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## Board resigns over bond sale



The 3-member Canton Building Authority resigned en masse last week after voicing complaints to the administration about its handling of the bond sale for expansion of the Summit and Pheasant Run.

BY ALICE ASHMORE  
STAFF WRITER

A controversy over a recent bond issue prompted the resignation last week of all three members of the Canton Township Building Authority.

The building authority is responsible for filing and handling all municipal bond issues for the township, said Jim Kearney, a building authority member for 22 years.

Kearney tendered his resignation last Thursday. Board members Ken Long and Robert Malek resigned on Friday.

The move was prompted by a dispute over the recent sale of \$6 million in bonds for the expansion of Pheasant Run Golf Course and Summit on the Park.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack Tuesday.

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## Upgrade means better deal for local taxpayers

BY ALICE ASHMORE  
AND TRACEY BIRKENHAUER  
STAFF WRITERS

Canton's credit rating has just gone up.

The township was recently awarded the coveted AA rating by Standard and Poor's Rating Service.

The township joins an elite group of Michigan communities that have the

AA rating, said Canton Supervisor Tom Yack.

"Anytime you can be upgraded like this, you are real pleased. It puts us into some rarefied air."

He said Troy is the only area community he could recall that has the AA rating.

The move results in lower borrowing

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## District checking brakes on buses

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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Plymouth-Canton Schools transportation officials are inspecting 20 buses for possible defective brake systems. When the buses are traveling at less than 20 mph they can, without notice, lose their anti-lock braking ability for a few seconds.

The buses being scrutinized are manufactured by Thomas Built Buses Inc. of High Point, N.C. School officials are awaiting notification to see how many other buses in the fleet of more than 100 will need to be inspected.

The problem was discovered by Bendix of Elyria, Ohio, which builds the brake systems and has issued warnings for nearly 46,000 school buses built by three manufacturers between March 1998 and August of this year.

"The buses are safe," assured Kurt Miles, head fleet operation mechanic at the Plymouth-Canton bus transportation yard. "If there is a problem, the buses will still have a braking system, just not the ABS portion."

Plymouth-Canton transportation officials received calls from parents and concerns from drivers as they began their shifts Tuesday morning, only days after the warning was announced during the holiday weekend.

"We assured our drivers that we are

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## Students, families see how it grows at Tonda



**Organic gardeners:** Brenda Sherrit, the mother of three Tonda Elementary students who helped out with the building of the school's organic garden, demonstrates planting procedures to children before the start of classes last week. At right, Christine Ashton holds her goddaughter, Autumn Gansler, 2, while standing in front of the garden, which she helped create.



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## New principal settles in at John Glenn High

BY JULIE BROWN  
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Last month's announcement that Joan Sedik would be the new principal at John Glenn High was a good one for her. Now, the Westland resident is settling into the job, getting to know stu-

dents and staff as the school year begins in earnest.

"Yes, I was very excited," Sedik said in an interview in her new office. She'd

originally had a goal to move into a curriculum position in the Wayne-Westland district's central office.

When former Glenn Principal Neil

Thomas left, Sedik wanted to give the job a try. "My focus right now is going to be here."

She has two major goals, the first student achievement. Sedik hopes to work with the Glenn faculty and staff

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHELMANN

**Back home:** Geneva Presbyterian missionaries (front from left) Li Morrow, Neil Fichtenberg and mom Barb and (back row from left) Jim Foley, Pete Roberson, Tim Stark and Jim Crosby sit in the Canton church after returning from a trip to Siberia to help local parishioners there construct a church. Neil Fichtenberg holds an apron signed by the Russian parishioners.

## Siberian summer

### Geneva Presbyterian members on a mission

BY TRACEY BIRKENHAUER  
STAFF WRITER

Geneva Presbyterian Church members learned many lessons during their 10 days in Divnogorsk, Siberia.

The nine Canton Christians who traveled across the globe to help build a church learned that:

■ It really does get hot in Russia during the summer.

■ Russians feared us as much as we feared them during the Cold War.

■ All people are the same when they're on their knees, praying.

"We all grew in our faith and we all grew in our trust a lot more," said Jim Foley.

The church-building project started through a tithing program at the church, through which members donated 10 percent of their incomes. At first, the purpose was to expand their Sheldon Road church. Then they decided to branch out and help other churches. With \$88,000 to share, they helped a Detroit church then contacted SEND International for churches requiring assistance abroad.

SEND is an interdenominational mission agency. Its North American offices are based in Farmington.

"When we called them, they said they just got a request from Russia for

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# Burglar gets prescription drugs

Canton Police investigated a break-in at CVS, 43301 Joy Friday, Sept. 1, that reportedly involved the perpetrators gaining entry through a ceiling tile. An unknown quantity of various prescription drugs, cigarettes, and liquor may have been taken, according to a police report.

Two side panels to air conditioning vents were removed during the break-in, reports said. A claw hammer with a red handle was discovered at the scene, as well as crumbled drywall on top of a refrigerator under the reported point of entry. A pack of cigarettes was discovered stuck between insulation and broken drywall.

## Car taken

A resident living near the 5900 block of Sandhurst told police that someone stole their 1991 Mitsubishi Eclipse sometime before Friday, Aug. 31. The resident told police that the car's previous owner, to whom they were making car payments, had recently threatened to take the car back if payments weren't increased. The Canton resident, whose name is reportedly on the title, was paying the previous owner \$150-\$200 per month.

## Drunken driving

Police made the following arrests for operating under the influence of liquor over the past holiday weekend:

■ A man of undisclosed age and residence, 2:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, near Canton Center and Ford, registering a .13 on a breath test, exceeding Michigan's legal limit of .10.

■ A 19-year-old Plymouth man, 3:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept.

2, near Ford and Canton Center. A breath test showed a .13 blood alcohol level. A police report said the man was discovered passed out in his vehicle with his foot on the brake and the vehicle in drive.

■ A 33-year-old Canton woman, 2 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, cited following a traffic stop near Warren and Haggerty, registering .15 on a breath test.

■ A 38-year-old Canton man, 8:12 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, near Cherry Hill and Willard for a second offense of operating under the influence of liquor. A police report stated that the man refused to take a breath test but collided with at least one vehicle before being stopped by police.

■ A female of undisclosed age and residence 12:44 a.m. Friday, Sept. 1, near Haggerty and Joy, showing a .24 blood alcohol level on a breath test. Her license plate was destroyed and replaced with a temporary paper plate.

■ A 33-year-old Westland man, Sunday, Sept. 3, near Denton and Proctor, registering .22 on a breath test.

## Drug violation

Four juveniles ranging in age from 14 to 15, were released to their parents' custody after Canton Police discovered them engaging in what appeared to be a drug deal at a location in the 8600 block of Ronda Thursday, Aug. 31. A security guard working on the premises told police he witnessed the boys holding a

bag of what appeared to be marijuana. Two of the boys, a 14-year-old Canton resident and a 14-year-old Livonia resident, told police they planned to sell the marijuana to the other two boys, 14, of Westland and 15, of Canton. Police confiscated 1.3 grams of marijuana.

## Vandalism

■ Someone reportedly scratched the driver's side of a 1998 Chevy pickup parked in the 1200 block of Hampshire sometime before Thursday, Aug. 31, causing \$800 damage. Police have no suspects.

■ Two passenger side windows of GMC vehicle parked in the 8200 block of Honeytree were broken sometime before Thursday, Aug. 31, causing \$400 damage. Police have no suspects.

■ Someone reportedly damaged a mailbox and post, causing \$100 damage, at a residence in the 39000 block of Scottsdale sometime before Thursday, Aug. 31. Police have no suspects.

■ Someone reportedly "egged" a 1993 Ford Probe parked in the 42000 block of Somerset, causing \$300 damage sometime before Thursday, Aug. 31. Police have no suspects.

■ A resident living in the 300 block of Greenleaf told police that someone scratched a dollar sign into the hood of their 1999 Ford Escort sometime before Thursday, Aug. 31, causing \$250 damage.

■ Someone reportedly painted the letters "KKK" on a lawn located in the 8500 block of

Elmhurst sometime before Saturday, Sept. 2. Police have no suspects.

■ The rear window of a Ford Taurus parked in the 7000 block of Stonebrook was reportedly broken sometime before Sunday, Sept. 3. Police have no suspects.

## Assault

A man of undisclosed age and residence was arrested for assault stemming from a reported altercation with a 24-year-old Canton woman at the Motel 6, 41000 Ford Wednesday, Aug. 30. A police report stated the man arrested had violently grabbed the woman's neck, causing her to fall to the ground and punched the other man in the cheek after calling him a derogatory name. He was arrested a short time later at a nearby restaurant.

## Hubcaps taken

Someone reportedly removed the hubcaps from a 1997 Mercury parked at Meijer, 45001 Ford, sometime before 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1. Police have no suspects.

## Shoplifting

A 36-year-old Belleville man was cited for retail fraud following a brief foot chase outside Meijer, 45001 Ford 12:34 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 4. A Meijer security employee told police the man had taken a pair of tennis shoes and a pair of work pants without paying for them, passing all points of purchase. Canton police reportedly discovered him hiding in some nearby bushes. He was cited for retail fraud and for resisting arrest.

# Board resigns from page A1

day said he was "stunned" by the letters of resignation.

"I was not aware there was a problem," he said.

The Building Authority Recreation Bonds Series 2000 were sold on Aug. 28.

Kearney said he resigned because, "We were not going to be rubber stamps. They (the township) never responded to tell us what they were doing with the \$6 million."

He said the building authority had been told previously that \$5 million in bonds would be issued.

Kearney said this had never happened before. "In all of the previous bond issues they gave us a detailed schedule of what it was being spent for and how it is to be repaid."

The legality of such a move bothers Kearney. "What we are asking the bond holders to do is slightly less than giving the township a blank check. We have a fiduciary responsibility to the bond holders."

**'I have to think they submitted their resignations for what they consider to be good reason. Personally, I would have appreciated talking to them before they took this action.'**

—Tom Yack,

Canton Township supervisor

Township Finance Director Tony Minghine said the building authority was "clearly aware of what the funds were to be used for."

In an e-mail communication between Minghine and the building authority, that was provided to the Observer, he said: "I am happy to provide you with a copy of the current components for both projects, but what is included or excluded is outside your purview."

"The nature of their oversight role is to make sure the bond documents are in proper form," Minghine said.

Minghine said as a courtesy

the financial figures had always been supplied to the building authority. "It is not the charge of the building authority to decide how the money is spent."

"I was surprised, to be very frank," Minghine said. "All of the members had been on the board for a number of years. It's an abrupt end to a long-standing relationship."

He added that to say anything was improper regarding the recent bond issue is "completely false."

Yack said that in the past, the building authority has been very involved in bond issues.

"Historically, they have acted

in a manner that is a little unusual for most building authorities," he said. "Really, it is the board of trustees that decides upon the make-up of the bond issue."

Yack hopes the rift can be mended between the township and the building authority members.

"I have to think they submitted their resignations for what they consider to be good reason. Personally, I would have appreciated talking to them before they took this action."

Yack said he intended to call the members of the building authority in an attempt to straighten out any miscommunication.

"I am open to reactivate their involvement," he said. "Hopefully it is just a misunderstanding."

Former building authority members Ken Long and Robert Malek could not be reached for comment.

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# Family affair

## 45th Fall Festival features something for everyone

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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"We want parents and kids to have a good time together," said Susan Clark, president of this year's Plymouth Fall Festival. "We want them to have fond memories."

That's the unofficial theme of this year's 45th annual Fall Festival, a family affair Clark hopes will bring back memories in years to come.

"We want to have areas at the festival that are conducive to families," said Clark. "We don't want families to come down and say they can't afford things to do."

And, in that spirit, the Fall Festival this year will have a penny arcade for kids.

"There really will be some games that will cost only a penny, but most will be reasonable, such as a quarter," said Clark.

Other activities scheduled for the three-day annual event are a new car show, an antique show, face painting for kids, and sports clinics put on by the Detroit Rockers and Plymouth Whalers.

And in keeping with the fam-

ily theme, there will be an all-community photo taken after the opening ceremonies, slated for 6 p.m. Friday.

"Anyone who wants to come down with their families and be part of the photo can meet at the fountain in Kellogg Park," said Clark. "That photo will then be put into a time capsule that will be buried and dug up in the future. We'll also put in other memorabilia to represent Plymouth."

The time capsule is slated to be buried at the new Mayflower Centre on Sunday. Clark said the time hasn't been finalized, but is expected to be around noon.

This year's festival will also branch out more, with activities stretching onto Forest Avenue and Ann Arbor Trail.

"We've had comments concerning why people don't walk down there during the festival," said Clark. "People don't walk down there unless they have a reason, so we staged some activities on Forest to give them a reason to walk around town and visit the shops in that area."

There will be three stages this year, instead of the usual

two, for musical activities and special shows. They will be located at the foot of Penniman Street, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, and Ann Arbor Trail and Forest.

The most attention received by the Fall Festival committee this year has been its decision to open a beverage tent, which for the first time will include beer, wine coolers and hard lemonade drinks.

"I think too much emphasis has been put on a beer tent," said Clark. "The area is designed as a place where parents, their kids and friends can sit and have a beverage, talk and watch entertainment from the Penniman stage."

"The Fall Festival board has always been against a beer tent, but we did it for financial reasons," she said. "I'm hoping it will be a nice addition. If it doesn't work out, we won't have it again next year ... period."

Clark said she's hoping the beverage tent will bring in up to \$20,000, which can be used as seed money for future festivals.

## Chicken dinner preparations take wing long before event

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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As usual, this year's Plymouth Rotary Chicken Dinner event at the Fall Festival is expected to be a sellout, with long lines of people waiting to enjoy the annual meal of barbecue chicken and corn on the cob in Kellogg Park.

"We've increased our cooking capacity, so we'll be selling 10,750 chicken dinners," said Paul Dillon, chairman of this year's event. "We suggest people get there early so we don't have to turn anyone away."

The Rotary Club will be selling 250 more dinners than it did last year.

"We generally have two 90-foot barbecue pits," said Dillon. "This year we're extending one of them to 110 feet."

"Not only will it enable us to cook more dinners, but allow us to finish up about a half-hour early," he said. "That may not seem like a lot of time saved, but when you're the one standing along the hot pits, it's a lot of time."

Nearly 100 Rotarians and another 500 volunteers will help in setting up the pits, the boiler area for corn on the cob,

and the selling areas on Saturday night, as well as working the event Sunday from the time the charcoal is lit at 8 a.m. until the last chicken dinner is sold at 4:30 p.m.

"This event could never happen if it wasn't for the volunteers," added Dillon. "There are a lot of dedicated people and groups who help us out."

Dillon lists Plymouth Christian Academy, the Canton and Salem high school swim teams, Salem cheerleaders and the Plymouth Opportunity House as groups who have volunteered their time over the years.

"We support those groups with donations, money which we make during the Fall Festival," said Dillon, who hopes to make nearly \$30,000 from this year's chicken dinner, most of which will go into the Plymouth Rotary Foundation coffers.

For the mathematicians, the 10,750 chicken dinners translates into 5,500 chickens; 13,000 ears of corn; 600 cases of pop; 6,000 pounds of ice; 11,000 pounds of charcoal; 400 pounds of butter; and seasoning.

And what's in the special

seasoning?

"I can't tell you that, it's a well-guarded secret," said Dillon. "But I can tell you that anybody who has had the chicken dinner knows it's just the right amount of seasoning."

Tickets for the chicken dinner are \$8 if bought from Rotarians, from Plymouth Marketplace or Horton's Plumbing before the event. They are \$9 at the Fall Festival.

Dinners can also be picked up at a drive-up site, located at West Middle School at Ann Arbor Trail and Sheldon roads.

■ The Plymouth Historical Society and the Plymouth Development Authority are co-sponsoring an antique show at this year's Fall Festival.

"We'll have nearly 20 dealers at the show with high-quality antiques," said organizer Allen Odell. "There will be glass, furniture and ceramics. The Historical Museum will also have a booth, selling items that have been donated for the show."

The antique show will be held on Forest Avenue, Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## Church mission from page A1

money to buy a church," Foley said.

Geneva Presbyterian Church members left July 2. They arrived in Divnogorsk, a town of about 50,000 in central Siberia, on July 4. The town is only about 30 years old.

The church they donated \$50,000 to build will be the first in town.

A team of three carpenters from Pennsylvania were waiting for the Michigan crew. A church group from New York put in a basement and the trusses before they arrived.

Reminiscent of a Habitat for Humanity project, the people building the church weren't skilled laborers.

"One thing we learned is that a two-by-four is actually two inches wide in Russia," said Jim Crosby.

Suspicious by nature, many of the townspeople who weren't involved in the project kept asking why Americans were there. They asked parishioners how much they paid these people to come.

"They couldn't believe that people would give up their vacation time and come to work for free," said Barb Fichtenberg. "They thought we were there for a covert purpose. Most of the people had never seen an American before."

Aside from building a structure, Foley said they were building relations.

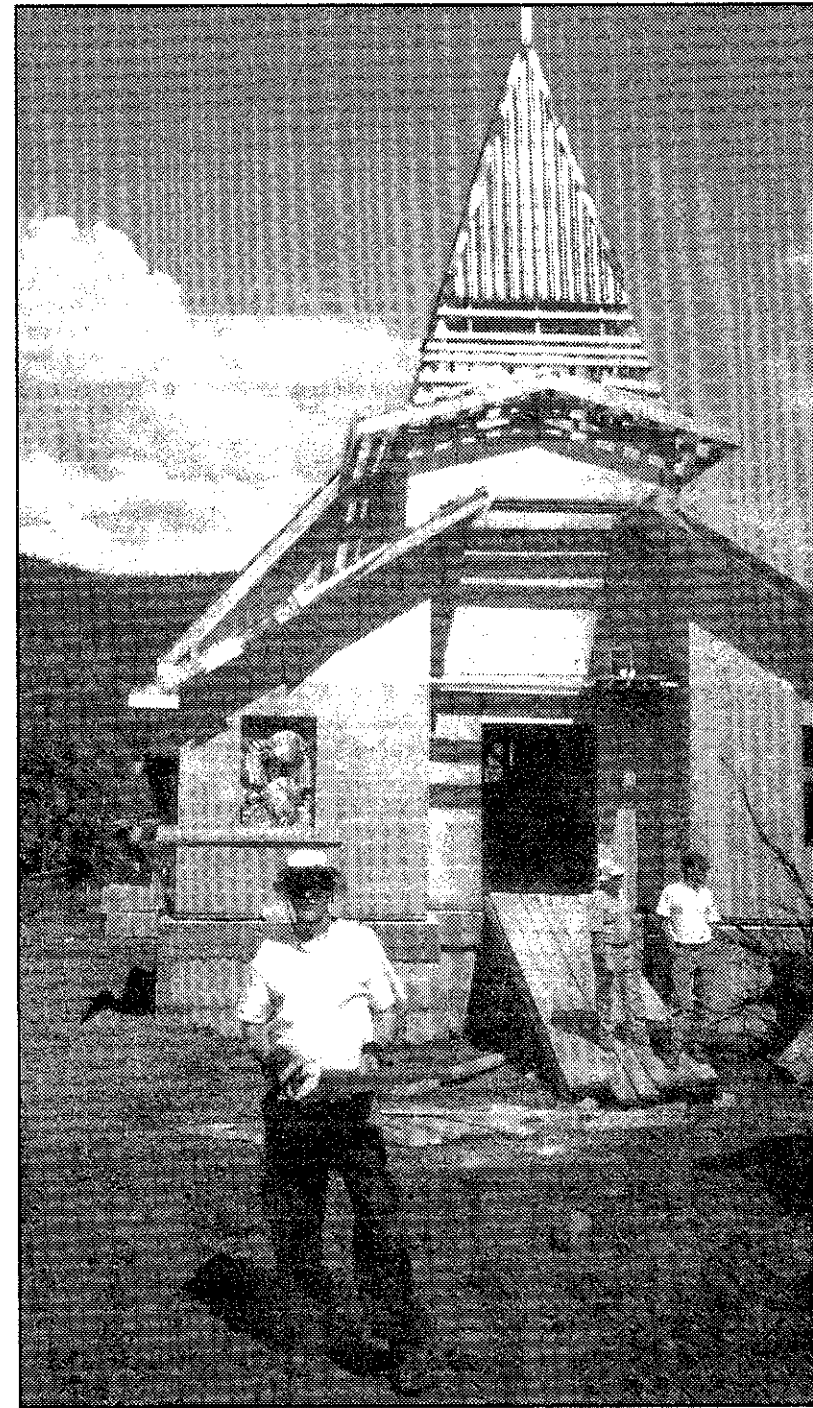
"We had two jobs," he said. "We had to build a church and be ambassadors for our church and God."

He said the Siberians were all new believers.

"Most of them had come to Christ in the last five years," Foley said. "We built a church where religion is just coming out of the closet."

Before the church, Siberian believers met in their apartments, where the Canton residents stayed during their trip.

It was difficult at times, with language and cultural barriers, but they managed. While they said the food was excellent, they never knew what they were eat-



**Interfaith:** The church being built by Americans and Russians will be the first one in the central Siberian town of Divnogorsk.

ing.

"It was a lot of mystery meat," Foley said. "For one meal, it sounded like they called it raccoon and cartilage, but I'm sure it was beef."

Fichtenberg said when it was

time to go home, it was a bitter-sweet occasion. She didn't want to leave her new friends.

"They were wonderful people," she said.

"The world is pretty big, but people are the same."

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### Q&A

**Q:** Was there a real Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde?

**A:** No, but there was a Scottish cabinetmaker named William Brodie who inspired Robert Louis Stevenson's story. Brodie, a respected businessman by day, wore a mask and led a gang of robbers by night. Born in 1741, Brodie was hanged in 1788. The story interested Stevenson and inspired *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde* (1886).

Source: *The Book of Answers* by Barbara Berliner

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### Hot topic of the week

Hula-Hoops & Hackey Sacks, the Canton Public Library Teen Summer Reading Program, was a great success this year. Teens could participate and enter weekly drawings by reading books and magazines, watching videos, or checking out Web sites. Most teens participated by reading books. Teens read, watched or listened to a total of 514 items! Each teen received weekly prizes for participation and 32 teens received terrific prizes in the weekly drawings. Our wonderful community businesses and organizations donated many of the prizes. Donors included Canton Chamber of Commerce, the Friends of the Canton Public Library, Brighter Toy Store, Meijer, Myachi (myachi.com), Trader Jack's and Zap Zone. Thanks to these sponsors for helping to make the Teen Summer Reading Program fun.

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## New principal from page A1

to improve scores on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests.

"It's just a matter of helping them to achieve," said Sedik of Glenn's more than 2,100 students.

Parental involvement's her other major goal, as she's found that some parents tend to lose the school connection when their children start high school.

She hopes to have parents as boosters for academics and other activities, as is done in sports. "I want to make John Glenn a place where parents feel comfortable." If parents have concerns, she wants to discuss them.

School bond construction is starting at Glenn, and Sedik and her colleagues will work "just to keep an orderly environment." The safety of those at Glenn is paramount as students and others get moved around.

Sedik comes to her new role

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well-prepared. She earned a bachelor's degree in business education from Wayne State University. That was followed by a master's in reading from Eastern Michigan University and an educational specialist degree in educational leadership from WSU.

She's spent 30 years as an educator, all of it in the Wayne-Westland district. Sedik started at Nankin Mills Junior High, then came to John Glenn "in a number of different capacities."

She was a teacher in the business department, then department head. She worked on computer efforts, was a learning consultant and then an assistant principal.

Discipline was a big part of

Sedik's work as assistant principal, but she also worked with Drug Abuse Resistance Education and graduation/honors, not just seeing kids in a disciplinary role.

She praises the faculty and staff at Glenn, and notes that her interest in education goes back to childhood.

When she was 8 or 9, Sedik remembers playing teacher. "It's just something that I've always wanted to do."

She had a favorite teacher in high school, and in college was able to combine business and education studies.

Sedik, who is single, has family in the area. Her brother's kids, Aimee and Bradley Sedik, are seniors at Wayne Memorial

High School.

"They already want to know who I'm going to cheer for," Sedik said with a smile.

In her free time, she enjoys reading spy/intrigue writing, including the books of Robert Ludlum, Tom Clancy and Ken Follett.

Sedik also collects images of lighthouses, such as pictures, calendars, ceramics, "you name it." Michigan travel got her started on that pursuit.

"I just like them," she said of lighthouses. She followed her travels with a good look at books on lighthouses.

Right now, she's wrapping up details of her former job, which will be taken over by Lorraine Brickman, already an assistant principal at Glenn. Sedik had handled scheduling, an important area, and Brickman will take that over.

Two new administrators are also on the job at Glenn. Assistant Principal William McGill is handling building/grounds and athletics, Assistant Principal Benjamin Edmondson student activities.

Sept. 22 will be Glenn's homecoming, followed by Wayne Memorial's on Sept. 29. Sedik will no doubt attend both events, as a proud Rocket principal and an equally proud Zebra aunt.

She remembers Westland as more rural when she moved in some 30 years ago. "It's really grown."

The new principal gets high marks from a former colleague, Don Douglass, a retired Glenn assistant principal. "I'm sure she'll do a good job," Douglass said. "Really a very nice person. Very sharp."

He recalled how Sedik's classes were under control. "I think she did an excellent job in the classroom."

## Bus brakes from page A1

checking the systems," said Miles. "Kids are our number one priority. We are following the recommendations of the manufacturer to the letter."

Miles said he's been told by Bendix officials that a visual inspection of the system should suffice in identifying any problems.

"We can visually see if there are loose sensor wires or sensor chafing, and then fix the problem," said Miles. "If the ABS light comes on, we've been told to park the buses for further inspection. Thus far we haven't had any reports from drivers that the lights have gone on."

Bendix discloses that there have been approximately 40 incidents of bus drivers losing their braking power, but no accidents have been reported.

Miles said Thomas contacted the district, identifying which of the buses it built required examination of the braking system.

Miles noted the district is also awaiting word from bus manufacturers International and Blue Bird to identify which, if any, of those buses in the district's fleet also have the braking systems manufactured by Bendix.

Last month, the annual inspection of the Plymouth-Canton school bus fleet by the Michigan State Police found no major problems. There were a couple of buses red tagged with safety concerns, but the problems were repaired before the buses left the garage.

## Canton senior is finalist

Kimberly Ann Weaver of Canton and a senior at Plymouth-Canton High School was named as a Samsung American Legion Scholarship National Finalist. She was selected by the staff of Michigan American Legion Auxiliary Girls State, which was held at Michigan State University, June 17-24.

In making the announcement the selection officials said Weaver was named a Samsung American Legion Scholarship National Finalist on the basis of academics, school and community involvement.

As a Samsung American Legion Scholarship National Finalist, Weaver will join 96 other National Finalists from

around the United States, each competing for one of 12 scholarships, worth an expected \$20,000.

Miss Weaver is considering preliminary study at a small, liberal arts college in preparation for a career in Engineering, while also continuing her interests in Music and European History.

The Samsung American Legion Scholarship funds come from the earnings of a \$5-million endowment given by Samsung, in recognition of the sacrifice and commitment of United States servicemen and women who served during the Korean War to maintain the security of the Korean peninsula.

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## Bond rating from page A1

costs to the township. "Because of the rating, we got a great rate on the bonds we just issued."

On Aug. 28, the Charter Township of Canton issued \$6 million in Building Authority Recreation Bonds Series 2000.

Yack said 10 bidders were vying to purchase the bonds because of the confidence the AA rating inspires.

The supervisor said the drop in the interest rate will save the township several hundred thousand dollars in interest payments.

The bonds were sold at 5.15 percent, which is 35 basis points below the 5.5 percent benchmark listed in the 20-year General Obligation Bond Index, said Tony Minghine, Canton finance director. He said the bonds are put into investment markets and are usually bought by brokerage houses for their portfolios. The 20-year bonds are then sold to clients.

Bonds of this nature are considered a very low-risk investment, and are also tax-free to Michigan residents, Minghine said.

"This speaks not just to the financial stability of the community, but to the confidence in Canton's management team," Minghine said.

The recent bond issue will fund a nine-hole expansion at Pheasant Ridge Golf Course and improvements to the Summit on the Park Community Center.

A steady increase in the number of users at the Summit since it opened in late 1995 is cited as the reason for the expansion.

A new fitness room heads the list of improvements at the Summit. "We're essentially building a new fitness area," Minghine said. "The new area will be about two-and-a-half times the area of the current fitness center."

The new area, to be constructed on the north side of the building, will encompass approximately 6,000 square feet, and will feature a new locker room, as well as weight training and cardiovascular equipment.

The old fitness area will be converted into space for aerobics classes, he said.

Also slated for construction are renovations of the existing family changing room at the pool, one existing racquet court being remodeled into a barrier-free, special needs changing room.

A special accommodations locker room is also being created for the pool area. "This is for families who have children who are too old for the opposite-gender changing room and are too young in a same-gender changing room by themselves," said Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz, Director of the Summit.

"It's a much needed expansion. The new fitness center is going to be much larger and people will be able to use the facility with minimal delays."

Additional changes are also taking place on the west side of the Summit building. "We are creating another entrance that will allow recreational traffic to bypass the banquet center," said Bilbrey-Honsowetz.

The expansion project will also enlarge the banquet sales office, she said.

The new entrance will feature

a canopy and lobby. A pair of parking lots will be added adjacent to the Summit's existing lots.

Bilbrey-Honsowetz said parking is now at capacity during peak times. Between 100 and 150 additional spaces are planned.

The township is presently seeking bids for construction. The bids are due on Sept. 14.

An architectural firm, TMP of West Bloomfield, will design the expansion. Jim Bowers and Dave Larson with TMP Associates, are the project architect and project manager.

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Becoming a new father is not unlike finishing a 15-mile road march, kitchen patrol duties or cleaning the latrines.

That's the thinking behind "Boot Camp for Dads," a St. Joseph Mercy Health System program being offered 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 23, at the Canton Mercy Health building, 1600 S. Canton Center.

But instead of going on road marches, first-time fathers learn how to hold, burp and change a

baby. Kitchen patrol and latrine cleaning, however, might not be ruled out, as the dads head home and share in household duties with the first-time mothers.

That's what Mike Fuller, a registered nurse at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor learned. He's a father of three sons and also a "boot camp" instructor.

"For the first 3-6 months of my (first) son's life I was basically a single parent," Fuller said, referring to his wife being very ill. "I wish something like this was around when my son was born."

If any fathers haven't been

happy with the program, Fuller said he hasn't heard about it.

"So far it's all been success stories," he said. Fathers attending the classes are asked if they would like to share their experiences as "veteran dads" and help out first time dads.

"I've seen new dads literally change," Fuller, said, not referring to just diapers.

Sandie Schulze, program coordinator, said the men's only format gives the class credibility.

"It is a class that is taught by men for men," she said. "It's effective because men open up more to other men."

Schulze said she's never actually attended a "boot camp" class, but has read numerous evaluation forms from dads praising the program.

"There have been men in the class who've never even held a baby," she said.

The cost is \$20 per person. To register or for more information on the program or later dates and locations, please call the Saint Joseph Mercy Health line at (734) 712-5400 or (800) 231-2211.

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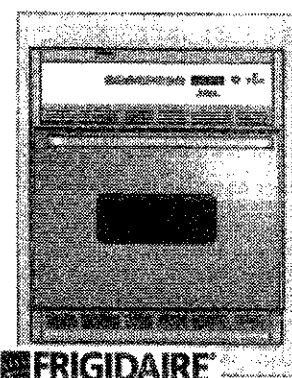


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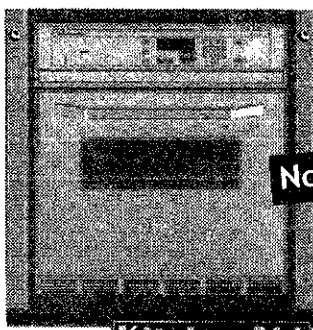


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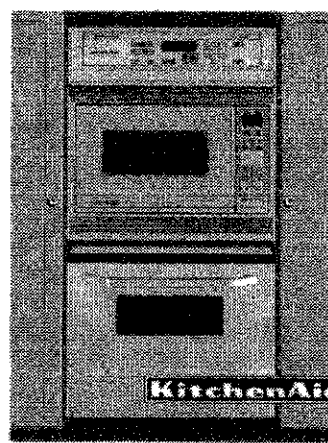


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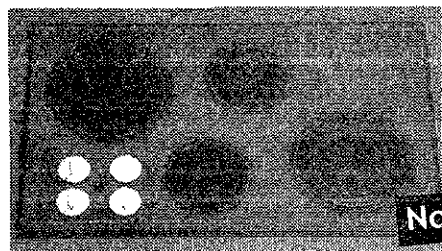


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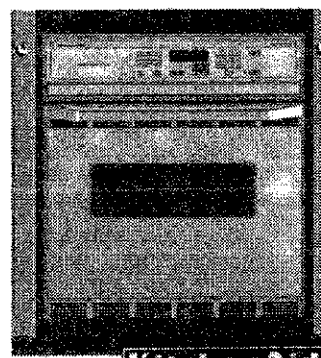


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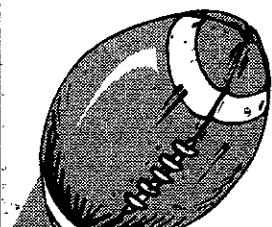
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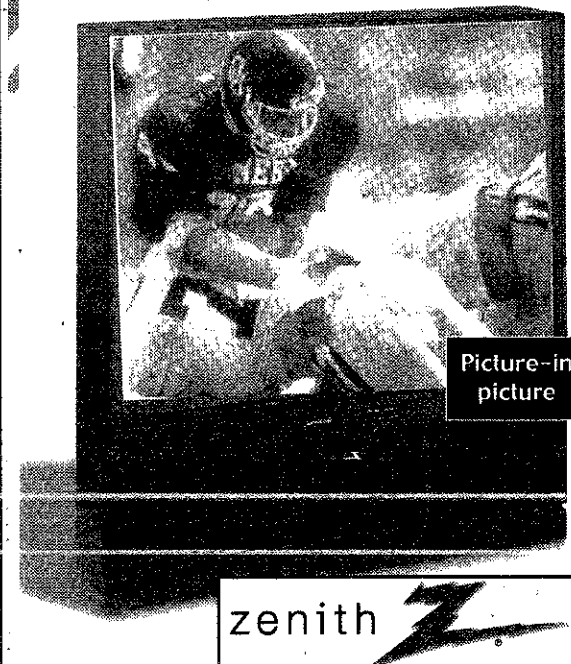
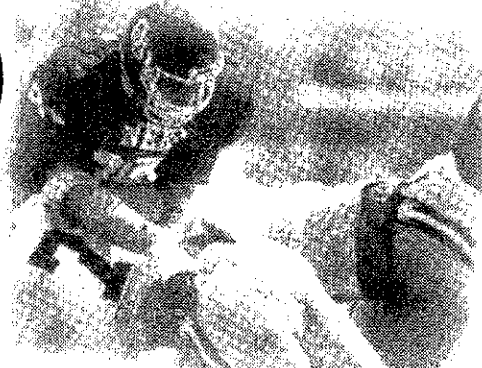
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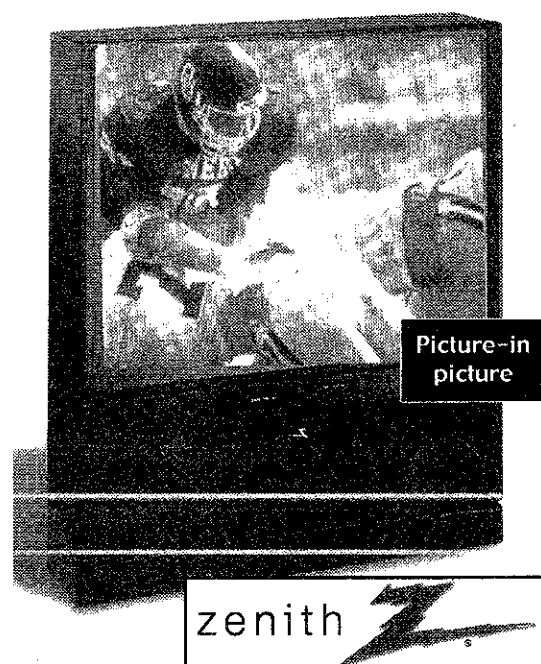
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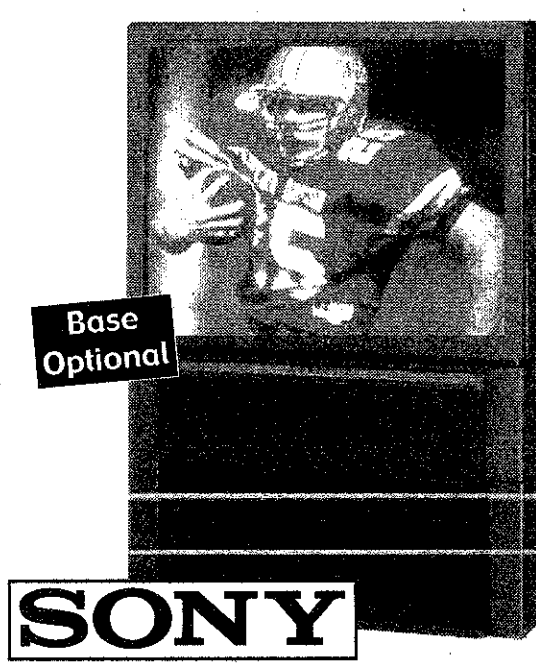
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## Leaving home for college is the same ritual

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Lots of folks think the university scene has changed greatly over the years. Consider, then, accounts I've read of our country's first college, Harvard, which was founded in 1638. More than one Puritan parent fretted about their sons (college was for males only then) squandering educational opportunities by foregoing study for entertainment. Fathers chided these youths for frittering away their time with idle pursuits — skating, fishing, and the like.

Also much to the dismay of those parents, and to the detriment of their pocketbooks, their sons' boisterous hijinks led to a fair share of broken windows.

Dorm food was pretty bad during Harvard's early years. Add to that the fact that, in any century, lads of that age group eat nonstop. One concerned, Puritan mother came to the rescue by sending goodie-boxes to her son.

So far, not much has changed. As summer ended, my niece Jessie joined the present batch of freshmen who left for college. Of course, the very fact that she is a co-ed student marks a change in university life — one we take for granted at this time in our history.

Looking at our own family, it is clear that this was not always a given. Exactly 60 years ago, my mother graduated from McGill University with a degree in bacteriology and immunology. She enrolled in medical school, although she later decided not to pursue a career as a doctor.

Today, many medical students are women. In 1940, however, my mother was one of only six females admitted to a class of about 120. Despite her high qualifications, she recalls that the dean tried to dissuade her from entering because she would be taking a slot which, more rightly, should go to a male student!

Other aspects of college life have remained rather constant over time. Remembering back to her own days as a co-ed, my mother recently penned the following letter to her granddaughter.

Dear Jessie,  
Since finding time to write will be difficult for you, I am sending you this little worksheet. I enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your convenience. For each of the following questions, circle the best answer:

Dear Grandma,  
Thought I'd let you know how things are going.

1) I'm finding college is: (A) A lot like high school; (B) A real jolt after high school; (C) Exhausting.

2) Classes are: (A) Easy; (B) Interesting; (C) A brain drain.

3) My room is: (A). Pretty; (B) Crowded; (C) A total shipwreck.

4) Freshman mixers are: (A) Compulsory; (B) Voluntary; (C) A great way to make friends; (D) A rotten way to make friends.

5) Coming from the desert, I'm looking forward to the campus this winter, so I can learn to: (A) Ski; (B) Skate; (C) Make angels in the snow.

6) Meanwhile, I'll be learning to develop: (A) A certain savoir-faire; (B) An air of sophistication; (C) My muscles.

7) I'm also learning all the shortcuts around campus, so I can: (A) Sleep late; (B) Have more time to study; (C) Look like an upper classman.

8) This is all for now. I have to: (A) Study; (B) Do laundry; (C) Call home; (D) Join a late-night bull session even though you warned me not to.

9) I'll try to remember: (A) How much you love me; (B) To write soon again; (C) To phone you collect at (734) ...

Love, Your granddaughter, Jessie.  
I think Jessie should save this letter, but not just as a memento. In 60 years or so, she can mail a copy of it to her grandchild when he or she leaves for college. Even by 2060, certain things about college will be pretty much the same.

Historian/author Virginia Bailey Parker has a master's degree in historic preservation. She lives in Canton Township.

## Silent prayer

## Interpreting prayer through movement

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON  
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A handful of young people from St. Thomas a' Becket in Canton have been using dance as a means of interpreting prayer for the past three years.

"It's dance that is prayer in movement. Praying with your body is a unique concept," said Mary Reimann, former music minister and director of the Ministry in Motion dance troupe at the Canton church.

The practice of liturgical dance at St. Thomas a'Becket may be relatively new but examples of this type of prayer are sited in the Old Testament and even earlier as primitive peoples are said to have expressed "their religious sentiment with rhythmic movements," according to The Catholic Liturgical Library.

Reimann, who recently relocated to Minneapolis, has a formal background in English and theatre and trained in college as a ballet and modern dancer.

"Liturgical dance is a neat challenge for children who have not had the opportunity to have dance training," said Reimann. "They are still able to carry a great amount of poise. They're really involved with their whole hearts."



**Dramatic:** Different refrains are selected by Ministry in Motion director Catherine Mueller to create a more profound effect.

The six-member group consists of one boy and five girls ranging from fourth grade to a high school freshman. They meet every Saturday to practice for approximately 90 minutes and perform at least once a month not only at St. Thomas a'Becket but by invitation from nearby churches.

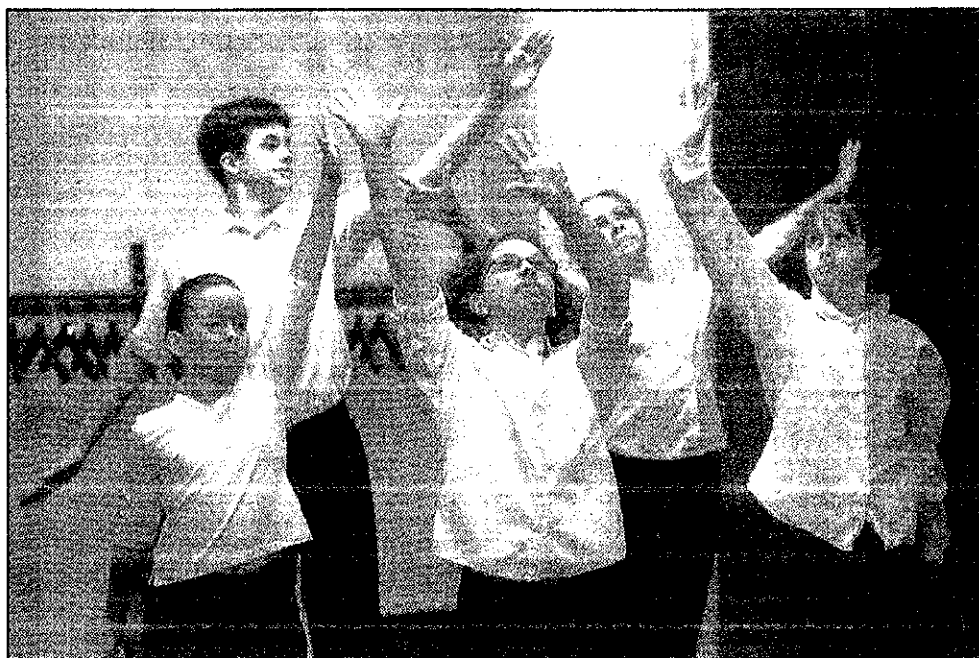
### Careful thought

Reimann, however, stresses that she and her choreographer are conscious of making all the movements look good on all the children due to their varying level of experience.

"We try and make it more of a prayer and less of a performance," said Reimann. "I utilize all live music and we use simple gestures to interpret refrains so the children learn what the text means and then ways we can show it with our body movement."

Since Reimann's departure, Catherine Mueller, who previously co-directed the group, has now taken over full time as the music minister and Ministry in Motion director.

"Liturgical dance is a beautiful form of ministry and a unique way to present prayer," said Mueller, a Plymouth resident and 1988 graduate of Plymouth Salem High



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**Ministry in Motion:** Nicole Rollinger, 15 (clockwise from left), Samantha McIntosh, 9, Jessica Rollinger, 13, Jonathan Frye, 14, and Briana Bradley, 11, are dancers with Ministry in Motion — a liturgical movement and dance group — rehearse a routine recently at St. Thomas a'Becket School and Church in Canton.

School. "It adds so much to the service. We even teach simple hand gestures to the congregation."

After a break during the summer months, Mueller hopes to reconvene the dancers within the next few weeks.

"We perform liturgical movements once a month at Mass and then at benefit concerts," said Mueller. "On Oct. 22 we'll be performing with the youth choir at our observation of World Youth Day."

This year Mueller will be assisted by church members Jennifer Borg and Michelle Rollinger.

"I like to give the kids a few weeks after school starts before we get together again but we're always looking for new members if someone is interested in participating," said Mueller.

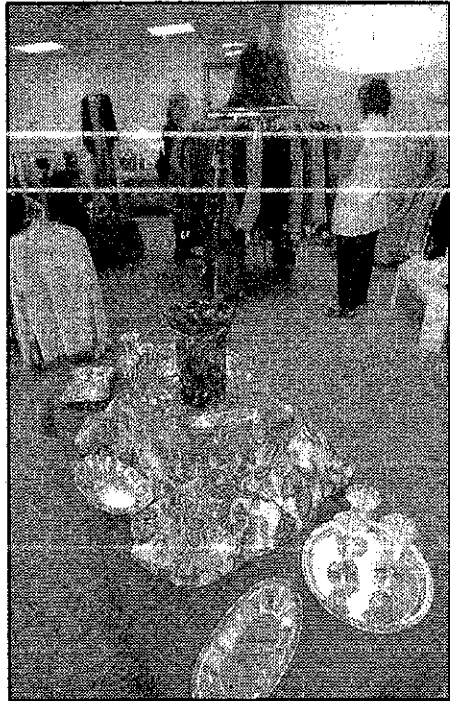
For information about the Ministry in Motion Liturgical Dance Troupe of St. Thomas a'Becket (555 S. Lilley Road), call (734) 981-6680 or 981-1333.

## Discovery Shop finds a home in Plymouth

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON  
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When the red ribbon was cut away from the front door of a new store in downtown Plymouth this past week, the start of another inspirational endeavor by the American Cancer Society began.

Although the Discovery Shop in Plymouth has been open since the first week of August, store volunteers,



**Special:** Discovery Shop volunteers creatively display professional, casual and evening wear in a boutique environment as well as jewelry and hard-to-find antiques.

store manager Bridget O'Shea, guests and local dignitaries marked the occasion with a grand opening event on Thursday, Aug. 31.

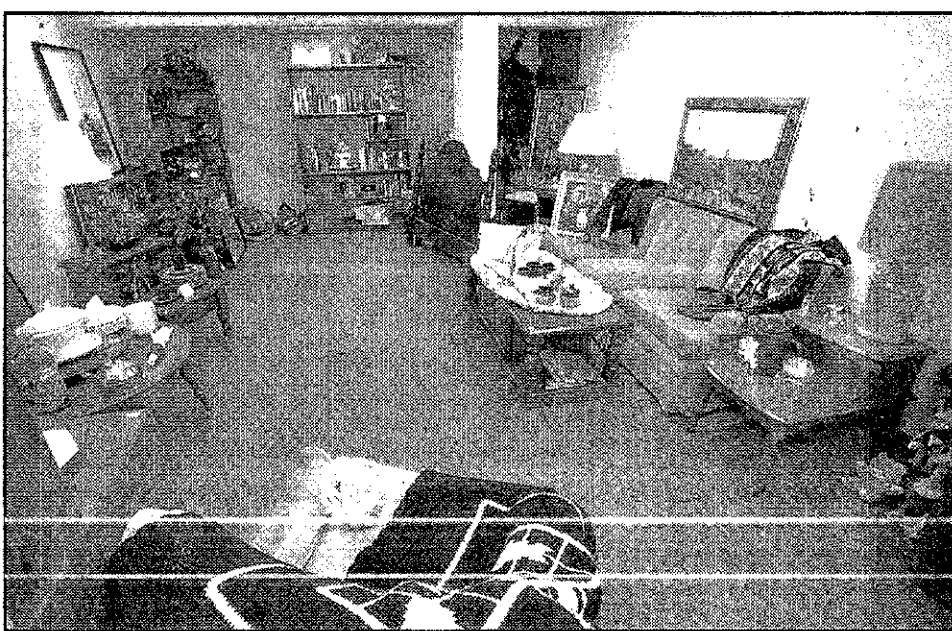
The Discovery Shop is a retail store located between Heidi's Flowers and The Cozy Cafe on the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey Street. Founded by the American Cancer Society in 1965 to benefit research, education and support services for cancer patients and their families — The Discovery Shop deals in resale clothing and other items collected through public donations and sold in strip malls and stand alone stores nationwide.

Headquartered in Glendale, Calif., there are approximately 100 stores throughout the United States — 50 in California alone. Promoted as "the leaders in the resale world for designer clothing, furniture and one of a kind collectibles" store employees turn donations into beautiful displays in a boutique environment. Along with casual, dressy and business attire for both men and women, the Discovery Shop sells glassware, jewelry, antiques, artwork, shoes, books, furniture and some unique collectibles thanks to the generosity of donors.

Plymouth is the most recent Michigan store to open employing an all volunteer staff except for O'Shea. Many of the volunteers are cancer survivors themselves or have been inspired by someone they know affected by the disease.

### Valuable merchandise

Currently the store receives donations of merchandise and personal property from estates, individuals and retailers. Volunteers sort, price, tag, steam, display and sell clothing and



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**Treasures:** The second floor of the Plymouth Discovery Shop, located on Ann Arbor Trail, features books, housewares, furniture, paintings, clothing and more.

other merchandise in a manner different from most resale shops. Donors, if they choose, can receive a tax deduction.

Canton resident Kathy Thornton started volunteering at the downtown Farmington Discovery Shop in 1991 after her sister's left breast was removed as the result of cancer. When two Farmington stores closed and a new Livonia location opened in April, Thornton found herself volunteering there too.

"I've been logging a lot of hours here," said Thornton who was busy greeting guests and customers at the grand opening. "We've been here for

weeks getting things ready to open. I do whatever I can to help."

Discovery Shop Regional Manager Marnie Kiefer said the American Cancer Society hopes to open 20 stores total in Michigan within the next 3 years.

"We have received a magnificently warm response from the Plymouth community," said Kiefer who was in attendance at the grand opening festivities. "These shops succeed thanks to the support from residents who donate merchandise and the volunteers who keep things going."

Plymouth Township resident Mar-

Please see **DISCOVERY, B2**



## Western shirt contest continues, entries sought

Hey, partner, want to win a Western-style shirt?

Our Wild West Shirt contest continues. We're looking for a "home on the range" for two rather colorful shirts staff writer Renee Skoglund bought on a recent vacation in Cheyenne, Wyoming (see her Aug. 31 column). They were a surprise for her son, but he refuses to wear them. What's his loss can be your gain. Just tell us why you want them.

We've already received some dandy replies. A former Cheyenne resident wrote: "I never saw anyone wear shirts like those pictured in your column. The people who sold them to you must have known that you lived here where overpopulation, pollution, dismal grimy factories..." Well, you get his drift.

This from a West-loving native Michiganian: "My son says he doesn't want to be seen with me when I wear certain western shirts, wild cowboy boots, hat and Australian duster coat ... The shirts would make a fine addition to my wardrobe, and worn proudly."

The same guy sent a follow-up e-mail: "Well, me and my horse Shemp gonna mosey on over to the corral and hang around 'til we hear if I'm a winner of one of them fancy goin'-to-town shirts."

Although they refused to put them on (the cowards!) Skoglund's neighbor and husband consented to pose with the shirts. Jim Keim is holding the white shirt with black and turquoise



**No thank you, ma'am: Jim Keim (left) and Gary Skoglund are no urban cowboys. The best place for these shirts, they say, is back in Cheyenne, Wyo.**

insets (first prize) and Gary Skoglund is holding the red, white and blue shirt (second prize).

The winners will be announced in our Thursday, Sept. 14 edition. So, giddy-up and send us your reply so you can two-step in style. Both shirts are an extra-large.

Send entries to Renee Skoglund, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150; fax: (734) 591-7279; e-mail: rskoglund@oe.homecomm.net

## Discovery from page B1



gene Coulter said she saw a brochure at the Plymouth Library about the new store and their need for volunteers.

"I wanted to get involved in the city and to meet my neighbors," said Coulter. "I couldn't think of a better way to do it than this."

Coulter says she'll be working one morning a week and has found the past month very rewarding.

"The reception has been overwhelming," said Coulter. "We've been very busy and have had lots of encouragement from the downtown, the city, local business and the community."

The Discovery Shop in Plymouth is in need of both volunteers and quality donations. There are a variety of positions that need to be filled including sales, cashier, display, clerical, merchandise solicitation, screening and pricing. O'Shea said opportunities to volunteer around your current schedule are possible whether you can work a full day, mornings, afternoons or on an every other week basis.

The American Cancer Society's Plymouth Discovery Shop is located at 975 W. Ann Arbor Trail. Store hours are Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Donations can be made to the Discovery Shop Monday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information call (734) 451-0745.

**Grand opening: The American Cancer Society's Plymouth Discovery Shop features a variety of furniture including the dining room set that graces the store window. Recently a ribbon cutting ceremony was held to mark the Plymouth debut. Present were MaryLou Marenda (from left), Bridget O'Shea, Plymouth Discovery Shop manager; City Commissioner Colleen Pobur, and volunteers Kathy Thornton, Margene Coulter and Karen Martin.**

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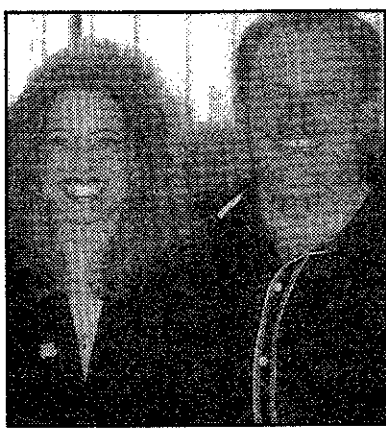
## ENGAGEMENTS

## Borland-Czarnecki

Tavia Fondaw of Livonia and Michael Borland of Redford Township announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Borland of White Lake, to Terry Czarnecki of White Lake.

The bride-to-be is a Novi High School graduate currently attending Oakland Community College, and is employed by the El Nibble Nook Restaurant in West Bloomfield.

Her fiancé, the son of Irene Czarnecki-Judd and the late Raymond Czarnecki, graduated from Fitzgerald High School in Warren and is employed by the International Operations Union



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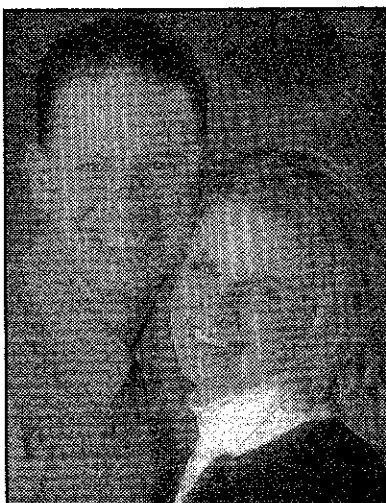
A June 2001 wedding is planned at Farmington Hills Church of Christ.

## Matras-Kirby

Leonard and Shirley Matras of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Ann, to Michael Shane Kirby of Redford.

The bride-to-be graduated from Redford Union High School in 1993. She is currently pursuing a bachelor's of arts degree in psychology from Wayne State University and also works as a figure skating coach in Plymouth.

Her fiancé, son of Mike and JoAnn Kirby of Westland, graduated from John Glenn High School in Westland in 1991. He is attending Schoolcraft Community College and just graduated from the Fire Academy in the spring. He works



at Motor City Flathead.

An October wedding is planned at St. Valentine's Church in Redford.

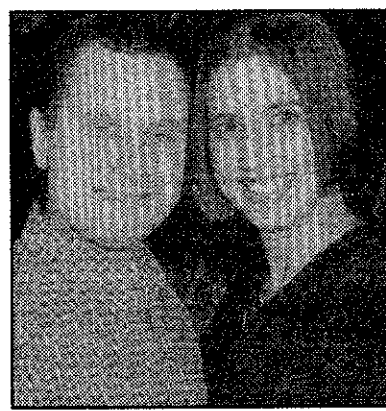
## Retzlaff-Lafata

Jonathan Retzlaff of Canton and Patricia Retzlaff of Commerce Township announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Marie, to John Michael Lafata II.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Central Michigan University and University of Michigan Graduate School.

Her fiancé, son of Anthony and Jo Ann Lafata of Rochester Hills, is a graduate of Central Michigan University.

An October wedding is



planned.

## Weed-Lawver

Linda Rettray of Livonia announces the engagement of her daughter, Michelle Lynn Weed formerly of Livonia, to William Alwine Lawver of York, Penn.

The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and a graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in business. She works in the human resources and finance departments at CTE Inc.

Her fiancé, son of Roland and Patricia Lawver of Hanover, Penn., is a graduate of the Florida Air Academy and is a pilot for Champion Air.



An October wedding is planned in York, Penn.

## Krueger-Bird

John and Sally Krueger of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Jamie Shaun, to Dax Warren Bird of Ypsilanti Township.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1998 graduate of Michigan State University. She is currently attending Eastern Michigan University in pursuit of a teaching certificate.

Her fiancé, son of Ray and Glenna Bird of Saine, is a 1993 graduate of Saline High School and is currently employed by Midwestern Consulting in Ann Arbor as a land surveyor.

A wedding is planned at St.



Thomas 'A Becket followed by a reception at Washtenaw County Club.

## Servinski-Loritz

Bethany Servinski of Garden City and Keith Loritz are announcing their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of John and Myrna Servinski of Oscoda, is a 1992 graduate of Central Michigan University and is employed by Garden City Public Schools as a reading literacy teacher.

Her fiancé, son of Alvin and Patricia Loritz of Alpena, formerly of Westland, is a 1988 graduate of Northern Michigan University and is operations manager for International Extrusions.



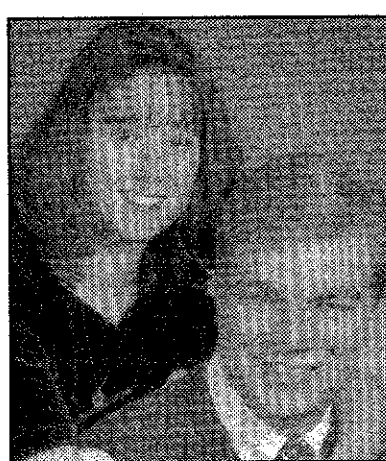
A September wedding is planned at St. Mary Catholic Church in Wayne.

## Grams-Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Thaine Grams of Ida announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Denise, to Johnathan Edward Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Smith of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti and is employed by the Jewish Community Center's Early Childhood Center in Ann Arbor.

Her fiancé is a 1997 graduate of Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, Ill. and is employed by the Phoenix Group of Farmington Hills.



An October wedding is planned.

## Shaw-Peterson

Ronald and Deborah Shaw of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Ann, to Scott Peterson of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a Churchill High School graduate, and is working toward her art education degree. She teaches art classes for Livonia Public Schools Community Education.

Her fiancé, son of Gerald and Sue Peterson of Livonia, is a Churchill High School graduate and earned an engineering degree from the Recording Institute of Detroit. He is pursuing a career in music technology.

A September wedding is



planned at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia.

## Coffelt-Sorgen

James E. Coffelt II and (the late) Donna Coffelt of Novi announce the engagement of daughter Jennifer Lynn, to John David Sorgen of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1997 University of Michigan graduate who is pursuing her masters degree in business at Wayne State University. She works at Pfizer Global Research and Development.

Her fiancé, son of Martha Sorgen of West Bloomfield and Robert Sorgen of Franklin, is a 1995 University of Michigan graduate and is employed at Freetradez.com. He also owns a mobile disc jockey company,



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An October wedding is planned at St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia.

## Fedraw-Thompson

Marlan and Judy Fedraw of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Meredith Lynn, to William Thompson of Livonia. The bride-to-be is a Franklin High School graduate who is currently attending the University of Michigan. She is employed at General Motors.

Her fiancé, the son of Dennis and Jean Thompson of Livonia, graduated from the Center for Creative Studies. Currently he is attending Schoolcraft College and Marine Mechanics School and works as a jeweler at Just



Jewelers.

An October wedding is planned at Greenmead Chapel in Livonia.

## ANNUAL FAMILY FESTIVAL

Memorial Church of Christ in Livonia will host its annual Family Fest from 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10. The family-oriented event, which kicks-off the church's fall programs, is free and open to the public.

Headlining this year's Family Fest is the husband and wife team of Tracy and Wendy Tooley from Chesapeake, Ohio. They will perform from 7-8 p.m. in the church's multi-purpose room. The Tooleys are a Christian

drama and comedy team who travels full-time with One-to-One Ministries.

Pony rides, face painting, carnival games, and moon walk are among the many activities planned for the event. There will

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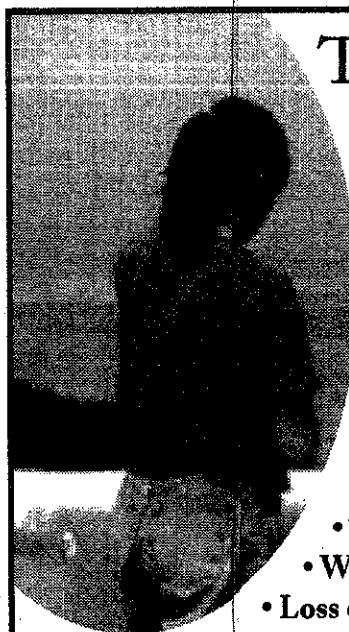
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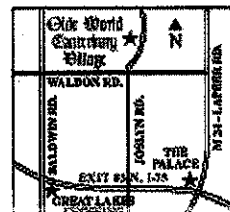
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## WEEKEND

### MAYBURY STATE PARK

■ Maybury State Park hosts a bird identification hike at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9. These hikes give you a chance to observe bird species seen in the park, and record dates, locations and trends from year to year. Meet at the Concession Building in the main parking lot on Eight Mile Road. For more information, call (248) 349-8390.

### HOME EXTRAVAGANZA

■ The women of St. Kenneth will sponsor all your favorite home parties under one roof. Representatives from Tupperware, Discovery Toys, Longaberger and many more will be on-site from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at St. Kenneth's Social Hall, 14951 Haggerty Road, Plymouth (just south of Five Mile Road). Free admission.

### PERENNIAL EXCHANGE

■ There will be a perennial exchange sponsored by the Trailwood Garden Club at the Plymouth Fall Festival from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at the corner of Union and Ann Arbor Trail (in front of the Wilcox House). For additional information, call (734) 459-7146.

### HEALTH FAIR

■ The Asthma Health Fair Open House will be held from 9 a.m. until noon Saturday, Sept. 9, at the Henry Ford Medical Center-Plymouth, 14300 Beck Road. Educational Display will be on hand. The Health Fair includes a guest speaker from 11 a.m. until noon. The speaker's presentation is "How to beat Asthma," an "Ask the Respiratory Therapist" booth (bring your current medications), complimentary peak flow meters, record keeper and inhaler spacers; educational literature and tips; and refreshments and prizes. To register, call (800) 321-0855, mailbox 4000. For directions to Henry Ford Medical Center, call (734) 453-5600.

### FLEA MARKET

■ The Livonia Historical Society will sponsor a flea market from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, at Greenmead Historical Park, located at Eight Mile and Newburgh in Livonia. Admission is \$1. Children under 12 are free. Food and refreshments will be available. The Village is also open for tours from 1-4 p.m. Proceeds go to benefit the Greenmead Historical Park. For additional information, call (248) 477-7375.

### TOY SHOW

■ The Plymouth Collectible Toy Show returns from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. during the Plymouth's Fall Festival at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. The show features dealers selling new, used, antique and collectible toys of all kinds. Admission for adults is \$5, kids under 10 are free. For more information, call (734) 455-2110.

## AROUND TOWN

### BLOOD PRESSURE

■ St. Mary Mercy Hospital of Livonia announces a Blood Pressure Measurement event on Monday, Sept. 11, from 8-10 a.m. at Wonderland Mall and Sept. 25 from 12-2 p.m. at the Northville Senior Center. There is no fee with this screening. For additional information call, (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

### HEALTHY HEART

■ The Oakwood Healthy Heart Open, a golf-tournament to benefit cardiac education and outreach programs in southeast Michigan will be held Monday, Sept. 11, at the Dearborn Golf & Country Club; 18 holes of scramble-style golf, morning and afternoon shotgun starts, lunch, evening reception, silent auction, raffles, and contest. Cost: \$250/per person; Participants must pre-register by calling (313) 791-1234.

### WOMEN & DEPRESSION

■ The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will present a seminar on Women & Depression: What You Need To Know on Tuesday, Sept. 12, from 7-9 p.m. in the St. Mary Mercy Auditorium. For further information call (734) 665-1100 or toll-free at (800) 494-1617.

### AUTUMN GOLF CLASSIC

■ Cunningham, DeRuyver, Evangelista & Associates, an American Express company, presents the Third Annual Autumn Golf Classic to be held at Lake Forest Golf Club Thursday, Sept. 14. Proceeds will benefit the programs and outreach activities of the Ann Arbor Art Center. Cost is \$400 per four-person team and \$100 per individual. For additional details and to register call, (734) 477-0444.

### SYMPHONY AUDITIONS

■ The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra announces auditions for the following: associate concertmaster, section violin, section viola, section cello, section bass, third flute/piccolo, principal and second clarinet, third horn, principal and third trumpet, principal trombone and principal tuba. Auditions for some of these positions will be held on Sept. 7. For further information, contact the AASO office at (734) 994-4801.

### SENIOR PROGRAMS

■ Summit On The Park is offering the following senior programs: Ballroom Dancing; Session I: Sept. 18-Oct. 23; Session II: Oct. 30-Dec. 4; Monday afternoons, 12-1:30 p.m. in the Maple Room. Nora Nader will teach the dances you've always wanted to master - the fox trot and the waltz. Partners are not necessary. Register at the front desk; Cost: Session I: \$15, for residents, \$18 non-residents; Session II: \$15, residents, \$18, non-residents; Yoga: Session I: Sept. 20-Oct. 25; Session II: Nov. 1-Dec. 6; Wednesdays,

## 'Shoemaker' features Canton kids



Local actors: Canton residents Megan Kahala and Tiffany Fusco (front row, second and third from left), Richard Dziuban (back row, left) and Lindsey Polderdyke (back row, right) are cast members in the Marquis Theatre presentation of the Brother's Grimm tale, "The Shoemaker and the Elves." The youth theater production continues at the Marquis in Northville through Sept. 24. For performance times and ticket information call the theater, (248) 349-8110.

10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Dance Studio C; Taught by Nora Nader, a certified member of the Yoga Association. Yoga is a class of stretching postures that help the body be flexible and teaches you to reduce stress and tension; Cost: Session I: \$18, for residents, \$22 for non-residents; Session II: \$18 residents, \$22 for non-residents. The drop-in fee is \$4/\$5 per class; Fun Conversational Spanish; Session I: Sept. 19-Oct. 24; Session II: Nov. 14-Dec. 12; Tuesdays, 9-10 a.m. in the Pines Room; Lydia Nava will guide you through the beauty of Spanish. Register for an authentic experience, featuring weekly review and Mexican-style refreshments. Cost: Session I: \$9 residents, \$11 non-residents; Session II: \$7.50 resident, \$9 non-resident; Oil Painting; Sept. 25-Nov. 13; Mondays, 12:45-3:45 p.m. in Arts I. Artist Anita Sonnenberg will provide individualized instruction for those with no painting experience, as well as experienced artists. The class will be limited to 12 students; Cost for the eight week class is \$32 residents, \$39 non-resident; drop in fee is \$5/5.50.

### THE PRINCETON REVIEW

■ The Princeton Review will sponsor a Free Strategy Session Seminar. These are 90-minute seminars discussing SAT and ACT techniques, as well as helpful information regarding the college admission process. A full-length, SAT and ACT test will be held Saturday, Sept. 16, at 9 a.m. The test will finish about 12:30 p.m. Students may choose one test. These will be held at The Princeton Review Office, 1220 S. University, Suite 209, Ann Arbor. Each student should bring pencils and a calculator for the free test and parents are welcome to come to the strategy session. Students must call The Princeton Review at (800) 2-REVIEW, or (734) 663 2163 in order to register for the test and/or strategy sessions.

### MEN'S RACQUETBALL

■ Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its men's fall racquetball league at Body Rocks Racquetball of Livonia. Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 20. Court times are 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. The league will run for 12 weeks. The fee is \$100 per person (includes all league court-time and awards).

Registration under way. No residency requirements. For further information call Canton Parks and Recreation Services at (734) 397-5110.

### AUDITIONS

■ The Farmington/Farmington Hills Community Chorus will be holding auditions for its Winter Session Concert on Tuesday Sept. 12 at the Farmington Hills Activity Center. Members come from the entire Metro Detroit area. Living in the Farmington area is not a requirement. This is an exciting musical opportunity for area residents 18 years of age and older. Musical experience is not necessary but is helpful. All sheet music and a practice tape is provided. Auditions will be held at 7:30 p.m. both nights and registration will be the following week for those accepted. There is a small city of Farmington Hills registration fee. For further information contact Chorus Manager, Kathy Hall at (248) 471 4516.

### UNITED ASSEMBLY OF GOD

■ Timothy Wead, star of "Teenage Father," an Academy Award winner for "Best Live Action Short," will appear Sunday, Sept.

10, at the United Assembly of God, 46500 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth at 8:30, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wead will portray the Apostles James and Paul in dramatic presentations of the books of James, Sunday morning and Philippians, Sunday evening.

### LSAT WORKSHOP

■ Oakland University of College of Arts and Sciences/Continuing Education will offer a workshop to prepare for the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT). The workshop meets on Saturdays for three weeks, beginning on Sept. 9 from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. on the Oakland University campus in Rochester. Cost is \$325 which includes books. For a brochure and to register, call (248) 370 3125.

### ANTIQUES SHOW

■ The Women of Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in Bloomfield Hills are presenting their 37th Annual Bloomfield Antiques Show on Sept. 8 and 9, at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 1100 Lone Pine Road (Northwest corner of Telegraph Road), Bloomfield Hills. Thirty-seven dealers will display their wares in the Gordon H. Light Family Life Center. On Saturday, Sept. 9, representatives from DuMouchelle Art Galleries of Detroit will be doing appraisals from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$4 for a verbal appraisal and \$10 for a written appraisal. Tickets are \$5 at the door. For further information call (248) 646-5886.

### ASTHMA HEALTH FAIR

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### CHORUS AUDITIONS

■ The 120-member Plymouth Community Chorus will be presenting its annual Christmas Concert on Dec. 1, 2 and 3, with rehearsals starting Sept. 5. Auditions by appointment will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12 and 19. All auditions will be held at the First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial Road, west of Sheldon in Plymouth. First sopranos, tenors and basses are especially needed, but there are some openings for second sopranos and altos. The Plymouth Community Chorus, one of Michigan's premier community choruses, is entering its 28th season. Those wishing to become a member of this outstanding singing organization, call

(734) 455-4080 for an audition appointment.

### TAI CHI

■ New beginner tai chi classes are starting at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11. These classes are offered under the sponsorship of the Taoist Tai Chi Society (a non-profit organization) of Livonia, 38121 Ann Arbor Road; Bloomfield, St. Paul United Methodist Church. Day classes for seniors available at the Livonia location. Observers are welcome. Visit our Web site at [www.ttc.org](http://www.ttc.org). For more information, call the society at (248) 332-1281 anytime.

### NACW

■ The West Suburban Chapter of the National Association of Career Women will host their monthly meeting at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. The guest speaker will be Molly Keep, exercise physiologist. She will share her secrets on using humor to reduce stress. Cost is \$18 for members and \$22 for non-members. For more information or to make a reservation, call Tracey Huff at (248) 347-3355.

### YOGA

■ Yoga for beginners is being presented by Jacqui Magon. "Firm Posture-Calm Mind," will be held from 9-10:15 a.m. on Mondays and from 6-7:15 p.m. on Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 11 and Sept. 12. Cost is \$10 per class. Class runs for six weeks. Walk-ins are welcome.

### CANTON KIDS DAY

■ Oakwood Healthcare Center in Canton will be celebrating kids at their annual Canton Kids Day. This free event will be held from noon until 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, on the grounds of Oakwood Healthcare Center-Canton. This year's event will focus on teaching kids how they can stay safe and healthy. Children and their parents will enjoy an afternoon of festivities including free refreshments, prizes and games. There will be an opportunity for children to take part in the D.A.R.E. Program and enter drawings for exciting prizes. Parents will also have the opportunity to learn proper infant/child CPR. Children are invited to bring their favorite teddy bear or doll to the Teddy Bear Clinic for a check-up performed by the physicians and nurses of Oakwood Healthcare Center-Canton. Local police, fire and emergency medical services will have their vehicles on-site and will be available to answer questions. Sparky, from the National Fire Prevention Association, and McGruff the Crime Dog will also be available to meet with the children.

### AUDITIONS

■ Madonna University's Chorale is holding open auditions for the 2000-01 season. For more information, call (734) 432-5708 or send an e-mail to [wagner@smtp.munet.edu](mailto:wagner@smtp.munet.edu). Madonna University is located in Livonia at I-96 and Levan Road.

## CAMPUS NEWS

To submit your academic honor or graduation announcement to Campus Notes, send the material printed, or typewritten to: Campus Notes, Plymouth-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170.

### GRADUATES

■ Elizabeth Barrett of Plymouth received her bachelor of arts degree majoring in Spanish and sociology. She graduated cum laude. She is the daughter of John and Carla Barrett of Plymouth.

■ Jeffrey T. Lewis of Plymouth received his bachelor of science degree majoring in engineering graphics and design. He is the son of William E. and Sandra J. Lewis of Plymouth.

■ Emily C. Strand of Plymouth received her bachelor of arts degree majoring in theater. She

graduated magna cum laude. She is the daughter of William Strand of Plymouth.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

■ Kristin L. Mellian of Canton received the Western Michigan University Academic Scholarship. She is a Plymouth-Salem High School graduate.

■ Luke C. Williams of Canton received the Western Michigan University Board of Trustees Scholarship. He is a Plymouth-Canton High School graduate. He is the son of Dennis S. and Sara A. Williams of Canton.

■ Timothy Bodnar of Plymouth received the Western Michigan University Academic Scholarship. He is a Plymouth-Salem High School graduate and the son of Timothy J. and Adrienne L.

Bodnar of Plymouth.

■ Lindsey M. Ikegami of Plymouth received the Western Michigan University Academic Scholarship. She is a Plymouth-Salem High School graduate. She is the daughter of Thomas N. and Phyllis A. Ikegami of Plymouth.

■ Bree A. Pastalaniec of Plymouth received the Western Michigan University Academic Scholarship. She is a Plymouth-Salem High School graduate. She is the daughter of John E. and Barbara R. Pastalaniec of Plymouth.

### SUMMER PROGRAMS

■ Anjelica Anable and Leslie Babich of Canton recently participated in the Summer Youth Program (SYP) held on Michigan Tech University's campus. The SYP introduces youth to careers and

allows them to develop new skills through laboratory, classroom, and field experiences. The program includes more than 50 one-week explorations, scheduled over four weeks. Amable is the daughter of Wise and Comfort Amable. She will be a sophomore this fall at Plymouth-Canton High School. Babich is the daughter of Vincent and Belkys Babich. She will be a senior this fall at Plymouth-Canton High School.

■ Glenn T. Burke of Plymouth was among 107 senior high school students from 34 states who completed scientific and engineering projects this summer during Operation Catapult at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Wabash, Ind. He is a senior at the University of Detroit Jesuit High School, and the son of Matthew and Victoria Sistek.

CALENDAR FORM	
<p>The Canton Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Canton Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.</p>	
Event:	
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### Human and Divine Guidance

At some time or another, everyone needs guidance. Corporate leaders of large companies, and even the president of the United States, have many advisors whom they seek when they need direction. Of course, regardless of the advice they receive, the responsibility and final decision are theirs, and they are usually held accountable for the outcome.

Seeking wise counsel and advice, along with prayer and guidance from scripture, is always a good way to deal with decisions that are a part of daily living. Many great presidents of our country, such as George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, were known to pray for guidance whenever they faced troubling issues. Asking ourselves, how would God want me to deal with this situation, and staying in His will, should help us to have peace of mind.

Whatever our position in life, we should seek both human and divine guidance, and Psalm 23 tells us that God will guide us in the path of righteousness for His name's sake.

*I have taught thee in the way of wisdom;  
I have led thee in right paths.*

K.J.V. Proverbs 4:11

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Open Daily  
Call For Hours  
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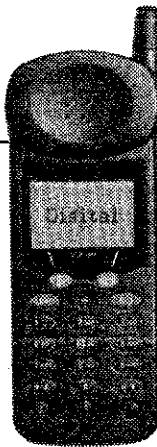
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# Teachers' aid

## 'Classy' Canton store helps the education-minded

BY TRACEY BIRKENHAUER  
STAFF WRITER

From colored cotton balls to reference books, Teach Me More offers teachers, parents and students a plethora of educational supplies.

C o - o w n e r Suzanne Tylutki-March of Livonia owns a day care in Dearborn and her sister/co-owner Lisa Reasons of Canton quit a job in the medical field to realize a life-long goal of business ownership.

Wearing a Teach Me More smock, Tylutki-March floats about the Canton Corners store at 42775 Ford Road a couple days a week. She continues to run her day care and mind the store. While it may sound impossible, she says it's pretty simple when you surround yourself with good employees.

She said everyone who works in her 4,800-square-foot store has an educational interest. Some are studying to be teachers and some are teachers.

"They know the products," she said, "because they've used them in their classrooms."

Since the store opened on June 30, store employees have encountered the same flood of faces: harried teachers looking for last-minute bulletin board supplies, parents desperate for special resource books and

gresses, Tylutki-March said.

Chalk It Up, a former Canton teacher store on Sheldon Road, closed after a couple years.

Tylutki-March said that won't be Teach Me More's fate for a multitude of reasons:

■ It's not only for teachers, it's also for parents and children.

■ It carries secondary education supplies and foreign-language materials.

■ It's bigger than many teacher stores.

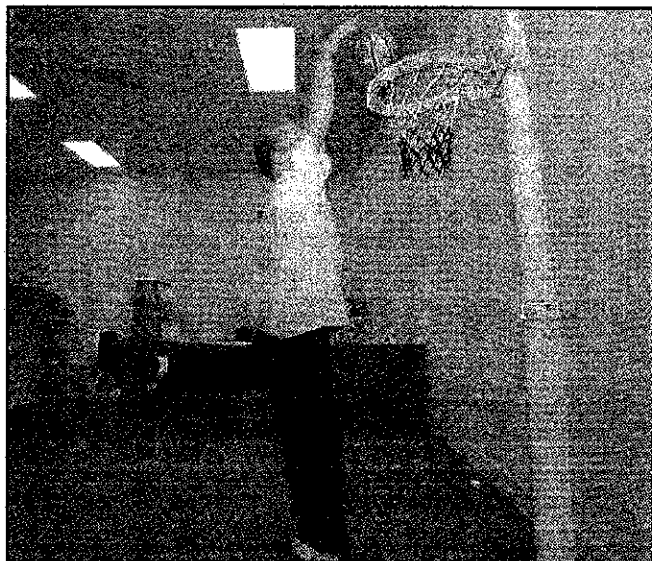
■ It boasts a play area, complete with toys and TV.

■ It features a teacher creation station, where educators can laminate materials, bind books and perform other creative tasks.

"Within two months, we're seeing the same people two to three times," she said.

Some private and parochial schools give teachers money to spend. Other educators spend their own money on supplies.

A Salem High School foreign language teacher recently purchased reference books at the new store.



**Fast break:** Matt Brewer of Canton, 10, dunks one in the back room at Teach Me More.

care-free children frolicking in the play area. Customers travel from as far as Dearborn, Detroit, Romulus and Gibraltar.

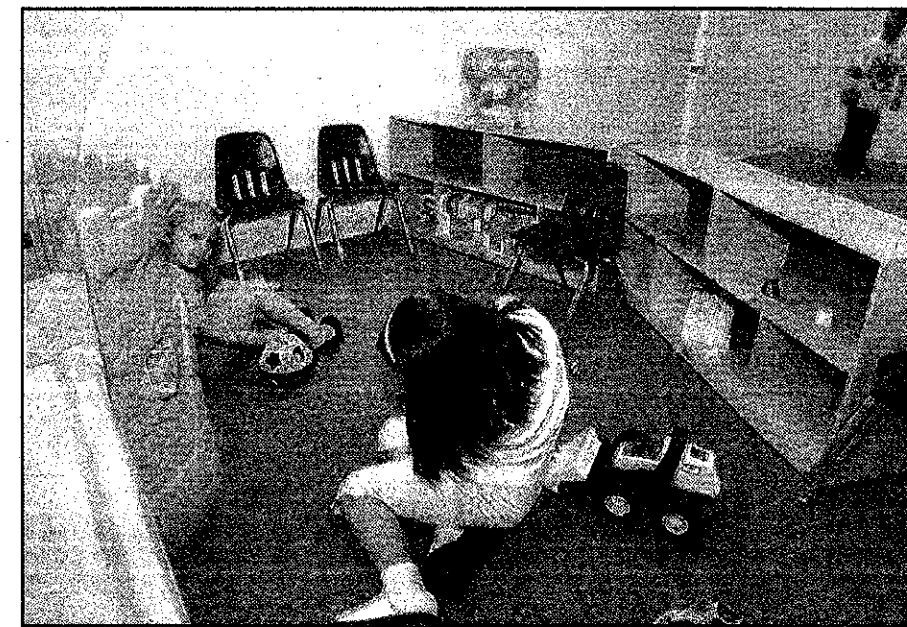
While everyone rushes for supplies before and just after school starts, sales likely will slow as the school year pro-

Please see **NEW STORE**, A10



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**School supplier:** Teach Me More owner Suzanne March stands in front of the store's aisles recently.



**Play area:** Cassie Brewer of Canton, 5, (left) and her sister Chelsea, 9, play in the back room at the store in the Canton Commons Shopping Center, which features the play area for children while parents shop.

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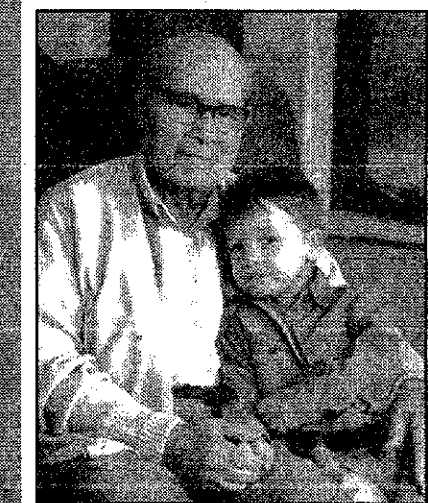
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# Ameritech cites growth, weather for slow service

By MIKE MALOTT  
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Rainy weather, economic growth and the loss of technicians due to resignations and retirement have all contributed to Ameritech's slowness in getting customers' phones back in operation when they break down, according to a response filed by the company to the Michigan Public Service Commission.

painfully aware that its current repair speed intervals are not acceptable. We are sorry for the inconvenience that some of our customers have experienced in getting their service repaired," Ameritech attorney Michael Holmes stated in the document.

The paper explains how Ameritech repairs — which on average took between 25 hours and 50 minutes and 29 hours and 14 minutes from 1996 through 1999 — jumped to 31 hours, 31 minutes in February

and to 100 hours and two minutes in July.

Actually, repairs times are even worse now. Company spokesperson Julie Balmer acknowledged that when customers in Novi recently lost their phone service, they were initially given an estimate that it would take 38 days — from Aug. 29 to Oct. 6 — to get service restored. That outage was prioritized when Ameritech realized hundreds of customers were affected, but repairs of individuals' phone

lines can indeed take a month or more, she said.

Not surprisingly, complaints against the company over slow service have jumped — 523 filed with the PSC from May through July compared to 67 for all of 1999. That led the PSC to order Ameritech to submit the improvement plan filed last week.

The PSC has also scheduled a series of public hearings across the state over the next two months to take public input on

**■ 'Ameritech Michigan is painfully aware that its current repair speed intervals are not acceptable. We are sorry for the inconvenience that some of our customers have experienced in getting their service repaired.'**

*Michael Holmes  
Ameritech.*

the problem.

The improvement document outlines Ameritech's plan for

cutting repair times to 90 hours or less by Oct. 31, 60 hours or less by Dec. 31, and 36 hours or less by the end of next March.

The plan, which Balmer said, had already been drafted and put in place before the PSC asked for it, also set a goal of average repair times of 115 hours or less by Aug. 31.

The causes of the slow response are varied. From April through July, "rainfall in Michigan was 160 percent of normal levels," Holmes stated.

Likewise, economic growth in this area had accelerated the demand for new lines and expansion of the network. Of Ameritech's 5.5 million lines to individual phones in Michigan, 22 percent were requested by customers in the last five years, according to Balmer.

Deregulation has caused some of the problem, according to Holmes. To meet its obligations setting up competing telephone companies, "Ameritech Michigan has had to assign an average of 100 network technicians per day through the summer of 2000. These technicians are the same ones that would be dispatched to repair service for Ameritech Michigan's own end users, and they are not available to perform that work," he stated.

Furthermore the company lost 10 percent of its "network services employees" in 1999 due to retirement and resignations.

"Contrary to the public statements of those who may have their own agenda to pursue, Ameritech Michigan has not laid off network technicians in recent history," Holmes stated.

That's a key point because utility watchdog organizations in Lansing say the company has been trimming its workforce to save costs. They point to financial statements filed with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission in 1998 that show that Michigan Bell's employees dropped from 16,785 in 1989 to 11,298 in 1998.

Dave Pacholczyk, spokesman for Ameritech, argues that there is no drop in employees.

"Back in 1989, all Ameritech employees in Michigan were included in this calculation. But since the advent of the business unit structure in the early '90s, thousands have been removed from the regulated portion of the ledger that are reported in these filings. Thus, today's number of Ameritech employees in Michigan is still more than 16,000 — but they're separated into various business units that are not included in this regulated component," he said.

He further contends no line technicians have been laid off or moved to other business units.

Ameritech's improvement plan calls for the hiring of "570 new network service technicians and supervisors by the end of the year, in addition to replacing those who retired in 1999."

The company will also invest \$780 million in its Michigan network this year, a 52 percent increase over last year, according to the plan.

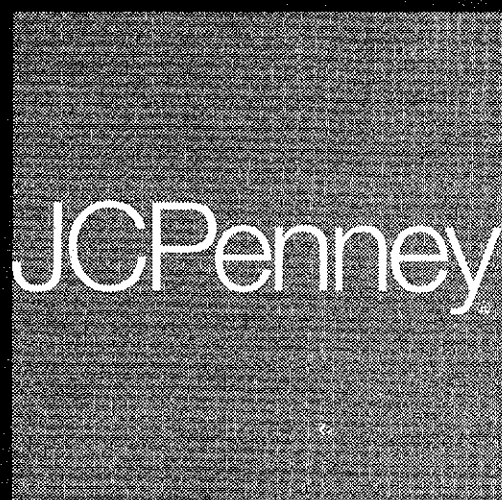
Those improvements include Repair Calls Centers at which customers can report problems, with 130 repair agents to assist customers. The first center in Lansing, will include 50 agents and be completed in November.

They also include "Project Pronto," a new service which provides "digital subscriber lines" or "DSL" on fiber optic cable to customers. Although intended to provide high speed Internet access, DSL can carry voice communications, Balmer said.

The PSC will begin hearings on Ameritech service at 9 a.m. in the commission's Lansing offices, at 6545 Mercantile Way, on Monday, Sept. 18. Five more Consumer Forums will be held this fall. The nearest locations will be in the Wyandotte City Hall Council Chambers at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3 and in the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5.

The commission will also accept written comments on the issue through Monday, Oct. 9. Written comments should be addressed to the Michigan Public Service Commission, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

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# AMPCO will retain employees at Metro parking lots

BY RICHARD PEARL  
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All of the nearly 300 parking-lot employees at Wayne County's Detroit Metropolitan Airport will be retained when AMPCO Systems Parking takes over managing the lots from APCOA at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, a union official said Wednesday.

Their supervisors are expected to be retained also, at least for a 90-day probation period, added Steve Hicks, president of Teamsters Union Local 283, which represents the workers.

Hicks said the union and AMPCO expect to begin negotiating changes to the already established contract with APCOA - which has been extended - sometime late this month or early in October.

Parking employees have complained about working conditions and other issues at Metro and "We're hoping to work through a lot of problems" via negotiations, Hicks said.

AMPCO was cleared to take over at Metro on Tuesday when Third Circuit Court Judge Paul S. Teranes denied a request by APCOA/Standard Parking Inc. for a preliminary injunction against AMPCO.

APCOA, which has operated parking at Metro since the early 1980s, claimed its reputation would suffer "irreparable harm" and that there would be harm done to parking lot employees.

But the county, represented by attorney Terence Thomas of the Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone law firm, countered that "more than 90 percent" of the employees would be hired by AMPCO, which operates out of Dallas, Tex.

Basically, said Thomas, "They failed to present to the court a reason it should stop the county from doing something the county thinks is in its best interest."

"Harm to their reputation just isn't enough."

■ 'It's been a very unpleasant chapter and now that chapter is closed, so we're going to move on.'

**Mike Duggan**  
Deputy Wayne County Executive

## In dispute

The Wayne County Commission had sought APCOA's removal last year after county Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy and County Prosecutor John O'Hair revealed that APCOA and former Ford dealer Dick McQuiston had overcharged the airport \$1 million for van leases.

APCOA says the county

allowed the overcharges because it gave no-bid contracts to relatives of county employees and officials. According to county invoices, County Executive Edward H. McNamara's brother-in-law, Louis Feys Jr., collected \$870,000 from APCOA for a no-bid contract to clean the parking structures.

APCOA, which claims its contract is good until autumn 2001,

won't appeal Teranes' decision, choosing to pursue instead its counter-suit against the county for more than \$6 million in single-business taxes, operating expenses and management fees it says it is owed.

## Hearing next year

The suit, filed in August 1999, is to come to trial after Jan. 1, 2001, according to Mayer Morganroth of Southfield, APCOA's attorney.

"They owe us for the balance of the contract and they owe us for ongoing interference," Morganroth said Wednesday. "It was a valid contract and the county interfered" with it, he said.

Deputy Wayne County Execu-

tive Mike Duggan said the administration is "very pleased" with Teranes' decision on Tuesday. "It's been a very unpleasant chapter and now that chapter is closed, so we're going to move on."

Duggan noted that both his boss, McNamara, and Ricardo Solomon, chairman of the Wayne County Commission, entered affidavits seeking APCOA's removal.

"The fact that we coordinated our strategy was a big factor in our success," Duggan said.


Solomon could not be reached for comment, but commission Vice Chair Kay Beard hailed the court's move, saying the county and the airport "has had a lot of

negative publicity because of what APCOA has done out there.

"Because of their inability to be forthright about the actual costs of running the parking system, (that) has put the county as whole in a bad light," she said, adding that was "partly what prompted the state to bring in the auditors."

A joint subcommittee of the state legislature has been auditing airport contracts and records the last several months.

"It's very obvious the (Gov. John) Engler administration wants to take it (Metro) over and we don't want to do that at all," the Westland resident said.



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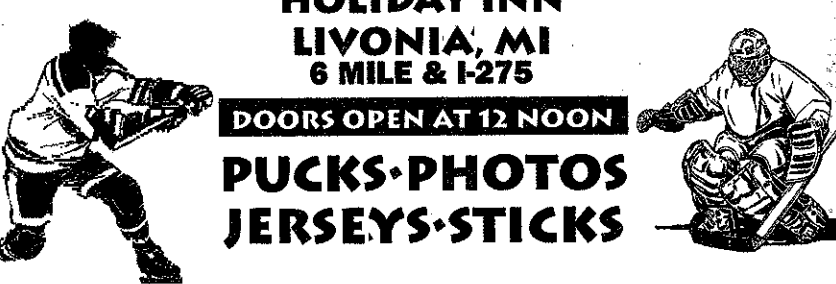
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New store from page A7

"After awhile, you get tired of subsidizing the school district," she said. She declined to give her name.

This was her first time in the store. She said she was impressed with the size and selection.

Tylutki-March said many school teachers are forced to buy their students the basics, such as pencils and pens.

"Here they're making twenty grand a year, and they have to spend that money on school supplies," she said. "It drives me

The former 11,000-square-foot store was divided for Teach Me More and its Chinese-restaurant neighbor, Garden Buffet.

nuts to think about it."

The Drapery Boutique used to occupy the strip-mall space. The former 11,000-square-foot store was divided for Teach Me More and its Chinese-restaurant neighbor, Garden Buffet.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 10:00 a.m., September 21, 2000 for the following:

AUTOMATED TARGET SYSTEM FOR THE NEW GUN RANGE

Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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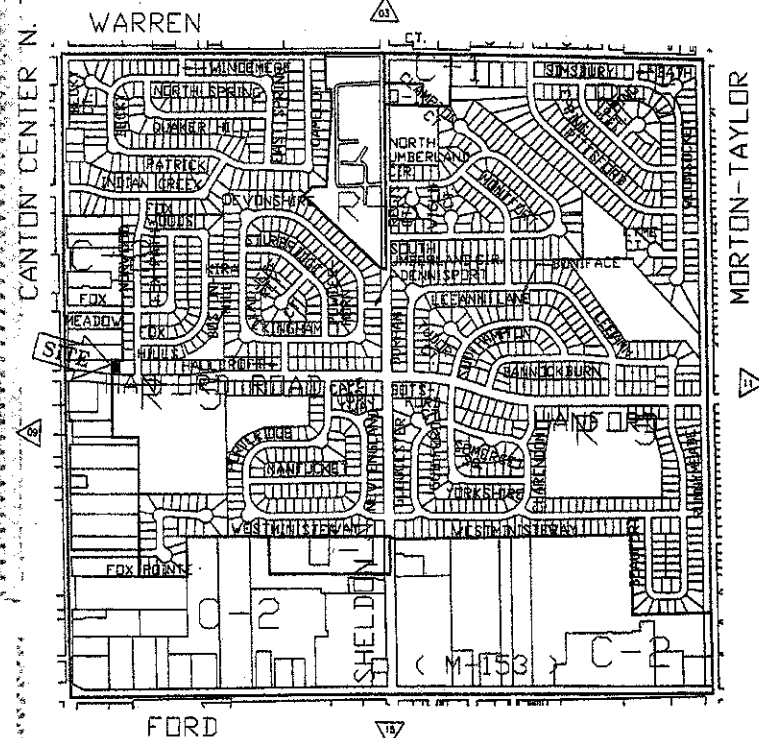
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 2, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

**ZARR/BRADLEY REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE THE EASTERN 85 FEET OF PARCEL NO. 038 99 0013 701 FROM R-5, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, TO C-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL.** Property is located on the northeast corner of Hanford and Canton Center Roads.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, September 28, 2000 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: September 7 and 24, 2000

L997213

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA September 14, 2000

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, September 14, 2000 AT 7:30 P.M.** The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Roll Call: Blaylock, Cisek, Demopoulos, Johnson, Redfern

Acceptance of Agenda

1. Jon Szutarski-SDS Wireless 29150 Buckingham Ste 2 Livonia MI 48154 representing AT & T Wireless Services 26877 Northwestern Hwy. Ste 350 Southfield, MI 48034 for property at 41705 Michigan Ave. Canton MI 48188 is requesting a variance to the Zoning Ordinance 26.03 for rear and side yard setbacks. Parcel # 137-99-0015-701 (Planning)

2. Pat and Valerie Tortorici of 1625 Ranier Blvd. Canton MI 48187 are appealing Fence Ordinance 103 Section 8D1 Partition Fences and walls, requesting a Height Variance. Parcel # 054-01-0322-002 (Building)

3. Robert Pelzel of Tony Vi Sunroom & Spas 20330 Hall Rd. Clinton Twp. MI 48038 representing Imran and Sheiha Khalil 46402 Mornington Road Canton MI 48188 are appealing Zoning Ordinance 26 Section 26.02 Schedule of Regulations for rear yard setback. Parcel #082-01-0001-000 (Building)

4. Robert and Mary Louks 40981 Westfield Circle Canton MI 48188 are appealing Zoning Ordinance 2.09, 3B and 26.02 Rear Yard setbacks regarding Screened in Porch. Parcel #094-07-0028-000 (Building)

5. A & S Development 882 Ecorse Ypsilanti MI 48198 representing Larry Boykins 1197 Wildwood Canton MI 48188 for Property at 1611 Iman Drive Creekside Villas. They are requesting a variance to Zoning Ordinance 26- Section 26.02 Height Variance of house because of high water table to include basement. Parcel # 096-08-0007-000 (5A)

6. A & S Development 882 Ecorse Ypsilanti MI 48198 representing Mohamad & Amale Miri 6140 Kendal Dearborn MI 48126 for property at 1639 Iman Drive Creekside Villas. They are requesting a variance to Zoning Ordinance 26-Section 26.02 Height Variance of house because of high water table to include basement. Parcel # 096-08-0006-000(5B) (Building)

7. Arthur Candito 44199 Harsdale Canton MI 48187 Requesting a Variance to Zoning Ordinance Article 4 - 4.15 C., Regarding Height and Square Footage requirements. Parcel # 060-04-0045-000 (Building)

(Approval of August 10 and 24, 2000 minutes)

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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L997210

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER  
tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net

A Plymouth man accused of killing and dismembering his estranged wife, then dumping her body parts in Dearborn and Ohio, will not listen to offers of a plea bargain. Instead, Azizul Islam, 50, will roll the dice and stand trial in the death of his wife, Tracy, 35, last December.

Assistant Wayne County prosecutor Michael Lehto said "nobody was interested in feelers" when asked if Islam was offered a plea bargain to a lesser charge, thereby avoiding a trial. Islam's attorney, Michael Schwartz, said he's "not at liberty to discuss that, we'll be moving full steam ahead for trial."

Jury selection in the first degree murder trial of Islam was slated to begin today in the courtroom of Judge Patricia Fressard in the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in downtown Detroit. Lehto said he expects opening arguments to be held Monday, with trial lasting approximately three weeks. The prosecution plans to call nearly 40 witnesses to the stand, double the number



FILE PHOTO

who testified in the preliminary exam held last February in the 35th District courtroom of Judge Ron Lowe. Schwartz indicated he will call a half dozen witnesses in the case.

Tracy Islam had been living in England with her sister since August 1999 after leaving her Plymouth family because of marital problems. She returned to Plymouth Dec. 16 to be with her children and finalize her divorce, with plans to return to England on Christmas Eve. However, after an argument on Dec. 19 with Azizul, she went to bed about midnight and was never

**In court:**  
*Defendant Azizul Islam (left) accompanied by attorney Michael Schwartz at an earlier court hearing.*

seen again. Her sister, Anita Ross, called Plymouth police on Christmas Day last year when Tracy wasn't on her scheduled return flight to England.

The missing person report quickly turned into a murder investigation. Arms and legs were found in a dumpster at an A&W Restaurant in Dearborn Dec. 22. A torso was found in a field southeast of Toledo Dec. 31. And during a consent search of Islam's home Jan. 7, a cadaver dog picked up a scent at the family's Roe Street home.

Heather Spillane, a Michigan State Police crime lab scientist, testified at the preliminary exam that DNA from the body parts matched a sample of blood found on Islam's basement floor, as well as residue from a toothbrush left behind by Tracy.

DNA tests concluded the body was that of Tracy Islam as the DNA matched the DNA profiles of her two children.

While locked up in a jail cell, Lt. Wayne Carroll testified Islam told him "he needed protection from bad people. I asked if he hired someone to hurt Tracy and he said 'yes.'"

The next day Carroll found Islam crying in his cell.

"He cried out, 'don't look at me, I'm a criminal. I disgraced my family. I did a bad thing,'" said Carroll.

Much of the prosecution's case rests on circumstantial evidence. An Ohio couple testified at the preliminary exam they saw a well-dressed man, of middle eastern descent, standing near a light-colored minivan in a field where the torso was found. A sales agent at Dick Scott Dodge reported renting a white minivan to Azizul Islam for about five hours. A neighbor testified he helped Islam lift something heavy into the van.

"We have a very good case," said Lehto. "The jury will have enough facts."

Schwartz continued to stress his belief Islam will be acquitted.

"I think when the jury sees the holes in the prosecution's case they will find my client not guilty," said Schwartz.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 10:00 a.m., September 21, 2000 for the following:

PURCHASE OF MUELLER BRASS WATER MATERIALS

Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening and be received by the Clerk no later than 10:00 a.m., September 21, 2000 at which time they will be opened publicly.

The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: September 7, 2000

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WESTERN TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 3:00 P.M., MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2000

Regular meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m.

Present: Thomas Yack, Kathleen Keen-McCarthy, Richard Henningsen

Agenda - adopted as presented.

Minutes of the regular meeting of July 24, 2000 - approved.

Minutes of the study session of July 31, 2000 - approved.

Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$1,262,024.79 - approved.

Operations & Maintenance Report for July 2000 - received and filed.

Operations Manager's Report for August 2000 - received and filed.

WTUA Proposed Budget, Fiscal Year 2000/01 - approved as amended, adding \$1,100 for Fund Balance Support/Upgrade Package.

Lawn Maintenance Services; Award of Contract - approval of a three (3) year contract awarded to Bill's Outdoor Care of Canton, Michigan.

Yard Waste Composting Agreement; Progress Update - received and filed.

Interceptor Connection Procedure Revisions - approved.

WTUA/YCUA Agreement Revisions - approved, pending no substantial changes following review by bond counsel and YCUA attorney.

WTUA/Townships Finance and Service Agreement - approved agreement and directed the Operations Manager and WTUA Attorney to present the agreement to the individual township Boards in September, 2000 for their approval.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

THOMAS J. YACK, Chairman

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST FOR INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

E & E MANUFACTURING - 2000 PROJECT NO. 2

This is to give notice that the Plymouth City Commission will hold a hearing on a request for Issuance of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate at its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 18, 2000. The public is invited to provide comments or other information on this request, either in writing or in person, at this hearing.

The request is from E & E Manufacturing, 300/400 Industrial Drive and 800 Plymouth Road, Plymouth, Michigan, regarding the following property:

**TAX ID #49-007-99-0002-000:** THAT PART OF THE SW ¼ OF SEC 25 DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT DISTANT W 88D 21M E ALONG THE E AND W ¼ SECTION LINE 80 FT AND S 1D 39M W 724.86 FT AND S 89D 51M 50 SEC E 400.14 FT AND N 1D 39M E 485.95 FT AND S 88D 39M 10 SEC E 84.40 FT FROM THE W ¼ CORNER OF SEC 25 AND PROCEEDING TH S 88D 39M 10 SEC E 320 FT TH S 1D 20M 50SEC W 250 FT TH N 88D 39M 10SEC W 320 FT TN N 1D 20M 50SEC E 250 FT TO THE POB 1.84 ACRES; and

**TAX ID #49-007-99-004-000:** PART OF SW ¼ SEC 25 T18R8E BEG S 88D 21M E 80 FT AND S 1D 39M W 724.86 FT AND S 89D 51M 50S E 400.14 FT AND N 1D 39M E 485.95 FT AND S 88D 39M 10S E 30 FT FROM W ¼ CORNER OF SEC 25 TH N 1D 42M 48S E 254 FT TH S 88D 39M 10S E 373.08 FT TH S 1D 20M.50S W 254 FT TH N 88D 39M 10S W 374.70 FT TO THE POB 2.18 ACRES; and

**TAX ID #49-007-99-0007-700:** PART OF NW ¼ OF SEC 25 T18R8E BEG AT A POINT S 88D 21M 80FT AND N 01D 39M E 172.77 FT FROM NW ¼ COR OF SEC 25, TH N 01D 39M 3 442.12FT, TH S 73D 17M 40S E 414.22 FT, TH S 01D 39M W 334.73FT, TH N 88D 21M W 400FT TO POB, EXC N 60FT ALSO EXC E 30FT THEREOF;

The Certificate would allow tax abatement on new manufacturing equipment. The cost of the project is estimated to be \$1,600,000. The Certificate would result in abatement of one-half (1/2) of the property taxes which would otherwise be levied on the estimated additional State Equalized Valuation of \$800,000, for a maximum period of twelve (12) years.

This notice is given pursuant to the Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Districts Act (P.A. 1974, No. 198, as amended - MCLA 207.551 et. seq.), which provides that the legislative body of each taxing unit which levies ad valorem property taxes in the City of Plymouth shall be notified of a request for issuance of a IFE Certificate, and shall be given an opportunity for a hearing before the City takes action on the request.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC, City Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley, ADA Coordinator  
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road  
Canton, MI 48188  
(734) 397-5435

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

REQUEST FOR INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE SKYWAY PRECISION

This is to give notice that the Plymouth City Commission will hold a hearing on a request for issuance of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate at its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 18, 2000. The public is invited to provide comments or other information on this request, either in writing or in person, at this hearing.

The request is from Skyway Precision, 41225 Plymouth Road, Plymouth, Michigan, regarding the following property:

**TAX ID #49-007-99-0001-701: 25A1A**  
PT OF W ¼ SEC 25 T18R8E DESC AS BEG N1DEG 22M 30S E 637.25FT AND S730DEG 17M 40S E 91C.87 FT FROM W ¼ COR SEC 25 TH S730EG 17M 40S E 454.22FT TH S1DEG 20M 50S W 545.74FT TH N88DEG 39M 10S W 438FT TH N1DEG 20M 50S E 666.04FT TO POB EXC THE NLY AND ELY 60 FT THEREOF WHICH ARE PLYMOUTH AND HAGGERTY ROADS 4.69AC

The Certificate would allow tax abatement on new 12,000 SQ. ft addition which would be constructed between 2 existing structures, Skyway's manufacturing building and Skyway's warehouse building. The total cost of the project would be \$485,000. The maximum period of tax abatement to be twelve (12) years.

This notice is given pursuant to the Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development Districts Act (P.A. 1974, No. 198, as amended - MCLA 207.551 et.seq.), which provides that the legislative body of each taxing unit which levies ad valorem property taxes in the City of Plymouth shall be notified of a request for issuance of a IFT Certificate, and shall be given an opportunity for a hearing before the City takes action on the request.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC, City Clerk

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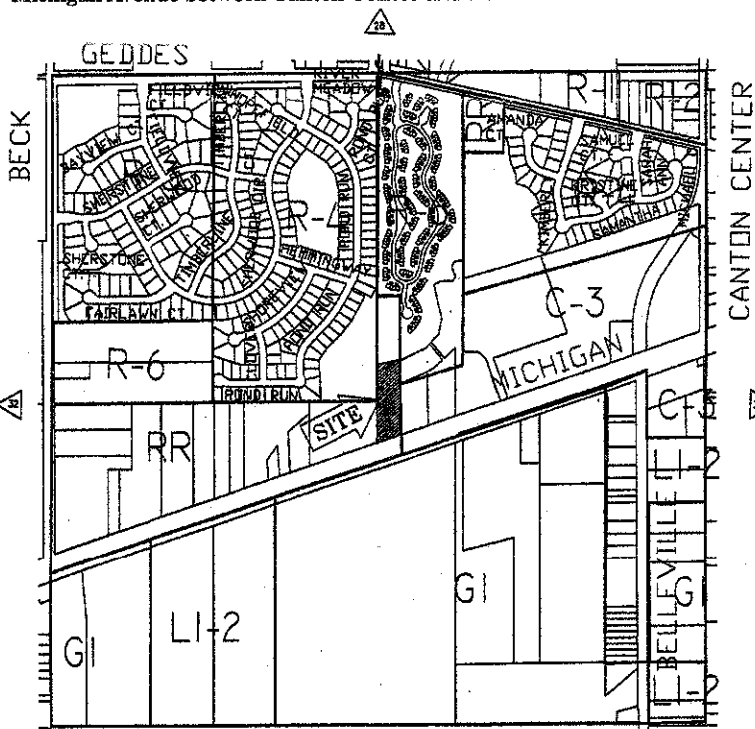
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 2, 2000 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

**MICHAELUK REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PART OF PARCEL NO. 129 99 0009 000 (APPROXIMATELY 2 ACRES SOUTH OF THE SINES DRAIN) FROM RR, RURAL-RESIDENTIAL, TO C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL.** Property is located on the north side of Michigan Avenue between Canton Center and Beck Roads.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, September 28, 2000 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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# DNR offers full slate for fall

The state Department of Natural Resources invites you to take part in several programs offered this fall at Maybury State Park in Northville Township.

For all events, children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Bird Hikes:** Maybury State Park hosts bird identification hikes throughout the year. These hikes give people a chance to observe bird species seen in the park and record dates, locations and trends from year to year. Each hike begins at 8 a.m. and lasts one to two hours. The hikes are open to all, regardless of birding experience. Dress for the weather and bring binoculars if you have them. The fall schedule includes:

■ **Saturday, Sept. 9:** Meet at the Concession Building in the main parking lot on Eight Mile, one mile west of Beck.

■ **Saturday, Oct. 14:** Meet at the riding stable parking area on Beck, one-quarter mile south of Eight Mile.

**Annual Honey Harvest:** Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 9-10, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The beekeeper extracts this year's honey crop. Continuous demonstrations are offered from each day in the Farm Demonstration Building.

**Horsedrawn Hayrides:** Beginning Sept. 9, Maybury Farm is featuring horsedrawn hayrides each Saturday and Sunday, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., through October. For a small per-person fee, the entire family can take an

autumn ride through the farm countryside at Maybury, weather permitting.

**Autumn Night Hike:** Saturday, Sept. 23, 7:30 p.m. Meet for an exploration of Maybury State Park after dark. Constellations will be identified, if the sky is clear. Meet at the Farm Demonstration Building.

**10th Annual Harvest Festival:** Sunday, Oct. 8, noon to 4 p.m. The day's events feature a number of programs and activities including cider pressing, blacksmithing, grain processing, wool spinning, herb crafting, hayrides and a children's activity area. Most activities are free, except for a small charge for the hayrides. Refreshments will be available.

**Fall Color Hike:** Saturday, Oct. 14, 1 p.m. Join the park interpreter for a look at the season's changes. The group will hike through field and forest in search of signs of fall. Meet at the Concession Building.

Please call the park in advance to confirm dates and times of an event. A \$20 annual motor vehicle permit or \$4 daily permit is required for entry into any Michigan State Park or Recreation Area.

Maybury State Park is on Eight Mile, one mile west of Beck, in Northville Township. The park is open daily from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m.

For more information, call (248) 349-8390.

## OBITUARIES

### NOBLE D. WALTON

Services for Noble D. Walton, 86, of Ash Flat, Ariz., were held Sept. 5 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. Jeffrey R. Noble officiating. Burial was at United Memorial Gardens in Superior Township.

Mr. Walton was born Jan. 14, 1914, in Steel, Mo., and died Aug. 28 in Union City, Tenn. He was a former Plymouth resident. He lived in Ash Flat, Ariz., for the last 5-1/2. He retired from Standard Tube in Livonia in 1975. He worked as an electrician. He enjoyed wood-working and wood crafts and gardening.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Eva Walton; son, John Dee Walton; father, Joseph A. Walton; mother, Ether L. Walton; three brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include his son, Ronald D. Walton of Ash Flat, Ariz.; one daughter, Wanda S. (Paul) LaCroix of Ash Flat, Ariz.; daughter-in-law, Velinda Walton of Canton; four sisters, Mable Sile of Sonoma, Calif., Martha Caporosso of Plymouth, Thelma Peatee of St. John and Nellie Butler of Nashville, Tenn.; four brothers, Wesley of Hornbeak, Tenn., Joseph of Ridgely, Tenn., Allen of Northville; and Henry of

Ash Flat, Ariz.; 12 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor Road, Canton, MI 48187.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

### WILLIAM D. HORNBECK

Services for William D. Hornbeck, 81, of Plymouth were held Sept. 6 at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Peter Harris officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Hornbeck was born Dec. 19, 1918, in Central Lake, Mich., and died Sept. 3 in Ann Arbor. He worked for American Airlines in the freight department for 31 years. He came to the Plymouth community in 1961 from Ypsilanti. He served in the U. S. Army during World War II. He loved to do yard work and take long car rides to see the countryside. He loved to travel. He was a loving husband, brother, uncle and friend.

He is survived by his wife, Veneta of Plymouth; two sisters, Elizabeth Hamilton of Milan and Laura Bullock of Milan; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the

Plymouth VFW, 1426 S. Mill St., Plymouth, MI 48170.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

### CHARLIE EVERETT MILLER

Services for Charlie Everett Miller, 79, of Plymouth were held Sept. 5 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. G. Charles Sonquist officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mr. Miller was born on Feb. 21, 1921, in Paducah, Ky., and died Sept. 2 in Ann Arbor. He lived in Plymouth for 50 years. He was a member of VFW Post #6695 of Plymouth and the American Legion Post of Westland. He served during World War II in the Army and Air Force. He received two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Medal during his service. He was the past owner/operator of Charles Miller Plumbing and Heating. He married his wife, Catherine, on May 3, 1943.

He was preceded in death by his father, Rupert Miller, and mother, Sarah E. Miller.

Survivors include his wife, Catherine A. Miller of Plymouth; two sons, Carl (Stephanie) Miller of Whittier, Calif., and Craig (Charisse) Miller of Canton; one daughter, Chari (Gregory) Dela-

tore of Plymouth; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Veterans Administration Hospital, 2215 Fuller Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

### CAROL ANN HUDGENS

Services for Carol Ann Hudgens, 55, of Canton will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 9 at St. Michael Catholic Church, 11441 Hubbard in Livonia with the Rev. Alberto Bondy officiating. Burial will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mrs. Hudgens was born on March 12, 1945, in Detroit, and died Sept. 3 in Detroit.

She was preceded in death by her father, Stanley Belian.

Survivors include her husband, George Hudgens I; one son, George Hudgens II; one daughter, Diana Johnson; her mother, Edra Belian; one sister, Diane Krieg; and one grandchild.

Memorials may be made to Wayne State University Brain Tumor Research Fund, Attn: G.R. Barger M.D., Dept. of Neurology, 8D-UHC, 4201 St. Antoine, Detroit, MI 48201.

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## Yack's plan for marking King Day comes up short

Last week's recommendation by Canton Supervisor Tom Yack against a paid township holiday on Martin Luther King Day didn't exactly take us by surprise. The low-key approach taken by township officials since the issue came up earlier this summer was as good an indicator as any of where things were headed.

Still, we are disappointed at the administration's timidity and a more than bit perplexed over the reasons given for the road taken. And we wonder about the message Canton leaders are sending when a municipal government that has been ahead of the curve on most issues seems painfully behind the times on something as sensitive as race relations.

Yack, in an "executive summary" to the board during last Tuesday's study session, stopped short of seeking a King holiday, which had been advocated by a pair of local ministers. Instead, he recommended appointment of a separate commission to determine how the township should mark King's birthday, which is celebrated as a federal holiday on the third Monday in January. The panel would:

- Perform educational, counseling and advisory roles in the area of civil rights and encourage harmonious relationships between individuals and groups, and discourage prejudice or discrimination against any individual because of race, color, creed, national origin or ancestry;

- Be charged with the responsibility of recommending to township administration appropriate activities to commemorate the life and teachings of King.

While we don't want to throw cold water on Yack's call for further dialogue on the issue, it simply doesn't go far enough.

The Observer notes that a full holiday for Martin Luther King Day – closing municipal offices and offering a paid day off to township employees – is hardly a novelty. In addition to the federal holiday and the observance in most large cities, a number of nearby communities close for its observance. In western Wayne County they include Westland, Belleville,

Northville, Romulus, Van Buren Township and Sumpter Township.

Many of America's leading private companies give employees a paid holiday as well. The list includes the Big Three auto companies, Coca Cola and Time Warner.

Perhaps just as troubling as the administration's refusal to recommend a paid holiday is the justification offered up by Yack that too many holidays have lost their significance. The township doesn't mark President's Day or Columbus Day with a holiday, he noted. Good Friday is another example where some abuse time off, not using it as it was intended.

The Observer isn't sure who made the township supervisor the arbiter of holiday observance or when it became part of the job description, but we'll reread our township charter in case we missed something.

In the meantime, we note that comparing holidays of this nature is inherently unfair. And it often leads to a kind of stilted reasoning that everyone would be better off without (e.g. Hanukkah is the "Jewish Christmas," Ramadan is the Muslim equivalent of Easter).

Martin Luther King Day needs to be dealt with for its own merits, of which there are many, and, we hasten to add, those merits are certainly relevant to life in Canton. You'd think that would be a no-brainer in a community where diversity is readily apparent during a walk down any neighborhood street or a visit to any local school.

The township board will vote on the issue at a future date, so there's still time for a change of heart. The Observer would like to think sudden enlightenment on the issue isn't out of reach, although we note board members don't often stray from the course laid out by the supervisor.

Tom Yack's cry that official recognition of a King holiday would be "symbolism without substance" has it backward. Canton trustees should do the substantive thing and close down the administration building on Monday, Jan. 15, 2001.

## Canton drivers take note: School year is under way

The school year has begun, and AAA Michigan and the Observer remind motorists to drive with extra care to help ensure the safety of children traveling to and from school.

AAA's annual School's Open – Drive Carefully campaign alerts motorists to the special risks to school-age children from motor vehicle fatalities – the No. 1 cause of injury deaths nationwide for children ages 5 to 18. Last year, 104 children under age 16 lost their lives in traffic accidents in Michigan, and 11,208 were injured.

"During the summer months, drivers forget about school kids, bus stops and crossing zones," said Jerry Basch, AAA Michigan Community Safety Services manager. "We are urging people, especially drivers who are dropping kids off at school, to pay extra attention to children around schools and buckle up all passengers to avoid a serious incident."

Last year, 35 children under the age of 16 were killed as pedestrians and 1,044 were injured in Michigan. Nearly 30 percent of these casualties happened at non-intersection locations, often caused by children running across the street while not paying attention to oncoming vehicles.

Children are at risk because of their lack of experience in traffic situations and their limited physical and psychological development. The family and school must protect and teach to prevent these incidents, and motorists must be on guard to compensate for errors by children in traffic.

To help avoid these dangers, AAA School Safety Patrol members are using extra caution when guiding classmates across the street. More than 1,300 schools in Michigan operate an AAA-sponsored school safety patrol, and about 40,000 safety patrolers participate in the

program.

To help protect children, AAA urges motorists to follow these safety tips:

- Slow down in or near school and residential areas.

- Drive with your headlights on – even during the day – so children and other drivers can see you.

- Look for clues such as School Safety Patrols, bicycles, and playgrounds that indicate children could be in the area.

- Scan between parked cars and other objects where children could dart into the road.

- Practice extra caution in bad weather.

- Always stop for school buses that are loading or unloading students.

- Your best protection to avoid a fatal mistake is to slow down.

- Every mile per hour you reduce your speed allows you greater reaction time. This could be the difference between life and death for a child who unexpectedly darts across a street.

Like drivers, children must also pay careful attention to rules, signal, and signs. Safety tips for youngsters include:

- Look both ways and over your shoulder before crossing the street.

- Cross the road only where there are crosswalks or at corners designed for crossing.

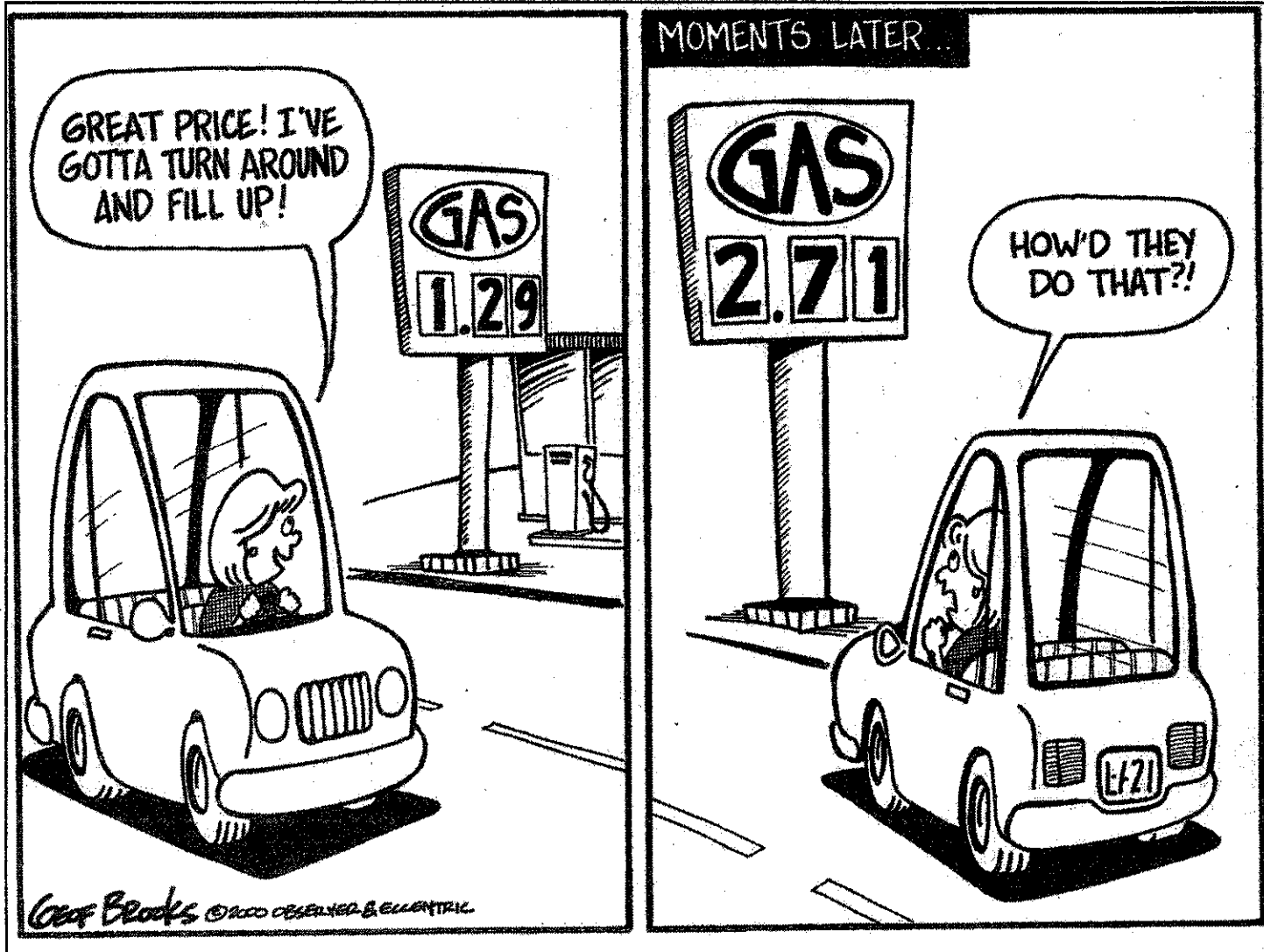
- Obey the adult school crossing guard and the AAA School Safety Patrol.

- Walk, never run, when crossing the street.

- Wait for the school bus in your assigned location, well off the roadway.

- Arrive on time at the bus stop or when walking your designated route.

Whether it's the beginning, middle, or end of the school year, motorists and children should always remember to put safety first.



## LETTERS

### ■ Inaction distressing

Several weeks ago, The Rev. Bryan Smith of Geneva Presbyterian Church, The Rev. Joe Stevenson of New Liberty Baptist Church, a representative of the NAACP and several Canton residents addressed the Canton township Board of Trustees requesting that Canton follow the lead of the federal government and countless local governments nationwide and observe the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by declaring it a township holiday – a paid day off for township employees.

This past Tuesday night (Aug. 29) the board addressed the matter for action. During the discussion it was repeatedly stated by board members that to institute a Martin Luther King holiday would be an act of putting "symbolism over substance." I agree with the board that empty symbolism is meaningless at best. And the substance I would hope to see expressed in a Martin Luther King observance would be the things that Dr. King himself stood for: equality, integrity, kinship, peace, harmony, respect and love. Those are values, unfortunately, that I did not see embodied in the actions, words and attitudes of township board members on Tuesday night.

At the initial meeting, the board assured those of us present that it would take our request seriously, that the request for a Martin Luther King holiday would be presented and acted upon, and that those of us who signed our names and addresses on a list (at the invitation of the township clerk) would be notified when that action would take place so we could be present. The board followed through on none of those assurances. The request for a holiday was never brought up for a vote. Instead the recommendation was made that a Human Relations Commission be established to address cultural, religious and racial diversity issues within the community. Only two of at least nine people who signed the list were notified that the issue would be discussed this past Tuesday. The representative from the NAACP was among those who were not notified.

I was personally more distressed by the values and attitudes I saw represented at that meeting than by the refusal to honor our request. They were far removed from the values that would have been applauded by Dr. King. There was isolationism in the decision to do what is "right for our community" and ignore the opportunity to build healing bridges with the greater community to which we all belong. There was arrogance in the attitude that the all-white Township Board knows better than African-Americans, who have suffered racism first hand, what is healing and helpful to them. There was selfishness in the attitude that the people of Canton are more concerned with keeping their "goods and services" uninterrupted than in honoring a person who is hailed worldwide as a champion of all who have been marginalized because of race, creed, color, nationality, age or gender, and who sacrificed his life as a result. There was a lack of integrity in the failure to follow through on promises to notify those of us who were present at the earlier meeting when the board would take action. There was racism expressed in statements made by Trustee Melissa McLaughlin. At on point she compared Canton to Detroit saying "At least WE love OUR children enough to put our money where our mouth is. WE keep

OUR children safe and well fed and provide books and pencils and supplies for their education.

If you want to know what is in a community's heart, just look at the symbols that permeate its life. Watch what is celebrated and mourned there. Observe what that community is willing to sacrifice for, where time, money and energy are spent. Canton Township has rejected the opportunity to raise up a symbol of peace, healing and racial harmony in its community life. It has decided that the sacrifice of one day a year of reduced "goods and services" is too high a price to pay. A township that spends a great deal of money celebrating our nation's freedom on the Fourth of July has not seen fit to spend and estimated \$40,000 – way less than \$1 per resident – to celebrate the freedom of its persecuted minorities and to declare its intent that no further persecution take place. The Township Board has indeed revealed something of "substance" in the rejection of this symbol. I can only hope that what was revealed is not representative of the heart of the community as a whole. I can only hope that Canton's churches, families, neighborhoods, schools and businesses will take it upon themselves to do what their government has refused to do and proclaim in symbol and substance its commitment to racial harmony.

**Cindy Thomas**  
Canton

(Editor's note: The Aug. 29 meeting was a board study session, at which votes aren't taken. The board will vote on the issue at a future date.)

### ■ Seeing larger picture

Inez Fleming Giles is an African-American woman who has conducted anti-racism workshops around the country for years. In a recent publication, Giles shared that she has become disappointed and frustrated with "all these different little task forces and work groups organized mostly because people need to feel that they're trying to make the effort – exercises that Giles says are usually fruitless and produce absolutely nothing" (Presbyterian Today, September 2000, p. 16). Having listened to the Canton Board of Trustees discuss making Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday a township holiday, I know something of this frustration and disappointment that Giles speaks of.

The board was asked by myself and several other members of the community to consider making Dr. King's birthday a holiday. Attempts were made by many people to express how taking this step would be a wonderful way for Canton to state that it is both sensitive and responsive to the concerns of people of color both in the township and in the larger metro community. An African-American clergyman shared an incident of being the recipient of racist behavior by a Canton police officer and eloquently spoke of how making Dr. King's birthday a holiday would help heal the racial divisions in this area. A representative of the NAACP also spoke to the board of why this issue isn't just about having another day off; it's about committing to Dr. King's vision of having a society where people are not discriminated against because of the color of their skin.

After receiving this input, the proposal to make Dr. King's birthday a holiday was not even brought up for a vote. Instead, the board decided to create one of those work groups that Giles spoke about. By doing so, the board gave the appearance of being

responsive to racial issues while still saying "no" to the request that was presented. The board articulated that creating the "Human Relations commission" was actually a matter of choosing substance over symbolism, that making Dr. King's birthday a holiday would actually be an exclusive act, and that the last thing the world needs is another meaningless holiday. To hear an all-white board telling members of the African-American community that creating this work group was actually a more substantive act than the request to make Dr. King's birthday a holiday left me absolutely flabbergasted. I thought of what Dr. King himself experienced when he would articulate a request for some action by city governments that would help promote racial healing. Instead of granting the request, those in power would always suggest a more "enlightened" and "substantive" alternative.

In making its recommendation, the township board noted that the recommendation to create the Human Relations Commission "is a recommendation that makes sense for our community, not what others would find appropriate for us." Such a statement shows a complete lack of understanding of what Dr. King himself was all about. In his "Letter from Birmingham Jail," Dr. King wrote, "I am cognizant of the interrelatedness of all communities and states...Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly. Never again can we afford to live with the narrow, provincial 'outside agitator' idea." In speaking of "our" community and referring to the input of "others" (i.e. those who are not "us") the township board demonstrates this narrow, provincial view of community that Dr. King opposed.

The request for the holiday was an attempt to help build bridges not just to people of color in Canton, but to people of all colors and creeds in the metro Detroit area. The request itself was based on the principle that Dr. King pointed out, that what Canton does directly affects others indirectly. And sadly, the affect offered by its choosing to deny making Dr. King's birthday a holiday is to promote racial division and distrust in the larger community of which Canton is a part.

**Bryan Smith, pastor**  
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# Budget proposal includes airport audit money

BY RICHARD PEARL  
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The Wayne County Commission and its auditor general are waiting to see what County Executive Edward H. McNamara will do with the general operating budget the commission sent to him.

The county exec has until Sept. 11 to reject or approve the \$513.8 million budget – which is the same amount requested from the commission by McNamara, but which includes \$150,000 for Auditor General Brendan Dunleavy to do some auditing at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

The commission approved its version of the budget on Aug. 31. The budget takes effect Oct. 1.

The county executive branch has opposed having Dunleavy's staff on hand at the airport because the AG's office is a branch of the county commission – the county's legislative branch.

However, the airport administration – part of the executive branch – has told state legislators it would pay for any outside auditing firm familiar with such audits that the state selects.

McNamara's office did not respond by press time to a request for comment.

Commission Vice Chairwoman Kay Beard, expressing some con-

fidence McNamara will approve the budget, said she was "pleased" to see the \$150,000 included for airport auditors. "I'm only sorry we weren't able to accomplish that sooner," she said.

She and other sources indicated the amount – which would not put a full-time auditor on the premises – would be acceptable to McNamara, particularly in light of ongoing investigations of airport finances and contracts being conducted by a state legislative subcommittee.

Beard hailed the "full cooperation" between the county's executive and legislative branches. It

is good that "both branches will be able to work together on this (auditing of airport finances) because it is very important" in light of apparent interest in taking over airport operations as indicated by the administration of Gov. John Engler, she said.

The commission approved the budget by a 9-3 vote. Commissioner Kathleen Husk, R-Redford Township, joined Democrats Edward A. Boike of Taylor and Susan Hubbard of Dearborn in opposition on the 15-member commission.

Three Democrat commissioners – Detroiters Bernard Parker and Alisha Bell and Christopher Cavanagh of Grosse Pointe –

were absent.

Voting in favor besides Beard, D-Westland, were commissioners Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia; John J. Sullivan, D-Wayne; and Detroit Democrats Robert B. Blackwell, George Cushingberry Jr., Joseph Palamara and Ilona Varga, as well as Chairman Ricardo Solomon and Vice Chairwoman Pro Tempore Jewel Ware, both Detroit Democrats.

Husk said she voted no "because we did not budget enough" to put two full-time auditors at the airport for the entire year.

"We need to provide the auditor general's office with the

resources necessary to fulfill his obligation to the people," she said. "We need to clean up airport operation."

She said the auditor's office "is shortchanged" by about half the amount needed. What would be funded under the new budget would only do "a few audits for the year," she said, but added, "At least it's a beginning."

She also sided with Hubbard that the commission's legal counsel needs to add two staff attorneys.

Boike opposed the budget because it showed no reduction in taxes – a commission objective this year.

## Court program helps divorcing parents improve family skills

BY KRISTA HOPSON  
STAFF WRITER

Single, divorced or separated parents now have the chance to improve their parenting skills while going through a divorce or child custody case with two family educational programs offered by Wayne County's Third District Court.

The "Kids First" and "Mom and Dad: We Need You Too" programs not only focus on effective parenting and children in divorce cases, but they also inform parents about custody

and court processes.

David Manville, community liaison specialist at the Third District Court and the programs' instructor, said over the years, he has found that many parents are unprepared both for the court process and their child's reaction to a divorce or custody case.

"Nobody gets married to get divorced," said Manville, who has been with the court for 12 years. "Once (parents) separate they need to build new family traditions and focus on their

kids."

The "Kids First" program, which began in 1993, concentrates on divorced and separated parents. Parents are shown videos and are involved in discussions that look at divorce from a child's point of view and also how to deal with the other parent.

"You don't have to be friends or even like the other parent, but you need a civil relationship when dealing with your kids," Manville said.

For attending, parents get a

certificate along with pamphlets on building self-esteem after a divorce for both parents and children. An average of 20-30 parents have attended the weekly classes in the last six months.

The program is 1-3 p.m. every Friday on the third floor in the jury room of the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center in Detroit. The program also meets once a month out in the community. The next community meeting is 6:30-9 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 13, at the Allen Park City Center.

"Mom and Dad: We Need You Too" takes a different approach by offering parenting classes to never married parents. Never married parents differ from divorced parents, Manville said, because they have never lived together and have more difficulty managing time with the child.

"It promotes the importance of two parents in a child's life," Manville said. "It really takes two parents to raise a child effectively."

The class, which began in July 1999, is once a month and the

next meeting is 6:30-9 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 12, at the Focus Hope Resource Center at 1355 Oakland Blvd. Parents do not have to pre-register and they are asked not to bring their children.

Both programs are offered at no cost to the parents and have had a 92 percent positive feedback from those who have attended, Manville said.

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# County's size, growth rate spurred decision to 'go daily'

This week is a big one for HomeTown Communications Network, the parent company of the newspaper you are reading today.

We've been in business since 1965, publishing weekly and twice-weekly newspapers that serve hometowns all across Michigan. Up to now, we've never published a daily newspaper, mostly because we had no evidence our readers and advertisers wanted local news and information on a daily basis.

But this week marks the first issue of The Livingston County Daily Press & Argus. The paper will be delivered to all subscribers of our twice-weekly newspapers, The Livingston County Press and The Brighton Argus, weekdays in the

afternoon and Sunday mornings before 6:30 a.m. It will be the first new daily newspaper started in Michigan in nearly 50 years and one of the few daily start-ups nationally in several decades.

So why did we decide to do it? Our own company philosophy pushed us. Our fundamental purposes for being in business – to enhance the lives of our readers, to nurture the hometowns we serve and to contribute to the business success of our advertisers – suggested an approach to newspapering quite unlike that of our big city daily newspaper competition. The Daily Press & Argus will be Livingston County's own newspaper, the mirror to and the voice for people who live there.

Our readers and advertisers urged us. Readers told us they wanted more local news more quickly than our twice-weekly publication schedule has allowed us to deliver in the past. Advertisers said they wanted an efficient, flexible, inexpensive advertising medium to help them communicate with their target audience of local residents every day of the week.

But it was the facts of Livingston County today that convinced us:

■ Today, Livingston County is the most rapidly growing county in Michigan – triple the rate of Oakland County! A county growing this fast needs a local newspaper to report the news from a hometown point of view and to advocate the concerns of local residents.

■ Livingston County is big, with more than 150,000 people living in nearly 50,000 residences throughout the county. In fact, Livingston County is the largest county in Michigan without its own daily newspaper. When we announced our decision to go daily, a lot of people told us, "Well, it's about time."

■ Livingston County today ranks first in median household income among all Michigan counties. This finding may surprise some who have assumed the county to be mainly rural, the way it was 30 years ago. They've overlooked the unique combination of small town atmosphere and full amenities that are attracting so many prosperous families to Livingston life today.

We found the combination of factors overwhelmingly persuasive. And so we have started a new daily newspaper. It's a big step and, I admit, a little scary.

But it's a step entirely consistent with the way we have conducted our business for 35 years. We want our hometown newspapers to be the essential tool for our readers and their families to lead

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the good life in their own hometowns.

That means we try to report the news from a local perspective, take editorial positions that represent the interests of the communities we serve and always be responsive to the needs and interests of our readers. Our purpose is to put out newspapers that are useful and relevant to the daily lives of our readers; we call it "news you can use."

I hope this newspaper lives up to this standard. If you agree, please tell me and I'll pass your comments on to the staff. If you don't, please don't hesitate to contact me and I'll try to find ways to make changes.

**Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@homecomm.net**



Mike Malott

## Yet another race bears watching in state elections

Gee, what happened? All of a sudden, election year politics is getting interesting. After several years of rather uninteresting contests, all of a sudden there are runoffs worth watching all over the Michigan landscape.

It starts at the top of the ticket. Al Gore has managed to make a horse race out of a presidential campaign that, until just a few weeks ago, looked like a slam dunk for George Dubya. And Michigan is in the unusual position of being one of a handful of states likely to make a difference in the outcome.

There are of course the important U.S. Senate and U.S. House races. Debbie Stabenow is looking to bump off Republican incumbent Spence Abraham, a contest getting a lot of attention. And then there is the Mike Rogers-Dianne Byrum contest for the 8th Congressional District in Livingston, Genesee, Washtenaw and Ingham counties. The seat, previously held by Stabenow, is up for grabs and the contest is getting national attention. With Democrats looking to make gains in Congress, here's one the GOP could snatch away, putting the majority one seat further out of reach.

Even Michigan's Supreme Court contest is heated this year.

But don't overlook the contest for control of the Michigan House of Representatives. If Democrats could pick up just four seats there, they would wrest control of that chamber away from the Republicans. Sound unreasonable in a state so dominated by the GOP at this level? Think again.

A quick glance at the races shows Democrats threatening to steal away eight seats from the GOP. Of course, Republicans are threatening to take seven more seats back from Democrats.

The upshot is that 15 seats are up in the air when it would take only four to alter the balance of power.

Don't underestimate the importance of this. With Republicans in control of the governor's mansion as well as both chambers of the state Legislature, Democrats have been largely relegated to playing speed-bump politics – at best, they can try to slow those party pachyderms down at bit.

And it has been most notable on issues like permits to carry concealed weapons, where it took a public outcry to get Republicans to rethink their plan to make permits more available. Other issues that have gone badly for Democrats include residency requirements and the proposal to take over Detroit schools. Attempts to curtail the powers of the attorney general, the only statewide post held by a Democrat, have been narrowly averted.

Polling at the state House level is hard to come by, but one has been conducted. It's called the primary election. No, perhaps it isn't as scientifically accurate as the national Harris polls. Yes, it is a flawed indicator. But it is still an indicator. And a close look at how the results came out shows some interesting things.

The Republican hold on a number of districts is precarious at best.

In incumbent Republican Laura Toy's 19th district in Livonia, Democratic challenger Michael Sullivan actually got more votes in the primary, 3,669 compared to her 2,059. Even if she picked up the 653 votes cast for another Republican, she'd still fall short.

Bruce Patterson, the incumbent Republican in Plymouth, fell short of the 3,594 votes cast for Democratic challenger Mickey Walsh. Patterson got only 2,733.

Five other Republican incumbents were bettered by their Democratic challengers – Gary Woronchak by Amanda Howe in Dearborn, Jennifer Faunce by Steve Bieda in Warren, Gerald VanWoerkom by Steve Habetler in Muskegon, Jim Howell by Cheryl Hadsall in Saginaw County, and Randy Richardville by Herb Hehl in Monroe County.

Another Republican may have bettered his Democrat challenger – Andrew Richner beat John Anderson in Grosse Pointe – but if all the Democratic votes ended up moving to Anderson, 3,244, Richner's 2,716 votes would fall short.

Republicans pulled off a similar feat in fewer districts. The GOP's Scot Wojak did better than Dem incumbent John Hansen out in Dexter. Fred Gallagher got the better of Democratic incumbent Doug Spade in Adrian. Patrick Miller pulled in more votes than incumbent Democrat Steve Pestka in Grand Rapids. And if the primary were the final tally, Francis Flanders would have unseated Andy Neuman out in Charlevoix. They came real close in two other districts.

The final analysis is that Republican control of the House is by no means assured. And Democrats are doing their best to make a race out of it.

One more contest that bears watching. **Mike Malott reports on the local implications of state and regional events. He can be reached by phone at (248) 634-8219 or by e-mail at mmalott@homecomm.net**

# Fall changes will benefit library's youngest patrons

As we approach the end of summer, residents of Canton can find an unlimited number of events to celebrate. Some parents anticipate the return of their children to the classroom, while others anxiously await the beginning of a fresh new soccer season. Homeowners celebrate the reduction of outdoor lawn chores as the season changes and stores relish the rush of back-to-school shoppers.

In Canton in early October, residents will witness a spectacular event: The grand re-opening of the Children's Library inside the Canton Public Library. Currently, the community room of the library is providing temporary housing for the children's books, paperbacks, videos, CDs, CD-ROMs and puppets. In October, when the department is moved back into its expanded and completely renovated home, library patrons will be delighted with the improvement.

Before construction began, the children's area occupied 5,943 square feet. The new Children's Library will cover approximately 9,200 square feet.

Several familiar attractions were incorporated into the redesign such as the award winning Cyber Kids Room with seven computer workstations and special lighting. Additional toddler computers were purchased, bringing the total to 14. These will be located near the front of the children's department sporting a sound reducing interior design to satisfy Canton's technologically advanced youth.

The puppets and puppet stage will resurface, as will the seating area under the skylights. These area have been entirely redesigned to offer families the utmost in comfort and enjoyment. The popular fish aquarium will also return to the remodeled area.

Other new features that may be of special interest to our youngest library patrons, or the young at heart, are the creation of a quiet room

for parents and children located at the far end of the department and the improvement to our outdoor story area. This space has been newly enclosed in glass and now features tiered seating for quiet reading while showcasing the garden and bronze sculptures donated by the Friends of the Canton Public Library.

This area will be a "must see" family attraction when the library, in conjunction with Canton Project Arts, unveils 150 original eight-square tiles bearing the artwork of local contest winners.

Contest forms are currently available at the library for students in grade 1-5. Students are asked to draw their favorite animal on paper. The deadline is Sept. 30 and winners will have their work transferred onto tiles that will be permanently mounted on the wall.

**The Canton Public Library Board of Trustees meets monthly, and hopes to hear from residents and patrons regarding issues that directly affect your library experience.**

From the department's fun and creative new front entrance to the additional space for computers, books and audiovisual equipment throughout, we believe this new and improved department will be enjoyed for pleasure and research by your entire family for years to come. For those of you who have never experienced the Canton Public Library, now is the time to come and get acquainted with our state of the art facility.

The Canton Public Library Board of Trustees meets monthly and hopes to hear from residents and patrons regarding issues that directly affect your library experience. Our meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. and are open to all. Look for upcoming information on the official grand opening of the Children's Library in October and make it a point to visit the library and experience Canton's investment in the future of our children.

**Jeannie Moody-Novak is a Canton resident and a member of the Canton Public Library Board of Trustees.**

Got something on your mind? Put it down on paper and send it to us as a letter to the editor: Canton Observer, 794 South Main, Plymouth, MI 48170



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## Co-offensive MVP

Jenny Young, a sophomore outside hitter at Central Michigan University from Livonia Ladywood and Plymouth, has been named the Mid-American Conference co-offensive player of the week.

Young was named to the all-tournament team at the Brion's Grill/Patriot Invitational after leading the Chippewas to a 2-1 record. She led CMU in kills in all three matches, including 22 in a three-set loss to Fresno State. She finished with 56 kills for the tournament with a .392 kill percentage; she also had seven blocks.

"Jenny has really come into her own," said CMU coach Elaine Piha. "She is seeing the defense better. Jenny didn't face many blocks at the high school level, but now she has adjusted to hitting over college blocks. She's also improved her arm swing, but the biggest change is she's a more intelligent attacker."

## Whalers win opener

The Plymouth Whalers opened the pre-season portion of their schedule with a 5-2 victory over the Windsor Spitfires Monday afternoon in Windsor. Nathan O'Nabigon and George Nistas each scored two goals for the Whalers, and Matt Tanel and Paul Drew divided time in goal, each surrendering a goal.

The Whalers played another exhibition in Sarnia last night.

## Oaks reign

The Canton Oaks under-10 select boys soccer team won all three of its games at the 19th annual Romeo Peachfest Soccer Tournament last Saturday, outscoring their opponents 30-2 in the process.

Oaks team members are Jace Bear-den, Trenton Buycks, Matthew Calupina, George Demopoulos, Brian Ebert, Mike Eimers, Mike Gleba, Austin Kaczanowski, Connor McKinney, Joshua Pascarella, Daniel Rado-sevich, Evan Yoder, Scott Zech and Brent Zinn. The team is coached by George Demopoulos and trained by Bill Joker.

## Booster club meets

The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will have its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Room 165 of Canton HS. All parents of football players are encouraged to attend.

For further information, call Angela Koerner at (734) 416-9120.

## Canton JV wins

The Plymouth Canton junior varsity football team improved its record to 2-0 with a 42-22 victory over Farmington Thursday at Canton. The Chiefs built a 42-0 halftime lead on scoring runs from Doug Davidson and Reggie Joyner, and a scoring pass from Dave Nicoloff to Andy Howald. Canton dominated both offensively and defensively.

The Canton freshmen weren't as fortunate, losing 26-18 to the visiting Falcons Thursday. The Chiefs record slipped to 1-1 with the loss. A seesaw first half left the Chiefs facing an 18-12 deficit. The Falcons stepped it up both offensively and defensively in the second half scoring another eight points and stopping the Chiefs three times in fourth-down-and-short situations.

## Class D champs

The Ice Cream Center/Budweiser Softball Club captured the USSSA Men's Class D State Softball Tournament Aug. 12-13 at the Canton Softball Center.

En route to the state championship, ICC/Bud defeated Adray Sound, Mahon Door, the Rhinos and Metro Glass/Interstate Batteries (twice) to go undefeated in the tournament.

Chris Collar (pitcher) was the tournament MVP, with Steve Goff, Jason Crain, Scott Niemiec, Rob Brothers, Craig Overaitis and Kevin Learned named to the all-state team. The team will play again in the USSSA Class D World Tournament Sept. 22-24 in Aiken, S.C.

## Travel tryouts

The 12-year-old travel teams of the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association will have tryouts for spring 2001 season at 10 a.m. Saturday at McClumpha Park.

For further information, call Dan Boylan at (734) 981-4855.

## This time, Salem prevails!

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Plymouth Salem soccer coach Ed McCarthy's description of Wednesday's game against cross-creek rival Plymouth Canton: "So much passion and emotion . . . it was just an outstanding game."

Canton coach Don Smith didn't dispute McCarthy's analysis. Smith said: "It was an excellent ball game. The kids played extremely hard."

Fast-paced, end-to-end action, all played at a fever-pitch, as if it was the last, and most important, match of the season.

In other words, a typical Salem-vs.-Canton contest.

The cast may change, but the driving determination displayed by both teams never does. On this occasion, for the Rocks to get a victory it required them to overcome an early Canton lead — which they did, on two superlative plays.

With the game knotted at 1-1 at half-time, defender Mike Harkins took a pass back from midfielder Brian Popeney near the left sideline, about 20 yards into Canton's territory. Harkins carried the ball past a Canton defender toward the center of the field and unleashed a laser-like blast from 25 yards away that carried over Chiefs' keeper T.J. Tomasso and into the right corner for the game-winning goal.

The 2-1 triumph improved the Rocks' record to 5-1. Canton slipped to 2-4.

"That was our best effort of the season," said McCarthy. "Fortunately, it was enough."

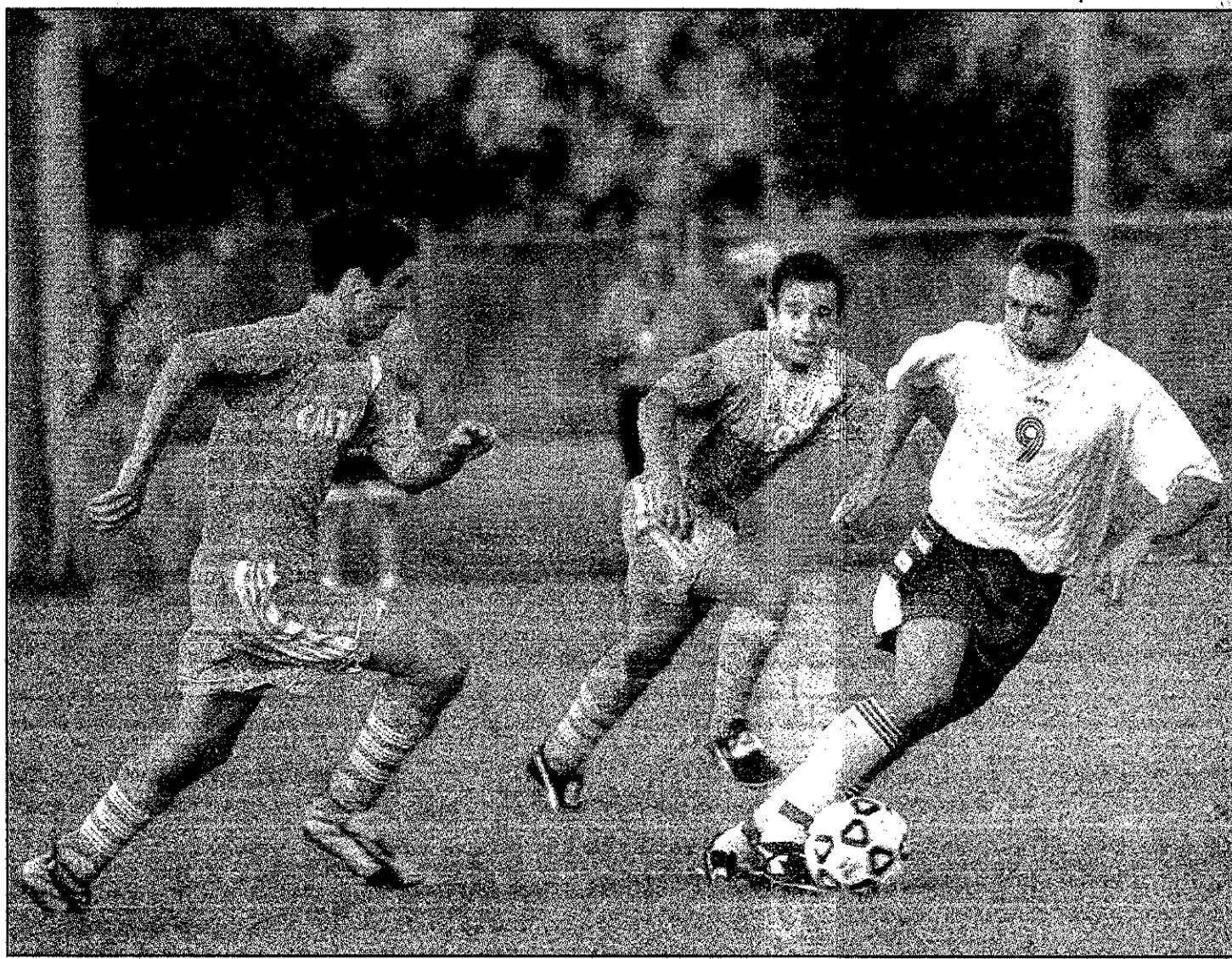
"We knew how tough Canton could be."

That was plainly evident from the opening kickoff. The Chiefs, 2-0 winners over highly-regarded Warren DeLaSalle last Thursday — which three days earlier had handed Salem its only loss of the season — displayed impressive speed from the start, and it didn't take long for it to pay dividends.

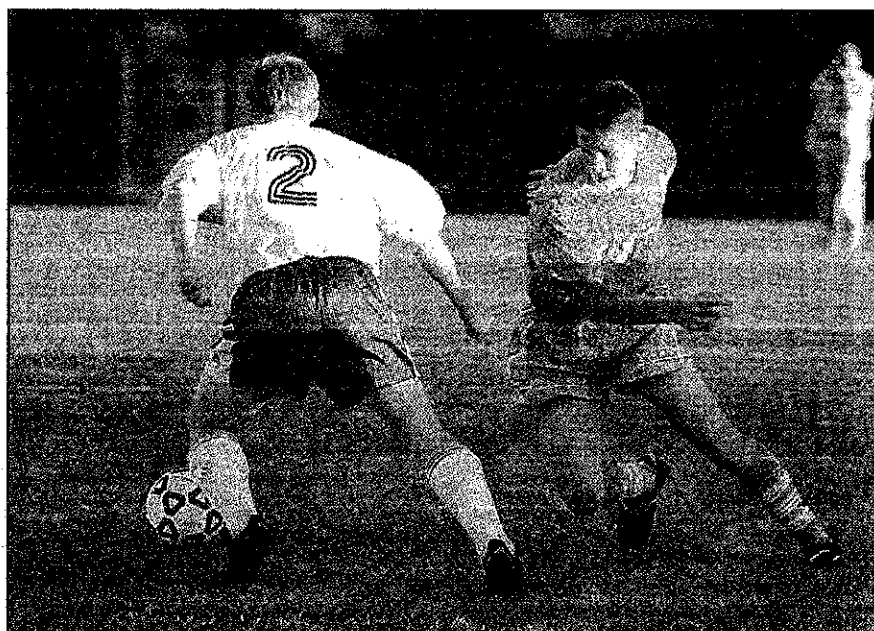
Eight minutes into the match, Canton senior midfielder Matt Strabbing disrupted a Salem rush forward as sweeper Keith Schenkel tried to step up into the attack. Strabbing slipped a pass in towards the right wing, with Salem defender Ben Wielechowski and Canton forward Evan Malone converging on it.

Malone knocked the ball away from

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**Breaking away:** Both teams had their share of scoring chances in Wednesday's high-speed match. Salem got a goal from Sean Loewe (9, in white jersey) above breaking away from Canton defender James Steinert) in the first half that knotted the game at 1-1. In the second half, Salem's Mike Harkins (2 at left, working on Canton's Scott McKee) sent a rocket into the net from 25 yards out that proved to be the game-winner.



PHOTOS BY TOM HIRBELN

## Points-poor Canton falls to Howell

If this basketball season is going to amount to anything for Plymouth Canton, the Chiefs are going to have to figure out a way to score consistently.

And they're going to have to find someone to do it.

On Tuesday at Howell, Canton stayed within striking distance of the Highlanders until the fourth quarter, but the Chiefs' failure to put points on the board led to trouble — and a 45-31 loss.

Canton slipped to 1-2 with the defeat. Howell is 2-1.

"We worked at it pretty hard, but we were pretty inconsistent in what we were trying to do," said Canton coach Bob Blohm. "It was a hard game for

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us. We just couldn't execute what we were trying to do.

"With four minutes left we were only down four-five points. We still had a chance, but making shots was hard for us again."

For the third-straight game, Canton failed to have a player reach double-figures in scoring. Anne Morrell and Ashley Williams paced the Chiefs with eight points apiece, with Morrell grabbing eight rebounds and Williams five. Christina Kiessel had six points.

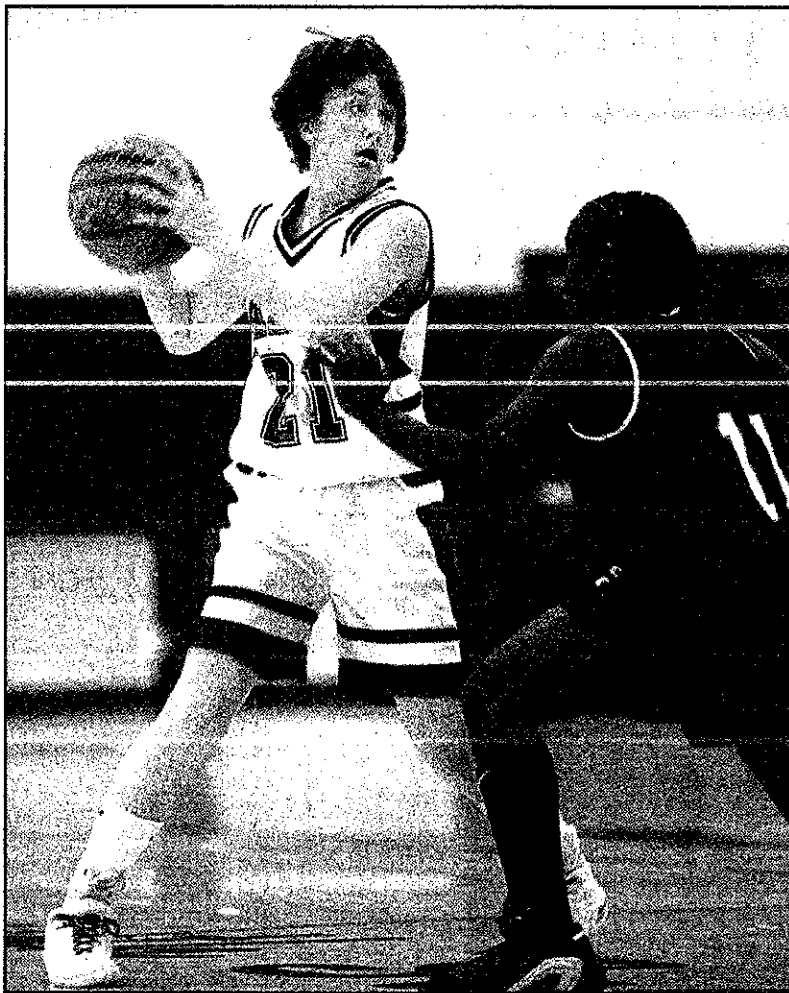
Ashley Larsen led Howell with 13 points, eight of those coming in the fourth quarter when the Highlanders outscored Canton 14-3. Leah Antilla added 11 points.

Each team scored 12 baskets from the floor; the difference was that Howell had four three-pointers to Canton's one, and the Highlanders were 17-of-25 from the free-throw line (10-of-14 in the fourth) to the Chiefs' 6-of-11.

"Free throws were huge, I thought," said Blohm. "They were able to get to the line."

"They executed better in the second half than we did. They made shots and made free throws."

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**The catalyst:** Kelly Jaskot (with ball) guided Salem on offense and netted 12 points herself. Amber McCoy (11, at right) had five triples and 23 points for Pioneer.

Player advantage  
'Team' Salem edges Pioneer

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A numbers game, that's what basketball is. Coaches are fond of telling guys like us the only numbers that matter are those pasted in the point totals on the scoreboard after four quarters.

The rest they leave to mugs like us, analyzing all these other numbers to figure out what made those scoreboard numbers possible.

Well, Plymouth Salem opened its season Tuesday by hosting a very tough Ann Arbor Pioneer team, and following the aforementioned proverb, it was the Rocks who came out on top in the only number that means anything by edging the Pioneers 59-58.

Another set of numbers that provides a reason for that final score is this: It was 10 vs. three.

"That's what I told our guys at the beginning of the game,"

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said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "I said we'd win because our team is better than their team."

"I thought we had five players on the floor and they had three."

Another set of figures supported Thomann's analysis. The dangerous trio of Chigo Ozor, Amber McCoy and Chris Kutschinski combined to score 53 of Pioneer's 58 points, while Salem got 46 points from Mary Lou Liebau, Kelly Jaskot and Dawn Allen.

In other words, the Rocks' other players outscored the Pioneers' other players 13-5.

Want more numbers? How about this: Pioneer did not get called for a personal foul in the second half until 47.2 seconds were left in the fourth quarter — which ended up being unfortunate for the Pioneers, since they

were trailing and needed to foul and send Salem to the line.

For the game, the Rocks were 2-of-4 from the line while Pioneer was 7-of-10.

The key stretch in the game came in the first five minutes of the fourth quarter. Trailing 46-45 after three periods, Salem got six points from Liebau, its leading-scorer (24 for the game), in a 10-4 run to open up a 55-50 advantage with 3:01 left.

After that, Pioneer narrowed the gap to a single point three times, but could never catch the Rocks. What proved to be the game-winning points came from Katie Kelly, who hit both ends in a 1-and-1 free throw situation with 20.3 seconds to play, making it 59-56.

Salem missed the front ends of two 1-and-1s after that, but the Pioneers couldn't capitalize. Ozor did score

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# Lady Ocelots romp to wins

The trip to Chicago Heights, Ill., last weekend was hardly worth it for Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team.

The Lady Ocelots were supposed to play the host team, Prairie State, on Saturday, but problems caused the team to forfeit the game. On Sunday, SC played two games — although neither was too competitive.

Against Indiana Tech Sunday morning, the Ocelots prevailed 12-0. On Sunday afternoon, they went against Kennedy-King (from Chicago) and the results were similar: a 14-0 triumph.

The three victories improved their record to 3-0-2. The previous weekend (Aug. 26-27), SC tied Calvin College 3-3 and Ferris State 1-1.

Yesterday, the Ocelots were scheduled to host Delta College, but the Pioneers were forced to forfeit as well, pushing SC's overall record to 4-0-2.

At Prairie State, the Ocelot keepers were never forced to face a single shot on net — in either game. "They played aggressively," said SC coach Bill Tolsted of his opponents, "but they were just totally outmatched."

One unfortunate occurrence: The team's leading scorer on the season, Emily Alford (from Farmington Hills/Clareville HS), turned her ankle in the first few minutes of the Kennedy-King game and will be out of action for another 10 days.

She wasn't missed against King. Against Tech, Alford scored four goals, giving her seven for the season.

Angela Maile had five goals in the two matches (four against King) to give her six

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for the season. Kelly Connell (Plymouth Canton HS) scored three goals (two vs. Tech) and picked up six assists; Melissa Click and Danielle Shaffer also netted three goals apiece, with Shaffer getting five assists.

In the tie at Ferris State Aug. 27, Maile scored the Ocelots' only goal on a header, with the assist going to Shaffer. At Calvin the day before (Aug. 26), Alford scored two goals and Kristah Manteuffel (Redford Thurston) got the third as the Ocelots surrendered the game-tying goal with five minutes left on a defensive miscue.

**SC men fall short**

Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team opened its season with a draw and a loss last weekend at the College of DuPage (Chicago) Tournament.

Against Springfield (Ill.) College in the opening round Saturday, SC battled to a 1-1 draw.

SC scored first, with Kevin Callender intercepting an errant Springfield pass, and drilling a shot into the upper-right corner of the net. Springfield didn't knot it until very late in the second half, with Mike Nyoyani scoring it.

Doug Koonce (Canton HS) made seven saves in goal for SC.

On Sunday, the Ocelots — fatigued by the extended action from the previous day that included two 15-minute overtime sessions played in extreme heat — battled

but fell a bit short in a 2-1 loss to DuPage.

Both DuPage goals were netted by Ottavio Auteri, the first 25 minutes into the match. DuPage clung to that 1-0 advantage until well into the second half, when Phil Moore, a marking back for SC, went on the attack with 15 minutes left, taking a throw-in from Phil Tenores and nailing a 20-yard shot into the upper-left corner of the net.

Moore's game-tying shot came five minutes after SC's Justin Fishaw received his second yellow card of the match, forcing the Ocelots to play one man short.

Auteri's game-winner came with 2:30 remaining in the game.

**Madonna falls**

Madonna University's winning streak in men's soccer came to a quick, and decisive, end with a 5-0 thrashing at the hands of Tiffin University Saturday in Angola, Ind.

The Fighting Crusaders fell to 2-1 with the loss.

The game was scoreless at the half, but Madonna lost its composure, and the game, in the second half. Three Crusaders received yellow cards and Sam Marozzi was red-carded, forcing his team to play short one man.

Ali Lukungu scored three goals for Tiffin in a 15-minute span of the second half, all of them unassisted and two of them on breakaways. Robert Ngumire made it 4-0 at the 75-minute mark, and Travis Litras concluded the scoring at the 83-minute mark; Chris Chase assisted on both goals.

Joe Suchara (Livonia Stevenson) made seven saves in goal for Madonna.

# Madonna, SC sweep past conference foes

Madonna University's high-powered offense was far too much for Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference volleyball rival Tri-State University to handle Tuesday, as the Lady Crusaders cruised to a 15-3, 15-5, 15-7 victory at Tri-State.

The win boosted Madonna's overall record to 4-1. The Thundering Herd is 1-3.

Brandy Malewski (from Redford Thurston) turned in a phenomenal performance, collecting 17 kills at a .667 kill percentage; she also had 12 digs, six blocks and a service ace.

Kelly Artymovich added 13 kills (a .591 percentage) and 12 digs; Erin Cunningham had 10 kills, two blocks and a service ace; Jennie Wind finished with 27 assists to kills and an ace; Amanda Suder (Plymouth Salem) had a team-high 14 digs; and Marylu Hemme (Plymouth/Livonia Ladywood) finished with 13 digs and two blocks.

Best in the kill department for Tri-State was Onnalee Ruth with 11 kills.

Madonna hosts the Ice Mountain Tournament Friday and Saturday.

## VOLLEYBALL

**SC sweeps Oakland CC**

A balanced attack, nine service aces and 19 blocks was more than enough to keep Schoolcraft College undefeated in Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference competition Tuesday.

The Ocelots swamped host Oakland CC 15-9, 15-10, 15-5 to improve to 2-0 in the conference; they are 6-4 overall. OCC is 1-2 overall and in the conference.

Lauren Ruprecht (Livonia Churchill) supplied plenty of offense for SC, collecting a team-best 10 kills (.294 percentage), seven blocks and six digs.

Nicole Boyd (Westland/Livonia Franklin) had nine kills and three blocks; Andrea Kmet (Westland/Livonia Franklin) had four kills, two service aces, seven digs and two blocks; Fran Hamilton had four kills, six digs and four blocks; Amanda Yaklin had three service aces; and Jana Nitschke totaled 18 assists to kills, two aces and five digs.

# Top pros to be at Meadowbrook

Meadowbrook Country Club of Northville will host the Sixth Annual Red Holman Pontiac and GMC Pro-Am on Friday. The public is welcome to attend the event, which begins at 8:30 a.m. with a shotgun start.

The pro-am will feature mem-

## GOLF NEWS

bers of the LPGA and Futures golf tours, as well as club and teaching pros from around the country.

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The winning team last year was headed LPGA Tour player Suzanne Green and included Barbara Maibach, Vi Djuric and Kathie Markiewicz of Meadowbrook with a net best-ball score of 111.

The tour players and club pros who will be participating are Claire Batista, Lauri Berles,

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GOLF RESULTS	
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<b>FIRST FLIGHT</b> Low gross: 1. Carolyn Benninger (Westland), 80; 2. Theresa Deisler (Wayne), 84. Low net: 1. Pat Meyers (Birmingham), 67; 2. (tie) Ginny Karoluk (Livonia) and JoAnn McVicar (Livonia), 70 each.	<b>THIRD FLIGHT</b> Low gross: 1. Bernice Evans (Franklin), 97; 2. Mary Cunningham (Westland), 104. Low net: 1. (tie) Pat Wilson (Dearborn Heights) and Pat Ochs (Howell), 88 each; 2. Peggy Osio (Dearborn Heights), 89.

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# Wearing down

## After 2 weeks, only 4 unbeaten teams remain in Observerland

### GRID PICKS



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This is the week where the rubber meets the road for some area high school football teams.

Actually, it's also the week where the rubber meets the road in Washington, D.C.

This is the week Congress gets its paws on those company management types from Bridgestone/Firestone, along with Jacques

Nasser and Ford Motor Co.

Temperatures are expected to cool down a shade this weekend, so don't look for many major accidents.

Two major collisions, however, highlight the weekend.

On Friday, Plymouth Canton tackles host Farmington Hills Harrison, the defending Division III state champion, while Redford Catholic Central travels Saturday to play defending Division IV state champion Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

These battles of unbeaten teams will go a long way in determining divisional races.

Only four Observerland teams remained undefeated after just two games — Livonia Clarenceville, CC, Canton and Harrison.

Speaking of accidents, yours truly went 13-0 last week to hold a slim advantage over his closest pursuers. In total games, I'm 26-4 on the year.

Farmington sports editor Dan O'Meara, who also went 13-for-13 in Week No. 2, is 25-5 overall along with Redford-Garden City sports editor Paul Beaudry, who finished 12-1 last week.

Bringing up the rear, but not far out

of it is Plymouth-Canton sports editor C.J. Risak, who went 11-2 and is now 24-6 overall.

Here is a look at this weekend's action:

### FRIDAY GAMES

(all 7 p.m. unless noted)

**Ply. Canton (2-0, 0-0) at F.H. Harrison (2-0, 0-0):** The Western Division title could hang in the balance. Canton has only beaten the Hawks one time (1992 when Harrison finished 4-5). This could be a high-scoring affair with the speedy Marcus Woods of Harrison matching wits with Canton's Jerry Gaines, the latter whom is coming off a 252-yard (in just 10 carries), four-touchdown performance in a 48-21 win over Farmington. Harrison, meanwhile, routed Walled Lake Central, 51-12. **PICKS:** Harrison — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**W.L. Central (1-1, 0-0) at N. Farmington (0-2, 0-0):** This Lakes Division matchup pits new Central coach Chuck Apap (formerly of Walled Lake Western) against North second-year coach Rich Burrell. Central hung for a quarter against Harrison last week, while North was leading 28-21 going into the final quarter against Northville before losing 42-28. **PICKS:** Central — O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak; North — Emons.

**Woodhaven (1-1, 0-0) at Garden City (1-1, 0-1):** Woodhaven is coming off a 6-0 loss to Ypsilanti of the Mega Red. The Warriors had just 98 yards in total offense and completed just three of 18 passes. Garden City played White Division foe Allen Park tough before losing 21-14. But All-Observer tailback Mike Sparks looks to make amends this week after being held to 65 yards rushing in 17 carries. **PICKS:** Garden City — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry; Woodhaven — Risak.

**Belleville (2-0) at Redford Union (0-2):** This crossover matchup appears to be a huge mismatch. Belleville is coming off an impressive 26-7 win over Dearborn. The Tigers rushed for 261 yards and quarterback Jason Szymanski tossed two TD passes to rally his team from a 7-0 half-time deficit. RU is coming off a 61-8 spanking at

the hands of Dearborn Edsel Ford as Chris Rigley scored the lone TD on an 8-yard pass from Matt Pelc. **PICK:** Belleville — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**Monroe (1-1, 1-0) at Wayne (0-2, 0-1):** Perennial Red Division contender Monroe, riddled by Saginaw in the season opener, bounced back last week with a 48-0 win over Lincoln Park. The Trojans are led by junior quarterback Mike Leach, tailback Antoine Ford and linebacker William Ford Walk. Wayne is coming off a 26-7 loss to Fordson. The Zebras have lost 15 in a row dating back to the 1998 season. **PICKS:** Monroe — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**Hamtramck (0-2, 0-2) at Clarenceville (2-0, 2-0), 7:30 p.m.:** Clarenceville racked up over 500 total yards in last week's 54-0 demolishing of Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest. Hamtramck is coming off a 42-0 loss to Metro Conference contender Macomb Lutheran North. Not even Dream Team basketball coach Rudy Tomjanovich could save this Hamtramck team. **PICKS:** Clarenceville — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**Farmington (0-2, 0-0) at Liv. Stevenson (1-1, 0-0):** After losing their opener to Dearborn, the Spartans righted the ship with a 27-7 win over city rival Livonia Franklin as Dan Wilson had 156 yards in 11 carries. Meanwhile, Farmington's defense has given up 82 points already in just two games. Last year, the Falcons gave up just 79 in nine regular-season games. Not a good sign for a team just coming off a playoff season. **PICKS:** Stevenson — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**Liv. Churchill (1-1, 0-0) at W.L. Western (1-1, 0-0), 7:30 p.m.:** Churchill is in the middle of its murderers row schedule. The Chargers had just 61 total yards in its 28-0 loss to Westland John Glenn. To make matters worse, Churchill lost starting tailback-linebacker Rob Wilson to an ankle injury. Western, meanwhile, bounced back from its season-opening 28-14 loss to top-ranked Birmingham Brother Rice to beat Plymouth Salem, 28-7, as quarterback Ryan Ziem threw for

237 yards and three TDs. Wide receiver Brian Tommina had eight catches for 171 yards. **PICKS:** Western — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**Westland Glenn (1-1, 0-0) at Ply. Salem (1-1, 0-0), 7:30 p.m.:** Salem took the Rockets to the woodshed in the second-half last year en route to a shocking 39-17 victory. Glenn quarterback Brian Cekiewicz came out throwing last week against Churchill in a 28-0 win. Salem is coming off a loss to Western as Brandon Ellison scored the lone TD on an 82-yard run. **PICKS:** Glenn — Emons, O'Meara; Salem — Beaudry, Risak.

**Northville (2-0, 0-0) at Liv. Franklin (1-1, 0-0), 7:30 p.m.:** It's the Western Division opener for both schools, a series which has dominated by Northville during the 1990s. The Mustangs rallied from a 28-21 third quarter deficit last week to beat North Farmington, 42-28, as Brandon Langston rushed for 306 yards and three TDs. Quarterback Drew Herpich also tossed two TD passes to tight end Darrell Adkins. Franklin, a 27-7 loser to rival Stevenson, must give strong-armed quarterback Joe Ruggiero more time to throw. **PICKS:** Northville — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**Trenton (1-1, 1-0) at Red. Thurston (1-1, 0-1):** The first night game ever at Thurston High certainly will add electricity to the air. The Eagles, plagued by turnovers, are coming off a 41-12 loss to Gibraltar Carlson, while Trenton beat Southgate last week, 28-13, after losing to Wyandotte Roosevelt in the season opener. Thurston's defense was not bad last week against Carlson, allowing just 139 total yards. **PICKS:** Trenton — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

### SATURDAY GAMES

**B.H. Cranbrook (1-1, 1-1) at Luth. Westland (0-2, 0-2), 1 p.m.:** The Warriors, who have lost 20 in a row dating back to the 1998 opener, came close last week, losing 10-6 to Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett. Joel Wolfram had the lone Lutheran Westland TD run for 2 yards out. Sam Zuke and Kevin Packard were the

leading tacklers as the Warriors gave up just four first downs and 69 total yards. But three turnovers hurt. Meanwhile, Cranbrook is coming off a 36-12 loss to Harper Woods as Chris Taylor had six catches for 219 yards and two TDs for the Cranes. **PICKS:** Cranbrook — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**Redford CC (2-0, 0-0) at O.L. St. Mary (2-0, 0-0), 1:30 p.m.:** This epic Central Division matchup has the makings of a good one. CC's defense has been outstanding so far, while the offense has relied on its usual power and precision. St. Mary's has definitely played a tougher schedule, beating East Lansing followed by Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day, 26-21, as Anthony Sherrell had three TDs last week. OLSM quarterback Grant Mason and 6-6, 260-pound tight end-tackle Charles Davis are top-25 players. CC counters with the running of Chris Davis, who piled up 141 yards in 14 carries in a 37-0 win over London (Ontario) Catholic Central. **PICKS:** CC — Emons, O'Meara; OLSM — Beaudry, Risak.

**Det. Benedictine (2-0) at Bishop Borgess (0-2), 2 p.m.:** Benedictine, the Catholic League C-Section favorite, has played two creampuffs so far — Taylor Light & Life and Harper Woods Lutheran East. In a 54-7 rout of East, quarterback Tony Lawrence hit five of seven passes for 120 yards, while Ronald Matthews scored three TDs. Borgess, however, has played the toughest schedule, falling to Frankenmuth (21-7) and Morenci (20-0). The Spartans have been plagued by turnovers and penalties. **PICKS:** Benedictine — Emons, O'Meara, Beaudry, Risak.

**Red. St. Agatha (1-1, 1-0) vs. Taylor Light & Life (1-1, 1-0), 7:30 p.m. at RU's Kraft Field (Hilbert Jr. High):** The Aggies did not play last Friday, getting a forfeit win as host Hamtramck St. Florian could not field enough players. With two weeks to prepare for Taylor Light & Life, it should be the Aggies' night. Light & Life, however, cannot be taken lightly as the Crusaders walloped Dearborn St. Alphonsus, 48-8, with Kyle Kennedy rushing for 150 yards and three touchdowns. **PICKS:** St. Agatha — Emons, O'Meara; Light & Life — Beaudry, Risak.

## CC stops London CC

It was a battle of CCs Saturday night and London bridge came tumbling down.

Redford Catholic Central tuned up for its big battle this Saturday at Orchard Lake St. Mary's with a 37-0 football win over its Ontario counterpart at Redford Union's Kraft Field.

"Overall, I think we played OK," said CC coach Tom Mach. "We weren't executing as well as I thought we should. But I thought they were bigger than they were last year in terms of size and numbers. They had pretty good size up front and gave us a pretty good battle on the line."

The Shamrocks, now 2-0 on the year, had 396 yards in total offense to London Catholic Central's 96. CC had 15 first downs to London's six.

Chris Davis rushed for 141 yards in 14 carries and scored the game's first touchdown with 6:36 left in the opening quarter on a 47-yard run.

Defensive lineman Chuck Corbeil then pounced on a London CC fumble in the end zone with 3:43 left in the second quarter. London CC was punting from its own 10 when the turnover occurred.

Mark Willoughby, who was five-for-five on extra points, then caught a 46-yard TD pass from quarterback Mike Sgroi on the final play of the half to make it

### FOOTBALL

21-0.

With 7:48 left in the third quarter, defensive end Matt Gable sacked the London CC quarterback in the end zone for a two-point safety.

The Shamrocks then added two more TDs before the third quarter had ended — Mike Banaszak on a 23-yard run followed by Ryan Rogowski's 3-yard run. Defensively, CC was led by Charlie Haeger, who had two solo tackles, including a half-sack, and four assists. Linebacker Brad Jarzembowski had six assists, while Mike Jakacki intercepted two passes, including a return for 70 yards.

London CC had just 12 yards on the ground, while CC finished with 307.

The Shamrocks, however, lost three fumbles, including two inside the London 20.

"They kind of forced us into some errors we don't usually make," said Mach. "We fumbled four times and they recovered three of them. Two of the fumbles were inside the 10. That's unusual for us."

Sgroi was 2-for-2 passing for 58 yards, while Jakacki came on in the second half to hit 2-of-5 for 31 yards (and one interception).

London CC is 0-1 on the year.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 8

Canton at Harrison, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.  
Woodhaven at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
Belleville at Redford Union, 7 p.m.  
Monroe at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Trenton at Thurston, 7:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.  
Churchill at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.  
Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.  
Northville at Franklin, 7:30 p.m.  
John Glenn at Salem, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 9

Cranbrook at Luth. Westland, 1 p.m.  
Redford CC at O.L. St. Mary, 1:30 p.m.  
Benedictine at Borgess, 2 p.m.  
Taylor Light & Life vs. St. Agatha at RU's Kraft Field, 7:30 p.m.

#### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Sept. 7

Luth. N'West at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Churchill, 7 p.m.  
Franklin at Woodhaven, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
Farmington at Harrison, 7 p.m.  
N. Farmington at Brighton, 7 p.m.  
Ladywood at Flint N'western, 7:30 p.m.

#### (Mercy Hoops Classic)

N.D. Prep vs. S'field-Lathrup, 5:30 p.m.  
South Lyon vs. Mercy, 7:15 p.m.

#### (Novi Tournament)

Borgess vs. Northville, 5:30 p.m.  
Salem vs. Novi, 7 p.m.

#### Friday, Sept. 8

Taylor Baptist at Agape, 7:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, Sept. 9

Novi Tournament, 5:30 & 7 p.m.  
Mercy Hoops Classic, 5:30 & 7:15 p.m.

#### BOYS SOCCER

Thursday, Sept. 7

Riverview at Ply. Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 8

John Glenn at Garden City, 4 p.m.  
(Huron Valley Tournament)  
Mich. Luth. at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.  
Agape at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 9

Huron Valley Tourney, 11 a.m.  
Franklin at Country Day, 10 a.m.  
Salem at E. Lansing Tourney, 10 a.m.  
RU at Farmington, 12:30 p.m.  
W. Bloomfield at N. Farm., 12:30 p.m.

#### MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Friday, Sept. 8

S'craft at St. Clair (Ont.), 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 9

Madonna at Cornerstone, 2 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 10

Schoolcraft at Michigan, 2 p.m.

#### WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Saturday, Sept. 9

CMU Club at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.  
Madonna at Cornerstone, noon.

Sunday, Sept. 10

MSU Club at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.

#### WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Sept. 7

Schoolcraft at Delta, 7 p.m.

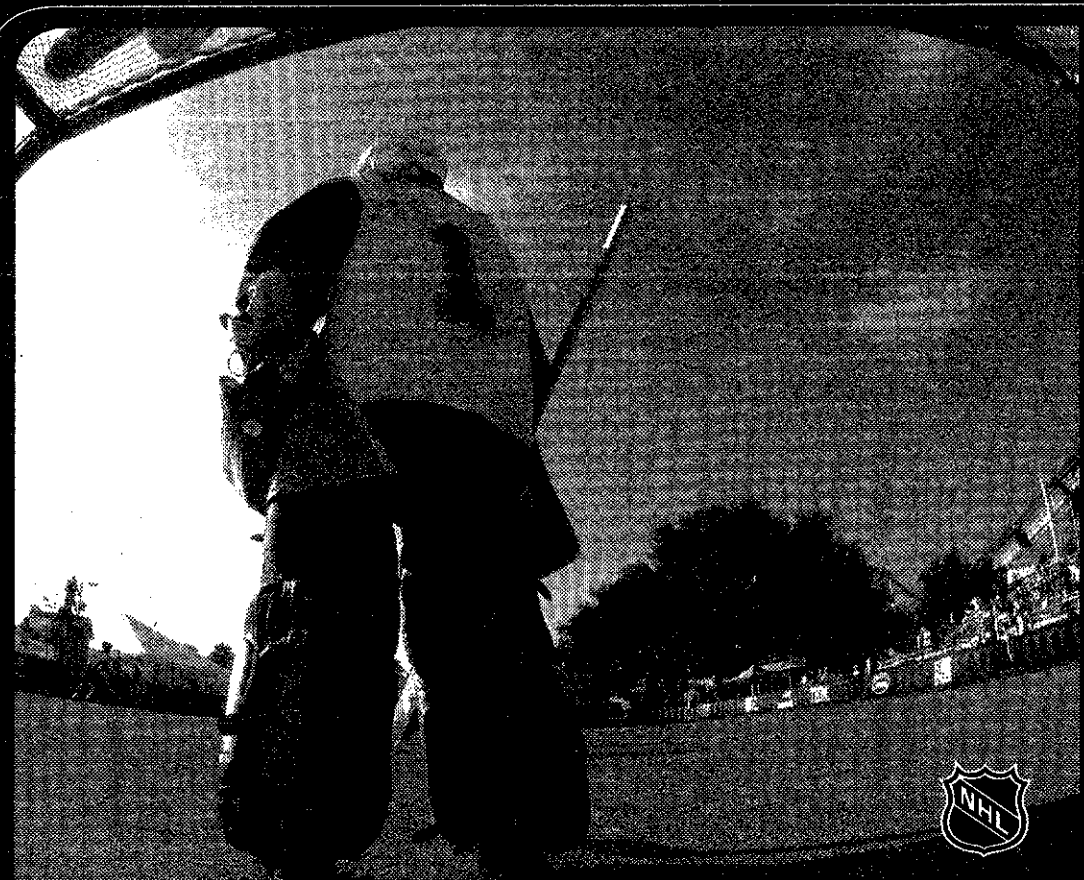
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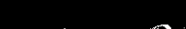
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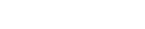
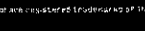
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The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

## 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.

## FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

## HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS

The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more 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 (SOLAR), 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

## BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Hours for archery and clay target shooting are noon to sunset Mondays and

Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Rifle range hours are 3 p.m. to sunset Mondays and Tuesdays; 10 a.m. to sunset Wednesdays; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenfield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

## 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.

## PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

## ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are noon-5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more information.

## METROPARKS

## METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

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.

## 2000 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.

## OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

## COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

## PERMITS

The 2000 Oakland County parks motor vehicle permits are on sale at all county park offices and many parks and recreation and township offices. Cost is \$25. Call (248) 558-0906 or TTY (248) 558-1684.

## STATE PARKS

## STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

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

## COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

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.)

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

## Fastpitch tryouts

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association will have another girls fastpitch softball tryout Sept. 8 at Pioneer Middle School.

Girls wishing to play in the 10-12 age division will try out from 6-7 p.m.; girls wishing to play in the 14-16 division will try out from 7-8 p.m.

Also: It should be noted tryouts for the Plymouth-Canton Thunderbirds 2001 fastpitch season are not associated with the CCJBSA or the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League.

For further information, call Buck Horn at (734) 397-3888.

## Punt, Pass, Kick

Canton's Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its annual Punt, Pass and Kick football contest at 9:15 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 23 at Griffin Park. There is no charge.

There will be divisions for both boys and girls for 8-9 year-olds; 10-11 year-olds; 12-13 year-olds; and 14-15 year-olds. The top finisher in each age division advances to the next level of competition, and the top two fin-

ishers in division receive awards.

A copy of the competitor's birth certificate is required; there are no residency requirements. For more information, call the Canton Parks and Recreation office at (734) 397-5110.

## More tryouts

•The Plymouth-Canton Thunderbirds fastpitch softball program will have tryouts for the 2001 season at Heritage Park's Diamond No. 2 on Sept. 16.

Times are: 10-and-under, 9 a.m.; 12-and-under, 10 a.m.; 14-and-under, noon. Ages are determined as of Jan. 1.

For 16-and-under and 18-and-under, call Ray at (734) 981-7280 or Dave at (734) 737-9968.

•The Canton Cardinals 11-and-under boys travel baseball team will have tryouts for its 2001 season from 4-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17 at McClumpha Park.

For more information, call Mike Neu at (734) 454-9144 or Don Plester at (734) 453-7089.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

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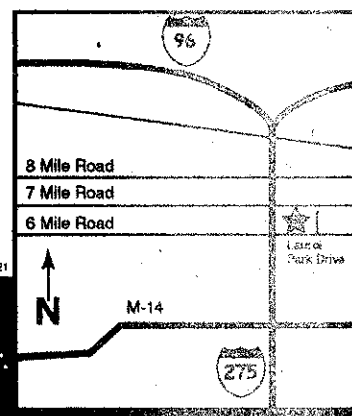
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#### GAME OVER

Smoker, social drinker, 40 something, 5'7", single female with long brown hair and green eyes. Likes rock-n-roll, dining out, long walks and would love to share them all with that one single male in a relationship and maybe even more if the chemistry is there for us both. BOX 10514

#### ROMANCE 101

Single white female, 40, green eyes, blonde hair, 5'7", medium build, enjoys variety interests. Seeking a single white male, for friendship and possible relationship. BOX 14242

#### SOME COMPANIONSHIP

53 yr old, cute, short, medium build, single female, is seeking a single male, for friendship, companionship and maybe more. BOX 14348

#### TWO OF A KIND!

39 yr old, divorced professional female, who enjoys dining out, movies, pets, biking, camping, hiking, children and much more. Seeking a financially secure, single male to share good times, friendship and maybe more. Down river area please. BOX 14515

#### LET'S HAVE SOME FUN

21 yr old, full figured mother of one, is seeking a single male, for a fun relationship. Race and age unimportant. BOX 14874

#### BASIC INFORMATION

36 yr old, single white mother of one who has many kinds of interests is seeking a single male, who's trustworthy and honest and like myself is anxious for a warm and wonderful friendship and maybe even more if it is agreeable to us both. BOX 14822

#### DIAL MY NUMBER

40 yr old, single white female with reddish blonde hair and blue eyes. Likes outdoors, fishing, hiking, sunsets and all the wonderful things of life. Seeking a single male, 30 to 60, with a sense of humor, who is honest, caring and dependable. Could this possibly be you? I sincerely hope so! BOX 14852

#### A KISS OF LOVE

53 yr old, 5'4", single female with blue eyes, medium build, and enjoying life to the fullest. However, there is one part missing...and it might even be you! Seeking a single male, 45 to 60, who enjoys traveling, hiking, woods, swimming, camping and more. BOX 15003

#### CALL ME SOON

40 yr old, medium build, Christian girl of one, honest, attractive and will treat you right. Seeking a true Christian male, 27 to 33, who's attractive, medium built and loves children. Preferably the Somerset area. BOX 22331

#### ME JANE, YOU TARZAN

Tall, slender, white female, seeking a tall, nice looking, white male, 45 or older. Let's leave the jungle behind us and enjoy boating, the outdoors, and a romantic evening and life to the fullest. BOX 22372

#### HOPE 2 HEAR FROM U

Single white female, 40S, 5'4", 118 lbs, brown hair, blonde eyes, smoker, social drinker. Seeking a non-smoker, outgoing, professional male, 45 to 49. Enjoys travel, hiking, woods, swimming, camping and more. BOX 22464

#### OPEN MINDED FEMALE

White female, 36 yrs old, 5'4", 130 lbs, hazel eyes, seeking a male, 30 to 38, who loves to go out and have a good time, playing pool, music, concerts, talking, cuddling and more. BOX 22418

#### LEAVE ME A MESSAGE

30 yr old, single white female, one child, red hair, brown eyes, full figured, 5'7", looking for a male, 30 to 40, who is financially secure and stable, kind, considerate, loving, caring and loves to have fun, for a serious relationship. BOX 22490

#### NO LOSERS PLEASE

Single, honest, 39 yr old, good looking, divorced, white female, weight proportionate to height, smoker, social drinker, enjoys hiking, hiking, honest, single male, 38 to 44, for friendship and possible relationship. If you enjoy travel, camping, movies, and a good time, let's meet with family and friends, then I am the one for you. BOX 33459

#### ROMANCE IS THE KEY

Attractive, single, full figured female, blonde hair, blue eyes, 5'7", loves to travel, walk, movies, dining out, spending time with family. Seeking tall, white male, 45 to 55, with same interests, non-smoker or a plus. BOX 35939

#### DREAMS

50 yr old, single female, believes in romance, enjoys classic cars, country life and simple pleasures. Seeking a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 45 to 60, non-smoker with similar interests in a long term monogamous relationship. Down river area. BOX 14471

#### ROMANTIC AT HEART

47 yr old, black, Christian, professional female, 145 lbs, 5'5", physically fit. Enjoys outdoor activities, dining in and out, movies, romantic evenings, singing and travelling. Seeking a secure gentleman, 40 to 55, non-smoker, sense of humor. Enjoys the finer things in life, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 36082

#### ATTRACTIVE RED HEAD

Single white female, 5'5", 60, 145 lbs, red hair, green eyes, and fishing. Wanting to meet a single male, 50 to 60. BOX 33449

#### PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR

54 yr old, entrepreneur, curvy, giving, loving and lots of fun. Loves movies, plays, concerts, opera, ballet, boating, swimming, traveling and life itself. Looking for a sincere, successful, Caucasian gentleman, 48 to 75, who is positive and loves life as much as I do. Float your boat, make your day, answer my ad today. BOX 36016

#### SEEKING HANDSOME MAN

Attractive, intelligent professional, single white female, 36 yrs old, 5'8", 130 lbs, blonde hair and blue eyes, non-smoker, never married. Seeking a professional, white male, Catholic, 30 to 38, handsome, physically fit, intelligent, non-smoker, never married, some friends first and possible long term relationship. BOX 33458

#### PRETTY FIT CHRISTIAN

White female, 46 yr old, down to earth, non-denominational church, enjoys canoeing, Harley bikes, camping, kids, gardening, the outdoors and much more. In search of handsome, fit, non-judgmental, positive, personality partner, soul mate. BOX 36144

#### SHOOTING STAR

Divorced, white, professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks minus 40 and staid. Seeking a divorced, white male, 55 to 63, attractive, stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

#### UNIQUE GOOD LOOKING

Divorced white female, 60, 5'2", affectionate, energetic, bright, great communicator with many varied interests. In search of single white male, 59 to 65, an equal who's sexually raring for a wonderful relationship. BOX 35931

#### ATTRACTIVE LADY

Auburn hair, divorced, late 50's, 5'3", height and weight proportionate, smart, pleasant, outgoing and possibly more. Interests range from theatre, movies, opera, the arts to the outdoors. Friends first. I prefer a non-smoker, 55 to 61 yrs young. BOX 35929

#### ARE YOU READY?

For a sincere, honest, no games played, non-smoking, social drinker, 53 yr old, medium build, divorced white female, who likes to do almost everything. Seeking a single white male, with above single, 53 yr old, medium build, divorced white female, who likes to do almost everything. Seeking a single white male, with above single, 53 yr old, medium build, divorced white female, who likes to do almost everything. BOX 35933

#### SEEKS ONE GOOD MAN!

Neat cooking, tall, no bad habits, quality lady, good personality, non-smoker, social drinker, medium build. Enjoys theater, concerts, good conversation, dining, dancing, travel, very versatile. Seeking tall, quality male, 60 plus, with similar interests. Please call me and get acquainted. BOX 36068

#### HONEST & TRUE

Pette, 5'1", 110 lb, attractive, white professional divorced mom. Enjoys dining out, daily, good conversation, music, sports, and is an optimist. Looking for a professional, divorced, white male, 40s, physically fit, tall, no bad habits, mustache, intelligent, good sense of humor, non-smoker. South County area. BOX 36068

#### 15 YRS BY EXPERIENCE

36 yr old, athletic, business owner, with a degree, 5'4", 140 lbs, just divorced first boyfriend after 20 years of marriage, looking for a tall secure man, 35 to 40, clean shaven, non-smoker, who does not drink coffee, to take it slowly. BOX 36090

#### MIDNIGHT MADONNA

Blonde, slim, educated, mature Jewish woman on this planet, looking for a handsome, intelligent, that can dance to the tune that is being played for the kingdom of love. No bad habits please. BOX 36138

#### CONSIDER THIS

Attractive, slender, tall, intelligent lady of 54 is also ladylike, amiable, warm hearted and a smoker, is looking for a tall, no bad habits, tall, gentlemanly and interested in getting to know each other over coffee and with conversation. BOX 36140

#### HEY THERE!

Attractive, single white female 47, 5'8", 240 lbs, seeking a single white male, 45 to 55, who is honest and values. I enjoy movies, music, dancing and travel. Waterford area. BOX 33658

#### SEEKING ROMANCE

Divorced white female, slim, attractive, dark hair, school teacher, 40s, seeks handsome, kind, honest single male, 45 to 55, who is honest, intelligent, and interested in getting to know each other over coffee and with conversation. BOX 36140

#### ARE YOU THE ONE?

44 yr old, divorced white female, very passionate, caring and a fun person to be with, I'm looking for my friend, lover and life companion. Looking for a single white male, 45 to 55, who is honest and values. I enjoy movies, music, dancing and travel. Waterford area. BOX 33658

#### SHINING STAR

Attractive, single white female, 50, 5'5", 130 lbs, easy going, caring and lots of energy. Seeking a single white male, 45 to 55, over 5'8", I enjoy movies, walks in the park, music, travel and holding hands. I live Down River. BOX 33426

#### GOOD TIMES

29 yr old, single white petite female, brown hair and eyes, enjoys rollerblading, cycling, movies, and a good time, let's meet with family and friends, then I am the one for you. BOX 33459

#### JUST WANT ONE

Hip, fit, accomplished, smart and fun girl, for petite, 46 yr old, with masters degree, no dependents and general personality, into antiques, world travel, the arts, and romance. No alcohol or drug abusers. BOX 33416

#### NEW BEGINNINGS

Divorced white female, red hair, blue eyes, weight proportionate to size, Seeking a single male, 40 to 55, who enjoys movies, dining, and having fun, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 33658

#### ON THE LEVEL

21 yr old, single female, is looking for a mature male, 22 to 35, for quiet evenings, weekend get togethers and more. BOX 22471

#### GOLFERS WHERE ARE U

Single white female, 56, young looking, active, down river area, loves to golf but not ready for the tour. Lots of interests, new adventures. Seeking fit single white male, 5'10" or taller, between 50 and 60, for conversation, friendship and more. BOX 33652

#### LASTING LOVE

Looking for a love to last. Seeking a single white male, 29 to 44, who's kind, has a sense of humor, enjoys outdoor, indoor activities, camping, travelling, bicycling and more. BOX 14573

#### SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

36, 5'7", weight/proportionate size, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys swimming, horseback riding, animals, camping. Seeking dependable, single white male, 35 to 40, for possible relationship. BOX 33410

#### BE MY FRIEND

Attractive single white female, 22 yr old, 5'4", dark brown hair and eyes, enjoys bike riding, museums, movies, music, reading and more. Looking for a single male, 23 to 30, for fun times and friendship. BOX 22483

#### NEW BEGINNINGS

55, 145 lbs, divorced, white female, 55 non-smoker, light social drinker. Enjoys movies, walking, biking, traveling, gardening, reading, music and good conversation. Seeking an intelligent, attractive, non-smoker, financially secure, 60's, to 73 yr old, white gentleman, with integrity for friendship and fun. BOX 33438

#### PARTNER SEARCH

Single white female, 32, cute, non-smoker, athletic, animal lover, a mild, honest, funny and adventurous. Enjoys racquetball, volleyball, biking, camping, music, going out to have fun or quiet evenings at home. Seeking single white male, 30 to 42, with similar qualities and interests. BOX 36120

#### GIVE ME A CALL

20 yr old female, looking for a single white male, 20 to 26 who loves children, animals, long walks, dancing, romance and just hanging out. BOX 14547

#### SEEKS SOULMATE

Short, sweet and very bubbly, widowed white female, 53, non-smoker, non-drinker, very caring, honest, quiet and easygoing looking for someone, 45 to 65, to share life with. BOX 33415

#### JUST A CALL AWAY

35 yr old, single white female, employed, enjoys working out, hiking, relaxing and good times, for a single male, with similar interests, for good times and maybe more. BOX 14792

#### LET'S GO FISHING.

Single white female, blonde hair, blue eyes, enjoys fishing, saxophone, sea shells, gourmet cooking, anything country. Seeks a good looking, tall, no bad habits, tall, gentlemanly and interested in getting to know each other over coffee and with conversation. BOX 36140

#### CUTE MOM

Christian female, non-smoker, 5'6", weight/proportionate, blonde dark brown eyes, who's fun, affectionate, caring, humor, likes outdoors, sports, family, movies, music, cuddling, and a good time, let's meet with family and friends, then I am the one for you. BOX 33459

#### PROFESSIONALS ONLY

Attractive, intelligent, professional single white female, 36, 5'8", blonde hair, blue eyes, 130 lbs, non-smoker, social drinker. Seeking single professional white male, Catholic, 32 to 38, handsome, physically fit, never married, intelligent, non-smoker. Friends first, possible long term. BOX 36076

#### SPARKLES

Are you good looking, outgoing, well exercised, have a degree, a non-smoker, and wish to meet a gorgeous, have an MA degree, 5'7", 130 lb, mid 40's lady who loves to talk, read, travel, and antique? Call me. BOX 36068

#### SEEKING A GOOD MAN

Single black female, 40, 170 lbs, is seeking a loving relationship with a male, 35 to 45, non-smoker, who enjoys the outdoors, for possible relationship. BOX 14485

#### TOUCH OF CLASS

Enjoy your summer with this classy, attractive, divorced, single white female, 5'5", 130 lbs, with black hair. Let's share fun and romance under the stars. If you're a sincere romantic, let's meet. BOX 36046

#### SPOIL ME

5'6", single mother of one, 155 lbs, medium complexion, medium length hair, well dressed, enjoys the good things in life. Looking for a male, to enjoy life with, must be romantic, daring type of person and more. BOX 36046

#### VENUE SEEKING MARS

Shapely, smart and good looking, divorced white female, youthful and vibrant at 49, has a multi-faceted personality. Likes running, weekend escapes and the space program. Seeking divorced white male, 48 to 53, who can exhibit honesty, respect, passion. Rochester area. BOX 36078

#### SHARE MY WORLD

Classy, attractive, hopeless romantic, auburn haired, brown eyed, widowed, Jewish female, seeking gentlemen, 48 to 75, to share hearts, put sparkle in my eyes, have fun and romance under the stars. Seeking a single white male, 45 to 55, who is honest, intelligent, and interested in getting to know each other over coffee and with conversation. BOX 36140

#### ATTENTION: PATRICIA

I received your message in my mailbox, 20666, but I didn't get your phone number. Please call again. BOX 14759

#### CARING LADY WANTED

55 yr old, single white male, non-smoker, who enjoys good conversation, movies, music, baseball, walking, dancing and more. Seeking a single white or Hispanic female, 48 to 64, with similar interests to put a smile on our futures. BOX 14927

#### DESIRES OF THE HEART

Single white male, 34, 5'7", 153 lbs, brown hair and eyes, non-smoker or drinker, well educated, enjoys golf, bike riding, weight lifting and more. Looking for a single or divorced female, with no children, 29 to 35, 5' to 5'8", non-smoker or drinker, family oriented with similar interests. BOX 14671

#### BLACK FEMALE

Beautiful black female, both inside and out, 28, in search of a single white male, 35 to 39, for friendship and long term relationship. I enjoy movies, comedy clubs, theater and outdoor activities. Serious replies only. BOX 36128

#### PSSTI OVER HERE...

Hey Mister, if you're a height, weight proportionate, non-smoker, I'm a divorcee, 46 to 50, there's a lady ya gotta meet. She's a real looker, smart and romantic, a medical professional who likes music, Red Wings, nature, stage shows, etc. Tell her I sent ya! BOX 36030

#### JUST A CALL AWAY

18 yr old, Hispanic female, model, 35, 5'7", 104 lbs, long black hair, light green eyes and light complexion. Looking for a Hispanic male who speaks Spanish and English, knows how to treat a woman and is looking to have fun. BOX 36044

#### VERY ATTRACTIVE RN

37 yr old, divorced white mother of one, seeks attractive physician, to share similar interests in medical profession, possibly a long term relationship. I'm 5'5", blonde hair, green eyes, slim, great figure, smile, personality. Have both a long term commitment. BOX 35986

#### VERY PRETTY BLONDE

57, 118 lbs, professional female, upper 50's, upbeat, with plenty of vigor and spunk. Looking for a professional male counterpart, 60's, for dating first and getting to know each other and hopefully a long term commitment. BOX 35986

#### PRETTY FUN LOVING

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# Bench play boosts Rockets past Zebras

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK  
STAFF WRITER

Two often-overlooked facets of basketball are defense and bench play.

But they were very much in evidence Tuesday night in Westland John Glenn's 41-30 victory over Wayne Memorial.

Crystal Davis came off the bench and led all scorers with 13 points, all in the second half and most at critical junctures.

"Crystal gave us a big lift," Rockets coach John Albrecht said. "Just before the half she said, 'Coach, I'm messing up.'"

"I told her she was all right."

## BASKETBALL

Just keep going, keep shooting, and it will fall in for you."

Freshman Jennifer Thauvette provided some solid defense, helping hold Wayne's top scorer, Sheila Honeycutt, in check in the second half.

Honeycutt scored four points in each of the first two quarters and two in each of the last two.

"I talked to her about playing Honeycutt one-up," Albrecht said. "She did a great job."

Wayne Memorial (0-3) scored 10 points in the second and

fourth quarters. The Zebras battled on even terms throughout the second quarter and actually took a 13-12 lead on a driving layup by Erin Davis with 3:52 left in the half.

Bianca Woods made two free throws and a shot from the key to make it 16-3 but Ashley Guess made two free throws with 1:57 left to forge a 16-16 tie for Wayne.

Woods hit a layup and Thauvette two free throws to boost John Glenn back on top, 20-16, at halftime.

Davis made a shot with 6:42 left in the third quarter to put John Glenn (2-2) up, 22-16. She

made a pair of free throws at 4:43 to make it 27-18.

Davis scored nine of her points in the fourth quarter including the first three baskets the Rockets had in the period.

The Rockets had balanced scoring. Sara Tyree scored 10 points, eight in the first quarter to help her team jump out in front, 9-6.

Bianca Woods scored nine and Thauvette eight. Both took turns running John Glenn's attack along with Krystal Davis.

Honeycutt is one of those players who goes to the well with one bucket and comes back with a bucket and a half of water.

"She makes them tough," Albrecht said. "She's a tough little kid. She's a tough defender and she reacts well."

"We've got a great bunch of kids," Coach Wayne Woodard of Wayne said. "We haven't played like we're capable of playing yet this year."

"We usually play pretty good defense but we didn't play as good in this game."

"But good things are going to happen to these kids, whether it be in basketball or not."

John Glenn tightened up its

rebounding in the second half after Wayne did a good job of glassing in the first.

Free throw shooting has not been a good part of the Zebras' game thus far but they improved to 12-for-25 against the Rockets.

The Rockets also did a nice job of breaking the Zebras' press.

"We did a nice job of looking down the floor," Albrecht said. "When you send a guard down the floor and the forwards turn and find them, that helps."

So does good defense and a stout bench.

## Salem vs. Canton from page C1

Wielechowski and toward the Salem goal. Keeper Justin Griffin charged out to cut down the angle, but Malone left-footed it past him and into the goal to give Canton a 1-0 lead with 31:50 left in the opening half.

"We were playing good soccer at that point," said McCarthy, who altered nothing in his team's approach. "We knew that kind of fluky play isn't going to happen often, with our defender losing possession while our sweeper is attacking."

"I felt if we were calm and played steady soccer, we'd do all right."

Calm and steady? Neither team showed much of either one. But the three goals scored were the result of very good offensive plays, not defensive lapses.

The game-tying goal was a perfect example. Griffin fielded the ball in the Salem box and

powered his punt into the Canton zone. Midfielder Sean Loewe beat a pair of Chiefs' defenders to head the ball toward the Canton goal. Loewe fielded it and broke in alone down the right side on Tomasso.

His shot got past the sprawling keeper and went into the left corner, tying it at 1-1 with 22:42 left in the half. Griffin drew the assist.

The stage was set. Considering how strong both teams are defensively — Salem returns eight starters, mostly defensive, from a team that reached the 1999 state final, and Canton features perhaps the best keeper in the state in Tomasso — it figured to be no more than a one-goal game.

But when Harkins scored with 33:13 left in the match, the play opened up, resulting in several

more scoring opportunities.

"We were pressuring an awful lot," said Canton's Smith, describing Harkins' game-winning shot as "one-in-a-hundred. It was a good hit — what are you going to say?"

McCarthy had something to add: "What a huge goal. That's about as big a goal as you're going to get."

One of the biggest saviors for the Chiefs was senior defender James Steinert. Twice when Salem counterattacked and closed in on Tomasso, managing to get the ball behind him, Steinert was there standing guard in the net. Both times he made kick saves, denying the Rocks another goal.

Unfortunately, Steinert's efforts couldn't alter the outcome. Canton needed someone to use the same type of foot ability at the other end of the field.



**Strong support:** Canton defender Aaron Schmidt (right) closed down this play, something both sides showed an aptitude for.



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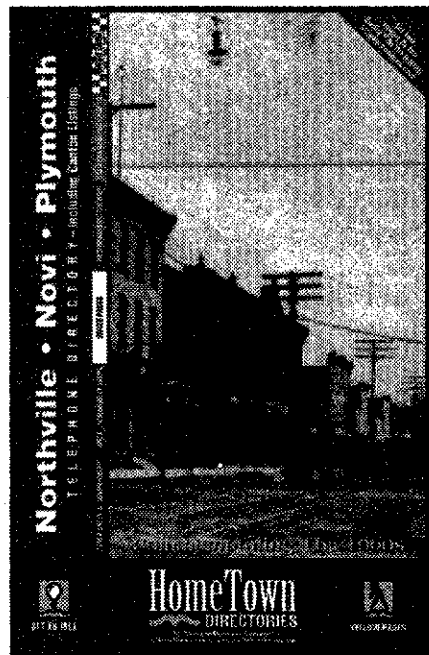
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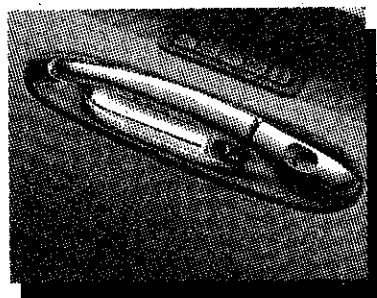
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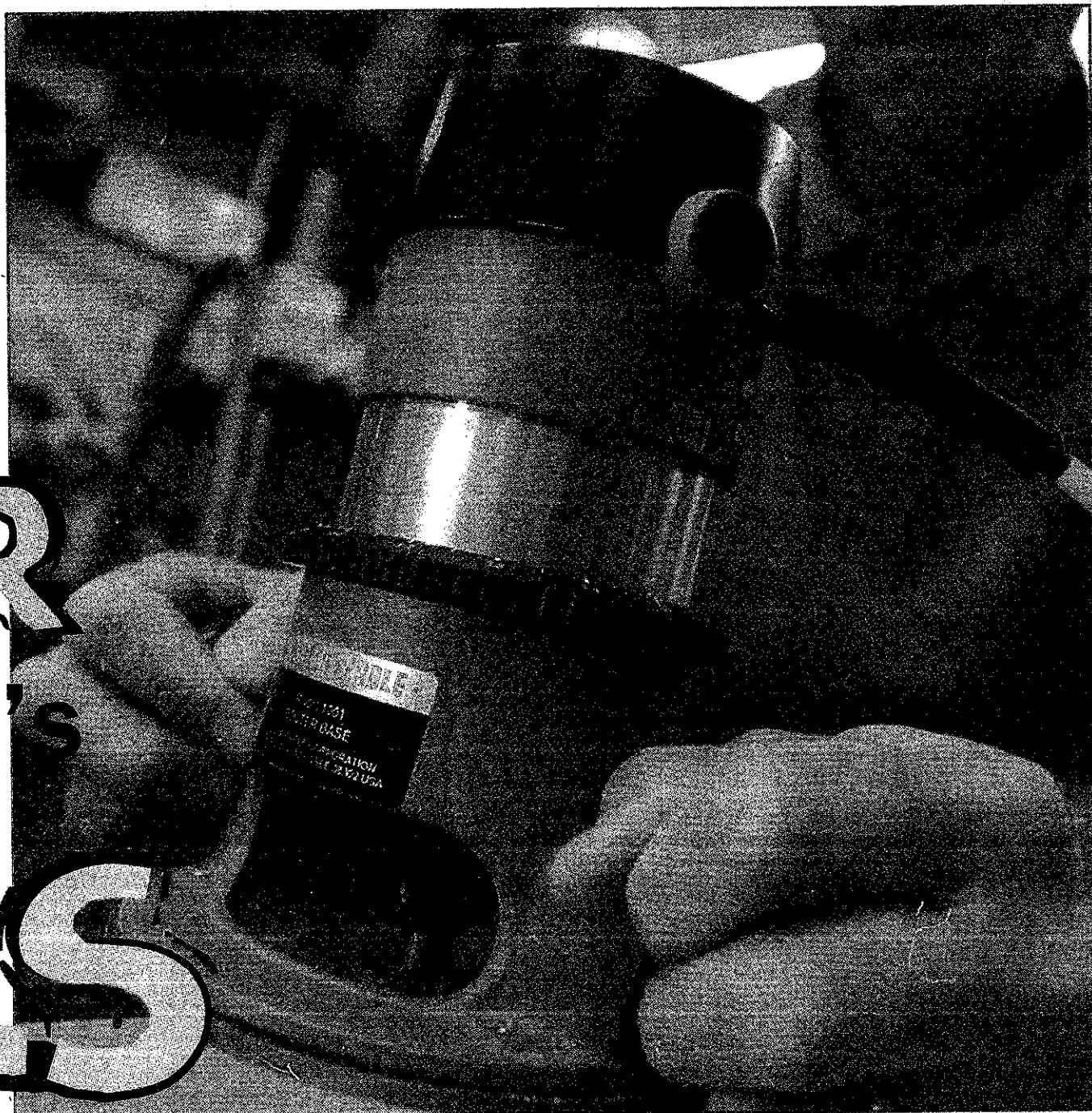
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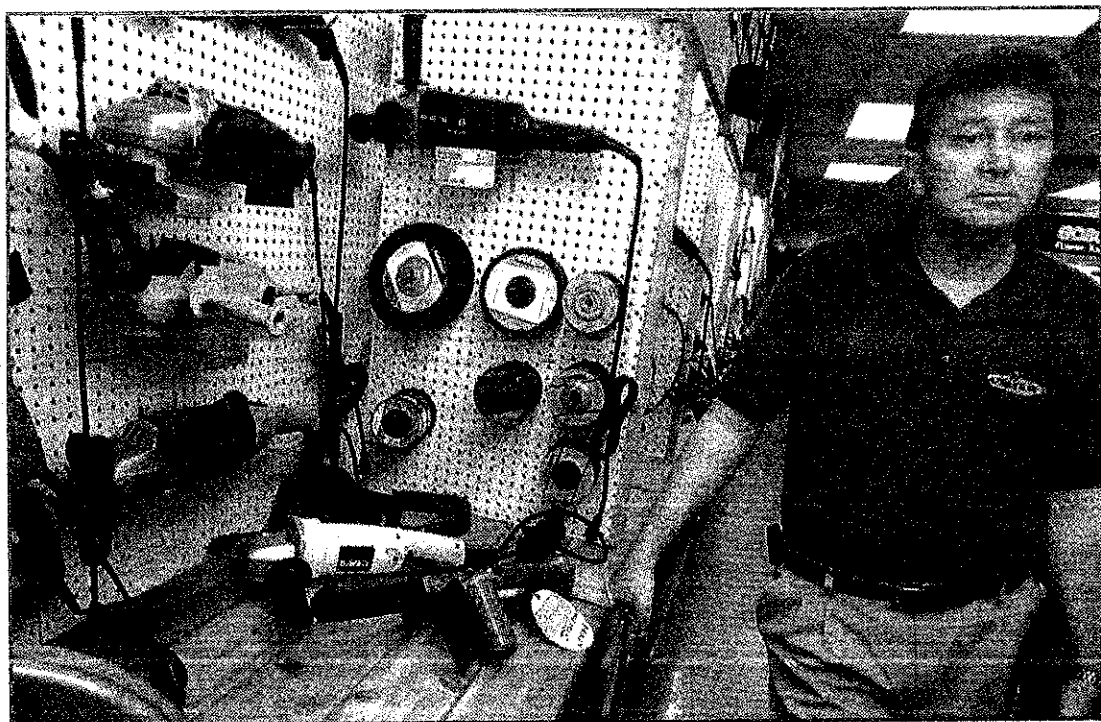


# MORE POWER fires up today's TOOLS



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**Cutting edge:** Ron Pedersen, co-owner of Marsh Power Tools in Livonia, demonstrates how a router creates a decorative cut on a board.



**Hammer time:** Harry Jachym, a skilled trades instructor, spends a few minutes examining hammer drills, which are used on concrete.

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
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With the passage of Labor Day as the unofficial end of summer, homeowners now expect to turn their attention indoors to those remodeling projects.

Maybe now is the time to take a look at new power tools to tackle those projects.

From belt and orbital sanders to brad nailers for attaching trim board to doors or reciprocating saws for tearing down walls, there's a brand new world of tools for everyone.

Built with convenience in mind, they are lighter and cordless models.

Ron and Chris Pedersen, co-owners of Marsh Power Tools on Middlebelt Road in Livonia, once catered to mostly industrial clients, but now, more than half of their customers are homeowners purchasing such tools as the driver-drill.

"Cordless tools are very, very popular," Ron said.

Harry Jachym, a Plymouth resident who teaches skilled trades to high school students and a columnist for the Observer Newspapers, believes the tool business is fueled by a strong economy.

"People can afford to buy things they couldn't before," Jachym said. People prefer the more expensive tools now, because cheaper tools built with less quality can make it easier for the user to make more mistakes, he said.

Chuck Webber, sales associate at Home Depot in Livonia, said shoppers are more knowledgeable. "They come out on the weekend to one of our classes or they attend product demonstrations put on by the companies," Webber said. "They can learn about flooring, framing, decking and roofing."

Business picks up at this time of year, Webber said. "Every department has its season," he added. "The fall and Christmas is hardware season."

Jachym and an Observer reporter visited tool stores to find out what tools are needed for the homeowner, a basic remodeler or the do-it-yourselfer.

## Drillin' and drivin'

Jachym calls the driver-drill No. 1 on his power tool list.

His reason is simple. "I hate driving screws by hand," he said.

"You don't have to turn a screwdriver and it is cordless, so you don't have to drag cords (of a drill) around," Jachym said. "I hate dragging cords on a job."

Driver-drills have helped contractors and homeowners alike by easing the pain and stress on their wrists, eliminating the repeated turning of screws. Just a simple pull of the trigger and the screw is tucked in snugly on many interior remodeling jobs.

Pedersen said the driver-drill is a "nicer way to fasten things."

"Rather than have a nail that may pop, you have a screw that is removable and has a stronger bond," said Pedersen. "On some of the cordless drills, you may go beyond the board and tighten the screw or strip it, but there is a clutch in there so you can dial in the torque for speed."

As its name implies, it is capable of acting as a power screwdriver or a portable power drill. A good one, such as a DeWalt 18-volt or 24-volt, costs between \$269-\$329.

Jachym likes the DeWalt 18-volt cordless

driver-drill. Mikita, Ryobi and Milwaukee also make driver-drills.

"Anything less than a 9-volt doesn't have much kick," Jachym said. Bill Schlach, a sales associate at Lowe's in Westland and a Canton resident, likes the variety now available. "I also like the fact that they have the keyless chuck models," Schlach said. "Quite often you have to look around for that chuck (on traditional drills) to change the bits."

For those who want to use nails rather than screws, Schlach also points to a small power tool accessory, for \$7.49, called a nail spinner. Three ball bearings grab the nail, then spin it into place.

## Saw it up

Table saws are another tool that has boomed in popularity among homeowners, said Ron Pedersen. These saws range in price from \$300 to \$2,200, the latter a 3-horsepower Powermatic that rips (sawing with the grain, generally lengthwise) a 4-by-8 sheet.

"Our biggest customer is the homeowner," Pedersen said. "People are getting more interested in doing things themselves."

Lowe's sells Delta, Ryobi and DeWalt table saws. "People are buying the 10 and 12-inch table saws for their homes," said Schlach. "The prices have come down in relation to their capacity. You get more flexibility with a bigger saw because you can cut bigger boards." Prices range from \$139-\$600 for the 10- and 12-inch saws.

The 10-inch does "what a homeowner needs to do" with small projects, Schlach said.

Jachym believes a miter "box" — a miter saw — is a critical tool for woodworking and carpentry. These start at about \$169, up to about \$250-\$300.

Years ago they were called miter boxes, as they once were built "like a small box," said Jachym, with 45-degree and 90-degree slots cut in the base. Today's version gives the carpenter all those angles in between, aligned on a base with a gauge to measure the precise angle serving a similar purpose as a protractor for more precise cuts.

Homeowners who want molding to fit good and tight need the clean, angled and precise cuts to line the molding up and prevent

those ugly, aggravating gaps that make a job look like it truly was "do-it-yourself."

"The miter saws also work well for picture frames or any moldings," Pedersen said. "They're very accurate. You're bringing the wood to the saw, not the saw to the wood."

Also, the miter works better than a circular saw when cutting small pieces of wood as the cut piece is less likely to fly up in the air as it may with a circular saw, Pedersen said.

■ **'People can afford to buy things they couldn't before.'**

Harry Jachym

skilled trades instructor and Plymouth resident

## Woodworkers' favorites

Once the miter cuts the wood for that frame or trim, woodworkers and carpenters want and need more equipment.

Routers cut decorative edging for cabinets, picture frames or large signs. The Porter Cable router (1-1/2 horsepower) costs about \$170. Router bits range in price from \$2.95 to \$300-\$400 for a whole set for the serious cabinet maker or picture framer.

A random orbital sander to smooth out those rough edges is another tool that has eased the strain on arms, wrists and hands. "It really makes it easier if you take two pieces of wood, it will take the higher level of wood to the lower level, then you can stain it," Pedersen said. These sanders range in price between \$89-\$140.

Biscuit joiners also attach boards together more effectively than dowels.

If you want to cut some drywall, Home Depot sells a Roto-Zip saw, a "newfangled sideways cutting tool," Webber said, which also has grown in popularity.

Like to tear things down? For demolitions and ripping out an old wall (make sure it isn't load-bearing), reciprocating saws are available. It actually can cut a home in half. They cost \$130-\$200.

"It can also get into weird spots," said Chris Pedersen. "Carpet guys use it for the floor."

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**Driver-drill:** Many tool outlets feature this cordless driver-drill, which contractors and homeowners praise for its convenience.

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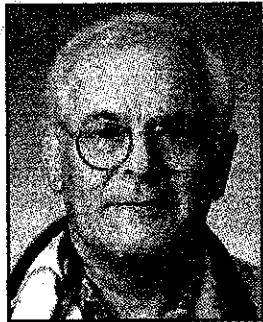


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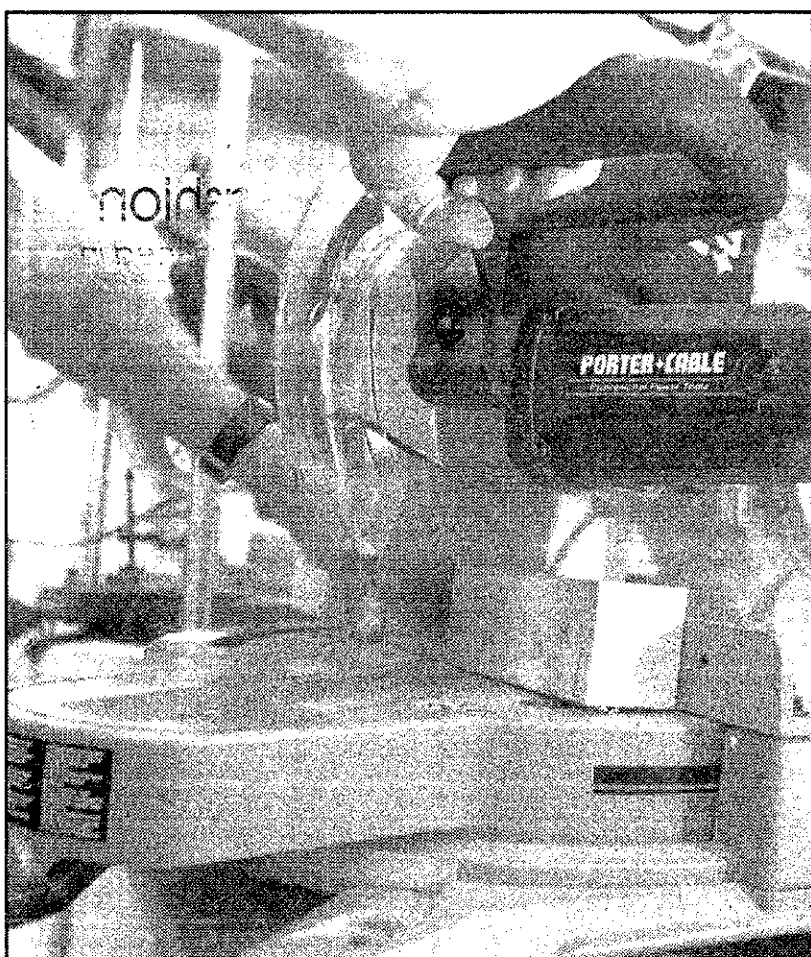
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## A season divided

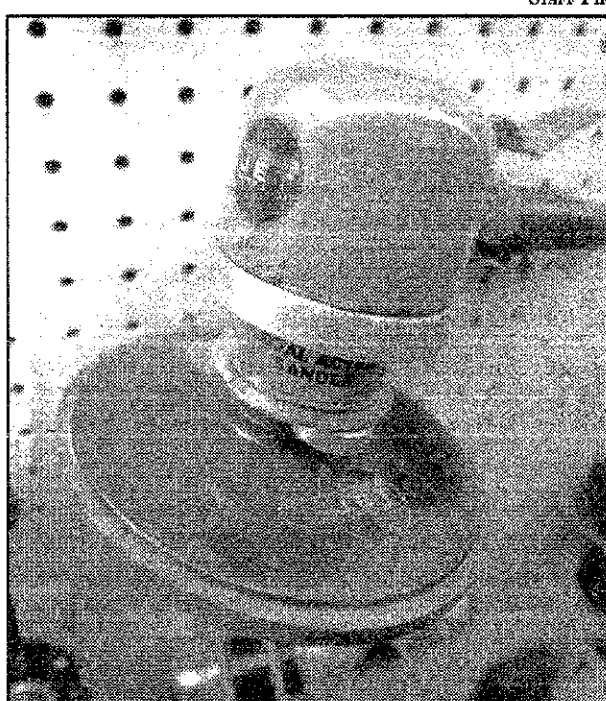
Fall is the time of year to decide which perennials to divide, says Marty Figley in Garden Spot

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**Miter cuts:** Miter saws cut more precisely than a circular saw for rough framing in construction or remodeling projects. Woodworkers enjoy using sanders to create a fine, smooth surface before staining.

## Power from page D1

Tools operating off a compressor are other time-savers for contractors and homeowners. Yes, they are more expensive, but do they save time.

"In what I save in labor, it pays for itself," Jachym said. Jachym said he can drive three nails by the time someone else pulls a nail out of a board.

Nailers range in price from \$89 to framing nailers at \$550-\$600. Framing nailers are used by construction workers for sheathing and decking. Nailers — with its quick, rapid-fire release of nails — help cut time down. Using a hammer and a nail and the repeated rotating actions of elbows and wrists can lead to tendinitis and joint soreness.

"After a while, it just kills you," Jachym said. "(Nailers) make it a lot easier in decking and framing walls," Jachym said. "It beats the heck out of driving nails. You also want to be fast on a roof in case it rains and you

need to finish the job quickly."

Many deck builders still prefer screws to avoid nail "pops."

At Lowe's, the Impulse finishing nailer is listed for \$398. It shoots a variety of nails from 14-18 gauge. "It's very convenient. It will nail as fast as you can pull the trigger," said Schlabach.

The Pedersens like the \$300 Quik-Drive — an automatic feeding screw system. "It feeds in a plastic tube, like a machine gun," Chris said, as he holds it above a piece of scrap wood on the floor. "They normally use a nail coil for this, but this tool eliminates the need for the heavy weight (of the coil)."

A box of 2,500 nails to equip the Quik-Drive costs \$45.

This tool is highly specialized, which is part of the drawback in marketing new tools and equipment to builders, generally a conservative bunch when it comes to their pocketbooks,

Jachym said.

"Tools like these don't always catch on real quick," Jachym said. "That's why you've had steel studs that are just starting to catch on. You have contractors who have invested thousands in tools for wood and you want them to change?"

Tool stores also offer nailer/compressor combo packs. Many stores offer a Bostitch pack for less than \$300. Those compressors aren't strong enough for sprayers used for painting, but they work just fine for the nailers. Compressors run from \$100 to \$799.

"You're seeing more and more people with compressors," Jachym said. "The economy's good and people are buying things they can afford."

Shoppers who don't want to buy the tools can rent them from many outlets. They should have an idea of the scope of their pro-

ject, but also look down the road a bit at future projects. "I ask them 'How many days do you think it will take to do the job' or 'Will you be inclined to use the equipment again' Webber said.

But shoppers may not even need to spend an arm and a leg for tools. At Lowe's, Jachym grabs a small battery powered driver — a Black and Decker small cordless screwdriver for less than \$20 — and holds it up.

"See this small power tool? If you're doing any electrical work, it works great," Jachym said.

See Harry Jachym's related column on tools inside today's At Home Section.

Have a question regarding tools or a remodeling project? Ask Harry Jachym a question by letter c/o Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150 or e-mail him at [kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net](mailto:kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net).

## Create a road map for do-it-yourself projects

Have you ever decided to do a little weekend project that ended up taking several weekends?

Home renovations have a way of taking more time and energy than anticipated, and taking over one's life. While there is an enjoyment to doing it yourself, the loss of free time can be unnerving.

Time is one thing that isn't sold as a commodity — yet. But the ability to save your time can be bought. Hiring an interior designer may not be part of your do-it-yourself budget, but it actu-

ally may save you money.

According to an independent study conducted for the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID), 76 percent of those surveyed with an income between \$25,000 and \$50,000 said the designer saved them money on their project. Of that same group, 95 percent said the interior designer worked within their budget.

"Do-it-yourselfers are trying to get by with what they can afford in terms of time and money. They can't go all out with reno-

vations, so they make interim improvements. As a result, they are less likely to be delighted when they take an overall look at their homes. One of the benefits of using a designer is we help our clients look at each project in terms of its impact on the house as a whole," said Marcello Luzi, president of Weixler, Peterson & Luzi, a design firm in Philadelphia.

Designers can help do-it-yourselfers create a road map to keep their projects focused and on track.

"There's nothing worse than re-doing a project down the road. Designers can help open up the possibilities so you won't have to go back and second-guess yourself," said Mari Lyn Bushnell, vice president, merchandising for Kirsch in Freeport, Ill.

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## Household wiring should include solid ground

When it comes to improving or repairing household wiring and electrical systems, homeowners usually call a licensed professional to do the work.

But whether you own your home or rent an apartment, bringing the wiring in your residence up to the current National Electrical Code could enhance

your safety — every time you flip a switch or plug into an outlet.

Here are some code highlights that should concern you the most:

■ Most homeowners are aware that the electrical system must be grounded to the main incoming water pipe — right? But how many know that that alone is no

longer sufficient, according to the NEC?

Because increasing use of plastic water pipe and non-conducting fittings has made the effectiveness of grounding to plumbing systems questionable, the method does not meet current safety standards. The code now states that the home may also require one or more "supplemental grounding electrodes" buried in the house foundation or in the earth outside the home.

One or more copper-clad grounding rods several feet in length are often recommended.

Code enforcement may also require that grounding rods be added to existing homes with new electrical work or if you sell your home.

■ The NEC requires that ground-fault circuit interrupters, or GFCIs, be installed in specific locations. Outlets in so-called "wet" locations such as kitchens, baths and crawl spaces, as well as in damp areas such as unfinished basements, garages and outdoors, now require GFCI protection. The latest innovation beyond GFCIs are arc-fault circuit interrupters.

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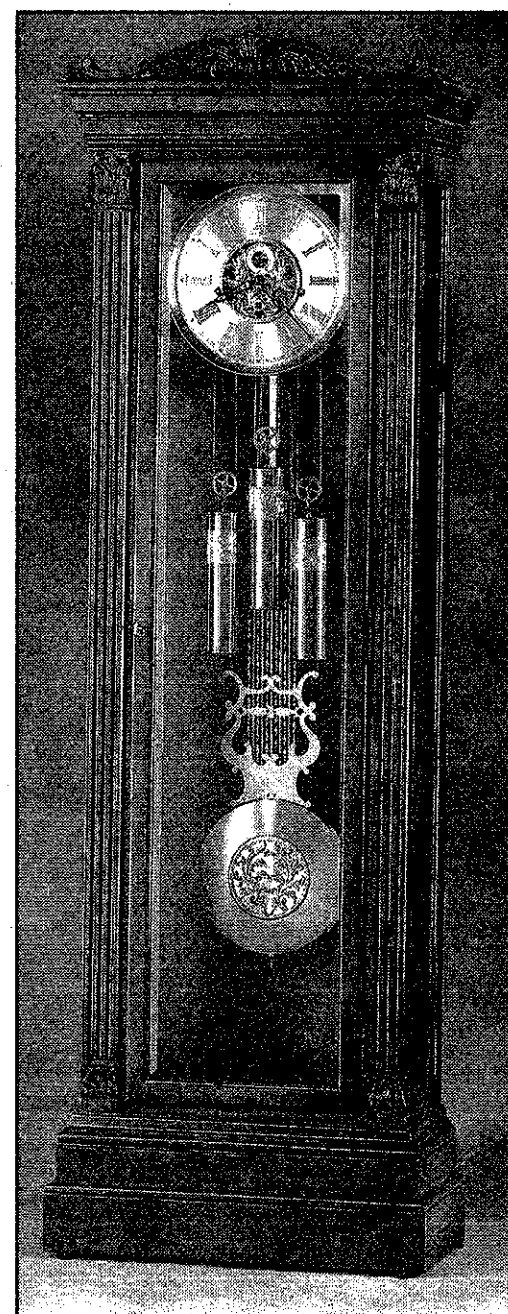
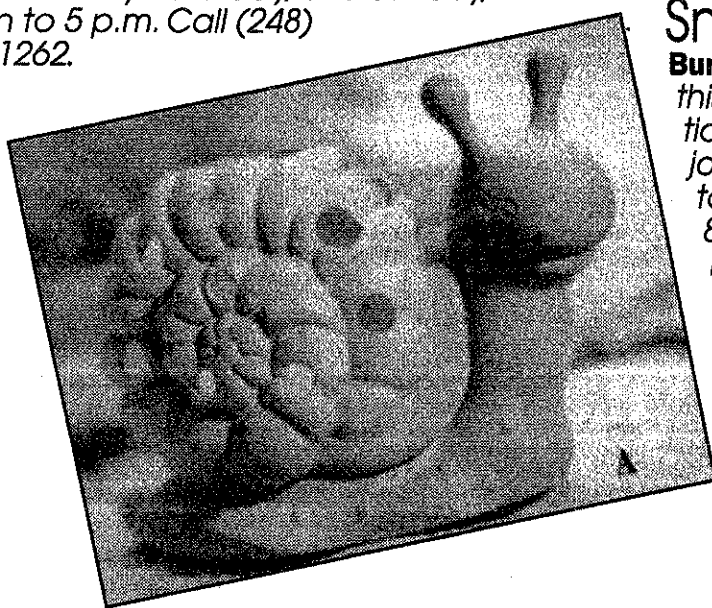
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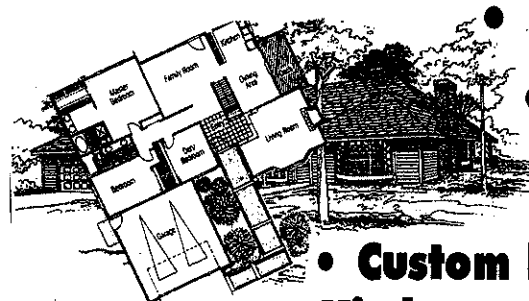
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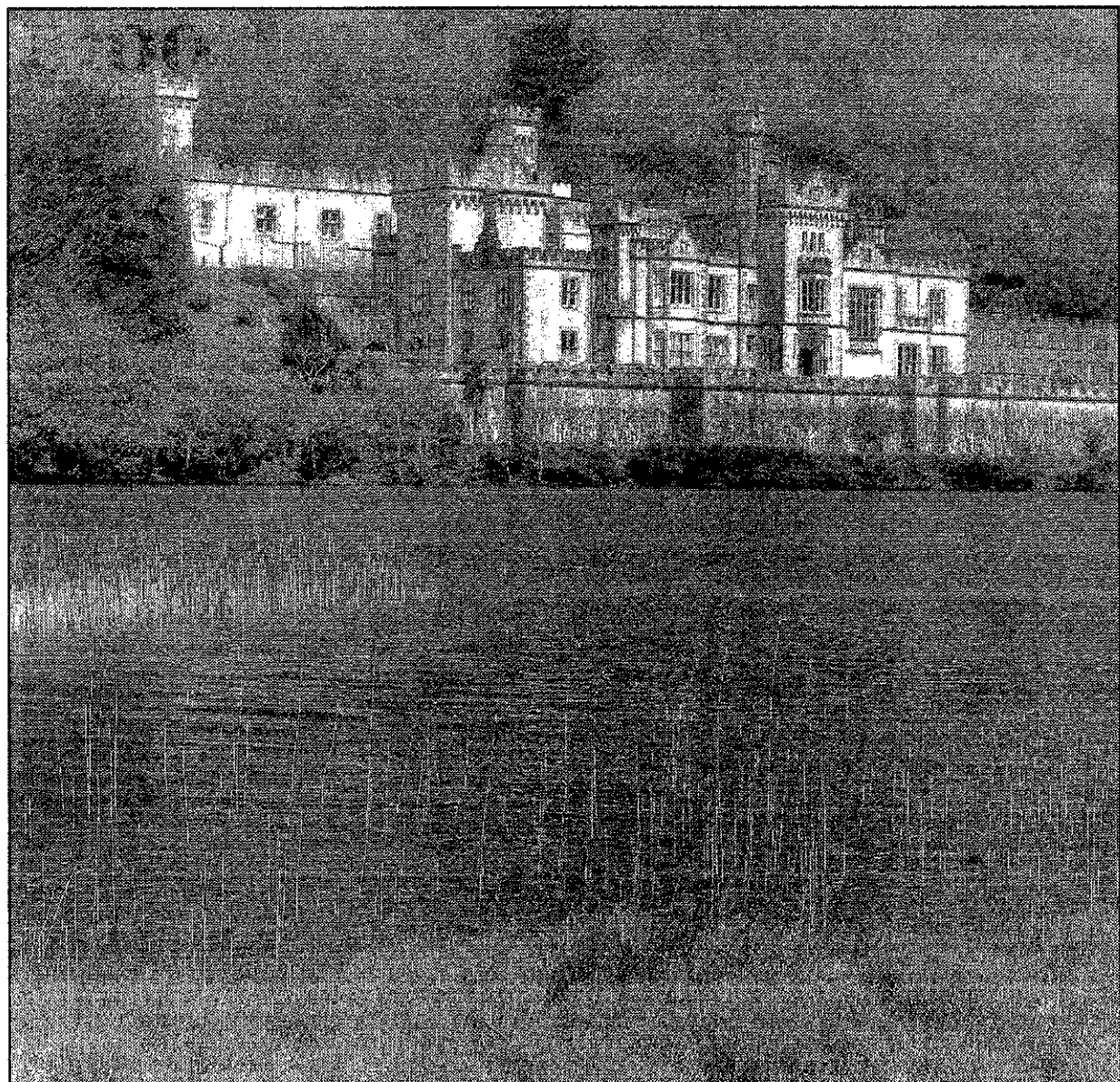
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**Meter made:** Monte Nagler used an incident light meter to get just the right exposure in this shot of Ireland's Kylemore Abbey.

# Measure light for photos through exposure meter

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Exposure meters offer you another tool for improving your pictures. There are two ways of measuring light: incident and reflective.

Incident meters measure light coming from the source regardless of the subject. Readings involve aiming the meter, with an incident light "collector" attached, toward the light source from the subject's position. Many professionals in a studio environment will use incident light readings.

The more common reflective light meters, those on all SLR cameras, measure light reflected by the subject. This takes into account the color value and reflectivity of the subject as well as the brightness of the light source.

Most scenes have an average amount of light and dark areas that will produce a properly exposed negative.

But suppose you're in a situa-

tion with large masses of bright or dark areas, such as photographing someone against a bright sunset. The bright sky will "tell" the meter, which in turn will "tell" the camera to shoot at a small lens opening. The result is that your subject will appear too dark in the final picture.

Solution: Move in close, take an exposure reading off the subject's skin and use this setting when you take the shot.

There are two basic designs of light meters. First is the popular through-the-lens meter where the metering system is an integral part of your camera. These may be programmed to read all the light coming into the viewfinder (average weighted) or a concentration of the light in the middle of the viewfinder (center weighted).

Second are the hand-held meters. Some read light from the entire scene. Others are sophisticated, one-degree spot meters used by serious black and white photographers who employ zone system practices.

Here are some tips to help you in the use of your meter:

■ Through-the-lens meters on your 35mm camera will automatically adjust for any filters

you place on the lens.

■ Once your meter indicates a certain aperture/shutter speed combination, remember that any other corresponding combination will give you correct exposure. Only the appearance of the final photograph will be altered.

■ Change the battery once a year whether you have a hand-held meter or one built into your camera.

But, alas, you forgot to change the battery and your meter is dead. Is all lost? Not at all! Simply remember this rule: On a sunny day, set your aperture at f-16 and your shutter speed at the speed closest to the ASA of your film (1/60 for ASA 64 film). A perfect exposure will be yours. Then, for bright overcast, open up one stop. Normal overcast, open up two. Heavy overcast or shade, open up three.

Now that you've been exposed to exposure, get out your camera and expose yourself to the many exciting photographic opportunities that await you.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then 111, then N-A-G-L-E-R. His fax number is (248) 644-1314.

## CRAFTS CALENDAR

If you would like to announce an upcoming craft show, bazaar, or arts boutique — items can be sent to: Crafts Calendar, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI, 48150 or e-mail kmortson@oe.

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**CRAFTERS ON A MISSION**  
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## HOME WORK

## Stick with brand names when buying basic tools

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"You get what you pay for." Whoever coined that phrase must have had tools in mind.

Cheap tools don't do work, they make work. Certainly homeowners who expect only to do occasional

repairs need not invest in professional quality tools. But, low quality tools often found in discount and dollar stores tend to be made of metals soft enough to chew through.

Stick with brand names when purchasing tools. Stanley and Craftsman are classic brands. The tool should "feel" right—that is the weight of the tool should not feel too light or too heavy for its size. Look for a good finish. Edges, which are supposed to be sharp, are sharp, and just as important, those that should not be, are not. Check for loose parts.

On steel tools, look for the words "drop forged," "tempered" or "hardened." If you don't see these words, ask the sales person. If they can't answer your question, it's probably best to shop elsewhere.

Quality tools deserve care.

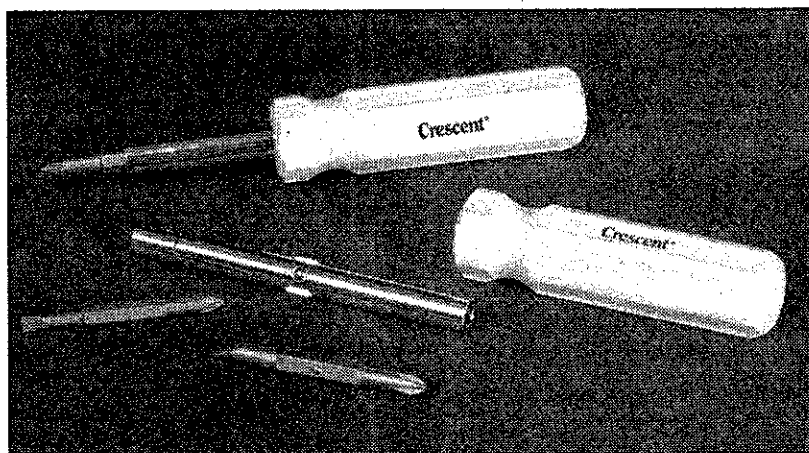
## ■ Cheap tools don't do work, they make work.

Store them where you can get to them easily. Depending on the number of your tools, this location could be a tool bag, drawer, bucket or toolbox. If you decide to purchase a toolbox, think about the size you need, then buy the next largest one. Learn to put tools back when you are through. (I'm still working on this one.) Keep a note of who borrows them. I've lost many tools loaning them to someone or forgetting where I put them.

Tools should be stored in as dry an area as possible. Most likely, however, they will be in the garage or basement. Occasionally cleaning and wiping the steel tools with mineral spirits (paint thinner), kerosene or, as I prefer, WD-40, leaving a slight film on the tool will help keep them from rusting.

## Back to school

I was recently asked what might be a good tool kit to send with my student moving away to college. My answer to that is there may be some good starter kits available, most are mechanic-oriented. It's probably best to purchase a few individual tools and add to them as need and budget dictates. I've sometimes seen tool kits in the decorating or craft sections of stores. Real tools don't usually come in packages.



Drivin' home: This 4-in-1 screwdriver, with its multiple tips, can do the work of four screwdrivers, both standard and Phillips tips.

tels. Enough said about that.

In my opinion, probably the most frequently used tool is the screwdriver. There are many types and sizes. At the very least, I suggest four screwdrivers: No. 1 and No. 2 Phillips and 1/4-inch and 3/16-inch standard tip. These four, however, could be substituted for a 4-in-1 screwdriver. This has changeable tips so the screwdriver will do the job of four.

Another option would be a reasonably priced screwdriver set, which can be found at most hardware, tool and home improvement stores.

Most home improvement books will tell you that a screwdriver is for just that, driving screws. Just about everyone I know, myself

included, has used a screwdriver to pry, scrape and chisel. Just keep in mind the tools limits. Don't put too much torque on the blade or shaft, watch for slippage, and use light taps on the handle.

Next to the screwdriver, and probably just as important are pliers. A good pair of 8-inch slip-joint pliers will suit most of your holding needs. Though designed to hold nuts and bolts, care should be taken not to damage the heads of these. Look for the words "drop forged" printed on the handle and good chrome plating. The handles shouldn't wobble away from each other when pressure is applied to them.

Consider also a pair of needle-

nosed pliers in the starter kit. Besides being able to get into tight spots, most have integral wire-cutters.

Next on the list is a hammer. I'll suggest a 16-ounce claw hammer for starters, but a 12-ounce will work if the 16-ounce feels too heavy. Pick-up hammers and "feel" them.

You'll find one that just seems to fit your hand. I know a carpenter who is an avid fly-fisherman. He had a custom fishing rod made with the grip to match his hammer.

This says a lot to me about feel.

The adjustable wrench commonly referred to as a crescent wrench is the next tool I'd suggest. This is better than pliers on nuts and bolts, and will handle many of the tasks of open-end wrenches.

Though often overlooked in a tool kit, a tape measure is essential. I feel a good 25-foot tape with a stiff 1-inch blade is well worth the little extra cost over a 12 footer.

Add to your starter tool kit a utility knife and torpedo level. The utility knife will save your kitchen knives and is much safer to use. Its short, stout, razor sharp blade is much more controllable than a kitchen knife. A torpedo level is ideal for picture hanging as well as many other leveling jobs around the house or dorm.

## Don't forget the tape

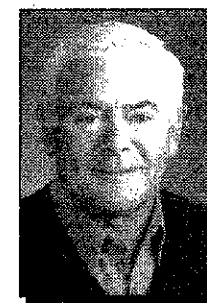
Finally, no tool kit no matter how simple or complex is complete without two items. WD-40 and duct tape. WD-40 is a lubricant, penetrant and cleaner. It can help loosen rusted bolts, clean and remove sticker goo and put an end to squeaky hinges and lots more. Duct tape is often called the "universal tool." I think that says enough.

This obviously is not a complete tool kit, but a good start to building your tool kit. It will cover most of the needs of the dorm student or someone just starting out with a new place of their own. Students who are taking a bike may want to add a small bike repair kit to make any necessary adjustments. Try these Web sites: [www.stanleyworks.com](http://www.stanleyworks.com), [www.wd40.com](http://www.wd40.com), and, for fun, [www.octanecreative.com/ducttape/dtjmtim.html](http://www.octanecreative.com/ducttape/dtjmtim.html).

Harry Jachym, a licensed builder, lives in Plymouth and teaches building trades to high school students in a school district in western Wayne County.

Since we all seem to ask our fathers for repair or remodeling advice, Jachym will be writing "Ask Dad," a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. Send any questions to Harry Jachym care of Ken Abramczyk, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or [kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net](mailto:kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net)

## Watch for ripoffs on service calls on appliance repairs

APPLIANCE  
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JOE GAGNON

people. Those thoughts helped me focus my lecture on ripoffs which affect so many of this country's seniors.

It's been a long time since I went on a rampage about some

A few days ago I had the privilege of speaking to a distinguished group of women in Birmingham. As I looked around at the crowd of about 200, I thought of my mother who would be proud of my concerns for

## ■ She thought you changed the whole gas valve, but you and I know that all you replaced was the little \$20 coil on top of the valve.

of the appliance service companies which, if given the opportunity, would take as much money as possible from an unsuspecting consumer. In the span of an hour I would tell a dozen stories on how the ripoff companies do it. Then I would spend the next month checking my car before I opened the door after threats were made against me.

In the last few years things have smoothed out considerably, and it seems that the bad guys in business just pretend I'm not there. At least, this is what appears in my mind, but you

know the old saying, "Never let your guard down."

To the service man who came into my neighborhood and charged a woman \$229 for changing the gas valve on her clothes dryer, I have something to say to you: You just plain ripped her off. She thought you changed the whole gas valve, but you and I know that all you replaced was the little \$20 coil on top of the valve. You were in the house for only 25 minutes and charged her \$150 for parts usage. The rest was charged in labor and a service call and I'll

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This lady was so unsuspecting of your company's business practices that she told me she has used you on three previous times when she had an appliance break down. It is you that has used her and I wonder how can you live with yourself. I know the company you work for, I've seen their name on television stories and I've read about them in newspapers. Don't you think that your neighbors know about you and what about your family,

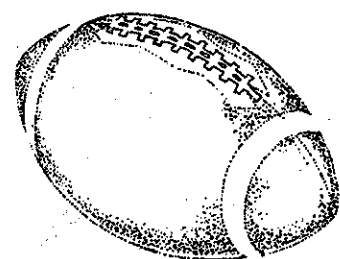
do you look at them with pride when you talk about your working life?

I've got something to say to you and the rest of the service industry who works with your style. You know that there are plenty of good honest companies out there who need technicians very badly. I know service technicians who have left their employer for obvious reasons and now work in better atmospheres. These people have come to me in the past filled with fear and trepidation and I helped them. You can do the same thing and if I'm not afraid of fear, why

should you be? Remember, I've got friends in high places so give me a call. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard Saturday and Sunday on 760 WJR. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

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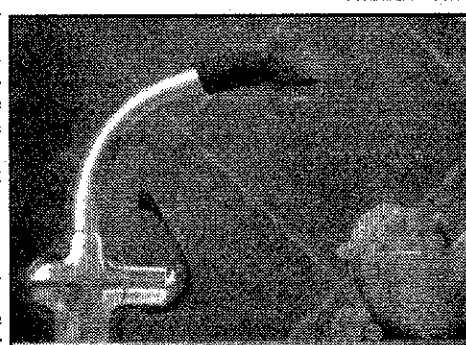
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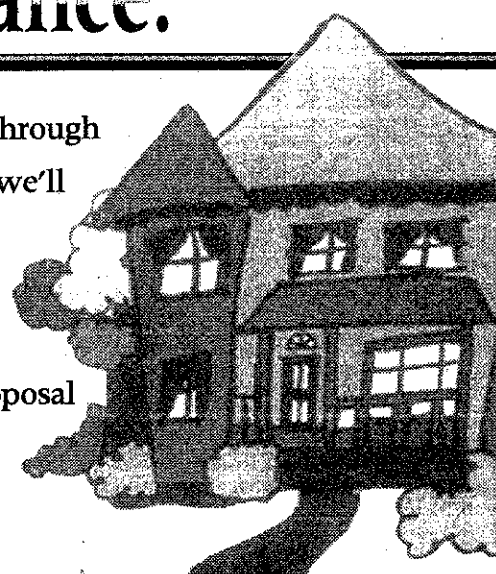
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According to Dr. Dan Carey, veterinarian and director of technical communications for the Iams Company, pet owners should follow certain steps to

make sure they are ready to care for their pets in the event of a life-threatening situation.

**Don't panic!** Pets may sense fear from people and become frightened themselves. Develop a matter-of-fact attitude when dealing with a frightened pet. Stay close to them, reassure them and persuade them to play to divert their attention. Try not to stroke your pet incessantly, hover over him/her or cuddle him/her anxiously.

**Be prepared.** Always keep a

store of at least three days' worth of pet food. If your pet is on a special diet, keep at least a week's worth of pet food in the house.

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**Maintain a first aid kit.**

"Your pet's first aid kit should contain plenty of gauze, bandages, a set of tweezers, antibiotic ointment and antiseptic, so that your pet can be as prepared as you," Carey said.

"A nervous pet can get jumpy and agitated, increasing the chances of spilling medicine or tearing and stretching a length of gauze. Therefore, always maintain a good supply of each

item in your first aid kit."

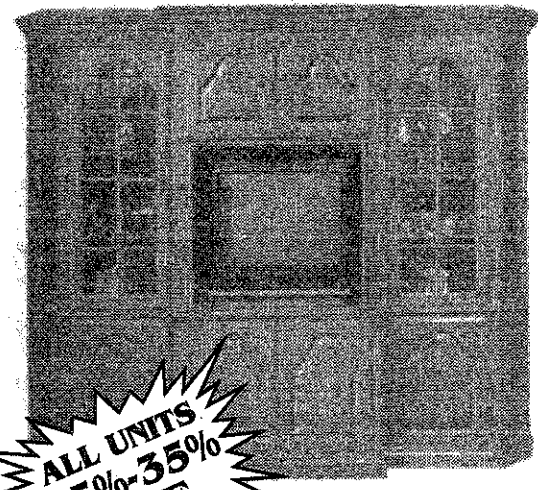
**Be positive and precise.** Instead of saying "No" during a panic situation, try to give your dog something positive to do such as "Sit" or "Heel." These actions will convey a relatively calm environment amidst a chaotic one.

**Identify your pet.** All pets should have identification that will aid their return to you in

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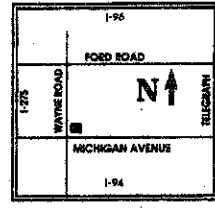
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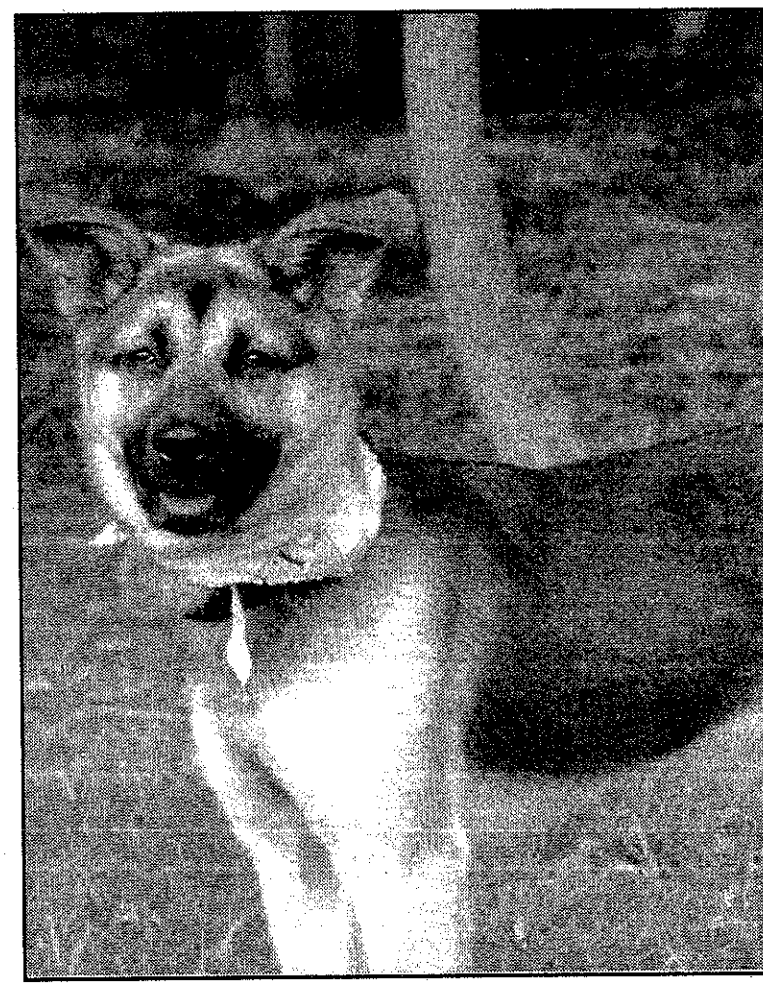
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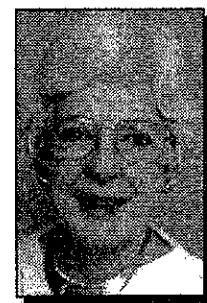
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## Here's the long and short of plant division

## GARDEN SPOT



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grown its spot?

Were there less or smaller flowers than in previous years?

Have the nearby trees and shrubs grown so large that the bed is more shady?

Have we removed any plants so that now the bed is more sunny?

Do I like the plant well enough to keep it?

Do I want to divide to increase my stock?

Many herbaceous perennials and woody plants form crowns and can be easily divided. Herbaceous perennials include coreopsis, bleeding-heart, asters, campanulas, anemones, foxgloves, primroses, sedum and veronica, for instance. Woody plants in the category include barberries,

heaths, spirea and potentilla.

Wait to divide anything until after the deciduous plants have lost their leaves and before the ground freezes.

Keep in mind that those plants that normally bloom in the spring can be divided in the fall, as can many herbaceous species because of their vigorous growth. Those that bloom in the summer should be divided in the summer after they bloom and the foliage begins to discolor.

Other plants have specific times they can be divided according to their growth cycle.

## Division directions

Before you work with a plant you wish to divide, water the surrounding ground very thoroughly and allow it to drain, and prepare the soil for the new divisions.

Dig carefully around the root ball, then lift the plant and as many roots as possible onto a firm surface. It might be necessary to remove or wash off some of the soil, but leave as much as you can to preserve the roots.

Some plants can be easily separated with your hands, but others many need help with a sharp knife or sharp shovel.

Those with lots of roots, such as daylilies, can be separated with two forks thrust back to

back into the center of the ball and then pried apart.

Other plants may be too large to lift, so just slice off portions from the edges of the crown.

Care should be taken so the roots don't dry out. Plant the new divisions as soon as possible. Water immediately and protect them for several days from direct sun and wind. I find those little milk crates to be perfect in that they let in light and air for circulation.

Small divisions need to be mulched to prevent them from heaving during the winter.

Plants with runners or stolons can easily be propagated. Pin or peg a runner or stolon to the ground at one or more nodes, cover with soil at each spot and keep it moist. When roots form, the plant can be cut away from the mother.

Some candidates are ajuga, mint, lamb's ear and lavender. This can be done now or most anytime during the year.

Woody plants that form suckers and those that form rhizomes and tubers are best left for spring work. Bulbs also can be separated in the spring.

## Achievements

Many of you order bulbs from Brent and Becky's Bulbs of Gloucester, Va. This year they



MARTY FIGLEY

**Dividing time: September is a good time to divide many perennials, such as sedum.**

are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Heath family being involved in the bulb business.

To commemorate this achievement, Brent and Becky have named two of their new daffodil

hybrids for Brent's parents. N. "Pappy George" is a fragrant, happy looking, bright yellow-red jonquilla and N. "Katie Heath" is a lovely, beautifully formed, white-pink triandrus. Both are strong garden perennials, produce long-lasting flowers and are blue ribbon winners.

For more information, contact Becky Heath by e-mail, [bbheath@aol.com](mailto:bbheath@aol.com), or phone, (804) 693-3966.

Another accolade is in order. Dow AgroSciences LLC has been given one of the U.S. Government's top environmental honors, the 2000 Presidential Green Chemistry Challenge Award.

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## GOODGARDEN TIPS

■ Soon it will be time to rake

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■ If you leave seedheads on flowers, your winter vista will be enhanced.

■ Collect seeds from your favorite flowers when the pods turn brown. Dry, and store in paper envelopes in the refrigerator.

■ Order bulbs now so that you'll be assured of getting those you really want.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then 111, then 3445. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

## Presentation to offer tips for successful planting in fall

Bonnie Krimmel, assistant store manager of English Gardens' West Bloomfield location, will present *Fall is for Planting* 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at the store, 6370 Orchard Lake Road.

The presentation will take place in conjunction with the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' High Hopes Sunflower Contest.

Fall is the best time of year to plant trees, shrubs and perennials and to re-seed a lawn. It's also the only time of year to plant spring-flowering bulbs, such as tulips, daffodils and hyacinths.

Krimmel will talk about seasonal favorites and give tips for proper planting and care to ensure gardening success. After the 30-minute presentation, she'll answer questions.

Winners of the sunflower contest will be announced after the presentation. Gift certificates from English Gardens will be

awarded to the winners in first, second and third place for the tallest sunflower and the largest seed head.

Krimmel joined English Gardens in April. She has an associate's degree in landscape horticulture and has been in the horticulture industry for more than eight years.

Founded in 1954, English Gardens has five metro Detroit stores. The others are in Royal Oak/Troy, Clinton Township, Dearborn Heights and East-pointe.

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## Dividing perennial flowers depends on type, time

BY LEE REICH  
FOR AP SPECIAL FEATURES

One attraction of perennial flowers is their perennial nature — a single planting may last for years.

But "perennial" doesn't mean the plants will necessarily last forever.

With age, some perennials spread to form clumps whose centers die out as new growth pushes out the edges. The crowns of other types of perennials inch upward out of the ground each year, eventually dying from exposure to the elements.

The result, in either case, is fewer flowers. When this happens, it's time to divide the clump.

Wait until you see new, green growth in spring before dividing a perennial clump. Then the more vigorous, young growth, which is what you are going to save, will be obvious. Don't wait too long, though, or the plant will be shocked by this rough treatment.

To divide a clump, work around the edge with either a shovel or a spading fork, thrusting the tool into the ground at an angle to get under the clump. Push down the handle to lever the clump up and shake dirt loose from the roots. Eventually, you will have the clump laying on top of

the ground.

Before pulling apart the clump, cut just the crown — not the roots — into pieces with either pruning shears or a sharp knife. Now go ahead and separate the crown pieces, teasing apart their attached roots.

Use your hands — or two garden forks held back-to-back in the center of the clump, then pulled apart at their handles.

Save vigorous young crown pieces from the outside edge of the clump for replanting, keeping them covered with moist burlap or soil as long as they are out of the ground.

Take the opportunity, before you replant, to improve the soil. A bucketful of peat moss or compost in the planting hole will lighten clay soils and help sandy soils hold more water.

Phosphorus is a plant nutrient that moves very slowly in the soil, so mix a handful of bone meal with the soil in the planting hole to ensure a good supply of phosphorus right near the roots.

Next, build a mound of soil in the planting hole on which to set the crown. Adjust the mound height so that when the soil is firmed the crown will be at ground level. Then, fill in the hole, sifting soil in around the roots. Put a layer of sawdust, straw or

compost over the ground as mulch, and slowly water the plant with a gallon of water.

To look their best, perennials such as asters and hardy chrysanthemums need to be dug up, cut apart, then replanted every spring.

Invasive perennials such as bee balm, tansy, goldenrod and artemisia don't need division to spruce them up, but rather to keep them from wandering beyond their allotted space.

Division only every three or four years is needed for the following perennial flowers: armeria, phlox, coral bells, Canterbury bells, cerastium, Siberian and Japanese irises, veronica, yarrow and Shasta daisy.

Although dividing perennials is a satisfying spring activity, some restraint is in order. Not all perennials want to be divided now. Oriental poppies, bleeding heart, bearded iris and Virginia crowslip go dormant in midsummer and that is when they should be divided.

And think twice before dividing perennials such as Christmas rose, peony, monkshood, butterfly weed, lupine and baby's breath. These flowers need division perhaps once a decade and they often show their resentment to the treatment by not blooming for a year or more thereafter.

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## GARDENING EVENTS

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### GARDEN TALKS

#### FREE LECTURE

Saguaro Rare and Traditional Plant Nursery and Gardens offers a series of free lectures by various garden experts 1 p.m. Sundays at the nursery, 470 W. Five Mile in Whitmore Lake. Among the scheduled topics is Introduction to Rock Gardening by Guerin Wilkinson, vice president of the Michigan Chapter of the North American Rock Garden Society and owner of Greenstreet Tree Care, Sept. 10. The talks last about an hour. Reservations

aren't necessary. A 10-percent discount is given on any plant discussed in the lectures. Call (734) 449-4237.

#### MORE DISCUSSIONS

English Gardens hosts free weekly gardening seminars for the public at its five locations, including 7 p.m. 7 p.m. Thursdays at the West Bloomfield store, 6370 Orchard Lake Road, north of Maple (call (248) 851-7506). Scheduled topics include Fall Facelift for Your Garden by Chip Hickey or Candy Rosowski, Sept. 7; and Plant Bulbs Now for Spring Color by Catie Jabukowski or Bev Dixon, Sept. 12 and 14. Call (800) 335-GROW for the nearest English Gardens, or visit [www.englishgardens.com](http://www.englishgardens.com)

#### COMPOSTING TRAINING

Learn the How-To's of Backyard Composting and Yard Waste Reduction by attending Wayne

County's Fall 2000 Master Composting Training sessions. Classes meet Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 27-Nov. 1 at Northville City Hall, 215 Main Street. There is a \$25 material fee due by the first night of class. Register now as class size is limited. To register, call (734) 326-3936.

### GARDEN CLUBS

#### POND WATER

The Southeast Chapter of the Michigan Koi & Pond Clubs meets 4 p.m. the third Sunday of every month, now to November. New members and guests are welcome. Call (248) 646-7675 for details, location and questions.

#### AUTHOR FEATURED

Ted Nelson, professional photographer of birds and landscapes and author of *The Nature of Kensington*, will be the guest speaker at noon Sept. 11 of the Farmington Garden Club, at the Longacre House, 24705 Farmington Road, on the west side of the street between 10 and 11 Mile roads. Call Dorothy at (248) 615-3616 for information.

#### FLOWER SALE

#### AFRICAN VIOLETS

The Michigan State African Violet Society will sponsor a fall display and sale of African violets at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road, in Ann Arbor, while supplies last. Hours are 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 30, and 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1.



**African violets:** These flowers will be on display and sold by the Michigan State African Violet Society 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, and 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1, at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor.

## Gardeners can learn more at conference

BY LYNNE ELLEN KAISER  
SPECIAL WRITER

So many times, when I am volunteering out among the public, answering gardening questions, I hear the same thing.

"I wish I could take a class about that!" or "I'd really like to know more, but I don't know how to find out." If that sounds like you, read on. (If not, read on anyway, you still might find something you like!)

The group with which I am very active is called the Master Gardener Association of Wayne County, or MGAWC. It's an alumni group for people who have taken the Master Gardener Program classes.

Master Gardeners are folks trained by representatives from Michigan State University for about 11 weeks, four hours per week. We study a broad range of gardening topics, and pass tests on these subjects.

When we finish the classes, we agree to devote a minimum of 40 hours over the next year volunteering among the public and educating people about garden-related issues. Then, every year after that, we agree to volunteer at least 10 hours of our time, and to seek out at least three hours of horticultural education.

Every year, MGAWC volunteers put on an annual educational event for the public. Formerly known as Gardening in the '90s, it has now been renamed "Growing with Master Gardeners." It is a massive undertaking, and offers some incredible educational opportunities for those of you who might want to know a bit more about things growing in your garden, plus lots more.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, you can join MGAWC for a full or half day of gardening education and inspiration. The program runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the University of Michigan, Dearborn campus at 4901 Evergreen in Dearborn.

Enjoy two speakers, three workshops, a great lunch, a gift, a chance at a door prize, a garden marketplace, and a huge plant sale. Here's the schedule:

■ 8-9 a.m. Registration  
■ 9-10 a.m. Heirloom Bulbs: 4 seasons, 40 centuries; with keynote speaker Scott Kunst of Old House Gardens

■ 10:15-11:10 a.m. Choose one from the following topics: 1) Spring Splendor: Beyond Tulips and Daffs; Theme Gardens: Entry, Butterfly, and Drying; Introduction to Herbal Medicine; Year-Round Composting with Vermicomposting; Rose

Propagation; Why Native Landscaping? or Beehive Tour

■ 11:10 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. Lunch, included with full-day registration

■ 12:25-1:20 p.m. Choose from: Herbs for Bath and Body; Indigenous Intrigue; Potted Pleasures; Posey Pockets (pottery craft); Grasses for Everyone; Expert Q & A Panel, or Prowling for Problems - Diagnostics

■ 1:35-2:30 p.m. Choose one from: Houseplant Heaven; Magnificent Mums; Garden Walk-About; Fitness for Gardeners - Yoga!; Turf's Up - Know your Lawn; Shrubs for your Yard, or Herb Enthusiasm

■ 2:24-3:45 p.m. Keynote Speaker Dean Krauskopf, "Top Ten FAQs and Tips for Success" from Dean, who hosts a radio show on WJR.

■ 4-5 p.m. Marketplace and plant sale (open all day)

Even if you can't make it for the classes, feel free to join us for our marketplace and plant sale. We have rounded up lots of wonderful vendors of unique garden-related merchandise.

Plus we will be having a plant sale, with most plants raised by Master Gardeners. You'll find old favorites, plus lots of unusual specimens, with both perennials and houseplants. Entrance to the marketplace and plant sale is free, and you may come anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

#### For the kids

Our fabulous 'Kids Only' program, Budding Botanists, will run from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Join us for an adventure of garden crafts and planting experiences, for ages 5 to 12. (A parent must be registered and present at the seminar for a child to participate.)

The cost of these programs are less than you'd expect. MGAWC puts on this event as part of our mission to educate the public about horticulture. So it's a labor of love, if you will, put on by lots of volunteers who happen to have a lot of experts among them!

A full day registration costs \$35 for the event, a half day is \$22, and the budding botanist program is \$15 per child. Full day registration includes lunch and a nifty reusable lunch tote, as well as all classes, handouts, etc. Half-day registration is for either morning or afternoon, and does not include lunch.

For more information, call 734-285-4836. Registration before Sept. 7 is requested; walk-ins will be allowed if space permits.

## Pick up fall garden tips

BY MARTY FIGLEY  
SPECIAL WRITER

The annual Fall Plant Sale is coming up at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, but before you attend the sale, you may want to go a week early.

Fall gardener's Savvy Sessions will take place 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, offering professional consultation by the staff of the gardens as well as volunteer Michigan master gardeners.

Attendees will learn about mulching, seed collecting, pruning and proper fall garden cleanup, all fall activities that will enhance the garden for

future seasons.

The sessions are free and open to the public. The actual sale will take place 3-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, for members only. If you would like to be a part of this group, you can become an MBG member at the door, and qualify for a 10-percent discount on the price of plants.

The sale will be open to the general public 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 16-17. Admission is free. All proceeds from the sale will go to the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, between Geddes and Plymouth road in Ann Arbor. Call (734) 998-7061.

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## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



Stagecrafters presents the musical "Grease," Sept. 8 to Oct. 1 at the historic Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette Ave., Royal Oak. For tickets, call (248)541-6430.

### SATURDAY



The Midwest Radio Control Club will present Air Show 2000, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday at their flying field on Five Mile Road. Admission is \$5. For more information, call (734)591-0718.

### SUNDAY



The Livonia Historical Society's Flea Market will be held at Greenmead, Eight Mile and Newburgh, Livonia, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission \$1. For more information, call (248)477-7375.



Greenfield Village's 50th annual Old Car Festival, the longest continuing running car show of its kind, is slated Sept. 9-10, Oakwood Boulevard in Dearborn. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission is \$13.50 for adults, \$12.50 for seniors and \$8.50 for children under 12.



Hot stuff: Ray Heitger's Cake Walkin Jass Band played regularly at Tony Packo's, the Toledo restaurant made famous by Jamie Farr on "MASH."

## Dixieland bands gather for good times



Dixieland: Ron Kischuk plays trombone with Chet Bogan's Legacy Wolverine Jazz Band.

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
 STAFF WRITER  
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Some of Michigan and Ohio's finest are meeting Sunday, Sept. 10, and it's not on the football field.

When M Greet's O at the Monaghan Council Knights of Columbus Hall in Livonia there's sure to be some carrying on, but it will all be in good fun. We're talking music, Dixieland, performed by two well known bands — Chet Bogan's Legacy Wolverine Jazz Band and Ray Heitger's Cake Walkin Jass Band.

The two bands are kicking off the New Windsor/Detroit Jazz Club's concert season at the Monaghan Council.

Club director Bill Knowles of Farmington has been listening to

Dixieland practically all of his life. "It's the beat mainly," he said explaining his fondness for the music. "The key word is, this is fun music."

Ron Kischuk, a professional musician who lives in Bloomfield Hills and owns Percussion World in Garden City, agrees with Knowles that Dixieland is fun music, it's also fun to play.

A trombonist, he's been playing Dixieland since he was a student at Wayne State University, and met the late Chet Bogan in the 1980s, and joined his band in 1991.

Bogan, whose band played at Lido-On-The-Lake in St. Clair Shores, was a full-time dentist and full-time musician.

"Chet was a real traditional cornetist," said Kischuk. "He was true

to the style of the music. He played Dixieland in its authentic, original style."

After Bogan died, his wife Evelyn donated his music to Wayne State University so that the students could learn how to play traditional Dixieland.

At the concert on Sept. 10, Kischuk will lead Chet Bogan's Legacy Wolverine Band in a concert that includes some of his favorite arrangements such as "Mississippi Mud," "Emmett County Rag," and "Struttin With Some Barbecue."

Ray Heitger's Cake Walkin Jass Band has had a regular gig at Tony Packo's in Toledo, Ohio for the past 32 years.

After the bands play they will get together for a jam session. Refreshments and beverages will be offered for sale, and dancing is encouraged.

**What:** "M Greet's O" Dixieland Concert featuring Chet Bogan's Legacy Wolverine Jazz Band and Ray Heitger's Cake Walkin' Jass Band  
**When:** 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10  
**Where:** Monaghan Council Knights of Columbus, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia  
**Tickets:** \$10 in advance, \$13 at the door  
 For information: Call Bill Knowles at (248)476-2674

## Just for laughs, try the Penn

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
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If you haven't been to the Penn Theatre for a while, circle Sept. 15-16 on your calendar, just for laughs.

We're serious. There have been a lot of positive changes at the theater during the past three years, and live comedy nights is just one of them.

"It's important to make people laugh," said John Mazzei, who owns the theater with his partners, Ronald Cook and James Courtney. "Our first comedy

**What:** Comedy night at the Penn with Jimmy Dore

**When:** 8 and 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Sept. 15-16

**Tickets:** \$14 in advance, \$16 at the door, call (734)453-3230

**Upcoming:** Jimmy Pardo, Oct. 13-14, Billy Garon, Nov. 17-18 and Dan Wilson, Dec. 8-9.

night in June was successful beyond our wildest dreams." Chicago native Jimmy Dore will be on stage Friday-Saturday, Sept. 15-16. Dore made his network TV debut on NBC's hit late night show "Friday Night" in 1997 and

has since made four additional appearances. He has also been on "The Late Late Show with Craig Kilbourn" and appears regularly on Comedy Central's "Make me Laugh," "Caroline's Comedy Hour," "Evening at the Improv," "Stand Up N.Y.," and "Laugh Factory W. Hollywood California."

His first CD will be out this fall and was produced by Tom Griswold from The Bob & Tom show.

Expect to be entertained when this Chicago native, the youngest of seven boys in a Catholic family of 12, mans the mike. But there won't be any profanity.

"This is good, clean fun," said Mazzei. "Before the show we take the comedians to our office and talk to them. We tell them 'don't use the f-word.'"

Dore is just one of the well-known comedians who will be performing at the Penn this year.

Jimmy Pardo will be featured Oct. 13-14, Billy Garon, Nov. 17-18, and Dan Wilson, Dec. 8-9.

But comedy isn't the only thing happening at the Penn. The single screen theater that opened in 1941 is still a good place to see a movie.

As the lights dim and the curtain goes up, there's a hush, as the audience waits in anticipation for the show to begin.

"People are very protective of the Penn," said Mazzei. When the partners talked about making changes, some people in town were worried.

But the changes — including new carpeting, seats, doors, and renovated lobby area — have enhanced the Penn and made going there not simply a night at the movies, but an event.

Comedy is the newest thing on the marquee, and the partners are entertaining the possibility of having acoustic groups perform on stage.

"When we looked at this thing three years ago, we saw the potential and wanted to be part of the resurgence," said Mazzei. "We believe in Plymouth. It's becoming a tremendously important town."



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**Funny place:** John Mazzei has introduced comedy nights to the Penn Theatre.

## THEATER

YiHa: Marilu Henner gets into the spirit of Annie Oakley for "Annie Get Your Gun."



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If you've been watching too much public television and not enough Home Shopping Network, then you may not know that Marilu Henner, "Taxi's" Elaine Nardo, is the hottest thing in healthy living.

Bookstores and libraries can't keep enough copies of her total health makeover books and the newly released, best-selling *Healthy Life Kitchen* on their shelves.

But Henner isn't about to rest on the laurels of her fame as an author and fitness guru. Nor is she going to confirm or deny the rumor that she may take the seat next to Regis on the live morning show.

"It's a great job, I would seriously consider it, but I'm tied up until March doing this show," said Henner.

## Straight-shooting with star of 'Annie Get Your Gun'

The show she is referring to is Irving Berlin's *Annie Get Your Gun*, which Henner and Rex Smith are starring in Sept. 12-Oct. 1 at the Fisher Theatre.

"I keep telling people it's my favorite thing I've done since 'Taxi,' which is a pretty big statement," said Henner, speaking from her hotel room in Pittsburgh, the third city in the tour that will conclude next spring in Los Angeles.

"We've just had the most incredible 34 shows, every one with spontaneous jump-out-of-your-seat standing ovations," she said. "Every single review has been a rave — knock wood."

### Old-fashioned gal

The Broadway revival of this 1946 classic won the 1999 Tony Award for Best Musical Revival and a Grammy for Best Broadway.

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**What:** *Annie Get Your Gun* with Marilu Henner and Rex Smith

**Where:** Fisher Theatre, Detroit

**When:** Wednesday, Sept. 12-Sunday, Sept. 19

**Tickets:** \$31-58.50, available at the Fisher Theatre box office and all Ticketmaster outlets or call (248) 645-6666



# Piano students fine tune their technique in Russia

BY KRISTA HOPSON  
STAFF WRITER

A group of twenty-six Schoolcraft College piano students and teachers had a chance to fine tune their musical skills and perform at the Russian Consulate when they traveled to St. Petersburg, Russia as a part of the Russian-American Piano Institute program June 17 to July 5.

For seven years, Donald Morelock, professor of music at Schoolcraft College and co-director of the American-Russian Piano Institute, has been taking piano students to Russia for an intensive, three-week workshop studying with Russian teachers and performing in public recitals and competitions.

At the St. Petersburg State Conservatory, the students, including 14-year-old Sam

Clemons, gained a different perspective on piano instruction from the Conservatory's Russian faculty through group and private lessons.

"(The Russian instructors) concentrate on piano technique more than teachers here and technique is a key part of playing," said Clemons, who has been playing the piano for eight years.

This was Clemons' first trip to Russia after three years of piano instruction with Morelock at Schoolcraft College. Morelock encouraged Clemons to go on the trip to build on his piano skills.

"Sam just jumped so many levels (in piano) and that's always exciting to see," Morelock said.

The students, ranging in age from 14 to 24, are selected to go based on their ability to play the piano and also must have a musical repertoire memorized

and ready to perform, Morelock said. Clemons, who practices two hours a day five to six times a week, came prepared with nine pieces from composers such as Bach and Mozart, although he did not participate in any competitions.

"(The students) have to come very well-prepared for this kind of an intense study," said Morelock, who has been a professor at Schoolcraft College since 1967.

While there, the students were invited to perform at a special recital at the Russian Consulate by Paul R. Smith, Consul General of the United States in St. Petersburg.

"It was very nerve wracking (playing for Smith) because he holds such a very high position," said Clemons, a Bloomfield Hills resident.

In addition, this year the Con-

servatory sponsored the first international piano competition for Russian and American students. Six Russian and four American students participated.

Sanjay Mody, 14, is one Morelock's advanced piano students who has stood out at the Conservatory over the years. Morelock has seen Mody grow into a extremely gifted pianist while he has instructed him.

Mody, who has participated in the Russian-American program for five years, went to St. Petersburg ahead of the group for a musical evaluation with some of the Russian teachers.

"(The Russian teachers) see

him as an extraordinary and well-developed player," Morelock said. "It takes a lot of time to work with such a gifted student and he's talented in every way."

The students also experienced professional performances in major concert halls and visited several of the city's biggest tourist attractions.

Currently, 1,400 students, including 250 foreign students, are enrolled at the Conservatory. Graduates include Peter Illich Tchaikovsky and Dmitri Shostakovich.

"I see the results when they come back," Morelock said. "They are inspired to play because the

teaching is so special there."

Clemons has also noticed a tremendous difference in his piano performance since he has returned home.

"I go back to my notes and the teacher's advice when I'm playing," Clemons said. "I'm playing much better now."

The Schoolcraft group concluded their trip with a Return from Russia concert in August which featured performances from the students who studied at the Conservatory, including a joint performance by Clemons and Mody.

A solo piano recital is planned for some of Morelock's students in October at Schoolcraft.

## Annie from page E1

Show Album. Stars Bernadette Peters and Tom Wopat breathed life into an Irving Berlin score that once was Ethel Merman's to own.

And though considered part of the American vernacular, songs like "There's No Business Like Show Business" and "Anything You Can Do (I Can Do Better)," have fresh resonance courtesy of five-time Tony Award winners Barry and Fran Weissier.

"It's an old-fashioned musical, but a very modern love story," said Henner. "It's about a woman who's trying to compete in a man's world, but she's put down for it because she's so competitive and feisty. Then she falls in love, but she doesn't want to compromise what she believes in."

The story is based on the true adventures of Annie Oakley, an Ohio farm girl whose sharpshooting skills became legendary on the Western frontier. After she defeated Frank Butler, vaudeville's champion marksman, in a trick shot contest, they went on the road together as a double-bill act and joined hands in marriage.

Butler eventually retired to manage his wife's career. And in 1887, Oakley toured Europe in the Buffalo Bill Show where she performed for Queen Victoria and got to shoot a cigarette from the lips of Kaiser Wilhelm.

But it is the love story between Butler and Oakley, not her latter sharpshooting escapades, that is the subject of *Annie Get Your Gun*.

### Hitting the high notes

"I see Annie as a very physical character. She's an in-your-face, slap-you-on-the-back person. She's someone who doesn't know that you're not supposed to stand so close to people when you talk to them," said Henner.

But after her most recent performance as Roxie Hart in *Chicago*, Henner said it took almost a year to get the Fosse out of her system.

"It really changes your body in a lot of ways, just the way you stand or cock your knee or move your fingers. With this show, the challenge was getting into vocal shape. That's what I enjoy doing," said Henner.

She also prepared for the role by visiting a rifle range. "Though the guns in the show are politically correct wooden props, I never shot a rifle before. My first shot was a bull's eye. It freaked me out so much that my next four weren't even on the target," she said.

### Family ties

But with her co-star, Rex Smith, who most recently starred as the mad Frenchman in *The Scarlet Pimpernel* on Broadway, they definitely hit the mark in "Anything You Can Do (I Can Do Better)," where the duo exchange plenty of good-natured barbs and jabs.

"He's a cutie. We get to kiss like six times and we've added a few more," laughed Henner. "He's traveling with his wife and baby, and I'm with my kids and my husband whenever he can go on the road, so it's a real family

affair."

And for Henner, author of "I Refuse to Raise a Brat," wife of director Rob Lieberman, and mother of Nicky, 6, and Joey, 4 1/2, family is of utmost importance.

When she filmed "Man on the Moon" the Andy Kaufman story, Henner took home movies of her kids in Louie's cage on the set of "Taxi," which had been rebuilt for the movie. While she's on tour with *Annie Get Your Gun*, the boys will have tutors.

"I really have this romantic notion of taking my two little boys on the road. I just felt like they are old enough to appreciate it and yet not so old that soccer practice and their own social life has taken over," said the 48-year-old Chicago native, who plans to hit all the museums with them when she's in Detroit.

### Sharing secrets

But though she's on the road, Henner's still keeping busy writing another book, *Healthy Kids: Conception to College*, scheduled for release next year, and giving advice on her website [www.marilu.com](http://www.marilu.com). Yesterday (Sept. 6), she started a series of one-hour online classes.

"I look at animals in nature, and I have so much respect for them because they know how to eat and they know how to take care of themselves, so they look like the animal they were meant to be," said Henner. "This class is designed to turn you into the animal you were meant to be."

Perhaps that's Henner's way of doin' what comes natur'ly.

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, Sept. 8

### NURSE BETTY

A hard luck Kansas waitress named Betty is totally devoted to her favorite soap, "A Reason to Love." Her life actually becomes a soap opera when the hit men who killed her husband come after her and what's stashed in her car. Also stars Morgan Freeman, Chris Rock, and Greg Kinnear.

### THE WAY OF THE GUN

Two struggling criminals (Ryan Phillippe and Benicio del Toro) kidnap a pregnant surrogate mother on the verge of delivery and head for Mexico. Also on hand are Taye Diggs and James Caan.

### THE WATCHER

For eight years in Los Angeles, FBI agent Joel Campbell hunted serial killers for a living. After taking early retirement and moving to Chicago, a young woman

in his apartment building is found murdered. One look at the crime scene and the veteran investigator knows the

killer.

Scheduled to open Friday, Sept. 15.

### BAIT

Comedy about a petty thief who accidentally receives information about a gold heist from a master criminal while they're in jail together. Believing that the petty thief now knows the whereabouts of the gold, a federal agent has him released from prison as human "bait" to lure the criminal's partner out of hiding and reveal the stolen gold. Stars Jamie Foxx, David Morse, Doug Hutchison.

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### DUETS

Gwyneth Paltrow joins an ensemble cast in this light-hearted look at the karaoke phenomenon as seen through the eyes of six differing individuals. Three characters travel the country on their way to a competition in Omaha, Nebraska.

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### CHAIN OF FOOLS

A romantic comedy about a hapless barber whose life takes a turn for the worse when he accidentally ends up in possession of a stolen treasure trove of ancient coins. Stars Steve Zahn, Salma Hayek, Jeff Goldblum.

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**FISHER THEATRE:** "Annie Get Your Gun" opens Sept. 12 and continues to Oct. 1, at the theater, Detroit. \$33.50-\$65. (248) 645-6666/(313) 872-1000

**JET:** "The Immigrant," Sept. 7-10 and 13-17, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Wednesday, in the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level of the Jewish Community Center, West Bloomfield. \$10-26 with discounts for seniors/students, \$10 matinees. (248) 788-2900

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**MT. ZION THEATRE COMPANY:** "If the Good Lord's Willing & the Creek Don't Rise," a two-act comedy, Sept. 15-16, 22-23 and 29-30, at the Mt. Zion Center for the Performing Arts, Waterford. \$10 at door, and \$8, \$7 students/seniors/groups of 20 or more if purchased in advance. (248) 673-5432/(248) 391-6166

**PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN:** "Romantic Comedy," a hilarious play written by Bernard Slade, Sept. 15, 22-24 and 19-30, all performances begin at 8 p.m. except for the 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24 matinee, at the theater, Dearborn. \$11, (313) 441-TKTS

**RIDGEDALE PLAYERS:** Hold an Open House 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, children and adults interested in theater are welcome to enjoy the tours of the theater, entertainment provided by an improvisation troupe; "The Wisdom of Eve," a play based on the film "All About Eve," Sept. 15-16, 22-24, and Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Troy. \$11 includes coffee/sandwich afterward, \$10 for students/seniors on Sunday. (248) 988-7049

**THE VILLAGE PLAYERS:** "Cole," an entertainment based on the words and music of Cole Porter, Friday-Sunday, Sept. 15-17 and 22-24 and Friday-Saturday, Sept. 29-30, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Birmingham. \$14. (248) 644-2075 or www.villageplayers.com

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**DETROIT OPERA HOUSE:** Bear in the Big Blue House, showtimes vary, Wednesday-Sunday, Sept. 27-Oct. 1, at the opera house, Detroit. Tickets on sale 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 14. \$514-\$25 opening nights, otherwise all tickets \$12. (313) 983-6616

**PUPPETART:** "The Crane Maiden," a Japanese tale with marionettes and puppeteers in traditional Japanese costumes and masks, 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, 16, 23 and 30, at the Detroit Puppet Theater. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777

**MARQUIS THEATRE:** "The Shoemaker and the Elves," a summertime musical, Sept. 9, 16 and 23, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, 17 and 24, at the theater, Northville. \$6.50. No children



**World class flyer:** Jim Lapham of Northville with his radio controlled scale World War II P-61. Lapham is just one of the pilots who will be flying a variety of aircraft at the Midwest Radio Control Club Air Show 2000, Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 9-10, at the flying field on Five Mile Road west of Beck in Northville. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission \$5 per car. Call (734) 591-0718.

under age 3½ admitted. (248) 349-8110

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**ANN ARBOR ARTISAN MARKET:** Features Physic Sunday, Sept. 10, also more than 50 artists exhibiting hand-crafted jewelry, glass, furniture, fiber arts, painting, pottery, and more, at the Ann Arbor Farmers Market. (734) 994-FARM, artists interested in exhibiting should call (734) 453-2602/(734) 665-2007

**AUTUMNFEST:** Noon to 5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 16, at Marshbank Park on Hiller Road, north of Commerce Road. The festival costs \$5 per car for admission and includes performers like Dan Dan the Choo Choo Man, Fumbleina the Clown, Tim Salisbury, the comic juggler, Bob and Carl, the musical duo and Plasterworks. Carnival rides, hay and pony rides will be available. Anyone interested in volunteering may call (248) 738-2500

**BIRD HIKE:** 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, meet at the Maybury State Park Concession Building in the main parking lot on Eight Mile; annual honey harvest 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 9-10 in the Farm Demonstration Building; horse-drawn hayrides begin weekends 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 9-10 to Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 28-29, small fee charged per person. (248) 349-8390

**EMPTY BOWLS EXHIBIT:** Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery present the 10th anniversary National Exhibition of the "Empty Bowls" project against hunger Sept. 8-24, an opening reception takes place 5:30-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, a short program will be presented at 7 p.m.; at the gallery, 33 East Adams, Detroit. Call (313) 963-7575. An Empty Bowls meal will be held 5-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13 and people will be asked to "pay what you can, if you can" for their meal and bowl. For more information about the Oct. 13 benefit to help several local and national organizations, call (248) 628-4842 or visit the Web site at www.emptybowls.net

**ICE CAPEDES:** Tickets on sale now for performances Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 21-24, at The Palace, Auburn Hills. \$35, \$25 and \$15 reserved. (248) 645-6666

**MANY FACES, ONE FUTURE:** Multicultural Festival featuring art, international sporting events, international foods, concerts, Farmington Library and Costick Center, Farmington. (248) 474-7770/(248) 426-4455

**MICHIGAN CONOURS**

**D'ELEGANCE:** Presented by the Jaguar Affiliates Group of Michigan 8:40-30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, on site registrations come to Troy Hilton that morning. Fee for Jaguar entry, JCNA sanctioned event, at the Northfield Hilton, Troy. Free. (517) 223-9542

**MICHIGAN STATE CHILI**

**CHAMPIONSHIP:** Competition begins at 2 p.m., chili will be ready for judging and sampling 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, a salsa competition will be held the same day, in The Gathering, on Peniman east of Main Street, Plymouth. Proceeds

benefit all of the community service groups in and around Plymouth. (734) 455-8838

**NORTHVILLE VICTORIAN FESTIVAL:** Kicks off with a parade 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15 and continues 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, art fair, antique show and auction, free horse and carriage rides, storytellers, medicine man show, strolling musicians, street performers, and Victorian Country Dance, in Northville.

**PLYMOUTH COLLECTIBLE TOY SHOW:** 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. \$5, kids under 10 free. (734) 455-2110

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY FALL FESTIVAL:** Friday-Sunday, Sept. 8-10, children's rides and games, pancake breakfast, chicken dinner, Michigan State Championship Chili Cook Off under "The Gathering," pet show, Polish and Irish dancers, Plymouth-Canton High School Marching Band, and entertainment by such groups as The Couriers, Del Kauffman and the Metronome All Stars and The Larados.

**REDFORD THEATRE:** "North by Northwest" starring Cary Grant, Eva Marie Saint and James Mason 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9 and 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, organ overtures begin 30 minutes earlier, at the Redford Theatre, Detroit. \$3. (313) 531-4407

**TEDDY BEARS PICNIC:** Noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, bring your stuffed animal for a picnic in the park, entertainment, autographs with Goldilocks, crafts, face painting, dessert and punch, join the Cub Club, at Van Buren Park, Van Buren Township. Residents \$10 per couple plus \$3 for each child; non-residents \$15 plus \$3 for each child, includes park admission. Please bring one new children's book, donated books will go to the Goodfellows. (734) 699-8921

**TOUR OF THE WORLD GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONS:** 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, Joe Louis Arena, Detroit. \$22.50-\$48. (248) 645-6666

**UNITY FESTIVAL:** Featuring multicultural music and dance, performances, art exhibit, ethnic food, workshops, and children's activities, presented by Casa De Unidad 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9 and noon to 9 p.m. Sept. 10, in Clark Park, Vernor and Clark Street, southwest Detroit. (313) 843-9585

### FREE SUMMER CONCERTS

**IN THE PARK:** Steve King & the Ditties 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, in Shain Park, Birmingham.

### BENEFITS

**ART WORKS FOR LIFE:** Live and silent auction featuring more than 125 pieces of art and jewelry, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, Grosse Pointe Shores. \$50 in advance, reservations by Sept. 8. To benefit the Midwest AIDS Prevention Project. (248) 545-1435, ext. 13

**AUTUMN GOLF CLASSIC:** 9 a.m. shotgun start Thursday, Sept. 14, at Lake Forest Golf Club, Ann Arbor. \$110, \$400 per 4 person team, benefits the Ann Arbor Art Center. (734) 477-0444

**BENEFIT CONCERT:** Features Dell and the Roughcuts playing "folk music with a kick" 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, all ages, at Trinity Church, Livonia. Free but donations for the Wayne County Autistic Society are encouraged. (248) 615-4459

**DALLY IN THE ALLEY:** 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, musical acts on 3 stages, flamenco dancers, poetry, flea markets, children's fair, food, art exhibit, and a film stage when sun goes down, in the historic Detroit alley bounded by Second and Third Avenue and Forest and Hancock, in the shadow of Wayne State University. (313) 832-1949

**HENRY FORD II MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC:** Monday, Sept. 18, at the Detroit Golf Club. To benefit the Detroit Institute for Children. (313) 832-1100, ext. 203

**KENSINGTON FALL FESTIVAL:** Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 16-17, osprey celebration, crafts, candle dipping, apple cider making, dairy demonstration, hayrides, at Kensington Metropark near Milford/Brighton. Most event are free with vehicle entry permit \$3 weekends and holidays, \$2 weekdays except Wednesday when entry is free. (800) 477-3178

**KERRYTOWN CONCERT HOUSE:** Concert featuring Roger Chard, baritone and Maurita Holland, piano, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9, at the concert house, Ann Arbor. \$25, \$15, \$10, to benefit the Kerrytown Concert House. (734) 769-2999

**RUN WILD III:** Annual one-mile walk and 5K run 8:20 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, at the Detroit Zoo, Royal Oak. Registration begins 7 a.m. on race day. \$12 if registered by Sept. 13, \$15 on day of Run Wild, proceeds support the zoo's veterinary hospital. (248) 541-5717

**WALKABOUT EXCURSIONS:** 10 a.m. to noon, Sunday, Sept. 10 Medical Center Art Walkabout with artist Anne Rubin, begins at Taubman Center, and 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10 History of Downtown Ann Arbor Walkabout with historian Louisa Pieper, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 623-4440

**X-TRAVA CON:** Comic book, toy and non-sport card show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Livonia. \$2. (248) 426-8059

### CLASSICAL

**A PARISIAN SOIREE:** Chamber music featuring works by popular French composers, and cabaret show celebrating the release of the CD "C'est Magnifique...Paris in Song," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 15-16, at the Kerrytown concert House, Ann Arbor. \$30, \$20, \$15. (734) 769-2999 or kch@ic.net

**DANA LENTINI/KERSTIN ALLVIN:** Give a benefit concert 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, at St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church, St. Claire Shores. Free but there will

be an opportunity to give during a Free Will Offering to support St. Margaret's Commissioned Art Project. (313) 882-4288

**TOKYO STRING QUARTET:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at the Sellgman Performing Arts Center on the campus of Detroit Country Day School, Beverly Hills. \$18-\$65, \$15 students. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

### AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

**ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Auditions for associate concertmaster; section violin, viola, cello and bass; third flute/piccolo, principal and second clarinet; third horn; principal and third trumpet, and principal trombone and principal tuba, Sept. 7. (734) 994-4801

**AVON PLAYERS:** Open auditions for "Getting Away with Murder," 7 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Sept. 10-11, at the theater, Rochester Hills. For performances Oct. 27-29 and Nov. 3-5 and 9-11. (248) 652-6397

**BEL CANTO CHORAL GROUP:** Auditions for women who read music and love to sing, new season begins Sept. 11 with Monday night rehearsals at Southfield High School. To schedule an audition, call (248) 557-3734/(248) 541-0365

**CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS:** Auditions for "The Man Who Came to Dinner" 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11, Depot Theater, Clarkston. Call Mel Case (248) 666-1619 or Sue Owen (248) 674-8968 for a script. The group is also looking for 1940s period clothing, shoes and props.

**DEARBORN BALLET THEATRE:** Auditions for "The Nutcracker" 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, 1 p.m. children's parts (party scene), 2:30 p.m. acrobats (clowns, Arabian dancers, 3 p.m. advanced dancers (pointe shoes required for female dancers), at the Dearborn Senior Center Gymnasium. Fore performances Friday-Saturday, Nov. 24-25, and with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra in December. (313) 563-2488/(313) 943-3095

**DEARBORN YOUTH SYMPHONY:** Auditions for young musicians (fourth to 12th grades) who wish to participate in the Concert and/or Symphonic Orchestras 5-9:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11, registration required, all musicians must have a minimum experience level of two years on their chosen instruments and be prepared to play a solo of their choice, the concert orchestra brings together motivated musicians with limited experience and introduces them to orchestral playing, the symphonic orchestra is composed of more advanced musicians, at O.L. Smith Middle School, Dearborn. To schedule an audition, call Berni Herm at (313) 562-3884

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AND SINFONIA ORCHESTRA:** Holds open auditions for its youth orchestras Thursday-Friday, Sept. 7-8 by appointment only. Candidates should come prepared to play a solo of their choice and selected orchestral excerpts and scales (music can be provided). Tuition for the Civic Orchestra is \$100, \$50 for the Sinfonia. (313) 576-5164

**FARMINGTON/FARMINGTON HILLS COMMUNITY CHORUS:** Auditions for its winter concert 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12 at the Farmington Hills Activity Center, Farmington Hills. There is a small City of Farmington Hills registration fee. (248) 471-4516

**FRANKLIN VILLAGE CONCERT BAND:** Auditions for woodwinds, flutes, saxophones, French horns and percussionists, rehearsals Monday evenings, 8 concerts a year. (248) 474-8869

**JACKSON CHORALE:** Begins its 35th season Monday, Sept. 11 with auditions at 8:30 p.m. and the following Monday, Sept. 18 at 9:30 p.m., for rehearsal which meet 7:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays from September to May, at vocal music room at Rochester High School. (248) 651-3085

**LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS:** Looking for new members, especially tenors and basses, reading is not a prerequisite but you must be able to carry a voice part, new members welcome 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, at the Livonia Civic Center Library. (734) 427-5397

**LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR:** Auditions for girls and boys in grades 5-8 (ages 10-13) who reside in Livonia, Westland and Redford 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, boys must have unchanged voices, at Faith Lutheran Church in Livonia. (734) 425-1749

**LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC:** Auditions for the 2000-2001 season, call Wendy Bernard for an appointment, (734) 591-7649

**MARQUIS THEATRE:** Auditions for boys and girls (ages 8-1) for "Pinocchio" 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, actors must be prepared to recite a poem no longer than 2 minutes, and sing 8 measures of a son, preferably a show tune, at the theater, Northville. For perfor-

mances Nov. 11 to Jan. 14. (248) 349-8110

**METROPOLITAN DETROIT CHORALE:** Currently accepting new members in preparation of their holiday concert season which includes Handel's "Messiah," fall membership closes Tuesday, Sept. 18. (810) 792-SING

**MICHIGAN CLASSIC BALLET:** Auditions for performing opportunities (including "The Nutcracker" in December and "Coppelia" in April) Saturday, Sept. 9, 11-11:45 a.m. ages 7-9, noon to 1 p.m. ages 10 and up, at the Geiger Classic Ballet Academy, Bloomfield Hills. \$15. (248) 334-1300

**MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND:** The traditional British-style competition brass band based at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, is seeking new members. The group meets Monday evenings, brass and percussion instruments needed. (248) 349-0376

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS:** Looking for new members who'd like to sing in the annual Christmas concerts Dec. 1-3, auditions will be held by appointment 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12 and 19, tenors and basses especially needed, but there are some openings for second sopranos and altos, at First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial, Plymouth. For an audition appointment, call (734) 455-4080

**PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Auditions for new members, especially the positions of associate concertmaster, principal oboe, second oboe/English horn, principal bassoon, principal and assistant principal viola, and string section players, 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7 by appointment only, in the Phase III Bandroom at Plymouth Canton High School. For more information or to schedule an audition, call personnel manager Bill Hulsker at (313) 640-1773 or send e-mail to plymouthsymphony@aol.com.

**POLISH ALLIANCE DANCERS OF DEARBORN:** Together with the General Pulaski Polish Language School will hold registration for students ages 3 and up 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 9, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Dearborn. Dancers age 16 and up are welcome to apply for membership to the adult dance group, Polanie. (313) 581-3181/(734) 789-8801

**P.R.C.U.A. SYRENA DANCE ENSEMBLE:** The Polish group for all school age children is enrolling new students for the current dance year, practices are held Wednesday evenings at St. Michael's, Redford. (313) 563-1761

**RIDGEDALE PLAYERS:** Auditions for "Clue," a musical based on the Parker Brothers board game, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18, at the theater, Troy. (810) 573-6762

**SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE JAZZ BAND:** Looking for new members to join its rehearsals which meet 7 p.m. Mondays beginning Sept. 11 in Room 310 of the Forum Building on campus, Livonia. Auditions will be held during the first rehearsal on Sept. 11. For more information, call band director Jack Pierson at (734) 420-8984

**SCOOL JAZZ:** Join Scool Jazz, the jazz vocal group at Schoolcraft College, open to all singers with an interest in vocal jazz, meets 3-4:20 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, in the Forum Building room 310. (734) 420-8984

**TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE:** The theater is planning a "Night of One Acts" for winter or spring. If you've written or performed a one-act play that you'd like them to consider, call the theater at (734) 464-6302

**VOCAL ARTS ENSEMBLE OF MICHIGAN:** Auditions for the cappella vocal group, looking for all voices to sing at Renaissance feasts, concerts, weddings, workshops and special events. (313) 299-0451/(734) 941-5955

**VOX HUMANA:** The 24 voice chamber choir has opening for singers in all sections, auditions by appointment Sept. 10-17, at First Unitarian-Universalist Church of Detroit. To perform "Magnificat settings by J.S. Bach and C.P.E. Bach Dec. 10. (313) 964-2658

**WHISTLE STOP PLAYERS:** Auditions for ages 5 to adult for "A Child's Christmas in Wales," based on a story by Dylan Thomas, 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Sept. 13-14, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. (734) 416-4278

### POPS/SWING

**MICHAEL JAMES/DEBORAH JIMMERSON:** Piano bar 7-11 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and 8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, at La Bistecca Italian Grille, Livonia. (734) 254-0400

**DEL KAUFFMAN & THE METRONOME ALL STARS:** Play big band music, standards, jazz, Dixieland, and Latin at the Plymouth Community Fall Festival 8-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, on the stage in downtown Plymouth. Free. **JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY:** 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday



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through September, at Excalibur, Southfield. (248) 358-3355  
**SATIN DOLLS:** 8 a.m. Friday, Sept. 8, at Borders, Rochester Hills. Free. (248) 652-0558

## JAZZ

**ANN ARBOR BLUES & JAZZ FESTIVAL:** Friday-Sunday, Sept. 15-17, at the Michigan Theater, Bird of Paradise, and Gallup Park. (734) 747-9955 or www.a2.blues.jaz-zfest.org  
**MARK ARSHAK:** 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9, at Edison's, Birmingham. no cover. (248) 645-2150  
**RORY BLOCK:** 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (blues) (734) 763-TKTS

**BESS BONNIER ENSEMBLE:** Perform the jazz cantata from their recently released CD *Suite William* with lyrics by William Shakespeare, 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, guest seating begins 20 minutes prior to concert, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$22, \$11 children under age 12, includes brunch and concert; \$5 stairwell seating. Museum admission included in ticket price. (313) 833-4005

**RANDY BROCK & THE BLUES INSURGENT:** 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, at Conor O'Neill's Irish Pub, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-2968  
**RON BROOKS TRIO:** 9 p.m. Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

**GUY DAVIS:** 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$12.50. (blues) (734) 763-TKTS  
**GEM JAZZ TRIO:** Performs 7-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

**JAZZ ON THE LAKE:** Featuring Spyro Gyra, Alexander Zonjic opens the concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, on the campus of Orchard Lake Schools. \$75, includes food- and wine-tasting compliments of 24 area merchants. (248) 683-1750

**KEITH KAMINSKI BLUES QUARTET:** 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, at Edison's, Birmingham. no cover. (248) 645-2150

**PAUL KELLER/CARY KOCHER QUARTET:** 9 p.m. Tuesday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

**LOS GATOS:** 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

**MATT MICHAELS TRIO:** With vocal-ist Sandra Bomar 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13, at Ron's Fireside Inn, Warren Road, east of Middlebelt. \$5 cover. (734) 762-7756

**SHAHIDA NURULLAH & GOOD COMPANY:** 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, as part of the B'Jazz Vespers series, at First Baptist Church, Birmingham. Free Will Offering for musicians. (248) 644-0550

**JIMMY SCOTT:** Sings as part of the Ann Arbor Blues & Jazz Festival, 8 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 15-16, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$25 in advance at Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666. (734) 662-8310

**ED WELLS:** 7-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

**SUNNY WILKINSON:** 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$7 cover. (734) 662-8310

## FOLK/BLUE GRASS

**LARRY ARBOUR:** 7 p.m. Friday, at the Flying Fish Tavern, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747

**BALDUCK MOUNTAIN RAMBLERS:** 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at the Sunrise Sunset Saloon, Grosse Pointe Park. (folk/Irish) (313) 822-6080

**EDDIE FROM OHIO:** 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$12.50. (734) 763-TKTS  
**K.C. GROVES AND THE BISCUIT ROLLERS:** 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$11. (bluegrass) (734) 763-8587

**TOM RUSH:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$17.50. (734) 763-TKTS

**JOSH WHITE, JR.:** 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. \$25. (734) 416-4278

## WORLD MUSIC

**ALTAN:** With special guest the Tannahill Weavers 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19, at the Michigan Theater, Ann Arbor. \$31, \$21. (Celtic) (734) 763-TKTS or (248) 645-6666

**FEAR OF DRINKING:** 9 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Sept. 13-14, at Conor O'Neill's Irish Pub, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-2968

**TRINIDAD TRIPOLI STEEL BAND:** Tuesday nights, at Leopold Bros. Ann Arbor. \$3.

## POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

**STORYTELLING RETREAT:** Debra Christian, Detroit blues performer Robert Jones, Judy Sima, Joann Ladd, and Yvonne Healy are some of the performers and presenters at the annual Storytellers Retreat Friday-Sunday, Sept. 8-10 in Howell, also workshops, discussion groups, and on-site performances. (734) 451-1128

## DANCE

**ADVANCED ENGLISH FROLIC:** 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. \$7. (313) 937-1552  
**COUNTERGROOVE DANCE COMPANY:** "One American Landscape" presented by the Maggie Allesee department of dance, Monday, Sept. 11. (313) 577-6154

**SQUARE DANCE CLASSES:** Beginners and plus workshop beginning Monday, Sept. 11, 7-9:30 p.m. class open to Sept. 25, at the V.F.W. Hall, Southfield. \$3 per lesson. (313) 292-7699/(248) 476-7253

**WATERFORD-OAKS BALLROOM DANCING:** 8-11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, at 2800 Watkins Lake Road, Waterford. (248) 673-4764

**WOLVERINE SILVERSPUR DANCERS:** 7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at the Italian American Cultural Center, Warren. \$7. (810) 774-9148

## COMEDY

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB:** Leo DuFour Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 7-9, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, Livonia. (734) 261-0555

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S:** Charlie Wiener, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9, at the club, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

**MAIN STREET COMEDY SHOWCASE:** Jim Hamm, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9, at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

**MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE:** Mark Knepe Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 7-9, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

**SECOND CITY:** "Gratrot Happens," at Second City, Detroit. (313) 965-2222/(248) 645-6666 or online at www.ticketmaster.com; The Detroit Improv Festival - featuring the premier of Josh Funk's independent film, at the club, Detroit. (313) 965-2222 or www.secondcity.com.

## MUSEUMS AND TOURS

**ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM:** Math becomes interactive and fun for families with the newest exhibition "Fun 2,3,4: all about a number of things," continues to Oct. 17; the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club has donated magnetic blocks that have both printed and Braille letter for the magnetic wall so that visitors can write poetry or leave their names on the wall; the museum offers more than 250 interactive exhibits intended to make science fun, at the museum, Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$6, \$4 children/seniors/students. (734) 995-5439

**AUTOMOTIVE HALL OF FAME:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily (through end of October), at Hall of Fame, on Oakwood Boulevard, adjacent to Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$6, \$5.50 seniors, \$3 ages 5-12. (313) 240-4000

**CRANBROOK HOUSE:** Open for walk-in Sunday tours 1-3:30 p.m. to Oct. 29, at the house, Bloomfield Hills. \$10, Thursdays to Oct. 26 lunch at noon may be purchased for an additional \$12. Stroll through the Cranbrook Gardens at no additional charge or enjoy only the gardens for \$5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday (open 11 a.m. Sunday). Free parking at Christ Church Cranbrook directly across Lone Pine Road from Cranbrook House. (248) 645-3149

**DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM:** Behind the Scenes takes a "Hard Hat Tour" of the renovations for the Streets of Old Detroit, 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at the museum. \$25, \$15 members. Reservations limited. (313) 833-4727; "Paint-By-Number" family workshop (for children ages 5-11), 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 2, \$3. (313) 833-1262

**DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS:** Lucy Der Manueelian, Tufts University professor of Armenian art and architectural history, will give an illustrated lecture exploring the Armenian Imperial architects who built famous mosques and palaces, and the Armenian craftsmen and artists who created luxury objects, paintings, ceramics, rugs and silks for the Ottoman rulers and the royal court, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, in the lecture hall at the museum. Free with museum admission. (313) 833-9900

**DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM:** Visit the newest exhibition "Folk Art of the Great Lakes" or "Racing on the Wind: Sailing on the Great Lakes," also a temporary exhibit

on the construction and launch of the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, at the museum on Belle Isle, Detroit. Regular admission \$2, \$1 seniors/children ages 12-18 during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. (313) 852-4051

**FLEETWAY TUNNEL:** Historical exhibit marking 70th anniversary year of Detroit-Windsor Tunnel, memorabilia and photographs, video showing construction of tunnel, through Dec. 22, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, and 2-5 p.m. Sunday, at Windsor's Community Museum, 254 Pitt Street West. (519) 253-1812

**HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE:** "Cirque du Soleil: Journey of Man" plays in the museum's IMAX Theatre, in Dearborn, open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620

**MEADOW BROOK HALL:** Tours of the 110-room historic mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of auto pioneer John Dodge and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson, 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oakland University campus, Rochester. \$8, \$6 seniors, \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140

**PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM:** "The First Ladies of Fashion" exhibit featuring 14 reproduction inaugural Ball Gowns continues to Feb. 1, at the museum, Plymouth.

\$3, \$1 students, \$7 family. (734) 455-8940

**ROCHESTER HILLS MUSEUM:** "On the Streets Where You Live" exhibit continues to Saturday, Oct. 28, 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, at the museum. \$3, \$2 seniors/citizens. (248) 656-4663

**SPIRIT OF FORD:** Test ride an electric THINK bike or traveler Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 9-10 and 16-17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at the hands-on automotive adventure center, Dearborn. \$6, \$5 senior, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 31-SPRIT  
**TIFFANY: THE ESSENCE OF LIGHT:** From the Meadow Brook Hall Collection continues on exhibit to Thursday, Nov. 2, at the Oakland County Galleria, Pontiac. Free. (248) 858-0415

## LIVE MUSIC

**JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS:** 10 p.m. Thursdays, Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-6368

**BLACK UHURU:** Featuring Sly and Robbie, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. \$20. (313) 833-9700

**BLACKMAN AND ARNOLD:** 10 p.m. Sunday, Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

**SARAH BRIGHTMAN:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, Palace of Auburn Hills. \$35-\$50. (248) 645-6666

**CALIFORNIA GUITAR TRIO:** 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, The Majestic,

Detroit. \$20. All ages. (313) 833-9700.

**CLONE DEFECTS:** With The Unfriendlys, Mazinga and Gramercy Riffs, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, Magic Stick, Detroit. All ages. \$7. (248) 833-9700.

**JOE COCKER:** With Barbara Payton, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666.

**DALLY IN THE ALLEY:** With three music stages, flamenco dancers, poetry, flea markets, children's fair, food booths, beer wine and art, this year's Dally In The Alley hosts performances from Mudpuppy, Gangster Fun, Soui Cluque, Sista Otis & the Wholly Rollers, Stunning Amazon with Audra Kubat, Robert Jones, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9 in the alley bounded by Second and Third avenues and Forest and Hancock streets. Call (313) 832-1949.

**DJ DEL VILARREAL:** 7:30 Sunday, "Swing-a-Billy," Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. \$5/\$3 after 9 p.m. (734) 996-8555.

**DJ'S QUIG AND DARREN REVELL:** 10 p.m. Tuesday, Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922.

**GLENN EDDY:** Friday, Sept. 8, Uptown Steakhouse, Lake Orion. (248) 814-0607.

**EL VEZ:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$10. All ages. (313) 833-9700.

**FACE TO FACE:** With Saves The Day, Alkaline Trio, New Found Glory, 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$15. (313) 961-MELT.

**FEW AND FAR BETWEEN:** With Shiner, Radio Holiday, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$7. All ages. (313) 833-9700.

**FREEHEAT:** Featuring ex-Jesus and Mary Chain members, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$10. (248) 544-3030.

**FOREIGNER:** 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$14.50-\$24.50. (248) 645-6666.

**THE GET UP KIDS:** With The Anniversary, Koufax, Jebediah, 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, The Majestic, Detroit. \$10. All Ages. (313) 833-9700.

**GOLDFINGER:** With Urge, Mest, 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$15. (248) 645-6666.

**DAVID GRAY:** 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030.

**TREY GUNN:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$13.50. (248) 833-9700.

**HANSON:** Thursday, Sept. 28, State Theatre, Detroit. \$25. (248) 645-6666 or online at sfx.com.

**HEY MERCEDES:** With Paris, TX and Elizabeth Elmore, 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$5. All ages. (313) 833-9700

**HIGH ON FIRE:** With Acid King, Five Horse Johnson, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$8. All ages. (313) 833-9700.

**HIP HOP R&B SUMMER SHOWCASE:** Starring Da Brat, with Three-6 Mafia, Avant, Nelly, Trina, Ying Yang Twins, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, Cobo Arena, Detroit. \$25.50-\$35.50. (248) 645-6666

**STEVE HOWE:** 8 p.m. Oct. 21, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$25. (248) 544-3030

**D.L. HUGHLEY:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$33.50-\$75. (248) 433-1515.

**JULIO IGLESIAS:** 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$35-\$100. (248) 433-1515

**IMMUNITY:** 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 1, 8, The Deck, Detroit. Cover charge. (313) 965-2222

**ISOTOPE 217:** With HIM, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$8. (313) 833-9700

**BONEY JAMES AND RICK BRAUN:** 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$30-\$50. (248) 433-1515.

**JAZZHEAD:** 10 p.m. Monday, Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922.

**JAZZ MANDOLIN PROJECT:** 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 8, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030.

**JOAN OF ARC:** With Red Shirt Brigade, 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, Magic Stick, Detroit. All ages. \$8. (248) 833-9700.

**MARVIN KAHN AND KEITH VREELAND:** 7 p.m. Thursdays, Le Metro, Southfield. (248) 353-2757 (jazz duo).

**KILLER FLAMINGOES:** 10 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19, The Deck, Detroit. (313) 965-2222.

**KISS:** Farewell Tour featuring Ted Nugent, Skid Row, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$30-\$60. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

**GLADYS KNIGHT:** With Jeffrey Osborne, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$40-\$75. (248) 433-1515.

**THE LANTERNJACK:** With Hemigod, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$6. (313) 833-9700

**BILL MALLONEE AND THE VIGILANTES OF LOVE:** 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 1, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10/\$8 for members. (734) 464-6302.

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**MATCHBOX TWENTY:** With The Jayhawks, Thursday, Sept. 28, Eastern Michigan Convocation Center, Ypsilanti. \$28.50. (248) 645-6666 or (734) 487-2282.

**JOHN MAYALL:** With Peter Green, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. All ages. \$21 advance. (248) 833-9700.

**STONEY MAZAR & THE WESTSIDERS:** 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800

**JIM MCCARTY & MYSTERY TRAIN:** 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, Ford Road, Bar and Grill, Westland. 21 and over. Free. (734) 721-8609

**TIM MCGRAW AND FAITH HILL:** Soul 2 Soul Tour, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 29-30, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$29.50-\$59.50. (248) 645-6666.

**BRIAN MCKNIGHT:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$30-\$50. (248) 433-1515.

**BILLY MC LAUGHLIN:** 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$10. (248) 544-3030.

**MIDNIGHT CHOIR:** Friday-Saturday, Sept. 22-23, Cowley's Old Village Inn, Farmington. (248) 474-5941.

**MOBY:** With Hybrid, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, State Theatre, Detroit. \$25. (248) 645-6666 or sfx.com.

**MUD TONES:** Friday-Saturday, Sept. 8-9, Cowley's Old Village Inn, Farmington Hills. (248) 474-5941.

**KERI NOBLE:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$8/\$6 for members. (734) 464-6302

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**ORIGINAL HITS:** 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 4, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800

**PEARL JAM:** With Supergrass, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$28. (248) 645-6666.

**ROD PIAZZA & THE MIGHTY FLYERS:** 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030.

**THE PROJECT:** Thursday, Aug. 31, Dick O'Dow's Irish Pub, Birmingham. (248) 642-1135.

**RACHEL AND KAPP:** 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, Sept. 7, Wednesday, Aug. 30, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800

**THE REEFERFEST:** 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31, Karl's Cabin, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450

**ROBB ROY:** 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 15-16, New Place Lounge, Dearborn. (313) 277-3035. \$3. 21 and over. www.robbroy.com

**GONZALO RUBALCABA:** 8:30 and 11 p.m., Friday-Saturday, Oct. 6-7, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$20. (734) 662-8310.

**DAVID SEDARIS:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 668-8397.

**16 HORSEPOWER:** With Blanche, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$12. (313) 833-9700

**MIRANDA STONE:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$7/ \$5 for members. (734) 464-6302.

**STEVE SOMERS BAND:** Featuring Valerie Barrymore, Thursday, Sept. 7, Uptown Steakhouse, Lake Orion. (248) 814-0607.

**SUGARMAN THREE:** 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$7. (248) 544-3030

**TAHITI 80:** Tuesday, Sept. 12, The Shelter, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT

**TERRY SCOTT TAYLOR:** With Phil Madeira on guitar, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$12/ \$10 for members. (734) 464-6302.

**THIRD COAST REGGAE BAND:** 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, The Deck, Detroit. Cover charge. (313) 965-9500.

**TICKLEPENNY CORNER:** With Ashley Peacock, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10, \$8 for members. (734) 464-6302.

**TRANS AM:** With Neil Hamburger, Laddio Balacko, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$8. All ages. (313) 833-9700.



DINING

# Everything's coming up roses at Rose's in Canton

BY MARY QUINLEY  
STAFF WRITER

Larry Sweeney wasn't the least bit surprised at the reaction he got after he suggested lunch "somewhere other than the usual."

"I was going to change my routine, but my customers objected!" said Sweeney of Canton. His "usual" spot? "I take my customers to Rose's three to four times a week."

Rose's Restaurant, an Italian eatery in Canton that has been open for approximately seven years, offers diners an appealing variety of lunch and dinner options.

"I think I've sampled everything on the menu," said Sweeney, who visits the restaurant twice a week with his wife, Dawn.

For starters, patrons can order appetizers of homemade chicken fingers, stuffed mushrooms with crab meat and baked cheese, or shrimp scampi in garlic sauce.

Entrees include steaks, ribs, platters of pasta (black pepper fettuccine, angel hair provencale and lasagna are popular items), salmon with dill cream sauce and other seafood selections. There's also an assortment of sautéed and breaded chicken dishes.

Sweeney describes the pasta as "top shelf." And, the chicken Milano, a sautéed chicken breast with mushrooms and garlic in a sherry cream sauce, "is out of this world."

"My favorite is the black Cajun tuna steak on a bed of rice," he



Bon appetite: Larry Sweeney of Canton enjoys a dish of Pepper Fettuccine at Rose's, a popular family-owned Italian restaurant in Canton Township.

said. "It's absolutely wonderful! (However) I can't eat it all the time."

In the mood for pizza? You can "build-your-own" at Rose's. Choose from traditional toppings or order a Guido Style Pizza with Cajun shrimp, artichokes, two cheeses and a "secret" sauce.

A potpourri of salads, soups, half-pound burgers, vegetable-only meals, and desserts are also available.

"On occasion, I've asked for something that wasn't on the menu," said Sweeney. "The kitchen staff prepared it for me. Customer service is a lost art in our society. At Rose's, the wait-staff want to know your name

and all about you. They are great friends. For the price, the service and the quality, I haven't found any better."

Richard Costantino of Canton owns Rose's with his brothers, Ernie and Chris. "We used to bail hay for the farmers who lived on this property before my grandpa bought," he said.

Restaurants run the Costantino's blood. Their grandfather owned an Italian restaurant years ago in Detroit. "We're pretty good eaters and we know what we like," said Costantino.

What's in a name? Why Rose's? "We named the restaurant after our mom," said Costantino. "You can find her here on Fridays and Saturdays, rolling silver and saying 'hi' to the customers. She taught my brother, Chris, how to make the sauce. I get back in the kitchen once and awhile. Ernie fills in where needed."

As diners stroll through the front entrance of Rose's, they encounter waves of fresh-from-the-farm aromas with hints of hearty spices and simmering sauces.

"Everything is fresh," said Costantino. "We have a farm in Canton where our family grows tomatoes, onions, peppers, corn and green beans."

Customers are especially fond of the just-picked corn, he added.

Does Costantino have a favorite dish? He has several.

"One of my favorites is the black pepper fettuccini. It's a nice taste, not too spicy and very filling. Another favorite is the prime rib we serve on Friday and Saturday nights. And another is a sautéed dish called San Diego Chicken." His favorite chicken is breaded, topped with broccoli and carrots, then smothered with Alfredo sauce.

What's the most popular entree?

Mom's lasagna, said Costantino without hesitation. "It's my

**Rose's Restaurant & Lounge**

**Where:** 201 N. Canton Center Road (north of Cherry Hill), Canton, (734) 981-9904

**Hours:** 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday; noon to 9 p.m. Sunday

**Seating:** 150 indoors; weather permitting, outdoor seating for approximately 20 people.

**Atmosphere:** Definitely comfortable and inviting

**Menu:** An assortment of Italian dishes, ribs, steaks, chicken, seafood, hamburgers, salads and soups; make-your-own pizza; full bar service. Kids selection includes burgers, spaghetti chicken dinosaurs, grilled chicken and fish & chips.

**Prices:** Lunch from \$5.95-\$13.95; dinner prices \$8.95-\$17.95.

**Reservations:** Sunday-Thursday, reservations accepted; Fridays and Saturdays, call-ahead seating recommended. All major credit cards accepted.

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2-3, Michinemackinong Pow Wow, St. Ignace. (800) 338-6660, [www.stignace.com/attractions](http://www.stignace.com/attractions).

1-2, Yoder's Amish Quilt Auction and Craft Show, Clare. (517) 386-2442.

8/22-9/4, Michigan State Fair, Detroit. (313) 369-8250, [www.mda.state.mi.us](http://www.mda.state.mi.us).

4, Labor Day Bridge Walk, St. Ignace. (800) 338-6660, (906) 643-8717, [www.mackinacbridge.org](http://www.mackinacbridge.org).

16-17, 23-24, 30/10-1, Country Fair Weekends, Wiard's Orchards, Ypsilanti. (800) 888-9487, [www.wiards.com](http://www.wiards.com).

1-4, Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival, Hart Plaza. (313) 963-7622.

9-10, Celebration on the Grand, Grand Rapids. (800) 679-9859, [www.celebrationonthe-grand.org](http://www.celebrationonthe-grand.org).

8-10, Wine and Harvest Festival, Paw Paw. (616) 655-1111.

8-10, Humungus Fungus Fest, Crystal Falls. (906) 875-

6648.

8-10, Woods-N-Water News Outdoor Weekend, Inlay City Fairgrounds. (810) 724-0254.

8-10, Fall Festival, Plymouth. (734) 455-1453.

8-10, Posen Potato Festival, downtown. (517) 766-8128.

7-10, Michigan State Potato Festival, Edmore. (517) 427-1095.

8-10, Wheatland Music Festival, Remus. (517) 967-8879.

9-10, Grand Valley Annual Pow Wow, Grand Rapids. (616) 363-5573.

9-10, Historic Home Tour, Marshall. (800) 877-5163 or [www.marshallmi.org](http://www.marshallmi.org).

14-16, Scottville Harvest Festival, Scottville. (231) 757-4304.

14-17, Oktoberfest, Frankenmuth. (800) 386-3378, [www.frankenmuth.org](http://www.frankenmuth.org).

15-17, Paul Bunyan Days, Oscoda. (800) 2354-4625, [www.oscoda.com](http://www.oscoda.com).

15-16, Festival of the Forks, Albion. (517) 629-5533.

15-17, Detroit Festival of the Arts, Cultural Center. (313) 577-5088, [www.detroitfestival.com](http://www.detroitfestival.com).

16-17, Big Mac Fall Shoreline

Scenic Bike Tour and Bridge Ride, Mackinaw City. (231) 436-5664, [www.mackinawcity.com](http://www.mackinawcity.com).

17, Irish Hills Bicycle Tour, Temperance. (734) 854-2617.

15-17, Victorian Festival, Northville. (248) 349-7640 or [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org).

16-17, Applefest and Home Tour, Coldwater. (517) 279-9375, (517) 278-5985.

16, Streetfest 2000, Grand Haven. (616) 842-4910, (800) 303-4097, [www.grandhavenchamber.org](http://www.grandhavenchamber.org).

17-23, St. Joseph County Grange Fair, Centreville. (616) 467-8935.

19, Home Tour, Birmingham. (248) 644-5832.

22-24, Elk Festival Arts & Crafts Fair, Atlanta. (517) 785-3400.

16-10/31 weekends, Fall Festival, Flavor Fruit Farms, Somerset Center. (517) 688-3455.

24-30, Hillsdale County Fair, Hillsdale. (517) 437-3622.

29-30, Oktoberfest, Whitehall. (231) 893-4585, (800) 879-9702, [www.whitelake.org](http://www.whitelake.org).

28-10/1, Apple Festival, Niles. (616) 683-8870.

30, Apple Festival, Shelby. (231) 861-6339.

9/30-10/1, Harvest Festival, Rockford. (616) 866-2000.

**October**

7, Autumnfest, downtown Hartland. (810) 632-9130.

7, Pumpkin Festival, Sodus. (616) 926-6815, [www.hauntedacres.com](http://www.hauntedacres.com).

7-8, 14-15, Harvest Festival, Rockford. (616) 866-2000.

7-8, Harvest Festival, Boyne City. (231) 582-6222, [www.boyneecountry.com/](http://www.boyneecountry.com/).

7, Autumnfest, Cheboygan. (800) 968-3302, [www.cheboygan.com](http://www.cheboygan.com).

6-8, Autumn Festival, Lud-

ington. (231) 843-4808, [www.lumanet.org/whitepine](http://www.lumanet.org/whitepine).

6-8, Red Flannel Festival, Cedar Springs. (616) 696-2662.

7, Great Pumpkinfest Bike Tour, Zeeland. (616) 748-2834.

7-8, 13-31, Huckleberry Ghost Train & Crossroads Ghosts and Goodies, Flint. (810) 736-7100, (800) 648-PARK, [www.gene-seecountyparks.org](http://www.gene-seecountyparks.org).

14, Fall Harvest Festival, Benzonia. (231) 882-5801.

8-11, Fall Festival, Three Oaks. (616) 756-7320.

7, Leif Ericson Fall Festival, Norway. (906) 563-7172, (800) 236-2447, [www.ironmtn-tourism.org](http://www.ironmtn-tourism.org).

13-15, Color Cruise & Island Festival, Grand Ledge. (517) 627-2383, [www.grandledgemi.com](http://www.grandledgemi.com).

13-15, 20-22, 27-31, Halloween Spook Train, Bridgeport. (517) 777-3480.

14-15, Appleumpkin Festival, Tecumseh. (517) 423-3740, (888) 261-3367.

8, Historic Homes Tour, Bay City. (888) BAY-TOWN, [www.baycityarea.com/](http://www.baycityarea.com/).

12-14, Apple Fest, Bad Axe. (517) 269-6465, (517) 269-6936.

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