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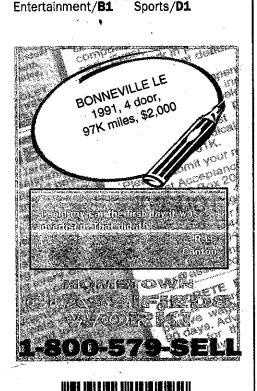
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## Canton cops tackle profiling



Canton Public Safety officials say the department will continue to educate officers about racial profiling using such techniques as diversity training and by adding video cameras to more patrol vehicles.

BY CAROL MARSHALL cmarshall@oe.homecomm.net

As neighboring communities struggle with racial profiling complaints, Canton is addressing the issue before it becomes a problem.

"What we saw happening two or three years ago were concerns raised at the national level," said Public Safety Director John Santomauro. When the issue became more heavily publicized, more complaints began to surface, he explained at a board of trustees work study session Jan. 15.

Canton Police Capt. Laura Golles said more than half of Americans believe police actively engage in racial

Golles explained good police work involves criminal profiling, which is an investigative method in which an officer óbserves activities and environments to identify suspicious people and circumstances.

However, racial profiling involves officers initiating action relying solely

on race, rather than on an individual's behavior.

She said it's the department's plan to emphasize criminal profiling, eliminate racial profiling, and make sure all officers know the difference.

Golles said the department has worked toward this ideal by offering mandatory diversity training. The last, training session offered to officers was in 1999, when they examined Indianculture and customs.

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### District buying into tech program

### ■ VAN BUREN SCHOOLS

BY ALICE ASHMORE STAFF WRITER

A chicken in every pot was once the measure of American prosperity - now the standard in Michigan could be a laptop for every teacher.

Van Buren Trustees voted Monday night to become part of the Teacher Technology Initiative. The initiative. also known as "Governor's Laptop Project," provides \$110 million in funding for the purchase of computer equipment for every eligible teacher in the

Please see TECHNOLOGY, A6

### Man, 21, charged in Don Pablos robbery

A 21-year-old Ann Arbor man is facing a charge of armed robbery in connection with a New Year's Eve incident at Don Pablos Mexican Kitchen in

Dylan Campbell was arraigned Monday in front of 35th District Court Judge Ronald Lowe on one count of armed robbery. The offense is a felony punishable by up to life in prison.

Please see ROBBERY, A6

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Party time: Natasha Cervi of Maria's Bakery (center) and her mom, Maria Cervi (right) of Northville whoop it up during the Canton Foundation Winter Ball at Laurel Manor in Livonia Friday night.

### Stepping out

### Foundation Winter Ball-goers have fun, do good for community

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

They were dancing in their seats,

twisting in the aisles, and even gettin' down on the dance floor Friday at the Canton Community Foundation's Winter Ball.

The seventh annual event drew some 1,000 people, who braved the cold evening for a good time and a

The ball is the foundation's largest

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fund-raiser - bringing in more than \$60,000 - and funds \$25,000 in college scholarships, youth leadership programs, and the planned purchase of a handicapped-accessible bus for

"I had an awesome time, but then I always do," said Joan Noricks, the foundation's president.

Noricks said the event at Laurel Manor was smaller this year than in the past, partly by design. She

explained that when the ball has hosted groups of 1,400, many of the guests are seated too far away from the band and the action to feel included in the activities.

"Overall, we're very pleased," she said, adding most of the previous year's sponsors chose to sponsor the event again.

One of the people Noricks credits with the event's success is Bob

Please see WINTER BALL, A3

### Residents, developer find common ground

### **CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION**

By Carol Marshall

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A Bloomfield Hills developer and the Northwest Canton Homeowners Association were only months ago bitter adversaries. But at Monday night's planning commission meeting, association spokesman, Chuck Suppnick, hap-pily reported, "We find ourselves on new ground."

The commission voted unanimously on an approval recommendation for the preliminary plans, which now move to the township board for final approval.

Robertson Brothers Co. originally unveiled plans last September to build 65 homes off Joy Road between Beck and Ridge roads.

The proposal drew strong opposition from the homeowners association and the planning commission, and the 54acre development was put on hold.

The developer has since met with planning department staff and the homeowners association to address

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"We have come to a meeting of the minds with the Northwest Canton Homeowners Association," said Doug Smith, Robertson Brothers Co. land acquisition director. "That was definitely a concern of ours."

Suppnick said he was pleased with the developer's sensitivity to the association's concerns.

"Robertson Brothers has made changes, many of which came as a result of listening to and meeting with our members," Suppnick said.

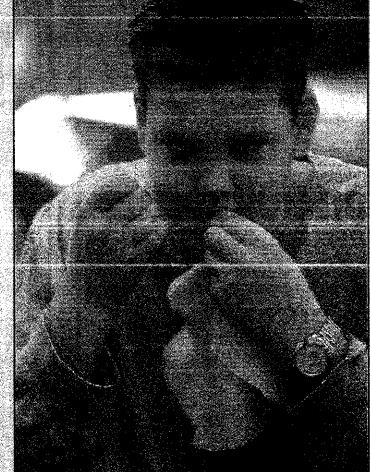
### Density bonus opposed

The association opposed the developer's request for a density bonus. The parcel is zoned for one unit per acre, less dense than the developer original-

"We felt the density bonus was unwarranted," Suppnick said. Since last autumn, Robertson Brothers has withdrawn its request for the bonus and has acquired 11 additional acres to

Please see PLANNING, A8

### Sewing up the first semester at Discovery



work: DevinShea, 13, bites a threadduring his Jan. 8 sewing class in Living Arts at Discovery Middle School. For a story and photos from the Observer's vear-long series on the new school,please turn to Page D8

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### ATV riders warned after teen killed in crash on Ford Road

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER dclem@oe.homecomm.net

Westland police are warning drivers of all-terrain vehicles and motorcycles to wear helmets and be cautious in the aftermath of a Sunday evening crash that killed 16-year-old Nicholas Bacon of Garden City.

The teen died after his fourwheel, all-terrain vehicle slammed headlong into a Yahama 250 motorcycle driven by a Westland teen about 7:10 p.m. Sunday, Officer Patrick Corby said. The accident happened on Superior Parkway, in an industrial area near Ford and Hix roads.

Bacon wasn't wearing a helmet; his Westland friend was. Both teens, thrown from their vehicles, are believed to have been speeding, Corby said.

"Here's a tragedy that happened that could have been avoided," Police Chief Emery Price said.

Corby issued a warning: "The simplest lesson we can take from this is, if you're going to drive these vehicles, wear your hel-

Bacon died Tuesday, leaving his family and friends "devastated," said his mother, Debra Bacon.

"He loved life and was always on the go," she said. "He loved to do things with his hands. He was a real strong 16-year-old

The teen bowled on a Saturday morning league at Town & Country Lanes in Westland. He enjoyed camping and traveling with his family, and Aloha State Park in Cheboygan was his favorite destination.

We went there year after

"Here's a tragedy that happened that could have been avoided.'

> -Emery Price, Westland Police Chief

year, and he got to meet people," his mother said. "They came back each year like we did, and they got to know him and he got to know them.

A high school junior, Bacon was registered as a Garden City student but attended the Rosedale alternative program in Livonia. His friends came to the hospital following the accident, and they left roses on the Bacons' front porch and on the trunk of the teen's car.

The accident marked Westland's third traffic fatality in January, alone, Sgt. Peter Brokas said. The city usually has only several traffic deaths all year, he said.

Bacon, who suffered head injuries, died Tuesday at University of Michigan Medical Center in Ann Arbor, where he had been flown by medical helicopter from Garden City Hospital.

The Westland teen; flown to U-M from Livonia St. Mary Hospital, was in serious condition, Corby said.

"It may take him some time, but he is expected to recover,' Corby said.

A third boy, 15, who also was driving an all-terrain vehicle, wasn't involved in the accident, although Corby said he apparently owned all three vehicles.

Bacon was driving southbound in the northbound lane of Superior when the motorcycle, or "dirt bike," appeared in front of him, Corby said.

Corby vigorously denied speculation that the boys were "playing chicken" when tragedy

struck. "It just appears that there was horseplay, that they were goofing around and not paying attention, going in the opposite direction at high speeds," Corby

"At the last moment it appears that they saw each other and tried to avoid each other, but they turned in the same direction," he said.

Neither the four-wheeler nor the "dirt bike" should have been driven on the paved road, Corby said, and neither driver had a valid license.

It also appears that the fourwheeler was traveling faster than 40 mph in the 25 mph zone and that the motorcycle was being driven "at least" 40 mph, Corby said.

The force of the collision broke the dirt bike in two near the front fork, he said.

"That shows the severity of the collision," he said.

Debra Bacon said the family learned about the crash from one of her son's friends, who called on a cellular phone from the scene.

"He told us Nick was in a bad accident, and we prayed all the way there that it was just a broken leg," the mother said. "But when we got to the viaduct and I saw the area flooded in lights ... when I saw that, I knew it was-

"Nick was such a loving guy: He just loved people and could relate to anybody," she said. "He was a laugher, a talker; he's

going to be missed." "He was an active kid," said his unćle, Chuck Holden of Westland. "He was a good kid, that's for sure."

There was no official word on possible charges as the investigation continued.

"Now that we have a fatality we will have to look at things a little differently," Corby said.

The accident occurred near an area where young people often ride their vehicles off the road, against the wishes of a lot of people," Corby said. Price said police officers have

repeatedly chased young people and their vehicles off of the private property, but the teens return.

Nicholas Bacon's organs were donated and helped six other

"Out of this, he helped six other people, so his death wasn't a total waste," his mother said.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Lents Chapel-Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Wayne, with the Rev. David Pawless of Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church of Westland officiating. Visitation will be 1-9 p.m. Friday.

Contributions to the family in lieu of flowers are suggested.

Bacon is survived by his parents, James and Debra Bacon; a brother, Matthew; grandparents Paul and Betty Bacon of Redford and Lorna (Holden) Marshall of Okeechobee, Fla.; 17 aunts and uncles; and 22 cousins.

Staff writer Sue Mason contributed to this story.

### 3 Central students honored for top local essays

Three students from Central Middle School in Plymouth have been named local winners in the 32nd annual America & Me Essay Contest, sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance.

The three students, who earned the first-, second-, and third-place awards for their school are Andrew Perkins, first, Chelsea Baldwin, second, and Megone Wheeler, third. All three received award certificates for their achievement. As the school's first-place winner,

engraved on a plaque for permanent display in the school.

Andrew Perkins' first-place essay now advances to the state level competition, from which the top 10 essays in Michigan will be selected. The top 10 statewide winners, who will be announced in March, will receive plaques, cash, and U.S. savings bonds valued from \$500 to \$1,000.

In addition, the top 10 essayists will be honored at a banquet in Lansing, meet with Michiand be the featured guest at a Lansing Lugnuts minor league baseball game dedicated in their

A team of finalist judges that includes a top Michigan government official and the sponsoring teachers of last year's top two statewide winners will determine the ranking of the top 10

statewide winners this year. Several thousand eighth-grade students from nearly 575 Michigan schools participated in the 2000-2001 America & Me Essay Andrew's name will also be gan's top governmental leaders Contest, which was conducted

Insurance agents across the state. The topic of the 2000-2001 contest was "My American Hero.

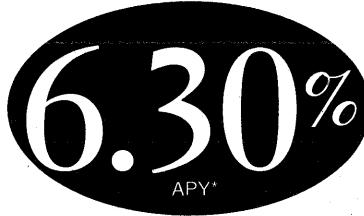
with the help of Farm Bureau

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Rock and rolling: Singers Stella and Tony C. of the bandIntrigue entertain.

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"This was his brainchild, his idea to do this dinner dance as a fund-raiser," Noricks said.

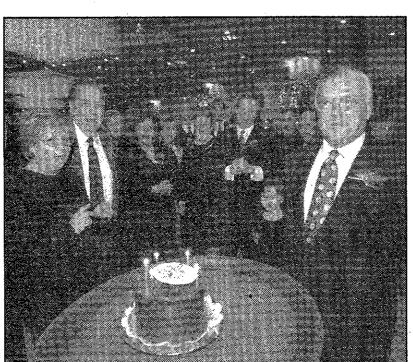
Paciocco, who owns Pama Investments and Contracting, continues to support the event annually, and this year sponsored four tables.

"It's for a good cause and we're all doing our best to make it a successful event," Paciocco said. "January is a gloomy time of year, so this is a chance to get people out and have a good time. It's been very successful.'

The ball marked an extra-special evening this year for Paciocco, as it was also his 61st birth-

Geri Rosin, whose company, Dearborn Real Estate, is one of the event's Silver Sponsors, said this was her seventh year sponsoring and attending the event.

"We do a lot of business in the community and the event is for a good cause," she said. "We look forward to it every year."





Now presenting: Joan Noricks (above) presents a parting gift to outgoing chairman Bryan Amman. Canton Supervisor Tom Yack is at right. In the photo at left, Bob Paccioco (right), of Pama Investment of Plymouth and former chairman of the foundation, is presented with a birthday cake at the Ball.

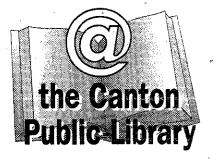
### Water main break could disrupt residents' service

Some Canton residents may experience low water pressure this week as repair work is done on a water main running underneath Michigan Avenue in Wayne.

The break in the 36-inch main which runs between Venoy Road and Winfred Street, was discovered recently and is being attended to by the City of Detroit.

Work to repair the break is expected to continue through Saturday.

For more information call the township public works division, (734) 394-5150.



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Somewhere In Time

**Q:** What is the origin of the

term "baker's dozen" A: The term dates back to 15th-century England, where strict laws were passed to prohibit bakers from underweighing their bread. Since weights could not be precise, bakers adopted the practice of giving 13 loaves on every order of 12. However, another theory has to do with the common folk phrase "devil's dozen," meaning 13. Bakers of the Middle Ages were in such bad repute that the words baker and devil were synonymous. This a devil's dozen could also be called a baker's dozen.

Source: The Book of Answers by Barbara Berliner

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### For young readers

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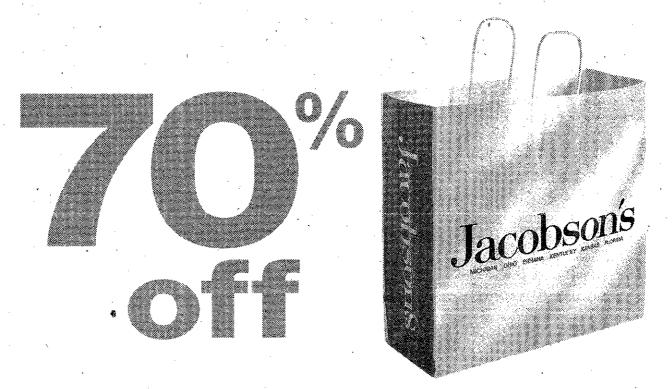
Hot topic of the week

Zines! What are they and how can I start one? A special program by Chip Rowe, co-sponsored by the Canton and Plymouth libraries, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 at the Plymouth District Library. Do you like to write? Draw? Writing a zine might just be the creative outlet you crave. Learn from Chip Rowe, a zine author and the author of a book about zines. Registration begins Feb. 1 and is open only to teens in the sixth-12th grades. To register, call the Plymouth District Library (734) 453-0750 and select option 4. If you have questions, call Stefanie Halliday at the Canton Public Library, (734) 397-0999 or Eva Davis at the Plymouth district Library, (734) 453-0750.

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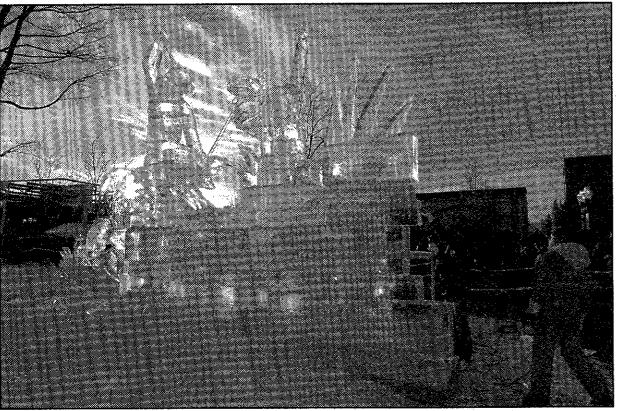


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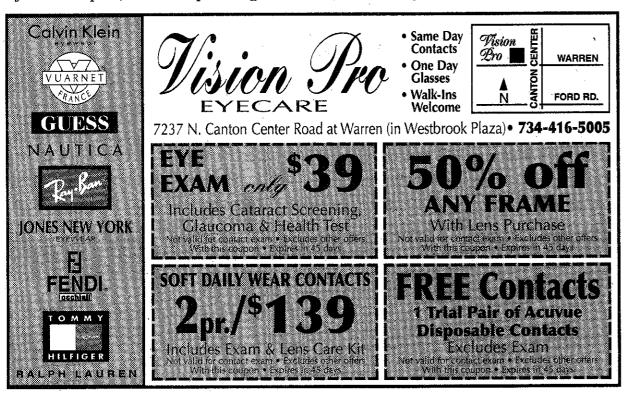
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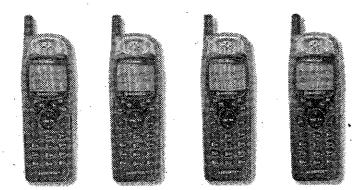




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### Cold calling: Ice festival still a big draw to area

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net

The weather stayed cold, attendance remained hot and there were a couple of new attractions added to the proven mix at last weekend's 2001 Plymouth International Ice Spec-

The result? Another successful festival, according to its executive director.

"I thought it went great," Mike Watts said. "We had tremendous crowds, people were on every street. You couldn't even move downtown on Sunday."

Some things remained the same. Ted Wakar of Canton was prominent among the carvers

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### 'We had tremendous crowds, people were on every street. You couldn't even move downtown on Sunday.'

-Mike Watts, festival promoter

again, teaming with Jim Bur of Sterling Heights to win the professional team competition and taking the professional individual contest himself.

Plymouth carvers Tajana and Paul Raukar followed last year's team championship with a respectable runner-up finish this year. Thousands of people jammed the streets downtown to gaze at the hundreds of sculptures and all the other features for which the festival has become famous.

But there were changes from last year, most notably the weather, which stayed at 30 degrees or below virtually all weekend, allowing the carvers optimum conditions for crafting their artistry.

And there was the first Ice Festival Dinner Dance, held Friday night at the newly renovated St. John's Golf and Conference Center. With sponsor support lagging this year, organizers of the dance tried to find a way to raise a little more revenue for the festival, which costs about \$180,000 to run.

They think they've found a good one. The dance drew approximately 160 people, short of the 200 tickets planners had hoped to sell, but enough to pro-

vide hope for next year's dance. "It was excellent," said Ron Loiselle, a member of the festival's board of directors. "The food was extraordinary, the band was great and the crowd was a nice size.'

Having sold about 160 tickets at \$100 per this year, Loiselle expects the dance to make a return engagement next year.

"With an event like this, you can usually expect a 50 percent increase," he said. "We anticipate a crowd of 200, maybe 220 next year. People were already talking about coming back."

Watts uses a different gauge

"I generally go by what the kids like," he said. "If the kids are happy, that's what I look for. And the kids were happy."

### Group seeks local host families for students

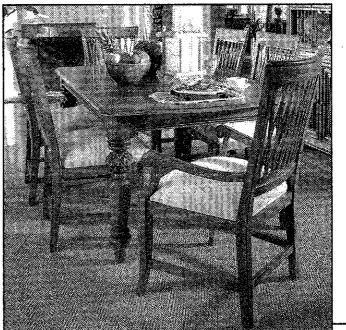
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and attending high school. This is a wonderful opportunity to share in the fostering of intercultural friendships.

Those persons interested in obtaining more information about becoming a host family for a semester or an académic year or anyone interested in becoming an exchange student should contact World Heritage's local representative, Suzanne Sebree at (810)783-6946 or call 1-800-785-9040 or check out our web site at www.world-heritage.org.



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### Investigators: Motel fire was intentional

A motel fire that caused \$25,000 in damages appears to have been caused intentionally by a guest.

Saturday, just after 5 p.m., Canton fire fighters and police responded to a 911 call at the Michigan Avenue Days Inn.

Upon arrival, firefighters saw smoke coming from one of the first floor rooms.

Firefighters wearing protective gear entered the room and found an intense blaze that was quickly extinguished.

The fire was confined to one room and there were no injuries.

The room was occupied by a 61-year-old mentally disabled woman and her caregiver. The caregiver told firefighters she had left the room momentarily to get some ice and when she returned, she saw the woman she was caring for standing in the hallway with a cigarette lighter, and smoke was coming from the room.

After investigating the fire, it became apparent the 61-year-old woman was responsible for the fire. The woman was awaiting placement in an adult care facility. She told police she set the fire because she didn't want to go to a home in Detroit.

The motel room sustained significant heat, smoke and water

### Month-old baby abused

A Canton couple is currently under investigation for possibly abusing their 1-month-old son. Canton police were called to University of Michigan Ann Arbor emergency room Saturday when a social worker discovered numerous bruises on the baby.

The social worker said the boy had bruises on his lip, nose, temples, chest and left thigh. She said the bruises were "unexplainable," according to police reports.

The baby's mother said she woke at 10 a.m. Saturday and gave her son a bath. She noticed bruises. The rest of the adults in the home – the baby's father and grandfather - were sleeping at the time. The baby's grandmother, who also lives in the home reported she was not home all

When the baby's father woke shortly after noon, the mother

took a shower. She said when she got out of the shower, she noticed more bruises on the baby. The couple took their son to the emergency room at 3 p.m.

The boy's mother said the baby could have received the bruises when she was playing with him, and the bruises on his chest could have been caused when she put him in his swing.

The baby's father said he didn't notice the bruises, but could have caused the bruises because he is "clumsy" after having had a stroke when he was younger.

The baby's grandfather said he slept until 2:30 p.m. when he heard the baby crying loudly.

The emergency room doctor who examined the baby said the parents had "no explanation for the bruises," and she thought they were likely to have been caused by abuse. The social worker said the infant would not be released to his parents or grandparents, and would be placed in foster care.

### Check fraud

A 44-year-old Belleville woman was taken into police custody Tuesday after attempting to cash a \$1,700 fraudulent check.

Employees at the TCF Bank in Canton told police the suspect opened a new business account with a \$5,000 Old Kent check last week, and was told it would be seven to 10 business days before she would have access to the funds.

A TCF Bank employee said she discovered the \$5,000 check was written on a closed account.

When police questioned the Belleville woman, she said, "It was a big mistake," and she was just trying to take some money out of her account.

A police lien check reported she has numerous aliases, dates of birth and Social Security num-

Further investigation of the Old Kent check proved she had attempted in November to open the Old Kent account with a an out-of-state check from an account in one of her assumed names. Because that check was also fraudulent, it never cleared and the Old Kent account was never opened.

Child pornography

Tuesday, police were called to a Canton Court apartment after an electrician working in the dwelling discovered five suspicious photographs. At least one of the photos was of a naked female child and adult male.

An apartment manager identified the man as the apartment's former tenant, who had been evicted two weeks prior.

The manager said the man currently resides with a relative in Canton.

The case has been turned over to the detective bureau.

### Stolen car

A 24-year-old Canton woman reported Tuesday to police her car was stolen while she was buying cigarettes in the Michigan Avenue Clark gas station.

The woman said she left her blue 1997 Dodge Neon unlocked with the keys in the ignition, and when she left the gas station, she discovered it was miss-

### **Embezzlement**

A Super Kmart employee is suspected of embezzlement. Canton police reports indicate two store employees stated the woman had a "suspicious way of taking money from the cash reg-

One employee said she saw the woman take a \$20 bill from the cash drawer, crumple it up and throw it into the trash. She saw her coworker looking through the trash later in the shift.

It has been estimated after examining the employee's receipts between Dec. 8 and Jan. 9 she may have taken \$580. The case has been turned over to the Canton detective bureau.

### Calculators stolen from high school

Two Plymouth Canton High School students were questioned about stealing three calculators from the high school.

School employees told police the calculators were missing, and were likely taken on Jan. 18 between fifth and sixth hour.

Two students witnessed a 16year-old male student take cal-

### **COP CALLS**

culators from the classroom. The teen was questioned and

told police he took the calcula-

tors. One, he said, was at his his book bag. home. The other was in his locker, and he retrieved it. He also told police another student had taken a calculator.

The other male student admitted taking it, and pulled it from

The calculator the first student reported was at his home was not found, and the teen's

the unrecovered item.

parents paid the school \$91 for





### **Margery Griep Honored by Firestone 100 Who Serve Award**

In honor of the 100th anniversary of the Firestone brand, Nashville-based Bridgestone/Firestone created the Firestone 100 Who Serve awards.

More than 700 people from across Americarepresenting every state and the District of Columbia—were nominated by their friends and family members to receive this award.

Independent judges reviewed these nominations, looking for the spirit of service to others that has been a hallmark of the company founded by Harvey Firestone in 1900.

Margery Griep, Livonia, is one of the

Firestone 100 Who Serve Award recipients, earning the honor for volunteering more than 40 hours weekly to produce Braille and create complicated tactile graphics to bring the written word and pictured graphics to blind students.

In recognition of this good work, the Bridgestone/Firestone Trust Fund will provide \$2,000 to Seedlings Braille Books for Children to support Margery's cause.

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For the names of winners and finalists, visit Bridgestone/Firestone on the Internet at www.firestone100.com or mail a self-addressed stamped envelope to "100 Who Serve Winners," P.O. Box 1041, Ellenton, FL 34222-1041.



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### Technology from page A1

"The goal of the Teacher Technology Initiative is to support teaching and learning in Michigan's public schools and public academies through a significant technology investment for the state's K-12 teachers," according to program information.

"This will be a really exciting opportunity for our teachers, said District Technology Specialist Nancy Cornett.

The Van Buren District estimates that approximately 340 of its 369 member teaching staff will be eligible for the program.

Under the initiative, the funds may be used for a laptop computer package that includes hardware, remote Internet access and software; building-level or classroom-level technology related improvements or teacher professional development.

The initiative is funded by Section 97 of the State Aid Act approved recently by Gov. John Engler and the Michigan Legislature.

Cornett hopes the program will work to increase computer literacy among teachers and encourage them to bring the technology into the classroom.

"We hope they will use them for lesson plans, presentations and to surf the Net to find inter-

esting sites for their students to supplement their lesson plans.

By purchasing laptops for teachers, the program will give the teachers added mobility with their computers.

She expects teachers will use their computers to keep track of grades and lesson plans, and other details.

'We keep asking more and more from our teachers. Hopefully, this will provide them with

some help," Cornett said. "One of the apparent goals is that the teachers will have access to the technology at home. The software bundle includes ISP (Internet) access," Cornett said. "Part of learning to work with a computer is having it around.

She said teachers within district are becoming more comfortable with the new technology. "We are coming along quite a bit, but there are still a number of teachers who are not comfortable with computers.'

The Teacher Technology Initiative is still a work in progress, as the bid list for computers has yet to be finalized.

"I think it is a wonderful opportunity for us, however, there are a lot of unknowns," Cornett said. "Getting the information out in a timely manner has not been their strong suit."

Other questions about the new technical program are also troubling the district.

"It's a very fuzzy process right now," said Director of Instruction Ray Gross.

He noted that over 500 hundred districts statewide have about five months to complete the paperwork to participate in the program.

"That is a very short timeline. My biggest concern is the massive number of teachers that have to be qualified for the pro-

gram. All requests by the district for the computers must be turned into the state no later than June 30, 2001.

Gross said how the district will deal with issues like loss and technical support are also up in the air.

"We need to consider the issues of theft, loss and damage, and put some sort of policy in place," he said. He said some districts are planning to rely on the instructor's homeowner's policy. "We don't know whether that is legal or not," he said.

He added, "To be honest, we don't have the money to replace one of these machines if it is lost,

Cornett said that by their very

nature, laptops are more prone to damage and theft.

Technical support is another unresolved issue with the new program. Although tech support is included in the specifications for the computer purchase, the district's role in the process is an unknown.

"It would seem to me that we need to be more concerned about the computer labs within the district rather than the TTI computers," Gross said.

Smaller districts also have the problem of the purchase impacting their cash flow. "The way the project is funded, unless we have the cash in hand to buy the computers, we could get crunched," Gross said.

Although the computers are given to qualifying teachers, there is not doubt that the equipment belongs to the district. "Any piece of technology is on long-term loan to the district for three years," Gross said.

Doubts aside, the district still believes the technology initiative will be a positive for teachers.

"I think it is a great opportunity . There is no way we would have been able to do this for out teachers," Cornett said.

### Robbery from page A1

room and pushed him into a

stall, then demanded he take

\$130 and the victim's driver's

license and instructed him to

wait in the restroom for 30

minutes, or he would harm

the man's family, police said.

The Garden City man was

out his wallet, police said.

On Dec. 31, police said Campbell allegedly robbed a uninjured in the incident. 53-year-old Garden City man in the restroom at Don Pablo's Campbell allegedly

Canton Police Detective Lew Stevens said Campbell is facing multiple charges for armed robbery from the Ann cornered the man in the bath-Arbor Police department. The suspect may also be charged in armed robbery incidents in Novi, Dearborn Heights and Garden City, police said. Campbell allegedly took

Campbell is currently being held at the Washtenaw County Jail on a \$100,000 bond. A preliminary exam is scheduled for Feb. 2 at the 35th District Court.

### Talent show is Saturday

Last year's talent and fashion show is a tough act to follow, but on Saturday, Speech & Language Systems, Inc., is fully prepared to try.

The Plymouth-based pediatric rehabilitation center presents its second-annual show at 1:30 p.m. at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton. The Gap provides the fashions for the kids to wear in the fashion show, while JoAnne's Dance Extension, Vanessa's Flowers and Kroger

return as sponsors for the talent show.

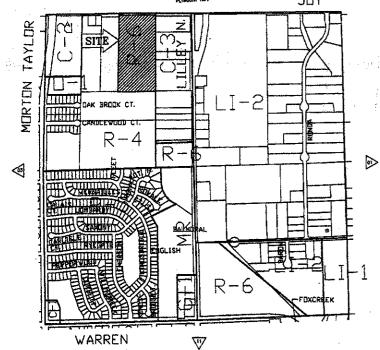
"I can't say enough about the teenagers who volunteer their time to work with our children." said Donald Zaksek of Speech & Language Systems.

Geneva Presbyterian Church is located at 5835 N. Sheldon in Canton. For more information on the show, call Speech & Language Systems, Inc., at (734)

#### PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY, INTERMEDIATE, AND HIGH SCHOOL AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 12.02B.4 AND 12.02B.5 FOR PARCEL NO. 006 99 0005 000. Property is located on the south side of Joy Road between Lilley and Morton Taylor Roads.



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

### Racial profiling from page A1

The department also in 1994 adopted a citizen complaint procedure that offers a system to file complaints and investigate all allegations of misconduct or inadequate service.

Golles said any allegations that are criminal in nature would be investigated by the Michigan State Police.

"We by policy do not investigate our own officers when it's a criminal allegation," she said.

In 1999, the Canton Public Safety department received 69 complaints against officers. The majority were lodged by Caucasian people, and 13 percent were filed by African Americans.

Golles said none were criminal

■ Public Safety Director Santomauro said in the past, he has not wanted to spend the money to install the \$4,200 cameras

in nature and after investigation, none were founded.

Golles said the figures are not yet complete on complaints last year, but she suspects they may be higher because there have been several high-profile cases of police misconduct and racial profiling during the last year.

Golles said the next step in protecting the township, the department and the citizens who come in contact with police, is to install video cameras in each of Canton's 23 patrol vehicles.

Six of the township's patrol cars were equipped with the video cameras in 1996, and have proven to nip complaints against officers in the bud, said Golles.

She said when someone lodges a complaint, then later finds out there is video footage of his or her encounter with the police, he or she nearly always drop the complaint.

Golles cited incidents of the three years between when the department purchased Weighmaster truck scales and when it bought the cameras.

She said truck drivers complained often they were being harassed or targeted.

**Veterinary** Notes

After the cameras were installed, "The complaints have gone down to about nothing.' Golles said.

Santomauro said in the past, he has not wanted to spend the money to install the \$4,200 cameras in the vehicles, but added, "This is the only defense we have had in these cases."

Golles said the department is currently working on a grant to buy the cameras.

Golles reported a quote from a local newspaper by Western Wayne County NAACP president Earl Truss who said the township has one of the best records in the area for fair treatment of minorities.

"That's good news," Santomauro said. "I can confidently tell you the reason we're not having the problems other communities are having is because of this. We're on top of it."

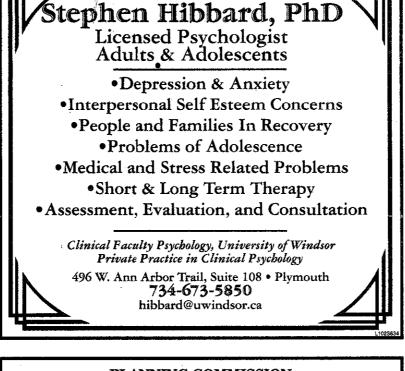
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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

A regular study session of the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees held Tuesday, January 23, 2001. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m..

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

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Director Santomauro

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

The members of the Cherry Hill task force met with the township Board of Trustees to update them on the Cherry Hill Village project and to give recommendations they think would be beneficial thus far. Some of the events envisioned include: Harvest festival; Antique shows/crafts and art shows; Day camps for kids; Civil War re-enactments; readings, cozy concerts, historic collections, and photographic and fine arts displays. The goals would be to provide interesting and entertaining opportunities for people of all ages to learn about Canton's heritage; to use historic venues as a base for community events; to foster community pride and support in the local heritage.

There was a presentation by Public Safety to explain the aspects for upgrading their communications center. One of the problems which was explained was parts for the enhanced 911 system are no longer available and that is necessary for Public Safety to accommodate the legal mandates on wireless reporting. The project's estimated cost is \$600,000 with funds available in the Emergency 911 Fund and will meet the technological needs of the department into the foreseeable future.

There was a presentation by Public safety to give the Board of Trustees information on the issue of Criminal Profiling which is a well publicized issue that impacts law enforcement. The definition of Criminal Profiling is: "An investigative method in which officers, through observation of activities and environment, identify suspicious people and circumstances". The definition of Racial Profiling is: "Any police-initiated action that relies solely on the race, ethnicity, or national origin rather than the behavior of an individual". Canton's policy is that, "Motorists and pedestrians shall only be subjected to stops, searches, seizures or detentions upon reasonable suspicion that they have committed, are committing, or are about to commit a criminal act or traffic violation." and "Officers shall not initiate any traffic contacts based solely on race or ethnicity." The department's Internal Affairs Software acts as a database for all citizen complaints and disciplinary actions against any public safety personnel giving detailed information from each complaint. Earl Truss, president of the NAACP's Western Wayne County Chapter was quoted in the Canton Eagle Newspaper's January 11, 2001 edition as saying, "We don't have any complaints against Canton".

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.. Motion carried unanimously.

The above is a synopsis of the Canton Township's Board of Trustees Study Session held Tuesday, January 16, 2001. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular board meeting of January 23, 2001.

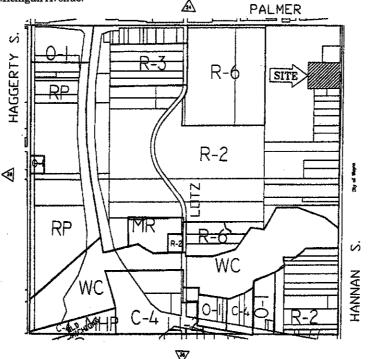
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ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION AND CHILD CARE CENTER AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 11.02B.3 AND 11.02B.6 FOR PARCEL NO. 097 99 0001 707. Property is located on the west side of Hannan Road between Palmer Road and Michigan Avenue.



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman



### Support growing for anti-CCW petition drive

STAFF WRITER rpearl@oe.homecomm.net

The effort to put Michigan's new concealed weapons law to a public vote and block its implementation July 1 is only three weeks old, but "We're doing great," says its leader, Mike Duggan.

"We've probably got close to 40,000 signatures" out of roughly 151,000 needed by March 26 for a referendum on Public Act 381 - the so-called "shall issue" law the Wayne County prosecuting attorney said on Tuesday. "We're at numerous locations and we're adding volunteers by the day.

"We've got about 1,200 people circulating petitions and that number is increasing all the time," he said.

The organizing group, People Who Care About Kids, seeks 225,000 signatures to cover errors, Duggan said: "We've got to gather 3,000 a day and we're hitting that right now.

If the petition drive is successful, the new law - which some fear would put up to 200,000 handguns on the streets this summer - "will not take effect until after the November 2002 election, when the people get to decide" via referendum whether to implement it, Duggan said.

Maureen Miller Brosnan of Livonia, coordinator of petitiondrive volunteers in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, said Wednesday that support is grow-

She said the local effort is spilling over into Livingston and Washtenaw counties and "before you know it, it will be statewide."

### Core group

Brosnan, who is also Livonia City Council president, said that a core group of four metro-Detroit Million Mom March chapters has been taking petitions into movie theaters, soccer facilities and ice shows.

The volunteers are saying it's "extremely easy" to get signatures, Brosnan relates: "They start talking to one person and find five other people asking to

"Don't go anywhere without three clipboards," they tell Brosnan, "because you can have them all moving at the same time."

Brosnan said the MJR Theater chain in metro Detroit has been "wonderful with their support." Statewide, the Goodrich Theater chain is cooperating in Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Kalamazoo, Saginaw, Bay City, Essexville and Three Rivers, she said.

This weekend, said Brosnan, churches are the target.

The Catholic Archdiocese is urging its churches to have petitions available, she said, and "a" huge outreach effort" in Detroit proper, involving 20 other churches, expects to gather 3,000

On the horizon, said Brosnan, is a Feb. 28 seminar on legislation and handgun control hosted at the Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills by the National Council of Jewish Women.

Among secular groups, she said, the American Association of University Women is focusing on parent-teacher organizations. "They seem to be extremely strong in Oakland County and want to expand into Wayne," Brosnan noted.

#### Over 32 members

The Michigan Citizens for Handgun Control has joined the more than 32 organizations and individuals, including county sheriffs and prosecutors like Macomb's Carl Marlinga, in supporting the People Who Care About Kids effort, according to Brosnan.

At present, CCW permits are issued by county boards on a "need" basis - generally, to security guards for work only, to business owners during business hours or when making bank deposits, or to stalking victims or retired police officers.

But Public Act 381, passed last month by the state's "lame-duck" legislature, requires county gun boards to issue licenses to carry concealed weapons "to any adult without a criminal record, with limited exceptions," according to the group's literature.

"This is a horrible, horrible piece of legislation," said Brosnan. The "worst part" is it "completely takes away controls from businesses.

"They can say 'No shoes, no shirt, no service' but they can't tell someone 'No guns," she said.

"It bothers me that I, as an elected official, can't enable local businesses to operate in a safe manner, if they wish to."

Furthermore, she said, "It

bothers me that people are going to be able to walk into City Hall armed. It bothers me they will be able to walk into 16th District Court" with a weapon.

"That scares me," she said of the latter. While acknowledging the new law does permit inquiry into an applicant's mental health, the objection, she said, is "that it does allow people to carry guns into an environment that has the potential for vio-

"In a courtroom, you're obviously there because you are in disagreement with somebody about something," Brosnan said. "I just think that's a bad situation" for concealed carry.

Those seeking more information or to volunteer may call People Who Care About Kids at (313) 224-KIDS or visit their Web site at www.peoplewhocareaboutkids.com.

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### Schoolcraft project set to go

STAFF WRITER rpearl@oe.homecomm.net

Groundbreakng for the nearly \$27-million expansion of the Waterman Campus Center is scheduled for late spring, now that Gov. John Engler has signed the partial-funding

appropriations bill. "We are delighted to have the Governor approve our funding and are ready to move ahead, said Schoolcraft President Richard W. (Dick) McDowell after receiving word of the

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approval. "This building will be a wonderful addition to the campus and to the community.'

Public Act 506 of 2000, the supplemental bill signed by Engler, includes an appropriation of \$13.3 million to Livoniabased Schoolcraft for the \$26.7million project. The remaining money will come from the college's budget and fund-raising.

Waterman project includes 55,000 square feet of new space for a state-of-the-art culinary arts department, with teaching kitchen, classroom and demonstration areas; an information technology center for education, training, product development and entrepreneurial activities; and public space for seminars, concerts and speakers.

Renovating 29,000 square feet in the existing center will expand the food service program for employees, students and the

Adelard "Butch" Raby, Schoolcraft vice president for business, said the new construction will be completed 12-15 months after groundbreaking, with renovation to follow.

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### Horse track is possibility for Salem Township land

STAFF WRITER sbuck@oe.homecomm.net

Salem Township Supervisor Fred Roperti is fielding calls and questions about a proposed horse-racing complex in that township.

Roperti admits he has had no contact with Magna Entertainment, which is believed to be eyeing a site at M-14 and Gotfredson Road that the Taubman Co. once considered for a shopping mall. Salem Township is located between Plymouth and Ann Arbor and has about 5,600 residents.

Township leaders have fiercely staved off development as they have sought to preserve a pristine environment.

Roperti points out the proposed project area is without water and sewer and there's concern about traffic and noise. "There are major issues to overcome," Roperti said.

News reports which surfaced last month brought the issue home to Salem.

"We heard the rumor," Roperti said. "There's been no communication between the (Magna) planners and the township board."

Richard Wallington, general manager of Great Lakes

oughbred race course which is owned by Magna Entertainment, said nothing is definite. Magna Entertainment is a subsidiary of the Canadian conglomerate Magna International, which is an auto parts

company. "There's nothing concrete," Wallington said. "I don't know if the deal ever closed. The company has plans to get back into the western side of the state. There is no live thoroughbred racing on the western half of the state. It's one of the few markets left in the United States. They are astute businessmen in Toronto."

A horse racing complex could entail a thoroughbred turf course and harness racing, Wallington said.

As for competition from Northville Downs, which features harness racing about eight miles away from the Salem site, Wallington said, "there are a number of ways to address it.'

One way is tailoring the hours of operation, he said.

Graham Orr, of Magna's Toronto office, couldn't be reached for comment.

Meanwhile, Roperti is putting the final touches on the township newsletter that

Downs in Muskegon, a thor- will be mailed to residents next week with updated information on the subject.

Residents have expressed both positive and negative viewpoints about horseracing, Roperti said.

Roperti had urged them to express their opinions about horseracing, in general, and SB 1214-1215 which were introduced by Senators George McManus Jr. (R-Traverse City), Harry Gast (R-St. Joseph), Leon Stille (R-Grand Rapids), Walter North (R-St Ignace), Don Koivisto (D-Ironwood) and Joe Young Jr. (D-Detroit)

The bills, dealing with horseracing which would have allowed simulcasting, telephone account wagering, and off-track betting, didn't pass during the last legislative ses-

Gary Henderson, McManus' legislative aide, said Thursday that no decision has been made whether to reintroduce those bills "although it has some merit," Henderson said.

Eilene Davis, aide to Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith (D-Salem) said no Salem residents have contacted Smith's office expressing views about

### State grant will spruce up Plymouth Cultural Center

STAFF WRITER tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net

Plymouth Acting City Manager Paul Sincock heard all the rumors, but he wanted to make sure the good news was final

before spreading the word. It was made official by Gov. John Engler's office.

Plymouth has been awarded nearly \$635,000 in a Clean Michigan Initiative-Recreation Bond grant, which will be used for improvements at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

"We are ecstatic!," proclaimed Sincock in his City Hall office. We received a call from Sen. (Thaddeus) McCotter's office Monday that it was coming. This is the largest grant we've ever received. It's a great opportunity for the City of Plymouth.'

The grant application indicates the city will contribute \$342,000 to the project, which means the Cultural Center will get almost \$977,000 in renovations.

improvements will The include:

■ the addition of two main hockey locker rooms on the east side of the building.

■ the addition of one Zamboni equipment storage room.

replacement of the existing dasher board system with new steel frame dasher boards and acrylic shields.

■ installation of a new energy reduction system for lighting and refrigeration in the ice arena.

■ installation of new emergency lighting and exit signage throughout the facility.

In the grant application, city officials noted two locker rooms share a toilet and shower facility, the bathrooms do not meet current handicap accessibility codes, and the locker facilities are undersized for the high school students and adults who use the center. The application also notes that female hockey teams "are constrained by the size and scheduling that must be coordinated at the current facili-

"We currently have about \$170,000 budgeted for our share, and we're hopeful that we can come up with a financing plan for the remainder," said Sincock. You're looking at a plan where for every dollar we put in, the State of Michigan puts in two. It's hard to beat that."

The Plymouth Cultural Center is a multi-purpose community center located on property next to Central Middle School that is leased from the Plymouth-Canton School District. It's home to the Plymouth Figure Skating Academy, Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools high school hockey teams and the Adult Hockey League.

"It's great news," said Chris Wolfe, president of the Plymouth-Canton High School Hockey Boosters. "The money will ease the stress of small locker rooms, and the lighting will help make it look like a new ice rink. It's a shot of enthusiasm for everybody."

The city's recreation department offices are located in the Cultural Center, and many of the recreation programs are housed there.

Recently, the city improved the Cultural Center by putting up a new awning, as well as new carpeting, furniture and handicap ramps.

The building is 30 years old, and this is a step in the right direction," said Sincock. "It's a part of our recreation master plan, adopted by the city commission, to meet the needs of this community.'

Sincock said he expects renovations to begin sometime this year, depending on when the grant is in the hands of city offi-

The City of Plymouth has never applied for a CMI-Recreation Bond grant. However, the Plymouth Cultural Center has been the recipient the past two years of Community Development Block Grant funding, which was used to bring all restroom facilities in compliance with American Disabilities Act regulations.

### **Planning**

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be left undeveloped and used as a backdrop for the community.

percent of the land would never

Under the revised plan, 60 be developed.

Commissioner Melissa McLaughlin pointed out that would leave trees and meadows surrounding the homes in their natural state, something the planning commission has encouraged builders to do.

"We tried to preserve 58 percent of the open spaces," Jim Clarke of Robertson Brothers said. "Where there is development, it's intense development, so no one would have to see it, hear it, or deal with it."

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"The beautification of Gyde Road is important to us, and Northwest Canton told us it is

important to them," Smith said.

The homeowners association also expressed concerns over the natural beauty of the nearby tree-lined roads. Robertson Brothers committed to stay out of the rights-of-way, and seek easements on private property for laying water and sewer lines. Further, Smith said if the company cannot acquire easements, it would bore under the trees, so

none would have to be removed. "Another concern has been

cookie-cutter construction, with houses too similar and too close together," Suppnick said. Smith said Robertson Brothers has committed to a design charrette with township officials.

The development has been defined as a detached condominium project, which offers traditional homes and "maintenancefree living."

### Not everyone in favor

Nearby homeowner and 38year resident Hans Neuroth still doesn't favor the project.

"I don't understand where he thinks we need this kind of development," Neuroth said. "When the gentleman talks about being unique, it is that area of Canton that is so unique there is none other like in this

Neuroth also shot down

property. Four homeowners live along the proposed easement, and Neuroth is one of them.

an easement through private

"There isn't any amount of money they're going to give me that will cause me to give them that right of way," Neuroth said. He also said he is concerned over boring under the trees, and asked how many of the trees would die.

"It's unrealistic to think we're not going to lose some of the trees," Clarke said.

McLaughlin and commission chairman Vic Gustafson asked Neuroth to consider the easement because it's possible and easy to replace grass, but not the

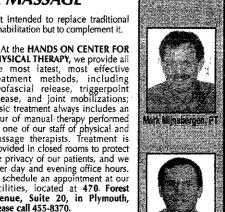
Gustafson expressed appreciation to Robertson Brothers for working with the community and the commission at the first sign of opposition, without being asked or forced to do so.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP

TO AMEND TEXT:

PLANNING COMMISSION AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 83 BY AMENDING ARTICLE XXIII, SPECIAL PROVISIONS TO ADD A NEW SECTION 23.41, WIRELESS COMMUNICATION.

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.

DATE OF HEARING: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2001

PLACE OF HEARING: PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP HALL 42350 Ann Arbor Road

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township proposes on its own motion to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance by amending Article XXIII Special provisions as follows: Article XXIII of Zoning Ordinance 83 presently ends with Section 23.40.

Article XXIII, Special Provisions is hereby proposed to be amended by adding Section 23.41, Wireless Communication. The proposed text provides approval and development requirements for Wireless Communication Systems for all zoning districts and provides for the maintenance and removal of Wireless Communication Systems within Plymouth Township. Proposed Section 23.41, Wireless Communication, contains new subsections

Subsection 23.41-1: PREAMBLE Subsection 23.41.2: PURPOSE

Subsection 23.41-3: DEFINITIONS

Subsection 23.41-4: APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS - includes approval process for Wireless Communication Systems and specific requirements for a device and facility (monopoly and feature tower).

Subsection 23.41-5: MAINTENANCE AND REMOVAL

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the text, as printed, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office at 42350 Ann Arbor Road and at the Community Development Department in the Department of Public Services Building at 46555 Port Street during regular business hours, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., until the date of the Public Hearing. Application 1655. Written comments concerning the amendment will be received prior to the meeting. The application review and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. The public hearing will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 Telephone Number 734-453-8131, ext. 37.

> JOE BRIDGMAN, Secretary Planning Commission

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#### **ORDINANCE NO. 83** AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 123 PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

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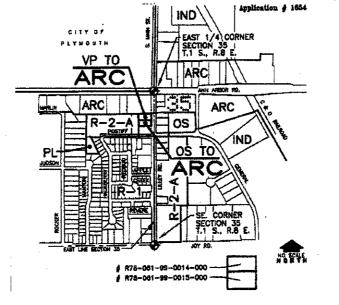
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David Medley, ADA Coordinator

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### **MARY F. GALLAGHER**

Services for Mary F. Gallagher, 79, of Plymouth, were held Jan. 22 at St. Dunstan Catholic Church in Dearborn with burial at Mt. Kelly Cemetery in Dearborn.

Mrs. Gallagher was born March 2, 1921, in Olyphant, Pa., and died Jan. 19 in Plymouth. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Gallagher was preceded in death by her husband, Peter. Survivors include her sons, Thomas (Jo) Gallagher and Hugh (Debbie) Gallagher; daughters Patricia Ann (Al Warbelow) Gallagher and Rita (Mark) Magdowski; sister Rita Jerome; 23 grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Memorials may be made to the Leukemia Research Life, Inc., P.O. Box 32783, Detroit, MI. 48232-0783 in memory of her grandson, Michael Gallagher. Arrangements made by Howe-

Peterson Funeral Homes.

### **NOREEN PRITCHARD**

Services for Noreen Pritchard, 67, of Plymouth will be held Jan. 26 at Community Baptist Church, 28237 W. Warren, Garden City, with the Rev. Jonathon Allen, the Rev. Luther Carver (brother-in-law) and the Rev. Edward Matthews (close friend) officiating.

Mrs. Pritchard was born July 18, 1933, in Kings Lynn, England and died Jan. 22 in Plymouth after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Survivors include her husband, Boston Pritchard; son, Jim (Carole) Pritchard of Rochester Hills; daughter, Teresa Schoch of Bethesda, Md; daughter, Freda Hurt of Galveston, Texas; son, Clifford (Diane) Pritchard of Waterford; daughter, Marsha (Doug) Birschele of Plymouth; adopted daughter, Tonya (Bruce) Mitchell of Plymouth; brother Trevor (Julie) Taylor of Blandford, England, uncle, Fred (Kit) Dunmow of Toronto, Canada; 12 grandchildren; numerous other beloved relatives; and a host of cherished friends.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, anyone wishing to honor Noreen donate any amount instead to the Henry Ford Hospice of Plymouth, who treated her with such kindness, located at 260 Union St., Plymouth, MI. 48170.

Arrangements made by R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home.

### **DONALD L. VANDERVEEN**

Services for Donald L. Vanderveen, 76, of Dimondale, Mich., were held Jan. 24 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. William B. Lupfer officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Vanderveen was born Jan. 25, 1925 in Detroit and died Jan. 22 in Lansing. He was a supervisor at Ford Motor Company, where he worked for 35 years. He moved to Haslett three years ago after living most of his life in Plymouth.

He was a member of St. John Episcopal Church for over 40 years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in World War II. He graduated from Plymouth High School and then attended Michigan State University and Eastern Michigan University. He very much enjoyed collecting stamps, coins and historical memorabilia. He was a member of the Elks.

Mr. Vanderveen was preceded in death by his wife, Esther F. Vanderveen.

Survivors include sons Terry K. (Jody) Vanderveen of Dimondale and Bruce A. (Darlene) Vanderveen of Fort Myers, Fla.; granddaughter, Michele Smith: grandsons, Benjamin Vanderveen, Jonathan Vanderveen and Samuel Vanderveen; and great-grandson, Luke Vanderveen.

Memorials may be made to the Plymouth Historical Society, 155 S. Main St., Plymouth, or the American Diabetes Association of Michigan Affiliate, Inc., 30600 Telegraph, Suite 2255, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

### LEONA THEEKE

Services for Leona Theeke, 83, will be held Jan. 27 at Purse Funeral Home in Tecumseh with burial at Macon Cemetery.

Mrs. Theeke was born Sept. 28, 1917 in Britton, Mich. and died Jan. 23 in Livonia. She was one of Michigan's first special education teachers. When asked her occupation, Leona would say "teacher" but her job, she said, was "to prepare people to be selfreliant, independent-thinking contributing members of soci-

After graduating from Michigan Normal Teachers College, she worked in the Wayne school system, and later taught in oneroom schools in Adrian and near Tecumseh. As one of the first certified Special Education teachers in Michigan, she taught mentally retarded students in Adrian. In 1962 she became the Education Director of the Plymouth State Home. Leona held master and specialist degrees, and completed her teaching career at Livonia Public Schools, retiring in 1981. An ardent supporter of women's rights and teachers' unions, Leona was a steward and life-long MEA/NEA member.

Mrs. Theeke was preceded in death by her husband, Patrick Halley Theeke; and sons Jon A. Theeke, formerly of Plano, Texas and Dale Frederick (Barbara) Theeke of Milford.

Survivors include sons Thomas (Elizabeth) Halley of Brookfield, Ill., and Dr. Herman A. (Tina) Theeke of Central Michigan University; daughter Mary T. Pearson of Walled Lake; grandchildren Michael, Patrick, Adam, Arik, Diane, Kristin, Jon, Janiece, Jennifer, Matthew, Rachel, Greg and Katie; and great-grandchildren Brian, Alex, Elliot, Seth, Liam, Alexandra, Kevin, Matthew, Emma, Nora, Mary and Aaron, all of who loved her dearly and will miss her immensely.

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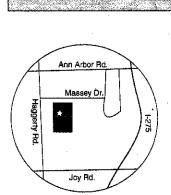
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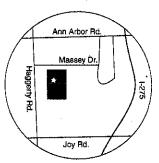
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### **Debate over high school** is healthy for community

Since the day it was first publicly talked about more than four years ago, Plymouth High School has generated as much heat as light. From the controversial ballot issue - passed by 96 votes and then contested via lawsuit - to its placement at the P-CEP campus to its new name, controversy has swirled around a building that won't even see a student until fall 2002.

So it really isn't a surprise that actual building construction is generating yet another battle - this time between school district officials, adjacent residents and members of the Canton Township Planning Commission.

Residents in Canton's North Pointe subdivision have been vocal for months about what they see as design flaws in the school property, mainly the placement of a lighted junior varsity football field. "If you stand in the second story of my home, it will be like looking down at Wrigley Field, we'll be able to watch the game," Terry Chen, a spokeswoman for the homeowners, said last December.

The criticisms have prompted school officials to move the field 60 feet eastward and make other proposed changes including a fence to prevent neighboring yards from being trampled. The district says the changes will cost it \$340,000.

Neighbors have taken their complaints to the planning commission and will undoubtedly voice their opinions when the plans go before the Canton Township Board of Trustees next month. But under state law, the local boards have little say in school construction and municipal approval isn't required.

Canton planners have been publicly critical of the school district, rejecting the site plan on Jan. 8 and blasting schools officials as "arrogant" for not working more closely with residents.

Chen's comparison to Wrigleyville is apt. It took years of negotiations before Major League Baseball was allowed to install lights and play night games at the hicago hallpark. Some residents in the established, surrounding neighbor- as some would have us believe. hood still chafe at the change. In the

Canton community, construction of a high school is pretty much the largest use with the most impact on neighbors outside a factory or a high-rise. And factories don't usually abut land that is zoned for residential use.

Plymouth-Canton Superintendent Kathleen Booher last week pledged to continue to work with residents and Can-

While the talks have at times been heated, we believe they serve a valid purpose. It's unlikely any significant changes would have been considered without such staunch opposition.

ton officials and said the district would attempt to be more forthcoming with neighbors when school construction projects are in the early planning stages. But Booher insisted that township officials were aware all along of plans for the high school site and that sniping between all parties has done little to move the project forward in a constructive way. "I believe there's a way to bring this together if we can get away from the misstatements and misconceptions, and keep communicating with the township," she said.

While the talks surrounding the school site have at times been heated, the Observer believes they served a valid purpose. Construction of the school and athletic field was never in doubt. But it's unlikely any significant changes would have been considered without such staunch opposition by neighbors to the original plan. The new plan may not make everyone happy. Compromises

The end result is a project where all sides had input and learned some valuable lessons. That's not as insignificant

### CLARIFICATION

An editorial in the Jan. 18 Canton Observer was incorrect in stating the pricetag for expansion and renovation work at the township administration building, public safety department and public works. The Canton Township Board of Trustees has approved about

\$500,000 for the current budget year to cover the design phase of the work. The total construction costs will likely be several million dollars and will be spread over several years, according to Canton Supervisor Tom Yack.

### GUEST OPINION

### Lawmakers need to shed light on this auto issue

Why do drivers operate their vehicles with no headlights on before day light/sun rise? My investigation reveals that the booklet of "What Every Driver Must Know" covers in Chapter 5 - Emergencies and Special Situations "Using the Headlights" copy on Page 2.

■ Headlights must be turned on one half hour after sunset until one half hour before sunrise, and at other times when visibility is reduced. Also, use low beam headlights when it is foggy, raining or snowing during the day.

Headlights must be turned on any time there is not enough daylight to see people and vehicles clearly at 500 feet. It is illegal to drive a vehicle with only parking lights on at times when the law says to use headlights.

The first paragraph seems to loose the importance of headlight operation especially during the winter months when we have gray skies, snow, rain and fog.

The second paragraph is not being adhered to by many drivers who do not put their low beam headlights during low-visibility daytime hours. Suggestion:

It is obvious for safety reasons "Headlights must be turned on one half hour BEFORE sunset until one half hour AFTER sunrise, and at other times when visibility is reduced. Also, use low beam headlights when it is foggy, raining or

snowing during the day." I also suggest that the headlights must

be on whenever the windshield wipers are operating. New cars are built with this feature whenever the state requests it, such as in Florida.

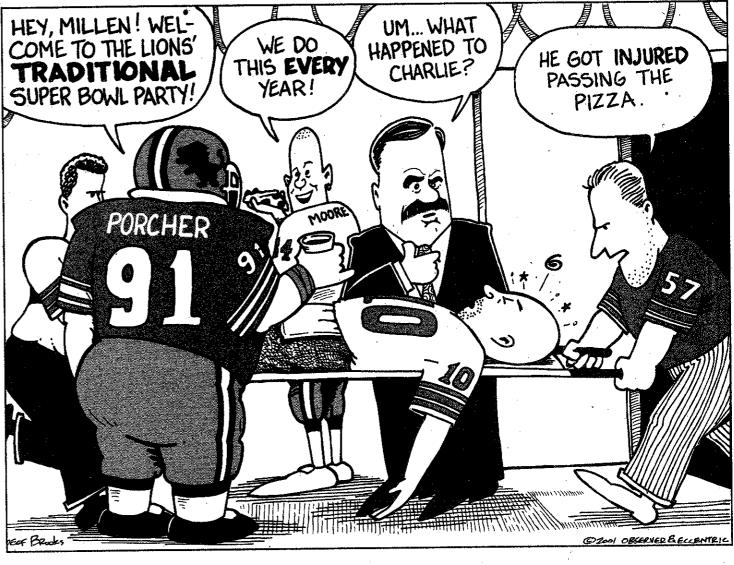
All of these conditions could be fixed with a law specifying that all new vehicles built and sold and registered in the State of Michigan after Jan. 1, 2001,

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must have approved daytime running lights. GM currently has approved daytime lights on some models, and they have some models that use parking lights. The cars built prior must conform with the law established, and the subject included on the tests for their operating license.

In paragraph 5 (of Using the Headlights: "If oncoming drivers do not dim their headlights, flash your lights briefly...") I would not advise anyone to flash their headlights, from a personal experience with an aggressive driver who apparently doesn't feel that operating a vehicle safely is a privilege in the State of Michigan.

John E. Sterling Livonia



### Reverse CCW law

Mike Malott was absolutely correct with his Jan. 4, 2001 (column) on the new concealed weapon law, which makes it much easier for nearly anyone to obtain a permit to carry a concealed weapon (CCW law). He made some excellent points including:

Proponents of the recently enacted bill presented data that was very incomplete, nearly indecipherable and not verifiable. Malott noted that such a lack of good data was "surprising in a state capital where the problem is usually just the opposite, where typically the difficulty is making sense of the overload." It would seem that if there was significant positive data from the 30 states that have passed relaxed gun ownership laws over the past 15 years, the proponents would present the data completely, concisely, and with sources clearly identified! Since that data has NOT been responsibly presented, we can only presume that a neutral or positive (deterrent) affect has not been experienced.

■ The proponents of the new law indicated, at one time, that as many as 200,000 additional people might obtain concealed weapons, if the law was passed. They recently changed their mind, stating that "no one knew what the real numbers would be and the only way to find out for sure would be to pass the bill and see what happens." Malott noted that passing legislation without good data to see what happens is an odd and unnecessary approach, considering 30 other states have "shall issue" laws.

This is certainly not a good way to run a government. In fact, a very troublesome aspect of this legislation is demonstrated by a recent EPIC/MRA poll that showed Michigan residents are overwhelmingly against relaxing CCW restrictions, by a 55 percent to 37 percent margin. The passage of this law is therefore certainly NOT an example of government OF, BY and FOR the people of the state of Michi-

■ Malott noted that a coalition of police and prosecutors are planning a petition drive to put the law to a referendum on the election ballot in November 2002. About 150,000 signatures are required for the referendum. In 1999, 1,097 Michigan residents were killed by guns. We are all aware of increased frustration and anger, as a result of our hectic and stressful society. Some of this anger is vented with violent acts, i.e. fights at sporting events, road rage altercations, etc. Now, with the relaxed CCW law, the acting out may be much more lethal.

If anywhere near 200,000 additional people are able to carry concealed weapons as a result of this law, it is conceivable there will be additional gun-related violence and deaths. As a result, we all should be willing to sign this petition to obtain the referendum opportunity to be counted and reverse this special interest-motivated law.

The Observer & Eccentric newspapers, through columnists like Mike Malott, are doing a great job of examining issues in their newspaper to enable their readers to make more fully informed decisions on the issues. Keep up the good work!

Ron McCaffery Livonia

### Change the law

In this day and age of big business mergers, consolidations and high finance, there should be a concern

about preventing big business conglomerates from operating outside of what is fair and just. Insurance companies providing med-

ical coverage for your family and mine do not have standard regulations controlling their payment of physician bills. In other words, when you or I receive a bill from a credit card debt or for our mortgage payment, we are expected to pay in a timely fashion or a surcharge, interest rate or penalty is added to the amount due. Generally speaking in a world where ideally we should be treated equally in the arena of responsible bill payment, our responsibilities are met on time. The fact that insurance companies can take essentially as long as they wish to pay a physician's bill without penalty makes little sense and appears unjust.

As an orthopedic surgeon, and president of the Michigan Orthopedic Society, this is not a complaint about a physician's salary, rather it is a comment on an insurance company's capability to interfere with the ability of physicians to run our offices and provide quality health care to our patients. It does not seem fair that an accurate claim has to be submitted from the insurance companies. It does not seem fair that a patient can be brought to collections because an insurance company has failed to pay their bill.

Gov. John Engler has recently vetoed a bill that would require insurance companies to pay an accuraté claim within a 45-day period or face an interest penalty. This will would have provided an incentive for insurance companies to pay their bills on time. Although I agree with Engler's premise that government should not be involved in contractual agreements and private businesses, and that bigger government is not necessarily a better government, the orthopedic surgeons in Michigan were extremely disappointed that Engler vetoed Senate Bill 694. I am hopeful that the Michigan Legislature will continue to work on a solution to hold insurance companies accountable for their bills and timely payment.

Dr. Donald R. Bohay president, Michigan Orthopedic Society

### Muskegon and our holding company, CMS Energy, has added units in northern and southern Michigan that can generate power during times of

peak demand.

Michigan's new laws removed many of the uncertainties that kept power suppliers from building new plants here. A number of new units are planned over the next several years. With their output, we could have enough electricity to exceed customer demand on peak-use days by 40 percent or more. Some already face very strong public opposition, however, so the percentage could turn out to be much smaller.

California encouraged its electric utilities to sell most of their fossilfueled plants. Now, California's utilities are dependent on a volatile, shortterm wholesale power market to buy power one day at a time. They are barred from signing long-term power contracts or using the other tools available to utilities elsewhere to ensure a reliable supply.

By contrast. Michigan's utilities are allowed to keep enough existing generating capacity to serve our current cus-

Resolving the long-term problem will require cooperation. You and I vote with our light switches every day for more electricity. There's no need for a recount. We vote for more central air conditioners, computers, electronic devices and products from factories which use large amounts of power.

In the other hand, many people are quick to vote no when it comes to new generating plants and power lines near their communities.

How shall we reconcile the two votes? We need to respond by conserving electricity when demand is unusually high, like on very hot summer days. We also need to work together to develop a long-term plan to build the plants and power lines that Michigan's families and businesses will need.

California has gotten everyone's attention. Now that we're thinking about the problem, let's work together on ways to make sure new power supplies can be developed in a manner that is environmentally responsible, economical and in time. That way, when you turn on the light switch several years from now, you won't wonder if the power will be there.

David W. Joos, president and CEO, electric Consumers Energy

### **■** Will Michigan suffer

The news from California is not good. The state has experienced rolling electricity blackouts and the two largest companies talk of bankruptcy.

Last June, Michigan's Legislature passed new laws restructuring much of our state's power industry. This begs the obvious question: Can California's power problems happen here?

The answer is no, not if we continue to prudently move toward customer choice and support new generating plants and electric transmission and distribution facilities needed to power Michigan's growing economy.

California's electric utilities cannot keep up with the public's demand for power. While the people of California are increasing their use of electricity at nearly triple the national rate, no new power plants have been built in more than a decade because of many reasons, including opposition from the

By contrast, demand in Michigan is growing more slowly, about 2 percent annually, and several generating plants have been brought into service. Consumers Energy rebuilt and restarted three units at our plant in

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### **Community Foundation will** persevere - and that's good

The dot-coms are crashing and burning. DaimlerChrysler is laying off employees and maybe shutting down plants.

Office Depot is closing stores in Canton and

other nearby communities.

Reading the business section these days is a scary proposition. So is opening the mail, as anyone who's recently looked at a 401(k) or mutual



**Tedd Schneider** 

fund statement When the economy begins to sputter, those in charge of budgets - both corporate and family – take a hard look at the bottom line. That's a

double-edgéd sword for charitable organizations like the Canton Commu-

nity Foundation, which held its seventh annual Winter Ball Friday at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Resources, mostly in the form of corporate

sponsorships and donations, often get tighter just as needs for foundation programs in the community become greater.

So while you couldn't see it on the faces of the thousand or so people who partied the night away last week, there's definitely an undercurrent of "what if" - as in "what if" the slowdown turns into a full-fledged recession.

But the people behind the Canton Community Foundation's success, and those in the local business community who continue support it, believe they have built (pardon the pun) on solid ground. Entering its 11th year, the foundation is halfway to its goal of a \$1.5 million endowment fund that will allow it to be self-sustaining, said President Joan Noricks.

In recent years, leaders at local companies like Yazaki North America have stepped forward not just with money - but by donating facilities and their time, energy and heart for the foundation's cause. Yazaki's Evan Stitt and Tom Moore pop up with regularity at foundation functions and Colleen Haley is the company's representative on the foundation board of directors this year.

So does attorney Brian Amann, who just relinquished his role as board chairman. "Yes, a healthy economy is important," Amann said Friday. "But the foundation adds to the bottom line of the community in countless other ways."

"You just can't place a figure on it." Current board chairman Paul Denski Jr. of

Canton Waste Recycling likes to joke that he was drafted for his role only because he "missed a meeting." But talk to him for any length of time and his commitment to the community shines through in the animated way he goes through the organization's gifts and goals.

Amidst this altruism, people understand that the money is important, too. That's why Yazaki cut a \$30,000 check a couple of years ago and continues to be the largest single donor to the foundation's college scholarship program.

Friday's event generated more than \$60,000 and an annual golf outing also helps fund scholarships, youth leadership training, Canton ProjectARTS and other programs under the foundation umbrella.

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For many people in the community, the foundation picks up where government leaves off, Canton Supervisor Tom Yack is fond of saying.

"They can accomplish things that we can't. It's really been remarkable what an impact the foundation has had on the community.

The scholarships are a personal favorite of a certain journalist who took a non-traditional path into the profession. The foundation's program takes into account students from all walks of life in all sorts of disciplines, including those who may have put off their post-secondary education for years or even decades.

"This foundation is going to be around and it's going to continue to do good things," Denski said Friday. "It will do them forever.

Let's certainly hope so. Because its success is vital to the success of the Canton community. In good economic times and whatever comes next.

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Lansing's late start might just prove to be a good thing

There is an unusual calm in Lansing these days. The start of the coming legislative session is running behind the normal schedule, and members I've talked to, on both sides of the aisle, are starting to get antsy to get things rolling.

Kendall Wingrove, aide to new House Speaker Rick Johnson, R-LeRoy, admits lawmakers are about a week off the usual pace. There are reasons, he says, and good ones.

First, there was the inaugural of President George W. Bush last weekend. Many state Republicans, not just Gov. John Engler, were in Washington, D.C., for the festivities. Politicos would argue that is not just a matter of having fun. They expect the state's fortunes will rise with those of the new Republican administration, so being there at the outset will give Michigan more clout in the end.

According to Wingrove, that took more out of lawmakers' schedules than just the one day of inaugural festivities. Actually, top Michigan Republicans were involved in Washington for four or five days, he contended.

When the House's Committee on Committees should have been meeting last week in preparation of making assignment recommendations to the speaker, inaugural distractions kept those members away from the table.

That has put committee assignments behind schedule as well. Where normally, at the outset of a new legislative session, they would have been released last week, committee assignments for the state House are not expected out until later this

Likewise, Gov. Engler has put off his State of the State speech a bit this year. It is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 31. In previous years, Engler's annual address was already in the history books by this time. His spokeswoman, Susan Shafer, contends it was initially scheduled for the last day of the month because Engler knew his inaugural duties would take that long to complete.

What Engler is likely to say is kept close to the vest, she said. Details of what will be in the speech aren't released until the day of the

And with the governor's agenda for the year not yet laid out, state lawmakers aren't putting out theirs either. Democrats have already devised their list of priorities, but Minority Leader

Kwame Kilpatrick, D-Detroit, is holding back the caucus agenda for now.

House Republicans likewise have already met in a two-day retreat to come up with their priorities. The Senate GOP caucus was in a retreat of its own this Tuesday and Wednesday this week hammering out its own plans.

Individual lawmakers are, of course, willing to give their agendas; it's the overall priority lists compiled by the caucuses that are waiting until after the State of the State.

Background discussions are taking place. Wingrove said Johnson and Kilpatrick have met several times. Shaffer said the governor is coordinating with the new speaker, but organizational issues have to be left to him.

Wingrove also contends some of the delay is the result of "the shift to a different style of leader-

Johnson wants to reinvigorate the committee process, he said. He wants the agenda to be set, not just by leadership, but to come up from the committee members themselves.

Johnson is of the opinion more work on legislation should be done in committee than on the House floor, Wingrove explained. Many of the changes taken up on the floor in previous sessions would be better accomplished in committee.

That would make for more refinement of bills before they come before the full House. "It's a more intimate setting," he said. "You have people testifying in committee, and what an opportunity it would be for an exchange of ideas and for debate and discussion while you have the experts sitting right there in the room with you. When you are the floor, they aren't right there with you, they are up in the gallery or in the lobby."

That, he says, goes along with Johnson's style of being a consensus builder. Yes, lawmakers are late getting started on their work this year. But to hear them and their aides tell it, that's not a bad thing. To the contrary, it might just end up with more thoughtful legislation coming out of Lansing as a result.

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### Here's what's driving gubernatorial contenders

News that former governor Jim Blanchard has taunched the Jim Blanchard for Governor Com mittee" has jump-started the process that will eventually result in a Democratic candidate for governor in November 2002.

That election will be a very big deal for both parties. It will be the first with no sitting governor on the ballot since 1982. Thanks to term limits and increased

turnover in the

office have

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increased in recent years. - a process both abetted and encouraged by Gov. John Engler. Here's a look at

Since his embarrassing defeat by

Engler in 1990, Blanchard has hardly been idle. A close adviser to Bill Clinton in 1992, Blanchard was rewarded by an appointment as ambassador to Canada. By all reports, he did a good job. Blanchard returned to Washington to a law-and-lobbying practice with a well-connected firm. He kept his toe in the Michigan politics, most recently as co-chairman of the successful effort to defeat the school voucher proposal.

A former congressman, Blanchard clearly would enjoy returning to Washington as a senator. Incumbent Sen. Carl Levin, however, looks like he has other ideas. Most observers figure ne'll run for a fifth term, making a Blanchard challenge in a primary seem, um, impolite.

So Blanchard, who remains vigorous and active, finds the governorship a likely target. He ays he's returning to Michigan "tested and mproved by experience, but still with plenty of ire in my belly.' While Blanchard was moving around the state,

Iichigan Rep. David Bonior – currently the No. 2 emocrat in the U.S. House and in line to be aajority leader should the party win the House ext year - discovered the 2000 census results ill cost Michigan one congressional seat. Since epublicans will run the redistricting process ey control both the state Legislature and ipreme Court - they've got a terrific device for tting Bonior out of their hair: Redistrict him

So what's a very senior congressman whose disct is at risk to do? Run for governor, of course. nior's biggest ally is UAW President Steve kich, also a Macomb County resident and a gtime friend. Yokich could probably bring in

plenty of support for Bonior from other segments

Some Democrats, however, think a laborbacked Bonior candidacy would be deja vu of disaster all over again. After all, Howard Wolpe, picked by the UAW for governor in 1994, was a terrible candidate. Larry Owen's candidacy in 1998 (also created by the UAW) led directly to Geoffrey Fieger. Moreover, Bonior is viewed as fuzzy by some important Democratic constituency groups on key issues such as choice on abortion and support for Israel.

Standing quietly in the wings is Jennifer Granholm, the Democrats' eminent blonde and certainly the most popular figure in a party that has long struggled for a leader with brains and star power. Granholm's career is largely the product of Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara and Wayne County Prosecutor Mike Duggan, who together run probably the most competent Democratic machine around.

Elected Attorney General by a wide margin in

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1998, Granholm faces an interesting set of political choices dictated in part by the fact that her time in office is limited to two four-year terms. If she chooses to run for AG again, she can expect a stiff challenge from Scott Romney, Engler's choice to run for AG but side-tracked to a seat on the MSU board. If she wins re-election as AG but still hankers for higher office after her term expires, a campaign for the governorship occupied by somebody else might be difficult.

One-on-one, I'd guess both Blanchard and Granholm would beat Bonior. With Blanchard and Bonior splitting the male vote, Granholm would likely clean up in a three-candidate race. With Democrats hoping for a candidate who can win in November and wouldn't be dominated by organized labor, it appears Blanchard and Granholm have an excellent basis for a long conversation about who does what and when.

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### Public Service Commission chief faces tough issues

By MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.net

California is a case study in how not to deregulate electric utilities, according to Laura Chappelle.

The 37-year-old Okemos resident says she and other experts in the field recognized from the beginning that the West Coast state's deregulation plan amounted to a "phony rate cut." California lawmakers ordered utilities there to divest themselves of power plants and to purchase their energy from "pools." At the same time, environmental groups have managed to block the construction of new generation facilities for nearly the past 10 years.

The result has been an energy crisis in that state that is now making national headlines. Consumers' electricity bills are skyrocketing at the same time utility companies say they are teetering on the edge of bankruptcy.

The good news is that Michigan did not repeat those errors when it adopted legislation to deregulate electric utilities here last year. As it is implemented between now and 2002, the state can continue to take lessons from the California example.

Chappelle also can draw on those lessons as she takes over the reigns of Michigan's Public Service Commission. Gov. John Engler appointed her this month to the post of chair on the PSC, replacing outgoing chairman John Strand, who will take a new position as the legislature's council administrator.

Acting as chairman of the PSC is a full-time position, and Chappelle's first day on the new job was Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Over the next six years, Chappelle's term in office, Michigan will face some of its toughest utility issues. Deregulation of electric supplies is only one of them. Gas deregulation is also on the agenda for Michigan lawmakers and bills to open that market to competition are expected to come before the state Legislature later this year.

Meanwhile, the state is trying to fix the problems it has had with past deregulation efforts, notably involving local telephone service. That issue boiled over into controversy this past summer when customers complained to the PSC and the media about long delays from Ameritech in getting service started and repaired. Hundreds of residents filed complaints May through June when the utility told them it might take as much as 38 days to get phone lines serviced.

Last spring, lawmakers concluded that earlier attempts at deregulation of the telephone market had moved too quickly and allowed telephone companies to act in an anti-competitive fashion toward startups. Senators and representatives voted to restore regulations on telephone

### Potholeseason is early

Potholes - an annual rite of spring - have made an early, unscheduled appearance in Michigan, causing unsafe conditions on roads and stress for motorists statewide. Since Dec. 11, AAA Michigan reports 1,400 pothole claims filed, three times the normal amount for this time of year.

"After several years of somewhat mild winter weather, we've been hit hard by the snow and cold this year," said Richard J. Miller, manager of Community Safety Services for AAA Michigan. "The resulting freeze/thaw cycle will likely cause an abnormally high number of winter potholes, taxing our highway infrastructure and the people who use

In 2000, 21 percent of AAA Michigan members reported damage to their vehicles as the result of poor roads. The average repair cost was \$478.

As dodging potholes becomes a daily ritual, motorists may become short-tempered, especially if a road repair crew is causing additional short-term delays. It is important to remember, said Miller, to give road workers a BRAKE.

"We are asking motorists to please slow down and observe reduced speeds in pothole repair zones," said Miller.

companies, essentially making the PSC the "competition cop" of telephone deregulation.

That puts Chappelle at the center of some of the toughest issues likely to face Michigan in the coming years.

"These things have to be handled very carefully," Chappelle said. "On the one hand, you can't cut the legs out from underneath your utilities like California did. You can't just take their word for it either and take away all the playing rules. You can't just say, 'now you guys, be a good utility."

"You can't have a mentality

that no matter what Ameritech wants, no matter what Consumers says, they are a big fat utility and we are going to penalize them," she said. "On the other hand, you can't just say, Whatever you want, we'll do."

Michigan has a reputation as having a tough PSC, along with states like New York and Texas. Some 26 other states have attempted deregulation, but Michigan is considered to be a "good map" for other states to follow. The Federal Communications Commission has in the past watched for and followed

gan's lawmakers and its PSC. Chappelle said.

"Just because you pass a law, that doesn't mean things unfold nicely as they are implemented. I think the PSC will have its hands full ushering in this competition and ironing out the glitches as they occur in deregulation of all three industries," she said.

Chappelle said she expects deregulation will produce a competitive market in Michigan for electricity by sometime in 2002. Telecommunications will likely

the recommendations of Michi- take until 2003, she said, and gas deregulation "will be kind of staggereď."

Until her appointment, Chappelle had been serving as the governor's deputy legal counsel. She was the governor's regulatory affairs coordinator through 1997 and '98. Before that, she was the regulatory affairs adviser to the Republican caucus in the House of Representatives. She has also served as an attornev for former House Speaker Paul Hillegonds, as a legislative

aide to Sen. William Van Regen-

morter and as an assistant pros-

ecuting attorney in Saginaw County. She has a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a law degree from Thomas Cooley Law School in Lansing. She is also an adjunct faculty member at Lansing Community College.

Chappelle has been a resident of Okemos for about 10 years. She's active in the Ingham County Republican Association. Her husband, Scott, is an attorney and CPA and owns Terra Management and Chappelle Development. They have three sons, Sam, 8; Jacob, 5; and Joe, 2.



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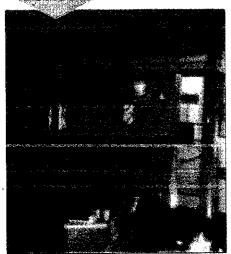
Jason Smith of Garden City and Kelly Rossi star in "Dancing at Lughnasa," opening tonight at Wayne State University's Bonstelle Theatre. Curtain 8 p.m., tickets \$8-\$10, call (313) 577-2960.

### SATURDAY



Canton Project Arts presents a Storytelling Festival featuring Syd Lieberman and other storytellers at Summit on the Park in Canton, 1 p.m. show recommended for ages 4 and up, tickets \$3; 7:30 p.m. performance for adults, tickets \$5. Call (734) 397-6450.

### SUNDAY



You'll find lots of vacation ideas at the Camper, Travel & RV Show 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Pontiac Silverdome. Admission \$6.50 adults, \$3 children (ages 6-14), no charge for children age 5 and younger, call (248) 456-1600.



Elmo and his pals from Sesame Street Live bring their musical production, "Big Bird's Sunny Day Camp Out," to the Fox Theatre in Detroit. Performances Thursday, Jan. 25 through Sunday, Jan. 28, and Tuesday, Jan. 30 through Sunday, Feb. 4. Tickets \$10, \$14 and \$18. Call the Fox Theatre box office, (313) 983-6611, or Ticketmaster (248) 433-1515.

New talent: Eddie from Ohio defies description with their blend of vocals and acoustic instrumentation.

# FOLKHELPS KEEP THE ARLOAT



PHOTO BY ROBERT CORWIT

Long-standing tradition: Peter Yarrow headlines the 24th annual Ann Arbor Folk Festival, a major fund-raiser for The Ark.

### Folk festival carries on tradition of spotlighting new talent

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

eter Yarrow's music continues to create bridges and empower people by addressing human rights and societal issues. So it should come as no surprise that when Joan Baez had to cancel an appearance at the Ann Arbor Folk Festival due to an illness in her family, Yarrow stepped in to headline the major fund-raiser for the nonprofit Ark, an Ann Arbor concert venue that promotes upcoming acoustic musicians with lyrics as powerful as his.

Yarrow seems to be there whenever a call goes out for help. A social activist as well as a singer/songwriter and member of the legendary trio Peter, Paul & Mary, Yarrow co-organized the 1969 peace march on Washington, D.C., to stop the Vietnam War, and participated in Civil Rights marches. He's most proud to have been there for Martin Luther King Jr.'s I Have a Dream speech and to have been on the front lines of the Civil Rights, peace and environmental. movements, and later to fight apartheid.

### Empowering

Music empowers people to initiate social change and nurturing new songwriters to take up the pen is a necessary part of continuing the activism spawned in the 1960s.

"Folk music celebrates lore and artistic traditions, and the losses, surprises, and joys," said Yarrow. "Songs like Blowing in the Wind, If I Had a Hammer gave the Civil Rights movement a central focus and to realize we're all in this together. The early '60s Folk Renaissance became part of the emotional underpinnings of the country. I'll be singing many songs from that time. The spir-

it I'll be bringing to the stage is in the tradition of Pete Seeger, Josh White, Burl Ives."

### Stop the violence

Never one to rest on past accomplishments, Yarrow will sing one of the songs from his latest battle to stop violence among children in schools. His fee for performing at the Ann Arbor Folk Festival will lum-related Don't Laugh at Me program. Founded three years ago, Don't Laugh at Me, which is also

for social change.

the title of a song, brings character education into the classroom. It helps young people develop skills to resolve conflicts while respecting their peers. And it accomplishes these tasks with music — a staple in Yarrow's life along with working

go toward furthering the curricu-

That's why fund-raisers such as the Jan. 27 festival for The Ark hold a special place in his heart. Yarrow served on the board of the Newport Folk Festival which introduced

emerging artists like Buffy St.

Marie because at the time "there was no place on stage for these folks." It's also the reason he co-founded the Kerrville Folk Festival in Texas 25 years ago.

### Honored

"I'm honored to be able to be there in Ann Arbor," said Yarrow. "I have a long standing commitment to traditional music and new performers who continue to enrich it with authentic reflection of their feelings. Folk music is written from the heart. Folk music has had a very important role to play in America for a long time."

The music continues to speak to the younger generation as well as the old at concerts such as the Ann Arbor Folk Festival Saturday, Jan. 27 at Hill Auditorium. In addition to Yarrow, Richard Thompson along with Weavermania, Eddie From Ohio, Todd Snider, Chris Buhalis, Dave Carter and Tracy Grammer, Connie Kaldor, David Wilcox, and Plymouth's own Matt Watroba will take to the stage to carry on the tradition.

### New acts

"I always gets more excited about the new acts," said Dave Siglin, artistic director for the festival and The Ark. "Richard Thompson is a tremendous guitarist and songwriter but I like introducing unknowns like Todd Snider because they can appear before 4,000 people and knock them out. We'll have artists like Eddie from Ohio, and David Wilcox, who's kind of a James

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### THEATER

### TinderBox Productions follows the yellow brick road to fun

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Folk Festival

What: This major fund-

features Peter Yarrow,

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raiser for The Ark

By LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

Joseph Garreffa lets out a roar that ends in a wimper. The role of the Cowardly Lion comes easy to the 19-year-old Redford resident. He originally began honing his acting skills after joining TinderBox Productions in 1990. Since then Garreffa's performed in dozens of musicals and taken part in plays at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia and Michigan Opera Theatre productions of The Magic Flute and Aida.

### On stage

What: TinderBox
Productions presents
the Wizard of Oz
When: 2 p.m. SaturdaySunday, Jan. 27-28 and
Feb. 3-4 and 10-11; and
7 p.m. Saturday, Jan.
27, Feb. 3 and 10
Where: Cathedral
Theatre in Masonic
Temple, 500 Temple,
Detroit

Detroit Tickets: \$10, reserved seating, \$5 general admission. Call (313) 535-8962

Garreffa isn't expecting to have the jitters when Tinder-Box Productions' Wizard of Oz opens Saturday, Jan. 27 Masonic at Temple Detroit. He'll feel downright comfortable in the 1960-like psychedelic lion

costume with

flying mane.

Fun

"The part of the lion is fun," said Garreffa, a student at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. "I feel somewhat that it was typecast. It fits a lot of me, like when he's a real human being. What I like best about the Wizard of Oz is they're all looking for something they think they don't have and then realize they had it all the time."

Courtney Kasperowicz's favorite part of the musical, popularized by the 1939 MGM film version starring Judy Garland, is wearing a pink dress for her role as a Munchkin. Like Garreffa, the 8-year-old Redford resident has plenty of experience. This is her seventh production with TinderBox and she's playing several parts including an Emerald City townsperson.

"I like being a Munchkin," said Kasperowicz, a third-grader at Fisher Elementary School. "You have to be little and have a squeaky voice and be a good dancer. I take jazz (dance classes) at school. I think dancing is cool because you can jump up in the air."

Kirk Kasperowicz doesn't worry about his daughter messing up a dance step in the Wizard of Oz or even getting stage fright as much as he does



Off to see the Wizard: Darren Pierson (left), (Scarecrow), Jody Florkowski, (Tin Man), Joseph Garreffa, (Lion), and Maggie Keenan-Bolger, (Dorothy), take a trip down the yellow brick road.

about Bridget, the family dog. Bridget, who's joining Courtney and son Cole, 5 on stage as Toto, has already jumped into the audience. That little problem aside, Kirk is looking forward to the production which has become some-

what of a family affair. Kirk has acted in a number of plays including *The Lit*tle Princess. His wife helps teach the acting classes.

"It's amazing the talent you see in

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Taylor tradition, and more traditional music. Weavermania will reproduce a set of The Weavers. 'even duplicate what's said between songs."

While the music of The Weavers remains popular today, folk music is changing thanks to computers and a variety of media which are making the world a smaller place.

"Communication is instant now so we're hearing a lot of music we wouldn't have heard 20 years ago," said Siglin. "There's lots of crossover Irish and African — Zydeco, a black tradition and Cajun, a white tra-

### Early years

"In the early years for The Ark it was grassroots and traditional folk music but it always had roots in tradition. We just keep expanding to encompass more styles. Since The Ark moved in 1984 we've featured more bluegrass and country. We then moved again in 1996 and expanded to blues bands and iust about anything but rock."

Over the years the festival, much like The Ark, has spot-

lighted Arlo Guthrie, Donovan, John Prine, Bonnie Raitt, Chet Atkins, Leon Redbone, and Lyle Lovett all for one purpose — to sustain the year-round programming at The Ark.

### Festival roots

Initially the festival began with two shows held at the Power Center for the Performing Arts but soon outgrew the venue. From there it was moved to the Michigan Theater and then to its present location at Hill Auditorium. Downsized to one show, the festival usually sells out all 4,000 seats.

"I think folk music has just gotten better over the years." said Linda Siglin, a volunteer for The Ark. "Musicians have learned from their predecessors. They listen to more world music, the Celtic sound and have broadened out. Folk music is evolving. I don't know if it should be called folk music anymore but acoustic music."

I don't care what they call it," said Yarrow. "It's music written from the heart. Folk music still sustains us. It speaks to the best

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these kids," said Kirk Kasperowicz, a Redford police officer. "And we enjoy the productions because it's a way to do something together as an activity."

#### Families and theater

Families and theater just seem to go together. Just ask Maggie Keenan-Bolger who plays Dorothy. She's been on the stage since age 7. She's now 17 and has already performed in the Wizard of Oz on Broadway. That was in 1998 when her brother Andrew was doing Beauty and the Beast at the same time in New York.

Keenan-Bolger initially became interested in theater

after older sister Celia took the lead. Since then, Keenan-Bolger's appeared in To Kill a Mockingbird at Meadow Brook Theatre in Rochester and in Turandot with the Michigan Opera Theatre. She's also done Cat on a Hot Tin Roof at the Hilberry Theatre.

"I like the Wizard of Oz because it's generally a feel good show," said Keenan-Bolger, a Detroit resident traveling down the yellow brick road with Garreffa, the Lion, Darren Pierson (Scarecrow), and Jody Florkowski (Tin Man), all of Redford. Several Redford residents are in the musical including Margaret Winowiecki, who plays Uncle Henry and the Emerald City Guard, and Alex Mich who's Professor Marvel and the Wizard of Oz. "It gives you a feeling in your heart that you enjoy and it has a decent moral. It's fun to do and watch."

Sarah Wiercioch loves the Wizard of Oz as much as the rest of the cast putting on the 2 1/2hour Broadway version. And like the others Wiercioch, a 12-yearold honor roll student at Our Lady of Good Counsel School, has appeared in numerous productions at the Marquis Theatre in Northville and the Detroit Opera House, and in commercials for Mel Farr, the auto dealer. She also had a part in Showboat when it was in Detroit with Tom Bosley. In the Wizard of Oz,

Wiercioch plays a Lullaby Girl, Jitterbug, one of the Emerald City's townspeople, and a singing tree.

### Hardest part

"The hardest part was learning to do a cartwheel in a skirt when I'm one of the townspeople but the best part is the jitterbug dance," said Wiercioch. "It's the most fun."

That's what mother Susan thinks makes the 7-hour rehearsals on Saturdays and Sundays worthwhile.

"I like it because they're all normal kids, all young kids who want to have fun," said Susan Wiercioch.

### Cast sparkles in 'The Glass Menagerie'

The Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford presents Tennessee Williams' classic "The Glass' Menagerie" weekends through Sunday, Jan. 28. Performances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28, at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly Road, (1 block south of Five Mile Road), Redford. Tickets \$12, \$10 seniors/students; call (313) 531-

#### BY PAMELA JOY MCGOWAN SPECIAL WRITER

Two questions came to mind during the opening scenes of The Glass Menagerie stunningly performed by The Theatre Guild of

Livonia-Redford. First, is that impeccable Southern accent real? And second, is that an Observer newspaper?

Well, the first question and its answer eluded me shortly thereafter because it just seemed so natural that Amanda Wingfield (Jane Bloom-Johnson), in all her neuroses, would speak as though she were a young Southern belle. I soon forgot to even think about it. And, yes, director Heidi Kelley did confirm that one of the props was in fact our beloved Observer newspaper.

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into a movie directed by Paul Newman, but nothing compares to seeing it in this cozy local theater by such a talented cast.

The play is narrated by Tom (Lance Abke of Plymouth), Amanda's adult son, based on the memories of his mother, his sister Laura (Diane Aretz of Plymouth), and Jim (John Hicks of Livonia), a gentleman caller that interrupted the cycle of dysfunction in the Wingfield home.

Amanda has been a widow for quite some time and uses her two adult children to try to relive her glorious past. Of course, her rebellious son and reclusive daughter render her unsuccess-

Jane Bloom-Johnson shines as Amanda. Her range of emotions and her stage presence brings to life the lonely, self-obsessed woman teetering on the edge of insanity. She takes the audience back in time when she speaks of her days as a young lady, including the day she was visited by 17 gentlemen callers in a single day. The sarcastic humor of Amanda, and also Tom, is the spice in their presentations.

Lance Abke performs wonderfully as the frustrated Tom, torn between his responsibility and love for his sister, and the need to escape from his possessive mother. This is illustrated in a scene in Act One, when Tom stumbles home drunk from the "movies" and proceeds to tell Laura about his small adventure

Diane Aretz also does a good

job portraying the fragile Laura. The transformation that Laura makes during her visit with Jim in Act Two is executed artfully. John Hicks, who doesn't make an appearance in the play as Jim until the second act, performed well as the gentleman caller and had no problem staying in character when the props seemed to be working against him.

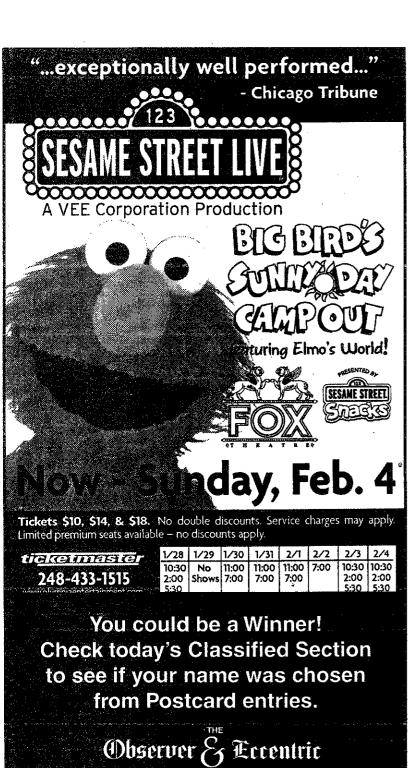
The set of The Glass Menagerie is that of a small apartment, though it is approached differently by Tom when he is narrating. Laura's dresses looked appropriately like those of a preschool girl, stretched to fit an adult, while Amanda metamorphosed from housecoat to flowing evening gown for the benefit of a dinner

### Lighting

Another point to be commended is the lighting. During the candlelit portion of the production, the lighting was flawlessly used to enhance the scene without drawing away from the tenderness of the moment.

Heidi Kelley has done an excellent job putting together her vision of this famous play for us to enjoy. It is a work of art that is capable of provoking an audience's thoughts and emotions on many different levels.

Pamela Joy McGowan is a Livonia resident who writes about community theater for the Observer Newspapers



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The Thursday, Jan. 18 dining feature on Plymouth restaurants to visit during the Ice Sculpture Spectacular contained three errors: An incorrect address and phone number was listed for Lower Town Grill in Old Village. The correct information is 195

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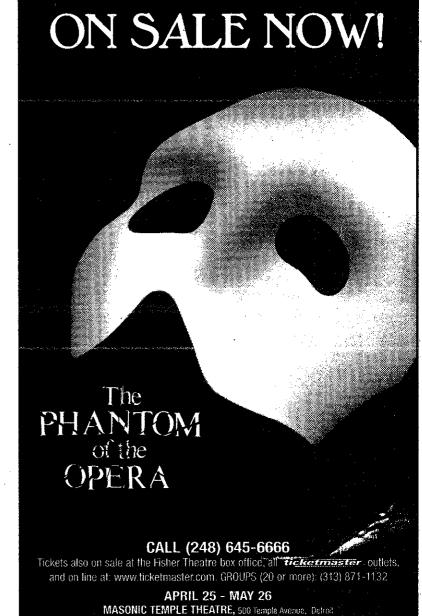
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### Delta 88 takes driver's seat for alternative-folk Americana



Just because you're only starting to hear a buzz about Delta 88 doesn't make the alternative folk trio new to the scene. The sounds of the band's stirring self-titled debut remind us that

sometimes the best music can still be found in the shadows of a small club, amid the smoke of a historic theater. Based in Ann Arbor, this three-piece consists of singer-songwriter Danny Kline, guitarist Alex Anest and bassist John Sperendi.

On Friday afternoon, Jan. 19, I met the musicians for tea at Zola in Ann Arbor and learned how three diverse personalities come together to create this rootsy sonic blend which somehow manages to capture a slice of Americana in the most mellow, unassuming way. Anest, 26, who also manages the band, speaks with the experience of someone determined to get where he's going, and yet seems content enough to share where he's been.

Playing guitar since age 7, Anest now teaches the instrument. You might even stumble across the Chelsea resident at the Clarkston Conservatory of Music. With a penchant for artists like Willy Nelson, Anest

is also the most likely to be donning a cowboy shirt upon arrival.

But don't classify Delta 88 as country - or you'll hear it from Danny Kline. The gentle-voiced singer-songwriter's career began on a dare. When childhood friends told him he couldn't sing, Kline proved them all wrong. He sings with an honest, all-knowing quality and uses words that convey an introspective curiosity of life. Also a photographer, the 27-year-old creates lyrical snapshots, infusing inspiration from his cross-country travels. He's miles from the days he once spent singing in a Jane's Addicition-like rock band. "I'm being a little more honest with myself, he admits. "It's easy to reach people through anger. It's harder to reach people through this kind of meekness."

Oddly enough, Anest and Kline met by accident. Both already established musicians, Kline knocked on Anest's door when looking for a former girlfriend who lived upstairs. Anest never imagined how the meeting might impact his future. "I thought he was this crazy guy," recalled Anest. "He left. I was practicing guitar. I thought maybe he was going to clobber

Instead, the two began working on music together, naming their venture after the first car Anest's ever owned, an Oldsmobile Delta 88. From humble **Stone Quarry** is another favorite. 'I like how it doesn't jump at you,' described Danny Kline of the album's opener. 'You have to come down to hear it."

beginnings in Bowling Green around 1997. Anest moved to Michigan and met John Sperendi while teaching at Herb David Guitar Studio in Ann Arbor.

Sperendi, 24, emits wild energy - the same sort you'll find when he's on stage pounding on his bass, tongue hanging out and all. His style and manner seemed a perfect fit.

"It was magic from day one," said Kline, with a laugh.

Delta 88 describe their sound as hard-driving American music. But the softer side seems to ring true. There's something almost contemplative and familiar in songs like Stone Quarry and Truth is a Whisper. Combining sentiments with gliding guitar and a smooth upright bass, Delta 88's sound is as pervasive as a cool summer wind, and just as worthy of coveting.

"To be out on the road, I've found you look at things in a very different way," said Kline. "When you're around something, you stop seeing it."

The story there lies between the notes, the words and compo-

One song that truly conveys

the spirit of Delta 88 is Truth is a Whisper - a favorite for both Kline and Anest. "It expresses lyrically what we are like as people," said Kline. "That song not only tells a true story, you can feel it by the way it's played.

It also has a history. "That was the first song Danny ever played for me when we were putting the record together," said Anest.

Stone Quarry is another favorite. "I like how it doesn't jump at you," described Kline of the album's opener. "You have to come down to hear it."

For Sperendi, Feeling Low is a highlight of their work that really came into its own in the studio, Ann Arbor's Perfect Balance. "It just kinda happened," he recalled.

Now focusing on new material, Delta 88 is shopping for a producer to work with on a new album. The band is also starting to perform more often in Detroit and beyond. After the recent, friendly departure of drummer Jim Latini. Delta 88 is refocused on a more organic folk-oriented sound. Preferring theaters to bars, the band hopes audiences



Hard-driving American music: (Left to right) Delta 88's voice, Danny Kline, former drummer Jim Latini, guitarist Alex Anest and bassist John Sperendi may be new in the Detroit area, but they've been playing music together for years.

will lend an ear.

Delta 88 performs with opener Kevin Meisel, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile Road in Livonia. Tickets are \$10 or \$8 for theater members. Call (734) 464-6302. For more on the band.

check out www.delta88.net.

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### **SCREEN SCENE**

### Paint by Numbers finds credibility at the Detroit Historical Museum



Over the past 50 years, there have been many artists whose work earned the praise of critics, but received widespread scorn from the public. Here's a twist. Appearing through February in the Detroit Histori-

cal Museum's Kresge Gallery, there's an exhibit of artworks dating back to the 1950s that the public loved and critics dismissed.

Whatever happened to Paint by Numbers? recalls one of the most popular hobbies of the 1950s and 1960s. Paint by numbers sets were created by Detroit's Palmer Paint Co. from an idea by graphic designer Dan Robbins. At its peak, the company employed 800 people, including 60 artists, who produced 50,000 sets a day.

The notion that anyone could

create pictures by matching numbered outlines and corresponding paint colors was captivating, as we discovered that the horse wasn't just brown, but shades that we never would have imagined. The finished product didn't look bad, at least from a distance.

But despite its success, art teachers and purists were relentless in the their criticism.

"Art elitists looked upon paintby-numbers as nothing more than a glorified comic book." says Lex Kuhne, who produced a segment on the former craze for an edition of Detroit Public TV's Backstage Pass, which airs 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25 and 1 a.m. Friday.

The question remains about whether paint-by-numbers has any artistic merit. Although paint-by-number perhaps is best described as a hobby, fans maintained that they learned about composition, color and the handling of oil paint. Many tried painting on their own, and sales

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"It may not have been art, but it was the experience of the art. One of the things that I found interesting in researching paintby-numbers and visiting the exhibit is that the two-dimensional designs of the painting bear a resemblance to animation cells that are popular today,' savs Kuhne.

It seems that the Detroit Historical Museums exhibit is the proper place for a display of paint-by-number to showcase the local enterprise that contributed an item that is not only a part of our popular culture but coveted by many collectors.

Even though the purists were right, I still would like to salute paint-by-numbers for making the novice feel that the arts are more accessible than maybe he or she originally thought.

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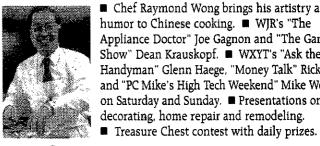
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SPIRIT OF ART: Celebrate the creative spirit during an evening of art and a concert by Assumption Grotto Church's Rev. Perrone, his 14-piece orchestra, and soprano Gina D'Alessio, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, following the performance, artist Daniel Cascardo will describe the images and inspiration for his murals on the side altars of St. Barbara's church. A reception follows the lecture and a musical interlude with vocalist Anna Maria Mastostefano, at St. Barbara's Church, 13524 Colson at Schaefer, between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. \$15. For reservations, call (313) 886-3224/(248) 594-4594/(313) 884-2125

STORYTELLING FESTIVAL: Canton Project Arts will hold its third annual Storytelling Festival featuring Syd Lieberman, Craig Roney and Corinne Stavish Saturday, Jan. 27, a family performance, recommended for ages 4, and up takes place at 1 p.m. (\$3), and an adult performance at 7:30 p.m. (\$5), at Summit on the Park, Canton. Advance tickets are recommended. (734) 397-6450

VALENTINE'S DANCE: The 20th annual 50's Valentine's Dance, presents Reflections, with Deuce Coupe Band, 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 at Stiletto's, at the PRCU Civic Center, 1430 Oak Street, Wyandotte. Tickets \$22. 21 and older welcome. Includes food, bar, door prizes. Call Chooch at (734) 229-0678 or Chuck at (734) 425-2363 for details.

X-TRAVA CON: Comic book, toy and non-sport card show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Livonia. \$2. (248) 426-8059

### BENEFITS

**ONE ACTS FESTIVAL: Featuring** selections from The Man Who Came to Dinner, Schoolhouse Rock, Don't Drink the Water, and Rent 7 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 1-2, at Andover High School Bloomfield Hills, \$5-\$15, Proceeds go to the scholarship funds in memory of Julie Anna Wirthlin and Kristin Oswald. (248) 645-4679 **ROMANTIC MUSIC:** Featuring pianist Elizabeth Lesesne Dixon and mezzo-soprano Rose Mullins 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, at St. Andrew's Church, Ann Arbor. \$10, \$8 students, \$5 age 13 and under, \$25 family (advance); \$12, \$9 students, \$6 age 13 and under, \$30 family (at the door). (734) 930-2823. Proceeds go the King School Space Camp Program.

### CLASSICAL

**ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Mozart Birthday Bash pays tribute to Mozart on his 245th birthday 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, at the Michigan Theater, Detroit. \$17-\$30. (734) 994-4801 LYNN ASPNES: The harpist gives a free concert noon Wednesday, Jan. 31, in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, Livonia. (734) 462-4403

**BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** The Ballet Goes Pops with excerpts from Tchaikovsky's Swan Lake, also music by Copland, Saint Saens and Bernstein 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, at Temple Beth El. \$20, free for students with photo I.D. (248) 645-

**BRENTANO STRING QUARTET: 4** p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, at Rackham Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$14-\$30. (734) 764-2538

**CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT:** Brentano String Quartet 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, in the Seligman Performing Arts Center at Detroit Country Day School, Beverly Hills. \$18-\$67, \$15 students. (248) 645-6666 **DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Violinist Carolyn

Huebl joins Prokofiev Violin Concerto No. 1 in D 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at Edsel Ford High School, Dearborn. (313) 565-2424 **DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA:** Tchaikovsky's Manfred Symphony 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15-\$52. (313) 576-5111

DRESDEN STAATSKAPELLE:

Conductor Giuseppe Sinopoli conducts an aii-Strauss program featuring 3 popular orchestral works 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$20-\$55. (734) 764-2538

**PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY** ORCHESTRA: Presents two chamber concerts 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 at First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, and 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3 at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$14, \$12 seniors/college students, no charge for children in grades K-12. (734) 451-2112 THREE GENERATIONS OF **COMPOSERS:** With Lettie Alston and Friends 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, in Varner Recital Hall at Oakland

University; and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, at the Museum of African American History, Detroit. \$12, \$10 seniors, \$6 students. (248) 370-3013

### GOSPEL

MIGHTY CLOUDS OF JOY: Share the stage with the Campbell Brothers with Kate Jackson 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15-\$50. (313) 576-5111

#### **AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES**

**BEL CANTON CHORAL GROUP:** Auditions for women who read music and love to sing Monday, Feb. 5, at Southfield High School. (313) 640-0123

CLASSICAL BELLS: Perform a concert 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28 at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, Northville. \$10, \$15 for a family, and can be purchased at the door. (248) 349-2621

JAZZ/SPIRIT DANCE THEATRE: Holds auditions Tuesdays through the month of January, dancers should be age 18 and up with expertise in modern and jazz, at the Jazz & Spirit Dance Theatre of Detroit. (313) 534-0301 MICHIGAN SHAKESPEARE

**FESTIVAL:** Auditions 7-10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9 and 2-8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, call back auditions 1-6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 17-18, variety of roles available at the Jackson Symphony Hall, 215 W. Michigan Ave., Jackson. Rehearsals begin June 12. Call (517) 788-5032 to schedule an audition time.

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS: Auditions for the Wizard of Oz 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28. at Warren Valley Methodist Church, Dearborn Heights. (810) 344-7774

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS:** Began rehearsals on Tuesday, Jan. 9 for its spring concert April 28-29, auditions will be held by appointment 7 p.m. Tuesday, 30, first sopranos, tenors and basses are especially needed but there are some openings for second sopranos and altos, at First United Methodist Church, Plymouth. (734) 455-4080

**SESAME STREET LIVE: Auditions** for professional dancers who can act and actors who can dance, age 18 and up 1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. Enter stage door on north side of Montcalm which intersects Woodward. (612) 375-9670, Ext.

SWING BAND: The OPC Senior Band invites musicians to dust off their instruments and join the band 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays, or just drop by to listen, at the Rochester Older Persons Commission. (248) 646-2864

VERDI OPERA THEATRE OF MICHIGAN: Is looking for entries for its 7th annual Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition for Michigan High School Students. Held in cooperation with the Italian American Cultural Society, the competition encourages and helps develop young amateur vocal talent and promotes appreciation for Italian music and language. Deadline for submitting tapes is Saturday, Feb. 17. Ten finalists will be chosen from cassette audiotape auditions submitted through their respective high schools. Each finalist will receive a cash prize ranging from \$50 to \$1,000 in addition to the opportunity to perform before a live audience at the final concert 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6 at the Italian American Cultural Center in Warren. (734) 455-8895

### POPS/SWING

**BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA: 9** p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$7 cover. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing,

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY: 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday through February, at Excalibur, Southfield. (248) 358-3355

#### COMMUNITY BAND/CHOIR

VALENTINE DINNER DANCE: Sponsored by the Farmington Community Band, Friday, Feb. 9 at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington Hills. Event features the Farmington Community Band

Dance Band playing music for your dancing and listening pleasure. Cash bar cocktail hour 6:30 p.m., buffet dinner 7:30 p.m. Dancing until midnight. Tickets \$42 per person for dinner and dancing, special pricing available for tickets purchased before Jan. 19. Tables of eight may also be reserved. (734) 261-2202 or (248) 489-3412 or visit www.fcbmusic.org

### JAZZ

RON BROOKS TRIO: 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310 **DAVE DOUGLAS: With Guy** 

Klucevesek, Mark Feldman, Greg Cohen, 8 and 10 p.m. shows, Friday, Jan. 26, Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. \$10-25. (734) 769-2999

PAUL FINKBEINER'S JAM SESSION: 9 p.m. Sunday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$2 cover. (734) 662-8310

DALE GRISA TRIO: 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, at Sweet Lorraine's in the Livonia Marriott Hotel. (734) 953-

LOS GATOS: CD Recording session Friday-Saturday, Jan. 26-27 (\$7);9 p.m. Wednesday, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 662-8310 MATT MICHAELS TRIO: With Don Swindell, trumpet/flugelhorn, 8-

11:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31, at

Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren

Road (east of Middlebelt), Garden

City (734) 762-7756

### FOLK/ BLUEGRASS

ANN ARBOR FOLK FESTIVAL: Matt Watroba, David Wilcox and others 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. Tickets (734) 763-TKTS/information (734) 761-1451

CONOR O'NEILL'S TRADITIONAL IRISH PUB: The Lash 9 p.m. Thursday, open mic 9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30, and Mogue Doyle, Wednesday, Jan. 31,318 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. (734) 665-2968

days a week

Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Stephanie Casola; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (734) 591-7279. Items must include the date, time, venue, admission price and a telephone number.

STEPHEN FEARING: 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, at The Ark, Ann Arbor, \$11. (734) 763-TKTS RFD BOYS: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$10. (734) **763-TKTS** 

#### DANCE

**ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE** THEATER: With the Rudy Hawkins Singers 8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 4, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3 (family performance), at the Detroit Opera House. \$14-\$30. (734) 764-2538 DANCE GALLERY STUDIO: Offers a class on the Alexander Technique with Alex Greminger 1:30-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28, the technique is used by dancers, musicians, actors, athletes, and anyone else who wishes to improve their balance, release body tension, and improve physical performance in any activity, at the studio, Ann Arbor, \$15. Advance registration required. (734) 747-8885 MOON-DUSTERS: Ballroom dancing to live bands 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. \$5. (248) 967-1428 **U-M BALLROOM DANCE CLUB:** Ballroom dance lesson and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor. \$2. (734) 763-6984 **WATERFORD-OAKS BALLROOM** DANCING: 8-11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2,

#### POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

at 2800 Watkins Lake Road,

Waterford. (248) 673-4764

OPEN MIC POETRY: 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 and Feb. 10, at Belle's Beanery, Belleville. (734) 697-3200

#### COMEDY

JD'S KEY CLUB: Kevin Burke, Bill Barr, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30; Jef Brannan, Brett Alan, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6; Barry Neal, Kevin Kramis, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13; Jim McHugh, Dan Greuter, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, at the club. Pontiac. \$6 admission. (248) 338-

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: John Wesley Austin Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 25-27, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, Livonia. (734) 261-0555

ROBERT POST: The comedian and mime performs 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, at Athens High School, 4333 John R, Troy. \$15. (248) 335-5307/(248) 435-5307 SECOND CITY: 19th Nervous Breakdown, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday; 1001 Improv Jammers 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20 and 27, and March 6, at the club in Detroit. \$15 and \$20. (313) 965-2222/(248) 645-6666 or www.secondcity.com

7TH HOUSE: Bingo! An audience participation comedy romp, presented 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday, at the theatre, Pontiac. \$20. (248) 335-8100 or www.bingotheshow.com

#### **MUSEUMS** AND TOURS

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

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

#### LIVE MUSIC

A THOUSAND TIMES YES: With Adam's Castle, Brand New Blue, Thursday, Jan. 25, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873. (folk-pop) LORI AMEY: 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, Borders Books and Music, Troy. All ages. Free. (248) 585-6029 (singer-songwriter) A PERFECT CIRCLE: With Snake River Conspiracy, Thursday, March

29, on the campus of Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. Details to come. (rock) BETTER DAYS: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, Coyote Club, Pontiac. Free. (248) 332-HOWL.

BODEGA: 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. (313) 962-7067

BLOWTOP: Thursday, Jan. 25, Cadieux Cafe, Detroit. (313) 882-8560; Saturday, Jan. 27, New Way Bar, Ferndale. \$5. 21 and older. (248) 541-9870.

SARAH BRIGHTMAN: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 17, Masonic Temple, Detroit. \$35-\$65. (248) 645-6666

BROTHERS GROOVE: Friday, Jan. 26, Foran's Irish Pub, Detroit. (313) 961-3043; Noon, Wednesday, Jan. 31, Wayne State University Student Center; Wednesday, Jan. 31, Cadieux Cafe, Detroit. (313) 882-8560 BUCKCHERRY: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$15. All ages. (313) 961-8961

AARON CARTER: 10 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, State Theatre, Detroit. \$23. All ages. (313) 961-5451 MIKE CLARK'S PRESCRIPTION **RENEWAL:** Featuring Charlie

(garage punk rock)

Hunter, DJ Logic and Robert Walter, 8 p.m. Sunday, March 11, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15 advance. (248) 544-3030

**COMPLETE BREAKFAST: Featuring** members of Black Magic Crossing, Skin Mill, 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. (313) 962-7067

CONSOLATION PRIZE: With Wristrocket, Blindshot, Nowadays, 10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. (313) 962-7067

DEAD HEROES: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700 (punk)

**DELL AND THE ROUGHCUTS: 8** p.m. Saturday, March 3, Trinity. House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 for theater members. (734) 464-

DELTA 88: With Kevin Meisel, 8

p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302 JASON DENNIE: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 10, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia, \$10 or \$8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302 **DOMESTIC PROBLEMS:** With 19

Wheels, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$7. (248) 544-3030. (pop rock) STEVE EARLE: 7:30 p.m. Sunday,

Feb. 4, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor, All ages, \$23, (734) 668-8397 (country) EASY ACTION: With the Paybacks,

Saturday, Jan. 27, Gold Dollar, Detroit. (313) 833-6873 (punk metal) **EKOOSTIK HOOKAH:** Performing for

Hash Bash celebration, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$16.75. All ages. (734) 668-8397 (jam band) ESHAM: WITH Natas, 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 and 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. \$25. (313) 961-8961 ESION: With Greebo, Taktikal Minds, 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. (313) 962-7067 EVERLAST: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. Tickets \$20. All ages. (313) 961-

8961 EVE 6: With VAST, 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 10, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. \$13. All ages. (248) 333-2362 (power-pop)

MIKE GEORGIN: With Jason Dennie, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 for theater members. Master class for bass players begins 6 p.m. and costs additional \$5. (734) 464-

GHETTÖBILLIES: With Metropoix. Mike Farley Band, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. \$5 over 21 and \$6 under 21. (734) 996-8555.

GYPSY DOG: 9 p.m. Saturday, Wintergarden Tavern, Livonia. Free. (248) 474-7159

HAPPENSTANCE: Friday-Saturday, Jan. 26-27, Feb. 16-17, 23-24, Shantie Bar, Warren. (810) 755-5055; Friday-Saturday, Feb. 3-10, Stan's Dugout, Auburn Hills. (248) 852-6433

**HEMIGOD:** With Braillehouse, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$6. (248) 544-3030 AL HILL: 6:30 p.m.. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 25-27, Tuesday-Saturday, Jan. 30-Feb. 3, Zydeco's, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-3600; With the Love Butlers, 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, Cavern Club, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900

AL HILL TRIO: 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25, Weber's, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-

HOWLING DIABLOS: 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, Magic Bag. Ferndale, \$7, (248) 544-3030

**IMMIGRANT SUNS BIG BAND: 8** p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, Magic Bag, Ferndale, \$6. (248) 544-3030 IMMUNITY: 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, The Cavern Club, Ann Arbor. Cover charge. (734) 332-9900.

(reggae) ALAN JACKSON: With Sara Evans, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$27.50-\$34.50. (248) 645-6666. (country) JAZZHEAD: 10 p.m. Monday, Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-

JELLY'S PIERCED TATTOO: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, Borders Books and Music, Rochester Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 652-0558 (funk-alternative)

KNEE DEEP SHAG: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, Magic Bag, Ferndale, \$7. (248) 544-3030 (rock with a funk edge)

BOBBY LEWIS AND THE CRACKERJACK BAND: Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 25-27, Feb. 1-2, 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, March 1-3, 8-10, Major Tooley's Irish Pub, Northville. (248) 465-1680

LINKIN PARK: With Taproot, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. \$13.50. All ages. (248) 645-6666

LOLLYPOP LUST KILL: With Diety, Forge, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 996-8555.

LOW: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, St.

Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$10. All ages. (313) 961-8961. (slow-core) MAGGIE'S FARM: 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, 17, March 3, Coyote Club, Pontiac. Free. (248) 332-HOWL. MATCHBOX 20: With Everclear, Lifehouse, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 3. The Palace of Auburn Hills, \$24.50-\$34.50. (248) 645-6666. (pop rock)

M80S: 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$7. (248) 544-3030. (80's pop revisited)

KENNY MEEKS: 8 p.m. Friday, March 23, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia, \$10 or \$8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302

BRAD MEHLDAU TRIC: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. 18 and older. \$20 advance. (734) 662-8310 METAPHYSICAL JONES: 10 p.m. Thursdays, 313.JAC, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067.

MOJAVE 3: With Sid Hellman Group, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$10, 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 (folk rock)

### **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-

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 plder, (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-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

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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-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: 1-75 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-

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

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

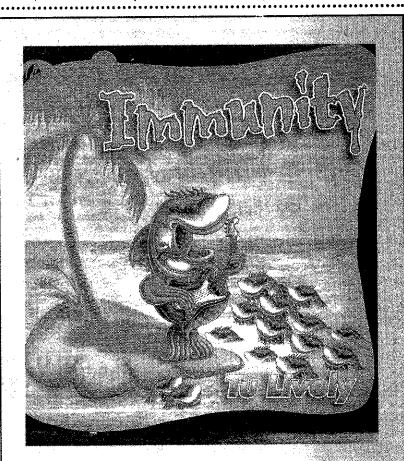
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### Tu Lively Immunity

The liner notes read "It's the next best thing to being there" and it couldn't be more true. From the way the first track, Guess Who's Coming to Dinner, creeps up through the hum of the crowd, local reggae favorites, Immunity bite back in a second live CD, aptly called Tu Lively. If it doesn't shake your soul, nothing will.

Vocalist Jonathan Pettus begins with a dedication "to the women, to the mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers". which sets the pace at the start - this is reggae for the masses. Detroit Music Award winners for three consecutive years, the men of Immunity - Pettus, Tommy Wall, Tom Varga, Tony Mitchell and Bill Koggenhop - have released another sonic party.

This time the band puts its signature whirlwind touch on hits like Chuck Berry's Johnny B. Goode and Bob Marley's Exodus. But don't overlook steamy tunes like Punamy Jum. a groove-based Immunity original. Tu Lively is just a little something sweet to tide you over until Immunity hits your town. For more, log onto http://www.immunitymusic.com. See Immunity 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23 at The Cavern Club,

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### Hard to 'Snatch' meaning from Guy Ritchie's latest

By Victoria Diaz Special Writer

Call me the cockeyed optimist. After reviewing movies for some time now, you'd think I'd learn to take a film's pre-publicity with a bit of salt.

Still, when I read the advance word on Guy Ritchie's Snatch, labeling it a comedy, I was encouraged. As it happened, on the night I headed out to see the film, I was in the mood for something to make me laugh. Once the lights dimmed in the theater, I could hardly wait for the picture to start, as a matter of fact. Silly me.

If burnings, hackings, cruelty to animals, shootings, beatings, and other such activities tickle your funny bone, then Snatch will probably crack you up. You'll probably laugh till you die, actually, since it is full-to-bursting, packed down, and running over with all the above. Otherwise, though scattered moments. in this movie may be laughable, many moviegoers will find it about as funny as root canals minus Novocain.

As in Ritchie's debut flick, Lock, Stock, and Two Smoking Barrels, the plot of Snatch is serpentine, to say the least. At its core lurks something about the heist of an 84-carat diamond. A shifty American (Dennis Farina) and some hoods disguised as rabbis go after it, then a jeweler pretending to be Jewish figures in, then some idiotic pawnshop



owners thicken the morass, along with a boxing "syndicate," and a bunch of Irish gypsies known as "Pikeys." A dog augments the dizzying drama, and

often possesses considerably more charm than many of his thuggish "superiors."

Stay with me here. Somewhere along the way, somebody rigs a bare-knuckles boxing match or two (or three, or four; you lose count), in which Irish gypsy pugilist Mick (Brad Pitt) is instructed to take a fall. Only he won't, because he's just not that kind of guy (or something) and, anyway, the syndicate burned a gypsy caravan in retribution with his sainted mother (Sorcha Cusack) inside it at the time, and Mick is determined that they will get theirs. In the meantime, the diamond has disappeared, and the morons who are after it are about to get theirs in

various and sundry, vicious and bloody ways, too. At least, this is pretty much what seems to be happening. You need a scorecard to keep up, and besides that, American audiences may find much of the English Cockney and Irish gypsy dialogue nearly unintelligible.

On the plus side (and also as in Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels) Ritchie displays a knockout penchant for cinematic style, and not just in an arresting array of visuals, editing tricks, cuts, freeze frames, slomo shots, and even the physical appearance of the cast. This is a writer/director who also understands the importance of sound effects in a film. By the time Snatch comes to its knockdown, drag-out finish, you may feel pummeled, simply by all the cleverly-placed noise this movie spews forth.

Ritchie also knows something about how to get good performances from his players. Some of those cast in Snatch have never acted before, but, in most cases, it's next to impossible to tell that without production notes. A standout is a hefty fellow named Ade, whose character repeatedly fails his task: driving a getaway car.

Dennis Farina as Avi, chief diamond thief, turns in his usual convincing job as a vaguely reptilian villain. And Benicio Del Toro in the role of Franky Four Fingers definitely makes his mark as a slimy sort you certainly wouldn't want to offend in a

dark alley. Watching Brad Pitt as the tortured and toughened Mick O'Neil, you learn something about movies: It's not necessary to know what an actor is saying all the time in order to know that he's walking away with the show. (Pitt always blends in subtly with the rest of the cast here, though). This ugly picture may be what has best showcased his talents so far, and gone farther than anything else to reveal that he's not just another pretty face.

### 'Double Take' not worth a second look

By JON KATZ SPECIAL WRITER

I'll be honest with you; I lost track of the plot about three minutes into Double Take. Sometimes, however, you just have to move over into the passenger seat and enjoy the ride, no matter how long and winding the road is.

Unfortunately, you'll have to overlook more than the senseless and ceaseless story twists to leave Double Take feeling happy

you came along. **■** George What the Gallo also writer gave us 'Midfound funnynight Run' and ninety '29th Street'. minutes of jive talkingpretty happened? much

One can only wonder: what went out

Based on Across the Bridge, a 1957 drama starring Rod Steiger, Double Take begins by implicating Daryl Chase, a Harvard-educated African-American New York City banker (Orlando Jones), in a money laundering scheme for a Mexican drug cartel. Wherever Daryl goes, Freddy shows. That's Freddy Tiffany (Eddie Griffin), proud graduate of HKU - Hard Knocks Universi-

with

"Feets, do

vo' stuff."

On the street, in Daryl's office, at a fashion show - Freddy shows up everywhere, loud and manic, making Robin Williams look like he's in slow motion by comparison. But when Daryl has to grab a train to Mexico to clear his name and the FBI's closing in, Freddy's conveniently there to switch identities with him. All

So who's really in on the conspiracy? Who's FBI, who's CIA, who's crooked and who's all of the above? You can try and follow along, but they don't hand out scorecards when they take your ticket.

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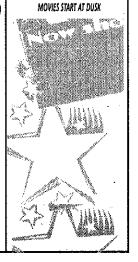
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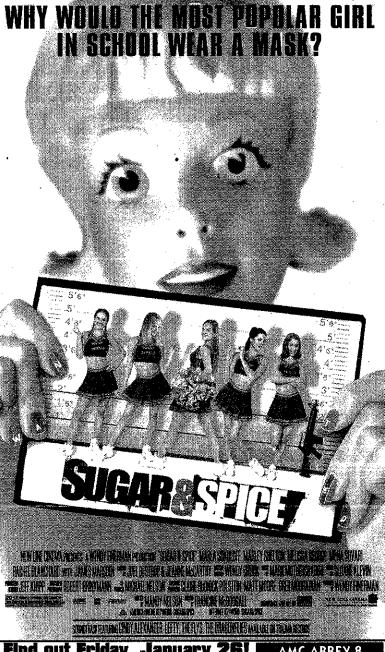
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aboard and let the chase begin.

As for the cast, Eddie Griffin's admittedly funny in a Damon Wayans-already-did-that sort of way. Best known for the TV series Malcolm and Eddie, his wise here wears thin quickly, too often coming perilously close to the offensive. Orlando Jones (The Replacements) has it easier; his cultured Daryl only has to pretend to be Freddy in short spurts.

Writer/director George Gallo also gave us Midnight Run and 29th Street. One can only won-

### **POPULAR MUSIC**

### Canada's Nickelback goes gold

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA

STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

Though Nickelback formed more than five years ago, the Canadian-based rock quartet was introduced stateside through radio hits like "Leader of Men" and "Old Enough." A pleading, pounding roar from today's rock psyche, the band released "The State" on Roadrunner Records in 1999. With an unrelenting tour schedule, lead vocalist and guitarist Chad Kroeger, his brother and bassist Mike Kroeger, guitarist Ryan Peake and drummer Ryan Vikedal seem to be in constant motion, their music blaring at every turn of the modern rock radio dial. On Friday, Jan. 19, Mike Kroeger took some time out despite the constant ring of his cell phone, and just before hitting the stage in Vancouver to talk about the rising state of success for a band whose name was oddly inspired by his stint as a Starbucks cashier.

O&E: Congratulations Mike, I heard *The State* just went gold in Canada. How do you feel?

Mike Kroeger: "It's like a birthday. It's a good thing. Where are you calling from?

O&E: Livonia, it's in the Detroit area. You've never heard of it.

M.K.: "I know Livonia. The Detroit area has the best NFL team, the best NHL team and used to have the best major

league baseball team. Detroit has the Red Wings. I'm a Detroit

O&E: So you're in Vancouver on tour. It seems you've been on the road nonstop for over a year now. How are you coping with that?

M.K.: "Before we started to tour, I'd never been west of Saskatchewan. (On tour) you have more time on your hands. If you didn't read before... You get more books and more games for your laptop."

O&E: What are you reading?

M.K.: "I've read all the works of William Shakespeare. I read War and Peace. All the classics. Now I'm reading David Lee Roth's autobiography. It's a page-turner for sure. I had a total classics meltdown. I started Don Quixote and said 'God, I can't do this right now."

O&E: (Laughs) Tell me how you got started out in music.

M.K.: "My brother and I both started around the same time. We were playing around here and there. I can't, I just wouldn't know what it was like without it. My grandfather and grandmother were both musicians. My grandma played drums and my grandpa played bass, which is what I play. Our mother was a tap dance instructor as well. That I'm sure had contributed to it. That sort of outside nudging."

O&E: How did coming from a small town like Hanna influence your music?

M.K.: "We probably were not easily influenced. We were sort of doing our thing. We were not really on the cutting edge of things, 200 miles from anything. We were not exactly on the cusp of the next trend."

O&E: What is it like being a band with your brother, Chad?

M.K.: "Working with my brother, it's pretty easy. When you're working with people you don't have a connection with...things in this business can get really tough. Some people would just walk away. You just don't walk away from your family."

O&E: It was just announced that next month Nickelback will be heading out as openers for Everclear. How do you feel about that? How is it different to open for a band like Everclear than to headline a tour yourself?

M.K.: "On your own tour, you feel like you're in the driver's seat. Maybe you don't hustle as much. When you're opening for someone, you've got something to prove. You're hungry, right. That's what we prefer, to open. We work so much harder. It's probably a concerted effort to be hungry."

O&E: You're returning to Detroit. Any thoughts on performing here?

M.K.: "Where are we playing?

M.K.: "Where are we playin St. Andrews Hall?"

O&E: Yes, I think so.

M.K.: "I can pretty much pace that stage off in my sleep. It's

awesome. We've played three or four times at St. Andrews Hall. It gets really off the hook."

O&E: Describe what fans can expect to see this time.

M.K.: "Hardcore aggressive. A

lot of emotion."

O&E: Are you working on new

material?

M.K.: "New songs. The new songs are really good. We need to

go into record. We go into the studio right after Everclear."

O&E: Nickelback has sort of been lumped into this new wave of rock artists who are finding a lot of commercial success – like Three Doors Down and Creed.

M.K.: "I think it's just what people are liking right now. I know a lot of the perception is based on the market, what's hot now. If you're being told to like us, than hell ya, I'm going with that."

What do you think about that?

O&E: Who are you listening to right now?

M.K.: "Sevendust. The Deftones – all their records. Papa Roach. Limp Bizkit is totally awesome."

O&E: Is there anything you'd like to add?

M.K.: "Lookout Detroit here

M.K.: "Lookout Detroit, here we come. Detroit's always been good to us. It's one of the best cities. We love coming there."

Nickleback performs 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$10 for this all ages show. Call (313) 961-8961.



Here's your Nickelback: (Left to right) Ryan Peake, Chad Kroeger, his brother Mike Kroeger and Ryan-Vikedal are 'Old Enough' to rock Detroit, Jan. 30.

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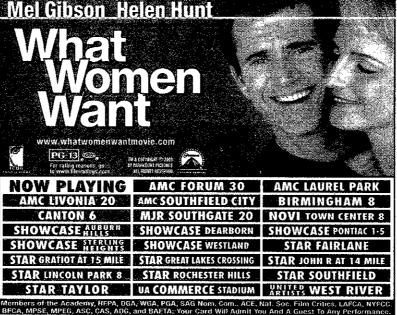
### ESCANABA IN DA MOONLIGHT

Twisted comedy about five Yoopers – residents of Michigan's Upper Peninsula – and their escapades at a ramshackle deer camp on the eve of the opening day of the 1989 hunting season. Stars Jeff Daniels and Harve Presnell.

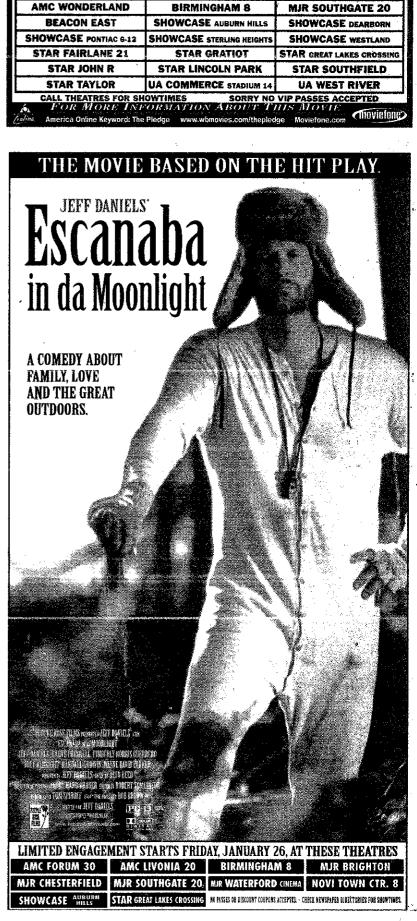
Scheduled to open Friday, Feb. 2

#### VALENTINE

A thriller about four women who find themselves being stalked by a killer over Valentine's Day weekend. Stars David Boreanaz and Denise Richards.











BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER

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hat is it about a Buddy's pizza that keeps it a slice above the rest? Is it the zesty homemade sauce, the ton of specially blended cheese, the generous amount of condiments? Or is it the ...

"I can't really give you the recipe, but the dough is made daily in each store. That's where it all starts, in the crust," said Jeanette Russell, manager of Buddy's Livonia location.

Of course, it's the crust. To it's legions of loyal customers, Buddy's is the "upper crust" of pizzerias. It's deep-dish, squarestyle, uniquely assembled pizza - pepperoni under the cheese with the sauce on top - is simply not duplicated anywhere else.

"There's a few that come close, but Buddy's still got them beat,' said Chet Marson of Livonia. He **Buddy's Restaurant/Pizzerla** 

Where: 33605 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (734) 261-3550 Open: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday; noon to 11 p.m. Saturday; noon to 10 p.m. Sunday. Menu: Appetizers, soups and salads; burgers and sandwiches; piz-

zas and pastas. Full bar, wine, specialty drinks. Atmosphere: Casual, comfortable, just plain friendly. Smoking

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and his wife Norma have been eating Buddy's pizzas for more than 50 years, beginning at the original Buddy's Rendezvous on Conant and East McNichols in Detroit. They continue to indulge at least once a month.

"When they first started,

they'd make the dough the night before and let it rise. They bake it the next day. That's how I like it," said Marson. "Everything is baked in a pan, not on some flat sheet. And the pizza has got the ingredients all the way through. When they put cheese on it, it floods to the end."

A "flood" is an accurate way to describe the 15 ounces of cheese that spreads across the plains of the typical 10-by13-inch pizza. In fact, it mounds up the sides and becomes part of the crust. Delicious.

Buddy's is known for its specialty pizzas: the Hawaiian is made with pineapple and sweet & sour sauce, the Greek comes with feta cheese and braised spinach, and the Chicken Fajita is spiced up with picante sauce and served with a side of sour cream. The Chicken Fajita has been especially popular with cus-

The newest pizza to make its debut is the Florine Mark Special Weight Watcher's, a blend of brick and no-fat cheese, spinach, mushrooms, sliced tomatoes, roasted garlic and black olives. Order one, and it comes with a bonus: Buddy's will donate a portion of the proceeds to the Detroit Institute for Children.

However, Buddy's is much more than pizzas. Their mountain-high antipasto salad has long held equal billing, and their hearty minestrone is some of the best in town. Their pastas – the mostaccioli, spaghetti, lasagna and the macaroni & cheese have that definite homemade quality, and their burgers are reported to be some of the best.

"Our burgers are very underrated," said Chef Tony Khoury. "They don't get the publicity of the other burgers in town, but they're very good. They're a half pound of beef, thick and juicy, cooked any way you want. That and a beer is a good lunch for

But for Chet Marson, Buddy's will always be about the perfect pizza. Nothing is ever left on the plate. "You eat everything, including the crust," he said.

Really good pizza: Chef Tony Khoury shows off a Chicken Fajita pizza.

### Memories of Buddy's

Birmingham was just a baby, her parents, Chet and Norma Marson of Livonia, used to take her to Buddy's in Detroit. "They'd put two wooden

chairs together and stretch me out. I would sleep while they ate pizza and drank beer with my aunts and uncles," she said.

worked as a waitress at

Back in the early days, Standhardt's Aunt Betty

When Laura Standhardt of Buddy's. At that time, the restaurant had a policy that the staff could take home any pizzas ordered by phone but not picked up. For years, Aunt Betty always managed to bring home her son Arnold's favorite pizza. A coincidence? Not so, said Standhardt.

> "It was years before she realized it was her son who called in the order."

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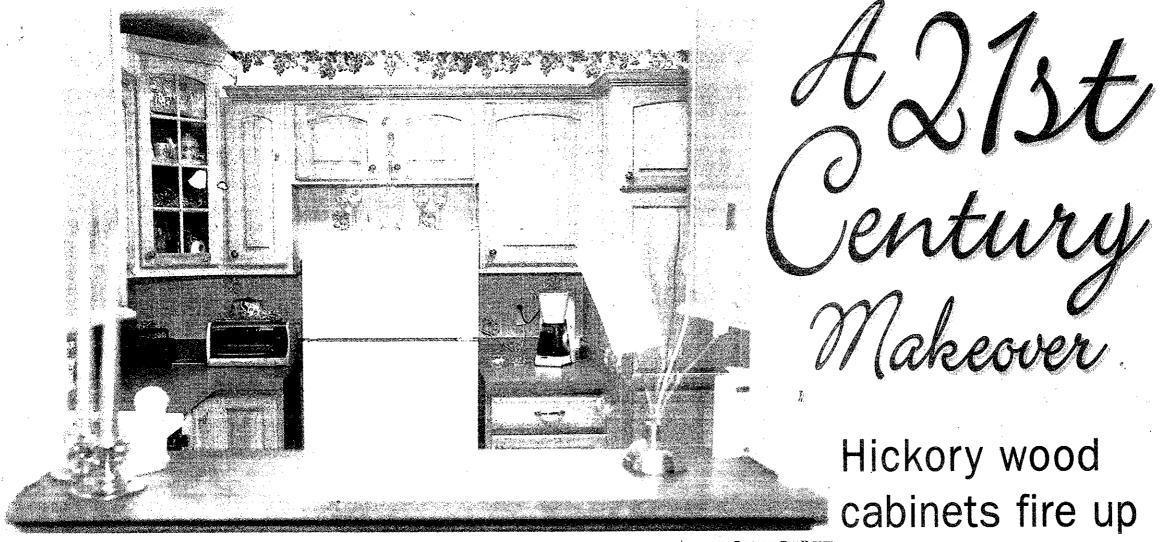
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Hickory wood cabinets fire up Livonia kitchen

Clean and bright: The Grahams created a U-shaped kitchen by enclosing a doorway, but they managed to keep the room bright by allowing light to enter the kitchen from the den through this wall opening. The fruit border adds to the color in the room.

By Ken Abramczyk kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

🐚 reg and Janene Graham were looking for a ranch home in Livonia two years ago, and found one they liked.

The living room led to a centrally located kitchen, adjacent to the rear den. Hallways led to bedrooms.

Even though they liked the location of the kitchen, they didn't like its appearance.

"We really wanted it remodeled," said Greg. "The kitchen was really dated."

The Grahams eventually purchased the home, their third, and moved with son Joshua from Westland in March 1999. The kitchen provided the artist's canvas for the couple's first remodeling project.

Janene Graham believes the dark wood cabinets were installed in the 1970s. The cabinets over the stove collected grease and dirt over the years. They wanted to fill the vacant walls with new cabinets and lazy Susans to provide much needed kitchen storage.

The old kitchen also contained two doors 5 feet apart that led from the living room and hallway into the kitchen.

"We wanted to close off one of them to create a U-shape, rather than the L-shape," Greg said. They say you should have a 'triangle' with the sink, stove and refrigerator, so you have a way to

work around each other and aren't running into each other." They also wanted a room where visitors could gather when the

Grahams entertain.

A game plan The Grahams sat down and drew up a game plan.

At first the couple called several contractors, and received sticker shock - estimates of over \$20,000. They were aghast at the numbers, but realized their kitchen was considered a small job for builders in the midst of a building boom with plenty of contracts - and demand for builders - to go around.

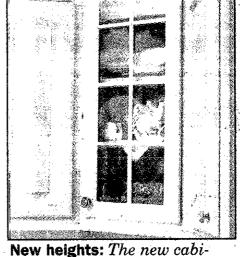
But a friend referred them to Paul Berry, a Detroit firefighter who renovates homes as a side business.

"We sat down and sketched what we thought would work with a U-shaped design and the doorway closed," Greg Graham said. They went to tile stores and kitchen stores, such as KSI, to get a feel for what was

there, then met with Berry. "He knew the standard size of cabinets, and figured it out for the openings for the appliances," Greg said.

They went to KSI and ordered Amera hickory cabinets, the top of the line offered by Merrilat, with a cider finish. "(Hickory) is a little more unique, as the majority of homes have oak and others have cherry, Greg said. "The hickory has a more distinctive grain with the cider finish. We didn't want to go with anything

Berry installed the cabi-



nets, installed at varying heights, add a multi-dimensional look and bring the top shelves within an arm's reach.

nets at various heights below the ceiling, which created a multi-dimensional effect and allowed the Grahams easy access to dishes and pots stored in upper cabinets. They later installed wallpaper border of grapes and fruit. Crown molding added to the elegance of the cabinets.

A little more money

Since the cabinets were top of the line, they cost more than the Grahams planned to spend. They also purchased a new range, microwave hood oven and a refrigerator. "Our (old) refrigerator was a little too big, too tall and too deep," said Greg.

The earthtone tiles and 3-D silhouetted

fruit tiles were purchased from Genesee Tile in Farmington Hills. These backsplash tiles complemented the wallpaper border purchased from Border's Outlet in Canton.

Even Joshua helped with his input into the remodeling project. One day after joining his parents on a trip to Home Depot to shop for a new countertop, Joshua listened as his parents discussed their options.

'He said, 'you know what?' I like this one recalls Greg who showed me a sample of the green-gray Colorado slate countertop that

Joshua chose. The Grahams added a few extra details in the "out-of-sight, out-of-mind" department to remove clutter that drives most homeowners crazy. Janene stores

two bins, one for recycling and another for returnables, in a lower drawer of the cabinets. A few parts purchased from the hardware store hold the bins in place.

Berry finished the job in five consecutive days in October 1999. The whole project, from gutting the kitchen to placing items in the cabinets, lasted about three weeks.

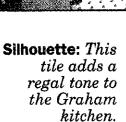
We gained about three times as much cabinet space," Greg said. "It was nice." Janene added. "I was looking forward to a week without cooking, so I was fine with that."

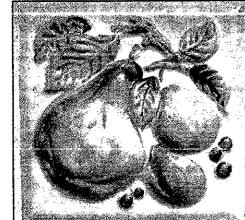
They spent about \$12,000 on the kitchen cabinets and tile installation, \$1,200 on appliances and \$300 on light fixtures. Once Berry finished the renovations, the Grahams were thrilled

with the results. "I was extremely pleased and happy to spend the money to do it," Janene said. "We have a nice kitchen to work in and entertain in.



Opening up: Greg and Janene Graham and son Joshua relax and enjoy the ambience of a newly remodeled kitchen in their Livonia home. The Grahams installed new Amera hickory cabinets, earthtone wall tiles and a Colorado slate countertop.





GREG AND JANENE GRAHAM

Before and after: A

allowed access to the

that now holds sever-

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kitchen from the

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al cabinets adding

more storage space.

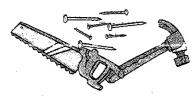


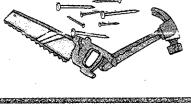
### **Building the perfect project**

Do you have a remodeling project of which you are particularly proud? Did you redo your kitchen, basement, bathroom or living room?

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**MARTY FIGLEY** 

### Read up

The winter months are a good time to read those gardening books.

See Garden Spot, Page 3



JOE GAGNON

### **Dryer problems**

REMODELING TIPS

Here are a few tips from Greg and Janene

Graham to consider before embarking on

■ Have a game plan — Draw your ideas

first. Computer software programs can

help homeowners check and see if their

■ Budget what you want to spend — Try

adjust your ideas accordingly to fit within

quotes in writing and discuss them thor-

oughly with contractors, Get references.

bogged down with all the design details,

Match colors, designs and patterns and

silhouette tiles, light fixtures, wallpaper

decide on what you want to use. Consider

border, crown molding and other finishing

touches that will give your kitchen its owr

■ Appliances — Think about appliances

ones, or purchase larger or smaller units.

Study whether the refrigerator, microwave

and whether you want to keep current

oven and oven fit with what you have

materials and varieties now on the market

■ Stay focused — Don't get lost and

not to venture too far beyond that and

■ Shop around — Get at least three

that remodeling project:

concepts are feasible.

your budget.

unique look.

The Appliance Doctor answers a reader's question about dryer noises and remembers an old appliance repair shop in Toledo. See Home Work, Page 5



HOMETOWN LIFE:

### In studio:

A Canton recording studio has seen the like's of stars such as Madonna, Paula Abdul and Kid Rock.

See HomeTown Life, page 7

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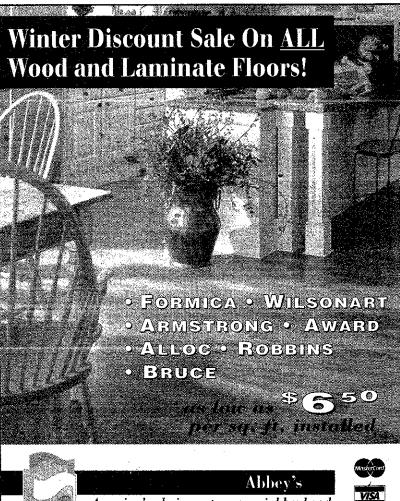
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### **ABOUT ANIMALS**



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tic tempera-

DR. BRAD DAVIS But wait, there is still one holiday ritual

that we deal with every year the New Year's Resolution! Chances are you have already

broken many of your resolutions. Yes, that little slice of cheesecake left over from the holiday party was made last year, but when you eat it now it still counts as a dessert this year. That gesture you made at the driver who cut you off wasn't waving, don't even try to fool yourself. And if you promised not to vocalize your hatred for winter but start a column by complaining about it, well, it's too late for you, too!

Some of you, many of whom are suffering through nicotine withdrawal, are probably asking a simple question: What does any of this have to do with animals?

Simple. Most animals can use some resolutions, and many can help you with your resolutions,

### Animal resolutions

So many things could be done better for pets, including easy changes with lifestyle that could make them healthier.

■ No more table scraps, or other human treats.

OK, the holidays are finally over When I was a kid, our veteriand we can narian would look at the brown get back to furry love seat that was our famthe business ily dog and would tell us we of muddling were killing him with kindness.

I never understood that until I was much older, but I knew that our dog liked ice cream (vanilla seemed to be his favorite). His favorite food was whatever I was eating. He was so very heavy that even walking was a chore. If we had stopped giving him treats early on, we could have kept him in better shape, and he could have had a longer, happier

If you must give your dog a treat from the table, try a piece of carrot, or a green bean. What the treat is matters less to them than your attention.

■ Routine medical care. Veterinarians hate "fire engine medicine," yet it's amazing how often we have to practice that way. This is when we have to treat a problem as an emergency that we could have prevented; for example, heartworm, or dental problems.

Keep up with the preventive care. Not only will it help you toward having a healthy pet, but also toward having peace of mind.

■ Regular owner-pet attention. The world is so fast paced that I would bet the malls are already starting to put up their holiday decorations for next Christmas. Pets can be lost in the shuffle of everyday life, becoming just the furry thing that needs to be fed a couple of times a day.

That's not why you have a pet. Set aside some regular time for your critter. It is better to spend

Dogs make great workout partners. They never judge or gloat when they do better than you, and they are always excited about

the prospect of a work-

Resolve to make life better for you, your pet

out.

10 minutes a day every day petting your dog or playing with your cat or doing whatever it is izard people do with their lizards, than to ignore them for days on end and then one day spend hours with them.

Routine is best for most pets. It won't be bad for you, either!

#### Owner resolutions

■ Weight loss. Out of every five Americans, about eight want to lose weight, or at least that's what it seems like on TV or in magazines, or even when you look down the diet and fitness aisle at the book store.

This always becomes the most prominent resolution every new year, but rarely can people hold to it. Here's how you can do it, using your pet.

Every diet deals with two things: Take in less calories and exercise more to burn off more

Use your pet to help you in your endeavors. Put your dog on a diet with you - go with the light formula dog food while you are eating that yummy plain salad! Have your dog go for walks with you - again, a shared time that is great for both of you. Measure the pounds you both are losing.

Dogs make great workout

partners. They never judge or gloat when they do better than you, and they are always excited about the prospect of a workout. By setting an exercise routine for the two of you, you are more likely to follow through and exercise every day, because of that bouncy, drooly, overzealous workout partner you have!

■ Training. This can be great for both you and your pet. It not only allows you to spend time together, but gives you something productive to do together, not to mention what a joy a welltrained dog can be.

It also gives you the wonderful opportunity to be the know-it-all with your family and friends, telling them how to train their 🗦 dogs, after you become the family expert!

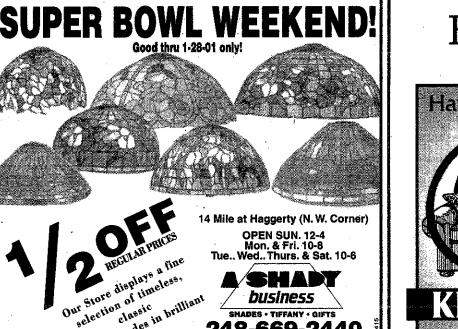
Training isn't as hard as it sounds, and the outcome can border on miraculous.

Take home message: New Year's Day all but demands that we make positive changes in our lives. Our pets can help us and we can help them get a better life through simple changes. By adjusting your schedule a little, spending some time with them, and making good decisions for their health, you can go a long way toward ensuring a healthy, happy pet!

And don't bite your nails! You gave that up, remember?

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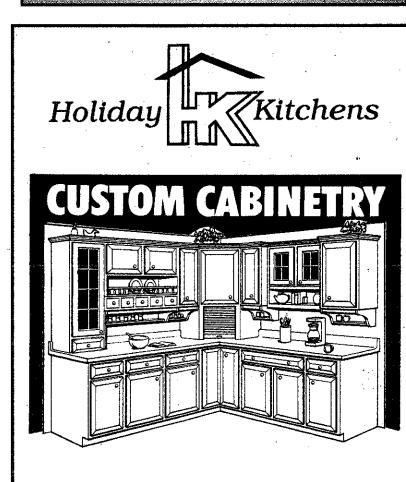
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### GARDENING

### Take time to examine these fascinating books

### **GARDEN SPOT**



**MARTY FIGLEY** 

Where did January go? It's still a good time to sit and study a book or two before it will be time to go out into the garden. Here are a few that may appeal to

Two small books from Soma/Bay Books (written by David Stevens, \$16.95 each) will guide you to successful planning for your garden.

Soma Basics Garden Design focuses on the personal approach to design, how to combine indoor and outdoor living spaces, how to use "borrowed landscapes," the steps necessary to achieve good results, and how to sketch a plan and follow through.

The information is direct and plain. Photos help explain the text, as each chapter deals with a specific element of the process. Great ideas.

Soma Basics Water Features is another attractive book filled with practical advice. Before you begin a water feature, take a look at this information.

Each step is outlined and explained from the importance of water to wonderful plans, with detailed installation and maintenance information. Plants, fish and wildlife are discussed; a list of resources is nice.

#### Healthy advice

Allergy-free Gardening: The Revolutionary Guide to Healthy Landscaping, Thomas Leo Ogren (\$19.95 paper, \$32.95 cloth; contact Ten Speed Press at P.O. Box 7123, Berkeley, CA visit orwww.tenspeed.com), is a "sit up

and take notice" book. Ogren explains the role that

urban landscaping plays in this health crisis as more people are being affected by irritating airborne toxins.

He explains why some plants cause more allergies than others and gives control methods in the garden. The bulk of the book is encyclopedic, with short descriptions rated with an allergy index

This is an important information book for any gardener, especially for landscape designers and urban planners. It should be in the libraries of county extension offices. If you discover a plant-related allergy not in the book, you can contact the author at tloallergyfree@earthlink.net

Four books are from Timber Press: Agaves, Yuccas and Related Plants, Orchids, Rock Garden Plants: A Color Encyclopedia and Magnolias: A Gardener's

Agaves, Yuccas and Related Plants, Mary and Gary Irish (\$34.95), is great for the southwest part of our country, but it is also suitable here if you take the time to study it and learn which plants are cold hardy.

You'll find all the information here, from choosing the right one to siting to growing to propagation. These plants generally don't require a large garden, and some of them are perfect for containers. Color photos show their great diversity in size, color and architectural form.

Orchids, Joyce Stewart (\$19.95), is newly revised and contains the most up-to-date information about the plants. The history of orchids when they were first introduced to Western horticulture more than 250 years ago makes us appreciate the flowers.

The bulk of the book deals with growing, propagating and caring for orchids in temperate regions — including more than 500 species and hybrids. You might take this along to an orchid house to enhance your 111, then 3445.

Rock Garden Plants: A Color Encyclopedia, Baldassare Mineo (\$59.95), details many plants suitable for rock gardens in any garden situation from the seashore to the mountains.

The lovely book, which includes 14,000 choice plants, will open a new world to many gardeners. Shapes, color, form and textures, large, small and all the sizes in between, are represented in rock garden plants. Take time to study and enjoy this treasure.

### Sweet magnolias

Magnolias: A Gardener's Guide. Jim Gardiner (\$39.95), also shows the diversity of this

Many hybrids and species, including the newer magnolias, are described. Gardiner features much historical information, which makes the book most interesting. All information pertinent to the care and propagation of the plants, including placement in the garden, is fea-

The nearest places to Michigan that Gardiner recommends are Klehm Nursery in Champaign, Ill. (to buy them), and the du Pont Garden in Winterthur, Del. (to see them).

Cinder Block Gardens, Lynn Gillespie (\$15, TLC Publishing, paperback), explains how to use this material to make an efficient, cost-effective, little-work vegetable garden.

Gillespie backs up her claims with statistics. She shares her soil recipe, when and how to plant, and all the "ingredients" to be successful. This is a downhome type of book that allows you to ignore the grammatical errors; good advice is the goal.

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

### 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

### **FARMINGTON**

Caroline Dana Lewis, founder of the Ann Arbor chapter of the Great Lakes Rhododendron Society, has more than 300 specimens in her yard. She will give a slide presentation and lecture at noon Monday, Feb. 5, at the Longacre House, on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. For infor-

mation, call 476-3017. LIVONIA Flower arranging, with an empha-

sis on petite designs, will be dis-

Tuesday, Feb. 6, at St. Andrew's Church. The speaker is Gretchen Pugsley, a flower show judge. who is also a member of the Hill and Dale Garden Club of Farmington Hills. Visitors are wel-

cussed at the next meeting of the

Livonia Garden Club at 7:30 p.m.

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### SALE

**DETROIT GARDEN CENTER** 

The Detroit Garden Center's 15th Annual Orchid Display, Lecture and Sale is scheduled for 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, and noon-4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 11 at the Moross House, Detroit's oldest brick house, 1460 E. Jefferson, between Rivard and Riopelle, 1/2 mile from I-375. Visitors can listen to lectures at noon Saturday or 1 p.m. Sunday. Donations are \$2. Ron Ciesinski

of Taylor Orchids, the Detroit

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uled both days. For information call (313) 259-6363.

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sale and give growing tips in his

slide talk, "Growing Prize-Winning

Orchids," with slides of his award-

ed plants and a repotting demon-

stration. Orchid raffles are sched-

### WORKSHOPS

### ARRANGEMENTS

Several workshops are scheduled at Keller & Stein Florist and Greenhouse, 42158 Michigan in Canton. Reservations are needed for the workshops. Each workshop costs \$10 per person, and is non-refundable. Classes are scheduled at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The classes include a silk spring flower arrangement workshop, Saturday, Feb. 24, and herbal workshop, Saturday, March 17. Call (734) 397-0800.

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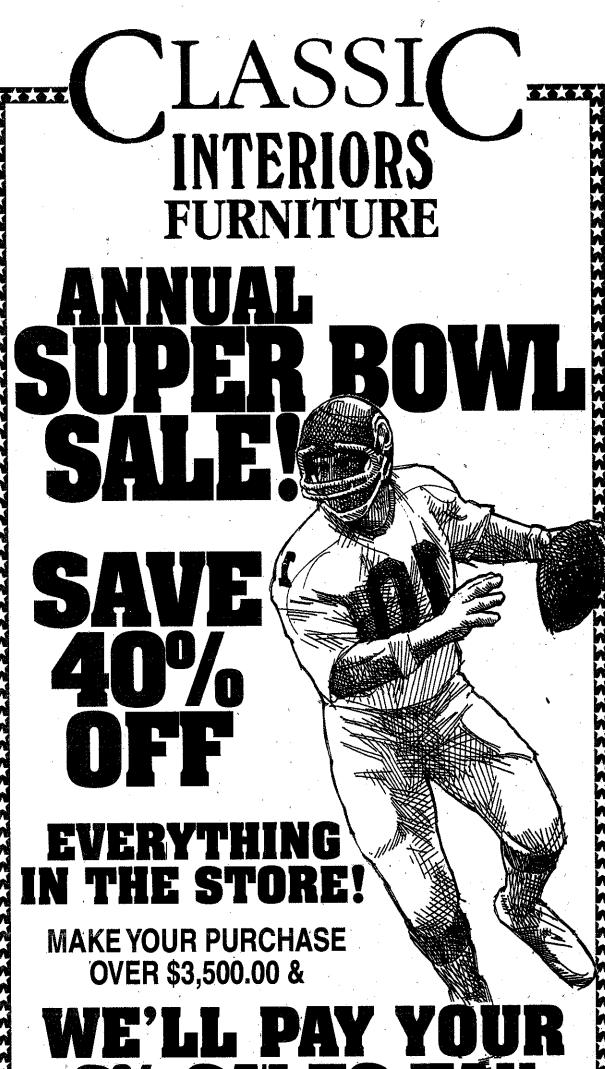
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### Survey finds seniors more likely to renovate throughout home

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The American Society of Interior Designers and five of its industry partners - American Standard, Beacon Hill Showrooms, Dupont Corian, Kirsch and Sub-Zero - conducted a study to investigate these very questions.

The purpose of the study was

clients place on their home at different "lifestages." The early lifestage consisted of people ages 18 to 34; ages 35 to 54 were considered to be in the middle lifestage; and the older lifestage included ages 55 and over.

For this study the older lifestage primarily consisted of married retirees with a single

income. They were typically living in a household of one to three people, and, in most cases, their children were grown and living on their own.

The study proved to be informative about the use of interior designers by those in the older lifestage, according to Marcello Luzi, president of Weixler,

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"Aging in place is an important renovation issue for those in the older lifestage," Luzi said. "They have many memories in their homes and they don't want to leave them."

The study also found that seniors were more likely than those in the early or middle lifestages to have done housewide renovations such as repainting, installing new flooring or carpeting, or replacing windows. The typical reason for these changes was because they were "getting tired of the look."

The most common household change that clients in the older lifestage asked for, however, was to remodel their kitchens. "We can create a new look in the kitchen simply by changing surfaces, whether it be new flooring, cabinetry, countertops or islands," said Linda Kay DeMartini, a principal at Key Designs in Burlingame, Calif. "Even though aesthetics are important, designing a functional and safe work area is our number one goal in kitchen renovations."

To find an interior design consultant near you, call the ASID Worldwide Referral Service at 1-800-775-ASID or visit the Web site at www.interiors.org.

You also can learn more about the design process by visiting the ASID Web site at www.asid.org.

### **DESIGN CALENDAR**

■ The Frank H. Boos Gallery, 420 Enterprise Court in Bloomfield Hills, will have an auction 6 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday, Jan. 30 to Feb. 1, featuring property belonging to the estate of Marshall Fredericks and other estates and private collections. A preview will take place noon to 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Jan. 25-26. and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 29. Call (248) 332-

■ Decorating consultant Jeanine Matlow teaches decorating classes in Oakland County: "Decorating with Antiques and Collectibles" (7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25) and "Entertaining with Style" (10 a.m. to noon Satur-

day, Jan. 27) through Farmington Community Education, and "Entertaining with Style" (7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31) through West Bloomfield Community Education. Each course includes a handout with more than 50 tips on the subject. In "Decorating with Antiques and, Collectibles," learn creative ways to display antiques and collectibles with more current styles. In "Entertaining with Style," learn how to entertain using items you already have in your home. For costs and other information on the classes, call (248) 489-3333 for Farmington Community Education, or (248) 539-2290 for West Bloomfield Community Education.

### **CRAFTS CALENDAR**

If you would like to announce an upcoming craft show, bazaar, or arts boutique items can be sent to: Crafts Calendar, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI, 48150 or email kmortson@ oe.homecomm.net

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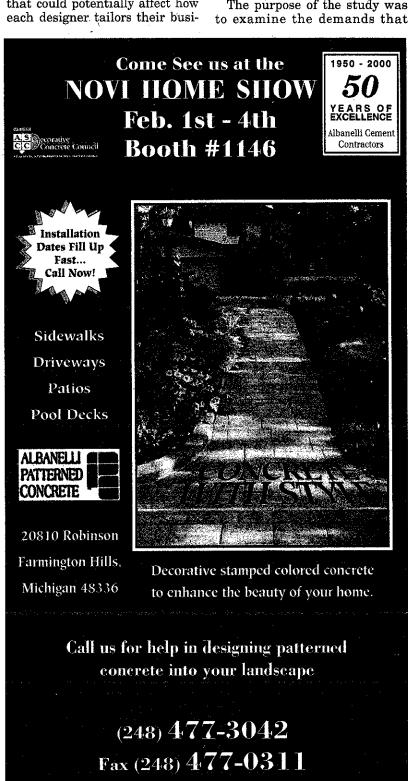
Livonia Mall will be hosting a craft show by Bill Johnson March 16-18. Crafters come join us that weekend. Table available. Call Livonia Mall (248) 476-1160. Livonia Mall is located at Seven Mile and Middlebelt. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ARTS & CRAFTS EXTRAVAGANZA** Dearborn High School (19501 Outer Drive, Dearborn) will be the host site of the Spring 2001 Arts & Crafts Extravaganza from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 24. For applications and or information call (313) 561-0402. This event is sponsored by the Class

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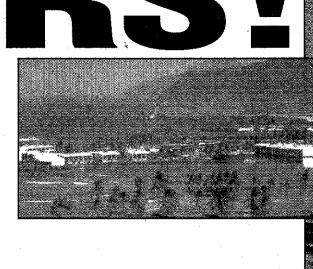
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### Home Work

### Old appliance repair shop brings back memories

### APPLIANCE **DOCTOR**



drove across the country, setting up service shops. My job was to train personnel in these shops about certain product brands and make they sure could take care of customers who

JOE GAGNON

who carried a toolbox and were

proud of their work. I stopped by

the country stores and sat with

local townspeople who gathered

need repair on their appliances. As I traveled this state and others, I met wonderful people

In 1970, I woodburning stove in the middle Rebuilt appliances and old hardwood floors were common, but the conversation varied from town to town. I sometimes yearn for the old ways as things seem so fast today with hardly a word said as I meet representatives in today's service industries.

Today I drive to Toledo, once a month, and tape consumer information tips for ABC television. During this past week, I called one of the service centers in that city and asked if I could come over with the television cameras and shoot footage. They told me it was no problem and to "come on down." (Around here, I might be escorted out the door.) I arrived and was treated like a VIP. They told me to make myself at home as I looked around and asked several ques-

These guys were "good ole' boys." The store was filled with rebuilt refrigerators, washers, dryers and stoves. In the front window was a 1929 electric range, which looked like it had not been cleaned since 1939. The stock of used appliances had missing handles, kick plates and an overall outward appearance of neglect. The employees were not one bit ashamed of what they sold. They explained that this store was not for everyone, but for the certain consumers who could not afford the finest things in life. They weren't rich and neither was the business, but it provided so they could meet their needs in life.

You couldn't put one foot in front of the other in the back shop. Boxes were filled with used parts. Appliances stacked one on top of another.

Today's modern store displays rows of neatly dusted major appliances and other products which have energy levels and price tags posted on them. A well-dressed salesperson is filled with information that makes it easier for you in your purchase effort. The image has changed greatly, but it was not so many years ago that I walked into a major appliance store and waited to see the owner. As I waited I grabbed a broom to sweep the floor, and a salesperson rushed up and asked what I was doing. He informed me that I would ruin the business's image if I cleaned up the place.

The guy in Toledo, now over 70, and his two sons, have owned this business for many years. Every second Sunday, they go fishing. They live in a business that is filled with tensions and pressures, yet they manage to make fun of themselves and make it a pleasure in serving their customers. They are antiquated in many ways. I'm sure there are people in the service industry who yearn to go back to

#### Readers ask

the ways of old.

Beth from Guelph, Ont. writes: "My sister is having a problem with a 10-to 15-year-old Kenmore dryer.

"Every once in a while, it makes an increasingly loud rubbing sound. If you moved the dryer around, it seems to be fine. About 10 minutes later, it starts again. How can we fix the prob-

Stop using the dryer. The problem of defective rollers can cause a fire.

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)

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.

873-9789.

### every morning for coffee. The Reader wonders what causes short furnace cycles

### **ASK** DAD



HARRY JACHYM

was in good condition.

Homeowners can prepare for

spring at the Home Improve-

ment Show, the first home show

of the season, Thursday-Sunday,

Feb. 1-4, at the Novi Expo Cen-

"Many homeowners don't want

the trouble and expense of a full-

scale relocation when, for a lot

less money, they can customize

their present homes," said Stephen Taglione, president of

the Building Industry Associa-

tion of Southeastern Michigan

(BIA) and Westminster & Abbey

"Our show is replete with

emodeling ideas and much

Homes in Bingham Farms.

condominium in Plymouth. My furnace was built by Armstrong Air Conditioning in Bellevue, Ohio, model 51HWC242-

live in a 13-

year-old

3a. I had it cleaned this last fall. The contractors said it

"I have a Honeywell Magicstat/32 programmable thermostat. It goes off when I go to work (62° F), then on when I come home (70°). My problem is, my furnace comes on for five minutes, off for five, on for five. etc. It does this all night long and all day long on weekends.

"Why does it do this? Is this normal? None of my neighbors' furnaces do this. It must be playing heck with the electric and gas bill. I put a new filter in it every other month. I have changed nothing on it. Can you give me some insight on this problem? Thank you." - Karen B.

artistry, teaching skill and

humor to demonstrate low-fat,

healthy Chinese cooking. Other

guest speakers Feb. 3 and 4

include Joe Gagnon, "The Appli-

ance Doctor" for WJR-760 AM

and columnist for the Observer

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are Glenn Haege of Ask the

Handyman, Rick Bloom of

Money Talk and Mike Wendland

of PC Mike's High Tech

Weekend.

Eccentric and Dean

your question, it is a good one. I believe there may be others who share a similar problem. It's good to send manufacture model numbers with questions, as you did, it makes any necessary research much easier.

The condition you described is usually called "short cycling." It is not normal, and you got it correct when you wrote that it must "be causing heck with your electric bill." It's also "causing heck" with some of the parts of your

### Short cycling origins

Several things can cause short First, let me thank you for cycling. We have some short

Catch spring remodeling fever at Home Improvement Show

Homeowners can bring bathroom pictures for the Original At the show, Chef Raymond Ugliest Bathroom Contest spon-Wong will combine his cooking

> and the Observer & Eccentric. The Novi Expo Center is at I-96 and Novi Road. Show hours are 2-10 p.m. Feb. 1-2, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Feb. 3, and 10 a.m. to 7

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p.m. Feb. 4. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for ages 6-12 and free for under age 6. Ample parking is available at the center for a fee.

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cycling in our furnace, though nowhere near the extent you have. Ours occurs because the builder installed an insufficient plenum. Usually, however, it's related to the limiter control.

When the thermostat calls for heat, the limiter control allows gas to flow to the burners. When the heat exchanger gets to a preset high temperature, the gas flow is shut off until the exchanger cools to a preset low temperature. The limiter again allows the gas to flow. This cycle goes on until there is no longer a call for heat. In simple terms, the limiter is a safety device to keep your furnace from overheating.

I should add that a furnace is a potentially dangerous appliance. It is a large, hot fire in your home. Any work on this appliance should performed by trained people. I strongly suggest getting a heating and cooling specialist to look at yours

Some thermostats have a cycling control built into them, as is the case with your Honeywell Magicstat/32. Unless the technician who checked your furnace changed this setting or the thermostat has developed electronics problems, it's not likely that this is causing your short

### Adjusted thermostat

There is a possibility that when your furnace was checked, the technician may have made adjustments on the limiter. Sometimes this is done when the burners are checked. You may want to have this checked by the person who did the fall cleaning. Occasionally limiter switches will break down. A furnace specialist should be able to check

I was discussing your problem with some friends at lunch the other day. One of them told me his limiter "went haywire" on a homecomm net

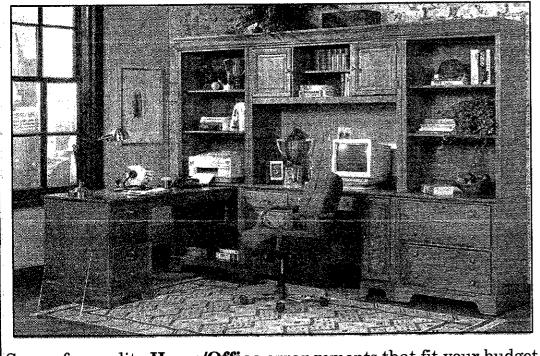
furnace that was about the same age as yours.

I truly hope this has been of help. Again, thanks for sending in this question. By the way, unless you're using a premium furnace filter, such as the 3M Filtrete, you may want to change your filter every month.

Addendum: Karen later emailed to let me know that she had the furnace looked at. Both the thermostat and limiter were checked. As it turns out, it was the thermostat that "went haywire." She returned it to the place of purchase and replaced it with a new one. The furnace is now working well.

Harry Jachym, a licensed builder, lives in Plymouth and teaches building trades to high school students. Send any questions or comments to Harry Jachym, care of Ken Abramczyk, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or kabramczyk @oe.





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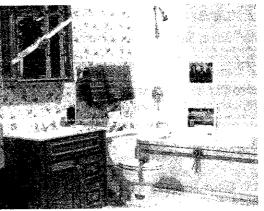
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### **ENGAGEMENT, ANNIVERSARY & WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### Wisniewski-**McGraw**

Ed and Marcia Wisniewski of Livonia announce the marriage of their daughter Sheryl Lynn to Sean Michael McGraw of Haslett (formerly of Saline).

The bride is a 1992 graduate of Ladywood High School and received her bachelor's degree in child development from Michigan State University in 1997. She currently works in the Haslett School District as a third grade teacher.

Her husband, the son of Ellis and Claudia McGraw of Saline, graduated from Saline High School in 1992 and graduated with honors from Michigan State University in 2000 with a degree in education. He works as a commercial and industrial appraiser.

The couple wed Aug. 5, 2000 in an outdoor wedding ceremony in the rose garden at Greenfield Village in Dearborn before Thomas Nielson.

Sheryl's attendants included matron of honor Marcia Wisniewski her mother and bridesmaids Cristen Wisniewski, Bonnie McGraw, Brandi Fyke,

### McMillin

Floyd B. and Vivian (Whiteside) McMillin of Westland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in December 2000.

The couple wed Dec. 25, 1950 in Cornith, Miss. They have lived in the Westland area for 37 years and have four children: Gary McMillin of Inkster, Carol (David) Young of Westland, Michael (Sharon) McMillin of Westland, and Steve (Jeanne) McMillin of Las Vegas.

Floyd and Vivian have six grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Floyd retired in 1991 from the City of Westland and Vivian in 1993 from the Wayne-Westland School District. In their spare



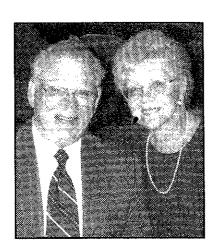
Christine Fletcher and Maureen

Howell.

Sean's best man was his father Ellis McGraw. Groomsmen included Brian Wisniewski, Tracy McGraw, Paul Johnson. Matt Wisniewski and Mark Howell.

Steve Thomas served as usher. Kaitlyn Hoffman as flower girl and Jason McGraw as ring bear-

The couple received guests at Lovett Hall at Greenfield Village in Dearborn and took a honeymoon trip to Maui, Hawaii. They are making their home in



time they enjoy traveling in their RV.

The couple enjoyed a Christmas/anniversary dinner with their family at their daughter's

### Read the Health & Fitness section every Sunday

### **Garry-Wagner**

Ralph and Judy Garry of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter Catherine Elizabeth to Joseph Jacob Wagner of South Lyon.

The bride-to-be graduated from Michigan State University in May of 2000 and is currently teaching at Maltby Middle School in Brighton.

Her fiance, the son of William and Martha Wagner of South Lyon, will graduate from Eastern Michigan University in May 2001 with a degree in business management.

An August wedding is planned at Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

### Zemoyan-Barnett

Barnett, formerly of Westland.

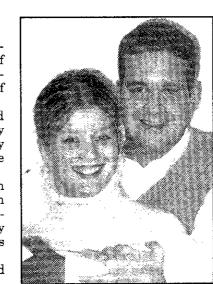
The bride-to-be is a 1993 gradin Cypress, Calif.

### Miller-Brown

Dale and Albina Miller of Plymouth announce the marriage of their daughter, Sandra Ruth to Daniel James Brown of Detroit. He is the son of Ed Brown and the late Norma Jean Brown and the stepson of Sharon Brown.

The couple married on Oct. 28, 2000 at the Bridgeport Community Church with Pastor Don Ashmall officiating and Deacon Ken Lind, brother-in-law of the groom, assisting.

Elaine Machovec, sister of the



### Sudek-Schulte

Robert and Beverly Sudek of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, RaeAnn, to Robert Schulte of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Stevenson High School and will graduate in May 2001 from Wayne State University with a degree in chemical engineering.

Her fiancé, son of Sharon Schulte of Westland, is a 1996 graduate of Franklin High School and works as a skilled tradesman at Ford Motor Com-

A November wedding is planned at St. Colette Church in Livonia.



Stephen and Margaret Zemoyan of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Kay, to Daniel Allan

uate of Wayne Memorial High School and a 1997 graduate of Western Michigan University. She is a computer systems architect with Unigraphics Solutions

Her fiancé, son of Marsha Krause of Dearborn and Kenneth D. Barnett II of Canton, is a 1993 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School and a 1999 graduate of the University of Michigan - Dearborn. He is a national account executive with Custom Enterprises of Irvine,

Daniel and Deborah have

#### Although they currently reside in Southern California, a May wedding is planned at SS Simon & Jude in Westland.

known each other since grade

school and have been together

for the past three years.

bride, was the matron of honor. Bridesmaids included Anna Myers, friend of the bride; and Dana Brown, daughter of the groom. David Brown, brother of the groom served as best man. Groomsmen were Andrew Brown and Aaron Brown, sons of the groom. Louis Machovec, brotherin-law of the bride and Joseph Moon, friend of the bride and groom were ushers.

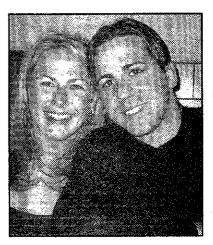
The couple received guests at the Bavarian Inn Restaurant in Frankenmuth and honeymooned in South Carolina.

### Lewis-Finazzo

Ben and Brenda Lewis of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Lynn, to Nicolo Antonino Finazzo of Detroit.

The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Stevenson High School and a graduate of Madonna University. She is currently working toward her master's degree and works as an elementary school teacher for Livonia Public Schools.

Her fiance, the son of Antonino and Luisa Finazzo of Detroit, is a 1991 graduate of Notre Dame High School and a graduate of Albion University. He is a network engineer and is currently working for K-mart Cor-



poration in Troy. An August wedding is planned at Holy Family Catholic Church in Detroit.

### **NEW ARRIVALS**

Michael and Lisa Norwood of Livonia announce the birth of their daughter, Emma Louise, born Nov. 24, 2000 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. She joins brothers Jackson, 5, and George, 2. Grandparents are Lewis and Mary Buhagiar of Dearborn Heights and Dennis and Ella Norwood of Livonia. Herman and Beruta Norwood of Wood Dale, Ill. are her greatgrandparents.

■ Brian and Melissa Socha of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, Jenna Noel, born Dec. 19, 2000 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center in Wayne. Grandparents are Bill

and Deanna Wright of Wayne and Chuck and Sue Socha of Plymouth.

Robert and Nicole Campbell of Wayne announce the birth of their .daughter, Cameron Reece, born Dec. 21 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center in Wayne. She joins brother Cody. Bill Campbell of Canton is her grandfather.

Bill Denton and Evonne Todd of Canton announce the birth of their son, Joseph Michael, born Dec. 11, 2000 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center in Wayne. He joins broth-

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Religion Calendar C9

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KIM CASSIDY & STEPHANIE TAYLOR

### First crush lingers in our memory

**Kim Cassidy?** 

remember it well — my first crush.

He was an older man, but he had all the features a pre-teen girl could swoon over.

Big eyes. That sandy, feathered hair and a voice. He made my heart stand still "da do run run run, da do run run."

His name. Shawn Cassidy.

My best friend also shared my sentiment. She was lucky enough to own a life-size poster of him. I remember it

**1** 'i often wonder if it's just young girls that experience that sort of devoted crush. In some ways I've never really gotten over Mr. Taylor.

was taped to the back of her bedroom door and we'd take turns standing on a chair to give him a Young kiss.

Although his full-size image wasn't a part of my collection I did have posters and magazine pages littering my walls. I remember when I moved

away from home to go to college my dad had a spackle party trying to fill in 17 years worth of nail and tack holes I made once I got my hands on a hammer. A good share of the divots were made due to Mr. Cassidy.

Other ways I was able to carry a torch for Shawn included owning all his records (I'm dating myself), having a plastic lunch box adorned with his mug and faithfully watching the Hardy Boys Mystery series each week on television.

Life was too good. Not only could I listen to his records but watching the suspense-filled drama each week was more than I could ask for.

In time my crush waned and  $\boldsymbol{I}$ focused my attention on someone else, but to this day when I hear his name ... "da do run run run, da do run run."

### Stephanie Taylor?

My first crush? A "Wild Boy" by his own standards. I blame it on my oldest sister. If Paula hadn't taught me all the names of the members in Duran Duran, I might never have fallen for one of the three Taylors - John Taylor that is.

Just 7 years old when Seven and the Ragged Tiger was released, I'd already seen videos like Hungry Like the Wolf and The Reflex enough times to know John was The One. He stood on stage tall and lanky, hovering over his bass guitar with that signature fluff of blond-tipped brown tousled hair. Rock star hair. British rock star

Ask my parents, it was the beginning of the end.

So John didn't star in a television show. But he did make the cover of every teeny bopper magazine I could find. He, too, graced the walls of my bedroom. But I was lucky enough to

take him wherever I went. You see, Paula bought me a fantastic plastic Duran Duran purse. I even bought the matching wallet. And let me tell you, it was the talk of the roller skating rink in the mid-'80s.

I often wonder if it's just young girls that experience that sort of devoted crush. In some ways I've never really gotten over Mr. Taylor. He may have left Duran Duran, but he hasn't disappeared altogether.

Just months ago, I couldn't resist renting Sugar Town, an indie flick that marked John's big screen debut last year. His character seemed a reflection of himself - a once-famous rock star whose fans still congregate on the front porch to catch a glimpse or ask for an autograph. He's even popped up in a few VH-1 movies lately - A Diva's Christmas Carol and coming this month, Strange Frequency. Not that I'm keeping track or any-

thing. Wish I could find that purse.

Home Town Life editor Kimberly Mortson and staff writer Stephanie Casola can't help but admit they're hopeless romantics. It's close to Valentines Day share your stories with us. E-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or scasola@oe.homecomm.net



### If these walls could talk

### Canton recording studio comes out of hiding

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA scasola@oe.homecomm.net

long Ford Road lies an unassuming industrial-style gray building - the sort of building cars pass by daily and motorists never really notice. Almost incognito with few windows, it rests across from a dusty dirt road in a modest area of Canton.

At first sight, it's not the sort of building that seems suitable for rock superstars like Redford's native son Ted Nugent, or the place where B-52's fans imagine hits like Love Shack and

Roam were captured. • The structure looks much too plain a place for Robert Plant and Jimmy Page to generate some historic recordings. And yet this is all part of the intriguing history of Michigan Pro Audio's sound studio in Canton. Built from the ground up by famed producer Ben Gross and once called Pearl Sound, the studio has contributed to the careers of some of the finest musicians in rock history.

### Name-dropping

"He built up a tremendous reputation here," said Jerry Capaldi, MPA senior manager. "Artists came through our doors like Madonna, Paula Abdul, George Clinton, the B-52's. There is a long tradition up to groups like Filter. Ben moved on (to open The Mix Room in California). Terry Simaan founded Michigan Pro Audio.'

Capaldi, who speaks quickly and calmly and wears a piano-key scarf that seems almost-too-appropriate, said the studio is poised for the future. With subsidized costs that now cater to local musicians who couldn't afford time at MPA in the past, the studio is now better able to serve artists in its own backyard.

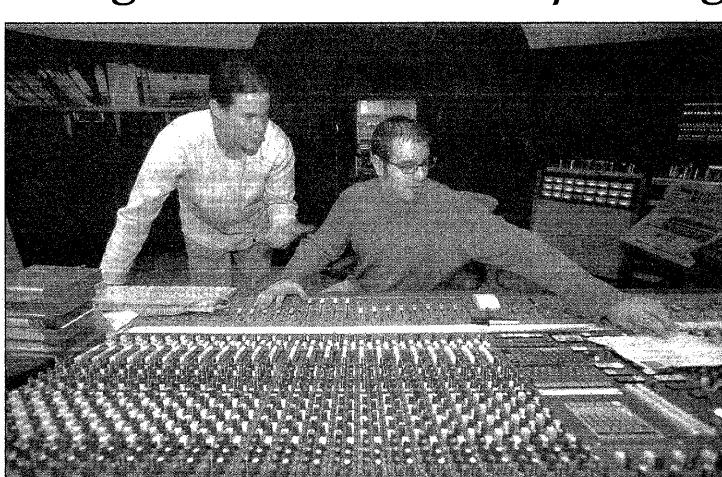
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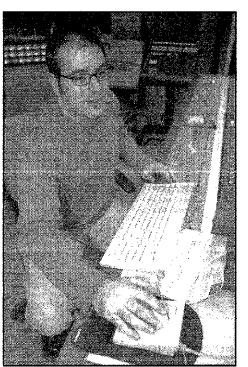
That's where head engineer Chuck Alkazian comes in. Returning back to his roots this Farmington Hills-raised music producer spent the past three years working with major industry artists in Chicago. Now living in West Bloomfield, Alkazian is a graduate of the Berklee College of Music in Boston and a drummer for The Haywoods. When asked what brought him to MPA, the answer came easily.

"I liked this studio the best. It has very good sound. Everything from the control room to one of the best live recording rooms in the city. The vibe is cool."

The main recording room conveys a serious sense of sound. Blocking out all noise of the street outside, its walls are a tapestry of varied material - one rounded and wooden, the next softly padded, another made of painted brick. Three thick panes of glass separate the artist from the control room. Ceilings reach two stories high. Spotlights warmly illuminate the hardwood floor. All who work there say the same thing

 it feels like home. While Alkazian has made his way





around New York, Los Angeles and

Chicago, the Detroit area is where he

plans to stay. "I think there is so much

talent here that needs to be nurtured,"

said Alkazian. "A lot of Detroit artists

Relaxed in the back corner of the stu-

dio, he adjusts his black-rimmed glass-

es and speaks with enthusiasm of a

return to Detroit's heyday. He's deter-

mined to make it happen. "This can be

1977 again, with Bob Seger and The

Romantics," said Alkazian. It's hard

Alkazian shuffles from MPA studios

in Canton, Southfield and Pontiac,

just need some direction.'

Fostering talent

recording studio. He is also the business administrator for Michigan Pro Audio. House engineer Ryan Hyland (above left) works with producer Chuck Alkazian at the mixing console. 'He built up a tremendous reputation here. Artists

**Talented:** Rob Nelson of Northville (top photo), a member of the

band Baked Potato, lays down a vocal track at the Canton

to groups like Filter.' Jerry Capaldi -MPA sĕnior manager

working on projects from all genres of music to recordings for the advertising industry. Evidently, his love lies in music. He speaks in hope-filled phrases like the "Detroit brotherhood," and "making the city boom." More than 30 miles outside the Motor City, this Canton studio grasps onto the potential brought by the commercial success of giants like Kid Rock and Eminem.

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Madonna, Paula Abdul,

On the day of my visit, Alkazian is just beginning work with Kevin Frye, an Ypsilanti-based music producer working on a compilation for his label, Full Circle Enterprises, which dates back to 1996. Both seem to share a common goal: "To put Michigan artists on the map," as Frye said.

### Going global

To serve that interest, MPA signed on to work with a cyber record company — one which will enable music

recorded at MPA to be marketed and seen via Web cameras worldwide. Still a work-in-progress, the site can be

found at kdk12.com. One local band participating in this technology is Baked Potato - set to release a new album in February. Rob Nelson, band member and a newlyhired engineer at the studio, has seen both sides of the recording process at MPA. The Northville resident considers the job to be a "good opportunity to be involved the recording industry." He chose to record there because of the nostalgia and history associated with the studio. "I've always wanted to record in a big, live room," he added,

House engineer Ryan Hyland added: "The best thing about working here is being excited to get up everyday and go

Baked Potato knew just what to call their album-in-progress - Pearl, after the original name of the studio. "The album has grown here, developed and taken on part of the vibe of this building," said Nelson.

Some buildings are made of much more than a pile of bricks, mortar and glass. Some are built on a foundation of rock, and also pop, soul, hip hop, jazz, blues and techno.

For more information about Michigan Pro Audio call the studio at (734) 207-2670 or check out www. mpastudios. com

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Have you ever found yðurself contemplat-

ing something that seems rather silly, and suddenly discovered some deep lesson in it? It might be a funny-shaped stone on the ground, a flake of cereal in your dish, or a cloud. Well, I found myself pondering something I noticed as I peeled a banana one day. It taught me an interesting les-

#### Don't judge a book

The bananas in my fruit bowl turned a funny color on the outside. They went from green to an odd color green, black and a little brown. They never turned yellow. I was certain they must be bad ones. However, when I cut one open to see if it was any good, I discovered that it was just perfect. It couldn't have been better.

What was the lesson I learned from this? I learned not to judge people or circumstances from the outward appearance. So often what we see does not tell us what is really true.

It reminded me of a situation we had with our daughter a year or so ago. You see, she had warts on her knee. Having received so many healings through prayer before, it was natural to turn to God about this, too. So we prayed. And for a time a friend was praying with us.

For quite a while it also seemed my daughter kept doing things she knew were wrong. We had taught her right from wrong and these things were reinforced in her weekly Sunday School class. Yet she seemed to continue to do just the opposite in many instances, acting the opposite of good, honest, kind, sharing, etc. Sometimes she would have ugly temper outbursts. Over time without realizing character traits to her - at nanc@voyager.net.

thinking they were just a part

Then I learned not to judge according to the outward appearance. In Isaiah 11:3 we read, "And (God) shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears. Mary Baker Eddy, who looked deeply into many things wrote, "We must look deep into realism instead of accepting only the outward sense of things." (Science and Health p.129:22)

Over many months, my husband and I were determined not to accept in our thoughts that the bad character traits could really be a part of our daughter's true identity. We began to look beyond her actions to what we had learned of man's true nature as the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1). An image, or reflection, must be identical to its original, and since God is Love (1 John 4:8) we reasoned that our daughter's true nature was loving, good and kind.

### Be patient

This wasn't always easy, but as we continued to do this, she began to act more in line with what we were knowing to be truè about her as a child of God. And you know what? The ugliness we had attached to her in thought was gone and so was the outward appearance of something ugly on her. The warts shrunk until they all disappeared and they have not returned.

Now we are more careful not to judge by the banana peel, but to look deeper and see the good fruit inside; not to judge by the outward appearance, but to see the inherent goodness of God's creation. This we have found has a healing effect.

Nancy Sebring is mother of two children in elementary school, and a member of First Church of Christ, Scientist, it, I began to attach these bad Plymouth. She can be reached

tizer and a beverage to the Middle Singles Group "Game Night" 7-11 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 at Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC) Church, 47650 North Territorial Road, Plymouth. Call Joanne at (734) 454-4737 or Marilyn (734)

### 459-8966. **WOMEN'S FESTIVAL**

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will host a "Women's Festival" from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Jan. 27 (39020 Five Mile, Livonia). \$20 advance; \$25 at the door. Price includes lunch and a Christian motivational speaker as well as drawings for various prizes; and a choice of seminars (financial advisor, Schoolcraft College director/chef, massage therapist, and Arbonne International -skin care representative). Call (734) 464-0211.

### JIM TUBBS FAMILY

The Jim Tubbs Family In Concert at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 28 at First United Methodist Church (6443 Merriman Road, Garden City). They travel with their three daughters around the country performing. They pray the message in their music will minister to both mind

and heart and that you will hear a harmony that goes far beyond

#### their singing. **RADIO PROGRAM**

"X" is a mathematical variable having no fixed value. Many young people who make up the so-called "Generation X" have grown up in a society which increasingly believes that truth, value, values and religious ideas are variable. Hear Rev. Wallace Schulz's "Lutheran Hour" message "God Never Changes" Sunday, Jan. 28 on radio dials WOMC (104.3) at 6:05 a.m. or WMUZ (560) at 10 a.m.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) is having a blood drive Monday, Jan. 29. Appointments are available from 2-7:30 p.m. There is currently a severe shortage of blood. To schedule an appointment call Pam Dauzy (734) 844-7099.

### **COMMUNITY CHOIR**

Rehearsals for the Ypsilanti Community Choir's spring concert will begin on Thursday, Feb. 1. Rehearsals are held from 7:45 -9:15 p.m. each Thursday at **Emmanuel Lutheran Church** (201 N. River Street) Ypsilanti. The choir will begin preparing for the annual May concert, which will feature a variety of vocal music from classical to contemporary, Call (734) 483-7192.

### LET'S TALK WORKSHOPS

A workshop, 'Let's Talk' will be held on Wednesday evenings beginning in January. It is designed for pre-marital or married couples or adults in interfaith relationships where one of the partners is Jewish. The fivepart workshop includes individual religions; personal identity; helpful communication skills; resolving interfaith issues; and a panel discussion with individual interfaith couples at different stages in life. Dates are Feb. 1 and 8. All sessions begin at 7 p.m. at the Max M. Fisher Federation Building, Bloomfield Hills hosted by the Interfaith Connection. Call (800) 397-4876 or e-mail

connection@ajedetroit.org

### INT'L STUDENT DAY

First United Methodist Church of Farmington (33112 Grand River) will be the host site of an International Student Day Program at 12:15 p.m. Feb. 2. International students will speak about their homelands. Sponsored by the Livonia Rotary Club. One casserole is needed for every three persons attending and paper products needed for the First Step program.

### **MUSIC SERIES**

The Nardin Park United Methodist Church (29887 W. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills) "Music and Fine Arts Series" presents the Classical Bells in a free concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11. A pre-concert reception will be held at 3 p.m. Call (248) 476-8860.

**BAPTIST MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** Couples meet 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15 at Southfield Hilton Garden Inn for a marriage retreat which continues through Saturday, Feb. 17. Cost \$45. Call (248) 350-9019 for more information.

### **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy, and renew their love for each other. The next weekends are Feb. 16-18 and March 16-18 at the St. John's Family Life Center 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth) There is a \$50 registration fee. Call Bill and Carol (248) 528-2512 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524 or

#### www.rc.net/detroit/wwme WORKSHOPS

Newburg United Methodist Church will host Stages of Grief, a workshop presentation by Ann Marie Jackson of Arbor Hospice. It begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21 at the church, Livonia. Free. Call (734) 422-0149 to reg-

### JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF

Newburg United Methodist church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia) will be the host site of a "Journey Through Grief" program from 7-8:30 p.m. Feb. 21. Jacky Gatliff, director of Grief Support Services as Arbor Hospice will speak. The workshop is free. Call to pre-register (734) 422-0149.

### **FUNDRAISING & BENEFITS**

#### **CARD PARTY**

St. Richard Women's Guild Annual Winter Card Party begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 at St. Richard's Social Hall (35851 Cherry Hill, Westland). Cost is \$7 per person. Door and table prizes, refreshments and dessert. Tickets may be purchased at the door. Call Rose (734) 721-4444.

#### **LAS VEGAS NIGHTS**

Join us for an evening or two of fun at St. Theodore's Las Vegas Nights, Friday Feb. 2 and 3 at 8200 N. Wavne Road in Westland. Admission, \$2. Free parking. 50/50 drawing every hour. Beer, food, refreshments and Las Vegas style gaming from 6 p.m. to midnight.

### **AUCTION BENEFITS DIABETES**

A celebration of merriment and jest will be held Feb. 24 at the Dearborn Inn. The ninth annual "Stars At Your Service Gala" is a fun and profitable event named

after the stars of the evening .. the waiters. The waiters are community and civic leaders who will serve family, friends and colleagues to earn "tips" for the American Diabetes Association. Other highlights are a silent auction. Tickets can be purchased up until Feb. 24. Only 500 tickets will be sold. Call (888) DIABETES (342-2383).

#### **EL SALVADOR QUAKE**

Church World Service is helping to provide rapid response relief assistance for victims of the 7.6 magnitude earthquake that struck El Salvador Jan. 13. Working in partnership in El Salvador, CWS is helping to provide shelter, food, water, blankets and mattresses to 3,300 survivors of the quake. To help call Church World Service, (800) 297-1516 visit www.churchworldservice.org or write CWS, Attn: El Salvador Earthquake, P.O. Box 968, Elkhart, IN 46515.

### Store offers alternative to Superbowl Sunday festivities

The "4th Annual Haberman Fabrics Superbowl Sunday Football Widows' Sewing Retreat" replays from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28.

This year's retreat is no rerun. Each year this modern version of an old-fashioned sewing circle grows and improves offering a large gleeful team of new and experienced sewers a special day to enjoy their sewing passions together, while the guys are home glued to the television.

Toby Haberman, store owners, says "The retreat is really fun. Women come to sew existing projects or eager to begin new ones. They love the day-long clinic where our staff helps with questions on projects they bring in. And our four demonstrations of quick and easy sewing techniques and projects presented during the afternoon really inspire them."

Play-by-play demonstrations include:

■ 1 p.m. Fringe play: Beautiful scarves in time for Valentine's Day. See how to make unique designer-quality cashmere, chenille, silk and velvet scarves with these tips for measuring, lining, sewing and adding fringe and embellishment. Teacher is Rebecca Moore. ■ 2 p.m. Winning point hats: Top off your coat and scarf with this easy, fashionable and versatile hat using Burda pattern 8845. Learn tips for using fine

wool felt, other fabrics and per-

fect accessories too. ■ 3 p.m. Goal post mock cor-

nice: Pass on heavy lumber or foam core board. You can achieve the look of custom upholstered cornices with this quick and easy technique

■ 4 p.m. Strategy play plaid matching: Does "fear of matching" keep you from using and enjoying beautiful plaids? Turn plaid-matching panic into child's play with these helpful hints? Teacher, Lucky Weddigen. This fun, information event

benefits Haven, an Oakland County organization providing treatment and prevention ser vices focused on the issues of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse. Admission for the full day's activities is a minimum \$10 donation. Reservations are requested at (248) 541-0010 or e-mail contactus@haberman= fabrics.com Haberman Fabrics store, 117

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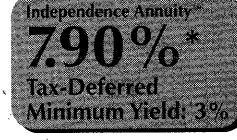
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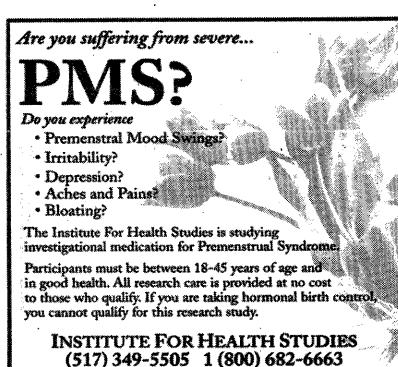
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**WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCE** Every Friday WestSide Singles hosts a dance at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Upcoming dances are Jan. 19 and 26; Feb. 9, 16 and 23. Must be over 21, and dressy attire (no jeans). Open to the public. A deejay will be playing Top 40 music and current hits. Appetizers will be served (hot/cold). Early admission special \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. Call (734) 981-0909. Feb. 2 dance will be held at the Woodlands Country Club (exit 20 1/2 mile east of I-275 expressway) in Wayne. A special Valentine Dance will be held from 7 p.m. to midnight Wednesday, Feb. 14. Admission is \$4 before 7 p.m. and \$6 before 8:30 p.m.

Bring a friend, a game, an appetizer and a beverage to the Middle Singles Group "Game Night" 7-11 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 at Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC) Church, 47650 North Territorial Road, Plymouth. Call Joanné at (734) 454-4737 or Marilyn (734) 459-8966.

#### **THURSDAY METRO SINGLES**

Thomas of Westland.

brother Tyler, 5.

Metro Singles Dance begins at 8 p.m. every Thursday and concludes at 11:30 p.m. Cost is \$6. Free swing dance lessons offered from 8-9 p.m. DJ, budget bar, refreshments, 21 and over, dress attire please. Crystal Park Ban-

quet Center, 7099 Champaign, Allen Park. Call (313) 388-9001 or the hotline (313) 438-6852.

### **BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST**

Bethany Suburban West is a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced or separated Christians. Call Diane at 981-4553.

- Card Nights, Jan. 26. Call Rose (734) 464-3325.
- n Divorce Recovery meets Feb. 2, 9, 16 and 23. Eight consecutive weeks from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at St. Kenneth's. Cost is \$40 and includes workbook.
- Monthly dinner, Feb. 1 at Alexander the Great, Westland at 7 p.m. Call Mary (734) 722-
- Singles Dance, Feb. 3 at St. Robert Bellarmine on W. Chicago and Inkster Road. 8:30-midnight. Proper attire please.
- Speak Night Feb. 17 at St. Kenneth's Haggerty Road, Plymouth. "The Trail You Leave in Ink." 8 p.m. after Blow Bethany South Dance at St. Francis Cabrini (9000 Laurence St. at Wick, Allen Park).

### **DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP**

Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center has a Divorce Support Group that meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the McDowell Center (Room 225) from 7-9 p.m. No fee is required. Call (734) 462-4443

plan for your future following the divorce.

- Mar. 13, group discussion facilitated by Cynthia Koppin.
- Mar. 27, Coping with Insecurity: Karen Copeland, a licensed marriage and family therapist, will focus her presentation on helping divorcing individuals to develop more self-confidence as they face the challenges of a new
- Apr. 10, group discussion facil-
- itated by Cynthia Koppin.

   Apr. 24, "An Overview of the Process of Divorce" by Mary Jane Bevelheimer, Attorney at Law. Learn about the legal process of divorce, including information on property settlement, custody, child support, visita-

#### tion, alimony, etc. **DIVORCE RECOVERY**

Single Place Ministries presents a Divorce Recovery Workshop at First Presbyterian Church (200 E. Main Street, Northville) Jan. 11-Feb. 22 at a cost of \$30. Topics include networking, stages of grief, legal aspect of divorce, helping children through divorce, etc. The group meets from 7-9 p.m. at the church. The cost includes Jim Smoke's book "Growing Through Divorce."

#### SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES Talk It Over meets from 7:30-

9:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost \$6. Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville, Call (248) 374-5920. the Ward EPC Wednesday

Thursday evenings. This is a divorce recovery workshop for children grades K-12. Cost is \$10 per child. Free child care provided. There will also be parenting classes for the adults. Call (248)

374-5920. ■ Movie night is Jan. 19. It includes popcorn, soda, candy and fellowship. Call (248) 374-5920 for details.

### SPIRITUAL WEEKEND

A Spiritual Weekend Retreat titled "Living and Growing Spiritually and Emotionally," is planned for March 23-25 at the St. John Center in Plymouth. The weekend will focus on the "Six Basic Needs and How to Get Them Met." Cost is \$100 and \$115 all private rooms (standard bed w/bath or sofa bed w/bath; all meals included). Hosted by Bethany Support Group Chapters. Pre-registration must be made by March 15. Call Barb S. (248) 652-9589 or Barb D. (734) 453-0222.

**PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS** Parents without Partners, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to the single-parent family We offer educational, social, and recreational activities for single parents and their children. Dues \$30 per year. For membership information in the Ann Arbor Chapter #38 call (734) 973-1933 or visit the Web page at www.aapwp.org

■ Jan. 21, workshop "Healing with Touch." We'll learn how important touch is to a healthy lifestyle and we'll practice healing touch and hugs in celebration of National Hugging Day. Workshop leader, Bonita Kothe. Ann Arbor. Sponsored by Parents Without Partners. Public welcome. Cost \$1. (734) 547-

### **CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB**

A general meeting of the Catholic Alumni Club of Detroit (a non-profit organization of single Catholics, 21 and over, who have earned a bachelor's degree and are free to marry in the Catholic church) will be held Wednesday. Upcoming events include:

■ A general meeting at 7 p.m. Jan. 17 including dinner. Join the Catholic Alumni Club of Detroit for dinner and socializing at Kerby's Coney Island in Novi. Kerby's is located on the eastside of Haggerty, north of 8 Mile Road. Call Teresa at (248) 336-0391.

■ Join the Catholic Alumni Club of Detroit at Gallagher's Sports Pub at South State Street and Ellsworth (two lights south of I-94 at exit 177) to socialize and to watch the Super Bowl at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 28. Call Robert at (734) 332-3993 to served by Jan. 25.

### TALK IT OVER

TIO meets the second Friday of each month in Knox Hall from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free will offering. Coffee/cookies served. Call (248) 374-5920.

**METROPOLITAN PROFESSIONALS** The MSP invite you to meet new friends, dance and socialize from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. There will be a Top 40 D.J., cash bar and hors d'oeuvres (8-9 p.m.) The ballrooms are non-smoking. For scheduled dances call (248) 851-9909. Jan. 12 and Feb. 9 at the Double Tree Guest Suites in

Novi. ■ Other activities include "Fun & Fine Dining" at the Box Bar from 6-7:30 p.m. Jan. 18 (777 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth) during the Plymouth Ice Festival.

■ Euchre, pinochle, bridge and dinner from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Cowley's Old Village Inn, every Monday. (33338 Grand River, Farmington). All skill levels.

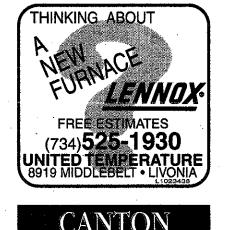
■ Skiers join in 6 p.m. Saturday,

Feb. 3, for a downhill ski party at Mt. Brighton, I-96 exit 145. Discounted rate \$18 includes all area lift ticket, admission to dance, with top 40 DJ, cash bar, door prizes and hors d'oeuvres. Discounted ski rental and one free lesson also available. Dress is casual. Admission to party only is \$8, (248) 851-9909

### **CHRISTIAN SINGLES**

Attention singles - Christian Singles Today Interactive Saturday Fellowship is held from 7-11 p.m. at The Church of the Savior (Five Mile Road at Newburgh) in

#### ■ Jan. 23, The Legal Aspects of Singles Parents/Kids. Wednes-Divorce. Theodore Johnson, days SPM would like to offer you GRAND COURT Attorney at Law. Learn about the process of filing for divorce evening dinners at a reduced and what to expect. rate. \$2 per person, \$6 max per Westland 37501 Joy Road ■ Feb. 13, group discussion facilfamily. Make you reservations itated by Cynthia Koppin. by calling (248) 374-5988. Din-Zal Gaz Grotto, 2070 S. Stadium, ■ Feb. 27, Gaining financial conners begin at 6 p.m. Group distrol of your divorce. Jacqueline cussion at 7 p.m. ■ Stepping Stones Children's Gold will discuss the financial aspects of divorce and how to Recovery Workshop is held We offer assisted New arrivals from page C6 and independent living providing ers Caleb and Anthony. Grand- Angelo Ciotta of Canton. Great the the birth of their son and Jackie Kaczmarek of Livoparents are Bill and Ida Denton grandparents are Ralph and Ronald Edward, born Aug. 26, nia, and Ronald Failing of Plyof Canton and Jake and Stacy Alice Marzolino of Berkley. 2000, at Providence Hospital. mouth. Great grandparents are privacy, security, ■ Ron and Maureen Kacz-Grandparents are Ed and Eliza-Irene Renas of Canton and Ray ■ Paul and Nikki Wincher beth Dougherty of Redford, Rick and Mary Kaczmarek of Utica. marek of Plymouth announce comfort, and piece of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter, Jenna of mind. Marie, born Dec. 30, 2000 at IF YOU COULD PREVEN Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Enjoy the lifestyle Center in Wayne. She joins you deserve at ■ Kristi Duarard and Greg Karkoska of Dearborn Heights prices you can announce the birth of their son Joseph John Duarardafford. Karkoska born Jan. 10 at Garden City Hospital. Joseph joins sister Anna Jordan, 15 months. Grandparents are Rose Karkos-Come hear national expert DR. TED SCHETTLER and find out. ka of Garden City and Gary and On Site Home Ruth Duarard of Livonia. Great **Lessons From The Children:** grandparents are Betty and James Duarard of Livonia, Mary Health Services NEALTH IMPACTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL EXPOSURES and Edward Dobrick of Livonia and Henry Miaczynski of Flori-Available WHERE: Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive ■ Dina and Scott Marzolino WHEN: January 30, 7:00pm Cost: \$5 at the door For Information Call of Plymouth announce the birth of their daughter Emily 734) 451-1155



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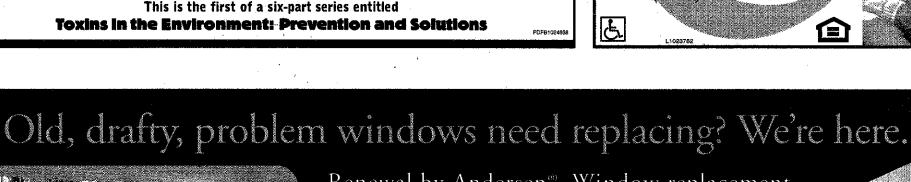
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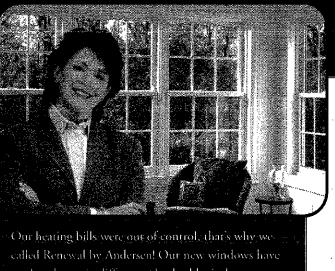
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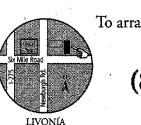


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### Player of the week

Jason Barela, a Canton native who plays for the Capital Centre Pride, has been named the North American Hockey League's player of the week. A 5-foot-8, 165-pound forward, Barela totaled seven goals and two assists in three games for the Pride last week.

In a pair of games against the USA NAHL team, Barela scored two goals and assisted on another in a 5-2 victory on Jan. 19, then scorched USA for four goals and an assist in an 8-1 triumph Jan. 20. On Jan. 21, he scored the Pride's only goal in a 4-1 loss to Danville. For the season, Barela has 20 goals and 21 assists (41 points) in 36 games.

### Strong effort

Andrew Vance, an 11-year-old gymnast from Plymouth, put in a strong showing at the 10th annual Jason Whitfield Invitational Gymnastics Meet, held in Ann Arbor last week-

Vance, a member of Michigan Academy of Gymnastics' boys Class V team, finished second in the floor exercise, third on the still rings, fourth on the high bar, fifth on the vault and seventh in the all-around in a field of 60 competitors in his class. Other members of his team, coached by Dimitri Dimitrov, are Nicholas Porambo, 12, of Canton and Frankie Scarcelli, 12, of Redford. Scarcelli was fourth in the all-around.

The Jason Whitfield Invitational, named after the Westland gymnast who died at 17 in a motorcycle accident in 1991, attracts 450 gymnasts representing 59 teams and 10 states, with the goal to raise scholarship funds for aspiring male gymnasts in Whitfield's memory.

This year's scholarship winners were 2000 Olympians Morgan Hamm (\$5,000) and Paul Hamm (\$3,000), Justin Toman (\$4,000) and Eric Van Sickle (\$2,000).

### Ambassadors win 2

The Compuware Ambassadors had a tough three-games-in-three-days road trip last weekend, playing Friday and Saturday against the Springfield (III.) Jr. Blues and on Sunday against the Chicago Freeze. After losing their first game of the trip, 4-2 to the Blues Friday, the Ambassadors did not surrender another goal, beating the Blues 8-0 Saturday and the Freeze 3-0 on Sunday.

Andy Greene and Todd Bentley scored for Compuware in Friday's defeat, with goalie Chad Davis stopping 18-of-22 shots. On Saturday, David Booth scored two goals and assisted on another and Ryan Lessnau had a goal and two assists to lead the Ambassador attack. Josh Sciba had a goal and an assist and David Vogt, Ryan Webb, Mark Cannon and Bentley each scored a goal.

Jeff Lantz turned aside all 22 shots he faced in earning the shutout.

Against the Freeze, the Ambassadors got a short-handed goal from Steve Brudzewski in the final second of the opening period, and that would be all they would need. Davis was in goal for this shutout, stopping 31 shots; Matt Rutkowski and Luke Wright also scored goals.

Compuware remains second in the NAHL's East Division at 22-12-2 (46 points).

### Baseball/softball

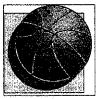
The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association will have its spring registration from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday in the Arts II Room at the Summit in the Park in Canton. Registration is open to all boys and girls, ages 4-18 years, who are Plymouth or Canton residents or who attend the Plymouth-Canton school district.

All new players must bring a copy of their birth certificate to registration. Fees vary from \$65-\$95 for teeball, baseball and softball; travel baseball for those 10-18 years is \$350, and travel softball for those under-10 to under-18 varies from \$175-\$250.

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### 4th-quarter surge saves Rocks



It's been a rough season thus far for Plymouth Salem's basketball team. The Rocks have absorbed several close losses, but that wasn't the case Tuesday when they pulled away to an easy win over Livonia Churchill.

By ED WRIGHT

There's nothing quite like an 18-0 fourth-quarter run to jump-start a basketball team with a dead battery.

That's what Plymouth Salem used Tuesday night to spark its 56-38 victory over Livonia Churchill. The Rocks clung to a narrow 37-34 lead less than

two minutes into the fourth quarter before tightening the defensive screws on the outmatched Chargers and outscoring the visitors 19-4 down the

Salem (2-8 overall, 2-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association) doubled its season victory total with the win. Churchill dropped to 2-8 overall and 1-3 in the WLAA.

"We came out flat tonight," sighed

Churchill coach Rick Austin. "Even though we closed to within three points in the fourth quarter, I never really thought we were in the game. When you come out flat, you don't dive for loose balls, you don't run and you don't see the floor well.

"We're not the kind of team that has a bunch of superstars who are going to win games for us. We have to come out and work hard for four quarters or we're not going to win. My hat is off to Plymouth Salem. They played hard for 32 minutes tonight.

Salem coach Bob Brodie said he was happy with his team's intensity level at least for three-quarters of Tues-

"We came out of the blocks well (Salem led 24-5 two minutes into the second quarter), but we panicked a little bit in the second quarter and let them back into the game," Brodie said. "This league is tough in that you have to play four quarters most nights to come away with a win.

"Tonight we were fortunate because we only played three decent quarters."

Salem was paced by a trio of players on the offensive end. Nick Tochman topped the scoring ledger with 15 points. Sophomore David Hoskins chipped in with 14 and Jeff Haar added 11.

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### Climbing

### Salem keeps bettering its season-best scores

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR CJRISAK@OE.HOMECOMM.NET

The best thing to come out of Monday's Plymouth Salem-vs.-Livonia Consolidated gymnastics meet — for both teams was realizing that neither team did its best.

And yet, the scores posted by each was their best this season. Salem came out on top in the meet, competed at Livonia's Dickinson Center, scoring 140.9 to Livonia's 138.05. The Rocks improved to 5-0 in dual-meet competition. Livo-

"I'm really impressed," said Livonia coach Christa Hinder-

liter in evaluating her team's performance. "It can only get better. And this was our season-high by two points." The top all-around score was posted by Salem's Bethany

Bartlett, a 36.25. Bartlett finished first in the vault (9.1), second on the uneven parallel bars (8.8), and fourth in both the balance beam (9.1) and floor exercise (9.25). Next best in the all-around was the Rocks' Melissa Drake

with a 35.65. Drake placed first on bars (9.15), third on vault (8.6), and fifth in both beam (9.05) and floor (8.85). Livonia's Michelle Wimberly finished third in the all-around

(35.2) with a second in the vault (8.9) and thirds in both the floor (9.3) and bars (8.55); she scored 8.45 in the beam. Salem's April Aguinto was fourth in the all-around (35.15) with a first-place tie in the floor (9.45), a third in beam (9.2), and fifths in bars

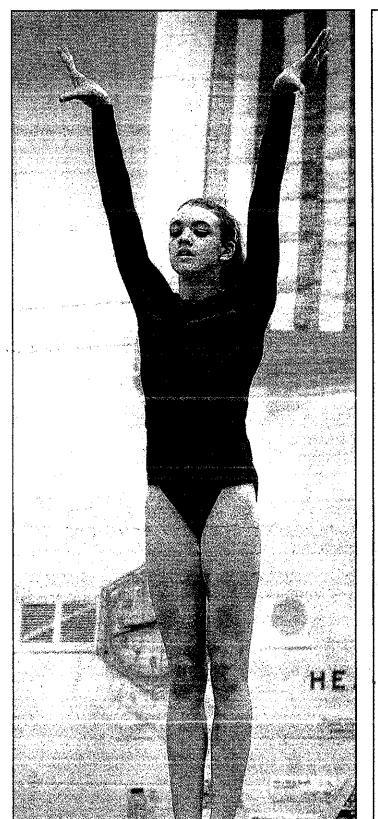
(7.95) and vault (8.55). Livonia's Mary Moreau was fifth in the all-around (33.45); she scored 8.8 and finished third on the vault, and scored 8.55 on the floor, tying for

sixth.

Livonia was without the full services of Kelly Ostrosky, who has had elbow injury problems; Ostrosky tied for first in floor (9.45) and won the beam (9.35).

Other noteworthy scores, for Salem, came from Ashley

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Top scorers: Two big reasons for Salem's victory over Livonia Consolidated were Bethany Bartlett (above), who finished first in the vault, was fourth on balance beam and had the top all-around score, and April Aquinto (left), who tied for first in floor exercise, was third on beam and had the fourth-best all-around score.

### **ROCKERS SOCCER**

### Defense leads Rockers past Attack, 14-10

Couple of weeks ago, looking ahead at the schedule and seeing a two-week stretch that featured six games could not have been something to look forward to. At least not for someone connected with the Detroit Rockers.

A team with just two wins in 18 games would hardly want to stack them. But this final busy stretch prior to the NPSL all-star game break has started out quite well for Detroit.

On Friday, the Rockers won for the third time this season when they upended the Baltimore Blast 14-10. It was a big win over a quality opponent; the Blast are second in the American Conference at 13-6, 1 1/2 games behind first-place Philadelphia.

On Sunday, the Rockers went on the road to play the Kansas City Attack. The results were identical: a 14-10 Detroit win, sparked again by the strong goalkeeping of Alan Placek.

Placek had not started a game all season until Friday, and his performance against Baltimore was superlative. He made 17 saves while surrendering just 10 points.

That earned him another start against Kansas City, and again Placek responded with a strong showing, giving up 10 points and making 17 stops.

The turning point in Sunday's game was the second quarter, and Martin Nash supplied the offense. Nash scored a pair of three-point goals in the period; combined with a pair of assists he also earned, he finished the game with eight

Tim Ernst added a pair of twopoint goals for the Rockers, who led 10-8 at halftime thanks to the eight-point second period. They increased their advantage to 12-8 after three quarters.

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### Despite split results, Whalers move up to OHL's top position



Too bad their penalty-kill wasn't as effective as their power-play.

The Plymouth Whalers rallied from a goal behind to take the lead midway through the third period of their game Saturday against the visiting Kingston Frontenacs, scoring a pair of

power-play goals. But with 7:37 remaining, Travis Lisabeth collected Kingston's second power-play goal in four chances to tie the game at 4-all and eventually force overtime. At 1:08 of the extra period, Lisa-

beth fed Andrew Ianiero and Ianiero found the net

to give the Frontenacs a 5-4 victory.
The result left Plymouth with a 29-7-4-3 record; however, the Whalers' 5-1 win Friday at Sault Ste. Marie managed to boost them into a tie for the overall lead in the Ontario Hockey League with 65 points, matching the Erie Otters' point total (Erie's played two more games).

Kingston was 20-16-9-1 through the weekend. A first-period power-play goal by Cole Jarrett (assisted by Damian Surma and Preston Mizzi) was offset by a power-play goal scored by

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### **OBSERVERLAND WRESTLING PREVIEW**

### Title time?

### Chiefs aiming to take crown from CC

BY RICHARD SHOOK SPORTS WRITER

Redford Catholic Central is the favorite at the annual Observerland Wrestling meet - except at Plymouth Canton. "We've had such a strong team this year it's proba-

bly between Catholic Central and us," coach John Demsick of Canton said on the eve of Saturday's Observerland meet at Livonia Churchill High School. "We're certainly going for it."
"I'm sure he will," CC coach Mike Rodriguez said.

"And I'm sure our kids are going be ready for them. They (the Chiefs) were coming out of the woods last year."

Admission for the meet, which begins at 9 a.m. in the Churchill gym, is \$5 for an all-day ticket. "Because of construction," host coach Marty Altounian said, "there is more parking in back of the

school than there is in the front." The event is an individual style tournament with team standings kept. Matches will be contested continuously through third place.

There will be a half-hour break with the finals being highlighted one weight classification at a time. beginning with the heavyweight title match at about 6 p.m.

Trophies will be given to the top three teams in the

standings with medals for the top six individuals. In addition, there will be plaques for the Most Valuable Wrestlers in the lower and upper weight divisions.

CC is generally considered the team to beat. "Why," Rodriguez said, "because we won last year?" The Shamrocks were the team to beat in last year's Observerland — and nobody beat them. Livonia Stevenson finished a close second, however.

Canton, Stevenson, Plymouth Salem and Westland John Glenn are among this year's chief challengers.

"Those are the favorites," Altounian said. "They're the teams to look out for. "The area is getting stronger. There should be a little bit more parity than in year's past."

There are 16 schools in the meet and coach Bob Moreau of Stevenson noted that injuries could be the determining factor.

"There's a lot of good individual talent out there," Moreau said. "I haven't seen Canton, but I've heard

they're pretty strong."
"We'll be all right," Rodriguez said. "We'll have some kids out of the lineup. But so does everybody.

The bug's going around. It hurts everybody." Several 2000 champions are eligible to defend their

Aaron Parr of CC returns in the heavyweight divi-

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# Chiefs shock WLAA champions

The pivotal match of the regular season had already been decided. Certainly that's what Walled Lake Central's vollevball team must've figured when Plymouth Canton visited Monday.

The Vikings had already beaten their top adversary for the Western Lakes Activities Association championship, which they are defending, last week when they defeated Plymouth Salem. And Salem demolished Canton prior to that, beating them in straight sets.

A slow start nearly cost Central. Strong serving by Mary Kryska allowed the Chiefs to take a 7-0 lead in the opening game. However, the Vikings displayed their championship form, battling back to beat Canton 18-16 in that first game.

The Chiefs would fold their tents after that, surely. They'd given Central their best shot and come up short.

If the Vikings thought that, they were very much mistaken. Canton rallied behind its superior serving to win the second game 15-9, setting the stage for

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a pivotal game three.

It seemed Central had finally found its championship form. The Vikings pounded Canton from the start, building a 12-1 lead.

But it wasn't enough. Meghan Meier served six-straight points for the Chiefs and they kept chipping away, putting together an improbable rally that earned them an upset 15-12 victory in the decisive third game.

The win boosted Canton's overall record to 12-7-1; the Chiefs are 1-2 in the WLAA.

"This was the classical example of how a small team can defeat a much larger team by offsetting their attack with aggressive serving," said Canton coach Steve Anderson. "This was a true team victory. Every player on the team was on the floor for us using her own spcialized skill to defeat a heavilyfavored opponent.

players and the program can remember for a very long time."

\* Leading the Chiefs were Kryska, who had 24 set assists and 24 errorless serves; Meier, with 17 errorless serves including two aces; Courtney Jarman, with 11 kills, three aces, a solo block and a block assist: Ashlev Williams. with seven kills and six digs; Jennifer Wagner, with 15 digs; and Christina Kiessel, with three service aces.

Solid serving together with Kryska's setting and Jarman's dink kills combined to keep Central off-balance. With Kryska serving two points, Canton took a 13-12 lead; Jarman served point No. 14, and Williams got the game-winner.

It was a welcome reprieve that had its beginning last Saturday at the 24-team University of Michigan-Dearborn Invitational. Canton went 5-1 in the tournament to finish third overall.

The Chiefs swept through their pool play, beating Jonesville 15-7, 15-6; River Rouge 15-0, 15-5; and Dearborn

"This is one of those victories that the Fordson 15-9, 15-9. In the 16-team Salem stops N'ville championship bracket, Canton first went up against North Farmington, and the Chiefs came away with a 15-8, 15-1

> That put them into the quarterfinals against Milford Lakeland, and Canton's momentum kept them rolling to a 15-6, 15-3 triumph. In the semifinals, the Chiefs faced Dearborn and they kept surging, winning the first game 15-13. But they could sustain it no longer; the Pioneers won the second game 15-11 and in a rally-scoring third game, they held off Canton for a 15-7 victory.

Dearborn ended up winning the tournament title.

Leaders for the tournament for the Chiefs were Kryska with 112 set assists; Meier, with 57 digs, 15 service aces and 55 kills; Williams, with 43 digs, 15 aces and 28 kills; Kiessel, with 33 aces and 28 digs; Wagner, with 34 digs and 20 kills; Colleen O'Brien, with six service aces; and Jarman, with 38 kills, 35 digs and eight aces.

The eight service aces collected by Plymouth Salem Monday against visiting WLAA rival Northville accounted for more than twice the number of points the Mustangs scored in the entire match, as the Rocks rolled to a 15-3, 15-1 victory.

The win boosted Salem's overall record to 12-5; in the WLAA, the Rocks are 2-1.

Jill Dombrowski turned in a strong all-around game with four kills, four service aces, 10 set assists and three digs. Katie Good contributed a teambest seven kills (.667 kill percentage), one ace and four digs; Mary Lou Liebau håd three kills and an ace; Tiffani Erickson had three kills and a block; Dayna Niemi had two aces; and Jordan Falcusan totaled six set assists and five

Salem, which played at Westland John Glenn last night, is now idle until Monday when it hosts Farmington.

### Strong finish carries Canton past North; Agape 7-0.

Going into the fourth quarter of its game Tuesday at North Farmington, Plymouth Canton's basketball team found itself trailing by seven. The Chiefs scored only two baskets in that final period, but they also limited the Raiders to one - and they nailed 13-of-18 free throws

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in the period to battle back to win, 49-43.

The victory boosted Canton's overall record to 4-6. The Chiefs are 3-1 in the Western Lakes

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to 5-5 overall, 2-2 in the WLAA. The difference came at the line and on the boards. Canton converted 20-of-30 free throws for the game, while the Raiders managed to make just 7-of-14.

The Chiefs also had a 28-17 rebounding advantage.

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"We dealt with their pressure well in the fourth," said Canton coach Jeremy Rheault. "We came back and found a way to win it. We won it at the free throw line in the fourth quarter."

North had the early advantage, building a 21-13 lead after one quarter. The Raiders were up 28-23 at halftime and stretched it to 38-31 after three

"We threw the ball all over the gym," said Rheault. "They came at us hard on defense! They were very tough."

But the Chiefs hung in there. "We're continuing to defend, we're continuing to rebound, and we scored a little as well," said

Jerry Gaines was again pivotal to Canton's success. He led the Chiefs with 12 points and 11 rebounds. Oliver Wolcott added 11 points.

But although five of Gaines' points came in the pivotal fourth quarter, he wasn't the only Chief to step forward. Jason Priebe nailed a three-pointer early in the period — Canton's only triple of the game - to get the momen-

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Marcus McComb topped the Raiders with 13 points. Blair Weiss added 12.

Agape 54, Life Summit 46: Canton Agape Christian expanded its 10-point halftime lead to 19 after three quarters and coasted to the win from there Tuesday at Wayne Memorial HS. The Wolverines improved to 7-

0. Life Summit is 7-3.

A final push in the fourth quarter allowed Life Summit to narrow the final margin to eight, but it was never closer than that. Paul Anleitner led Agape with 13 points; Charlie Henry and Rob Hough contributed 11 points apiece.

Life Summit was led by Andrew Haywood with 17 points. Curtis Cross added 12.

Agape led 15-8 after one quarter, 28-18 at the half and 42-23 after three quarters.

PCA 62, Taylor Baptist Park 53: Full-court pressure wasn't the answer for Plymouth Christian Academy Tuesday at Taylor

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Baptist Park. Eagles' coach Doug Taylor found that out quickly enough.

"We pressed them early and they were scoring layups off our pressure," Taylor said. "So we went to a man-to-man (defense) in the second quarter and the kids did a real good job defensively the last three quarters."

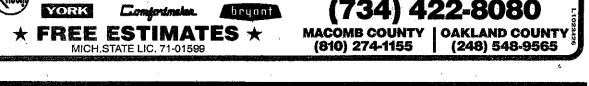
PCA trailed 21-12 after one period, but over the last three periods, the Eagles outscored Taylor Baptist 50-32.

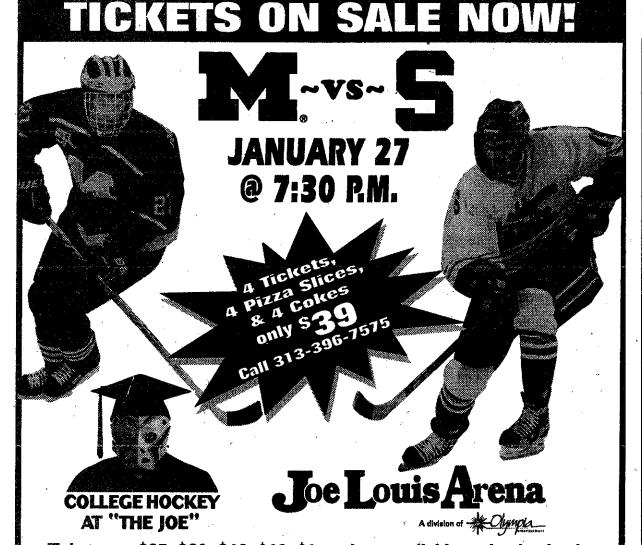
PCA improved to 2-6 overall and got its first win in Michigan Independent Athletic Conference play; the Eagles are 1-3.

Clay Welton, a sophomore forward, had a superb performance for PCA, pouring in 27 points and grabbing seven rebounds. James Bauslaugh and Aaron Hamblin, both junior guards, chipped in with 12 points apiece. and Tyler Williams nabbed 10 boards while scoring three points.

David Watkins' 20 points paced Taylor Baptist.

Friday is homecoming for the Eagles. They host Southfield Christian at 7 p.m.





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### Ocelots retain top spot in league

Schoolcraft College remained in first place in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association with a 97-75 triumph Monday at Macomb CC.

Schoolcraft, Henry Ford and Flint Mott each have one loss in the conference.

With DePaul University coach Pat Kennedy in attendance, Schoolcraft's Sam Hoskin, a 6-foot-8 center via Redford Bishop Borgess High and Eastern Kentucky, led the victorious Ocelots (16-2, 6-1) with 32 points and nine rebounds.

Four others scored in double figures for SC including Mike Evola and Mike Peek, 12 each; Dave McGlown and Javon Clark, 10 apiece. Derrick Bird contributed nine.

McGlown also had six assists, while Dwight Windom had eight rebounds and six steals.

Macomb (3-10, 1-5), which trailed 43-26 at intermission, got 20 points from Duran Franklin and 12 from Ralph Sylvester. Schoolcraft shot 32 of 60 from the floor

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(53.3 percent) and 27 of 34 from the free throw line (79.4 percent).

The Ocelots outrebounded Macomb 33-

SIENA HTS. 89, MADONNA 85: First place Siena Heights had quite a struggle Saturday with host Madonna University in a Wolverine-Hoosier Conference Athletic Conference match.

The Saints, who improved to 20-3 overall and 5-1 in the WHAC, trailed 20-8 at the outset before battling back to within three (37-34) at halftime.

In the second half, Siena Heights got back on track, outscoring the Crusaders 13-2 in one 2 1/2minute stretch to go from a 60-all tie to a 73-62 lead with 7:27 left to play;

But Madonna (6-15 overall, 2-4 in the WHAC) wasn't through yet. Led by Mike Massey, Aaron Cox and Narvin Russaw, the Crusaders trimmed Siena Heights' 78-66 lead down to 87-85 on a three-pointer by Cox with 11 seconds left.

In that 5:42 span, Madonna outscored the

Saints 19-9, with Massey scoring eight, Russaw six and Cox five.

However, the Crusaders were forced to foul and Siena Heights' George King hit two free throws with two seconds left to clinch the victory.

Massey finished with a game-high 27 points, including five threes. He also had four assists. Russaw scored 20 points, grabbed 14 rebounds and blocked three shots, and Cox totaled 13 points, six boards and two steals. Chad Nadolni chipped in with 12 points and nine rebounds.

Siena Heights got 18 points apiece from Jeff Gullekson and Matt Baaki, Gullekson also grabbing 21 rebounds (11 offensive), blocking two shots and making three steals. Sean Carlson scored 14

Madonna certainly had the sharper shooting eye, converting 31-of-58 floor shots (53.4 percent) and 8-of-19 three-pointers (42.1 percent). The Saints were 34-of-83 from the field (41 percent) and 10-of-30 on threes (33.3 percent).

The difference was in turnovers - Madonna had 23 to Siena Heights' 17 — and rebounding. The Saints had a commanding 51-38 edge on the boards, including a 28-9 advantage in offensive

SCHOOLCRAFT 96, HENRY FORD 83: Henry Ford, the last unbeaten team in the Eastern Conference, fell Saturday to host Schoolcraft College as Sam Hoskin, bound for DePaul University, led the way with a game-high 28 points on 16 of 20 shooting from the free throw line.

Hoskin also grabbed 14 rebounds.

Nick Evolas a 6-7 forward headed to Western Michigan, added 20 points, while point-guard Dave McGlown chipped in with 16 points and nine

Derrick Bird and Dwight Windom each added eight for the Ocelots (15-2, 5-1).

Henry Ford (11-4, 4-1) had four players in double figures led by Daryl Mason's 21 points. Sean Powell and Randy Royal added 17 and 16, respectively, while Josh Boven (Redford Thurston) contributed

Henry Ford trailed 42-31 at halftime and by as many as 23 points in the second half.

The Hawks were 17 of 24 from the free throw line, while Schoolcraft was 25 of 34.

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## Fiorenzi leads Madonna to a victory

Kristi Fiorenzi and Kathy Panganis combined for 52 points as Madonna University used an 11-0 run early in the first half to take control of its Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference game against Siena Heights Saturday, riding it to a 93-77 triumph at Madonna.

The win boosted the Lady Crusaders' overall record to 10-9; they are 5-1 in the WHAC. Siena Heights is 7-15 overall, 0-6 in the conference.

A basket by the Saints' Allison Camp with 16:25 remaining in the first half had given Siena Heights a 10-9 lead. Madonna's Fiorenzi (from Plymouth Canton HS) answered with five points, with Lori Enfield scoring four and Mahogany Fletcher (Farmington Harrison) adding a basket

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over the next 2:37 to give the Crusaders a 20-10 lead.

Madonna's lead was never less than seven the remainder of the game, Indeed, the Crusaders' cushion — 53-40 at halftime was never in single figures in the second half.

Fiorenzi's career-high 28 points paced the Crusaders. She also had seven rebounds. Panganis finished with 24 points and four steals. Next best for Madonna was Enfield with nine points and eight boards; Carissa Gizicki totaled three points, seven assists and three steals.

The Saints were led by Stephanie Sprow's 19 points. 15 points and Tessa Taylor scored 11.

Both sides shot pretty well, Madonna making 32-of-59 from the floor (54.2 percent) and 27of-35 from the free-throw line (77.1 percent). Siena Heights hit 29-of-66 from the field (43.9 percent) and 12-of-17 from the stripe (70.6 percent). The Saints committed 25 turnovers to 18 for Madonna.

SC 111, Macomb CC 49: National rankings were released Monday, and Schoolcraft College — after defeating fifth-ranked Delta CC last week -- was in the NJCAA's top 10, ranked seventh. Delta slipped to 10th.

On Monday at Macomb CC, the Lady Ocelots proved they belonged by domi-

Amanda Lafontaine contributed to a 56-16 lead by halftime and coasted to the Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference

> The Ocelots are 14-2 overall, 7-0 (and in first place) in the conference. Macomb is 1-6 in the conference, 2-13

> Six players reached double figures in scoring for SC, led by Carla Saxton with 18 points. Devin Francois added 17 points and 10 rebounds, Rachel Eley had 15 points and nine assists, Janelle Olson netted 14 points, and Kelly Grenan (from Redford Thurston) and Keysa Hamilton scored 11 points apiece, Grenan hitting three three-pointers and Hamilton grabbing 10 rebounds.

Courtney Ragbbine topped Macomb with 18 points.

SC 90, Henry Ford CC 60: It took Schoolcraft College awhile to get going but once the Lady Ocelots got on track they demolished the Hawks. The Ocelots trailed 18-15 with 10:28

left in the first half when they turned things around. A 10-0 run gave them the lead for good, propelling them to a 41-28 halftime advantage. It was never close in the second half. Four players reached double-figures in

scoring for SC, led by Janelle Oison's 16 points. Carla Saxton added 12 and Angelica Blakely and Devin Francois had 10 apiece. Francois had seven rebounds, while Blakely and Saxton grabbed six apiece. Rachel Eley finished with eight points, 10 assists, eight steals and five boards. Katie Martin topped the Hawks with

24 points, five rebounds and five steals.



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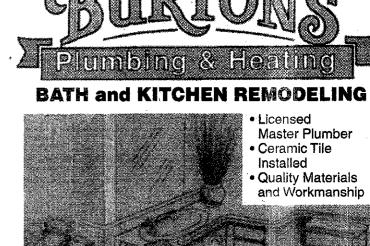
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sion while Phil Rothwell of Canton is back at 189 pounds.

Imad Kharbush of Stevenson won at 152 pounds a year ago, but is wrestling at 160 this season. Ryan Regowski of CC is again at 171

Kharbush brings a 26-1 record into the meet, his lone loss coming at a recent tournament.

The Spartans' Chris Cooprider won at 145 pounds last year and is wrestling at that weight again this

"Catholic Central is obviously the team to beat," Canton's Demsick said. "We're excited about it.

"We arranged to have a dual meet with them that was cancelled because of snow. They weren't able to make the postponement date we came up with, so we haven't seen them. They're always strong.

"Stevenson should fare well, too." The Spartans' Billy Bullock, who wrestles at 125, was hurt during the weekend, but Moreau's hopeful he'll be able to compete in the Observerland meet.

Rodriguez is holding one of his top wrestlers out, grandson Nate Rodriguez. The youngster is recuperating from a broken hand and was scheduled to have the cast removed

today. "But I'm not going to use him." Mike Rodriguez said. "I'm going to hold him out for another week. I don't want to take a chance.

CC's Jay Abshire has been wrestling well at 145 and could unseat Cooprid-

Canton, meanwhile, has depth. The Chiefs have Kyle Pitt doing well at 119 pounds, Joe Faraoni at 152, Doy Demsick at 125, Greg Musser rated high at 140 and, of course. Rothwell at 189.

Rothwell "has had just an outstanding year," Demsick said. "He should

"We typically have been placing 11 people at tournaments. One of the things we have going for us is that we're very well rounded.

"We have Scott McKee (171), Derek McWatt (heavyweight), Shahein Rajee (160), Mike Siegrist (145), Chris

Hosey (135) and Ozzie Wagner (215). have been strong wrestlers for us. "In truth, we have quite a few guys capable of accomplishing a lot.

Stevenson is looking for good things from Matt Radley at 140 with Paul Bargerstock (215), sophomore Charlie Rabaut at 112 and Jason Fischer at

"They'll score some points for us," Moreau said. "There are some good teams there. It's going to be a good

"There are a lot of teams that are evenly matched: A lot depends on who comes in the healthiest.

Other wrestlers who have been having strong seasons for CC include Tim-Mulroy (119), Mike Werner (140), Casey Hilliker (160) and Blaic Naismith (189).

"We're just starting to come on just like last year, we're late bloomers." Rodriguez said. "We're getting much taugher.

"The competition we've had the last couple of meets is starting to show they can hold their own, compared to the beginning of the year.

The Shamrocks lost to Temperance-Bedford and Howell last weekend in a tournament, but defeated Roseville. Wyandotte and Stevenson.

The Stevenson match was a donnybrook; a good one," Rodriguez said. "He had some people out of his lineup. We had some people out of our lineup. Bob's a good coach. He does a good job. "It's going to be a race. Canton's

going to be sitting, waiting." "I'm not nervous about our guys." Demsick said, "I have great confidence in them. We should have a good meet. We have a lot of respect for the other. teams out there.

"We dropped the ball in the first round of a tournament last week. We did a good job coming back, but weren't able to come back all the way. Hopefully we'll be a little more prepared this time."

### Whalers from page D1

Kingston's Brett Clouthier. Plymouth took a 2-1 lead when Bryan Thompson scored with 5:13 left in the opening period, assisted by Ryan O'Keefe and Chad Larose.

The Frontenacs dominated the second period, getting goals from Chris Cook and Cory Stillman to take a 3-2 lead. The Whalers recaptured the momentum early in the third period with powerplay goals by Tomas Kurka and Surma; Mizzi assisted on both. Surma and Stephen Weiss also assisted.

Kingston goalie Peter Hamerlik earned the win, improving to 17-11-6 with a 2.90 goals-against average. He made 26 saves. Rob Zepp took the loss for Plymouth, making 22 saves; he's 25-9-2 overall with a 2.37 goals-against average and a .911 save percentage.

On Friday at Sault Ste. Marie, the Whalers specialty-team play was exceptional. They scored twice on the power play and twice more short-handed in subduing the Greyhounds.

Weiss did a lot of the damage, getting two goals and assisting on another; the two scores gave him a team-leading 28 goals (and 65 points) for the season.

Weiss' first goal, on the power play, came 4:14 into the opening period. James Wisniewski (from Canton) and

Jarrett assisted.

Mizzi made it 2-0 just 2:15 later with a short-handed score, assisted by Surma. It was Mizzi's 18th goal of the season.

Wisniewski made it 3-0 with another power-play marker 1:31 into the second period; Weiss and Stacey Britstone assisted. The Greyhounds (16-24-4-2 through the weekend) narrowed the gap to 3-1 on a goal by Rob Chapman at the 15:03 mark of the second period.

But Weiss' second goal of the game (Jared Newman assisted) and a short-handed score by Stewart in the third period safely put the game away for the Whalers, who were 2-for-4 on the power play and successfully killed off six Greyhound power plays.

Zepp made 21 saves in goal for Plymouth. Ray Emery faced 37 shots in goal for Sault Ste. Marie. This will be a busy weekend for

the Whalers. They play at Guelph, which boasts the third-best record in the OHL, on Friday, return home for a 7:30 p.m. game Saturday against Kitchener at Compuware

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> Arena, then travel to take on the Windsor Spitfires — second to Plymouth in the OHL's West Division — at 6 p.m. Sunday.

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two-point goal for Detroit (the game-winner); the other goal was scored by Droo Callahan, Matt Knowles and Marciano Boumann each contributed two assists.

In his two starts, Placek is 2-0; for the season, he has an 11.92 points-allowed-pergame, nearly three points better than the next best Rockers' goalie.

Kansas City got two twopoint goals from Wes Wade and single two-pointers from Novi Marojevic, Alex Zotinca and Mirsad Dzilic. Kevin

Martin Dugas also had a Zimmerman made seven saves in goal for the Attack, who fell to 5-15.

Detroit is 4-16.

The Rockers play at Toronto at 7:30 p.m. tonight, then return home to play the Thunderhawks at 7:35 p.m. Friday. Toronto is first in the National Conference with an 11-7 record.

Bowers top vote-getter

Detroit Rockers' defender Sean Bowers tied Wichita's Braeden Cloutier as the top vote-getter for the National Conference's all-star team in a ballot of NPSL coaches and

general managers. Bowers will start the 14th annual all-star game, which will be Feb. 14 in Buffalo.

"I am honored and excited to be representing the Rockers at the all-star game," Bowers said. "I think more of our players deserve to be there, besides me. Anytime you receive an individual honor, you have tocredit your teammates as well.

"I am looking forward to making a good showing in Buffalo and, more importantly, helping the Rockers get into the playoffs this season."

Bowers is currently seventh in the NPSL in scoring with 66 points. He was named on 80 percent of the ballots cast, probably because he has scored at least one point in all 17 games he has appeared in this season (Bowers missed the last three with a groin injury).

Besides leading Detroit in scoring, he ranks second on the team in blocks with 42 (Droo Callahan is first with

Bowers will be making his fourth all-star appearance.

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## TB now striking at Michigan's elk herd



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Biologists feared it would happen, but up until recently Michigan's prized elk herd had remained unaffected by bovine tuberculosis outbreak that has plagued our whitetail deer

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That all changed with the announcement earlier this week that a cow elk has tested positive for the disease. The elk, a fiveyear-old female, was killed by a hunter during the December hunt in Montmorency County. Mandatory tests, which are performed on nearly all of the elk killed by hunters, revealed the dreaded results.

While further tests are being conducted to positively identify the bacteria, officials close to the case are confident it is the same strain of TB that is infecting our

The big question confronting officials now is what to do. The sad answer is that we are already doing everything we can, short of total eradication of the herd - an option not yet being discussed - and the disease has still surfaced.

There is already a baiting and feeding ban - two practices officials believe helps spread the disease - across the elk range because of the TB outbreak in our deer. The size of the herd is kept in balance with the carrying capacity of their range through annual hunts. Testing of the harvested animals has been ongoing since 1996. To date, 760 elk have been tested and this is the first to test positive.

Elk disappeared from Michigan in the late 1800s. In 1918, seven western elk were transported to and released in the Pigeon River State Forest area. The animals prospered and grew into a heard of some 1,500 by the early 1960s.

Unfortunately, because of several factors, the most notable of which were low-quality habitat and rampant poaching, the herd took a hit and was reduced to a mere 200 animals by 1975. Public interest grew and better management practices revived the herd to better than 1,000 animals by the early 1980s.

In 1984, the DNR held the first modern day elk hunt in Michigan in an effort to maintain a winter herd of 800 to 900 animals. Hunts have been held every year since. In fact, an addi-

Hoop

"Tochman played a great game inside for us," Brodie said. "I was also pleased with the way our sophomore point guard, Kevin Savitskie, played. He doesn't do a lot of things statistically, but he played a steady offensive game and we had him matched up against their top offensive threat on defense."

Senior guard Will Pendergrass was the lone Charger to break into double figures, netting 16.

"Will has really stepped up for us this year," Austin said. "He's been our go-to guy most of the season and he's been solid."

Salem solved Churchill's fullcourt pressure with ease in the first quarter and exploded to an early 16-2 lead. The Rocks improved their advantage to 24-5 with 6:10 left in the first half on a fast-break lay-up from

Following a time-out, Churchill mounted a comeback that got it back into the game at halftime. Led by Pendergrass and a smothering defense, the Chargers put together a 15-2 run late in the second quarter to cut their deficit to 26-20 at the intermission.

Salem led 35-28 after three quarters, but saw its tenuous lead shrink to 37-34 when Pendergrass nailed a twisting jumper in the lane with 6:25 to

Unfortunately for Churchill, Pendergrass's bucket was the last one the Chargers would convert for over five minutes as the Rocks put the game away with a series of fast-break lay-ups and inside power moves. Tochman was the top gun during the onslaught, accounting for seven points. Haar dished out three assists and had two steals during the game-deciding 18-0 run that ended with Salem up 55-34.

tional management hunt is taking place through Jan. 26, because this year's harvest goal had not been met following three hunts held in August, September and December.

For now the DNR plans to continue on with its TB eradication plan with hopes that, in time, we can remove this dreaded disease from our prized big game animals. It will take time and patience.

Keep your fingers crossed.

women

Women interested in learning more about the outdoors should look into the DNR's Becoming an Outdoors Woman (BOW) program. BOW offers classes and workshops throughout the year at various locations around the state in an effort to introduce outdoor recreation to women.

BOW is holding a three-day workshop at the Nettie Bay

Outdoors program for Lodge in Presque Isle County on Feb. 23-25. The program will offer classes in cross country skiing, ice fishing, snowshoeing, rabbit hunting, winter survival and mushing a team of sled

> Participants must be 18 years or older and there is limit of 25 participants. The registration fee, which covers lodging, meals and all instruction, is just \$125. To register and for more information contact Nancy Thurston

at (810) 392-2111. For additional information on all the BOW programs contact Lynn Marla at (517) 241-2225 or send email to marlal@state.mi.us.

Winter is here to stay. You might as well get out and enjoy

#### Events/clubs

The Oakland County Sportfishing Association meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Santia Hall, 1985 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Call (248) 693-4389 or visit the club's web site at http://go.to/ocsa for more information.

■ The 7th annual Sporting Flies Competition and What's, New in Tackle exhibit begins at: 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at the Southfield Civic Center. Call (248) 652-6957 or (248) 683-3688

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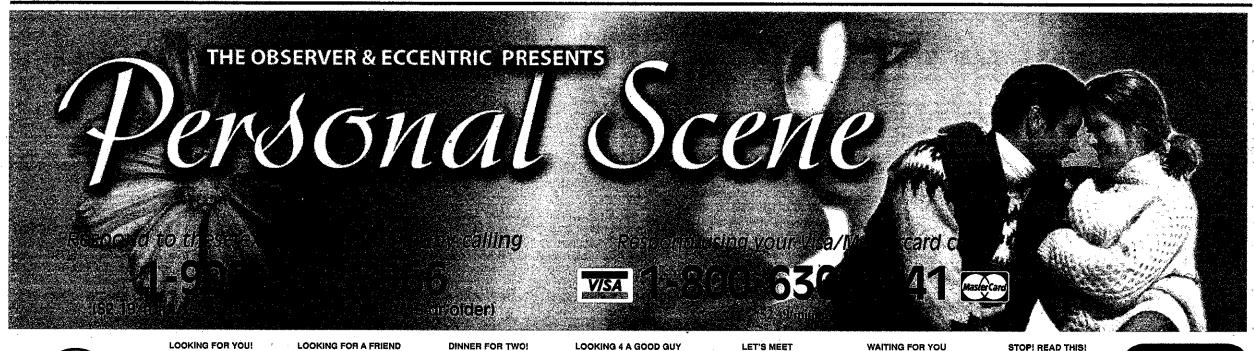
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26 yr old, college educated, single white mother who enjoys movies, comedy clubs, the out-doors, concerts, music, reading, biking and much more, is see ing a single female, 25 to 38, to share good times and friend-ship. BOX 14249 **DINNER FOR TWO!** 

Single white female, in he 50's, 5'5", 125 lbs, with blonde hair, and blue eyes. Active, and pro-fessional. Enjoys movies, reading, dining out, dancing, music and much more. Seeking a single male, to share good times, and friendship. BOX 14259 LET'S CHAT!

Attractive, 26 yr old, 5'7", 160 lbs, single white female, with long blonde hair, and blue eyes. long biorde nair, and bule eyes. Professional, enjoys the out-doors, camping, fishing, long walks, biking, shoot pool, and much more. Is seeking a single male, to share good times, and maybe more. BOX 14303

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LOVE IS ALL WE NEED! 43 yr old, 5'8", 160 lbs, single white female with red hair and brown eyes, enjoys dining out, movies, golf, fishing, reading and much more, is seeking a maybe more. BOX 27477

LET'S HOOK UP! Divorced mother, 24 yr old, non smoker, brown hair, and eves, Enjoys bowling, movies, reading, long walks, and much more. Seeking a single male, with similar interests. For fun times, and maybe more. BOX 27493 JUST CALL MEI

**40** yr old, petite, single white female with a great smile, dark brown hair and green eyes, enjoys movies, music, dining out, reading, cooking and much more, is seeking a single male, with similar interests, for friend-

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Wayne county.

LOOKING FOR YOU! 25 yr old, 5'2", petite build, single white female with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking a single mate, 23 to 30, to share good times and maybe more. BOX 32406 **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

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A LADY OF CLASS Vivacious, upbeat, very attractive, blonde female, a professional, 5'7", 115 lbs, upper 50's, seeking soul mate counter part, 60's, a professional, for dating, ssible long term relationship Call me and see what life has in store for us. BOX 35996 ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE

secure, emotionally centered, intellectually curious, kind, generous and positive. I'm 49, 5'6", divorced, pretty, a small plus size, shoulder length natural redhead, a beautiful smile that lights up a room. Join me on my quest for transcendence. BOX

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 QUALITY, QUALITY

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**NEVER TOO LATE** Falis here, let's go for it. Divorced white female, 66, 5'4", 140 lbs, non-smoker, social drinker, active and outgoing, enjoys the outdoors, travel, music, dancing and more. Seeking a single gentleman with a good sense of humor and sim-ilar interests. BOX 25991

**NEW BEGINNINGS** Divorced white mother of three, 35, brown hair and eyes, 5'7", average build. Enjoys camping, outdoor activities, movies and dinners. Looking for a white male, 40 to 45, who is caring, loves children, outgoing, good sense of humor and similar interests. Friendship and possible relationship. Wayne County. BOX 33625

IT TAKES TWO Divorced white female, **53**, 5'7", 140 lbs, average build, who enjoys country music, slow dancing, dining out, concerts, movies, taking walks with that special someone. Seeks mate companion, tall, honest, no head games for possible relationship. Wayne County BOX 33671

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

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**SEEKING COMPANION** Professional single white female, 38, attractive, nonsmoker, singer, loves animals, significant weight loss, still los-ing. Seeking a single white male, for friendship, companionship, and possible mature rela-tionship. BOX 25314

KEY TO MY HEART 52 yr old, white female, full figured, non-smoker, giving, loving, and lots of fun, loves life. Looking for a sincere, successful, secure, stable, loving, Caucasian gentleman, nonsmoker, 45 to 60, who's positive and loves life as much as I do Go for the genuine gem, your life will be worth living, answer my ad today. BOX 25326

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

HELLO FRIEND Attractive, intelligent, slender and tail, lady of 54, is also warm hearted, soft spoken, a smoker Seeking someone who is 55 to 59, intelligent, tall, an old fash-ioned gentleman, a smoker. Please call if this describes you Oakland County. BOX 25395 COUNTRY LIFE

Anyone out there loves dogs and other animals more than the city life? 54, divorced white female, college educated, pretty, 5'5", weight proportionate to height, loves home, laughter, children, good friends and warm conversation. Seeks male, 52 to 68, Novi Area. Oakland County. BOX 25401

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IT'S TIME Not perfect, single white mom, sweet, funny, attractive enough, seeking genuine, sin-cere, white male, single parent, 50 to 56, hardworking, nonsmoker, 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 emoest. Give me a call, you won't be sorry. Macomb County. BOX 25327



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MAN IN UNIFORM Single 43 yr old male, hard working, smoker, non-drinker, enjoys movies, flea markets, amusement parks, country music and more. Looking for a LOVING YOU!

Divorced white male who enjoys long drives, bowling, cooking, movies, playing card and much more, is seeking a single female, 40 to 50, to share good times and maybe more. BOX 10811 ONLY YOU!

Outgoing, 5'5", white male with blonde hair and blue eyes, employed, home owner, is seeking a single female, for dating and companionship, BOX 10823 READY FOR LOVE! 50 vr old, 5'6", 180 lbs, single white male with brown hair and blue eyes, fun loving, caring,

enjoys camping, hiking, motor-cycles, fishing and much more, is seeking a single female, of any race, age, weight and height, to share good times and maybe more. BOX 10848 IT'S A DATE! 44 vr old, 5'5", 190 lbs, single male with brown hair and

er, professional, is seeking a sin-

gle female, to share good times, friendship and dating. BOX

Outgoing, fit, single white male, is seeking a single female, of any race or age, for dating and friendship. BOX 13750

OPEN UR HEART TO ME Divorced 22 yr old white male, non-smoker, enjoys movies, strolls in the park and more. Looking for a female, 20 to 30 with similar interests for a possible relationship, BOX 13757 YOU SHOULD CALL Black professional male, 6'1

with similar interests. BOX 14040 DO YOU HOLD THE KEY? 50 yr old, divorced white widower, 5'6", 165 lbs, brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys camping, fish-ing, quiet times, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 14059

1/2", 208 lbs. Enjoys outdoor sports, cars and antiques.

Seeking a white professional

LET'S GET CONNECTED Divorced 46 yr old white male, adventurous and romantic, enjoys camping, fishing, swimming, the beach and more. Looking for a female for a possible long term relationship. BOX 14062

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

Single male, 5'11", 190 lbs. brown hair, and blue eyes, outgoing, born again Christian. Looking for a female who is attending church, and is active in the church. BOX 14107 LOVE IS ALL WE NEED! Outgoing, 5'9", 150 lbs, single white father of two, with brown

hair, and blue eyes, non smoker,

ployed. Enjoys the outdoors,

movies, reading, and much more. Seeking a single female. To share good times, and dating!

HOPING FOR LOVE!

48 yr old, divorced white male,

easy going, laid back, enjoys golf, movies, long walks, the out-doors, biking and much more, is

seeking a single female, to share good times and maybe more. BOX 14197

MR. ROMANCE

Romantic, 33 yr old, divorced

white male, employed, home

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sports, and much more. Seeking

a single female. To share good times, and maybe more. BOX

TWO OF A KIND!

58 yr old, 5'8", 170 lbs, white male with brown hair and eyes,

retired, enjoys movies, reading,

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good conversations, is seeking

petite to medium build, single

female, with similar interests, to

share good times and maybe more. BOX 14272

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movies, reading, the outdoors, hiking, biking and much more, is

seeking, is seeking a sincere,

caring, single female, to develop a long term relaitonship. BOX

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29 yr old, single white male, childless. Seeking an adventur-

ous single female, under 30, for

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Professional 43 yr old divorce white male, attractive, tall, brown hair and eyes, artistic,

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who enjoys dancing, fine dining,

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5'10", 185 lbs. Enjoys dining out, movies, quiet times and sports.

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sional female. 40 to 50 financial

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BOX 10830

AS GOOD AS IT GETS Very kind, respectful, considerate, single white male, 39, 6'5", 246 lbs, with brown hair and green eyes. I enjoy camping fishing, hiking, anything outdoors, dancing and the movies. Seeking an honest, loyal and loving female who enjoys doing similar things. Children okay. BOX 15466 A NEW BEGINNING

... this new year! Handsome, healthy white male, 46. Seeks white female, to share with, fuss over, care for, enjoys the out-doors, music, travel and much

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**MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE** 45 yr old, attractive, single white Italian male, 5'11', brown hair and eyes, athletic, muscular build. Sensitive, caring, witty, humorous. Enjoy hugs, cuddling and romance. Seeking an attractive single white female, weight and height proportionate, for friendship and long term rela-tionship. BOX 33515

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dating, give me a try. Wayne County. BOX 25985

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Well established male enjoys

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Single white male, 48, looking

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WAITING FOR YOU Single male, 44 yrs old, divorced without children, non-smoker, non-drinker, looking for a caring, affectionate female, for a possible long term relationship. BOX

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Very attractive, 35 yr old, 6', 190 lbs, divorced white male with brown hair and eyes, no dependents, is seeking an attractive female, with a great sense of humor, 25 to 30, to share friendship and maybe more. BOX 10920 A GREAT CATCH

Seeking 25 to 35, slim, Latin, Asian or single, white female, to share life with. I am a single, white male, handsome, loving, honest and stable. I love kids, animais and believe in a loving committed relationship. If you are sweet of heart and want to meet a great catch, let's talk. Wayne county BOX 25990 READY AND WYANDOTTE

Divorced white male, 46, 6", 155 ibs. Seeking single or divorced white female, mid 30's to mid 40's, for friendship, dating and romance. Please be fit, non-police if the travillage and holes. smoker, like traveling and being out. Wayne county. BOX 32010 FIRST TIME AD

Divorced white male 5'9", 163 lbs, grey hair, blue eyes. Enjoys hunting, fishing, boating, movies, dancing and dining out. Open personality. Seeks a white female, 45 to 55, with similar interest, for friendship first, pos-sible relationship, non-smoker, non-drinker, no drugs. Wayne county. BOX 25992 ATTENTION LADIES

ATTENTION LADIES
Single white male, 40, 5'11", 180
lbs, honest, fun, passionate.
Likes sports, movies, camping.
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intelligent, honest. Serious
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BOX 32012 **NEW BEGINNINGS** Single white male, 36, black hair, blue eyes, 5'8", 245 lbs,

who enjoys the outdoors, movies, quiet evenings at home, nice dinners, non-drinker, non-moker. Seeking female, medium build, 34 to 40, for friendship first, then possible relationship. Wayne County. BOX 32014 **HEART OF GOLD** 49 yr old, divorced white male, 5'6", 160 lbs, no dependent, affectionate and full of love. Enjoys fishing, boating, dinners, romantic evenings,

movies and making you happy. Looking for a white female, 30 to 45, for a serious relationship. BOX 31950 **BEST FRIEND WANTED** Mid **60**'s, 5'8", financially secure, Caucasian bachelor who likes the finer things in life. Likes sailing, classical music and travelacific 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

DO YOU QUALIFY? White male, 48, muscular, attractive, financial and self secure. Seeking selective, classy, attractive white or Asian female, under 45, for long term relationship. Wayne county. BOX 25970 PLEASE READ THIS...

....If you are 48 to 58, slim, white attractive female, looking for a non-violent, loving, happy go lucky, non-drinking guy. I am 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, wid-owed and lonesome, looking for a lifetime relationship. I'll answer your call. Downriver area. No games, BOX 32049 FIRST TIME AD.

Recently divorced white male, 42, 5'11", 160 lbs, blue eyes. down to earth. Enjoys the out-doors, camping, fishing, or just spending quality time together. Looking for a friend and soul mate who is honest. 35 to 42. Wayne county area. BOX 25972 **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. ROX 33488 I AM YOUR MAN

Hardworking divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs. Is seekmale, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs. Is seeking a fun loving, easy going, intelligent, pretty, and nice shaped white female, for companionship. Prefer lady, in her middle 40's, for companionship and possible long term relationship. Redford area. Wayne county. BOX 25974 VERY GENTLE

If you are looking for a early 60's, 5'8", 175 lbs, caring, loving, light hearted, gentle, hon-est, 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 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 fo single white female, 35 to 50, petite to medium build, nonsmoker, social drinker, with similar interests, financially secure.

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If you feel that you are a very special lady, 40 to 55, height/weight proportionate and want an exciting life call his very special white professional man, 56 going on 30, in good shape, to the content for a true connection. looking for a true connection. Dearborn area. Wayne County. BOX 33397 MARRIAGE MINDED Single white male, 59, 5'10", 170 lbs, enjoys cars, dining out,

cooking, quiet times and more. Seeking a single female, 45 plus, with similar interests, for a long term relationship. BOX SEEKING LADY 40 - 52 This unique, appealing, white male, 45, is financially sound and a good catch, versatile, enjoys a wide range of activities

seeks a funny and honest single white female. Good looking or great personality is a plus. BOX WARNING... .Mav cause happiness. Answei this ad and you wont be sorry Attractive, financially secure,

professional, single, white male, 41, 6', 170, no dependents. Seeks single white female, 25 to 45. Reply now! BOX 33492 ONLY THE LONELY Single white male, fit, enjoys the outdoors, swimming and more. Seeking a single female, for a possible relationship. BOX

SWEET STUFF I know you're out there. Family oriented man, seeking the love of a lifetime. I'm **36** yr old, 6' 170 lbs, long brown hair, haze eyes, father of two, good person. Enjoys movies, fishing, quiet evenings at home. Seeks female, 25 to 40, with similar interests and values. Wayne county, BOX 33644 LOOKING AHEAD

Divorced white male, 5'11", financially secure, professional, 61, who likes exercise, fine din ing, 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 LET'S HOOK UP! 40 yr old, 6', 180 lbs, professional, single white male who enjoys

ing, golf and much more, is seeking a single female with a loving heart, to develop a long term relationship, BOX 10867 VERY ACTIVE White male, 41, 6'1", never mar-ried, 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, slen-

dining out, down hill skiing, bik

der build, who is tired of games, 25 to 45, with similar interests. BOX 25993 THINKING LONG TERM! 36 yr old, good looking, athletic, single professional male, college educated, enjoys sports, arts, movies, reading and much more, is seeking an attractive, fit, well educated, caring, loving classy single female, to share friendship and possible long term relationship. BOX 32682

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HANDSOME AND HONEST 36 yr old, handsome, 6', blue eves, nice smile, athletic, seeks an attractive woman who has character, spirituality, honesty and also an adventurous side JUST THE TWO OF US!

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Fun loving, attractive, professional, single white male, 33, recently moved to the area from out of fown. Loves movies, theater, dining out, dancing, working out, and having fun, Seeks an attractive women who enjoys life! BOX 33641 READY FOR YOU!

28 yr old, 6', 160 lbs, single male with dark hair and eyes, financially secure, self-employed, Is seeking a single female, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 32691

HELPFUL AND HANDSOME Single white male, 44 yr old, asks for nothing in return. Loves cats, Saturn cars, gardening, reading, etc. Seeks relationship with attractive white female, with similar passions. Open County BOX 33657

SEE WHAT HAPPENS

Single black male, 46, 57", 170 lbs, easy going, enjoys biking, cooking, dining out, gardening, movies, music, walks and more. Seeking a single white female, 35 to 55, with similar interests, prosible relationship 200 possible relationship. BOX COMPATIABLE?

Professional single white male, Catholic, no dependents, 45, 5'8", fit, optimistic, persevering. Enjoys the outdoors, bicycling, music, movies, conversation. Seeking emotionally available, single white professional female, to share happy, healthy relationship. Wayne County. BOX HONEST Tall divorced white male 6'4"

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 Adventurous, active, attractive, boating, bowling, beaches, camping cuddling, commitment. Don't forget the F's, family, friendship, fun, fires, fitness, fine dining, fulfillment. This downriver homeowner and daddy is

er homeowner and daddy is 41, brown height/weight proportionate. Seeks a perky, petite, divorced white professional. Wayne County, BOX 3366 BRIGHT EYES 48 yr oid, white male, 5'7", 145 ibs, dark blue eyes, fun loving, non-smoker, who likes walking, swimming, and camping

swimming and camping. Seeking a petite white female, for possible long term relation-ship. BOX 36096 GIVE ME A CHANCE

Divorced white male in search of ideal mate, 38 plus, for fun and friendship, dating or possible long term relationship. Nonsmoker. BOX 26039



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## Chiefs overcome bad start to take 4th

A bad start hurt Plymouth Canton's wrestlers Saturday at the Northwest Challenge Invitational, hosted by Jackson Northwest, but the Chiefs recaptured some of their lost momentum to still manage a fourthplace finish.

Portland won the tournament with 220.5 points. Northwest was second (186) and Trenton placed third (179.5), with Canton next (155). Following the Chiefs were Saline (122), Harper Creek (114), Owosso (109), Adrian (107.5), Chippewa Hills (94.5), Dexter (64), Allen Park (63), Albion (35.5) and Mountie (nine).

"We had hoped to do better, but we let

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down our guard and did not have a good first round," said Canton coach John Demsick. "After that, we had a team meeting and did some 'soul-searching'. Our guys really came back strong from an initial seventh-ranking to take fourth behind state-ranked Portland, Jackson Northwest and Trenton.

We only ended up with one wrestler, Doy (Demsick), in the spot-lighted finals because of our first round, but 11 of our 14 weight classes placed in the top five places. This

was a great preparation for our up-and-coming tournaments."

Doy Demsick placed second in the 125pound division. Greg Musser (140), Scott McKee (171) and Phil Rothwell (189) each finished third, with Kyle Pitt (119), Joe Faraoni (152), Shahein Rajaee (160) and Ozzie Wagner (215) taking fourths.

Chris Hosey (135), Mike Siegrist (145) and Derek McWatt (275) were fifth-place finish-

Canton figures to be one of the top contenders for the Observerland Invitational title Saturday at Livonia Churchill.

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**Tuesday at Canton** Dual-meet records: Canton 4-1 overall, 3-1 in the WLAA.

#### **Event results** 200-medley relay: Canton (Brad Nil-

son, Eddie Lindow, Jon Heiss, Joe Le), 1:45.42. 200-yard freestyle: 1. Matt Wisniews-

ki (PC), 1:53.38; 2. Ryan Ahern (PC), 1:56.18. 200-yard individual mediey: 1. Brad

Nilson (PC), 2:10.09. 50-yard freestyle: 1. Joe Bublitz (LS),

22.28 (state qualifier). Diving: 1. Blake Brunner (PC),

212,30 points. 100-yard butterfly: 1. Matt Wisniewski (PC), 56.17; 2. Yuhei Uno (PC),

100-yard freestyle: 1. Joe Bublitz (LS), 48.47 (state qualifying). 500-yard freestyle: 1. Ryan Ahern

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200-yard freestyle relay: Canton (Brad Nilson, Joe Le, Ryan Ahern, Matt Wisniewski), 1:36.25.

100-yard backstroke: 1, Brad Nilson` (PC), 59.12; 2. Trey Gercak (PC), 1:01.69.

100-yard breaststroke: 1. Mike Nemer (LS), 1:06,21,

400-yard freestyle relay: Stevenson (Rob Cambridge, Joe Bublitz, Justin Ketterer, Jeff Darby), 3:36.06.

Coach's quotes: "We were planning on swimming them really strong - thatwas our plan from the beginning. I'm not sure they swam as strong as they could have. We wanted to win all the close races, who would finish second-thirdfourth would be decisive. We came through with some great swims with our depth." --- Canton's Ed Weber.

Next meet: Canton at Livonia Churchill, 7 p.m. Thursday.

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PREP BOYS BASKETBALL Thursday, Jan. 25 Warren Zoe at Agape, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 John Glenn at Salem, 7 p.m. Canton at Northville, 7 p.m. Redford CC at Notre Dame, 7:30 p.m. Greater Life vs. Agape at Wayne Memorial, 8 p.m S'field Christian at PCA, 8 p.m. **GIRLS VOLLEYBALL** Thursday, Jan. 25 Ladywood at Marian, 6:30 p.m.

Inter-City at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26 Greater Life vs. Agape at Wayne Memorial, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 27 Ladywood Invitational, 8 a.m. Clarkston Tourney, 9 a.m.

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Heard (8.35 on bars, 8.3 on both floor and beam, and 8.25 on vault for a 33.2 all-around); Ann Marie Zielinski, 8.15 on vault; Cammi Carnes, 7.6 in vault; Katie Waldeck, 7.55 on vault; and Jennifer Richards, 7.5 on vault.

For Livonia, Lisa Thompson took second on beam with a 9.25 and Sarah Snow had an 8.55 on floor. Kristen Polanski scored 8.05 and Melanie Hein had a 7.95 on vault.

"It was a weird meet because we started on bars and finished on beam," said Salem coach Melissa Hopson. "We had two falls on bars that had to count. Starting out the meet that way put a damper on things.

"We pulled through with our highest team score but improvement needs to be done on certain events. We're in the process now of breaking down our routines and clearing away the mistakes. Looking at that score and knowing so many errors could have been eliminated . . .

That realization could lead to bigger and better things, for both

Salem competes at the Farmington Invitational Saturday.

### Canton tumbles

It was a good meet Monday night for Plymouth Canton, which hosted Walled Lake in a Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet. But it was a better night for Walled Lake, which won easily, 138.4-133.4.
"We had a good meet," said

Canton coach John Cunningham. "(Walled Lake) have the strongest team they've ever had - this is only my second loss to them in 22 years.

"We strung some 32 allarounds together, which was consistent and exciting for this time of year."

Best news for the Chiefs was the return to all-around competition by Amy Driscoll. She finished second with a 34.6 total, placing first in the uneven parallel bars (9.1), tying for third in the floor exercise (9.1), and tying for fifth in both the balance beam (8.95) and vault (8.25).

Audra Ahern was next best for Canton with a 32.95 all-around. She was first in beam (8.95) and had an 8.45 in floor, an 8.15 on vault and a 7.7 on bars.

Other top scorers for the Chiefs were Jill Rakovitis (32.75 all-around) with an 8.25 (tied for fifth) in vault, an 8.0 (sixth) in bars, an 8.7 on floor and a 7.8 on beam; J.Q. Williams (32.55 allaround) with an 8.55 (tied for second) on vault, an 8.6 on floor, a 7.65 on bars and a 7.75 on beam; and Kristen Schilk (32.35 all-around) with an 8.8 (sixth) on floor, a 7.9 on vault, a 7.9 on bars and a 7.75 on beam.

Last Saturday, Canton placed sixth at the Holland Invitational with a 128.65 score. Driscoll had the Chiefs best finish, placing second on bars with an 8.5. Williams was eighth on vault with an 8.55. Other noteworthy scores for Canton: Rakovitis, 8.6 on both floor and beam; Schilk, 8.55 on floor, 8.5 on vault; and 8.5on beam. Ahern.

Canton competes at the Farmington Invitational Saturday.

### PREP HOCKEY

Friday, Jan. 26 Canton at Novi. 6 p.m. Salem vs. W.L. Central at Lakeland Arena, 8:20 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 Ladywood vs. Bloomfield at Det. Skating Club, 7:30 p.m.

Redford CC vs. Grosse Pte. North at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m. PREP WRESTLING Saturday, Jan. 27

Observerland Invitational at Livonia Churchill, 9 a.m. MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday, Jan. 27

Cornerstone at Madonna, 3 p.m. Schoolcraft at St. Clair, 3 p.m. **WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL** Saturday, Jan. 27

Madonna at Cornerstone, 1 p.m. Schoolcraft at St. Clair, 3 p.m. ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Friday, Jan. 26

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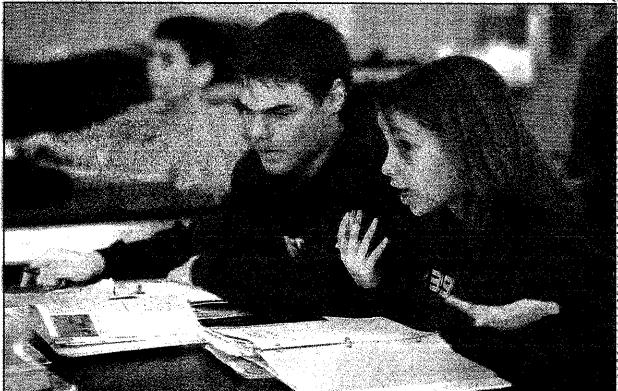
### PHOTOS AND STORY BY PAUL HURSCHMANN



Memories: Ashley D'Angelo (left) and Tiffany Quiroz, both 12, share some final thoughts following the Winter Dance Jan. 11. Matt Kenison and Chelsea Quiroz are behind them. In the photo at right, Naureen Haroon, 13 (center) and Sabrina Gamig, 14, (right) chat with Alicia Jonik, 13, during a basic drawing class Jan. 8.



School days: T.J.Crouch, 11, listens to teacher Michelle Willing during his sixth grade Language Arts class Jan. 8. In the photo below, Diana Bartos, 14 (right) reacts to a classmate across the table in eighth grade Science class Jan. 8, as John Peterson, also 14, works on a project.





## A photographer gets a firsthand glimpse as kids grow up

as it already been half of the school year? Is it really laiready the end of January?

Well, as they say, "Time flies when you're having fun." And, although my job keeps me busy covering the communities of Plymouth and Canton, I have to Cadmit that often times it is a lot of fun.

Especially when my assignments bring me into the schools in our communities – both public and private.

The advent of a new middle school in Canton (the first in the township) induced in me a great sense of adventure. What fun it would be, I thought, to document the year in the life of a middle school. And although we had done a similar project here at



with seniors in the high schools,

Observ-

couple

of years

back

this project has been even more rewarding.

There is something extra special about watching these young people, fresh out of elementary school and on the brink of adolescence. This is a wonderous time to watch grade-school kids change before our eyes into teen-agers.

Growth spurts, crushes and their first real taste of relation-

Boogle fever: Heather Rivera (from left) Christina Bykowicz and Tiffany Quiroz dance together at the Winter Dance. At right, Principal Roche LaVictor makes the rounds at the dance to "make sure the boys" don't have their hands where they aren't supposed to be." Here, LaVictor oversees Jeff Coogan dancing with Melissa Shrimpton (from left) and Shane Gring dancing with Imari Patel at the Jan. 11 after school event.

ships. Trying to find their own identity and also trying to fit in with their peers. It's a privilege to be a part of this time in their

So, every week or so, I manage to schedule some time to pop into Discovery Middle School in Canton to sit in a classroom, stroll around during lunch period or hang out at an after school event like one of the many dances.

"Why aren't you dancing?" a young seventh grader asked this 42-year-old recently, as I explained that I was there to work and that my dancing days are mostly behind me. "Come on," she and her friend begged, "you can dance with your cam-

I managed to elude the pursuit of that innocent advance, but there are several of the students who are much more persistent.

"Take my picture," I hear time and again. And again! "Put me on the front page.' By this time, most of Discov-

ery's youngsters understand that my only rule is:

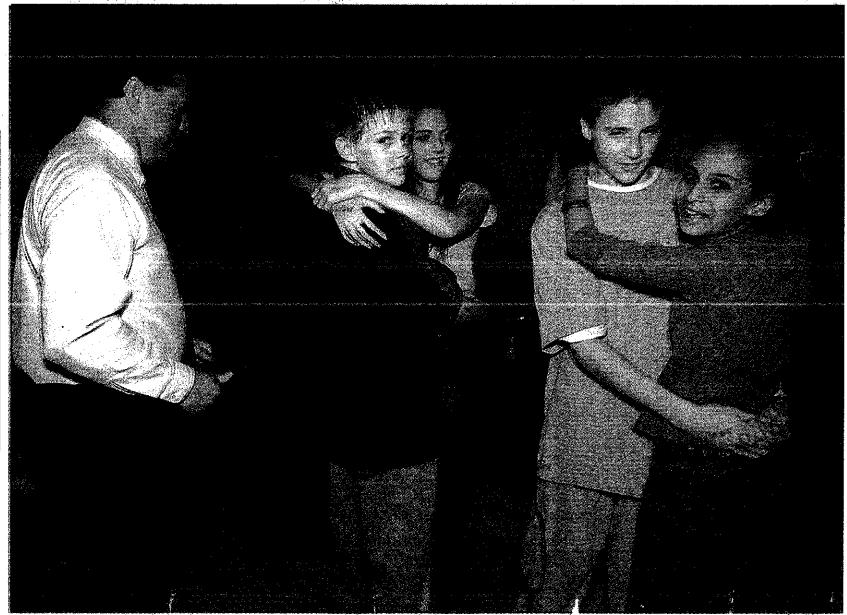
'If you ask me to take your picture, I won't.'

My purpose here is to document the development of these young people as they make their own discoveries about themselves and their education -

about life as well as academics. I want to see the triumphs, as well as the devastating blows of youth. The awkwardness of their blossoming bodies, as well as the sparks of sophistication.

I'm looking forward to the second semester of this academic year. And, just think, two years from now a new high school looms on the horizon.

Youth springs eternal!



## EAL ESTATE

## Lead paint rules get tougher





I rent out a house built in 1980. The Department of Housing and Urban Development said people who rent out houses have to make sure they don't have any lead paint, I think.

This is a timely question because property owners have to meet more stringent requirements in order to avoid

liability for lead paint hazards under a new comprehensive HUD regula-

The regulation applies to all housing receiving at least some federal assistance that was built before 1978. the year lead paint was banned based on scientific data lead hazards and the risks of lead poisoning.

There are several changes: Testing must be performed after any lead paint is disturbed to make sure that lead levels are safe. Any remaining contamination that exceeds safe levels must then be cleaned up.

Lead hazard risks must be assessed by certified risk assessors.

Deteriorated paint must be stabilized in many circumstances.

Special measures must be taken in most cases to reduce occupants' exposure when lead paint is disturbed, including specific measures for containing the area.

The regulation is contained in 24 CFR Part 35.

A lead-abatement contractor can tell you whether you even have lead to worry about. He can also suggest ways to handle any lead.

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## Winter calls for extra attention

BY DOUG FUNKE STAFF WRITER dfunke@oe.homecomm.net

Homes usually show best during the summer when lush lawns, beautiful flowers and the sights and sounds of children at play in the neighborhood enhance the structures, themselves.

But houses do move at this time of

Corporate transferees come and go, young marrieds and singles decide to exchange an apartment lifestyle for ownership, people divorce, and others figure there's just less competition among sellers and buyers now.

"It's certainly one of the more exciting times," said Carol Moreno, an associate broker with Morgan, Moreno & Milzow in Clarkston. "If someone is willing to look at a house in a blizzard in 10-degree weather, they're certainly motivated to be a buyer."

The home's exterior can and should be promoted as much as possible in the winter, too, Moreno said.

"If you have a yard, show children play there - maybe a snow fort or snowman," she said. "This is the perfect time to show off a bird feeder anything outside to keep the attraction going for the lot and property."

If you have pictures of your spectacularly landscaped lot in summer, fall or spring, put 'em out for prospects to see. Live flowers in a vase nearby can draw visitors to the photos.

### Shovel any snow

Shovel out the driveway, sidewalks and porch for safety reasons and to make the home appear more inviting and functional, Moreno added. Knock icicles from gutters.

"Most of us come in through the garage rather than the front door," said Gail Bailey, a Realtor with RE/ MAX Executive Properties in Farmington Hills. "It (shoveling) is something you tend to forget."

Bailey recalled that an agent for a seller recently canceled an appointment for a transferee represented by her, in town only for a day between Christmas and New Year, because of unshoveled walks at the house.

## **Showing home** in winter

- shovel all the snow
- remove any icicles show pictures of home in summer
- put live flowers in vases
- make have fire in fireplace clean the windows
- turn on all lights
- open window shades
- straighten up the house set aside spot for coats
- show off bird feeder

Was a sale affected? Maybe. Who

First impressions are important, and potential buyers may wonder about how the rest of the house is maintained if snow isn't shoveled.

"If grass went uncut, shrubs unpruned in summer, if the house were messy on the outside, we sometimes would find the inside wasn't to our complete liking," said William Decker, an associate broker with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Bake in Plymouth.

Same with winter. Clean windows are especially important at this time of year. With the cold, they're easy to ignore.

"If the windows are clean, you will have winter sunbeams dancing rainbows into the house," said Kathie Whitehouse, an associate broker with Hannett, Wilson & Whitehouse in Bloomfield Hills.

"If we get a warm day, get out there and make sure they're clean. They do get smeared by rain and sleet."

The winter's sun's rays also seem to magnify household dust, Whitehouse finds, so be sure to mop and vacuum on a more regular basis.

#### Sparkle is good

And let there be light, the profession-

"In winter, you really have to make sure it's a lot brighter," Moreno said. "I always advise to up the wattage in light fixtures, if possible. Make sure all the curtains, drapes and shades are drawn for light to come in.'

Whitehouse concurs. "The house has to be really sparkling and a fireplace litor on gives a really good feeling," she

Make prospective purchasers comfortable by providing a convenient place for them to leave their coats and

boots when they visit. "I always provide my clients with a

little basket of hospital slippers near like little blue slippers. I pick them up so people don't track snow and salt in the house."

Visitors appreciate the consideration, also, Moreno added.

Clutter and messiness are a sales nemesis throughout the year. Don't let cabin fever stop you from keeping things in order.

"There's nothing that wows someone more than what looks and smells

clean," Bailey said. Realtors should take extra care looking out for themselves, too, while work-

ing in the field at this time of year. "I have boots, gloves and a blanket in the car," Moreno said. "We're on the road a lot."

A cellular telephone would be especially advisable for Realtors who drive into remote, isolated areas. Don't let the gas level in the car get too low.

And, Realtors, don't isolate yourself by cocooning, either.

"During January and February - and this is my 31st year in the business - I tell agents what we lose in quantity, we gain in quality due to a particular need," Decker said.

An extra effort to be available and a cheerful may be more difficult to achieve in the cold and snow than on a picture-perfect June day, but it could be fruitful financially and from a business standpoint.

## To lock or not to lock loan rate



**PHILLIPS** 



Mr. Shakespeare paced back and forth, wringing his hands and mumbling, "To lock or not to lock? That is the question."

Like hundreds of other home buyers, William knew that his decision to secure, or to "lock," his mortgage interest rate during his loan application may save him money every month if the ensuing rates were to

rise. But not locking his interest rate, or "floating" it until just prior to closing, may produce the same savings if the rates were to fall.

Buyers often ask their loan officers, "What do you think we should do?" The wisdom of knowing when to not answer speculative questions comes with experience. Face it, if your loan officer had a crystal ball, would he not be enjoying retirement on the beach instead of taking your mortgage application?

There are no absolutes in the art of deciding whether to "lock" or to "float" an interest rate for your new mortgage. All I can offer are some simple guidelines that may help you make your own decision.

First, do some homework before you apply for a mortgage. Develop a general feeling for direction and volatility of interest rates. Read this and other mortgage columns and listen carefully to the financial news on radio and TV.

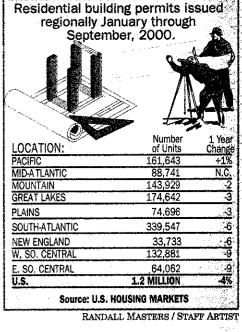
Next, get a feel for the price range for relevant loan products and make sure you compare similar mortgage types. Tracking a 30-year conventional loan with no "points" will give you a great baseline. FHA, VA, and jumbo loans will track a little higher than that baseline, and shorter-term mortgages and adjustable-rate mortgages will be a bit lower.

Avoid using national mortgage rates, as rates may vary from region to region and are normally priced for large lending institutions, not individuals. You may get frustrated.

Bottom line: If you are comfortable with the rate and terms at application, take the lock then do not look back. If you decide to float, do so with a specific lock rate in mind, then lock your loan when rates hit your target. Like investing in the stock market, it's the greedy

Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a loan officer for Commonwealth National Mortgage Corp. in Livonia. You may contact him . at PhillipsHQ@ yahoo .com, or at (734). 797-5522 [24 hours]. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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## Getting rid of high-interest debt

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Like the magician ready to dazzle with sleight of hand, today's credit card companies invite consumers to "pick a card, any

But there's no magic involved in credit cards - you can't make your debt disappear just by shuffling it between cards.

"It doesn't hurt to transfer high-interest credit card debt to a card offering a lower rate," says Richard Roll, president of American Homeowners Association. "But that doesn't change one basic reality: The more debt you have, the greater the interest expense and the less money available for the future."

Most of us are deluged with credit card offers almost every day in the mail. All it takes is a decent credit history, and you're a big target for credit card companies offering a tantalizingly low introductory interest rate.

Before you do anything, take a look at all your debts. It's a useful exercise. Most of

'It doesn't hurt to transfer high-interest credit card debt to a card offering a lower rate,.'

American Homeowners Association.

us have several loans and credit cards but we don't know what they add up to. You may need to get rid of high interest

loans, and bring your overall debt level How big is the hurt if you let your credit cards get away from you? If you owe \$10,000 at 18-percent interest for exam-

ple, and make only the minimum payment. you would pay almost \$39,000 in interest. So look at your options. One immediate option is to transfer to a different card

with a lower interest rate. If you don't like changing companies, call your current card company and threaten them with canceling unless they offer you a competitive rate. If they don't agree, apply for that new credit card and transfer the balance right away.

Yet another option is to consolidate your debt in a home equity loan or second mortgage. Shop around for the best terms but don't be tempted by a high-interest, lowmonthly-payment loan.

And before you overextend yourself by financing as much as 125 percent of your home's value consider the risk of simply rolling debt over into another loan.

Too much home-financed debt can be a real downer if you want to plan ahead. In the worst-case scenario of default, it puts your home at risk.

The permanent solution is to simply start paying it off.

For more information on any aspect of home ownership, go to www. realhome. com, the Web site for American Homeowners Association.

- American Homeowners Association

## Roof check

## Some things to look for

(NU) - If you're a homeowner, you know that hidden costs often sneak up in the form of unexpected damage and unforeseen repairs. But if you want to keep a solid roof over your head, you'd better learn the warning signs of when you need a new one.

If your roof is older than 10 years, you may need to call in a professional. A faulty roof can cause leaks, cracks, excessive heating costs and other unexpected financial expenses.

The experts at The Home Depot, the largest residential roofing company in the United States, offer these tips:

Keep on top of your home know your roof. There are five layers to a house that water can penetrate if the roof is deteriorating. They are: the shingles, felt, wood decking, insulation and interior dry wall. The deeper the water penetrates, the more costly the repair to the home.

Look for signs of deterioration to prepare for inclement weather. They include: algae buildup, interior ceiling stains; damaged flashing; loose, missing, curling, cracked or rotting shingles; and a rotting deck.

■ Be cautious when choosing a roofing contractor.

If you notice signs of deterioration, call in a professional roofing contractor. But keep in mind that 96 percent of roofing contractors go out of business within five years.

Be comfortable with who you choose as a contractor and that they will be in business throughout the life of the roof. Ask these

questions: Does the contractor have complete workman's compensation insurance and general liability insurance in case something

happens on the job? Is the contractor properly licensed?

Check with the Better Business Bureau to make sure there are no complaints against the

Roofs are among the most misunderstood and neglected aspects of a building. Unlike other parts of your home, they eventually will need to be replaced.

For more information on detecting warning signs of a deteriorating roof, call (888) 481-

### Time may be right to buy, refinance home First-time homebuvers and The Fed's recent decision to reduce inter-

est rates may prompt consumers waiting for a drop in interest rates to obtain a mortgage or refinance a current mortgage.

"Lower interest rates can increase consumer buying power," says Rick Gillespie, chief marketing officer of GMAC Mortgage Corp. "The Fed's decision may prompt more consumers to refinance a current mortgage - especially if they obtained a mortgage in the last 24 months - or purchase a home.'

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Lower rates also spark interest in refinancing and generally bring to mind the old rule-of-thumb that refinancing makes sense only when consumers can save 2 percent or more on their current rate.

Today's homeowners refinance for a variety of reasons and don't always hold out for the 2-percent difference. This holds especially true for homeowners with adjustable rate mortgages who may want to switch to a more stable fixed rate, or those who wish to tap into some of the equity in their home.

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Many homeowners may also want to refinance to shorten a mortgage term. In some cases, with a lower interest rate, the mortgage term length can be reduced for about the same payment the homeowner is presently making. Even saving 1 percent on a rate can make sense, if the homeowner plans to stay in the home for more than a few years. In many cases, the closing costs resulting from refinancing a loan to 7 percent from 8 percent can be recovered in less than two years.

To learn more about borrowing power during the current low rate environment, for purchase or refinance, visit www. gmacmortgage .com

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## One way to find right home for you

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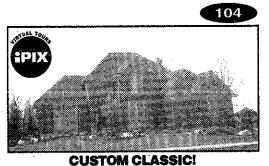
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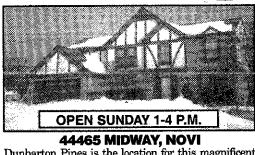
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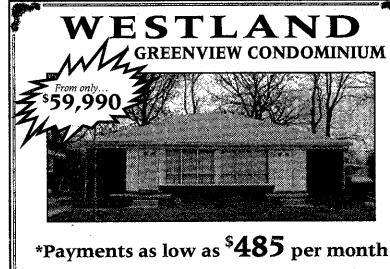


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Deborah Johnson of RE/ MAX Great Lakes and Mary Jo Wilson of Shore Mortgage host a free seminar for home buyers 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31, at the RE/ MAX Great Lakes office, 33966 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

To register, call (313) 387-4561.

#### HOME IMPROVEMENT

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents its ninth annual Home Improvement dle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Show Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 1-4, at Novi Expo Center, I-96 at Novi Road.

Hours are 2-10 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

More than 300 exhibitors are expected.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens, \$4 for children 6-12 and free for kids under 6.

Ample parking is available for a fee. Contact the BIA at (248) 862-1019 or at www. builders. org with ques-

#### **BOMA SHOW**

The Building Owners and Managers Association hosts a commercial property products and services show 2-6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, at the Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen.

Admission is free with registration by Jan. 25, \$15 afterwards. To register or exhibit, call (248) 848-3714.

#### SALES LICENSE

A Real Estate Sales License class will be presented 6-10 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 1 - April 12 in Livonia. For more information, call Schoolcraft College Continuing Education (734) 462-4448.

#### LICENSE EXAM CLASS

Oakland Builders Institute and Livonia Community Education present a 16-hour class to help participants pass the state builder's licensing exam 6-10 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Feb. 5-14, at Riley Mid-

Cost is \$199, plus \$20 for the course textbook and sample questions.

To register, call (734) 523-9277.

#### CONSTRUCTION EXPO

Design & Construction Expo 2001 runs 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Feb. 7-8, at the Pontiac Silverdome. Some 300 companies are expected to exhibit.

The show is sponsored by the Construction Association of Michigan, the American Institute of Architects Michigan and the Metropolitan Detroit Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute.

Admission is free. Call CAM to register at (248) 972-1000.

#### **BUILDER'S LICENSE**

A Builder's Licensing Exam preparation course will be 6-10 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 7-28, in Livonia. This course is also offered as a selfstudy. For more information, call Schoolcraft College Continuing Education (734) 462-4448.

#### BUY HOME CLASS II

Juliette Bowman of RE/MAX Classic and Mark Bowers of Colonial Mortgage host a free class for home buyers 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington

To register, call Bauman at (734) 779-9977.

#### PROPERTY INVESTORS

The Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland presents a panel of NearMyHome.com

experts on how to buy foreclosed houses from banks and mortgage companies Thursday, Feb. 8, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main, Claw-

Dinner, at 6:30 p.m., is \$14 for everyone. The program, at 7:30 p.m., is free for members, \$10 for nonmembers. For reservations, call (800) 747-

#### SELL HOME CLASS

Matt Kenkel, a CPA and associate broker with ERA Bankers Realty in Farmington Hills, offers a home seller's class, "For Sale by Owner," 7-9:15 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, at Orchard Lake Middle School, Bloomfield Hills.

Topics include setting price, target marketing and purchase documents.

Fee of \$30 goes to community education. To register, call (248) 433-0885.

#### **BIA UPDATES**

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail.

Contact Rosalie Lamb at the association, (248) 737-4477 for details.

#### **CONTAMINATION SITES**

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.

More specific reports are available for a fee.

#### PLAYGROUND SAFETY

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.

Detailed information is provided on safety inspections and implementing an effective maintenance plan.

"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

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit continues a membership drive. Categories include individual membership (\$10), family (\$20), organizational (\$35), supporting (\$50) and sustaining (\$100).

For information, call (313) 963-

## Increasing your conservation will head off high heating bills

(NAPSI) - Many homeowners are undertaking energy conservation and efficiency measures as heating costs are expected to rise by a minimum of 25 percent this season.

First, to keep themselves warmer, 686 respondents from a national survey by Opinion Research Corporation International said they would throw on more clothes (82 percent), drink coffee or hot chocolate (60 percent), cozy up to a spouse (55 percent), light a fire (48 percent), exercise (35 percent) or cozy up to their family dog (20

For their homes, they'd caulk and weatherstrip windows and doors (53 percent), add more insulation (42 percent), install energy efficient windows (38 percent), install new energy efficient furnaces, and install storm windows (30 percent).

Other tips to keep in mind to conserve energy and make your home more energy efficient include:

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■ Insulating hot water pipes and

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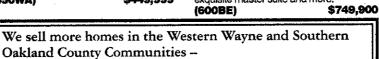
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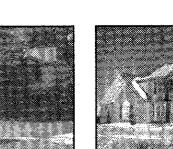


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## Credit scoring: What you should know







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Our fax number is (734) 591-7279. Our e-mail address is bjensen@ oe. homecomm. net

John T. Wagner, AIA, a staff architect with TMP Associates in Bloomfield Hills, has passed the state architectural licensing

He joined the firm in 1998. Wagner received a bachelor of science degree from Lawrence Technological University in

Southfield and lives in Berkley.

Chuck Haviland and Scott D. Binkley join the real estate office of Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, Clarkston.

Binkley also lives in Clarkston, Haviland in Waterford.

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan, located in Farmington Hills, has installed its leadership and executive committee for 2001.

Stephen J. Taglione, president, Westminster & Abbey Homes, Bingham Farms, president; Dan MacLeish, president, MacLeish Building, Troy, first president; Steven Perlman, president of Huntley Homes, Farmington Hills, treasurer; and Stuart L. Michaelson, partner, Windmill Group,

Farmington Hills, secretary. Vice presidents include James P. Babcock, president of Tara Building, St. Clair Shores; Maurice "Mike" Harris, present, The Harris Group, Dearborn Heights; Richard Komer, president of Wineman & Komer Building, Southfield; and Dominic J. Moceri, partner, Moceri Cos., Auburn Hills.

Dave Kellett Sr., president of Kellett Construction, Bloomfield Hills, is immediate past president; James S. Bonadeo, president, Bonadeo Builders, Plymouth, is president emeritus; and Irvin H. Yackness, is executive vice president and general

The Building Owners and Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit, headquartered in Farmington Hills, donated \$10,000 to the Vincent & Sarah Fisher Center.

BOMA President Paul Beitz of Trammell Crow made the presentation.

The center is involved in rehabilitating children with special needs and recruiting and training families to provide safe homes for children with special

(NAPSI) – There are a number of facts and fallacies about credit scoring-a quick, accurate and consistent scientific method for assessing credit risk-it would pay families who are house hunt-

ing to know more about. Here is a consumer's guide about credit scoring and its role in lending, from the experts at National Association of Mortgage Brokers: Simply put, the result of your

credit scoring is a "snapshot." It sums up what your past payment performance and current usage of credit say about your level of credit risk to the lender. No single factor - such as a

late payment or even a bankruptcy - will be the sole cause of an unacceptable credit

Scoring models do not consider race, gender, religion, marital status, income, employment history or job title.

They DO include: past payment performance which is approximately 35 percent of the credit score's weight. A 30-day late by you today will hurt your score more than a bankruptcy five years ago with a clean credit since. Credit scoring also includes how you use credit and your credit history. Typically, the longer paid-as-agreed accounts have been opened, the lower the risk indications are about you.

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■ Keep the number of credit cards you own to a conservative number, but don't close accounts without the advice of a knowledgeable mortgage broker.

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## Keep holiday plants around

(NAPS) - Now that the candy canes and fruit cakes are gone, holiday plants that were once beautiful tend to wither. But, you can keep your holiday flowers blooming year round by following these simple tips from HouseNet and the National Gardening Association:

■ Water Evenly - To avoid root rot, saturate plants with room temperature water when the first inch of soil is dry.

■ Temperature - Avoid placing plants near cool drafts or heat sources. Adequate temperature for most flowering plants is between 55-70 degrees F.

■ Fertilizing – The most effective fertilizer is a time-released one that supplies nutrients when you water the plant.

■ Humidity – When the indoor air dries out in the winter, plants will require more moisture. Run a humidifier near plants, or group plants together on a two inch layer of pebbles in a basin of water. The water should not touch the pots. ■ Pests – Control aphid and mealybugs

with insecticidal soap or horticultural oil. It's also important to follow the specific care instructions for each of these popular holiday plants:

■ Poinsettias - Place the plant in an area with a half-day of direct sun, and water only when the soil is dry.

■ Gardenias – To promote flowering and prevent the buds from dropping, keep the

humidity high, avoid drafts and keep night temperatures between 60; and 65;F. Gardenias need four to six hours daily of direct light to flower.

■ Amaryllis - Place out of direct sunlight, especially while blooming. Long, leggy flower stalks indicate insufficient light. Be sure to stake the stalks if they become taller than 18 inches.

■ Azaleas – Azalea flowers last longest at cool temperature-typically about 55;F, and in high humidity. When flowering, azaleas need four hours of bright filtered light in a south-facing window.

■ African Violets - Place plants in an east-facing window, or under grow lights. Avoid watering the foliage and keep the humidity high. Yellowed leaves indicate exposure to drafts; small, light green leaves indicate too much sun; poor flowering and dark green leaves with long leaf stalks indicate insufficient sun.

■ Holiday Cactus – Keep the soil evenly moist and provide high humidity levels. Place in a direct light window filtered by a curtain, or in a half-day of bright, indirect sunlight.

For more valuable information from the National Gardening Association, log on to HouseNet-the leading home and garden resource on the World Wide Web (www.

## Make wildlife winter home

(NAPSI) - Helping wildlife feel at home in your garden can make a real difference, especially during the colder months. The National Wildlife Federation's Backyard Wildlife Habitat program teaches people how to make that home a welcome one.

The best way to offer winter food for wildlife is by planting vegetation that produces berries, nuts or seeds. Leave heads on flowers rather than deadheading them. Bird feeders see the most activity during

colder months when natural foods are scarce. High-calorie foods such as black-oil sunflower seed and suet can provide enough energy to help birds through cold winter nights.

Provide places where wildlife can find cover from cold weather and predators, especially where the land has been cleared. of vegetation. Install roosting boxes.

■ Create a brush pile which can provide cover for birds and rabbits and offer a hibernation place for turtles and frogs.

■ Keep your bird bath clean and free from

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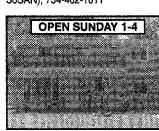
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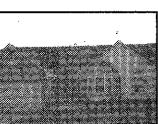
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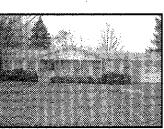
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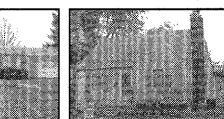
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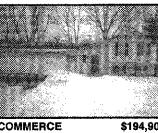
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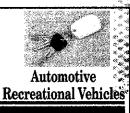


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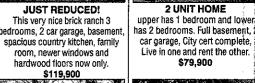
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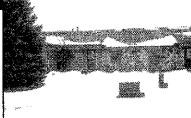
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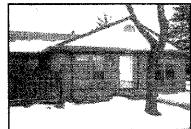
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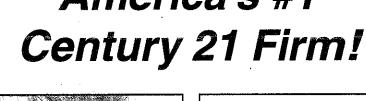
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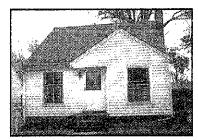
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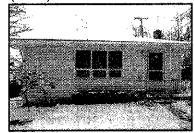
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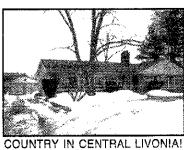
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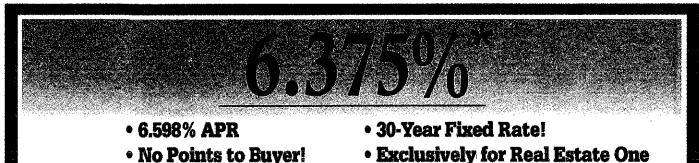
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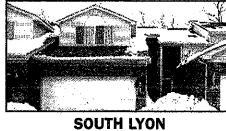
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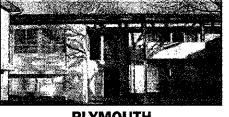
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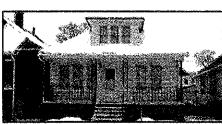
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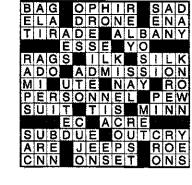
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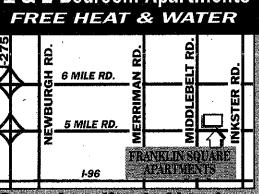
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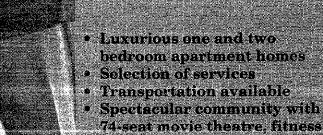
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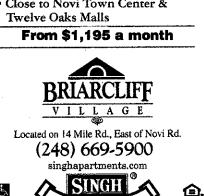
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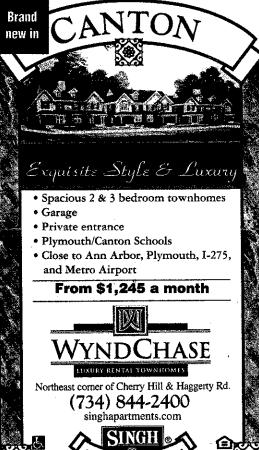
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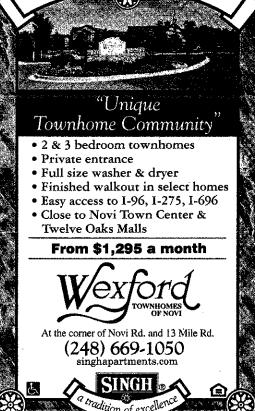
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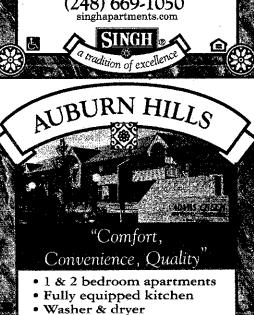








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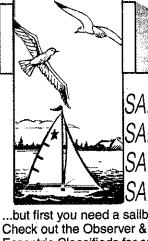
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Civil Action No. 00-73244 Hon. John Corbett O'Meara Elite Technologies, Inc., Plaintiff,

Vs. Prudential Securities Incorporated, Terry Kariotoglou, and John Does 1-10 Defendants Order Regarding Service of Process

Plaintiff having filed a Motion for Extended Service Period and Alternative Method of Service, IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff's IT IS ORDERED that Plainting sometion be ad is hereby granted, extending the expiration of the Summons for Defendant Kariotogiou to February 13, 2001, and permitting service of process upon Defendant Kariotogiou by publication.

/s/ John Corbett O'Meara United States District Judge Dated: November 14, 2000 Plaintiff's Attorney: Alexander E. Kuhne, P.C. 30400 Telegraph Suite 357

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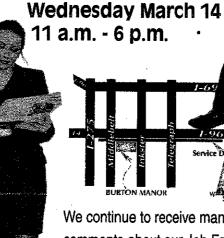
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LOVE IS IN THE AIR! Outgoing, caring, 5'4", 150 lbs, single white male with long dark hair and blue eyes, employed eijoys the outdoors, movies, reading and dancing, is seeking a caring, loving, single female, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 10453 KICKSTART MY HEART

Fun energetic, 23 yr old female, enjoys sports, concerts, music, more. Looking for a male 23 to 27, who enjoys cuddling up on the couch and watching a movie. BOX 10737 **ENCHANTED EVENING** 

21 yr old single white mother of two, 5'1", medium build, brown heir and eyes, looking for a trust-werthy male, 25 to 34 who erjoys dining out, going out for a drink and more. Must like chil-dren. BOX 10750 **NEW BEGINNINGS** 

White widowed female, 52 yrs old, 5'4", enjoys country music, home and more. Looking for a big tall handsome gentleman, 52 to, 60, non-smoker, drug-free, family oriented, for a possible relationship. BOX 14130

YOU+ME=GOOD TIMES! 58 yr old, 4'11", 155 lbs, retired, white single female with blonde hầir and brown eyes, non smok er, enjoys movies, reading, animals, movies, reading, dancing and much more. New to the Seeking a single male with similar interests, around the same age, to share good times and friendship. BOX 14201 REAL LOVE!

26 yr old, college educated, single white mother who enjoys movies, comedy clubs, the out-doors, concerts, music, reading, biking and much more, is seek ing a single female, 25 to 38, to share good times and friend-ship. BOX 14249

DINNER FOR TWO!

Single white female, in he 50's, 5'5", 125 lbs, with blonde hair, and blue eyes. Active, and professional. Enjoys movies, reading, dining out, dancing, music, and much more. Seeking a single male, to share good times, and friendship. BOX 14259 LET'S CHAT!

ibs, single white female, with long blonde hair, and blue eyes. Professional, enjoys the outdoors, camping, fishing, long walks, biking, shoot pool, and much more, is seeking a single male, to share good times, and maybe more. BOX 14303 LOVE IS A CALL AWAY!

37 yr old, divorced white female, 518", full figured, long dark brown hair and green eyes, great sense of humor, loving, romantic: college educated, enjoys the outdoors, movies, reading, long walks and much more, is seeklide a single white male, age is dating and maybe more. BOX 27462

LOVE IS ALL WE NEED! 43 yr old, 5'8", 160 lbs, single white female with red hair and brown eyes, enjoys dining out, movies, golf, fishing, reading and much more, is seeking a single male, for friendship and maybe more, BOX 27477

LET'S HOOK UP! Divorced mother, 24 yr old, non smoker, brown hair, and eyes Enjoys bowling, movies, read ing, long walks, and much more. Seeking a single male, with sim-itat interests. For fun times, and maybe more. BOX 27493

JUST CALL ME! 40 yr old, petite, single white female with a great smile, dark brown hair and green eyes, enjoys movies, music dining

out, reading, cooking and much more, is seeking a single male, with similar interests, for friend ship, possible relationship. BOX LIGHTEN UP MY LIFE

39, 5'8", full figured, long brown hair, and blue eyes. Interests are iažz. Christian music, old cars for a single white Christian male easygoing, 5'9" to 6'4", wno knows how to treat a lady. BOX

Divorced, white professional female. 5'5". 125 lbs. brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks **40** and stable Seeking a divorced, white male

55 to 63, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor BOX 31913 ੂੰ LOVE THE OUTDOORS medium voluptuous. Enjoys camping, fishing, campfires and 38 to 45, tall, dark and hand-

IT TAKES TWO friendship first, possible long term relationship. Down River area. Wayne county. BOX 32001 Wayne County BOX 33671

LOOKING FOR YOU! 25 yr old, 5'2", petite build, single white female with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking a single male, 23 to 30, to share good times and maybe more. BOX

**HONEST & TRUE** 

Petite, 5'1", 110 lb, attractive, white professional divorced Enjoys working out daily, conversation, music, 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.

SEEKING ROMANCE Interesting, beautiful, spiritual divorced professional white female, 39, 5'2", petite, brown hair, green eyes. Enjoys friends, family, movies, plays, and more. Seeking a white male, 40 to 55, who is interested in a serious preferred, Wayne county, BOX 32005

A LADY OF CLASS Vivaclous, upbsat, very attractive, blonde female, a professional, 57", 115 lbs, upper 50's, seeking soul mate counter part, 60's, a professional, for dating, possible long term relationship. Call me and see what life has in store for us. BOX 35996

ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE New age woman, seeks faithful companion, 40 to 60, financially secure, emotionally centered intellectually curious, kind, generous and positive. I'm **49**, 5'6", divorced, pretty, a small plus size, shoulder length natural redhead, a beautiful smile that lights up a room. Join me on my est for transcendence. BOX

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

QUALITY, QUALITY Seeking a sincere, honest, no played, non-smoking social drinking, single white male by a divorced white female, 54, who likes to do almost everything. Looking for friendship, companionship or something long term. West side. Wayne County. BOX 25333

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL. ...with a friend. 35 yr old, black beautiful female, 5'9", 140 lbs seeking White/italian handsome male, 30 to 35, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 33689

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

**WANTS A FRIEND** Outgoing, easy going, single female is looking for a down to earth, single male, of any race, 39 to 49, to share good times and friendship. BOX 14133 ZEST FOR LIFE

Live, love, laugh and be happy professiona female with a zest for life. Enjoys theater, travel, the mountains and quiet walks. Seeking a nonsmoking, financially sound, hon-est gentleman, 50 to 60, with a great sense of humor. BOX

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

DREAMS 51 yr old, single female, believes in romance, enjoys simple pleasures. Seeking a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 46 to 60, non-smoker, with similar interests, for a long term monog-amous relationship. Down River

TALL ORDER Attractive, 5'10", redhead, Catholic, fun loving, adventurous, romantic. Comfortable in jeans to evening gown. Loves sports, travel, theatre, gourmet cooking, (for that special man). Seeks tall white gentleman financially/emotionally secure

49 to 60, who is romantic, kind has a good sense of humor, with similar interests. Oakland County. BOX 25353 NEVER TOO LATE 140 lbs. non-smoker, social

35, brown hair and eyes, 57", average build. Enjoys camping, outdoor activities, movies and dinners. Looking for a white male, 40 to 45, who is caring, leave children average and

Divorced white female, 53, 5'7" 140 lbs, average build, who enjoys country music, slow dancing, dining out, concerts movies, taking walks with that special someone. Seeks male companion, tall, honest, no head games for possible relationship

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

Divorced Native American female, 38 yr old, 5'10", 150 lbs. long brown hair, brown eyes. Seeking white male, 6' plus, 38 plus, honest, who loves the outdoors, smoker and social drinker okay, for long term relationship.

Professional male, for friendship, companion-ship, and possible mature relationship, BOX 25314

52 yr old, white female, full fignon-smoker, giving, loving, and lots of fun, loves life Looking for a sincere, successful, secure, stable, loving, Caucasian gentleman, non and loves life as much as I do Go for the genuine gem, your life will be worth living, answer my ad today, BOX 25326

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HELLO FRIEND Please call if this describes you Oakland County. BOX 25395 COUNTRY LIFE

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Giving, loving, compassionate curvy, lots of fun, great conver sationalist, 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 IT'S TIME

cere, white male, single parent 50 to 56, hardworking smoker, for friendly dating Oakland County area, preferred BOX 25323 **SOUL MATE** 

sorry. Macomb County. BOX 25327



LOOK UNDER THE STARS Single male, 5'8", 175 lbs auburn hair and blue eyes, nonmore. Looking for a female

long drives, bowling, cooking, movies, playing card and much more, is seeking a single female, 40 to 50, to share good times and maybe more. BOX

ing a single female, for dating and companionship. BOX 10823 READY FOR LOVE! 50 yr old, 5'6", 180 lbs, single blue eyes, fun loving, caring, enjoys camping, hiking, motor-cycles, fishing and much more, cycles, fishing and much more, cycles, fishing and much more, by each loss of the cycles of is seeking a single female, o

maybe more. BOX 10848 IT'S A DATE! 44 yr old, 5'5", 190 lbs, single white male with brown halr and blue eyes, social drinker, smok-er, professional, is seeking a sin-gle female, to share good times, friendship and dating. BOX

DINNER FOR TWO! Outgoing, fit, single white male, is seeking a single female, of any race or age, for dating and friendship. BOX 13750

OPEN UR HEART TO ME Divorced 22 yr old white male, non-smoker, enjoys movies, strolls in the park and more Looking for a female, 20 to 30 with similar interests for a possible relationship. BOX 13757 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 DO YOU HOLD THE KEY? 50 yr old, divorced white widow-er, 5'6", 165 lbs, brown hair and

blue eyes, enjoys camping, fishing, quiet times, for a possible

term relationship. BOX LET'S GET CONNECTED Divorced 46 yr old white male, adventurous and romantic. enjoys camping, fishing, swim-ming, the beach and more. Looking for a female for a possi ble long term relationship. BOX

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

brown hair, and blue eyes, out-Looking for a female who is attending church, and is active in the church. BOX 14107 LOVE IS ALL WE NEED! Outgoing, 5'9", 150 lbs, single white father of two, with brown hair, and blue eyes, non smoker, employed. Enjoys the outdoors,

ight/weight proportionate. BOX 32603 HEAVEN SENT ME Single male, 5'11", 190 lbs,

BOX 32663 movies, reading, and much more. Seeking a single female. To share good times, and dating! BOX 14183

Look no more! Outgoing, 5'5", 160 lbs, divorced white father of two with brown hair and blue

LOOKING 4 A GOOD GUY

eves, professional, home owner, non smoker, enjoys movies, reading, the outdoors, hiking, biking and much more, is seek-ing a single female, to share good times and maybe more. BOX 27492 VICTIM OF THE GAME

Professional white male, 5'5", 170 lbs, open-minded and car-

ing, brown hair and blue eyes,

enjoys old cars, outdoor activi-

tles and more. Looking for a companionship. BOX 32430 CATCH OF THE DAY! white male, 6'4", brown/brown, attractive, home-owner, independent professional, caring seeking someone for good times, female who is car-

ing and nice and shares similar

interests. I enjoy comedy, bowling, movies, dining out, travel-BOX 32590 INTERESTED? Single white male, 48, 5'4", 136 dark hair, eyes, mustache, lives down river, smoker, light drinker, easy going, cat owner. Enjoys dining, golf, movies and more. Seeking a single female

ONE OF A KIND! 19 yr oid, 5'5", 120 lbs, single male with blonde hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys movies, reading, the outdoors, hiking, biking and much more, is seeking a single female, 20 to 26, with similar interests to share good times and maybe more.

RAIN DOWN ON ME Single male, 37 yrs old, 5'5", brown hair, and blue eyes, homeowner, employed, nonsmoker. Looking for a female

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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 36081

WINDOW TO THE SOUL Single white male, 39 yrs old, ohysically fit, financially secured, enjoys camping, country music, slow dancing, shooting pool and more. Looking for a female for a possible long term relationship. BOX 10830 AS GOOD AS IT GETS

Very kind, respectful, considerate, single white male, **39**, 6'5", 246 lbs, with brown hair and green eyes. I enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, anything outdoors, dancing and the movies. Seeking an honest, loyal and loving female who enjoys doing similar things. Children okay. BOX 15466 A NEW BEGINNING

... this new year! Handsome, healthy white male, 46. Seeks white female, to share with, fuss over, care for, enjoys the out-doors, music, travel and much more, BOX 25976 MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE

45 yr old, attractive, single white Italian male, 5'11', brown hair and eyes, athletic, muscular build. Sensitive, caring, witty, humorous. Enjoy hugs, cuddling and romance. Seeking an attractive single white female, weight and height proportionate, for friendship and long term rela-tionship. BOX 33515 HERE I AM

Looking for a slender, attractive lady, 50 to 58, for a permanent relationship. I am widowed, well

and outgoing. I am 62 going on 40, and lonesome. Please call my voice greeting, Dearborn area. I'll answer your cail. Wayne County, BOX 33683

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Single male, 44 yrs old, divorced without children, non-smoker non-drinker, looking for a caring, affectionate female, for a possible long term relationship. BOX

U AND I!

Very attractive, **35** yr old, 6'. 190 lbs, divorced white male with brown hair and eyes, no dependents, is seeking an attractive female, with a great sense of humor, 25 to 30, to share friendship and maybe more. BOX 10920 A GREAT CATCH

Seeking 25 to 35, slim, Latin, Asian or single, white female, to share life with. I am a single, white male, handsome, loving, honest and stable. I love kids, something the latest and stable. animals and believe in a loving, committed relationship. If you are sweet of heart and want to meet a great catch, let's talk. Wayne county BOX 25990 READY AND WYANDOTTE

Divorced white male, 46, 6", 155 lbs. Seeking single or divorced white female, mid 30's to mid 40's, for friendship, dating and romance. Please be fit, nonsmoker, like traveling and being out. Wayne county. BOX 32010 FIRST TIME AD

Divorced white male 5'9", 163 lbs, grey hair, blue eyes. Enjoys hunting, fishing, boating, movies, dancing and dining out. Open personality. Seeks a white female, 45 to 55, with similar interest, for friendship first, possible relationship, non-smoker, non-drinker, no drugs. Wayne county. BOX 25992

ATTENTION LADIES Single white male, 40, 5'11", 180 lbs, honest, fun, passionate. los, nonest, run, passionate, Likes sports, movies, camping. In search of a iong term relationship, with a single white female, 30 to 45, full figured, but under 200 lbs. Shapely a plus. Fun, intelligent, honest. Serious replies only. Oakland county. BOX 32012

**NEW BEGINNINGS** Single white male, 36, black hair, blue eyes, 5'8", 245 lbs, who enjoys the outdors, movies, quiet evenings at home, nice dinners, non-drinker, non-smoker. Seeking female, medium build, 34 to 40, for friendship first, then possible relationship Wayne County. BOX 32014 **HEART OF GOLD** 49 yr old, divorced white male, 5'6", 160 lbs, no dependent, affectionate and full of love.

Enjoys fishing, boating, dinners romantic evenings, travel, movies and making you happy. Looking for a white female, 30 to 45, for a serious relationship. BOX 31950 **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

Like to take you with me the next time I go. Looking for a decent loyal woman and best friend. BOX 35915 DO YOU QUALIFY? White male, 48, muscular attractive, financial and self secure. Seeking selective, classy, attractive white or Asian , under 45, for long term

ific recently and in between

relationship. Wayne county. BOX 25970 PLEASE READ THIS. ....If you are 48 to 58, slim, white attractive female, looking for a non-violent, loving, happy go lucky, non-drinking guy, i am 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, wid-owed and lonesome, looking for a lifetime relationship. I'll answer your call. Downriver area. No games. BOX 32049

FIRST TIME AD. Recently divorced white male, 42, 5'11", 160 lbs, blue eyes, down to earth. Enjoys the outdoors, camping, fishing, or just spending quality time together. Looking for a friend and soul mate who is honest, 35 to 42. Wayne county area. BOX 25972 **BIG HEARTED** 

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 silm, attractive, white lady, 50 to 58, for a permanent relationship, no games. BOX 33486 I AM YOUR MAN

Hardworking divorced white male, **49**, 5'8", 175 lbs. is seeking a fun loving, easy going, intelligent, pretty, and nice shaped white female, for companionship. Prefer lady, in her middle 40's, for companionship and possible long term relation-ship. Redford area. Wayne county. BOX 25974

**VERY GENTLE** If you are looking for a early 60's, 5'8", 175 lbs, caring, loving, light hearted, gentle, hon-est, 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 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, nonsmoker, social drinker, with sim-

I'M A SINCERE PERSON

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, cail me. I'm 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, widowed and lonesome, looking for a life time rela-tionship. I'll answer your call. Down River, no games. BOX 33419 STOP! READ THIS!

If you are tired of these ads and eeting flaky men, then call me. I have both feet on the ground, big hearted, don't drink, am gen-tle, 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 **DOWN RIVER AREA** 

Attractive, single white male, 40, medium build, no dependents, creative, humorous, romantic and very easy going, looking for single white female, petite, must have sense of humor for long term relationship. Wayne County BOX 33675 JUST ME AND YOU

24 yr old Hispanic male seeking 19 to 25 yr old female who loves to go out dancing, movies, dining out, just having fun, or quiet romantic evenings at home. Wayne county, BOX 33677 BLACK THE Presidential ball coming. 65, 6', 180 lbs single white professional

male. I need a classy ballroom dancer, around 55, Dearborne area. Wayne County. BOX 33679 TIME FOR A CHANGE Professional, single white male, 45 yr old, 5'8", fit, Catholic, no

dependents, communicative, humorous, flexible, introspec-tive, and more. Seeking trim, educated, emotionally available, single white female, to share a happy and healthy relationship Wayne County BOX 33681 STILL SEARCHING Single divorced white male, **35**, 6', 190 lbs, brown hair, brown eyes, no children. Looking for a

with a good sense of humor. BOX 10771 **UNDER THE STARS** Divorced father, 46, handsome athletic, 6', salt and pepper hair Green eyes. Loves long conversation by the fireplace, walks on Caribbean beaches, romantic family oriented long term relationship minded. Seeking warm affectionate attractive and fit, 30 to 50, non smoker, must like

**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

MARRIAGE MINDED

children, Oakland county, BOX

Single white male, 59, 5'10", 170 lbs, enjoys cars, dining out, cocking, quiet times and more. Seeking a single female, 45 plus, with similar interests, for a long term relationship. BOX SEEKING LADY 40 - 52

This unique, appealing, white male, 45, is financially sound and a good catch, versatile, enjoys a wide range of activities, seeks a funny and honest single white female. Good looking or great personality is a plus. BOX

WARNING. .May cause happiness. Answer

this ad and you wont be sorry! Attractive, financially secure, professional, single, white male 41, 6', 170, no dependents Seeks single white female, 25 to 45. Reply now! BOX 33492 ONLY THE LONELY

outdoors, swimming and more. Seeking a single female, for a possible relationship. BOX SWEET STUFF

I know you're out there. Family oriented man, seeking the love of a lifetime. I'm 36 yr old, 6', 170 lbs, long brown hair, hazel eyes, father of two, good person. Enjoys movies, fishing, quiet evenings at home. Seeks female, 25 to 40, with similar interests and values. Wayne county. BOX 33644 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 LET'S HOOK UP!

40 yr old, 6', 180 lbs, professional, single white male who enjoys dining out, down hill skiing, biking, golf and much more, is seeking a single female with a loving heart, to develop a long term relationship. BOX 10867 **VERY ACTIVE** White male, 41, 6'1", never mar-

ried, very long hair, told to be good looking, smoker, social drinker. Enjoys snowmobiling, bowling, boats, race cars, can ing, and going up North. Seeking attractive female, slender build, who is tired of games, 25 to 45, with similar interests. BOX 25993 THINKING LONG TERM! 36 yr old, good looking, athletic, single professional male, college

educated, enjoys sports, arts, movies, reading and much more, is seeking an attractive, fit, well educated, caring, loving, classy single female, to share friendship and possible long term relationship. BOX 32682 **ROMEO IS ALIVE** Very attractive, single black male, 40, 5'10", 170 lbs, ener-

getic, humorous, employed, no dependents. Seeks very attractive, fit, white female, for dining, dancing and romancing. Age open. Wayne County. BOX

HANDSOME AND HONEST 36 yr old, handsome, 6t, blue

eves, nice smile, athletic, seeks an attractive woman who has character, spirituality, honesty and also an adventurous side. BOX 24958

JUST THE TWO OF US! Very handsome, 35 yr old, 6' 190 lbs, divorced white male with brown hair and eyes, is seeking an attractive, single female, with a good sense of humor, 26 to 39, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 32687 DOWN TO EARTH GUY!

Fun loving, attractive, professional, single white male, 33, recently moved to the area from out of town. Loves movies, theater, dining out, dancing, working out, and having fun, Seeks an attractive women who enjoys life! BOX 33641 READY FOR YOU! READY FOR YOU!

8 yr old, 6', 160 lbs, single male with dark hair and eyes, financially secure, self-employed, is seeking a single female, for friendship and maybe more.

BOX 32691

HELPFUL AND HANDSOME Single white male, 44 yr old, asks for nothing in return. Loves asks for noming fresum. Loves cats, Saturn cars, gardening, reading, etc. Seeks relationship with attractive white female, with similar passions. Open County BOX 33657

SEE WHAT HAPPENS Single black male, 46, 57", 170 lbs, easy going, enjoys biking, cooking, dining out, gardening, movies, music, walks and more. Seeking a single white female, 35 to 55, with similar interests, for possible relationship. BOX 10897

COMPATIABLE?

Professional single white male, Catholic, no dependents, 45, 5'8", fit, optimistic, persevering. Enjoys the outdoors, bicycling, music, movies, conversation. Seeking emotionally available, single white professional female, to share happy, healthy relation-ship. Wayne County. BOX

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

ABC'S Adventurous, active, attractive, boating, bowling, beaches, camping cuddling, commitment. Don't forget the F's, family, friendship, fun, fires, fitness, fine dining, fulfillment. This downfyer homeowner and daddy is 41 5'10", brown hair/eyes, height/weight proportionate. Seeks a perky, petite, divorced white professional. Wayne

County. BOX 33661 BRIGHT EYES

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

**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

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Fails here, let's go for it. Divorced white female, **66**, 5'4", Siñgle white Christian female drinker, active and outgoing enjoys the outdoors, travel music, dancing and more. Seeking a single gentleman with a good sense of humor and similar interests, BOX 25991 **NEW BEGINNINGS** SHOOTING STAR Divorced white mother of three

laves children, outgoing, good sense of humor and similar interests. Friendship and possible relationship. Wayne County. BOX 33625

**FIRST TIME AD** 

Wayne county. BOX 25335 SEEKING COMPANION Professional single white female, **38**, attractive, nonsmoker, singer, loves animals, significant weight loss, still los-Seeking a single white

**KEY TO MY HEART** 

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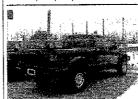
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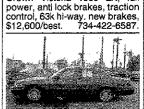
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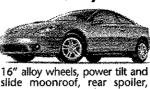


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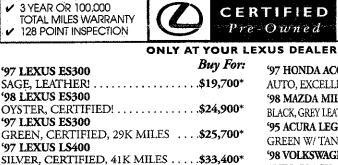
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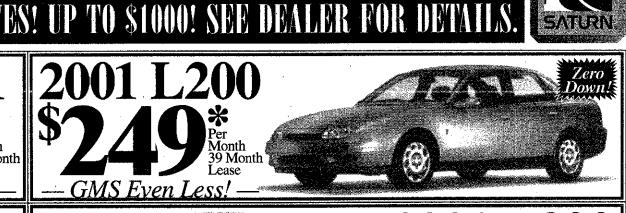


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