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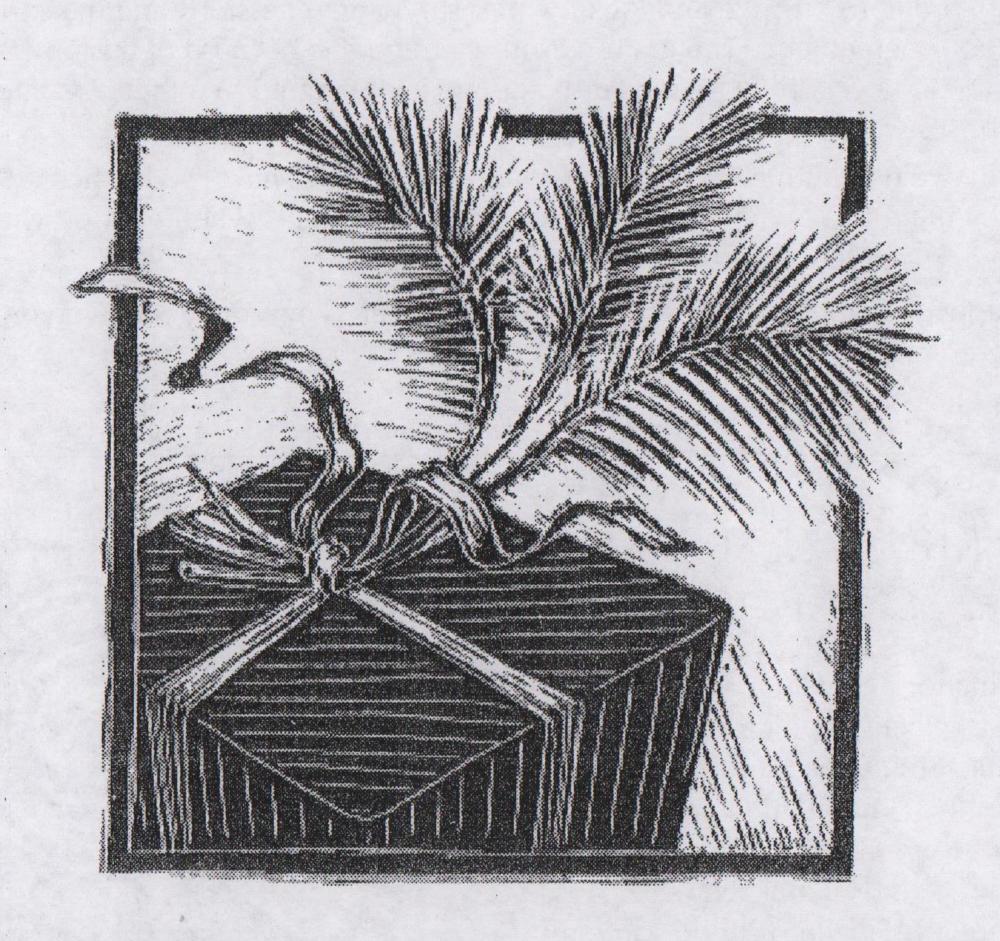
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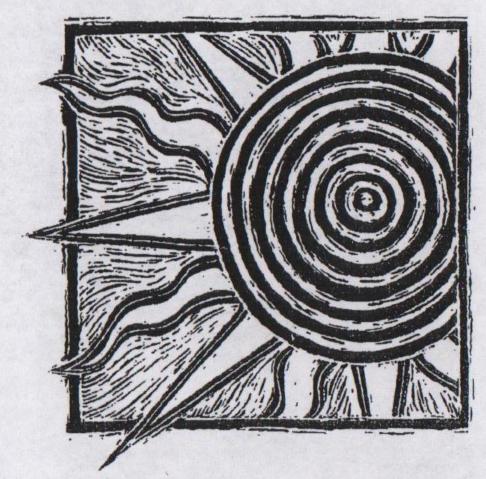
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Helen, Oliver, Sarah, Sue.

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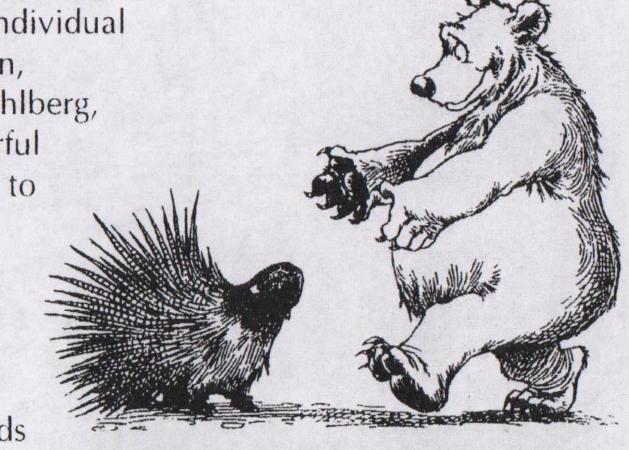
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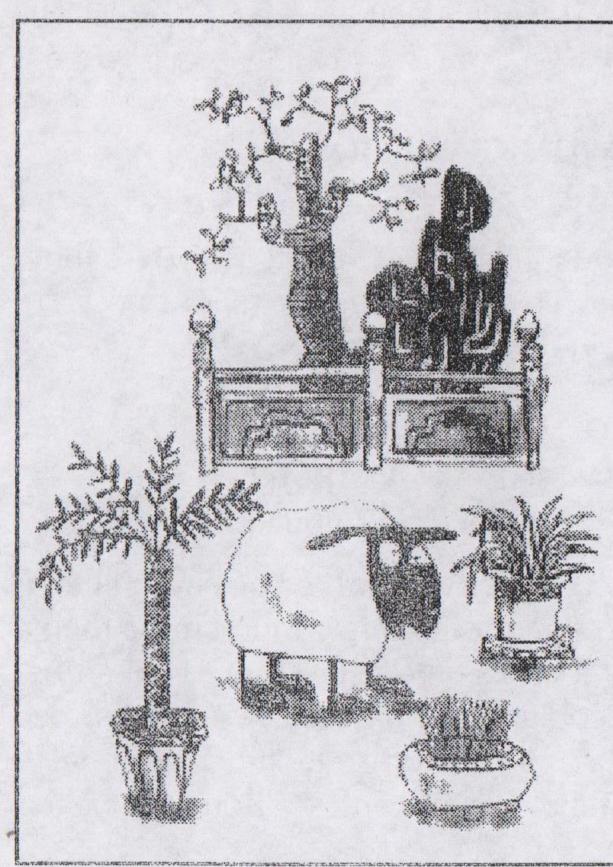
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FROM: THE SPOTTED UNICORN BY ROGER MCGOUGH (SEE PAGE 9)

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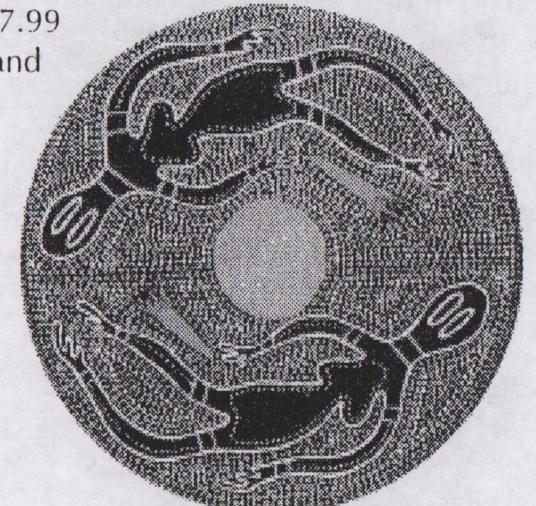
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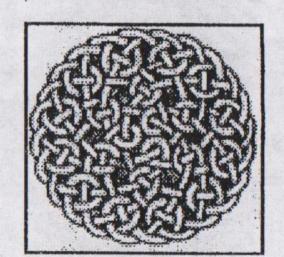
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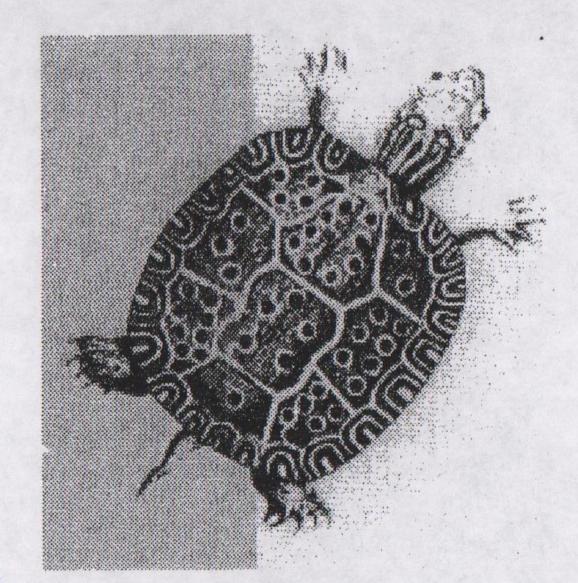
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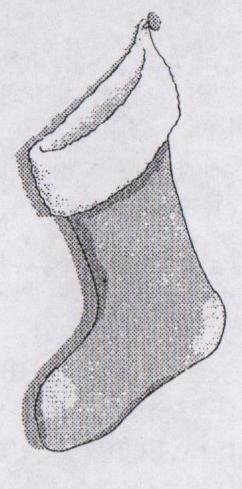
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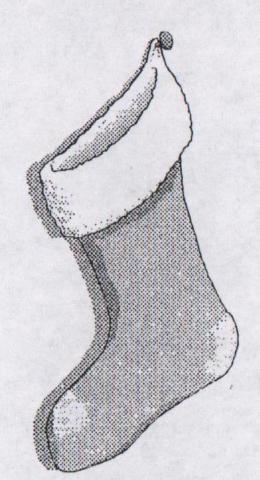
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