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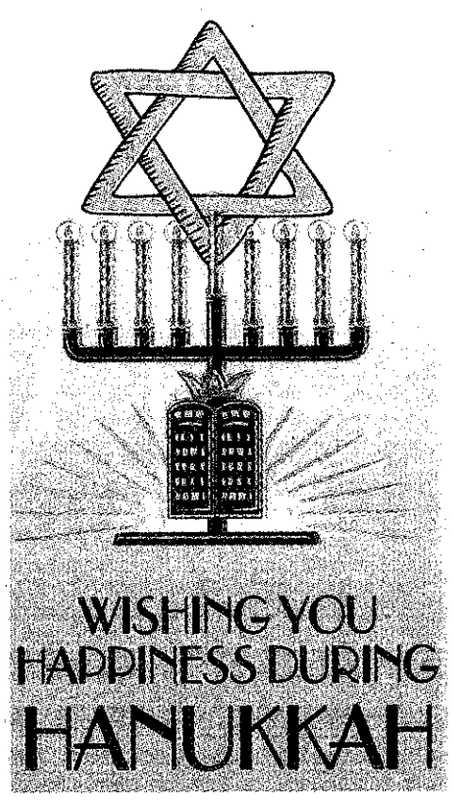
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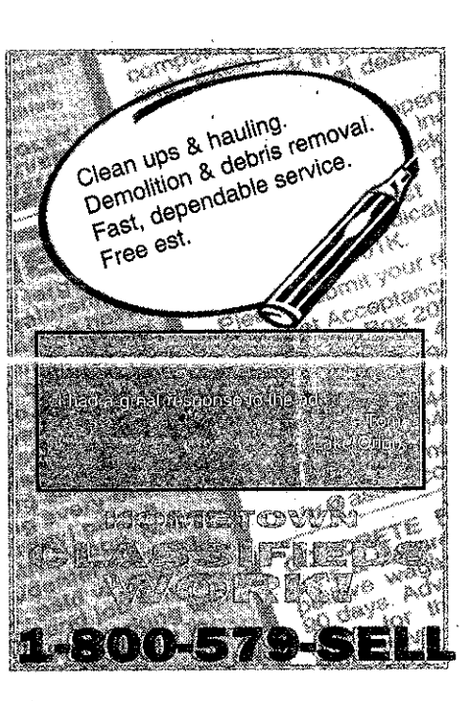
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Deal in works for unique school

Plymouth-Canton school board members discussed a compromise Monday that would give the district more control over the proposed Menlo Park Academy, a brain-based learning center.

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Plymouth-Canton school board members are struggling with a decision that could put the district on the cutting edge of public education, but at the same time tax district administrators with one more project on their already full plates.

Financial concerns for Menlo Park Academy appear to have been conquered as Samuel Flam, developer of the brain-based learning environment being proposed for Plymouth-Canton Schools, altered his plan to allow for the district to charter the new school.

"In doing that ... your staff would provide the teaching service and the foundation grant money would come back to the school district, instead of staying with the charter school," Flam told trustees. "And, in return for that, you would provide the services required to operate an elementary school.

"That's a very unique and innovative approach to charter schools," he said. "There's nothing like it in the state."

Two weeks ago, Flam's proposal called for the K-2 school, to be located within the boundaries of the Plymouth-Canton school district, to be chartered by Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency. Plymouth-Canton school board members were concerned they could lose nearly $2 million if the majority of the 300 students came from PCCS.

However, a four-year financial projection presented by Flam indicates Plymouth-Canton Schools would realize a gain of $1.3 million from the project, after all costs, if it charters the school.

Under the new proposal, PCCS may have a bit more control over Menlo Park. In the first option, a Plymouth-

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Three's company in Canton

Triplet group is a hit with local families

When last we visited with Carole and Jim Kody of Canton and their group of triplet families late in the summer of 1998, the trios of children ranged in age from then 4-month-old Kyle, Abigail and Emily Lindbloom to the eldest, Elizabeth, Philip and John Kody, then 15 months.

The Lindblooms are now 2½ years old and the Kodys now 3½. The original group of seven families has grown to 17 and given themselves a moniker, "Aftershock X 3," (pronounced "aftershock times three").

We caught up with the Canton-based triplet family group again for a holiday party at the Kody's. Labor pains and pregnancy concerns have turned to simply keeping up with a triple threat of toddler tantrums, trials and tribulations.

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There are exactly 25 children, 18 adults and a photographer running around the family room, kitchen and basement of the Kody home in a comfortable neighborhood west of Beck Road in Canton on a recent Saturday afternoon. That's eight sets of triplets, eight sets of parents, a grandmother, a family friend and an Observer photographer.

It is – as hostess Carole Kody warned – "rather loud." But not nearly as loud as one might expect considering the number of young children. Sure, there is the occasional wail of crying from one, or more of the siblings.

Natalie Gannon of Livonia, 3, begins screaming. Soon her sister Madeline follows. Brother Gregory investigates. He, too, begins the familiar yowl.

"I'm right here," assures Susan Gannon, returning to Natalie's view. "They're still at that stage. If I'm not where they expect me to be, they start howling."

And there is the occasional cry of pain as one of the triplets falls off a teeter-totter, or rolls down a couple of steps onto his brother's head before mom catches them.

"I think it's more challenging now that they're older," said Rick Lindbloom of Canton. "They're up and running constantly. They're tugging at you and you don't know what they're saying."

"They require more physical attention," adds his wife, Lisa Lindbloom. "It's more tiring."

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Holiday get together: *Abigail Lindbloom of Canton, 2½, (from left) brother Kyle, mom Lisa and sister Emily play with a puzzle while the original "Grinch," plays in the tape player on television in the background. In the photo below, Carole Kody of Canton attempts to get all three of her children to sit still for the photo. From left, Philip, Elizabeth and John, 3½.*



District will boost tech support area

VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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The upkeep, troubleshooting and technical support involved with the Van Buren school district's computer network has proven to be too big of a job for one person.

The district's school board Monday unanimously approved hiring a technology support specialist to help with these tasks.

Superintendent Larry Tabor said the district has spent about $600,000 over the past year on computers and related equipment. Every classroom at the elementary and middle school level has at least one computer and there are seven computer labs at the high school.

"We haven't been able to keep up with the service and training," he said. "We knew we would have to add this position when we bought them."

The district is offering a $30,000 salary, plus $8,000 in benefits. The full-time job will encompass 11 months out of the year. Candidates must have at least a high school diploma, possess strong knowledge of Macintosh and Windows operating systems, including software and hardware and have dependable transportation available, among other things.

Technology specialist Nancy Cornett said the new person will allow her to focus more on professional development and steering the district's technology-related initiatives and less on technical support. Her salary is $46,003, excluding benefits.

"I want to really concentrate on getting us all on the same page technolo-

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Storm batters Army collection campaign

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The nearly 20 inches of snow that's fallen on the Plymouth-Canton area the past 10 days has taken its toll on the Salvation Army's holiday quest to meet its financial obligations for needy families.

'The weather didn't do us any favors.'

–Capt. Steven Hull, district Salvation Army office

"The weather didn't do us any favors," admits Capt. Stephen Hull from his Salvation Army office in Plymouth Township, which serves the Plymouth, Canton and Northville communities. "We lost nearly three days of bell ringing because of the snow."

Hull said the Rotary Club did a great job of making up some of the difference last weekend and is hoping the Kiwanis Club will do the same this weekend.

They'll need to work hard to make up a huge deficit. Hull said the Red Kettle campaign has thus far netted $75,000 in cash, far short of its goal of $113,000.

"We have a long way to go, but the week before Christmas is usually our strongest week," said Hull. "Reaching our goal is still doable, but it will certainly be a stretch. The one thing we can't control is the weather ... it has a mind of its own."

Hull said getting bell ringers for the weekdays has been his biggest challenge, while volunteers for evenings and weekends have responded well.

As for the mail-in campaign, the Sal-

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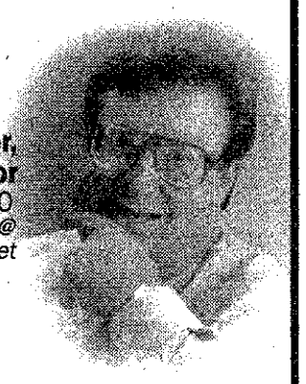
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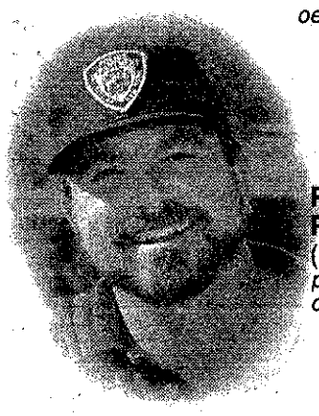




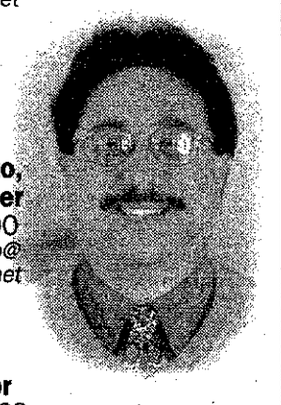
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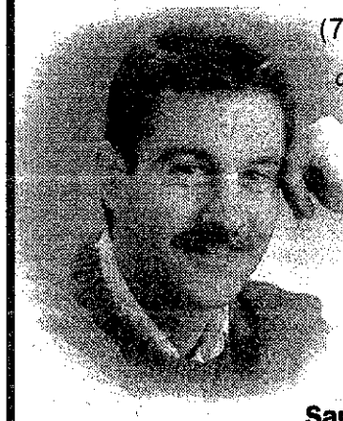
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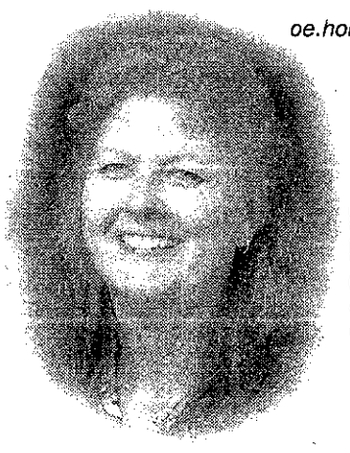
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Assault expulsion ends in '01

VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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A Belleville High School sophomore was expelled by the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education for assaulting another student earlier this month.

But the seven-member board agreed that because the boy had no prior serious disciplinary problems that he would only be expelled for the remainder of the calendar year. Under state law, students may be expelled for up to 180 days for fighting or for bringing weapons to school.

The assault reportedly occurred Dec. 1 at Belleville High School.

The board met in closed session for more than an hour Monday to decide the case. The disciplinary hearing was initially scheduled for Monday, Dec. 11, but was canceled because of weather.

Board treasurer Martha Toth said the student will be on probation once he returns to school Jan. 2, 2001.

"He'd better be in school and behaving," Toth said. "We expect him to follow the rules."

Because the assault appeared to be one-sided and impulsive , it was treated differently than if two students were fighting.

"There are lots of cases of scuffles and fights in high school where normally a kid is out for 10 days," Toth said. "He just punched him. We thought it was a little more serious."

Some things the board took into consideration included the boy's lack of serious disciplinary record and his willingness to undergo counseling, Toth said.

"We hope he will be able to see this as a signal that he needs to change."

She described the board's decision as firm but fair.

"We wanted to come up with a decision that acknowledges the seriousness of the offense but wanted to make sure he would be allowed back in January."

Belleville High School Principal Bruce Greene said school fights are fairly typical and usually involve boyfriend/girlfriend disputes. They are usually resolved quickly and peacefully. There is no police presence or dedicated security team at Belleville High.

"We have paraprofessionals that we hire to work the hallways, help out in classrooms and the media center," he said.

When students fight, teachers and sometimes other students act as eyes and ears.

"Anytime a student is involved in a fight, they are written up by a teacher or whomever saw it and we handle it," Greene said.

Staff usually breaks up student fights in hallways pretty quickly.

"If we tell the kids to stop, they stop," Greene said.

Report: shot fired inside home

COP CALLS

An intruder allegedly fired a shot Monday that missed a Canton resident in his home in the 41000 block of Canton Court, according to Canton Police.

The incident reportedly occurred at 7:35 p.m., the intended victim, 30, told police. While in his bedroom, the man told police he heard a loud knock on his front door and some "rustling." He then called down to his roommate, a 21-year-old man, to see what was going on. When his roommate didn't respond, the 30-year-old went to the top of the staircase carrying an unloaded rifle.

He then saw the intruder, who he described as a black man, about 25 years old, between 5-foot-9 and 6 feet tall, coming toward him, the resident told police. He said he produced the rifle and the intruder reportedly began to retreat. At that point, the intruder fired one shot at the Canton man, but the shot missed. Canton Police found one shell casing and determined that the shot traveled through several closets and finally through the building's attic. It was not recovered.

After firing the shot, the intruder and possibly a second person fled the apartment. Canton Police recovered a chrome-plated handgun from the site and are continuing to investigate the case.

Drunken driving

A 34-year-old Canton man was cited for operating under the influence of liquor Thursday, Dec. 14, near the intersection of Canton Center and Geddes. A police report stated that an officer effected a traffic stop after noticing the man wasn't wearing a seat belt. The man reportedly told the officer that he had drunk about seven drinks at a company Christmas party at a bar. The officer administered field sobriety tests and a breath test, which showed a .25 level, exceeding Michigan's legal limit of .10.

Canton troop celebrates 35th Eagle Scout

Rick Keeling of Canton has become the 35th Eagle Scout out of Canton Boy Scout Troop 854.

Eagle status was conferred on Keeling Sept. 25. Troop 854 was founded some 28 years ago.

Keeling joined Scouting in 1988 as a Tiger Cub in Pack 904 from Hoover Elementary School in Wayne, and advanced through the ranks of Bobcat, Wolf, and Bear by 1993. He then transferred to Pack 854 under the guidance of Marty LaForte, in the fall of 1993. Rick received his Arrow of Light, and crossed over into Boy Scouting and Troop 854 in 1995.

During his time with the troop, Keeling took and active role in the troop and served as Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader. Her participated regularly in troop outings, camp outs, and service projects.

Keeling, like many scouts, found that preparing meals for outings was one of his favorite parts of Scouting. The annual cooking competition was his favorite camp out. His scout patrols competed against the adults in these "cook-off" challenges, with the adults winning, but eventually, as trial and error, Keeling's patrol won the main entree part of the competition twice.

Keeling truly enjoyed the "out" part of Scouting. He enjoyed the camping, once a month, sometimes twice, either way was fine with him. Being in the outdoors, allowed him to challenge the skills that he learned along the way, and put them to good use. The love of the outdoors, friendships between the scouts, and the respect for nature were also an important part of Scouting for Keeling, which lead to his Eagle Scout project.

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Chromosome disorder makes life tougher for triplet family



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Horsing around: *Haley Ealem of Canton, 2, sits atop a rocking horse as mom Pam helps her giddyap. Haley lives with a condition known as "Partial Chromosome Deletion," delaying her gross- and fine-motor skill development.*

As if triplets weren't enough to manage, Pam and Bill Ealem of Canton face an even tougher road.

Daughter Haley, 2, lives with a condition known as Chromosome Deletion. This leaves her developmentally, as well as intellectually, delayed with regard to her sisters.

"She is gross motor-delayed, with some fine motor-delayed (challenges)," explains Pam Ealem. "She is missing the last band on Chromosome 2, band 37.1"

Haley appears only slightly smaller than sisters Megan and Shelby. She is good natured, playful and seems to love the camera.

"Oh yeah, she's a ham," said Pam, when Haley perked up while having her picture taken. "She loves cameras."

Most of her deficiencies are more noticeable to her parents than they are to strangers or even friends.

"She still sleeps in a crib," Pam said. "She's the one that catches every virus that goes around. But she's a trooper. She has the best temperament. She teaches us every day about determination."

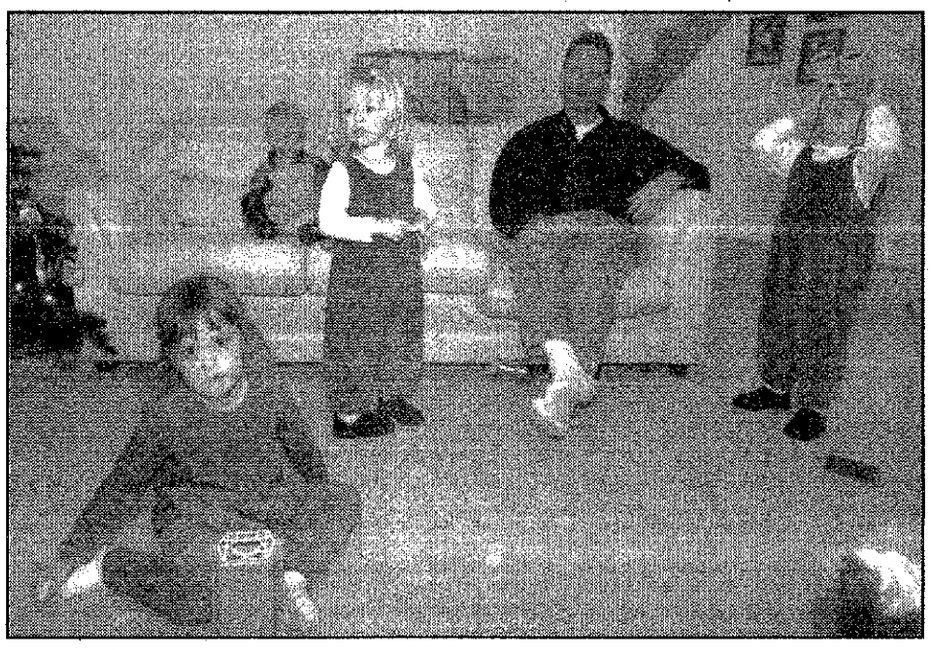
Nearly a year ago, Haley stopped eating. Many of her troubles led to stomach upsets and regurgitation. A feeding tube was inserted and she now ingests all of her nutrition while sleeping through the tube.

"She has acid reflux," Pam said. "She decided that food is the root of all evil and just stopped."

Doctors tell the Ealems that the condition is rare, but that with care and attention to her needs Haley should develop relatively normally, just not at the same pace as her siblings.

"The biggest question mark is that there is just not enough information about the condition because it is so rare," said Pam.

– Paul Hurschmann



Maura Baker of Belleville, 3 (lower left) joins the Lindblooms - Kyle, Emily and Abigail, 2½, and dad Brian of Canton - in front of the television in the family room.

Triplets *from page A1*

The group started with the original seven moms who had met and become friends through their experiences with a triple dose of babies at Oakwood Hospital. Aftershock X 3 grew as other families with triplets were referred through friends and family members.

"I was shopping at JC Penny in the Westland Mall in late summer," said Pam Ealem of Canton, mother of Megan, Shelby and Haley, 2 – as well as older brother Travis, 4. "My mother was with me and we were buying dresses and a woman overheard me say how hard it was to shop for three of the same of everything.

"Well, she knew Carole (Kody) and she put her in touch with me. And, then I met Jeanne (Page, of Canton) out on a walk."

The women get together once a month. Without kids.

"We go to a different restaurant every month," said Kody. And it's great. We're with a group of others who really understand what you're going through."

The dads usually handle the kids for the days when the moms meet. The men usually only get together only once a year – twice, if they're lucky – without moms and toddlers.

The families also get together whenever they can. This year it was St. Patrick's Day, Fourth of July and Halloween, in addition to the holiday gathering at the Kodys.

The group decided it was growing too large and now sends new triplet parents to another group of metro area parents of multiples. To contact that group call Livonia resident Barb Elandt, (734) 522-3506.

School deal *from page A1*

Canton school board member and another member of the public school community would be members of the Wayne RESA charter school board, though the district would have no control over its operation.

Under the new plan, the district would not be allowed, under state law, to have one of its trustees on the school board of the charter.

"But, as a chartering institution, if Menlo Park doesn't fulfill the vision of the charter, they could yank the charter," said Flam. "They wouldn't have day-to-day control, but ultimate control.

Menlo Park Academy will attempt to use the latest information on brain research and use it to improve teaching techniques and learning ability.

"The educational program remains the same and intact, an agreement with the district to provide a lab setting for brain-based learning," he told board members.

Teachers for Menlo Park would come from members of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association. The K-2 school, which would add a grade each year until it encompassed fifth grade, would eventually have its own building within the district boundaries.

"The building is still an issue," said Flam. "The worst case scenario would be to start with portable classrooms and begin a sinking fund to build revenue for a new building in several years."

Trustees appeared intrigued by the new option presented to them, but remained cautious because the district is already taxing its administrators with a number of long range projects, including the construction of an elementary school and high school.

Administrators are also in the midst of creating a program to integrate the three high schools. And, with the loss of Deputy Superintendent Patrick O'Donnell, who accepted the superintendent's job in Fenton, the administrative ranks are thin. Not to mention the start of contract talks with the teacher's union next year.

"It's not a question of whether it's a good opportunity, but we have to match up the opportunity factor with our ability," said school board president Darwin Watts.

"This isn't the right time for Plymouth-Canton," said Susan Davis, school board member. "We have so many projects going on right now. I'm not sure the timing is right to consider one more innovative project for the staff."

"I recognize the strain on our staff," said Trustee Roland Thomas. "However, if we can find an alternative like this with a payback, this is the kind of program that we're talking about in becoming entrepreneurs in the educational field. We need to step up to the plate and somehow push this district's leadership."

"We may miss the right timing if we don't lend itself now," said Trustee Elizabeth Givens. "When we talk about our vision priority of leading the state in education, this is the kind of stuff we're talking about."

Superintendent Kathleen Booher likes the leading edge opportunity for Plymouth-Canton, but not at a price.

"If our obstacles seem too great, I would recommend to the board this isn't the time," she said. "But, if we discover some of the obstacles aren't there or are easily surmounted, then I think this is a very exciting opportunity."

Flam is expected to present the school board with a more exact financial picture next month, at which time trustees are expected to decide whether they want to charter the new school.

Tech support *from page A1*

gy-wise," Cornett said.

The district's need for another technical support specialist is a sign of its growing pains, she said. Cornett's days can begin as early as 7:30 a.m. and end in the evening hours. Flex time that allows her to come in later on some days has helped, she added.

"Some days get to be very long," she said.

She described the district's salary offering as being on the low end for technical support jobs, but not the lowest.

"The rates really vary across the board," Cornett said, adding that the salary offering may not yet be finalized.

The month off during the summer might be a perk to some job candidates.

"It seems that the job might be of interest to a younger person," Cornett said.

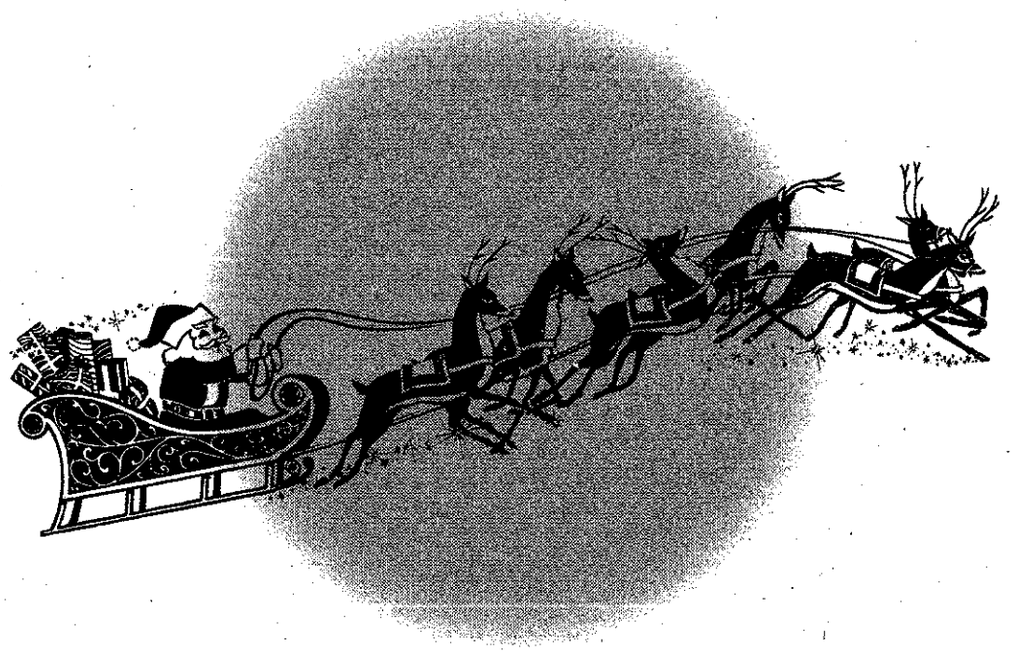
The job opening will be posted on the Van Buren school district's Web site, www.wcresa.k12.mi.us/vanburen/index.htm. Job seekers should click on "employment."

Salvation Army *from page A1*

vation Army has reached more than half its goal, and Hull is confident it will be reached easier than the Red Kettle drive. Thus far nearly $120,000 in donations have been sent in. This year's mail-in campaign goal is $225,000.

Meanwhile, many companies, churches and families came forward this holiday season to sponsor 125 needy families by donating food, clothing and holiday gifts. Hull said the remaining 80 families on the list will be helped with food, clothing and monetary donations from area residents.

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- Christmas ranks third among the holidays for the amount of money spent on candy?
- Pouring yourself a cup of coffee, tea or cola can quickly relieve the pain of a headache?
- Some $1.4 billion was spent on holiday candy last year?
- Of the 45 million Americans who planned a holiday trip last year, 77 percent traveled by plane?
- The number of Christmas trees bought by mail order last year was 330,000
- In the past year, 4 million people started or rediscovered knitting and crocheting?

Web Watch

Check out these Web sites:

- www.guinnessworldrecords.com
- www.astronomy.com
- www.allafrica.com
- www.periodicals.net
- www.jumptheshark.com

Holiday music

Check out these CDs with seasonal melodies:

- *Acoustic Christmas*
- *A Merry Little Christmas* – Linda Rondstadt
- *My Kind of Christmas* – Christina Aguilera
- *Superstar Christmas*
- *A Wind Machine Christmas*
- *Classic Christmas* – Billy Gilman

Q&A

Q: When did trees become part of Christmas celebrations?

A: Evergreen trees and wreaths have been used as symbols of eternal life since the ancient times of the Egyptians, Chinese and Hebrews. After the coming of Christianity, evergreens were still used in Scandinavia to scare away the devil. In the Middle Ages, the Christmas tree, decorated with candles and wafers became popular, as did the gaily decorated wooden Christmas pyramid. By the 16th century, the two objects merged into what we now know as the Christmas tree. By the 19th century, the Christmas tree was popular across Europe and the United States.

Source: *The Book of Answers* by Barbara Berliner

Library construction update

Adult collections of Reference, Nonfiction, feature film videos, CDs, Michigan History, CD-Roms and Biographies have moved into temporary living quarters in the East end of the library. All Fiction, magazines and audio books still remain in the Community Meeting Room. For information visit the proposed floor plan and our photo album of the expansion at our Web site: www. cantonpl. org

Staff favorites

Here are some audio books chose by library staff:

- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale
- *Shards of Honor* by Lois McMaster Bujold
- *Oldest Living Confederate Widow Tells All* by Allan Gurganus
- *Mr. White's Confession* by Robert Clark
- All titles by Janet Evanovich
- All titles in the Mitford series by Jan Karon

Hot topic of the week

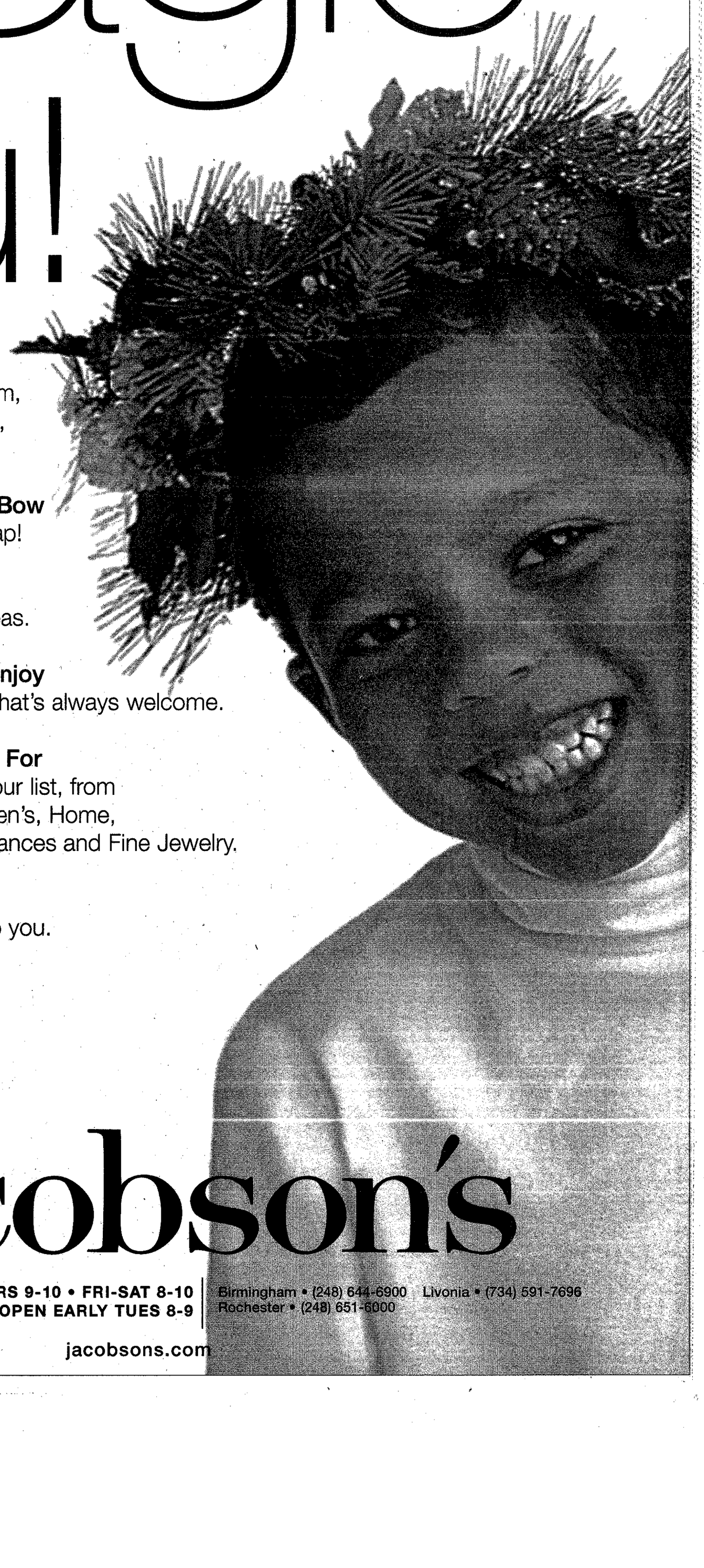
- A'phabet Day! Dec. 25, also known as "No-L" Day. This celebration is for people who do not want to send Christmas cards but who want to greet their friends; so they send out cards listing the letters of the alphabet in order, but with a gap where the "L" would be.

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OBITUARIES

CLARENCE J. PERRY

Services were held for Clarence J. Perry, 67, of Canton, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church on Dec. 18 with the Rev. George Charnley officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Perry was born March 9, 1933 in Detroit and died Dec. 14 in Canton. He was a merchandiser. He was a veteran of the Army. He was a member of the St. John Neumann Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Janet Perry.

Survivors include a daughter, Sharon M. Kopp of Holland, Mich.; a son, Michael R. (Lynn) Perry of Belleville; four grandsons, Joey Engel, Shawn Kopp, Josh Thomas-Perry and Joshua Kopp; and one great-grandson, Brian Engel.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburg Rd., Livonia 48154-5010 or the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. 12 Mile, Southfield 48076.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

GEORGE CHARLES MORRISON

Services for George Charles Morrison, 73, of Panama City, Fla., were held at the Vermeulen Funeral Home on Dec. 16 with the Rev. Jack H. Baker officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia.

Mr. Morrison was born May 24, 1927 in Detroit and died Dec. 9 in Panama City, Fla. He was a time office supervisor. He was an Army veteran serving in World War II.

Survivors include one daughter, Dale E. Spessard of Edmore, Mich.; four granddaughters, Lisa M. Wysocki of Plymouth, Cindy Spessard of Taylor, Jennifer E. Burden of Redford, and Earlene J. Burden of Garden City; one brother, Ed Morrison; one nephew, Butch Jarvis of Lakeland, Fla. and one niece, JoAnne Jarvis of Lakeland, Fla.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

PATRICK MICHAEL DRAYBUCK

Services for Patrick Michael Draybuck, 12, of Plymouth were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church on Dec. 16 with the Rev. Doc Ortman officiating. Burial was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

Patrick was born Dec. 6, 1988 in Dearborn and died Dec. 13 in Detroit. He was a student. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church.

Survivors include his father, Michael M. Draybuck of Plymouth, mother, Leslie Draybuck of Plymouth; two sisters, Christin Draybuck of Ann Arbor and Amy Draybuck of Plymouth; a grandmother, Nora Maxine Garzaniti of Allen Park; four uncles, David (Barbara) Draybuck of Northville, John Garzaniti of Florida, Dino (Joni) Garzaniti of California, and Dominick (Diane) Garzaniti of Colorado; and one aunt, Thea Daniels of Allen Park.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. 12 Mile, Southfield 48076 or Ronald McDonald House, 3911 Beaubien Blvd, Detroit 48201.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

LETHA JUNE JOHNSTON

Services for Letha June Johnston, 79, of Plymouth were held Dec. 19 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Dean. A. Klump officiating. Burial was at Erie Union Cemetery in Erie Township, Mich.

Mrs. Johnston was born April 8, 1921 in Lambertville, Mich. and died Dec. 14 in Plymouth. She and her husband, Marvin owned and operated a trailer park and grocery store in Dearborn, "Ted's Grocery and Trailer Park." She also worked part-time at the old Cracker Barrel Party Store in Plymouth. She came to the Plymouth community in 1956 from Dearborn. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth. She was salutatorian of her high school graduation class in 1939 from Lambertville High School. She enjoyed knitting, cooking and playing pinochle. "Mom was a great mom and grandma," said her son, Paul Johnston.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Linda Kay Johnston.

Survivors include husband, Marvin of Plymouth (they celebrated 58 years of marriage in July); son, Paul D. (Jeni) of Plymouth; and grandchildren Kyle Johnston and Alan O'Keefe.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

M. ANTOINETTE KING

Services for M. Antoinette King, 99, will be held in January with burial in Greenfield, Mo. in the spring.

Mrs. King was born Aug. 1, 1901 in Chicago and died Dec. 15 in Plymouth. She moved to Plymouth from Watertown, N.Y. in 1977. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Andrew King, four younger brothers and a sister.

Survivors include her daughter, Therese (Robert) Reed Gall of Plymouth; two grandsons, Robert William (Diana) Reed, Jr. of Salt Point, N.Y. and William Damien (Sara) Reed of Saugatuck, Mich.; and two great-granddaughters, Caitlin Elizabeth and Tamsen Celine.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

WILLIAM RICHARD WILD, JR.

Services for William Richard Wild, Jr., 46, of Farmington Hills, were held at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington with the Rev. Larry R. Austin officiating.

Mr. Wild was born Sept. 8, 1954 in Pontiac and died Dec. 16 in Farmington Hills. He was an electrician for International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local No. 58.

Survivors include his wife, Janice E. Wild of Farmington Hills; sons, Chad Wild, Ryan Wild, and Dave Wild; daughter Stephanie Lynn Wild (Mark Scott) of Chicago, ;parents, William and Judith Wild of Farmington; brother John Wild of Plymouth; sister Suzanne Marie (Guy) Browning of Farmington; grandson of Catherine Schmidt and Nina Wild.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. 12 Mile, Southfield 48076.

Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home.

RICHARD S. BRZEZICKI

Services for Richard S. Brzezicki, 64, of Portgage, were held Dec. 21 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Portage with the Rev. John Hedrick officiating. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Brzezicki was born Oct. 10, 1936 in Detroit and died Dec. 16 in Portage. He was self-employed as a designer, developer, and builder of wood patterns. He moved to Portage in 1984 from Plymouth to establish his business, Richwood Pattern, in Portage. He had a love of boating and was a member of the Portage Boat Club. He also enjoyed flower gardening, sailing, traveling and building boats.

He was preceded in death by his father and a son-in-law, Dennis Borushko.

Survivors include his mother, Sophie Brzezicki of Tawas City, Mich.; three children, Tamara Borushko of Hamtramck, Todd Brzezicki of Hamtramck, and Terry (Robert) Neumann of Ann Arbor; two grandchildren, Jordan and Rayna Borushko; his long-time loving companion, Iona Gray of Portage, her children, Dawn (William) Payne of Portage, Zane (Laura) Gray of Beaver Dam, Mich.; and her grandchildren, Krystalyn, Marissa, and Bethany Payne, Jordan and Alexi Gray; two sisters, Ilene Neych of Tawas City and Marcia (Jerry) Brumm of Boca Raton, Fla.; a brother, Joel (Vivian) Brzezicki of St. Claire Shores; four nieces; five nephews; other relatives and many close friends.

Arrangements were made by Pflanz Mantey Mendrala Funeral Home.

County looking for road salt alternatives

County road crews sprinkle an estimated 120,000 tons of salt onto roadways annually, which costs $28 per ton. About half of the $7 million Wayne County winter road maintenance budget covers salt.

Though salt is sometimes criticized for its corrosiveness to both roads and automobiles, it still reigns as the ice melter of choice, said John Roach, spokesman for theWayne County Department of Public Service. Other compounds, such as sand, are used more commonly in colder climes. But sand is not an option in urban areas, because it does not dissolve and would eventually wind up in sewers.

The county is experimenting with calcium chloride, which, when mixed with regular road salt, provides quicker ice melting and increased effectiveness in colder weather. It is delivered the same way as salt.

"It is in some respects more effective than salt," he said. "But to use it as a substitute for salt is cost prohibitive."

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State's electors cast ballots for Gore

BY JONI HUBRED
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In the stately and historic State Senate chambers in Lansing, 18 Democratic electors cast their ballots for Vice President Al Gore and Sen. Joseph Lieberman Monday afternoon.

Their votes didn't change the outcome of an election won by Republican George W. Bush and his running mate Dick Cheney, but that didn't dampen the spirit of the event.

"This is a celebration of what we did here in Michigan," said party chair Mark Brewer. "We're really proud of the fact we took the state for Al Gore."

Among the most proud was Farmington Hills resident and elector Marie Weigold, who placed in nomination the name of Vice Presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman. A former local party chair, she was chosen to represent voters in the 11th Congressional district.

Of Lieberman, Weigold said, "He has all of the qualities that we seek in our national leaders. Intelligence, integrity, effectiveness and the conviction to both speak and act his conscience. The day that Senator Lieberman accepted the nomination gave me a sense of pride in being a Democrat."

The nominating speeches, including the Gore speech delivered by Detroit Deputy Mayor Freeman Henrix, were followed by balloting. By law, electors cannot choose any candidate other than the one designated by the majority of voters.

"Under Michigan law, all electors are committed to Al Gore," Brewer explained. "If they fail to vote for him, that's an automatic resignation, and we'd appoint a replacement immediately."

Honorary electors also waited in the wings, including Hills Council member Vicki Barnett. While Weigold signed ballots, Barnett got electors' signatures on the Electoral College program, as a keepsake.

While she considered it an honor to cast her vote, Weigold was even more pleased by a motion offered by state Rep. John Cherry and elector John Kelly, a former state representative, supporting the elimination of punchcard voting systems and establishing uniform statewide and nationwide election standards.

"Being an elector is historic, but it's for today," Weigold said. "This is about the future. This is about good government in action, making all the votes count and making sure the process is available to and works for everyone."

The motion came in the wake of a U.S. Supreme Court decision that effectively stopped ballot recounts in Florida, where thousands of punchcard ballots were still in dispute. The move gave Bush enough electoral votes to win the presidency.

Weigold pointed out that when Farmington Hills ballots won't go through the electronic reading machines due to an illegible mark or error, voters are given the opportunity to recast their ballots. That's not the case is Southfield, where punchcards are used, she said.

"It's like having two classes of voters," Weigold commented.

While state officials have concerns over the cost of uniform balloting, she added, "I don't see how anybody could be against it. Money isn't a good enough reason."

In addition to eliminating punchcards, the resolution called for a uniform statewide voting system, automatic universal lifetime voter registration once a person reaches age 18, establishing General Election Day as a holiday and correct problems with the Michigan Qualified Voter File.

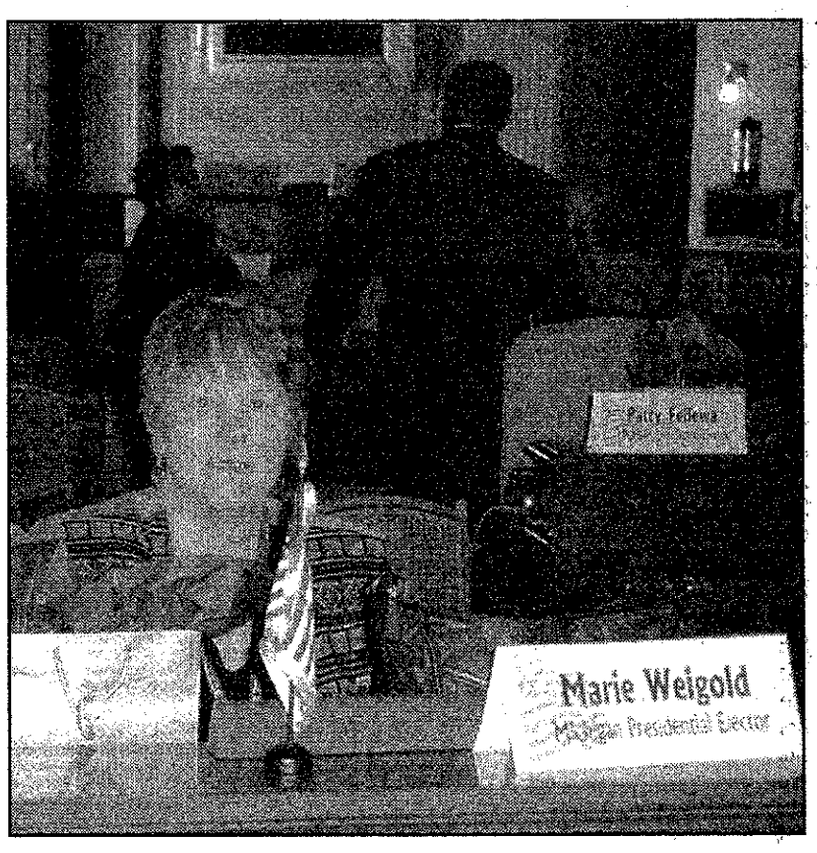
Electors also called for the U.S. Attorney General and Department of Justice to undertake an investigation into the conduct of elections in Florida and possible violations of the Voting Rights Act.

While the system may have had its flaws in Florida, Brewer said, all the votes were counted in Michigan. Elector Sigrid Grace, an elementary teacher from Rochester Hills in the 9th Congressional District, still believes in the system.

"I have a relative who fought in the American Revolution," she said. "It was a very sentimental moment for me."

Chairperson of the Rochester Democratic Club and an officer at large with the Michigan Democratic Party, Grace felt very honored to have been chosen for the job and remains optimistic about the future of elections.

"I have great faith in our country," she said. "Hopefully, we'll learn a lot from this."



Big responsibility: *Marie Weigold of Farmington Hills was one of Michigan's presidential electors, obligated to cast her vote for Al Gore.*

There's no business like snow business

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

Bob Springer, president of ACO, a hardware store chain headquartered in the dual giant warehouse buildings near I-275 and Grand River, has had a busy week keeping his 66 stores supplied with the tools of snow removal.

"The weather has been good for us," he said Tuesday. "It has kept customers in their own backyard. We have done very well with all snow removal items."

Springer, who travels in from his home in Howell, said snow shovels, windshield washer fluid, salt, lock de-icer products, snow brushes and scrapers have been flying out of the stores.

Some stores have run out of some items, he admits, but not for long.

"In some small towns we are the only source for several miles," Springer said.

The ACO warehouse was delivering items Saturday and again Monday. The 85,000-square-foot warehouse was also getting deliveries from manufacturers Saturday and Monday. About 200 employees work in the headquarters and office area at 23333 Commerce Drive, Farmington Hills. They have been in business for 54 years.

"The manufacturers have been good to us. Nothing is in short supply because the snow hasn't hit all areas of the country," he said.

Springer said his stores do not sell power equipment, including snowblowers.

Some ACO products can even be seen by northbound drivers on I-275. At night, Christmas decorations light up the snow covered area alongside the back of the ACO warehouses. Some of the items like the white light deer shapes are sold in the stores.

Springer said he thought more people would actually see the lights if they put them out back.

ACO stores are as far away as Bay City, Adrian and Battle Creek.

Wayne County stores include locations in Canton, Plymouth, Livonia (two stores), Redford Township (two stores) and Westland (two stores).

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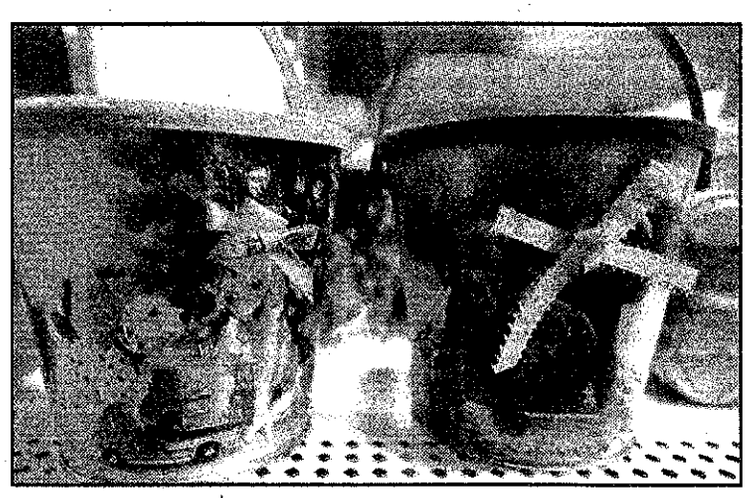
Best friend

Don't forget your pet on Christmas morning

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
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You've looked over your holiday gift list and checked it twice. Parents, check. Siblings, check. In-laws, check. Grandparents, check. Children, check. Gift exchange at work, check.

But perhaps you've forgotten a loved one who's probably the easiest to please when it comes to buying gifts, or may very well be amused for hours with a crumpled up piece of paper or a paper grocery sack.



Plain and fancy: *A bucket o' biscuits will liven up any dog's Christmas morning.*

Pets will likely show their thanks by batting around their gift with a paw or by chewing on them. If you buy them treats, chances are they'll gobble them up and beg for more.

If your "family" includes a dog, cat, bird, ferret, rodent or even an iguana, chances are there is a gift especially for them at local pet supply stores. There are ferret hammocks, bird swings, iguana perches and bottles of dust bath for chinchillas.

Americans spend an estimated $24 billion annually on pet care and feeding alone. In addition, the average American pet owner spends about $16-$140 annually for pet toys, $20-$50 annually on treats and $20-$30 on collars and leashes, according to the Michigan Humane Society.

Jean Carmean of Canton was shopping for a new squeaky toy for her 12-year-old miniature dachshund, Amy, at Pet Supplies Plus, 43665 Ford in Canton.

"I buy everything for my pet," Carmean said, adding that Amy particularly likes squeaky toys and plush toy animals. As a result, there are roughly 200 such toys scattered throughout their home.

"I think that (pets) need to have something to do just like humans do," Carmean said. "To (Amy), the toys are like her babies. She treats them as though they were her puppies."

In addition to the toys, Amy also has a cushy sleeping pad by a window, Carmean said.



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A dog's life: *Rowdy shows off some Christmas gift toys, a stuffed plush toy, and a real shearling lined doggie bed at Specialty Pets in Plymouth.*

Pet Supplies Plus manager Scott Hawken said he sees nothing strange about including pets on a holiday shopping list.

"People consider them part of the family," he said. "They want to get them all sorts of stuff."

People of all ages like to buy gifts for pets, but older people particularly like to pamper them.

"They just baby them," Hawken said.

Some gifts, like Santa outfits and reindeer antlers, are more for human entertainment than for the pets. But other gifts, like treats and toys, are as fun for the animals as cookies and milk or brand new toys from Santa are for human children.

"(Pets) do actually get something out of treats," Hawken said.

One of the most popular ways to play Santa with a pet is by giving them a stocking. Pet owners can buy them plain and fill them themselves, or buy them stuffed with treats, toys and chewables. Some are even shaped like animal paws rather than human socks.

Chances are, Fido or Fluffy aren't going to care what their gifts look like, but will go bonkers over how they *smell*. Nearly all felines are drawn to the smell of catnip, and both dogs and cats love the smell of meat. And some love human food, too.

Please see **BEST FRIEND, A12**

Senior drug bill goes to Engler

The state House and Senate have approved a prescription drug program for senior citizens.

EPIC will replace Michigan's two senior citizen prescription aid programs: the prescription drug tax credit and the Michigan Emergency Pharmaceutical Program for Seniors (MEPPS).

The EPIC program will be available to seniors who are not currently enrolled in Medicaid. Participants in MEPPS will be given initial enrollment priority, followed by applicants with an annual household income up to 150 percent of the federal poverty guidelines who receive the drug credit. Seniors eligible for the Elder Prescription Insurance Coverage (EPIC) program will pay a $25 application fee and a minimal prescription co-payment based on household income.

■ The program is estimated to cost $60 million and will be partly funded from tobacco settlement revenue.

The program is estimated to cost $60 million and will be funded by $26 million currently used for the tax credit and MEPPS, as well as $33 million in state tobacco settlement revenue.

House Majority Floor Leader-elect Rep. Bruce Patterson has been a strong supporter of EPIC in the past and voiced his support today.

"This program will relieve seniors across the state from the spiraling costs of prescription drugs," said Patterson, R-Canton Township. "I am proud to have had the opportunity to preside over the House on such an important day. The passage of this legislation is a momentous victory for seniors."

The tax credit program will be repealed Dec. 31 the year EPIC is implemented. MEPPS will continue to provide a safety net for senior citizens until EPIC has been implemented. Emergency relief will also continue under the new program.

Michigan will be the 16th state to offer a senior citizens prescription program of this magnitude.

The bill now goes to Gov. John Engler for his approval.

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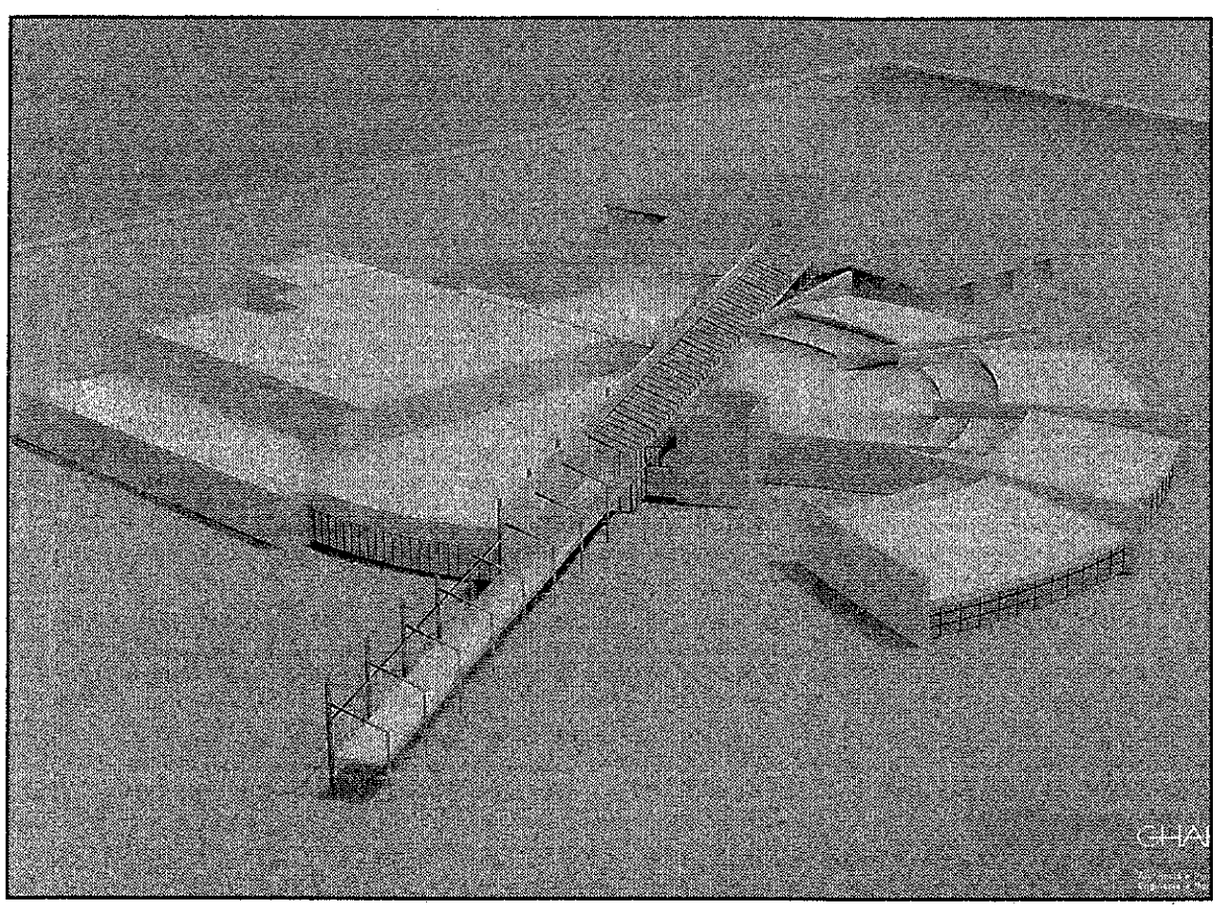
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Ready to roll: *This is an architect's drawing of what Schoolcraft College's Waterman Campus Center will look like when expanded and remodeled. The college awaits Gov. Engler's signature on a key project appropriation.*

Waterman Center expansion waits for governor's signature

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As soon as Michigan's governor puts pen to paper, Schoolcraft College will start moving on the $27-million expansion of the Waterman Campus Center.

The project will expand and renovate the college's award-winning culinary arts classrooms and kitchen and dining facilities and create a business and industry training center.

After several years of inching the project up the state legislature's agenda, that body last week approved roughly $13 million in matching funds and sent the bill on to Gov. John Engler for his signature.

Officials at the community college on Haggerty Road expressed confidence Engler would sign the appropriation in the allotted 14-day time-period.

But even though Schoolcraft's board of trustees, during mid-November's final meeting of the year, approved the provisional awarding of contracts for final design and construction, "We won't release them (contracts) until the governor signs" the state appropriation, said A.H. "Butch" Raby III, college vice president for business services.

The contracts were given provisional approval to save the project several weeks' time, because the trustees won't meet again until late January, Raby explained.

The contracts award the architects Ghafari Associates Inc. of Dearborn $553,480 and Barton Malow Co. of Southfield, the construction manager, $601,605 to proceed with the final design and construction planning.

The allocation to Ghafari is about 2 percent of the project cost, while that to Barton Malow is about 2.3 percent, according to Raby.

Once the design process is completed, bid packages can be put out, he said.

The project is expected to be completed by 2002.

Sunday Health Club set to begin at Schoolcraft

Schoolcraft College's Sunday Health Club lets members can work out every Sunday afternoon for 13 weeks. The winter session begins Jan. 7 and continues 1-5 p.m. through April 1. Membership fees are $34 for individuals and $72 for families.

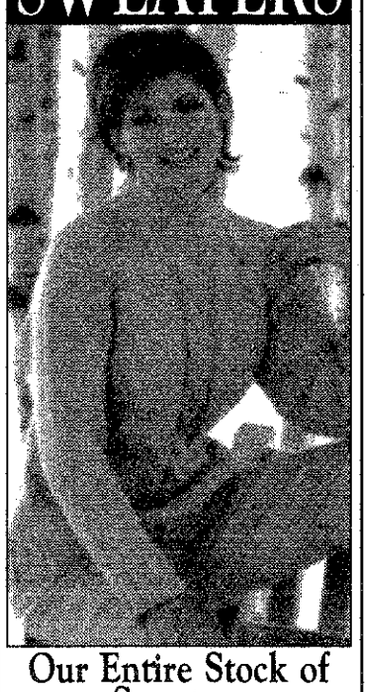
Members have access to two gyms for basketball and volleyball; six handball, paddleball and racketball courts; wallyball courts; weightlifting machines, treadmills, exercise bikes, and other aerobic equipment in the fitness room; the swimming pool with two one-meter and one three-meter diving boards; and saunas in both the men and women's locker rooms.

The activity is at the level and intensity you set. Members must furnish their own locks and towels, and children under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult or guardian. For additional information or to receive a registration form, call 734-462-4413.

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Best friend from page A9

At Plymouth's Specialty Pet Supplies, 1498 S. Sheldon, owner Terri Bennett said there are plenty of treats that cater to pets' love of human food. There are catnip cookies that look like holiday cookies for kitties, yogurt and carob-dipped dog biscuits with sprinkles, flavored dog biscuits and treats for nearly every kind of pet.

There are also treats such as boiled pig ears, bones and a variety of other animal by-products that drive dogs wild, Bennett said.

But these toys should be used with caution, said Emily Coaker, community relations representative with the Michigan Humane Society in Westland.

"Usually we don't recommend (animal) by-product toys," Coaker said. Bones can be fatal for dogs. They can become splintered, causing slivers to get wedged in the throat and stomach, damage the intestines and damage teeth. Some dog breeds have jaws strong enough to crush even large bones.

Bones should be thrown away as soon as they break up or shatter, Coaker said.

Bennett said pet lovers are only limited by budget at Specialty Pet Supplies. They can spend as little as 10 cents for a doggie biscuit, a few bucks for a new food dish, $15 for a high-tech toy or hundreds of dollars on a scratching post/kitty condo for their felines.

One popular item for dogs is the "Yuppy Puppy" dog treat dispenser, which resembles a gumball machine. Dogs can operate it themselves by pushing on a bone-shaped lever to dispense the goods. It retails for about $40.

Some of the hottest selling items recently are those geared toward coping with not-so-hot weather, Bennett said. Pet-safe ice melters, doggie coats and boots and dog sweaters have all sold very well.

"I've already reordered coats and boots four times," she said.



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Key rings, Santa hats and gift baskets for your pet are all good gift ideas.

Just say no

It may be a good idea to buy holiday gifts for pets, but it's not a good idea to give pets as holiday gifts, according to the Michigan Humane Society.

That adorable puppy or kitten may have seemed like a good idea for a gift at first. But once the new owner loses interest or realizes that caring for the animal is more work than they thought, too often these animals wind up in shelters, or worse, are cast outdoors to fend for themselves.

"We don't recommend giving pets away as gifts," said Emily Coaker, community relations representative with the Michigan Humane Society. "Remember, pets are a lifetime commitment."

In addition, pets don't make good surprise gifts. If a parent wants to get a pet for another family member, everyone should be involved in the decision.

After the holidays, the MHS' Westland shelter on 37255 Marquette becomes littered with former "holiday gifts." Some pets may be adopted, but most aren't.

While the MHS doesn't restrict pet adoptions before the holidays, all potential pet owners must pass background checks that determine whether they have suitable homes for pets.

"It's a nice idea to give a pet, but not if you don't know if the person wants the pet or if they don't have the time to care for it," Coaker said.

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SPOTLIGHT ON YOUR PET
Veterinary Notes
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Will My Cat Get Cancer From a Vaccination?

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DISLOCATED SHOULDER

A full dislocation of the shoulder occurs when the head comes all the way out of the socket, resulting in stretched or torn rotator cuff muscles. After the dislocated shoulder is put back into place, three to six weeks of immobilization is required. This rest is only effective if the rotator cuff muscles, which hold the shoulder together and are responsible for the shoulder's fine movements, are also strengthened. Thus, an exercise and strengthening program is necessary in order to regain full use of the shoulder. Conventional wisdom may have once called for surgery after two shoulder dislocations. A good rehabilitation program, however, can often tighten the shoulder muscles so that no surgery is necessary. I f you've been recommended for surgery to correct an injury, but would like to discuss alternative treatment options, or you have recently undergone surgery, and want to keep your recovery on track, ask your physician for a referral to the **HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY.** To learn more about our wide range of service, which include occupational and orthopedic and neurological physical therapies, please call **445-8370.** You'll find our center located in **Plymouth, at 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 20.** Most insurance plans accepted, Blue Cross and Medicare provider.

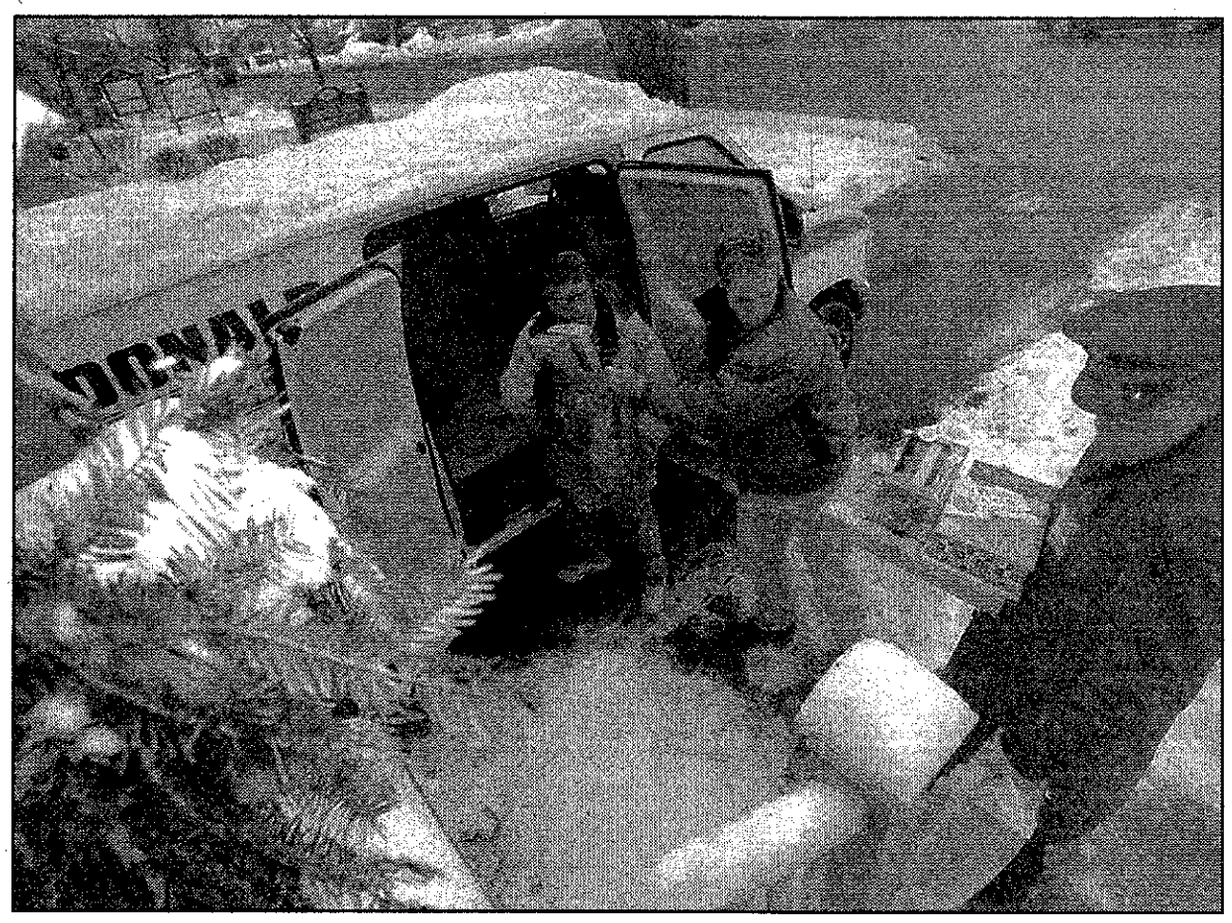
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Observer Cheer Club spreads holiday joy

The Plymouth and Canton Observers want to thank the community for making this year's Cheer Club drive successful.

On Friday, the Salvation Army carted away two rooms full of toys and grocery items from our editorial offices on Main Street in downtown Plymouth. Donations included an impressive line-up of Barbies, Pokémon games and other toys to thrill area kids who may not expect much on Christmas morning.

There were also bags of groceries and basic supplies for the less fortunate families in the Plymouth, Canton and Northville communities.

New and returning members to the Cheer Club included:

Canton residents Mark, Cindy, Jeffrey and Cortney Simpson; Kurt and Dawn Denzer; Ann Confer, Janet and Brian; Ron Nagy, Cindy Martin, Cecilia Sovine; Danny Reilman; Juanita Fenkell; Cliff and Laponkko Lambert; the Domenzain family; the Faerber family; and Sue Hester.

Also, Plymouth residents Emerson and Dianne Coates; Vicki Matthews; Nancy and Mike Riemenschneider; Terry and Susan Groneau; Jean, Mac and Kate Morris; the Day family; Stan and Barbara Szuba; ; Lorraine and William McLin; Dexter and Andrew Gregg; Rosita Smith; Mike and Peggy Beercroft; and Bonnie and Dave Cusumano.

A special thanks goes to group donations from Horton Plumbing and the Canton Cheerleaders; the fourth-grade and combined 3/4/5-grade class of Amy Olivera at Bird Elementary in Plymouth; an anonymous Plymouth Township family; and the Plymouth-Canton Sharks hockey team.

Say it with Flowers



by Steve Mansfield

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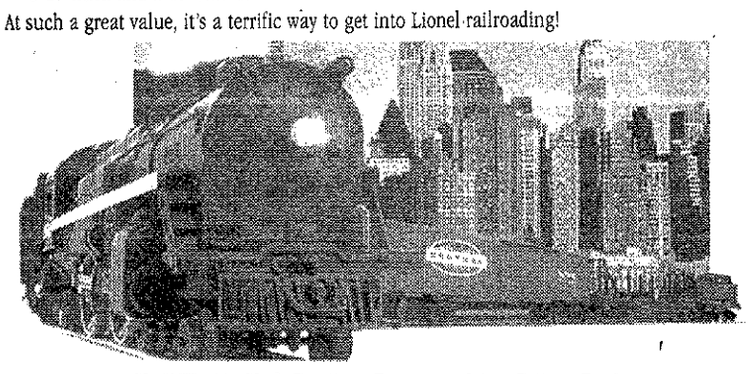
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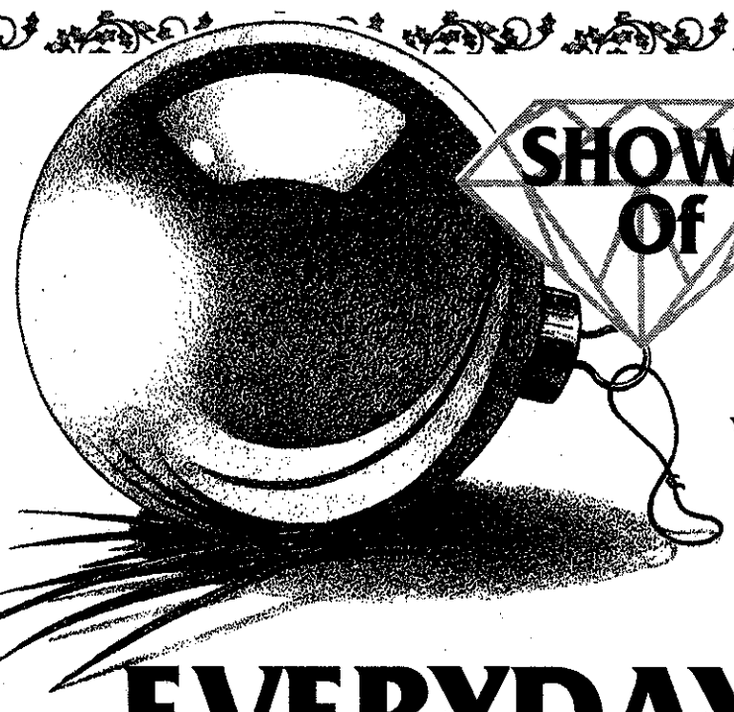
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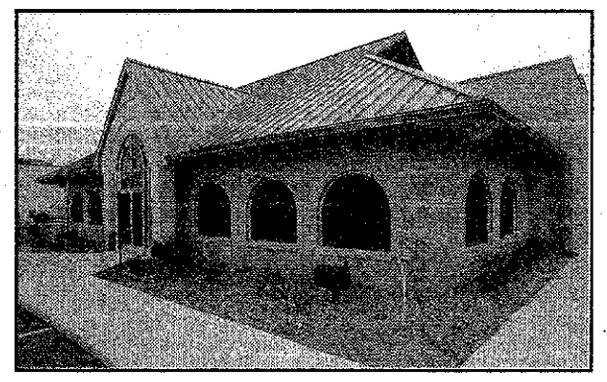
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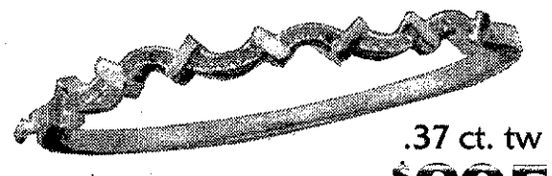
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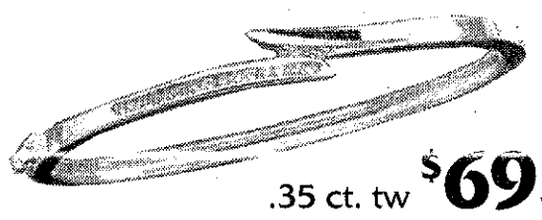
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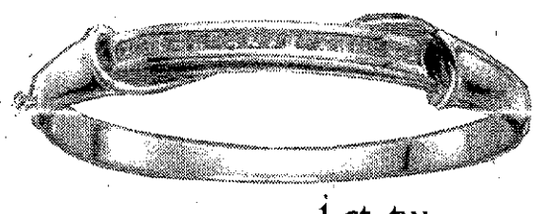
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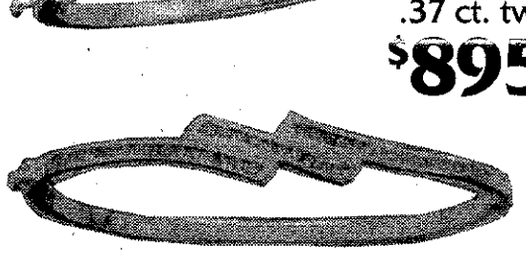
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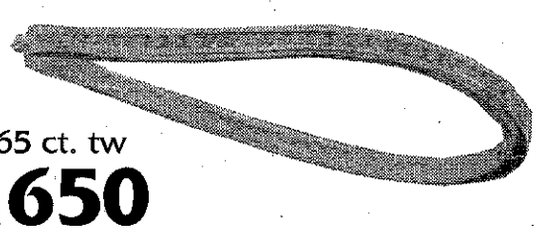
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Slow plows a fact of life on the streets of Canton

For Canton residents who were too busy digging out their subdivisions to notice, we issue this reminder: today is the winter solstice – the official first day of the season. And yes, we note it's been an unusual end for *autumn*, buried under more than a foot of snow and shivering in near-zero temperatures.

All this means the annual complaints fielded by Supervisor Tom Yack about poor or non-existent plowing of township streets are coming a month or two earlier than usual. So for new residents – or those who just plain forgot the realities of living on the western edge of civilization (well, Wayne County), here's the drill:

■ Canton is a charter township and the county is responsible for all major road maintenance. That means fixing them in the summer and clearing snow and ice in the winter. The I-275 freeway and state trunk lines like Ford Road and Michigan Avenue get first priority. After that its county primary roads such as Canton Center, Warren and Cherry Hill. Last on the list are residential and subdivision streets, which may not see a plow until the snow melts.

■ Many homeowners associations hire private contractors so they aren't at the mercy of the county timetable. Others rely on good samaritans in their neighborhoods, usually with a snow plow hooked to an SUV.

Still, we're sympathetic to people who were housebound after last week's snowstorm, particularly senior citizens who have legitimate concerns about health and safety.

The good news is things appear to be in better shape than they were after the blizzard on New Year's weekend in 1999. Then, as you recall, many main roads remained all but impassable for 48 hours. Both Yack and John Roach, Wayne County roads spokesman, said changes made following the last real blizzard helped improve performance this time around.

But while there have been some gains, the situation will remain largely the same as long as the county has primary responsibility for roads. That's because state gasoline taxes as well as weight taxes on large trucks is what pays for maintenance. And those taxes are distributed to counties and cities, not townships. In fact, statewide only two townships. (Bloomfield and Muskegon) handle their own road maintenance. Both passed local tax proposals decades ago to pay for the service.

Yack floated the idea of taking over maintenance of township roads a few years ago but backed off when he realized the economics would be unfeasible in a community the size of Canton.

The Observer believes putting a local tax proposal on the ballot for snowplowing just doesn't make much sense. We note that voters rejected two local road millages for construction in the last four years – despite roads that are clogged with traffic at rush hour and noon time. Township residents clearly believe road maintenance should be a county responsibility.

The township is studying the possibility of special assessment districts for plowing in residential areas not covered by homeowners associations, which would at least add a level of service in some neighborhoods.

In the meantime, Canton residents will have to grin and bear it. And keep that snowblower in good working order.

The 'list' (checked twice)

Dear Santa,

We know how busy you are this week. Filling those last-minute gift requests (thank goodness for amazon.com and e-bay, eh) is quite a task. So is all that wrapping, packing and checking the reindeer flight schedule. Sheesh, you think Metro Airport is tough. Try making a connection via Dancer or Prancer out of Gate 9 at the North Pole.

So we'll be brief with our Christmas wish list. Any or all of the following would certainly be welcome sights in Canton Township next year:

■ The first completed homes in Cherry Hill Village. We know it's supposed to be a "historic-style" district, we just didn't realize history would be so long in the making;

■ Ground breaking for a much needed third fire station;

■ Speaking of "third," the beginnings of a new high school that everyone (district people, township officials and neighboring residents) can live with;

■ A resolution on the planned (but disappearing) ice arena at the Canton Softball Center;

■ A real holiday and celebration for Martin Luther King Day;

■ And last but not least, Santa, we would like some glad tidings for the entire Canton community. A gift of a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year would do quite nicely. It is the least we can ask for a kind and caring community.

Thanks, Santa.

Your friend,
The Canton Observer

Memo to Lansing: Bad time for a holiday bonus

Unless the state Legislature acts by Feb. 1, state legislators and officials will receive wage increases ranging from 13 to 36 percent.

The salary increase proposed by the State Officers Compensation Commission, a seven-member panel appointed by the governor, would make Michigan officials among the highest paid in the nation.

Once the SOCC rates are set they take effect unless lawmakers vote by a two-thirds majority to reject them.

We believe the salary increases should be immediately rejected by the Legislature

In a time when the auto companies are either laying off employees or contemplating layoffs and the economy seems drifting toward recession, these are inflationary and unwarranted increases.

Under the proposal the governor's salary will go from $151,245 to $172,000 next year and to $177,000 in 2002 (making Gov. Engler's retirement package that much sweeter).

The lieutenant governor's salary will go from $100,671 to $120,400 next year and $123,900 in 2002. Supreme Court justices salaries will go from $140,816 to $159,960 next year and $164,610 in 2002.

Legislator's salaries will go from $56,981 to $77,400 next year and to $79,650 in 2002.

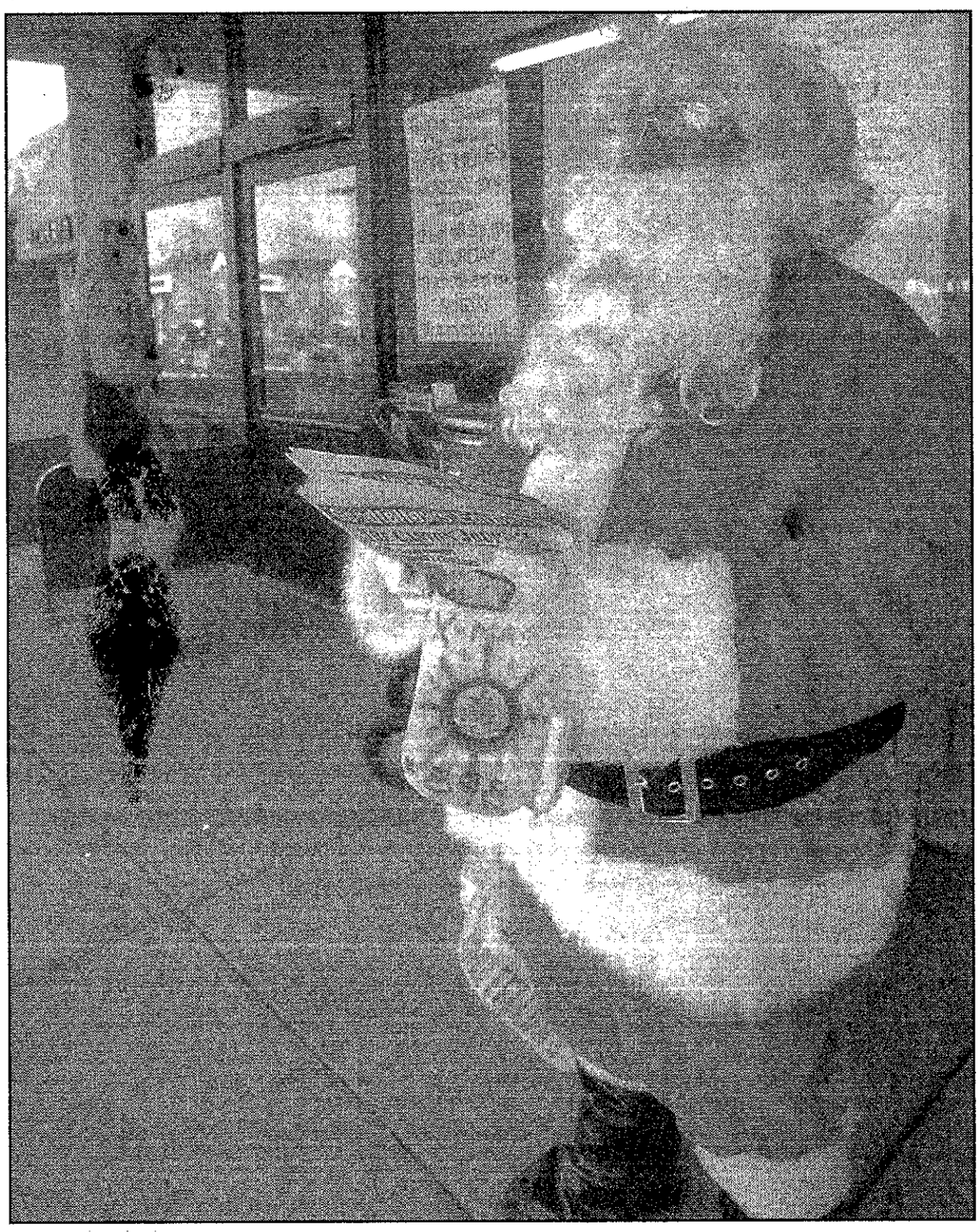
Most of us have been lucky to get increase of 3 or 4 percent in recent years.

Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Hills, says it right, "At a time when state employees and most workers in general are receiving adjustments only slightly above the cost of living, it is unconscionable to award double-digit percentage pay increases to elected officials."

The increases will put Michigan just below New York and California in compensation and well ahead of most other states. For example, legislators in Colorado receive $17,500 a year and in New Jersey (a state with a large urban population) legislators receive $35,000 a year.

We believe these salary increases should be roundly rejected by the Legislature, and we support a proposal by Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Rep. Clark Bisbee, R-Jackson, to make it easier for future legislatures to say no to these usually automatic increases. Under current law legislators can only vote to reject a pay raise. The proposal would require an affirmative vote on all pay raises, making the legislators accountable for what they do.

For now, it's time they stood up and said, "NO!"



Goodfellows drive: *Canton Goodfellows' Alberto Medellin sells copies of the annual newspaper in front of the Aco Hardware earlier this month.The Goodfellows fund-raising effort continues with a quilt raffle. Tickets are available for $1 each at the Canton Public Library. Also, tax-deductible donations may be sent to canton Goodfellows, 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton 48188.*

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LETTERS

■ PCEA was arrogant

I'm writing in response to the guest opinion on Dec. 14. I would like to say that if the Boy Scouts were prevented from meeting after school, other activities could also be prevented. If we are to focus on discrimination for one group, we must take a look at all groups, to be fair.

Sports, for instance, could be considered highly discriminatory, considering that many children don't "make the team." If a child was born a slow runner and not picked to be on the soccer team, he wouldn't be allowed to participate after school. If a child born with a poor singing voice wasn't chosen to be in the school musical, she wouldn't be allowed to participate in the practices after school. If a student's best work only gains him a "C" average in math and isn't allowed to be in the advanced math class, is this discriminatory?

The BSA, as an after-school activity, also has criteria, expectations and goals, just as any sport, music or drama activity. I don't know why a gay boy would want to attend an activity such as the BSA, because it stresses traditional family values and roles, contrary to what he might believe.

If I were the parent of a boy scout, (even if I thought homosexuality was natural) I wouldn't want my son sleeping or changing his clothes in a tent, next to a gay boy who could potentially be attracted to him. In the same way, I wouldn't want my daughter sleeping or changing her clothes in a tent next to a straight boy who could potentially be attracted to her.

And no, this is not homophobia, it is common sense. There is no "fear" here, just a plain, simple choice. (Please, don't discriminate against me.)

Due to the actions of the PCEA, I believe they are the ones who have sent a "confused message" to their customers. They tell us to celebrate diversity, yet what they really want is conformity. You can only be diverse if it is on their terms.

Finally, I think the real "regal display of arrogance" was by the PCEA, not Mr. Watts. As a parent, I believe the PCEA does not exist for the benefit of the children, but instead, for the benefit of those who enable it to exist by the funds they provide.

Sheryl Phillips
Plymouth

■ Praise for carrier

I don't often write letters like this, but I have to let you know of a remarkable Canton Observer carrier, Jill Mosher. Jill has been a carrier for a few months now, taking over the duties from another wonderful carrier. Not only is my paper on my porch earlier than I expect it to be, Jill is always bouncy and smiling and gives a cheerful "Hello" when I should happen to see her.

She always thanks us when we tip her along with our monthly payment but, the remarkable thing, is that on Sunday mornings she brings our Detroit News to our porch along with the Canton Observer! You can imagine how nice that is on these cold mornings. Both my papers delivered right to my door with my feet never having to touch the porch! Such a seemingly simple act but one that makes her stand out in this hustle and bustle world we are in.

Jill could be an example to all and is certainly a welcome carrier in Glengarry Village. We thank her and knew that you, too, would want to show your appreciation. She represents the Observer Newspapers (and her parents!) very well, indeed.

Cindy Bastion
Canton

■ Count all votes

It is a sad, sad day for our country. Our democracy has been given a black eye. What happened to "... of the people, by the people and for the people"? We have a majority Supreme Court that is "... of the Republican Party, by the Republican Party and for the Republican Party." Justice has not been served. Thousands of people have been disenfranchised – mostly minorities.

As far as I am concerned, what mattered was not so much who won the election, Bush or Gore, but a matter of doing the right, fair and honest thing. A fair and honest action would call for a count of ALL the votes – including the votes that machines were unable to decipher due to machine error. I believe that the intent of the voter could have been ascertained in a fair and just way if the manual recount had been allowed to continue. These were votes that have NEVER been counted by the machines.

I hope all Americans who are as outraged as I am will let their feelings be known, either by writing to their elected officials, or by taking part in protests against this unfair and dishonest action by the majority vote of the Supreme Court of the United States. We now have a president who was NOT "elected by the American people," but "appointed" by the majority of the Supreme Court.

Margaret C. Reilly
Westland

■ Support Constitution

Voters are likely glad the presidential election is finally over. The process has brought much discussion of our election processes. Over the next year, there will be much debate over election reform and especially the idea of eliminating the state-by-state electoral process and electing our president by national popular vote.

Some people argue that the person with the most votes nationally should win. However, they fail to realize the wisdom of our courageous founding fathers and why the electoral process is indeed justified. Here are some reasons:

■ The founding fathers realized majority rule voting has been the tool to progress to dictatorships. Arbitrary will of the people has allowed past injustices, such as slavery, not allowing women to vote, and prohibiting alcohol.

■ Just like the senate helps less populated states have equitable decision making power in the legislature we use the electoral process to do the same in the selection of the most powerful elected office.

■ The top 10 populated states control 50 percent of the electoral votes. The electoral process helps give less populated states more equity by giving each state two additional votes. Each state should be given some equitable power in governance of the nation.

■ If popular majority vote ruled, the candidates would have acted differently. Governor Bush would have spent most of his time in Texas to gain as many votes as possible and Gore would have spent most of his time in California.

■ A national popular vote would encourage some states to change their voting rules to increase their influence in the election. For example, a state may change the legal voting age from 18 to 17 to get more votes.

■ The electoral process is key to the spirit of the Constitution, a document expressly written to thwart the excesses of majoritarianism, and is critical to help save the liberty of people with minority views and behaviors.

Please support the wisdom in the constitution that has made America a great country and may we move forward to a more free, responsible, just, and prosperous country.

Alan R. Coloske
Milford Township

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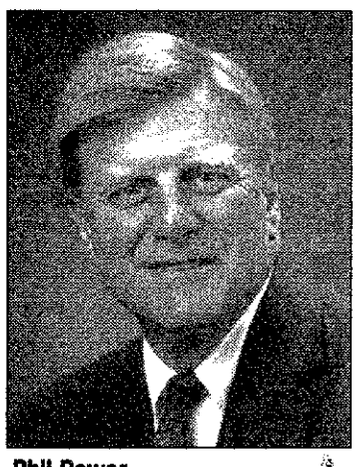
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Orderly Michigan recount reflects Staebler's legacy

Neil Staebler, the man who created the modern Michigan Democratic Party, died last week after a lifetime of distinguished public service.

He was a role model to me and a genuine hero to many of my generation. His engagement in politics helped create a political climate in Michigan — civil, honest, citizen-based — that has lasted to this day.



Phil Power

Those with long memories will remember Staebler as "Mr. Democrat."

Working with Walter Reuther, the legendary president of the UAW, G. Mennen Williams, and a small band of dedicated reformers, Staebler ripped the party from the corrupt grip of the Teamster bosses in the mid-1940s. Preaching a doctrine of citizen participation, Staebler then built the Democratic Party into the powerhouse that elected Williams governor an unprecedented six straight times and spawned the likes of Sen. Philip A. Hart and Congresswomen Martha Griffiths.

Staebler's argument was radical for the times: In order to win elections, a political party had to be honest and democratic. Otherwise, the thousands of citizen volunteers necessary for an effective mass political organization simply would refuse to get involved.

Good citizenship, he argued, required everybody to get involved in the political process. Whether Republican or Democrat, he didn't care — just so long as people got involved. It was Neil Staebler who convinced countless Michigan citizens that politics was not necessarily ugly or corrupt and that political involvement was the highest expression of citizenship.

I was lucky enough to see this process up close from my early childhood on. Neil Staebler and his wife, Burnette, were among my parents' closest friends. It was Neil Staebler who persuaded my rock-ribbed Republican businessman father to become a Democrat — perhaps the most profound testimony to his gift of patient, stubborn persuasion.

In contrast to our era when political figures are one thing when on the public stage and entirely different in private, Staebler was identically the same at all times, whether at family dinners or at a Democratic convention: Thoughtful, rational, courteous, exquisitely well informed, endlessly patient to the point of doggedness. He could go on arguing a point literally all night; in fact, he once co-authored a whole book, *How To Argue With A Conservative.*

More at home in the back rooms than on the bright stage, Staebler only ran for high office twice. When the Legislature and the courts couldn't get congressional redistricting right after the 1960 census, Staebler was elected in 1962 Congressman-at-large, representing all of Michigan in the U.S. House. He ran unsuccessfully for governor in 1964, largely to keep off the Democratic ticket a candidate he considered corrupt.

Staebler's contributions went far beyond Michigan. He had a hand in national politics in the days when party leaders actually knew the personal qualities of candidates contending for nomination to high office — something entirely lacking today, when nominations are bestowed largely through primary elections. He was one of the "wise men" of the Democratic Party, consulted by and listened to by a who's who of national political figures. He was an early member of the National Election Commission and would have, I think, been disappointed at its ineffectiveness today.

It was Neil Staebler who persuaded my rock-ribbed Republican businessman father to become a Democrat – perhaps the most profound testimony to his gift of patient, stubborn persuasion.

Staebler's legacy is still with us today. Consider, for example, the contrast between the recent recount chaos in the Florida presidential election and the matter-of-fact and civilized way in which the recount between Diane Byrum and Mike Rogers took place in the Eighth Congressional District. Much of Michigan's clear, practical law governing recounts and civilized way of conducting them is the direct product of Staebler's work.

Those who knew Neil Staebler in his heyday cannot but feel a sense of loss at what he could have contributed to help us through the aftermath of the presidential election fiasco.

As for myself, I count him among the tiny number of truly great men I have had the good fortune to meet. I'll miss him and his gift for civic virtue more than I can say.

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Playing games ought to end at the Capitol doorstep



Mike Malott

Hey, we all understand that a certain amount of game playing goes on in Lansing.

Any legislative body has to have some pretty complicated rules and procedures if it is going to address the issues of the day in anything resembling an efficient manner.

While those rules are intended to promote fairness and insure public accountability, it's no surprise that a well-versed parliamentarian can go a long way on a skillful manipulation of the process alone.

But it ought to end at the Capitol doorstep. When technicalities are used to frustrate or inhibit the will of the voters, or to keep them from voicing their collective view, it should be judged to be out of bounds.

That's what happened last week when the Legislature took up the issue of how permits to carry concealed weapons are handed out. Now at the discretion of local county gun boards, CCW permits are issued in an arbitrary manner, most Michigan lawmakers believe.

When they first took up a bill that would tell those gun boards they "shall issue" permits as long the applicants meet certain requirements, it became quite controversial. Due to a public outcry in May 1999, the bill was set aside. Police officers and prosecutors across the state said that if the bill were passed, they would run a petition drive to put it to a referendum.

In lame duck session last week, lawmakers decided to give it another try. When the conference committee was hammering out the differences between the House and Senate versions, its members decided to tack on a $1 million appropriation. The money would pay for public distribution of trigger locks and administration of the new CCW process.

But the real intent of the expenditure was to frustrate any attempt at a referendum. The state Constitution states that appropriations bills cannot be put to a referendum.

At first, the conferees didn't want to admit it. Rep. Mike Green, R-Mayville and Sen. Bill Bullard, R-Highland, using an identical response, defended the appropriation by saying, "It's legitimate spending."

True enough, but there was a supplement appropriations bill moving through the Legislature at the same time that frankly would have been a more appropriate place for it.

Eventually, Sen. Phil Hoffman, R-Horton, fessed up – "it's true," he said.

Of course, they couldn't do it alone. When Rep. Gilda Jacobs, D-Huntington Woods, and Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield, challenged the allocation as a violation of legislative rules, Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, in the House and Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus in the Senate, ruled that the spending was proper and not a violation of rules. Then 51 members of the House and 25 senators voted to uphold the rulings of their respective chairmen.

Readers should understand there are reasons why these elected officials felt it was OK to obstruct and frustrate a referendum by voters. For one, they see the threatened petition as politically motivated itself. Wayne County-prosecutor Mike Duggan and Attorney General Jennifer Granholm would get a boost of their own backing such an effort. And the issue could still go to the ballot as a constitutional amendment, even if it would take more signatures, Bullard noted.

Besides, they think they've got a pretty good bill here. Bullard and Hoffman both believe it's actually more stringent than current law. At least it isn't arbitrary, which the current system is.

"What I want is for voters to read the law," Hoffman said. "If they read the law, they'll be in favor of it."

If that's truly the case, then they shouldn't worry about putting it out for a vote before the public. If it is better, they should be able to convince the electorate of it.

Even if they can't, it's still the will of the voters and Lansing lawmakers should abide by it.

In the end, it was a nasty little trick on the voting public.

The merits of the bill aside, lawmakers tried to obstruct voters' ability to express their view.

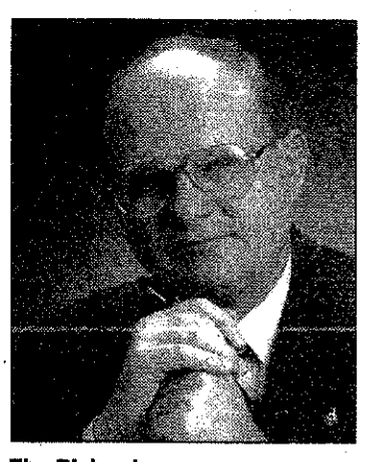
What they'll get now is likely to be an angry response from the electorate ... and they deserve it.

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Separation of church and state has its reasons deep in history

A musician friend from Michigan married her college swain – in his native Poland. She recalled they needed two ceremonies, one Catholic (her husband's faith) and one civil, because the government, even though no longer Communist, didn't recognize church weddings.

Such anti-church sentiment is common in history. England in the 1650s forbade church weddings. But from 1750 to the early 19th century, England recognized only church weddings.



Tim Richard

France once forbade the Catholic Church from erecting schools. In 1874 it took away the title "university" from Catholic institutions. England under Henry VIII and revolutionary France confiscated church property. France tried to nominate bishops for the pope to rubber-stamp.

All this came to mind when I read the ill-tempered fulminations of Judge James Ryan. Once a Redford Township justice of the peace, Wayne Circuit judge and Michigan Supreme Court justice, Ryan now sits on the U.S. 6th Circuit Court of Appeals.

You may have missed it during the Florida recount mess, but the Court of Appeals struck down, 2-1, an Ohio law allowing state subsidies to private schools in Cleveland. About 96 percent of the affected students were in religious schools. The Court of Appeals called it an unconstitutional "endorsement of religious education, something in tension with the precedents of the Supreme Court." The majority was formed by a Clinton appointee and a Bush appointee.

Ryan, a Reagan appointee, dissented furiously. "This plainly hostile attack on the religious schools in the Ohio voucher program is one I would have thought unworthy of mention in an opinion from this great court."

Ryan has a reputation as a scholar, but this time he gave us humbug. He descended into the language of the Religious Right, the fundamentalists who would cram their religion into government and down everyone else's throat.

The same kind of tirade occurred last June when the U.S. Supreme Court struck down a coercive, government-sponsored prayer by the Santa Fe, Texas, school district. Justice Antonin Scalia dissented, saying the majority opinion "bristles with hostility to all things religious in public life."

Sadly, Ryan and Scalia both let their religious faiths interfere with their legal judgments.

No state in America requires a civil marriage ceremony in addition to a church wedding.

Michigan in particular gives great latitude to people who want to call themselves clergy.

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We don't tell John Paul II whom to appoint as bishops.

We don't forbid religious schools. In fact, the only regulation of religious schools is a simple, puffball report to the state Department of Education that no one reads anyway.

America learned from Europe's totalitarians that it's dangerous to write checks, directly or indirectly through vouchers, to the church and doubly dangerous to let a religious sect control government.

We protect religion. Ryan offends us when he imagines a "plainly hostile attack on the religious schools. . ." Scalia is off his rocker when he says six Supreme Court justices' opinion "bristles with hostility to all things religious in public life."

Michigan has a constitutional prohibition against tax money for religious schools, ministers and edifices. That's hardly "hostile" toward any church.

America learned from Europe's totalitarians that it's dangerous to write checks, directly or indirectly through vouchers, to the church and doubly dangerous to let a religious sect control government.

Unfortunately, President-elect George W. Bush thinks Scalia is a great guy and wants to appoint more justices like him. Perhaps the U.S. Senate will teach him differently.

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Override of 'living wage' ordinances dies in state House

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Michigan's "living wage" preemption legislation suffered a slow, agonizing death on the final day of session in the state House of Representatives.

The bill, which would have pre-empted local living wage ordinances that essentially set a minimum wage rate higher than that set by state law, came to a vote in the House Thursday evening, Dec. 14. As amended by the Senate, the bill would have allowed cities that have already adopted such ordinances to keep them, including Detroit, Madison Heights, Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township, Ann Arbor, Warren and Kalamazoo. Other cities however would be barred from passing new living wage ordinances.

Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, attempted to amend it back to its original form – tossing out even those already adopted ordinances.

On that motion, the voting board was left open more than an hour while GOP leaders attempted to convince defecting party members like Reps. Paul DeWeese, R-Williamston, Gene DeRossett, R-Manchester, Jennifer Faunce, R-Warren, and Randy Richardville, R-Monroe, to give their "aye" vote support to the cause. Eventually, the board was cleared when the tally showed the amendment falling about five votes short of the mark.

The board was cleared to avoid recording a roll call that union members might use as fodder to oppose Republican incumbents in a future election, representatives explained. With the amendment defeated, the bill was set aside to die as the session ends Dec. 31.

Living wage ordinances typically require that companies that contract with those municipalities to pay wages at 125 percent of the poverty level. Pay rates in Detroit would have been $8.23 if the company provided benefits, $10.29 per hour if it did not, under its version of the law. The current state minimum wage is $5.15 per hour.

The Michigan Chamber of Commerce has opposed living wage ordinances and urged the state to override them on the grounds they will create a patchwork of different minimum wage rates across the state.

Richner's bill, tossing out those local living wage ordinances, produced heated debate in the Senate.

"I would hate to suggest that moving this bill so rapidly after the election has anything to do with retaliation for Let Local Votes Count, but it certainly looks like it," Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith, D-South Lyon, said.

Sen. Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, argued that the living wage ordinance in Detroit would boost the Salvation Army's payroll from $1.2 million to $3.5 million. So that charitable organization would not be able to continue its work for the city.

Smith countered that in Ypsilanti, the city has exempted nonprofits from the living wage requirements.

"If you give local governments a chance, they will be responsive. These are the people who are extraordinarily sensitive to local problems and come up with creative ways to address those problems," she said.

Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield, contending the local ordinances should be left alone, blasted state lawmakers for dumping out those higher minimum wage rules while they are slated to get sizable pay increases in the coming year.

"We are getting these huge increases while we sit on our hands, and these ordinances are for people who are just trying to pay the mortgage and feed their kids," Peters said.

Senators changed the bill to protect existing ordinances while prohibiting other municipalities from adopting similar rules in the future, then approved the bill 20-16, only to have it defeated in the House later the same day.

Senators shoot down mourning dove hunting

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An attempt to create a mourning dove hunting season in Michigan fell just one vote shy of passage in the state Senate on the final day of session Thursday, Dec. 14.

The rejection means the bill dies as the term ends Dec. 31 and would have to be reintroduced next year to receive further consideration. Rep. Susan Tabor, R-Delta Township, said she was disappointed the bill she'd sponsored couldn't get the votes and was unsure if she would try again in 2001.

The vote was a surprise, considering that the Senate has voted to allow mourning dove hunting in the past. Previous attempts have run afoul of the House, which granted its approval just last week.

Tabor's bill would have placed the birds on the state's list of game animals, which would have allowed the Natural Resources Commission to decide whether a hunting season would be created. The director of the Department of Natural Resources had already indicated he would favor a season if allowed to by lawmakers.

"It's good science," said Sen. Phil Hoffman, R-Horton, explaining his support of the bill. "Putting doves on the game list would allow the experts at the DNR to determine whether the population is healthy enough to withstand the stress of a hunt. Not all animals placed on the game list are hunted."

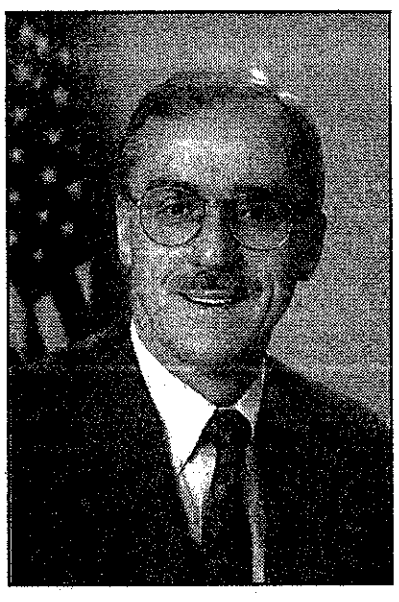
The population wouldn't be diminished by hunting, advocates said. There are 45 million mourning doves in Michigan, at least, Sen. Chris Dingell, D-Trenton, argued. Most doves migrate in the winter and every state to the south of Michigan has a dove hunting season, he contended.

"There is just no need for it," Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield, countered. "People have a strong emotional attachment to these birds and that is why there has been a ban on hunting them in Michigan for the past 95 years ... Of all the issues, I get the most input from constituents on this issue."

Since the bill was introduced little over a month ago, Peters said he had received "several hundred e-mails" opposing the hunt.

Insurance companies can now form PACs

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State Rep. Gerald Law, R-Plymouth

State Rep. Gerry Law, R-Plymouth, was in the thick of the debate in Lansing, working to revise Michigan's health care policy, even into his final hours in office.

Late on Thursday, Dec. 14, his last day in session before leaving office due to term limits, Law proposed – and won – a change that will allow insurance companies to form political action committees. He tacked the idea on as an amendment to House Bill 5959, his own bill to provide "continuity of care" by podiatrists.

The move was met with protests from House Democrats who objected on the grounds that a major change in campaign finance law was being raised at the eleventh hour.

Law explained that the 30-year-old provision "forces insurance companies to go through legal gymnastics to participate in the governmental process." An Attorney General's opinion years ago stripped out half of the old law, he said, but the vestiges force insurance companies to "launder" their political donations through associations, which hides the source of the money. He said that in allowing insurers to have PACs, his proposal would allow for more disclosure.

"Assuming that's all true," Rep. Mark Schauer, D-Battle Creek, responded, "why didn't you raise this earlier so that it could be discussed in committee ... I'm not arguing whether this is good public policy, but this is terrible process."

Law said he had attempted to make the change before but the idea had received little attention from the legislature. He explained later that he decided to take it up then as amendment to the only insurance bill still in play in the legislature on that final day. He wanted to use his own bill as the vehicle, so other lawmakers would not object to the change being tacked on to one of their bills. And it took that long for the Senate to send his bill back for House consideration.

Representatives approved the change 66-30. Senators later concurred 22-12.

"I've wanted to do that a long time," Law said of the amendment to allow insurance PACs. "That has bothered me for years."

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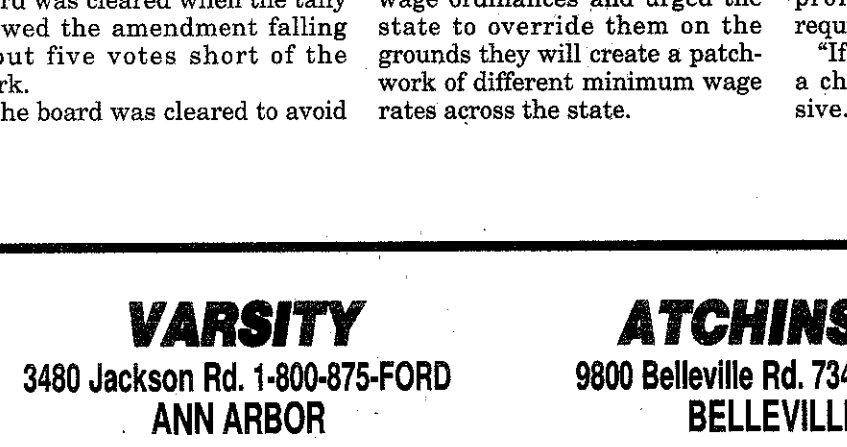
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KATHIE O'DONOHUE

Original present was the very best

The original Christmas present was the best, and if I could dispense a gift to this world so desperately in need of receiving, I would bring God back into the workplace, schools, media, places of worship, and every other place He has been excluded from.

Then I would sit back and watch the miracle.

I am certain we would witness the re-emergence of true civility and kindness. We'd become reacquainted with timeless concepts like honor, integrity, courage and decency. Real heroes would once again be manifest.

There would be no need to teach tolerance or respect for diversity, because it would already be in place.

Those who hold public office and positions of authority would deserve them, gaining them by honest effort, not manipulation, mud-slinging, or politics as usual. And we'd hold them accountable.

There would be no need to legislate political correctness; fairness to all would be built into the system.

People first

If God were put back where He should rightfully be and we really paid attention, I believe we'd all wear racial, cultural, age and gender blinders, seeing each other first as human beings. We would put the needs of others before our own, lose the me-and-mine mentality, and be willing to reach across boundaries to recognize and meet the basic human needs we all share.

We would touch with hands of compassion, see with caring eyes. We would be courageous enough to take the chance, even risk rejection just to help someone else. No one would be hungry, thirsty, or without basic necessities, and everyone would have

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Delightful: *Jenny and Ralph Dunigan sit back and enjoy the holiday decorations that take more than four weeks to complete. An angel and tree (above) is an inviting welcome to guests who enter their Canton home.*

Couple know no decorating limits

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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One look around Jenny and Ralph Dunigan's house and it's not hard to see why it takes the Canton couple nearly four weeks to decorate their home for the holidays.

"We start by taking all the boxes down from our attic and putting them in the garage. There's nothing in our attic except Christmas stuff ... about 150 boxes," said Ralph. "We get a little carried away."

The couple will celebrate their first Christmas in their new 3,100-square-foot home whose size undoubtedly presented some decorating highs and lows.

"I'd like to figure out how to decorate around those windows," said Jenny pointing to a trio of windows that nearly reaches their 18-foot-high ceilings, "but I couldn't convince my sister-in-law to climb a ladder, that high, to do it."

The significant amount of space also allowed the couple to display their extensive collection of Christmas decorations that include 60 nutcrackers and 48 animated characters (approximately two-feet tall each) such as Santa Claus' from around the world, caroling couples, Pinocchio, and even Jolly Old St. Nick in a tub of bubbles — appropriately located in the children's bathroom.



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Details: *Nutcracker soldiers line the jacuzzi in the master bath.*

Holiday spirit

Four full-size Christmas trees and an additional eight more of varying sizes dot the Dunigan household including an angel tree of gold and white in their front sitting room, an apple and pinecone themed tree in their master bedroom that compliments the existing decor, a 9 1/2-foot tree featuring sentimental and favorite family bulbs and a miniature tree in each child's room.

Why all this "extreme decorating?" The couple says they have good reason to appreciate the holidays — Ralph's birthday is Dec. 3, followed by the couple's wedding anniversary Dec. 30. "It's a tradition now," said Jenny.

A reason to celebrate

"With my birthday in December it's never hard to know what to get me," said Ralph who collects the animated characters and Franklin Mint Christmas trucks.

The decorating is a true family affair says Jenny who credits her creative sister-in-law Dani (pronounced Dana) Dunigan of Redford, with hand making more than 94 bows that decorate the trees, garland and swags throughout the home. Ralph's mother, who lives just a few miles away in a turn-of-the-century farmhouse, has a collection of more than 800 Santa's.

"Everyone really gets into decorating. My sister-in-laws are all creative. My mom made some of the smaller Christmas trees in the house and my sister in Scotsdale goes crazy with her decorating," said Jenny.

The Dunigan's say they truly enjoy the decorating process and try to wrap up trimming the house the week of Thanksgiving so they can appreciate the look as long as possible. Friends, family and even strangers have admired the couple's holiday designs as they were included in the Christmas walking tours of Rosedale Garden and Greenmead when they resided in Livonia.

The Canton couple say they regularly watch the cable channel HGTV for new and interesting ideas and try to shop year round — particularly after the holidays for the best deals.

"My sister-in-law is a big shopper and she's always picking things up for us,"

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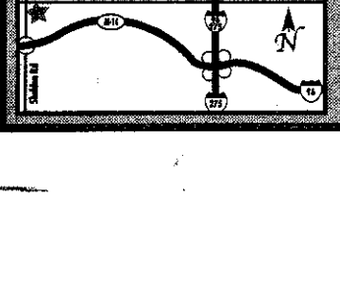
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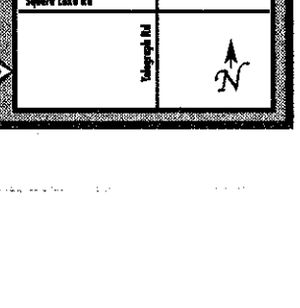
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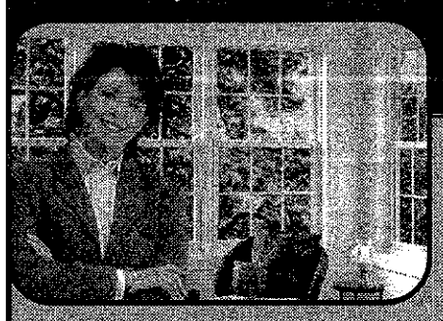
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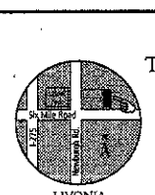
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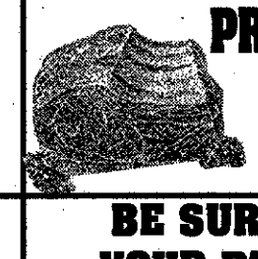
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Readers share special holiday traditions, customs

We asked readers what traditions they make a part of their holiday celebrations every year and here are some of the letters they wrote. Happy holidays!

Tradition with a Twist

When returning to work after a holiday weekend, a coworker and I were sharing Santa stories. My three daughters had reached the age of nonbelievers. I was expressing to my friend my sadness of their 10 minutes of glory; I got a coffee and took my place in front of the tree. Within 10 minutes the gifts were opened and my children were on their way. I was left behind in a pile of paper and dust.

My friend told me how her grown children return home on Christmas morning for the Santa Search. The gifts are hid and everyone is given a clue then the games begin.

The next Christmas at our home we had our first Santa Search, but with a twist. Under the tree laid a Polaroid camera, film, and the first clue. My children were required to follow many clues, and take several photos along the way. The final gift was a Christmas album kit to be made by all. They searched, took photos, opened gifts, made cocoa, put together a wonderful photo album, and I savored the morning.

Now on Christmas Eve, the Polaroid camera, and film are placed under the tree with a clue, and the Christmas album of course. After the Santa Search is complete we enjoy our cocoa, and add the latest and greatest photos to the album. We also go back in time with the album to enjoy the years past.

Often the best traditions are borrowed ones with a twist.

Roxanne Hundsrucker, Livonia



Handmade tradition: *Doreen Walkuski knitted sweaters for her grandchildren above, Lukas Walkuski, 4; (left to right) Joseph Platz, 3; Amy Taube, 5; Lauren Millard, 7; Sara Taube, 7; Peter Walkuski, 5; George Stephen Platz, 5; (front row) Alex Walkuski, 1½; and Stephanie Platz, 1.*

Creative holiday gifts

Doreen Walkuski of Livonia has made knitting a tradition in her family. The longtime Livonia resident knitted nine sweaters for her grandchildren for Christmas 1999. "They were to be Christmas present but decided why wait — the first time they all were here at the same time I gave them the sweaters," said Walkuski.

She said she's likely to keep knitting sweaters for them as they get bigger as she has done for her own children and their spouses. "I've knitted things for all of them including a double wedding ring quilts. Two as wedding gifts, one as a shower gift and one for an anniversary," said Walkuski.

Doreen Walkuski, Livonia

Family affair

Christmas at the Naccashian house in Livonia is a true family holiday. Starting the weekend after Thanksgiving Kim Naccashian, her husband and children Ian, 4, and Sydney, 14 months, decorate their live Christmas tree. Christmas Eve the children leave out a plate of milk and cookies for Santa Claus and carrots for the reindeer. The family spends Christmas Eve at Kim's mother's home where they read Christmas stories from books the family has passed down from generation to generation.

The Naccashians open presents Christmas morning and one person has the honor of helping Santa distribute gifts to everyone. Kim said this year her son Ian asked for the job and has been practicing reading the names of his parents, sister and family cat — Yoda.

"We celebrate Christmas all month long with my mom and dad at different family events," said Naccashian. "It's really nice."

This year the Naccashians will help their children write letters to Santa Claus and may even receive a call from the North Pole thanks to Kim's father.

Kim Naccashian, Livonia

Presents *from page B1*

access to adequate and complete health care.

Love would be real, not some cheap, counterfeit Hollywood version, and the divorce rate would plummet. Commitment would be more than just a word or ideal.

The line between right and wrong wouldn't be so blurred, and the concept of common decency would be understood and appreciated by a runaway majority.

If God were once again the only Almighty in our lives, we would no longer have to worship or pay undue homage to money, power, status, relationships, image, the body, or any of the zillion other things that steal our time and involvement.

We'd focus on pleasant things, not fixate on evil. We would scoff at the very thought of road rage, gratuitous brutality, revenge. We'd put an end to violent movies, hate-filled music and foul language. Vocabularies would be liberally peppered with uplifting words, terms of encouragement.

Everyone would live each day as if it were their last and as though they were going to be judged.

We would love our children and discipline them. We'd teach them to respect us all the while being people who deserve respect. We would help them understand what having character is all about.

We would view our young people as our most vital resource. We'd recognize in so many of their eyes the fear that is there, fear that compels them to hide behind a facade of complacency, espousing the philosophy of "whatever"; and we'd do our best to replace it with hearts that care passionately. About things like justice, love and peace. We would encourage them to make that world, and we'd believe they could do it.

Hope would come alive again, and remain once for all, which, I believe is the true gift of Christmas. Christmas has something for everyone. It is about the best the world has to offer: wonderfully stimulating smells, sights, sounds and fellowship. It sometimes uses a blanket of snow to compel us to slow down and find solitude. Christmas binds up the wounds of a busy, preoccupied world and encourages us not to get caught up but to learn to relax.

Christmas is not about a frantic pace or buying expensive gifts for those who have so much they really have no need of more. It's not about tithing to your place of worship and thinking you've done your part. Christmas is about caring beyond a day or season or geographic boundary. About purging selfishness and giving of yourself real gifts: time, patience, forgiveness, love. It's not about materialism or even about money at all.

It's really about gifting those who are truly in need, just as God did that very first Christmas when He sent love gift-wrapped in flesh and blood.

Merry Christmas to all!

Kathie O'Donohue lives in Farmington Hills.

Decorating *from page B1*

said Jenny. "We buy a lot of things on e-Bay too."

The primary holiday colors throughout the home are gold, burgundy and a rich green. Besides coordinating colors the children, ages 2 and 3, have themed miniature trees in their bedrooms. Their son has a tree decorated with trains to match the train set that circles the room, year-round, atop a hand-made shelf that borders the ceiling of his room.

"His grandfather was a train engineer," said Jenny.

The Dunigan's daughter has a collection of porcelain Barbie ornaments and a tree decorated with miniature "Island of Misfit Toys" from the classic movie "Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer."

The most unique and highly controversial tree in the house is the one in Jenny's home office. A proud graduate of the University of Michigan, the maize and blue tree adorned tree has dozens of bulbs featuring the college logo and infamous colors as well as an 8-by-10 photograph of former head football coach, Bo Schembechler, at its base.

"Ralph didn't go to Michigan. It's the one tree he allows me to express myself. That's why it's in my office," jokes Jenny.



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Festive: *Two of the more than 48 animated characters sit atop a dresser.*

Year round

Considering all of the time and effort the couple puts into holiday decorating they said they've tossed the idea around of keeping the decorations up year-round.

"It looks so bare without it," said Jenny. "But I think it would get old after a while." A more viable alternative they say will be for them to have a finished basement and decorate with the more than 200 sports related ornaments and memorabilia they displayed in their Livonia basement.

"We didn't get any of that out because we're not done with the basement. We just don't have enough room right now," said Ralph.

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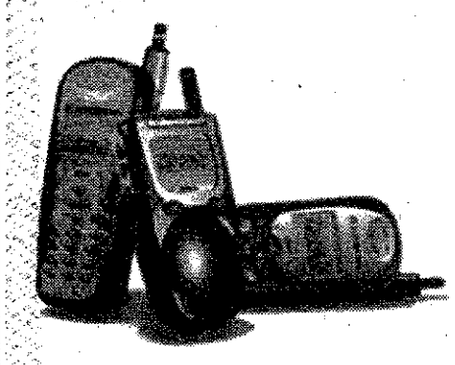
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day, Dec. 24 service will be held at 46001 Warren Road in Canton. At 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 24 the church will hold another family service at 14175 Farmington Road in Livonia. The Livonia site will also hold a Candlelight Service at 11 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 24. A pre-service concert of organ and handbell music begins at 10:30 p.m. and will feature carolers from many nations. The Festival Christmas Day Service and Communion will be held at the Livonia site at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 25. The church welcomes everyone 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31 for a New Year's Service. Services are also telecast 9 p.m. every Thursday on WLIV, cable channel 12. For more information, call (734) 522-6830 or visit the Web at www.christoursavior.org.

CHRISTMAS GIVEAWAY
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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
An annual Christmas Eve Service will be held on Sunday, Dec. 24 at 6:30 p.m. The service will feature singing, music, reflection, and fellowship. Call Memorial Church of Christ (35475 Five Mile Road, just east of Levan Road, in Livonia. (734) 464-6722 or e-mail memorialchurchofchrist@juno.com

THE CHRISTMAS CHRONICLES
The morning service at Aldersgate United Methodist Church begins at 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 24 with a birthday party for Jesus following the service. Evening services at 6 p.m. featuring the Family Musical, "The Christmas Chronicles," with lights, drama and lively music. Closing service with individual candles (nursery provided). Beginning at 9:30 p.m. a traditional service. Featuring the choirs and handbell choir, communion and candle lighting service. Aldersgate United Methodist Church (10000 Beech Daly Road, Redford). Call (313) 937-3170.

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Timothy Lutheran Church (8820 Wayne Road, Livonia) will hold their Festival Christmas Eve at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 24. The service will include candlelight, carols, choir music, communion and a special children's message. Call (734) 427-2290.

LESSONS AND CAROLS
Sunday, Dec. 31 Timothy Lutheran of Livonia (8820 Wayne Road, Livonia) will offer a service titled "Lessons and Carols" at 10 a.m. Although Christmas decorations will soon be gone, our celebration of Jesus' birth goes on.

NEW YEAR'S EVE
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THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY
Thursday Bible studies at Timothy Lutheran Church are available from 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. every week. The morning study is led by members of the congregation, and the evening study is led by Pastor Powell. Timothy Lutheran Church is at 8820 Wayne Road in Livonia.

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College standouts

■ Mark Radloff, a freshman at the University of Rochester in Rochester, N.Y., from Canton (University of Detroit Jesuit HS), helped his swim team to a fourth-place finish out of eight teams at the Upstate Collegiate Athletic Association Championships last week.

Radloff finished first in both the 100-yard (1:01.76) and 200-yard (2:15.82) breaststrokes and was fourth in both the 200 individual medley (2:05.49) and 400 IM (4:28.95). He was a part of the third-place 200 medley (1:41.54) and 400 medley (3:44.70) relays.

■ So far, pretty good.

That's how Kristin Mayer's junior season as a member of the St. John Fisher College women's basketball team can be summarized thus far. The Cardinals, an NCAA Division III program, were 6-0 going into the holiday break.

Mayer, a 5-foot-6 tri-captain and a Plymouth Canton HS graduate, is averaging 3.5 points, 3.7 rebounds, 2.5 steals and 2.5 assists per game.

Spiltz sparkles

The Splitz Gymnastics team turned in some very strong performances in the early portions of their season.

The Level 5 Splitz team was third at the Early State Meet Dec. 2 in Kalamazoo.

In the 10-year-old age division, Lindsey Petrusha (from Plymouth) was fifth in the floor exercise and 10th in the all-around (35.225) and Katerina Kariotis (Canton) was fourth in balance beam, seventh in floor and seventh in the all-around (35.40).

In the 12-and-over division, Amy Quiambao (Plymouth) was third in vault and was state champion on beam and in the all-around (35.175).

In the 7-9 Division, Mandy McManus (Canton) was second in vault, third on the uneven parallel bars, fourth in floor and third in all-around (35.50).

On Dec. 9-10, Splitz competed at the Holiday Jam in Grand Rapids, and both the Level 5 and Level 7 teams finished first.

Lindsay Bridges (Canton) was first in floor, second in vault and third in the all-around; Andrea Rivera (Belleville) was third on bars, third in floor and fifth in the all-around; Petrusha was second in bars, first on beam and second in the all-around; Kariotis was first on bars, second on floor and third in the all-around; Quiambao was first on bars, first in floor and first in the all-around; and McManus (Canton), fifth in the all-around.

Top performances for Level 7 gymnasts came from Kristie Savage (Dearborn), third on beam, second on floor and fifth in the all-around; Christa Smutek (Livonia), first on beam, first in floor and first in the all-around (36.325); and Alyssa Kelley (Plymouth), second in vault, first in floor and first in the all-around (36.80)

Katie Rasmussen (Canton) also competed at Level 8, placing third on bars, fourth on beam and fourth in the all-around.

Hockey double-header

The Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem hockey boosters have something special planned for the first Friday of the new year: a Student Night, with all Plymouth-Canton school district elementary and middle school students admitted for free when accompanied by a paying adult.

The games, scheduled for Jan. 5 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, feature Salem against Livonia Stevenson at 6 p.m. and Canton vs. Walled Lake Central at 8 p.m. Also, the first 100 students will receive a free hockey puck.

More fun is planned, so anyone interested in high school hockey should plan on attending.

Cruisers registration

Registration for the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers Swim Team's winter season will be from 6-8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 8 at the Salem HS pool. Limited enrollment is available.

For more information, leave a message at (734) 332-9378 or visit the team's web site at www.cruiserswimming.com.

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.

A 1-2 finish

Salem wins WLAA Relays; Canton finishes 2nd

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Sure, everyone in the Western Lakes Activities Association is used to seeing Plymouth Salem listed at the top of the standings where boys swimming is concerned.

And there the Rocks were once again, winning five of the 10 relays to score 261 points and earn the title at the WLAA Relay Meet, hosted by Salem Saturday.

Maybe the bigger surprise was who finished second: Plymouth Canton with 225 points, easily outscoring third-place Northville (200).

"Last year we were third, so we knew it was possible," said Canton coach Ed Weber. "The real surprise for us was the (200-yard) backstroke relay. I really didn't expect us to win that.

"I'll be really interested in seeing how the season turns out for us."

The rest of the Chiefs' WLAA rivals may not share that sentiment. Livonia Stevenson finished fourth with 197 points, just ahead of North Farmington (192) — even though the Spartans did not win a race, while the Raiders won two.

Livonia Churchill placed sixth (140), followed by Walled Lake Central (119), Farmington/Farmington Harrison (96), Livonia Franklin (94), Westland John Glenn (92) and Walled Lake Western (58).

Salem coach Chuck Olson was only slightly impressed by his team's performance. "By and large, the guys swam pretty well," he said. "Some were faster than we thought, others were a lot slower than we hoped."

Still, winning half the relays was impressive. And the Rocks didn't waste time asserting themselves, either, capturing the first two relays and placing second in the third.

Eric Lynn, Jim Ross, Dave Woodard and Mike Johnson combined for a first in the 400 freestyle relay (3:30.03), and Aaron Shelton, Matt Showalter, Ben Dzialo and Brian Mertens combined to capture the 400 medley relay (3:56.31).

Salem's William Clark, Shelton, Ross and Mertens won the 500 free crescendo relay (4:37.27); Lynn, Matt Showalter, Hugo Alvarez and Johnson teammed for a first in the 200 medley relay (1:45.07); and Dave Woodard, Dave Carson, Kevin Kilgore and Dzialo were tops in the 200 free relay (1:39.86).

Despite his team's dominance, Salem's Olson thought several of his rivals performed well. "I think a lot of them had good swims," he said. "It was unusual not to have Stevenson win an event, but they moved some things around.

"North Farmington won two events and finished fifth, and Stevenson didn't win anything but spaced their kids around and finished fourth."

It was that kind of early-season meet, one in which no one was quite certain what to expect. "We thought we had a good chance to win the butterfly (relay), and we finished sixth," Olson said. "Everyone kind of stacked that up."

At the top of that stack was North's Adam Farber, Craig Paske, Sermet Alver and Lucus Digia (1:45.34). The Raiders' Farber, Paske, Brian Clauson and Mohamad Bachrouche also won the 400 individual medley relay (4:03.62).

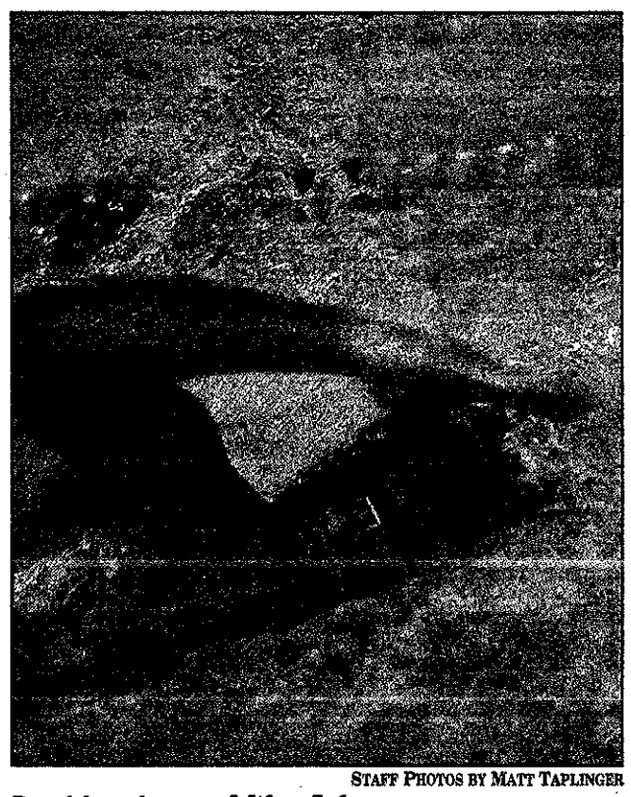
Canton got wins from Brad Nilson, Dennis Speck, Eddie Lindow and Jon Heiss in the 200 breaststroke relay (2:05.82) and from Trey Gercak, Joe Le, Brad Herbeck and Steve Van Proyen in the 200 back relay (1:54.96). The Chiefs also placed second three times.

John Glenn's Chris McFarland and Derek Bell combined for the only other first, capturing the div-

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Victory stroke: *Eddie Lindow was instrumental in Canton's winning the 200 breaststroke relay, one of two wins for the Chiefs.*



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Double-winner: *Mike Johnson was on a pair of winning relays for Salem, the 400 free and the 200 medley.*

Rocks can't contain Johnson

■ BASKETBALL

This time, the balance was there for Plymouth Salem's basketball team. They had four players reach double figures in scoring, they shot free throws well, and — most important — there were no real second-half letdowns.

What the Rocks lacked was a Gary Johnson.

Wayne Memorial's 6-foot-2 senior guard lit up the Rocks for 39 points, including seven three-pointers, in leading the Zebras to a 64-57 triumph over Salem Tuesday at Wayne.

The result left both teams with perfect records: Wayne is 4-0, Salem is 0-4.

"We had the hot hand," said Wayne coach Wayne Woodard. "They're getting better. I think for (Salem) it's just a matter of winning a game. Once they break through, they'll get on a roll."

As has been their pattern, the Rocks started well enough, leading 14-10 after one quarter and 28-26 at the half. But there wasn't an outpouring of points in the last two quarters that beat them — not this time. Wayne's lead was just 48-44 entering the fourth period.

"It was a close game all the way through," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "Both teams fired some bombs — there were 16 threes in the game. Johnson just continued to bomb.

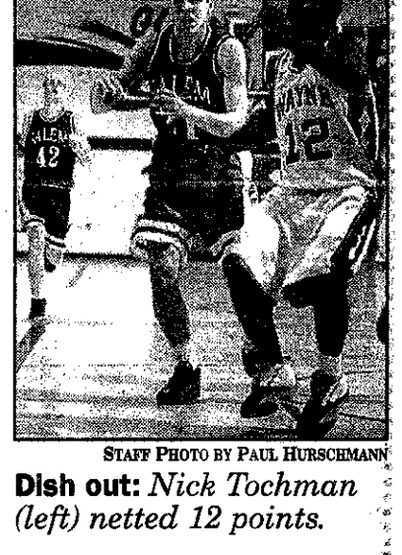
"They had a couple of putbacks and we turned the ball over a couple of times, which cost us.

"But for the most part, we hung in there. We've just got to sustain it for an entire game."

Salem got 17 points from David Hoskins, 12 from Nick Tochman, 11 from Jeff Haar and 10 from Ryan Haydon. Mike Rashad added 10 points for Wayne.

While the Zebras converted 16-of-25 from the free-throw line (64 percent), the Rocks made 16-of-21 (76.2 percent).

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Dish out: *Nick Tochman (left) netted 12 points.*

Returnees boost hopes for Salem

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If there was a key name attached to Plymouth Salem's gymnastics season last year, it had to be Murphy — as in Murphy's Law, which simply states that anything that can possibly go wrong, will.

The Rocks' 1999-2000 campaign was plagued by injuries to key personnel. Melissa Drake had foot surgery after an early-season injury, and April Aquinto and Emily Nicolau both suffered anterior cruciate ligament injuries that required knee surgery.

With her depleted lineup, Salem coach Melissa Hopson struggled to find a competitive lineup for the highly-competitive Western Lakes Activities Association — which, in gymnastics, includes Hartland, Brighton and Northville/Novi, all among the state's top half-dozen teams.

It showed when the Rocks finished seventh out of eight teams at last year's WLAA Championships.

Don't look for a repeat this season.



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Returning to action: *Melissa Drake missed last season after injuring her foot.*

"We have everyone back, plus all those who were injured last year are back," said Hopson, whose team

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Canton on upswing

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It wasn't everything Plymouth Canton gymnastics coach John Cunningham could have hoped for. For one, his team lost to rival Plymouth Salem in Monday's dual meet by more than five points.

But that could change. Yes, Salem will improve.

And so will Canton.

One of the Chiefs top scorers from last season, Liz Fitzgerald, has graduated. Fitzgerald tied for fourth in the Division II all-around at the Western Lakes Activities Association Championships last season.

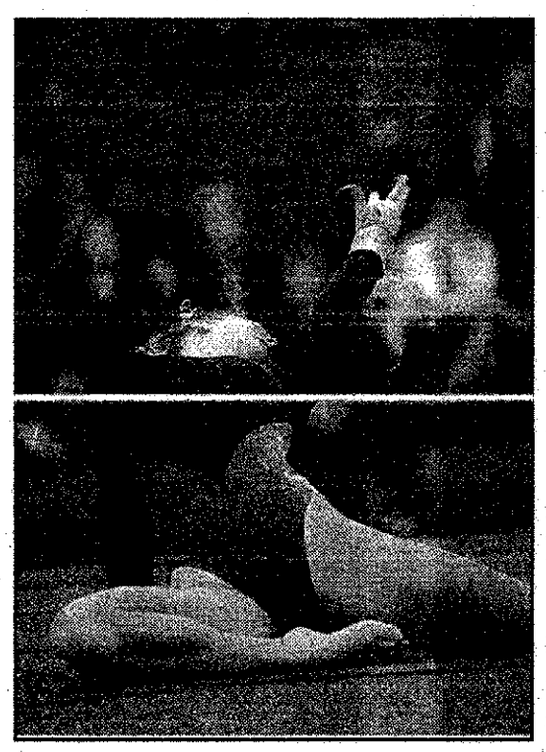
Finding someone to replace her won't be easy. But that's just part of the problem facing Cunningham.

His top gymnast from a year ago, Amy Driscoll, suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament last summer and underwent knee surgery on Sept. 1. The doctor's original prognosis was a return in early February.

Driscoll, a senior, has halved that prediction. She competed on the uneven parallel bars and balance beam against Salem, although she wasn't close to full strength.

"It will be the end of February before she's up to full capacity," said Cunningham. "But she's already back, one or two months ahead of the original doctor's prediction. We're

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Senior leader: *Kristin Schilk is the only Canton senior who currently can compete in the all-around.*

Canton collects its own Invite title

WRESTLING

Make that two straight.

Last year, Plymouth Canton's wrestlers accomplished something that had escaped them previously — they won their own Canton Invitational. Last Saturday, the Chiefs did it again.

The Chiefs had four first-place finishes in outscoring the other eight teams in the field. Canton totaled 248.5 points, well ahead of second-place Dearborn Fordson's 158. In third was Ann Arbor Pioneer (147), followed by Livonia Churchill and Garden City (141 each), New Boston Huron (126), Ann Arbor Huron (122), Redford Union (104) and Allen Park (97). Canton's 'B' team totaled 78 points.

Canton's four weight-division champs were Greg Musser (140 pounds), Phil Rothwell (189), Ozzie Wagner (215) and Derek McWatt (275). In addition, one of the Chiefs' five seconds was secured by Doy Demsick at 125, son of head coach John Demsick, who became the first Canton junior to earn 100 match wins.

"Doy is our first junior to reach 10 varsity high school wins, so it's kind of exciting for us," said his coach and father. "He is a thoughful, fun person to be around who does not draw attention to his own wrestling.

"However, he is extremely dedicated and always expects himself to win. I am not only proud of what he has done, but who he is."

Doy is the third of four Demsick brothers to wrestle under their father at Canton. He currently leads the Chiefs in wins with a 13-1 match record, and he holds the freshmen team record for pins and takedowns, and he shares the freshmen record for wins with Musser.

Also placing second at Saturday's Invitational for Canton were Kyle Pitt (119), Derek Robinson (130), Mike Siegrist (145) and Matt Nuss (189). Chris Hosey (135), Joe Faraoni (152) and Shahein Rajaee (160) placed third.

Canton wrestles next at Farmington Harrison Jan. 4.

VOLLEYBALL

Chiefs reach tourney final in opener

The right foot?

Certainly Plymouth Canton's volleyball team found it in its first action under new coach (or returning old coach depending on your point of view) Steve Anderson. The Chiefs, competing in the 10-team Allen Park Invitational last Saturday, won their pool with a 7-1 game record and reached the tournament finals before losing.

"We had a great day as a team," said Anderson, who coached Canton for two seasons (1996-97) previously. "With a first-year program, players in positions they have never had to play before and having to face a potential state-ranked team in the finals, the kids played awesome."

Although they finished their pool with a superior record, it wasn't easy for the Chiefs. They opened by splitting their two-game match with Marshall, 15-10, 13-15, but they won their next six in straight sets, but two of those went to overtime. Canton defeated Melvindale 15-7, 15-13; Jackson 15-7, 16-14; and South Lyon 16-14, 15-8.

As the top seed in their pool, the Chiefs squared off against Rochester in the tournament semifinals. They won the first game of the best-of-three match 15-8, lost the second 15-9, then rebounded to win the third 15-3.

That put Canton into the finals against Wyandotte Roosevelt, which won its pool and ended up defeating the Chiefs to win the title 15-8, 15-8. Canton finished the day with a 4-1-1 record.

Among Canton's leaders were Christina Kiessel with 39 digs and 14 service aces; Mary Kryska, normally an outside hitter but serving as setter in this tournament, with 68 set assists and 1[4] aces; Meghan Meier with 2[1] kills; Courtney Jarman with 27 kills; Ashley Williams with 26 kills; and Stephanie Johnson with 13 aces.

The Chiefs are now idle until Jan. 13, when they travel to the Troy Invitational.

SC outshoots Lake Michiga

Lake Michigan Commun[ity] College shot 52 percent from the floor and had six players in double figures — and still lost by 34 points Saturday to host Schoolcraft CC in a men's basketball encounter, 122-88.

Schoolcraft, now 8-1 on the year, was led by 6-foot-8, 220-pound DePaul University-bound Sam Hoskin, who poured in a game-high 30 points.

Derrick Bird (Ypsilanti) added 20 points, while guard Corey Wilkinson (Dearborn) scored 14 of his points in the second half as the Ocelots outscored Lake Michigan, 65-46.

Nick Evola. a 6-7 center headed to Western Michigan, contributed 14 points.

Dwight Windom, who pulled down 15 rebounds in a Dec. 2 win over Lansing, added eight points along with point-guard Dave McGlown and forward Keanan Wier.

Lansing, 38 of 73 from the floor, got 18 points from Joe Hunt (Benton Harbor), 17 from Derek Ingeson and 15 from Lance Flemming.

Lake Michigan is 4-5 overall.

•ADRIAN 85, MADONNA 68: C[h]ris Howard scored 19 points and added eight rebounds Saturday, leading host Bulldogs (6-0) past Madonna University (3-10) at the Merillat Center.

Three others also scored in double figures for Adrian, which is off to its best start since the 1988-89 season.

Steve Brooks added 16 points, while Dan Walter and Steve Herron chipped in with 13 and 12, respectively.

Mike Massey scored 19 points to lead Madonna, which trailed 40-30 at intermission.

Aaron Cox added 11 points, while freshman John Bennett (Livonia Churchill) had 10 points. Narvin Russell grabbed nine rebounds.

Madonna made 22 of 54 shots from the floor (40.6 percent) and 18 of 21 from the free throw line (85.7 percent).

MU had 25 turnovers to Adrian's 1[4]

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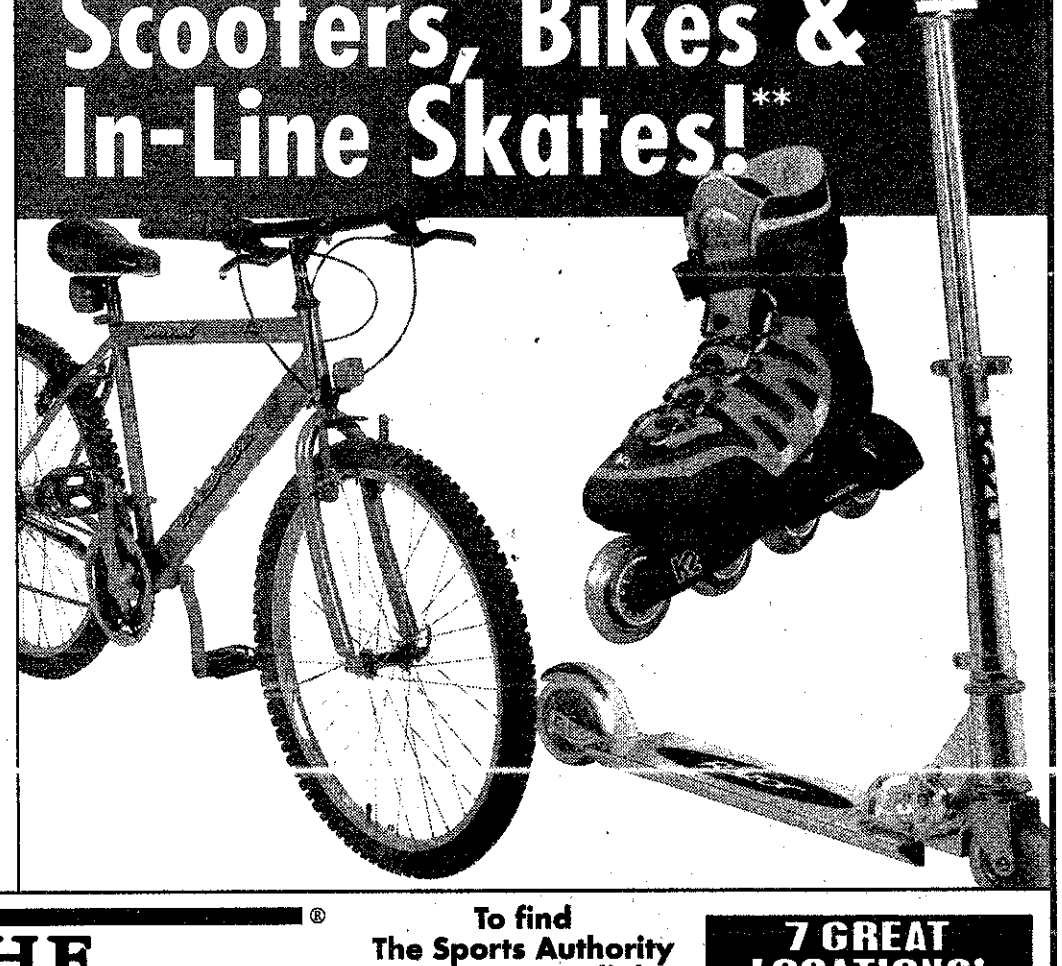
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scored 135.95 points in its opening meet, a win over Plymouth Canton. That's more than four points more than the Rocks scored at last season's WLAA meet.

"It's good to have everyone back," said Hopson. "We have a lot of talent, and now we have a lot of depth."

An indication of how good Salem could be came in Hopson's instructions prior to the Canton meet, normally one filled with the tension associated with a meet against a city rival.

"I told them to just go out and see how you're scoring," she said. "I wanted them to get all their nerves out. No one said anything about winning the meet."

Her efforts to relax her team seemingly worked: Aquinto, a junior, won the all-around and Drake, also a junior, was second.

That was a good sign. Now add to the mix some of those who proved to be major contributors last season, after the others went down with injuries.

Tops among them is Bethany Bartlett, a sophomore who advanced to the individual state meet in three events as a freshman. Unfortunately, Bartlett has had a back problem that limited her to a couple of events against Canton.

Also returning are senior Ashley Heard and juniors Kelsey Ensor, Kara Dendrinos and Stefanie Olli.

There are also a pair of freshmen who could be contributors: Kayla Dupey and Katie Waldek.

Last year's misfortunes have added a degree of determination to this season's squad. "I asked them what do they want to do now," Hopson said after the win over Canton, "and they said, 'Let's go up (in our scoring).'"

There are still early-season problems to deal with. "Staying on beam," noted Hopson. "And we have to get stronger routines in (uneven parallel) bars and vault. We need to upgrade them."

How much they upgrade will determine how far up the WLAA standings the Rocks climb.

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going to keep her on low impact stuff."

The Chiefs won't be in bad shape, even with Driscoll's limited action. Kristin Schilk, currently the team's only senior all-arounder, will "have to carry the team," said Cunningham.

By that he means provide leadership for two promising freshmen: J.Q. Williams and Audra Ahern. In last Saturday's 126.4-118.4 win at Vassar, both scored over 30 points in the all-around, Ahern placing fourth and Williams fifth.

Schilk's 31.65 was second — to Jill Rakovitis, a junior who posted a 31.75. Rakovitis' development, the leadership and talent supplied by Schilk and Driscoll, and the up-and-coming freshmen make Canton a team to be wary of.

There are others who strengthen the team. Like senior Jessica Krueger, whose involvement in theater limits her practice time but whose ability is readily apparent, and sophomore Jacqui Bennington.

"We have decent depth until after our top seven," said Cunningham. "My goal this year is for our team to hit 140. But we won't be able to do that until February, when we get Amy back full time.

"If we stay well, we're going to do well. It's going to be a good season. I don't know how we'll do in the WLAA . . ."

That's because, once again, the conference is loaded with Hartland, Brighton, Northville/Novi, Farmington and, this year, the new Livonia Unified squad all looking prominent. And Salem, over the injuries that plagued it last year, is much improved, too.

Can Canton move up in the league standings facing such a climate? "That's a possibility, but again, it depends how these girls develop," Cunningham said.

How quickly the Chiefs answer their questions may create more questions in an already competitive league climate.

Big return

Weiss, Zepp aid Whalers' win

BY NICHOLAS A. GISMONDI
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The Plymouth Whalers got an early Christmas gift last weekend and it paid off in a 3-1 win over the Sarnia Sting Sunday in Sarnia.

Combined with Saturday's 5-5 draw against the London Knights Saturday at Compuware Arena, the Whalers continued to lead the Ontario Hockey League's West Division with a 22-6-4-1 record (49 points).

The early present for the Whalers was the unexpected return Sunday of Rob Zepp, one of the OHL's best goalies, and Stephen Weiss, one of the league's top scorers. They had been trying out for Team Canada, with a trip to play in the World Juniors in Moscow at stake, but both were trimmed from the squad.

They returned in time for the Sarnia game, and they each had a part in the victory, Weiss assisting on the game-winning goal and Zepp stopping 35 shots in goal.

The Sting got the game's first goal, Robb Palahnuk scoring on the power play early in the second period. Stacey Britstone knotted it at 4:13 of the period, assists going to George Nistas and Bryan Thompson.

The game-winner came from Tomas Kurka, who netted a power-play goal at 8:03 of the final period, knocking in the rebound off a Weiss shot. Thompson also assisted. Rob McBride's empty-net goal with just one second left clinched Plymouth's win.

The last time the Knights visited Compuware, they defeated the Whalers. On Saturday, it again was a close game against a division rival.

First-period goals by Nistas and Kurka allowed Plymouth to offset a goal by the Knights' Rick Nash and take a 2-1 lead into the first intermission.

After Bobby Turned knotted it at 2-all for the Knights with 7:55 left in the second, Karl Stewart and Gregory Campbell got goals for the Whalers to push their advantage to 4-2.

Aaron Lobb closed the gap for London with a goal at 2:05 of the third, but Stewart's second goal of the game re-established the Whalers' two-goal advantage at 8:43.

But London wasn't through. Daniel Bois' power-play goal at 11:38 narrowed Plymouth's lead to 5-4, and Jasor Davies' goal — set up by Bois — tied it at 5-all with 6:17 left.

The Whalers are now idle until Wednesday, when they host the Owen Sound Platers at 2 p.m. at Compuware.

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Skid continues: Rockers tumble to 1-13

Well, at least the Detroit Rockers are setting records.

This kind, however, would be better left alone. Last weekend, the Rockers lost a pair of tight games, 18-17 to the Milwaukee Wave Friday at Compuware Arena and 19-17 in overtime Saturday at Harrisburg.

That put the Rockers' mark at 1-13 and gave them a club-record 12 straight losses. The previous record of 11 was set in 1994-95 — the last season the Rockers made the playoffs.

In Friday's loss to the Wave, Sean Bowers — named NPSL player of the week after scoring

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18 points and blocking 10 shots in three games — was the main cog in the Detroit attack, scoring five goals (a three-pointer, two-pointers and two one-point shootout goals) and assisting on two others. Matt Tirschman's eight points paced Milwaukee.

The difference may have been an early three-point goal awarded to the Wave, instead of a two (which replays indicated it was).

At Harrisburg Saturday, the Rockers again started well enough and had the early lead — as they had in their two previous games — thanks to Marciano Boumann's first career goal. But by halftime, the Heat had an 8-4 advantage.

Detroit's 11-2 third-quarter surge erased that and gave the Rockers a 15-10 lead entering the final quarter. Harrisburg battled back to knot it again on a goal by Steve Klein with 10:05 left, but a Dennis Brose goal 13 seconds later regained the lead for the Rockers.

But they couldn't hold onto it. The Heat tied it and got the game-winner 1:10 into overtime.

Detroit plays at Kansas City at 8:35 p.m. Dec. 29.

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"We're going to keep trying, I just hope it happens pretty quick," said Brodie.

Canton Agape 58, Macomb Christian 34: Canton Agape Christian ran its record to 3-0 with a first-half blitz that saw the Wolverines go up 17-9 after one quarter and 38-14 by halftime in a game played Tuesday at Wayne Memorial HS.

Macomb Christian slipped to 0-3.

"We had a nice first half," said Agape coach Chuck Henry. That opening half was sparked by Paul Anleitner and Rob Hough; each of them had three three-pointers in the first two quarters, with Anleitner scoring 14 points and Hough 13.

Anleitner finished with 23; Hough had 18 and Josh Anthony scored 11.

Brian Wilkie led Macomb with 17 points.

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ing relay with 367.85 points.

So: While the rest of the conference's teams are scrambling for position for the season-ending WLAA Finals, Salem should be cruising, its ninth-straight title within sight.

"Well, that's the plan," Olson replied when asked to re-evaluate his team's title chances. "The conference championship is a big goal for us.

"First we want to win the relays meet, then the conference, then see how well we can swim at the state meet. We want to take it one step at a time."

The first step was certainly a good one.

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TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Plymouth Salem, 261 points; 2. Plymouth Canton, 225; 3. Northville, 200; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 197; 5. North Farmington, 192; 6. Livonia Churchill, 140; 7. Walled Lake Central, 119; 8. Harrison-Farmington, 96; 9. Livonia Franklin, 94; 10. Westland John Glenn, 92; 11. Walled Lake Western, 58.

FINAL RELAY RESULTS

400-yard medley: 1. Salem (Aaron Shelton, Matt Showalter, Ben Dzialo, Brian Mertens), 3:56.31; 2. Canton, 3:56.43; 3. Stevenson, 3:58.29; 4. Northville, 4:07.21; 5. N. Farmington, 4:12.42; 6. John Glenn, 4:16.23; 7. W.L. Central, 4:20.77; 8. Harrison-Farm., 4:41.2; 9. W.L. Western, 5:08.91; 11. Churchill, disqualified.

400 freestyle: 1. Salem (Eric Lynn, Jim Ross, Dave Woodard, Mike Johnson), 3:30.03; 2. Stevenson, 3:40.38; 3. Churchill, 3:44.39; 4. Northville, 3:48.52; 5. Canton, 3:48.98; 6. N. Farmington, 3:53.31; 7. John Glenn, 4:08.47; 8. W.L. Central, 4:10.01; 9. W.L. Western, 4:18.6; 10. Franklin, 4:19.22; 11. Harrison-Farm., 4:39.31.

200 breaststroke: 1. Canton (Brad Neilson, Dennis Speck, Eddie Lindow, Jon Heiss), 2:03.03; 2. Salem, 2:12.96; 3. Churchill, 2:13.16; 4. Northville, 2:20.68; 5. Harrison-Farm., 2:24.26; 6. Stevenson, 2:29.53; 7. N. Farmington, 2:35.26; 8. John Glenn, 2:36.39; 9. Franklin, 2:46.56; 10. W.L. Central, 2:521.51; 11. Salem (exhibition), 2:50.31.

200 backstroke: 1. Canton (Trey Gersak, Joe Lee, Brad Herbeck, Steve Van Proyen), 1:54.96; 2. Salem, 1:57.05; 3. Churchill, 2:18.12; 4. W.L. Western, 2:20.71; 5. N. Farmington, 2:24.1; 6. Stevenson, 2:25.99; 7. John Glenn, 2:28.43; 8. Northville, 2:35.72; 9. W.L. Central, 2:39.24; 10. Harrison-Farm., 2:39.58; 11. Canton (exhibition), 2:36.83.

200 butterfly: 1. N. Farmington (Adam Farber, Craig Paske, Sermet Alver, Lucas DiGia), 1:45.34; 2. Stevenson, 1:49.23; 3. Northville, 1:52.03; 4. Churchill, 1:52.03; 5. John Glenn, 1:53.95; 6. Salem, 1:56.14; 7. Harrison-Farm., 1:59.43; 8. Canton, 2:02.57; 9. W.L. Western, 2:18.52; 10. Franklin, 2:51.81; 11. W.L. Central, disqualified.

Diving: 1. John Glenn (Chris McFarland, Derek Bell), 367.85 points; 2. Northville, 340.90; 3. W.L. Western, 335.70; 4. Canton, 334.85; 5. Franklin, 318.75; 6. W.L. Central, 294.95; 7. Salem, 255.15; 8. Stevenson, 221.05; 9. N. Farmington, 191.70; 10. Churchill, 143.40; 11. Harrison-Farm., 137.60.

400 medley: 1. N. Farmington (Adam Farber, Craig Paske, Brian Clauson, Mohamad Bachrouche), 4:03.62; 2. Canton, 4:17.24; 3. Salem, 4:18.12; 4. Stevenson, 4:30.31; 5. Northville, 5:10.04; 6. W.L. Central, 5:28.13; 7. Franklin, 5:48.77.

500 freestyle: 1. Salem (William Clark, Aaron Shelton, Jim Ross, Brian Mertens), 4:37.27; 2. Canton, 4:38.96; 3. Northville, 4:39.88; 4. W.L. Central, 4:54.34; 5. N. Farmington, 5:16.42; 6. Stevenson, 5:19.95; 7. Franklin, 5:22.41; 8. Churchill, 5:27.99; 9. Harrison-Farm., 5:51.52; 10. W.L. Western, disqualified; 11. Canton (exhibition), 6:07.79.

200 medley: 1. Salem (Eric Lynn, Matt Showalter, Hugo Alvarez, Mike Johnson), 1:45.07; 2. Stevenson, 1:48.02; 3. Harrison-Farm., 1:58.31; 4. Churchill, 2:01.06; 5. Canton, 2:01.26; 6. Northville, 2:08.81; 7. N. Farmington, 2:11.84; 8. Franklin, 2:16.14; 9. W.L. Central, 2:17.71; 10. W.L. Western, John Glenn, disqualified.

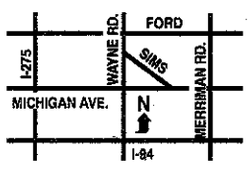
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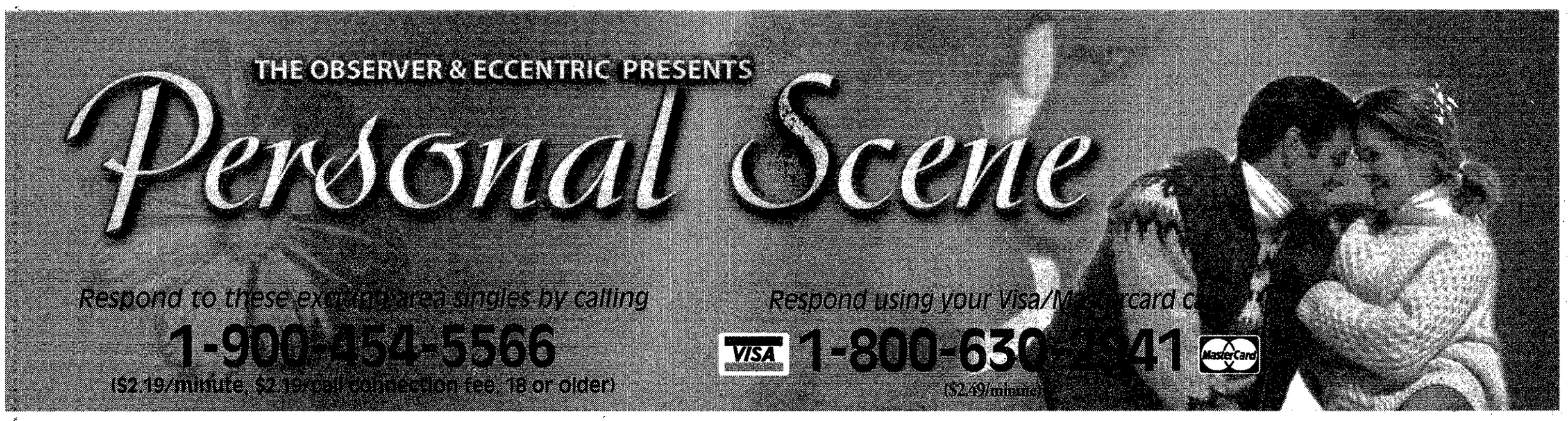
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Seeking someone to have fun with, must love animals. Single white female, mother, **40**, 5'5", 150 lbs., blonde, smoker, occasional drinker, no drugs. Enjoys the outdoors, riding motorcycles, quiet times. BOX 33384

GREAT COMPANION
Attractive, trim, optimistic, blue eyed, blonde divorced white female, **55**, 5'6", affectionate, seeks possible long term relationship with non-smoking, degreed, honest, outgoing white gentleman, 48-62, who enjoys travel, golf, romantic times, and the Arts. Oakland County. BOX 25321

IT'S TIME
Not perfect, single white mom, **48**, sweet, funny, attractive enough, seeking genuine, sincere, white male, single parent, 50 to 56, hard-working, non-smoker, for friendly dating. Oakland County area, preferred. BOX 25323

SOUL MATE
Cute, divorced white female, **55**, blond hair, blue eyes, good build, who likes dancing, travel, theaters, long walks and even quiet times. Seeking white male, 50 to 62, financially and emotionally secure, with similar interest. Give me a call, you won't be sorry. Macomb County. BOX 25327

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
Giving, loving, compassionate, petite, attractive lady, **63**, 5'2". Likes to dance, travel and have fun. Looking to enjoy life with a financially secure gentleman, 60 to 70. Wayne County. BOX 25331

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR
Giving, loving, compassionate, curvy, lots of fun, great conversationalist, looking for sincere, successful Caucasian gentleman, 45-late **70**'s, to be my soul mate. Float your boat, make your day, answer my ad today. BOX 25322

JUST LET ME LOVE YOU
Single black female, 5'10", 136 lbs., professional, seeks professional gentleman, over **45**, non-smoker, no kids, for a romantic relationship. interested in the arts, travel, theater, dancing and romancing. BOX 25996

SEEKING A PARTNER
Single female, who is physically, emotionally, financially fit, who is ready for friendship, and possible long term relationship. Who can enjoy fine dining, home cooking, likes golf, the outdoors, dancing, and a warm fire. Must be a non-smoker. Social drinker okay. 52 to 62. North Oakland area. BOX 25070

NEW TO THE AREA
Single black female, **40**, 5'3", brown eyes, reddish brown hair. Interest in meeting someone who is honest, not a game player, caring, likes to laugh, knows how to treat a lady, 36 to 52. BOX 25073

NORTH WEST SUBURBS
Fit, younger looking **30**'s, romantic, Christian lady, model, tall, thin, pretty, optimistic, loves laughter, financially secure. Enjoys the good life, boating, water activities, travel and dining. Seeking the right one, tall, thin, attractive, honest, affectionate, happy, positive attitude, successful with values. BOX 25075

NICE GIRL
Seeks single white male, **27** to 45, tall, teddy bear type, with values and morals, enjoys going to movies, dining out, hanging out and is a romantic. For friendship first and possible relationship. BOX 25090

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Divorced black female, 5'9", 185lbs., coffee with cream complexion, non-smoker. Enjoys movies, walking, bowling, cooking, dining out, and quiet times. Seeking a male, 40-50, honest, kind, caring, and dependable for possible long term relationship. BOX 25096

MR. RIGHT
Single white female, **29**, medium to full figured. Likes movies, bowling, cozy nights at home and much more. In search of honest, caring white male, for friendship and maybe more. If this sounds like you, call me. BOX 25311

HONEST & TRUE
Petite, 5'1", 110 lb, attractive, white professional divorced mom. Enjoys working out daily, good conversation, music, sports, and is an optimist. Looking for a professional, divorced, white male, **40**'s, physically fit/active, tall, no beard or moustache, intelligent, good sense of humor, non-smoker, South Oakland county area. BOX 36068

WANTED: NICE GUY
32 yr old, petite Asian female who enjoys reading, fishing, swimming and traveling looking for financially secure, loving, kind male, **31** to 50, who has a great sense of humor. BOX 25356

ONE IN A MILLION
Very attractive, single, white female, young looking **50**. great shape/figure, 5'4", brunette/brown. Seeking very nice looking, single white male, 45 to 55, honest, easy going, non-smoker, no dependents, emotionally and financially secure, for a sincere friendship and possible relationship. BOX 25388

INVITATION TO MEET
Single white female, **38**, 5'7", fit, beautiful blonde, green eyes, good hearted, ambitious, seeking a successful gentleman, over 45, who wants to team up and share a great life together. BOX 25979

SIMPLY IRRESISTIBLE
Pretty, petite, passionate, divorced white female, **40**ish. Seeks non-smoking, single white male, over 35, for dating, mating, relating. Let's create sparks and watch them fly! BOX 25332

SEEKING COMPANION
Professional single white female, **38**, attractive, non-smoker, singer, loves animals, significant weight loss, still losing. Seeking a single white male, for friendship, companionship, and possible mature relationship. BOX 25314

FIRST TIME AD
Divorced white female, **44**, looks 36, 5'4", 112 lbs, blonde hair, blue eyes, very attractive, petite, mother of one high school senior, financially secure homeowner who enjoys life. Seeking a white male, 40-50, at least 6', non-smoker, social drinker okay, for friends first, companionship, possibly more. BOX 26000

ALL I WANT AND MORE
Attractive black female, **52** yrs old, physically fit, 5'6", 155 lbs, employed, educated, enjoys fishing, movies, museums and more. No dependents. Looking for a male, 45 to 57, non-smoker mandatory who enjoys life for an honest, monogamous relationship. BOX 13932

COMEDIAN AT HEART
Classy, elegant, + size, single white female, **36** yrs. Enjoys movies, walking, all activities, candles, and romance. Seeking professional male, 35 to 45, for a compatible, fun enjoyable relationship. BOX 25078

LOOKING FOR MY MATCH
Single white female, **39**, 5'5", brown hair, medium built, independent, good sense of humor, spontaneous, loving, caring, likes a variety of activities and sports. Seeking emotionally secure, honest, well mannered, confident, all American guy, 35 to 50. BOX 26076

OLD FASHIONED
5'10", white full figured gal, **45**, looking for meaningful relationship that would lead to marriage. Non-smoker, no drugs, light drinker, college educated, employed, easy going with a variety of interests, including walking, swimming, playing cards, science fiction, bowling, etc. BOX 25354

MESSAGE FROM VENUS
Shapely, smart, good looking brunette, divorced white female, youthful over **40**, non-smoker, no dependents, with a multi faceted personality. Likes star gazing, running and living life to the fullest. Seeks divorced white male, over 40, who can exhibit intelligence and passion. Rochester area. BOX 25967

ADVENTUROUS LADY
Single white female, **38**, 5'6", 115 lbs, blonde hair and hazel eyes. Enjoys riding Harleys, camping, traveling. Seeking a man, 38 to 48, who knows how to treat a lady. BOX 25969

ATTENTION HARLEYS
Divorced white female, **41**, no dependents, height weight proportionate, caring, considerate, cute and cuddly, enjoys just about anything with the right person. Seeking warm hearted, romantic, non-smoking, white male who is ready for a relationship. BOX 35480

I'M SANE
22 yr. old, single white female, 5'6", 125 lbs, loves horror flicks and cooking. Seeking muscular, single white male, 25 to 31, who is smart and strong willed. BOX 35485

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

CONSIDER THIS
Attractive, slender, tall, intelligent lady of **54** is also ladylike, amiable, warm hearted and a smoker, is seeking a man, 55 to 69, Intelligent, tall, gentlemanly and interested in getting to know each other over dinners. laced with conversation. BOX 36140

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Young **57**, down to earth, non-drinker, non-smoker, in search of grandpa or grandpa wannabe, non-drinker, with sense of humor, family values to share life with as we watch our grandchildren grow. BOX 25350

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 33656

ATTRACTIVE BLONDE
European born, refined, intelligent, romantic female, 5'5", height weight proportionate with many interests. Interested in meeting white gentleman, 67 to 74, intelligent, caring, emotionally and financially secure, non-smoker with a sense of humor, for lasting relationship. BOX 25360

SHOOTING STAR
Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks minus **40** and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 55 to 63, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

ATTENTION: CLARK
You responded to my ad #25318, Sauerkraut, Anyone?. You forgot to leave your phone number. Please respond again. BOX 25973

men seeking women

Call 1-900-454-5566 $2.19 per min.

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CALL ME
55 yr old gentleman, blue eyes, light sandy hair, recently retired, non-smoker. Enjoys exercising, animals and laughing. Call if interested. BOX 10664

ARE YOU OUT THERE?
Divorced white male, **52**, employed, with variety of interests including the outdoors and all sports. Seeking female for long term relationship. BOX 10692

IS THIS YOU?
19 yr old white male, 5'5", reddish blonde hair, hazel eyes, medium build, likes bowling, go out with friends and quiet times. Looking for a white female, to spend the holidays with, leading to a relationship. BOX 13765

GIVE ME A CALL!
37 yr old attractive black male, father of 1, seeking single black attractive female, 25 to 35, for a date and possibly more, someone down to earth. BOX 13998

FIT THE BILL?
Divorced white male, **46**, dark brown hair, green eyes, large build. Works full-time, part-time musician. Enjoys music, laughing, reading, proud father of 12 yr old girl. Seeking a white female, 30 to 48, self supporting, long hair, full figured, intelligent, articulate, and willing to communicate. BOX 14020

YOU SHOULD CALL
Black professional male, 6'1 1/2", 208 lbs. Enjoys outdoor sports, cars and antiques. Seeking a white professional female, with similar interests. BOX 14040

GIVE ME A CALL!
Single white male, **43**, 6'1", brown hair, seeking someone to go to movies, dining out, for companionship. BOX 14063

CATCH OF THE DAY!
Single white male, 6'4", brown/brown, attractive, homeowner, independent professional, caring seeking someone for good times, female who is caring and nice and shares similar interests. I enjoy comedy, bowling, movies, dining out, traveling. BOX 32590

INTERESTED?
Single white male, **48**, 5'4", 136 lbs, dark hair, eyes, mustache, lives down river, smoker, light drinker, easy going, cat owner. Enjoys dining, golf, movies and more. Seeking a single female height/weight proportionate. BOX 32603

LET'S CHAT
Single male, **37**, dark hair, brown eyes, down to earth, non-smoker. Looking for a lady who is down to earth, 37 to 49, for friendship. BOX 10791

DOWN TO EARTH GUY!
Fun loving, attractive, professional, single white male, **33**, recently moved to the area, loves movies, theater, dining out, dancing, working out and fun. Seeks an attractive women who enjoys life! BOX 25351

LONELY MAN
Single male, **42**, 5'7", humorous, blue eyes, lonely, hard worker, non-drinker, drug free. Looking for a non-drinker, drug free, single female, will reply to all. BOX 32615

BIG HEARTED
Attractive, widowed, white single male, 5'9", 175 lbs, with good sense of humor, early **60**'s, enjoys all the good things in life, financially secure, gentle. Looking for a slim, attractive, white lady, 50 to 58, for a permanent relationship, no games. BOX 33486

LOOK NO FURTHER
Single, classy, sharp black male, **37**, seeking a single white female, full figured, 35 to 49. Who enjoys laughing, movies, sports, and going to festivals. BOX 32621

PLEASE READ THIS
If you are, 48 to 58, slim, white and attractive, call me. If you are looking for a non violent, loving, happy go lucky, non-drinking guy, call me. I'm 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, widowed and lonesome, looking for a life time relationship. I'll answer your call. Down River, no games. BOX 33419

WARNING: MAY CAUSE..
Happiness. Answer this ad, you won't be sorry! Attractive, financially secure, professional, single white male, **40**, 6', 170 lb, no dependant. Seeks attractive, single white female, 25 to 45, weight proportionate to height, who's happy with who she is. BOX 35976

ROMEO IS ALIVE
Very attractive, single black male, **40**, 5'10", 170 lbs, energetic, humorous, employed, no dependents. Seeks very attractive, fit, white female, for dining, dancing and romancing. Age open. Wayne County. BOX 33633

STARTING OVER
Divorced white male, **53**, 5'8", 200 lbs, brown hair, green eyes, attractive, light smoker, father of one 4 yr old. Enjoys bowling, golfing, walking, weekend getaways, and family times. Seeking a white female, 45 to 53, for dating, possible long term relationship. Children okay. Wayne County. BOX 25317

STOP! READ THIS!
If you are tired of these ads and meeting flaky men, then call me. I have both feet on the ground, big hearted, don't drink. am gentle, widowed, well built, early **60**'s and look much younger. You must be under 61, lean, attractive and serious about your future. I will return your call. Down river area. BOX 35488

ATTRACTIVE & SMART
Honest, affectionate, slim, degree, white, professional male, **51**, likes tennis, reading, bridge, piano, dancing, movies and moonlit walks. Desires white professional female, 41 to 53. BOX 25082

FAMILY FUN AWAITS
37 yr. old, 6'1", 190 lb., handsome, secure, single white male in Dearborn with 8 yr. old daughter. Enjoys reading, biking, boating, family activities and more! Seeking a fit, honest, loving female for a great relationship and enjoying life! BOX 35479

DON'T BE ALONE!
Pick up the phone; meet single guy now. Good looking, white male, **47**, cultured, enjoys nature, wining and dining, etc; seeking single white female, 37 to 51, for possible long term relationship. Macomb County. BOX 25315

DOWNRIVER AREA
Financially secure, retired, **65**, white widower, 5'9", 185 lbs, brown hair and eyes. Into boating, bicycling, walking, movies, country music, dining, slow dancing and just quiet times. Seeks retired, financially secure white lady, 60 to 65, for a long term relationship. Who knows what it will lead too. BOX 35486

52 FOR YOU?
Fashionable, sharp, single white male, **52**, 5'10', 190 lbs., broad interest, no couch potato. Looking for someone kind of serious, age open, but femininity is a must. Oakland County. BOX 25319

GOOD CLEAN FUN?
Go ahead and call this single white male. He is **45**, charming, easy to talk to, active and adventurous. Seeking nice single white female, for romance and friendship. BOX 35487

YOUNG MAN SEEKING
Older white female, 35 to 50, slim to medium, for friendship and companionship. I'm an attractive, healthy, fit, clean cut, single white male, **30**, very easy going, open minded, sincere and financially stable, in the Westland area. Give me a call. Wayne county. BOX 25325

METRO AIRPORT AREA
47 yr old, single white parent, attractive, 6'1", 200 lbs, smoker, social drinker, hardworking, with a variety of interests that include, golf, camping, fishing, etc. Seeks an attractive, caring, single white female, height, weight proportionate, with family values and similar interests, must like children and animals. BOX 35489

A FIREPLACE...
My two loving arms, warm thoughts. If you are attractive, weight proportionate, under **50** and ready for a real relationship, this tall, very caring, affectionate, non-smoking, sober white male awaits you. Let's make each other happy. Wayne County. BOX 25329

ABOVE THE CROWD
Stands a handsome, single white male, **44**. With healthy active, fun lifestyle. Enjoys museums, volunteer work, animals and travel, with time and energy for romance. Would love to meet that one special lady who answers this ad. BOX 35492

DOWN RIVER 1ST TIME
45 yr old, single white male from Down River area, dark brown hair, hazel eyes, 5'9", 190 lbs, work for one of the big three auto companies. Enjoys just about anything. Looking for a woman, 35 to 55, with a loving heart. Because I have one. Looks and race, no problem. BOX 35493

CALL ME
41 yr old, single white father of two, from Novi, 5'9", great shape, fun, caring, honest and sincere, homeowner, enjoys everything, cooking, carnations, movies, romantic, evenings and camping. Seeks fit, positive, caring, loving white female, for monogamous relationship. Children are welcome. BOX 25358

UNCONDITIONAL LOVE
For intelligent, liberal, humorous, white female. Divorced white male, **63**, kind, honest and sincere designer, 5'8", 145 lbs. Enjoys arts, hiking, dancing, skiing, sailing, travel and good conversation. Looking for someone, with similar interests, for significant long term relationship. BOX 33693

I'M YOUR KNIGHT
and daytime friend, too! **47**, divorced, adventurous, fun loving, easygoing, slim, Catholic, honest, college graduate, non-smoker, social drinker. Enjoys boating, amateur theatre, bowling, walks, movies, dancing and travel. Seeks a lady, close in age, with similar interests, for a long term relationship. BOX 26002

IT'S A NEW YEAR
48 yr old white divorced male, non-smoker, light drinker, enjoys varied activities, looking for a white female, 45 to 55, with similar interests. BOX 33691

INTERACT WITH...
Quality!! A single white male, **43**, childless, college grad, nice looks, open to marriage or long term relationship. Seeks to interact with a charming lady companion. BOX 24957

OOOH BABY BABY
Are you ready for love? Get to know this personable, energetic, well rounded, white male, **45**, enjoys music, laughter, the arts, etc. Seeking romantic, friendly female, age 30 to 50. Macomb County BOX 33387

HANDSOME AND HONEST
36 yr old, handsome, 6', blue eyes, nice smile, athletic, seeks an attractive woman who has character, spirituality, honesty and also an adventurous side. BOX 24958

SEEKS TRUE LOVE
If you feel that you are a very special lady, 40 to 55, height/weight proportionate and want an exciting life call this very special white professional man, **56** going on 30, in good shape, looking for a true connection. Dearborn area. Wayne County. BOX 33397

GOOD GUY
Honest, romantic, retired, silver hair, fair looking, stocky build, seeks slender lady for bowling and golf, 55 to 63, that's caring, talkative and fun to be with! Call me! North Oakland area. BOX 24961

BLACK/HISPANIC
Divorced white male, **40**, looks younger, 5'9", 175 lbs., good looking, fit. Interests include, music, movies, theater, sports. Seeks black or Hispanic female, 25 to 35, very attractive, good shape, open minded, with a good sense of humor for dating, possible long term relationship. Downriver area. BOX 33513

HOPEFUL BUY SHY?
I'm your guy! Honest, handsome, white male, **46**, with a good attitude. Seeks shy but motivated, single white female, for dating and togetherness. BOX 25062

MATT DAMON
Cute, 5'8", 165 lbs, over **37**, young looking single male. Enjoys movies in or out, great cook. Seeking smart lady for partnership. Sense of humor, feeling slightly disenfranchised. Livonia, Farmington, Novi areas. BOX 25064

SEEKS COMPANION
Single white male, **30**, 5'10', 155 lbs., light brown hair, brown eyes. Enjoys the outdoors, music, quite nights in, dining out and simple things. Seeking single white female, 18 to 30, for friendship and dating. BOX 25082

52 FOR YOU?
Fashionable, sharp, sexy, single white male, **52**, 5'10", 190 lbs, broad interest, no couch potato. Looking for someone kind of serious, age open, but femininity is a must! Oakland County. BOX 33622

YOUNG SENIOR
Recently divorced, financially and emotionally secure male, strawberry blonde hair, 6', 195 lbs, retired from the state of Michigan, one of the good guys, find out for yourself. BOX 25084

FIRST TIME AD
Divorced white male, **34**, 6'2", 250 lbs, non-smoker, father to a 3 yr old daughter. Interests include: bowling, movies, shooting pool and quiet evenings at home. Seeking white female, 25 to 34, non-smoker, with similar interests, for friendship and possible long term relationship. BOX 25092

BRIGHT EYES
48 yr old, white male, 5'7", 145 lbs, dark blue eyes, fun loving, non-smoker, who likes walking, swimming and camping. Seeking a petite white female, for possible long term relationship. BOX 36096

WHY BE ALONE?
Caring, affectionate, loving, hard working, divorced white male, **54**, 5'7", silver fox hair, 176 lbs. Loves ocean beaches, spending quality time together. Seeking friendship for monogamous relationship, 40 to 50 yr. BOX 35913

A DREAMER
Single white male, **49**, 5'7", medium build, non-smoker, social drinker, enjoys the ocean, beaches, the outdoors, concerts, classic cars and much more. Searching for single white female, 45 to 55, petite to medium build, for serious relationship. BOX 24963

LOOKING AHEAD
Divorced white male, 5'11", financially secure, professional, **61**, who likes exercise, fine dining, theater and travel. Seeks Intelligent, attractive single or divorced white female, 40 to 58, who would be good company in all kinds of situations. BOX 36093

LONESOME
Attractive, widowed, white single male, 5'8", 175 lbs, **62**, acts younger, excellent physically condition, blue eyes, very easy going and light hearted. I like walking, traveling, games and conversations. Looking for a slim, attractive lady under, 60, with a nice personality for a serious relationship. BOX 33426

BEST FRIEND WANTED
Mid **60**'s, 5'8", financially secure, Caucasian bachelor who likes the finer things in life. Likes sailing, classical music and traveling. Been to the Atlantic and Pacific recently and in between. Like to take you with me the next time I go. Looking for a decent loyal woman and best friend. BOX 35915

HONEST
Tall, divorced white male, 6'4", good physical condition, **55**, non-smoker, self employed, honest, sincere, sense of humor. I would like to meet a slender lady, 45 to 50, who is easy going with good values, for companionship and possible long term relationship. BOX 35984

46 NEW ADS!

ESCAPE
Escape the single life with me. Single white male, **42** yrs old, 5'10", 195 lbs, curly blond hair, hazel eyes, somewhat active, very adventurous. Looking for single white female, 35 to 50, petite to medium build, non-smoker, social drinker, with similar interests, financially secure. BOX 26015

JUST THE TWO OF US!
Trim, athletic, fun loving, caring, **42**, 6'2", 190 lbs, single white male, is seeking a romantic, fit, single white female, to develop a loving relationship. BOX 32477

MAKE MY DAY
Single professional male, 44, 5'11", 195 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, honest with a good sense of humor, occasional drinker and smoker. Enjoys dining out, movies, country drives, playing cards, camping, fishing and barbecues. Seeking a single or divorced female, 35 to **45**, with similar interests. Prefers Down River area. BOX 33385

GIVE ME A CHANCE
Divorced white male in search of ideal mate, **38** plus, for fun and friendship, dating or possible long term relationship. Non-smoker. BOX 26039

DEPENDABLE DAD
Divorced white male, **40**, 5'9", 175 lbs, three great children, Mr. Mom type, humorous, passionate, responsible. Likes concerts, gardening, swimming, outdoor activities. Seeking new adventures with someone special; single/divorced white female, weight proportioned to height to share life's mysteries. Wayne County area. BOX 33448

WANT TO KNOW MORE?
Black male, **39**, looking for an intelligent, tall female for good times together. BOX 13865

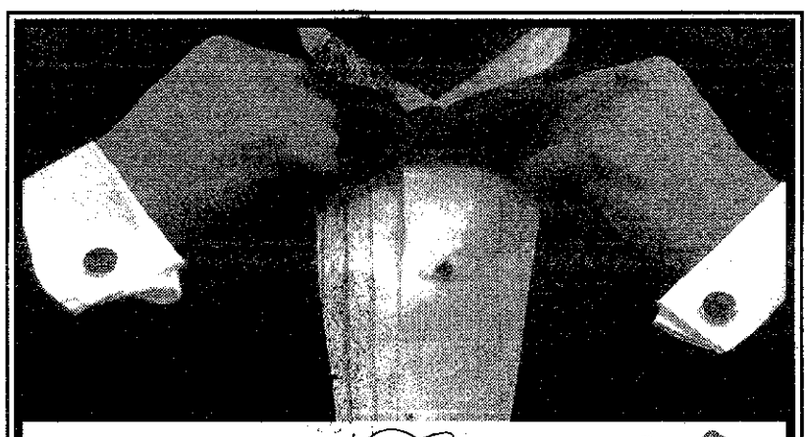
RUGGED JOCK TYPE
Athletic, muscular, single white male, **41**, 6'2", 235 lbs, brown hair and blue eyes, clean cut, degreed, no dependents, outgoing personality. Enjoys outdoors, working out, reading, Las Vegas, quiet nights. Seeks friendly single female, age/location open. BOX 36124

WANTED: KIND SPIRIT
Single black male, 5'5", 150 lbs, never married, looking for a single female, 21 to 35, non-smoker, non-drinker, great personality and sense of humor for dating, possibly more. BOX 13950

FINANCIALLY SECURE
Single black male, wealthy, self-employed, 6'3", tall, dark and handsome seeking single white female for fun, dating, traveling, dinner, movies and concerts. If interested please respond. BOX 25320

ONE OF A KIND
Attractive single white male, **41** yrs old, 5'10", 160 lbs, smoker, light drinker, home and business owner. Enjoys dancing, oldies and classic rock music and the outdoors. Looking for an attractive female for companionship, possibly more. BOX 32589

E-Z ON THE EYES
White male, **40**'s, long brown hair, 6', 215 lbs. seeking female, 35 to 55, blonde preferred. Looking for that special attentive, passionate, romantic honest person to share in my enjoyment of candles, movies, music and dinners. BOX 33500



LET'S GET TOGETHER
Single white male, **36**, 5'9", 165 lbs, hazel eyes, smoker, social drinker, hard worker and down to earth. Seeking a single female, 24 to 38, with similar qualities, for good times and a possible relationship that could prove to be warm and wonderful for us both. BOX 10555

AVERAGE MALE
6'2", 250 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, glasses, with a lot of interests, looking for a female, **40** to 50, attractive, petite to plus size, with a sense of humor, for friendship first, maybe long term. BOX 10576

GET TO KNOW ME
39 yr old, Hispanic male, 5'8", 185 lb, with short black hair and brown eyes. I enjoy sports, festivals, comedy clubs, ice skating, and spending time with my family. Looking for a down to earth, honest, sincere, single female. BOX 10620

CIRCLE THIS AD
Attractive **25** yr, white male, 5'11", height/weight proportionate, short brown hair, couple tatoos. Loves animals, concerts, going out and movies. Seeking attractive average/petite female 22 to 30, for possible long term relationship. BOX 10654

LET'S CHILL
Blonde hair, blue eye, **24** yr, male. Loves to have fun. Seeking a female that isn't shy and afraid to do things, yet loves to chill and cuddle. BOX 10704

HEAVEN SENT ME
30 yr old divorced male, 6', 165 lbs, seeking physically fit female, 25 to 35, who enjoys motorcycles, outdoors, traveling and romantic evenings. Must love children and being spoiled. I am a very caring and faithful person, with good sense of humor. BOX 10728

STILL SEARCHING
Single divorced white male, **35**, 6', 190 lbs, brown hair, brown eyes, no children. Looking for a attractive white female, 36 to 39, with a good sense of humor. BOX 10771

VERY GENTLE
If you are looking for a early **60**'s, 5'8", 175 lbs, caring, loving, light hearted, gentle, honest, good looking man, who doesn't sit at the bar, call me. Looking for an attractive, light hearted, slim lady, 50 to 60, to spend life with. Downriver area. BOX 33429

CALL ME SOON
Hardworking, divorced, white male, **49** yr old, 5'8", 175 lb is seeking a fun loving, easy going, intelligent, pretty, single white female, for companionship and long term relationship. Redford Area. BOX 36092

SPECIAL PERSON
Single black gentlemen, **45**, 6', 225 lbs, non-smoker, non-drinker, no children, never married, great listener. Looking for a young lady, of slender build, also a non-smoker. BOX 10777

JUST ME AND YOU
24 yr. old Hispanic male, 5'10", 175 lbs., brown hair, brown hair, very outgoing [illegible] female, 18 to 28, who likes movies, dining, shooting pool, and having a good time. For possible long term relationship. BOX 33687

LET'S MEET
Affectionate, retired, single male, **50**, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes, likes dining out, movies, walks in the park, watching TV and traveling. Seeking a nice lady, to have some fun with. BOX 35081

VERY ACTIVE
White male, **41**, 6'1", never married, very long hair, told to be good looking, smoker, social drinker. Enjoys snowmobiling, bowling, boats, race cars, camping, and going up North. Seeking attractive female, slender build, who is tired of games, 25 to 45, with similar interests. BOX 25993

FUN TIMES
Single male, **45**, looking to meet someone, who is outgoing and likes to cuddling, for friendship. BOX 32630

A REAL GOOD CATCH
Divorced white professional male, financially secure, self employed business owner, 5'10", 185 lbs. Enjoys dining out, movies, quiet times and sports. Seeking a single white professional female, 40 to 50 financially secure, non-smoker, social drinker, height and weight proportionate. Sumner County BOX 33630

2 GOOD 2 BE TRUE
43 yr, male, 163 lbs, 5'5", brown hair, blue eyes, romantic, adventurous. Enjoys camping, outdoors, nature and long walks. Looking for someone who is happy with themselves, age/race, weight/height is unimportant. Will reply to all. BOX 10665

SEEKS SPECIAL LADY
Divorced black male, **53**, 6'1", 208lbs., very handsome, motivated, professional male. Enjoys outdoor sports. classic cars and antiques. In search of professional lady, race open, 45 to 56, tall, height and weight proportionate, with similar interests, kids welcome, for friendship and maybe more. Wayne county. BOX 25313

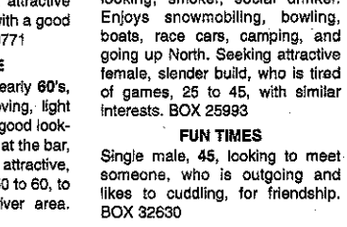
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
BOARD PROCEEDINGS - DECEMBER 12, 2000

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, December 12, 2000 at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Director Conklin, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Director Minghine, Director Santomauro, Scott Daniel, Chief Michael Rorabacher, Debbie Zevalkink, Frank Barrett

Supervisor Yack amended the agenda to add a presentation immediately following Board Member Reports *Recognition of New Fire Marshall.*

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of November 28, 2000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by McLaughlin to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

General Fund	101	$ 360,980.63
Fire Fund	206	28,249.97
Police Fund	207	93,048.65
Summit Operating	208	32,917.71
Golf Fund	211	2,710.07
Street Lighting	219	16,609.06
Cable TV Fund	230	12,419.33
Twp (Community) Improvement	246	10,525.00
E-911 Utility	261	375.00
Federal Grants Fund	274	3,973.53
Auto Theft Grant	289	89.99
Post Employment Benefits	296	11,522.75
Cap Proj - Road Paving	403	1,657.50
Building Auth Construction	469	435,804.16
Water & Sewer Fund	592	570,152.24
Trust & Agency Fund	701	6,732.00
Total - All Funds		**$ 1,587,767.59**

Trustee LaJoy wanted to explain in a little more detail the "Health Age Answers" pamphlet which is included in the new Focus which is being mailed to residents. This survey will allow residents to receive an individual report which is complete and designed specifically for them. All of these reports are confidential and once the survey is complete, the forms will be destroyed.

Supervisor Yack presented Fire Inspector Frank Barrett with his new Fire Marshall Shield. Supervisor Yack presented the Fire Marshall Shield as he congratulates Fire Marshall Frank Barrett.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to re-appoint Marcel Loosbrock and Jeffrey Smith to the Canton CDBG Advisory Council for additional two-year terms from January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2002. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to appoint Tom Yack, Bob Shefferly and John Burdziak to the Canton Township Elected Officials' Compensation Committee for a term from January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to authorize the payment of the township's bills on December 29, 2000, as normally scheduled, subject to prior review by the Clerk and Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund, General Government Department to cover additional special assessment and property tax expenses on township owned properties: Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:	Appropriation from Fund Balance	#101-000-699-0000	$ 50,765
Increase Appropriations:	S.A.D. Payments - Twp. Property	#101-200-960-0000	$ 5,669
	Capital Outlay - Land and Improvements	#101-200-971-0000	45,096
	Total		**$ 50,765**

Motion by Bennett, support by Burdziak to remove from the table for second publication the second reading of the Canton Beautification Commission Ordinance No. 147. Motion carried unanimously.

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION ORDINANCE
SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 147

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS OF THE CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEETINGS, PROCEDURES AND COMMITTEES IN THE OPERATION OF THE CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FOR THE FILING OF AN ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF OTHER ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. GENERAL PURPOSES

This section provides for the general purpose of Canton Beautification Commission.

SECTION 2. CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION

This section establishes a Canton Beautification Commission whose actions and authority are defined in Section 1 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. MEMBERSHIP

The section provides for the membership of the Canton Beautification Commission.

SECTION 4. ELECTION AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

This section provides for the election and duties of the Canton Beautification Commission.

SECTION 5. MEETINGS

This section provides for the conduct of meetings of the Canton Beautification Commission.

Section 6. PROCEDURES AND COMMITTEES OF COMMISSION

This section provides the procedures and committees in the operation of the Canton Beautification Commission.

SECTION 7. ANNUAL REPORT

This section provides for the filing of an Annual Report of the Canton Beautification Commission.

SECTION 8. REPEAL

This section provides that all other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, except as herein provided, are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 9. SEVERABILITY

This section provides that should any provision or section of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remaining provision or sections.

SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE

This section provides that this ordinance shall become effective upon publication of the second reading.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the offices of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan, 48188, during regular business hours.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to re-appoint Bob Paciocco to the Building/Fire Board of Appeals with a term expiring December 31, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to re-appoint Catherine Johnson and Ronald Lieberman to the Canton Township Planning Commission, with terms expiring December 31, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve a resolution to adopt the Community Planning Principles endorsed by the Michigan Society of Planning. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve special event status for the Canton Community Junior Baseball/Softball Association registration and permission to install signs advertising the event. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL CALENDAR

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to introduce, table and publish the first reading of the Electric Utility Franchise and Retail License Ordinance No. 148. Motion carried unanimously.

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ELECTRIC UTILITY FRANCHISE AND RETAIL LICENSE ORDINANCE SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 148

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE ELECTRIC UTILITIES AND RETAILERS OF ELECTRIC POWER; PROVIDING FOR THE AUTHORITY OF THE TOWNSHIP TO REQUIRE AN ELECTRIC UTILITY FRANCHISE AND A RETAIL LICENSE; PROVIDING FOR THE APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND APPLICATION FEE; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE MANDATORY CONTENTS OF AN ELECTRIC UTILITY FRANCHISE AND THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS PRIOR THE GRANTING OF AN ELECTRIC UTILITY FRANCHISE AND/OR ELECTRIC UTILITY RETAIL LICENSE; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS, STATE LAWS, FEDERAL LAWS AND ELECTRIC UTILITY CODES; PROVIDING FOR FRANCHISE FEES, UNDERGROUNDING, RESTORATION OF LANDSCAPING; PROVIDING FOR INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE; PROVIDING FOR WAIVER OF CONDITIONS AND EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, REPEAL, SEVERABILITY, PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. ELECTRIC ULILITY FRANCHISES AND RETAIL LICENSES

Section I. Title Scope, Construction, and Authority

This section establishes the name of the Electric Utility Franchise and Retail License Ordinance, establishes the geographical limits of the Township as its effective area, provides that it shall be construed in accordance with applicable state and federal law and the Michigan Public Service Commission Rules and Regulations and is an act in accordance with the Michigan Constitution of 1963, Article 7, Section 17, 25, 29 and 30 and Public Acts pursuant thereto.

Section II. Definitions

This section defines terms used in the Ordinance.

Section III. Insurance and Indemnification

This section establishes the certificates of insurance that are necessary and provides that a franchisee or licensee shall indemnify the Township from liability resulting from the acts or omissions of the grantee/licensee. This section also requires the Township to give notice to grantee/licensee of any claim.

Section IV. Franchise, Application Procedure, and Application Fee

This section provides that an electric utility shall not transact local business in the Township without a franchise. Any electric utility which, at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance, is transacting local business within the Township without a valid, unexpired franchise, shall have a reasonable time, not to exceed sixty (60) calendar days after being notified of the enactment of this Ordinance, to apply for a franchise. This section goes non to describe the application procedure requiring ten (10) copies of the application together with a signed proposed franchise to be filed with the Township Clerk and provides for the information that must be provided on the application form. This section further provides that franchise shall pay an annual franchise fee of 1.2% of annual gross revenues to offset the Township cost and expense of emergency responses to downed lines, restoration of rights-of-way and roads, and handling citizen complaints. The Township Board shall set the term of years or parts thereof for any franchise granted under the Ordinance. Any person granted an electric utility franchise under the ordinance is hereby exempt from the retail license requirements.

Section V. Electric Utility Franchise

This section establishes the conditions for a franchise for an electric utility including: notification of the Township of the proposed installations, restoration of public property, barriers, traffic control, the relocation of facilities, easements, compliance with laws, compliance with local ordinances, rules and regulations, maps and records, identification, weather installation restrictions, tree trimming, trees and landscaping, emergency notification, street lighting repairs, power outages, poles and pole maps, the removal of unused facilities, utility crowding restrictions, power lines, underground facilities, pavement cut coordination/additional fees, vacation (abandonment) of facilities, Miss Dig, third party use of the system, switching customer electricity provisions, standby service provisions, agreement to provide service (consideration), applicability of Michigan Public Service Commission Rules and Regulations, a prohibition of transfer of the utility franchise without prior written approval of the Township, a prohibition of sales and assignment without prior written approval, a provision that the franchise is not exclusive, and a provision for the acceptance of the franchise. The franchise conditions further provide that franchisee shall not have a priority of use of the public rights-of-way, public places, and/or public utility easements and acknowledges that it obtains no right to or further use of the public rights-of-way, public places and/or public utility easements other than as expressly granted by the franchise. This section also has a provision for the revocation, election and expiration of the franchise.

Section VI. Retail License, Application Procedure and Application Fee

This section provides for the requirement of a retail license and provides for the retail license application procedure including: an application, the information contained therein, copies of financial statements of the applicant, copies of any federal, state or county, including Michigan Public Service Commission, authorizations, grants or licenses, copies of any agreements to purchase electric power, an application fee, additional information, a restriction on misleading statements, and the retail license approval or denial process.

Section VII. Retail License to Sell or Offer for Sale Electric Power

This section provides for the conditions for a retail license for supplier of electric power including: compliance with laws, compliance with local ordinances, rules and regulations, switching customer electricity, rates and fees, a license fee, revocability, collection and remission of taxes, and exemptions to the retail license requirements.

Section VIII. Miscellaneous.

This section provides for miscellaneous provisions including: that a licensee shall have no recourse against the Township, that there is no inducement for acceptance of a franchise, that there was no inducement for the acceptance of a retail license, that grantee/licensee has read the terms and conditions of the Ordinance and does accept all of such terms and conditions, and that the Township Board reserves the right to waive the insurance and indemnification provisions of any franchise grantee or retail license grantee on the finding alternative conditions are sufficient to protect the township. This section goes on to provide that if the Township Board grants a franchise the Board shall amend the Ordinance to show that a franchise has been granted and the type and effective date of the franchise. The Township Board specifically reserves the right to charge a franchisee or licensee for any and all costs associated with enforcing the Ordinance.

SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.

This Section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court.

SECTION 3. REPEAL.

This Section provides that all Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

This Section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This Section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section proves that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the site plan for Cherry Hill Village Temporary Sales Trailers and Office/Commercial Building. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the Zoning Ordinance Amendments #00-5 and 00-6. Motion carried unanimously.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 2000-5 SUMMARY

The Canton Township Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended as follows:

Article 15.00- C-1, Village Shopping District

Section 15.02A- Permitted Uses and Structures, Principal Uses and Structures, by adding **Subsection 10, Veterinary Offices and Hospitals,**

and renumbering subsections 10 and 11.

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 2000-6 SUMMARY

The Canton Township Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended as follows:

Article 6.00- Site Development Standards Applicable to Specific Uses

Section 6.07- Site Development Standards for the Downtown Development District (DDA) by amending the site development standards for the Downtown Development District (DDA) regarding use of guidelines and implementation of "Wall Location Plan", "Detail Sheet", and "Specifications", Landscaping/Streetscape Elements; Lighting, and Table A, Plant Species List.

Article 27.00- General Procedures and Related Standards

Section 27.04D- Planned Development, Development Regulations, by amending Subsection 5, Density, by deleting the opportunity for a density bonus for design excellence.

Section 27.06C- Amendments, Rezoning Sign, by deleting the requirement to erect a sign on property proposing an amendment to a Consent Judgment or Planned Unit Development unless such amendment involves a change in zoning.

***NOTE: These Amendments to the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance (00-5 and 00-6) become effective upon publication of this Summary within the Minutes of the December 12, 2000 Board Meeting in the Canton Observer on December 21, 2000. A complete copy of this Amendment is available for public inspection in the Canton Township Planning Services Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 during regular business hours.**

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the Chatterton Final Planned Development District - Final PDD. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the rezoning request of Basil Yaldo. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the site plan for Zahr's Drugstore. Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the request for two Planning Services staff to travel to New Orleans, LA, to attend the 92nd National Planning Conference of the American Planning Association, March 10-14, 2001, including a 2000 year budget transfer of $1,120.00 from Planning Services, Professional Consultants (101-853-808-0000) to Conference & Seminars line item (101-853-951-0000). The remaining expenditures, not to exceed $3,000.00 would be paid from the 2001 budget, Planning Services, Conference & Seminars line item (101-853-951-0000). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to accept the bid from Etna Supplies Company and approve a purchase order not to exceed $631,600.00 and authorize the Public Works Department to purchase 100 two-inch water meters, 800 one-inch water meters, 1200 5/8 x 3/4-inch water meters, 2100 radio read transceiver units (MXU's), and associated support control equipment during the 2001 calendar year. Funding to come from FY2001, Account# 592-000-111-0003. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to create and authorize filling the position of General Accountant in the Finance and Budget Department.

Motion carrued unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the collective bargaining agreement between Canton Township and the POAM union to run from July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2004. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of the Cannon CLC 1150 Digital Color Copier/Printer from IKON Office Solutions in the amount $43,367.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the FCC Form 394 application request to transfer the AT&T Broadband cable television franchise to Comcast Cablevision of South, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award funding for printing the Discover brochure to the lowest qualified bidder, Grand Blanc Printing, in the amount of $6,225.25 and to charge the following account numbers as appropriate - Senior Center - 101-672-900-0000; Recreation -101-691-900-0000; Softball Center - 101-755-900-0000; Summit on the Park - 208-757-900-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award the funding for the Leisure Services Directory to the lowest quote - National Wholesale printing Corporation, in the amount of $9,889.93 and charge the following line items $1,648.33 each: Senior Center - 101-672-900-0000; Recreation - 101-691-900-0000; Softball Center - 101-755-900-0000; Summit on the Park - 208-757-900-0000; Pheasant Run - 211-756-900-0000; Leisure Services - 101-750-900-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to extend the contract of Governmental Consultant Services, Inc. for issue lobbying for a term beginning January 1, 2001 and terminating on December 31, 2003 for a fee of $4,000.00 per month. The contract may be terminated upon a ninety (90) day written notice. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to introduce, table and publish the amendments to the Mechanical/Electronic Amusement Devices Arcades Ordinance No. 88(B). Motion carried unanimously.

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 88(B) AMENDMENT TO THE MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICES AND ARCADES ORDINANCE NO. 88

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CODE OF ORDINANCES AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 88, MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICES AND ARCADES ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION, PERMITTING, ESTABLISHMENT, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICES AND MECHANICAL ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICES ARCADES; PROVIDING FOR THE DEFINITIONS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE PERMIT AND INSPECTION PROCESS; PROVIDING FOR THE HOURS OF OPERATION; PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION AND CONTROL OF CONDUCT ON THE PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR THE LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF REPLAYS AND THE PROHIBITION ON PRIZES AND GAMBLING; PROVIDING FOR THE CONFISCATION OF UNLAWFUL DEVICES; SPECIFYING UNLAWFUL ACTS' PROVIDING FOR MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICE ARCADES; PROVIDING FOR THE HEARING REQUIREMENTS AND PERMIT REVOCATION; PROVIDING FOR APPEALS AND CONSTRUCTION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND THE SEVERABILITY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING ACTIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE; AND FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

This section provides for definitions of terms used in the ordinance.

SECTION 2. RESERVED

This section is reserved.

SECTION 3. PERMIT REQUIRED, APPLICATION AND INVESTIGATION

This section provides that a person must obtain a permit from the Township prior to operating a mechanical amusement device or arcade; it further provides for the application process and for investigation of the applicant.

SECTION 4. PERMIT FEES, EXPIRATION AND CHANGES

This section provides that permit fees shall be set by the Township Board; that permits shall expire each December 31st, and that if a device is replaced by a different device, the new device must be permitted.

SECTION 5. INSPECTION AND AREA REQUIRED

This section provides that Township Inspectors shall be permitted to investigate premises where devices are operated; and provides for floor space requirements.

SECTION 6. HOURS OF OPERATION

This section provides for the hours of the day a place that houses a device may be open for business.

SECTION 7. RESERVED

This section is reserved.

SECTION 8. CONDUCT ON PREMISES

This section provides that disorderly persons, gambling, alcoholic beverages, unlawful conduct, controlled substances, intoxicated person indecent conduct, disturbing noises, and/or payment other than cash shall not be permitted where devices are kept.

SECTION 9. NUMBER OF REPLAYS ALLOWED BY ANY DEVICE

This section provides that the number of free replays of a device shall not exceed fifteen (15) at one time; and that except for crane devices operated lawfully within the ordinance, no gambling is permitted.

SECTION 10. CONFISCATION OF UNLAWFUL DEVICES

This section provides that devices used contrary to this ordinance may be confiscated.

SECTION 11. UNLAWFUL ACTS

This section provides that it is unlawful to operate devices contrary to the Ordinance; that it is unlawful to attempt to evade this Ordinance; and that it is unlawful to interfere with the enforcement of this Ordinance.

SECTION 12. MECHANICAL/ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT DEVICE "ARCADES"

This section sets forth additional requirements for operators of arcades, i.e. places where four or more devices are kept; provides for notice to residents and businesses surrounding the proposed location for the arcade; and provides for the requirement of a public hearing prior to issuing an arcade permit.

SECTION 13. PERMIT REFUSAL

This section provides for criteria for permit refusal.

SECTION 14. PERMIT REVOCATION

This section provides for criteria and procedure for permit revocation.

SECTION 15. CONSTRUCTION, NON-APPLICABILITY

This section provides that the Ordinance shall be construed to effectuate its purpose and to be consistent with current and future ordinances.

SECTION 16. APPEALS

This section provides that an applicant denied a permit and a revoked permitted shall have a right to appeal the denial or revocation.

SECTION 17. PENALTIES

This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court.

SECTION 18. REPEAL

This section provides that all Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 19. SEVERABILITY

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

SECTION 20. SAVINGS CLAUSE

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 21. PUBLICATION

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION 22. EFFECTIVE DATE

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours.

ADJOURN

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the regular board meeting held Tuesday, December 12, 2000. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular board meeting of January 9, 2001.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor — TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: December 21, 2000

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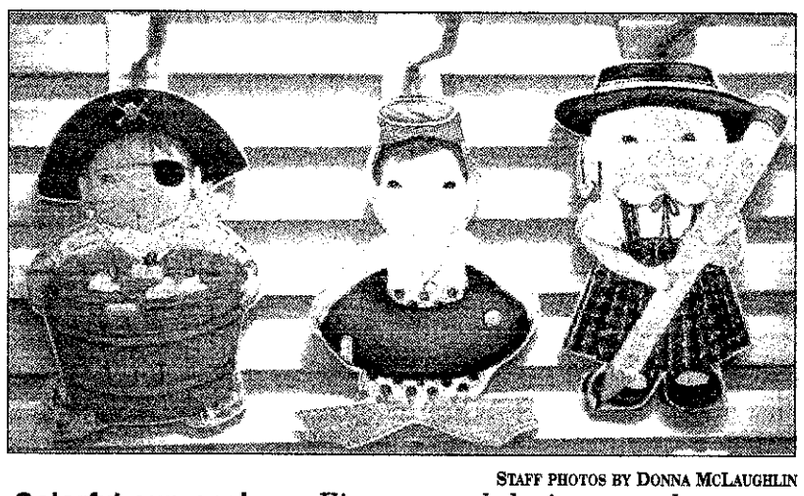


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Paper chase: *Putting photos in an album these days can involve more than four sticky corners on a page. At Simple Pleasures Scrapbook Treasures in Troy, Tammy Beck (above) and Denise Wiggers (below, right) offer a wide variety of items to help people make creative scrapbooks. as well as products that help prevent deterioration of photos and papers. The store, like others in the area, also conducts classes on the subject and is the site for scrapbook parties.*

SCRAPBOOKS USE ARTISTRY, SAFE PRESERVATION FEATURES

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Colorful expressions: *Figures and designs, such as these at Simple Pleasures Scrapbook Treasures, add to the look of a scrapbook.*

Looking back isn't what it used to be. The act of preserving photos and mementos in albums has become an art – so much so that an industry has sprung up around it, and it is often the subject of classes and the theme for parties.

What used to involve using four stiff, sticky corners to place a photo onto an album page, can now entail the use of pages decorated with designs as well as special materials to help keep photos, newspaper articles and other paper items from deteriorating.

"When we started six years ago there were limited products out there," said Denise Wiggers, who with her sister, Tammy Beck, and mother, Sharon DeSnyder, owns Simple Pleasures Scrapbook Treasures. "There are so many things...now."

The store at 1985 E. Wattles in Troy carries papers, stickers and die cuts among a wide variety of materials. An area is used for scrapbook classes and parties.

"Some people do it just to preserve their memories," Wiggers said. "Others do it just 'cause it's fun."

Preservation

Michaels at Westland Crossing, at Warren and Wayne roads in Westland, is another treasure trove of scrapbook materials. Shelves in a section of the store are filled with such products as "memory templates" and kits, page protectors and special pens.

Photos can be arranged by themes – such as birthday, wedding, retirement, hobbies – with stickers and other decorations on the page.

Besides putting photos in an album, you can make them into jigsaw puzzles, transfer them onto computer CDs or give them a distinctive look.

"Colorizing black and white photos is very popular," employee Kim Wilson said.

Michaels offers "scrapbooking" classes, and sessions at which participants can "crop all night," Wilson said.

"You can use our paper cutter."

Livonia resident Leslie Goldberg is a consultant for Creative Memories, a photo preservation company that was started in 1987.

The company offers presentations and home classes and workshops on how to scrapbook, and photosafe albums and supplies.

"The biggest misconception is 'I'm not artistic, I'm not creative, I could never do this,'" Goldberg said.

"We provide all the materials – albums, pens, stickers."

For a Creative Memories basic class, each participant brings six to eight pictures and pays a $10 fee.

Goldberg recommends taking a scrapbook class, and has other advice.

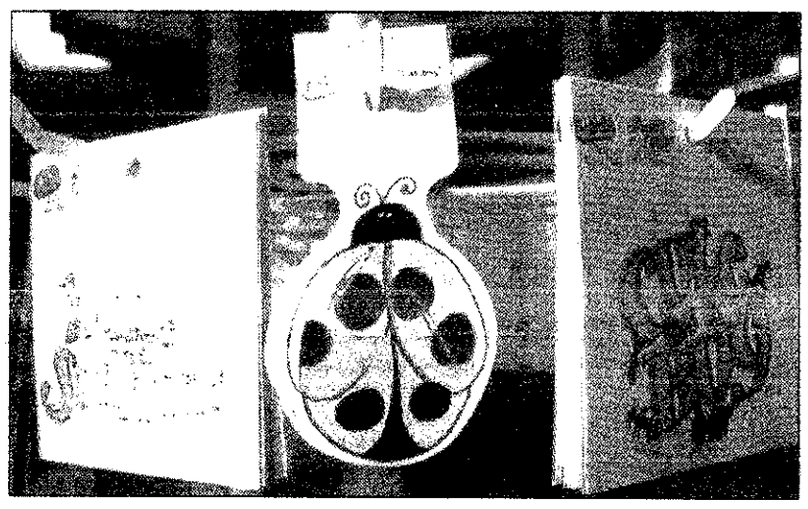
"Start with the most current pictures," she said. "It doesn't seem like an endless task.

"Start by getting organized. Start simple, don't look at it as something that will never get done."

It's important to put your photos in something safe. Paper and even pens can hurt photos, and plastic in cheap albums can be harmful.

"Our paper absorbs the acid so it won't spread," Goldberg said.

Lignin-free materials are safe, Wiggers said.



Videos

Another way to preserve memories visually is with video cameras. Films have changed in this field, too. Videos can be played directly on the TV or sent over the computer as a form of moving e-mail.

"You had VHS, then went to 8mm, then to high-8 – more lines per inch, better sound," said Howard Craggs, sales person at Adray Camera, Big Beaver Road and John R in Troy.

"You don't have to go expensive," said Tom, another sales person.

A good video camera can cost between $800 and $900. A common misconception buyers have is that they must have the most powerful camera. But that isn't necessary, depending on your needs.

Craggs recommends looking for optical zoom, stabilization and color viewfinder.

The cameras have screens or monitors built into them that show what is being filmed. Some video cameras are so small that they can fit into a pocket, so lightweight that they aren't tiring to hold.

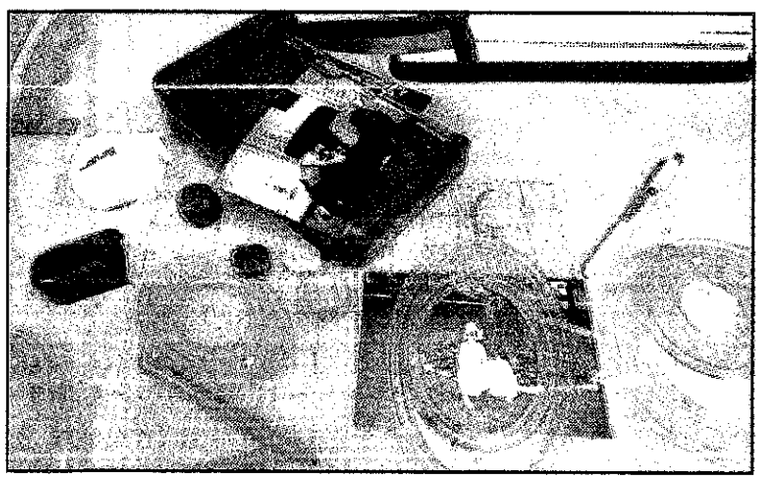
Other uses include taping valuable items in the house for insurance purposes.

"It's very easy to do and a very good thing to do," Tom said.



Family business: *Sharon DeSnyder (center) and her daughters Tammy Beck and Denise Wiggers pause for a moment in their store, which carries materials for scrapbooks.*



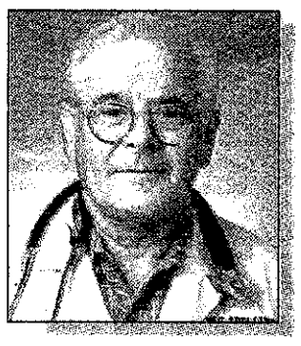


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Memorable endeavor: *Creative Memories consultant Leslie Goldberg of Livonia (left) works on scrapbook pages at her home. Creative Memories gives presentations and offers materials (above) to make artistic and photo-safe scrapbooks.*



INSIDE



JOE GAGNON

Take a look

The Appliance Doctor cautions consumers to take a good look at service company claims in ads before calling them.

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'Tis the season

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HOME WORK

Watch claims in directory ads before calling service companies

APPLIANCE DOCTOR



JOE GAGNON

Do you ever let your fingers do the walking through your telephone directory? You ask which one because you get more than one a year now. It's amazing how many different phone books there are. Do you really know why there are so many? The answer is quite simple folks, somebody wants to make money.

I talk at dozens of seminars and believe me, I never do one without pulling out a telephone directory. I point out full page ads which sometimes cost the business well over $3,000 per month. Do you realize how expensive that can be in the course of a one-year period, especially if you have more than one ad in different categories such as appliances, dryers, washers, ranges and refrigerators? How can an appliance repair business pay such a high expenditure for advertising, unless, they recoup that cost from their customers?

What about all the phone numbers you see indicating different locations throughout the metro area? It looks like a company has many different stores where you can walk in and shop their services. Is it just a phone number for an answering service or a phone number at an employee's house?

You don't have to wonder any longer because in many cases, what you see is not what you get.

■ You need to take a look before you leap. You will see many ads which state free service call, but they forget to mention – with repairs.

Manufacturers names also appear in the directory advertising, but no one receives that permission unless they are an authorized agent for that manufacturer. Look at ads and see what I mean. Names of product companies all over the place, some legal and some not. Some ads even say, "factory-trained." Folks, I know many service personnel who have never been even close to a factory in their lives. Why all this deception?

How would you like to spend $25,000 on a nice new service van, $2,000 on tools and test equipment, insurance, gas and maintenance and then drive out to someone's home and announce to them, 'Hi, I don't charge you anything for coming to your home.' Is there any solid reasoning behind doing business this way?

You need to take a look before you leap. You will see many ads which state free service call, but they forget to mention – with repairs. (Use caution here folks – if you can't figure out how a service company is going to make up the free service call, you're in trouble.)

Let us go back to the phone book. It is not the Bible, doesn't even resemble it and I bet most of us can find it easier than the good book. Why is that? It is because we don't know who to call when we need things. Why do I get over 30 phone calls a day from consumers? It's because they need someone to help them. The phone book does that, it helps consumers, but how much is the question.

After over 10 years of pleading with committee after committee at our state Capitol in Lansing, I believe that little is going to happen in regards to new consumer laws to protect homeowners from unethical service operations. State Rep. Jim Plakas, D-Garden City, a newcomer in Lansing, wants to get an appliance repair law enacted. I'll bet that even though we are good friends, he also will experience frustrations in getting the bill passed. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Newstalk 760, WJR-AM, every Saturday and Sunday mornings. He is a past president of The Society of Consumer Professionals. His second book, "The Words and Wisdom of The Appliance Doctor" is available in book stores. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

Do you have a question for the Appliance Doctor? Contact him care of Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk @oe.homecomm. net. Look for Gagnon's suggestions in a future Appliance Doctor column.

Even with this winter's rising oil prices, you can cut your heating bills

Soaring oil prices don't necessarily have to translate into hundreds of dollars more on heating bills this season. The following tips developed by the experts at HomeJupiter.com, considered to be the ultimate Internet resource for home building and renovation, can help you combat the oil crisis.

■ Don't let your house leak money. To find out where heat is escaping from your home, hold a lit incense stick next to openings such as windows, doors, fixtures and attic space.

If the smoke travels in any direction but vertical, an air leak is present that needs to be sealed.

It's also a good idea to have rubber gaskets installed at all outlets and receptacles to reduce draft. Sealing hidden air leaks may save you hundreds of dollars.

■ Shower yourself with lower heating bills. New water-saving showerheads can extend hot water availability.

■ Add floor kickspace heaters to all bathrooms. Since tiles do not retain heat, bathrooms are usually underheated.

Adding kickspace heaters to bathrooms lets you raise the heat in the bathroom without raising the temperature throughout the house.

■ Poor insulation is like a hole in your pocket. Check to see what type of insulation you have. In an older home, insulation may have been blown in and settled over time or you may not have insulation at all. If so, you should contact an insulation contractor to re-insulate your home.

■ Squeaky clean systems can lead to fatter wallets.

Clean and repair all filters on your furnace, or replace the filters altogether. Clean ducts in a forced hot air system for heating efficiency. This not only helps you save money, it can promote good health for your family.

■ Fight your fireplace's propensity to make your house colder.

The heated air inside your home goes right up the chimney. Increase efficiency by adding glass doors and a fan-powered heat exchanger that re-circulates hot air back into the room.

Check to see if the seal on the flue damper is as tight as possible. Only open the damper when a fire is going.

■ Make sure the chimney boiler and furnace are all cleaned and serviced annually.

■ Keep all south-facing glass clean.

Making the most of the southern exposure is a way to keep rooms warm at no cost.

For more information on home building and renovation, visit the Web site at www. homejupiter.com

Install individual shutoff valves on water pipes

BY MERLE HENKENIUS
TODAY'S HOMEOWNER MAGAZINE

It shouldn't be necessary to turn off the water to the entire house just to fix a leaky faucet, but that's exactly what many homeowners must do. Why?

Because they don't have individual shutoff valves installed under every sink.

If you're facing the same situation, consider putting a valve on every hot- and cold-water supply tube.

The valves will not only allow you to shut off the water to one sink without disrupting the flow to others but they'll also provide a quick way to turn off the water in the event of a flood caused by, for instance, a cracked fitting or ruptured supply tube. The good news is that adding compression shutoff valves to an existing sink is a simple, straightforward job that most homeowners can handle.

In most cases you won't even need to replace the supply tubes that run from the valves to the faucet. However, if the tubes are corroded or kinked, replace them with braided stainless-steel supply lines (about $5 each). Standard compression valves cost about $7 each.

There are two styles of compression valves commonly used in sink hookups. When the water pipe enters the sink cabinet through the back wall, a right-angle-stop valve is required to make the 90-degree turn to the faucet. When it enters through the floor, no turn is needed so a straight-stop valve is used.

You must also consider the type of pipe that supplies water to the sink. If it's made of half-inch rigid copper, you'll need a compression fitting to connect the valve. If the piping is threaded galvanized iron, use a valve that has female iron-pipe threads.

Highlighted here are two different installations: adding an angle-stop valve to galvanized iron pipe and putting a straight-stop valve onto copper pipe. (Note that angle- and straight-stop valves are available for both copper and iron piping.)

Your first step is to shut off the water to the entire house at the meter.

Drain the system by opening the sink and tub faucets on the lowest floor. (Some water might remain in the system, so keep a small bucket handy.)

Next, use a wrench to loosen the water-supply tube from the adapter. Break the 3/8-inch compression nut free with the wrench, then twist it off with your fingers. To disconnect the other end of the supply tube from the faucet, use a basin wrench. The long handle of this wrench allows you to reach up behind the sink bowl and grab onto the faucet's coupling nut.

With the water-supply tube removed, use a pipe wrench to grip the threaded galvanized pipe stub coming out of the wall. Then use an adjustable wrench to unthread the old adapter from the pipe stub.

Take a wire brush and clean away hardened pipe dope from the pipe threads. Brush on a fresh coat of pipe-joint compound, then thread on the new valve. Tighten the valve using the adjustable wrench, but be sure to backhold the pipe stub with a pipe wrench. Lubricate the threads of the angle-stop valve with pipe-joint compound and attach the new flexible supply tube. Connect the opposite end of the tube to the faucet with the basin wrench.

Sinks plumbed with copper pipe are even easier to upgrade. In this case, we attached a straight-stop valve to the pipe stub with a compression fitting.

Start by removing the water-supply tube and loosening the lower compression nut with a wrench. Lift out the old adapter fitting and set it aside. You won't be able to remove the old compression nut because the crushed ferrule will keep it locked in place, but that's not a problem. The new valve will connect right onto the existing nut and ferrule.

First, brush pipe-joint compound onto the valve threads and then press the valve onto the pipe stub coming through the floor of the sink cabinet. Next, pull up on the compression nut and thread it onto the valve.

Finish tightening the nut using two wrenches; be careful not to overtighten the nut, or the fitting will leak.

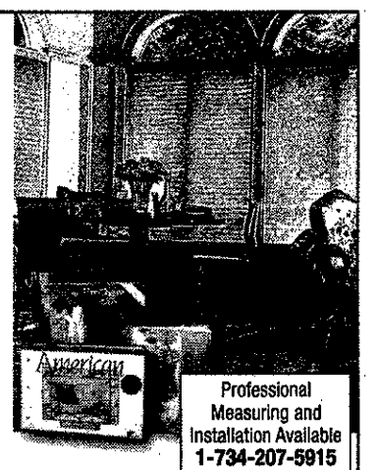
Finally, reconnect the supply tube to the valve and faucet, then turn the water back on. If you find a slight leak, tighten the compression nut a little more.

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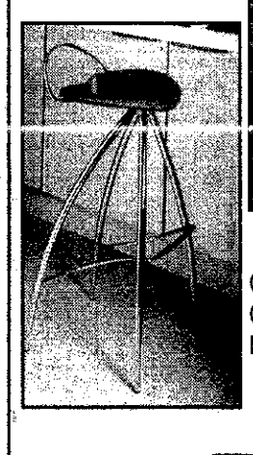
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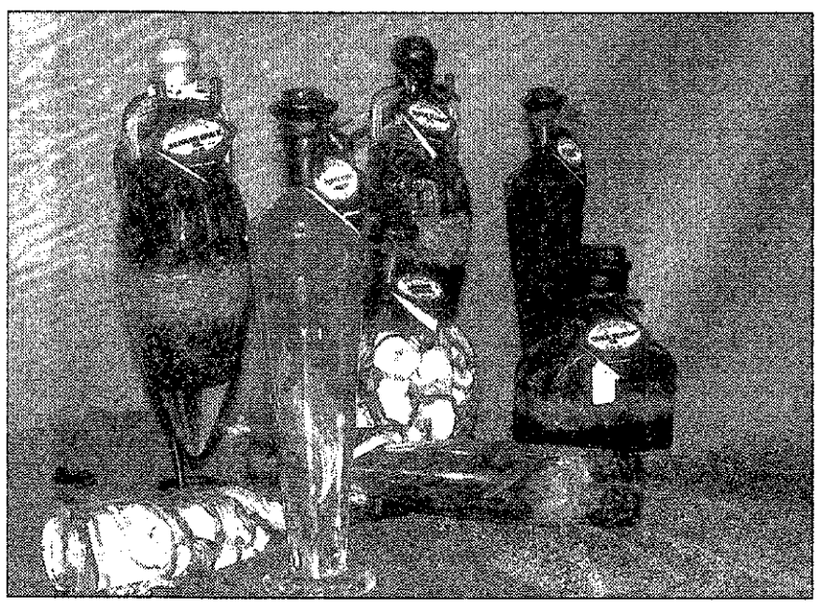


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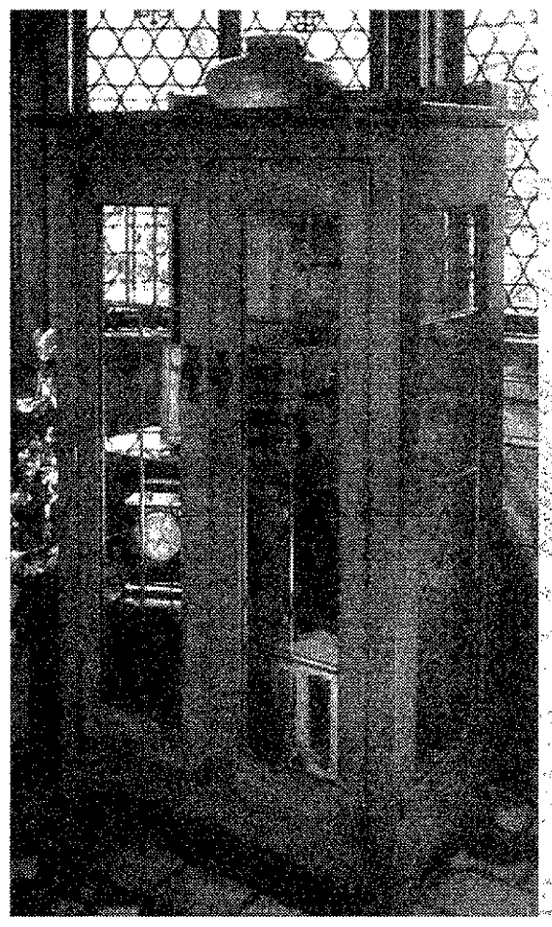
At the Marketplace

Delectable decanters



Tasteful decor: *Festive, colorful decanters filled with delicious edibles are now featured at Colorworks Uncommon in Farmington Hills. The decanters can be used in the kitchen to spice up meals, or to brighten up areas of kitchens or dining rooms. They are available in many flavors, including apples and cinnamon, jalapeño, cranberry, garlic sesame, and carrots. They also come in a variety of shapes and sizes – such as Art Deco, a rolling pin, hanging style and other stand alones. The price range is $25 to $150. Colorworks Uncommon and the Colorworks Design Studio are at 32506 Northwestern Highway. Call (248) 851-7540, or visit www.colorworksstudio.com*

Icy timber



Old wood: *Walker/Buzenberg Fine Furniture now is showcasing a line of furniture crafted from ancient hardwoods. This Ashland curio cabinet is the first accent piece featured in the Echoes of Chequamegon Bay collection, made by Leick Furniture of Wisconsin from first-growth lumber recovered from the bottom of Chequamegon Bay near Lake Superior. The numbered collector piece is in its final cutting and will be retired soon. In the 1890s and 1900s, the Lake Superior shore near Ashland, Wisc., was the home to 15 sawmills. Rafts housing 16-foot logs floated in from logging camps. About 10 or 20 percent of the logs became waterlogged under the weight of others and sank. Icy waters held the timber in and underwater until 1991 when the trees were salvaged. Leick made the cabinet in the Mission/Arts and Crafts style from recovered red oak, using turn-of-the-century woodworking techniques as wood pegs, pinned mortise and tenon joinery and accenting it with leaded antique reproduction glass. It currently is priced at $2,399 at Walker-Buizenberg, 240 S. Main, in Plymouth. Call (734) 459-1300.*



Get cracking

Notable nutcrackers: *These whimsical wooden nutcrackers from Zims, part of Jacobson's holiday collection, add fun to the holidays. The Toy Vendor nutcracker stands 14 inches high and retails for $59. The Santa Claus nutcracker stands 13 inches high and is available for $78.*

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'Tis the seasoning: It's nice to learn of spice

GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

According to my calendar, today is the Winter Solstice. The encyclopedia says it is "about Dec. 22," so I guess we're right in the ballpark.

This is the day of the year when the light and darkness are the same, and the sun is at its greatest distance from the celestial equator and seems to pause before returning on its course.

Maybe today, with all the hustle and bustle of the holidays, we can take a cue from the sun and pause for a time to enjoy the festivities, friends and family.

Spices play a large part in our Christmas preparations (especially cooking). Here is some information about three that you may find interesting.

Meaningful gifts

According to the Christmas story, Melchior, oldest of the Three Wise Men and emperor of Arabia, presented gold to Jesus, which means love and is suitable for kings.

The youngest, King Gaspar, ruler of Tharsis, gave frankincense, a sweet spice with the meaning of prayer, suitable because it's the only gift (when burned) we can give to God.

Balthazar, king of Ethiopia, presented myrrh, a resin from a thorny tree, which was used in embalming and symbolizes the suffering Christ would endure on Earth.

Frankincense is a pale yellow or red gum from the *Boswellia carterii* tree of Somalia and a region of the southern Arabian peninsula.

Deep cuts are made in the trunk, a narrow strip of bark is peeled off, and a milky juice exudes. This *Olibanum* hardens into yellow, tear-like drops when exposed to the air. Heat causes the bark to release a balsamic odor.

Frankincense has always been a rare and treasured substance. It was used in early times by the Egyptians in religious rites, by the Jewish as part of the incense of the sanctuary, and as a medicinal.

Today, frankincense is used in the preparation of incense and fumigants and as a fixative in perfumes.

Myrrh comes from small, thorny, flowering trees of Arabia and East Africa in the genus *Commiphora*. The aromatic liquid myrrh, or gum, is obtained from *C. myrrha* and *C. abyssinica*, and spontaneously exudes from the stems or when the bark is wounded. It also hardens into globules called "tears" when exposed to the air.

■ Both frankincense and myrrh are derived from plants of the torchwood or incense tree family. These two spices, when burned, emit a very strong, sweet odor.

Myrrh has a bitter taste. It has been used since ancient times in embalming, in incense and perfume, and as a medicinal; valued above gold.

Both frankincense and myrrh are derived from plants of the torchwood or incense tree family, *Burseraceae*, which is most common in tropical and subtropical Africa and Malaysia, as well as in tropical America.

These two spices, when burned, emit a very strong, sweet odor and a very small bit of either of them will heavily scent a room.

Cinnamon

Another spice that comes from a tree is cinnamon. It was one of the first spices sought in the explorations of the 15th and 16th centuries. It's the dried bark of a tree of the laurel family.

The evergreen cinnamon tree has shiny leaves, yellowish white flowers and dark blue berries. It is native to Sri Lanka and is grown in other nearby countries with tropical maritime climate. It can grow to 33 feet in the wild, but is kept cropped to aid in harvesting.

The outer bark isn't desirable, but as the cropping continues the finest bark comes from thin shoots (called quills) at the center of the plant.

These quills are assembled with the longest and best pieces of bark on the outside. They are rolled by hand to press the outside edges together, then rolled daily until properly dry, when they become tan in color and are smooth, thin and brittle. They are dried in the shade, as direct sunlight warps them.

Cinnamon sticks are great used as stirrers in hot chocolate or tea. One of the yummy treats I remember eating as a child is cinnamon toast. It is easy to make and may be a new idea of something to put out for Santa.

Toast bread, spread with butter, sprinkle with a mixture of sugar and cinnamon. Place in a shallow bowl. Pour warm milk over the toast. Eat with a spoon. What great memories!

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.



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Spicy tales: *Many spices are used during this season of the year. Cinnamon sticks are in the left-hand corner.*

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Gardener tends tropical paradise

BY MARTY FIGLEY
SPECIAL WRITER

It's a jungle out there! Plants are climbing all over the place, large plants with mammoth leaves are growing very tall, water is cascading into a stream and all is well with the world.

Yes, the atrium in the Embassy Suites in Livonia is filled with many different and beautiful tropical plants. Never fear, all are kept in bounds and add much beauty.

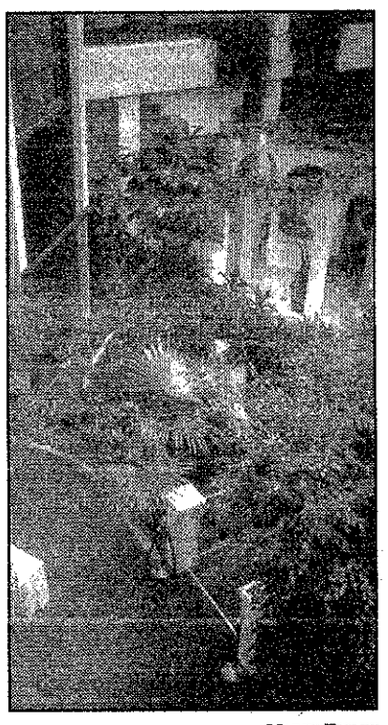
The area is quite large but I still had an intimate feeling when I visited with Jane Suhail, the on-staff horticulturist and trainer at Planterra, 7315 Drake Road in West Bloomfield, who is responsible for keeping these foliage plants in tip-top condition. And that she does.

"I have been caring for the plants here for a year and it was a challenge to come in this atrium and to bring it up to my standards," she said.

Suhail has been "tropical gardening" for 25 years and learned a great deal about growing plants while she volunteered at the Cranbrook greenhouse from 1973 to 1979; she calls it her internship.

After a three-year hiatus, she began working for Planterra. This company mainly services commercial accounts but also services plants in homes, visiting quarterly. The company's phone number is (248) 661-1515 and Web site is www.planterra.com

Plants at the Embassy Suites range in size from vines such as



MARTY FIGLEY

Variety: *Schefflera, fan palms, crotons and Dracaena are in a corner at the Embassy Suites in Livonia, tended by horticulturist Jane Suhail.*

ivy, *Hedera*; pothos, *Epipremnum*; and lipstick vine, *Aeschynanthus*; to a very large Mexican fan palm, Washingtonia species.

The plants that vine are in 6- and 8-inch plastic pots so they can be replaced easily when necessary, while some varieties of fig, *Ficus*, such as *F. nitida* and *F. benjamina*, are in very large planters at least 40 inches in diameter.

The rubber trees, *F. elastica*, are planted directly in the ground, as are the fiddle-leaf figs, *F. lyrata*, so named because of the shape of the wavy-edged leaves.

Many other beautiful plants such as *Schefflera*; croton (*Codiaeum*), several varieties with maroon, yellow and green variegated foliage; *Dracaena* Warneckii, with leaves of green with white stripes, and a solid green Janet Craig; *Sansevieria*; pothos; and peace lily, *Spathiphyllum*; grow all around the rooms in very well-drained soil that is two feet deep.

A tall waterfall fills a corner of the atrium, and a meandering stream, complete with goldfish, adds a soft note to the garden.

Care

Tropical plants in Michigan don't have a long life expectancy because they rely so much on sun. The two most important things for plant growth are sun and water.

"The sun is plant food; fertilizer is vitamins, not food," Suhail said. "The only part of the plant that uses water is the leaf. It only uses that water when the sun shines. How much water is determined by the amount of sunlight. I follow three rules: One, there is no such thing as a houseplant. Two, everything is done according to weather. Three, sun is plant food."

In some parts of the atrium, the light is brighter so Suhail watches those plants. The more light, the more water that is necessary. Larger plants need more water. Also, how many leaves determines how much water, how much light determines how often.

"I water the hanging plants from the bridge, and all the plants, following these rules. For instance, the large *Ficus* take about 4 gallons a week," she said.

Fertilizer is meted out carefully. Suhail broadcasts dry fertilizer, 13-13-13, once a year on everything and in early spring applies liquid tonic on the palms.

She shares the tonic recipe: To one gallon of water add a good pinch of iron chelate, one teaspoon Epsom salts, Miracid (30-10-10) and an all-purpose fertilizer (20-20-20). Use one-fourth the recommended strength of the last two ingredients. For instance, if the label says one tablespoon, use 1/4 tablespoon of each per gallon.

There are few insects, but sometimes mealybugs are a problem. Suhail uses integrated pest management; the first treatment is Planterra's brand X, then, if necessary, pepper spray on a mixture of soap, alcohol and water.

Suhail prunes everything two times a year at the end of March and the end of September. One exception are the plants in the swimming pool area that need frequent pruning to keep them off the glass windows.

Suhail finds plants fascinating.

"I feel real responsible for the plants," she said. "They didn't ask to get in here. I need to take care of them. If you take care of your plants, they will take care of you.

"I think it's sad that people don't know how to grow things. The more people know, the safer I feel. If a person is going to make an occupation of caring for plants that person is obligated to learn and find out about all of this. It isn't fair to a 100-year-old plant to have someone who doesn't know to try to take care of it. A lot of it is instinct and common sense. We need to use our own best judgment."

Visit one or more of these "controlled jungles" and chase the winter blues away. Choose any of the following places to see the results of work by this dedicated gardener: Embassy Suites, Seven Mile and I-275; the Riverside Office Building, Civic Center Drive and Telegraph; the Hilton Suites, east of Updyke on Featherstone; and the VA Hospital, First and Cass in Detroit (which she says "is spectacular").

Suhail teaches and is available for lectures (which, she says, "I really like to do"). She can also be reached at (248) 684-5571.

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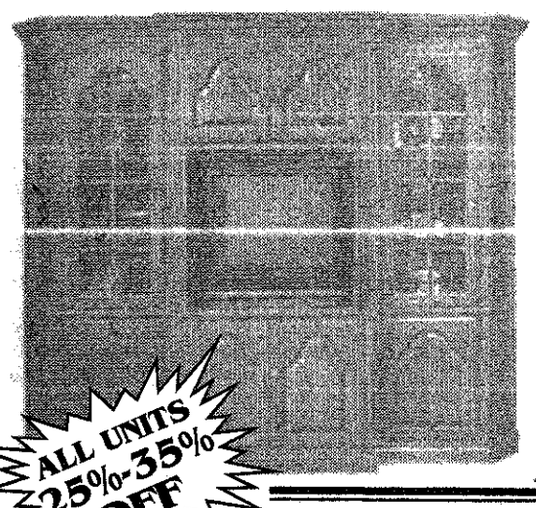
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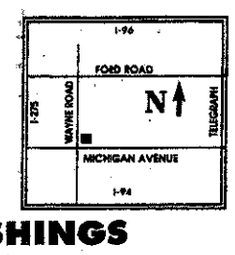


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Prepare your camera for cold weather photos

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MONTE NAGLER

For those of you who live in cold climates or for those who live in the South but travel to snow country, winter photography can reward you with fabulous shots for your photo album.

But cold weather photography can present you with some problems that make shooting more difficult than during fair weather.

While photographers who live in a very cold climate are accustomed to such conditions, anyone used to more temperate weather can get caught unprepared.

Before setting off to take photographs in very cold conditions, you should spend some time preparing your equipment and your own clothing.

Almost any camera can be operated normally to about 0 degrees Fahrenheit, but at temperatures lower than this, difficulties may start to occur.

Why do cameras function less efficiently in the cold? The most common reason is loss of battery power. Batteries not only operate the metering system, but also operate the shutter on most newer cameras. Batteries work by chemical reactions that always proceed more slowly at lower temperatures.

■ Keep the battery in your pocket until you are just ready to shoot. Take your shots, then place the battery back in your pocket to keep it warm.

Solution: Keep the battery in your pocket until you are just ready to shoot. Take your shots, then place the battery back in your pocket to keep it warm.

There are precautions you should take, too, for photographing in very cold weather. Dress warmly, in layers, and make sure your clothing allows easy access to cameras and lenses.

Wear two pairs of gloves — a heavy outer pair and a thin inner pair. Remove the outer gloves when you're ready to shoot. The thin pair will keep your hands warm, yet will enable you to work all camera controls.

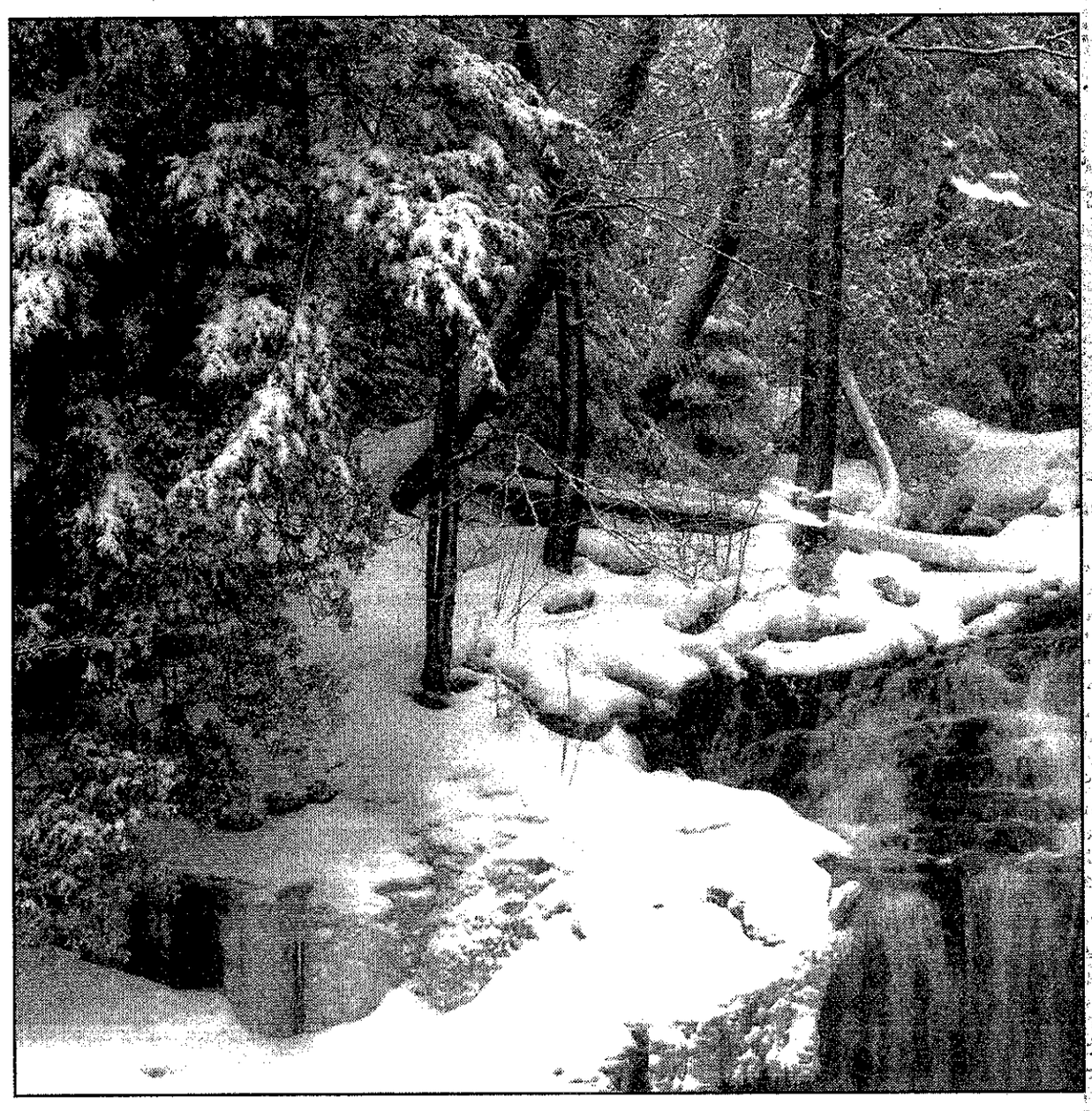
In cold weather, you must take special care with your film. Because it can become brittle, advance it carefully and slowly as you run through the roll (turn off your power winder) and rewind it carefully, too.

Besides the physical problems of working in low temperatures, there are other considerations. A major one is exposure. Snow-covered scenery is quite different from the average scene and the meter can be fooled. Remember that all meters are programmed to read average gray, so with snow scenes be sure to overexpose a stop or two in order to produce a good negative.

When you come in out of the cold, pay special attention to your camera. Water vapor in a heated room condenses on cold metal and glass surfaces and your camera will become covered with moisture. No damage will be done — just be sure to wipe off your camera.

There you have it. During the next cold snap, get out and snap some prize-winning shots.

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.



Cold composure: *The temperature was below zero, but by keeping himself and his equipment warm, Monte Nagler was able to bring home this exciting shot taken in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.*

GARDENING CALENDAR

Does your garden club have an upcoming event or meeting you want publicized? Send items for consideration in Gardening Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@ oe. homecomm. net. To send a fax, call (734) 591-7279.

GARDEN CLUBS

LIVONIA

"Feng Shui in the Garden" will be presented at the next Livonia Garden Club meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 2 at the Livonia Senior Center on Farmington Road.

The presentation will be made by Debra Christy-Merriman, teacher of the art of Chinese placement at Schoolcraft College.

Visitors are welcome.

BACK TO SCHOOL

MORE GARDENING

The Michigan School of Gardening, 29429 Six Mile, in Livonia offers a variety of subjects. Register in advance. Classes are limited in size.

Here is a list of some of the classes:

Common Problems and Critter Control, Mondays, Jan. 8, 15 and 22 at 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 14, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Another section is offered those Mondays at 6:30 p.m. and that Saturday at 1 p.m.

Garden Design, five Tuesdays, starting Jan. 9 at 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. How to select and arrange plants for individual beds or small areas within a landscape. The class requires a Focus on Design course or equivalent experience as a pre-requisite.

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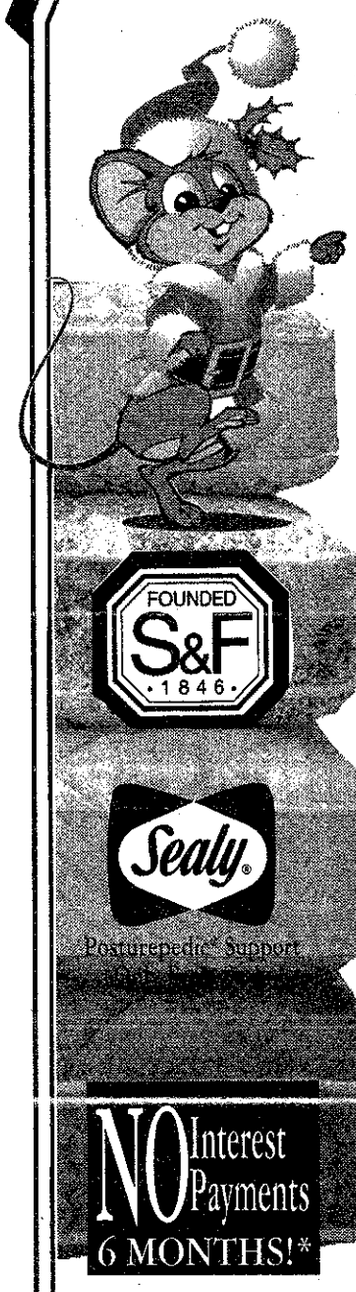
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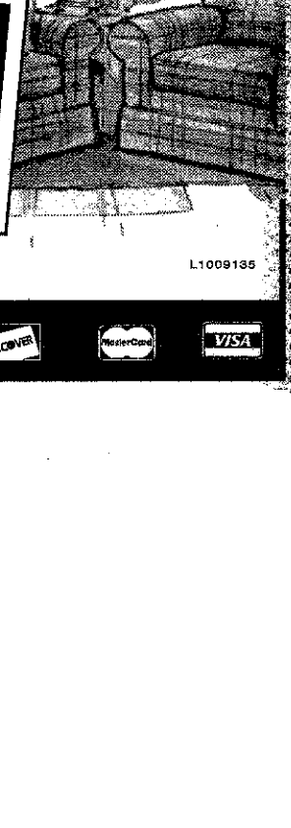
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Celebrate Hanukkah with these recipes

INVITING IDEAS



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

Hanukkah is the Jewish celebration of the liberation of Jerusalem and the rededication of the Temple.

Starting Thursday, Dec. 21, 2000, at sundown, Jewish families all over the world will celebrate the miracle of one day's worth of oil burning for eight days at the time of this rededication.

The lighting of candles in a menorah (candelabra-type holder) for eight consecutive nights has become a traditional way to celebrate Hanukkah, and the remembrance of this great miracle.

So the holiday begins tomorrow at sundown, you have been swamped with work, busy with the kids, engaged in daily activities, or just had a big lack of motivation – well, time to get off your latkes and get into the spirit of this festive holiday.

Here are some quick and easy ideas to make your holiday a little brighter:

■ Make a menorah out of cupcakes (of course have extras for the family to enjoy).

■ Buy some or combine products to make interesting toppings to top off your latkes (potato pancakes): cinnamon-flavored sour cream peppered with cooked apples, chutney, fruit puree mixed with sour cream, fruit compote, or some cranberry-laced applesauce.

■ Don't want to make potato pancakes? Call up Steve's Deli, 6646 Telegraph in Bloomfield Township, (248) 932-0800; Bread Basket Deli, 26052 Greenfield in Oak Park, (248) 968-0022; or if in Ann Arbor, Zingerman's Deli, 422 Detroit Street, (734) 663-DELI. These three are turning out some **great latkes**!

■ Make some easy fruit compote by steeping bagged dried fruits (mixed or fruits of your choice) in flavored tea (mango or raspberry work great).

■ Make a menorah sculpture using fresh fruit and vegetables (and some candleholders). Make it mostly edible and then guests could use it as an appetizer course. The remaining candles can continue to burn brightly on the table.

■ Have a cool chocolate fondue with your bowls of foil-wrapped coins. Have guests unwrap the chocolates and pop them into a fondue pot, mix with some liqueur and dip in slices of apple. Yum!

GINGERBREAD COOKIE SHAPES

A foolproof recipe for ecumenical gingerbread, it's also a great recipe for Christmas cookies for your non-Jewish friends.

This recipe takes five minutes to bake once the dough is rolled out. Decorate or just sprinkle with powdered sugar.

It is fine to double the recipe if you have a very large, heavy-duty mixer; if not, do in separate batches.

Yield: about 3 dozen, depending on the size of the cookie cutters

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, softened
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 generous teaspoon ground ginger (just brimming over the top)
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 cup black molasses
- 1 large egg
- 1 tablespoon white vinegar
- 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

Directions:

In the bowl of an electric mixer equipped with the paddle attachment, beat together on medium speed: butter, sugar, ginger, cinnamon, cloves, baking powder and baking soda, until light and fluffy, about 2-3 minutes. Scrape down the sides of the bowl as it mixes.

Add the molasses, egg and vinegar; mix until all ingredients are combined, about 1 minute.

Slowly add in the flour (if there appears to be strain on the mixer, finish adding flour by hand).

Place dough on a sheet of plastic wrap and chill for several hours.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit.

Take a portion of dough from the refrigerator, roll out on a lightly floured surface until it is about 1/8-inch in thickness. Cut with cookie cutters of your choice. Re-flour area, and continue until all of the dough is cut into desired shapes.

Place cut cookie shapes onto a parchment- or Silpat-covered baking sheet, about 1 inch apart.

Bake for 5-6 minutes, until edges are just lightly browned. Remove cookies from oven and let remain on sheet for just a couple of minutes. Transfer individually to a wire rack to cool completely. Decorate cooled cookies as desired (use piped icing or just a sprinkle of powdered sugar).

CURRIED SWEET POTATO LATKES

Here is a delicious recipe adapted from Joan Nathan's book, *Jewish Cooking in America*, Random House, 1998. These are a real winner, and easy to make.

Yield: 16 three-inch pancakes

Ingredients:

- 1 pound sweet potatoes, peeled and coarsely shredded
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne powder
- 2 teaspoons curry powder
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste (about 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper)
- 2 large eggs, beaten
- 1/2 cup milk (approximately)
- Peanut oil for frying

Directions:

1. In a large bowl mix the flour, sugar, brown sugar, baking powder, cayenne pepper, curry powder, cumin, and salt and pepper.

2. Add the eggs and just enough milk to the dry ingredients to make a stiff batter. Add the potatoes and mix. The batter should be moist but not runny; if too stiff, add more milk.

3. Heat 1/4 inch of peanut oil in a 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat until it is barely smoking.

Drop the batter by 1/4 cup metal measuring cup (doesn't have to be the full 1/4 cup) and flatten with bottom of cup.

Fry over medium-high heat, about 6-7 minutes on each side until golden. If browning too fast, reduce heat a bit.

Transfer the browned latkes to a paper towel-lined baking sheet or platter to drain. Repeat with remaining sweet potato batter.

Cook's Note: You can use vegetable oil instead of peanut if preferred.

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"As the population matures, the trend is toward more useful, more convenient spas," Knaus said.

"Another pleasant surprise is the wide range of pricing from very affordable, smaller, personalized installations to elaborate, eight-person, custom designs," he said.

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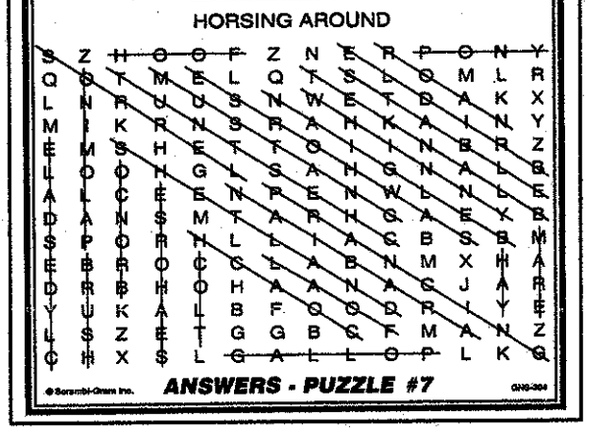
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Rules:

Each Thursday's SCRAMBLR® contains a number of words reading from left, right, diagonally, up or down. Some words begin with letters you've already used in other words. Words from the list that appear as two words (e.g., New Brunswick) could appear in the puzzle in separate places. AT LEAST 10 WORDS MUST BE CIRCLED TO MAKE AN ENTRY VALID.

1. Clip the complete puzzle and include your name, address, and telephone number. Mail your entry to SCRAMLR® in care of The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Entries must be in an envelope marked on the lower left corner with the puzzle number. Envelopes that are not marked will not be accepted.
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Make last-minute gifts for holidays at home

CELEBRATING FAMILY



LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

No matter how prepared your family is for the holidays, there are always gifts you must get at the last minute.

You forgot the mail carrier. Your children added two more teachers to their gift-giving list. Your spouse reminded you of the distant relative who's in town for the holiday dinner.

Oh, and don't forget the hostess gifts you take to others' homes, the back-ordered stocking stuffers the store called you and said were in before the holiday – and the neat thing you saw at the store weeks ago that you've convinced yourself you have to give yourself.

Not everything requires a trip to a major mall or in-town merchant. Take advantage of the holiday spirit by creating last-minute gifts together at home.

This is the time of the season to convince your family you are all creative, whether you believe it or not. Where do your family's talents lie, and how can you put them to good use to make something for that special someone at the last minute?

Give a homemade ornament.

You don't have to spend a small fortune to show someone you care. Start an ornament giving tradition with a recipient.

Photo ornaments are treasures to relatives and close friends. Look around your home to inventory the materials you have to make them. Start with colorful construction paper.

Have your children cut out the shapes (i.e. star, bell, ornament or tree). Embellish the border of the surface with notions such as iridescent cellophane, torn colored paper set in a mosaic pattern, or sequins.

Insert each cutout photograph within the border. Punch a hole near the top center point. String yarn, ribbon or wire through the hole. If you wish, add decorative beads before you fasten your yarn, ribbon or wire.

Put a smile on your mail carrier's face with a customized ornament in the shape of a miniature mailbox or holiday package. Ask your children to add their personal touches to make it one of a kind.

To package your ornament, use similar materials on your wrap to create an ensemble type of a look. It looks very decorative while telling the recipient your family put a lot of thought into the gift.

Give a bundle to bundle up.

A homemade fleece throw is a winter favorite. This gift requires a trip to your local fabric store (unless you already have the materials at home) and a little sewing know-how.

You will need some warm Polar-type fleece (approximately 45 to 60 inches wide and 72 inches long) in the color and style of choice, neutral-colored fleece (same size as the first piece) for the backing, coordinating thread, scissors, pins, a needle and a sewing machine.

This is a great project in which to involve your teenager and spouse.

Start by pinning wrong sides of each piece of fleece together. Next, sew the pieces together about 1/4-inch from the edge. Make sure to leave approximately a 12- to 18-inch opening so you can invert the fabric to the right sides.

Once you have inverted the fabric, turn the edges of the opening under and pin right sides of the opening together. Hand stitch it closed using a needle and thread.

Build a deck of cards.

Give someone on your list a deck of gifts they can appreciate throughout the entire year.

If someone in your family is comfortable creating a playing card design on your family computer, simply agree on a border design before you come up with your list of "suits." This way you will know how much space you have to insert words onto each card face.

Next, talk over what your family wants to include in this gift. Think of what the recipient might like. You may wish to set up each card gift under one of four categories similar to the four suits in a deck of playing cards.

One category, or suit, might include all heartfelt-related gifts. A gift card in this category may read, "Good for one dinner at our home." The second category in your gift deck might include household-related gift tasks. Your family may wish that a card in this category read, "Good for one spring yard cleanup."

Determine which categories your family will group your card gifts under before you fill out the gift deck. Once you've all made a list, have one family member create each card, whether you choose to do so on the computer or make each one by hand.

The number of cards you include in the deck is up to your family, based on the number of ideas you wish to put into it. Whether your family chooses to print them out via computer or by hand, you may wish to use a slightly heavier paper stock to make the cards more durable.

There are several advantages to giving a gift deck of cards this holiday season. Your family can tailor the cards to their recipient. The deck is rather inexpensive to make, but priceless in its thought. And the recipient will have gifts to enjoy throughout the entire coming year.

Lisa Luckow-Healy is a graduate of the University of Michigan and a freelance writer who regularly contributes to parenting publications. She is also an active member of Detroit Women Writers and a contributing author to the organization's latest book, "Century of Voices."

To leave her a message from a touch-tone phone about how you celebrate family, call (734) 953-2047, then 111, then H-E-A-L-Y; or e-mail your suggestions for future family topics to LiHealy@aol.com

DESIGN CALENDAR

■ Santa Claus will visit the Kids Castle at Art Van Furniture, 27775 Novi Road in Novi, 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23. Santa will greet children and pass out special treats. Parents are invited to bring their cameras. Call (248) 348-8922.

■ Public tours at Meadow Brook Hall at Oakland University in Rochester are given 1:30 p.m. daily year-round, 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday. The hall is closed most holidays, and tour hours may change during special events. Meadow Brook Hall will be closed Dec. 23 through Jan. 2 because of OU winter recess. Call (248) 370-3140 for more information about touring the hall and the Knole Cottage playhouse, or visit www.meadowbrookhall.org

Meadow Brook Hall, off Adams, is a 110-room, Tudor-revival style mansion built by the widow of auto pioneer John Dodge.

Residence chosen as designer showhouse

The Detroit Historical Society, in partnership with the Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers, will present its 2001 Designer Showhouse at the historic Vaughan-Vernor home in Bloomfield Hills.

Built in 1839 by the Vaughan family and currently owned by Gunnar and Diane Wilmot, the showhouse is a Historic Federal Farmhouse on 3.8 lush acres at 4778 Lahser, between Lone Pine and Long Lake roads.

James and Grayce Vernor, of the family synonymous with the famous ginger beverage special to Detroit, resided at the home between 1926 and 1941.

For showhouse information and volunteer opportunities call the Showhouse Hotline at (313) 833-7912. For showhouse sponsorship information, call Patricia Rosen at (313) 833-1627.

The showhouse will be open to the public 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 5 to June 3, 2001. It will be closed Mondays, except for Memorial Day.

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Hanukkah items take on new looks

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The modern home celebration of Hanukkah — which begins Friday, Dec. 22, this year — includes the lighting of the menorah and special games and foods. Whether used in a ceremony or just on display, Hanukkah items have a contemporary look as they convey ancient beliefs.

Traditional elements of the Hanukkah celebration have new looks.

Hanukkah means "dedication." It refers to the joyous observance through which Jews commemorate the victory of the Maccabees over the armies of Syria and the rededication of the Temple of Jerusalem.

Whether used in a ceremony or just on display, items have a contemporary look as they convey ancient beliefs.

One example is the menorah, which is a nine-branched candelabra. An additional candle on the menorah is lit near nightfall each of the eight nights of Hanukkah. This represents a miracle involving a lantern that burned eight nights even though it had enough oil for just one night.

Today's menorahs can burn oil or be "lit" with electricity. Esther's Judaica, 6239 Orchard Lake in West Bloomfield, features an electric menorah with candles that light at a touch.

"Menorahs are made more now out of nickel so they don't have to be polished," said the shop's Esther. "Also brass."

Tradition! Tradition! in Southfield (phone (248) 557-0109; visit allthingsjewish.com) carries tiny cups of solidified olive oil for use as menorah candles.

Noi Volkov, Andrew Galvin and Piper Strong are among the artists who are making whimsical and dramatic menorahs. Their pieces include metal and stained glass features and figures of Adam and Eve and Noah's Ark.

Dreidels are four-sided tops that are spun as part of a Hanukkah game. Each side of the dreidel bears a different Hebrew letter that determines whether the player takes or puts in coins, nuts or other objects. These also have contemporary features.

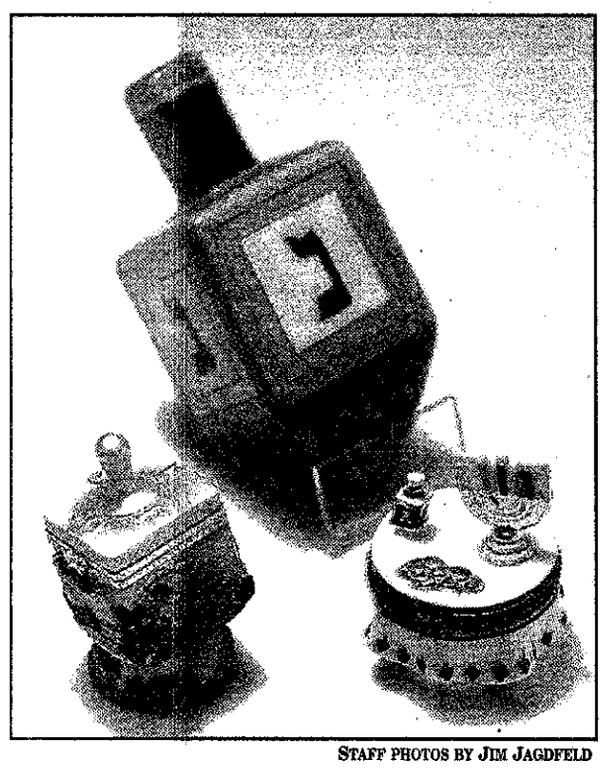
"Dreidels are always popular," said Alicia Nelson of Tradition! Tradition! "There are new artists doing different designs."

Among these are Yehudit Newman and Linda Gerard, whose designs include intricate beading on the dreidel surfaces.

Other dreidels open like boxes and can hold chocolates, charms or other treats.

For the collector, there are hinged boxes with Hanukkah themes — such as one shaped like a dreidel with miniature "coins" inside, and another like a Hanukkah table with a tiny menorah on the top and a dreidel inside.

New serving pieces include silver items with such designs as stars and menorahs on the handles.



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Modern celebration: *Items to celebrate Hanukkah, available at Tradition! Tradition!, including a handpainted dreidel and hinged boxes.*

Celebrate Hanukkah with this fried fish and garlic mayonnaise

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fried foods are prepared during the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah as a symbol of the oil that burned for eight days in a Jerusalem temple while the supply was believed to be enough for only one day.

This recipe for Fried Fish With Garlic Mayonnaise or Egg-and-Lemon Sauce from "Sephardic Flavors: Jewish Cooking of the Mediterranean" (Chronicle Books, $35) by Joyce Goldstein aims to capture the sweetness of the fish.

Sole, snapper or cod, or boned whole smelt are recommended for the dish.

The fish can be served either alone, with just a squeeze of lemon at the table; with a dollop of "ajada," the Sephardic garlic mayonnaise; or with "agristada," an egg-and-lemon sauce.

FRIED FISH WITH GARLIC MAYONNAISE OR EGG-AND-LEMON SAUCE

For the fish:
2 pounds fresh fish fillets
Kosher or sea salt
All-purpose flour
Freshly ground pepper
2 eggs
Vegetable oil for frying
Sweet paprika (optional)

Place the fresh fish fillets on a plate, sprinkle with salt, cover, and refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Spread the flour on a plate and season with salt, pepper, and the paprika, if using. Beat the eggs in a wide, shallow bowl. Pour vegetable oil to a depth of 2 inches into a deep saute pan and heat to 375° F on a deep-frying thermometer.

Working in batches, dip the fish fillets into the eggs and then into the flour and slip them into the hot oil. Fry, turning once, until golden and crisp, 3 to 4 minutes total for the fillets. (Cooking time is a little less for smelts.)

Using a slotted spatula, transfer to paper towels to drain briefly. Keep warm until all the fish is fried.

Arrange the fish on a platter and serve piping hot. Pass the sauce at the table.

For the garlic mayonnaise:
5 or 6 cloves garlic, green sprouts removed and minced
Kosher or sea salt
1 egg yolk, at room temperature
1 cup vegetable oil, or mixture of olive oil and vegetable oil
2 to 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

Combine the garlic and salt on a cutting board and mash with the side of a knife to a fine puree. Transfer to a blender or food processor, add the egg yolk, and pulse to combine.

With the motor running, slowly add the oil, drop by drop, until a thick emulsion forms. Then add the remaining oil in a very slow, steady stream and process until the mixture has the consistency of mayonnaise.

Add lemon juice to taste, and thin with a little cold water if the mixture is too thick. Transfer to a bowl, cover, and refrigerate until serving.

For the egg-and-lemon sauce:
2 tablespoons cornstarch
2 cups fish stock or water, or mixture of stock and water
3 eggs, lightly beaten
Juice of 2 lemons (1/3 to 1/2 cup)
Salt

In a small saucepan, combine the cornstarch with a few tablespoons of the stock or water and stir to make a smooth paste. Add the remaining stock and/or water and bring to a boil over high heat, stirring constantly so no lumps form. Reduce heat to medium and simmer, stirring often until thickened, about 10 minutes. Remove from heat.

In a bowl, beat together the eggs and lemon juice until quite frothy. Whisk in a little of the hot stock to temper the eggs, then gradually stir the eggs into the liquid remaining in the pan.

Simmer over very low heat, stirring often, until the sauce thickens, just a few minutes. Remove from the heat and season with salt.

Transfer to a bowl and cover to keep warm, or let cool and serve cold. When the sauce is served cold, it has the consistency of mayonnaise.

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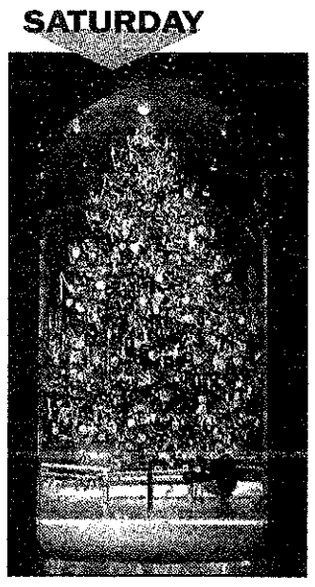
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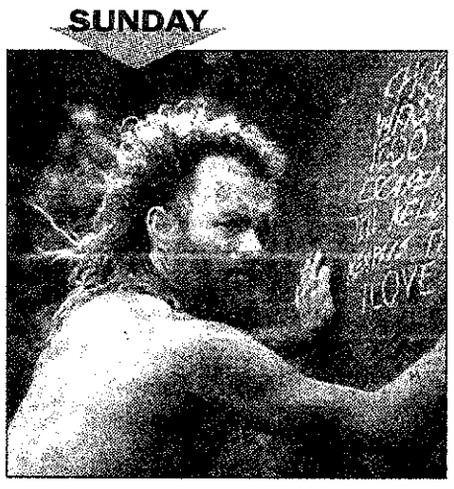
Four Grammy-winning vocalists including Peabo Bryson and Roberta Flack, a gospel choir and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, combine their talents for "The Colors of Christmas," 8 p.m. at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. Tickets $27-$60, call (313) 576-5111.

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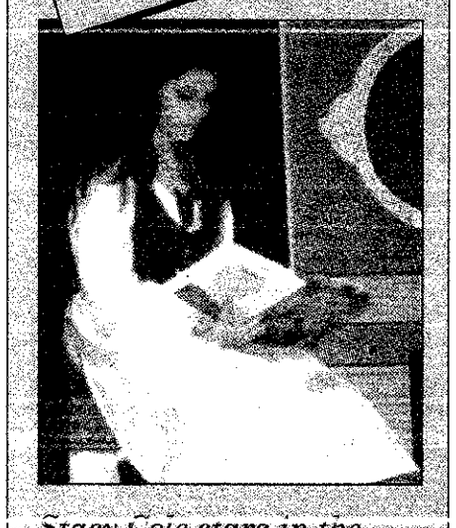
A 25-foot tall holiday tree with more than 2,000 ornaments greets visitors to Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn during "Traditions of the Season." The museum is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.

SUNDAY



Tom Hanks faces the emotional ordeal of isolation in "Cast Away" now playing at metro Detroit movie theaters.

TICKET



Stacy Cole stars in the musical "Cindy Cinderella: An American Fairytale" presented by Heartlande Theatre Company at the Anderson Center Theater inside Henry Ford Museum through Dec. 30. Performances 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, and Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 27-30. Recommended for ages 5-12 years old. Tickets $6, call (313) 982-6001.

HE'S STILL *Running Wild*

Motown's legendary songwriter looks ahead to more great music



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Whether you recognize his name or not, chances are you know Barrett Strong's songs by heart. The Southfield resident penned tunes like War and I Can't Get Next To You. Song's that still manage to get you singing, humming and tapping along to the beat.

"I was born a musician," said Strong. "I started out playing piano at the tender age of 5 years old. I started in gospel. My sister and I had a gospel group."

From those gospel roots, Strong moved into the realm of R&B. Introduced at age 15 to Motown legend Berry Gordie, the temptation of working in the record industry took hold. Success came quickly for Strong, who achieved his first hit with Money, a song he also sang.

Teaming up with songwriting partner Norman Whitfield, Strong tailored music that struck a chord with the likes of music industry giants – The Temptations, Marvin Gaye and Gladys Knight and The Pips. Together, Strong and Whitfield were the wordsmiths behind such timeless hits as Papa Was A Rolling Stone, I Heard It Through The Grapevine, I Wish It Would Rain and Just My Imagination.

Despite his amazing history and impact on the unforgettable Motown sound, Barrett Strong is adamant about looking ahead.

Five years ago, Strong opened Boomtown Sound, a studio in Southfield that caters to up-and-coming R&B acts like The Next Generation, gospel duos like Sheila and L.J., and local rock songstress Eliza. Strong insists his roster of musicians found him through word-of-mouth.

About eight years ago, he met Eliza Thomasian while she was working at a Southfield health food store. "He said he was starting a label and he made me his partner," she recalled. Eliza said she's learned a lot working with Strong. "'Don't believe everything you hear,'" is one of the credo's she repeated.

With a keen eye, Strong is seeking new local talent to work with. Of course, there are a few guidelines when you're dealing with a Detroit legend.

"When they call, we ask them to bring a tape so we can hear what they're doing," said Strong. "We want them to walk in looking like entertainers."

Strong laments the current music scene, and looks back to the days when Detroit, and the Motown sound ruled the radio. "It's not like it used to be," he said, "when there was talent on every corner. Detroit seems to be lost. You get no radio support. Times are different. People say they believe but they don't believe."

Still, Strong believes. He's an avid supporter of local music.

"People are going to have to start supporting artists," said Strong. "People just changed. It's a different breed of individual out there. Technology changed it. I'm a true believer of real instruments. (Electronics) made everybody lazy. It put a lot of real musicians out of work."

Thinking back to the golden days of radio, he recalled a time when there was one chart of hit songs. "Back in the days of Motown, we did R&B music with a pop edge," He said. "I look at it as being all good music."

Strong still writes and records his own music. Still sticking to the formula he found in his childhood – sitting down at the piano, working out a melody. Releasing his first solo album since 1971, Stronghold 2, on his Blarritt Records label, Strong mixed it up. He included his own version of I Wish It Would Rain. He offered tunes with something of a country feel and returned to his music of his choice, R&B.

"You're not what you used to be," said Strong of his songwriting over the years. "My ideas are different. Technology is so different. I still do things my way."

Perhaps no one knows that better than Brian Lord, an engineer at Boomtown.

"It's great to be around when he comes up with ideas," said Lord. "He created so many great tunes... He definitely knows what he wants to hear."

Strong's studio and production label offer a chance for local musicians to seek out their own dreams. "It's their day," he said. "I don't get involved in the things they're doing. It's a new day."

Learn more about and hear the latest from Barrett Strong by logging onto one of his Web sites: www. blarrittrecords. com or www. barrettstrong. com. Stronghold 2 is available at Harmony House, on Amazon.com and through Action Music Distribution.

FAMILY ADVENTURE

A winter adventure awaits at SPIRIT of Ford

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Slipping and sliding isn't fun if you're in a car after a blizzard in rush hour traffic, but it is if you're wearing ice skates.

At the SPIRIT of Ford Automotive Adventure Center in Dearborn, visitors can see how winter adventures intersect with the design, testing and manufacture of vehicles we use to get places like ice rinks.

The interactive exhibition, *Extreme Ice*, "is a whole lot of fun," said Shanda McKeehan, public relations coordinator for the museum. In the past, a wall of ice would have required a major detour in your travel plans. Now, it's a challenge.

What: *Extreme Ice* exhibit at SPIRIT of Ford Automotive Adventure Center, 1151 Village Road, Dearborn (across from Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village).
When: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily through Sunday, Feb. 25. Closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. Also closed Monday in January and February.
Admission: $6 adults (13 and older), $5 seniors (62 and older), $4 children (5-12), no charge for children age 4 and younger. Call (313) 317-7474 or visit www.spiritofford.com

As visitors learn how Ford Motor Company tests vehicles to function in conditions like *Extreme Ice* they can conquer a 40-foot long wall of ice, maneuver a battery powered vehicle through ice and road obstacles, and race an air-powered car up and down a hilly, ice-covered road full of winter challenges.



Glacier run: *Participants' faces show the intensity of of "driving" an air-powered car up and down an ice-covered road full of winter driving challenges at the Spirit of Ford Automotive Adventure Center.*

Moose Maneuver tests reaction time, and shows how road conditions and driver control play a major role in road handling.

Ice skating

Bring your ice skates and take a few laps around the outdoor Super Ice rink that never melts no matter how warm it gets. Skates are also available to guests courtesy of Easton Sports. Entrance onto the rink is included with admission to SPIRIT of Ford.

Thrill seekers can also slip and slide toboggan-style through deep ice ravines and treacherous mountain terrain in the new iWerks motion stimulator film *Glacier Run*. "You're belted into a seat and feel everything," said McKeehan.

The exhibit also showcases Ford vehicles that have been taken through their paces in cold conditions to ensure top performance in more moderate driving conditions, said Jo Haas, director of SPIRIT of Ford. A couple of concept vehicles are included in the display.

Santa

To help tell the global story of Ford Motor Company, SPIRIT of Ford's life size collection of 18 Santas showcases the diversity and richness of culture around the world.

"In Japan, children believe that Santa has eyes in back of his head so that he can watch all the children year-round," said McKeehan. Kente Claus, a West African Santa, is dressed in Kente cloth, a beautiful royal heritage cloth to promote good will. In France, Piere Noel delivers gifts to children with the help of his donkey, leaving the gifts in the children's shoes. A 21st Century Santa is equipped with a cell phone.

A 30-food holiday tree also helps set the festive mood at SPIRIT of Ford.

If you've got any last-minute gifts to buy, you might just find them at the Exit Ramp, SPIRIT of Ford's gift shop. Some of the offerings include a Mustang Stainless Steel Watch, $50, Ford Teddy Bear, $35, and Heavy Duty Industry Strength auto body care products from $15 and up.

In addition to the special exhibits, you can visit the Design Studio Theater and Advance Technology Lab.

"*Extreme Ice* is an awesome exhibit," said McKeehan. "We've had a great response."

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Get out of the cold and warm up with some new stories and characters on the silver screen this holiday season. Here's a look at some of the films coming to metro area theaters:

Scheduled to open Friday, Dec. 22

CHOCOLAT
A mysterious woman arrives in a French town and opens an unusual chocolate shop. Her ability to sense a customer's private desires and satisfy them with just the right confection stirs up the town. Stars Juliette Binoche, Judi Dench.

MISS CONGENIALITY
An FBI agent trying to follow in her heroic mother's footsteps goes undercover as a beauty pageant contestant to thwart the efforts of a group threatening to bomb the event. Stars Sandra Bullock, William Shatner and Ernie Hudson.

WES CRAVEN'S DRACULA 2000
Taking up where the Bram Stoker legend chillingly ends, Dracula's century-old crypt is opened and the world's most seductive and sinister vampire is unleashed upon modern times. Stars Gerard Butler, Johnny Lee Miller, Justine Waddell, Christopher Plummer.

Scheduled to open Monday, Dec. 25

ALL THE PRETTY HORSES
The film adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's acclaimed best-selling novel of the same title. The story of two young men, lured south of the border by the romance of the cowboy life and the promise of a fresh start. Together they embark on an adventure that will test their resilience, define their maturity, and change their lives forever. Stars Matt Damon, Henry Thomas, Lucas Black and Penelope Cruz.

Scheduled to open January 2001

MALENA
From the Academy Award-winning director of *Cinema Paradiso* comes an intimate portrait and an epic story of independence, intrigue, courage and the indelible presence of true love. Stars Monica Bellucci, Guiseppe Sulfaro, Daniele Arena.

Scheduled to open March 2001

SONGCATCHER
The story of musicologist Dr. Lily Penleric, a fiercely tenacious woman who journeyed into the mountains and discovered the wild-hearted world where American folk, bluegrass and country music were born. Stars Janet McTeer, Aidan Quinn, Pat Caroll, Jane Adams and Emmy Rossum.



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VAN REDIN

Indulging: *(Top photo) Juliet Binoche stars as the owner of a chocolate shop who manages to almost magically sweeten an entire town and touches lives of everyone in it, in "Chocolat," opening this Friday.*

Coming of age: *(Left) Matt Damon stars as Texas teenager John Grady Cole in "All The Pretty Horses," a Columbia Pictures/Miramax Films presentation. The film is due in theaters Christmas Day.*

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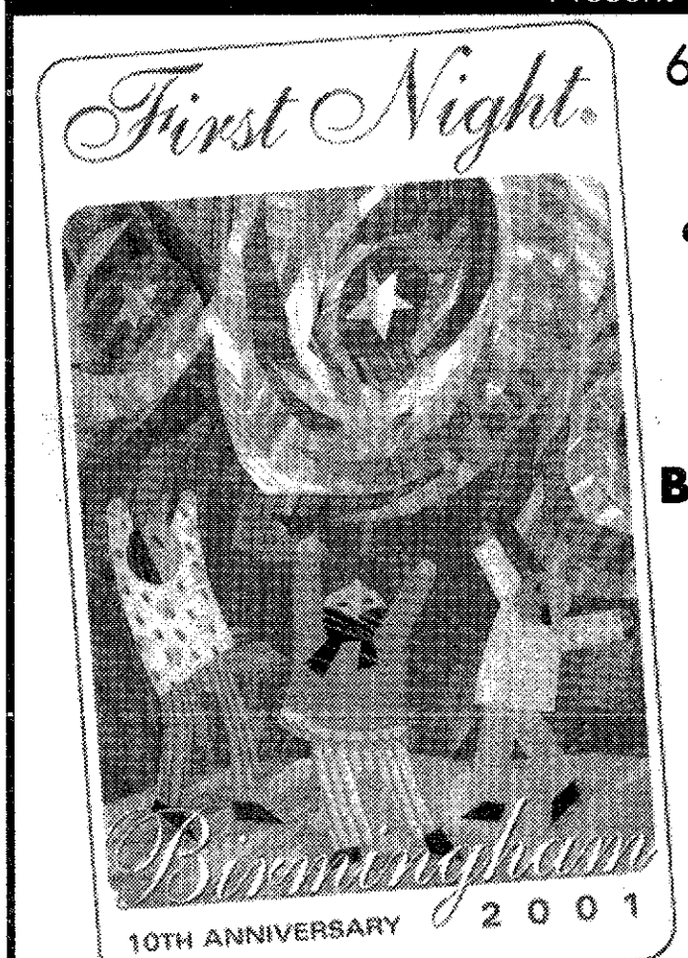
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I've got a list of excuses for shopping procrastination. Feel free to use them. I've been shoveling snow. I've been stuck in traffic. Or, simply rely on the most likely of all. The people I care about never tell me what they want.

Are you trapped in this pre-holiday nightmare? Are you on the verge of blanketing your friends and family members with something that says aromatherapy on it?

■ Choose a release from a local recording artist and let your loved ones discover a new sound. To help you do the research, try the Web site at www.detroitpublictv.org.

Here's a better suggestion. Give the gift of music. I know. I know. How are you supposed to know what people have in their music collection? Admittedly, buying a CD for somebody without snooping through their stuff isn't easy. Chances are if they like the Dave Matthews Band, they've already got everything that's been recorded.

There's a way around that. You already know the type of music they like. Choose a release from a local recording artist and let your loved ones discover a new sound. To help you do the research, try the Web site at www. detroitpublictv. org. Click on the Watch icon, and then *Backstage Pass*. You'll find a video vault of all the local and national recording artists that the Detroit Public TV series has featured over the past four years. They're broken down by music genre to make it even easier to sample.

If you know a Dave Matthews Band fan, you may wish to consider David Gray, who is the first artist signed to Matthews' own label. He's got a hit, *Babylon*, that sticks with you, as you'll discover by watching him perform on an edition of *Backstage Pass* that airs 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31 and 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4 on Channel 56.

You also can't go wrong by selecting Marshall Crenshaw for pop music fans. The Berkley High grad was in town this week for an acoustic show at the Magic Bag in Ferndale, and also performs on *Backstage Pass*, at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21.

I hope my suggestion helps you to cross a few people off your shopping list. You'll notice that I also dropped in a few hints about supporting local artists and watching *Backstage Pass*.

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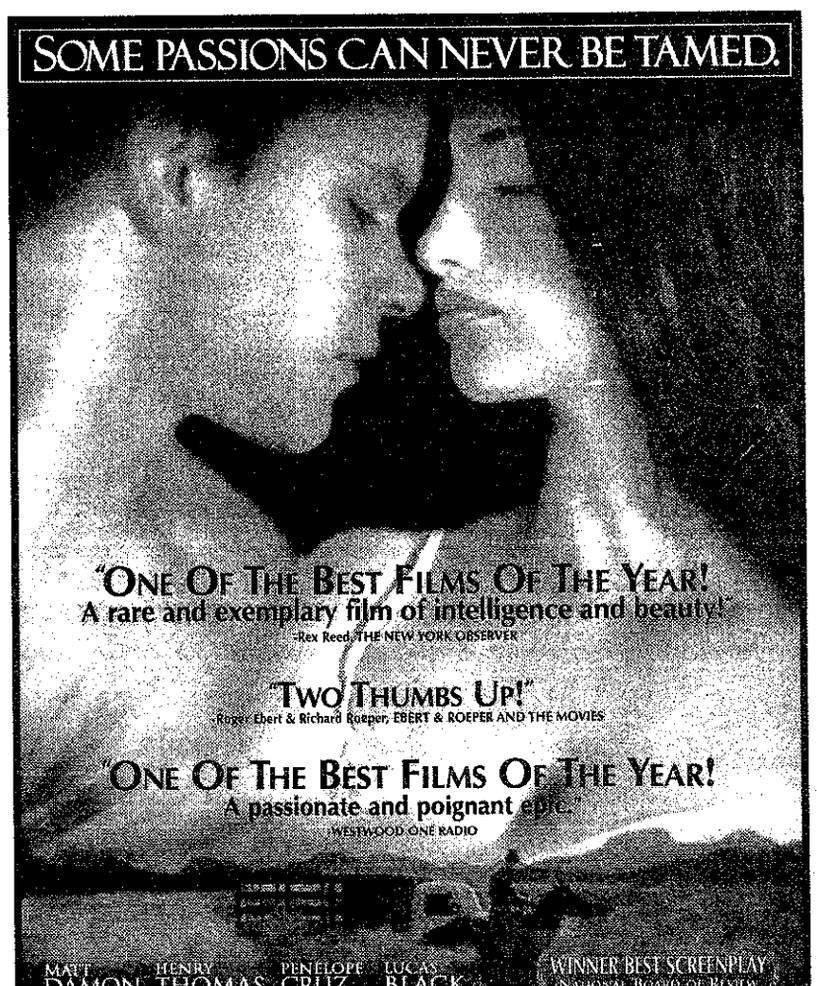
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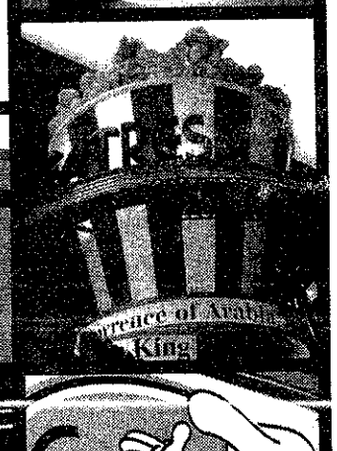
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CENTURY THEATRE: *Late Nite Catechism* through Feb. 11, at the theater, Detroit. $24.50-$34.50. (313) 963-9800

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: *This Blood's for You,* Thursday-Sunday to Dec. 31, at the theater, Detroit. $15. (313) 868-1347/(248) 645-6666

FOX THEATRE: *The Radio City Christmas Spectacular* continues to Sunday, Dec. 31, at the theater, Detroit. $10-$55.50. (248) 433-1515 or visit the Web site at www.ticketmaster.com

GEM THEATRE: *Escanaba in da Moonlight,* a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through Dec. 31, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, at the theater in Detroit. $24.50-$34.50. (313) 963-9800

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE: *Twighlight* of the Gods continues Dec. 21-24, Dec. 27-31, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday, at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level of the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road (corner of Maple & Drake), West Bloomfield. (248) 788-2900

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: *A Christmas Carol* continues through Sunday, Dec. 24, at the theater on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. Performances Tuesday-Sunday. $26.50-$39.50, (248) 377-3300/(248) 645-6666. *Lion in Winter* opens Jan. 10; *Killing Time* Feb. 14; *The Ride Down Mt. Morgan* March 21, and *Little Shop of Horrors* April 25.

SECOND CITY THEATRE: *The Vagina Monologues* opens 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23 and continues through Feb. 11, at the theater in Detroit. Tickets $85 for opening night charity gala, includes after glow. Tickets $45 for the run of the show, with $15 tickets available for first 25 students to present ID. (248) 645-6666

COLLEGE THEATER

HILBERRY THEATRE: Luigi Pirandello's *Six Characters in Search of an Author* runs in rotating repertory until Feb. 22, performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

CINDY CINDERELLA: AN AMERICAN FAIRYTALE: Presented by Heartlande Theatre Company with Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 27-30. Anderson Center Theater inside Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn. $6, call (313) 982-6001. American Sign Language interpretation will be provided Saturday, Dec. 30. Special services for blind and hearing impaired individuals are also available by calling (313) 982-6100, Ext. 2535

MARQUIS THEATRE: Musical adaptation of *Pinocchio,* 2:30 p.m Saturday, Dec. 23, 30 and Jan. 6 and 13; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, and Jan. 7, 14. Weekday performances 2:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, Dec. 26-29, at the theater, Northville. $7.50. No children under age 3. (248) 349-8110

PUPPETART: *Cinderella* 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, Detroit. $7, $5 children. (313) 961-7777

HOLIDAY CONCERTS

CANADIAN BRASS: Joins the Detroit Symphony Orchestra 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $19-$49. (313) 576-5111

CENTRALUNITED METHODIST CHURCH: Celebrates the Joy of the Advent season 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 24, at Central United Methodist Church, Detroit. (313) 965-5422

COLORS OF CHRISTMAS: Concert featuring Roberta Flack, Peabo Bryson, Marilyn McCoo and Bill Medley, with Diane Louis conducting the DSO 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 22-23, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $27-$60. (3130 576-5111



Family musical: *Tim Wolf (left to right), Patrick O'Reilly and Stacy Cole star in the musical "Cindy Cinderella: An American Fairytale" presented by Heartlande Theatre Company at the Anderson Center Theater inside Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn, through Dec. 30. Performances 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, and Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 27-30. Recommended for ages 5-12. Tickets $6, call (313) 982-6001.*

JAZZ UP YOUR HOLIDAYS: The Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra presents jazz for the holidays 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, at Temple Beth El, Bloomfield Hills. $20, students free. (248) 645-2276

NATALIE COLE CHRISTMAS: Joins the Detroit Symphony Orchestra 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111 or visit the Web site www.detroitsymphony.com

SPECIAL EVENTS

HOLIDAY DINNERS: Five course Christmas dinner, 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 24 ($75), and New Year's Eve Sunday, Jan. 31, 5:30-7:30 p.m. open menu and 9:30 p.m. five course prefixed menu ($95), at Ristorante Cafe Cortina, Farmington Hills. (248) 474-3033

HOLIDAY SALE: The artists of the Michigan Hot Glass Workshop exhibit their work at the Holiday Sale 2000 concluding with a blow-out sale noon to 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23 at 1604 Clay Avenue, second floor, Detroit. Open daily from noon to 6 p.m., the workshop features everything imaginable in glass. (313) 871-1798

TOY AND HOBBY EXPO: 5-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30 and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, at the Novi Expo Center. $6, $3 ages 4-12, $5 parking. (734) 455-2110

BENEFITS

DETROIT DIVA'S & DON JUAN'S OF SONG/POETRY: A variety show featuring Dee Dee McNeil, Bettya LaVette, Big Daddy Boo Bear and many others 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, in the Paul Robeson Theater in the Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers, Detroit. $20, proceeds go to the Detroit Links and Linkages Abstinence Coalition which provides abstinence training through the arts for more than 3,000 local youth. (313) 342-1000

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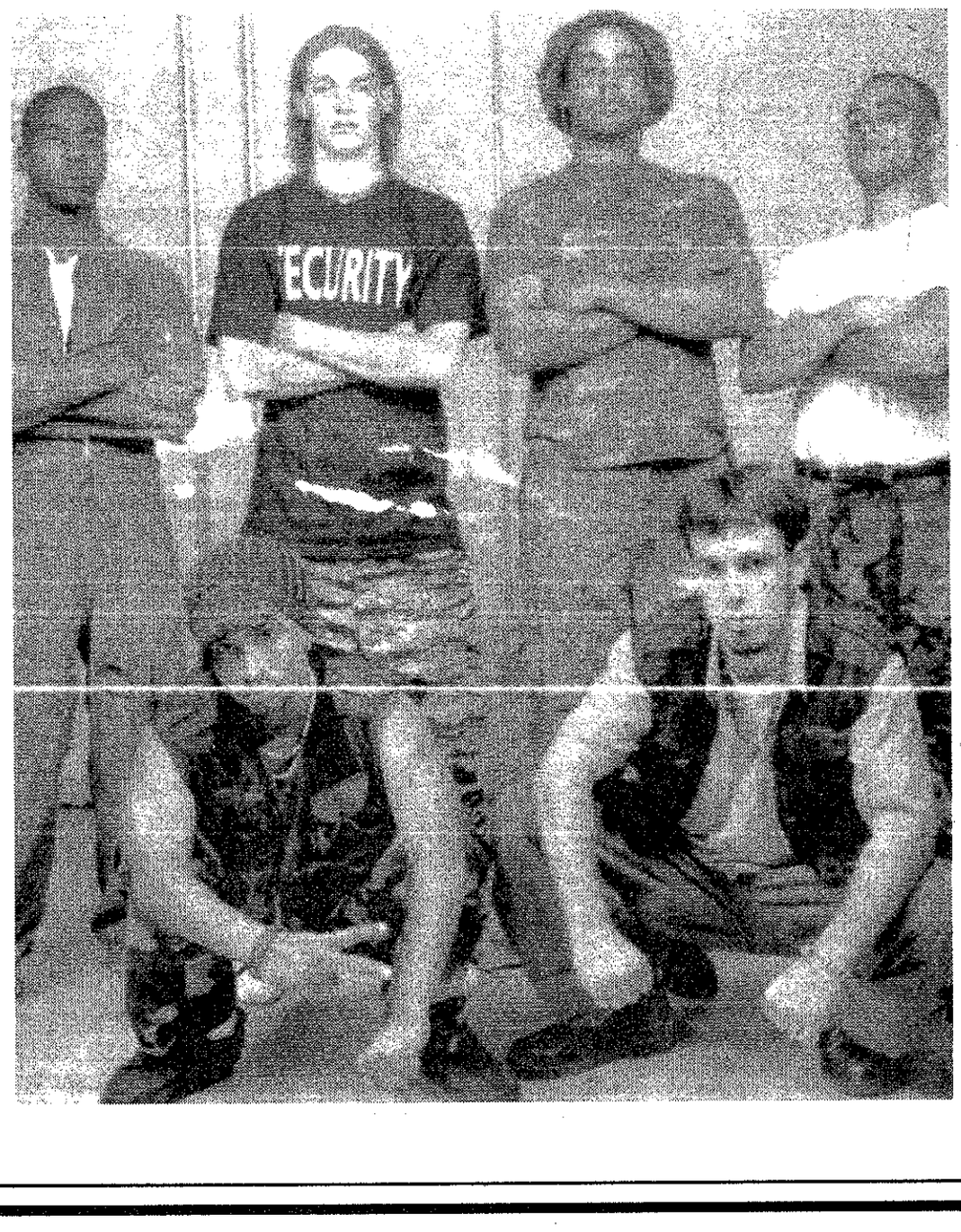
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MICHAEL JAMES/DEBORAH JIMMERSON: Piano bar 7-11 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and 8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, at La Bistecca Italian Grille, Livonia. (734) 254-0400

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RON BROOKS TRIO: 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. $5 cover. (734) 662-8310

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MATT MICHAELS TRIO: With vocalist Barbara Ware 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, at Ron's Fireside Inn, Warren Road, east of Middlebelt. $5 cover. (734) 762-7756

LARRY NOZERO QUARTET: 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 22-23 and 29-30, at Rocky's of Northville. (248) 349-4434

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MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE: Peter Berman Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 21-23, at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: Scott Henry Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 21-23, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

SECOND CITY: *Here Comes My 19th Nervous Breakdown,* 8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, at the club in Detroit. $15 and $20. (313) 965-2222/(248) 645-6666 or www.secondcity.com

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ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM: 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

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

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

TROY HISTORICAL MUSEUM: *Michigan Lighthouses: An Aerial Photographic Retrospective* continues to January 2001, at the museum, Troy. No charge.

HENRY FORD MUSEUM & GREENFIELD VILLAGE: Traditions of the Season continues to Monday, Jan. 1, and new Village Lantern Walk, *The Twelve Nights of Christmas* through Saturday, Dec. 23. Thursday-Saturday visitors can visit eight Village buildings at night and follow the lanterns to homes featuring traditional holiday cooking and decorations. Carolers, horse drawn carriage rides, cider and cookies are all part of the experience. Visitors will be able to pick out their holiday greenery at a Victorian era greens show. Reservations are required to take part in the evening program, call (313) 271-1620. For information about the Museum or Village, call (313) 271-1620

LIVE MUSIC

ANTIFREEZE BLUES FESTIVAL: With Lonnie Brooks, Jeff Grand, Jim McCarty, RJ's Blues Revue, Randy Volin's Sonic Blues, Bugs Beddow, 8 p.m. Friday Jan. 5 and Johnnie Johnson, George Bedard and the Kingpins, Thornetta Davis, The Millionaires, Chicago Pete & the Alligators, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, Magic Bag, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030

JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS: 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20, Center Street Pub, Detroit. (313) 965-3651.

BENNY AND THE JETS: Sunday, Dec. 31, Best Western Hotel, Romulus. (724) 728-2800

CHUCK BERRY AND JERRY LEE LEWIS: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $35-$75. (248) 645-6666.

BRILLIANT AND ROBB ROY: With Rochester's own Prime Ministers, 10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Lili's 21, Hamtramck. 21 and over. Call (313) 875-6555.

BUGS BEDDOW BAND: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 22-23, Beale Street Blues, Pontiac. (248) 334-7900; 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 29-30, Union Lake Bar and Grille, Commerce Township. (248) 360-7450

CAPTURE THE FLAG: With Over It, 10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, 313.JAC, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067.

CHAIN REACTION: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Library Sports Pub, Novi. (248) 349-9110; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434

CLOUD NINE: 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5. (734) 996-8555

DEAD HEROES: With Hillside Stranglers, Gutterpunx, Multi Grain, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. $6. (313) 961-8961

WARN DEFEVER'S 100 YEARS BAND: Featuring the mastermind behind His Name is Alive, along with Bob McCreedy, Aliccia of Slumber Party and more, performing songs from the I Want You To Live for One Hundred Years record, Saturday, Dec. 30, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873

DETEKTIVE RIOT: 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20, The Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. 19 and older. $3. (734) 996-8555; 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, The Token Lounge, Westland. 21 and older. (734) 513-5030; With Inside 5 Minutes, The Black Lodge, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, Lili's 21, Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555; With the Bomb Pops, 60 Second Crush, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, Lili's 21, Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555.

DIETY: With Big Ass Ham, Joe Fate and TDX, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5. (734) 996-8555

EAT THE NEON: With Surrogate King, 40 Flea, Tuesday, Dec. 26, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 996-8555

EKOOSTIK HOOKAH: Friday-Saturday, Dec. 22-23, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $13 advance. (248) 544-3030

FACTORY 81: With Relative Ash, Arizing, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. $8. All ages. (313) 961-8961

TERRY FARMER: 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, Shuck's Oyster Bar, Utica. (810) 323-6009

FIELD THEORY: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $4. (734) 996-8555

THE FIREBIRD BAND: Featuring ex-Braid members, 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. $6. (313) 961-8961

TIM FLAHERTY TRIO: With Nancy K. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 22-23, Woodruff's Supper Club, Royal Oak.

FREED: With South Normal, Red Dye 9, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5. (734) 996-8555

G. LOVE AND SPECIAL SAUCE:



9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. $20 advance. All ages. (313) 961-8961

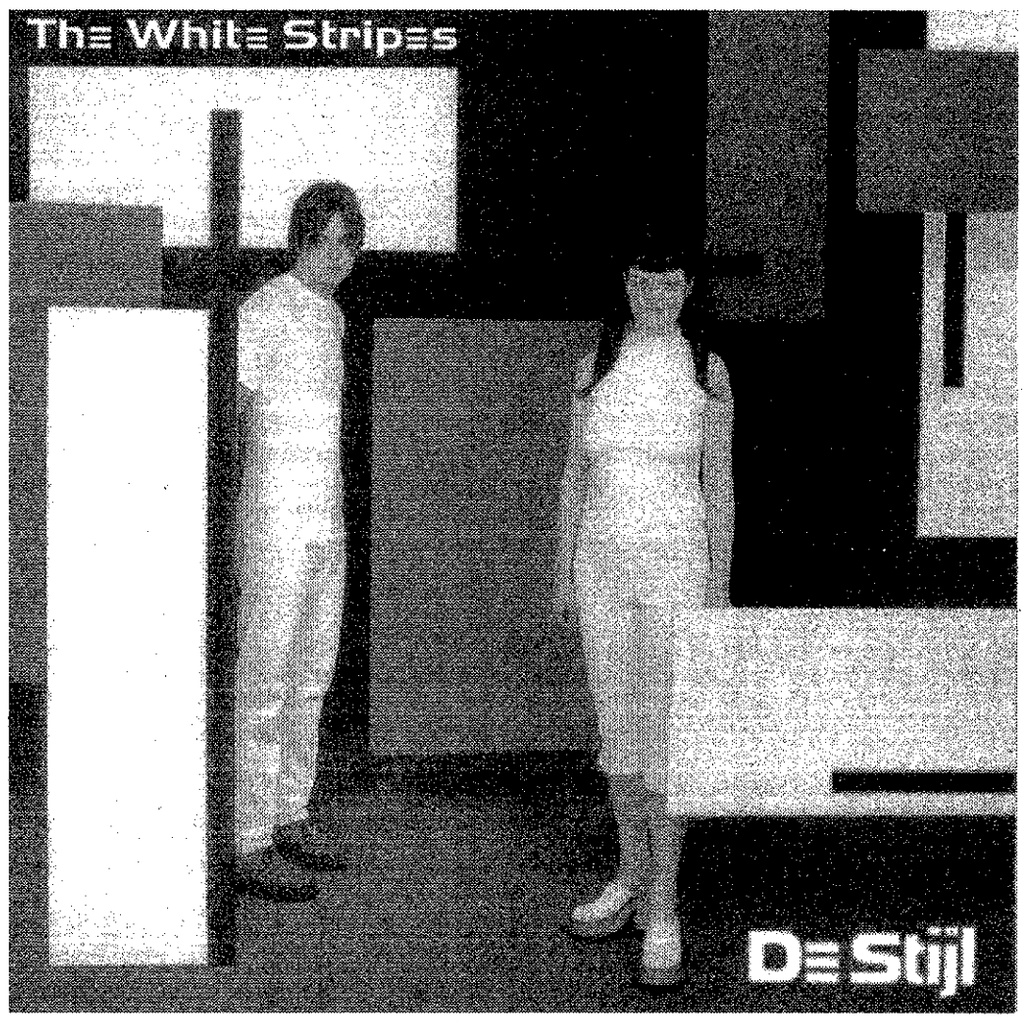
GABRIEL RECORDS: Home to local rockers Face, this independant label invites the public to a holiday celebration, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

GREENSTREET: With Roundabout Way, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, The Shelter, Detroit. $8. All ages. (248) 645-6666.

GYPSY DOG: 9 p.m. Saturday, Wintergarden Tavern, Livonia. Free. (248) 474-7150

HEMIGOD: Friday, Dec. 29, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873

AL HILL: 7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 21-23, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 26, 28-30, Zydeco's, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-3600



Paint the town for 2001: *The White Stripes (pictured) and the Detroit Cobras are ready to rock in the new year in Detroit With openers They Come In Threes, catch what's sure to be a great show 9 p.m. Dec. 31, at the Magic Stick, Detroit. Call (313) 833-9700 for details. If you like what you hear, checkout www.whitestipes.com and grab a copy of the band's latest CD, "DeStijl."*

CLUB CIRCUIT

ALVIN'S: 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. 18 and older welcome. (313) 832-2355 or www.alvins.xtcom.com
ARBOR BREWING COMPANY: 114 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 213-1393 or www.arborbrewing.com
THE ARENA: 2800 N. Milford Road, Highland. Located inside Olympic Lanes. (248) 887-1880
THE ARK: 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-8587
ANDIAMO ITALIA WEST: 6676 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300
BEALE STREET BLUES: 8 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. (248) 334-7900.
BIRD OF PARADISE: 312 Main Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310
BLIND PIG: 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $3 in advance, $5 at the door. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 or www.blindpigmusic.com
BULLFROG BAR AND GRILL: 15414 Telegraph, Redford. (313) 533-4477
CARBON: Joseph Campau just north of Caniff in Hamtramck. (313) 366-9278
CAVERN CLUB: 210 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900
CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET: 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older Saturdays; 18 and older Wednesdays. (248) 333-2362 or www.961melt.com
COBO ARENA: 301 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6616
CONOR O'NEILLS: 318 S. Main, Ann Arbor. Free live entertainment. (734) 665-2968 or www.conoroneills.com
COWLEY'S: 33338 Grand River Avenue, Farmington. (248) 474-5941
THE DECK AND THE FIVE HOLE: 2301 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 965-9500
DETROIT SCIENCE: 9 p.m.-5 a.m. Thursday-Saturday, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford. Cover $10 for 21 and over. Cover $15 for 18-20 year olds. No cover for women on Thursdays. (313) 438-4146 or www.detroitscience.com
EDISON'S: 220 Merrill Street, Birmingham. (248) 645-2150
ELIE'S: 263 Pierce Street, Birmingham. (248) 647-2420
FIFTH AVENUE BILLIARDS: 215 W. Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922
FLYING FISH TAVERN: 17600 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747
FORD ROAD BAR AND GRILL: 35505 Ford Road, Westland. (734) 721-8609
FOX THEATRE: 2211 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 983-6611
FOX AND HOUNDS: 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800
GOLD DOLLAR: 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www. golddollar.com
GROOVE ROOM:1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly. 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or www.thegrooveroom.com
HILL AUDITORIUM: 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2538
JOE LOUIS ARENA: 600 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6606
JD'S KEY CLUB: 1 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 338-7337.
KARL'S CABIN: 9979 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450
LA BOOM TEEN NIGHTCLUB: Dance night for teens ages 15-19, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, 1172 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. (248) 926-9960
LONELY HEARTS CLUB: 211 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 913-5506
LOWERTOWN GRILL: 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. (734) 451-1213
MAGIC BAG: 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030.
MAINSTREET BILLIARDS AND THE ALLEY: Main Street, Rochester. (248) 652-8441
MAJESTIC THEATRE, CAFE AND MAGIC STICK: (313) 833-9700
MEADOWBROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL: On the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. (248) 377-0100 or www.palacenet.com.
MEMPHIS SMOKE: 100 S. Main Street, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300
MICHIGAN THEATER: 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 668-8397
MOTOR LOUNGE: 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 396-0080 or www.motordetroit.com
MR. B'S FARM: 24555 Novi Road, Novi. (248) 349-7038
MUSIC MENU: 511 Monroe, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU
THE PALACE: 2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills. (248) 377-0100 or www.palacenet.com
PHOENIX PLAZA AMPHITHEATER: 10 N. Water Street, Pontiac
PINE KNOB MUSIC THEATRE: I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com
PURE BAR ROOM: 1500 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 21 and older. Cover charge Friday-Saturday. (313) 471-PURE
ROCHESTER MILLS BEER COMPANY: 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080
THE ROOKIE SPORTS CAFE: 3632 Elizabeth, Wayne. (734) 729-7337
ROYAL OAK MUSIC THEATRE: 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. (248) 546-7610
THE SCARAB CLUB: 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 831-1250
ST. ANDREW'S/THE SHELTER: 431 E. Congress, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com
7TH HOUSE: 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 335-3540
STATE THEATRE AND STATE BAR: 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and over. (313) 961-5451 or www.statetheater.com
24 KARAT CLUB: 28949 Joy, Westland. 21 and older. (734) 513-5030
313.JAC: Upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush, Detroit. (313) 962-7067
TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE: 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Discount for members. (734) 464-6302.
U.S. 12 BAR AND GRILL/WAYNE BREWERY: 34824 Michigan Ave. West, Wayne. (734) 722-7639
VELVET LOUNGE: 29 S. Saginaw St., Pontiac. (248) 334-7411
VILLAGE BAR AND GRILL/BEENY'S CUE & BREW: 35234 Michigan Ave. West, Wayne. (734) 729-2360
WAGON WHEEL TAVERN: 102 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. (248) 693-6789
WOODRUFF'S SUPPER CLUB: 212 W. Sixth Street, Royal Oak. (248) 586-1519
XHEDOS CAFE: Sista Otis performs 8-10 p.m. Sundays at the club, 240 West Nine Mile, Ferndale. All ages. Free. (248) 399-3946
ZIM'S IRISH TAVERN: 1350 Lapeer Road, Oxford. (248) 969-9467

HOWLING DIABLOS: With Thornetta Davis, Funktelligence, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. $8 advance. (313) 961-8961

IMMUNITY: 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, The Cavern Club, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900; 9:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 26, Memphis Smoke, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300

ALAN JACKSON: With Sara Evans, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, The Palace of Auburn Hills. $27.50-$34.50. (248) 645-6666.

JAZZHEAD: 10 p.m. Monday, Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922.

KILLSWITCH: With Braillehouse, 10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, 313.JAC, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067.

BB KING: With Bobby Blue Bland, The Manhattans, featuring Gerald Alston and Blue Lovett, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $30, $37.50, $75. (248) 645-6666

THE LANTERNJACK: With Stun Gun, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

LIVE AND LOUD HOLIDAY BALL: With Innercourse, Paradime, The Diner Junkies, fashion show and all star jam, also Waxwings, The Flashing Lights, The Atomic Numbers and 12 Rods, Friday, Dec. 22, Majestic and Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

MB2: 6:45 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, Knox Auditorium, Birmingham. See www. mb2. net.

M80S: 8 p.m. New Year's Eve Party, Sunday, Dec. 31, Magic Bag, Ferndale. Details to come. (248) 544-3030

MAZINGA: With 45 Cents, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5. (734) 996-8555

MIDLIFE CRISIS: 10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Boulders, Plymouth. 21 and older. $4. (734) 459-4190

MOODS FOR MODERNS: With Fletcher Pratt, Slumber Party, Wednesday, Dec. 27, Jacoby's, Detroit. (313) 962-7067

19 WHEELS: And Rooster, Saturday, Dec. 23, The Alley, Rochester.

KERI NOBLE: 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16 Borders Books and Music, Birmingham. Free. (248) 203-0005

NOBODY'S BUSINESS: Hosts Rockabiliy Jam Sessions, Thursdays at The New Way Bar, Ferndale. (248) 541-9870.

TED NUGENT'S WHIPLASH BASH: With Sammy Hagar and Mad Mordigan, 9 p.m. New Year's Eve, Sunday, Dec. 31, The Palace, Auburn Hills. $39.50-$45. (248) 645-6666.

OBJECTS OF WRATH: 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $3. (734) 996-8555

ORBIT SUNS: With Audra Kubat, 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, 313.JAC, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067.

OLUPUS: With Jettison Red, Saturday, Dec. 23, Xhedos Cafe, Ferndale.

OUT BY TUESDAY: CD Release party with Joe's Favorites, Own, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, Redford. 21 and older. $3-$5 cover. (313) 533-4477.

PAIK: With Laughing Gas, Showshane, Saturday, Dec. 23, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873

PANTERA: With Soulfly, Morbid Angel, rescheduled to Thursday, March 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills. $30. Tickets already purchased for the Nov. 25 date will be honored. Refunds available at point of purchase. (248) 645-6666.

THE PAYBACKS: With Gore Gore Girls, Octopus, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

PT'S REVENGE: With Slo Poke, Wristrocket, 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, 313.JAC, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. $5. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067.

RACHEL AND KAPP: 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800.

ROBERT BRADLEY'S BLACKWATER SURPRISE: With The Numbers, Mighty Whitey, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 18 and older. $20 advance. (313) 961-8961

ROBB ROY: 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30, Boulder's, Plymouth. 21 and older. $5. (734) 459-4190

DJ KEVIN SAUNDERSON: With DJ Minx, 9 p.m. New Year's Eve, Sunday, Dec. 31, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. $20 advance or $65 with dinner. (313) 833-9700

SKOOL NITE: End of the month MC Battle, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $4. (734) 996-8555

SPAG: Friday, Dec. 22, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873

JON SPENCER BLUES EXPLOSION: 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 18 and older. $15. (313) 961-8961

STONEY MAZAAR AND THE WESTSIDERS: 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22-23, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. All ages. Free. (248) 644-4800.

SUICIDE MACHINES: With Small Brown Bike, Blindshot, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. $8. All ages. (313) 961-8961; 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30. The Shelter, Detroit. $8. All ages. (313) 961-8961.

TELEGRAPH: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. $5 at the door. (313) 961-8961

THE WHITE STRIPES AND THE DETROIT COBRAS: With They Come In Threes, 9 p.m. Dec. 31, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

THE WILDBUNCH AND THE GO: With The Buzzards, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

STREET SCENE

Rock Candyland: 19 Wheels release 'Sugareen'



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

Chris Johnston saunters over smiling with an air of calm and confidence. And he should be. The Birmingham native and singer for 19 Wheels faces a new year full of possibilities. With a brand new album of perfectly-crafted, catchy pop rock songs – appropriately titled *Sugareen* – and record label interest on the rise, 19 Wheels finally seems to be rolling in the right direction.

Radio listeners have been hearing the band's cover of BTO's *You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet*, on 89X's *Top 9 at 9*. It's jumped from 12 to 19 spins at press time. And anyone involved in local music knows getting played on the radio is no easy feat.

Relaxing at a table at Ferndale's Woodward Avenue Brewery – a restaurant he also co-owns – Johnston reflects on the road that got him here. It all started with a fascination for old 45's. Perhaps the preferred pastime in his early days, some things never change. "I was listening to the Jackson 5, The Beach Boys and The Beatles," he admits. "I wanted to be in the Jackson 5."

This was around the time he also dreamed of being a Harlem Globetrotter. One listen to the 10 unforgettable tracks on sticky-sweet *Sugareen*, and its hard to picture him spinning a basketball on one finger instead of singing on a stage. But playing music started out as more of a chore than a passion. Suffering through piano lessons early on and switching to the saxophone in the Seaholm High School band, he eventually formed his own band with friends, and agreed to sing. "I look back at it and I don't know why I did it," he said. "But I'm glad I did."

By the time he moved to East Lansing to attend Michigan State University, Johnston started taking his own music more seriously. He gained some notoriety as a member of The Hannibals, which also featured longtime friend and The Atomic Numbers' drummer Matt Aljian. But by the late 90s, he found a perfect musical fit with guitarist Scott Owens and started (a more Americana rock version of) 19 Wheels – whose line up also features Tim Marzorati on bass and drummer Rob Dickey.

"I think those guys are great," said Aljian. "They're stuff is more straight-ahead...I think it lines up with what's going on on the radio. It's well put-together, very catchy. It's not easy to do that."

Complete with a Motor City-appropriate name, which suggests something like being the fifth wheel – but on an 18-wheeler, the band sold 7,800 copies of its first album, *Six Ways from Sunday* in 1998. The same year sent the band on the road for the Aware Records tour with national up-and-comers like Train and The Push Stars.

For *Sugareen*, 19 Wheels hooked up with producer Donny Brown (The Verve Pipe) and recorded at Ferndale's Tempermill Studio. One year later, Johnston is able to say: "I knew these songs would be what got us to this level."

With packaging and photographs that pop with as much energy as the music inside, *Sugareen* might be proof enough for major record labels to do more than come knocking on 19 Wheels door. Aside from the contagious BTO cover that ends the record, the band engages listeners with songs like *So Cool*, *360* and *Loveydoveytown*. Drawing from its more acoustic days, some of the tracks draw you in with a low-fi start and seem to catch on fire. And the stories inside them paint pictures anyone can relate to. It's hard to believe most of the songs might've been written in Johnston's basement.

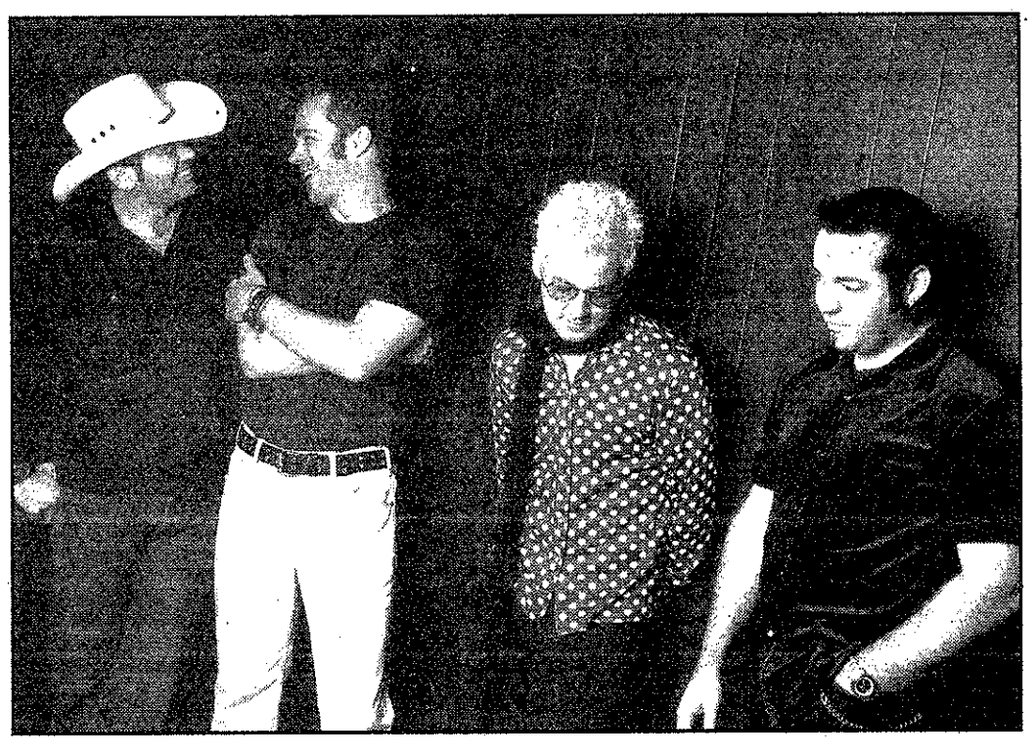
"He's the most motivated guy I've ever known," said Aljian. "He's a go-getter. After The Hannibals broke up, he kind of came into himself."

That shows in Johnston's almost poetic rants at the closing of *So Cool* and *You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet*. He offers a spontaneity that seems to be missing from music these days. "It was one of those things that was meant to be," Johnston said.

That feeling pervades throughout the album and in the band's live performance. It's about time 19 Wheels receive some much-deserved recognition.

Catch 19 Wheels with Rochester's own roots rock foursome, Rooster, Saturday, Dec. 23, The Alley, inside Mainstreet Billiards in downtown Rochester. Call (248) 652-8441.

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Catch a ride: *19 Wheels is Tim Marzorati on bass, Chris Johnston on vocals, Scott Owens on guitar and Rob Dickey on drums.*

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Michigan & Telegraph
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Continuous Shows Daily
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Telegraph-Sq. Lake Rd. W Side of Telegraph
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CHARLIE'S ANGELS (PG13)
MEET THE PARENTS (PG13)
NP MEN OF HONOR (R)
LITTLE NICKY (PG13)

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Showcase Westland 1-8
6800 Wayne Rd.,
One blk S. of Warren Rd.
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Eight years in the making, Detroit's latest rock offering, Octopus, revealed itself on stage for the first time last October. For founder and guitarist J. Frezzatto, it was more than a premiere, it was a rock fantasy fulfilled. Here's the story:

Observer & Eccentric: How did this virtual rock supergroup, Octopus, get started?

J. Frezzatto: "I realized that it was kind of now or never. I was sitting at work bored out of my mind, so I booked studio time and a show at the Gold Dollar. We had no set, no practices under our belts, and about four weeks to get it all together."

O&E: When exactly did Octopus form?

JF: "I started writing these songs in the fall and winter of '92. And then I tried to get a lineup together that could play them. No dice for the longest time. By process of elimination it turned out that the best people for the band were all close friends. Jeff and I have known each other for ages. He remembers jamming on one of these songs in his dorm room in college. I don't remember that, but I believe him. He's an absolute monster on drums. With this kinda music you have to keep the octane level pretty high. And Rico (Eric Pott) is easily one of the best bass players in town; he's melodically inventive, he's solid, and he's got taste. He does his best to save us from just being this totally primitive, one-dimensional thud."

O&E: What's your musical vision for this band?

JF: "Metal, minus the lame parts. I dunno. Some folks think we're 'punk rock.' What's the term now? 'Stoner Rock?' The funny thing is that I don't listen to all that much current 'heavy rock.' I listen to a lot of Air, Flaming Lips. The last really good hard rock album I bought was probably the last DMX record. That stuff is great. The Cat Power *Covers Record* – that's really great. Most of what passes for 'rock' these days is tedious, sexless, constipated-sounding, machismo-implosion garbage. "Rock should rock. And most of it doesn't these days."

O&E: How is songwriting accomplished in the band?

JF: "I demo the songs as much as possible, then the band comes in and finishes 'em. It's mostly myself writing with Masha but everybody has a hand in it. I kind of establish the tone and the riffs but I usually get stuck on the vocals and final arrangements."

O&E: What does the band bring to the Detroit scene that no one's heard before?

JF: "Masha."

O&E: Did you know from the start you wanted a female voice for the band?

JY: "One day I was playing tapes for my friend Cory and he was like, 'You know what? This stuff needs a female singer. That'd be amazing.' Which made perfect sense. 'Cause if we'd have gone with a male vocalist I'm sure the whole thing woulda just drowned in this like avalanche of testosterone... So Masha (Marjieh) was sort of the missing link. Nobody else could've done this stuff. This is her first band. It's terrifying. And she's actually able to sit down and work on lyrics."

O&E: What inspires you to write in general?

JF: "I'm inspired primarily by my day-to-day life, which is pretty creepy and disturbing. I'm neurotic and paranoid, and I get real hung up on dreams, numerology, coincidences."

O&E: What can people expect to see at the Shelter performance? Do you think Octopus opening for deathgirl.com will make a good combination?

JF: "I'm looking forward to it. The Shelter has one of the best sound systems in town. Hopefully my amps will be working. (Octopus) and deathgirl sort of constitute two sides of the same coin. I mean, I'd pay five bucks to see that.

Octopus opens for The Paybacks and Gore Gore Girls Friday, Dec. 29, Magic Stick, Detroit. Call (313) 833-9700 for details.

MOVIES

'Vertical Limit' reaches new heights

By Jon Katz
Special Writer

The premise for *Vertical Limit* must have seemed as solid as a mountain. If the disaster film formula worked for a cruise ship (*The Poseidon Adventure*) and a skyscraper (*The Towering Inferno*), why not for the second tallest mountain in the world? The Pakistani peak called K2, after all, offers an icy smorgasbord of danger and death.

Vertical Limit, admittedly, keeps its viewers bolted to the backs of their seats, with spectacular scenery and special effects that more than once leave you dangling at the end of its rope. Throughout, however, one longs for the imperiled climbing party to include maybe a kvetching Shelly Winters or an embittered Ernest Borgnine. *Vertical Limit* plays it straight; this is no *Hollywood Squares* alumni meeting.

Chris O'Donnell and Robin Tunney are brother and sister mountain climbing buffs who face a life-or-death decision in the first minutes that sets the tone for the rest of the story. Specifically, why should three people die when two can live? O'Donnell's Peter Garrett made the call he had to make.

Now, three years later, he must make another: to climb 26,000 feet of K2 against overwhelming odds of bad weather and a ticking clock to rescue sister Annie and two companions.

And one more thing. Above 24,000 feet, we learn, the body begins to succumb to oxygen deprivation. This is – cue the title – our "vertical limit." Or as veteran climber Montgomery Wick (Scott Glenn) describes it, "Up there you're not dying, you're dead."

Peter's rescue party of six is enough to guarantee that one or more will be on the wrong end of an avalanche, an exploding canister of nitroglycerin or the bone-numbing cold. Directed by Martin Campbell (*GoldenEye*), the action is fast and loud but the survivors are pre-ordained and obvious. Only Mother Nature gets to vote them off this islander, mountain.

Vertical Limit is a good choice for pre-teens that, in an earlier generation, spent a Christmas vacation day seeing an adventure film like *Journey to the Center of the Earth*. This season's crop of movies has little else to offer this age group. *Vertical Limit* may make a few eyes roll from its onslaught of cliched cliffhangers – with real cliffs – but it asks only that you sit back and enjoy the ride. As an added benefit, you'll snicker at what passes for cold around here.



Ken George

Thriller: *Braving the elements on the feared K2 in the treacherous "dead zone" about 26,000 feet, young climber Pete Garrett (Chris O'Donnell) and French Canadian medic Monique (Izabella Scorupco) struggle to pull his sister and members of her summit team to safety in "Vertical Limit."*

'Bounce' might be a bust in theaters

By Victoria Diaz
Special Writer

Bounce starts out at Chicago's O'Hare Airport and never really gets off the ground.

In the opening scenes of this soapy romance written and directed by Don Roos (*The Opposite of Sex*), Buddy Amaral (Ben Affleck) is a hotshot ad executive about to board a plane, when he decides instead to spend a night of passion with a pretty pick-up (Natasha Henstridge).

On the spur of the moment, he gives his boarding pass to a bumped traveler (Tony Goldwyn), eager to get home to his wife and kids. That night, somewhere near Topeka, Kan. the Los Angeles-bound airliner crashes, killing everyone on board.

Feeling awash in guilt (no, the crash was not his fault, but never mind), Buddy straightway turns to alcohol to soothe his conscience, and winds up at one of those desert treatment centers. There, he's introduced to the 12-step program and, when he's released, he decides to look up the widow of the man who took his place on the ill-fated plane. He figures he'll apologize (although we're still not sure for what, but never mind). He also figures he'll maybe help her in some way, and ultimately help himself to deal with his addiction.

With no problem, he finds Abby Janello (Gwyneth Paltrow), living in the L.A. area with her two young sons and struggling to make ends meet. (Their "meet-cute" scene, which involves Buddy and a highly incensed rottweiler, is one of the movie's high points.) Soon, Buddy and Abby begin to exchange meaningful glances and to fall for each other. This, as you can imagine, is going to create some problems, since Buddy knows who she is, but she has not a clue about who he is, or that fate has chosen her beloved husband to die in his place.

Ben Affleck struggles manfully with his role, but it ultimately eludes him (he's much more convincing as a fast-talking hotshot than as a sometimes weepy good samaritan). Gwyneth Paltrow fares considerably better as the single mom who's skittish about giving her heart to another man.

But onscreen there seems little genuine passion between the two. Though we keep hoping for some signs of an explosive chemistry that would enable us to feel caught up in this movie and to really care about this couple and their plight, it never arrives. Instead, an odd, almost wooden quality persists, sending *Bounce* into its final, doomed nose-dive.

Jennifer Grey has her moments as the ticket attendant who succumbs to Ben's charms and allows one passenger to board in the place of another. And Johnny Galecki as a gay and insightful office gofer adds a touch of fun now and then.

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Special events: J.L. Hudson's Cafe is available for business luncheons, showers and other special events after the holiday rush in January. Call (734) 438-5645 for details.

Carry-out: Available during store hours at the Marketplace Deli. Menu includes soups, sandwiches, salads, pasta, and chicken pot pie.

Other locations:

- Twelve Oaks Mall — Novi
- Oakland Mall — Troy
- Somerset Collection — Troy

"If you went anywhere in the city, you wouldn't get the portions. We strive for the value," said Sansone. There's not a menu item over $9.95.

Just as Hudson's has kept up with fashion, they've also paid attention to their customer's changing palettes. In response to the strong Asian influence in foods popular today, Hudson's offers a stir-fried chicken and vegetable dish served over buckwheat noodles.

The menu also reflects the health concerns of guests without sacrificing innovation or taste. The house-made Vegetable Burger is anything but bland. Rather, it's a rich combination of mushrooms, carrots, ginger, brown rice, roasted red pepper and pecans and topped it off with cilantro ginger cream and spouts. Delicious.

Also, all salad dressings are served on the side, and all sautéed items are done in olive oil.

Children have always been welcomed at Hudson's. The children's menu, served with crayons, offers kid-favorites such as Thick & Gooey Cheese Pizza, Oodles of Noodles, and Good 'Ol Hamburger. Drinks come in spill-proof cups.

Destination spot

"We want to be more than a convenience for shoppers. We want to be a destination point for good food," said Sansone, who is responsible for food operations, including the restaurants, at 16 metro area Hudson's.

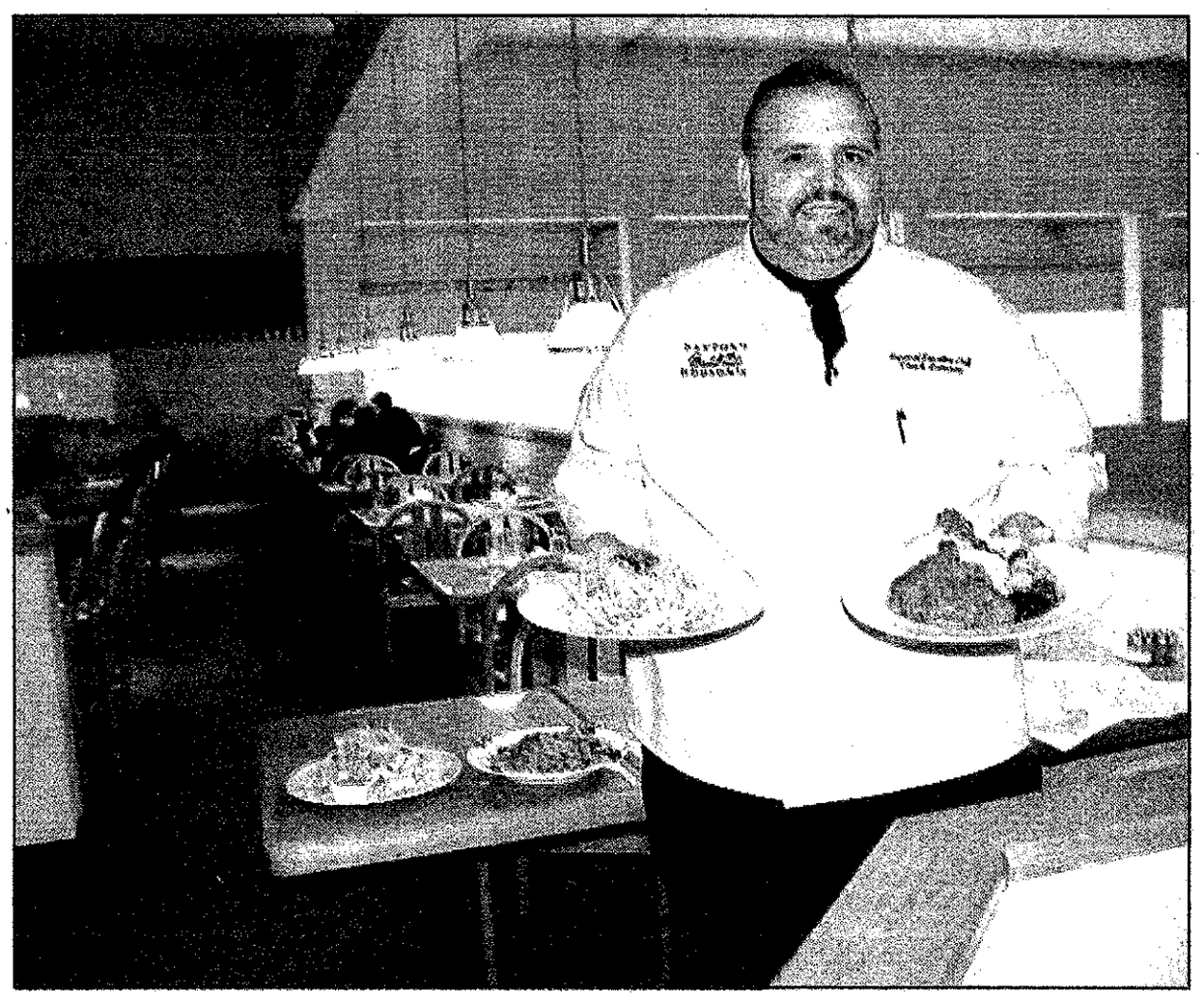
Hudson's newest menu, introduced in October, is a mixture of the tried-and-true house favorites and new items. But thank goodness Hudson's continues to pay homage to tradition. Sander's Hot Fudge always tops their ice cream sundaes, plum pudding with hard sauce is always served during the holiday season, and a shrimp salad sandwich still comes on cheese bread.

"And if a guest wants something that's not on the menu, we're willing to make it for them," said Sansone. "We cater to whatever you need."

Angeline Nexsen of Garden City has been dining at Hudson's for 37 years. "I think they are artistic, especially with the presentation. They're also very clean, and the food is homemade. I love the meat loaf," she said.

Nexsen summed up the sentiments of most Hudson's diners: "Service is very good. They're very jovial and pleasing. Prices are very good, and I've never given a tip that wasn't well-deserved and well-received."

Keely Wygonik, assistant managing editor of the Observer features group, and staff writer Renee Skoglund, who specializes in dining, health and business, are "The Table Hoppers." Send us your menu, tell us why you'd like us to feature your restaurant on our dining page, and set the table for two. You can contact Wygonik at (734) 953-2105 or e-mail kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net. To reach Skoglund, call (734) 953-2128 or e-mail rskoglund @oe.homecomm. net



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A man of good taste: *Regional Executive Chef Chuck Sansone shows off two of the most popular items on Hudson's menu: Maurice Salad and Herb Turkey Medallions. Sansone said both portion sizes and prices are more than competitive with other restaurants.*

Logan's Roadhouse opens in Livonia

Logan's Roadhouse opened Monday in Livonia.

Logan's, 2859 Schoolcraft, is a 7,800-square-foot restaurant seating 292 people.

Logan's Roadhouse has been named of the country's hottest concepts by Nation's Restaurant News and is aggressively expanding its company-owned restaurant locations. The company opened 12 new restaurants in the last fiscal year.

"We're especially excited to open a restaurant in Livonia," said Peter Kehayes, president and chief operating officer of Logan's Roadhouse.

Logan's menu features a simple but diverse selection of today's popular American fare, including hearty portions of aged handcut steaks, baby-back ribs, mesquite-grilled chicken, appetizers, salads and seafoods. Logan's is known for its free peanuts, which guests eat while they wait and throw the shells on the floor.

Lunch prices range from $4.59 to $8.29 for express items like hamburgers and specialty salads or the petite sirloin steak, and from $7.99 to $17.99 for dinner entrees, which are served with a house salad, one side item and homemade yeast rolls.

Logan's Roadhouse will be open for dining from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday.



Perfect perch: *Hudson's almond-breaded perch filets served with a lemon tarragon aioli, french fries and slaw is fast becoming a house favorite among guests. In the background is the traditional Maurice Salad.*

Hudson's famous perch

One of Hudson's signature dishes is Lake Perch with almond breading. The dish is served with house slaw, french fries and rolls and lemon tarragon aioli.

To make two cups of almond batter, toast and cool 1 cup of sliced almonds. Combine with 4 ounces of Japanese bread crumbs in a food processor until fine, but not powdery. Salt and pepper to taste.

The perch is dipped into the flour, then into an egg wash. The perch is deep fried until golden brown.

To prepare the enough aioli for four, combine 1 cup of extra heavy mayonnaise, 1 teaspoon lemon juice, 1 tsp lemon zest, 1 tablespoon fresh tarragon, 1/2 tsp kosher salt, 1/2 tsp black peppercorns, 1/8 tsp tabasco sauce (a dash of tabasco). Hold cold.

For more recipes see Sunday's Taste

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REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

We have kind of an unusual question:

The easement agreement that we had to go over the property of our neighbor we now find out was not clearly drafted.

We believe that we had a clear right to go over the property of our neighbor to get to a road, but the neighbor now says that that was not the case.

The easement is not clear on that. We had always thought we had a right to do so and have been doing so for close to 20 years. What do you think about that situation.

You are basically talking about a situation where you would be claiming a "prescriptive easement." An easement by prescription results from the use of another's property that is open, notorious, adverse and continuous for 15 years.

The fact that you thought you had an easement but were mistaken as to the interpretation of the easement, but that you exercised your rights to that easement over 15 years would, in my opinion, and based upon a recent Michigan Court of Appeals decision, give you a strong argument that you have a prescriptive easement.

Obviously, each case must depend on its own facts, so you are best advised to consult with a real estate lawyer in connection with your position.

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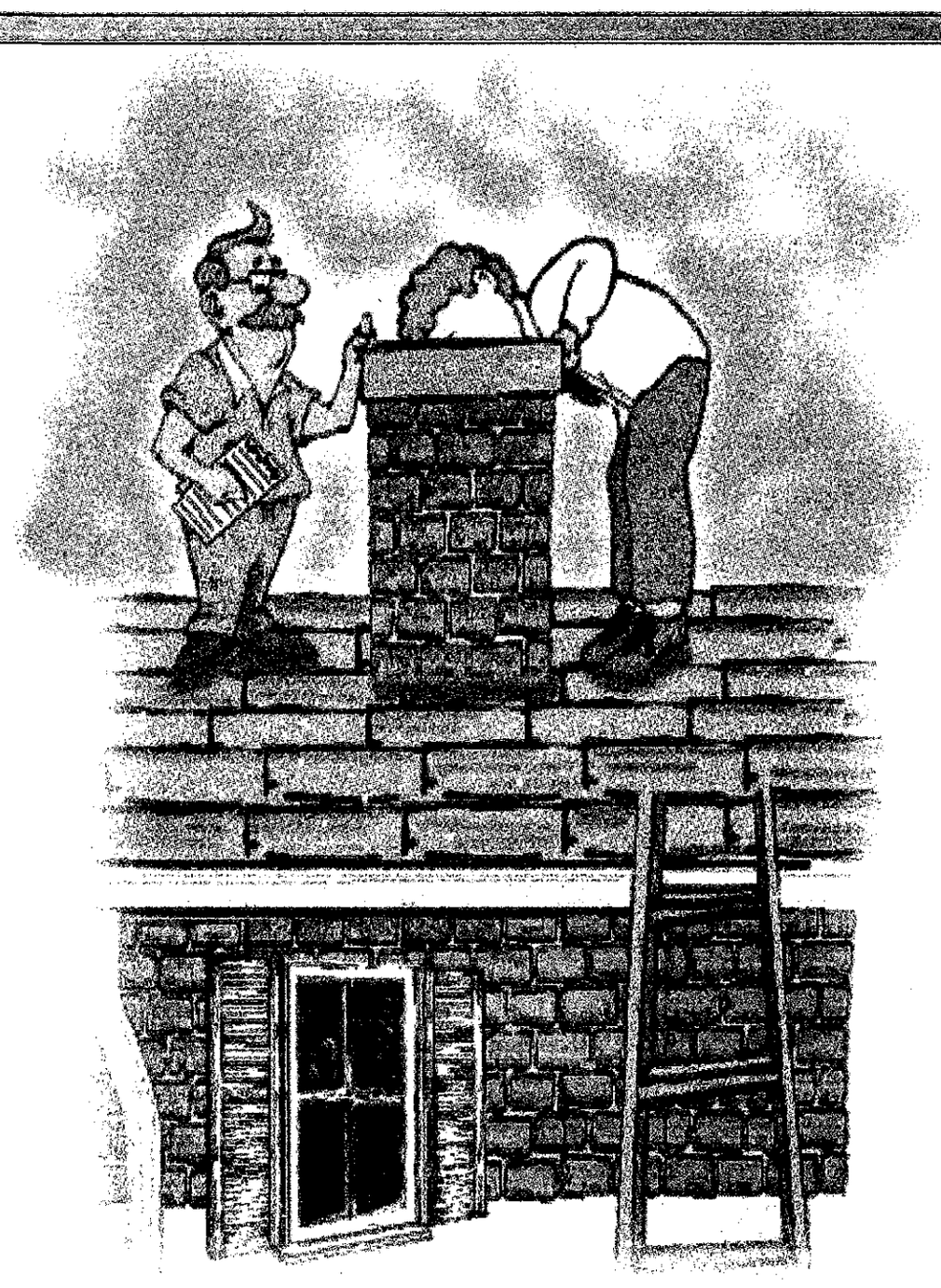
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Inspector is on your side

BY NORMAN PRADY
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Is the house inspection an exam you can study for?

If you're a seller, what can or should you do before (and after) the inspection?

If you're a buyer, can or should you try to look at a house the way a professional does? And what should you expect or require of the seller following the inspection?

While a home inspection isn't required in Michigan, "many Realtors promote them so people are comfortable with what they're buying," said Mike Goewey, president of the Michigan chapter, National Association of Home Inspectors.

"We work for the client who calls us," said Goewey. "If it's the seller, we like to look at what's going to come into the picture later on.

"By doing a complete inspection on your house, you'll get guidance as to what is important. It will provide you with the information needed so you can consider what to do.

"For example," Goewey said, "your electrical service is a 60-amp system. We'd tell you to consider upgrading to 100 amps" to make the home more salable."

Goewey, whose company is Property Facts Home Inspections, Livonia, said that the seller would be alerted to safety issues and other problems most likely to come up at the time of sale.

These would include water in the basement, condition of the heating system. a bad roof, a new roof improperly installed and roof leaks.

What's an inspection cost?

If you have a 1,000-square-foot house, it will cost you about $220 to have Goewey walk through for a couple of hours with his hand-held computer and then tell you how things are. The fee, he said, can be higher depending on more square footage, the age of the house and accessibility of the crawl space and other areas.

If you're the buyer, the inspector's report gives you information that can guide your purchase decision.

"Our reports speak for what we inspect," Goewey said. "We never tell someone not to buy, but clients have walked away based on what we've found."

Look out for basements

Robert Adams, who runs Buy Right, an inspection company in Waterford, said, "One of the biggest reasons for legal actions in a real estate transaction is bad basements.

"The buyer," Adams said, "should look for evidence of movement in basement walls, especially long horizontal cracks or vertical cracks in block walls.

"Everyone is enamored by what's finished," Adams said, "but invariably there are areas that are unfinished where you can verify conditions.

"Look under the staircase, in a closet, behind the furnace, behind the washer and dryer and other places where the owner didn't or couldn't move something to paint over a problem. Recent paint might be an alarm."

Adams also said a buyer should look for signs of water in the basement.

"With a tile floor, see discoloration between the tiles or tile edges lifting. As you walk on the tiles, listen for crackling sounds, which would indicate moisture underneath. Foundation leakage is one of the more expensive repairs," he said.

Dick Green of Inspection Protection, Birmingham, said, "I can give you a lot of good information about your home, but if you have a specific concern, you're better off to call a specialist in that area."

Disclosure required

Michigan law requires that the seller provide a disclosure statement indicating all known problems with the house, but the statement's value is limited by the seller's knowledge, said Carol Frick, office manager at Ralph Manuel Associates, a realty firm in Birmingham.

Her company's practice is to give the buyer the names of three inspectors they can confidently recommend.

The inspection, Frick said, is negotiable like other terms in the contract. "It would be foolish for the seller to refuse to allow it. It's easy to explain to the seller that this is added protection, that if the buyer buys knowing about a problem, it reinforces the as-is aspect.

"The seller shouldn't do an inspection ahead of time. Let the purchaser assume the responsibility for choosing the inspector, paying the fee and accepting the report.

"Then the buyer must decide what's important and what must be negotiated. Is the house worth what they planned to pay, and now how do they factor in repairs they want the seller to take care of or payment for the buyer to do the work?"

You can learn more about home inspections and inspectors by visiting the Web site of the National Association of Home Inspectors at www.nahi.org or by calling (800) 448-3942.

Ask for informative brochures and for a copy of the organization's code of ethics.

Here's what you should look for

Here's a very condensed version of an inspection guide furnished by Property Facts Home Inspections.

While you might not be as thorough or as knowledgeable as a professional, you can make yourself a list of what's important to see when looking at a house you might want to buy.

Your questions should be about each item's condition – satisfactory, needing maintenance, needing repair or replacement.

GROUNDS: grading, driveway, sidewalk, steps, retaining wall, landscaping, fencing, wood deck.

PATIO/TERRACE: roof, structure, interior, flooring.

GARAGE: roof, gutters, down spouts, trim, siding, ceiling, walls, electrical, doors, floor, window.

HOUSE EXTERIOR: foundation, trim, exterior walls, porch, steps, lighting, water faucet, gutters, down spouts, chimney.

ATTIC: access, structure, insulation, ventilation, wiring, insects or animals.

ROOF: type, materials, valleys (where different angles meet, drip edge, vents, chimney flashing.

BASEMENT: floor, floor drain, sump pump, dampness, walls, ceiling, joists, main beam and post, windows, stairs, stair light, electrical, outlets, smoke detector.

CRAWL SPACE: access, floor, dampness, insulation, raw sewage, main beam and post, plumbing, ventilation, ceiling joist, foundation.

PLUMBING: main water shutoff, incoming water service, pipes, water discharge, gas line and meter, water softener, water well, storage tank, water heater.

HEATING: fuel type, heat distribution method, carbon monoxide, heat exchanger, humidifier, filter, supplementary heat system, cooling system.

ELECTRICAL: rating of service (amps, volts), wire type, GFIC circuits (and locations), panel cover, corrosion, auxiliary electric box (existence and condition).

KITCHEN AND APPLIANCES: sink, faucet, drain, waste lines, garbage disposal, dishwasher, range, microwave, ventilation, electrical outlets, cabinets, drawers, countertops, ceiling, lights, fan, walls, windows, floor, door, pantry.

LAUNDRY: tub, washer, washer lines, dryer, venting material, cabinets, drawers, countertop, ceiling, lights, fan, walls, windows, floor, doors.

BATHROOM: sink, countertop, vanity, faucet, drain, toilet, tub/shower, shower stall, door, ceiling, walls, floor, windows, exhaust fan, electrical outlets, lights, towel bars, medicine cabinet.

GENERAL INTERIOR (ROOM-BY-ROOM): front entry door, weather stripping, storm door, interior doors, doorwalls, windows, ceilings, walls, floors, electrical outlets, ceiling fans, lighting, stairs, smoke detectors, fireplace.

Look at personal insurance

MORTGAGE BITS



TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

My philosophy on insurance is pretty simple. Insurance is a good idea if you either have family assets that you need to protect, or if you do not have an estate, per se, but need to create one. Because the vast majority of home owners fall into the second category (they owe for more of their home than they own) it may be beneficial for them to consider personal mortgage insurance.

Unlike Private Mortgage Insurance (PMI), which is imposed by lenders upon borrowers who have less than a 20-percent ownership interest in their homes, personal mortgage insurance is voluntary. PMI protects the lender's interest in your property; Personal mortgage insurance protects your family's ownership interest in your home.

■ Personal mortgage insurance protects your family's ownership interest in your home.

Like other types of insurance, personal mortgage insurance should be used as a part of an overall family financial plan. Accordingly, there are situations that warrant mortgage insurance coverage, and times when it might be unnecessary.

Myron Zolkewsky, a full-time licensed insurance agent of Equity Guarantee Group in West Bloomfield, explains that the majority home foreclosures occur as a result of death, disability, or unemployment of one of the owners. Depending on their personal needs, homeowners may protect themselves from any of these financial maelstroms.

Personal mortgage insurance is similar to life insurance in that the benefits of each may be used in any manner the beneficiaries choose. However, unlike life insurance, some mortgage insurance policies allow homeowners to recover some policy premiums if they never make an insurance claim.

The loss or disability of a loved one is tragic enough without the subsequent loss of a home for those left behind. The very best insurance for your family is to not have a mortgage payment at all. However, if that is not possible, you might consider protecting your estate and your posterity with mortgage insurance coverage.

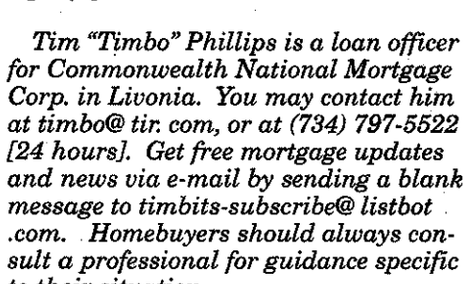
You may contact a professional at the Equity Guarantee Group at (248) 366-1769. To receive a list of other licensed insurance agents, call the Michigan Insurance Bureau at (517) 373-0220. If you prefer to not talk to an agent at all, you may research your mortgage insurance options via the Internet at www. equity. justerm. net

Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a loan officer for Commonwealth National Mortgage Corp. in Livonia. You may contact him at timbo@ tir. com, or at (734) 797-5522 [24 hours]. Get free mortgage updates and news via e-mail by sending a blank message to timbits-subscribe@ listbot .com. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

BUSIEST DOZEN

Here are the 12 communities in SE Michigan which issued the most residental building permits January through October of this year.

LOCATION	
MACOMB TWP.	1,841
CANTON TWP.	647
STERLING HEIGHTS	621
NOVI	607
CHESTERFIELD TWP.	566
SHELBY TWP.	449
GEONA TWP.	437
BROWNSTOWN TWP.	393
NEW BALTIMORE	384
VAN BUREN TWP.	358
NORTHVILLE TWP.	347
CLINTON TWP.	333



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IN TRANSITION

Moving Right Along, a real estate services team including a financial planner, CPA, Realtor and moving company, presents a free, no-obligation seminar for senior citizens who will be moving out of their home or are in a state of transition and their adult children.

The class runs 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, at Walton-Wood of 12 Oaks, 27475 Huron Circle, across from Twelve Oaks Mall, Novi.

For reservations and information, call (800) 930-8353.

REAL ESTATE FORECAST

The 10th annual Metro Detroit Commercial Real Estate Trends & Forecasts Seminar runs noon through 1:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12, at the Marriott Hotel in Auburn Hills.

Speakers include Peter Linneman, professor of real estate, finance and public policy, Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania; Doug Etkin, president of Etkin Equities; David Andrea, chief economist, CSM Worldwide; and Sean McCourt, president, Ford Motor Land Development.

Cost, which includes lunch, is $45 in advance, $50 at the door.

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HAZARD REPORT

VISTAinfo, a publicly owned company based in San Diego, has a Web site that offers a free overview of environmental conditions – contaminated waste sites, hazardous waste locations and landfills – by ZIP code.

The Internet address is www.NearMyHome.com

More specific reports are available for a fee.

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A book available from the Community Associations Institute can help community association managers and board members ensure that their playgrounds and tot lots are as safe as possible.

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"Playgrounds for Young Children" is available for $40 by calling (703) 548-8600, or ordering through www.caionline.org

PAY REPORT

A 2000 Compensation Survey Study compiled by the Building Owners & Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit and the Institute for Real Estate Management is now available for purchase.

Cost is $45 for survey participants, $90 for BOMA and IREM members and $150 for nonmembers.

To order, call (248) 848-3714 or send a check to BOMA, 38800 Country Club Drive, Farmington Hills, 48331.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

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Curious as to what houses are selling for in your neighborhood?

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Weekly mortgage rates decline to 18-month low

WASHINGTON (AP) – Mortgage rates declined this week with rates for 30-year and 15-year mortgages dropping to their lowest levels in 18 months.

The average interest rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages fell to 7.42 percent, down from 7.54 percent last week, according to a survey released Thursday by Freddie Mac, the mortgage company.

A year ago, the rate on 30-year mortgages stood at 7.86 percent and was rising. In mid-May, rates on 30-year mortgages hit a five-year high of 8.64 percent.

Fifteen-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, declined to 7.11 percent last week, down from 7.19 percent the previous week. A year ago, 15-year mortgages averaged 7.47 percent.

This week's 30-year and 15-year mortgage rates were the lowest since June 4, 1999, when they averaged 7.41 percent and 7.04 percent respectively.

On one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 7.05 percent, down from 7.21 percent the week before. That marked the lowest rate since May 12 when ARMs averaged 6.96 percent. Last year, one-year ARMs averaged 6.49 percent.

The rates do not include add-on fees known as points, which averaged 1 percent of the loan amount for all three types of mortgages.

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other news within the real estate, construction, architecture and mortgage communities.

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Several new employees have affiliated with Albert Kahn Associates, an architecture, engineering and planning firm in Detroit.


Kostecke

Michael Kostecke, a civil engineer, joins the urban design and planning group. His responsibilities include site development and utility design.

Kostecke earned a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Michigan State University and a master of science degree in transportation engineering from Wayne State University. He has 20 years experience in civil engineering.

Kostecke lives in Westland.

William Ward joins as a project manager in the automotive/ industrial group. His responsibilities include project resources and profitability, and client satisfaction.


Ward

Ward has acquired bachelor's and master's degrees in geology from Knox College in Galesburg, Ill., and Wayne State University, respectively. He has 30 years experience in environmental and project management.

Ward resides in Rochester Hills.

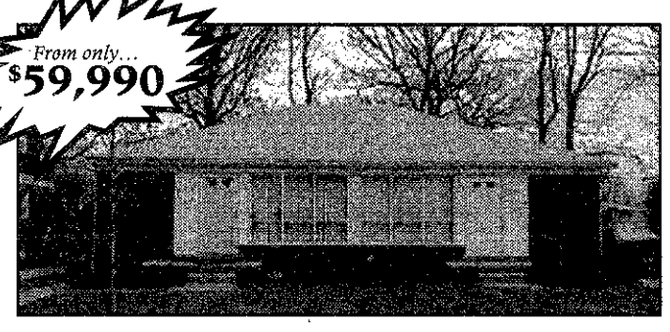
Al Woody joins as a technical adviser in mechanical engineering. His responsibilities include leading mechanical projects and developing mechanical concepts and designs.


Woody

Woody earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and a master of science degree in occupation and environmental health from Wayne State University. He's a 30-year veteran and a professional engineer.

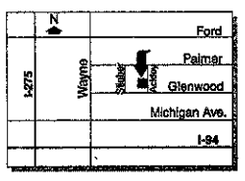
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CANTON $419,900
ABSOLUTELY PERFECT four bedroom, 2½ bath brick colonial with three car garage. Premium golf course setting. Two story family room, dream kitchen with white cabinets, and luxury master. Dual stairs. Must see! (BGP-83Mui) 734-453-6800


CANTON $243,900
FABULOUS LOT backing to partially wooded commons. Nicely decorated four bedroom with huge master suite. First floor laundry, family room with fireplace & finished basement. (BGN28MAI) 248-347-3050

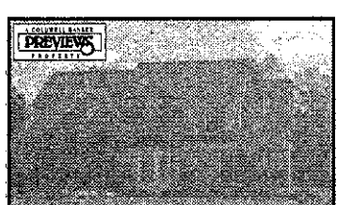

CANTON $199,900
MOVE IN READY. Look no further. Roof less than seven years. Beautiful light oak kitchen cabinets, large walk-in pantry, finished basement, wet bar family room. (BG-L-39IND) 734-462-1811


COMMERCE $259,900
COZY COLONIAL on a large lot built in 1994, three bedrooms, 2½ baths, hardwood floors, neutral decor. Central air, fireplace, basement and more. Great location. (BGN70GRE) 248-347-3050

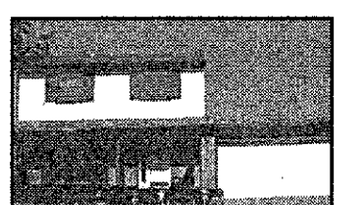

DETROIT $145,900
WELL KEPT THREE BEDROOM, 1½ bath colonial offers large living room with fireplace, dining room eat-in kitchen, air conditioning, security alarm, home warranty. (BGN51OUT) 248-347-3050


HIGHLAND $274,900
NEW CONSTRUCTION. Four bedroom, 2½ bath colonial, three car side entry garage, master suite with garden tub & walk in closet, dining room, living room, family room with fireplace, library, first floor laundry. (BG-L-69JOS) 734-462-1811


PLYMOUTH $479,900
ELEGANT TWO-STORY! This custom Rossi built home offers four bedrooms, 3½ baths, three car garage, first floor laundry, private library, formal dining room, private yard, pool & patio. (BGP-11Com) 734-453-6800


CANTON $399,000
GOLFER'S PARADISE. Spotless four bedroom, 2½ bath colonial with 3,770 square feet of luxury. Located in one of the area's finest golf communities. Situated on a private lot overlooking creek & trees. (BG-L-36SAN) 734-462-1811


CANTON $219,900
NEED MORE ROOM? Big colonial in mint condition! Four bedrooms, 2½ baths. Clean & neutral. Great location in sub. Large fenced yard with view of woods. First floor laundry. Must see! (BGP-05Por) 734-453-6800


CANTON $194,900
READY & WAITING FOR YOU! Spotless 3 bedroom colonial. Gas fireplace, updated bathroom with double sinks, hardwood floors, fenced yard. Tennis court & tot lot. Must see! (BGP-38Som) 734-453-6800

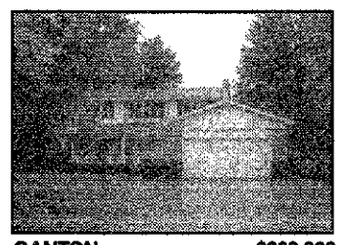

DEARBORN $127,900
FIVE BEDROOM TWO FULL BATH. South end Dearborn five bedrooms & two full baths, central air, newer windows, large patio with roof, one car garage with opener, glass block windows, mud room off large eat-in kitchen. Lots of closets. (BGN-01ROU) 248-347-3050

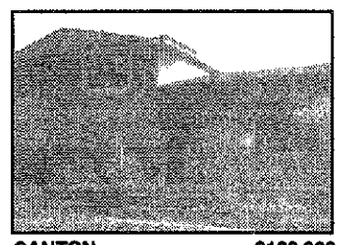

DETROIT $124,900
MONT CONDITION... best describes this beautiful 1,340 square foot three bedroom brick bungalow with aluminum trim. Kitchen with newer counter & sink, large family room, finished basement, one year home warranty. (BG-L-90BRA) 734-462-1811


HIGHLAND $152,000
LAKE PRIVILEGES. Sharp three bedroom tri-level on White Lake features open floor plan, large bright kitchen, cozy family room, new windows, neutral decor. Swim association. (BG-L-00LAS) 734-462-1811


PLYMOUTH $199,900
FABULOUS LOCATION... on a lovely tree lined street in downtown Plymouth is the setting of this charming home. Family room plus three bedrooms, two full baths. Oversized garage & wrap around deck. (BGP-96Pac) 734-453-6800


BRIGHTON $169,900
BRIGHTON SCHOOLS. Prime location is this beautiful colonial overlooking peaceful Dibova Lake. Updated throughout. Home is in move-in condition. Close to expressways & schools. (BG-L-82DIB) 734-462-1811


CANTON $209,900
FABULOUS FOUR BEDROOM, 2½ bath home in sought after sub. Great location & private yard. New oak kitchen. Many updates include vinyl siding, air conditioning, fresh paint & more. Warranty (BGN41RUN) 248-347-3050


CANTON $162,900
UPGRADED & ROOMY... 3 bedroom home in Canton's Holiday Park Sub. New roof & newer windows, furnace & garage door. Large lot, fireplace & hardwood floors. Extra room on entry level could be office or dining room. Priced to sell. (BGP-58Hol) 734-453-6800


DEARBORN HEIGHTS $127,900
CUTE, CLEAN & ready for new owners! Great finished basement with bar area. Nice corner lot with garage. At this price, this won't last long. Hurry. (BGN52ACA) 248-347-3050


FARMINGTON HILLS $300,000
THE SEARCH IS OVER! Double wing colonial on quiet cul-de-sac. Three bedrooms & 2½ baths, updates galore, 26x14 living room, full brick fireplace, partially finished basement. (BGN79HAR) 248-347-3050


LIVONIA $179,900
UNBELIEVABLE BUNGALOW! Three bedroom, one bath, attached two car garage. New furnace, roof, siding & front window ('97), driveway ('99), remodeled family room with marbled fireplace ('00). (BGN36SUN) 248-347-3050


SOUTHFIELD $225,000
SPACIOUS COLONIAL. Four bedroom, 2½ bath colonial. First floor laundry. Immediate occupancy. Freshly repainted inside, exposed hardwood throughout. Furnace and air conditioning new in '99, roof 10 years. (BG-L-30STE) 734-462-1811

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HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer-area residential real-estate closings recorded Oct. 2 - 6, 2000, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton

1514 Aberdeen St	$190,000
43110 Arlington Rd	$220,000
45452 Augusta Dr	$340,000
47109 Bing Dr	$338,000
45040 Brunswick Dr	$215,000
44145 Candlewood Dr	$231,000
7674 Charrington Dr	$220,000
44231 Cherbourg St	$179,000
231 Cherry Hill Pnt Dr	$205,000
1649 Copeland Cir	$210,000
39534 Dorchester Cir	$278,000
40240 Finley Dr	$235,000
47226 Glastonbury Dr	$351,000
42262 Greenwood Dr	$214,000
1281 Hampshire Dr	$180,000
44619 Hanford Rd	$151,000
46658 Hemmingway Dr	$80,000
46672 Hemmingway Dr	$80,000
1493 Heritage Dr	$168,000
39697 Hillary Dr	$132,000
2592 Hogan Way	$250,000
2624 Hogan Way	$259,000
4174 Hunters Cir	$151,000
1363 Kensington Dr	$279,000
429 Kings Way	$170,000
7507 Kingsbridge Rd	$223,000
42731 Lilley Pointe Dr	$117,000
48366 Manhattan Cir	$80,000
48392 Manhattan Cir	$85,000
48438 Manhattan Cir	$85,000
1351 Manton Blvd	$215,000
1365 Manton Blvd	$218,000
249 N Corrine St	$198,000
41109 Northwind Dr	$118,000
1609 Orchard Dr	$90,000
1753 Orchard Dr	$58,000
1851 Pebble Creek Dr	$221,000
443 Pleasant Ridge Dr	$76,000
471 Pleasant Ridge Dr	$94,000
472 Pleasant Ridge Dr	$76,000
482 Pleasant Ridge Dr	$77,000
45654 Radnor Rd	$275,000
44502 Ridgefield Rd	$187,000
2968 River Meadow Cir	$210,000
48344 River Way Dr	$78,000
438 Robert Ct	$275,000
7874 Rutherford Ct	$353,000
2010 S Cavalier Dr	$155,000
300 S Sheldon Rd	$99,000
42358 Saratoga Cir	$190,000
44858 Seabrook Dr	$309,000
44870 Seabrook Dr	$298,000
2568 Shagbark Ct	$303,000
42645 Somerset Dr	$175,000
2101 Stonebridge Way	$330,000
670 Sutten Dr	$193,000
45099 Tillotson Dr	$216,000
387 Torrington Dr W	$369,000
44278 Vassar St	$222,000
44012 Verdun Ct	$270,000
43479 W Arbor Way	$120,000
43629 W Arbor Way Dr	$122,000
41215 Westfield Cir	$224,000
829 Westfield Ct	$242,000
43779 Yorktown St	$154,000

Garden City

33200 Barton St	$114,000
29117 Bock St	$38,000
28814 Donnelly St	$85,000
30427 Elmwood St	$42,000
30593 Elmwood St	$148,000
6464 Hawthorne St	$123,000
30817 Hennepin St	$139,000
2115 Inkster Rd	$55,000
241 Lathers St	$117,000
32331 Lespedeza Ave	$215,000
31050 Pierce St	$121,000
28940 Rosslyn Ave	$108,000
30056 Rush St	$130,000
32490 Sheridan St	$125,000
29733 Winter Dr	$90,000

Livonia

28389 Acacia St	$216,000
31456 Alabama	$185,000
33704 Angeline Ave	$245,000
11411 Arden St	$183,000
28750 Bayberry Ct W	$191,000
28773 Bayberry Park Dr	$180,000
14775 Berwick St	$175,000
32006 Bretton St	$160,000
11201 Brook Fld	$146,000
14262 Denne St	$143,000
39143 Donald St	$200,000
15940 Doris St	$123,000
10071 E Clements Cir	$134,000
20120 Ellen Dr	$310,000
14652 Fairway St	$176,000
20519 Fremont St	$135,000
19669 Gary Ln	$340,000
31230 Grandon St	$165,000
33170 Hampshire Rd	$292,000
19253 Hardy St	$165,000
19638 Hardy St	$158,000
9004 Hartel St	$160,000
14168 Henry Ruff St	$190,000
15743 Hix St	$253,000
19912 Irving Dr	$100,000
9225 Lamont St	$162,000
27634 Long St	$117,000
17219 Louise St	$90,000
11447 Mayfield St	$143,000
17251 Mayfield St	$284,000
14943 Melrose St	$130,000
9925 Middlebelt Rd	$78,000
33339 Navin Ct	$230,000
29424 Norfolk St	$127,000
9751 Norman St	$154,000
33051 Oakley St	$209,000
20001 Parkville St	$177,000
9178 Pere Ave	$166,000
19160 Rensellor St	$120,000
16845 Riverside St	$224,000
20030 Saint Francis St	$75,000
10791 Stark Rd	$142,000
9052 Sunbury St	$188,000
19986 Sunbury St	$162,000
14520 Susanna St	$168,000
18453 University Park Dr	$80,000
18453 University Park Dr	$80,000
29666 W Chicago St	$151,000
9924 Westmore St	$88,000
9409 Westwind Dr	$207,000

Plymouth

48075 Colony Farms Cir	$225,000
11821 Deer Creek Cir	$428,000
777 Deer Ct	$185,000
302 E Ann Arbor Trl	$134,000
9935 Fellows Hill Ct	$490,000
41443 Five Mile Rd	$235,000
11909 Fox Rdg	$446,000
11329 Gold Arbor Rd	$132,000
48380 Hill Top Dr E	$396,000
48143 Hilltop Dr E	$407,000
40229 Ivywood Ln	$241,000
12167 Landers Dr	$430,000
45889 Litchfield Dr	$109,000
45899 Litchfield Dr	$77,000
12875 Moorcroft Ct	$363,000
702 N Harvey St	$187,000
51337 N View	$310,000
40170 Newport Dr	$133,000
40633 Newport Dr	$113,000
8904 Oakview St	$98,000
49265 Pine Bluff Ct	$550,000
223 Pinewood Cir	$106,000
13983 Pleasant View Ct	$84,000
49904 Pointe Xing	$166,000
881 Simpson St	$218,000
1146 Simpson St	$205,000
11701 Spicer Dr	$185,000
11889 Talltree Dr	$275,000
14719 Thornridge Dr	$207,000
11523 Waverly Dr	$205,000
12619 Wendover Ct	$285,000
51281 Weston Dr	$308,000

Redford

10048 Beech Daly Rd	$114,000
14215 Brady	$167,000
17237 Brady	$90,000
18259 Brady	$98,000
18239 Delaware Ave	$97,000
9136 Dixie	$105,000
24936 Elmira	$124,000
9143 Fenton	$130,000
18209 Five Points St	$100,000
17334 Garfield	$101,000
18484 Gaylord	$97,000
19902 Gaylord	$90,000
17719 Glenmore	$108,000
10045 Hazelton	$101,000
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18498 Negaunee	$100,000
19434 Negaunee	$76,000
18873 Olympia	$84,000
23309 Plymouth Rd	$65,000
23309 Plymouth Rd	$75,000
9186 Rockland	$136,000
11442 Rockland	$122,000
11727 Royal Grand	$109,000
12036 Royal Grand	$131,000
9000 San Jose	$149,000
9012 San Jose	$132,000
26902 W Six Mile Rd	$126,000
18655 Wakenden	$85,000
9640 Winston	$110,000
15741 Woodbine	$79,000

Westland

34331 Algonquin St	$136,000
33478 Bordeaux Ct	$236,000
35695 Castlewood Ct	$121,000
7344 Cheyenne St	$193,000
37667 Colonial Dr	$120,000
33739 Cowan Rd	$165,000
35833 Hunter Ave	$117,000
6379 Hunter Pointe St	$139,000
30624 Mackenzie Dr	$138,000
7471 N Kingston Ct	$125,000
1752 N Linville St	$162,000
1849 N Parent St	$128,000
5911 N Walton St	$114,000
7232 N Wildwood St	$141,000
7339 N Wildwood St	$148,000
7777 Princeton Ct	$124,000
8229 Roselawn St	$159,000
8224 Sanford Dr	$141,000
8751 Shari Dr	$147,000
33024 Shawnee St	$77,000
34752 Stacy St	$130,000
31145 Windsor St	$103,000
7490 Woodview St	$74,000
7532 Woodview St	$74,000
33845 Yuma St	$150,000

Engineering society announces 27th annual design awards

The deadline for the 27th annual construction and design awards is Friday, Jan. 5. The awards recognize excellence by members of the construction and design industry for their projects.

The awards, sponsored by the Engineering Society of Detroit, honor owners, designers, architects, engineers and contractors who demonstrate outstanding team achievement and innovative use of technology in their projects. Only members of EST are eligible to enter.

The projects are evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

Design

Environmentally conscious land use

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Innovative construction techniques

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Energy consciousness

Social and economical significance

Teamwork between owners, architects, designers and builders

All projects must have been completed after Jan. 1, 1999. Entries may be submitted for any building or significant structure. Within the competition is an award for the historical restoration or redesign of an existing structure. The award recognizes a historic structure that has been significantly restored or redesigned. All entries must be delivered to:

ESD The Engineering Society
26100 American Drive
Suite 500
Southfield, MI 48034

There is a $400 non-refundable fee for each entry. Checks should be made payable to ESD The Engineering Society. The awards will be presented at the society's awards program to be held in the spring. ESD will provide full publicity for the event. For additional information, call Lee Martin at (248) 355-2910, Ext. 110.

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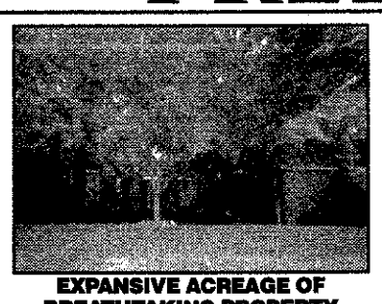
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GREAT VALUE!
N. Canton's Mayfair Village. 1½ miles from downtown Plymouth. Four bedrooms, 2½ baths, 2237 sq. ft. colonial only $229,900. Formal dining room, family room with fireplace, spacious eat-in kitchen, two car attached garage. Updated roof, gutters and siding. Immediate occupancy.
(364WE) $229,900



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surrounds the "Clifford Wright designed" custom home with courtyard entrance. A few of the amenities, four bedrooms, four full baths, three fireplaces, new carpeting, new kitchen with built-in appliances, tiered decking, large floor to ceiling windows and doorwalls, exquisite master suite, more.
(600BE) $749,900



IMPECCABLY SHARP!
Open and airy best describe this almost new Canton colonial! Four spacious bedrooms, 2½ baths, master suite with soaking tub, fabulous kitchen with maple cabinetry, two story foyer and family room, hardwood flooring throughout, formal living and dining rooms. Backs to commons!
(444HE) $359,900



CUSTOM BUILT HOME
Beautiful four bedroom (one on main floor), two full baths, fieldstone fireplace in living room, formal dining room, large yard with deck, in Brighton Township.
(222HY) $234,000



LARGER TREED LOT!
Two year old Canton colonial features three bedrooms, 2½ baths and a full basement. Oak kitchen with island and pantry, family room with gas fireplace and formal living room and dining room, nicely landscaped with wood decking and sprinklers. Central air and immediate occupancy!
(960WI) $214,900



QUIET COUNTRY-LIKE COURT
Country quiet court, open floor plan, large bedrooms, neutral decor, gourmet kitchen and master suite. Natural fireplace and two car garage.
(526LO) $231,900



LAST NEW CONSTRUCTION FAIRWAYS WEST
Hurry on this unique New England style colonial. The last new construction in Fairways West Sub. Four bedrooms, 3½ baths, hardwood floors, large island kitchen, formal living room and dining room. Three car attached garage. Must see!
(632TO) $404,900



SPACIOUS COLONIAL
Two story foyer with custom tile, oak stairs and railing, four bedroom, 2½ bath colonial, built 1994. 2629 sq. ft., family room with fireplace, freshly painted, professionally landscaped, 2½ car attached garage, full basement, first floor laundry!
(732TI) $309,000

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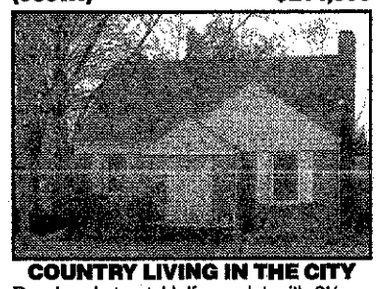
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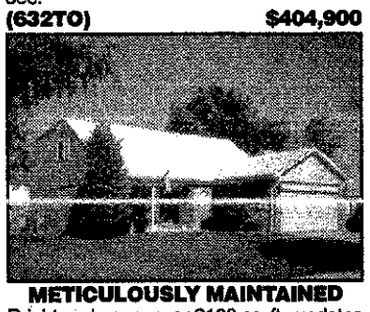
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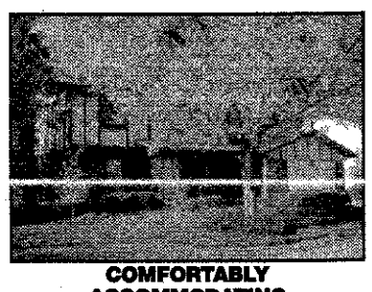
COUNTRY LIVING IN THE CITY
Dead end street. Half acre lot with 2½ car garage. Three bedroom brick bungalow. Freshly painted interior and decorative moldings. Newer windows, central air, roof (complete tear off), and more. Refinished hardwood flooring, finished basement with half bath and room for shower. Newer furnace, plumbing and electrical.
(730SA) $144,900



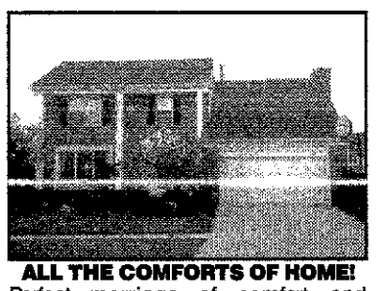
CHARMING, SPACIOUS BUNGALOW
Three bedroom, two bath home features newer roof and siding. Remodeled kitchen, large formal dining room, first floor laundry, covered porch, deck, more!
(655PA) $112,500



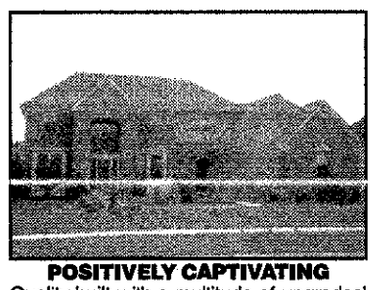
METICULOUSLY MAINTAINED
Bright and open, over 2100 sq. ft., updates include storm and entry doors, hardwood floors in dining room, new carpet in great room, beautiful master bath with garden tub, 2nd floor laundry, full basement, great deck. Wow!!
(090SP) $227,900



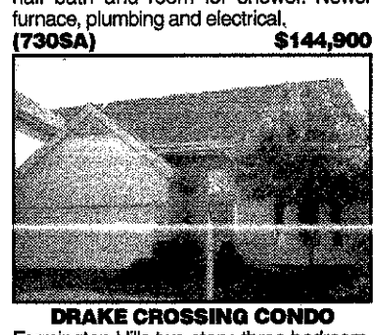
COMFORTABLY ACCOMMODATING
Watch the seasons unfold from the breakfast bay of this pridefully cared for four bedroom, 2½ bath Francavilla Subdivision colonial. Step-down family room with fireplace, enviable first floor laundry, 1000 sq. ft. of decking and a spankin' new roof.
(281FR) $267,500



ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME!
Perfect marriage of comfort and practicality abounds throughout this spacious 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Pulte colonial! Fabulous family room with fireplace, island kitchen, oak cabinetry, custom moldings, first floor laundry, two tier deck and lovely yard! Walk to Tonda Elementary!
(441HO) $259,900



POSITIVELY CAPTIVATING
Quality built with a multitude of upgrades! Stunning Hillcrest floor plan offers four bedrooms, 3½ baths, two story family room and foyer, luxurious master suite with glamour bath, library with French doors, professionally finished basement, extensive landscape! Must see!
(450WA) $449,999



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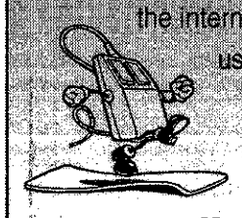
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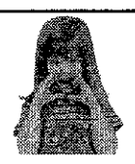
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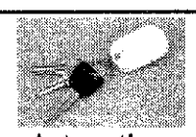
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From this very nice 3 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial offering eat-in oak kitchen w/appliances, living room fireplace, C/A, 1st floor laundry, basement, attached garage & more! - $186,900
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311 Dearborn-Dearborn Heights

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320 Hartland

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A NEW HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS! - Spacious 2400 sq. ft. home nearing completion! The terrific open floor plan includes 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 1st floor master suite, 1st floor laundry, great room w/gas log fireplace, beautiful kitchen and dining area! Full basement and 2 car attached garage too! Near Hartland Glen Golf Course! Hartland Schools. $256,000.

MAKE HOLIDAY MEMORIES HERE! - This beautiful "new" 1½ story home will delight you! Wonderful floor plan includes a great room with cathedral ceiling, floor to ceiling windows and 2 way fireplace to be enjoyed in both the great room and eating area. Large kitchen with an abundance of cabinets, formal dining room, 1st floor laundry, powder room, full basement with daylight windows and 2 car attached garage. Hartland Schools. $255,900.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING! Beautiful new 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial style home with formal living & dining rooms. Kitchen overlooks the gathering room and there is a natural gas fireplace. Master bedroom has private bath with whirlpool tub and huge walk-in closet. There is a full basement and attached 2 car garage. Home is conveniently located in a quiet country subdivision in the Hartland School district and having great access too for commuters. $234,900.

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325 Livonia

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$139,900
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$189,900
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334 Plymouth

PLYMOUTH - 605 Jener. Downtown beauty w/lots of updates. 2 min. to Kellogg Park. $165,000. HELP-U-SELL (734) 454-9535

335 Redford

NEW CONSTRUCTION
Immediate Occupancy
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336 Rochester/Auburn Hills

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339 Southfield-Lathrup

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$379,900
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$315,400
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341 Troy

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$574,900
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$249,900
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Century 21 ROW (734) 464-7111

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CASTELLI - 734-525-7900

Wayne
DECK THE HALLS
of this gorgeous 3 bedroom 2.5 bath Tanglewood colonial. Huge oak kitchen w/island, dining room w/beautiful cathedral windows, family room w/fireplace, basement, attached garage & so much more! - $309,500

Century 21
CASTELLI & LUCAS
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45500 FORD RD. - CANTON

WESTLAND
$129,900
Nice clean updated 3 bedroom ranch in nice neighborhood. Full basement, 2 car garage & newer kitchen w/oak cabinets & ceramic tile floor. Won't last long! (LI610)
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WESTLAND RANCH - LIVONIA SCHOOLS
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348 Wixom/Walled Lake/ Commerce

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349 Ypsilanti/Belleville

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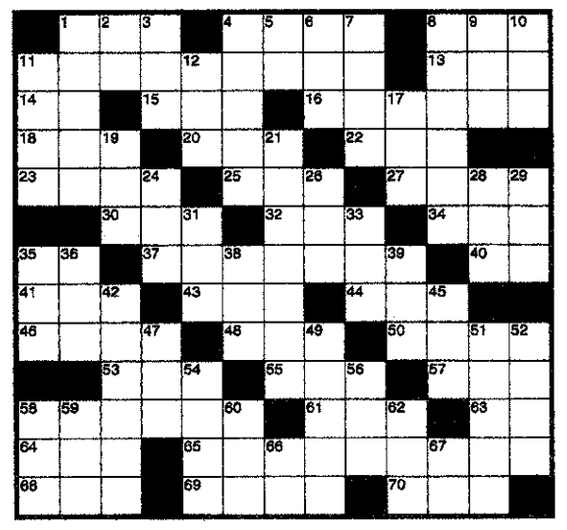
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13 Meadow
14 Boxing term
15 H.S. course
16 Holding
18 Anger
20 Neighbor of Fr.
22 Informer
23 Blanc and Gibson
25 Affirm
27 Mercedes —
30 Mother
32 — Aviv
34 Capuchin monkey
35 B-E linkup
37 Madman
40 Movie rating
41 Dry, as wine
43 Encountered
44 Sheep's cry
46 "— — first you don't ..."
48 Choke
50 Let fall
53 Cribbage term
55 Sound made to express disbelief
57 Three, in Milan
58 Indiana cagers
61 DC VIP
63 At home
64 Christmas —
65 Emulation
68 Gooey stuff
69 Stephen King novel
70 Chicken

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1 Single-celled reproductive body
2 Presley ID
3 Tavern stock
4 Enclosed structures
5 Running
6 Perform
7 Sly look
8 Musical instruments
9 Chalice veil
10 "Norma —"
11 Actor Tamiroff
12 Suffix
17 Catch
19 Alphabet sequence
21 Sharp, repeated tapping sound
24 The sun
26 Still
28 Short sleep
29 Whiz
31 Strong beer
33 Women's —
35 CBS series
36 #3 key on the phone
38 Not pos.
39 Uncouth person
42 Zodiac sign
45 — deco
47 Pedal digit
49 Great liveliness
51 Hunter killed by Diana
52 Quaker leader
54 — -a-brac
56 Oolong
58 Favorite
59 Ms. Gardner
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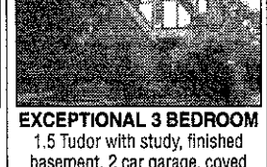
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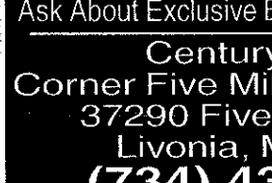
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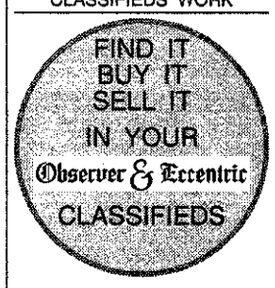


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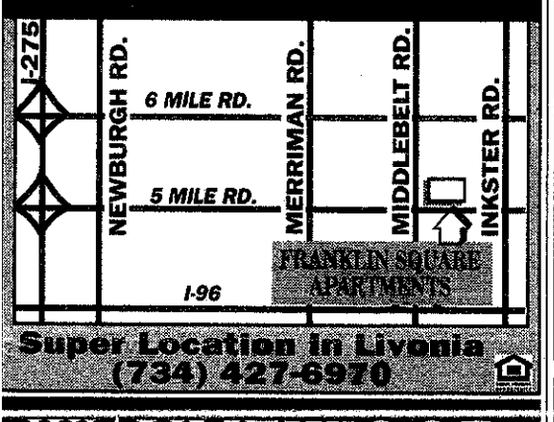
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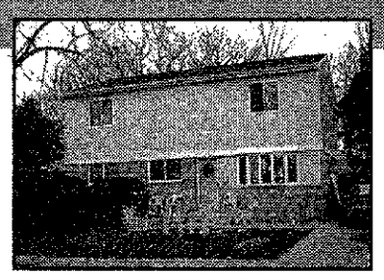
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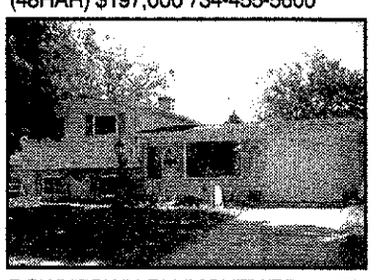
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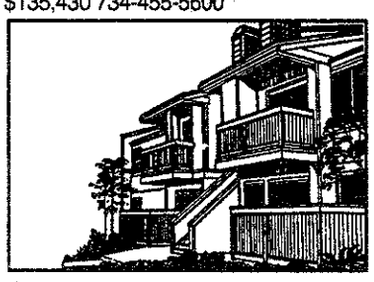
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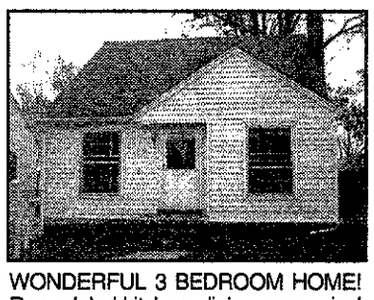
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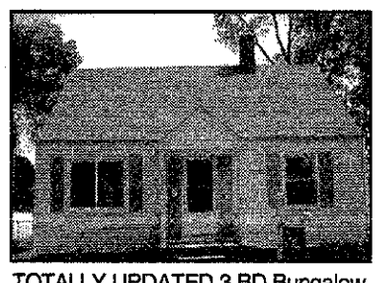
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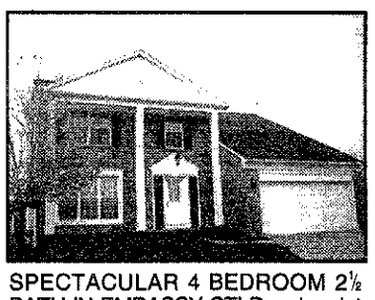
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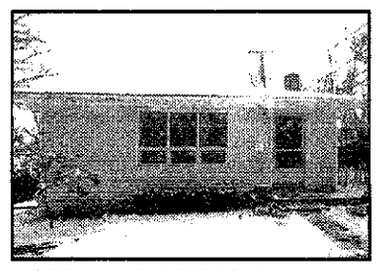
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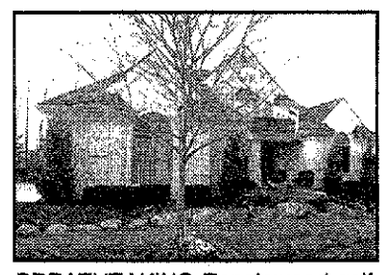
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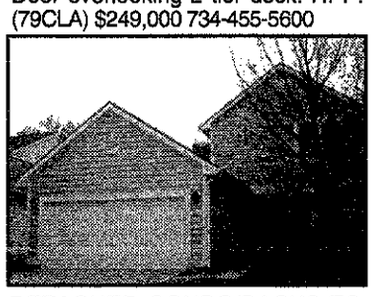
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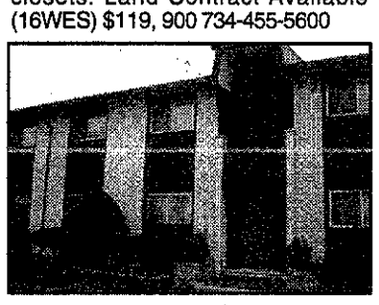
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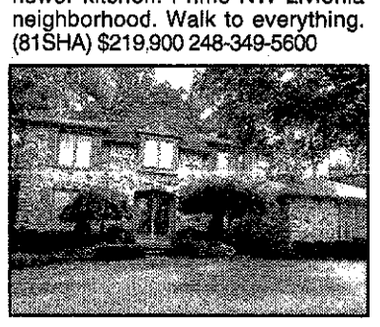
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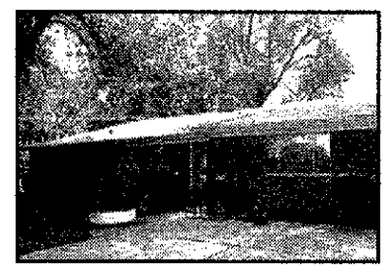
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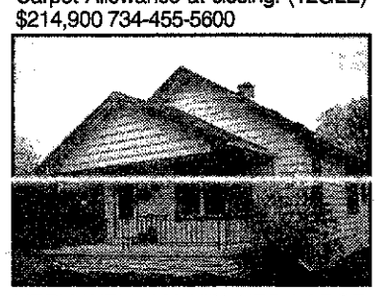
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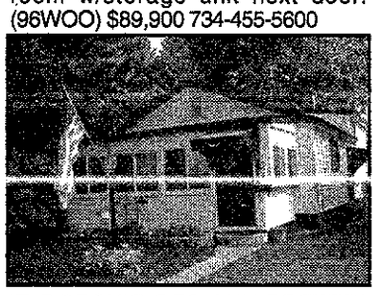
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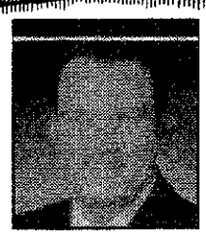
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EXECUTIVE ASSIST and/or LAB ASSIST. Science/Engineer background a plus. Part/Full time. REB Research, maker of hydrogen purifiers. 20-40 hrs/wk. $14-18/hr, benefits @ 90 days. Fax resume 248-545-5430 www.rebresearch.com

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- Telemarketer

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A major automotive subsidiary is seeking highly motivated individuals to join our growing team.
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Responsibilities will include closing the books monthly, including journal entries, reconciliations, and printing financials. Process claims and billings for customers. Assist in preparation of yearly budgets and 1099's. Good working knowledge of Excel and Word. BA in Account/Finance or related exp.
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Experienced in repair of residential & commercial doors.
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General helpers needed to handle light maintenance, apartment prep & grounds. No weekends. Benefits. Call Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. EOE
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Westland 734-425-0052

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Full/part-time. Mainly walk-ins. Livonia area. Contact Jo Anne, Share Our Hair 734-524-9016

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Full time position available for a self motivated individual for our Consumer Services Dept. Ideal candidate should have excellent communication and telephone skills. Basic computer knowledge and data entry skills required. Superior people skills a plus. Excellent benefits including 401K, full health benefits and education reimbursement. If you're a team player this job is for you. Interested candidates please submit resume to: 30075 Research Drive New Hudson, MI 48165 ATTN: Human Resources or fax resume to: (248) 446-2182

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Suite 220
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
HBENFIELD@PLDC.COM
or 248-851-1531
Attn: Sales Manager.

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We are looking for a self-motivated, eager candidate to fill a full-time Night Audit & Front Desk positions. Experience preferred but not necessary. Benefits include health, dental, life insurance, paid vacations and holidays. Please apply in person:
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(313) 271-1600

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Westland, MI 48186
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Fax: 734-728-1910

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HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR
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The Charter Township of Plymouth is accepting applications for a Human Resource Director. Minimum requirements include: Bachelors degree in Human Resources, Personnel Administration, Labor Relations or a related field, or any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the required knowledge, abilities and skills, three to five years of previously related experience; knowledge of Microsoft Office Products (Word, Excel, PowerPoint).
Essential functions for this position include conducting programs for employee recruitment and retention, administration of employee payroll and benefits, assisting in labor contract negotiations, preparing and maintaining job descriptions, developing and administering performance appraisal programs, serving as ADA coordinator, and conducting liability exposure analysis.
Applications and complete job specifications are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Township Clerk's Office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan, 48170. Applications must be picked up. Applications will be accepted until Friday, December 29, 2000.

HUMAN RESOURCES GENERALIST
Growing manufacturing company is seeking generalist with strong experience in benefit's administration, payroll processing, recruiting, and training. Bachelor's degree in HR or related, and 2+ years of experience required. Forward resume with salary expectations to: HR GENERALIST, P.O. Box 701220, Plymouth, MI 48170, or Fax 734-416-3810. E.O.E.

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Director of Human Resources
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Insurance
NORTHVILLE AGENCY
Seeking a Commercial Lines CSR with 2+ yrs. experience. 248-349-5533 ext 24

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Maintenance and Floor Care. Full time $10/hr. + benefits. Good driving record a must. 734-285-6212.

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or call 734-453-0326

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Livonia, MI 48154
734-427-9175

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Full or part time. Call to inquire. (248) 348-9640

LEASING CONSULTANT
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LEASING CONSULTANT
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Livonia, MI 48150
(734) 427-8550

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Posa-Cut Corporation

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MAINTENANCE/GROUNDS
Full-time work in Farmington & Farmington Hills community. 8am-4:30, Mon.-Fri. Starting at $9/hr. Call 248-553-2535 or fax to 248-553-3990.

MAINTENANCE
Mature responsible person to perform required repairs at luxury suburban apartment community. Candidate should be experienced in plumbing, heating, electrical and air conditioning. This is not a live-in position. Benefits including 401(k) program, medical, and disability insurance. Please fax letter or resume Attn: Lori (248) 352-6737.

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Needed for high-rise building complex. Apartment provided, good pay & benefits. (248) 968-0202

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Opportunity is Knocking...
Equity Residential Properties has a job opportunity for you. Apt. community in Northern Oakland County seeks experienced Maintenance Engineer with HVAC certification to join our team. Great wages & benefits, opportunity to live on site, medical, dental, vision, life, 401K, paid vacation with 10 paid holidays & more.
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needed for apartment community in Southfield. Need own tools. Some experience helpful - will train. Benefits available. Please call 248-355-0770 Or fax resume 248-355-5761

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
for West Bloomfield apt. community. Great opportunity for right person with experience. Please call 248-474-9500 or fax resume to 248-473-5480.

MAINTENANCE TECH
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MAINTENANCE TECH
Southfield Property Management company has full-time openings for central division & various on-site positions in Oakland County. Must have 2 yrs. experience in electrical, plumbing, heating & be A/C certified. Benefits. Call Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm (248)355-9504 or fax resume to (248)352-3184. EOE

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Spherion, a leader in the staffing industry, is seeking outgoing, motivated Career minded individual to manage Temporary employee placements in our Southfield office.
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You will supervise the placement of all temporary employees, visit client sites and work with clients daily by phone to fulfill their staffing requirements. You must be able to work in a challenging fast paced, environment. Excellent phone and communication skills REQUIRED.
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Lathrup Village, MI 48076
Fax: (248) 557-6563
Email:
spherionhr@yahoo.com
www.spherion.com

Management Trainees
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★ excellent wage
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★ union shop
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Fax resume to 248-476-2339 or apply at:
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Farmington, MI 48024
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LOAN OFFICER TRAINEES to $125K yr. + terrific benefits. Position offers Base Salary + top commission...SALES experience from any field is considered. Several openings.
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(248) 569-1636

MORTGAGE PROCESSOR
Experience required. Southfield mortgage company (conforming, non-conforming, FHA & VA loans). For an appt. call: 248-806-7355.

NANNY NEEDED
In our West Bloomfield Home to care for 1 infant due March 1. 40 hours + Tuesday-Friday. Excellent pay, nice home. Must love children. Child care experience preferred. References required. Please call work: 248-557-7444 or fax resume: 248-557-6563. Or email khn@spherion.com

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NYX PLYMOUTH
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Livonia, MI 481

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We offer an entry level salary, full benefit package, and excellent working environment. Please fax resume and salary requirements to 248-324-1502, or send to: PKR, P.O. Box 9072, Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9072.

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In a pleasant environment. Flexible morning, afternoon & evening shifts available. Ideal for students & homemakers. $7.25-$9.50/hour. Call Sharon 9am-1pm. 1-888-649-6902.

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PERSONAL ASSISTANT WANTED
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PERSONNEL COORDINATOR
Entry-Level
Our Livonia Office is looking for a mature individual to work as Personnel Coordinator. Job duties entail: Recruiting, interviewing, check references, job placement & excellent customer service skills. Must be computer literate, have the ability to multi-task, work in a team environment, and exhibit an exceptional personality. 2-4 Years related service experience required.
Full-time position with full benefits. Please send resume with cover letter and salary requirements to:
Performance Personnel
33813 Five Mile Rd.
Livonia, MI 48154
or Fax to: (734) 513-5940
E-mail: PerfPersLV@aol.com
Phone (734) 513-5823
EOE
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Performance with a Promise

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PRINTING PRESS OPERATOR
Walled Lake In-Plant Print Shop seeks experienced press operator for Itek & AB Dick Presses. Benefit package includes health, dental, life and 401K plan. Hourly wage based on education and experience. Fax resume to 248-960-0079. E.O.E.

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We have openings on all shifts for individuals who have experience setting up and running Saddlestitch Machines, Folders and Cutters. Also, need entry level individuals willing to learn bindery operations. Excellent wages & benefits.
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Or Fax resume 734-942-0920.

PROPERTY MANAGER
Large property management company seeking property manager for 350 unit apt community in Southfield. Applicants must have leadership quality and experience in multi-family housing. Salary commensurate with experience. Excellent benefit package. Drug and criminal screen required. Send resume Attn: Shelia at PM Group Management, 1050 Corporate Office Dr., Ste. 150, Milford, MI 48381. Fax 248-529-2051. Email: saustin@pmgroupinc.com.

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for Aerospace manufacturing plant under new ownership. Familiar with set-up and use of manual precision gaging. Basic machining experience and/or computer experience a plus. Overtime with excellent benefit package. Apply between 7:00-3:00 in person or send resume to: Ventura Industries, 46301 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. 734-459-3900. or fax 734-459-6147.

RECEPTIONIST
Part time for hair salon in Livonia. (734) 422-5730.

RECEPTIONIST/SALES ASSISTANT
Film & video company seeks full-time receptionist to answer multi-line telephone system as well as coordinate sales activities. Hours are 10am-6:30pm. Must be positive, upbeat 7 very professional. Please send resume & salary history in confidence to: Box #2949 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

REPORTER
HomeTown Newspapers is currently seeking General Assignment and Sports Reporters to cover our bi-weekly newspapers in Northville/Novi and our daily newspaper in Livingston County. Qualified candidates will have a bachelor's degree in journalism or related field and 6 months to one year of prior experience. Please send resume to: HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843. Fax (517) 548-5545, email:mbarlett@ht.homecomm.net All resumes must include job code: reporter.

ROCHESTER HILLS Co. has position in the accounting Dept. Must have basic understanding of invoicing & monthly statements. 30-40 hours w/benefits. Send resume to: DT FOWLER MFG. PO BOX 214348, Auburn Hills MI 48321

ROOFERS & LABORERS
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Quallfied candidates should send or fax their resume to:
TRANE DETROIT
37525 Interchange Drive
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
Attention: Lynette Todd
E-mail: LNTodd@trane.com
Fax: (248) 477-3921
EOE

SEWER & Drain Technician. Experience preferred. Will train. Good driving record a must. Excellent salary & benefits (248)685-8285 (248)685-8440

SERVICE TECHNICIAN
Entry level position for copier/fax dealership, equivalent of an associates' degree in electronics preferred. Must have good mechanical aptitude, good driving record, and people skills. Complete training and competitive salary, company car, 401k and medical benefits.
Contact George Bird @ 800-686-0404 ext. 334
OR fax resume to George Bird @ 248-478-4472.

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SHIPPING, RECEIVING, FACTORY LABOR
1-2 full-time positions available. Gain industrial experience earning competitive wages plus benefits. Apply in person at: Century Instrument, 11865 Mayfield, Livonia.

SHOP COORDINATOR
Must have customer service experience & strong computer skills. 401K, & excellent benefits. Send resume to: Dale Duke, 39550 Schoolcraft Plymouth, MI 48170

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Jewish Family Service
24123 Greenfield Rd.
Southfield, MI 48075
Fax: (248) 559-9858
or email: stodjfs@aol.com
equal opportunity employer

Social Work
PROGRAM SUPERVISOR
To oversee administration of teen mom/baby program. Previous supervisory experience preferred. MSW or related degree with 2-3 yrs. experience required. Send resume to:
St. Vincent & Sarah Fisher Center, Attn: (PS)
27400 W. 12 Mile Road
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
EOE

SPORTS REPORTER
HomeTown Newspapers, is seeking a Sports Reporter to cover our Northville and Novi territories. Qualified candidates will have a Bachelor's degree in journalism or related field and 6 months to one year prior experience. Please send resume to: HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843. (517) 548-5545 email: mbarlett@homecomm.net. All resumes must include job code: sp reporter.

STOCK HELP
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Good pay and excellent benefits. Call Mark Taylor at: 248-449-7847
Drug free workplace.

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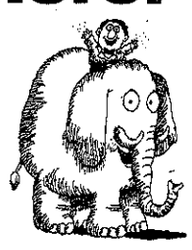
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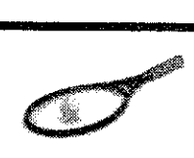
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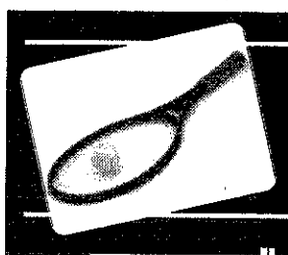
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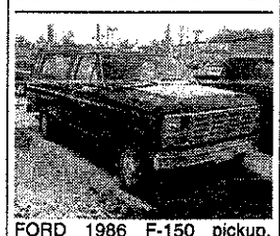
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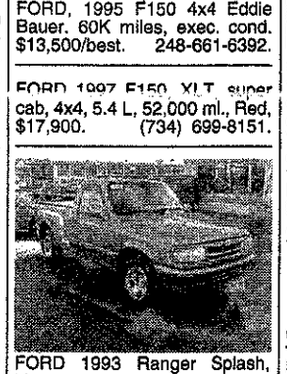


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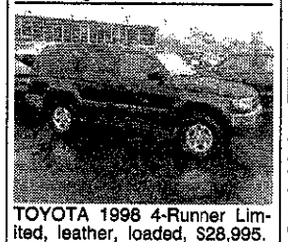
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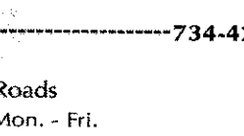
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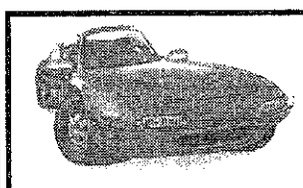
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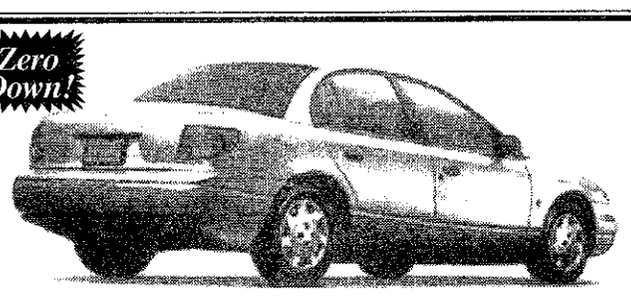
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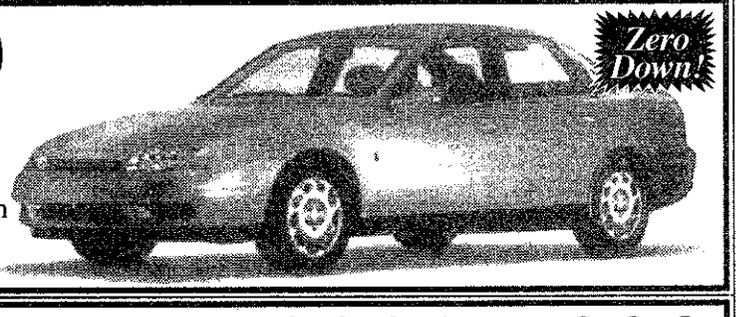
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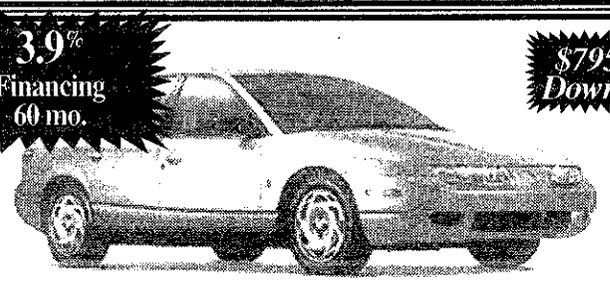
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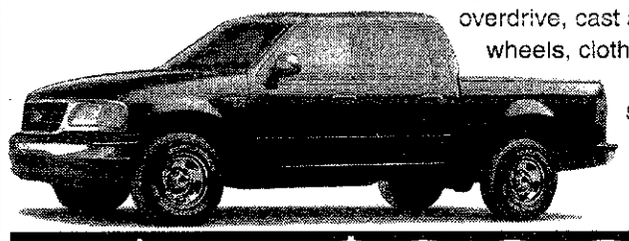


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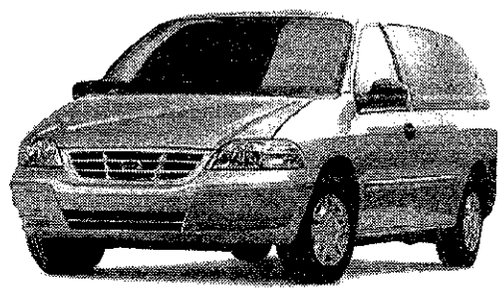
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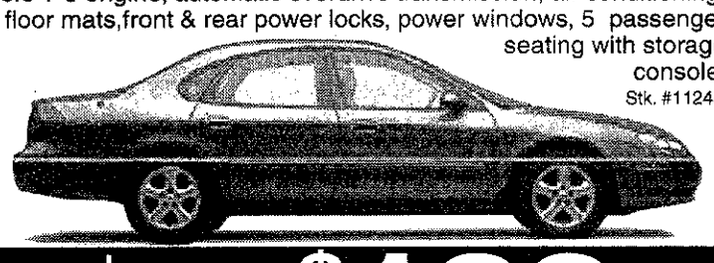
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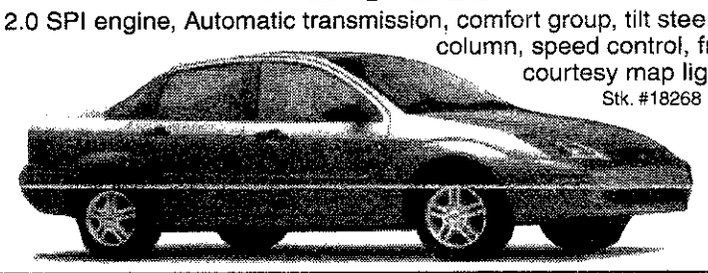
3.0 V-6 engine, automatic overdrive transmission, air conditioning, floor mats, front & rear power locks, power windows, 5 passenger seating with storage console.
Stk. #11248



A PLAN | 24 months RCL | $199 + tax | $434 DUE AT SIGNING

2001 FOCUS SE 4 DOOR

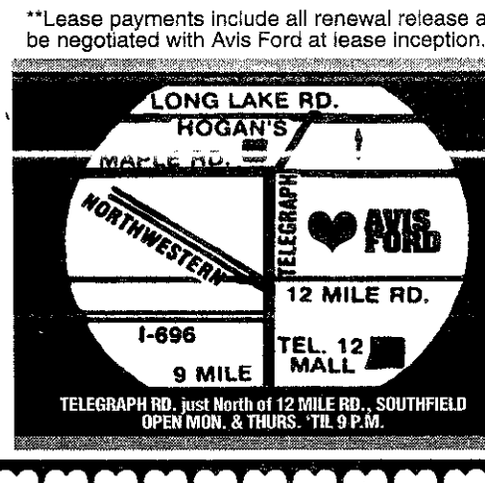
2.0 SPI engine, Automatic transmission, comfort group, tilt steering column, speed control, front courtesy map lights.
Stk. #18268



A PLAN | 36 months RCL | $221 + tax | $307 DUE AT SIGNING

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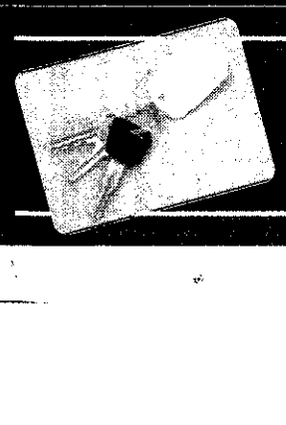
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2001 EXPLORER SPORT TRAC

Stk. #11157



4x4

Toreador Red CC, dark graphite cloth sport bucket, 4.0 liter SOHC V6 eng., 5 spd. auto. O/D trans., 4.10 lim. slip axle, prem. sport grp., P255/70R16 A/T OWL tires, step bar, front tow hooks, fog lamps, 16" cast alum. wheels, conv. grp., spd. control, leather tilt, autolock/relock, rem. keyless entry w/keypad, AM/FM stereo w/single CD/cassette, cloth comfort grp., front overhead & floor consoles, pwr. driver's seat 6-way.

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WAS $28,845 **NOW $23,482.30***

A-PLAN 36 MO. SUV TO SUV LEASE WITH RENEWAL — ZERO DOWN $338.23** per mo. — $1500 DOWN $271.31** per mo.

2001 TAURUS SE

245 TAURUS Available

Stk. #10608



4-DOOR SEDAN

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Toreador Red clear coat metallic, dark charcoal cloth bucket, .3.0L 2V 6 cylinder engine, auto. O/D trans., .P215/60R/x16 all season tire, floor mats-front & rear, 6-pass. seating w/flip-fold console, power driver seat.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $20,085 **NOW $15,785.00***

A-PLAN 24 MO. TAURUS TO TAURUS LEASE WITH RENEWAL — ZERO DOWN $204.38** per mo. — $1500 DOWN $159.14** per mo.

2001 RANGER 4X4 XLT

Stk. #12333

195 RANGERS Available



SUPER CAB

Deep Wedgewood Blue clear coat metallic, dark graphite cloth, XLT trim, power equip. group, elec. AM/FM stereo/clk/dual ME, wheels, cast alum 5-spoke 16", 4.0L ratio limited slip axle, step bar, power window/lock group, remote keyless entry, air conditioning.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $25,870 **NOW $19,162.35***

A-PLAN 24 MO. LEASE WITH RENEWAL — ZERO DOWN $205.61** per mo. — $1500 DOWN $141.00** per mo.

2001 EXPLORER XLT

Stk. #11509

256 EXPLORERS Available



4 DOOR 4x4

Harvest gold clear coat, dark graphite cloth sport bucket, XLT series, reversible cargo mat, 4.0L SOHC V6 engine, 5-speed automatic overdrive transmission, 4.10 LS axle/trailer tow, XLT sport group, .P255/70R16 A/T OWL tires, step bar, aluminum wheels 16x7, trailer towing package, cassette CD, electrochromic mirror.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $32,995 **NOW $25,359***

A-PLAN 36 MO. SUV TO SUV LEASE WITH RENEWAL — ZERO DOWN $299.87** per mo. — $1500 DOWN $256.52** per mo.

2001 WINDSTAR LX

Stk. #11783

191 WINDSTARS Available



WAGON

Light Sapphire Blue medium graphite cloth, 3.8L DHV EFI engine, 4 speed automatic overdrive transmission comfort group, aux. climate control system, luggage rack, 2nd/3rd row privacy glass, elec AM/FM stereo/cassette, 6.5 x 15" aluminum wheel, enhance seating group.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $27,045 **NOW $21,472.85***

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL — ZERO DOWN $269.01** per mo. — $1500 DOWN $227.04** per mo.

2001 EXCURSION LIMITED 4x2

Stk. #10566

27 EXCURSIONS Available



LIMITED SERIES 4x2

Chestnut metallic, medium parchment leather, trip computer, illuminated running boards, premium aluminum wheels, aux heat/air conditioning (rear), third row seat, rear radio controls, reverse sensing system, paint stripe, comfort/convenience group, power driver's seat, power rear quarter vent windows, AM/FM w/in-dash 6 CD, heated front seats.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

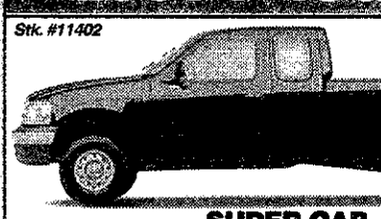
WAS $39,250 **NOW $32,033.05***

A-PLAN 24 MO. SUV TO SUV LEASE RENEWAL — ZERO DOWN $417.71** per mo. — $1500 DOWN $351.56** per mo.

2001 F-150 4x2

Stk. #11402

191 F-SERIES Available



SUPER CAB

Silver clear coat metallic, dark graphite cptns. chairs, XLT series, overhead console, AM/FM stereo/clock/single CD, 4.2L EFI V6 engine, 5-spd manual O/D, all-season 3.55 ratio reg. axle, natl. XLT equip. grp. ID, 6000# GVWR pkg, cast alum wheels (4), Tonneau cover-soft cloth cpts chairs, air.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $24,960 **NOW $17,196.35***

A-PLAN 24 MO. LEASE WITH RENEWAL — ZERO DOWN $188.29** per mo. — $1500 DOWN $122.75** per mo.

2001 EXPEDITION

Stk. #10914

53 EXPEDITIONS Available



XLT 4x4

Medium Wedgewood Blue clear coat metallic, medium graphite cloth capt. chairs, XLT series, tow hooks, prem. elec. AM/FM/stereo/cassette, privacy glass, 4.6L EFI V8 eng., 4-speed automatic transmission, cast aluminum wheels, power heated mirrors, aux. heater/air conditioning (rear), illuminated running boards, trailer towing package, third row seat.

Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS $36,480 **NOW $28,683.45***

A-PLAN 24 MO. SUV TO SUV LEASE WITH RENEWAL — ZERO DOWN $406.01** per mo. — $1500 DOWN $341.24** per mo.

MODEL	Down Payment	Total Due At Inception
2001 EXPLORER XLT 4X4 4 DOOR	0 Down $1500	$511 $2055
2001 RANGER XLT 4X4 SUPERCAB	0 Down $1500	$399 $1921
2001 F150 4X2 SUPER CAB	0 Down $1500	$333 $1853
2001 WINDSTAR LX WAGON	0 Down $1500	$416 $1963
2001 EXPLORER SPORT TRAC	0 Down $1500	$496 $2015
2001 TAURUS SE 4 DOOR SEDAN	0 Down $1500	$439 $1981
2001 EXCURSION LMTD. 4x2	0 Down $1500	$446 $2066
2001 EXPEDITION XLT 4x4	0 Down $1500	$534 $2055

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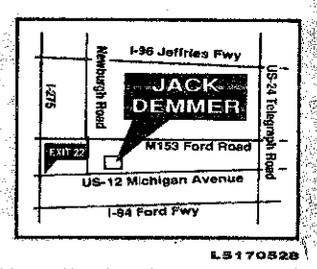
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2001 GRAND AM SE COUPE



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SALE PRICE $14,895* — GM SALE PRICE $14,284*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $204** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1704**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $185** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1685**

2001 GRAND PRIX SE SEDAN



3.1 V6 engine, 4 speed auto, power windows & locks, AM/FM cassette, tilt, dual air bags. Stock #010138

SALE PRICE $17,995* — GM SALE PRICE $17,332*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $256** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1756**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $233** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1733**

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3.4 V6 engine, four speed automatic, power windows, power locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM stereo with CD, remote keyless entry. Stock #531374.

SALE PRICE $20,795* — GM SALE PRICE $19,939*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $249** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1749**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $224** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1724**

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2001 LeSABRE

500 Additional Savings for AARP Member



Power windows & locks, tilt, cruise, 3800 V6, auto air, AM/FM case, lumbar drivers seat, vanity mirrors & more. Stock #015029

SALE PRICE $22,199* — GM SALE PRICE $21,239*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $396** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $2540**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $366** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $2507**

2001 CENTURY CUSTOM

500 Additional Savings for AARP Member



AM/FM stereo, cruise control, power windows, power locks, tilt wheel, 3.1 V6, auto trans, air defogger, mats and more! Stock #015073.

SALE PRICE $18,165* — GM SALE PRICE $17,363*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $269** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1860**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $244** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1911**

2001 PARK AVENUE

500 Additional Savings for AARP Member



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Power windows and locks, tilt, cruise, heated seats, leather, onstar, gages, 3800 V6, CD/cassette, loaded. Stock #015010.

SALE PRICE $30,565* — GM SALE PRICE $29,168*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $435** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $2672**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $394** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $2627**

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2001 SONOMA REG. CAB PICKUP



Vortec, 2.2L 4 cylinder, speed manual trans, air, tilt, cruise, AM/FM CD player, alum. wheels and much more. Stock #013095.

SALE PRICE $12,995* — GM SALE PRICE $12,462*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $175** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1675**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $159** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1524**

2001 JIMMY 4x4 4 DOOR

Vortec 4300, auto trans, air, power windows/locks/mirrors/seat, AM/FM CD player and much more. Stock #013082

SALE PRICE $25,495* — GM SALE PRICE $24,266*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $299** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1799**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $270** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1770**

2001 SIERRA PICKUP

Vortec 4300 V6, auto trans, air, tilt, cruise, AM/FM cassette stereo & much more. Stock #013142.

SALE PRICE $17,495* — GM SALE PRICE $16,732*

36 Mo. Smart Lease $259** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $2034**

GM 36 Mo. Smart Lease $233** mo. — Due at Lease Signing $1983**

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Stock #	Model	List Price	Sale Price
3101	Sunfire SE Driver Ed	$15,490	$11,895*
3834	Sunfire GT	$19,005	$15,004*

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Stock #	Model	List Price	Sale Price
0328	LeSabre	$25,708	$20,723*
0455	LeSabre	$25,698	$20,728*
0479	LeSabre	$25,698	$20,728*
0495	LeSabre	$25,698	$20,728*
0458	Park Avenue	$35,543	$27,855*

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Stock #	Model	List Price	Sale Price
6135	Sierra w/plow	$31,728	$25,648*
6239	Sierra w/plow	$31,728	$25,648*
~~6332~~	~~SOLD~~ ~~3/4 Ton Sierra~~	~~$29,033~~	~~$23,074*~~
6525	Sierra	$25,589	$20,758*
~~6494~~	~~SOLD~~ ~~Sierra~~	~~$29,146~~	~~$23,173*~~
6562	Sierra	$29,761	$23,682*
6450	Sierra Ext. Cab	$28,276	$22,474*
6247	Sierra Ext. Cab	$32,575	$25,584*
~~6461~~	~~SOLD~~ ~~Sierra Ext. Cab~~	~~$33,568~~	~~$26,916*~~
6462	Sierra Ext. Cab	$29,805	$23,757*
6689	Sierra Ext. Cab	$27,646	$21,955*
~~6367~~	~~SOLD~~ ~~Jimmy (Demo)~~	~~$33,103~~	~~$25,930*~~
~~6630~~	~~SOLD~~ ~~Jimmy (Demo)~~	~~$32,673~~	~~$25,582*~~
~~6654~~	~~SOLD~~ ~~Jimmy~~	~~$32,673~~	~~$25,582*~~
~~6444~~	~~SOLD~~ ~~Jimmy 2 dr.~~	~~$25,843~~	~~$21,188*~~
6567	Sonoma	$15,998	$12,013*
6497	Sonoma Ext. Cab	$18,729	$13,883*
6593	Sonoma Ext. Cab	$18,729	$13,883*
6595	Sonoma Ext. Cab	$18,729	$13,883*
6657	Sonoma Ext. Cab	$18,729	$13,883*
6658	Sonoma Ext. Cab	$18,729	$13,883*
6660	Sonoma Ext. Cab	$18,729	$13,883*
6572	Safari	$24,359	$20,319*
6680	Safari	$24,219	$20,203*
6447	Savana Cargo	$24,414	$19,204*
6457	Savana Cargo	$24,439	$19,228*
6493	Savana Cargo	$24,554	$19,325*

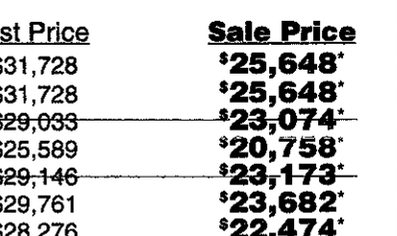
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