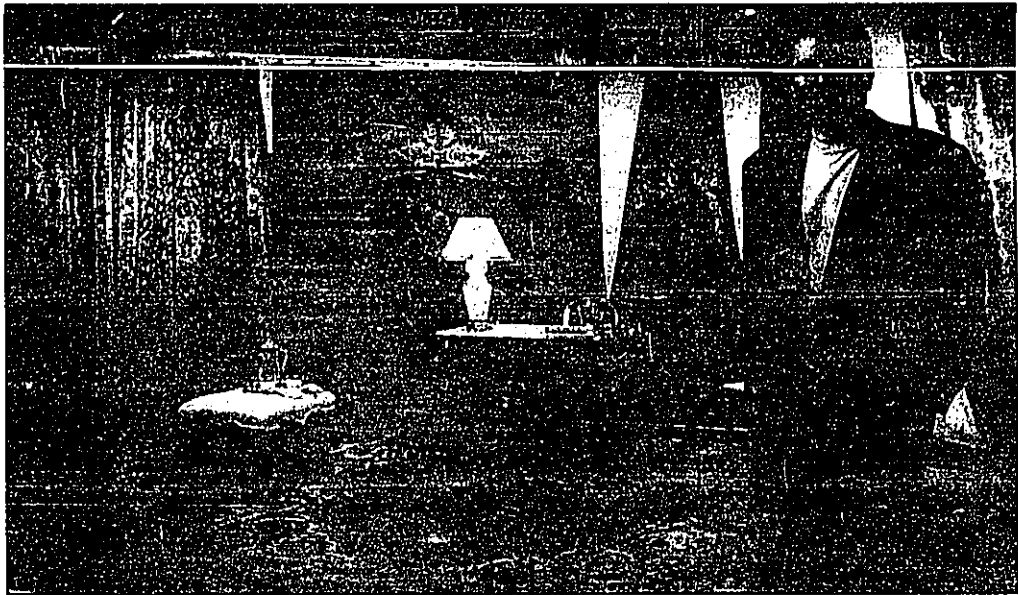


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Floor-ishing

**GOING BOUTIQUE:** Woven Treasures, an Oriental rug gallery providing rare works to the upscale southeast Michigan market, is expanding for the third time in its five-year history. Owner Kamran Karimpour is shown here in the boutique gallery he recently opened in addition to his main showroom at Michigan Design Center in Troy to handle the increasing activity of his growing business. "We have a unique point of view about rugs," Karimpour says. "We believe that rugs have personalities, which ought to match those of the buyers and their homes. Our slogan is 'One-of-a-kind Persian rugs for one-of-a-kind you.' And the appeal of our unique selection is reaching an ever-widening audience." Woven Treasures first opened in 1990 in West Bloomfield, moved to downtown Birmingham the next year and to MDC last year. Woven Treasures offers handwoven art works from the Mideast and Asia. Primary customers are clients of leading interior designers who come on their searches for fine, unusual works. "I come from a long line of treasure hunters," Karimpour says. "Members of my family and I continually roam the historic rugmaking regions of the world to find our customers both old and new rugs made by the hands and artistry of gentle people devoted to ancient ways." Call (810) 637-7770.



Winging it

**Hose holder:** Crafted from high-impact steel, this hummingbird hose holder is a practical way to simplify and beautify spring garden care. A more attractive alternative to squeaking hose wheels or no receptacle at all, the hose hanger is designed to securely hold a neatly coiled hose above ground in a location convenient to the garden. Also available in golfer, woodland animal and floral designs in green and black. Retailers for \$43.95 at Sideways in downtown Plymouth. Call (313) 453-8312.

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