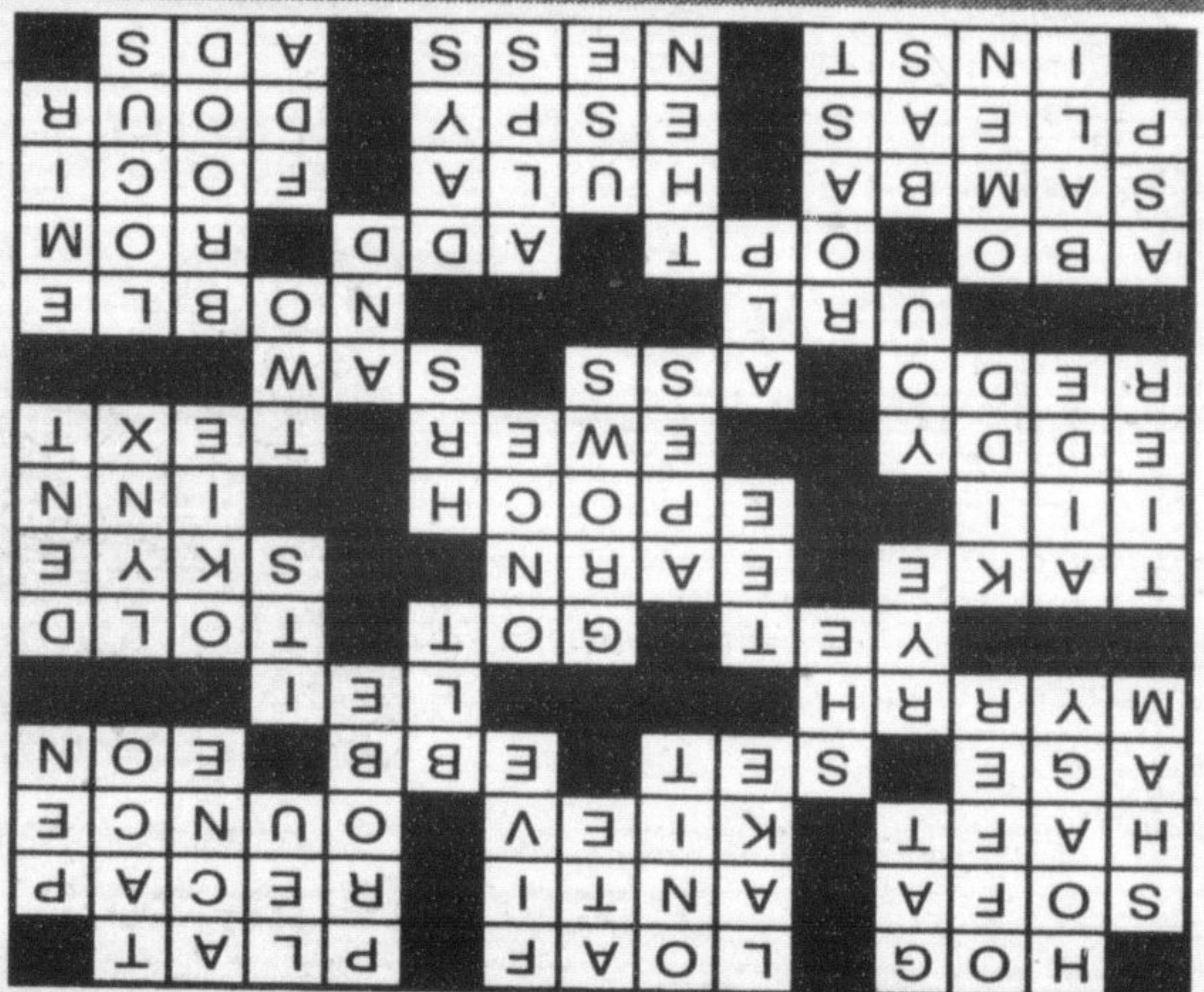
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