

## MARKET PLACE

### Garden aid

**M**agic Planter: The Instant Color Flat is a new flower planting flat designed to reduce planting labor and make instant color in the landscape. The flat is 11 by 22 inches, the same size as a standard flat, and contains 18 four-inch plants. Each plant cell enables the roots to grow directly into the soil, eliminating the need to remove the plants from the tray to plant them in the ground. Also, the flat's special design makes weeding less necessary. Magic Planter is available at English Gardens, 6370 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield.



### Family basket

**S**pecial offering: The Longaberger Co. of Dresden, Ohio, has created a series of baskets, honoring the Longaberger family, to be offered once a year through the end of the decade. The first basket in the series is available this month from Longaberger associates (call (800) 966-6374 for the nearest associate). It is handwoven and hardwood maple, with an oval shape measuring 15-2 by 11 by 7-6 inches and one swinging handle. The brand-new oval form has a patent pending and will be retired after the June selling period, making it a collector's item. Shown here with the basket are Rachel Longaberger Schmidt (left), chief operating officer; Tami Longaberger, president; and Dave Longaberger, founder and CEO.



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