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**AHEAD**

MONDAY

**Archery for kids:** A National Archery Kids Camp will be held 9 a.m.-noon at Heritage Park during the National Archery Tournament. The camp includes lessons from certified instructors, refreshments and equipment (you may bring your own, if appropriate). Daily sessions are \$20 and the camp will run through Thursday. Call (734) 397-5110 for information.

**Night out:** It's National Night Out in Plymouth's Kellogg Park. The evening, intended to promote neighborhood safety, will include special activities and refreshments from 6 to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

**Local government:** The Canton Township Board of Trustees has scheduled a study session at 7 p.m. in the administration building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

WEDNESDAY

**Get your kicks:** Drago, the coach of the Detroit Rockers indoor soccer team, will be the featured speaker for the monthly Canton Chamber of Commerce luncheon. The program begins at noon at the Summit. Tickets are \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. Call the chamber, (734) 453-4040, by Monday for reservations.

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## Local teens killed in accident

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Two local teenagers were killed in a Jackson County traffic accident Tuesday.

Lloyd Clifton Cash III, 18, of Canton and Michael Brian McMillin, 19, of Westland died of head and other injuries, according to Jackson County Sheriff's Capt. Tony Phillips. Police are unsure of the accident's exact time.

"It was reported to us at about 3 p.m.," Phillips said. "But it was clear to us from the condition of the victims that it happened some time prior to that."

■ **Canton resident Lloyd Clifton Cash III, 18, was a passenger in the Honda 4Runner, which ran into a wire barrier signaling that the Jackson County road was closed.**

The teens were headed eastbound on Green Road in Waterloo Township, just a few miles north of I-94. The community sits in Jackson County's northwest corner near the border of Washtenaw County.

McMillin, a 1999 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, was driving a 1999 Honda 4Runner, an open all-terrain vehicle. Cash was a passenger.

Green Road was closed to traffic at the time of the accident, Phillips said. A wire with a "road closed" sign hung between two trees across the road, he added.

The teens apparently didn't see the warning and ran into the wire, Phillips said. The wire did extensive damage to the necks of both young men, he said.

Cash and McMillin were ejected from the 4 Runner, police reports noted. Their bodies were found 30 to 40 yards away from the Honda, which came to rest on the dirt road. Little damage was done to the vehicle, said Phillips.

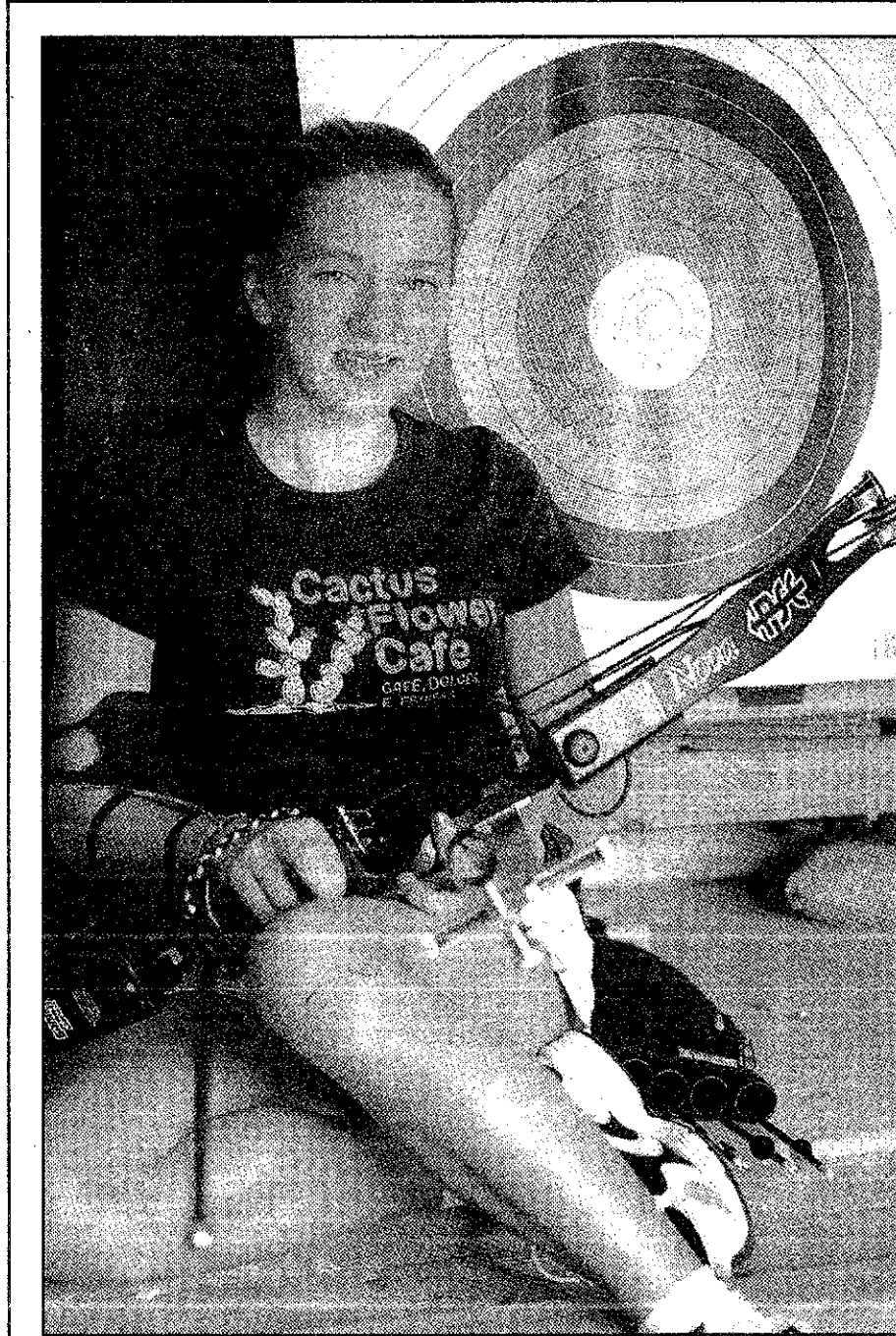
The captain speculated that the teens may have been headed toward a recreational area.

"There's a lot of state property in that area," Phillips said. "That type of activity isn't uncommon."

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

**Getting ready:** Jessica Mattson in her Canton garage last week. Mattson will be one of nearly 600 competitors at this week's archery championships in Heritage Park.

## On target

### Canton youth sets her sights on tourney

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Jessica Mattson isn't your average 13-year-old.

Besides being a straight "A" student, the Canton resident plays the piano, is a professional clown and works part-time. Then there's archery.

She feels right at home with a compound bow in her hands. So

much so, in fact, she'll be competing in the 116th National Target Championships at Heritage Park in Canton this week.

"I don't expect to win," said Mattson, who'll be an eighth grader at Discovery Middle School. "It might be possible, but I'm going more for the experience and to have a good time."

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## Unlucky 13: Burglar hits condo complex

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Sgt. Charles Raycraft. He said the break-ins are definitely related and most likely done by a professional thief.

Police are looking for a suspect described as a black male between the ages of 20 and 30, 6-foot tall, approximately 180 pounds and a medium complexion.

"He identified himself to a witness

saying that he was reading meters and would be in the area," said Raycraft.

The man was wearing dark-colored clothing, but wasn't in a uniform, he added. His attire didn't give the witness any red flags, however.

"I don't think she thought anything was odd about that," Raycraft said. "I haven't seen any (meter readers) that were not wearing uniforms."

It's not uncommon for thieves to break into homes during the day.

"People are at work," Raycraft said. "Most B & Es on residents are during the day."

Police think the thief gained entry to most of the condominium units through door walls. Several were found pried open, according to police reports.

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## Bank supervisor has a smile for everyone

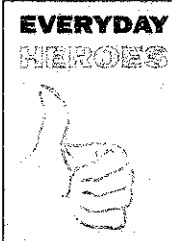
BY HEATHER NEEDHAM  
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For Jenny Dove, the key to providing good customer service is remembering the Golden Rule – whether the customer is angry or calm.

Dove, a teller supervisor at D&N Bank, was nominated as a Canton Observer "Everyday Hero" because of her ability to smile in the face of customers who don't – as well as those who do.

"I just try and treat people the way I would like to be treated – I put myself in their position," Dove said. "The more (customers) push, the calmer I try to become."

As teller supervisor, Dove's responsibilities include overseeing the branch's



two tellers, making sure daily jobs run smoothly and "just dealing with any customer problems or any situations that may occur," she said.

The perks of the job outweigh the stresses.

"I enjoy dealing with the customers and my co-workers and enjoy the relationships that I've formed," Dove said. "Customers are more than just customers – you really get to know them. The job is always something new – something different."

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

**Super:** Jenny Dove, teller supervisor at Canton's D&N Bank branch, follows the Golden Rule even when customers don't.

## Upscale center planned

■ **Borders and Marshall's are two of the possible tenants for a new retail development off Ford Road west of Morton Taylor.**

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A large retail development could be on the horizon for Canton's downtown business corridor.

Farmington Hills-based Grand Sakwa Properties is moving to build a 30-acre project just north of Ford Road between Sheldon and Morton Taylor. Borders Books and Music, Marshall's and JoAnn's are among possible tenants.

"They're good uses," developer Gary Sakwa told a group of homeowners who live adjacent to the project. "I don't think anybody can say they're not."

Sakwa and Canton attorney Bryan Amann met with a group of about 30 concerned residents Wednesday for two hours. The purpose was to get input from homeowners before plans are formally submitted to the township.

"Your input will impact how we will propose the development to the township," Amann said.

As it currently stands, the mall will cover approximately 30 acres. It will be located behind Target and Damon's Ribs.

Six or seven middle- to large-scale retailers will be involved, Sakwa said.

"The reason we don't go with smaller businesses is because they go out of business," he added. "As a developer you have to make sure you can pay your bills."

Sakwa's firm is known for the quality of its developments.

The company built a similar mall at Six Mile and Haggerty roads in Northville Township a few years ago. Amann said it has won national awards for its innovative design.

"That center has become what Canton Township and others point to and say, 'we want that,'" he added.

Grand Sakwa also manages its own properties. That translates into better care of the facilities, Amann said.

"That's night and day from a lot of these developers," he said.

Sakwa said he's four to six weeks away from submitting plans to the

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# Sex offender files late, gets jail time, new court date

A 21-year-old Canton man was arrested Tuesday for violating Michigan's sex offender registration act, according to township police reports.

The man walked into Canton's Police Department shortly before noon to verify his address to comply with the act. Reports said the man was supposed to register no later than July 15, however.

Township police took the man into custody and held him on a \$300 bond. He must now appear at 35th District Court in Plymouth on Aug. 25.

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### Lunchtime toons



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**Parking it:** Canton resident Kathy Woellecke and her children Alena, 4, and Corbin, 2, listen to Josh White Jr. (below) perform in Kellogg Park as part of the Wednesday afternoon concert series last week.



## COP CALLS

### Smokin'

Approximately \$3,900 worth of cigarettes were stolen from Marathon Oil at the corner of Warren and Lilley roads early Tuesday morning.

Police were called to the scene at 1:42 a.m. on an alarm, according to reports. Officers found the building's west doors smashed open. Reports said they were likely rammed by a vehicle.

Once inside, someone stole 130 cartons of cigarettes. Police are investigating the incident.

### Phone follies

A 48-year-old Inkster woman is accusing a Canton woman of fraudulently running up a phone bill in her name.

She told police the 28-year-old Canton woman stole her social security number and then set up a phone account. Reports said a bill collector called the Inkster woman recently trying to get payment for a \$350.03 bill.

The Canton woman denies the charge, reports said. She's accusing the Inkster woman's 22-year-old daughter of committing the fraud. The 22-year-old lives at the same residence with the Canton woman, reports said.

### Equipment stolen

About \$700 worth of musical equipment was stolen and more than \$200 worth of damage done to a 24-year-old Canton man's vehicle Tuesday, according to police reports.

Someone broke into his Ford Mustang and stole a CD player and equalizer. The vehicle driver side door was damaged.

### Whipped

A weed whipper worth approximately \$270 was recently stolen from a Canton lawn care company's equipment trailer.

Reports said a lawn care crew was working along Singh Drive when someone walked into the trailer and took the machine. Police have no suspects.

## Fall Fest is Sept. 8-10

Sept. 8, 9 and 10 are the dates for the 45th annual Plymouth Community Fall Festival held downtown in Kellogg Park.

The festival is a cooperative effort of nonprofit service, school, youth, educational and church groups in the area. Funds raised support the projects of many groups; volunteers donate hundreds of hours to make the festival a success.

The festival is billed as diverse family fun and includes musical entertainment, rides, food, games for kids, a car show, bingo, a pet show, a pancake breakfast and a chicken dinner.

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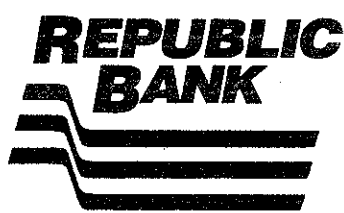
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Jewelry was the most frequently stolen item. Police were unsure of an exact dollar value at press time Friday.

Reports did say that one victim lost more than \$15,000 worth of jewelry. Diamond rings and a gold watch were among items stolen.

A hand gun with ammunition was stolen from another unit as were walkie-talkies. Raycraft said all of the items stolen were

small and might be easily pawned.

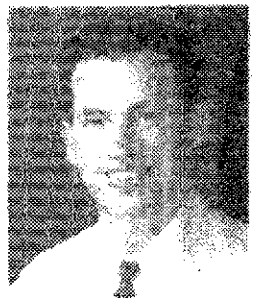
The break-ins might be related to a few the township had several weeks ago, he added. It's possible the thief could come back to Canton, Raycraft said.

"Sometimes they will come back two, three or four times in an area then move on," he said.

Anyone with information about the break-ins should contact Canton Police at (734) 397-3000.

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# Road warriors

## Ann Arbor Road rebuild takes its toll on drivers, businesses

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Businesses up and down Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township are feeling the effects of the construction work started a few days ago.

The construction is adding to the aggravation of people who live in Canton's northern neighborhoods - who often use the east-west artery as a way to get into or out of town.

In addition, several Canton residents own or work at local businesses affected by the rebuilding project.

Hardest hit appears to be fast food restaurants. For example, Wendy's drive-in business has been cut in half, according to manager Tina Poulson of Plymouth. Wendy's, located at 655 West Ann Arbor Road, is open normal hours; the drive-in window closes at midnight.

"It's been horrible. I think we have lost \$10,000 in business since they started," she said. "And customers are upset they can't get in and out easily. We have signs up but they keep blowing down."

One problem is signs telling motorists the road is closed. If they are not familiar with the situation, newcomers are avoiding the road altogether. One lane in both directions is open as well as a center left-turn lane. One of the three lanes (west-bound) is a jury-rigged lane taken from easements on the north side of the road.

Many workers and pieces of machinery were on the job last week from Canton Center Road back to General Drive near Township Hall. General contractor Peter Basile Sons Inc. of Livonia has a large cash incentive (up to \$250,000) to finish the work by November.

Workers are digging deep into the road bed on the south side and then constructing makeshift gravel driveways so businesses can stay open.

At times even the temporary driveways are closed. Papa Romano's owner Jim Grutza of Canton said he agrees the construction has to be done. But Tuesday and again Thursday access in and out to all the stores in Riverbank Square was blocked for 30 to 45 minutes.

"I will say the Basile foremen have been good.

I talked to them both times and they made them move the equipment," Grutza said. "I attended all the meetings they held before construction started and they guaranteed there would be access at all times."

He said his business is down a bit but summertime is slow because many people are on vacation.

At Plymouth Marketplace at Lilley and Ann Arbor Road, the owners, Jim Tanski of Northville and his brother Mark Tanski of Canton, are planning ahead. They are giving out "beat the construction" maps to all customers suggesting they use the rear entrance off of Lilley.

"We are anticipating what will happen when they start on our side of the road," Jim Tanski said. "I think the construction guys are going pretty fast. I talk to them quite a bit and they say they are ahead of schedule. It hasn't affected our business yet. Customers are fighting their way in." Tanski said afternoon and evening shoppers have been abundant so far.

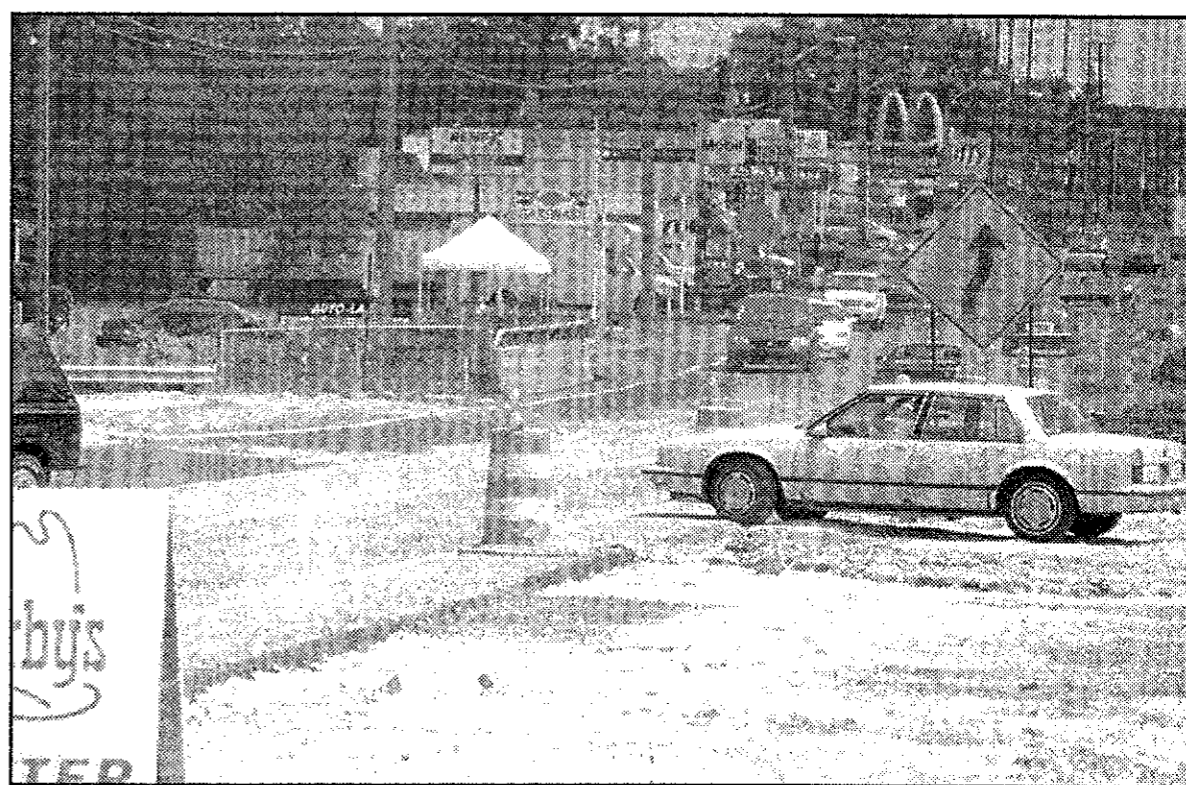
Businesses are experiencing mixed results from the inconvenience. Here's a sampling of local responses:

■ Barb Smith, manager and wife of one of the owners of S and W Hardware, said loyal customers are coming in. "Our clientele is devoted to us. The effect has not been devastating. They are working fast and seem to be as cooperative as possible." S and W, which can be accessed from Main Street as well as Ann Arbor Road,

has been in operation for 47 years. Smith and her husband live in Salem Township.

■ A spokesperson at Specialty Pet Supplies at 1449 West Ann Arbor Road said business is down. The store moved there in May; hours are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday noon to 4 p.m.

■ Archie Bartel, manager at the Sherwin-Williams Co. store in Riverbank Square, said "overall it has not been devastating. If people need paint, they need paint. Walk-in traffic is down a bit." The owners also operate a wholesale



Tough turn: A driver cautiously prepares to turn onto Ann Arbor Road last week.

STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN



Sign of the times: The most prevalent sight during construction? "We're still here."

only outlet in Canton. The Riverbank store is open seven days a week.

■ At Sunshine Honda, general manager Shannon Mowery of Canton said used car buyer traffic is definitely down. "Drivers are focused on making it through the orange barrels." Dealerships rely on people driving by and seeing a used car they like and stopping, he said. Mowery said his dealership has two temporary driveways and reminds patrons they can come in from the side streets. They are having signs made to guide drivers.

■ Sam Dufresne of Livonia, manager at New York Deli, 1349 West Ann Arbor Road, said the construction is hurting. "Lunch is a bit slower. After lunch is definitely slower. Regular customers come in but new people aren't willing to make the drive or the turn." Deli hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

■ Valvoline Quicklube Center manager Don Cathey of Plymouth said regular customers are coming in but the construction is hurting. He thinks they may be down as much as 50 percent. Valvoline opens at 8 a.m. Monday through Saturday.

■ Midas Muffler, 705 West Ann Arbor Road, is the brightest spot along the road. "Surprisingly, no" is manager Marty Clendenning answer to the questions: Is the road work hurting your busi-

ness?

Clendenning, who lives in Garden City, said the weekday store hours remain the same; they are also open Saturdays from 7:30 to 4 p.m. Drivers can get to the facility from the back way off of Main street.

■ Transient traffic is down at the Pilgrim Party Shoppe, 895 West Ann Arbor Road, according to manager John Hesano of Livonia. He reports they are getting signs made; currently a makeshift sign is pasted to an orange barrel. "Even our regulars are expressing dismay at the mess," Hesano said. Drivers can still park in back by coming through the S and W parking lot.

■ Rusty Buechs, a lifelong Canton resident, is manager at Einstein Bros Bagels at 640 West Ann Arbor Road. He reports a drop in total sales and says it will definitely affect employee hours. "Regular customers are coming in," he said. The store is open seven days a week. They are considering staying open later Sunday afternoons.

■ Dunkin' Donuts, 1043 West Ann Arbor Road, has not been hurt much, according to manager Denise Kahl of Canton. "People are finding their way in," she said. Kahl's store is busy partly because they also make doughnuts for five other Dunkin' outlets. Her store is open 24 hours a day and expects to add bagels to their offerings in the near future.

## Family, friends mourn popular teacher Richard Boies, 53

### Additional obituaries, A4

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Nearly 250 family members, friends, students and parents paid their last respects Thursday at the funeral of Richard Boies, who taught 29 years in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

"He was a terrific guy to work with," remembers Gerald Gutkowski, a fifth grade teacher at Hoben Elementary, where Boies taught 11 years before his death. "He had a great sense of humor, and the kids really enjoyed his classes."

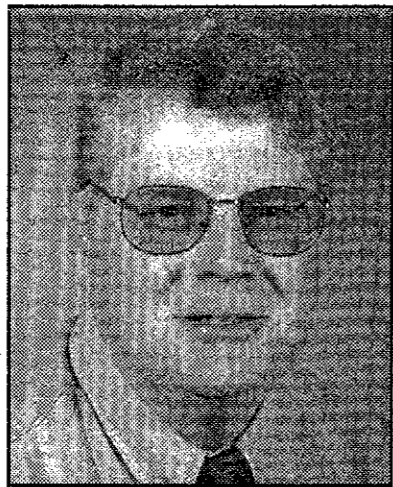
Gutkowski remembers the time Boies did an Elvis impression to get across a particular lesson.

"Dick liked to have fun with the kids," he added. "He knew if he made learning fun the kids would remember."

Boies died July 24 of Myelodysplastic Syndrome, the same disease that killed the late WJR radio personality J.P. McCarthy.

"The infection raced through his body," said his wife, Karen. "The doctors didn't even know what he had or how to locate it."

Karen Boies said Richard was in the hospital for 12 days, eight of them unconscious, before he died.



Richard H. Boies

"I will miss him greatly ... his wonderful sense of humor ... he would do anything for me," said Karen, who noted the couple would have been married 25 years in October. "He was a wonderful father. Our children will miss him greatly. He spent an exceptional amount of time with them."

Boies taught at Gallimore, Allen and Fiegel elementaries, as well as Central Middle School, before ending up at Hoben Elementary teaching social studies and history.

"He was a disciplinarian, his room was always working," said Elaine Aron, who taught with Boies at Hoben. "But, he tried to

make it fun for his students to learn. They really liked him."

Karen Boies remembers that her husband "was always correcting grammar, even at home."

Not only was Boies a favorite teacher, he was a great friend to many.

"He was always someone I could talk to, and I valued his opinion," said Gutkowski. "We would talk about anything ... cars, Michigan sports, family."

"Dick was a friend, a good Christian person. It came out in every aspect of his life," added Aron. "He always talked lovingly about his wife and family."

According to Karen, Dick "never missed a Concert in the Park, knew every oldies song, and the kids used want him on their team when it came to trivia because he was great at it."

Boies and Chuck Portelli, president of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association, used to fool students into believing they were brothers. Despite the fact they didn't look like alike, and the questions posed by students who didn't believe, they carried on the prank for several years.

"He was a great guy, the kind of person you want your children to have as a teacher," said Portelli. "He cared about kids."

Along with his wife, Karen, Boies survived by a son, Ryan, 21, and a daughter, Kristen, 19.

## Hero from page A1

It was a fondness for dealing with money that initially drew her into banking. She worked previously as a grocery store cashier.

When she's not at work, Dove spends most of her time tending to her animals - two dogs, three cats, two ferrets, one lizard and two turtles.

"I love animals," she said. "They keep me very busy."

But the best thing about her animals is their silence.

"They don't talk back," she said.

Dove's husband, Steve, is an early retiree. "I need to tellinate. er "Ev and Dr for ab "Wh

with her ular customer or is a new customer, she greets them by their name. Because she gives them divided attention, they leave a bank feeling great."

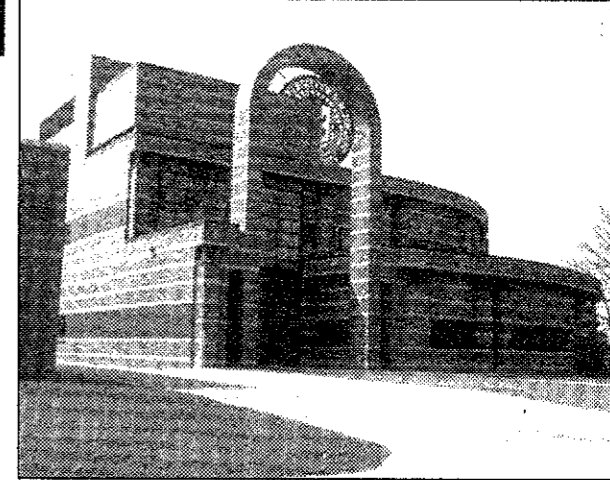
Dove said she was flattered Orleman nominated her as Everyday Hero."

Really, Orleman and everybody else are the ones who should be honored - they're out to work with," Dove said, mentioning Usha Desai, a teller, Deborah Torzy, community manager.

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Memorial services for Mabel G. McKinstry, 86, of Canton Township were held at Denton Faith United Methodist Church...

She was preceded in death by her first husband, William Morgan, in 1968. Survivors include her husband, Charles; one daughter, Sally (Chuck) McKenna...

daughters, Marie Gravel, Valerie Congdon, Mary Lou Rosner; five brothers; two sisters; and five grandchildren.
Local arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home, Canton Chapel.

motive engineer.
Survivors include his wife, Carol; one daughter, Tracy; one son, Brian; one sister, Terry; and parents, Stella and Paul.

SILVIO H. GAGGI
Services for Silvio H. Gaggi, 75, of Plymouth were July 28 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth...

mouth; two sons, Keith (Karen) Smith of Novi, Craig (Leslie) Smith of Milford; one brother, Samuel Kane; three sisters, Jeanette Durand, Dorothy Rose, Peggy Rappaport...

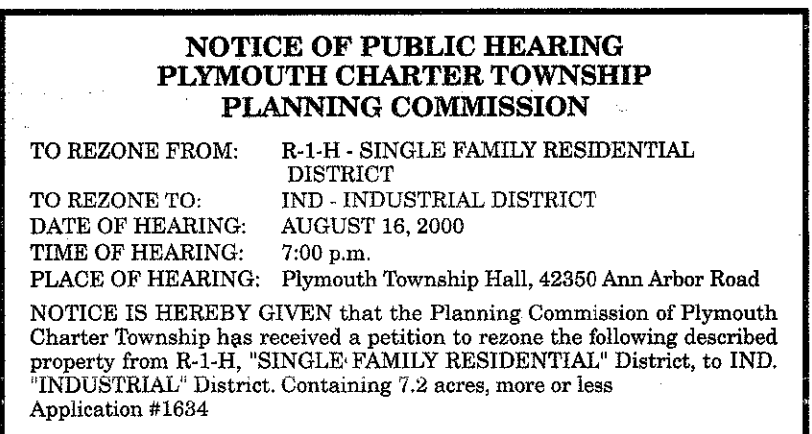
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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community School invites all interested and qualified companies to submit proposals for Ongoing Architectural/Engineering Services.

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LEGAL NOTICE
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PLEASE TAKE NOTE: A public test of the Patriot Electronic Voting System will take place at 2:00 p.m., on Wednesday, August 2, 2000, in the Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building No. 3, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

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# Mall

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township. Groundbreaking would come late this year if at all, he added.

"We have nothing firm yet," said Sakwa.

The project will take about nine months to finish once ground is broken.

Homeowners told Sakwa they want as many trees as possible preserved on the site. They said they preferred to use trees as natural screening from the mall instead of a masonry wall.

"Whatever you guys decide," said Sakwa, "we'll do."

Homeowners came away impressed with the project.

"I like it because it will be upscale," said Westminister Way resident Al Davis, "not fly-by-night. I was concerned for awhile that it might be more like a strip mall."

He knew development would eventually come to the parcel.

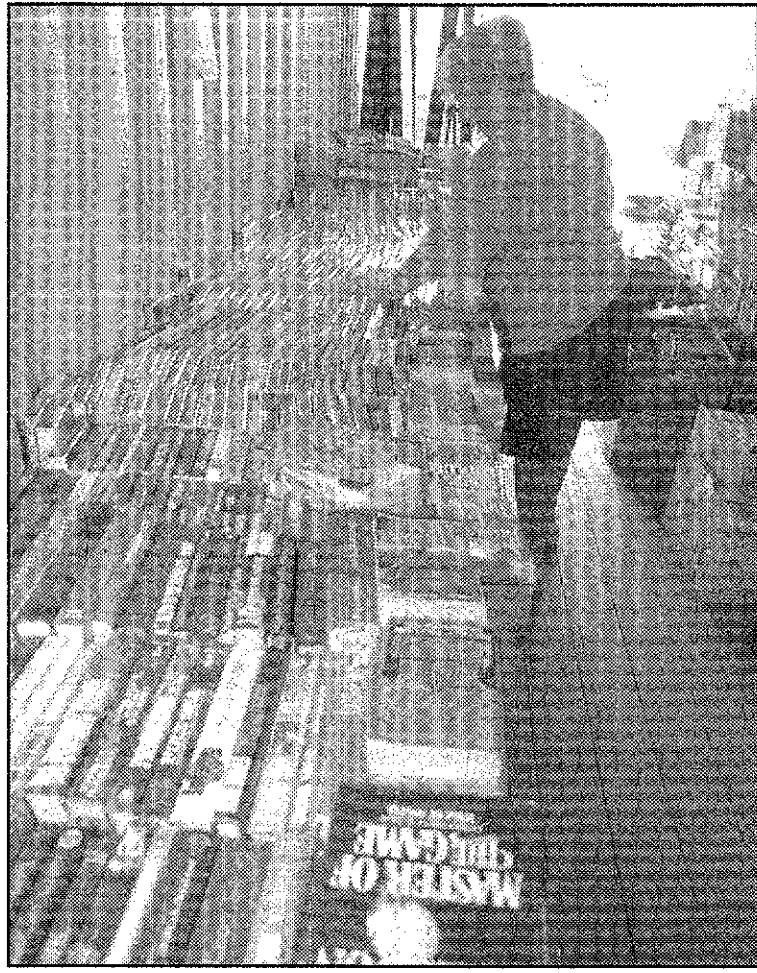
"If it has to be something," Davis added, "let it be nice."

"I think it will be really good," said Byron Lutes, who also lives on Westminister Way. "I'm happy to hear there will be no food stores in there. They lead to smell and rat problems."

He was impressed Grand-Sakwa came to homeowners first. Lutes said he has frequented the company's Northville Township development.

"If that's an example," he commented, "it's going to be nice. It could become one of the best projects in Canton."

## Bargains on books



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

**Big selection:** Canton Friends of the Library member Nila Rowland sorts through paperbacks in the trailer outside the library where one of the annual book sales will continue today (Sunday) from noon to 5 p.m.

# Archer

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In 1997 and 1998, the National Archery Association of the United States visited Canton for the week-long event. After a one-year hiatus, the NAA and the township have signed a three-year deal that will extend through 2002.

More than 550 archers are expected to compete for honors, including both the men's and women's U.S. Olympic teams, which will use the event as one of their final tune-ups for the Sydney Olympics.

Mattson will compete in the girls' Junior Division. While it will be just her second competitive tournament, she has attained "master archer" status through the Western Wayne County Conservation Association.

"It's like a second hobby for me," Mattson said of archery. "It helps me in school with my concentration. I think it's fun and exciting."

She began shooting as a 9-year-old. Her older brother, Kyle, was involved in the sport at the time as were her parents.

Since then, Mattson has practiced and competed through her club affiliation. Mother Karen sees archery as a good activity for her daughter and likes the

idea of her competing in Canton this week.

"I think it's good experience for her," she commented. "She'll meet a lot of people from around the world."

Mattson uses a "compound" bow. It's uses a series of strings and pulleys to propel arrows at a faster rate than single-string "recurve" bows.

Compound bows come with various pull weights. Jessica uses a 35-pound compound, which is efficient at 50 meters and in.

In the NAA tournament, Mattson will shoot a total of 36 arrows from 20, 30, 40 and 50 meters. Archers accumulate points by shooting at bullseyed targets.

"It gets tiring," Mattson said of competition. "But you get breaks between shooting."

Her mind gets tired before her body, she added.

"When you get to where I'm at," Jessica said, "it's more mental than physical."

Concentration is key in every round, but even more so at farther distances.

"At 40 or 50 meters the slightest (mistake) will throw you way off," she said. "Longer shots involve more concentration."

Mattson practices nearly every day to hone her archery skills.

She shoots into a small target set up in her family's garage for about an hour daily. By standing at the edge of the driveway, Mattson simulates 20-meter competition.

She's at the conservation club twice a week. Her father, Rick, built a homemade device for Jessica to practice her pulls.

The 13-year-old does weight training to strengthen her arms and shoulders as well. Posture is also important.

"You have to stand up really straight when you're shooting," she said. "Your hips have to be perfectly in line with the target."

Mattson isn't quite sure how long she'll pursue archery. For now, she's just looking forward to competing in the national tournament.

"I'm very excited," said Mattson. "I'm kind of nervous because I really want to do well."

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# 4 challenge incumbent treasurer

BY RICHARD PEARL  
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Treasurer Raymond J. Wojtowicz is facing four challengers as he seeks the Democratic Party nomination for a seventh consecutive term as chief handler of Wayne County's finances. Since there are no Republican candidates, the winner in the Aug. 8 primary election will be assured of victory in November. The Hamtramck resident's opponents include Sandra Pace Campbell, the city of Detroit's collections manager; state Sen. George Z. Hart of Dearborn; and Beverly Kindel Walker, legislative aide to a Detroit city council member. The fourth challenger, Tamara Layne Sordi of Lincoln Park, did not respond to requests for candidate information. The treasurer's office collects county taxes that help support county government, the municipalities and the school districts. It also is the investment arm of the county for about \$1.5 billion in funds belonging to and under the county's control. The treasurer also handles inter-related fiscal matters of the many county departments and agencies. "Very few people know what it takes to operate a \$2 billion bud-

get," Wojtowicz said, pointing out his 24 years of experience in the job and what he says in his office's pristine record in handling tax revenue from some 837,000 pieces of property in the county. Overpayments of taxes, about 10,000 cases per year, are refunded in about 30 days, he said. His cash-management program, begun 10 years ago, has seen about \$1.5 billion in revenue invested in "safe, sound" and usually local investments such as MichCon, Detroit Edison, Wayne County banks and the major automotive manufacturers. The millions in earnings have helped support county programs, he said. He's accomplished those things - and his office has carried either an A-1 or A-1 plus Standard and Poor's rating - with a staff of 79 which he claims is about 17 people short. The department budget for 1999-2000 is \$8.3 million. Wojtowicz said public service "is and will continue to be our first priority" and cites employee education, a taxpayer "hot-line" staffed by employees and a new \$2.5-million computer system expected to be in operation by June 2001 which is to make all

records electronic and eventually will provide on-line access to tax records. His department also is working to educate the public about Public Act 123 of 1999, which reduces property foreclosure on delinquent taxes from about five years to only two. Sandra Pace Campbell, who created the collections division in the Detroit treasurer's office and streamlined miscellaneous receivables during her 5 1/2 years there, wants to do similar things with the county office. She aims to modernize its operations - "I can't believe they're not taking" checks or credit card payments, she said - and also to improve customer service by establishing closer ties with the register of deeds and with the treasurers in all 44 county municipalities. "I respect (Wojtowicz) but I think they're stuck in 'this is the way we've always done that,'" she said. "Technology can do so much now," said Campbell, who holds undergraduate and master's degrees in accounting and business administration, respectively, and who worked in finances for Eastern Michigan University and the University of Michigan-Dearborn before her present position.

George Z. Hart, who is being term-limited from office after 18 years in Lansing and who is both a former county commissioner and Dearborn city councilman, said he would "find out whether we can improve the efficiency of the office ... find out its shortcomings and look for cooperation among the employees." He favors opening a satellite branch office "in the interest of accelerating" service and said, "I would be a very able administrator" who would "maintain high visibility. People would know who I am." "I'm going to be totally accountable" for the office's operations, he said. Beverly Kindel Walker of Detroit, who also is a Wayne County Community College trustee, fears there is "not enough notification" going out about the shorter time period for correcting tax delinquencies. Walker, who received 32,000 votes as Wojtowicz's runner-up in 1996, is concerned about "tax-delinquent properties and slum lords and persons continuing to profit off those and not pay taxes." "I am not a politician, but aspire to be a public servant" who is "concerned about people, be they black or white," she said.

# 14 candidates vie for register of deeds

BY RICHARD PEARL  
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Fourteen candidates are vying for the Democratic nomination for Wayne County register of deeds in the Aug. 8 primary, roughly the same number that sought the office in 1996. The difference this year is that Register of Deeds Forest E. Youngblood, who has held the office since succeeding his father over 20 years ago, is retiring. However, the Youngblood name still won't be off the ballot: Bernard J. Youngblood of Grosse Pointe Farms, a third cousin of Forest's, is one of five candidates with well-known surnames. Bernard has his cousin's endorsement. The others are Edna Bell, former 8th District County Commissioner; state Rep. Thomas H. Kelly of Wayne, who is being term-limited out of office; Jim Netter of Wayne, Western Wayne NAACP chairman; and Myron H. Wahls of Detroit, son of the late state court of appeals judge. Neither Bell, who also is a member of the former Detroit school board, nor another Detroit candidate for register of deeds, Edlisha Bell, would provide information about their candidacies to the Observer. The Democratic primary winner will face Willie J. Campbell of Detroit, the lone Republican candidate, in the November general election. The deeds office is the official recorder of all legal papers and documents pertaining to the transfer of all lands and properties. Of the seven Democrats responding to Observer inquiries, four have worked professionally with property records: Michael D. McMicken of Dearborn is one of Forest Youngblood's top executives; Netter is a real estate agent; Bernard Youngblood is a real estate agent; and Brian J. Watts is a community organizer in Detroit with experience in housing.

Three others - Tom Kelly; skilled trades training consultant John A. Bernard of Detroit; Robert D. Miller of Detroit, a retired Detroit Water Department draftsman; and Wahls, a Detroit attorney - cited administrative or legislative experience as qualifications. The remaining candidates - John E. Shannon and James L. Burks of Detroit, both security guards, and Gloria Jean Steward of Detroit - did not respond to inquiries. Kelly, a former librarian and travel agency partner with 18 years as state representative and Wayne city councilman, called for updating technology and customer service in the deeds office and establishing county satellite offices. He felt his legislative experience would "hold me in good stead" to get more funding to add personnel to improve service. Netter, a former Wayne city council candidate, said he could save the county about \$250,000 a year by computerizing it, opening satellites and holding neighborhood workshops. Wahls, who has a master's degree in public administration, said he is "probably the most qualified in that respect." Bernard, endorsed by the UAW and other unions, has experience as county deputy drain commissioner, Detroit Works program director and Detroit city council legislative aide for managing the office and its union employees. Miller, a Vietnam veteran, likewise would put his 32 years of government experience, some of it as union steward, to work to lead the department. McMicken, in Youngblood's department since 1967, wants to greatly increase the efficiency of the office. "I'd like to see us return (a deed) to you while you're in the office, rather than the usual eight weeks, he said. Watts, a community organizer for U-SNAPBAC, a housing assistance organization, has helped "a lot of people straighten out their deeds" and wants to retrain department clerks.

# AMPCO awarded Metro parking contract

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After being assured that audits would be no problem, the Wayne County Commission voted unanimously Thursday to award AMPCO Systems Parking a three-year contract to operate Metro Airport's parking lots. The contract, to take effect Sept. 1, is expected to end the controversial, 20-plus-year reign of APCOA as Metro's parking lot operator. However, at least one commissioner, Christopher Cavanagh of Grosse Pointe, felt it was possible APCOA would try legal means to block AMPCO's succession. "I believe APCOA will file an injunction," Cavanagh told fel-

low commissioners prior to the 15-0 vote approving AMPCO. But Robert E. Murphy, Metro general counsel, told commissioners that APCOA "could have filed to hold (the contract) as is, but they haven't." Metro spokesman Mike Conway said AMPCO and APCOA "are two leading airport parking lot management companies and they've taken over from each other at other airports in the past. "You know, sometimes you win a contract, sometimes you lose a contract. So they're used to doing it. We're not expecting" any major problem with the transition. In fact, he said, transition meetings between the airport

and the two companies are scheduled prior to the Sept. 1 date. "We're making plans for a smooth transition," Conway said. He added that AMPCO "committed to carry forward all bargaining unit employees," although not necessarily supervisory employees. The county is to pay AMPCO a total management fee of \$578,916, which is equal to 0.4948 percent of the anticipated gross revenue of \$117 million over the length of the contract. The audit question from commissioners reflected a major sore spot for them, because a number of airport contracts either have been renewed or extended by the county's executive branch without commission approval.

In addition, many contracts lacked clauses permitting audits of contractors' and subcontractors' books by the county auditor general - a legal requirement. Brendan Dunleavy, county auditor general, assured commissioners that "The audit language (in the contract) says that the county has the right to look at contractor and subcontractor books." Commission Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, said AMPCO "has a very good reputation and good experience and I'm hoping that they will be able to run the parking concessions at the airport efficiently" and that there won't be any problems with conducting audits.

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## Here's the pitch

### Redford thrower heads to worlds, offers pointers

BY MONICA PUGNO  
STAFF WRITER

When asked to do a story on the sport of pitching horseshoes, my first thought was pure stereotype — older men standing around at a family picnic, trying to avoid the rest of the relatives as they knocked back a few pops.

While tossing shoes with Ollie Keyes, I discovered — while he is older, goes to picnics and may have an occasional beverage — throwing horseshoes is not just a sport for old men.

"Lots of young men and women pitch shoes at the Moose (Lodge)," the 62-year-old Redford Township resident said. "The average age of pitchers is probably 40 years old. We're encouraging younger people to get into it. At the Taylor Moose Association, 24 of the 28 pitchers are around age 25."

"And it's not just a man's sport. I'd say 15 percent of pitchers are women."

The idea was to meet with Keyes to get some pointers from someone who is representing Michigan at the 82nd annual World Horseshoe Pitchers Tournament, which begins Monday and runs through Aug. 12 in Bismarck, N.D.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

**Making a pitch:** Pugno throws a shoe under the watchful eye of Ollie Keyes of Redford, whose headed to the World Horseshoe Pitchers Tournament in Bismarck, N.D.

We met behind the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Redford Wednesday. It wasn't the best place to pitch horseshoes. The grass was as tall as the stakes, there were no sand pits to slow down the shoes and there were mosquitoes everywhere.

But pitching shoes is pitching shoes. And he started by showing me

the proper way to throw regulation horseshoes, which weigh just over two pounds.

"When starting out, I would suggest holding the shoe flip side up with your thumb on the raised center (technical term: the heel caulk) of the shoe and your fingers underneath," he said. "Then raise the shoe up, elbow bent, and look through the shoe. Line it up with the center of the stake and take one step forward as you're releasing the shoe."

"Follow through. Keep your eyes on the shoe at all times. Know where the shoe is going to go. Like this."

As his perfect throw rang around the stake for the fifth time in what seemed like as many tries, I asked him how many ringers he's made in a row. He figured 12, but wasn't sure. But, he did know the record for most ringers in a row — 72, set by the late Ted Allen of Boulder, Colo., more than 50 years ago.

As I picked up my first shoe in several years, I suddenly remembered just how difficult it is to make a ringer. Being the diligent pupil, I did exactly as Keyes showed me — but didn't meet with the same result. My shoe bounced past the stake and rolled around on the ground before landing several feet away from the stake. Keyes said my throw wasn't bad for a beginner.

"It takes a lot of practice," he said. "It takes a lot of concentration to master the sport."

Maybe he was trying to make me feel better. He quickly added that he'd been pitching shoes for more than 50 years and still hasn't conquered the sport.

"I'm getting close," he said. "If somebody beats me, I go back to the drawing board to find out why they beat me."

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**Big ringer:** Keyes is one of 15 members representing Team Michigan in the world championships.

## Bulldogs, Lakers reach MSHL final

### HOCKEY

10 to 8 to 2.

Brent Wishart of Canton (No. 10), Corey Swider of Livonia (No. 8) and Jason Basile (No. 2) combined for seven goals and 11 assists Thursday evening at the Plymouth Cultural Center to help the Bulldogs defeat the Spartans, 10-4, during one semifinal of the Metro Summer Hockey League playoffs.

The win puts the Bulldogs in the MSHL finals against the Lakers — a 6-4 winner over the Huskies on Wednesday night in the league's other semifinal.

Wishart and Swider both completed hat tricks and Basile added a goal and five assists as the Bulldogs advanced to tonight's championship game against the Lakers. Also scoring for the 'Dogs were Mike Schimidt (Livonia), Ian Smith, Eric Bratcher and Brian Grant (Livonia).

The Bulldogs, runners-up during the regular season with a 9-1-1 record; scored early and often Thursday. Basile tallied at 14:28 of the first period on assists by Swider and Wishart.

Spartans forward Scott Marlinga scored two goals in less than a minute to give the Spartans a brief 2-1 lead. The Bulldogs responded by scoring six goals in a row to go ahead 6-2 midway through the second.

Marlinga scored three of the Spartans' four goals, with Ryan Thompson scoring the other.

Bulldogs goalie Phil Osaer (Plymouth) replaced John Picklo between the pipes at 7:02 of the second with the 'Dogs in complete control of the game.

Kevin Brady (Livonia) started in net for the Spartans and was replaced by Thomas Monnier at the midway point of the second after the Bulldogs' had scored their fifth goal of the game.

**Lakers 6, Huskies 4:** The Lakers scored two goals in the third period to upset the regular-season champion Huskies.

The Lakers, who finished fourth during the regular season with a 3-5-3 record, tied the game 4-4 with an unassisted goal by Sean Smith (Livonia) at 1:03 of the second. The goal came just 43 seconds after Mark Pietila gave the Huskies a 4-3 lead.

Eric Doleh (Farmington Hills) and Smith each scored two goals for the Lakers and Brian Jardine added a goal and an assist.

The Huskies, who lost just once during the regular season, got scoring from Dwight Helminen, Rich Storm and Pietila.

Lakers goalie Lanny Jardine and Huskies goalie Art Baker played the entire game for their respective clubs.

Tonight's title game between the Lakers and Bulldogs begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

### Cheerleading camp

The Plymouth Salem Cheerleaders are holding a cheerleading camp for girls ages 13 and younger on Saturday, Aug. 19, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Plymouth Salem High School Gymnasium.

The Salem cheerleaders will teach cheers, jumps, dance, sideline chants and spirit chants. All participants will be invited to "Cheer" at a Salem H.S. home game.

Registration fee is \$35 and includes clinic, lunch, Salem water bottle and T-shirt. Registration deadline is Aug. 12.

For more information, call (734) 459-8327 or (734) 981-0062.

### Canton pompon squad

The Plymouth Canton Chieftettes Varsity Pompon Squad will be sponsoring a Pompon Clinic for girls ages 8-14 years old Wednesday, Aug. 23, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Pioneer Middle School, located at 46081 W. Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

The cost is \$35 per person, which includes a T-shirt and lunch. Participation is limited to the first 100 registrations. Registration forms are available in elementary and middle school principal's offices, and at the Plymouth or Canton Library.

For more information, call Debbie Custer at (734) 455-2812 or Lynn Rivers at (734) 416-1822.

### Girls hoop tryouts

Canton's girls basketball team is having tryouts beginning Monday, Aug. 14 in the Canton Gymnasium. Tryouts for varsity begin at 9 a.m., followed by junior varsity at 10:30 a.m. and freshmen at 11 a.m.

Players must have a sports physical by the first day of practice. Any physical taken on or after April 15 is good for the 2000-2001 school year.

For more information, call Bob Blohm at (734) 459-1763, Jeremy Rheault at (734) 207-6227 or Sue Heinzman at (734) 416-2925.

### Varsity Lions needed

The Canton Lions varsity football team is still accepting applications for the upcoming season. Any boys 13-14 years old who are under 160 pounds and are interested in playing football should contact Matt Meares at (734) 416-1469.

Also: The Canton Lions will have their annual golf outing/dinner dance at Pheasant Run Saturday, Aug. 26. Those interested should call Kirk Carlson at (734) 459-7827.

### Canton Duck Derby

Canton Parks and Recreation is hosting the 2nd annual Great Canton Duck Derby Aug. 12 at Heritage Park.

Fee is \$2 to adopt one duck, \$5 to adopt three ducks or \$11 to adopt seven ducks. Those who adopt seven or more ducks will receive a special Canton Duck Derby pin.

Entrants can adopt a duck at several locations, including the Canton Parks and Recreation office in the Summit on the Park or at any special event throughout the summer, including the Concerts in the Park.

The fun starts at 11:30 a.m., with the race time set for 1 p.m.

Each duck adopted will be entered in the Great Canton Duck Derby and be eligible to win hundreds of prizes, including two round trip airline tickets on Northwest Airlines, \$1,000 savings bond, Red Wings' autographed items, Pistons' autographed basketballs, stereos, camcorders, golf and a Summit gift certificate.

For more information, call Duck Central (Canton Parks and Recreation) Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. at (734) 397-5110.

### Basketball camp

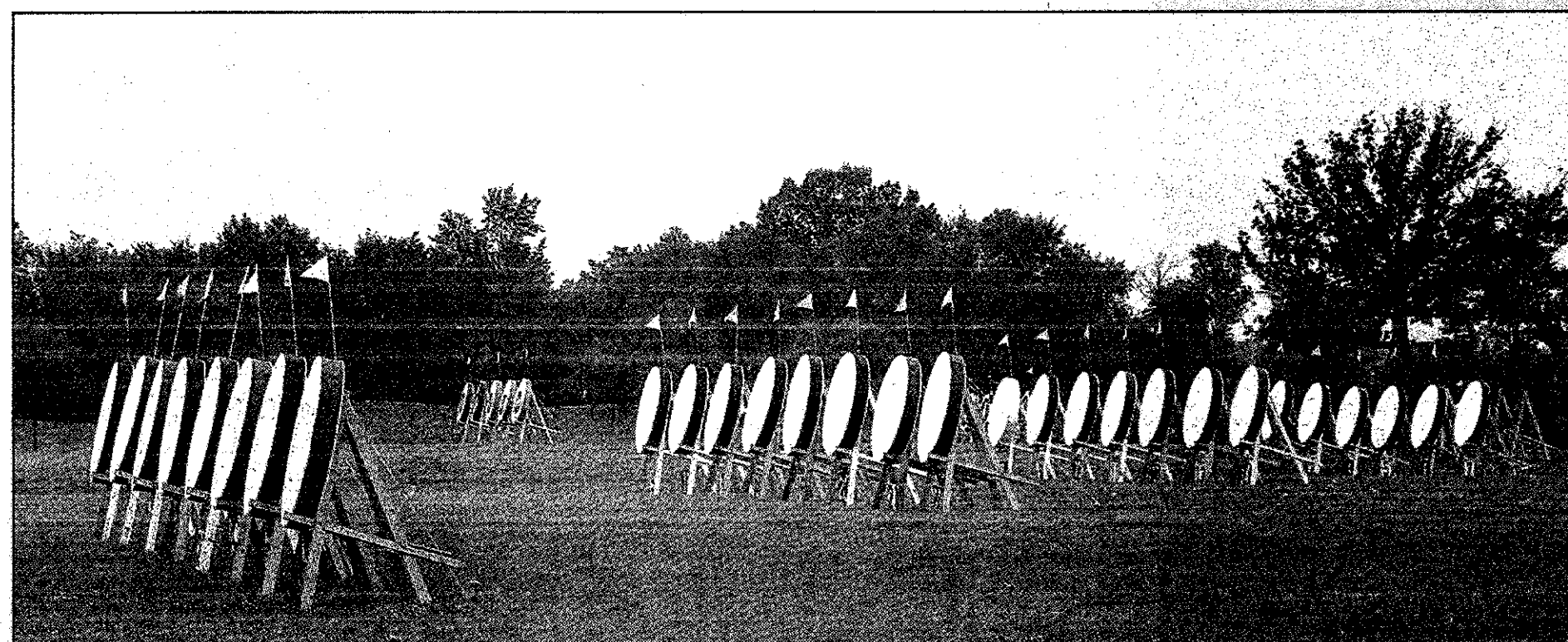
Schoolcraft College women's basketball coach Karen Lafata will conduct a girls basketball camp at SC beginning Monday for grades 7-12.

The camp runs from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. Cost is \$110 and includes a T-shirt and basketball.

For further information, call Lafata at (734) 462-4400, ext. 5249.

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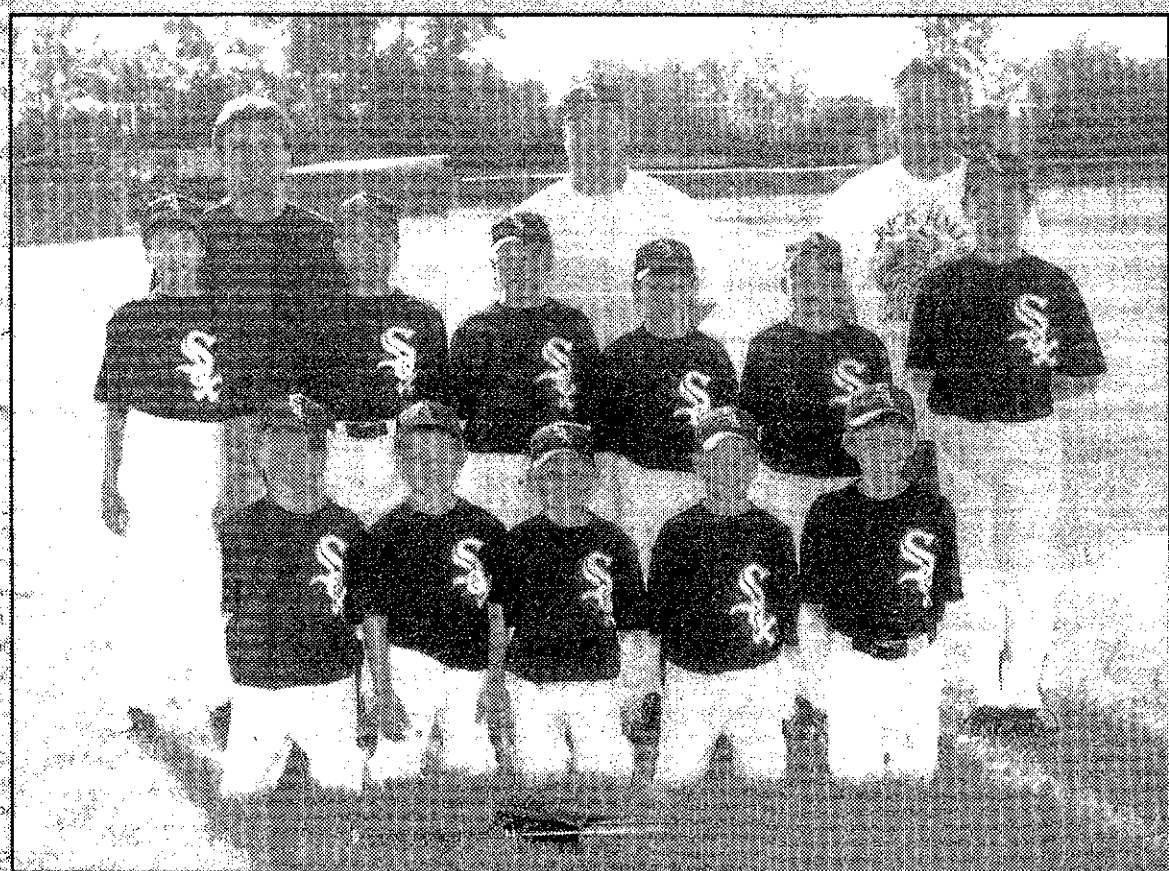
## Taking aim



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**Target practice:** Empty targets sit ready for the National Archery Tournament in Canton's Heritage Park Friday. A scheduled practice was postponed due to inclement weather -- namely, lightning -- Friday afternoon. The tournament begins today at 8 a.m. on the East Field at Heritage Park.

**CCJBSA champs**



**League honors:** The White Sox are league champions in the 9-year-old division of the Canton Community Junior Baseball-Softball Association. Team members include (front from left) Eric Cates, Edward Marzorowicz, Chris Estes, Jeff Rowinski, Cirilo Salinas (back from left) Michael Rose, Jimmy Dexter, Nicholas Wright, Luke Merondi, Brendan Cox and Joel Schwiebert. Team members not pictured are Marcus Bodner, Colin Brady, Daniel Jonik, Alex Murray and Kelly Waite. The White Sox are coached by (left) Steve Estes, Ammon Wright (head coach) and Jim Dexter.

**Blue Jays win World Series**

The Blue Jays defeated the Cardinals 14-7 in Game 5 of the World Series to capture the Canton Community Junior Baseball League Senior Division title.

Jays pitcher Jim Kowalik survived a first-inning home run by Steve Nagel and went on to strike out nine batters in four innings.

Jared Vidivoc led the Jays' defense by throwing out a base runner at home plate from centerfield. Brian Hull paced the offense by going 4 for 4, while Mike Werner, Vidivoc, Hull and Mike Kompoltowicz all scored two runs apiece.

Both teams came into the Series on a high note. The Cardinals were on a six-game winning streak, while the Blue Jays closed the season with a five-game unbeaten streak.

The Jays continued their unbeaten streak by winning the

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first two games of the Series. Pitcher Anthony Mize earned the victory, despite giving up four runs in the first inning. Mize blanked the Cardinals the rest of the way for a 10-4 victory.

Outfielders Ed Martin and Kompoltowicz both made diving catches for the Jays, and an around-the-horn double play by Drew Barth to Kowalik to Hull helped stop the Cards.

Joe Hill was the hero of Game 2 for the Jays. He collected 10 RBIs, including a two-out grand slam, a three-run home run and two singles, as the Jays triumphed, 19-16.

Dan Bak had a two-run triple off the left-field fence to keep the Cards close. Pete Weiland also went 4 for 5 with three runs scored.

The Cardinals won Games 3 and 4 to force the decisive fifth game. Bak, Weiland, Nagel and Joe Lapointe had three hits apiece as the Cardinals won Game 3, 11-5.

The Cards tied the Series 2-2 with a 12-5 victory in Game 4. Carl Space opened the game with a single and eventually scored to give the Cards an early lead that they would never relinquish. The Cards used two five-run innings to put the game away. Nick Vetter had two doubles and Matt Truax hit a three-run double.

Completing the roster for the Cardinals are Sean Abraham, Charlie Clements, Matt Clements, Ken Bazman, Ryan Cunningham, Brad Wolf and Matt Hurst. Rounding out the roster for the Blue Jays are Paul Burton, Scott Dallos, Jon Shepard, Dan Montry and Dave Ford.

**Tournament champions**



**Mariners win:** We're number one is the cry of the Canton Mariners of the Canton Community Junior Baseball-Softball Association after they won the tournament for 9-year-olds July 17-21 at McClumpa Park. Pictured (front from left) are Joe Hall, Bryan Davison, Andrew Juback, Adam Kaye, Mark Barath, Andrew Portener. (back from left) Anthony Guastella, Brad Lineberry, Ryan McClure, Alex Minch, John Louis, Evan Yoder, Sam Ott and Nick Bargowski. Not pictured are Lucas Konsitzke and Kyle Reno. The team is coached by Larry Ott (left) and Ed Minch.

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# Horseshoes from page B1

Keyes began tossing shoes when he was 8 years old on his family's farm in Crossville, Tenn.

"When you grow up on a farm, there's not a lot to do," he said. "Pitching shoes was one of the only sports around. Horseshoes are something to play that don't cost anything. Shoes get old and need to be replaced."

Once, Keyes tossed shoes for eight hours straight without taking a break. It was on a hot, humid summer day, not unlike Wednesday, some 50 years ago.

"I went undefeated and they gave me a blue ribbon," he said. "Monday morning, the teacher asked me what I'm going to do with the prize money, which was 25 cents, and I said I'd give it to the school. It was nice beating everybody, both kids and adults."

The prize money in Bismarck will be quite a lot more than a quarter — close to \$1,500 for first place.

Although Keyes has been pitching shoes in his backyard for 54 years, he has only been doing organized horseshoes for two years. This will be his first World Tournament.

"It's exciting," he said. "I'm the only senior from Michigan going. I'm hoping to be No. 1 and bring the trophy home. I feel confident. I win more than I lose. Over the last two years, I've won more than 50 percent of my games."

Just like other sports, pitching shoes has different age divisions — men, women, boys, girls, senior men and elders (70 and older). Women, juniors and elders throw from 30 feet, while men pitch from 40 feet.

While starting my lesson at the feet of the almost-master, I began throwing from 30 feet, then moved back 10 feet. From 30 feet, I threw too long. From 40 feet, my shoes came up short of the stake. Keyes had me try a different technique, what he called "turning the shoe."

"Ninety percent of National Horseshoe Pitchers Association players turn their shoes," he said, grabbing a shoe and starting another lesson. "It spins, instead of flips. I use a one-and-three-quarter spin. The shoe's tail faces you. Just like a coin,

there is a head and a tail of a horseshoe."

To emphasize the point he let another shoe fly.

Clank. Another ringer. I turned the horseshoe upside down and tossed it. It came within six inches of the stake, worth one point if you're keeping score at home, in the neighbors backyard or anywhere else. Scoring for horseshoes is by cancellation. A ringer is worth three points and any throw within six inches of the stake is worth one point. If both players each throw two ringers, the score would be zero because they would cancel each other out. Competitors play up to 40 points.

Players are divided into different classes based on their ringer percentage — based on the number of ringers a player averages out of 100 throws.

"I'm between 35 and 40 percent," Keyes said. "I try to ring it one out of every three times."

"In 1980, I went to the (Michigan) State Fair to pitch shoes. The Wolverine State Horseshoe Pitchers Association was having tryouts. I got to throw 12 shoes and I made eight ringers. They told me to practice and come back when I could make at least 75 percent ringers. They told me I wasn't good enough to be in Class A."

It's hard to believe that throwing ringers 66 percent of the time isn't good enough. Baseball players would be in the Hall of Fame if they hit that percentage.

"Walter Ray Williams, a famous bowler and pitcher, has a ringer percentage of 86 percent," Keyes said. "Nobody can beat that guy."

If you think that's impressive, Don Titcomb of Los Gatos, Calif., threw almost 98 percent (97.7) ringers during one game of the 1960 World Horseshoe Tournament in Muncie, Ind., according to the NHPA's website ([www.horseshoepitching.com](http://www.horseshoepitching.com)).

"That's how good the pitchers in Class A are," Keyes said. "A lot of them are farmers who have a lot of spare time."

"I'm in Class C. I could pitch in Class A, but I'm not consistent. You have to be very consistent to throw in Class A. I can beat Class A pitchers. Class C is just

as difficult, but it's easier to win. If I pitched in Class A, I'd never win."

The mosquitoes started finding their mark more than we were, so we finished our conversation inside. While drinking a Pepsi, Keyes talked about his love for the sport of pitching shoes.

"It's a lot of fun, a lot of excitement," he said. "What I like about pitching shoes is meeting other people who have the same thing in common. I think it's a great sport."

Pitching shoes is not just a summer sport. Keyes practices pitching shoes every day, either in his backyard where he has horseshoe pits set up or any place that has two stakes 40 feet apart.

"People who belong to the NHPA throw shoes 12 months a year," he said. "There's indoor courts that use clay pits in Jackson. I've pitched on Christmas Day and New Year's Day in the sand. There's no difference, except you have to wear gloves so the shoes don't freeze to your fingers."

Keyes mostly plays for the Michigan Moose Association in Taylor. Last Saturday in Auburn, Keyes and his partner, Ike Wilson of Detroit, won the state doubles title.

Keyes did not have to qualify for the World Tournament. The Moose signed its 25 members up for it. The only requirement to play in the tournament is you have to be a member of the NHPA.

"Even though you don't have to qualify to play in the tournament, it's better to go in there a winner," Keyes said. "You've got to have the confidence that you could win."

Winning isn't the only reason Keyes pitches shoes. He enjoys the exercise, the sunshine and the camaraderie between the players.

"People who pitch shoes are not real aggressive," he said. "You've got to concentrate on your own game. Everybody throws differently. They learn to master it, if they're good."

"One thing I like about pitching shoes is it doesn't matter how old you are. You wouldn't ride a bike at 80, but you can pitch shoes."

# Plymouth Colony sets record

It was the Newburgh Swim Club's year through-and-through in the Summer Independent League.

The Livonia club, unbeaten in eight dual meets, captured its first-ever championship in a five-team event held July 22 at the Northville Swim Club.

Newburgh racked up 380.5 points followed by Northville (282), Plymouth Colony (280.5), Fairway Farms (194) and Burton

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Hollow (138).

Travis Hatt, Andrea Hurn and Laura Timson each won three events for Newburgh.

Hurn broke the 15-and-under meet record in the 100-meter individual medley, while Timson set a new mark in the 10-and-under girls 25 breaststroke.

Other triple winners included

Amy Bernstein, Sarah Carr, John Denton and Alandra Greenlee, all of Northville; Rob Cyrek and Ben Dzialo, both of Plymouth Colony.

Cyrek broke 12-and-under boys records in the 50 butterfly and 100 IM, while Dzialo established a new mark in the 15-and-under 100 IM.

Plymouth Colony's 15-and-under freestyle relay team also set a meet record.

## INDEPENDENT SUMMER SWIM LEAGUE RESULTS

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<b>INDIVIDUAL RESULTS</b>			
<b>8-AND-UNDER GIRLS</b>			
<b>50-meter freestyle:</b> 1. A. Bernsten (NV), 44.23; 2. T. Rymph (PC), 44.23; 3. L. Kushner (PC), 48.7; <b>25 freestyle:</b> 1. A. Bernsten (NV), 19.86; 2. T. Rymph (PC), 20.15; 3. M. Carlson (PC), 20.65; <b>25 backstroke:</b> 1. S. Hatt			
(NB), 26.19; 2. M. Yanik (PC), 27.41; 3. M. Schremser (PC), 28.78.			
<b>8-AND-UNDER BOYS</b>			
<b>50 freestyle:</b> 1. J. Denton (NV), 44.06; 2. T. Jones (NV), 44.47; 3. P. Napolitano (PC), 45.73; <b>25 freestyle:</b> 1. A. Dabkowski (BH), 19.15; 2. T. Jones (NV), 19.35; 3. A. Bernstein (NV), 20.73; <b>25 backstroke:</b> 1. J. Denton (NV), 23.83; 2. J. Jakubik (PC), 26.84; 3. T. Wright (NV), 27.27.			
<b>10-AND-UNDER GIRLS</b>			
<b>50 freestyle:</b> 1. L. Timson (NB), 36.56; 2. L. Hurn (NB), 38.79; 3. A. Stencel (FF), 40.03; <b>25 freestyle:</b> 1. L. Timson (NB), 16.22;			
2. A. Spohn (FF), 17.23; 3. L. Landis (PC), 17.49; <b>25 backstroke:</b> 1. K. Perko (FF), 18.94; 2. J. Foss (NB), 21.69; 3. A. Holmes (NV), 22.74; <b>25 breaststroke:</b> 1. L. Timson (NB), 19.65; 2. A. Turlo (BH), 20.67; 3. L. Hurn (NB), 23.18; <b>25 butterfly:</b> 1. L. Landis (PC), 19.71; 2. M. Denton (NV), 20.03; 3. E. Cullen (NB), 21.12.			
<b>10-AND-UNDER BOYS</b>			
<b>50 freestyle:</b> 1. M. Cruce (NB), 35.29; 2. K. Kermann (NB), 35.4; 3. T. Probst (NV), 40.27; <b>25 freestyle:</b> 1. B. Gray (NB), 17.09;			

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## Artsy nature activities will keep kids busy



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**N**ow that summer vacation is drawing to an end, you may be looking for something to do with your children to keep them occupied. Here are a couple of ideas you can try.

Recently I had some students make a mosaic from small sections of pictures cut from magazines. We all seem to have magazines we don't know what to do with, so before throwing them away, consider this mosaic project.

Select a subject that your child would like. I chose the head of a deer stretching to get some food. Once you've selected a subject, draw an outline of the subject on a piece of paper.

Divide the drawing into basic colors. When choosing a subject don't make it too complex. The deer head had black, white, medium brown, dark brown and cream.

Once the colors have been selected, search through magazines for pictures with these basic tones. They don't have to be pure tones of the required color, in fact, it's better if they have some variation of color in each piece.

For instance, we used the complete head of a bear for a medium brown piece. Searching through magazines for the various colors needed will occupy a reasonable amount of time, and if you're like me, I spend a lot of time reading the articles I missed.

Any kind of picture will do; it does not have to be a nature picture. The most important thing is to get the "ball park" color desired.

Separate the colors and get a glue stick. Paste the appropriate colors in the proper areas, cutting the pieces near the edges so they will fit.

Once the pieces are pasted in place, step back several feet from the mosaic and view your creation.

Human eyes fuse the pieces with their varied colors into the desired tone and produce a work of art. How large you make the mosaic will determine how long this project may take to complete.

A popular activity for young people is decorating a T-shirt with animal tracks or animal shapes and designs.

Our stamps are already made, but you could make your own stamp patterns or shapes. Art stores have kits that provide all the materials necessary to make a stamp.

Many clip-art computer programs provide outline shapes of almost any kind of nature subject you can think of.

A variation to a stamp is a stencil. Take the outlines from the clip-art images and place them on thin plastic, like that on a file folder cover found at some office supply stores. It's durable, but thin enough to cut.

Place the outline on the plastic, or heavy paper of a manila file divider, and trace the shape in pencil. An adult would then need to cut out the shape with a sharp pointed blade to form a stencil.

Be sure to cut out the desired shape carefully and intake, because you can use this cutout to create a negative image.

Once the stencil is cut and the image retained, place both on a shirt and use the bristle end of a paint brush, or a sponge, to transfer the paint.

The stencil will form an image the color of the acrylic paint, while the cutout will create an image the color of the shirt when paint is applied around the image. Acrylic paint dries quickly and does not wash out easily.

If you use animal tracks you can look in a book to learn the pattern of the tracks when the animal makes a trail.

Be sure to use these projects as tools to learn about the natural world. Have fun!

# Tae kwon do imparts confidence, competence



**QUEST COLUMNIST**

The martial arts were originally developed for self-defense and the preservation of life. Today, however, people come from all walks of life, each with their own reasons for wanting to train in the martial arts. Some want to learn self-defense. Some seek to become physically fit. Some enjoy the sporting aspects, and others just want to have fun. During the 25 years that I have been involved in martial arts I have seen many styles and teaching methods come and go. Tae kwon do, however, has remained one of the most positive, exciting and self-rewarding form of self-defense and exercise.

When I first began tae kwon do training at the age of 17, my soul purpose was to get into better shape. Soon I discovered that I was not only getting physically fit but my reflexes and coordination were improving. My flexibility increased by 50 percent. Tae kwon do was affecting my performance in all my daily physical activities. I found that I had a lot more stamina and energy throughout the day. At work I was able to focus longer on a project. This was definitely the direct result of my tae kwon do training. My stress level declined and my relaxation level increased. This developed into a positive mental attitude towards life.

Tae kwon do training promotes values such as honesty, courtesy, loyalty and cooperation. It strengthens your body and improves your health through physical exercise and conditioning. Isometric and dynamic tension exercise will allow you to gain better muscle tone and more strength. A gradual building process of safe and easy stretching techniques will enhance flexibility.

Through teaching I found that some people are reluctant to get involved in the martial arts. I believe the word would be intimidated. The media plays martial arts to be such a violent sport

that people are somewhat afraid to get their children or themselves involved. Tae kwon do is just the opposite. Our motto is to "Give strength to the weak and confidence to the timid." I teach my students that tae kwon do is only to be used when your life, loved one or honor is at stake. Tae kwon do is the only discipline taught today that not only improves your physical and mental well-being but improves your vocabulary and manners. I stress that my students address me, their fellow students and any authority figure with respect. I do not tolerate the use of slang words such as nope, yep, un hun, shrugging of the shoulders, maybe, etc. I only accept, Yes Sir, No Sir, Yes Madam, and No

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Madam. I once had to go with one of my students to see his principal at school. Apparently he addressed one of his teachers by saying, "Yes Sir." The teacher felt he was being disrespectful and sent him to the office. I came in with his parent and explained that he was one of my students and this was the direct result of his training. He was not being disrespectful but respectful.

My whole family is involved in tae kwon do. My wife Laura is a black belt and instructs the mini-ranger classes (4- and 5-year-old students) and our cardio kick boxing classes. My son Alexander, 9, is a junior black belt and my son Austin, 6, is a high-ranking blue belt.

Tae kwon do is a family sport. I teach a lot of families. It seems that once a parent comes and watches their child train they become so intrigued that they want to get involved, too. What better way to teach your child health and fitness than to train along with them.

Tae kwon do is a lot fun. It also offers peace of mind knowing you are able to protect yourself and your family.

There are other equally important reasons why people study the martial arts such as self-awareness, weight and figure control. Whatever your goals, tae kwon do can help you become physically and mentally fit for the rest of your life.

*Christopher S. Covert is the owner and operator of Olympian Chung Do Kwan, a tae kwon do school in Garden City.*



**All in the family:** Canton residents Chris and Laura Covert, both tae kwon do experts, are training their sons (from left) Austin and Alexander in the martial art form.

## Imagine what Ernie sounded like when he broadcast bowling



**TEN PIN ALLEY**

**E**rnie Harwell, the venerable radio announcer for the Detroit Tigers, had at one time broadcast bowling action on the radio.

This was mentioned during one of the Tigers baseball game broadcasts a few days ago when Jim Price asked him if he had ever broadcast other sports.

Can you just imagine how that would sound, the typical Harwell description of the thundering crash of the pins as "the bowler from Clarkston rolled a hard grounder right into the 1-3 pocket."

You might say Ken O'Brien Jr. was on a roll at the July 8 Great Lakes Senior Bowling Association tournament at Garden Lanes in Garden City.

First, he bowled a 300 game during the qualifying rounds. Next, he qualified third for the finals with 1,447.

Then he went on to win his first GLSBA tournament by defeating

Windsor's Scotty Laughland, who had also rolled a 300 game, by a margin of just 30 pins.

Upcoming GLSBA tournaments will be on Aug. 12 at Fairlane Bowl in Madison Heights; Sept. 9 at Airport Lanes in Jackson; Oct. 14 at Regal Lanes in Warren and Nov. 11 at Metro Bowl in Lansing. The GLSBA is open to people 50 and older. For more information or entry forms, call (734) 522-9315.

If you are a pretty good woman bowler and would like to get to the next level of competition, the All-Star Bowlerettes league at Cloverlanes in Livonia has openings.

The league will be in its 54th year and is considered to be the finest ladies scratch league in the nation.

There are openings for two full teams.

Individuals may check it out for openings on existing teams. The new starting time is 7:30 p.m. Mondays, with practice at 7:15.

There are five players per team, and they usually carry an extra player or two. Minimum entering average is 170.

This is also a chance to bowl with some of the best women bowlers.

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The prize money is ample, and the jackpots are always pretty worthwhile, too.

A major sponsor that I cannot name at this time is expected to participate, so next time you have a beer, be sure to order a Bud.

For more information, call Carmen Allen, daytime hours, at Cloverlanes, (734) 427-6410.

If the proposed plan goes through, there will be an opportunity for one bowler somewhere in the nation to win \$1 million by throwing one ball for a strike.

It could happen to you. The details are not ready yet, as it has to be accepted and put in place by a large number of bowling centers. More on this next week.

## OUTDOOR CALENDAR

### CLASSES/CLINICS

**FLY TYING**  
River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tiers. Classes will be held at various times. For more information and to register call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

### ACTIVITIES

**BASS TOURNAMENT**  
The 2000 Top Bass Tournament will be held at various sites throughout the summer months. The schedule is as follows: Lobdell Lake, Aug. 5; Lake St. Helen, Aug. 19; and Wixom Lake, Aug. 26-27. Guaranteed payoffs will be awarded with amounts determined by the number of entries. For more information, call (734) 729-1762 or (734) 422-5813.

**METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS**  
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

**MICHIGAN FLY FISHING**  
The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

**FOUR SEASONS**  
The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for information.

**BASS ASSOCIATION**  
The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

**SOLAR**  
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

### SHOOTING RANGES

**LIVONIA RANGE**  
The Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The range is also open Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only through the end of November. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

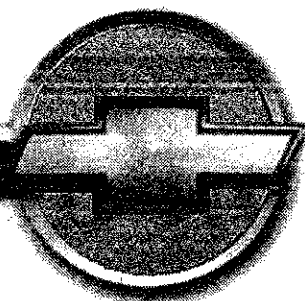
**METROPARKS**  
Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178; Hudson Mills, 1-800-477-3191.

**PERMITS**  
The 2000 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

**STATE PARKS**  
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

**WAYNE COUNTY PARKS**  
Wayne County Parks offers nature interpretive programs throughout the year. Advanced registration is requested. Call (734) 261-1990 to register and for more information. To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; fax information to (248) 644-1314.

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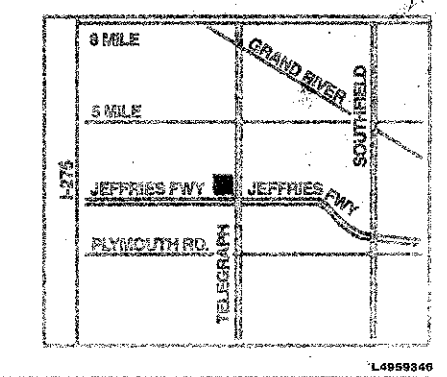
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

## Duck into the woodcarvers show Aug. 5-6

Ducks are the first thing that pops into most people's minds when they think of woodcarving. But the time-honored craft is so much more than that. If you don't believe me, see for yourself Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 5-6, at Eddie Edgar Arena in Livonia. The 26th annual Livonia Wood Carvers Show features more than 100 exhibitors from around the U.S. and Canada.

From three-dimensional carousel horses and bobcats to reliefs carved on the lids of wood boxes, there's something for everyone, including all types and sizes of ducks. More than

### Livonia Woodcarvers Show

**When:** 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 5-6.  
**Where:** Eddie Edgar Arena, 33841 Lyndon, off Farmington Road between Five Mile and I-96, Livonia.  
**Admission:** \$2 per person, \$3 per family, for more information, call Ron Morin (734) 421-8310

40 categories of carvings will be judged on Saturday, Aug. 5, to determine the best in their class.

Tools and books will also be on sale to tempt novice and experienced carvers alike.

"I just do it for fun but one of the biggest compliments is when someone will say, 'I have to have something you

carved," said Ron Morin, a Livonia resident who began carving in 1982.

Morin does carve ducks in addition to other subjects. This year, he'll have a loon and a duck along with the peach pit carvings for which he's so well known. He'll also bring his new invention for a tool which adjusts to the shape of the carving tool being sharpened.

### No ducks

Don't look for ducks at the table of husband and wife carvers, Joan and Robert Donakowski. The Redford carvers will exhibit everything but ducks in the Livonia Wood Carvers Show.

"Ducks are one thing we stay away from," said Joan Donakowski, who's been carving for three years. "That's one thing my husband doesn't like to do is ducks, but there's plenty of people in the club who do."

"Ducks aren't my thing," added Robert Donakowski, who's taught woodcarving to students at Trinity Lutheran School in Livonia. "I can't sit there for four to 12 hours and burn the feathers on one at a time. It's too tedious."

In addition to Santa Clauses and ornaments, the Donakowskis will exhibit fish, caricatures and a miniature Nativity scene carved on a star by Robert. After nine years of carving, he's whittled a variety of works which include a crucifix for the sisters at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills. A few years ago, his work was on exhibit at the Atrium Gallery in Northville.

"He does the things that I can't," said Joan, treasurer of the Livonia Wood Carvers club which puts on the show. "I don't have the talent he does. I take my ideas and patterns from books. He can look at a picture and do it."

### Give it a try

Joan encourages anyone with an interest in carving to give the Livonia Wood Carvers club a try. The woodcarving club will make it easy to take

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Not just ducks: Joan and Robert Donakowski will exhibit a variety of woodcarvings in the 26th annual Livonia Wood Carvers Show.



Clay art: This wall vase actually holds water. Above, right, is a free-form slab-built bowl. At right is a contemporary beverage set.

# The CLAY that BINDS

## Mother and daughter team up to create beautiful art forms

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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Linda Ragtyme-Laine makes no bones about the fact that the first ceramics she created and sold were dog bowls. Her daughter Calie's first clay works were shaped into mushrooms.

That sense of whimsy remains in their functional clay today. More important, this mother-daughter duo couldn't be closer because they're creating and selling art together as the Ragtymes, even though they now have different last names.

Their next stop is the Novi Art Festival, where they'll show work along with more than 150

**What:** More than 150 artists exhibit paintings, ceramics, metal and wood sculptures, jewelry, photography, and wood at the sixth annual Novi Art Festival. Admission is free.  
**When:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 5-6  
**Where:** Novi Town Center, Novi Road and Grand River. For more information, call (248) 347-3830 or visit the Web site at [www.ArtFestival.com](http://www.ArtFestival.com)

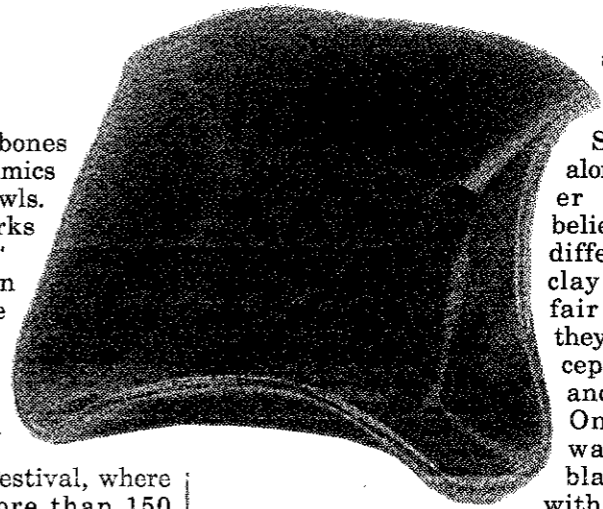
painters, sculptors, jewelers, photographers, ceramists and craftsmen working in wood Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 5-6, at the Novi Town Center.

"It's been my dream forever," said Linda Ragtyme-Laine, who until two years ago worked full-time as an insurance repair estimator. "For years I thought we couldn't have done it, but we quit our jobs. I'd worked with clay 30 years as a hobby. Calie started playing with clay in her high chair. I gave it to her to keep her quiet while I was working. Now it winds up that we do everything together, even our hair. On off days, we have a rule. I'll say 'Go home' or she'll say 'Mom I'm leaving, you're grouchy.' We start all over again the next day."

The little mushrooms sit atop of Calie's computer as a reminder to never forget the joy she found in clay at age 4. A ceramics class she took in junior high nearly destroyed her love of the medium when a teacher told her "real potters don't use electric wheels."

"I hated it," said Calie Ragtyme-Maes, a Garden City resident. "My mother was using an electric wheel. I was always wanting to mimic my mom, whether it was putting on makeup or playing with clay. I always joke I didn't know Play-doh came in different colors. I always thought it was red."

Even though the elder Ragtyme took



a few classes at Schoolcraft College and Wayne State University along the way, mother and daughter believe their work is different from other clay seen on the art fair circuit because they have "no preconception of what can and can't be done." One ceramic box was first glazed black then covered with a faux finish of

teal and purple.

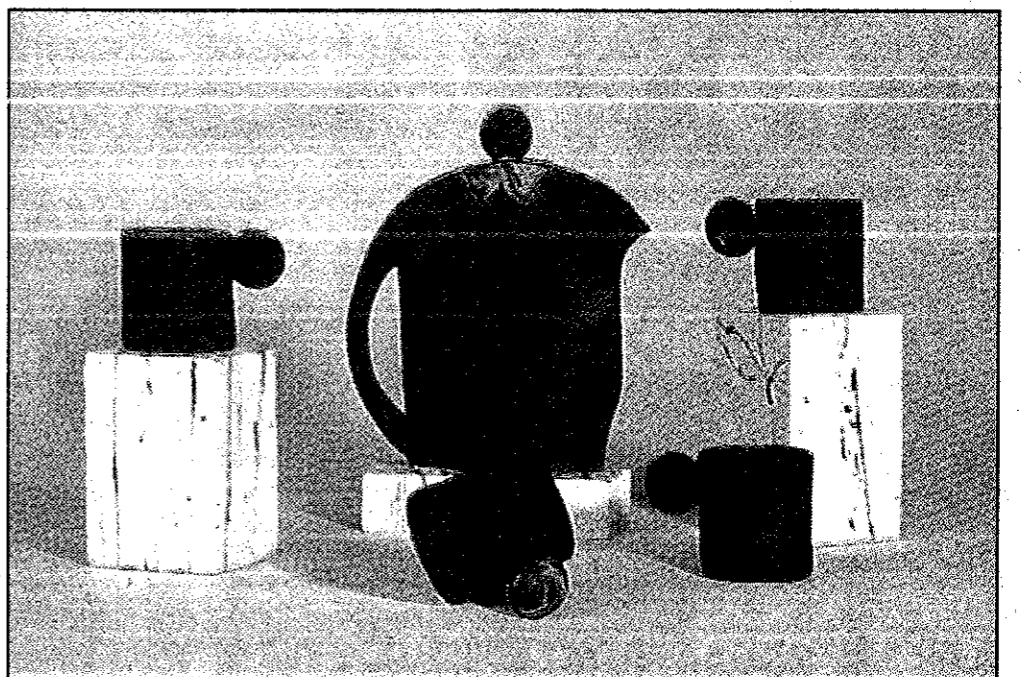
"It's the same type of thing people do to walls," said Ragtyme-Laine. "It's still a useable piece that's good for dry products but it gives a totally different look."

"With clay there are no rules. You can shape it into any shape you want. We prefer to shape ours into triangles, circles, rectangles and squares. Seventy percent of our work is functional; the rest is fun and decorative, slab built and all hand-rolled."

Among the pieces, they'll bring to the Novi Art Festival are wall vases for fresh-cut or dry flowers, a five-piece wall hanging, teapots, and a new triangle box with a top that looks like a girl's face. Like the Ragtymes' other boxes, it can be used to hold jewelry, candy or whatever. Their palette ranges from dramatic to fun. Based on black or white, the surface is accented with purple, teal, shiny black, cobalt blue, mauve/pink, and pale turquoise.

"We discuss pieces before we make them and each of us works on every single piece," said Ragtyme-Laine. "I'll hand build it and then she'll glaze it. If it's large enough to allow four hands on it at a time, we work on it together after designing it first in cardboard to determine size and shape. We work

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## ENTERTAINMENT

# O.J. Anderson keeps families in stitches

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O.J. Anderson admits he was a funny kid. He had to be - especially at dinner time. The youngest of four children, Anderson knew he had to keep the rest of the family entertained if he wanted to eat.

He'll bring that same family-style humor, one he refers to as "goofy," to the Plymouth Community Arts Council's Music in the Park series on Wednesday.

"I came from a rather large family, well compared to the size of today's family, it was big," said Anderson, an Ann Arbor resident. "At dinner, you had to be aggressive or use diversion. So I had to make my family laugh. Before you'd know it my father would be laughing so hard he'd have mashed potatoes coming out of his nose."

Anderson laughs about child-

hood memories now, but he'll never forget those early years growing up in Southfield. Back then it wasn't easy to get kicked out of St. Michael's Elementary School, or any school for that matter. But somehow Anderson managed to raise the ire of the nuns enough for them to show him the door.

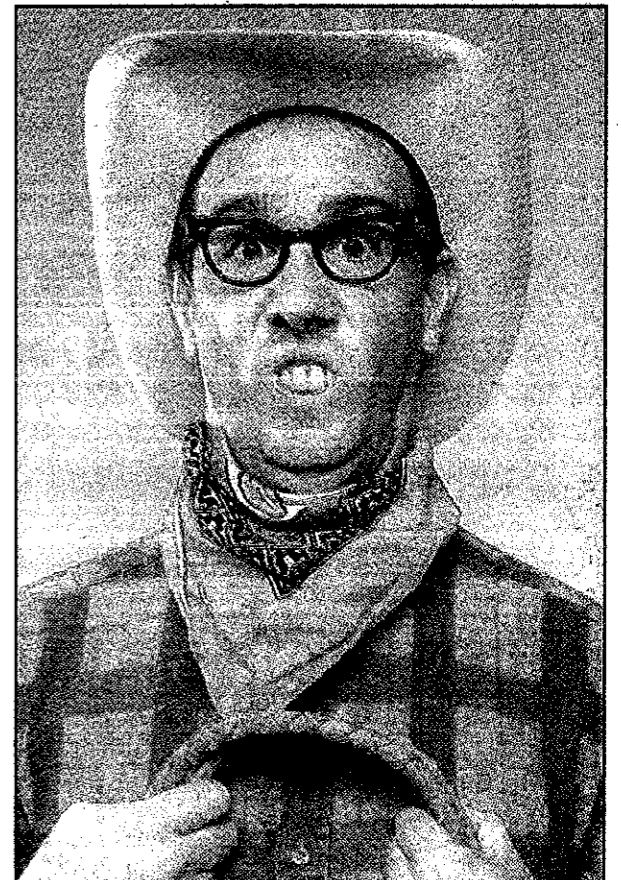
Even though he was soon enrolled in public school a new passion was awakening in Anderson. At home, he was watching big brother, Eric, practice his music. Eric's "One Flight Up" is a popular folk group in the area today.

"When I was six I knew all the Kingston Trio songs and by junior high I could sing like crazy," said Anderson. "In high school I was in all the plays. After graduation I went out to California and found out how little I knew."

"The major thing that encouraged me was the support of my parents, Jim and Lorraine. They allowed me to be who I am and loved me for my errors."

### Long and winding road

Not one to ignore his gut feelings, Anderson dropped out of hotel restaurant management studies at Michi-



Funny man: O.J. Anderson brings humor to the Plymouth Community Arts Council's series in Kellogg Park.

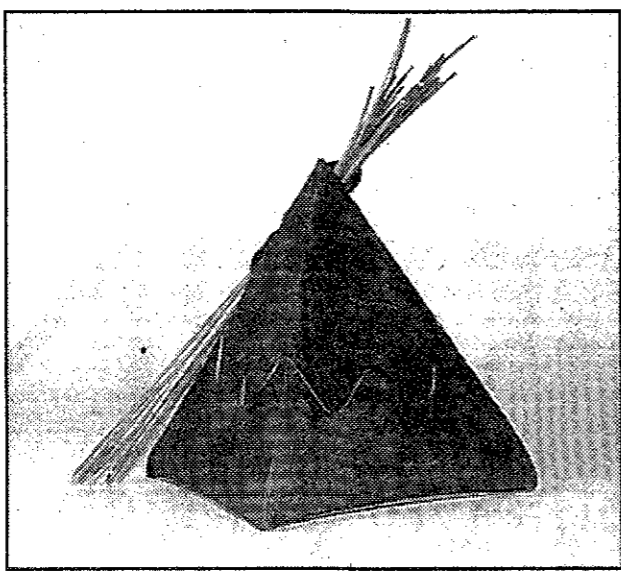
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## Clay from page C1

the clay very thin. Some people ask us if it's porcelain, but it's high-fire stoneware. It's very contemporary."

The Ragtymes do 14 shows a year including some as far away as Chicago, Kentucky and Ohio, others as close as Canton's Liberty Fest and Arts, Eats & Beats in Pontiac. The two return to Novi Friday-Sunday, Oct. 27-29, to do the Sugar Loaf Art Fair. On Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 16-17, they'll exhibit work in the Lac Ste. Claire show in which they won their first award last year.

And to think they started out making and selling dog bowls. But that should come as no surprise, since both own Labrador retrievers who are brothers from the same litter. Calie brings her Labrador to work at mom's house so they can all be together. Often it's to make the bowls they've donated to the Michigan Humane Society for the last two



**Geometric line: Linda and Calie Ragtyme put a black glaze on this ceramic box, fired it and then covered the surface with a faux finish in teal and purple.**

years. Although, they no longer stock dog bowls in their booth, the Ragtymes still take orders.

"When you have a dog you love and then get your kitchen

redone, you want that bowl to match the kitchen," said Ragtyme-Laine. "You don't want a plastic bowl for that special someone."

## Comedian from page C1

gan State University one year after enrolling because he felt the field was all wrong for him. Eventually Anderson did graduate from the University of Detroit with a degree in the performing arts. Along the way he studied mime in England, improvisation at Second City in Chicago, and opera in Italy. He has sung with the Michigan, Cleveland and New York City operas.

During his 28 years in the entertainment business, he's toured with Weird Al Yankovich, B.B. King and Joel Grey. His life

changed when his son Jack was born 12 years ago. He canceled all engagements for the next two years to stay home to bond with his son.

Today, he's back to entertaining kids. He'll do 150 library shows, including ones in Plymouth and West Bloomfield, this summer alone.

It's there he tackles the subjects of substance abuse awareness, conflict resolution, core values, and the importance of education.

"I'll do 273 school shows this

year but I'm home almost every night," said Anderson. "My family is the most important thing. With the school shows I'm trying to make the world a better place. I'm finding laughter breaks the ice. It bridges the gap. Basically I don't preach. I tell them things about my life and what being cool really is - it's how smart you make your brain and how kind your heart is. It creates a warmth, kindness and compassion, and hopefully builds friendships."

## Expressions from page C1

a stab at whittling by offering free classes this fall. Novices will even have free use of a knife, and you don't have to become a member - simply come to a meeting 6-9 p.m. Tuesdays or 9 a.m. to noon Thursdays at the Livonia Senior Center, Farmington Road and Five Mile Road, or call the Donakowskis at (313) 537-5604 for more information.

"We'd like to try to get new members," said Joan. "For a membership fee of \$12 a year, they get to carve, compete once a month, and on Thursdays they get free coffee and donuts. For me, it's a way to get out with my husband and see and talk with other people."

Robert couldn't agree more with Joan that the club offers people the opportunity to meet others who share a common

bond. He also likes to teach others, including the students at Trinity Lutheran School, about the joys of woodcarving.

"It's kind of fun to teach the little ones and show them how to do it safely," said Robert. "But it's fun to teach all ages to wear gloves and a thumb guard, and make sure that the knife is sharp. It sounds ironic but the sharper the knife, the less chance you'll cut yourself."

Nick Datillo enjoys carving and being a member of the Livonia Wood Carvers club even though he won't be exhibiting at the show. Datillo keeps giving away his carvings to family and friends so he doesn't have enough work to display. Instead, Datillo will help fellow carvers by sitting their tables while they're on break. Datillo did dis-

play his brown bear as part of the annual Livonia Wood Carvers show sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission at the Civic Center Library in July.

"Many of the members are retired and have found another vocation," said Datillo, a Redford resident who's fond of carving buffalo-head ducks and teddy bears. "They enjoy the camaraderie of the club. You can't believe the warmth when you walk into the room. When I first started, I had one carver give me a knife, another give me a blank, and another one show me how to carve."

*Have an interesting idea for a story? Call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net*

## DIA explores Islamic civilization

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
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There is a somewhat scholarly discussion about the distinction between cultural history and fine art that takes place in the marble corridors of museums whenever an exhibit of engrossing artifacts takes center stage.

It's no different with the "Empire of the Sultans - Ottoman Art from the Khalili Collection," opening today through Oct. 8 at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The display of 250 objects collected during the Ottoman Empire, from the late 13th century to 1922, reveals the inextricable nature of utility, politics and religion in creating a definable cultural identity.

Are the artifacts paragon examples of fine art or historical relics? Take a side and step along. Clearly, the assemblage of items conjure a vision of daily life in what is now the land mass that stretches from western Europe to northern Africa to the Middle East and the western edge of Asia.

The displays of calligraphic works on paper, ornately designed Korans, secular manuscripts, 16th-century pottery and decorative panels from Syria, exquisite leaf gilding, silk lamps and elegant rugs evokes a distinct sense of time and place. While the craftsmanship is dauntingly precise, the sensibility over six centuries is imperceptible to the common viewer.

"Throughout the Ottoman Empire, the level of artistic production stays high, but in the 19th century we begin to see hints of western culture in the colors and designs, some of which appear Victorian," said Elsie Peck, curator of Near Eastern Art at the DIA.

Only a portion of the entire Khalili Collection of more than 2,000 artifacts is on display. The tour is curated by noted Islamic Art scholar and University of London Professor J.M. Rogers, and prepared by Art Service International, which brought "Angles of the Vatican" to the DIA last year.

Unlike other collections of Islamic art, the Khalili Collection includes pieces from the far reaches of the empire, said Peck. "The range of pieces gives a good portrait of the vastness of the empire," she said.

In the last three centuries of its existence, the Ottoman Empire was centered in modern-day Turkey and the Balkan peninsula.

Beyond the curatorial significance of the exhibit, "Empire of the Sultans" establishes an unprecedented collaboration between the curatorial department of Near Eastern Art and the museum's education department.

"For the first time, we have a fully integrated approach to make the exhibit interactive, especially for families," said Nancy Jones, director of education at the DIA.

The "interactive" features include in "Empire of the Sultans" include:

- A genealogy diagram to assist visitors to figure out their own ancestry
- Audio of Turkish folk tales
- Pattern board to illustrate how designs for carpets were created
- Enlarged map of the Ottoman Empire with an overlay of modern maps
- Easy-to-read labels, and flip cards that offer detailed historical explanations.
- A video of the role of dervishes in Islam. (Dervishes practice whirling dances and

chanting as a means to achieve collective ecstasy.)

"We've integrated those educational components that worked in past exhibits, and integrated them into this exhibit," said Jones, noting that many of the ideas for the current exhibit came from the "Splendors of Egypt," a critical and popular success at the DIA about three years ago.

Beyond the impressive display of artifacts and expository material, "Empire of the Sultans" also indicates the DIA's pursuit of shows that pay homage to the cultural past of a major segment of the metro population.

Just as last week's announcement of a new curatorial department dedicated to the scholarship and collection of African American art provided a sign of the DIA's commitment to fostering greater appreciation of African American artists, "Empire of the Sultans" is a deferential treatment of the history revered by the large population of Muslims in metro Detroit.

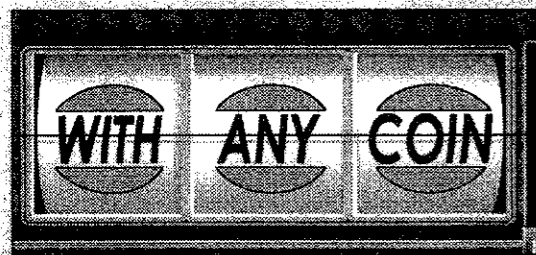
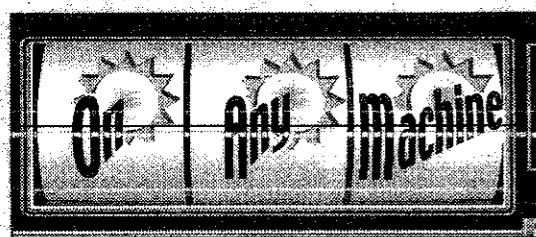
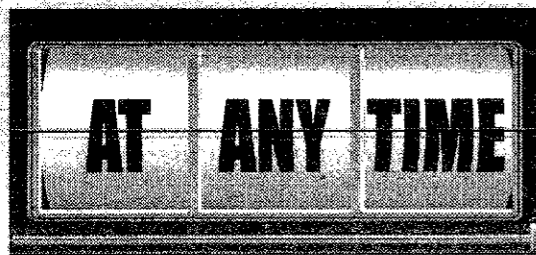
By no means, however, is the exhibit merely a scholarly endeavor, or intended for Muslims.

In preparing for the exhibit, the DIA's educational department worked closely with the local Arab community in translating Arabic language to English.

If a preview audience is an indicative of the crowds likely to attend the exhibit, there's a promising expectation. The crowd that shuffled through the second-floor galleries was as ethnically diverse as the population of the metro area.

A sign, perhaps, that an appreciation for art and culture is the ultimate "common ground."

*The exhibit runs through Oct. 8 at the DIA, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Call (313) 833-7900.*



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**FREE CONCERT**

Revisit the '60s and '70s when The Contours perform 5-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, at Wonderland Mall, Plymouth Road and Middlebelt, Livonia.

For more information, call (734) 522-4100.

**ECCLESIASTICAL ART**

The Archdiocese of Detroit, in conjunction with the Eucharistic Congress in September, is looking for artists to exhibit their work in "Sacred Encounters" Sept. 6-17 at St. John's Center for Youth and Family in Plymouth.

Entries must be postmarked by Wednesday, Aug. 2. For more information and entry requirements, call the Office for Christian Worship at (313) 237-5932.

Artists, ages 18 and older, who are working in ecclesiastical themes relating to encounters with the holy, may apply. All visual media are acceptable. Works must be original.

A separate exhibit of art submitted by high school and college students will also be featured at the Eucharistic Congress. "Celebrating Christ's Presence" in word, worship and service is the theme of the congress. It is a gathering of Catholics from six counties of the Detroit Archdiocese and the culmination of five years of preparation for the celebration of the Great Jubilee 2000.

**ACTING AUDITIONS**

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford is holding auditions for the first production of the new season, *Little Shop of Horrors*, 7 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Aug. 6-7, at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford.

Performances will take place Oct. 20-21, 27-29 and Nov. 3-5. For more information, call (313) 531-0554.

**AMERICAN CRAFTS EXHIBITIONS**

The University of Michigan Museum of Art is focusing on American crafts with two exhibits this summer. "The White House Collection of American Crafts" continues to Sunday, Oct. 22, in the 20th Century Gallery. "Amish Quilts 1880 to 1940 from the Collection of Faith and Stephen Brown" runs to Sunday, Sept. 10, in the West Gallery at the museum, 525 South State Street, Ann Arbor. For information, call (734) 764-0395.

In honor of the deeply reverent creativity of Amish quilters, singer Norma Gentile presents an hour of music by 12th century German female mystic and composer Hildegard von Bingen 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, at the museum.

"This music ties in with the Amish quilts exhibition in that it comes out of a woman's view of the sacred. For the Amish every

act is an act of God - so the quilts represent God on Earth," said Gentile.

Dancers respond to the Amish quilt exhibit in "Birds in the Air," a performance scheduled for 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 6.

Quilts in the exhibition feature bold, rich colors and striking shapes by needle artists from Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kansas, Illinois and Indiana.

Assembled in 1993 with encouragement from President Bill Clinton and first lady Hillary, the White House crafts collection is a tribute to the ongoing tradition of craftmaking in the U.S. The exhibit spotlights the work of more than 70 of America's leading craft artists working in the mediums of glass, ceramic, metal, wood and fiber.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Thursday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free but a \$5 donation is suggested.

**ARABIC ART**

The House of Arabic Culture opens its first art exhibition 7-11 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 9, at the Knights of Columbus hall, 25228 W. 12 Mile, between Telegraph and Northwestern Highway, Southfield.

All the paintings in the exhibit reflect the dream of peace. The

show continues to Friday, Aug. 11. For information, call (248) 262-9252.

**CALL FOR ARTISTS**

The Ann Arbor Art Center is inviting previous award winners from its Annual All Media exhibitions to submit work for its 90th anniversary Retrospective exhibition.

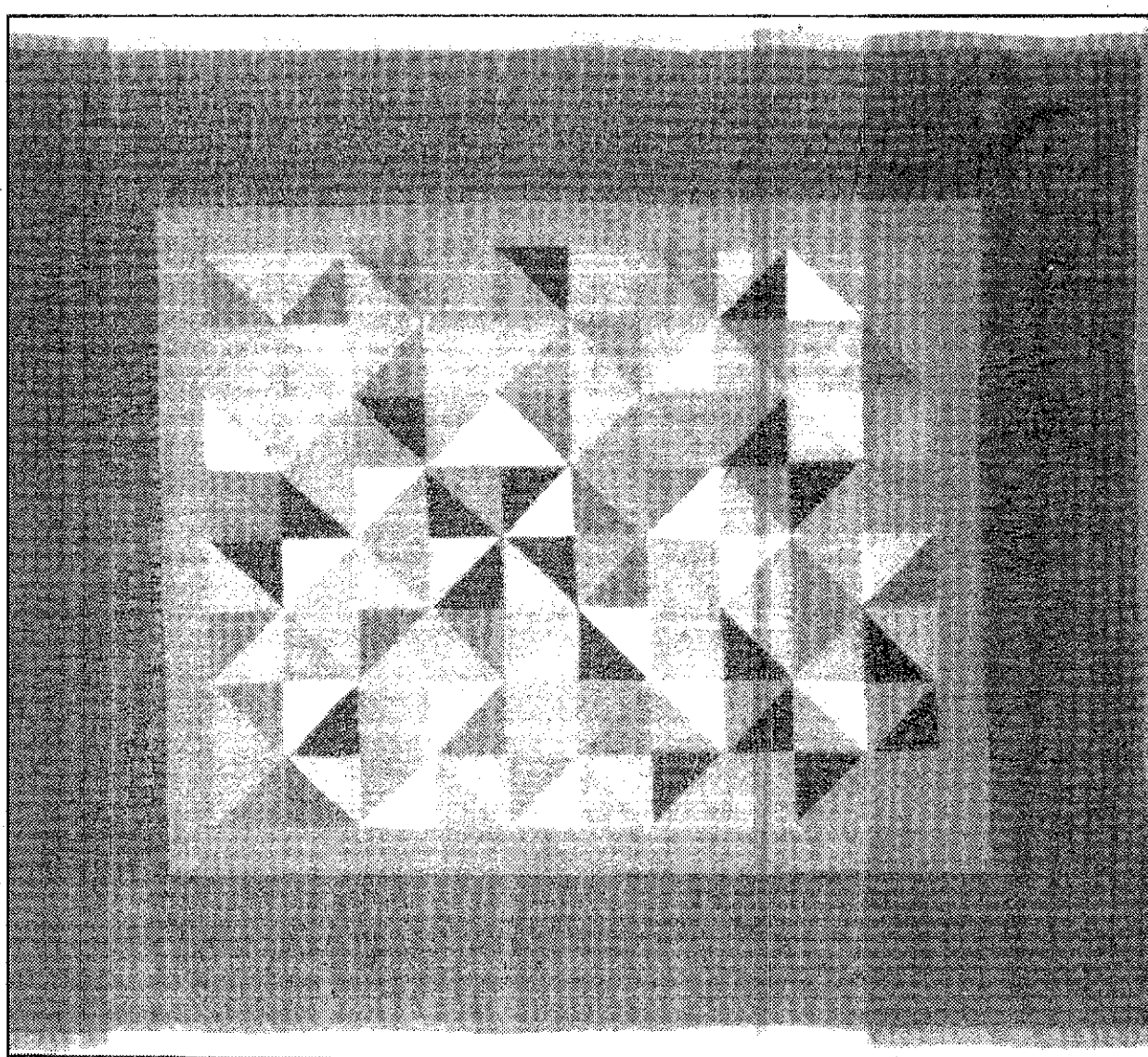
No entry fee is required. For details, call Deborah Campbell at (734) 994-8004 Ext. 104.

The art center's 90th Anniversary Retrospective will be presented as an expansion of the Annual All Media Exhibition, now in its 87th year.

**NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NAMED**

The Plymouth Symphony Society has appointed Darlene Dreyer as its new executive director. She begins her new duties by promoting the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's 55th anniversary celebration, "2000-2001: A Sound Odyssey." The first exciting event, "Music for Young People of All Ages," is a family concert scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24, in the Plymouth Canton High School Cafeteria. The season officially commences with the "Opening Night Orchestral Showcase" 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at Plymouth Salem High School.

For more information about the concerts or to purchase season tickets, call (734) 451-2112.



Amish quilt: This hand-stitched crib quilt was made around 1930.

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## Southfield salon big on service



Customers can't help but feel special at Posh salon in Southfield.

"I almost don't want to tell you about it because it's my best kept secret," admits customer Pat Mills of West Bloomfield. "I've been to every ritzy glitzy salon in town. Posh is in an unassuming strip mall and they do such beautiful work and treat their customers so well."

Posh owner Richard Tarakjian opened his shop for Mills on a weekend when her mother died.

"He came in on a Sunday and did my hair and came in the following Monday when he was off," she explained. "You won't get that kind of service at another salon," she said.

Tarakjian and his wife Rose occasionally open on their off days to work around client schedules.

"If they want me there at 7 a.m., I'm there," Tarakjian said. "We care about the customer and we pay a lot of special attention to them."

Tarakjian, a stylist for 20 years, learned to cut hair in London and to color in Paris.

He met his wife, Rose, 11 years ago when he visited relatives in his native Armenia. The former school teacher now does manicures, pedicures and body waxing at their salon.

Their clients are a mix of young and old, men and women.

"My prices are not expensive," he said. "A haircut and a blow dry is \$40."

He also does "coloring, highlights and bridal updos."

"He's really talented and good," Mills said. "He does the most gorgeous updo you've ever seen."

"They live together, they work together and I feel comfortable when I'm there," she added.

Posh salon is located on 12 Mile Road, east of Northwestern Highway.

Who's your best kept secret in the retail world? Drop us a line about your favorite salon employee or shopkeeper at Malls & Mainstreets, 805 Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

### BEARY BIG BUSINESS

Look for a new Build-A-Bear Workshop to open this fall at Twelve Oaks Mall.

The Missouri-based chain opened its first Detroit-area location at The Somerset Collection earlier this year in Troy. The Novi store is scheduled to open on Sept. 15.

The store allows customers to choose, stuff, stitch, fluff, name and dress a variety of teddy bears and other cuddly animals.

Stuffed animals range from \$10 to \$25. Optional clothing ranges from a few dollars for accessories to \$12 for an outfit or costume.

Similar do-it-yourself teddy bear shops are located in Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights and Great Lakes Crossing in Auburn Hills.

### MALL FACELIFT

Construction crews are burning the midnight oil with paint brushes in hand at Westland Mall.

The shopping center, located at Wayne and Warren roads in Westland, is undergoing its first spruce-up in 35 years.

"They're putting in new light fixtures, so it will be super bright," said Kellie Heppner, marketing consultant.

A colorful combination of tile and carpeting will replace worn terrazzo flooring.

"It will be fabulous."

Workers are installing fabric over windows and tearing out trellises and related decor.

They work only at night, when the mall is closed, and are expected to complete the project by Nov. 1.

"They work until 5 a.m. and then clean-up crews come in. You wouldn't even think we were under construction," Heppner noted.

### NEW STORE

Mazel's Stores Inc., specializing in brand name, discounted gifts, books and electronics, recently opened its first Michigan store at Wonderland Mall in Livonia.

The Ohio-based company owns 71 stores.

Wonderland is located at Plymouth and Middlebelt roads.



**Hitting the bargain jackpot:** Walenda Green of Troy, left, can't resist buying a slot machine from Betty Hagelstein at the twice-weekly flea market held in and around the Disabled American Veterans building on Dequindre north of Auburn, at the Rochester Hills-Utica border.



**Just \$10:** Beba Drakulovic of Troy says this peacock feather fan from an open air flea market was an irresistible bargain.

## Trash or Treasure?

### Shop for bargains at open air flea markets

BY SHARON DARGAY  
STAFF WRITER

Walenda Green loves a bargain.

The Troy woman lives near two shopping malls, but heads for a dirt and grass parking lot in Utica — just beyond the Rochester Hills border — when she gets serious about shopping.

"I look for turquoise jewelry, but that's because I have Indian in me. It's all I wear," she explained. "I bought two bracelets for five bucks."

A necklace of the blue-green stone dangled at her throat and a bracelet encircled her wrist, as she scanned merchandise at Jim Hagelstein's out-



**At the market:** Theresa Paladino sells ceramic and glasswear items at an indoor stall.

door flea market booth.

"You'll take fifty for this slot machine, won't you? I may buy it for a friend who goes to Vegas three or four times a year," Green said. "I look here every Sunday and you never have anything, but today you had something I wanted."

Green's a regular at the twice weekly market run by the Disabled American Veterans on Dequindre just north of Auburn.

She likes the ambiance, the people and most of all, the prices.

Sure, there are no layaway plans and no returns. No product guarantees. No charge cards.

But where else can you find a sparkly silver purse (\$20), pink poodle figurine (\$1.50), ice pick, (75 cents), pin wheels (10 cents each), Melmac cups and saucers (50 cents each) and shovel (\$3) all under one sunny roof?

A dozen or so outdoor flea markets in southeastern Michigan keep treasure-

hunters in bargain paradise from spring through fall. A few stay open year-round or head indoors for winter.

"The hardest part is when it's extremely hot or when it starts raining," said Cheryl Smith. Knickknacks and cast-offs from her Sterling Heights home surrounded her sales area.

"This is fun. There's a guy here who has a business at Universal Mall (Warren). He probably makes more money here than he does at the mall."

Smith has sold at the DAV market for 20 years and occasionally sets up shop in Armada and at the Gibraltar Trade Center in Mt. Clemens.

"You get hundreds of people at Armada. But it's really dusty there. And you have to be there at four in the morning because there's a line up (of vendors)," Smith said. "Every year I say I'm not

going to do this but every year I do."

She can't help it. Like Jim Hagel-

stein says, "it gets in your blood."

Hagelstein and his wife, Betty, have bought and sold truck loads of "used stuff" over 27 years in the outdoor bazaar.

Buying garage and estate sale bargains "cheap" and reselling them for "a decent price" at the flea market is more hobby than job for the Troy couple.

"I used to pick up stuff and sell it at auction. Then some guy says to me, 'why are you giving your stuff away at auction when you could be selling it for twice as much at a flea market?'"

"You can make money if you really work at it. You can sell anything to somebody sometime. But it depends on how many people we get here."

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Check out these other flea markets for bargains in household goods, tools, collectibles and more.

**Armada** — Linda Loveday's parents converted their stockyard into a flea market in the early 1960s after cattle farming began to dwindle in the rural area 15 miles north of Mt. Clemens.

Now Loveday runs the seasonal, twice weekly outdoor bazaar, a combination of farmer's market, antique show and open air collectibles store.

Vendor booths cost \$10-15 on Tuesdays and \$15-20 on Sundays. Admission is free to shoppers who begin browsing as early as 6 a.m.

### OTHER FLEA MARKETS

"You have to get here by noon if you want to see everything because people start packing up and are done by 2-3 p.m.," Loveday noted.

About 100 vendors sell during the week and 350 staff tables or booths on Sunday.

The market is open from mid-April to mid-October. It's located on Armada Ridge Road, about a mile east of downtown Armada. (810) 784-9194.

**Hazel Park Viking Arena** — 1555 E. Woodward Heights, Hazel

Park. From 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., every Monday, outside the ice arena. (810) 775-3289.

**Freedom Hill** — 15000 Metro Parkway, Sterling Heights. About 100 vendors sell from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., every Wednesday in the park. (810) 979-7010 for information.

**Greenlawn Grove** — 16447 Middlebelt, south of Eureka in Romulus. 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays. (734) 941-6930 for information.

**Royal Oak Market** — Flea market vendors sell from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sundays, in and outside the building, located on 11 Mile, east of Main in Royal Oak.

and Maple Roads in Bloomfield Hills. A representative from the company will be on hand to assist customers today and on Aug. 5.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 4

#### CONCOURS EVENTS

Canterbury Village in Clarkston helps kick off Meadow Brook Hall's annual Tour d' Elegance with "Rallye" at 2:30 p.m., in the shopping center's south lot, Joslyn Road, three miles north of I-75. Admission is \$10. Cruise staging begins at 4:30 p.m., in the south parking lot. Admission is free. Cars cruise to Depot Park in Clarkston.

### SATURDAY, AUG. 5

#### FIFTY FEST

The Contours perform from 5-8:30 p.m., in the food court at Wonderland Mall, 29859 Plymouth Road, Livonia. (734) 522-4100.

#### MUSIC FOR SHOPPING

Listen to live music as you shop the tent sale from 2-4 p.m. at all Art Van stores. Performers include Thing Fish, featuring Notorius Frog, at the Waterford store, 5053 Dixie Highway; Blue Rays at the Designated Hitters at the Southfield store, 22555 Greenfield and Al Hill Trio in Westland at 8300 Wayne Road.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.

### MONDAY, JULY 31

#### TRUNK SHOW

Representatives from Oxan, a designer of leather, suede, and shering coats, will be on hand from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Fibres, 270 West Maple, Birmingham. The show continues through Aug. 2. (248) 723-2880.

#### VISITING ARTIST

Meet handbag designer, Rafael Sanchez, and view his designs from 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Aug. 1, at Lynn Portnoy, 29260 Franklin Road, Southfield. (248) 353-2900.

### TUESDAY, AUG. 1

#### COOL BEAT

Youngsters can move their feet to the sounds of the African Drum & Dance Troupe and learn celebration and basket dances, at 11 a.m., at Livonia Mall, Seven Mile at Middlebelt in Livonia. (248) 476-1160.

#### RESERVATION DEADLINE

It's the final day to reserve a seat for the Dana Buchman fall and holiday collection fashion show on Aug. 3 at Saks Fifth Avenue in the Somerset

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Collection, Troy. The wine and hors d'oeuvre reception starts at 5:30 p.m. and the fashion show is set for 6:30 p.m. Donations are accepted for the Oakland Family Service's "Back to School" program. Call (248) 645-0419 for reservations.

#### FALL FASHION

View the Rose Taft fall 2000 evening collection from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with informal modeling from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Neiman Marcus, The Somerset Collection, on Big Beaver at Coolidge, Troy. (248) 643-3300.

### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 2

#### GIGGLE GANG

Oakland Mall fashions fun for children with performances of the Emperor's New Clothes, at 1 and 6 p.m. in center court. The show caps a series of Giggle Gang Theatre productions at the mall, located at 14 Mile and I-75. (248) 585-6000 ext. 4.

### THURSDAY, AUG. 3

#### TRUNK SHOW

Check out the whisper-weight shearing and sheared minks from Hana for men and women at Roz & Sherm, in the Bloomfield Plaza, Telegraph

# WHERE CAN I FIND?

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it. When we find an item owned by another reader, rather than for sale at a store, we will call you. But, please, be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests each week.

## WHAT WE FOUND

— The Williams & Sonoma store in The Somerset Collection in Troy carries the tomato paste in a tube.  
 — A Stanley Home Products distributor can be reached at (888) 440-3603.  
 — Metal vent covers can be purchased at Phillips Plumbing and Heating in Livonia. If they don't carry the size you need they will order it from a catalog.  
 — Look for metal ice cube trays in thrift stores and at yard sales.  
**FIND & SEARCH NOTES**  
 — The reader who wants to remove wall paint from a painting can call the DIA's conservator department.

— A reader will donate old bowling trophies and craft supplies.

## WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

— A class or instructor to teach sign language to a 10-year old for Goldie of Lake Orion.  
 — A store that can clean a leather LA-Z-Boy for Rita of Livonia.  
 — A picture of two angels protecting two small children crossing a bridge over a stream for Joyce.  
 — A manual Smith Corona XD4900 word processing typewriter and a 13-inch Toshiba AC/DC model #MD3JD1 for Carla.  
 — A store that sells Weight Watchers Butter Spray for Jan of Westland.  
 — A 1961 Betty Crocker picture cookbook for Barbara of Plymouth.  
 — Someone to replace ceiling tiles in a family room for Roger.  
 — The Looney Tunes glasses sold in 1970 at Hardees for Peggy. She needs glasses 1-6.  
 — A copy of the 1983 movie *This is Spinal Tap* for Sandra of Rochester Hills.  
 — A store that sells Clarions Skin Harmonizer Moisturizer by Norell for Kelly of Farmington.  
 — A girdle by Subtract for Helen.  
 — Someone to bind an Irish

encyclopedia from the turn of the century for Maureen of Livonia. The hand-written book has a broken spine.

— A store that sells the Swiss Bake Mix without a cooking bag for Pat.  
 — A revised 1955 Betty Crocker picture cookbook in notebook style and with large print for Bev of Clarkston.  
 — A store that sells a lightweight bag or case that is large enough for a hair dryer and has dividers for toiletries. It also should stand up on its own.  
 — A store that sells soft, light molasses cookies similar to the kind Hudson's used to carry for Dorothy of Clarkston.  
 — A used Little Tyke log cabin and a used double jogging stroller that can hold two children for Leslie of Birmingham.  
 — Someone to appraise an electric Westinghouse free dual sewing machine for Joan of Redford.  
 — A store that sells a white 30th anniversary plate for Norma of Clarkston.  
 — A store that sells a belt for a super 8 movie projector that converts film to VCR tape for Franci of Livonia.  
 — A catalog that sells women's HayMaker slacks for Carol of Canton.  
 — A manual for a 1950 Moore sewing machine and a belt sewing machine for Betty.  
 — A store that sells 126 cam-

era film.

— Someone to clean many suede items for Ronald.  
 — The Tuberose perfume by Mary Chess for Teresa.  
 — Stores that sell bobby pins without rubber tips for Alice of Rochester.  
 — A store that sells Groton's Cod Fish cakes in a can for Charlotte of Canton.  
 — A Schick Hot lather refill for the shaving lather machine for Dale of Plymouth.  
 — A store that sells bedding for a long twin bed for Margaret.  
 — A store that sells lime cake mix for Lucille who resides in Plymouth.  
 — A 1942 Chadsey High School yearbook for Mrs. C.  
 — A new or used two-quart pressure cooker for Helen.  
 — A small magnifying glass with one side that flips up and down for applying makeup for Sharon of Commerce.  
 — A Susan Sommers Thigh Master for Andrea.  
 — A store that sells 60-inch wide oilcloth for making tablecloths for Pat of Troy.  
 — A store that sells Coty Dry lipstick in the gold case for Charlotte who resides in Livonia.  
 — A store that sells a Dend Skin razor for removing bumps and ingrown hairs for Beth.

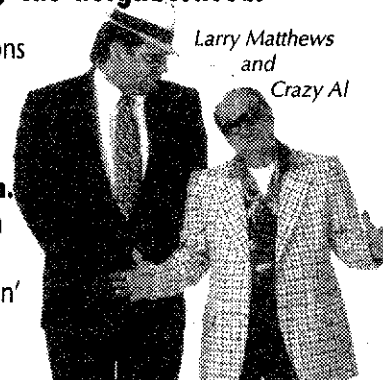
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## Stores collect school supplies

Donate a pencil, pen or other classroom supply and help a needy student start the school year off right.  
 The Stuff A Bus program collects school items and Women's Survival Center, HAVEN and United Way Destination Graduation, as well as to local school districts, distribute the donations.  
 Look for the bus at various locations, including several stores, from Aug. 4-13.  
 Shoppers can donate pens, pencils, erasers, markers, crayons, notebooks, backpacks and mechanical pencils on Aug. 8 at Art Van Furniture, 5053 Dixie Highway in Waterford and on Aug. 11 at Target in the Summit Place Mall, on Telegraph at Elizabeth Lake roads in Waterford.

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## Treasure from previous page

Weather helps decide how many shoppers will stop by. Although some vendors set up shop in the old converted barn that now serves as the DAV post, most sell outdoors.  
 "We get a lot of seniors, bargain hunters and kids during the summer," said Jeanette Hadley, who runs the DAV's Tuesday market.  
 "People really enjoy it. We've had people buy dollar and two dollar items and they ended up being appraised at two and three hundred dollars."  
 That happened to Green.

She bought three dolls for \$3. They were appraised at more than \$1,000.  
 "You've got to know your prices when you go to flea markets. My husband comes with me and he'll say, 'that's really neat.' And I'll say, no it's not. It's too much money," Green said. "You have to know what you are buying."  
 But Hagelstein said shoppers may be too savvy about prices these days. They watch the Public Broadcasting program, *Antiques Roadshow*, and "they think their junk is worth more."

"I'd like to buy and sell more antiques, but it's getting a lot harder. Take this dresser here," he said, pointing to a sturdy chest of drawers. "If you tried to sell it for \$150, someone will say, 'gee, I could buy that at a garage sale for twenty bucks.'  
 "I'd tell them, well, then why didn't you buy it there?"  
 The DAV flea market is open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays and Sundays, year-round. Vendor booths are \$10. Shopper admission is free. Call Hadley at (248) 739-5267 for more information.

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TRAVEL

# Retired Livonia teacher has a love affair with France

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Ernest Hemingway

BY DOUG JOHNSON  
STAFF WRITER

Retired Livonia high school teacher David Groen will be taking several small groups to Europe during the coming months. He is also planning a trip to Russia.

Groen is best known for his love and knowledge of France; he retired from Stevenson High School in 1994 after 34 years of teaching French. Until a few months ago he and his wife Paulette lived in Redford; they now live in Northville.

She, too was a teacher, but now works as a librarian for Visteon.

Groen took Latin in high school, went on to college thinking a career in optometry would be fine. A class in college French changed all of that.

Groen is an inveterate traveler. In the last twelve months he has been to Russia, Budapest and Vienna, Provence region in France and the Normandy region in France and to Paris.

This November he will take a small group to Paris, the City of Lights, for an opera, ballet and concert tour. His group will have the opportunity to see "Tosca" by Puccini and "War and Peace," Sergei Prokofiev's vision of Leo Tolstoy's novel. Both will fill the huge stage at the Bastille Opera House, opened in 1989 at the site of the famous prison.

"Tosca" is a little more than 100 years old this year; "War and Peace"

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was first performed during World War II. Groen expects "Tosca" will be done in Italian and "War" in Russian.

Tour members will have options as to what opera, concert and ballet performances they wish to see. They will be able to see as many as five different productions.

Groen's eight-day tour includes non-stop flight from Detroit to Paris (about 7.5 hours) and two "outstanding dinners" at special restaurants, one of which Groen has been going to for 35 years.

Groen feels it is this personalized service and knowledge that makes his tours better. He rarely relies on locals to guide his fellow travelers.

The "performance week" tour includes many traditional and non-traditional sites. "If there is something they want to see, will find a way," Groen said. He likes to include neighborhood walks to and from dinners in Paris as part of the visit.

Fall weather in Paris is moderate to mild; snow is a rarity in the city even in winter.

Other planned tours by Groen include:

■ A Dec. 1-3 trip to Toronto to see

"The Lion King;" tour members will sit in the center in rows five to 11 at the Princess of Wales Theater. Lodging will be at Sheraton Center.

■ Next February a trip to Russia including St. Petersburg and Moscow is planned. Think "Dr. Zhivago" according to Groen, who went last February and thoroughly enjoyed the country.

He was especially taken with Armory Museum in the Kremlin (adjacent to Red Square) with their impressive collection of jewelry and items by Faberge. Tour includes a troika (sleigh) ride and a visit to Catherine the Great's summer palace, trips to the Hermitage (art museum and palace) and the Bolshoi ballet. Lodging will be in deluxe hotels, the Kempinski chain.

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■ In June his tour will take visitors to Provence region of France and then on a Rhone River Cruise on a well-appointed 110 passenger river cruiser; includes all meals.

■ In the fall of 2001 he hopes to go to an unknown corner of France - Aquitaine (Bordeaux country) and Dordogne Valley for 12 days; an optional three day extension for a trip to Paris will also be offered. He also expects to reprise his "Paris Performance" tour of this fall.

Groen said about two-thirds of his fellow travelers are repeat customers. "Our trips are known for the fine dining, and for the flexibility. If something comes up everyone wants to see, we'll go. And I like to put in some surprises if we can."

Plans for 2002 include a trips to chateau country of the Loire Valley, and to the French and Italian riverias.

Those interested in touring with Groen can call him through the Wag-onlit travel agency in Plymouth (800) 874-6470 or (734) 455-5810.

When Groen isn't traveling, or preparing a new trip, he spends time as a gallery guide for the Detroit Institute of Arts. Obviously fluent in French, he



**Tourists:** Dave Groen (above wearing a vest) offers a detailed tour of the Louvre to Paul Scheuher of Livonia; Patricia Howe of Royal Oak; and Genevieve Townsend of Farmington Hills. Right are Bloomfield Hills residents Jeanne Hackett, Joni Gaston and Jeanne Schlitters in Cassis, France.



also speaks Spanish and is learning Italian. All three modern "romance" languages trace their lineage to Latin, the class he took in high school.



**Surrounded:** Tour organizer Dave Groen stands before a brilliant field of sunflowers near Arles, France.

## Plan a trip to Montreal

The Community House Travel Department is organizing a trip to the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts and the National Gallery of Canada Aug. 14-18.

The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts will showcase "From Renoir to Picasso: Masterpieces from the Musee d'Orangerie," 81 paintings that have never been on tour.

These masterpieces, by artists such as Cezannes, Matisse, Monet, Picasso and

Renoir, have only been viewed previously in France. The collection of Jean Walter and Paul Guillaume gives a wide-ranging view of the great French masters of the late 19th and 20th centuries.

The National Gallery of Canada in Ottawa features Monet, Renoir and the Impressionist Landscape during The Community House trip. Sixty-four marvelous works by the world's most renowned impres-

sionist painters will be on display including Corot, Rousseau, Courbet, Pissarro, Cezanne, Monet, Renoir, Sisley, Gauguin and Van Gogh.

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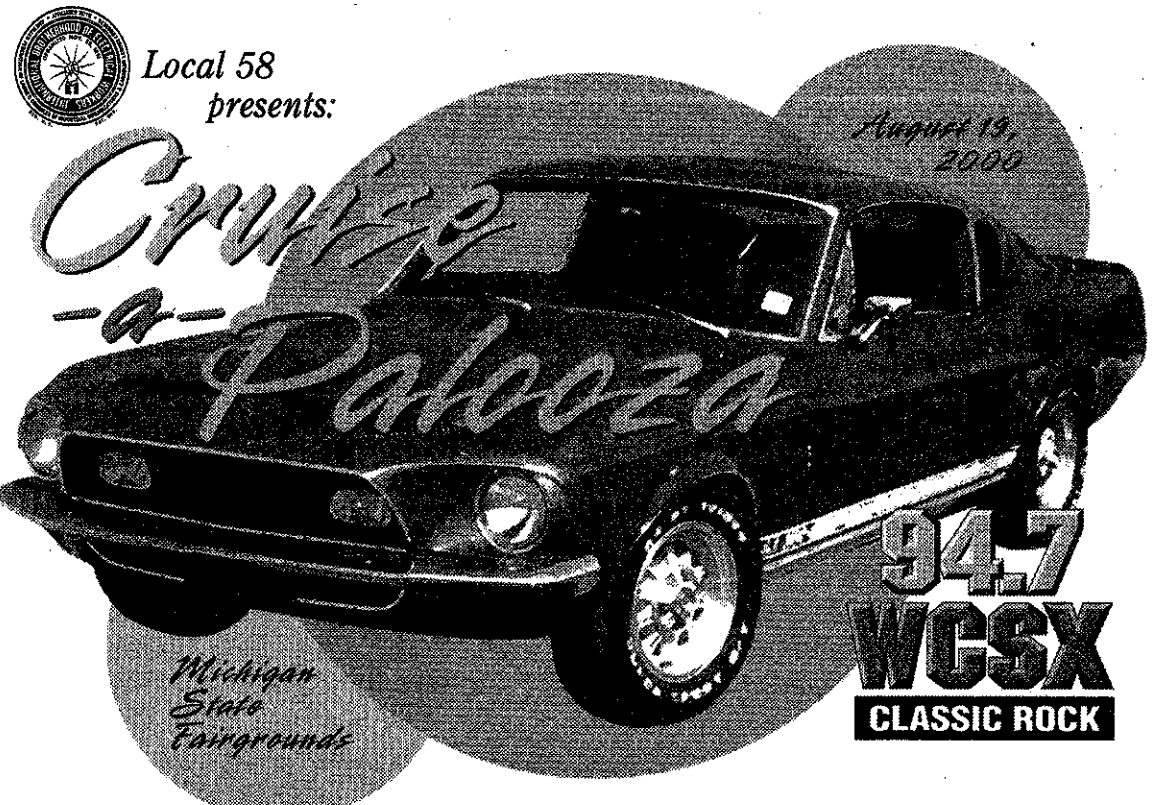
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## SEASONAL SENSATIONS



DIANE REYNOLDS

*These blues are good for you, and helpful, too*

**G**et the Berry Blues! One of my favorite summer eating highlights is enjoying fresh blueberries. These delightful berries are seasonal from now through mid-September.

If your family has fallen off the bandwagon of healthy eating, there is no better time than summer for healthy food choices. Blueberries fit in this picture with a cupful counting as a serving toward your "5 A Day" of fruits and vegetables.

### Selection

Blueberries should be plump, firm and uniformly dark blue with a slight powdery-looking bloom. Remove any moldy or damaged berries right after purchasing, since it will spread to surrounding berries.

Refrigerate them unwashed and rinse in cold running water before eating. A colander is easiest to use for this. Of all the berries summer offers, blueberries last longest under refrigeration (about five to seven days). At our house, as soon as I wash them, they're gone unless I designate some as "hands off" for a recipe.

### Freezing

If you choose to freeze blueberries, wash first and air dry. Place berries in a single layer on a cookie sheet and freeze uncovered. Once frozen, transfer to a sealed freezer bag, squeezing out the air. This method prevents blueberries from freezing into a clump.

Should you encounter a summer storm power failure, once the freezer comes back on, check your blueberries. If the berries have thawed out and are not icy, they should not be refrozen. Take the temperature with a food thermometer inserted into the package. If they are 40°F or colder, use right away. If warmer, it's best to discard.

### Nutritionally speaking

Blueberries are an excellent source of potassium, folate and a good source of vitamin C. Blueberries also contain anthocyanins and flavonols, both bioflavonoids.

Bioflavonoids are plant substances that may help defend the body against cancer, heart disease and other chronic illnesses. With about 86 calories in a cup and dietary fiber, blueberries are a nutritional bargain.

### Measurement equivalents

Many families have time-honored recipes for blueberries. My mother-in-law, Ann Reynolds of Ann Arbor, makes the best blueberry pie around. We look forward to it every year.

Perhaps your recipes have not been used for years and are written with limited measurement information. If you want to relive the memory of those favorites, here are some guidelines that may help:

- 1 pound of blueberries equals approximately 4 cups
- 1 flat of most any type of berry will make filling for 3 pies or make 5 pints of jam.

### Serving ideas

Besides being an out-of-hand choice, add blueberries as a topper to cereal, non-fat yogurt, cottage cheese, angel food cake, sorbet, or frozen yogurt. Top leafy green salads with them, you'll be surprised at how they compliment the vegetable flavors.

A pureed blueberry sauce is great on poultry or desserts. On a sweltering day, try using them in smoothies or adding frozen blueberries to your glass of lemonade instead of ice cubes.

Don't forget to add blueberries to pancake batter, muffins or quick breads. I can't wait for my favorite Sunday morning activity, making blueberry pancakes with my son, Steven. We also add some wheat germ and dry quick oats to our batter mixture, for an additional nutrient boost.

Please see **SENSATIONS, D8**

## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Tomatoes and herbs
- Focus on Wine

# FARMERS MARKETS

## THE LURE OF FRESH PRODUCE DRAWS CROWDS

**Who me?** At right, Michael DeCarlo of Plymouth, 2, gives his best innocent look after dad caught him handling the tomatoes at the Plymouth Farmers Market. Dad says, "He's got quite a throwing arm."



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

## Customers enjoy exploring Livonia markets

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

**M**eandering in and around makeshift stalls at a farmers market is a wonderful summertime reprieve from the supermarket.

"I love browsing and finding really fresh things," said Marlene Bensch as she took a break from talking to the vendors at Greenmead's Country Market, at Eight Mile and Newburgh roads in Livonia.

"I always find things for my garden, and it's getting bigger and bigger every year," the Livonia resident said. "And I like to help the growers." She smiled broadly and added: "What a beautiful day to be out here."

The sun was shining and a cool breeze kept this early summer morning pleasant as a few passersby pulled up the gravel road at Greenmead.

Set in Livonia's historic corner, Greenmead's Country Market began operating this year, and is open 8

a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 12.

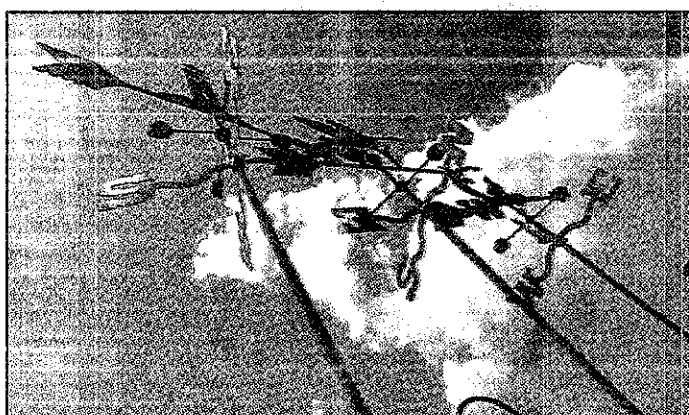
On this day there are three stands: Cookies and breads from the Great Harvest Bread Co.; honey and bees wax produced at the Busy Bee Farm, owned by Carol and Earl Hoffman of Livonia; and a large assortment of annual and perennial flowers, strawberries and brown eggs brought to market by the Fusilier Family Farm and Greenhouse in Manchester. More vendors are expected as the summer matures.

These temporary markets that go up for a few hours, once a week, don't have four-wheeled baskets to propel us up and down linoleum floors. The bonuses for going slow are the hidden treasures tucked to the side that the hurried miss.

That's just what drew Sue Derkowski of Livonia to Greenmead.

She clutched a brilliant orange bouquet of cut Shasta daisies and baby's breath as she explained that she liked farmers markets, because "everything's fresh and all home-

Please see **LIVONIA, D2**



**Great variety:** Everything from Herb Schinzel's weather vanes, left, to Carol Hoffman's fresh honey, below, was on sale at Greenmead's Farmers Market in Livonia.

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## 'Gathering' of farmers draws fruit and veggie fans

BY KEELY WYGNOK  
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Hans Neuroth remembers when Joy Road was a two-lane gravel road. He helped his parents raise apple trees on Joy, west of Middlebelt in Livonia.

The house he grew up in still stands, along with some of the trees, but most of them are gone. Neuroth is still raising apples, and on Saturdays you'll find him and his wife Lynda at the Plymouth Farmers Market downtown in the Gathering on Penniman between the Masonic Temple and the Penn Theatre.

They're market regulars and know everyone. "We've seen everyone's children grow up, and we work together," said Hans.

He and Lynda are teachers for the Livonia Public Schools, and master gardeners. Hans didn't plan to go into the apple orchard business. You could say it grew on him.

When he and Lynda bought a house and two acres in Canton, Hans began nurturing the apple trees on his property. Soon he had more apples than he could use. A friend suggested he sell them at the Plymouth Farmers Market.

Please see **PLYMOUTH, D3**



**Helping:** Sarah Hayes, left, of Heim Gardens in Chelsea helps Plymouth resident Lois Gilmore in the Gathering market.

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**All Ages:** Bill Gass, left, and nine-year-old Travis Fusilier, photo at right, get their produce ready for customers at the Farmington Farm Market. Travis' mom and dad own the Fusilier Family Farm and Greenhouse in Manchester, Michigan.

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## Farmers' wares draw shoppers to Farmington parking lot

BY KEELY WYGNOK  
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Colorful big umbrellas, visible above rows of parked cars, are the only clues that something special is happening in the parking lot of the Village Commons Mall on Grand River in downtown Farmington.

It's Saturday morning, the sun is shining, and business is brisk at the Farmington Farmers Market as farmers work to keep up with the demand for fresh picked tomatoes, lettuce, corn, zucchini, cukes, plums and cherries.

Jill Parak is helping Bill Gass, her former high school math teacher, and owner of Gass Centennial Farm in Romeo. She's been working with him at the market for the past three years.

"I like being outside, and everyone here is friendly," said Parak, as she helped a customer pick out a carton of plump, red tomatoes.

Gass has been bringing his produce to sell at the Farmington Farmers Market for the past two years. He farms 140 acres, and specializes in quality vegetables.

A third generation farmer, Gass sells vegetables to many metro

Detroit restaurants including the Muer restaurants and Rattlesnake Club in Detroit.

"We need people to come out and help us out," he said. "We offer a quality product."

Diane Allen of Farmington Hills likes shopping at the market because of the fresh vegetables, convenience, and small town flavor. Allen's a big fan of Gass' lettuce. "It's wonderful, never bitter," she said.

Mike Fusilier grows corn, cherries, cabbage, squash tomatoes and other produce on his 400-acre family farm in Manchester. On Thursday you'll find him or his wife Kathy at Greenmead's Country Market in Livonia.

"It's a good group of vendors, kind of friendly," he said. This was a good day, he sold 75 dozen corn in two

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grown." Marsha Heads of Livonia chooses farmers markets for the "sociability and freshness."

"I prefer to deal with the small working person rather than the millionaire working person," she said.

In the market for perennials, Nancy Evans stopped by after doing volunteer work at Greenmead. Tom Beltowski, a Livonia public service employee, was in the area on business, too.

After a lengthy conversation with Carol Hoffman about the uses of beeswax, Beltowski left with a fist-full of honey straws and a promise to return.

Marge Wolfe said the friendly atmosphere and people draw her to outside vendors.

### Friendly atmosphere

"They're all so nice," the Farmington Hills resident said. This excursion, she added, was reminiscent of her frequent jaunts to Farmer's Market in Detroit years ago.

You never know what to expect at Greenmead's Country Market. Every week, for instance, Kathy Fusilier tries to bring a different selection of perennials, hanging baskets and annuals chosen from

the 200 flower vanities she grows.

She and her husband farm 400 acres.

The Fusiliers put up a greenhouse to supplement their income a few years ago and "it's become pretty much our life" with 15,000 square feet devoted to the indoor growing.

On this day, Fusilier got help at the stand from her 9-year-old son, Travis.

### Honey

A few feet away, Carol Hoffman sits on the opened bed of her truck near a small table of honey straws, beeswax and an assortment of plastic honey bears with hand-written labels that sell for \$2 a pound.

"I'm a little fish and they're (Greenmead's Country Market) a little fish and maybe we can grow together," said Hoffman, who has been raising honey bees for six years.

Hoffman seems just as happy to give away information as she is to make a sale.

She explains, for instance, that every honey has its own flavor depending on where the bees get their nectar.

She and her husband, Earl,

mind 28 beehives on 40 acres they own between Marshall and Battle Creek. Earl also teaches a class about honey bees at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

As far as the profits at her Greenmead stand, Hoffman said one recent Thursday was a "good day," because she sold \$40 worth of products.

A little farther away, a large banner calls to drivers on Newburgh: "Great Harvest Bread Co.," and you can almost smell the goods from the road.

"We go to farmers markets to make people aware of the bread's healthiness, simplicity and whole wheat," explained Jenni Wolfe, general manager of the Farmington store.

Everything at Great Harvest is made from scratch. "There's no fat, oils or preservatives in any of the breads," she said. "People go to farmers markets because they can get a variety of different items all at once and the whole outside thing has something to do with it, too."

### Wilson Barn

There's another farmer's market in Livonia - at the Wilson Barn, on the corner of Middlebelt and West Chicago. It's open 8

a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays through Sept. 30.

Other farmers markets, however, are fading away as local farmers get bought out by developers. Like the Canton Farmers Market on Ford Road and Sheldon, which came to an end two years ago.

"We had problems with getting farmers - there's not many of us left," said Mary Hauk, longtime Canton Farmers Market president whose great-great grandparents began farming in Nankin Township in the early 1800s.

Ironically, Hauk's grandparents were pushed out by urban sprawl and bought in Canton. Recent development raised the price of land and farmers there are selling. However, Hauk and her parents still farm in Canton and their produce is sold at Mary's Farm Market, at Ford Road and Beck.

The farmers markets at the Wilson Barn and Greenmead are looking for vendors. Call the Wilson Barn at (734) 427-4311 and Greenmead at (248) 477-7375.

Diane Gale Andreassi is a Livonia resident and writes about homes and gardens for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

## Farmington from page D1

hours.

Delores Brown, who owns Coon Creek Orchard in Armada with her husband Terry, likes the Farmington Farmers Market because it doesn't open until 9 a.m. Her Michigan tart cherries, peaches and plums were popular with customers on Saturday. In the fall, she'll offer apples, cider and doughnuts for sale.

The Farmington Bakery was offering freshly baked bread, desserts, and their famous pretzels for sale underneath a tent near Gass' stand.

Everyone was cheerful, and busy either shopping, or restocking produce to keep up with the demand.

Julie Levine of Farmington Hills smiled as she waited in line to make her purchases. She's been to other farmers markets, but Farmington is one of her favorites.

"It's very laid back," she said. "The quality is great, and the prices are very reasonable. Going to farmers markets is a fun thing to do on Saturday morning."

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Julie Levine  
—Farmington Hills

As for me, I left the market with shopping bags in both hands. Dinner that night included a sumptuous salad made with Gass' red leaf lettuce, tomatoes, and cukes, focaccia from Farmington Bakery, and for dessert, Fusilier's sweet Traverse City cherries, and juicy peaches and plums from Coon Creek Orchard.

The Farmington Farmers Market is on Grand River Avenue, east of Farmington Road, in the Village Commons Mall parking lot. It's open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays, until the end of October.

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## Taste summer freshness in this blueberry finale

This fast and simple trifle recipe makes an elegant finale to your summer barbecue. See related column on Taste front.

### ELEGANT BERRY TRIFLE

- 1 prepared angel food cake
- 3 cups prepared vanilla pudding (from skim milk)
- 3 tablespoon brandy (or 1 tsp. brandy extract)
- 1/4 cup strawberry preserves
- 2 cups fresh sliced strawberries
- 2 cups fresh blueberries
- 2 teaspoon almond slivers, toasted
- 1/2 cup whipping cream
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Cut cake into 1-inch cubes. In a trifle bowl or 2-quart glass serving bowl layer half the cake cubes. Dot with half the preserves. Top with half of the fruit and almonds.

Mix brandy extract with the pudding and spread half evenly over the layer of fruit. Repeat layers. Cover and chill for three hours. Prepare whipped topping by beating whipping cream, sugar and vanilla extract until soft peaks form. Spread whipped topping on top of trifle and garnish with sliced strawberries and blueberries. Serve immediately or chill until serving time. Serves 12.

Tip: Even with the use of real whipping cream for topping, this

dessert is moderate in fat content. If you want it to be fat free, you can substitute fat-free, non-dairy whipped topping.

**Nutritional information per serving:** Calories: 230, protein: 5 grams, carbohydrate: 40g, fat: 5g

### ZESTY BLUEBERRY SAUCE

Try this tangy sauce on poultry, waffles, pancakes and desserts.

- 2 cups fresh or frozen blueberries (thawed)
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/4 teaspoon finely grated lemon zest
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- Dash of ground cinnamon

In a medium non-stick saucepan, stir all ingredients together. Cook over medium heat for about 5 minutes, stirring constantly until the sauce becomes thick. Serve warm. Leftover sauce may be refrigerated for up to 2 weeks. Reheat over low heat stirring constantly. Makes 2 cups. Serves 8.

**Nutrition information per 1/4-cup serving:** Calories: 39, protein: 0.3g, carbohydrate: 10g, fat: trace

Recipes courtesy of Diane Reynolds.

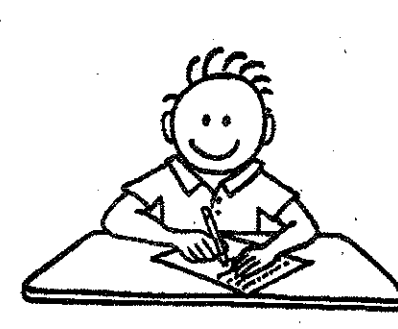
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# Plymouth from page D1

"It expanded; it's up to 26 acres," said Hans of his apple trees. Beginning Saturday, Sept. 2, you can buy his apples at Obstbaum Orchards and store between Seven and Eight Mile roads, 9252 Currie Road in Salem, four miles west of Beck Road. The orchard will be open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. They'll have Paula Reds the first weekend in September. Visit their Web site: [www.obstbaum.com](http://www.obstbaum.com) for more information.

At the market on Saturday, July 22, Hans and Lynda were selling the season's first apples: thin skinned, semi-tart Lodi apples that make delicious apple sauce and dried flowers.

## Mary Muffin

It's easy to work up an appetite shopping at the market, looking at everything makes you hungry. Visit Mary "Muffin" Carey of Farmington Hills for a snack.

Carey has sold her freshly baked breads and muffins at the Plymouth Farmers Market for 18 years.

Concerned about the amount of sugar and salt her children were eating, Carey began experimenting with recipes. She

believed you could make good-tasting baked goods with less sugar and salt than recipes called for.

"People liked her fresh breads and suggested we sell them at the market," said her husband Carl. "It just kind of grew from them." Mary's breads and muffins are low in fat, salt and sugar, but trust me, they're heavenly.

Daughter, Nicole, 21 is a senior at Wheaton College in Illinois and wants to be a teacher.

"I grew up here at the market," said Nicole. "Working here helps you relate to people, it's helped me so much, and given me skills that are irreplaceable."

Mary's muffins, nut breads and breads have many fans. Top-sellers include the peach and raspberry muffins. Kids love the "nummy nums" made with M&Ms, and the Rice Krispy treats.

"My mom's amazing. She's always been so concerned about what customers want," said Nicole.

Marge Voss of Plymouth likes the fresh vegetables and buys flowers at the market, too.

Olga James of Northville can't say enough nice things about the

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*Mary Heim*  
—director of the Plymouth Farmer's Market

flowers she bought from Mark Prielipp, who farms 1,500 acres south of Ann Arbor.

"I didn't get my flowers until June 15, but they came up real good," said James. "I appreciate the farmers coming here. Farmers markets are wonderful, and people should support them."

"The people are very nice. It's nice to have a cover, too," said Mark, pointing to the roof of the Gathering.

I picked up some of his sweet corn and found butter wasn't necessary. It was the melt-in-the-mouth kind of corn that you can only get at farmers markets.

One of the oldest areas, the Plymouth farm market is open from spring through fall every Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There are 26 stalls of produce,

baked goods, plants and flowers.

Mary Heim, director of the Plymouth Farmer's Market, thinks of the weekly event as a place where families love to gather and finds it fitting that the market is held in the Gathering.

"People come by and buy a cup of coffee and a roll and sit in the park and eat it," Heim said. "In one family, there's a mother who comes and all her children come to meet her there."

While buying fruits and vegetables is an obvious purpose for many visitors, a lot of people come to socialize, explained Heim, who owns a produce farm in Chelsea with her husband Glenn.

Together they've sold their vegetables in Plymouth for 14 years.

If you don't want to wait until the weekend, try the Northville Farmer's Market 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every Thursday through October at Northville Downs parking lot at Seven Mile and Center Street. For more information about the Northville Farmer's Market, visit [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org)

*Diane Gale Andreassi contributed to this story.*



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN  
**Planning:** Mary and Carol Prais of Wind Crest Farm in Northville stand before part of the wide selection of produce at the Plymouth Farmers Market in the Gathering.

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Stock up on fresh blueberries today and enjoy one of the great tastes of summer!

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# Chili cooks, salsa makers sought for Plymouth cookoffs

Chili cooks and salsa makers are being sought for two cookoffs in Plymouth this fall.

The Michigan State Chili Championship occurs Saturday, Sept. 9, in an open air (but covered) pavilion called "The Gathering" in downtown Plymouth.

The Great Lakes Regional Chili Cookoff occurs Saturday, Oct. 7, at The Gathering in Plymouth.

Both cookoffs include salsa contests.

The winners of the Sept. 9

petition (one chili and one salsa) will be automatically entered in the World Championship Chili Cookoff Sunday, Oct. 1, in Las Vegas. The chili winner also gets \$1,000. The salsa winner gets \$100.

The winners of the Oct. 7 com-

petition (one chili and one salsa) will be automatically entered in the October 2001 World Championship Chili Cookoff. The chili winner also gets \$1,000. The salsa winner gets \$100.

Contestants may enter the chili or salsa competition at both

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**AUG. 14-23**

**DIABETES**  
Learn to take charge of your diabetes through "Taking Charge of Living With Diabetes," a program for diabetics 18 and older. This series of four classes provides information on self-care and successful management of diabetes. Classes are 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, Aug. 14, 16, 21 and 23, at the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Wellness Center at Bentley in Livonia, 15100 Hubbard at Five Mile. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call (734) 655-8940.

**THUR, AUG. 17**

**CHILD IMMUNIZATION CLINIC**  
St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will offer an infant and child immunization clinic 5:30-8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 17. Use the south entrance off Levan. Cost is \$5 per child no matter how many immunizations are given. Health care professionals from St. Mary Hospital will administer the vaccine. All state-

required immunizations, including hepatitis B and Hib, will be administered to children younger than 18 if the serum is available. Take all available immunization records with you. No registration is required. Children need 12 to 16 doses of vaccines before their second birthday to be protected from serious childhood diseases. These shots can be administered in five visits to a health clinic or private physician. For additional information, please call (734) 655-8940.

**MON, AUG. 21**

**GAMBLING ADDICTION**  
A mental health program on gambling addictions will be 6-7:30 p.m. at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Five Mile and Levan, West Addition Conference Room B. Call (734) 655-2944 for information.

**TUES, AUG. 22**

**PROSTATE**  
The "Us too" prostate cancer support group will meet 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Mary Mercy Hospital at Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Call (734) 432-1913 for more information.

**SAT, AUG. 26**

**CHILD I.D./TEDDY BEAR CLINIC**  
St. Mary Mercy Hospital of Livonia is sponsoring a free Child Identification and Teddy Bear Clinic noon to 4 p.m. at Wonderland Mall, Plymouth and Middlebelt Roads in Livonia. Health professionals from the hospital will obtain height and weight on each child. Photos will be taken, and a Livonia Police Department

officer will fingerprint each child. Children are invited to bring their "injured" stuffed animals to be cared for by St. Mary Mercy staff members. For more information, call St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Community Outreach Department at (734) 655-8940 or 1-800-494-1650 for out of area callers.

**SUN, AUG. 27**

**BLOOD DRIVE**  
The American Red Cross will sponsor a blood donation drive at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road (between Schoolcraft and Ford Field), noon to 6 p.m. Call Jim Williamson at (734) 464-1493 to reserve your time. Walk-ins are welcome.

**THROUGH AUG. 31**

**GRIEF SUPPORT**  
Arbor Hospice and Home Care will offer a grief support program, "New Pathways," 10-11:30 a.m. Thursdays at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile in Northville. To register or for more information on other grief support groups, call (734) 662-5999.

**MON, SEPT. 11**

**THYROID DISORDERS**  
The Michigan Thyroid Disorder Support Group will meet at 6:30 in the Plymouth Library, 223 S. Main. For additional information, call Tracy Green at (734) 453-7945. Or look up the Web site at: <http://community.mlive.com/cc/thyroid>

**It's not uncommon for women to lack menopause information**

Every day, an estimated 4,000 American women reach menopause - a time in their lives when they need to know more about menopause-related health problems and treatment. However, they're not getting the information they need. According to a recent Gallup survey, many women do not receive counseling from their health-care provider about the menopausal treatments available to keep them healthy as they age. Health insurance did not

appear to determine the rate of counseling as 90 percent of the respondents were covered by some kind of health insurance. Women need to become more pro-active about their options, not waiting for the doctor to bring up the subject, the survey found. The changes women experience at menopause begin when the ovaries decrease production of estrogen and progesterone. This lack of hormones may cause hot flashes, night sweats, mood changes, sleeplessness or

fatigue, and can lead to osteoporosis. Estrogen replacement can alleviate these disruptive menopausal symptoms and reduce bone loss, but few primary physicians discuss such therapy with their patients. Among its findings, the Gallup survey showed that 40 percent of women with incomes below \$30,000 and 37 percent of minority women do not receive counseling. Postmenopausal women are at increased risk - due partly to the

loss of estrogen - for a variety of diseases and conditions. These include a decrease in sexual satisfaction, an increased risk for osteoporosis, colon cancer, age-related macular degeneration and Alzheimer's disease. "With the myriad of conditions that threaten women's health after menopause, it is essential there be an open dialogue

between physicians and their female patients," said Donnica Moore, president of Sapphire Women's Health Group and a medical spokeswoman for the Vitality: Health and Wellness for Midlife and Beyond campaign. "Women can demand counseling from their health-care provider, using newspaper arti-

cles and Internet information as a basis for discussion," Moore said. The Vitality campaign is an educational campaign dedicated to informing women about the benefits and risks of hormone-replacement therapy during and after menopause. Visit: [www.menopausehealth.com](http://www.menopausehealth.com) on the World Wide Web.

**WOMEN AND MEN DO YOU HAVE AN OVERACTIVE BLADDER?**  
Shifrin-Hayworth, a consumer research firm in Southfield, MI, is conducting a research study among people with an overactive bladder. This is not a clinical trial or sales meeting, rather a discussion group to gather your opinions on this condition. Please call Betty by **August 8th** to see if this study would apply to you - **800-559-5954**. If you qualify and participate you will be **paid \$75.00 for your time and opinion**.

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Variable-rate plans must have a cap on how high your interest rate can climb over the life of the plan. Most variable-rate lines of credit also have a cap that limits how much and how often the interest rate can change during the course of a year. That cap typically prevents your rate from rising more than two percentage points a year.

Closing costs - which often include a title search, appraisal, attorney fees, recording changes and notary fees - also vary from lender to lender. You should be able to find a lender willing to waive some or all of the closing costs. But, shop carefully - some lenders that advertise that there are no closing costs, do, however, impose hefty application fees or annual charges. Some lenders impose a fee for each time you access the account, and others charge you if you don't use the account.

Some credit lines require that you borrow a minimum amount when you open a line. If you're opening a credit line for future or emergency needs, look for a credit line that doesn't require a minimum draw at closing.

Usually, you repay the loan in installments. Paying more than the minimum will reduce your costs. Unless it is absolutely necessary, avoid paying only interest during the term of the loan. This option can be much more costly.

Interest on home equity borrowing up to \$100,000 is generally deductible.

The Michigan Association of Accountants' office is in Farmington Hills. The phone number is (248) 855-9122. E-mail [macpa@michcpa.org](mailto:macpa@michcpa.org)

## Apartments stress luxury, convenience

Jonathan Holtzman and his Village Green Cos. take luxury apartment living to a new level with Regents Park in Troy.

Start with a 10,000-square-foot clubhouse with indoor resistance pool and whirlpool, sauna, racquetball court, billiard room, library, media theater room, children's play room, fitness center, club room and sunroom.

Then there's the outdoor pool with a gently sloping, shallow patio area for children and ample patio space with attractive landscaping.

Then there's the personal concierge service available to all.

Plus the 13 different floor plans and the units, themselves.

The 299 units in phase one will be situated in 10 buildings of four stories off Butterfield west of Crooks and south of Big Beaver.

All include: air conditioning; individual laundry; range; refrigerator; dishwasher; ceramic backsplash in the kitchen/ nook; crown molding; marble tile in the foyer and baths; and walk-in closets in bedrooms.

All half baths include a pedestal sink.

Tenants get space in a carport and storage space in the basement. Underground parking and more accessible, extra storage space is available for a fee.

Some residences have fireplaces, French balconies, decks. And if tenants want, they can bring in their own interior designers and decorators to change the look of their units.

"If someone comes in with a wish list, we could fulfill any need," said Timothy M. Smith, a vice president with Village Green.

Regents Park has been 4-1/2 years in the making.

"What really helps us a lot is Detroit has become more of an international city, with the car companies," said Holtzman, CEO of Village Green.

"We have a lot of people relocating from all over the world. That's a big impact for us. Aging baby-boomers. People building houses - where are they going to live (in the meantime)? That's a big market. Then there's empty-nesters.

"The empty-nester generally owns their house all cash," Holtzman said. "They can sell the house and the first \$500,000 they don't pay capital gains (tax) on. They can

invest that money, and the interest earned could, plus or minus, pay for the rent.

"When we did focus groups, mostly wives talked about how much time and energy it takes to maintain a home. We were very interested in that comment.

"Regents Park is 299 apartments in the heart of Birmingham, Bloomfield and Troy," Holtzman said. "It's next to the Somerset Collection, country clubs, churches and synagogues."

Holtzman compared living in Regents Park to driving a Jaguar or lodging in a Ritz-Carlton.

Luxury living doesn't come cheap. Monthly rents range from about \$1,100 for a single bedroom, single bath unit of 875 square feet to \$3,500 for a penthouse of 2,500 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths.

"The amenities are unbelievable," said Joni Lyons, the concierge. "A lot of residents won't be here year-around. Some may only be here three days a week. When they walk in the door, they want the groceries delivered, a gourmet meal cooking and the dry cleaning in the closet."

"The draw is a lot of service we provide," said Christina Steeg, marketing director. "People can move in and realistically not worry about a thing."

"The location is great, close to I-75 and everything along Big Beaver," Steeg added. "It's an easy commute to DaimlerChrysler and GM downtown. There's an advantage having upscale shopping next to us (Somerset Collection)."

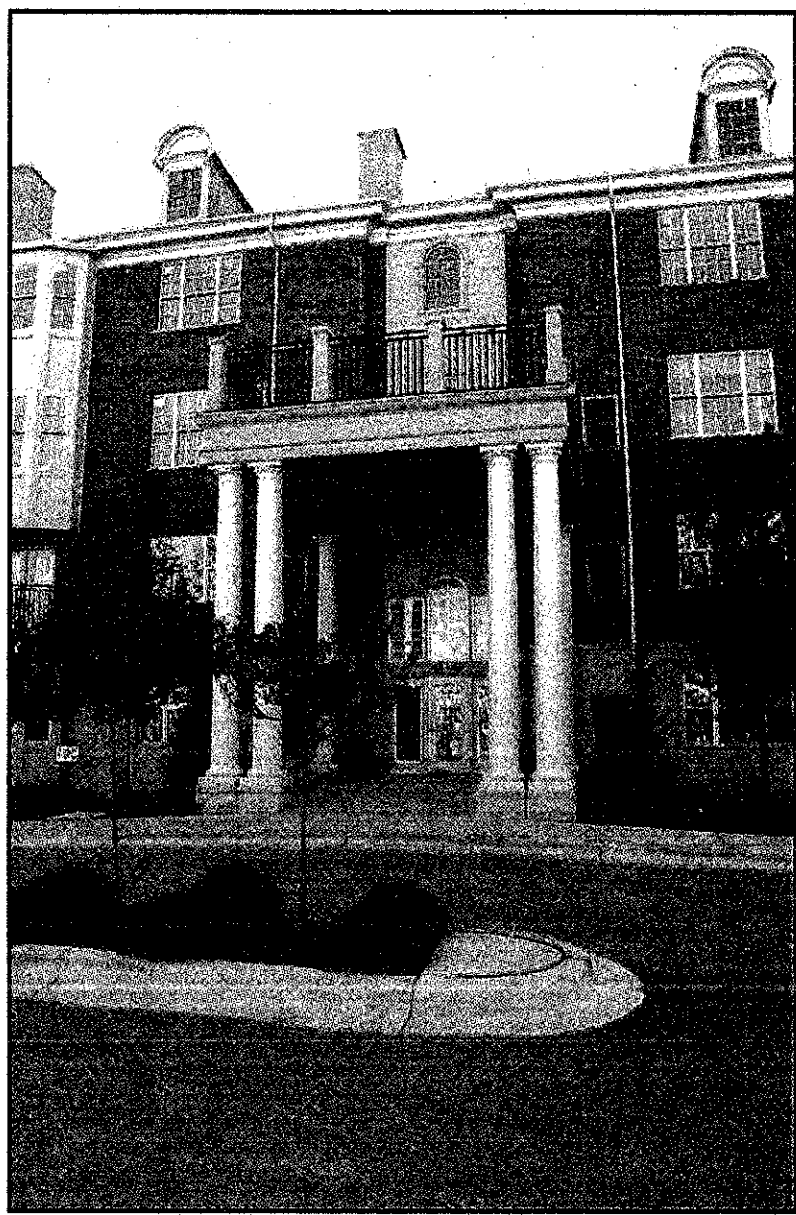
"Jonathan started with the concept 'What can we create for the empty nester, baby boomer, that isn't available in Detroit?'" Smith said.

"When you thought about Troy, you had world-class offices, world-class shopping and world-class single-family homes. Nothing was world class in terms of rental. They have it now.

"When we did focus groups, one thing we heard was, 'If you're going to do something high-end, we want choices,'" Smith added.

"We created custom option alternatives - upgraded appliance package, upgraded flooring, countertops, carpeting," he said.

Brick, wood siding and dimen-



**Luxury living:** The four-story buildings at Regents Park, designed in classic Georgian-style architecture, provide covered porticos, underground parking and elevator access.

sional shingles are primary exterior materials.

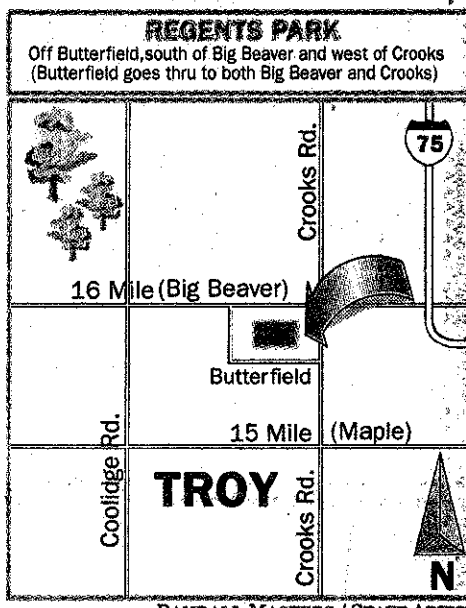
Regents Park is within the Troy school boundaries. All utilities will be metered to individual units.

Stan and Elaine Kend moved into a one-bedroom residence with den.

"After living in a fairly large home in Birmingham, we were looking for something fairly good sized with the amenities of a home - room, a fairly large kitchen," Stan said.

"This location is great. They have an excellent security system, plus it's beautifully landscaped. It makes for really fine living."

The leasing office / models at Regents Park, (248) 641-5333, are open by appointment 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays.



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To see how wonderful these homes really are, join us on July 30 during the Grand Opening Weekend of Heritage Meadows. The event will be held in our

model from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on both days.

Heritage Meadows is located on Clark Road and M-59, just 1/4 mile east of US-23.

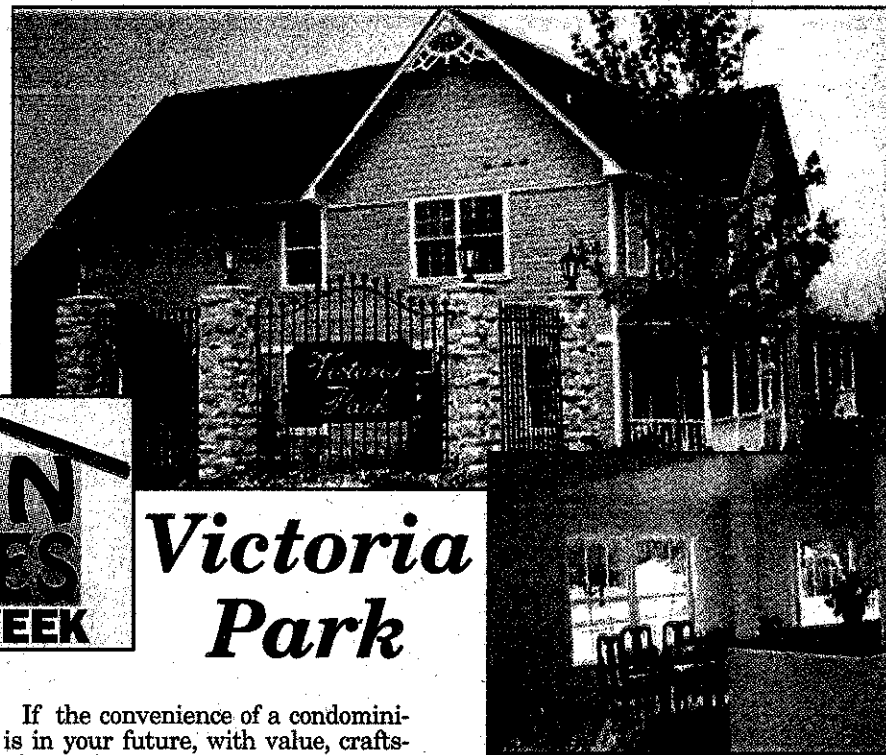
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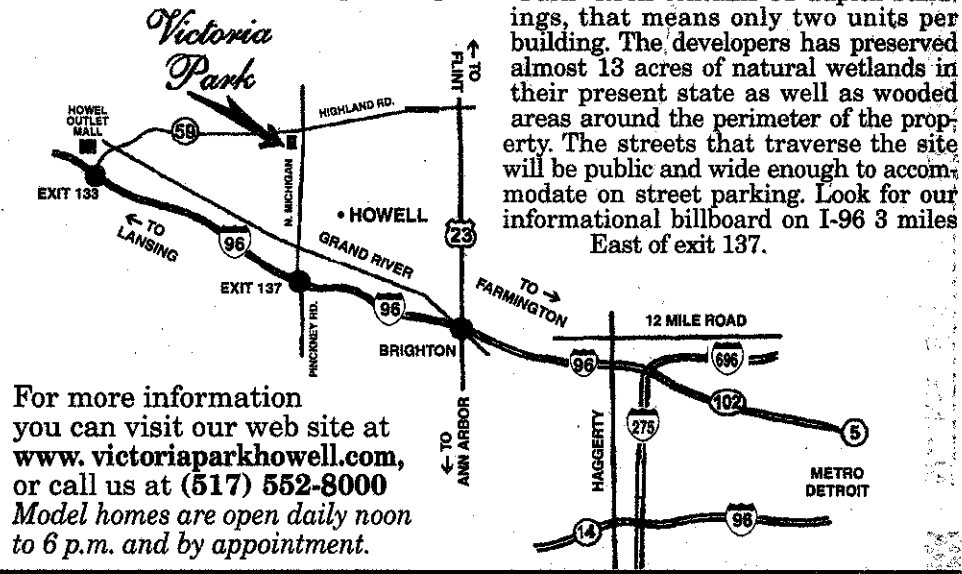


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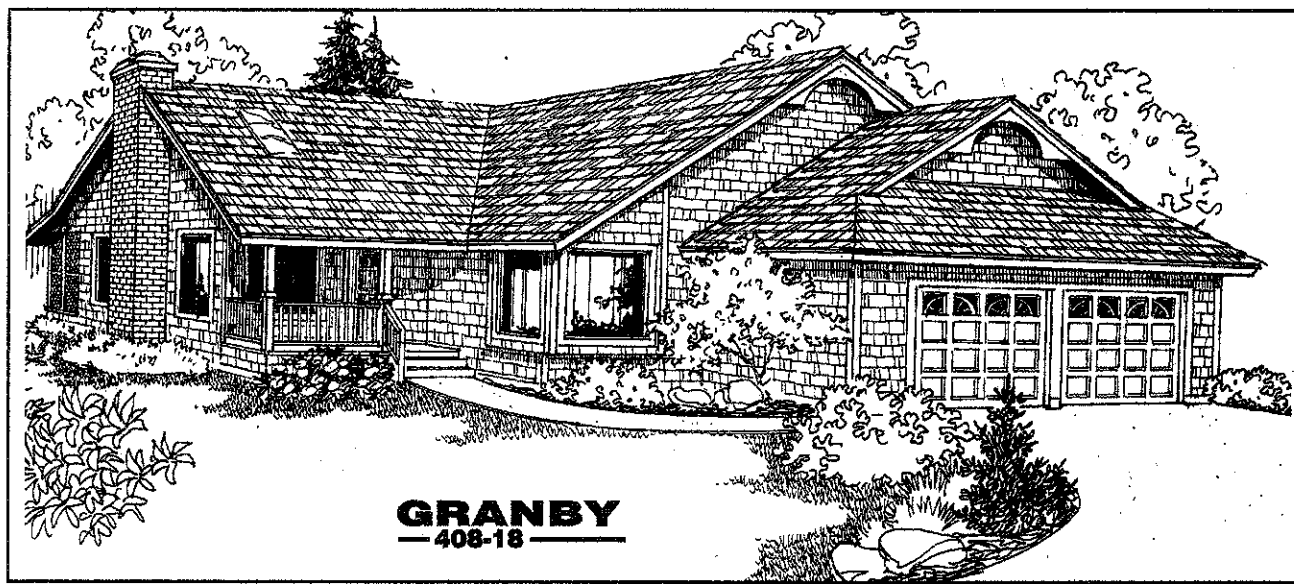
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walk out units, • and no look alike buildings; each offers custom colors and stone work. One and two story units are available with up to three bedrooms and two and a half baths.

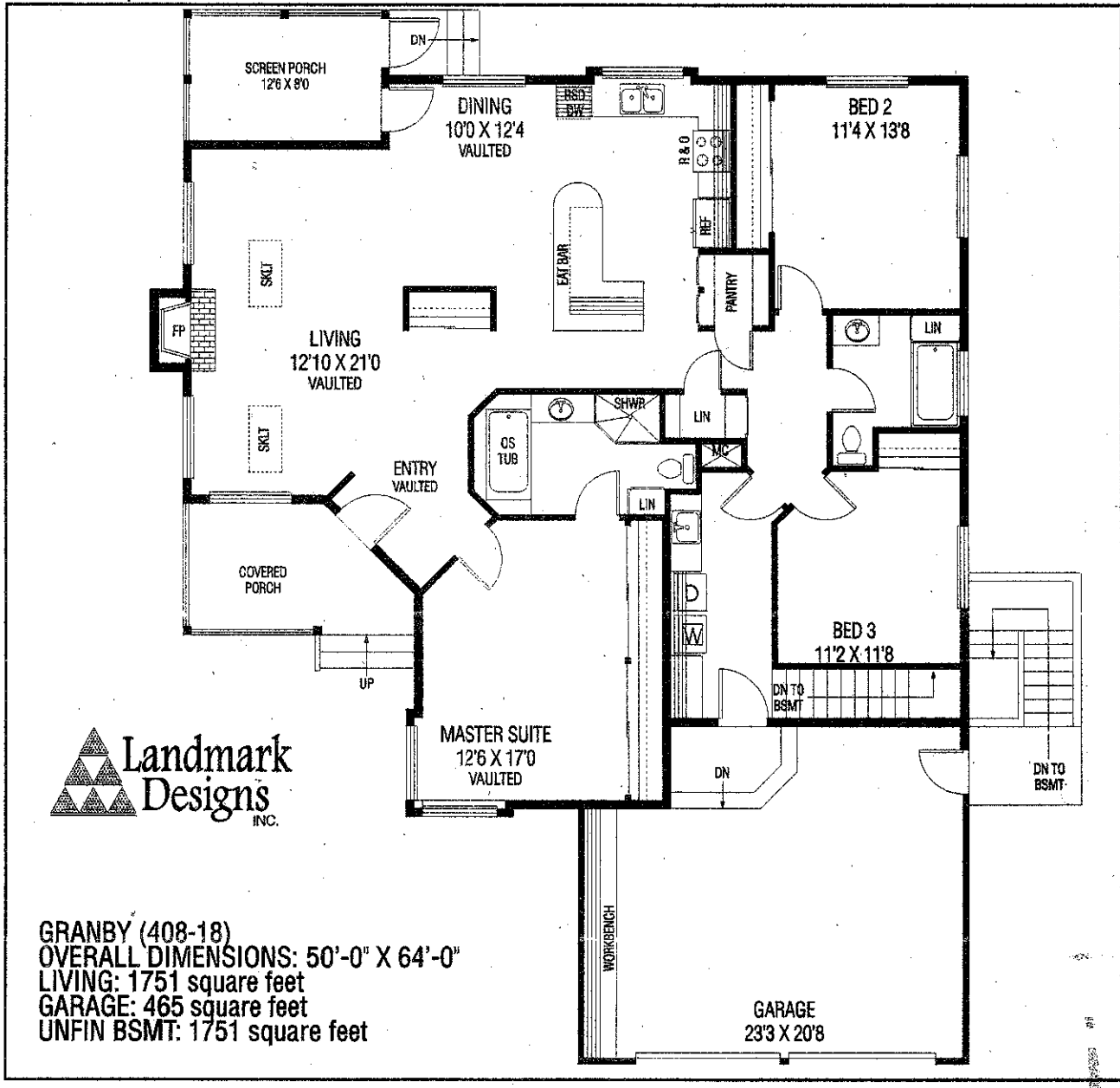
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**GRANBY**  
408-18



## Porch extends eating area

Large windows, fireplace, optional basement (with outside and inside stairs) and a screened porch all add to the East Coast attraction of the Granby (408-18).

This home could sit on a deep lot or be used on a corner lot, depending on the placement of the garage. Either way, the entry is set back and under a covered porch.

The Granby has 1,751 square feet of living space along with an unfinished optional basement of 1,751 square feet.

The main area of the home is all vaulted including the living/dining rooms, entry and master suite. In addition to the vaulting, skylights have been added in the living room to add more sunlight and add to the open feeling of the room.

The fireplace is located on the left outside wall of the living room. The dining room is open to the living room and the kitchen.

A door opens into the screened porch. This makes an ideal spot to have evening meals, early coffee, or those barbecues without the bugs.

The L-shaped kitchen is located in the rear of the home. The island eating bar with extra counter space adds to the casual look of the kitchen. A raised dishwasher has been installed to save the pain of bending to loading and unloading. A deep walk-in pantry has been provided with exterior cabinet access.

Bedrooms 2 and 3 with a shared bath between are much larger than some homes. They each have

wall closets and large windows.

On the wall opposite bedroom 3 is the utility area with a sink, washer/dryer and extra cabinets. The stairs to the basement are located at the end of bedroom 3. There is also a door that leads down into the garage.

The two-car garage has a long workbench down one side and area in the rear for storage. The door to the outside goes to a landing for an exterior entrance to the basement, also.

For a study kit of the Granby (408-18) send \$24.95 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd. E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 (Specify plan name & number for kit).

For a collection of plan books, send \$20. For faster processing call (800) 562-1151 or visit [www.landmarkdesigns.com](http://www.landmarkdesigns.com).

## Cool home efficiently

(NAPS)—While the heat and humidity haven't been oppressive so far this summer, you know it's just a matter of time.

Central air conditioning provides great summertime comfort, but the cost of the electricity—especially after a prolonged hot spell—can be enough to make you think twice about moving to cooler climates.

That's why it's important to make air conditioning in your home as efficient as possible to get the most cooling for the lowest cost.

To help make the most of your cooling dollars, the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Information Bureau offers these tips that should help you control your energy cost:

- Keep shades and draperies drawn on the sunny side of the house. Also, keep windows and doors closed when the air conditioning is running.

- Avoid doing "hot work" like baking, cooking and laundry during peak sunlight hours. Save these chores for the cooler morning and evening hours.

- Close any air gaps, espe-

cially in the attic, by caulking, insulating and weather-stripping.

- Change your air conditioner's air filter frequently, at least every month during peak use. Dirt and dust in the filter can cut down substantially on your equipment's efficiency.

- Keep air circulation registers clear of furniture and draperies, which can decrease the flow of air through the room.

- Clear overgrown shrubs and high grasses from your outside condensing unit so that nothing interferes with proper air circulation.

- Regularly inspect and service your air conditioner to keep it running efficiently. PHCIB recommends a service checkup each spring before you turn on your equipment.

There are additional measures that can be taken to keep a home cool.

Ceiling fans are an excellent complement to air conditioning systems because they circulate the air that tends to hover at the tops of rooms with high ceilings.

There's also some advantages to letting the air condi-

tioner fan run all the time as opposed to periodically with the "auto" setting.

By continuously circulating the air, temperatures remain more even throughout the house. It also keeps air circulating through the system's air filter, which depending on the type of filter, can keep the home cleaner.

When the fan is operating continuously, the compressor will continue to periodically cycle on and off just as it does on the "auto" setting.

However, if you live in a humid climate, running the fan continuously may reduce dehumidification.

Founded in 1919, the Chicago-based Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Information Bureau is the consumer information arm of the plumbing-heating-cooling industry.

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## Common elements, individual rights at issue in condo appeal

Determining what constitutes an alteration to common elements rather than the use of personal property is the central issue in an amicus curiae or "friend of the court" brief filed by the Community Associations Institute (CAI) in a Michigan case.

The case, Hunters Pointe Condominium Association v. Csicila, involves a hot tub that was installed, without the community association's approval, on a limited common element deck.

The case originated when a resident sued Hunters Pointe Condominium Association after the association ruled that the hot tub must be removed because its installation violated the association's master deed, bylaws and rules, as well as the Michigan Condominium Act.

The trial court ruled that the hot tub could remain, taking the opinion that the installation constituted the placement of personal property rather than an alteration to the common element deck.

CAI's amicus curiae brief was filed in April after

Hunters Pointe appealed the trial court's ruling to the Michigan Court of Appeals.

CAI's brief argued that the court should interpret the Michigan Condominium Act to support the authority of community associations to regulate the placement of personal property on common elements since such actions can significantly impact the structural and visual integrity of the common element and the community at large.

"This case is important because it cuts to the heart of a community association's legal responsibility to ensure the protection of common elements for individual residents and the community in general," said Ronald L. Perl, He's chairman of CAI's Government & Public Affairs Counsel and a member of CAI's Amicus Curiae Advisory Group.

"There's no bias against hot tubs but there is a concern if one individual is able to increase the potential risks and costs to an entire association and all its homeowners," Perl said. "Ensuring such responsible protection for all

residents is one of the main reasons community associations exist."

CAI amicus curiae (friend of the court) briefs, one aspect of CAI's overall government and public affairs efforts, are filed in federal or state cases that pose questions of significant importance in community association law.

CAI's brief in this case was prepared by CAI attorney members Richard S. Ekimoto, Lynn S. Jordan, Michael S. Karpoff, Stephen M. Marcus, Tom Moriarty, Steven Sowell and Perl.

A date hasn't yet been set for oral arguments before the court of appeals.

The Community Associations Institute is a nonprofit association created in 1973 to educate and represent the nation's 205,000 community associations - condominium and homeowner associations and cooperatives.

CAI members include homeowners, associations and related professionals and service providers.

## How to simplify cleaning

(NAPS) — Paula Jhung, author of How to Avoid Housework and Guests Without Grief, is an expert at maintaining a clean home while barely lifting a finger. Try these simple tips from Paula and before you know it, you'll have a "self-cleaning" home...

1. Avoid scrubbing a hard-to-clean blender by whipping up a soap and water shake. The blender becomes a self-cleaning machine.
2. Eliminate smelly sponges and dishrags in the kitchen by using an odor-fighting antibacterial sponge.
3. Place a spoon rest on the stove-

top. It not only adds to the decor of the kitchen but eliminates stains and messy clean-ups.

4. Line burners with aluminum foil to catch unwanted splatters and cut down on cleaning time.

5. Store all cleaning products in a bucket or caddy and in one central location, so time is not spent gathering cleaning supplies.

6. Select cleaning tools that can be used for a variety of jobs. Scrub sponges have a scouring side that is designed to clean the toughest household messes as well as a soft cellulose side for everyday cleaning.

7. Clean as you go to avoid mountains of grungy pots and pans at the end of a meal.

8. Soak up monstrous spills with a super-absorbent sponge.

9. Sweeten a smelly garbage disposal by running lemon or lime peels through it occasionally. A sweet-smelling kitchen appears cleaner.

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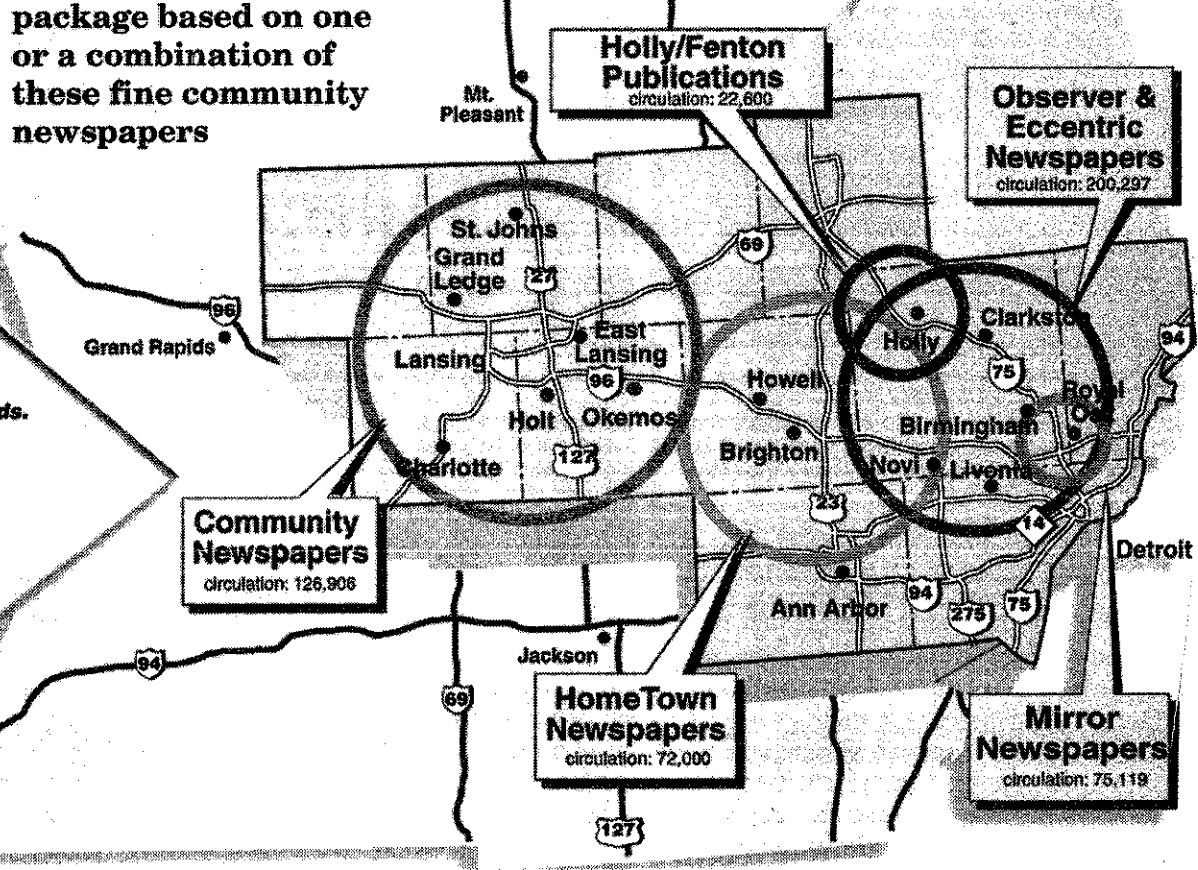
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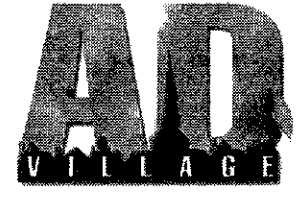
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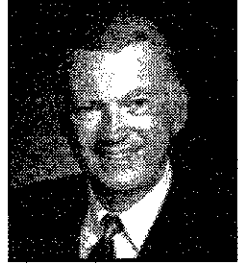
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In northern Michigan, where the landscape is vast and the construction industry cannot keep up with demand, one builder is exporting cedar log and timber crafted homes to sites around the world.

Town & Country Cedar Homes has successfully married yesterday's homestyle with today's affluence, making Petoskey the destination for upscale country lodges.

Town & Country is one of the world's largest custom cedar log and timber-crafted home builder. Its craftsmen have traveled from Silicon Valley to Mount Fuji erecting modern-day manses out of cedar timbers.

In fact, Neiman Marcus included the company in its annual, best selling "Around the World Style Catalog," proclaiming it builders of world-class custom homes.

Town & Country CEO Steve Biggs, standing in the great room of a newly completed cedar log home in Petoskey, says the allure of a cedar log home is clear.

"The high ceilings, the exposed beams, the oversized fireplace, the loft, the split-timber stairs - these are features that create a genuine North Country home," Biggs said.

"The urban walk-in condo is elegant. But this," he says, opening his arms wide, "is Americana. It's sophisticated, yet very comfortable. It's home."

A log or timber crafted home from Town & Country isn't inexpensive. It costs upward of \$500,000 for a house of 2,200-2,500 square feet.

Founded in 1946 in Boyne Falls, Town & Country today employs over 100 professionals and craftsmen. Its northern Michigan complex includes offices, a mill operation, design centers, and a model bed-and-breakfast, where prospective buyers are invited to spend a night and experience the aura of such a home.

Having reached annual revenues of more than \$20 million, the company remains upbeat about the future.

The international market has proven a pleasant surprise, as families from Canada, South Korea, Switzerland and Japan join the list of customers from throughout the U.S.

Several cultural factors have contributed

to Town & Country's success beyond northern Michigan, the company reported.

After a period of suburban expansion and 20,000 square-foot estates, America's wealthy and wannabees have identified a new frontier - the cottage. Keeping up with the Joneses means owning the latest status symbol - a North Country-style second home.

Biggs says another phenomenon has boosted his business. As Americans live longer, many parents and grandparents are building cedar "lodges" as magnets for their far-flung families. This home is large and modern enough to attract the kids back from across the country.

And although the appearance is akin to 1850, these homes are decidedly 21st century. Many homeowners choose multiple modem connections and a loft office.

Each Town & Country home is built using the company's patented post-and-sill system, which ensures a tight, strong, well-insulated structure.

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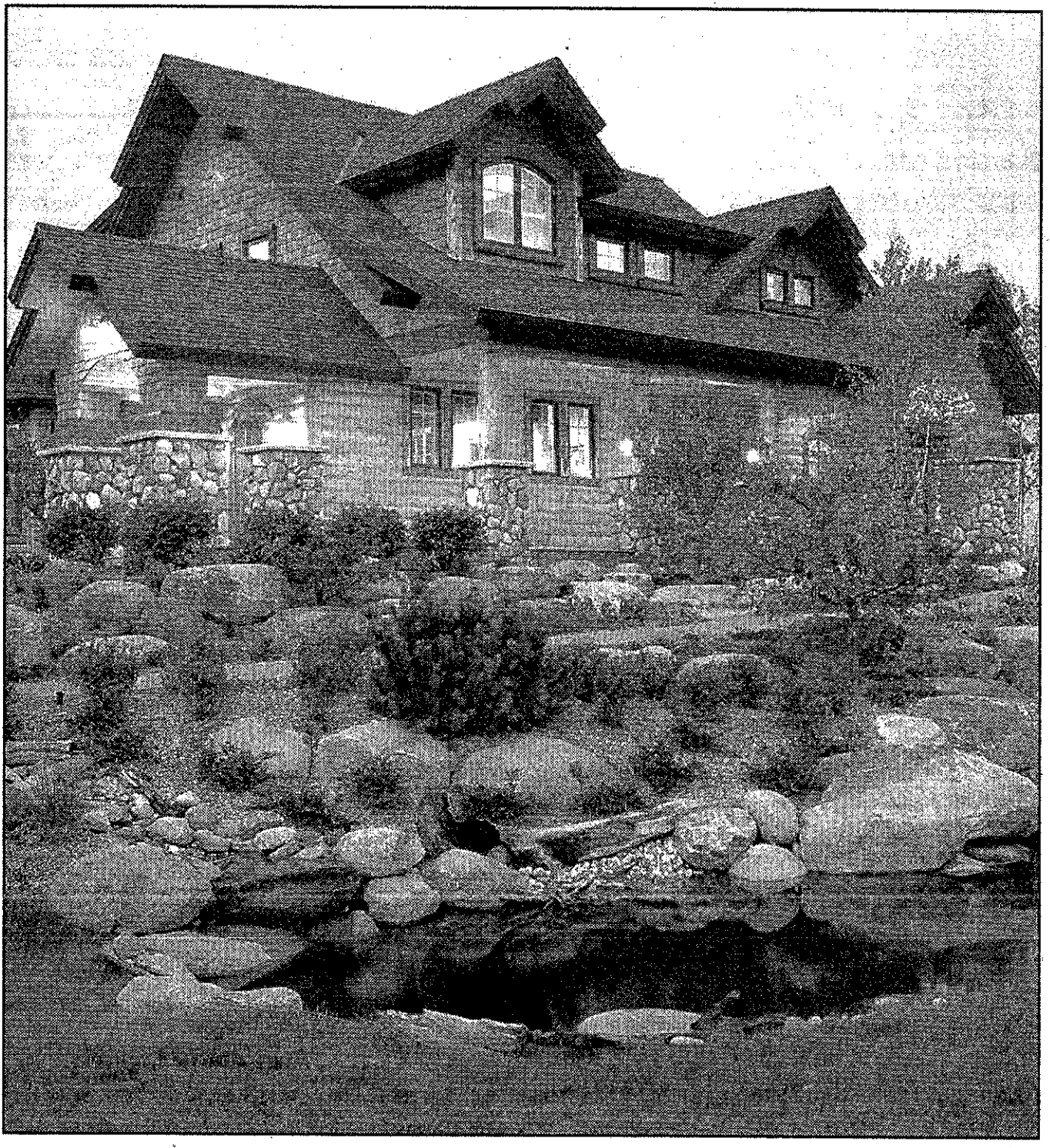
Several multimillionaire homeowners, who typically ask to remain anonymous, fly private jets into Petoskey each month to check on millwork progress, the company says.

And some families like their homes so much they partner with the company. Using their own home as a model, couples market the Town & Country concept in their own communities.

With cedar log homes now associated so closely with wealth and status, what will come of the industry if the economy turns south? Biggs says he isn't worried.

"Remember two things. First, there is always wealth. In a down cycle, it just changes hands. And second, our company is fortunate enough to have a strong, diverse foundation to keep us growing."

In the meantime, the company, in part due to a strong Web site presence (www.cedarhomes.com), is banking on another record year. And the irony of marketing a centuries old tradition like log homes on the web, suits them just fine.



A different look: A timber-crafted house coupled with artful landscaping can provide a spectacular living environment.

## Elbow grease boosts appearance of house from curb

Real estate agents worship it. Homebuyers notice it in the first few seconds. It's that magnetic first impression from a sparkling home that "shows well," known as curb appeal. How do you get it?

"One way to boost your home's curb appeal is to make the exterior as clean as the day it was built," says Richard Roll, president of American Homeowners Association. "Nothing attracts more attention than a clean and bright exterior on a home."

Here are some helpful hints to

make your home's exterior shine. Even if you don't plan an immediate move, keeping that new home new can enhance your lifestyle.

Cleaning is just the first step. You'll need to weed, seed and focus on your general landscaping if you want to make that favorable first impression.

You'll need a bucket and several soft scrub brushes in different sizes to get started, along with sponges, cleaning cloths or paper towels for drying.

The best way to tackle clean-

ing your siding, deck or outdoor furniture is to grab a scrub brush and cleaning solution and apply some elbow grease.

Use a good all-purpose cleaner - ask your local home improvement center for suggestions. Avoid caustic cleaners, use gloves and be careful to avoid contact with skin or eyes.

When cleaning vinyl or wood, be sure to rinse well throughout the job to see how much progress you have made. A pump sprayer or power washer can be used to apply the solution.

Try to clean windows on a cloudy day so they won't dry too quickly and leave streaks. Use newspaper to dry the windows - that will minimize the streaks even more.

Wash door and window screens with a brush and cleaning solution, rinse well, and allow to air dry.

Don't forget to clean stone pathways, statues or walls, too - use a mild cleaning solution, and rinse well with clean water.

Wash wrought-iron railing with clear water using a damp

sponge or cloth, then wipe dry. If you want to, add a protective coat of liquid wax to make cleaning easier next time and to help prevent rust from building up.

Always read the instructions and precautions on any cleaner before using it. Avoid exposing

your landscaping to toxic cleaners to prevent unnecessary harm to plants.

For more information on any aspect of home ownership, go to www.ahahome.com, the Web site for American Homeowners Association.

## Revive your lawn with these tips

(NAPS) - How's your lawn doing?

Warren Schultz, author of "A Man's Turf: The Perfect Lawn," and the manufacturer of Yard-Man lawn care equipment have created a guide for property owners whose lawns need help.

"Too often homeowners view lawn mowing as a chore to hurry through not realizing different lawns require different methods," Schultz says.

Their advice:

■ Only use a riding lawn tractor for yards that are one acre or larger, and a push mower for smaller lawns.

■ Make sure you know what

type of grass you have, because each species requires a different cutting height - from 1-3 inches. Cool-season grasses, such as Kentucky bluegrass, grow upright and require a higher cutting height. Warm-season grasses such as Bermuda grass require a lower blade height setting.

■ Avoid sharp turns, which can scalp your lawn.

■ Sharpen or replace your mower blade every two months.

■ Mow only when grass is dry and never remove more than one-third of the grass blade.

"Mulching may seem like a hassle, but in the long run it

helps the environment, and the health and appearance of your lawn," says Schultz.

■ Mulch the grass clippings to improve the fertility of the soil and the color of the grass.

■ If you don't mulch regularly, fertilize your lawn one or two times per year.

"A common error in lawn care is over or under watering," according to Schultz. "Knowing how much to water, and when, is one of the most important steps for a beautiful lawn."

■ During the driest period of summer, apply one inch of water every week in the early morning.

■ Most sprinklers need to run

four hours in one spot to provide one inch of water.

■ If water runs off the lawn before one inch is applied, turn the sprinkler off, let the water soak in, then continue watering.

"Landscaping is a fruitless effort unless you take the time to save your grass from growth-stunting debris like leaves and sticks," advises Schultz.

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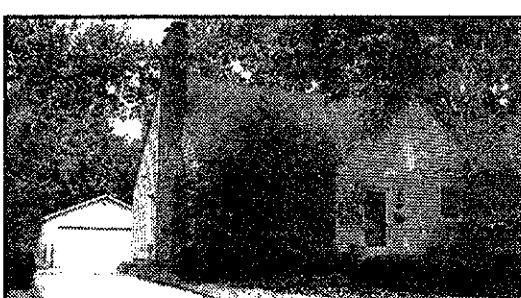
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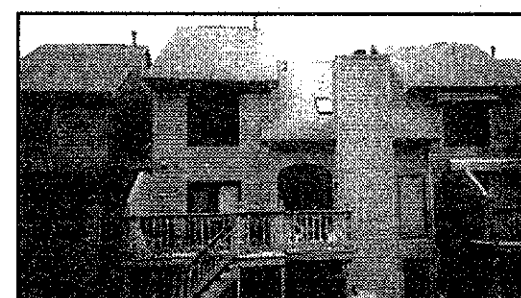
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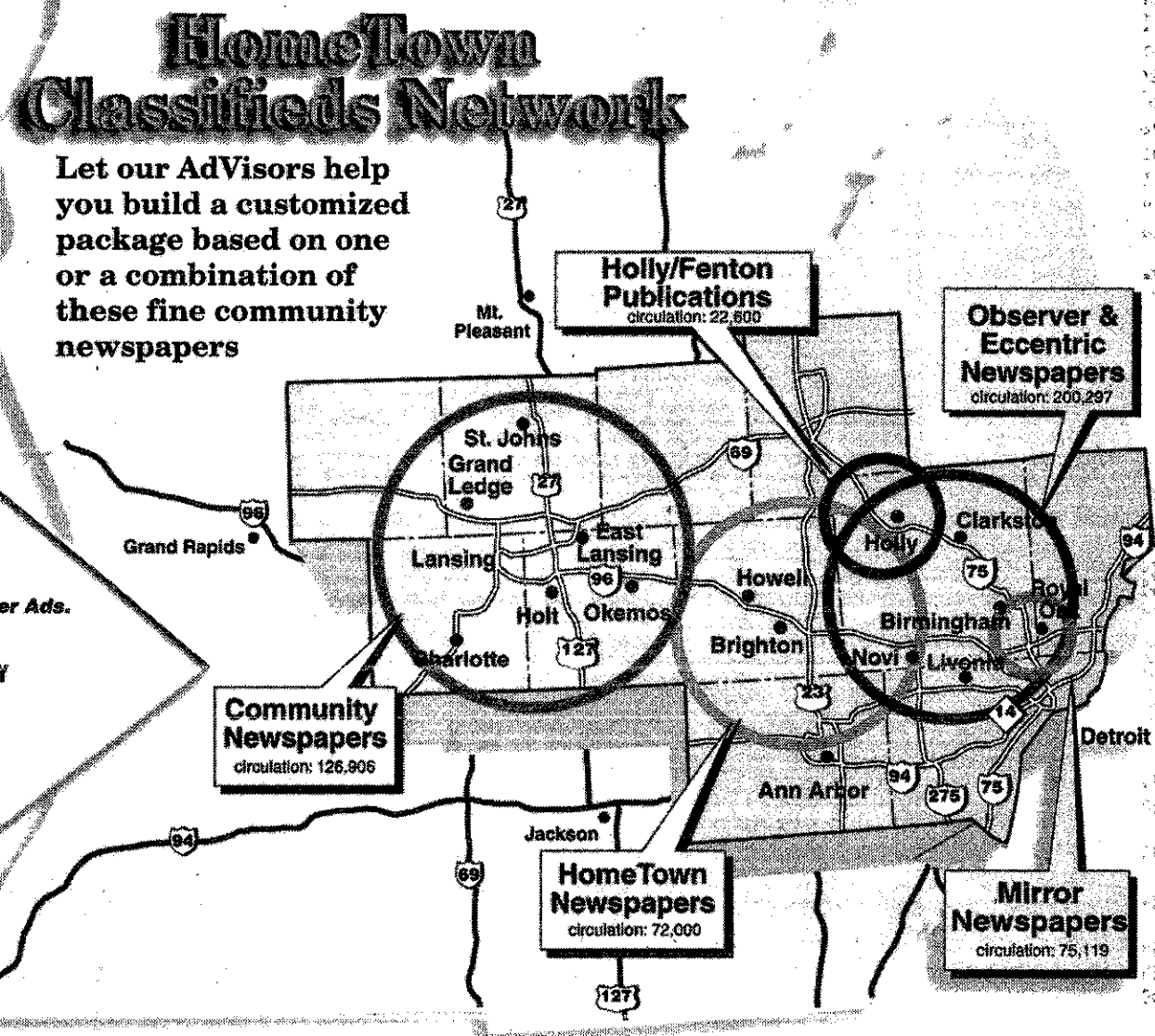
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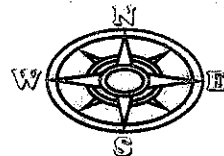












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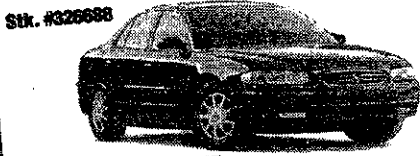


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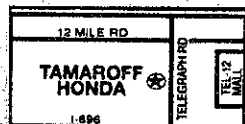
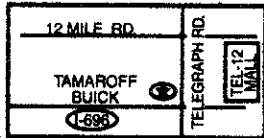
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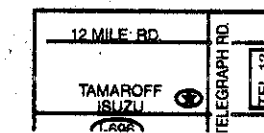
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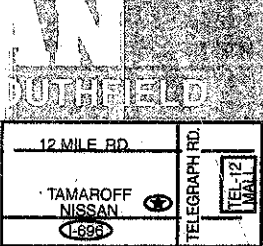
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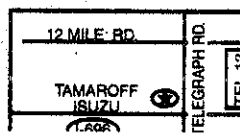
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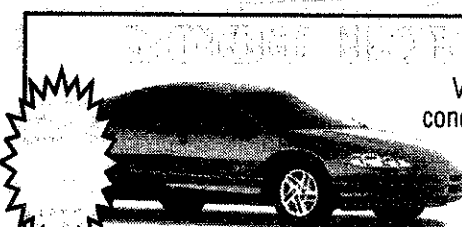
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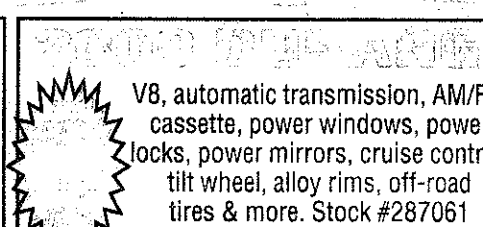
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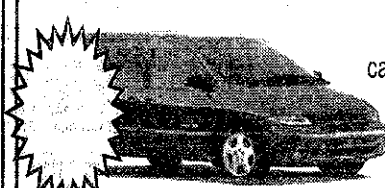
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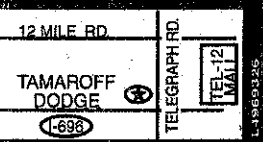
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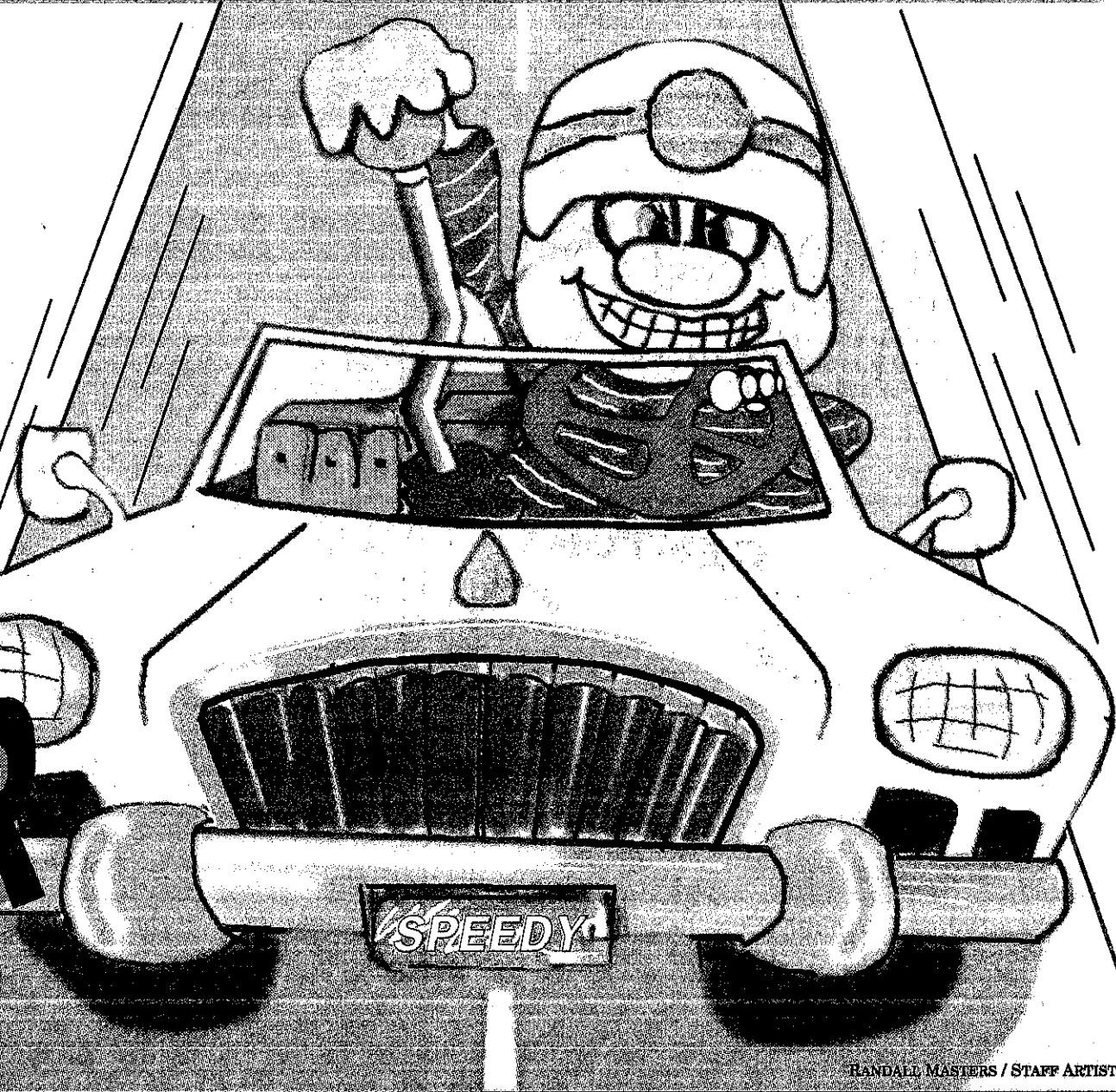
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By EILEEN MCCARVILLE  
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**W**hen it comes to sheer power, some customers still prefer that old "four-on-the-floor."

Because, despite the ease and sensibility of automatics, the stick-shift, clutch system continues to be somewhat popular at local dealerships.

Ryan Moore, a sales person at Dean Sellers Ford Birmingham, located in Troy, reports "2- to 3-percent" of his clients buy a vehicle with a clutch. And, "one-third" of those are women.

Mostly the vehicles are high-performance, sporty cars like Mustangs, but standard trucks like Rangers also get the nod.

If you're doing a lot of hauling or construction work, a truck with a stick shift makes more sense because you can control the level of power, Moore said. "It depends on what you're hauling, but it gives you a little more play."

Automatic transmission puts "your foot" in control of the power, but a stick enables the driver to control the entire vehicle, working with "the engine and the transmission," he said.

Another good reason to buy a car with a manual transmission is, it does represent a sort of savings at the gas station — albeit a small one.

"You get a little better gas mileage out of stick shifts, but not enough to be a decision-maker," Moore said. If you "flood" the engine, however, that defeats the whole purpose, he added.

Ray Campise, sales manager for Gage Oldsmobile-Aurora in Ferndale, agrees. "That person who can't drive a stick properly, they're going to

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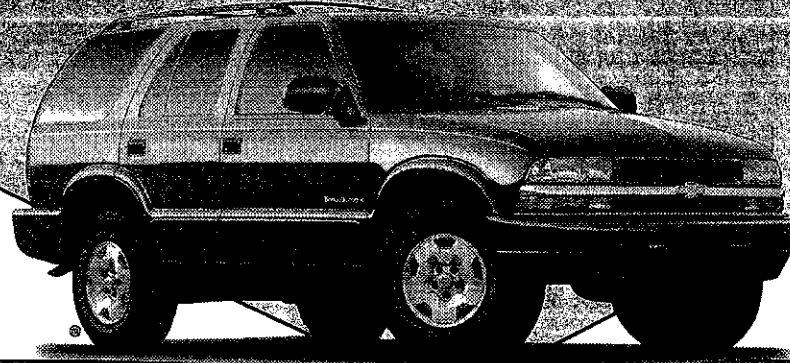
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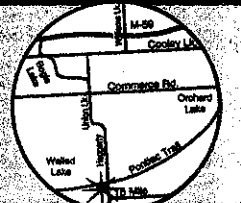
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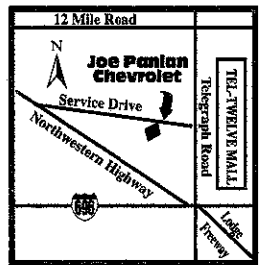




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EXPLORES 1992 XLT - 4 door, auto, green, good condition, \$5000/best. EXPLORES 1992 XLT, AWD, new tires & brakes, clean, original owner, \$4950.

EXPLORES 1999 XLT, AWD, V-6, 16.495. EXPLORES 1995 XLT - 4x4, black, excellent condition, \$10,500/best.

FORD BRONCO 1985 XLT White/Beige interior, 28,000 mile. Mint. \$15,995. FORD EXPLORER 1996 2dr, 26,800 miles, fully loaded, excellent condition.

FORD 1994 Explorer - 4x4 sport, great condition, \$3900. FORD F-150 1995 - Extended cab, 4x4, Mark III package, 58K, 5.8L, leather, full power, \$12,700.

FORD 1999 F150 Supercab's (3) 4x4, V-8 XLT, auto, air, loaded, from \$20,999. FORD 1998 F250 Supercab's (2) 4x4 XLT, auto, air, V-8, tune, loaded, from \$21,898.

828 Jeeps/4 Wheel Drive

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GMC 1998 Sonoma High Rider 4x4, auto, air, \$16,995. BOB JEANNOTTE Pontiac Buick-GMC (734) 453-2500

GMC 1993 Suburban - excellent condition, original owner, 128K, \$12,800. GMC SUBURBAN, 1997, metallic brown, 58K miles, 2 wheel drive, loaded, nice truck, \$18,000.

Grand Cherokee 1997, 49,500K, 4x4, 6 cyl, auto, forest green, CD, \$16,200. GRAND CHEROKEE Limited, 1996. Loaded. Sunroof, 58K miles, \$12,900.

GRAND Cherokee Limited 1996, 36K. New tires. Excellent! \$17,900/best. GRAND CHEROKEE 1994 - 4x4, auto, air, dark burgundy, \$99 down, \$131 mo.

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MOUNTAINEER 1997, AWD, exc. cond., loaded, leather, CD, 69K hwy miles, \$16,500. MOUNTAINEER 1999 4 dr., 4x4, auto, air, CD, loaded, \$18,999.

MOUNTAINEER 1999 4x4, auto, air, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise, CD/cassette, low miles, keyless entry, \$18,999. JACK DEMMER (734) 721-2800

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**PARK AVENUE 1998:** leather, beige, one owner, \$17,995.

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**DEVILLE 1998:** leather, like new, 28K, \$21,988.

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**AVENGER 1997:** black, excellent, 62K, V6, CD cassette, warranty \$8500/best. 734-427-9104

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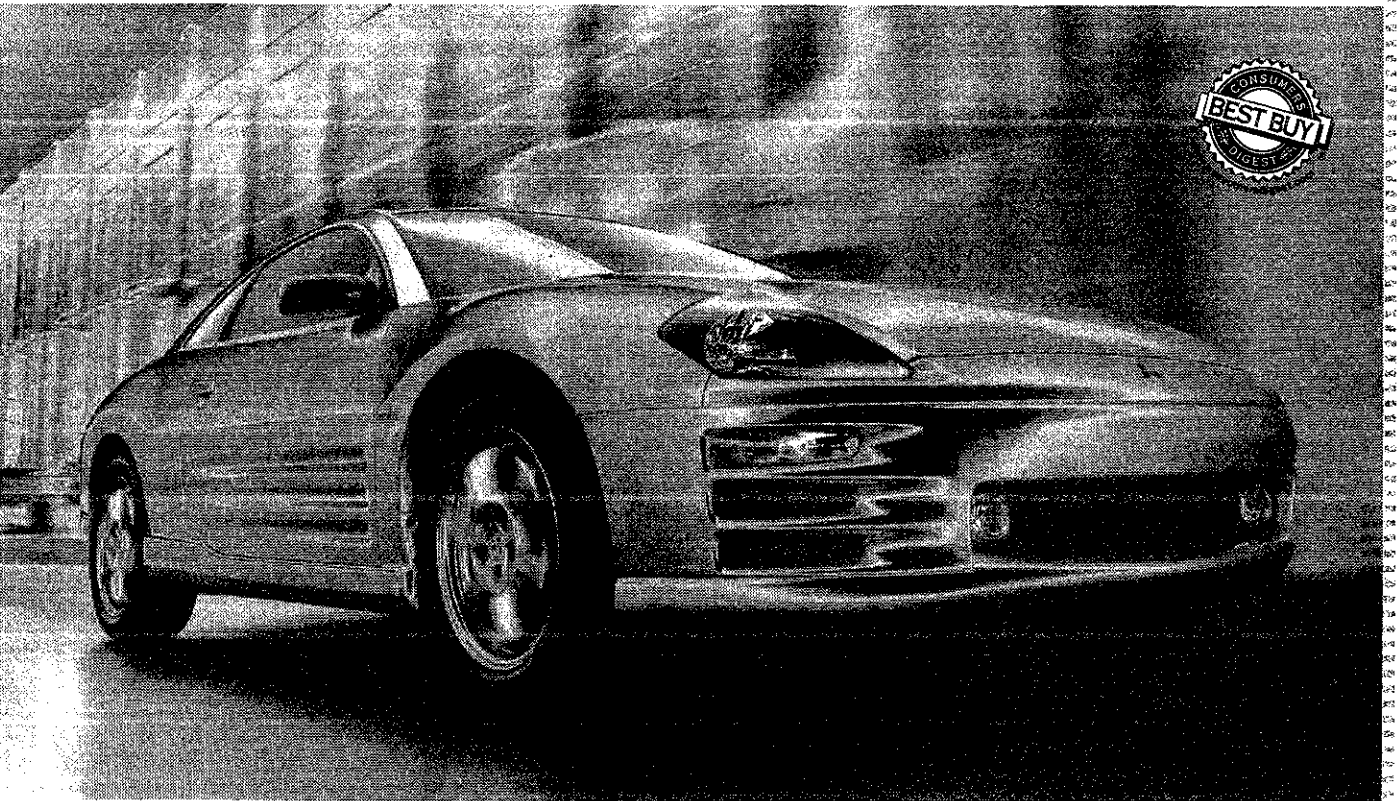
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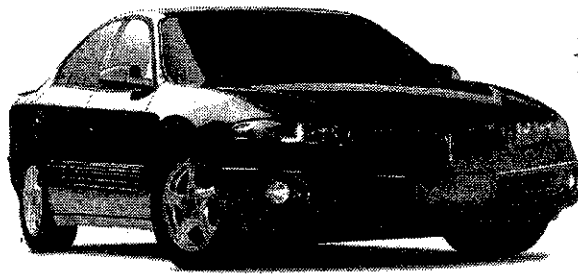


RED'S LEASE **\$228**<sup>31\*\*</sup> 36mo.  
\$492.01 DUE AT SIGNING  
GM LEASE **\$209**<sup>61\*\*</sup> 36mo.  
\$447.79 DUE AT SIGNING

- air conditioning
- automatic transmission
- stereo cassette
- rear defogger
- rear spoiler
- stock #1061Y

**\$2000 Rebate or 3.9% APR 36 mo.**  
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**ZERO DOWN LEASE!**

#### NEW 2000 BONNEVILLE SE



RED'S PRICE **\$21,399**<sup>\*</sup>  
GM PRICE **\$20,519.**<sup>60\*</sup>

- 3800V6
- 4 speed automatic
- power windows
- power locks
- power seats
- cruise control & tilt wheel
- stock #4661Y

**\$1500 Rebate or 3.9% 36 mo.**

#### NEW 2000 GRAND AM COUPE



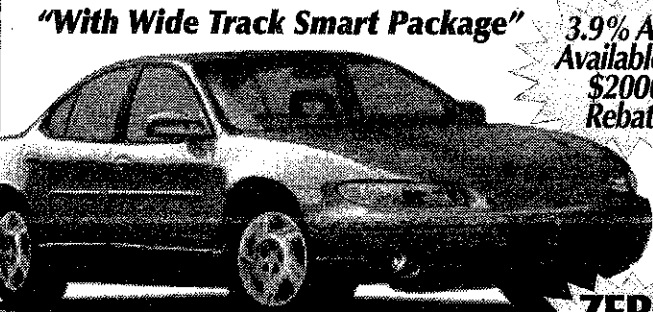
RED'S LEASE **\$248**<sup>88\*\*</sup> 36mo.  
\$538.81 DUE AT SIGNING

GM LEASE **\$228**<sup>89\*\*</sup> 36mo.  
\$492.67 DUE AT SIGNING

- 2.4 engine
- CD
- power steering
- power brakes
- 4 speed automatic
- air conditioning
- dual air bags
- ABS
- rear defog.
- spoiler
- stock #2220Y

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Returning Grand Am GMAC lease customers. Save an additional \$500!  
**\$1500 Rebate or 3.9% APR for 36 mos!**

#### ALL NEW 2000 GRAND PRIX SEDAN



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\$672.75 DUE AT SIGNING

GM LEASE **\$285**<sup>06\*\*</sup> 36mo.  
\$657.16 DUE AT SIGNING

**3.9% APR Available or \$2000 Rebate**

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- 4 speed automatic
- power windows
- power locks
- tilt wheel & cruise control
- CD
- power seat
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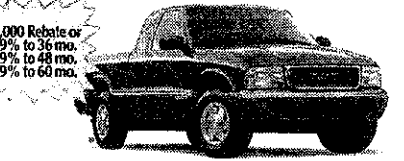
RED'S PRICE **\$20,385**<sup>48\*</sup> GM PRICE **\$19,440**<sup>88\*</sup>

- 3400V-6 • CD
- 4 speed automatic
- power windows & locks
- power quarter windows
- deep tint glass
- luggage rack
- keyless entry
- cruise control
- two tone paint
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SALE PRICE **\$14,736**<sup>\*</sup>  
LEASE FOR **\$164**<sup>29\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2073.85 DUE AT SIGNING

GM PRICE **\$14,025**<sup>63\*</sup>  
GM LEASE **\$143**<sup>53\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$1876.84 DUE AT SIGNING

**\$2000 Rebate or 3.9% to 36 mo. 4.9% to 48 mo. 5.9% to 60 mo.**

60/40 split bench seat, wide side body, four cylinder, automatic, HD suspension pkg., air conditioning, cast aluminum wheels, stereo/CD, tilt wheel, cruise control, tachometer. Stock #50080Y.  
— Was \$18,299 —

#### 2000 Sonoma Pick-Up



SALE PRICE **\$12,630**<sup>\*</sup>  
LEASE FOR **\$153**<sup>99\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2062.88 DUE AT SIGNING

GM PRICE **\$12,012**<sup>26\*</sup>  
GM LEASE **\$135**<sup>90\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$1868.75 DUE AT SIGNING

**\$2000 Rebate or 3.9% to 36 mo. 4.9% to 48 mo. 5.9% to 60 mo.**

60/40 split sea, four cylinder, automatic transmission, air, cast aluminum wheels, stereo/CD, tilt, cruise, tachometer. Stock #5984Y  
— Was \$15,998 —

#### 2000 JIMMY 2 DOOR



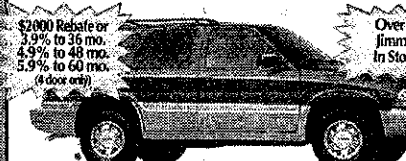
SALE PRICE **\$24,414**<sup>\*</sup>  
LEASE FOR **\$258**<sup>41\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2712.61 DUE AT SIGNING

GM PRICE **\$23,586**<sup>\*</sup>  
GM LEASE **\$234**<sup>15\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2661.90 DUE AT SIGNING

**\$1000 Rebate on 2 door**  
3.9% to 36 mo. 4.9% to 48 mo. 5.9% to 60 mo. or \$1000 Rebate on 2 door

SLS decor, power driver's seat, power sunroof, locking differential, V-6, automatic, stereo CD/cassette, off road suspension package. Stock #50081Y  
— Was \$28,126 —

#### 2000 JIMMY 4 DOOR



SALE PRICE **\$25,438**<sup>\*</sup>  
LEASE FOR **\$290**<sup>19\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2796.30 DUE AT SIGNING

GM PRICE **\$24,262**<sup>90\*</sup>  
GM LEASE **\$270**<sup>35\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
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SALE PRICE **\$24,889**<sup>\*</sup>  
LEASE FOR **\$347**<sup>36\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2876.80 DUE AT SIGNING

GM PRICE **\$23,744**<sup>\*</sup>  
GM LEASE **\$312**<sup>21\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2814.64 DUE AT SIGNING

**\$1000 Rebate or 3.9% to 36 mo. 4.9% to 48 mo. 5.9% to 60 mo. or \$500 Rebate on Passenger Van**  
Great Family Vacation Vehicle!

Swing out, rear door glass, V-8, automatic transmission, stereo cassette/CD, SLE decor, power windows, power locks, tilt wheel, cruise control, tinted glass, keyless entry, front & rear air. Stock #6090Y  
— Was \$29,264 —

#### 2000 SAFARI PASSENGER VAN



SALE PRICE **\$27,522**<sup>\*</sup>  
LEASE FOR **\$397**<sup>72\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2980.28 DUE AT SIGNING

GM PRICE **\$26,290**<sup>\*</sup>  
GM LEASE **\$360**<sup>53\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2915.86 DUE AT SIGNING

**\$1000 Rebate or 3.9% to 36 mo. 4.9% to 48 mo. 5.9% to 60 mo.**  
Great Family Vacation Vehicle!

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#### 2000 SIERRA REG CAB 4x4



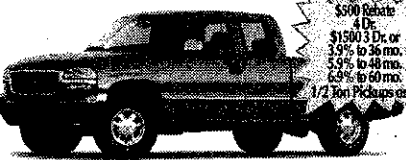
SALE PRICE **\$22,860**<sup>\*</sup>  
LEASE FOR **\$312**<sup>40\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2814.84 DUE AT SIGNING

GM PRICE **\$21,834**<sup>94\*</sup>  
GM LEASE **\$280**<sup>04\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2730.54 DUE AT SIGNING

**\$500 Rebate or \$1000 rebate 4 door**  
3.9% to 36 mo. 4.9% to 48 mo. 5.9% to 60 mo. 1/2 Ton Pickups only

Split bench seat, V-8, automatic, locking differential, cruise, stereo cassette, power door locks, air conditioning, HD trailer pkg., HD suspension pkg., sportside, deluxe front appearance, chrome rear step bumper, chrome plated wheels. Stock #60147Y  
— Was \$26,380 —

#### 2000 SIERRA EXTENDED CAB 4WD



SALE PRICE **\$28,522**<sup>\*</sup>  
LEASE FOR **\$362**<sup>43\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2917.88 DUE AT SIGNING

GM PRICE **\$26,953**<sup>06\*</sup>  
GM LEASE **\$322**<sup>52\*\*</sup> 36 mo.  
\$2825.57 DUE AT SIGNING

**\$500 Rebate or \$1000 3 Dr. or 3.9% to 36 mo. 4.9% to 48 mo. 5.9% to 60 mo. 1/2 Ton Pickups only**

Deep tinted glass, locking differential, V-8, automatic transmission, power driver/passenger seat, off-road chassis equipment, HD trailer package, SLE decor, power windows, power locks, keyless entry, air conditioning, aluminum wheels, stereo CD, high back bucket seats. Stock #60107Y  
— Was \$32,408 —

#### 2000 SAVANA CARGO VAN

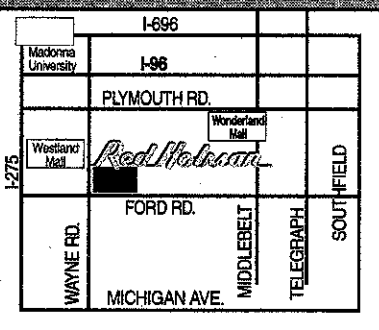
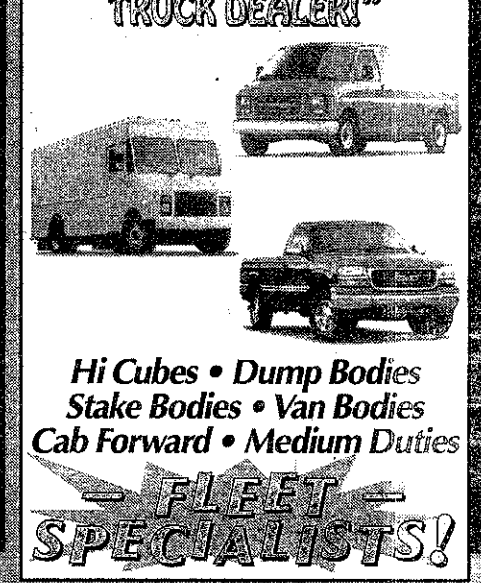


SALE PRICE **\$19,927**<sup>\*</sup>  
GM PRICE **\$18,984**<sup>58\*</sup>

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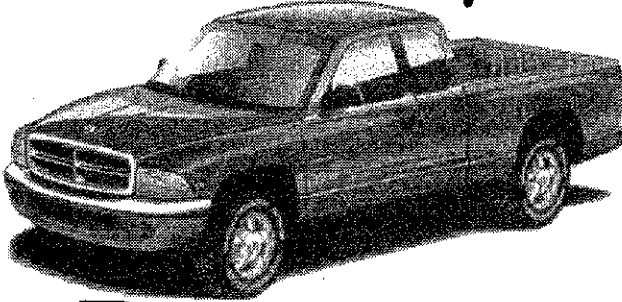
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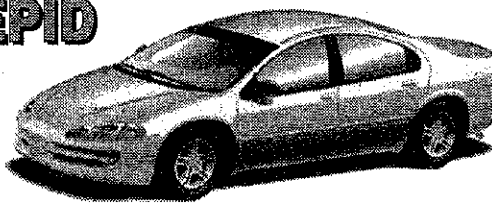
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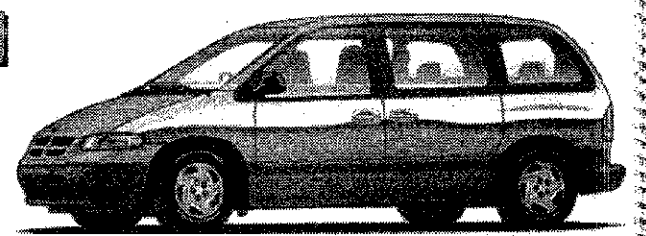


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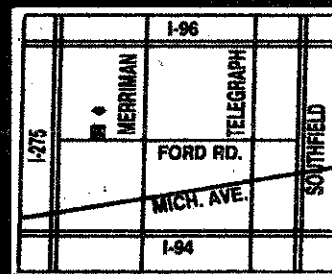


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