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Super hero returns in new Chevy spots

After experiencing success of heroic proportions with its first super hero tv spot in 1991, Berwyn-based Jack Phelan Chevrolet/Geo last week began airing a three-spot campaign mounting the hero's return.

The spots feature the comic

book-style super hero Chevy Man. Freelancer Shirley Feldmann, who produced the original campaign, returned to write and produce the new 30-second spots for La Grange Park-based agency Creative Concepts by Clemento. The challenge was to re-use portions of the original campaign and insert three new 15-second storvlines-all for under \$10,000.

The result was a fully animated image spot, "Chevy Man to the Rescue," where Chevy Man saves a stranded family on a stormy, deserted road and carries them to safety at Jack Phelan Chevrolet/Geo. The second spot, which introduces new products, merges Chevy Man returns in three new spots for Jack Phelan cartoon characters roam a

dealership while product footage is seen through a comic book panel. The third spot has a similar theme but focuses on a specific event or promotion with a hard sell.

"The client had so much success with the first spot that he kept using it over and over again-for two-and-a-half years," Feldmann said. "We needed to design something that could be customized and have a long shelf life." To achieve that, the product and event spots were designed so product shots and prices could be substituted easily.



comic book with reality, as Chevrolet/Geo that began airing last week.

Janet Clemento was creative director; Terry Schilling mixed sound at Streeterville Studios; freelancer Jim Siergey animated; characters were voiced by Peter Shapiro of Sound Reflections; and Editel's Steve Morrison edited. -Barry Rice

