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a major newspaper and then things began to happen.

Many long hours and meetings with government people and the assurance that steps would be taken to help the consumer and get rid of the rip-offs. In the end, nothing did happen. The many good guys in the service industry were

Pottery signing is scheduled

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Janssens has taken three years to perfect the process that preserves the brilliant colors of Quimper pottery, marrying it to the bakeware needs of today. The bakeware was introduced at the New York tabletop show in July and will make its debut in metropolitan Detroit at La Belle Provence Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 26-28.

Janssens will bring unusual pieces of "Vieux Quimper," highly detailed formal Quimper, based on the 1870 designs of master painter Alfred Beau, from the Porquier earthenware factory. He will be at the store noon to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28. A wine reception will take place 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26.

afraid to stand beside me and the bad guys were calling whoever they could to complain about me. Do you think that this time around some of the good guys will join me in this endeavor to clean up this appliance repair business? I sure hope so, because I'm getting awful tired of being the lone ranger.

I'm just a guy who can't stand to see any consumer receive the shaft treatment from anyone in business. There is nothing special about me, maybe I care a little too much for others, but I sure feel good inside. I don't care about money and will probably never have any, but that's OK, there are others much worse off than I am. Fame, well I'm as famous as I ever want to be and sometimes I get tired of it and embarrassed by it. I am just a normal hardworking guy with a degree in common sense who wants to do something for somebody else.

The power of the press, I never knew what it meant until these last few months. I promise to never abuse that power and to use it to help to inform others. I need you, the readers of this column, to do something for me. As the bad guys come together and try to stop my efforts in Lansing, I need the good people to get behind me. Talk with your friends and family and tell them what Rep. Lyn Bankes and I are doing in our efforts toward consumer laws. If anyone has had an appliance service experience that was distasteful, put it in writing and send it to me.

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