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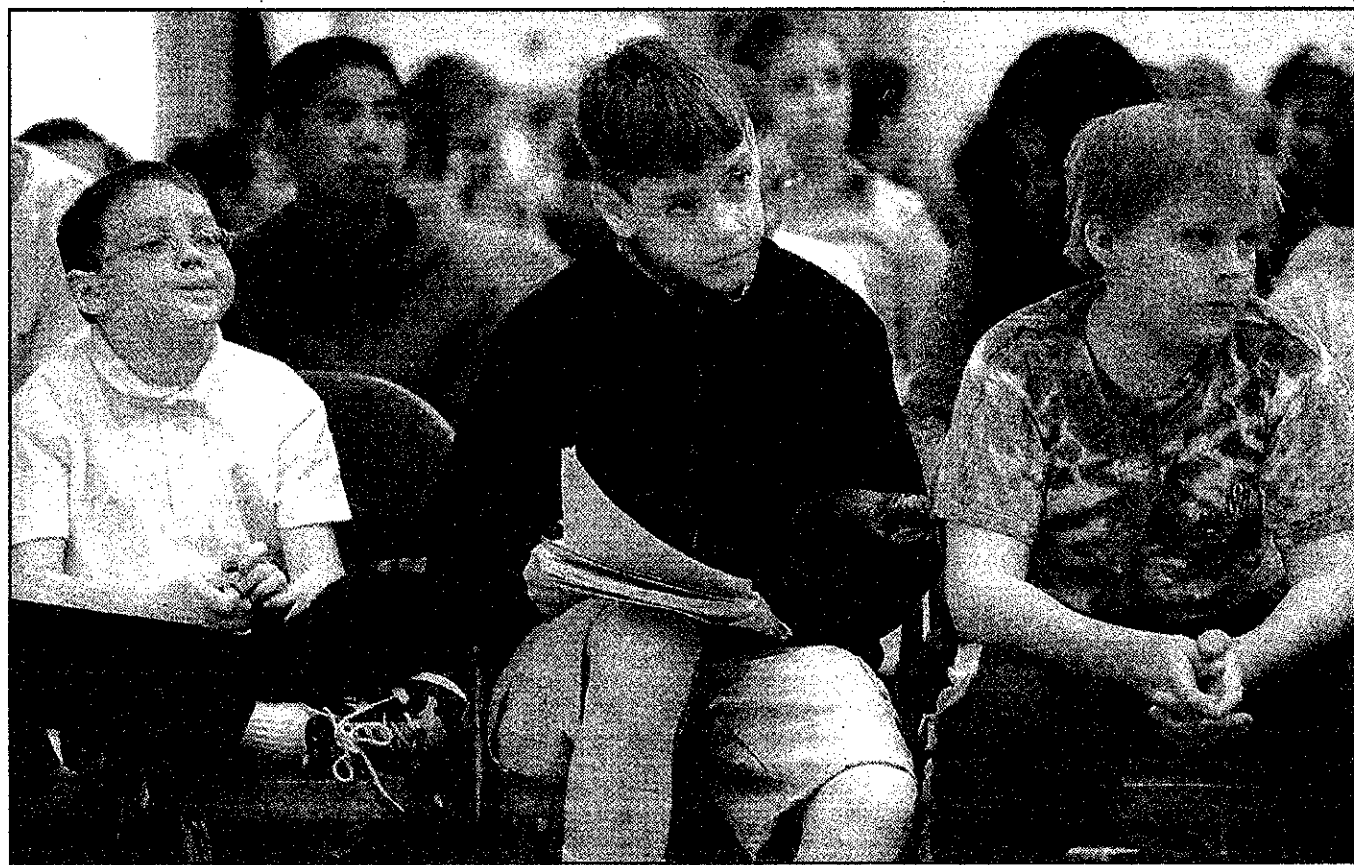
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In session: Chris Jeffers, 11½, from left, Nick Hendzell, 12, and David Nelson, 11½, listen to Judge Ron Lowe, of the 35th District, as he hears cases at the Plymouth Cultural Center Tuesday.

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Day in court

Middle school students get firsthand look at legal system

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Nearly 300 Central Middle School sixth graders faced 35th District Court Judge Ron Lowe in court Tuesday morning.

"It's nice to see so many law-abid-

ing students at one time," Lowe said to the group. "Usually, the only kids I get to see are those who are in trouble."

Lowe, who teaches once a month at Central, held court at the Plymouth Cultural Center as part of Law Day activities. He spent the

morning hearing real cases, including drunk driving, minor in possession of alcohol and larceny, as students looked on.

"What's important is that students get a bit of reality of how the system works," said Lowe. "They learn

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Chamber winners push volunteerism

BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER
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It's almost impossible to live in the Plymouth-Canton community and not bump into Mike Gerou. Even if you don't need a lawyer.

Gerou, who has had his shingle out in downtown Plymouth since the 1980s, is just as well known for a dozen or more pet community projects. The newsletter he regularly sends clients is filled with tidbits from his volunteer

endeavors and family life, in addition to legal advice.

In fact, pick up a ringing phone on any given day and chances are it could be Gerou on the other end wanting to take a few minutes of your time on behalf of All Saints Catholic School, Eastern Michigan University alumni, Growth Works, the Plymouth Elks, Leadership Canton or the Canton Community Junior Baseball Association.

Gerou, of Plymouth, was honored by

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Celebration: An emotional Dr. Judi Fleischaker, left, grasps her 2001 Athena award after receiving the sculpture from past recipient Ginnie Hauck during the Canton Chamber of Commerce annual Athena Award/Business Person of the Year luncheon Wednesday.

The All-Stars: Front row, from left, are Michael Anderson, Shigong Zhang and Amanda Patton. Second row, from left, are Sean McCann, Betsy Ratke and Audrey Brayman. Third row, from left, are Brian Doughty, Cynthia Rich, Kimberly Weaver and Anne Bresler. Back row, from left, are Christopher Gansen, Kevin Pilkiewicz, Eric Konopka and Yibo Ling. Not shown are Margaret Wright and Jason Gehan.



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

These stars sparkle in area classrooms

OBSERVER ACADEMIC ALL-STARS

Inside this issue of the Observer, you'll find a special section we're very proud of: The Observer Academic All-Stars.

This is our 16th year of recognizing outstanding academic achievement on the part of high school students in Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, Westland, Garden City, Redford, Farmington and Farmington Hills.

"These outstanding students deserve special recognition. The Observer regularly recognizes athletic achievement, and we feel that academic achievement deserves the same recognition," said Observer Managing Editor Hugh Gallagher. "The Academic All-Stars is a way to recognize both the schools and their students."

Our 16 All-Stars were chosen from a group of 47 seniors submitted by area high school principals.

The criteria are objective, with grade point average in core subjects and ACT/SAT scores determining the winners.

The highest possible score is 2,000, and all of our winners topped 1,900.

Listed in order of point ranking, this year's All-Stars are: Margaret Wright of Mercy High School, Cynthia Rich of Salem High School, Kevin Pilkiewicz of Detroit Catholic Central High School, Yibo Ling of Salem High School, Amanda Patton of Farmington High School, Anne Bresler of Churchill High School, Betsy Ratke of Canton High School, Eric Konopka of Wayne Memorial High School, Kimberly Weaver of Canton High School, Jason Gehan of Detroit Catholic Central High School, Brian

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Burglar strikes it rich in Queen Anne break-in

A Canton man reported to police someone broke into his Queen Anne residence and took \$56,000 in cash from his safe.

The man's 15-year-old daughter returned from school to find the patio door open. She entered the home through the garage, and saw a safe lying on the floor, pried open and empty.

The man said the safe had contained the large quantity of cash. He told police that only the family knew where the safe was stored. He also reported a contractor had sent a half-dozen men to work on his home, and two of them may have seen where the safe was hidden.

Police reported the suspect may have entered the house through a basement window.

COP CALLS

Dirty pictures

An 67-year-old employee of CVs Pharmacy, 43301 Joy, told Canton police that while she was processing film in December, she found six explicit photos of a nude, prepubescent boy.

The woman identified a suspect, and turned over the photos to the police. Detectives are investigating.

Irate driver

A Canton man said he became the target of another driver's rage, and now he wishes to prosecute the offending driver.

The victim, a 17-year-old Can-

ton man, told police he was driving south on Canton Center Road at the posted speed limit, when he passed on the left a maroon minivan that was traveling at about 35 mph.

The teen told police the maroon van's driver then passed him on the right at a high rate of speed, and south of Cherry Hill Road, where Canton Center narrows to one southbound lane, the van's driver skidded to a stop, blocking the road.

He said the van driver approached him and began yelling at him, and pounded his palm on the teen's windshield.

Police were able to collect evidence from the car and track the license plate number.

Canton drivers paying premium at local pumps

BY ALICE ASHMORE
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Local drivers woke-up to sticker shock this week as gasoline prices soared by an average of 10 cents a gallon.

James (last name withheld), the manager of a Clark Gas Station in Plymouth, said his prices increased by 10 cents per gallon on Tuesday.

"We've had real good gas prices all week, but customers will be unhappy tomorrow," he said.

He says when prices go up, customers are less likely to fill their tanks. "They just wonder 'man, what's going on with gas prices?'"

Plymouth resident Debbie Show is one of those customers baffled by the increase in gas prices.

"It's unbelievable," she said. "I don't know what we're going to do — we have a son that plays traveling soccer."

She said car-pooling is one option she may consider.

She said her parents are driving to Texas this summer to visit relatives and the cost of their vacation just went up. "I was just talking about it today with my parents, and they are con-



Going up: The sign at the Marathon station on North Main in Plymouth.

cerned," Show said.

She believes that there is more than coincidence that the increase comes at the start of the summer vacation season. "They (oil companies) seem to raise the price around holidays and vacations," Show said.

The manager of a Canton Mobil station, who asked to remain anonymous, said he has

no idea why gas prices are so high.

"We don't know why. They never give us a straight answer," he said.

And customer complaints are pouring in. "People take it out on the gas station. We're caught in the middle," the manager said.

He said the number of "drive-offs" — customers who leave without paying — goes up when there is a price increase.

A gas store clerk in Plymouth is also feeling the ire. "I don't like it any more than the next guy, but people act like it is my fault," she said.

Don Herriman, also of Plymouth, seemed resigned to the price increase.

"I need gas — I have to buy it," said Herriman, who said the price increase would not affect him too much. "I probably won't change my driving habits."

He and his family are planning to drive to Florida this summer for a vacation. "It is still cheaper than flying for a family of five," he said.

Herriman remembers the oil embargo and gas lines of the early 1970s. "My parents did change their driving habits back then," he recalled.

Fanar Ayar, manager of a Plymouth Marathon station, said his prices increased by a dime a gallon on Monday night. "We try really hard to stay low," he said.

When asked what was driving up gas prices Ayar said, "I couldn't tell you."

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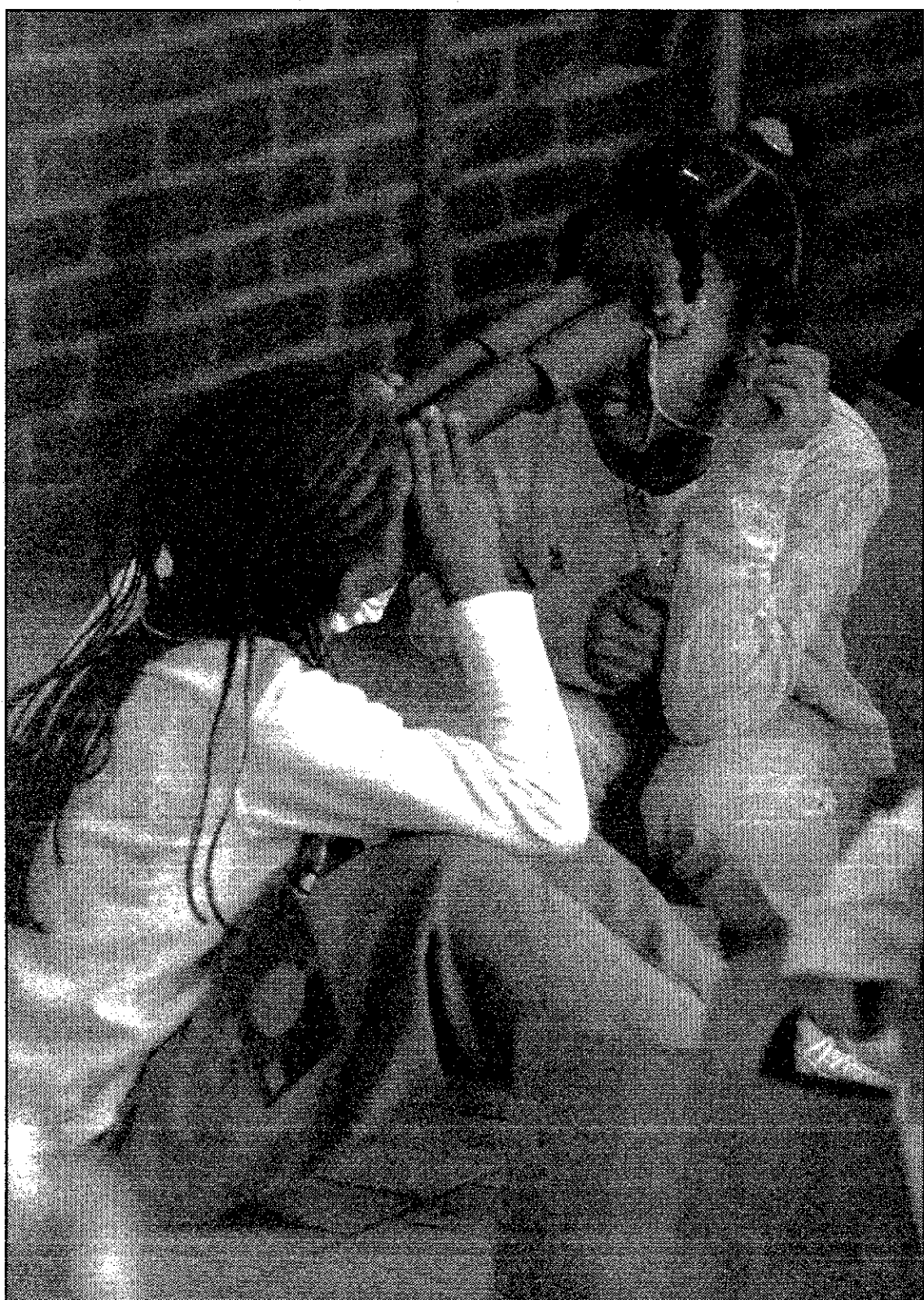
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Foundation helps teachers with special programs



Just waiting: Kynisha Dean, 6, and Jeniellsa Davis, 7, try to see what their binoculars might reveal at close range while waiting to leave "customs" after their "flight" landed in Brazil.

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BY TONY BRUSCATO
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One hundred Hoben Elementary first graders boarded the 747 jetliner and buckled their seatbelts. The noise from the jets was deafening as the plane took off. They were leaving Sydney, Australia, on a 16-hour flight to Brazil, where they would soon learn about the tropical rain forest.

"We're flying to each of the seven continents and studying one country on each," said Mindy Eichenberg, a Hoben first-grade teacher. "We started out in Antarctica to study the penguins, then to Africa to learn about Kenya. Then it was on to Europe with stops in Ireland and Germany. After stopping in Australia and Brazil, we'll head to China and then back to study Michigan and the United States."

It's the initial year of a program entitled "Passport to the World," integrating science, social studies and language arts curriculum into one theme.

■ 'It's teaching them an appreciation of other countries and different customs.'

*-Karen Huston,
Hoben teacher*

"We study topics like mammals, land forms and foods," said Eichenberg. "The kids pack clothes to travel to each of these continents, make passports and taste different foods."

"It's teaching them an appreciation of other countries and different customs," added Karen Huston, another Hoben first grade teacher.

The first grade teachers hope to buy two sets of books to go with their Passport program, with the \$1,000 coming from the Educational Excellence Foundation.

EEF has given more than \$10,215 in grants to teachers in



Up, up and away: "Flight attendants", aka volunteer moms Barbara Flesch, left, and Laura League, serve snacks and juice boxes during the "flight."

the Plymouth-Canton school district for creative ways to teach children to learn.

"EEF exists for the teachers and their projects," said Carole Kody, EEF executive director. "This is how we can reach the most number of kids in the district ... with innovative and creative projects. Teachers tie the projects to standard curriculum to enhance education."

Klo Phillippi's Smith Elementary third grade class and Cindy Burnstein's high schoolers are studying Shakespeare together. The pair received a \$395 EEF grant to adapt Shakespeare and Renaissance activities for the younger students.

Burnstein's high school students researched London during the time of Shakespeare and shared their knowledge with Phillippi's third graders. They also rewrote *A Midsummer Night's Dream* for the elementary students, who made costumes for their play before presenting it this past week for fellow students, friends and family.

The third graders also taught

their high school buddies about the Globe Theater.

"It was good experience for the high school students to work with the elementary youngsters," said Phillippi. "Not only did they learn about Shakespeare with each other, they learned to work with each other. I think they each learned a lot."

"The elementary students were intimidated at first, but after working with the older kids focused more on the lesson," she said. "And, I think the high school students were impressed with the knowledge and learning capacity of the elementary students."

"I think the high school kids found out how good they are at teaching," added Burnstein. "It was heartwarming to watch them work with the smaller kids and become their buddies. It was very inspiring."

The Educational Excellence Foundation gave grants which ranged from \$74 to \$1,400, which reached more than 2,900 students in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

Child seat info now on Web

Parents looking for information about child safety seats can find it through a new Internet-based service.

"I am pleased to see yet another resource to help parents make better decisions about protecting their children while traveling," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta. "The information on these web pages will afford greater safety to children by guiding parents and caregivers to the right choices of safety restraint for their children's needs."

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, motor vehicle crashes each year kill 1,800 children ages 14 and under and

injure more than 280,000. The agency estimates that four out of five child safety seats are used incorrectly.

The new addition to NHTSA's Internet Web site is one-stop shopping for parents and caregivers who want to learn about the correct use and installation of child safety seats.

The Web site is designed to:

■ Provide recommendations for the correct use of each type of child safety seat to help consumers select the most appropriate child restraint system.

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■ Provide a current listing of all new child safety seats available.

■ Provide a list of model year 2001 vehicles with child safety seat features.

■ Provide a child safety seat dictionary of terms.

To access NHTSA's new Internet service, go to www.nhtsa.dot.gov and click on the Child Safety Seats icon. It will take visitors to the child passenger safety section and link them to a comprehensive source of information, tips and recommendations.

The information also includes dozens of full-color photographs of the different types of child safety seats, with step-by-step installation guidelines.

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■ *Bear's Heart* by Burton Supree

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Q and A

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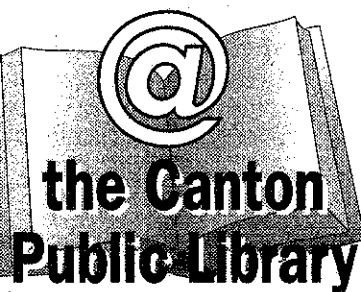
■ *Wood That Sings - National Museum of the American Indian*

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Hot Topic of the Week

■ Saturday, May 5, is the running of the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs, Louisville, Ky. The Kentucky Derby is America's premier thoroughbred horse race, inaugurated in 1875. The first jewel in the "Triple Crown," traditionally followed by the Preakness and the Belmont Stakes. The Kentucky Derby is held annually on the first Saturday in May. For more information, go to kentuckyderby.com

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■ Before polishing your nails, wipe them with a small amount of white vinegar to help them stay shiny longer?

■ An elephant's heart beats only 25 times per minute?

■ James Dewar invented Twinkies in 1930?

■ Only 3.9 percent of Americans walk to work every day?

■ Pear trees will live and produce for approximately 90 years?

■ Pears are actually a member of the rose family?

■ For every \$100 spent on food, almost \$18 goes for meat, seafood or poultry?

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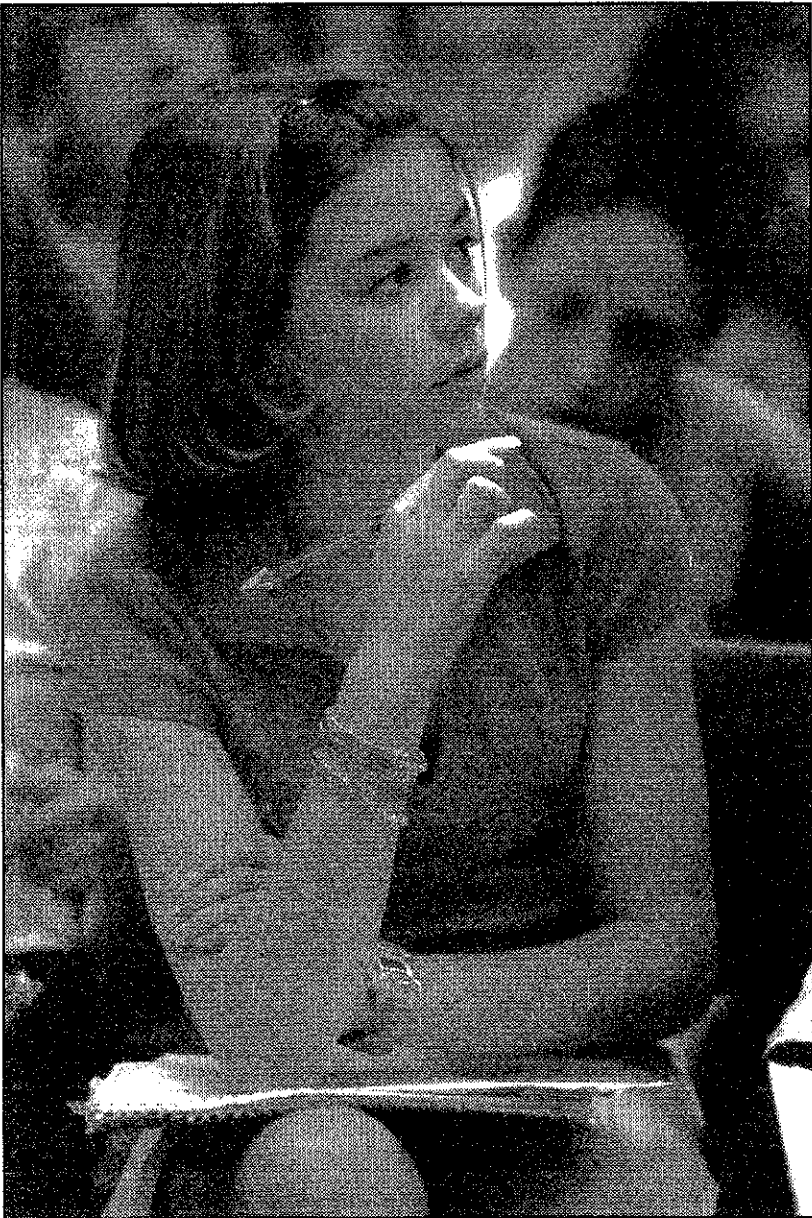
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Case study: Alison Spohn, 11, listens intently as 35th District Judge Ron Lowe explains the legal process at the Plymouth Cultural Center Tuesday.

Law Day from page A1

there are consequences for misbehavior. It gives them a chance to see the system and understand it so they can begin to appreciate it."

Between cases, students asked Lowe some provocative questions, and he gave straight-up answers.

■ "If you drive a car, you are responsible to make sure it has a valid license plate."

■ "If you get caught with drugs, your parents won't get in trouble unless it's found that a parent is giving their children drugs and tobacco."

■ "If parents give children cigarettes, they could be charged with contributing to a minor and be fined or go to jail."

■ "I've never had a case involving kids killing kids, but I have had cases where parents killed their children or their spouse."

■ "I've never had to deal with gangsters or the mob. There are a couple of well-known attorneys who are known to represent mobsters who have appeared in front of me, but I don't think they were representing any mob members."

■ "The youngest person I've had to deal with was 10 years old, who was stealing mail and giving it to an adult who would cash stolen checks. Lots of adults try to talk kids into doing bad things."

Silence came over the students as they listened to a defendant who was charged with drunk driving admit he drove his vehicle after consuming six beers and a number of Jim Beam-and-Coke drinks. Lowe announced the breathalyzer test came to a .22, more than three times the .07 legal limit. The defendant was allowed to plea-bargain his Operating Under the Influence of Liquor charge to Impaired Driving.

"I learned what goes on in court and what the consequences




From the bench: Judge Ron Lowe answers questions of some of the 300 students from Central Middle School who came to watch the legal process at work.

are of doing drugs," said Rachel Hendrian, 11, of Plymouth Township. "It's good to stay out of the court system so you don't lose your money or your car."

"I learned that you shouldn't do drugs, or alcohol or drink and drive so you don't get a ticket," said Mary Haddad, 11, of Canton.

Jean Pritchard, whose sixth-grade class was among those at the court, said viewing real cases is a life-long learning experience. "They watch TV and have an idea of what court is like on television, which is a totally different picture," said Pritchard. "We're hoping it leaves them with an impression there's respect, dignity, and a certain amount of warmth in the court."



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Firefighters *from page A1*

"There was nothing out of the ordinary. They wanted more than the board wanted to give, but we were able to compromise on both sides and come to an agreement."

Dunn said the union's biggest concession was the township's new ability to send firefighters for mandatory training.

According to the new contract, Canton can require command officers to attend classes one week per month for a year, and 80 hours annually of command leadership training.

Township officials hope the hard work will pay off. The contract is the first four-year con-

tract for the firefighter's union.

Durack said the contracts have been three-year contracts, and the township sought the longer-lasting agreement.

Dunn said the union is also pleased with the contract, and there were very few people who voted against it.

"A lot of communities are going to the four-year contract," Durack said. "When there's certainty, I think everybody's more comfortable."

Canton and AFSCME, American Federal, State and County Municipal Employees, ratified the township's first four-year contract, then the police union

■ 'There was nothing out of the ordinary. They wanted more than the board wanted to give, but we were able to compromise on both sides and come to an agreement.'

-Dan Durack,

Canton administrative services director

contracts followed earlier this year.

"Those contract negotiations set the pace," Durack said.

The firefighters were able to negotiate a 3.5 percent wage increase, retroactive to July 1, 2000. Firefighter wages start at

\$30,453 and a five-year employee earns \$49,643.

The wages will again increase 3.5 percent this July, and will go up 2 percent in 2002 and 2003.

Firefighters will also receive an additional personal day annually.

The increased costs for wages and benefits to the township for the 45 employees will be nearly \$478,000 over four years.

Durack said the wage and benefit increases were fairly typical. One of the more important issues was the ability of a firefighter to pursue a position in fire prevention.

Previously a firefighter who left a fire suppression position in which he or she would work about nine 24-hour shifts a month to take a position in fire prevention, which is a five-day a week job, would lose his seniority in fire suppression.

"That means they wouldn't be

eligible for any promotions that might come up in that department," Durack said.

Under the new contract, a firefighter could commit to fire prevention for a three-year period and could return to fire suppression without being penalized.

Further, the township, which has had a difficult time attracting fire prevention staff, can seek outside job candidates to fill those positions.

Next will be the clerical union contracts, which Durack said he hopes will be finished soon, then the police lieutenants and sergeants and captains unions.

Teachers head back to table

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER
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The Plymouth-Canton Education Association and Plymouth-Canton Schools negotiators are back at the bargaining table today, the first time since teachers rejected a one-year extension to the current three-year pact which expires in August.

Teachers turned down the contract, which was recommended by the PCEA, mainly because they didn't like the proposed salary schedule. The tentative agreement called for teachers at the very top of the pay scale, along with first-year teachers, to receive a 3 percent wage hike. Teachers in between, who are in their second through 10th years, would have received a 1.75 percent wage increase. It takes 11 years, plus a master's degree, for a Plymouth-Canton teacher to get to the top of the wage scale.

"Salary differences between the top and middle steps is a big issue," admitted Chuck Portelli, PCEA president. "We'll find out what we can do with it ... find out where the board is at and let them know where our members stand. They're more happy with a traditional salary schedule, where everyone gets the same increase."

More than 400 teachers voted against the pact, which went down to defeat by 55 votes. However, Superintendent Kathleen Booher sees that as a positive sign.

"The teachers were vocal in their vote, but nearly half were favorable," she said. "The union leadership has been listening to determine what the vote meant, and we've been in discussion with the union leadership to be supportive. We hope it still will be a decision the union will favor."

Portelli noted the union is disturbed by the fact Plymouth-Canton salaries are below those in Oakland County.

"For the first seven steps we're competitive. After the seventh step, we're way behind them," said Portelli. "Half our membership is at the top of the salary schedule, and they're not competitive with Oakland County. If you look at it over the course of a career, it's an issue."

Figures released by the PCEA show a first-year teacher, who under the current pact earns \$34,734, would have jumped to \$35,776. A teacher at the top of the scale, with a master's degree, is currently paid \$67,700. The new contract would have increased that salary to \$69,767.

Portelli said elementary teachers were also unhappy with another non-traditional issue, six late start days. Instead of the traditional four half-days for staff development in which students attend class for a half-day followed by teacher in-service time, Portelli said the staff was not prepared to make changes that would have staff development at the beginning of the day.

Stars *from A1*

Doughty of North Farmington High School, Christopher Gansen of Stevenson High School, Shigong Zhang of Churchill High School, Michael Anderson of Thurston High School, Sean McCann of Thurston High School and Audrey Brayman of Wayne Memorial High School.

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Winners from page A1

the Canton Chamber of Commerce Wednesday for both his professional accomplishments and community work with the chamber's 2001 Business Person of the Year Award. The award is sponsored by the Observer Newspapers.

Also honored was Canton resident and area veterinarian Judi Fleischaker, with the Athena Award for her work in support of professional women.

Monica Gayle, news anchor for

Fox 2, was the keynote speaker for the annual luncheon, which drew about 150 people to Summit on the Park.

"It's a great honor," Gerou said following the ceremony. "If you look at the previous winners, these are people who have been active in the community over a long period of time, not just one year."

"I'm in good company here."

Gerou, who was introduced by his brother, Tom, thanked his wife for her support and urged the audience to take an even more active role in their community. "No one can do everything but everyone can do something," he said from the podium.

Fleischaker said she got that message 10 years ago when moving to Canton from Colorado.

"I still considered Colorado my home," and emotional Fleischaker said in accepting her award. "Canton was just a place to live."

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—Mike Gerou

What changed her life was getting involved in the community, particularly her decision to enroll in Leadership Canton. (Both she and Gerou are 1998 Leadership Canton graduates.)

Fleischaker was instrumental in helping to develop a local youth leadership program modeled after the chamber-sponsored program. A third class of middle middle-schoolers graduated from the youth program this spring.

Fleischaker has also been a mentor for female veterinary students and has helped 29 gain

admittance to veterinary school, including two this year. She helped one of her colleagues, JoLynne Grant, start the first animal emergency shelter in Saginaw.

She also thanked her spouse for enabling her to spend so much time in the community and urged others to follow her volunteer path.

Previous Athena winner Ginnie Hauck, who introduced Fleischaker, said "any person blessed to have this woman come into their lives is better off for it."

Gayle, who in addition to

anchoring duties has developed a "Working Women" segment at Fox 2, spoke about the challenges of balancing a personal, family and professional life. "Striving for perfection in all things is definitely not the way to go," she said.

The newscaster also talked about her various network and local television assignments and starting her own business venture with her husband, a promotional company called Adventures in Advertising.

Nominees for the Business

Person of the Year included Terry Jobbitt of Modern Insurance Agency and Greg Greene of AAA Michigan.

Athena nominees included Debra Brilbrey-Honsowetz, township recreation and facilities manager; and Clarice Killian of the Canton Business and Professional Women's Association.

Other luncheon sponsors were AT&T Wireless, Wordhouse Financial Legacy Planning and National City Bank.

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1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30

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Please come into City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, to fill out an application, or call the Clerk's office at 734-453-1234, ext. 234.

LINDA LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth will accept sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. E.S.T. on Thursday, May 10, 2001 for the following:

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The City of Plymouth reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and to waive any irregularities.

CAROL A. STONE
Admin. Services Director

Publish: May 3, 2001

L1043764

CITY OF PLYMOUTH

Ann Arbor Road Corridor Design Special Presentation-Monday May 14, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer Plymouth, Michigan

Ann Arbor, Michigan, April 26, 2001 - The Ann Arbor Road Corridor Design Team is pleased to announce that there will be a special meeting to present preliminary designs on Monday May 14, 2001 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Informal review of the plans will begin at 7:00 PM. This will be followed by a slide presentation by members of the design team at 7:30 PM. The general public, property owners and residents of both the City of Plymouth and the Charter Township of Plymouth are cordially invited to attend this meeting. Specific details regarding design for landscaping, lighting, sidewalks and utility re-routing will be presented. Information on preliminary cost estimates and

The future success of participation from prop therefore encouraged.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 17th, 2001 for the following:

BID # 04-001-000

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Now accepting: Attorney Mike Gerou, left, this year's Canton Business Person of the Year Award recipient, stands with his brother Tom Gerou, a chiropractor and former BPOY recipient.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

FOR USE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL CONDITIONS

PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

DATE OF HEARING: May 16, 2001

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall
42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission has received a request for Use Subject to Special Conditions for storage of vehicles for sale pursuant to Zoning Ordinance 83. The subject property is located at 9355 Lilley, which is on the west side of Lilley Road, south of Ann Arbor Road and north of Postiff Avenue. Application No. 1654/1200, Tax I.D. Nos. 061-99-0014-000 & 061-99-0015-000. Questions may be directed to Community Development at (734) 453-8131 ext. 37 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and written comments may be mailed to 46555 Port St. Plymouth, MI 48170.

JOE BRIDGMAN, Secretary
Planning Commission

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WESTERN TOW

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Regular meeting caller Present: Thomas Yack, Agenda - adopted as amended; adding item # V1111111 Flow Meter Upgrade Purchase.

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 28, 2001 - approved.

Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$589,180.21 - approved.

Operations & Maintenance Report for March 2001 - received and filed.

Director's Report for April 2001 - received and filed.

Second Quarter Revenue/Expenditure Report (FY 2000/2001) - received and filed.

Change Order No. 1; Landscape Enhancement Program - approved.

Contract #6; Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Inspection - Request To Advertise For Bids - approved.

Operations Specialist Management Assessment; Proposal from Career Directions - approved.

Flow Meter Upgrade Purchase - approved.

Yard Waste Composting Agreement - received and filed.

BFI/ONYX Assignment and Assumption of Contract - approved.

YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Chairman,
THOMAS J. YACK

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

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L104099

CHARTER TOWNSHIP

PLANNING COMMISSION

DATE OF HEARING: May 16, 2001

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall
42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission has received a request for Use Subject to Special Conditions for an addition to a church and parking lot, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance 83. The property is located on the north side of North Territorial, east of Beck Road, and west of Eaton Estates. Tax ID No. 034-99-0001-000, App. No. 1669/0301. Questions about the request may be directed to Community Development during regular business hours, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm or call (734) 453-8131 Ext. 37. Written comments will be accepted prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 46555 Port St. Plymouth, MI 48170.

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OBITUARIES

JOHNNIE M. LODGE

Services for Johnnie M. Lodge, 78, of Plymouth were held May 2 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Sanford Burr officiating. Burial was at Fort Custer National Cemetery in Augusta, Mich.

Mrs. Lodge was born April 9, 1923, in Talihina, Okla., and died April 28 in Plymouth. She was married in Sands Springs, Okla., and moved to Plymouth in 1946. Mrs. Lodge served during World War II in the USMC. She was a Life member of the Grand Chapter of Michigan O.E.S., Past Worthy Matron and Life Member of Plymouth Chapter No. 115, O.E.S. and a Past President of the Women Marine Association of Michigan, M-1. She was also an avid reader and enjoyed doing cross-stitch projects and RV traveling.

Mrs. Lodge is survived by her husband, Cameron W. Lodge Jr.; children, Johnnie M. Lodge of Plymouth, Cameron W. Lodge III of Carlton, Beverly E. (Jeffrey) Neal of Brighton, Douglas (Paula) Lodge of Vanceburg, Ky., Malcolm (Deborah) Lodge of Canton; and grandchildren, Jeffrey A. Neal Jr., Laura Lodge and Heather M. Neal.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grand Chapter of Michigan, O.E.S. for the Michigan Masonic Home, P.O. Box 26, Comstock, MI 49041.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

MARY UTTING

Services for Mary Utting, 70, of Plymouth were held May 1 at St. Theodore Catholic Church with the Rev. Gary Michalik officiating. Burial was at Knollwood Memorial Park Cemetery in Canton.

Mrs. Utting was born Oct. 9, 1931, in Detroit and died April 27 in Plymouth.

Mrs. Utting was preceded in death by her husband, Norman.

Survivors include son, Charles; daughters, Terry (Walter) Sneyd and Mary Ellen (Edward) Anderson; grandchildren and great-grandchild, Leo Bazman, Lauren Randolph, Raymond Bazman, Leonard Bazman, Verna Thornsberry, and Loretta

Quimby.

Arrangements made by R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Garden City.

RAY J. HEATH

Services for Ray J. Heath, 90, of Plymouth were held April 30 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. James Gribble officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Heath was born Aug. 2, 1910, in Poughkeepsie, Ark., and died April 28 in Ann Arbor. He retired from Evans Products in 1976, where he worked as a truck driver. He came to the Plymouth community in 1940 from Arkansas. He was a member of the Church of Christ. He enjoyed golfing and bowling.

Mr. Heath was preceded in death by his wife, Oza E. in 1995.

Survivors include daughter, Carole (John) Myers of Reno, Nev.; granddaughter, Debra Manning of Anchorage, Ala.; great-grandsons, Anders and Brett Ekstrand; sisters Wilma Patton and Lanell Higginbottom of Arkansas; and brother, Collin Heath of Arkansas.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

SHIRLEY D. LITSENBERGER

Shirley D. Litsenberger, 71, of Plymouth died April 28 in Superior Township. She was born March 12, 1930.

She was an office manager.

Survivors include husband, Noel Litsenberger of Plymouth; son, Mark Litsenberger of Cement City; daughter, Jill Campbell of Redford; brother, James (Jean) Aitchison of Lincoln Park; and three grandchildren.

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

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

ARDIE WORLEY

Services for Ardie Worley, 83, of Tullahoma, Tenn., formerly a longtime resident of Plymouth, were held May 1 from the Graveside at Maplewood Cemetery with the Rev. Randy Ray officiating.

Mr. Worley was born in Willow Springs, Mo., and died April 28 at his daughter's home in Tullahoma following an extended illness. He was retired from GM where he was a job setter in the Diesel Division and was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, receiving six Bronze Stars and the Purple Heart.

Survivors include his daughter, Karen (Ken) Ray of Tullahoma; sister, Marge (L.M.) Wells of Michigan; sister-in-law, Sue Molitor of Michigan; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements by Tullahoma Funeral Home in Tennessee.

WILLIAM R. OSBORN

Services for William R. Osborn, 54, of Gaylord were held May 1 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. William C. Moore officiating. Burial was at Roseland Park Cemetery in Berkley.

Mr. Osborn was born Nov. 10, 1946, in Detroit and died April 27 in Gaylord. He lived previously in Canton for 17 years. He retired from the Detroit Police Department after 23 years of service, and then worked for the Michigan State Police for eight years. He was a member of the Detroit Police Officers Association for 31 years. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting and camping.

Survivors include his wife,

Jacqueline Osborn of Gaylord; daughter, Michelle (Joel) Lipsitz of Commerce Township; son, William (Melanie) Osborn of Woodbridge, Va.; son, Christopher Lee (Kristene) Osborn of Westland; sister, Barbara Ellen (James) Miller; grandchildren, Robert Osborn, Michael Osborn, Joshua Osborn, Gabrielle Lipsitz, Bradley Osborn, Alexis Osborn, Brett Lipsitz, Carrie Lipsitz, Brooke Lipsitz, and Sandra (Neil) Minelli.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Cashier's Office, P.O. Box 30028, Lansing, MI 48909.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

DIANE MARIE HUSSETT

Services for Diane Marie Hussett, 32, of Canton were held May 2 at Resurrection Catholic Church in Canton with the Rev. Richard Perfetto officiating.

Mrs. Hussett was born Sept. 28, 1968, in Madison Heights and died April 29 in Wayne.

Survivors include husband,

Earl Hussett; sons, Kyle and Sean Hussett; parents, John and Janice Reese; and two sisters.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Arrangements made by McCabe Funeral Homes Canton Chapel.


WILLIAM MICHAEL PITFORD

Services for William Michael Pitford, 61, of Canton were held May 2 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Dearborn Heights with the Rev. John Lazar officiating.

Mr. Pitford was born April 18, 1940, in Detroit and died April 29 in Dearborn. He was a tool coordinator.

Survivors include his wife, Judith Pitford; daughter, Polly Pitford; daughter, Pamela (George) Dingham; daughter, Tracy Pitford; grandchildren, Sydney and Charlie; parents, Stanley and Anne Zych; sister, Marion Zaliwski; and many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements made by John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home.



Physical Therapy UPDATE


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OVERUSED


Overuse injuries result from the wear and tear of repetitive activity. Tendinitis is the problem behind many overuse injuries. Tendons, the fibrous cords that anchor muscles to bones, are vulnerable because the force of muscle contractions is transmitted through them. People who exercise regularly are especially at risk because of the strong forces produced by their well-conditioned muscles. These forces increase tension on the tendons, which can then rub against bones, ligaments, and other tendons to cause irritation. Tendinitis is deceptive. The pain can be severe at the beginning of exercise, then may diminish as exercise continues, only to return sharply once it has stopped. Stretching and strengthening regimens can help prevent tendinitis, but equipment and technique are equally important.

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Departing P-CEP band director strikes a chord

There aren't many communities where the high school band director's departure would qualify as front-page news but Plymouth-Canton is certainly one of them. Sunday's Observer story on David McGrath's decision to leave the school district for the band director's job at Marcus High School in Flower Mound, Texas, undoubtedly struck a sour note for supporters of the national award-winning P-CEP marchers.

Even though we don't know him personally, we will miss McGrath not just for the results he achieved on the field, but for the sense of pride and accomplishment he instilled in his students and the community. A short list of the band's achievements since McGrath became director of bands in 1995 includes:

- Six consecutive state titles in the annual competition at the Pontiac Silverdome;

- A national title in December 1999 in competition at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis and second-place finishes in 1988 and 2000;

- Performing at the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz.

Individually, dozens of Plymouth-Canton graduates have made the marching bands at the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and other colleges, many receiving music scholarships.

McGrath, a 1983 Canton High School graduate who said he would have liked to retire from his "dream" job, cited personal reasons for his decision, mainly more time for his family. However, he said the district indirectly contributed to the change by failing for many years to hire a third person to assist with the program. "There have been proposals before, but nothing has ever happened," McGrath said. "...I respect their decision, but the band hasn't been made a priority."

McGrath will work with three assis-

stants in his new post, at a school that has about 60 percent of the students as P-CEP. McGrath said the state of Texas puts a lot of resources into extracurricular programs.

Band boosters, who take a high-profile role in Plymouth-Canton and at least one school board member believe the high school music program deserves more money. "I feel strongly we need to look hard at our current co-curricular budget and find more money for the marching band," said Trustee Judy Mardigian. "We all know it's underfunded."

Maybe it is. But there are other extracurricular areas in Plymouth-Canton deserving a little (or a lot) of financial attention, too. For example, the district's four middle schools have a shoestring budget when it comes to the arts and athletics.

We believe any additional money for the band should come only after a comprehensive review of all extracurricular programs by the administration and the board.

Comparing Michigan to Texas in one, tightly defined area of school funding is misleading. And as McGrath points out, Plymouth-Canton has been handicapped for seven years by Proposal A, which kicked in after local voters had rejected a property tax.

While McGrath deservedly gets much of the credit for the program's recent success, even he said there was a solid foundation on which to build when he arrived. He is confident that whomever is hired to replace him will be well-qualified and up to the task of leading this premiere group of students.

"This program has committed students, parents and staff. I was only one piece of the puzzle," he said.

A key piece, we add. And one that will create a hole that won't be easily filled.

Let's not turn Michigan into the 'Wild Midwest'

Gun-rights advocates have certainly made some fair points about the current state of law regarding permits to carry concealed weapons. Drafted back in the 1920s, Michigan's present CCW law has resulted in a system that allows county gun boards to decide on permit applications in an arbitrary fashion.

But the revision to CCW laws – rushed through the Legislature in the closing days of last year's session and set to go into effect this July – is a serious overreaction.

There can be little doubt it will result in a large increase in the number of people legally carrying concealed "heat" in Michigan, by some estimates up to a 10-fold increase.

We've no desire to see Michigan turned into "The Wild Midwest."

Given a chance to vote on this law in a referendum, Michigan voters should toss it out and send state lawmakers back to the drawing board for some serious rewriting.

Improvements needed to the law include:

- Tougher restrictions. If lawmakers want to retain "shall issue" wording – language that eliminates the discretion of local gun boards and requires them to give out permits as long as applicants meet all the criteria – additional restrictions are in order. Applicants should be required to "show a need."

Under the current "may issue" rules, gun boards often do require a showing of need, but what they'll accept as a need is frequently disputed. Lawmakers ought to require that showing, then provide a list of what needs are considered acceptable for issuing a CCW permit.

- Revise in the new CCW law the so-called "village idiot clause." State lawmakers included the clause to allow gun boards to weed out applicants who might not have a criminal record or might not have been committed to a mental institution, yet would present a danger to themselves or others if allowed to walk around with guns. Nice idea, but to invoke that clause, gun boards would have to produce "clear and convincing evidence" that the applicant presents a danger. That standard of evidence is too high. The wording needs to be changed to provide a presumption in favor of the board when it exercises its discretion.

- The time period given to gun boards to conduct background checks on appli-

cants is seriously too short. Set in the new law at 30 days, it is half to one third the time given gun boards in other states to review the background of applicants.

- Nice as it is that lawmakers ruled out applicants with a history of mental illness, there is no way for gun boards to check on that history. There is no central database to refer to. The system depends on applicants admitting to gun boards that they have had such problems. Otherwise, boards would have to poll every therapist in the state to do a thorough check. Lawmakers need to close this gap.

At this point, it appears a referendum question on the new CCW law is headed to the ballot in 2002. The People Who Care About Kids Committee gathered 260,000 signatures to put the law to a referendum. The Michigan United Conservation Clubs and the Michigan Coalition of Responsible Gun Owners filed suit to block that vote. On Monday, April 30, Supreme Court justices remanded the case to the court of appeals, insisting on a ruling by June 1 and stating that the question of whether laws that appropriate money can be subjected to referendum is "ripe for review."

We've already stated on these pages that we believe the expression of that many voters should be honored and the ballot question should proceed.

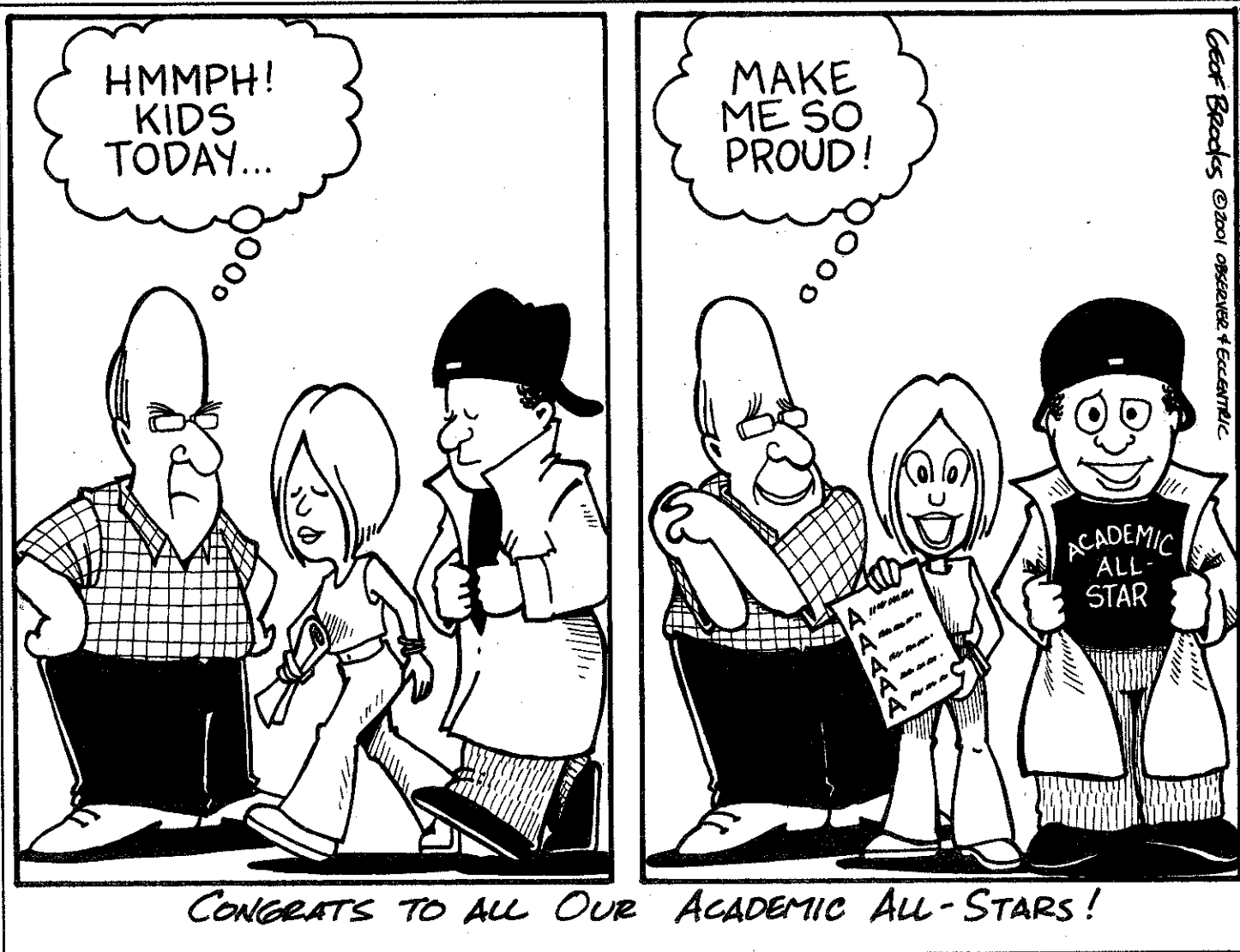
Further, the last-minute addition of a \$1 million appropriation to the CCW bill was so clearly a ploy by legislators to block a public vote that anything less than allowing an election to proceed will do violence to the very notion of "government by the people."

This is not about Second Amendment rights. Clearly, a Michigan citizen has a right to own a gun. Nor is it about the right of self-defense. We all retain that right. It is not even about the "right to bear arms."

This is about carrying a gun concealed, hidden from view. The government has long since insisted it has a legitimate interest asking citizens to get a permit if they want to do that, and the courts have supported it.

Nevertheless, proponents of the new CCW law have identified flaws in the old system. Their new version, however, involves enormous risks.

We urge rejection of the law as passed by the legislature. That might send a message to zealots on either side, encouraging them to get back to the drafting table.



LETTERS

■ Dumb decisions

I agree there is a set of long-term residents and business owners who have earned their right to speak for or against airport operations. However, I do not recognize any perceived right to comment on airport operations by those squatters attempting to bear witness to their self-inflicted woes.

Squatters in this case are those who have chosen to ignore reality. Squatters are those who have chosen to live in the flight path of an airport. Their feelings in the matter cannot trump the common-sense thoughts of thousands of residents living in our area who for years knew it would be unwise to live in its path.

We all watched through the years as developments got closer and closer. But there are good and bad decisions. A decision to approve a development does not automatically make it a good decision. Living or working in one of these developments for a time does not suddenly erase the bad judgment of everyone involved.

For years, clear thinking residents have been shaking their heads in morbid disbelief as each participant in this process took a little bit more and ignored reality a little bit more.

Planes have always crashed in the nearby fields. Any zoning ordinance allowing buildings to occur in the flight path, any residential site plan passed, any builder pushing a development there, any sales office offering residential there, anyone buying in the flight path of an airport - is simply dumb. And there is no way to say it any nicer.

Am I pro-airport or anti-airport? Neither. What I am, is sick of those newcomers and squatters who ignore reality, who step all over the common sense of everyone else so they can get ahead, and whose decisions diminish the values of everyone around them.

Glenn Kremer
Plymouth

■ Duggan wrong

Prosecutor Mike Duggan says that 98 percent of people who get a general CCW permit should be connected with law enforcement. This from a person who has sworn to uphold the Michigan Constitution of 1963.

Article 1 Section 6 of this constitution says:

"Every person has a right to keep and bear arms for the defense of himself and the state." Nothing about a militia. Every person has a right. Does Mr. Duggan not understand the meaning of the word "bear," as in "carry?" Does he think only certain parts of the constitution should be obeyed? The legislature has decided to end the discrimination promulgated by the gun boards.

Mr. Duggan wants it to continue. Is there more of the "good ole boy" here than meets the eye?

Dennis Kabaczy
Canton

■ Malott also wrong

Mike Malott's (I believe that he is not a Christian) ridiculous "obvious example" with human jaw and "too many teeth" (Intelligent Design theory called an "insult to God," April 19, 2001), makes as much sense as a case

of a green-leaves eating worm who, capable of seeing only what's in front of him, waded into the stem of a growing cabbage and wondered what it is for; then concluded that it is nothing more than an obstruction spitefully planted on his path by someone mean.

The absolute, unchangeable fact is that God's magnificent creation is perfect. Everything has its purpose. Nothing could have been done better by the mind of a wormy human engineer.

In the past believed by some as unnecessary, tonsils, appendix, and yes, the wisdom teeth, fulfill important biological functions with respect to good health. In the whole world, only a tiny fraction of 1 percent of people have their wisdom teeth removed for the reason given by Malott. All others find them useful; no encumbrance at all.

Thomas Edison, the famous inventor, said, "We do not know one millionth of one percent about anything." His admission is certainly worthy of a great mind. The Darwinian theory is just a theory, unproven and never to be proven because it is erroneous, nothing more than a guess, faulty like many other guesses by limited minds, contradicting the obvious. Its validity can be compared to a case where a worm waded into a mountain, and seeing there a yellowish stone theorized that it is a cake of cheese.

All indications are that each species were created distinct, their physical and mental characteristics determined at the time of the creation, and remained as such ever after. There is no single evidence to the contrary.

All creation is one great miracle, engineered to perfection, and managed by the everlasting super-intelligence which is our Almighty God. It cannot be otherwise. Many great human minds involved in fathoming the mysteries of nature, the marvels of the creation, unanimously and unconditionally agree with this assumption. Teaching in our schools the faulty, unproven, Darwinian theory, which seems to be solely a guess or suggestion by a single, limited mind, makes not much sense.

Joseph Wira
Plymouth

■ Not so protective

I have been a teacher in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools for 15 years. During this time I have reported three of my students to Protective Services for suspected child abuse or neglect. In all three cases, Protective Service case workers went out to the house to investigate, and afterwards I received letters stating, "There was not a preponderance of evidence of neglect or abuse."

I continue to see the same signs and nothing happens. With luck these children will live to become adults, but not without scars, or the likelihood that they will engage in the same parenting patterns that they suffered from.

Our school had a Protective Service Worker come to a meeting concerning a student of ours and he explained to us what geographic area he was covering and how many children he had on his caseload. It certainly appeared to be "Programmed Failure" to me.

I had a substitute teacher who filed a report on the same student I had.

She said that the person who took her information seemed "disinterested." When she finished, the substitute teacher said, "I have taught for 30 years and this is the second time I have reported a child." The worker said, "You should have said that in the first place."

My 8-year-old nephew had a long file with Protective Services, first in Dearborn and then in Pontiac. When he died under suspicious circumstances, three members of our family called the Gratiot County Coroner's office and shared information about the long file with Protective Services, and asked for an autopsy.

My grown children were appalled at the bruises on his face and arms as he lay in his casket. No investigation was done. A few months later my mother-in-law, my husband and I got an appointment to talk to the head of Protective Services. The appointment was changed to an Ombudsman for Oakland County. My mother-in-law came with a one-inch thick file on the Protective Service reports made by neighbors and my nephew's teachers, letters written by neighbors, letters written by my mother-in-law to the governor of Michigan, and the State Representatives.

We offered to make copies of everything, but she didn't want them.

Nothing happened. About four months later, my 11-year-old nephew told the whole story of his lifelong abuse to his classroom teacher. His sister, 10, confirmed the facts. My husband and I were called late that night to pick them up at a McDonald's in Pontiac.

Now, four years later, the kids are safe, but not due to Protective Services. The loss of my nephew has gnawed at my mother-in-law, probably contributing to her stress and health problems. I know she would feel better if there was a thorough investigation of the people and agencies involved, and I would feel better if I could believe it made a difference whether I call Protective Services or not.

Joan Gardner
Plymouth-Canton

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SmartZones could prove crucial to building Michigan

On first glance, it looked a lot like pork. A state body (in this case, the Michigan Economic Development Corporation) announces 11 "SmartZones," carefully scattered around the state. The press release detailing locations of the various SmartZones quotes an aspirant for higher office (in this case, Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus).

But a more careful look reveals something far more significant for the future of our economy than just another government program announced by an aspirant for higher office. So far as I know, the SmartZone program is unique in America: An integrated way to encourage links between research done in university labs to the business community to new high tech companies,

importantly coupled with a method of financing the infrastructure required to make these "virtual business parks" really take off.

The one in western Wayne County, "Pinnacle SmartZone," is designed to create a state-of-the-art real estate development that builds on and complements updated Metro Airport. The vision is to transform around 1,200 acres of underutilized county-owned land around the airport into a high-quality mixed business and technology zone.

SmartZones will be allowed to capture the growth in property and school taxes as the business climate improves, much like the tax increment financing system used to fund downtown development areas. The revenues can be used to build infrastructure ranging from sewers to high-speed telecommunications, building incubators to house high-tech companies and creating support facilities like R&D and testing labs.

So what does it all mean? It means that Michigan, for the first time in my memory, is getting serious about putting together the elements that led to the development of high-tech powerhouses such as Route 128 outside Boston and Silicon Valley in California. Both centers were powered by proximity to great research universities, Route 128 to Harvard and MIT and Silicon Valley to Stanford. Each Michigan Smart-

Zone is directly tied to one or another university or existing research center.

The emphasis on universities is not by chance. Michigan's universities are among the nation's leaders in research and development (U-M is No. 1 among public schools). But the historic problem has been to leverage all this academic research activity into commercialization. SmartZones are aimed directly at this connection. And now that there are 11 SmartZones, it's possible to see how one area compares with another in linking research to the business world.

I asked Doug Rothwell, CEO of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, what the criteria were for picking the 11 sites. "The business realism and viability of the proposals, mainly," he responded. "Of course, we were interested in the connection to universities and research labs, and we looked at amenities like incubators, lab space, even day care facilities."

Rothwell also stressed SmartZones as a way to rebrand the image and direction of Michigan's

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inner cities. "We deliberately tried to locate most SmartZones in traditional core cities instead of the suburbs. Michigan simply cannot achieve its potential unless our cities are vibrant. So this program links our ability to compete nationally in the technology sector with revitalizing our traditional downtowns. It's a real two-fer."

The SmartZone program made it into the headlines for a day or two a couple of weeks ago. I happen to think it might just turn out to be of fundamental and lasting importance in building Michigan.

Phil Power, in addition to being the chairman of the company that owns this newspaper, is a member of the board of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. He welcomes your comments on his column, either by phone at (734) 665-4081 or by e-mail to ppower@homecomm.net

Academic All-Stars signal the rich promise of our future

Every day it's a different story. One day we're diving fast into a recession. Company after company announces layoffs by the thousands. Our 401(k) statements keep moving backward instead of forward (and the date when Social Security collapses seems to get closer all the time).

But the next day, things are looking up. People are still buying consumer goods, just at a slower rate. The established companies seem to have enough resources to weather the storm. The latest quarter actually shows the economy grew — not a lot, but it grew.

Half empty? Half full?

No one seems to know. But we choose to think that a little optimism might carry us over into better times. After all we were riding extremely high just a year ago.

The future has rich promise. One reason I know this is tucked inside this newspaper. It is The Observer's annual tribute to the best and brightest of our

high school graduates. Our Academic All-Stars will one day take their place as leaders in our communities. They will help provide the answers, discover the secrets, motivate the actions of others and pursue excellence.

One of the crucial issues that we face is in public education. This became a prime topic during the last presidential campaign. President George Bush calls himself an "education president." It is the one area where the conservative president believes the national government needs to take a more active role.

We decided to pick the considerable brain power of the Academic All-Stars about this subject they know first hand and which many of them will pursue as teachers, counselors, administrators and college professors. They don't offer a single view. Some of their ideas conflict. But they offer thoughtful contributions to the ongoing debate, which is what generates bold, new ideas in a strong democracy.

Kevin Palkiewicz of Canton and Catholic Central High School supports vouchers and corporate charter schools with lower tuition. "The families of children not in the public system should not have to pay taxes to support the public schools. This would not only help many promising children receive a better education, it would also force public schools to improve themselves in order to secure those precious tax dollars they need to operate."

Brian Doughty of North Farmington High School would encourage students to realize what they have in public education and make the most of it. "Too often I hear students saying they wish there was something to do in this school, this town etc. I would try to get these students to open

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their eyes and get involved," he wrote.

Several students also urged more "involvement" by parents. Michelle Mamo of Redford Union High School writes, "I would establish new programs to involve parents in their children's education. One of the problems with our society is that the parents are not as informed or involved with their students as they should be."

Mamo and others also want public education to be more academically challenging. Kimberly Weaver of Canton High School wants to "make it easier for the top students to take more challenging classes."

Anne Bresler of Livonia Churchill High School wants more recognition for non-sports activities. "Losing sports teams get constant recognition, while award-winning choirs, theater programs and students go unnoticed and under-appreciated."

Students also stand up for their teachers, asking for more flexibility and creativity for individual teachers. Christopher Gansen of Livonia Stevenson High School writes, "Teachers frequently cannot teach what they deem necessary because the standard curriculum does not allow time for it. By allowing teachers to teach what they want to, they can expose students to a wider variety of materials and provide for more in-depth learning."

Our special section provides more thoughtful commentary from these young people along with heartfelt tributes to the outstanding teachers who prodded them to give their best.

How can we be pessimistic with a future like this?

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Gift-giving time: 'The best stuff' adds up to the best loved, right?



Verica Saveski

For every holiday and birthday, my friend hunts frantically for the perfect gift to give. She drives all over town during her lunch breaks, spends weekends at the mall and runs up her phone bill in her quest not to disappoint the receiver. Making someone happy is her goal, but that someone is not her husband.

Debbie is shopping for her son's girlfriend, and this time it is for the perfect graduation gift. According to my friend, there is a contest that exists in the high schools that I was not aware of.

"It's all about who got the best stuff," Debbie told me. "Girls want to show off what their boyfriends gave them." It was understandable that girls would want to brag to their friends about how thoughtful their boyfriends are, but why was she doing the shopping?

Turns out, my friend was under the illusion that she was teaching her son how to be the perfect boyfriend by buying frivolous gifts and spending money.

"This way if I do it, he sees what he needs to do to make her happy." The more Debbie explained, the sillier her intentions seemed. Teaching your child to base love on the amount of items acquired or given during the relationship was teaching him to be petty. It is sad to know that there are parents out there teaching their children to be as shallow as my friend sounded.

Since her son did not have the money anyway, I asked Debbie why he couldn't make or do something special for his girlfriend instead of buying a gift.

Her answer?

"You know kids these days. They don't care about things like that."

Things like a simple card made on the computer, a delicious heart-shaped cookie, or a poem written specifically for me?

Do kids think frivolous gifts are the equivalent of saying "I love you" or sharing a passionate kiss lasting longer than a few seconds? Is it no longer romantic to sit on the beach, holding one another as the sun goes down? Cheap perfumes and teddy bears are a lot more special than a picnic by the lake watching ducks swim by?

Parents are only creating spoiled brats by stressing the importance of spending money to show affection. Love should not be weighed by the amount of gifts they receive, but instead how they receive love. A kiss on the cheek, a helping hand, a patient ear, a shoulder to cry on, or a pair of eyes to share a special moment with.

Love comes in all kinds of packages that do not require a gift box and an overpowering bow. A person can't depend on flowers lasting or a Disney snow-globe to be unbreakable. All of that can be replaced with another superficial item bought at a discount price. But imagination and effort is priceless — and much more creative in displaying affection.

Parents like my friend Debbie are not doing any good by keeping their values in check with a price gun. They are building their children up for disappointments as adults in search of a meaningful relationship. Without the right guidance, they may not find a relationship worth more than the glass house they were raised in.

Verica Saveski is a student at Madonna University. She has a child who is nearly 2 years old. They live in Dearborn Heights.

LETTERS

■ Sharing the thanks

May 6-12 is set aside nationally to recognize those individuals who have chosen education as a career and children as a commitment. In this time of examining schools, teachers, administrators, curriculum, MEAP scores and drop-out rates, we tend to forget to thank all those people who are on the job in our school buildings providing an environment for youngsters conducive to learning.

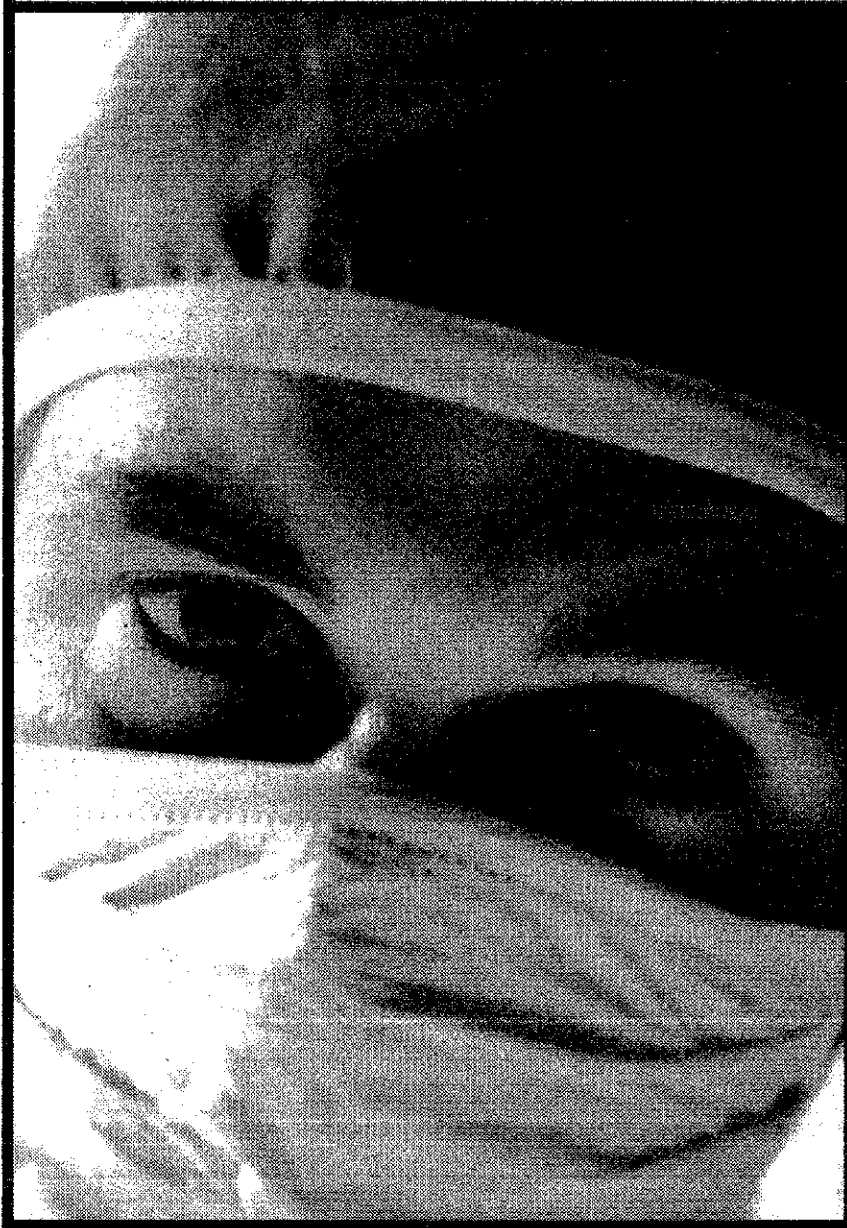
So thanks to the custodian who opens the door and shovels the walkway. Thanks to the maintenance person who keeps the grounds and building safe, intact and "at the ready." Thanks to the building secretary who puts on the Band-Aids,

consoles the crying child, doesn't forget who's on "hold," and types/faxes/copies, and listens all at the same time. Thanks to the principal who makes the "tough" call, manages the budget, motivates staff and remembers every student's name. Thanks to the administrator who diffuses the angry, consoles the hurt, and leads the district toward continuous school improvement. And thanks to the teacher who challenges students, models core values, recognizes individuality, fosters creativity, demonstrates leadership, and above, all loves his or her job.

We never say "Thank You" often enough.

**Rose Govig, director
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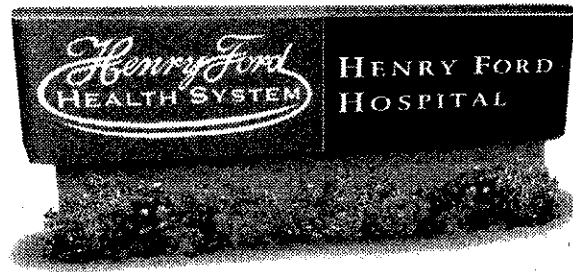
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Madonna graduates about 800 on May 5

On Saturday, May 5, Madonna University's 54th commencement will take place at 10:30 a.m. in Calihan Hall at the University of Detroit Mercy, Detroit. Of the more than 800 graduates who will join the Madonna University alumni ranks, approximately 534 will receive a bachelor's degree; 268 a master's degree; and the remainder, either an associate's degree or a certificate.

Honorary doctorate degrees will be bestowed upon two individuals, Leah L. Chase, co-owner and chef of Dooky Chase Restaurant, a family operated business in New Orleans, and Bloomfield Hills resident Thomas B. Murphy, former chairman and principal owner of Spring Arbor Distribution Co. and chairman of the executive committee of Virtual Systems.

A distinguished alumna award will be given to Diane Gustin of Livonia, who pursued a triple major while at Madonna, graduating with a bachelor's degree in 1972.

Madonna University will confer the degree of doctor of education upon Leah L. Chase, a compassionate and dynamic community leader who is nationally known as a culinary expert and a guiding force in the promotion of human rights.

An ambassador of his Catholic faith, Thomas B. Murphy has combined best business practices with the teachings of Christ. He will receive an honorary doctorate of business administration degree. Presiding over the commencement ceremonies will be

Madonna University Vice President for Academic Administration Ernest I. Nolan, Ph.D. The invocation will be given by Sister Rose Marie Kujawa, Ph.D., '66 alum, president-elect and acting dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. The mace bearer will be Kathleen Cross, Ph.D., assistant professor in the College of Nursing and Health.

Schoolcraft commencements May 4, 5

Schoolcraft College's 36th commencement signifies a major passage for more than 1,000 students, including 114 public safety graduates. Former Gov. James Blanchard will deliver the commencement address at the public safety ceremony 7:30 p.m. Friday, and the Rev. George Shalhoub, pastor of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church in Livonia, will speak at the general com-

mencement at 6 p.m. Saturday. Both ceremonies will be in the Physical Education Building.

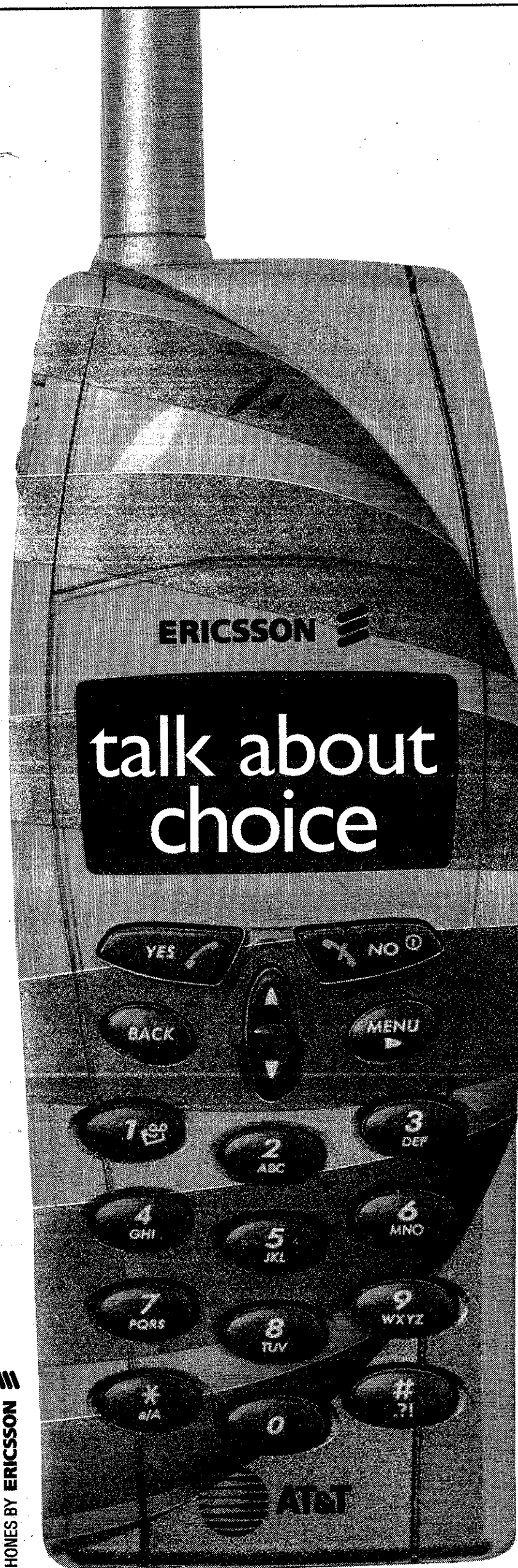
Blanchard, who has entered the 2002 governor's race, served eight years as Michigan's governor before being defeated by John Engler. He was appointed ambassador to Canada in the Clinton Administration and received the Foreign Affairs Award for Public Service at the conclusion of his ambassador-

ship. Currently, Blanchard is an attorney, practicing in Michigan and Washington, D.C.

Shalhoub has been pastor of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church in Livonia for the past 29 years, leading it from a small congregation to one of the foremost churches in the area, currently constructing a new \$10 million basilica. He holds an associate degree from Schoolcraft College and was named

Distinguished Alumni in 2000. He currently serves on the Schoolcraft College Foundation Board of Governors.

The College will award its Distinguished Alumni Award to Nolan Finley, editorial page editor of The Detroit News. Finley has been with the News 25 years, starting as a copy boy. He earned an associate of arts degree in journalism at Schoolcraft in 1975.



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Legwand selected

Five former players in the North American Hockey League have been selected to represent the U.S. at the 2001 IIHF Men's World Championships, which runs through May 13 in Germany.

One of those selected is David Legwand, a former member of the Compuware Ambassadors and the Plymouth Whalers. The second choice overall in the 1998 draft, Legwand played for the Nashville Predators this season, scoring 13 goals and assisting on 28 others (41 points).

Sonnanstine shines

Amy Sonnanstine, a senior at Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio and a Plymouth Canton graduate, has sparkled in several events, in particular the pole vault. She was sixth in the pole vault at the North Coast Athletic Conference Indoor Track Championships at Denison University.

Competing outdoor, Sonnanstine placed first in the 400-meter hurdles, second in the pole vault and fourth in the 5,000 at the Witt Invitational. At the Witt quad meet, she was first in the pole vault, third in the 400 hurdles and fifth in the 3,000 steeplechase. At the all-Ohio meet, she was eighth in the pole vault.

Football boosters

The Plymouth Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will have its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Room 165 of Canton HS. Parents of all present and future Canton players (including eighth-graders) are welcome to attend.

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

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Late Spartan goal tops Rocks

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This is the game that has, since the inception of the Western Lakes Activities Association, decided who would represent the Lakes Division in the WLAA championship match.

On Wednesday at Livonia Stevenson, neither the host team nor Plymouth Salem displayed the type of fervor necessary in a game of such magnitude. But the Spartans were able to take advantage of one more opportunity than Salem did, and that resulted in the game's only goal, giving Stevenson a 1-0 victory.

The game-winner came on a play started by Dana White. After getting fouled deep in the Salem end, just inside the right sideline, White quickly got the play restarted, centering the ball into the box.

Salem defenders were nearby, but were caught with their backs to the play. Melissa Dobbyn, a freshman forward, reached the ball first and easily beat Rocks' keeper Jill Dombrowski with 4:38 left in the match.

"Dana White saved our butt on that play just outside our goal, then she came down to this end and got the assist off the restart," said Stevenson coach Jim Kimble. "She played great, but it was a poor performance for us. I didn't think either team looked that great."

"We definitely didn't deserve to win. We played unenthused, we played completely flat. There weren't very many bright spots tonight."

The win pushed the record of the state's second-ranked team in Division I to 8-1 overall; Stevenson is 2-0 in the Lakes. Salem slipped to 7-2 overall, 2-1 in the division.

"I figured it would be a free kick that would decide it," Rocks' coach Joe Nora said. "As it got close to the end, I just thought it would be a free kick."

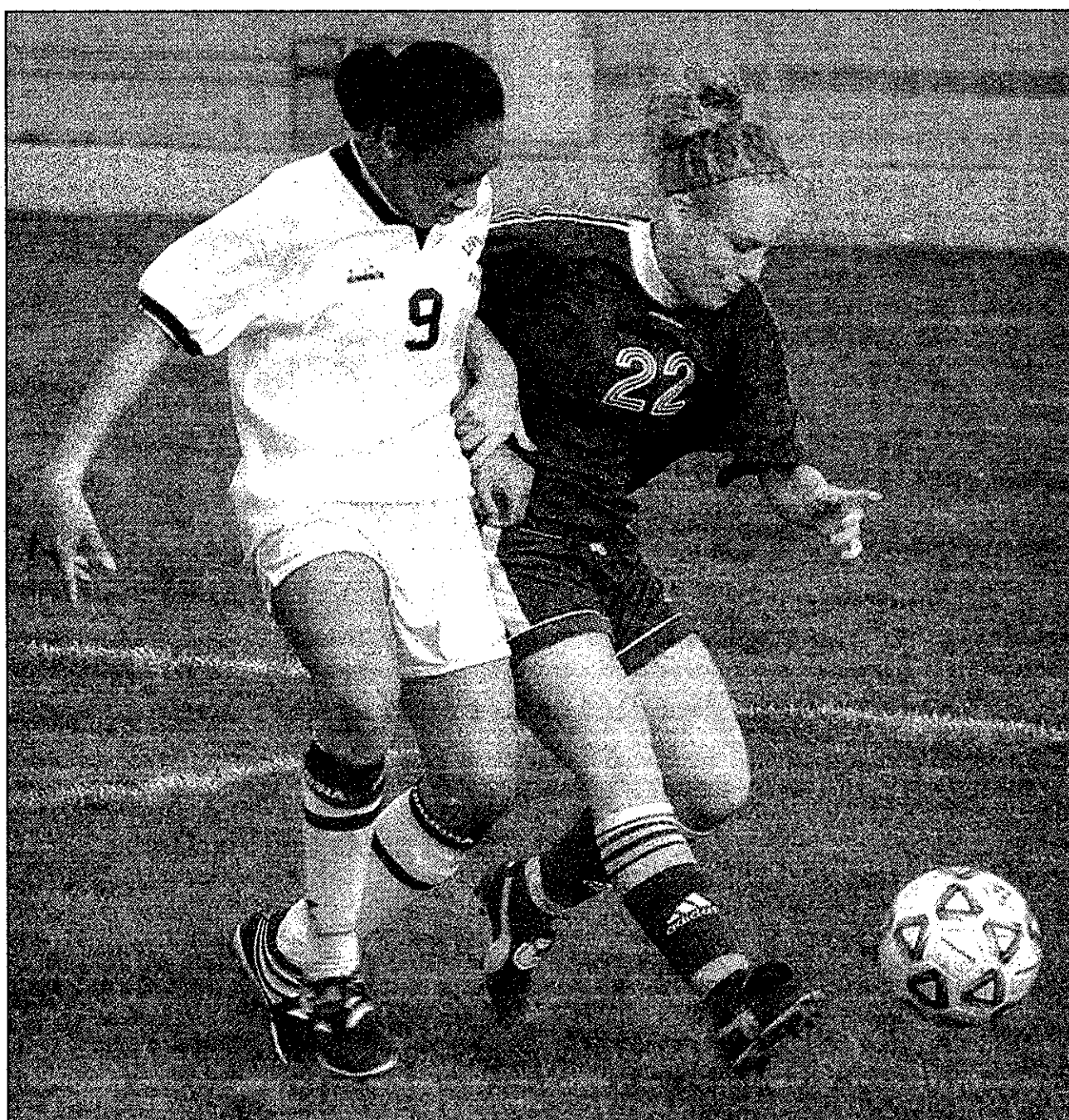
Nora wasn't entirely pleased with his team's performance, but he did say, "I thought it was a great effort, by both teams," then added, "I didn't say they played real well."

The first 20 minutes of the match were dominated by the Rocks. Salem had several chances to get on the board, but couldn't finish.

Kellee Mullin, a senior, had two of the best opportunities. With 26:15 left in the first half, she found herself alone in front of the Spartan goal, only keeper Katherine Koch in her path. But Mullin couldn't put her shot on net, shooting the ball wide.

With 23:00 left in the second half and the game still scoreless, Mullin again broke in on the left side of the goal, but this time her shot went right at Koch.

There were other missed chances, by both sides. Lindsay Gusick, Stevenson's All-State forward, shot wide of the net on a break with 10:20 remaining, then put a header off the crossbar above Dombrowski



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Positional rights: Salem's Megan Gourley (right) and Stevenson's Danielle Lewis battle for possession of the ball during Wednesday's pivotal match. Neither team had much of an advantage in the midfield clashes, but Stevenson got the edge on the scoreboard.

with just 1:15 to go in the half.

Perhaps Salem's best chance came with 8:40 to go in the game. The ball bounded away from several players and was rolling toward the Stevenson net,

with the Rocks' Marissa Sarkesian in pursuit. But White managed to slide-kick the ball away before Sarkesian could reach it, preserving the scoreless tie.

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OHL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Whalers eliminate Erie

It seemed everyone wanted a piece of the action. And quite a few of them got some.

In a series featuring the top two teams in the Ontario Hockey League, the Plymouth Whalers humbled the regular-season champion Erie Otters, eliminating them in five games.

Indeed, three of Plymouth's four wins came on Erie's home ice. The Whalers finished this season unbeaten at Erie, posting a 5-0-1 record.

The end of the line for the

Otters came last weekend, when the Whalers followed a 6-2 win Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena with a 7-4 triumph Sunday at Erie's Tullio Arena.

That carries Plymouth to its second-consecutive OHL Final, this time against the Ottawa 67s, who won the title in 1999. The best-of-seven championship series starts Saturday at Compuware.

A dozen players scored points in the Whalers' last two games,

led by Chad Wiseman, who scored three goals. Damian Surma contributed two goals and two assists, Kris Vernarsky had two goals and an assist, and Tomas Kurka collected a goal and three assists.

So much for having a single 'production line'.

As they did throughout the series, the Whalers got in front early in both games and didn't let up. On Saturday at Com-

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Ottawa: It won't be easy

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It's been a long year.

There are several members of the current Plymouth Whalers who can still envision it, and it's not a pretty

sight. They see those Barrie Colts parading around their ice, each player taking turns hoisting the trophy over his head and showing it off to any fans who cared to cheer.

The Whalers could only watch. The Colts had just eliminated Plymouth 4-2 in Game Seven of the OHL Championship Series, and they did it at Compuware Arena. As well as the Whalers had played throughout the playoffs, they weren't quite experienced enough to handle a team like Barrie.

Now they are. Or they should be.

On Saturday, the Whalers open their second-straight OHL Final by hosting the Ottawa 67s in Game One at 7:30 p.m. Game Two will be at Compuware as well, at 3 p.m. Sunday.

What happened last year can't be forgotten, but Whalers' coach Pete DeBoer won't be bothered by it now. He has Ottawa to draw his attention.

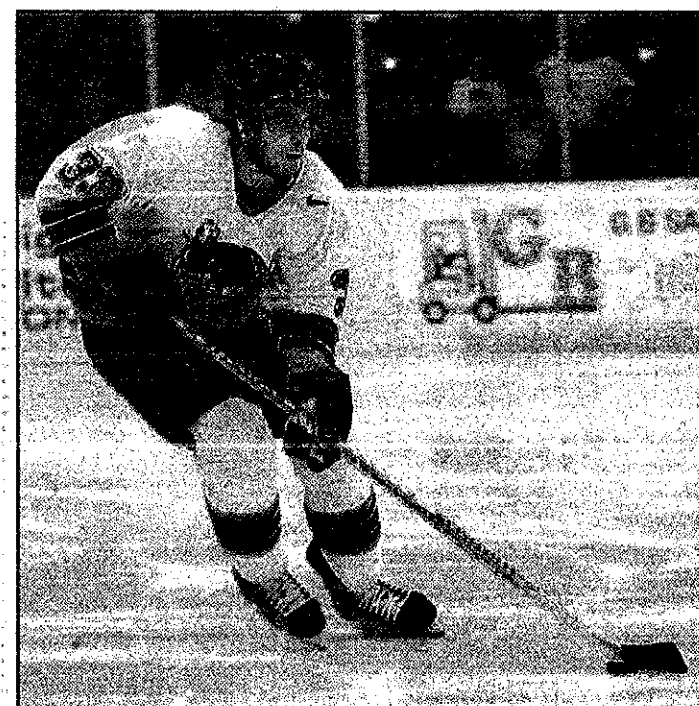
And there's plenty to deal with.

True, the 67s didn't enjoy their best season, at least until recently. They finished second during the regular season in the OHL's Eastern Division. Their final regular-season record was 33-21-10-4; they were the fourth seed in the Eastern Conference when the playoffs started.

None of that means a thing to DeBoer. "They are a great hockey team, and they have a great tradition," he noted, adding, "They won the Memorial Cup in 1999."

That's what the Whalers would like to take a shot at: winning the Memorial Cup. But first things first. The OHL champ will make that trip.

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Scoring menace? Labor Ustrnul has never been a noted scorer for the Whalers, but he had a goal and two assists in Sunday's win.

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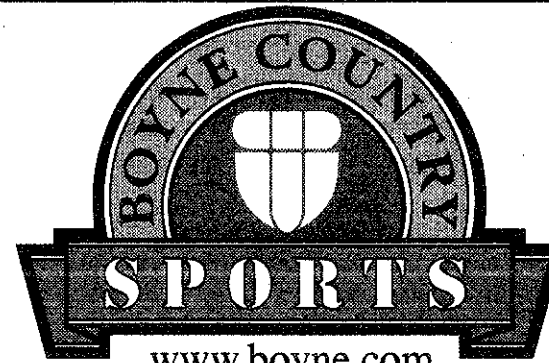
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Salem runs win streak to 6

Knowing the history of success involving Plymouth Salem's baseball team, it's really no surprise to hear it's won six-straight games (which it has).

The real surprise is that the Rocks are winning without a field to play on.

At the end of the 2000 season, Salem's field was leveled for construction of the new high school, with a promise that a new one would be built and ready to go by the start of this season.

Well, that hasn't happened. The 2001 campaign is half over and the Rocks still don't have a home field.

But on Monday, they traveled to Walled Lake Central and hammered out an 11-10 victory over the Vikings, improving their record to 8-4 overall and 3-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division.

"We're pitching pretty well and we're playing pretty good," said Salem coach Dale Rumberger. "We've got eight guys hitting over .300, and most of them are hovering around .400. We're hitting .322 as a team."

That kind of hitting will win some ballgames, but not as many as good pitching will. Last weekend Salem got both in a double-header sweep of North Farmington, 11-0 and 5-1, in conference games played at Lansing's Oldsmobile Park.

The key hit in the win over Central Monday came in the bottom of the fifth. The Rocks trailed 8-5 going into the inning but

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narrowed the gap to 8-7 and had the bases loaded with Chris Trott at the plate.

Trott came through with a two-out, bases-clearing triple that put Salem ahead to stay. He also had a double in the game.

Steve Mezgec had three hits (including a double) and Mike Thackaberry contributed a double and an RBI.

Niel Kowalik worked two innings of relief pitching, allowing two runs on two hits and a walk, to pick up the victory.

Salem 11-5, N. Farmington 0-1: In two WLAA games played in Lansing last Saturday, Plymouth Salem pitchers allowed just one run on five total hits in getting a sweep.

In the 11-0 opening game, stopped after five innings by the 10-run mercy rule, Thackaberry gave up two hits and a walk, striking out five to get the win. Jeff Granat took the loss for North Farmington.

Trott had three hits, including a pair of doubles, and drove in three runs for the Rocks. Chad Goethe added two hits, one of them a double, and had two RBI while Chris Eicher had two hits and scored two runs.

The second game was much closer. Kevin O'Beirne was the winning pitcher, working the first five innings and surrendering one run on two hits and two walks, striking out

five. Eicher had a two-run single in the third and Justin Barnett added an RBI single in the fifth. Tom Rossana took the loss.

PCA 17, Roeper 0: The trip to Bloomfield Hills Roeper was a short one for Plymouth Christian Academy.

The game was halted by the mercy rule after just three innings. Mark Erickson got the win; he did not give up a run, a hit or a walk, striking out three in three innings. He faced just nine batters.

Jim Morrison paced the Eagle hitters with a pair of doubles and three RBI. Travis Yonkman had a triple and a single, Clay Welton added a two-run single (he had three RBI in the game) and Lavaughn Stephenson had two hits.

The win boosted PCA's record to 4-3 overall, 1-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

Last Friday, Southfield Christian's Cory Krug outdueled PCA's Welton as Southfield won 1-0 at Griffin Park.

Welton gave up just four hits and three walks, striking out nine. Krug tossed a three-hitter, striking out 11.

The game's only run was scored in the sixth. Krug walked, was sacrificed to second and reached third on a wild pitch. He then scored on a sacrifice fly by Bob Nettleman.

Southfield Christian was 8-3 overall, 3-1 in the MIAC after the win.

Rocks stop Central, take 2nd at Taylor

It's been a nice run, and it's not over yet.

Plymouth Salem's softball team won three-straight games at Saturday's Taylor Invitational Tournament to reach the final, but Garden City derailed the Rocks at that point, beating them 13-5 in the title game.

But the Rocks didn't stay down. On Monday, they topped Western Lakes Activities Association rival Walled Lake Central 9-2 at Central.

Combined with their 3-1 record at Saturday's tournament, the Rocks boosted their record to 6-5 overall, 2-3 in the WLAA.

"Definitely, we're playing very well," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland.

A six-run seventh inning made Monday's win at Central appear lopsided, but Salem was clinging to a one-run lead going into the last inning.

Kristen Miller was the winning pitcher, allowing two runs on seven hits and one walk, with three strikeouts.

Kelly Jaskot and Jenn Allen provided key run-producing hits in the seventh. Jaskot drove in two runs with a single and Allen had an RBI triple. Amanda Bilkie's double leading off the seventh got the rally started.

Allen also had a two-run single in the sixth that broke a 1-1 tie, and Jaskot had a double.

In Saturday's tournament final, the Cougars riddled Salem's pitching, with tournament MVP Jill Merriman going 3-for-4 with a double and two RBI. Kim Gorsky was 4-for-4 with two runs scored, Erin Frankowicz had two hits and three RBI and Sarah Booth had two hits and two RBI. Lindsay Ritz was the winning pitcher.

Salem got its share of hits, too, with Dawn Allen collecting three singles, Mandy Bradley adding a triple and a single, Bilkie slashing two singles and driving in a run, and Jaskot slugging a two-run double.

Jill Posler started and took the pitching loss. Lindsay Ritz was the winning pitcher.

In the semifinals, Salem beat Taylor Kennedy 4-1, with Miller tossing a two-hitter. She walked two.

Salem scored all four of its runs in the fifth, with Katie Stropes driving in two with a single and Maggie Tudor and Jenn Warwick each contributing run-scoring singles.

The Rocks opened the tournament with an 11-4 victory over Melvindale. Posler

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allowed six hits but walked none, striking out seven, to get the win.

Rachel Heid had two doubles to lead the offense. Katie Kelly added two singles, Tudor had a two-run double and Amy Szawara doubled in a run.

In their second game, they knocked off Trenton (8-1 entering the tournament) 8-2, with Tudor going 3-for-3; Szawara driving in two runs with a double and another with a single; Jen Allen collecting two singles and two RBI; and Bradley hitting a two-run double and two singles.

Miller got the pitching win, giving up seven hits but no walks.

"It was a nice tournament," said Southerland. "The girls all played really well. Our pitchers are throwing strikes and the players are backing them up in the field."

On Thursday, Salem and Canton clash at 7 p.m. at Massey Field.

Agape 6-11, Baptist Park 7-3: Canton Agape Christian was in position to sweep the double-header, but Taylor Baptist Park rallied for three runs in the final two innings of the opener to pull out a victory.

The Wolverines left no such opportunity open in the second game.

Amber Cross was the hitting hero for Agape in both games. She was 4-for-4 with two doubles in the first game, then followed that with a 3-for-3 performance with a pair of triples, three runs scored and five runs batted in in the night cap.

Agape, now 7-5, led 4-2 after four innings of the first game. Baptist Park knotted it with two runs in the fifth, only to see Agape go back in front 6-4 with two runs in the sixth. But the Wildcats bounced back for the victory.

Margie Henry was 2-for-3 at the plate with two runs scored. She was also the losing pitcher, giving up 16 hits and two walks.

In the second game, Amy Henry was instrumental both on the mound and at the plate. She had two hits, including a double, and scored two runs at the plate, while at the mound she gave up just three hits and three walks, striking out four.

Andrea Hough also added two hits, one of them a triple, with two runs scored.

Baptist Park fell to 6-2.

Chiefs on rebound, beat Athens, Glenn

A corner turned?

Perhaps Plymouth Canton's soccer team has done just that. On Saturday at Canton, the Chiefs got a goal from Stephanie Johnson with just :39 remaining in the match to edge defending state champ Troy Athens 2-1.

"She came through with a nice one," said Canton coach Don Smith, his team improving to 5-

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2-1 overall with a 9-1 thrashing of Westland John Glenn Monday.

In Saturday's match against the Red Hawks, a scoreless first half was followed by an exciting second half. Athens got a goal

from Jessie Barrett early in the half to take a 1-0 lead, but with 21 minutes left Amanda Lentz knotted it for Canton, assisted by Johnson.

That set the stage for Johnson, who was assisted by Erica Aherns.

"We needed that," said Smith. "It was a big ball game for us. They're good, but I don't think they have the scoring they did last year."

Briana Wolcott was in goal for the Chiefs, making seven saves.

Canton's win over Western Lakes Activities Association rival John Glenn was a rout by halftime, although the Rockets did score to tie it at 1-1 early in the first half.

Anne Morrell poured in four goals and assisted on another to lead the Chiefs. Lentz had three goals and two assists, and Johnson and Kara Marsh each had goals. Allison Mills and Aherns had two assists apiece, with Rachel Perry getting one.

Wolcott, Kara Rhoades and Katie Maloni split time in goal.

Salem 8, W.L. Western 0: On Monday at Plymouth Salem, the

Rocks got goals from six players and senior keeper Jill Dombrowski recorded her sixth shutout in eight games against Walled Lake Western.

Jordan Falcusan and Marissa Sarkesian, both freshmen, scored two goals apiece to lead Salem, which lead 2-0 at the half. Nikki Anderson, Melinda Briones, Kellee Mullin and Natalie Thomas had one goal apiece.

The win pushed the Rocks' record to 7-1 overall going into yesterday's game against Livonia Stevenson.

On Saturday, Salem scored twice in the first half and held off Saline for a 2-0 win in a non-league match at Saline.

Sarkesian and Briones each scored goals for the Rocks, with Thomas and Anderson assisting.

"They're a big physical good team," said Salem coach Jim Nora. "It was back-and-forth, a hard-fought game in the midfield. But we got it done and were able to defend and possess most of the second half and keep the ball out of danger."

Dombrowski made 11 saves in goal for the Rocks.

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It happens every spring.
Or at least it's happened every one of the last 30 springs.

Saturday will mark the 31st spring for the Observerland Relays, one of the highlight meets of the track and field season for area high schools.

"It's good for the kids," said Tony Magni, coach of one of the meet favorites, Redford Catholic Central. "They know each other. They're all basically from the same neighborhood."

"They know what they (each other) can do. It's very competitive, yet there's a lot of mutual respect there."

"As a track and field athlete, you point to a few meets throughout the year. The Observerland is one they like to do well in."

This year's meet will be held at Redford Union's home facility, Hilbert Junior High. Field events start at 3:30 p.m. followed by the 110-meter hurdles and 100 dash prelims at 6 p.m. The finals start at 7 p.m.

Among the favorites — a role nobody seems to want — are defending champion Plymouth Canton, CC, Farmington Harrison, Northville and possibly Livonia city champion Churchill.

"What? Us? Catholic Central has to be the favorite," Canton's Bob Richardson protested.

"They won the Dearborn Elks; we got fourth."

"Tony's got another good team of distance kids, sprinters, hurdlers and relay teams. What he doesn't have is pole vault. That's where we will probably do well."

Three different schools dominate one of three segments of the meet and how well each of the three poach on the other's turf could determine the winner.

"What we have to do is score points in the field events," Harrison coach John Reed said, "and that's where Canton is strong and CC, too. CC is real strong in the distance events."

Canton appears strongest in the field events. Harrison dominates the sprint relays while CC is formidable in the distance relays.

The Chiefs won the pole vault last year and returns all three competitors: Jordan Chapman, Brian Page and Kevin Palmer.

"We've got a 14-footer, 12-footer and 11-6," Richardson said. "We should be able to score some pretty good points there. I would say we'll be one of the top three."

Also expected to be among the top three is Churchill, which has three of the top four pole vault heights on the area's top 10 list this spring.

The Chargers' Kevin Peterman (13-9), Howard Whitefoot (12-6) and Frank Baker (12-3) provide coach Rick Austin's team with tremendous balance in the event.

Andrew Ribar and Michael Ghannam also give Churchill the start of a good showing in the discus. "We have a very young team," Austin said.

■ OBSERVERLAND PREVIEW

31st OBSERVERLAND BOYS TRACK RELAYS

When: Saturday, May 5
Where: Redford Union's Kraft Field Alumni Track, 26440 Puritan (at Kinloch)

Order of events: 3:30 field events (pole vault, high jump, discus, shot put, long jump); 6 p.m. preliminary heats (110-meter hurdles, 100 dash); 6:30 p.m. finals (6400 relay, 110 hurdles, distance medley, 800 relay, 1,600 run, 3,200 relay, 100 dash, sprint medley, shuttle hurdle relay, 400 relay, 1,600 relay)

Participating teams: Redford Union, Redford Thurston, Redford Catholic Central, Redford Bishop Borgess, Redford St. Agatha, Garden City, Plymouth Canton (defending champion), Plymouth Salem, Livonia Churchill, Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevenson, Livonia Clarenceville, Westland John Glenn, Wayne Memorial, Farmington, North Farmington, Farmington Hills Harrison, Northville.

Admission: \$4, adults; \$1 seniors and elementary students.

"We're still filling holes. But I would never count us out. Anything can happen this year."

"Canton's got a very strong team. They're one of the more balanced teams and that's what you need to win the Observerland Relays."

Canton won last year's meet with 68 points, edging Harrison by three and CC by six.

"If we do well," Harrison's Reed said, "we can be up there. It will be a real competitive meet."

The Hawks scored heavily in the sprint relays a year ago and figure to do so again.

Harrison won the 400 relay and 800 relay events last season and returns two runners, Agim Shabab and Marcus Woods, from each foursome. The Hawks' Charles Pickett owns one of the area's 10-best times in the 100 and would be a candidate for at least one relay.

"The kids always run well," Reed said, "because they know it's a big meet."

(Brian) Coats could do well in the mile. We should get some points in the pole vault; the shot and discus, too. We'll be OK in the long jump.

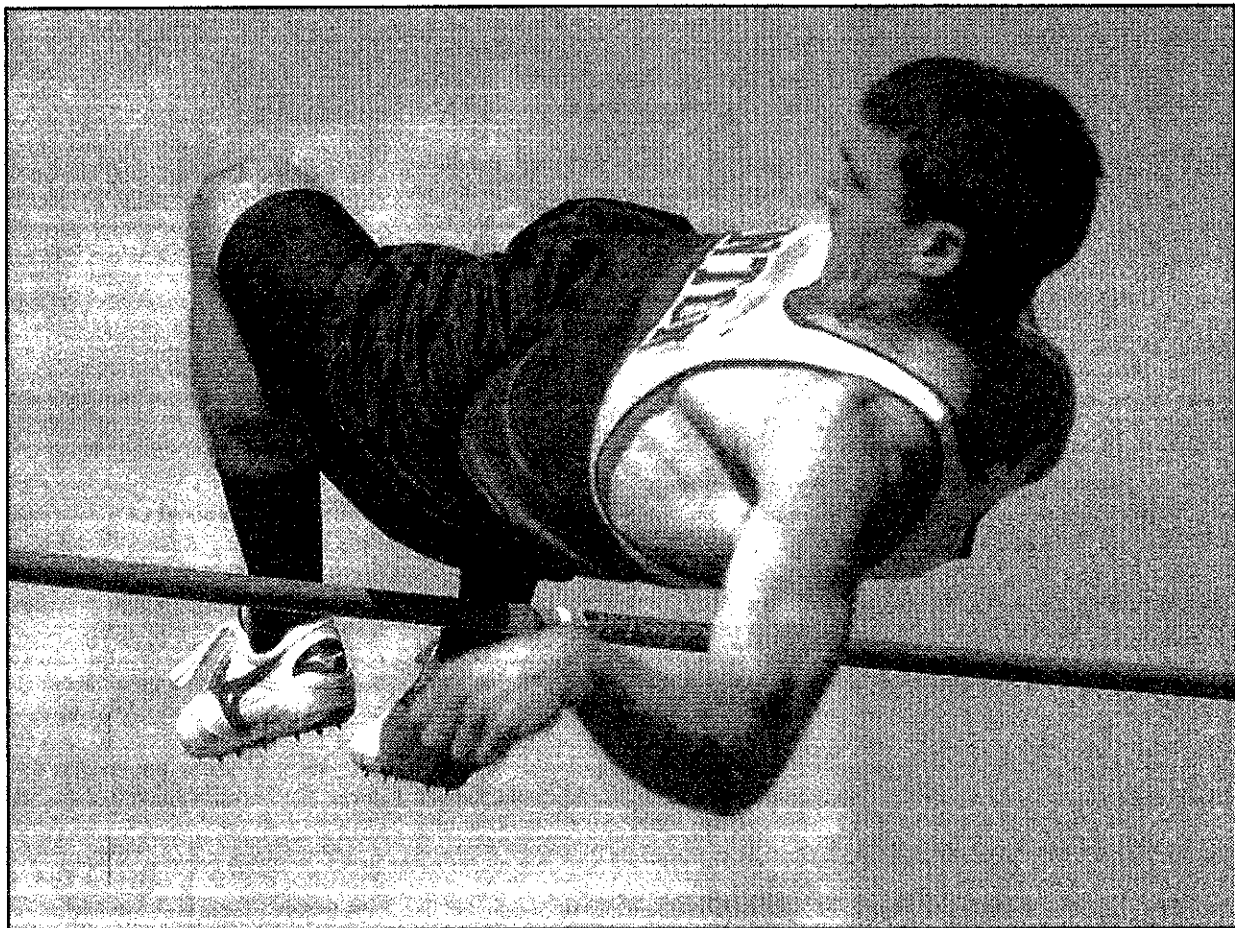
"We'll score some points in the field events, but we're not one of the top three teams. But, when we get on the track, I expect to be right up there with the best."

"If we do well in the field events, I expect us to be right there."

"I'll take the trophy without even running," CC's Magni chuckled. "I think we're one of maybe three or four teams that have a pretty good shot at it. Obviously we're not the only one."

"We're going to be strong in the distance events again. We'll be down a little bit in the field events, especially the shot and discus. As for the distance events, we'll hold our own there."

CC returns the 1,600 winner, Matt Daly, but he won't defend in a strategic move by Magni to maximize his team's points.



FILE PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

A major threat: Jordan Chapman is a big reason Canton is favored at this week-end's Observerland. Chapman could win the high jump, pole vault or 300 hurdles.

Both Donnie Warner of Plymouth Salem and Churchill's Ryan Gall have posted lower times than Daly in the 1,600 this season.

What Magni is going to do is ask Daly to double up in the distance relays.

"He'll run in the four-mile relay and then come back in the two-mile relay," Magni said. "We're not going to put him in the mile."

"Hopefully he'll be strong enough to do what we ask. We won both (the mile- and two-mile relays) last year with basically the same kids in each event. We lost two from last year, so hopefully putting Matt in there could make us as strong."

The Shamrocks will look for points in the hurdles from Tom Grant and in the 100-meter dash from Randell Means.

Richardson wanted no part of the favorite's role.

"To call us the favorite," he said, "that's the kiss of death. But we'll be one of the front-runners, I do believe that."

"We're not as strong (in the high jump) as last year, but we should place well in it. But we do have Chapman, plus a couple of freshmen and a sophomore."

"We should do fairly well in the long jump; we've

got a couple of guys in the 20s, plus a couple other at almost 19 we're picking from.

"Our shot and discus people are coming on. Hopefully, things will fall into place for us."

Canton has Brad Waidmann and Justin Bailey among the area's top-10 high jumpers and Ken Page coming on in the long jump.

CC's Grant has the best time in the 100-meter hurdles (15.1) and is the highest returning finisher from last year, when he placed sixth.

Favorite in the 100 is last year's winner, Darryl Anglin of Redford Bishop Borgess. He's got the best time in Observerland for the event, a 10.6 that is .3 under his winning time for last season.

Another contender will be Clarenceville's Tim Shaw, who won the Livonia City titles in the 100 and 200. He also finished second in the long jump. This is Clarenceville's first appearance in over 20 years.

"It's always great to see the kids' names in the paper," Magni said. "Canton is probably the favorite with all their speed. I know Bob may not think so, though."

They may not agree on the favorite, but they do agree it's going to be another quality meet.

Salem rolls to win over W.L. Central

Plymouth Salem improved its Western Lakes Activities Association dual-meet record to 3-0 with a 197-222 win over Walled Lake Central Monday at Bogey Lake Golf Course.

The Rocks got four solid scores in outshooting the Vikings. Danielle March and Kelly Tammie tied for top honors with 48s, followed by Ashley Burgess at 50 and Jenny Schwann at 51.

Next up for the Rocks is cross-creek rival Plymouth Canton, 4 p.m. Friday at Hilltop Golf Course.

Ladywood ties

Livonia Ladywood and Birmingham Marian battled to a 202-202 tie in a Catholic League dual meet Monday at Plymouth's St. John's.

The Blazers' Rachel Andersen earned medalist honors with a 45. Leah Andersen was next best for Ladywood with a 51, followed by Anne Kizer at 52 and Rachel Thomas at 54.

Marian was paced by Ashley Barazu, Julie Kluczynski and Katie Woch, each at 50.

Ladywood is 3-1-1 both overall

Ocelots 2nd in conference; states next

Schoolcraft College heads into this weekend's state junior college tournament at Crystal Mountain in second place in the Eastern Conference standings.

Sophomore captain Richie Romero made All-Conference by finishing sixth with a 248 from the three rounds that determined the conference standings.

The Ocelots scored 989 in the three meets to finish behind St. Clair Community College's 978.

Derek Lineberry (Plymouth Salem) and Brian Harnos (Garden City) tied for seventh, just missing All-Conference honors, with a 249 score.

Tom McCall (Garden City) totaled 251, tying for 12th, and Mark Doughty (Plymouth Salem) scored 253, placing 15th.

Schoolcraft's top player, Nikos Markellos (Redford Thurston) was unable to participate in last of the three events, the Mott CC Invitational on Monday, due to a

■ COLLEGE GOLF

final exam.

Harnos was Schoolcraft's low scorer Monday with an 81 at the Brookwood Golf Club. He was eighth as the Ocelots finished third with a 334 total.

Lineberry and McCall each

shot 84 while Doughty and Romero carded 85s.

The second tournament, the Wayne County CCD Invitational, was Saturday at Rouge Park Golf Course. Lineberry was SC's low shooter with a 79.

Romero scored an 80, Markellos 83 while Doughty and McCall carded 84s. Harnos turned in an 87 as Schoolcraft scored 326 to

finish third.

The Eastern Conference's first tournament, the Oakland CC Invitational, was Friday at Pontiac Country Club. SC totaled 329 for a fourth-place finish.

Harnos was the low shooter with an 81 while Markellos shot 82. Romero and McCall recorded 83s while Doughty shot 84 and Lineberry an 86.

■ PREP GOLF

and in the Catholic League.

Farmington tops Churchill

Farmington Unified's better all-around depth was the difference Monday in a WLAA dual meet at Glen Oaks Golf Course in Farmington.

Karolyn Knutson shot a 41 and Kelly Raymond had a 42 to lead Farmington, which had all four scorers at 50 or under. Sarah Laird shot 44 and Chrissy Dwyer a 50.

Churchill's Kelly Parzuchowski tied Knutson for medalist honors with a 41. Next best for the Chargers was Gina Polce at 45, with Heidi Aittama and Katy Reck each at 49.

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Brighton best at Lady Chiefs

One thing was clear at last Saturday's 11-team Lady Chiefs Relays: Brighton was by far the top team.

The Bulldogs scored 102 points to easily outdistance second-place Dearborn Divine Child's 59. Dearborn was third with 57, followed by Walled Lake Central's 49, Livonia Churchill's 44, Plymouth Canton's 37, Westland John Glenn's 34, Livonia Ladywood's 22, Adrian's 13, Plymouth Salem's 10 and Harper Woods Regina's nine.

Four meet records were set, and Churchill set two of them.

TRACK

The Chargers' 4x3,200-meter relay team of Susan Duncan, Lindsay Gould, Nicole Renaud and Rachel Wadyke set one and their pole vault team set another (25-feet, 6-inches).

Divine Child's distance medley also set a new record (13:00.5) and Central's sprint medley relay did, too (3:00.4).

Brighton's wins came in the 4x400 relay (4:16.0), the 4x800 hurdles (3:26.6), the 4x800 relay

(10:04.0), the high jump relay (14-4) and the long jump relay (45-8 1/2).

John Glenn finished first in three events: the 4x200 (1:48.9), the 4x100 (51.8) and the thrower's relay (1:00.8). Ladywood also had a win in the discus relay (262-8), while Divine Child got a second win in the shot put relay (88-10) and Central had a first in the shuttle hurdle relay (1:11.0).

The Rocks split their squad, sending some to the West Bloomfield Invitational and some to the Lady Chiefs.

GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

WEST BLOOMFIELD GIRLS TRACK INVITATIONAL (Saturday at West Bloomfield HS)

TEAM SCORES — 1. Rochester Adams, 83; 2. Plymouth Salem, 62; 3. Detroit Mumford, 56; 4. White Lake Lakeland, 51; 5. Southfield, 48; 6. Rochester, 42; 7. Detroit Cass Tech, 38; 8. Pinckney, 28; 9. Pontiac Northern, 27; 10. Monroe, 17; 11. Birmingham Groves, 13; 12. Troy Athens, 10; 13. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 8; 14. (tie) Detroit Benedictine and West Bloomfield, 5; 16. Southfield-Lathrup, 3.

POLE VAULT — 1. Jenny Jedlick (PS), 8-10; 2. Shannon Quinlan (L), 8-6; 3. Jenny McEwen (P), 8-2; 4. Heather Kerver (L), 7-10; 5. Kim Brown (PS), 7-6; 6. Val Thompson (M), 7-0.

DISCUS — 1. Amy Bicknell (R), 109-7; 2. Alexis Haftka (RA), 100-3; 3. Jody Stanifer (M), 99-0; 4. Ashley Shear (PS), 98-4; 5. Julie Walterit (TA), 98-1; 6. Ekoyata Winfun (BG), 97-3.

SHOT PUT — 1. Shatanda Friend (PN), 34-7 1/2; 2. Jody Stanifer (M), 33-6 3/4; 3. Rea Campian (BHL), 33-1 1/2; 4. Jane Schell (R), 33-0; 5. Talissa Sanders (RA), 32-10 1/2; 6. Michelle Bonior (PS), 32-8 1/4.

LONG JUMP — 1. Taylor Washington (SL), 16-5; 2. Pam Treppa (RA), 15-10;

3. Angela Hayes (DM), 15-7; 4. Kate Maxwell (L), 15-5; 5. Jenny Trombull (P), 15-2; 6. Carley Wissner (L), 14-11.

HIGH JUMP — 1. Lela Nelson (DM), 5-1; 2. Lukina Burks (PN), 5-0; 3. Autumn Hicks (PS), 4-11; 4. Kimleeta Davis (DM), 4-10; 5. Whitney Innes (L), 4-9; 6. Niki Vasher (P), 4-8.

100 — 1. Karla Marshall (DCT), 12.2; 2. Jessica Shamerger (PS), 12.7; 3. Jenny Trombull (P), 13.0; 4. Tiffany Alexander (DM), 13.0; 5. Michelle Bonior (PS), 13.0; 6. Ebony Williams (SL), 13.1.

800 RELAY — 1. Cass Tech, 1:43.7; 2. Mumford, 1:44.3; 3. Adams, 1:48.8; 4. Salem, 1:49.1; 5. Benedictine, 1:50.3; 6. West Bloomfield, 1:51.1.

1,600 — 1. Katie Boyles (RA), 5:11.4; 2. Kristyn Kern (L), 5:21.8; 3. Shannon McElroy (P), 5:27.4; 4. Ashley Abramson (WB), 5:27.8; 5. Leigha Christian (R), 5:28.5; 6. Andrea Moreland (RA), 5:30.2.

100 HURDLES — 1. Lindsay Bond (S), 14.1; 2. Lela Nelson (DM), 14.7; 3. Ariss Seals (DCT), 15.2; 4. Kate Maxwell (L), 15.7; 5. Katie Thomas (L), 15.9; 6. Charlese Greer (PN), 16.3.

SHUTTLE HURDLES — 1. Lakeland, 1:09.3; 2. Southfield, 1:11.8; 3. Salem, 1:12.2; 4. Pontiac Northern, 1:13.3; 5. Pinckney, 1:14.1; 6. Monroe, 1:25.2.

SPRINT MEDLEY RELAY — 1. Cass Tech, 4:15.1; 2. Adams, 4:23.6; 3. Rochester, 4:30.9; 4. Pinckney, 4:31.8; 5. Salem, 4:32.6; 6. Benedictine, 4:44.2.

300 HIGH HURDLES — 1. Lindsay Bond (S), 44.5; 2. Kate Maxwell (L), 46.3; 3. Angela Hayes (DM), 46.5; 4. Vicky Scheffler (TA), 48.0; 5. Lisa Fair (TA), 48.6; 6. Stacie Schmedding (PS), 49.1.

1,600 RELAY — 1. Mumford, 4:07.9; 2. Adams, 4:11.3; 3. Salem, 4:18.8; 4. Rochester, 4:22.0; 5. Benedictine, 4:25.1; 6. Monroe, 4:25.3.

3,200 — 1. Katie oyles (RA), 11:11.6; 2. Elizabeth Hoefing (R), 11:37.1; 3. Rebecca Walter (BG), 11:47.4; 4. Sarah Bolton (RA), 12:05.5; 5. Taylor Bones (BHL), 12:07.9; 6. Brittany Malover (TA), 12:44.9.

3,200 RELAY — 1. Adams (Andrea Moreland, Erin Taylor, Denitra Robinson, Shannon Stanley), 9:45.0; 2. Rochester, 9:55.3; 3. Groves, 10:17.0; 4. Salem, 10:22.0; 5. Cass Tech, 10:37.0; 6. Troy Athens, 10:41.0.

400 RELAY — 1. Southfield (Taylor Washington, Lindsay Bond, Cassie Jackson, Kristen Wiggins), 51.6; 2. Adams, 52.1; 3. Salem, 52.2; 4. Pontiac Northern, 52.5; 5. Lathrup, 52.5; 6. Pinckney, 52.5.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL

Thursday, May 3

Salem at Redford Union, 4 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Greater Life vs. Agape, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 4

Canton at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.
Farmington vs. Salem, 4 p.m.
Churchill at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Gib. Carlson, 4 p.m.
PCA at Zoe Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Liggett at C'ville, 4:30 p.m.
Luth. North at Luth. W'sld, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 5

Whitmore Lake Tourney, 9:30 a.m.
Redford Union Tourney, 10 a.m.
(all double-headers)
Purcell Marion (Ohio) vs. Salem, noon
Belleville at John Glenn, 11 a.m.
Redford CC at Notre Dame, 2 p.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Thursday, May 3

Canton vs. Salem, 7 p.m.
at Massey Field
Franklin at Northville, 4 p.m.
Agape vs. A.A. Greenhills, 4 p.m.
at Softball City
Luth. North at Luth. W'sld, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 4

Salem at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Harrison at Canton, 4 p.m.
PCA at Zoe Christian, 4 p.m.
W.L. Western at Churchill, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Gib. Carlson at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Ladywood at Mercy (2), 4 p.m.
Liggett at C'ville, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 5

Brandon Tournament, 8 a.m.
RU Tournament, 9 a.m.
Monroe Invitational, 9 a.m.
Salem Tournament, 9 a.m.

Sunday, May 6

Brandon Tournament, 8 a.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Thursday, May 3

Harper Wds. at Luth. W'sld, 4:30 p.m.
Riv. Richard at Ladywood, 5:30 p.m.
Wayne at Tay. Kennedy, 5:30 p.m.
Thurston at Franklin, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 4

Canton at Troy, 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 5

Regina at Ladywood, 1:30 p.m.

BOYS TRACK

Thursday, May 3

Northville at Canton, 5:30 p.m.
Harrison at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
W.L. Western at Franklin, 3:30 p.m.
N. Farmington at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.
Salem at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.
Dearborn at Wayne, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 5

Flat Rock Ram Relays, TBA.
Observerland Relays
at RU, 3:30 p.m. & 6 p.m.

GIRLS TRACK

Thursday, May 3

Canton at Northville, 3:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Salem, 3:30 p.m.
Churchill at Harrison, 3:30 p.m.
Franklin at W.L. Western, 3:30 p.m.
Stevenson at N. Farmington, 3:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Salem, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 5

Wayne at Allen Park, 3:30 p.m.
Tory Clark Relays, 9:45 a.m.
Stevenson Invitational, 10 a.m.
Stafford Relays, 10:30 a.m.
Flat Rock Ram Relays, TBA.

BOYS TENNIS

Thursday, May 3

Northville at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Redford CC vs. A.A. Huron
at Schoolcraft College, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 5

Harrison at Canton, 4 p.m.
Franklin at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.
Salem at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Thurston, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 5

Woodhaven Warrior Invite, 8 a.m.
Grand Blanc Tourney, 8 a.m.
Monroe Trojan Classic, 9 a.m.

GIRLS GOLF

Thursday, May 3

John Glenn at Northville, 3 p.m.
Ladywood vs. A.A. Richard
at Huron Hills, 3 p.m.

Friday, May 4

Salem vs. Canton,
3 p.m. at Hilltop
Traverse City Inv., 9 a.m.

Ladywood Invitational
at Inkster Valley, 1 p.m.
Churchill vs. W.L. Central
at Whispering Willows, 3 p.m.
Franklin vs. Farmington
at Idyl Wyld, 3 p.m.
Saturday, May 5
Traverse City Inv., 9 a.m.

BOYS LACROSSE

Friday, May 4

QC at Cincinnati Moeller, 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 5
Redford CC at Kilbourne, 2 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL

(all double-headers)

Friday, May 4

Tiffin (Ohio) at Madonna, 2 p.m.
Saturday, May 5
St. Xavier (Ill.) at Madonna, 1 p.m.

Sunday, May 6

St. Xavier (Ill.) at Madonna, 11 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL

(all double-headers)

Thursday, May 3

Saginaw Valley vs. Madonna
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Thursday, May 10

Whalers vs. Ottawa 67's
at Ottawa Civic Centre, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 11

Whalers vs. Ottawa 67's
at Ottawa Civic Centre, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 13

Whalers vs. Ottawa 67's (if necessary)
at Compuware Arena, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, May 15

Whalers vs. Ottawa 67's (if necessary)
at Ottawa Civic Centre, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 16

Whalers vs. Ottawa 67's (if necessary)
at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Bicycle rally

The Wolver-Bents Recumbent Cyclists will hold its fourth annual Michigan Recumbent Bicycle Rally from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 12 at Willow Metropark.

Recumbents are bicycles which have the rider sit in a chair-like seat instead of a narrow saddle.

The event includes bicycle displays, dealers and a seminar for first-time buyers from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The rally is free although there is a \$3 park entrance fee.

For more information, call (734) 487-9058 or check the web-site at www.lmb.org/wolbents.

Cheering tryouts

Tryouts for the Eurostars Competitive All-Star Cheer Team will be held at 12:30 p.m. on May 6, at the Eurostars Gymnastics Academy in Plymouth. Girls who will be in ninth through 12th grades next school year are eligible to tryout.

For information, call Heather Fischer at (734) 231-3109 or e-

mail her at hdfischer@home.com.

Flag football

Total Soccer will be running a seven-on-seven flag football league beginning Thursdays, May 3 through June 21.

The competitive indoor league will be for players 18 years and up. Flags provided. Team rosters will be a maximum of 17. The cost is \$799 per team (\$79 per individual).

For more information, call (248) 669-9817.

SOCCER STATE RANKINGS

Girls Soccer State Rankings
(5-1 by MHSSCA)

Division 1 — Portage Central; 2. Livonia Stevenson; 3. Plymouth Canton; 4. Troy Athens; 5. Troy; 6. Plymouth Salem; 7. Northville; 8. Lake Orion; 9. Brighton; 10. Grand Haven.

Honorable-Mention — Utica Eisenhower, Rochester Adams, Sterling Heights Stevenson, Saginaw Heritage, Ann Arbor Pioneer, Holland West Ottawa.

Division 2 — Madison Heights Bishop Foley; 2. Portage Northern; 3. Birming-

ham Seaholm; 4. Bloomfield Hills Lahser; 5. Birmingham Groves; 6. Midland Dow; 7. Birmingham Marian; 8. Battle Creek Lakeview; 9. Auburn Hills Avondale; 10. Grosse Pointe North.

Honorable-Mention — Mattawn, Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central, Farmington, Trenton, East Lansing, Royal Oak Kimball.

Division 3 — 1. East Grand Rapids; 2. Plainwell; 3. Birmingham-Detroit Country Day; 4. Flint Powers Catholic; 5. St. Clair Shores South Lake; 6. Jackson Lumen Christi; 7. Linden; 8. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep; 9. Marshall; 10. (tie)

DeWitt and Haslett.

Honorable-Mention — Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, Hudsonville Unity Christian.

Division 4 — 1. Kalamazoo Christian; 2. Lake Fenton; 3. Clawson; 4. Frankenth; 5. Grand Rapids Baptist; 6. Royal Oak Shrine; 7. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett; 8. Harbor Springs; 9. Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker; 10. (tie) Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic and Suttons Bay.

Honorable-Mention — Ann Arbor Greenhills, Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central, Riverview Gabriel Richard, Bloomfield Hills Roeper.

BEST GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD PERFORMANCES

SHOT PUT

Judy Telford (Mercy) 36-3/4
Michelle Bonior (Salem) 33-6 1/2
Mia Henderson (Churchill) 32-11
Christin Jury (Ladywood) 32-6
Samantha Foggio (Mercy) 31-7
Sarah DiMeglio (Canton) 31-3
Hillary Murray (Mercy) 30-11 3/4
Jamie Irvin (Garden City) 30-7
Jocelyn Atkins (Farmington) 30-6 1/2
Christin Jury (Ladywood) 30-6

DISCUS

Judy Telford (Mercy) 129-0
Sara Dudas (Ladywood) 109-11
Anne Roosevelt (Mercy) 104-7
Tarin Dew (Harrison) 103-5 1/2
Megan Kelley (Redford Union) 101-10
Christin Jury (Ladywood) 99-9
Jenny Harb (Franklin) 97-1
Katie Hogan (Churchill) 96-5
Lauren Kmet (Franklin) 95-4
Sue Hand (N. Farmington) 95-4

HIGH JUMP

Karen Abramczyk (Luth. Westland) 5-4
Andrea Polasky (Stevenson) 5-2
Alexis Noel (Ladywood) 5-2
Autumn Hicks (Salem) 5-1
Karen Kuzynski (Ladywood) 5-0

Kelly Ward (Ladywood) 4-10

Deidre Jones (Mercy) 4-10

Sarah Nallet (Farmington) 4-10

Maggie Condeni (Harrison) 4-10

Whitney Johnson (Mercy) 4-10

LONG JUMP

Alexis Noel (Ladywood) 17-0

Jessica Shamberger (Salem) 16-2

Stephanie Dean (Churchill) 15-11

Melanie Banks (Harrison) 15-10

Kate Bouschet (Farmington) 15-9

LaTasha Chandler (John Glenn) 15-8 1/2

Karen Abramczyk (Luth. Westland) 15-7 1/2

Katie Pfankuch (Stevenson) 15-3 3/4

Dominique Powells (Redford Union) 15-2

Colleen Bosman (Stevenson) 15-1/2

POLE VAULT

Kim Wise (Garden City) 11-0

Amy Driscoll (Canton) 9-6

Julietta Iarha (Harrison) 9-0

Nicole Simonian (John Glenn) 8-6

Jennifer Jedlick (Salem) 8-6

Melanie Hein (Churchill) 8-0

Erica Wolski (Franklin) 8-0

Katie Pfankuch (Churchill) 8-0

Ashley Janaulis (Stevenson) 7-6

Abbie Schrader (Stevenson) 7-6

Sarah Snow (Churchill) 7-6

Sarah Sargol (Harrison) 7-6

Kelly Clark (Luth. Westland) 7-6

100-METER HURDLES

LaTasha Chandler (John Glenn) 14.9

Stephanie Dean (Churchill) 15.8

Whitney Johnson (Mercy) 16.1

Alexis Noel (Ladywood) 16.3

Kristel Stricker (Farmington) 16.7

Stacey Schmedding (Salem) 17.0

Angela Fodor (Harrison) 17.1

Latoya Burrell (Harrison) 17.2

Colleen Bosman (Stevenson) 17.3

Megan Casey (Stevenson) 17.7

300-METER HURDLES

Whitney Johnson (Mercy) 47.6

Colleen Bosman (Stevenson) 50.4

Kristel Stricker (Farmington) 50.4

Erriane Bundle (Salem) 50.5

Stacey Schmedding (Salem) 51.8

Mandy Hein (Churchill) 52.0

Latoya Burrell (Harrison) 52.1

Angela Fodor (Harrison) 52.5

Jennifer Jedlick (Salem) 52.8

Megan Casey (Stevenson) 53.4

100-METER DASH

Alexandria Marshall (Mercy) 12.7

To'inia White (John Glenn) 12.7

Danielle Miller (Churchill) 13.0

Meredith Fox (Canton) 13.1

Alyse White (Churchill) 13.1

Melissa Lokken (Churchill) 13.1

Crystal Wise (Harrison) 13.1

Angie Matthews (Luth. Westland) 13.1

Michelle Bonior (Salem) 13.2

Sierra Miller (Ladywood) 13.2

Jessica Shamberger (Salem) 13.2

Erika Branch (Mercy) 13.2

200-METER DASH

Alexandria Marshall (Mercy) 25.7

Crystal Wise (Harrison) 27.0

Jessica Shamberger (Salem) 27.1

Kate Bouschet (Farmington) 27.2

Melanie Banks (Harrison) 27.2

Christina Redd (Canton) 27.5

Melissa Lokken (Churchill) 27.6

To'inia White (John Glenn) 27.7

Michelle Bonior (Salem) 27.7

Kathy Carey (Ladywood) 27.8

400-METER DASH

Alexandria Marshall (Mercy) 1:00.8

Meredith Fox (Canton) 1:01.7

Michelle Phillips (Churchill) 1:02.5

Deidre Jones (Mercy) 1:02.6

Autumn Hicks (Salem) 1:02.9

Stephanie Dean (Churchill) 1:03.1

Rita Malec (Franklin) 1:03.1

Laura Glynn (Harrison) 1:03.1

Ria Hill (Harrison) 1:04.2

Angie Matthews (Luth. Westland) 1:04.2

800-METER RUN

Michelle Phillips (Churchill) 2:27.7

Linda Montgomery (Stevenson) 2:30.6

Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson) 2:31.5

Jordan Falcusan (Salem) 2:31.6

Clara Fletcher (Harrison) 2:33.0

Anne Lieberman (N. Farmington) 2:34.0

Heather Whittington (Salem) 2:36.2

Tess Kuehne (Lutheran Westland) 2:36.8

Rachel Wodyka (Churchill) 2:38.3

Andrea Doud (Ladywood) 2:38.5

1,600-METER RUN

Michelle Phillips (Churchill) 5:25.0

Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson) 5:35.0

Kelly Kuo (N. Farmington) 5:38.2

Susan Barrows (N. Farmington) 5:38.4

Susan Duncan (Churchill) 5:42.0

Nicole Moundros (N. Farmington) 5:42.0

Heather Vandette (Stevenson) 5:42.9

Tess Kuehne (Lutheran Westland) 5:43.6

Rachel Wodyka (Churchill) 5:44.0

Lindsay Gould (Churchill) 5:44.7

3,200-METER RUN

Susan Duncan (Churchill) 11:57.7

Susan Barrows (N. Farmington) 11:58.0

Heather Vandette (Stevenson) 12:20.2

Lindsay Gould (Churchill) 12:20.2

Sara Pilon (Stevenson) 12:20.9

Nicole Renaud (Churchill) 12:22.0

Tess Kuehne (Luth. Westland) 12:25.2

Claire Czaplicki (Farmington) 12:29.3

Rachel Wodyka (Churchill) 12:32.7

Christine Metry (Harrison) 12:41.3

400-METER RELAY

Plymouth Salem 52.1

Westland John Glenn 53.0

Livonia Stevenson 53.3

Livonia Ladywood 53.6

Livonia Churchill 53.7

800-METER RELAY

Plymouth Salem 1:48.9

Westland John Glenn 1:53.2

Farmington Harrison 1:53.6

North Farmington 1:54.5

Plymouth Canton 1:55.0

1,600-METER RELAY

Farmington Hills Meroy 4:15.7

Livonia Churchill 4:22.0

Plymouth Salem 4:22.2

Livonia Stevenson 4:22.7

Farmington Harrison 4:24.7

3,200-METER RELAY

Livonia Stevenson 10:12.6

Farmington Harrison 10:14.0

Livonia Churchill 10:15.7

North Farmington 10:27.7

Lutheran Westland 10:34.6

BEST BOYS TRACK PERFORMANCES

SHOT PUT

Mark Snyder (Salem) 52-9 1/2
Nate Meckes (Lutheran Westland) 52-3 1/2
Josh Meckes (Lutheran Westland) 50-1
Eric Moten (Canton) 46-10
Adam Abels (Garden City) 45-1
Bennie Oliphant (John Glenn) 44-10
Brandon Kaploe (N. Farmington) 44-9
DeMarr Davis (Churchill) 44-6 1/2
Andrew Ribar (Churchill) 44-3 1/2
Scott Bowling (Redford CC) 44-2

DISCUS

Nate Meckes (Lutheran Westland) 160-6
Andrew Ribar (Churchill) 138-3
Steve Burke (Stevenson) 135-0
Brian Jacket (Redford CC) 131-0
Mark Snyder (Salem) 130-11
Nick Hendra (Churchill) 128-0
Brandon Kaploe (N. Farmington) 126-2
Bennie Oliphant (John Glenn) 125-9
Jason Reed (Harrison) 123-7
Michael Ghannam (Churchill) 122-10

HIGH JUMP

Jordan Chapman (Canton) 6-5
Dave Hoskins (Salem) 6-3
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 6-3
Jeff Ross (Harrison) 6-0
Adam Carpenter (Clarenceville) 6-0
Mike Leach (N. Farmington) 5-10
Brad Waldmann (Canton) 5-10
Jason Burke (Lutheran Westland) 5-10
Layne Bodily (Farmington) 5-10
Jeremy Mazes (Farmington) 5-10
Darnell Dorris (John Glenn) 5-10

LONG JUMP

Tom Grant (Redford CC) 20-7 1/2
Josh Meckes (Lutheran Westland) 20-7 1/4
Jawoin Spinks (Farmington) 20-6 1/2
Randy Lee (Wayne) 20-5 1/2
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 20-3 1/2
Eric Scott (Churchill) 20-3
Tim Shaw (Clarenceville) 20-1
Ken Page (Canton) 20-1
Emmanuel Parker (John Glenn) 20-1/2
Jarnell Johnson (Harrison) 19-11

POLE VAULT

Jordan Chapman (Canton) 14-3
Kevin Peterman (Churchill) 13-9
Shannon Simon (Garden City) 13-6
Howard Whitefoot (Churchill) 12-6
Frank Baker (Churchill) 12-3
Kevin Palmer (Canton) 12-0
Dan Perach (N. Farmington) 12-0
Brian Page (Canton) 11-6
Adam Haller (Lutheran Westland) 11-6
Eric Latochkin (Harrison) 11-0

110-METER HURDLES

Tom Grant (Redford CC) 15.1
Mike Leach (N. Farmington) 15.5
Rob Showalter (Salem) 15.8
Dan Kobus (Canton) 16.1
Ron Friend (Franklin) 16.1
Jeremy Morse (Churchill) 15.9
Kevin Peterman (Churchill) 16.0
Brian Sinar (N. Farmington) 16.1
Rob Greer (Lutheran Westland) 16.1
Brian Johns (N. Farmington) 16.3

300-METER HURDLES

Mike Leach (N. Farmington) 41.3
Ron Friend (Franklin) 42.0
Kevin Kusch (Stevenson) 42.4
Jeremy Morse (Churchill) 42.5
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 42.5
Rob Showalter (Salem) 42.7
Tom Grant (Redford CC) 42.7
Mike Siwicki (Redford CC) 43.1
Alex Carravallah (Redford CC) 43.4
Rob Greer (Lutheran Westland) 43.6

100-METER DASH

Darryl Anglin (Bishop Borgess) 10.6
Jeremy Mazes (Farmington) 11.0
Agim Shabaj (Harrison) 11.0
Tim Shaw (Clarenceville) 11.0
Rob Gentry (John Glenn) 11.0
Jerry Gaines (Canton) 11.1
Marcus Woods (Harrison) 11.1

Mike Clark (Lutheran Westland) 11.2

Eric Scott (Churchill) 11.3

Charles Pickett (Harrison) 11.3

Randell Means (Redford CC) 11.3

Deris Rolle (Redford Union) 11.3

200-METER DASH

Agim Shabaj (Harrison) 22.6

Jawoin Spinks (Farmington) 22.7

Tim Shaw (Clarenceville) 22.7

Tom McKee (Churchill) 22.8

Mike Parker (Canton) 22.9

Jerry Gaines (Canton) 23.1

Mike Clark (Lutheran Westland) 23.1

Deris Rolle (Redford Union) 23.1

Jeremy Mazes (Farmington) 23.2

Dan Howerly (Stevenson) 23.2

400-METER DASH

John Moore (Franklin) 50.6

Jerry Gaines (Canton) 50.8

Terrill Mayberry (Harrison) 51.2

Dave Novara (Stevenson) 52.0

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RELIGIOUS LOVE

Single female, Born Again Christian, 5'5", 130 lbs, with brown hair and hazel eyes. Looking for a Born Again Christian male, who loves the Lord. BOX 11042

READY, SET, CALL

Divorced white female, 40, 5'7 1/2", green eyes, medium build, professionally employed. Enjoys the summer, fall, beach, horse back riding. Love to meet new people and go camping. Seeking male, 38 to 48, 5'10" and up, non-smoking and employed. BOX 11113

LOVE TO HEAR FROM U

Divorced white female, single, professional. Looking for a single or divorced white male, 46 to 60, non-smoker. Wayne County. BOX 11302

TAKE ME AS I AM

Divorced, 40 yr old mother of three. Enjoys dancing, laughing and the outdoors. Seeking someone who is sincere, honest, appreciates children and has similar interests. BOX 14373

THE TIME IS NOW

Attractive female, blonde hair, blue eyes, 5'7", 140 lbs, seeking a warm, sincere, honest gentleman who likes animals and children. Interests include comedy clubs, adventure, dancing, swimming, movies, and more. BOX 14616

EXPLORER OF LIFE

Single white female, 50, 5'4", medium build, long blonde hair and blue eyes. Seeking a sincere Christian male. Together let us enjoy Harley's, concerts and having good times. BOX 26697

FULL OF ENERGY

Single black female, full figured, 5'2", black hair, brown eyes, enjoys movies, dining out. Seeking single older white male, for dating. BOX 32510

TAKE A CHANCE

Single white female, divorced, 35, 5'6", 125 lbs, active, non-smoker, blonde hair, blue eyes, enjoys all outdoor activities, seeking single white male, sincere, honest, good sense of humor, required, for friendship first. BOX 14807

HEY HARLEYS

This cute 42 yr old divorced white female loves riding Harleys, classic cars, boating, walking and fire places. No dependents. Looking for a humorous, non-smoking white gentleman to spoil me. Macomb County. BOX 33710

SEARCHING SOUL MATE

Single white female, 38, 250 lbs, looking for single white male, 35-40, likes dining out, bowling, and quiet evenings at home, someone with the same interest. Oakland County. BOX 35944

A LITTLE ON THE SIDE

26 yrs old, single white female, full figured, long brown curly hair, brown eyes, 5'9", race is open, seeking single white male, enjoys pool, carnivals, parks, anything fun, looks not important, for friendship possible relationship. BOX 14850

QUALITY, QUALITY

Seeking a sincere, honest, no games 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

SEEKING SOUL MATE

Single white female, 45, slender, brunette. Seeking honest, sensitive gentleman, who enjoys team sports and spending quiet white male, sincere, honest, good sense of humor, for friendship only. Wayne County. BOX 33717

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

Early 60's, single white female, christian, enjoys art, flea markets, museums, passion is travel, seeking single white male, non-smoker, non-drinker, share some of our interests together, for companionship. BOX 14791

TALL ROMANTIC MAN

Fit, young looking 40, romantic Christian professional lady, tall, very attractive, optimistic, loves laughter, successful. Enjoys the good life, boating, water activities, travel and dining. Seeking the right one, tall, thin, attractive, honest, affectionate, positive attitude, successful with values. Ingham County. BOX 24972

ATTENTION HARLEYS

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

SHOOTING STAR

Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks 40 and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 57 to 63, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

UNCONDITIONAL FUN

21 yrs old, single white female, full figured, blue eyes, dark hair, seeking single white male, who loves the full figure woman, and love to have fun. BOX 32521

HONEST & TRUE

Pette, 5'11", 110 lb, attractive, white professional divorced mom. Enjoys working out daily, good conversation, music, sports, and is an optimist. Looking for a professional (college degree), divorced, white male, 40's, physically fit, tall, no beard or moustache, good sense of humor, non-smoker, South Oakland county area. BOX 36068

HEART OF GOLD

Single white Christian professional female, 46, attractive, with a heart of gold, great cook. Enjoys quiet times and movies, walker. Seeks well groomed white male, non-smoker, with Christian values. Wayne County. BOX 26052

ONE WOMAN MAN

Black full figured female 44, saving herself for that special someone. Loves fishing, conversation, exploring the spiritual side of life. Seeking open minded, spiritual, trustworthy, one woman man, 40 to 60. Wayne county BOX 33714

HOPE WE CONNECT SOON

45 yr old, divorced white female, is seeking single, divorced or widowed male, 39 to 48, with similar qualities as mine, for fun, dating and possible long term. I'm very romantic, non-smoker, social drinker. Looking for someone with 100 miles of Wayne County. BOX 14622

COULD BE INTERESTING

55 yr old, single widow white female, 5'5", 135 lbs, enjoys all outdoor activities, boating, golf, fishing, biking, long walks, camping and more. Seeking single, widowed or divorced white male, with some or similar interests, will answer all calls. BOX 26707

LIKE A FLOWER

Divorced Christian female, 55, tall and attractive. Seeking a male with a active life style. Call me for coffee and we can talk from there. BOX 14629

READY, SET, CALL!

21 yr old, single white female, caring, honest and affectionate. Enjoys motorcycles, NASCAR, snowmobiling, long walks, and more. Seeking tall and attractive single white male, 22 to 30, honest and caring, for fun, possible long term relationship. BOX 11203

PERKY AND PASSIONATE

White single female, humorous, successful, bright, energetic, 5'4", 125 lbs, blonde, above average looking, wants 47 to 55, professional average looking white male, has his life together, must be fit and has faith. No drugs. Oakland County. BOX 26550

CLASS ACT

Single black professional female, 43, spiritually, physically and mentally fit. I like movies, long walks and a simple life. Seeks a professional black male, non-smoker, to share off time with. BOX 26883

YOUNG AT HEART

Looking for a male, in his 60's, who still like to have fun. Single white female, attractive, classy, likes dining, dancing, casinos, traveling and fun times with someone special. BOX 11276

LOOKING FOR YOU!

Single white female, 50, 5', dark hair and eyes, non-smoker, casual drinker. Seeking male, 45 to 55. My interests include: single male, who is financially and emotionally secure, height, weight, proportionate, humorous, honest and open. Wayne County. BOX 24971

ROMANCE IS THE KEY

25 yr old, single white female, 5'2", brown hair, blue eyes, medium build, seeking single white male, 24 to 30, to date, to go to movies, clubs, shopping, eating out and in. BOX 10650

SPICE OF LIFE

38 yr old, single female, 5'6", 140 lbs, independent and romantic, interests include, race cars, dancing, movies and the outdoors. Seeking male, 35 to 45, non-smoker, in the down river area. Wayne County. BOX 33692

SEARCH NO MORE

Attractive, white, slender, 29 yr old female, 5'10", 115 lbs, enjoys movies, clubs, sports, travelling, non stop fun. Seeks 28 to 35 yr old, tall, slender, non-smoking male, with similar interests. Wayne County. BOX 33680

SEEKS COMPANIONSHIP

Single white female, 44, seeking friendship, companionship. Enjoys dining out, going to the show. Seeking interesting, humorous person, who knows how to enjoy life. Wayne County. BOX 33711

SOULMATE SEARCHING...

... for a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 40 to 60, non-smoker, for long term monogamous relationship. I am 51 yr old divorced female. I believe in romance and enjoy simple pleasures. Down River area. BOX 14471

PRETTY REDHEAD

With pretty dark brown eyes. Single white female, 50's, 5'7", 135 lbs, enjoys movies, dining out and more. Affectionate, sensitive. Seeking a single white male, soul-mate, 5'10" plus, I love hugs. Wayne County. BOX 33697

R U READY 2 SETTLE

Full figured middle aged white woman seeking mature white man, 40-55, for a committed relationship. Kids okay. Wayne County. BOX 33598

PETITE ITALIAN

Attractive, divorced white female, 5'2", 110 lbs, seeks uncommitted, attractive, divorced white male, 45 to 55, for laughs, good times, possible long term relationship. Must be non-smoker, social drinker. Wayne County. BOX 35904

NICE AND SWEET

Warm and fun loving, 5'11", attractive, brunette, professionally employed. Seeking a secure handsome male, 38 to 55, who enjoys life, especially travel for friendship and long term relationship. Oakland County. BOX 24975

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, possible long term relationship. Call me and see what life has in store for us. BOX 35986

SIMPLY IRRESISTIBLE

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

SEEKS PERFECT MATE

Attractive, 50+ widow, fun loving, physically fit. Seeks male desiring travel, working out, bicycling, golf, mountain hiking, skiing, swimming, dancing, dining out, family, cooking, quiet evenings, closeness, sharing, intimacy, love. Requesting to much? Tell me. BOX 24986

LOVELY WARM HEARTED

White widow, early 60's, 5'6", reddish hair, cuddly weight, romantic, seeks humorous, warm, romantic, single white male, 58+, 5'10"+. Wayne County. BOX 24986

LOOKING 4 BALANCE

43, single, white female, brown hair/eyes, considered easy on the eyes. Looking for white gentleman, 38 to 48, kids welcome, someone who is loyal, and reliable. Oakland County. BOX 23444

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR

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

HELLO FRIEND

Attractive, intelligent, slender and tall, lady of 54, is also warm hearted, soft spoken, a smoker. Seeking someone who is 55 to 69, intelligent, tall, an old fashioned gentleman, a smoker. Please call if this describes you. Oakland County. BOX 25395

CUTE AND CLASSY

Single black female, mid 50's, enjoys jogging, concerts and walks in the park. Seeking a gentleman over 50, with similar interests. Oakland County. BOX 26066

JULIET SEEKS ROMEO

Divorced white female, 47, 110 lbs, red hair, blue eyes, non-smoker, fun and sincere. Has a wide variety of interests. In search of white male, 6' and under, 40 to 50, who's passionate, sincere, financially secure, for a fun and refreshing relationship to enjoy life together. Oakland County. BOX 26085

COULD CONNECT

Attractive single white professional female, brunette, 48, 5'4", 115 lbs, great smile and heart. Enjoys red wings, boating and concerts. Looking for a single male, who is financially and emotionally secure, height, weight, proportionate, humorous, honest and open. Wayne County. BOX 24971

FASHIONABLE

Attractive and healthy single white female, blonde, 5'4", 130 lbs, non-smoker, social drinker. Looking for a romantic, financially secure white male, sense of humor, 50 to 60, attractive, healthy, average build, who likes to travel, dance or just being friends. Oakland County. BOX 24979

GENTLEMAN ONLY

Attractive divorced white female, 34, professional, plus size, no dependents, financially independent. Seeks single white divorced male 35-45, emotionally secure, who appreciates the important things in life. Good communication skills. Wayne County. BOX 24987

NICE ASAIN FEMALE

55, looking for a nice white male, 60 to 75. Enjoys cooking, traveling and much more. Looking for a lifetime relationship. Oakland County. BOX 24987

LET'S CREATE SPARKS

Spirited, petite, youthful 62, enjoys life to the fullest, romantic evenings, sunsets, fine dining, dancing, movies and more. Desires quality white gentleman, honest, very fit, non-smoker, for a loving relationship. Wayne County. BOX 35900

AFFECTIONATELY YOURS

Attractive, passionate, non-smoking, single black female, with strong commitment to my professional and personal life. Enjoys music, good conversations, dining and sports. Seeking trustworthy white, with similar interests. Oakland County. BOX 35918

WORDS AND MUSIC

Vivacious, fuller figured, 47, blonde, 5'7", divorced white female, a professional musician, seeks intelligent, financially/emotionally secure, white Christian male, 40 to 60. Enjoys music, movies, theater, conversation, walking, biking and passionate about life. Oakland County. BOX 35924

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LOOK UNDER THE STARS

Single male, 5'8", 175 lbs, auburn hair and blue eyes, non-smoker, financially stable, enjoys camping, long walks, games, quiet times at home and more. Looking for a female with similar interests, for possible relationship. BOX 10700

JUST LOOKING

52 yr old divorced white male, professional. Enjoys concerts and movies. Looking to share it all with that one special lady who right now is thinking about picking up the phone and giving me a call. BOX 11358

HAPPY TIMES

Semi-retired, degreed, professional, companionate, lonely widower, that enjoys traveling, walking, fishing. Seeking a professional lady, for a happy relationship. BOX 11416

THROUGH THICK & THIN

Single white male, looking for an outdoors lady, that can be my best friend. 5'6", 175 lbs, loves the outdoors, biking, hiking. Seeking for quiet evenings, closeness, sharing, intimacy, love. Requesting to much? Tell me. BOX 24986

JUST BE YOU

Single male, 40, 5'5", 170 lbs, physically fit, likes music, slow dancing, fishing, swimming. Looking for a female, slim/medium build, and fun. BOX 11457

SEE WHAT HAPPENS

Single white male, 28, 155 lbs, brown hair and blue eyes, very ambitious. Enjoys skiing, camping. Seeking female, 28 to 35, with similar interests and desires. BOX 13789

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, call me. I'm 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, widowed and lonesome, looking for a life time relationship. I'll answer your call. Down River, no games. BOX 33419

WHERE THE HEART IS

40 yr old, single white male, 5'5", 155 lbs. Mentally, emotionally, and financially fit and easygoing. Enjoys movies, country living and dancing, camping, fishing, motorcycling, parks, dining out. Seeking single white female, age not an issue, for friendship, possible relationship. BOX 11458

INTRODUCE YOURSELF

58 yrs old, single white male, divorced, 5'9", 145 lbs, financially secure, fit, christian, non-drinker, smoker, enjoys dancing, classic cars, dining in and out, golf, taking swing dance lesson need partner. Seeking single white female, 45 to 52, good personality, non-smoker, for friendship first. BOX 11408

DISCREET PARTNER

26 yr old, single white male, 5'6", 190 lbs. Seeking discreet relationship with single white female, 16 to 45, who might be looking for a discreet relationship herself. BOX 26778

WHY BE ALONE?

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

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

35 yr old, single divorced white male, attractive, brown hair and eyes, 6', 190 lbs, seeking single white female, attractive, 25 to 39, prefers with a good sense of humor. Westside County. BOX 10443

TRYING TO FIND YOU!

Attractive lady, under 60, slim, to fill my lonely heart. Widowed, attractive, gentle, big hearted, looking for a permanent relationship. BOX 33704

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

I'LL BE YOURS 4EVER

Single white male, 44, honest, faithful, trustworthy, caring, loving, up front, smoker, social drinker, brown hair, blue eyes, 6', 165 lbs, looking for a white female, 35-50, on the slim side, 100-140 lbs, who has the same qualities as I do. Looking for a very serious relationship, no head games. Oakland County. BOX 28014

LIGHT UP MY LIFE

54 yrs old, single divorced white male, 5'8", 210 lbs, smoker, enjoys golfing, bowling, walks in the park, movies, hugs, and romance. Seeking single white female, petite to medium build, 40 to 50, children welcome, for long term relationship. BOX 32380

ADDRESSING OUR NEEDS

A love connection? Nice white male 43, handsome and fun, upscale life style, seeks unattached white female for a fresh relationship mutual attraction, memorable experiences. BOX 26024

LIVE LOVE LAUGH!!!

63 yrs old, single white male, 5'5", 160 lbs, brown hair and eyes, enjoys outdoors, flea markets, shopping, long walks, movies, or what two people want to do together to have a good time. Seeking single white female, 5'5", 57-63, with slender build, with same interests. BOX 32386

COMPATABLE?

Single white professional male, 45, 5'8", fit, no dependents, humorous, communicative, introspective. Enjoys the outdoors, music, movies and more. Seeking fit, emotionally available, professional single white female, for happy, healthy relationship. Oakland County. BOX 26038

BRIGHT EYES

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

KISSES AND KINDNESS

Articulate, energetic, nice looking white male, 44 yr old, with passionate purpose. Values humor, creativity and individuality. Seeking a warm, enduring union with an affectionate, attentive sweetheart. BOX 26050

WORTH WAITING FOR

Divorced white male, 52, professional, 5'11", 180 lbs. Enjoys concerts, movies, dining in or out and the outdoors. Seeking someone to share good times with in a one on one relationship. BOX 26719

RELIGIOUS LOVE

36 yr old, single white male, 6'4", athletic build, looking for someone to grow into the spirit of the lord with, brown hair, bluish green eyes, enjoys summer retreat at the beach, bike riding, and want to share with someone else with also. BOX 27422

UP FOR ANYTHINGS

40 yrs old, single white male, blonde hair, blue eyes, seeking single white female, good shape, good sense of humor, for companionship. BOX 32396

END MY SEARCH

40 yr old, single white male, likes bowling, fishing, the outdoors, and more. Give me a call we might have something in common. BOX 32520

ATTENTION DEBBIE

You responded to my ad, mailbox #14063, I didn't get all of your number, can you please call my name? Wayne County. BOX 33715

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...but still looking... 28 yr old professional, 155 lbs, brown hair and blue eyes. Looking for quiet nights, vacations and enjoyable travel with you... If you are willing. Give me a call, let us talk about it soon. Seeking friendship and companionship. BOX 13773

Madonna stumbles

It been an up-and-down stretch for Madonna University's softball team — mostly down.

Playing eight games in four days, the Lady Crusaders bounced back from double-header losses Friday to Siena Heights and Saturday to Cornerstone University o sweep a twinbill Sunday from Indiana Tech Sunday at Livonia Ladywood.

But on Monday, Cornerstone took two more from Madonna, 3-0 and 5-2, also played at Ladywood.

Madonna's record has slipped to 17-33 overall, 9-19 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Cornerstone is 28-11 overall, 20-8 in the WHAC; Tech slipped to 10-33 overall, 3-25 in the WHAC with Sunday's losses.

In Monday's first game against the Golden Eagles, the Crusaders surrendered three runs in the first two innings and never recovered. Two of those runs came in the first inning; so did five of Cornerstone's six hits.

Jenny Tenyer took the loss, falling to 7-14; she gave up all three runs (two earned) and all six hits, without a walk and two strikeouts. Tarrah Brown started and got the win (16-3), pitching four shutout innings and allowing four hits while striking out six.

Kristy McDonald (from Redford Thurston) had two hits for Madonna.

In the second game, the Crusaders run-scoring woes against Cornerstone continued — for six innings. They managed to score two in the seventh, but it was too little, too late.

SOFTBALL

Missy VanDoorn had two of Madonna's six hits. Angela Litwin (Plymouth Canton) had a double and a run batted in, and Pam Konwinski and Jamie Bobrowski each had doubles.

VanDoorn started and took the loss (she's 9-13), surrendering four runs (three earned) on five hits and four walks in 6 2/3 innings. Tracy Paterson (4-3) got the win for Cornerstone with five shutout innings.

Madonna 7-5, Tech 0-4: Sunday's opener against Tech featured a four-hit shutout pitching performance by Tenyer, who did not walk a batter and struck out three. The loss went to Robin Stillwell, dropping her to 4-14.

Devon Fletcher led the offense with a double and a triple, driving in two runs. Stacie Wilson also had two hits, one a double, with one RBI and Candace Morgan contributed a single and two RBI.

In the second game, Madonna had to battle back from a 4-0 deficit, scoring the eventual game-winning run on an error by Stillwell (playing first base), one of seven miscues in the game by Tech.

Konwinski scored the game-winner, reaching first on a base hit, being sacrificed to second by Meghan Quinn, and scoring when Morgan grounded out to short and Stillwell tried to throw back and get Konwinski.

The Crusaders had just three hits in the game, and the other

two were doubles by VanDoorn and Fletcher, VanDoorn scoring two runs and Fletcher driving in one.

Kristie Givens started for Madonna, but after giving up four runs (one earned) on five hits and two walks in 2 1/3 innings, VanDoorn replaced her. VanDoorn allowed just two hits and a walk in pitching 4 2/3 scoreless innings to earn the win. Danielle Archer started and took the loss for the Warriors.

Cornerstone 3-3, Madonna 0-2: On Saturday, the Crusaders lost to Cornerstone twice in Grand Rapids. Tenyer was outdueled by Brown in the opener; Tenyer gave up three earned runs on 11 hits in six innings, while Brown surrendered no runs on two hits and two walks, striking out nine in six innings.

In the second game, Madonna fell behind 2-0 but scored single runs in the top of the fourth and fifth to knot it at 2-all, but Brown singled in Kristi Madsen, who opened the inning with a double, with the eventual game-winner in the bottom of the fifth.

VanDoorn took the loss for Madonna, giving up three earned runs on seven hits in six innings. Brooke Brown got the win for the Eagles with 2 2/3 innings of one-hit, scoreless relief pitching.

McDonald and Fletcher each had two hits, one of them a double, and an RBI for the Crusaders. Madsen was 3-for-3 with three runs scored and Brown had two hits and three RBI for Cornerstone.

Soccer D1

For the next four minutes, anyway.

"This was just a mental lapse," said Stevenson's Kimble. "For us to win 1-0 sends a wrong message to our team. We're just not that good."

Nora believes his team is better than it showed, too. "If we can't win, at least we can take something from this game," he said. "And that lesson is, don't ever let up."

Both teams made mistakes in the match. But it was the Spartans who pounced on Salem's momentary letdown, and that in all likelihood will prevent the Rocks from playing in the WLAA Championship.

Marian 3, Ladywood 1: Birmingham Marian (5-2-2) overcame the hot goalkeeping of Stefan Szczecowski Tuesday to beat visiting Livonia Ladywood (4-5, 3-4) in a Catholic League matchup.

Marisa Ballas, Rebecca Wilson and Courtney McCracken scored for Marian. Lauren Hesano had the Blazers' lone goal.

Northville 1, Churchill 0: The race in the WLAA's Western Division may have been decided, too.

Northville scored with five minutes left Wednesday to edge Livonia Churchill. That means the Mustangs the two top teams in the division in Churchill and Canton.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - APRIL 24, 2001

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, April 24, 2001. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Director Konklin, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Director Minghine, Director Santomauro

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

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 10, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to approve the regular study session minutes of April 17, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Expenditure Recap for the Township Board Meeting of April 24, 2001

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|-----------------|-----|---------------|--------------------------|-----|-----------------------|
| General Fund | 101 | \$ 247,540.69 | Auto Theft Grant | 289 | 1,903.29 |
| Fire Fund | 206 | 15,848.27 | Downtown Dev | | |
| Police Fund | 207 | 77,114.39 | Authority | 294 | 11,326.85 |
| Summit | | | Post Employment | | |
| Operating | 208 | 56,363.22 | Benefits | 296 | 2.42 |
| Golf Fund | 211 | 53,758.57 | Building Auth | | |
| Cable TV Fund | 230 | 1,570.46 | Construction | 469 | 19,960.73 |
| Twp (Community) | | | Water & Sewer | | |
| Improvement | 246 | 7,993.18 | Fund | 592 | 772,434.65 |
| E-911 Utility | 261 | 1,035.82 | Construction | | |
| Auto Forfeiture | | | Escrows | 702 | 96,077.65 |
| (WWATEE) | 267 | 1,658.67 | Tonquish Creek | | |
| Federal Grants | | | SAD | 804 | 11,122.35 |
| Fund | 274 | 21,288.99 | Total - All Funds | | \$1,397,000.20 |

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to open the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. to hear comments on the TDS Metrocom, Inc. telecommunication application for a permit to access public easements and right-of-ways to provide telecommunication services in Canton Township in accordance with the Telecommunication Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to close the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m. to hear comments on the TDS Metrocom, Inc. telecommunication application for a permit to access public easements and right-of-ways to provide telecommunication services in Canton Township in accordance with the Telecommunication Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the attached Resolution No. 1 granting to TDS Metrocom, Inc. a five (5) year permit of access to public easements and right-of-ways subject to the conditions stated therein. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to open the Public Hearing at 7:09 p.m. on the reprogramming request. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to close the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m. on the reprogramming request. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to reprogram existing funds to the Human Services Building Construction from the following CDBG projects: FY 2000, Administration, \$30,000; FY 1995, Canton Commons Ballfield, \$10,000; FY 1997, Covered Walkway, \$2,230; FY 1996, Seniors Center Renovation, \$12,843; and FY 1994, First Step Building Purchase, \$30,000; for a total reprogramming amount of \$85,073.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt a resolution honoring the Plymouth-Canton and Plymouth Salem High School Graduates. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment to increase the Project Arts budget for new or expanded activities: Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:

Appropriation from Fund Balance #101-000-699-0000 \$10,000

Increase Appropriations:

Project Arts #101-101-882-0000 \$10,000

This budget amendment increases the Township Board Department budget from \$414,932.00 to \$424,932.00 and the General Fund budget from \$20,574,182.00 to \$20,584,182.00.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund to re-appropriate unspent 2000 funds for the Travis House Project: Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:

Appropriated from Historic District Donations #101-000-675-8030 \$200.00

Appropriated from Fund Balance #101-000-699-0000 \$69,396.00

Total #101-000-699-0000 **\$69,596.00**

Increase Appropriations:

Capital Project-Travis House #101-803-978-0000 \$69,596.00

This budget amendment increase the Historical Commission budget from \$136,266.00 to \$205,862.00 and the General Fund budget from \$20,574,182.00 to \$20,643,778.00.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to grant exempt status to Wayne-Westland Community Schools and authorize City Signal to install fiber optic cable in the public right-of-way to connect all of the District's buildings. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy that the Canton Township Board of Trustees deny the request of the Canton Mettetal Advisory Board and the Michigan Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aeronautics request to shift Mettetal's runway to the south. The request is being rejected in part because of resident concerns regarding noise, altitude of aircraft and general safety. The Bureau of Aeronautics is encouraged to seek a replacement airport for Mettetal which would comply with all current and future FAA standards, would provide a runway length that would serve a more expansive aviation community and offer both pilots and residents near the airport substantially more generous margins of safety. Motion carried unanimously.

The following people addressed the board regarding this issue:

Carl L. Schultz Gregg Pappas Chester Pietraz Bob Zaetta Henry Moore Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving The Hamlet Preliminary Planned Development District. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution to approve the Chatterton Apartments Site Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the Morton Taylor Road Tree Planting Project to the lowest qualified bidder, Owens Landscaping, for \$213,244.00 plus a ten percent contingency for a total amount of \$234,569.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to authorize payment to Wayne County in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 upon being billed for water main and sidewalk work regarding the construction of Canton Center Road, Ford to Warren Roads. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to approve that the Charter Township of Canton reimburse the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) the actual cost for the design improvements to Ford Road (M-153) from Marlowe Boulevard easterly to the eastern township limits, in affirmative response to the proposal made by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) in a letter dated February 15, 2001, so as to facilitate the construction of such improvements, such as design costs not to exceed \$200,000.00. The Township's obligation to reimburse MDOT for the cost of design is on the condition that MDOT constructs the improvement in either in 2002 or 2003. Actual reimbursement shall occur upon presentation of an invoice to the Township from MDOT after the project is advertised for bids, and payment shall be a necessary condition prior to MDOT awarding the construction contract for the project. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award the Spring 2001 Resident Sponsored Cost Share Tree Planting Program to Crimboli Nursery for \$58,290.00; and further to approve an expenditure and budget adjustment as follows: Motion carried unanimously.

Increase:

Tree Planting-Residential Tree Program #101-853-824-2000 \$6,290.00

Decrease:

Tree Planting-Public Property #101-853-824-1000 \$6,290.00

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the additional payment of \$8,000.00 to be made to Dorsey-Pages LLC for drafting a "Request for Proposal" for the renovation of the emergency dispatch center, reviewing the proposals, providing a report to Public Safety with a recommendation, and to oversee the entire project to its completion. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of two (2) 2001 pumers from American La France, Wixom, Michigan for a cost not to exceed \$675,490.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the following budget amendments for the Fire Fund Balance and the Fire Capital Outlay Account: Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:

Fund Balance Appropriation #206-000-699-0000 \$325,490

Increase Appropriations:

Capital Outlay-Equipment #206-336-977-0000 \$325,490

This budget amendment increases the Fire Fund budget from \$6,977,518.00 to \$7,303,008.00.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to discontinue Nextel Communications cellular phone service and begin use of Voice Stream Wireless phone service and to authorize the township of Canton Clerk to sign documentation activating the service. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to approve the purchase of two digital copiers from Ricoh Business Systems with the cost not exceeding \$13,430.00 and to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund for this purchase: Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:

Appropriation from Fund Balance #101-000-699-0000 \$5,909

Increase Appropriations:

Capital Outlay-Equipment #101-209-977-0000 \$5,909

This budget amendment increases the Assessor's Office budget from \$444,734.00 to \$450,643.00 and the General Fund budget from \$20,574,182.00 to \$20,580,091.00.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the reimbursement of Pulte Land Development an additional \$3,970.00 for the extension of the water main lead and the sanitary sewer extension for a comfort station on hole #6 of the new nine expansion at Pheasant Run Golf Club. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to authorize the approval to enter into a contract with Architects Design Group for the design of comfort stations, club house renovations and other site amenities in the amount of \$49,000.00 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$4,900.00 for a total of \$53,900.00 to be charged to the Pheasant Run bond and to authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to sign on behalf of the Township. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the bid for the purchase of one (1) Golf Car Type Utility Vehicle for Leisure Services Recreation Division to Spartan Distributors, Inc., in the amount of \$4,898.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award the contract to Planet X, Inc. for \$5,750.00 for the 2001 Canton Liberty Fest Weekend Inflatable Attractions for June 23-24. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to approve the collective bargaining agreement between Canton Township and the Canton Firefighters Union (IAFF Local 2289) from 07/01/2000 through 06/30/2004. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy at 9:21 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the regular board meeting held Tuesday, April 24, 2001. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next board meeting of May 8, 2001.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: May 3, 2001

L1049700

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, June 4, 2001 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

STREAMCO FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM LOCAL SHOPPING TO MEDIUM-HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (UP TO 8 D.U./ACRE) FOR THE NORTH 2.46 ACRES OF PARCEL NO. 094 99 0007 000. Property is located on the southeast corner of Cherry Hill and Haggerty Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, May 31, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: May 3 and 24, 2001

L1049701

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO: C-01-01 ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER*

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; PROVIDING FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE POSITION OF ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO THE CODE.

Chapter 6, Ordinance Enforcement Officer is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 6

Ordinance Enforcement Officer

Section 1. Establishment of Ordinance Enforcement Officer. The Position of Ordinance Enforcement Officer is hereby established in the Township. (Ord. 91, Sec. 1, 7-17-86)

Section 2. Authority and Duties of Ordinance Enforcement Officer.

A. The Ordinance Enforcement Office is hereby authorized to enforce all misdemeanor provisions of the Plymouth Charter Township Code with the exception of Parts V and VI. The authority herein granted to the Ordinance Enforcement Officer to enforce the aforesaid Code shall not be exclusive but shall be supplemental to the enforcement authority granted to any other specific office, officer or individual by any particular ordinance or statute.

B. The authority and of the Ordinance Enforcement Officer shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following: to investigate suspected violations of the Code; to use and serve notices of violations of the Code; to issue and serve a person an appearance ticket if the Officer has reasonable cause to believe that the person has committed a violation of the code; to appear in court or other judicial proceedings to assist in the prosecution of a Code violation; to prepare cases for the prosecution of persons charged with violation of the Code; and to perform such other duties as the Township Supervisor may delegate.

Section 3. Appointment and Removal of Ordinance Enforcement Officers. The Township Board is hereby authorized to, by resolution at any regular meeting of said Board, to appoint any person or person to the position of Ordinance Enforcement Officer for such term or terms as may be designated in said resolution. By resolution, the Township Board may without cause remove any person from said position whenever the Board deems said removal is fitting and proper. (Ord. 91, Sec. 3, 7-17-86)

*State Law Reference: MCLA 42.9

SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.

Unless otherwise provided, any person, corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and may be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned for not more than ninety (90) days, or both, at the discretion of the Court.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.

If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE

All rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun, and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. PUBLICATION.

The Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth at its regular meeting called and held on the 24th day of April, 2001, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law.

MARILYN MASSÉNGILL, Clerk

Introduced: March 27, 2001

Adopted: April 24, 2001

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Ottawa outlook *from D1*

Despite Plymouth's seemingly overwhelming superiority — the Whalers had the OHL's second-best record during the season at 43-15-5, and that included a 2-0 record against Ottawa — this series could once again go the distance.

■ In 14 playoff games, the 67s have gone 12-2. In 13 playoff games, Plymouth has gone 12-1.

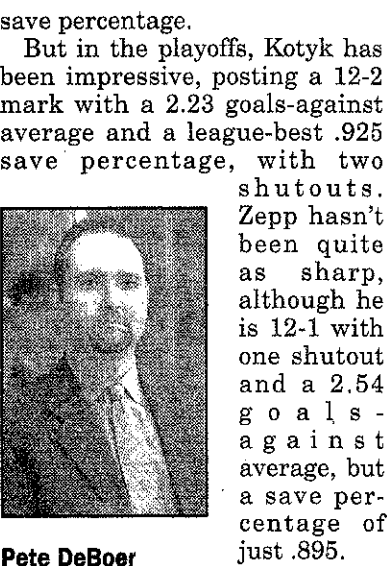
■ Both teams have scored 60 playoff goals; the Whalers have allowed 32, Ottawa has given up 33.

■ Ottawa is 7-0 at home during the playoffs, 5-2 on the road. Plymouth is 7-0 on the road, 5-1 at home.

"They have four lines of depth they can throw at you," said DeBoer of Ottawa. "Their goaltender has been outstanding, and they have the leading scoring defenseman in Jon Zion. He's a very good offensive defenseman."

The Whalers have been getting it done in the playoffs by using all their resources and relying on the abilities of goalie Rob Zepp. During the regular season, Zepp had the advantage over the 67s' Seamus Kotyk statistically, posting a 34-18-3 record with a 2.26 goals-against average and a .916 save percentage.

Kotyk was 24-20-7 with a 2.74 goals-against average and a .902



Pete DeBoer
Whalers' coach

ducers are Joe Talbot (39 goals, 40 assists, 79 points during the regular season), Zion (22-51/73), Miguel Delisle (34-48/72), Zenon Konopka (20-45/65) and Lance Galbraith (16-40/56).

In the playoffs, it's been Galbraith who's stepped up with 12 goals and 10 assists (22 points). Talbot (8-9/17), Delisle (6-14/20) and Zion (3-15/18) have been impressive, too.

The Whalers have gotten a lot of scoring from Chad Wiseman, with 10 goals and seven assists (17 points). Stephen Weiss was their leader during the season

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Game Two: 3 p.m. Sunday at Compuware Arena.
Game Three: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 10 at Ottawa Civic Centre.
Game Four: 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 11 at Ottawa Civic Centre.
Game Five (if necessary): 3 p.m. Sunday, May 13 at Compuware Arena.
Game Six (if necessary): 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 15 at Ottawa Civic Centre.
Game Seven (if necessary): 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16 at Compuware Arena.

(40-47/87), and he's doing pretty well in the playoffs, too (6-15/21). Tomas Kurka (8-12/20) has also played very well.

Stopping what seems like an abundance of scoring and finding a solution to Kotyk are problems, but DeBoer isn't planning any spectacular new strategy.

"We want to concentrate on our own game," he said. "We've been playing very well. If we can play the type of hockey we're capable of playing, we should do well."

"We're looking forward to getting started."

With hopes for a more satisfying finish.

Whalers *from page D1*

puware, Kurka got a goal 5:01 into the opening period; Chris Berti tied it at 1-all for the Otters at 14:12 of the first, but Plymouth responded with goals from Vernarsky and Wiseman to take a 3-1 lead after one period.

Nikita Alexeev's short-handed goal at 2:57 of the second made it a 3-2 game going into the third. But it would get no closer; Wiseman, Vernarsky and Karl Stewart got third-period goals to win going away.

Rob Zepp was in goal most of the way for the Whalers, making 19 stops. Adam Munro started for Erie in goal, but he was pulled early in the third period and replaced by J.F. Perras. Each gave up three goals.

On Sunday, Plymouth got a goal from Wiseman just 1:28 into the first period to take a 1-0 lead. However, this time the Otters battled back, scoring twice in the early moments of the second period — by Cory Pecker and Berti — to go up 2-1.

But the Whalers have made themselves at home in Erie all season, and this was no exception. Stewart, Rob McBride and Libor Ustrnul each got goals before the second period was over to give Plymouth a 4-2 lead.

The third period was a wild one. The Whalers scored first, getting a goal from Damian Surma, to stretch their lead to three. But the Otters charged back with markers by Brad

Boyes and Pecker and, with 6:37 still left, they trailed by just 5-4.

They would get no closer, however. Cole Jarrett's power-play goal gave Plymouth a two-goal cushion, and Surma scored into an empty net with 1:34 remaining. Surma finished with two goals and an assist, while Ustrnul had a goal and two assists.

Zepp stopped 28 shots in goal for the Whalers. Munro started and had 15 saves, allowing five goals, before giving way to Perras with 15:42 left in the third.

It was the end of the line for the Otters. For the Whalers, the win presented another shot at something that slipped from their grasp last season — the OHL Cup.

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EFFERVESCENT DECORATION

Designer showhouse bubbles with creativity, originality

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER
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The Vernor name may evoke thoughts of a gnome and good taste. Now it may also bring to mind a home with good taste. That's because the Detroit Historical Society's 2001 Designer Showhouse is at the historic Vaughan-Vernor estate in Bloomfield Hills.

James and Grayce Vernor, of the family synonymous with the famous Detroit ginger ale, lived in the Federal style farmhouse between 1924 and 1941. The residence, now owned by Gunnar and Diane Wilnot, was built in 1839 by the Vaughan family.

Local designers are among those from the Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers who have decorated the house, 4778 Lahser between Lone Pine and Long Lake Road in Bloomfield Hills. It will be open to the public May 5 to June 3.

A gift shop, operated by the Detroit Historical Society Guild, and a cafe with light cuisine catered by Fox & Hounds will be on the grounds. Visitors may attend design seminars which are free with showhouse admission (see listing at right).

Many of the rooms were decorated in neutral tones. Natural elements and their representation — such as animal prints — abound. Original features are retained in many of the spaces.

Whether cozy or spacious, each room or area has its distinct charm and conveys the comfortable ambiance of a fresh spring day.

Sampling

The showhouse entrance will be from the parlor by two designers from Marshall Field's Interior Design Studio, Linda Thomas at Westland and Rita Whitehead at Oakland.

The design in the taupe wall covering matches the pattern of the metal chandelier. A roman shade is at the window. The area rug and the paintings on the mantel of the stone fireplace feature spots of bright color.

Roy Hankis of Roy Allen Hankis Interiors of Troy arranged a collection of artistic roosters in the sitting room. Designs in the wallpaper and rug resem-

ble the slender feathers of a rooster's tail.

The adjacent bathroom by Lynda Charfoos of Charfoos Design Group of Bloomfield Hills features a bamboo covering on a tub. Black and white photos of Detroit scenes line the walls.

In the hearth room by Daniel Clancy of Perlmutter-Freiwald Inc. of Franklin, creamy drapes hang at the windows, the inside edges bearing a border that includes a color similar to that of the walls.

Among the accents on the table are candlesticks with tall spiraling stems, a subtle suggestion of the drapery borders. The gently curved ceiling is decorated with squares of flowery designs.

Bonnie Meyer of Meyer Interiors Inc. of West Bloomfield covered the walls in the kitchen and morning room in black and white toile.

Much of the kitchen area is in black and white. Banana and sage accents add color in the glass cabinets. The morning room is dressed in assorted greens, including the sheer curtains in a right angle at the windows and the layered tablecloths.

In the front room in the carriage house, Randie Federman of Maxwell-Ross Associates of Troy combined the lush and the sleek.

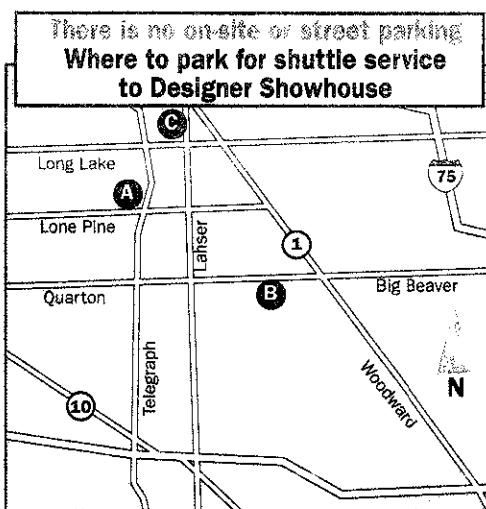
Lush is in the greenery throughout the room, including topiaries, an urn covered in green, plants on a table and fruit in bowls, as well as in the large chaise and chairs. Sleek is in such fea-

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STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HOFFMEYER

At the showhouse: The parlor by Linda Thomas and Rita Whitehead of Marshall Fields Interior Design Studio is an example of the comfortable style of the rooms at the Detroit Historical Society's Designer Showhouse in Bloomfield Hills. It opens to the public this week.



- A. 1100 Lone Pine.** NW corner of Telegraph and Lone Pine. Parking at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church weekdays except Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 5.
- B. 1525 Covington.** Between Lahser and Woodward. Parking weekends at Birmingham Covington School except May 6.
- C. 3455 Lahser Road.** Between Long Lake and Hickory Grove. Sunday, May 6, parking at Bloomfield Hills Lahser High School.



Bathing beauty: The master bath, by Farimah Sedghi of Inspiration Interiors of West Bloomfield, features windows by William Kish of Solar Reflective Films Inc. of Farmington Hills.



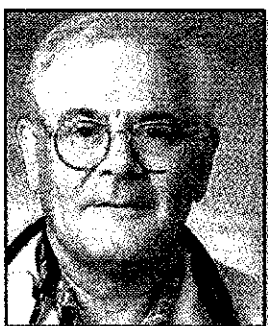
Rooms to view: The hearth room (above) by Daniel Clancy of Perlmutter-Freiwald Inc. of Franklin, features creamy drapes with a border matching the color of the walls. The morning room (right) by Bonnie Meyer of Meyer Interiors Inc. of West Bloomfield, is dressed in black and white toile and assorted shades of green.



2001 Designer Showhouse Special Design Seminars

- Tuesday, May 8**
- "The Interior Designer as Part of the Team When Building or Remodeling" by Kasey Pierson, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Accessorizing Your Home" by Karen Sellenraad, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 9**
- "Impact and Value of Art in Living Spaces" by Teri Main, allied member ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Creating Your Style with Color" by P. K. Fields, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 10**
- "What It Takes to Become a Professional Designer" by Lynda Charfoos, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Impact and Value of Art in Living Spaces" by Barb Marini, ASID, and students from the Center for Creative Studies, 2:30 p.m.
- Friday, May 11**
- "Why Install Window Film?" by Edward Golda, ASID industry partner, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Ask the Professional Designer" by Bonnie Meyer, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 15**
- "Planning for Assisted Living" by Rae Buskin, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "The Latest and Greatest in the Kitchen" by Vita Buffa, allied member ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 16**
- "What's in the Color Forecast?" by Karen Sellenraad, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Window Film Solutions" by William Kish, ASID industry partner, 2:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 17**
- "Bringing Your Office Home" by Susan Weaver, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "It Doesn't Have to be a Fireplace" by Bonnie Meyer, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Friday, May 18**
- "What It Takes to Become a Professional Designer" by Lynda Charfoos, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "How to Keep Your House Your Home When Working With an Interior Designer" by Linda Thomas, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 22**
- "Custom Cabinetry: Everything in Its Place" by Amy Brodsky, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "What It Takes to Become a Professional Designer" by Lynda Charfoos, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 23**
- "Ask the Professional Designer" by Patti Komel, allied member ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Creating Your Style with Color" by P.K. Fields, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 24**
- "Ask the Professional Designer" by Bonnie Meyer, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Color Through Fabrics" by Gene Galley, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Friday, May 25**
- "What's in the Color Forecast?" by Karen Sellenraad, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Accessorizing Your Home" by Kasey Pierson, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 29**
- "Bringing Your Office Home" by Susan Weaver, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "How to Keep Your House Your Home When Working With an Interior Designer" by Linda Thomas, ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 30**
- "It Doesn't Have to be a Fireplace" by Bonnie Meyer, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Window Film Solutions" by William Kish, ASID industry partner, 2:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 31**
- "The Latest and Greatest in the Kitchen" by Vita Buffa, allied member ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "When and How to Use an Interior Designer" by Renea Lewis, allied member ASID, 2:30 p.m.
- Friday, June 1**
- "Harmonizing Your Home With Feng Shui" by Margie Cockle, ASID, 11:45 a.m.
 - "Color Through Fabrics" by Gene Galley, ASID, 2:30 p.m.

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INTERIOR DESIGN

Japanese floral art showcased

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It's called "A Glimpse of Japan," but the event will offer quite an eyeful.

Taking place at 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, in Southfield, "A Glimpse of Japan" will feature demonstrations of the Japanese floral art of ikebana.

It will be presented by Detroit Chapter No. 85 of Ikebana International at Southfield Presbyterian Church, 21575 W. 10 Mile, between Lahser and Evergreen.

Admission is an \$8 donation. For more information, call (248) 553-2391. Parking is at the rear of the church.

"One thing I think is fun about Japanese flower arranging ... you use much less materials,"

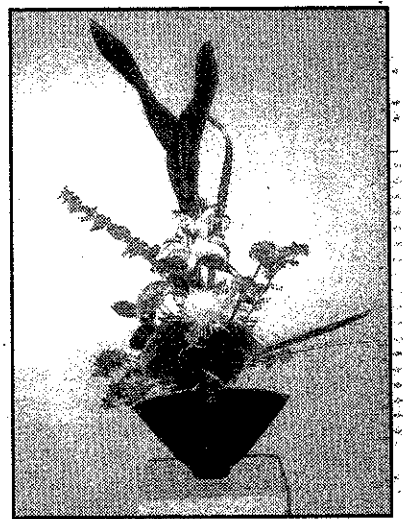
said Marvel Steiger of Farmington Hills, a chapter member.

"You can use three things and have an absolutely gorgeous arrangement if you know what you're doing," said Priscilla Rasmussen of Franklin, another member.

Toshi Shimoura and Chan Ju Seo will demonstrate the ikenobo and sogetsu schools of flower arranging Wednesday. Different schools of ikebana refer to the materials used and the type of arrangements made.

Also at the event, a Japanese stone lantern will be raffled and Japanese calligraphy and sumi-e (ink painting) will be featured. Arrangements by chapter members will be displayed. A tea will take place after the program.

The chapter meets once a month. Its activities include workshops and exhibits.



Oriental art: Ikebana, the art of Japanese floral arrangement, makes use of few materials. Toshi Shimoura created this arrangement.

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tures as the silver globes on shelves and the desk, the metal torchiere and candlesticks, and the large mirror with tiny mirrors in its frame.

The master bath is by Farimah Sedghi of Inspiration Interiors of West Bloomfield, with windows by William Kish of Solar Reflective Films Inc. of Farmington Hills. The room is in mint and dark green. Fluting at the panes matches a section of a cabinet; a glass bowl is similar to that of the overhead light.

The chauffeur's room in the carriage house by Daniel Stevens of Ash Interiors of Bloomfield Hills conveys a hint of adventure, with wide stripes on the walls and a bamboo ladder. A different mood is suggested by an old-fashioned dress on a form in one corner in the dressing room by Renea Lewis of Design by Choice of Rochester Hills.

In decorating a bedroom, Amy Brodsky of B Design Group LLC of Birmingham replaced the cobalt blue with a softer shade of blue.

Outside walls were enclosed for the gathering room by Julie Baba, Teri Main, Margaret

O'Connor and Rebecca Spier of Design Five of Troy. Windows are by Edward Golda of Michigan Glass Coatings Inc. of Rochester.

The area includes a fountain, and an arrangement of door-knobs fastened to the ceiling and painted for an unusual art work.

Information

No on-site or street parking will be permitted. Shuttle service will be provided from parking locations (see accompanying map on front page). Valet parking will be available from the showhouse site Friday, May 11, only.

For showhouse information (and the latest parking updates May 11), call (313) 833-7912.

The 2001 Designer Showhouse Gala will take place 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 4. Valet parking will be available. Benefactor tickets are \$150 per person and include entry in a drawing for a \$1,000 gift certificate from Greenstone's Jewelers. Patron tickets are \$100 per person.

Gala tickets can be charged on Visa or MasterCard by calling (313) 833-1980.

Showhouse hours are 10:30

a.m. to 5 p.m., last entry 4:15 p.m.; closed Mondays except Memorial Day. Thursday hours are 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., last entry 7:15 p.m.

Admission is \$15 for advance tickets bought by May 4, \$17 for individual tickets bought after May 4, \$13 for groups of 20 or more (available only with advance reservation; phone (313) 833-7935) and \$13 for DHS and ASID members. Save your ticket stub for \$2 off admission to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra showhouse this fall.

Tickets can be bought by phone through Tickets PLUS at (800) 585-3787 (\$2 per ticket service fee), or at area outlets, including:

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get below 40 degrees.

No wonder we have to be careful. Why can't refrigerator manufacturers get temperatures lower?

Food safety overlooked

According to a home food safety survey done in 1997 for the U.S. Department of Health by Audits International, the estimated number of cases of foodborne illness in the United States ranged upward from 6 million annually and included more than 9,000 deaths. That represents a wake-up call to all producers of any food handling and refrigeration equipment in this country. Some of these illnesses are directly attributable to foods not kept cold enough in storage.

I already know how difficult it

can be to communicate with the appliance manufacturers on these issues, but what does it take to bring these facts into the minds of homeowners. I firmly believe that we are not educated enough by the media in regards to potential food safety issues.

Auditors categorized kitchen violations as minor, major or critical. A critical violation can potentially lead to foodborne illness by itself. Major violations, though on their own are unlikely to cause foodborne illness, are frequently cited as contributing factors. To be considered acceptable, homes could have no more than four major violations and no critical violations.

Of the 106 households surveyed, cross-contamination occurred in 76 percent of kitchens, neglected hand wash-

ing occurred in 57 percent, and improper cooling of leftovers occurred in 29 percent of households with an average of almost three per home. Major violations were observed, such as foods stored without covers or were improperly thawed. Kitchen cooks who smoked while preparing food also were observed. In the end, only one house received an acceptable rating. None rated excellent.

Maintaining it

The person in your home knows how well they prepare for a safe meal, but do they know what the temperature is in the refrigerator section. Very few of you can tell me what the temperature is inside the pickle jar sitting on that shelf. Is it important? You bet it is.

Take care of the refrigerator maintenance and you will have a more efficient unit. Have you cleaned the condenser coil under the refrigerator lately? Only when it is cleaned can you get the maximum cold temperatures in a refrigerator. Are the doors sealing good and tight? When did you last check them out?

I'm sorry folks, I can't come over to your house and check out how you prepare a meal. I can write a column that I hope will make you understand how important the temperature is in the refrigerator. I can continue to meet with the concerned members of National Sanitation Foundation in their endeavors to get manufacturers to redesign their products to make them colder.

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testing laboratories are very important to all of us as a consuming public. We all know how important properly operating restaurant equipment can be to good health. From the studies already done, it is proven that most of them are safer than some homes in regards to food preparations. Please think of your refrigerator this summer and keep it running cool. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Newstalk 760, WJR-AM, every Saturday and Sunday mornings. He is a past president of The Society of Consumer Professionals. His second book, "The Words and Wisdom of The Appliance Doctor" is available in book stores. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

Check jambs when installing door

ASK DAD



HARRY JACHYM

My wife and I learned a valuable lesson: Don't leave home without your house key, even if someone is home.

When we left the house, our kids were home. Normally my house key is with my car keys, but we took Karen's car. She thought I had my house key and I assumed she had hers. (You know they say about assume.)

We returned home and found that even though we could get into the garage, the kids decided to become conscientious and lock the door between the garage and the house.

We thought about a locksmith, but it's a Sunday night. Breaking glass is messy. I thought about drilling out the lock, but remembered my drill was in the basement.

I remembered I had my Sawzall in the garage. Besides, the door really needed replacing anyway.

Replacement is easy

Pre-hung doors make replacement fairly simple, but first get a helper.

Remove the existing door from the frame by pulling the hinge pins or remove the hinges altogether, depending on the type.

Remove the interior trim. It's less likely to break if you start prying with a six-inch mud (putty) knife and complete the removal with a flat pry bar.

Saw between the framing and the jamb with a reciprocating saw (Sawzall) and metal cutting blade to sever nails holding the door. Pry the brick-mold (outside trim) away if necessary. Remove screws holding the threshold plate to the floor. Slide the old jamb out.

Be certain the new door is correct size, swing and jamb thickness. If you're using a lockset and deadbolt, check to make sure it is drilled for them.

Follow tips to install

Most replacement doors include instructions that should be followed. If these aren't included, the installation should go as follows:

Slide the new door and frame into the opening. Check that the threshold plate is level,

if necessary shim it with wedge-shaped wood.

Place shims between the framing and doorjamb at the upper and lower hinges and on the lock side opposite these hinges. Verify that the frame is plumb, square and has an even gap between the jamb and door all around.

Run 3 1/2-inch screws through the hinge plates and jamb into the rough frame at the shim locations. (The traditional way to fasten a door is using 16d finish nails on the lock side, but I like using screws because adjustment is easier.)

Place shims at the middle hinge and lock location and fasten as above. Verify that the door operates properly and adjust if necessary.

Gently stuff insulation between the jamb and frame. Replace the lockset, deadbolt and molding, putty the screw holes and finish.

And most important, don't leave home without your keys.

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.

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GARDENING

GARDENING CALENDAR

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NURSERY SCHOOL

ARRANGEMENTS

Several workshops, including a patio pot workshop on Saturday, May 5, 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. Other summer workshops include hand-tied rose bouquet workshops, Saturday, June 9, and water plants, Saturday, July 21. Call (734) 397-0800.

GRASS ROOTS

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and water garden balancing on Sunday, May 13 by Grass Roots Nursery, 24765 Bell Road in New Boston. Streams and waterfalls is scheduled for Sunday, May 27. No registration required. Dress for the weather. Call (734) 753-9200.

COMPOST BIN SALE

LIVONIA

In conjunction with Environmental Safety Day in Livonia, the Master Gardener Association of Wayne County has scheduled a compost bin sale 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at Livonia Community Center, 15100 Hubbard Road (Five Mile and Hubbard). Compost bins will be sold at a reduced price of \$35 plus tax.

BACK TO SCHOOL

MORE GARDENING

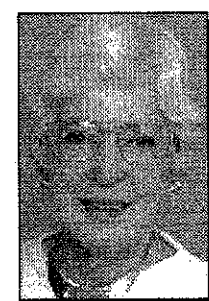
The Michigan School of Gardening, 29429 Six Mile, in Livonia offers a variety of subjects. Register in advance. Classes are limited in size. Weekly classes usually are

scheduled for 9:30 a.m., while evening courses begin at 6:30 p.m. Classes listed here will be taught at the Livonia facility. Here is a list of some of the classes, some of which require prerequisite courses or experience: Difficult Sites Part I on wet and dry sites, two Thursdays, starting June 7; Difficult Sites Part II, starting Thursday, June 21. Also, the school plans to host Allan Armitage, internationally acclaimed gardener, author, instructor and professor of horticulture on Friday, June 22 and Saturday, June 23 will appear at garden tours in Beverly Hills and Bloomfield Hills. Armitage will appear at the Michigan State University Management Education Center in Troy on Sunday, June 24. Tickets are \$45 per person, \$55 after May 25. Call (248) 4-GARDEN for a brochure and registration on the Armitage visit.

For information on spring classes, times and costs or click on www.michigangardening.com for class information or for classes at other locations in Detroit, Pontiac and Macomb Township. See page C5 for more Gardener Calendar listings.

Learn about slow release fertilizers

GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

Recovery Authority Healthy Lawn and Garden Program, and Greg Patchen, Oakland County Michigan State University Extension horticultural agent, explain it this way:

Nitrogen fertilizers are classified as either quick- or slow-release products.

The response from quick-release sources occurs within days after application and is visible through increased growth and greener color.

Disadvantages of quick-release nitrogen include its high-burn potential, short residual and increased potential for leaching, volatility and runoff. The nitrogen sources in them also have a relative high-salt index. The flush of growth lasts a relatively short time with the effects of the nitrogen wearing off within four weeks.

In contrast, slow-release sources discharge nitrogen over an extended period of time.

The major advantages of these products are low-burn potential, lower risk of nitrogen loss, fewer applications and more uniform growth response. Disadvantages include slow initial plant response and the need to apply the product in granular form.

Fertilizers with 40 to 50 percent slow-release nitrogen are recommended to be labeled as

"slow-release." There are several types:

■ Natural organic fertilizers — nitrogen is released through microbial action (microbes are tiny germs in the soil)

■ Timed-released, coated fertilizers — nitrogen is released as the coating dissolves

■ Fertilizers with significant quantities of water-insoluble nitrogen — nitrogen slowly dissolves in water.

Natural organic materials and some synthetic organic materials depend on microbial decomposition alone. Other synthetic organic materials and coated nitrogen products depend on physical and/or chemical processes in combination with microbial activity.

Natural organic fertilizers are derived from remains or by-products of plant and animal processing industries.

Organic fertilizers require a greater volume of materials because of their low nitrogen, potassium and phosphorus (N-P-K) analysis, but do contribute organic matter that supports healthy biological activity in the soil system. All organic fertilizers are slow-release.

Suggestions

The question: Is fertilizer a source of lake, river and ground-water pollution?

After much research, "The answer 'It depends' is all that can be said," Dean said.

"When used at recommended rates under managed conditions at test plots, there is no evidence that nitrogen fertilizers contribute to water quality problems," she said.

"However, field studies completed in the last several years have documented lawn fertilizer as a source of nutrient in storm water runoff. Nitrogen and phosphorus, especially, can affect lakes and streams by stimulat-

ing excess algae which depletes oxygen from the water, thus a degradation of the aquatic habitat for small invertebrate animals and fish."

The Healthy Lawn Program, sponsored by SOCRRA, recommends the following:

1. Cut the grass high, leaving 3 inches on the blade after cutting, if possible.

2. Water the lawn frequently but lightly — enough so water reaches the roots but without over-watering.

3. Use slow-release fertilizer in accordance with the results of a soil test. Two to four annual applications are recommended by MSU Extension personnel.

4. Avoid weed-and-feed. Dig weeds by hand, and/or spot treat problem areas. Practice integrated pest management and search for the least toxic approach.

By following these suggestions, the lawn will be healthy and thick, so that it naturally resists insect and disease damage.

Roots will also help hold soil in place, reducing soil erosion into storm sewers, lakes and streams.

Good garden tips

■ A seedling is ready for planting when its root base is as wide as the plant is high. If the plant's height is greater than the width of the root base, increase its planting depth.

■ Want to grow elephant garlic? Plant separated cloves base down 2 inches deep as soon as the soil is warm. Fertilize two or three times during the growing season. It needs full sun and lots of water to develop the cloves.

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. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.



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GARDENING CALENDAR

FLOWER SALE

POTTED PLANTS

Approximately 500 potted plants will be available at the Friends of the Wilson Barn annual spring flower sale May 10-13, including lilies, chrysanthemums, tulips, daffodils, azaleas and small orchid corsages. Full flats of petunias, impatiens, begonias and pansies will be available. Pony rides will be available for children, weather permitting. Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, May 10; 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Friday, May 11; and Saturday, May 12; and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at the Wilson Barn, 29350 West Chicago (at Middlebelt). Anyone who has any questions regarding the sale can call the Barn at (734) 427-4311 and leave a message.

PLANT SALE

Bedding plants and potted plants will be available 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday, May 3, at the Northville Farmers Market in the Northville Downs parking lot at Seven Mile and Sheldon. Arts and crafts and garden art will be available. The sale will be a great opportunity to purchase Mother's Day plants and gifts. The Farmers Market,

sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, is scheduled every Thursday, May through October. Call (248) 349-7640.

NORTHVILLE

The 14th Annual Flower Sale visits downtown Northville, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday, May 25, and 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, May 26. More than 15 greenhouses, all members of the Metropolitan Detroit Flowers Growers Association, will participate this year. Main Street between Hutton and Center streets, will be closed to allow for browsing and shopping. Among the many spring and summer blossoms for sale are annuals, perennials, shrubs, roses and exotic plants and herbs. For information, call (248) 348-0488.

LECTURES

GRASS ROOTS

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required. Dress for the weather. Call (734) 753-9200.

CLUBS

FARMINGTON

Charlotte Dashner, a Farmington Garden Club member and landscapes school chairman for the Federated Garden Club of Michigan, will present a floral design program at the Farmington Garden Club meeting noon Monday, May 7 at the Longacre House on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. Visitors are welcome. Call (248) 476-3017 for information.

HERBS

The evening herb study group at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens will car-pool at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 12, to Renaissance Acres in Whitmore Lake. The organic herb farm has been in operation

for 20 years. The group will be taken on a tour and allowed to browse for plants. Meet in Room 125 of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road. Members and guests are welcome. For information, call (734) 449-2334.

HOSTAS

The Metro Detroit Hosta Society has scheduled its annual plant sale 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 20 at the Birmingham Congregational Church at Cranbrook Road and Woodward. Hostas, companion plants, perennials and rock garden plants will be for sale. Admissions is free.

GARDEN WALKS

LIVONIA

The Friends for the Development of Greenmead (Livonia's Historical Village) presents its annual Garden Walk from 10 a.m.

Plants on sale Sunday

The Master Gardener Association of Wayne County has scheduled its 10th Annual Spring Plant Sale from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sunday, May 6, at the Wayne County Extension Office, 5454 Venoy Road, in Wayne.

Quantities are limited - so get there early. Parking is free.

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For more information or directions before Sunday, May 6, call (734) 285-4836.

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ENGAGEMENTS & ANNIVERSARIES

Chapman-Koch

Sidney Chapman Jr. and Linda Chapman of Ypsilanti announce the engagement of their daughter, Mindie Ann, to Scott Allen Koch of Bowling Green, Ohio.

The bride-to-be is a 1995 graduate of Garden City High School. She currently attends nursing school at Schoolcraft College and is a nurse extern at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Koch of Belleville, is a 1992 graduate of Belleville High School and is a certified law enforcement officer. He graduated from Owen's Community College in Toledo. He works for the Wood County Sheriff's Office as a deputy sheriff.

A June wedding is planned at St. Anselm's Church before Msgr. James A. Moloney.

The bride will be attended by Colleen Wutke, Rebecca Chapman, Carrie Thomason, Jennifer Chapman and Melissa Chap-



man.

The groom will be attended by Brent Held, John Leroy, Brian Koch, Michael Harding and Frank Harding.

The couple will receive guests at Roma Hall in Garden City and then take a Caribbean Cruise. They will make their home in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Miedlar-Hollis

Steven and Jan Pierz of Commerce, announce the engagement of their daughter, Cortney Marie Miedlar, to Jonathan Wesley Hollis of Wixom.

The bride-to-be is a hairdresser at Fantastic Sams.

Her fiancé, son of Mike and Nancy Lindbeck of Livonia, is a salesperson at Martin Engineering.

A May wedding is planned at St. Matthews United Methodist Church.



Robinson-Donaldson

Ruth Robinson of Livonia announces the engagement of her daughter, Holly Lynn, to Roger Michael Donaldson of Northville Township.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Churchill High School and University of Michigan-Dearborn, where she earned two bachelor's degrees, business administration and political science. She works for Meijer's Inc.

Her fiancé, son of Gordon and Frances Donaldson of Livonia, is a graduate of Stevenson High School and a graduate of University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, where he earned a bachelor's degree. He also graduated from Michigan State University, where he earned a master's



degree in criminal justice. He is employed as a fraud examiner with Swiss Re Group in Southfield and is a consultant to Shadown Investigation — a Livonia-based private detective agency.

A June wedding is planned at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Livonia.

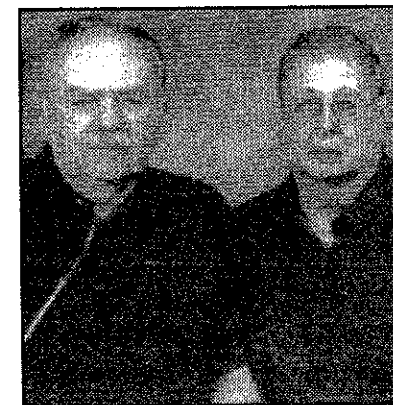
Hecmanczuk

Edward J. and Vivian (Bair) Hecmanczuk of Garden City will celebrate their 50th anniversary in May.

The couple wed May 3, 1951 in Detroit. They have lived in the area for 50 years and have four children who live in Wayne County: Barb, Joe, Jackie and JoAnn. They also have one grandchild.

Edward is a retired electrician from General Motors in Livonia and Vivian is a retired homemaker.

They are looking forward to a quiet evening at home celebrating with their family and a road trip down south later this summer.



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Meyers

Joseph C. and Nancy A. (La Beall) Meyers of Canton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this month. The couple wed April 7, 1951 at St. Suzanne Church in Detroit.

They have lived in the area for 25 years and have six children: Linda (George) Sourvelis, Joyce (Bruce) Vogt, Joe Meyers, Kathleen (Donald) Quick, Jeff (Jill) Meyers and Robert (Joan) Meyers. The Meyers also have 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Joseph Meyers retired in 1986 after working for at General Motors Cadillac Division for 38 years. Nancy Meyers was a dental receptionist for 16 years. She retired in 1996.



The couple celebrated the occasion with a party, thrown by their children, in Rochester Hills on April 7. They also took a trip to Hawaii in March.

Yudt - MacDonell-Oakley

Richard Yudt of Canton and Cheryl Yudt of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey Cheryl, to Matthew Frank MacDonell-Oakley of Canton Township.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of John Glenn High School and a full time nursing student at Madonna University. She will graduate in 2002.

Her fiancé, son of Frank Oakley of Redford Township and Karen MacDonell-Oakley of Westland, is a 1998 graduate of Michigan Technological University, where he earned a degree in civil engineering. He works for Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment,



Inc. as a project engineer.

A May wedding is planned at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia.

Bobier

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Residents of Livonia for 55 years, Bill & Mary Bobier celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on May 2nd. They raised three boys, Len (wife, Nancy) Bobier of Whittier, Ca., Chuck Bobier of Canton, and Dell (wife, Liz) Bobier of Lan-



caster, Pa. in a Christian environment. They have been blessed with ten grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Linker-Brown

George Linker of Northville and Lois Linker of Northville announce the marriage of their daughter, Lauren Alison, to John Gregory Brown of Chicago.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Northville High School and a 1998 graduate of Michigan State University. She is an animal keeper at the Lincoln Park Zoo.

Her fiancé, son of Jim and Suzanne Brown of Livonia, is a 1993 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1998 graduate of Michigan State University. He is a marketing representative for Hewlett Packard.



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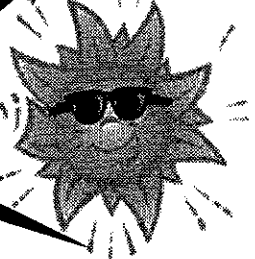
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SANDRA CAMPBELL

Night out with the girls

"Cover your eyes ... now don't peek!", she instructed.

"I won't," I promised. With my head buried into the old oak tree I began to count slowly. "One, two, three, four..." I could hear everyone scurrying around. Their footsteps faded away and then I was alone.

Forty years later, my writing group, "ThreeOlBabs" was getting ready to celebrate summer. We're all from Garden City — Linda Sparkman, editor of "ThreeOlBabs," and me (Sandra Campbell) the bag's rough draft writer — were planning to hold down the fort in Michigan and work on getting our first article published. Sharon Hegwood, the bag's photographer, was heading off to spend summer vacation at her childhood home in Crescent City, Ca., with a side-trip to Alaska!

To celebrate Sharon's sendoff, Linda planned a surprise going-away activity for our group. Big secret. Sharon and Linda picked me up about 6 p.m. I was the only one who was clueless about where we were going because Sharon was driving so she already knew our final destination.

"Now cover your eyes," said Sharon as we approached Westland Shopping Center.

"Don't peek," added Linda.

Finally our vehicle stopped and they said, "OK, now you can look."

When my eyes finally focused I saw a neon sign that read, "Laser Quest."

Sharon was a little chagrined at the idea, but I was totally ecstatic. "Don't you think we're a little old to be running around shooting each other?" Sharon asked.

"No way!" I shouted. "I've been wanting to do this forever!"

For the past few years, I'd listened to my teenagers announce, "See ya later, Mom. We're going to play laser tag."

Breaking the mold

Laser tag is Generation X's answer to the Baby Boomer's hide and seek. It's a high-tech, fast-paced version ... in the dark! I always envied them and now it was finally my turn.

"Eat your hearts out, boys! It's Mama's time to rock! Let's go!" I said.

We arrived at Laser Quest in Westland and stood in line with a bunch of 10-year-old boys. We each had to choose a secret code name. Mine was Waldo. Get it? Where's Waldo? Oh you get it. Sharon's was Drizzt and Linda's was "Mudda" (she's mother to six wonderful children).

We were led into the briefing room where we were required to shout out the "code of honor" (rules of play) to our leader, the "Marshal." "I WILL NOT RUN, JUMP OR CLIMB," the Marshal yelled. Our group replied in military-style unison, "I WILL NOT RUN, JUMP OR CLIMB. I WILL NOT USE OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE," to which we replied ... oh you get the idea. Then, we went into the "airlock" where we were assigned our gear: Flashing helmet, flashing vest, and best of all, laser guns.

I could hardly wait. The Marshall gave us instructions and let us each have a 10 second head start into the blackened maze. The hunt was on!

I began by inching my way across the floor, up the ramp, and onto the overlook. I zapped everyone right and left from my hidden perch above the main floor. I never did see Linda or Sharon, but I was having a "blast" zapping those 10-year-old boy soldiers. This was exhilarating. Fastest 20 minutes I've spent in a long time.

It seems Linda got worried because she couldn't find me. She began calling out my name and even went to ask the Marshal if anyone had left the area. "No one went out the door," he assured her.

When the buzzer sounded, we made our way back to the "Exit" sign. Sharon was exhausted. Linda was a basket case, overcome with anxiety fearing the worst for her lost friend, and I was pumped! The ThreeOlBabs had a riot. We compared score sheets with our opponents, (those wicked 10-year-olds) and agreed we needed more practice.

After our spirited game of laser tag we headed to Mancino's in Westland where we laughed our way through a large pizza and wondered why we had waited so long to some fun!

Ladies, we'd like to suggest you leave the guys at home, get the girls together, and go get 'em!

WRC bids goodbye to longtime staffers

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
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Not only is the Women's Resource Center a value to the students of Schoolcraft College, it's been a priceless resource for two staff members who have not only found careers there, but friendship as well.

"I have received so much encouragement in this office. I am finding it hard to think about leaving," said Elaine Tomalty, who retired last week from her position as WRC secretary.

Women's Resource Center director Nancy Swanborg was faced with having two longtime staff members retire this spring as Barbara Campau also announced her plans to retire in June.

"There has been and will be lots of tears," said Swanborg.

Tomalty, a Northville resident, said an ad in the Observer in 1987 prompted her to apply for the position of secretary. She took the job when her children became of age to attend college for "some extra money."

"I could have left about five or six years ago, but I found it too hard to even think about leaving," said Tomalty, whose husband also retired from Schoolcraft College in 2000 after 30 years of service. "It's my time now to join him."

Mixed feelings

As if the announcement that one longtime staff member was leaving wasn't enough, Campau said she told Swanborg in March she'd be retiring from her position as coordinator of volunteer services of the WRC. Campau said she was hired for the job in August 1987 having previously served as a volunteer there since 1984. "I had been a stay-at-home mom, and I eventually reached the point where I felt confident to look in the community to find something else to do," said Campau. "I have a background in education and social work, and this job seemed to feed into that."

Having worked closely with both women since she came to Schoolcraft College five years ago, Swanborg said their departure will be a tremendous loss to the Women's Resource Center and the college.

"I can't even begin to tell you what a sense of loss this is," said Swanborg. "Whoever steps in will bring their own gifts, and we can't discount what they bring because that will be a gift in itself, but the accumulated knowledge and experience both these women possess totals more than 30 years."

Tomalty said while her retiring leaves her heavy-hearted, she's looking forward to traveling with her husband. Her colleague, whose last day is June 29, is also looking forward to traveling, spending more time with her family and of the upcoming birth of twin



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Departure: Barbara Campau (left) and Elaine Tomalty are saying goodbye to the Women's Resource Center as they look forward to retirement.

grandchildren.

"I'll have a lot to keep me busy. There's a lot of projects that I'm looking forward to getting done, too," said Campau a Livonia resident. "But I look at this place as a gift. The clients that come here have been a gift in my life. It's a great place to work ... it's like no other place."

Valued employees

John Tomey, dean of Student Services at Schoolcraft College, said he's had the pleasure of working with both Tomalty and Campau throughout the years. "Elaine is the consummate professional," said Tomey. "She's the glue that keeps that office together and has always been a friendly and knowledgeable resource for the staff and students who use the Women's Resource Center."

He went on to note that Campau's retirement will be a great void for the volunteers she works with on a

daily basis.

"The growth of the Women's Resource Center and the number of clients they are able to serve speaks to Barb's commitment to the department and the people she coordinates. She has a personal connection with each of the volunteers, and that's been of great value to the staff and clients."

Swanborg said a special Schoolcraft College tea will be held in the women's honor later this month to recognize their accomplishments and honor their retirement.

"Change is the one thing that is constant in our lives. It's really important for us to recognize that the only thing we can do about change is embrace it. I could go on and on about Barb and Elaine leaving, but I'm truly happy for them and will genuinely miss them as colleagues and friends. I do have to say though, the door is always open if they want to come back," said Swanborg.

Organization passionate about cause

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Greg Adair believes in divine intervention. He is sure there was a reason he sat next to the Rev. Edward H. Einem at a dinner party last spring.

Adair said he noticed Einem carrying around a severely impaired young person and later found himself sitting down next to them at the only available seat in the room.

"We started talking about our professions and he told me he ran an organization called Project Compassion," recalled Adair. "It was at that very moment that I knew why I was there, sitting next to him, and not someone else. To be honest I didn't really know anybody there and I found myself sitting next to Rev. Einem. There was a reason for that."

The Detroit minister is the founder of an organization that meets the needs of nursing home patients by providing one-on-one volunteer visitations from chaplains/volunteers, one-day patient outings through a program called God's Love Bus and three-day respite trips for long-term nursing home residents.

Adair, a Livonia businessman, founded Affordable Home Care in 1989 after having been a nursing home administrator for 10 years. His company provides day and night, basic needs care (personal care, cooking, housekeeping) for clients who aren't ready to enter the nursing home setting.

"If we can keep an individual in their home their quality of life is much more improved," said Adair, a Novi resident.

Knowing the needs of nursing home patients from more than a decade of experience in the field, Adair sees the value a program like Project Compassion can provide to men and women who are often forgotten once they enter an extended care facility.

"This is an awesome cause. We all may be faced with relying on someone to care for us or be in a wheelchair one day and that's something people don't want to talk about," said Adair. "Project Compassion serves to break the monotony and depression elder people often feel in a nursing home."

After exchanging business cards, Adair pledged he'd do what he could to become involved with the Rev. Einem's organization. Over the last year Adair has done just that. Project Compassion program coordinator Jen-



Respite: Nursing home patients from Wayne County enjoy a sing-a-long at a specialized three-day vacation camp.

nie Boyd refers to Adair as a "one-man committee."

"He's just amazing. He came in and wanted to know how he could help and he's never stopped asking," said Boyd. "He's a member of our board of directors, he is our planning committee and he's helped us to identify additional funding resources."

Since 1972, the spiritually based organization Project Compassion, has expanded from promoting spiritual support, encouragement and hope within nursing homes to a three-day vacation program offered to nursing home facilities throughout southeastern Michigan.

Adair is now serving to revitalize the vacation program that was discontinued due to a lack of funding.

"Jennie has been doing a lot of grant writing in hopes of breathing new life into the program," said Adair. "We really count on fund-raising and donations to keep a program like this going." Project Compassion depends upon public contributions and grants for approximately half of its operating revenue.

The three-day vacation program involves two nights and three days away from an institutional setting — something says Adair — many people have not been able to enjoy for years.

The camp program was offered at Camp Cavell, a retreat center on Lake Huron north of Port Huron for

six years.

"I know how depressing it is for people who reside in a nursing home," stated Adair. "That's why Affordable Home Care offers live-in services as a way to keep people home. But for those who must reside in nursing homes, even three days away from the facility makes such a big impact."

Beginning in June and running through September, Boyd has been able to reschedule three-day camps for the summer. Transportation is provided by Project Compassion as well as a program director and certified camp health officer.

While Project Compassion coordinators would like to see everyone take advantage of the three-day respite it's not always possible. That's why God's Love Bus program was created to provide one-day outings to places like baseball games, picnics, and shopping centers.

"I do this because it's all worth it when I realize the profound uplifting effect being in nature has on the campers. My only regret is that we don't have enough in contributions for the thousands of indigent patients who would benefit from this experience," said Adair.

For information about donations and endowments as well as volunteer opportunities call Project Compassion, (313) 832-7850.

Montessori plans reunion

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Sister Mary Paulita wanted to do something special to mark the 25th anniversary of The Montessori Center of Our Lady in Livonia.

"It will be really exciting to see all our former students. I'm sure many of them are married and have their own children now," said Sister Paulita who came to live in the Felician Mother House in 1948 as a postulate.

The Livonia school was founded in January of 1976 by Sister Paulita with just five children in the first class. "I was the only teacher. By June of that year there were 14 students in class and the following school year we were up to 24 students."

The 25th anniversary picnic on June 3 is being organized by Sister Paulita and co-chairwomen/parents Michele Carrier and Rita McCotter. The school is hoping former and current students and their families will attend as well as past faculty members.

"Hopefully we'll have quite a few people come out. I know there are a lot of different families that we are looking forward to seeing," said Carrier a Livonia resident.

Light refreshments (hot dogs, pop, ice cream) will be served under a tent on the school grounds. Shiranthi DeSilva, a Montessori teacher will provide music.

History

Before starting the Livonia school, Sister Paulita attended Xavier University in Cincinnati where she received a bachelor's degree in education with a concentration in Montessori in 1975.

"I spent the next eight months gathering materials and furniture to start the school on the campus of the Felician Sisters," said Sister Paulita who now serves as director/administrator.

Today, the Montessori operates at capacity with a long waiting list. "We have 80 students in the morning and 80 students in the afternoon class," said Sister Paulita.

"The basic foundation of the school is the same, the philosophy is the same and we are still carrying on Maria Montessori's methods of teaching," said Sister Paulita.

The Montessori Center of Our Lady (36800 Schoolcraft) in Livonia will hold the picnic from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 3. Please RSVP if you would like to attend by calling (734) 591-1599.

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453-0970

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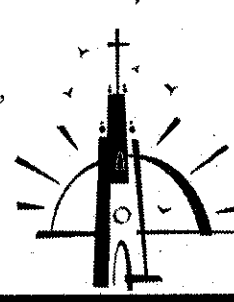
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Sunday Evening - 8:00 P.M.
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The Goodness of God

Do you ever realize that when you awake each morning, God has given you another wonderful day to rejoice and celebrate the gift of life? Rather than thinking about all the things we want to get done, spending a moment "counting our blessings" before we face the day might help us be more mindful of how good God has been to us! We all have an occasional tendency to be overly concerned about inconsequential things instead of focusing on what is really important in our lives and each new day gives us the opportunity to change that.

For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.
R.S.V. Psalm 100:5



RELIGION CALENDAR

UPCOMING

BYZANTINE MELODIES

St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church in Livonia is seeking new members for its acapella, four-part harmony, choir. If you want to praise the Lord with song, call Linda Lawson, choir director, (734) 464-3786. The church is located at 18100 Merriman, north of Six Mile Road.

TEMPORARILY RELOCATED

The Christian Science Reading Room and Book Store has temporarily moved from 445 S. Har-

vey to First Church of Christ, Scientist, 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. It will be open daily Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1-4 p.m. The Reading Room and Book Store is for public use. We hope you will visit us there. Call (734) 734-0970.

NATIONAL PRAYER

Residents of Canton Township will be participating in the annual "Meet at City Hall" on Thursday, May 3, the National Day of Prayer, to pray for a moral rebirth of America. All are welcome to meet around the flagpole

in front of the Canton Twp. Administration Building to pray from 12:20-12:40 p.m. The building is located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, between Cherry Hill and Palmer Roads.

DAY OF PRAYER

Christ Our Savior Lutheran church (14175 Farmington Road) will be observing America's National Day of Prayer with a special prayer and praise service at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 3. The service will be led by Christ Our Savior Pastor Robert Bayer, with inspirational and patriotic music by the church's senior choir. Light refreshments will follow the service.

FRIENDSHIP DAY

Lola Valley United Methodist Church (16175 Delaware in Redford) will host a Friendship Day program at 9:15 a.m. May 4. The program "For Such Time as This: A Call to End Racism," will look at the birth of the Civil Rights movement and that nearly half a century later racism remains a critical issue. To reserve a seat call Betty Stout (313) 537-9637 by May 1. Babysitting by reservation only, same deadline and phone number.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

The biblical message behind the musical masterpiece — Handel's Messiah. Don't miss this inspirational motion picture presentation. Handel's masterpiece comes alive with purpose and meaning through pictures and

connective narrative. Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt Road, Garden City at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 5. Admission is free. No collection. Presented by Associated Bible Students of Metropolitan Detroit. Refreshments following presentation.

CHILDREN'S CONSIGNMENT SALE

A children's consignment sale will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 5 at Calvary Baptist Church (43065 Joy Road, Canton). Children's clothing and baby equipment. Partial proceeds from the consignment will support the Mothers of Preschoolers program. Call Gwen (248) 449-7017.

HARRY POTTER SUNDAY SERIES

Join Minister Barbara Clevenger of the Church of Today West on Sundays at 10 a.m. from May 6 through June 10 for a series titled "Harry Potter, the Hero's Journey and You." Discover the magic within you in Barbara's exciting Sunday series based on the Harry Potter books by J.K. Rowling. Meadowbrook Elementary School (Meadowbrook Road, just south of 13 Mile) in Novi. Visit www.cotwest.com or call (248) 449-8900.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

The Madonna University Prayer Group will host a seminar titled "Life in the Spirit" at 6 p.m. beginning May 6 through June 10. 14221 Levan Road Patio One, Livonia. Call John (734) 422-5611 or Shaun (734) 464-9057.

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings, a grief support group meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church (30900 Six Mile Road) in Livonia. The group welcomes a guest speaker the first Thursday of every month and group support will be offered the third Thursday of the month. Call (734) 422-6038. May 7, Memories, Del McPherson

CAREGIVER WORKSHOP

Are you a stressed out, frustrated or irritable caregiver feeling angry or guilty? Ruth Favor, nationally certified bereavement/spiritual care coordinator at Angela Hospice of Livonia will speak at St. Colette (17600 Newburgh Road, Livonia) at 7 p.m. May 8 in the social area of the church. Call (734) 464-4436.

FINE ART CONCERT

An evening of swing and jazz will be presented at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 8 at First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 East Main Street) in the sanctuary. Five Guys Named Moe will perform an eclectic mix of swing. Advance tickets are \$12/ adult; \$10 senior (65+); and \$10 for children 12 and under. Tickets at the door are \$15. Call (248) 349-0911 and ask for Dr. Kupe-

INDIA MISSION TRIP

Pastor Luther Werth of Christ Our Savior Lutheran church will give a media presentation regarding his recent mission trip

to India titled "A Mother's Love for the Water of Life" at both Sunday services (8:30 and 11 a.m.) May 13 in the Christ Our Savior's sanctuary (Farmington Road, one block north of I-96). A staffed nursery will be available at both services.

WEIGH DOWN WORKSHOP

Do you feel like you are constantly fighting a battle with food, trying diet after diet, with only temporary results? If so, join us for a free orientation session about this Christ-centered weight loss seminar. Attend a program at 7 p.m. Monday, May 14 at Geneva Presbyterian Church (5835 Sheldon Road, Canton) or call Diane Gaubatz at (734) 397-1986 or the church office (734) 459-0013.

LIVONIA PRAYER BREAKFAST

The 27th Annual Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast will be held from 7:15-9 a.m. Thursday, May 31 at Burton Manor (27777 Schoolcraft) in Livonia. Ambassador Robert A. Seiple, founder and president of the Institute for Global Engagement, will will the guest speaker. Jay A. Young, Livonia Public Schools is the chairperson and Mayor Jack Kirksey of Livonia is the honorary chairperson. Tickets are \$15 (adults); and \$10 (students). RSVP by May 11 (tickets limited). Call Sally Butler (248) 476-9427.

CORRECTION

Due to an error in newspaper composition, the date was incorrect in Shurgard of Canton legal notice.

The date that appeared was May 5, 2001 and should have read May 15, 2001. We regret any inconvenience this may have caused Shurgard of Canton, their customers or our readers.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA May 10, 2001

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2001 AT 7:30 P.M.** The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at **1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD**. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

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

Acceptance of Agenda

- James W. Thornton, 404 Merrimac, Canton, MI 48188 is requesting a variance to Fence Ordinance 103 Section 1.6 and 1.9 front yard setbacks, also Section 8D - 2 Corner Lots. Parcel #093-01-0131-000 (Building)
- Ronald Brock, 3390 Lilley Road, Canton, MI 48188 is requesting a variance to Zoning Ordinance 26.02 Schedule of Regulation and 2.03 -C in order to build an accessory structure. The variance addresses both the front yard setback and the side yard setback requirements. Parcel #71-103-99-0009-005 (Building)
- Dave and Wendy Fosdick, 47951 Picadilly Ct., Canton, MI 48187 are requesting a variance to Zoning Ordinance Schedule of Regulations 26.02. This is for a rear yard setback for construction of a sunroom. Parcel #71-029-03-0145-000 (Building)
- Dan Tabar, 442 Sylvan Drive, Canton, MI 48188 is requesting a variance to Zoning Ordinance 26.02 Schedule of Regulations. This is for a rear yard setback variance for an attached porch and sunroom. 078-02-0041-000 (Building)
- Ross Hauk, 49336 Pineridge Dr., Plymouth, MI 48170 and Mary Hauk, 831 Ridge Rd., Canton, MI 48188 is requesting a variance to Zoning Ordinance 2.03, D6, Schedule of Regulations. This is for door width requirement for accessory. Parcel #71-074-99-0008-709 (Building)

(Approval of April 26, 2001 minutes)

Publish: May 3, 2001

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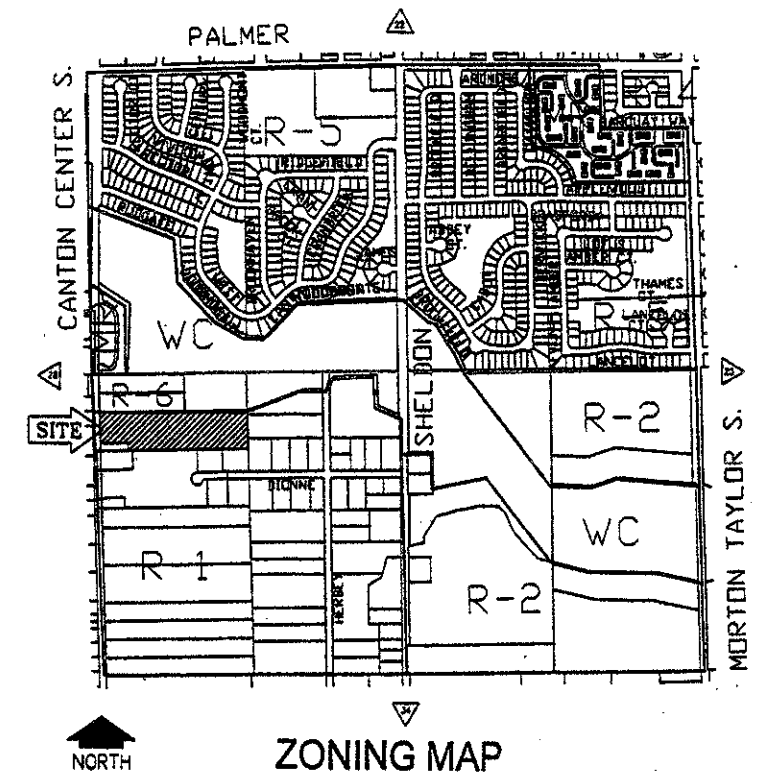
PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, June 4, 2001 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

SINGH/ARCHDIOCESE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/ACRE TO MEDIUM-HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (UP TO 8 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE) FOR PARCEL NO. 107 99 0003 001. Property is located on the east side of Canton Center Road between Geddes and Palmer Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, May 31, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



**ZONING MAP
SECTION 27**

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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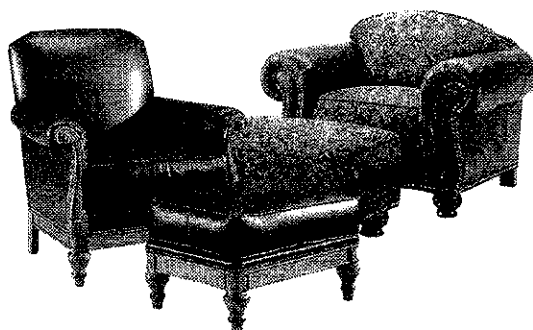
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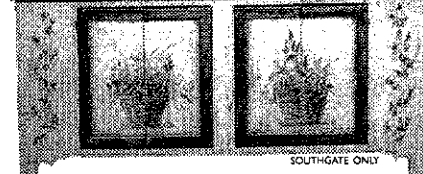
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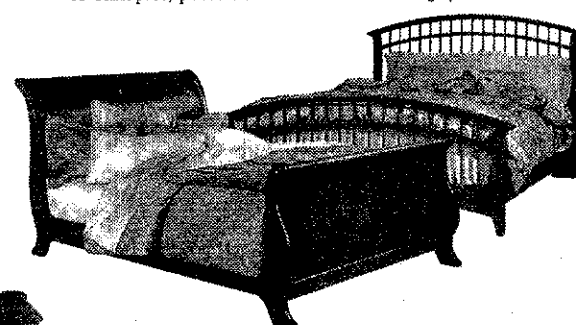


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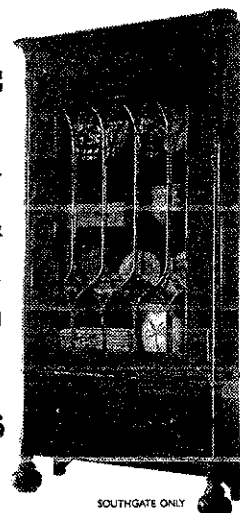
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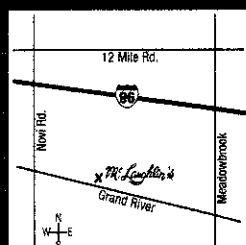
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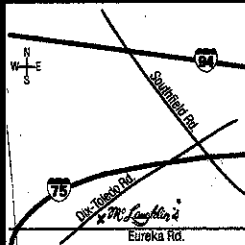
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New arrivals from page C7

Patti Chute of Westland and Debra Louis of Garden City.

■ **David and Stacey Dogonski** of Livonia announce the birth of their son **Ean Paul Liam Dogonski** born March 30 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. Ean joins sister Makenna, 20 months. Grandparents are Dennis and Darlene Bryant of Livonia and Thomas and Allysan Dogonski of Detroit. Great-grandparents are Benny Socolovitch of Redford, Sol and Susan Baltimore of Lathrup Vil-

lage and Walter and Mary Dogonski of Farmington.

■ **Alan and Janice Erickson** of Livonia announce the birth of their son **Andrew Glen** born April 10 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. Andrew joins sister Alicia, 2. Grandparents are Ken and Barbara Kelsey of Farmington Hills and Jerry and Carol Erickson of St. Clair.

■ **Jeff and Lori Orsette** of Westland announce the birth of their daughter **Emily Elizabeth**

born July 19, 2000 at Huron Valley Hospital in Commerce Township. Emily joins sister Mykela Marie, 5. Grandparents are Tom and Gail Lamb of Livonia, Gordon Orsette of Wellston and the late Suzanne Orsette. Great-grandparents are Orval and Helen Zapfe of West Branch, the late Thomas and Mary Lamb of Plymouth, the late Joe and Ursula Muhich of Garden City and the late Alexander and Evelyn Orsetti of Dearborn.

■ **Gary and Trina Lay** of Livonia announce the birth of their son **Evan Thomas** born April 9 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. Evan joins sister Kelsey Briane Lamb, 6. Grandparents are Tom and Gail Lamb of Livonia and Donn and Patricia Lay of Romulus. Great-grandparents are Helen and Orval Zapfe of West Branch.

■ **Jeff and Catherine Carlin** of Westland announce the birth of their son **Christian John** born April 19 at Oakwood Hospi-

tal Annapolis Center - Wayne. Christian joins sister Bailey Jane. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Carlin of Ft. Wayne and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Isaacson of Ft. Wayne.

■ **George and Valerie Hunger** of Livonia announce the birth of their daughter **Paige Elise** born April 13 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center - Wayne. Grandparents are George and Rita Hunger of Armada, Mich., and Peggy Guoin

of Memphis, Mich.

■ **Bryan and Erika (White) Laszlo** of Garden City announce the birth of their son **Ethan Matthew** born Feb. 23 at St. John's Hospital in Detroit. Grandparents are Edward and Mary Ann White of Canton and Larry and Shirley Laszlo of Garden City. Great-grandparents are H. Lee and Katy Reed of Brooklyn, Mich., and Margaret Laszlo of Negaunee.

Shop hosts tea, Mother's Day cake decorating event

Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe in Westland will host a "Teddy Bear Tear Party" for young ladies and ladies from 2:30-4:40 p.m. May 6.

The cost includes a craft project, a picture of the lady with her teddy bear, tea sandwiches, dessert and tea or lemonade.

A fashion show and prizes will be included in the two-hour program.

The cost of the tea party must be paid in full at the time of registration. All adults must be accompanied by a child. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$20 for young ladies.

The shoppe will also be hosting a Mother's Day event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 12.

Children will have the opportunity to decorate cakes for their mom. \$3 per cake. No appointment needed. This event is for chil-

FAMILY EVENT

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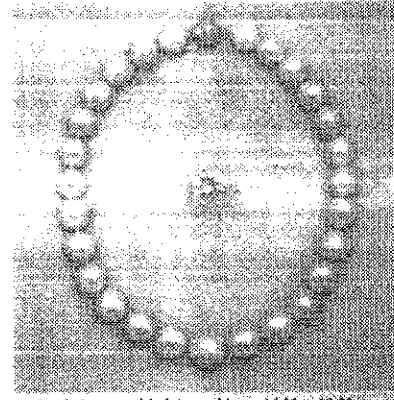
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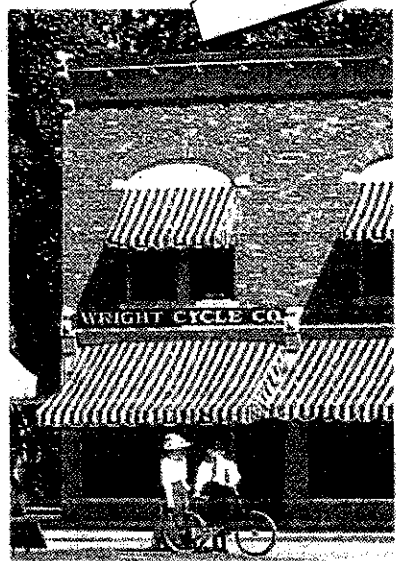
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For a Song

PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY REGROUPS FOR MOZART 'REQUIEM'



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Three's a charm: The Plymouth Oratorio Society will perform Mozart's Requiem for a third time this season. They first sang the work earlier this year at Orchestra Hall.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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If it's true that the third time's the charm, Leonard Riccinto expects the Plymouth Oratorio Society's May 5 performance of Mozart's Requiem to be as thrilling as when the group first sang the haunting and uplifting work at Orchestra Hall in March.

The move to a religious venue with its particular set of acoustics, a different configuration of vocalists and accompaniment by the Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra, is certain to lead to the resurrection of a moving, polished version of the piece originally commissioned in the middle of the night by a mysterious stranger.

The Plymouth Oratorio Society originally presented Mozart's final work with the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra, under director Charles Burke, and the Eastern Michigan University Choir, then reinvented it with the EMU Choir on Palm Sunday. On Saturday evening the glorious sound will fill the sanctuary of First United Methodist Church in Plymouth, an appropriate space for the composition based on the Mass for the Dead.

Deeper insight

"Anytime you repeat a work you have insight into the music, the compositional style," said Riccinto, who directs choral activities at Eastern Michigan University. "For the singers it's an opportunity to attain another level of understanding. You can only increase the quality of performance because the more you do it, the better you get at it."

"The Requiem always challenges. To come alive under each circumstance: acoustics, musicians—choral and orchestral, it's a challenge to bring it all together."

Carol Briner cut her vacation short just to perform the Requiem at Orchestra Hall.

"It was the ultimate thrill," said Briner, a Canton resident who began singing with the Plymouth Oratorio Society 10 years ago. "I came back a day early from vacation and I was so tired but when I got up on stage, just being there with that many singers and the acoustics, it was unbelievable."

Plymouth Oratorio Society

What: The 120-voice choral group and the Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra perform Mozart's Requiem and J.S. Bach's Motet # 3. Free-will offering (\$5 suggested donation) will be taken to defer the cost of the concert. For information, call (734) 455-8353.
When: 8 p.m., Saturday, May 5
Where: First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth

Sauchak even though he's sung at Carnegie Hall. A chemistry teacher at Eastern Michigan University, Work sings with the all-male choir Measure for Measure, based in Ann Arbor under the direction of Riccinto. He and his wife Carolyn joined the Plymouth Oratorio Society just to sing Mozart's Requiem.

"We wanted to do it because we listened to it for years," said Work. "It's some of the greatest music ever written. And it was very exciting to have that many people and to have things together the night of the concert."

"It was fun working with the kids in the orchestra," added Carolyn, "and it was exciting because of the history of the hall and the fight to save it."

Anticipation

Don Pratt never tires of the opportunity to sing a great work whether it's at Orchestra Hall or First United Methodist Church in Plymouth. The Canton tenor originally joined the Plymouth Oratorio Society simply for the sake of performing choral masterworks. In addition to singing the Mozart Requiem, Pratt is looking forward to opening the May 5 program with J.S. Bach's Motet #3. Composed for the funeral of the widow of a head postmaster in Leipzig, Germany in

"You could hear the blending of voices so well and it sounded like one voice," added Jane Sauchak at a rehearsal in Plymouth on April 30. "Everyone agreed it was a once in a lifetime experience."

Delightful was the word George Mozurkewich used to describe that first concert.

"The acoustics were wonderful," said Mozurkewich of Plymouth, "and the conductor was fun."

Measure for measure

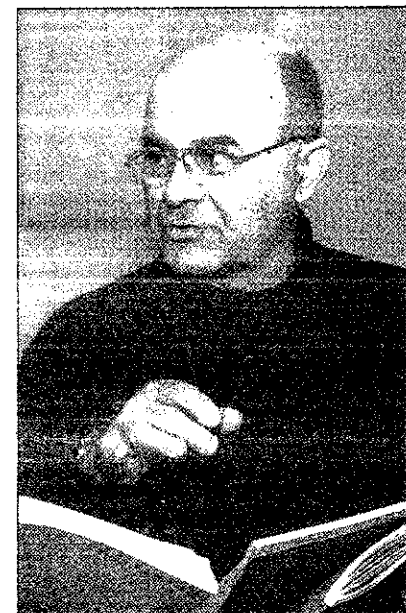
Stewart Work thought every measure of the work as exciting as Briner and

1723, the work was usually performed without instrumental accompaniment until research over the last 25 years proved it was not always done a cappella. The Plymouth Oratorio Society will use strings and organ as support for the chorale stanzas intermingled with fugue like sections.

"The Orchestra Hall concert was a great program with 185 in a combined chorus," said Pratt, a math teacher at Huron High School in Ann Arbor. "One of my former students was a bassoon player in the orchestra and another a soprano in the Eastern Michigan University Choir. We had a good time. My mom and dad were there. (Robert Pratt founded the Plymouth Oratorio Society and conducted it for many years). The concert was terrific."

"When you do Mozart's Requiem it's all a highlight. You have to do the Requiem a whole lot of times to get tired of it."

Riccinto is hoping his singers feel the same way about Beethoven's Ninth Symphony next season. Burke has invited the group back to Orchestra Hall next March. The week before, they'll join the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra to perform the same work. By the time, they sing the Beethoven in May at First United Methodist, practice will have made perfect.



Spiritual work: Conductor Leonard Riccinto looks over the score before a Plymouth Oratorio Society rehearsal.

EXHIBIT

Street art, pop art wind up behind CPOP's doors



Feeling 7-foot tall: Shepard Fairey's coinciding exhibition, "Destroyer," features a body of work based on images of propaganda such as this one, often featuring the likeness of the late pro-wrestler Andre The Giant.

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
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Shepard Fairey never met Andre The Giant. He wasn't even a fan of the World Wrestling Federation's most famous face. But the 31-year-old San Diego street artist made a name for himself by spreading the late wrestler's image across the globe.

"A friend of mine wanted to learn how to do stencils," said Fairey, during a phone interview from his California-based BLK/MRKT design agency. "I was looking through the paper and came across this ad with Andre The Giant in it."

Pet project

Fairey created the first version of this image and made sticker copies of it at a local Kinko's. He declared to his skate board buddies what would lead to a world-wide phenomenon "Andre The Giant has a Posse." What started out as a joke among friends about the 7-foot-4, 520 pound pro wrestler manifested into something beyond his imagination. "He was so ugly, but so fascinating looking," said Fairey, a grad-

What: Shepard Fairey's Destroyer and David Williams' The David Williams Variety Show
When: Exhibitions open 6 p.m. Saturday, May 5, and run through Monday, May 28.
Where: CPOP Gallery, 4160 Woodward Ave., Detroit.
For information: Call (313) 833-9901

uate of the Rhode Island School of Design. "He was this freak of nature who was able to turn that into a lucrative career."

Fairey began putting stickers around town wherever he went. There was no hidden meaning, no attempt to promote or sell something. Andre simply became his pet public art project. The mystery captured attention. "People wanted to know what it was about," he said.

Fairey began plotting out the placement of his stickers. They can be seen on "Welcome To..." state signs along U.S. highways, behind Santa Claus in mall Christmas photos, on film and news footage, flagpoles and billboards. "I wanted to spread it as far as I could," said Fairey.

This weekend, The Giant will come to Detroit as Shepard Fairey presents a month-long exhibition titled Destroyer at CPOP Gallery. Fairey will be armed with artwork in the form of giant banners, screen prints, and prints on wood, metal and even paper. "I started hijacking all sorts of pop culture icons

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COMMUNITY THEATER

Strong performances captivate audience in 'Stalag 17'

Farmington Players present "Stalag 17," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through May 19 at Barnes & Noble, West Bloomfield. Tickets \$12, call (248) 553-2955. BY BOB WEIBEL SPECIAL WRITER

The Farmington Players production of *Stalag 17* dramatically brings to life the story of men who lived a less well-known World War II experience than those popularized in Tom Brokaw's highly acclaimed *The Greatest Generation*. In case you missed the hit 1953 movie version, *Stalag 17* is the story of airmen in a German POW camp. Playwrights Donald Bevan

and Edmund Trzcinski were two of those prisoners. They portray the struggle for survival in a brutal environment – and the never-ending dreams of escape – against the dark comedy that men engage in to get through another day. Though the small talk is sometimes a bit forced and not spontaneous, the cast humorously gripe about the rotten food, lack of showers, mail, women, etcetera. What carries the play, however, is the suspense of learning who among these men is a snitch – an American who would sell out to the Nazis!

Two prisoners have been shot attempting to escape, and some-

one in the barracks must have tipped off the Germans. The most likely suspect appears to be Sefton (Kirk Haas) who openly trades cigarettes for small favors from the guards.

Haas, in voice and mannerisms, creates a sympathetic loner from the working class section of Boston. Not educated, but street-smart, he will play whatever games it takes to make it (Isn't that the way the world works?)

Who's the traitor?

But whatever else he may be, Sefton is no traitor. And one has the impression that he has experienced the terror of war, some-

thing that is lacking in some other characters. Ross Grossman, thankfully has that demeanor, and he effectively plays Dunbar (from a wealthy and connected Boston family). A class struggle develops with Sefton, but when the Germans put Dunbar on trial for sabotage, Sefton and others plan his escape (of course, Sefton has his own ulterior motives).

Jeff Miller, very tall, very blond, very American-looking, and very good as Price the airman in charge of barracks security couldn't possibly be the agent, could he? What about John Boufford, as Stosh, who provides most of the comedy?

Then, there is John Yono, as the wise-cracking Marko, who delivers prison news. Could it even be the barracks leader, Hoffy, played in a no-nonsense style by Fred Karn? By the end of act one it is clear who the culprit is. The only question is how will the others react, including the Germans. Bob Liegle (S.S. Guard), Darko Martinowsky (S.S. Officer) and Alan Madeleine (guard Shultz) create a terrific ensemble for the others to play off. Madeleine gives Shultz a very human quality, and little of the silliness associated with the Shultz character in the dopey sitcom *Hogan's Heroes*. In stark contrast to the underbelly of war

comes "The Geneva Man" a civilian inspector, all dressed in fine clothes and played superbly by Brett Mlinek. He underscores the pretense and charade of international politics.

Director Hank Bennett does a fine job in marshaling a large cast of 17 men (he even plays a small role himself) and getting strong performance from key roles. Others in the play include Joe Wachowski, Matt Yanke, Joe Marzka, Aaron Brown, Jim Jernigan and Bruce Madsen.

Bob Weibel lives in Westland and writes about theater for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

Player Guild's 'Forum' laugh until you cry funny

Players Guild of Dearborn presents "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" through Saturday, May 19. Performances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6, May 13, at the theater, 21730 Madison, southeast corner of Monroe and Outer Drive, in Dearborn. Tickets, \$14, call (313) 561-TKTS. BY SUE SUCHYTA SPECIAL WRITER

If laughter is truly the best medicine, the Players Guild of Dearborn's production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* will cure whatever ails you. *Forum* is "laugh until you cry" funny and a definite "must see" production.

Director Lisa Andres of Livonia has made the most of an already funny show with a superb cast, clever site gags, physical humor, and a fast-paced and lively production.

Pseudolus, a clever but frustrated slave, longs for his freedom. When his master, Hero, falls in love with a beautiful but

dim-witted virgin courtesan, Philia, Pseudolus offers to win her for Hero in exchange for his freedom. All that stands in Pseudolus' way are the Captain to whom Philia has been sold, Hero's lecherous father and overbearing mother, a reluctant fellow slave and accomplice, and a host of courtesans and proteans ready to engage in fast-paced comedy and burlesque-style humor.

Great timing

Brian Townsend of Plymouth brings energy, talent and a great sense of timing to the role of Pseudolus, the original con man. As his deceptions begin to pile up and the plot thickens, the laughter reaches a frantic pace as well. Townsend is the juggler that keeps it going from one subterfuge to another with ease and comic skill. A consummate showman, he sings as well as he acts, and his animated expressions alone can precipitate laughter.

The talented team of Ron Williams Jr. of Redford as Hero

and Brooke Andres of Livonia as Philia are well-matched pair of starry-eyed innocents falling in love for the first time. Andres is as talented a singer as she is an actress, as she demonstrates in her strong solo, "That'll Show Him."

Senex, Hero's lascivious father, is played with canny timing and comic finesse by Joe Donovan of Farmington Hills. His duet "Impossible," sung with his son Hero while both are speculating about a romantic rendezvous with Philia, is an amusing ode to the generation gap.

Senex's comic foil, his overbearing wife Domina, is played with rapacious delight by Denise Kowalski-Albright.

Getting laughs

Bob Jones holds the prize for evoking the most laughter as Hysterium, the nervous servant caught up in Pseudolus' schemes. When he attempts to masquerade as the courtesan Philia to help her evade the captain, the laughter reaches its zenith. Imagine Jack Benny in a

white gown, Farrah Fawcett wig and holding a lily and you begin to get the picture. Jones' expressions are priceless, and his timing superb.

Mark Byars of Garden City played Miles Gloriosus with narcissistic aplomb. He's the Roman version of Arnold Swartzenager with three protean stooges nipping at his heels. Bob Walker of Westland plays the small but crucial role of Erronius with the talented touch of a straight man.

The entire ensemble of courtesans and proteans provide many of the sight gags and much of the slapstick. Their strength as a chorus made the show complete.

Musical Director Bob Ballard pulled together a show so smooth he made it seem easy. Jane Ripper's costumes brought the show to life. Steve Gautreau's wizardry in the lights and sound deck added to the comic humor.

Sue Suchyta lives in Dearborn and writes about theater for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

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– Jimi Hendrix, Kiss – I'd do Andre as Sid Vicious, Andre as Gene Simmons, in Neil Armstrong's first moon landing," he said. "When he died I wrote 'Wrest in Peace.'"

Not everyone embraced this art, essentially a form of graffiti. But Faurey has always maintained his work is a result of "phenomenology" – the process of letting something manifest itself.

Sure, he's gotten into trouble. "I've been arrested eight times," he said. "I don't do anything on private property. I definitely have ethics about where I'll put my stuff."

The CPOP exhibition will offer more exposure for Faurey and the images that are making him an industry giant. "For a lot of people, my stuff is still mysterious," he said.

'Kitching' on

David Williams, the post-pop artist behind *The David Williams Variety Show* will present work along with Faurey this May. His show also comes under a veil of mystery. Born in the small town of Ashland, Ky. and now a critically-acclaimed painter living in St. Petersburg, Fla., Williams has never shown his work in the Detroit area.

"We put shows together without any kind of matching," said CPOP's artistic director Carrie Hazel, a native of West Bloomfield. "They always seem to have some common bond. Here I think its commercialism and the constant reproduction of images."

It is just one of about 36 pieces. His collection also consists of 20 works on paper. "It frees me up a little bit," said Williams. "It's just paper. If I don't like it I can tear it up and use it somewhere else."

Like Faurey, Williams got an early start. Thanks to an influential elementary school teacher, he was guided to an apprenticeship with a local artist, Fred Rigby, which proved invaluable. He enrolled at Ashland Community College with the intention to study architecture, but soon joined his art school friends at Eastern Kentucky University

where he earned a degree in painting and illustration. After graduation, Williams was hired as a full time illustrator, a position that calmed his parents fears he might become "a starving artist." The job led him to work as a graphic illustrator at the *St. Petersburg Times*, where continues to work today.

"Almost seven years ago I realized I hadn't painted anything for myself," he said. "I got sidetracked." At 34, Williams set up his studio and went to work. But the print medium left an indelible mark on his work. The decade he'd spent as an illustrator served as constant inspiration for the art he would create.

As a boy Williams spent summers at his grandfather's farm. On rainy days, when he was stuck inside, he sorted through magazine ads in *Woman's Day* and *Popular Mechanics* and copied the images. The essence of those kitschy ads flow through his paintings and are present in an entirely new way.

His paintings are read like a pictogram, piecing together elements. The work in this show is derived from about five different series, hence the "variety" title, and was created from 1999 to the present. Several paintings reflect his tendency to rethink the familiar. *Re-Packaged Toy Car*, *Re-Packaged Frozen Treat* and *Re-Packaged Fighter Game* take Hot Wheels toy cars, Popsicles and Rock 'em, Sock 'em Robots to a whole other level. Instead of aiming the advertising of toys for children, Williams covers them in bar codes, altering the relationship between the packaging and its ideal consumer.

That's perhaps the universal link between Williams and Faurey. They use art to show something brand-new. They force us to seek out our own meanings in imagery we once thought familiar. They leave our minds forever marked with these new discoveries. Both *Destroyer* and *The David Williams Variety Show* run through May 28 at CPOP Gallery.

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Trinity House puts mod spin on 'Taming of the Shrew'

Trinity House Theatre presents William Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew" through Sunday, May 20. Performances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile Road (between Haggerty and I-275) Livonia. Tickets \$10 general admission, discount for groups of eight people or more, call (734) 464-6302.

BY MIKE MURPHY
SPECIAL WRITER

The Trinity House production of Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew* begs the questions: Will she or won't she? Should she or shouldn't she?

Be tamed, that is. At the onset of the play the answer is "no" by a long shot. The shrew in question, Katherina, played by Susan Merenda, hits the stage biting, kicking

and screaming at the men who attempt to handle her. Her rage extends even to her sister Bianca (Whitney Green). The conforming Bianca, for whom suitors are lined up, is tied and whipped by her savage sister.

The catch is that the father of both women has ruled that Katherina be wed first, and that's the device that sets the play off on its route of comedy and deception. If Bianca is the prize, then what fool, or what devil, will dare to marry Katherina?

It is then that Petruchio, played loudly and proudly by Justin Caesar, shows up on the scene. Every bit a brute as Katherina is a shrew, Petruchio is the answer — "the fool as to be married to hell."

Against a 1960s setting aug-

mented by the music of The Beatles, Donovan, Paul Revere and the Raiders and the Rolling Stones, the Trinity House cast of 21 actors exuberantly wends its way through the classic Shakespeare comedy.

Much of the original Shakespearean dialogue is preserved in the Trinity House production and the 1960s elements are reserved to music, stage trap-pings and costumes of the characters.

Written centuries before the notion of women's liberation became a mass movement, the play expounds upon the rank of women in Shakespeare's time.

They're fine if kept in their place and a scourge on polite society if not.

Servants fare no better, as they're also kicked and swatted

into submission.

Apart from the central story that pits Petruchio against Katherina is the tale of sister Bianca, who is offered up like chattel to the highest bidding suitor. Joe Wisniewski as Lucentio, Kurt Fretwell as Hortensio and Guy Snyder as Gremio are the bidders. Lucentio even goes so far as trade places with his servant in order to get closer to the fair Bianca.

Also there are the antics of the servants in the play, who are subject to the treatment meted out to the "taming" of Katherina on a regular basis.

Just for laughs

But *The Taming of the Shrew* is after all a comedy, and all the rants and raves and slapstick fisticuffs are there for laughs.

April Line, as Petruchio's ser-

vant Grumio, provides a good portion of those laughs with her animated facial expressions. After a particularly brutal journey accompanying Petruchio and his wild bride to Petruchio's home, or the "taming school," she dryly says, "It was not a good trip."

As Petruchio, Justin Caesar plays a villainous, egocentric brute with gusto.

Caesar's Petruchio is blind to the notion that he will fail to refine his wife and willing to wager on it. With his cocky stance and his bellowing voice, Caesar plays the villain well. He's the character you love to hate.

Merenda is also good at acting the transformation that takes place from Katherina the wild-cat hellion at the play's begin-

ning to the submissive Kate that advises fellow women to succumb to their husbands' will at the play's end.

The production itself may end in a party scene where audience members are urged to "Twist and Shout" along with the cast, but director Laura Gumina does not sacrifice the content of Shakespeare's play in order to make it modern.

As in most of Shakespeare's work, the play's message stands up and is relevant to today. It is more than just a comedy and the audience is left to wonder whether Katherina was better off before or after she was sent to the "taming school."

Mike Murphy lives in Livonia and writes about theater for the Observer Newspapers.

Christine Lavin does her best to remain anonymous

BY SHARON DARGAY
STAFF WRITER

Folk singer Christine Lavin is rushing through her last day in New York City before heading on tour to California, Oregon and Michigan.

She's responding to e-mail messages from fans. She has a voice lesson in an hour. And she has tickets to an afternoon Broadway show.

But she's bubbly and funny, talkative and unguarded as she makes time to chat with the reporter calling from Michigan.

Lavin says she has made a conscious decision to "pay attention and be interested in" the people she meets.

"Because that's the way people should be treated. It shouldn't be that they can do something for you or you are impressed with them. It's really made me aware because I get into these situations all the time."

At a recent awards party — where she received honors as a "singer of the year" — Lavin rubbed elbows with "Broadway type people" who didn't recognize her.

"Then when they heard my name, and because they knew my work, it was a wh-oo-le dif-

ferent ball game."

She wrote the song, *Trying to Trade Up*, after spending a miserable evening at a party where fans snubbed her until they found out who she was.

"I remember going through this sea of people and would make eye contact. They'd look at me and look away because they didn't know who I was. You know, it's such a New York thing to want to talk with the most important people there."

"Halfway through the party, the host stops everything and says, 'Everybody, this is Christine Lavin, the person I wanted you to meet.'"

When the fans fawned, Lavin wanted to scream "No! I tried to talk to you and you wouldn't give me the time of day."

Instead, she wrote it all into lyrics.

The 49-year-old folk singer does her best to remain anonymous.

"I feel that to be a good song writer you need to observe people, and if they know what you look like, you can't do that anonymously. You have to be able to observe from an anonymous point of view," she explains.

She even excluded her photo-

What: Christine Lavin in concert

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If you want to see Lavin as well as hear her witty and touching songs, you've got to catch her in concert. She'll perform on Friday at the Lafayette Grande in Pontiac and on Saturday at The Ark in Ann Arbor.

She may even work a little baton twirling and palm reading into the act. You never know what to expect at Lavin's performances.

Eccentric: "You're still baton twirling during the show, but your Web site said you've quit painting fans' nails with sparkle polish at intermission?"

Lavin: "I developed an odd allergy and I still can't shake it. My whole refrigerator has been filled with hundreds of bottles of nail polish for three years. But I bought a book on palm reading and I decided I could do that

instead."

Eccentric: Do you spend much time on the Web site, (www.christinelavin.com), keeping in touch with fans?

Lavin: "I'm kind of erratic about it. It depends on what my touring and writing schedule is. When I'm deep into the writing process I can't look at anything else. I can't control it. And believe me, when it wants me to write, I'll interrupt whatever I'm doing and it will take over. It's a mysterious process...like *The Invasion of the Body Snatchers*!"

Eccentric: Do you constantly jot down observations and lyrics?

Lavin: "No, but I make mental notes. There are songs I've written that are about things that happened 20 years ago. I have a song about an unhappy couple, where the wife staked out the upstairs and the husband has the downstairs. That came from 1971 when I worked in a string bean canning factory with a girl who told me her parents hadn't spoken to each other in 30 years. I never forgot that, and it ended up in a song."

Eccentric: Is it true you've seen the Dame Edna show several times and that you may be headed for your own cabaret-style show?

Lavin: "I went 25 times and learned something every single time. There's no one I can think of in the English-speaking world who works an audience like this man does. He's at the top of his game."

"I feel that anything that you do that entertains people is legit-

imate to put on stage. I came from folk music and have no formal theatrical training. But I'm following where the work is leading me. I'll be three weeks on the Jersey shore this summer. We've had a couple of meetings, but we don't know what kind of show it's going to be. It's an interesting process. I'm holding on for dear life."

Eccentric: Fans don't know what to expect at your concerts, do they?

Lavin: "That's true. I don't know what to expect half the time."

Eccentric: Your Web site advertises a Christine Lavin cruise?

Lavin: "The travel agent started this thing called fan club cruises and thought I'd be a good one to have fun with it. I did one in November. It's a four-day cruise this year. It's really a nice vacation for people who like this music."



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CENTURY THEATRE: *Mind Games* continues through July 29, at the theater, Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: *7 for 2* continues to Sunday, May 20, 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater. No performances Easter Sunday. (313) 868-1347

FISHER THEATRE: *Annie* May 1-6 (\$29-\$52), at the theater, Detroit. (248) 645-6666

GEM THEATRE: *The Tropical Pickle* continues through Aug. 26, at the Gem Theatre, Detroit. \$24.50-\$36.50. (313) 963-9800

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE: Horowitz and Mrs. Washington by Henry Denker, previews May 9-13; opens 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 13, whose May 16-20, May 23-27, May 30-June 3, June 6-10; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level Jewish Community Center, corner of Maple & Drake, West Bloomfield. \$16-\$26. (248) 788-2900 or Jetplay@aol.com

MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE: *The Phantom of the Opera* continues through Saturday, May 26, at the theater, Detroit. \$16-\$68. (248) 645-6666

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: *Little Shop of Horrors* continues to May 20, at the theater, Rochester. Showtimes vary. (248) 377-3300

PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY: *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom* continues through May 27, at the Anderson Center Theater in Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$20. (313) 872-0279

PURPLE ROSE THEATRE: Presents Dennis E. North's *Orphan Train: An American Melodrama*, through June 16, at the theater in Chelsea. Showtimes vary. Tickets \$22.50-\$32.50. Call (734) 433-ROSE

DINNER THEATER

ANGEL FOOD CAFE: Cherubim Players present *The Great Ypsilanti Train Robbery of 1916: An Evening of Historical License*, an interactive comedic dinner theater 5:15 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Friday, May 4, continues on the first Friday of the month through summer, at the cafe, Ypsilanti. \$44.50, \$88 per couple, includes choice of three entrees: Prime Rib au jus, Basil Crusted White Fish or Grilled Chicken with Boursin and Shitake. Advance ticket purchase and meal selection required. (734) 483-0135

HARMONIE CLUB: *Tony 'n Tina's Wedding*, the off-Broadway interactive theater production continues through May 26, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. \$55-\$65. (313) 961-5211/(248) 645-6666

MURDER MYSTERY THEATRE: Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall of Northville presents *Playing Dead...Family Style*, at the theater through May 21. Tickets include dinner, show, tax and tip for \$45 per person. Call for showtimes. (248) 349-0522

WEST END PRODUCTIONS: *Always Patsy Cline*, 6:30 p.m. Friday, 4 p.m. Sunday, through May 20, Como's Restaurant, Ferndale. \$35, includes dinner and show. (248) 541-1763

COLLEGE THEATER

HILBERRY THEATRE: *The Rover*, 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 2, and 8 p.m. Thursday, May 3 and Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, and Thursday-Saturday, May 17-19, and *Picnic* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5 and Thursday, May 10, at the theater on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

COMMUNITY THEATER

AVON PLAYERS: *Fiddler on the Roof* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday May 4-5, 11-12 and 18-19, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 10 and 17, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 29 and May 6, at the playhouse, Rochester Hills. \$15. (248) 608-9077

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS: *Ten Nights in a Barroom* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5, 11-12 and 18-19 (\$11), and 7:30 p.m.



Spring celebration: *Pick up a broom, remove cobwebs and dust from nooks and crannies, and wash a load of clothes during Spring Farm Days at Greenfield Village in Dearborn, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 5-6 and May 12-13. Visitors can also watch sheep shearing demonstrations, learn about Sheep Dogs, get a quick lesson on plant science, and watch farmers plow and plant the season's crops. Admission \$9-\$14, call (313) 271-1620 for information.*

Thursday, May 10 and 17 (\$9), at the Depot Theater, Clarkston. (248) 625-8811

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: Present *Stalag 17*, the World War II drama about a German POW camp 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, through May 19 at Barnes & Noble, West Bloomfield. \$12. (248) 553-2955

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN: *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* continues to May 19. Shows 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6, May 13, at the theater, Dearborn. \$14. (313) 561-TKTS

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD: *Vaudeville: A Play with Music* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5, 11-12 and 18-19, and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital. \$10, \$7 ages 18 and under. (248) 349-7110

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS: *Run for Your Wife* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5, 11-12 and 18-19, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6 and 20. \$11, \$10 seniors/students on Sundays, at the theater, Troy. (248) 988-7049

SRO PRODUCTIONS: *The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild* May 11-13, 18-20 and 25-27, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at Burgh Historical Park, Southfield. (248) 827-0701

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

MOSAIC YOUTH THEATRE: 2001 *Hastings Street* May 3-6, at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Detroit. (313) 963-2366

NORTH FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL: *The Pajama Game* 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 3-4 and Friday-Saturday, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the high school. \$10, \$7 students/seniors. (248) 426-4740

YOUTHEATRE: *Peter Pan* 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 5 and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the Millennium Centre, Southfield. \$8 advance, \$10 at door. (248) 557-7529 or on-line at www.youththeatre.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION: Features the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra conducted by Charles Burke and Civic Jazz, under the direction of Marcus Belgrave plus great food, arts and crafts, and Mexican jewelry 6 p.m. Friday, May 5 in the Hubbard Richard Plaza by Ste. Anne Church in Southwest Detroit. Free. (313) 964-5942

PAINTIN' IN THE STREETS: The creative celebration of the city will allow spectators to view the artistic process up close 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays in May. More than 30 local artist will take to the streets to document their vision of Detroit's architecture and street scenes. These works will then be

curated and presented in an exhibition and sale at the Scarab Club. (248) 399-0633

PSYCHIC FAIR: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at the Clawson-Troy Elks. \$5. (248) 689-2500

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL: Berries abound in pies, tarts, candies, sun-dae and other foods and beverages at the St. Florian Strawberry Festival, noon-9 p.m., Saturday, May 5 and Sunday, May 6, at the parish grounds in Hamtramck. (313) 871-2778

BENEFITS

BIRMINGHAM OPTIMIST CLUB: Hosts silent and live auctions to raise funds for Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland County 7-10:30 p.m. Friday, May 4, at the Marriott at Centerpoint, Pontiac. \$50. (248) 332-7173

IGNATIAN INVITATIONAL: Annual golf outing July 30, at Shepherd's Hollow Golf Course, Clarkston. \$1400 foursome, \$350 individual, \$150 reception and dinner only, benefits Jesuit education at home and in the missions. (800) 445-1621

FOUNDERS JUNIOR COUNCIL: Presents an evening of fashion and fun, features the "Laundry" clothing line of leisurewear by designer Shelli Segal, and John Hardy's contemporary jewelry for men and women 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$25 members, \$40 non-members. (313) 833-0247

MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND: 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Southfield

Centre for the Arts. Donations for Band cornetist Bonnie Kline who has cancer. (248) 354-4224

SALVATION ARMY CONCERT: The Dearborn Heights Citadel presents brass band and choral music to benefit the work of the Salvation Army overseas 6 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at 26700 W. Warren between Beech Daly and Inkster roads. Free will offering. (313) 563-4457

CLASSICAL

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: 7 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Temple Beth El. (248) 645-BBSO

BRUNCH WITH BACH: Pianists Yuki and Tomoko Mack 11:30 a.m. Sunday, May 6, seating begins 20 minutes earlier, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$22, \$11 for ages under 12, includes hot entree, \$5 for stairwell seating. (313) 833-4005

DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Peter Soave plays the bandoneon music of Astor Piazzolla with the orchestra 8 p.m. Friday, May 4, at Edsel Ford High School, 20601 Rotunda, Dearborn. \$18, \$2 children. (313) 565-2424

DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC SINFONIA: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Perform Bach's Mass in B Minor 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 3-4, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 5 at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$19-\$52. (313) 576-5111

RECITAL: A piano-four-hand recital

New to the scene: *Juliana Theory performs with openers Squad 5-0, 6 p.m. Sunday, May 6, The Shelter, Detroit. Ticket are \$8. Call (313) 961-MELT.*



with Lisa Caron and Linda Wotring Cuneo 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6. St. Matthew's Methodist Church, **TUESDAY MUSICAL:** Presents pianist Peter Serkin 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$30, \$10 students. (248) 477-1487

OPERA

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE: Present *Falstaff* May 12-20, at the Detroit Opera House. \$18-\$98. (313) 237-7464

PRO MUSICA SERIES: Presents baritone James Westman 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, in the Recital Hall at the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$30. (313) 886-5639/(313) 833-4005

COMMUNITY BAND

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND: *Step Back in Time* concert 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6, William Costick Center, 11 Mile Road, east of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. (734) 261-2202/(248) 489-3412 or www.fcbmusic.org

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

BOY CHOIR OF ANN ARBOR: Auditions open to all boys age 8-13. (734) 663-5377

CAMP BROADWAY: Performing summer arts summer program for ages 10-17 July 23-27 at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Detroit. \$350, space is limited to 41 students. (313) 962-4304

COOKIES AND MILK: Auditions for volunteers to perform 10-minute musical or puppet segments for children ages 0-4 and their parent or caregiver 11 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at Cookies and Milk Drop-In Play Center, Canton. (734) 207-1655

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE: Registration for Summer Camp of the Arts now being accepted, ages 7-11, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 18-July 6, at the Huntington Woods Recreation Center. (313) 965-3544

DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC ORCHESTRA: Holds auditions May 15 to June 13 for three of its programs for young musicians. Auditions will be held at Orchestra Hall for the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra and the Civic Sinfonia, and the DSO Summer Institute (July 15-29) at Meadow Brook in Rochester. To request applications for the orchestras or the Institute, call (313) 576-5164 or go on-line to www.detroitssymphony.com.

HFCC THEATER: Auditions for *Peer Gynt* 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 8 and 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, in Adray Auditorium in the Mackenzie Fine Arts Center on the Henry Ford Community College campus. Rehearsals begin June 25 for performances Aug. 16-26. (313) 845-9817

LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR: Auditions for boys and girls (ages 9-13) with unchanged voices for the 2001-2002 school year, must reside in Livonia and surrounding communities, a civic and tuition based organization, 4:30-6 p.m. Sunday, June 3 and 6:30-8 p.m. June 4, at Faith Lutheran Church, Livonia. Rehearsals begin in September and run weekly. (734) 425-1749

PRIME VOCAL JAZZ: Auditions for low bass singer, needed for established close harmony ensemble performing in Detroit/Ann Arbor area, requires strong music reading skills and excellent "ear," vocal jazz background a plus. (248) 682-6562

RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL: 10 a.m. Saturday, May 5, on the festival site, in Holly. Jugglers, sword fighters, musicians and actors needed. Participants don't need to prepare anything but should be ready to play and stay most of the day. The festival runs on weekends, from Aug. 18-Sept. 30. It's located off I-75, exit 106, on Dixie Highway between Pontiac and Flint. (800) 601-4848

TONY 'N TINA'S WEDDING: Female keyboardist/singer needed for understudy role in the interactive theater show in Detroit's Harmonie Theatre. Need to read sheet music and chord charts for pop/jazz/wedding music. Acting ability a plus. Equipment provided. Compensated performance. Call for audition (248) 388-2700

POPS/SWING

BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA: 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

TRIBUTE TO FRANK SINATRA: Features Kevin Sands with the Craig Strain 12-piece Big Band 6 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$10. (248) 478-8267/(248) 424-9022

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

MOSE CARLETT/KEN WHITELEY/JACKIE WASHINGTON: Perform songs from the 20s, 30s and 40s 8 p.m. Friday, May 4, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$13.50. (734) 763-TKTS

SPRING SWING: Featuring Paul King and the Rhythm Society Orchestra; Satin Dolls 8 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at the Redford Theatre, Detroit. \$15. (313) 537-2560

CHORAL

AMAZING LOVE: A 30-voice choir present the musical 11 a.m. Sunday, May 6, at First Baptist Church, Birmingham. (248) 644-0550

BOY CHOIR OF ANN ARBOR: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12, in the chapel of Holy Trinity at Concordia College, Ann Arbor. Donations accepted at door will go to help send the boys on a Michigan tour this summer. (734) 663-5377

BOYS CHOIR OF HARLEM: 7 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$100. (248) 433-1515

DEARBORN COMMUNITY CHORUS: 7 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at the Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn. \$6, children under age 12 with paid adult free. (313) 943-2354

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS: "Tune That Name" includes performances by the chorus, The Perfect Blend, and Kelly Garver Nieto (Miss Michigan 1986) on the country fiddle 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, at Farmington High School, Shiawasee, west of Orchard Lake Road. \$10, \$8 seniors/students, price at door and Web site \$12. (248) 788-5322 or www.farmingtonchorus.com

FORD CHORUS: The Ford Motor Company chorus sings pops, 7:30 p.m., May 19 and 3 p.m., May 20, at Stout Middle School, 18500 Oakwood, Dearborn. Tickets, \$10 adults; \$8 seniors and students. (313) 323-8173

ITALIAN SONGS AND ARIAS VOCAL COMPETITION: Features 10 finalists from Michigan high schools 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the Italian American Cultural and Community Center, Warren. \$7, \$5 seniors/high school students. (734) 455-8895/(810) 751-2855

LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS: "Dial M 4 Music" is your ticket to fun when the chorus present the musical comedy 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5 at Clarenceville High School, Livonia. \$10, \$8 seniors/students and available at the door. (248) 543-2946

LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR: Perform a spring concert 4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Faith Lutheran Church, Livonia. No charge. (734) 425-1749

MADRIGAL CHORALE OF SOUTHFIELD: 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Bloomfield Hills. \$15. (810) 465-5973

MEASURE FOR MEASURE: Perform a spring concert 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$12, \$10 students/seniors. (734) 649-7664

PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY: Perform Mozart's *Requiem* and J.S. Bach's *Motet No. 3* with the Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra 8 p.m. Saturday, May 5 at First United Methodist Church, Plymouth. Free will offering (\$5 sug.) will be taken. (734) 455-8353

THE GENEVA CONVENTION: Perform sacred and popular choral music 7 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Livonia. (734) 422-1470, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at Geneva Presbyterian Church, Canton. (734) 459-0013. No charge

YPSILANTI COMMUNITY CHOIR: 8 p.m. Friday, May 4, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Ypsilanti. Free. (734) 483-7192

JAZZ/BLUES

MARK ARSHAK: 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 3, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

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

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

FIVE GUYS NAMED MOE: Present an evening of swing and jazz will be presented 7 p.m. Sunday, May 8 at First Presbyterian Church of Northville. Advance ticket prices are \$12, \$10 seniors/children age 12 and under, or \$15 at the door. (248) 349-0911

TIM FLAHARTY TRIO: With vocalist Nancy K 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, May 12, at Woodruff's Supper Club, Royal Oak. (248) 586-1519

DALE GRISA TRIO: 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, at Sweet Lorraine's in the Livonia Marriott Hotel. (734) 953-7480

LOS GATOS: 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

ELVIN JONES: The drummer performs with his band Jazz Machine 8 p.m. Friday, May 11, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$16-\$47. (313) 576-5111

MIKE KAROUB'S DIXIE SYNCOPATORS: 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 19, at Fishbones, St. Clair Shores. (810) 498-3000

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: Vocalist Barbara Ware 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 9; Steve Wood, saxophone/flute 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road (east of Middlebelt), Garden City. (734) 762-7756

JEANNINE MILLER: 9:30 p.m. (first of 3 sets) Friday-Saturday, May 4-5; Julie Kelly 9:30 p.m. (first of 3 sets) Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, at the Bird of Paradise. \$10. (734) 662-8310

LARRY NOZERO JAZZ QUINTET: Perform 8 p.m. to midnight Mondays, at Mitch Housey's Food & Spirits, Livonia. (734) 425-5520 or visit the Web site at www.larrynozero.com

ROBERT PENN: 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5, at Edison's, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

DON CONOSCENTI/JO SERRAPER: 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 16 CD Release 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$12.50. (734) 763-TKTS

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BUDDY & JULIE MILLER: 8 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$13.50. (734) 763-TKTS

NICKEL CREEK: 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$13.50. (734) 763-TKTS

TIM O'BRIEN/DARRELL SCOTT: 8 p.m. Thursday, May 3, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$17.50. (734) 763-TKTS

JOHN ROBERTS/TONY BARRAND: 8 p.m. Friday, May 11, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$15. (734) 763-TKTS (English folk tradition)

MIKE SEEGER/PEGGY SEEGER: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$17.50. (734) 763-TKTS

MARTIN SEXTON: 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$17.50. (734) 763-TKTS

RICKY SKAGGS & KENTUCKY THUNDER: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$25. (734) 763-TKTS

DAR WILLIAMS: 8 p.m. Monday, May 14, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$25. (734) 763-TKTS

WORLD MUSIC

NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE PIPES & DRUMS: Perform with North Coast Pipe band, The Jar (Celtic music and song), and the Highland Dancers 7 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at the Monaghan K of C, Livonia. \$12 advance, \$14 at door. (248) 477-7542 or ThePipersCroft@prodigy.net (Scottish)

SHAMROCK SHORE: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5 and 11-12, at Cowley's Old Village Inn, Farmington. (248) 474-5941 (Irish folk)

TROUBLESOME LASSES: 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$10. (734) 763-TKTS

KELLER WILLIAMS: 9 p.m. Monday, May 7, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$10, \$12. (734) 763-TKTS

POETRY/SPOKEN WORD

DALE ANDERSON: Reads from his CD "Artists, Poets and Philosophers" 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, at Barnes & Noble, Northville. (248) 348-0696

DANCE

CONTRA DANCE: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at the Pittsfield Grange, Ann Arbor. (734) 769-1052. \$8, \$7 members. (734) 769-1052

COUNTRY/WESTERN CINCO DE MAYO DANCE: Free line dance lesson offered at 7:30 p.m., dancing 7-11:30 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at the Novi Civic Center. \$7 Novi residents and seniors age 55 plus, \$8 non-residents. (248) 348-9116

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING: 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, at the Chapel Hill Clubhouse, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 442-1170

MOREDANCES CONTEMPORARY DANCE COMPANY: 2 p.m. Sunday, May 6, in the Maggle Allessee Studio Theater at Wayne State University, Detroit. \$15. \$10 seniors/children. (248) 828-4080

MOON-DUSTERS: Spring dinner dance 6:30 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.) Saturday, May 5; B, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. \$15, \$5 dance only. Ballroom dancing every Saturday 8:30-11:30 p.m. \$5. (248) 967-1428/(734) 425-6381

PRCUA'S SYRENA DANCE ENSEMBLE: Celebrate 25 years of polish dance 6 p.m. Saturday, May 12, in Adray Auditorium, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. (734) 953-3330

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

COMEDY

ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE: At April Thursday-Saturday, May 3-5; Malone & Nootcheez Tuesday, May 8, and Kathleen Madigan Thursday-Saturday, May 10-12, at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

CHENILLE SISTERS: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at the Costick Center, Farmington Hills. \$20, \$18, \$10. (248) 473-1857

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Diane Ford Thursday-Sunday, May 3-6; Wendy Liebman Friday-Sunday, May 11-13, at Paisano's in Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MALONE & NOOTCHEEZ: Perform 8 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, Royal Oak. \$15. (248) 542-9900

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

SECOND CITY: "eBay of Pigs" continues through July 22, at the club, Detroit. \$15 Thursday and Sunday, \$20 Friday-Saturday. (313) 965-2222

MUSEMS AND TOURS

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS: First Friday 6-9 p.m. May 4, features tour of the Egyptian galleries, children's workshop, woodcarving demonstration by Mexican artist Zeny Fuentes, drawing in the galleries, the opportunity to see

Howdy Doodo before he goes into the Conservation Lab May 13, and pianist Lida Lopez Manchava performs Cuba and Russian music 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m., at the museum. (313) 833-7900 or www.dia.org

DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM: Shows the film "Belle Isle - Portrait in Time" 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at the museum, Belle Isle, Detroit. Free with regular admission of \$2, \$1 seniors/children ages 12-18. (313) 852-4051

LIVE MUSIC

ANTI-FLAG: With One Man Army, Unseen, Jersey, 8 p.m. Friday, May 4, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$10. (248) 645-6666

APPLES IN STEREO: 9 p.m. Thursday, May 24, Magic Stick, Detroit. 18 and older. \$10. (248) 645-6666

AREA: ONE FESTIVAL: Featuring Moby, Outcast, Incubus, The Roots, Nelly Furtad, Paul Oakenfold, Carl Cox, The Orb, Rinoceros, The Innovators - Juan Atkins, Derrick May & Kevin Saunderson, gates open at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. Tickets on sale, noon, May 5. \$35-\$54.50. (248) 645-6666

BABY AMBASSADOR: With The Jinx, 9 p.m. Saturday, May 12, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

BANTAM ROOSTER & THE BELLRAYS: 9 p.m. Saturday, May 5, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

BLAKE BABIES: 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 8, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$12. (313) 833-9700

THE BLACK CROWES AND OASIS: "Tour of Brotherly Love" with Superhog, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 2, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$21.50-\$42.50. (248) 645-6666

THE BLUES AIRMEN: Biker night party, Thursday, May 3, Charlies Too, Garden City. (734) 421-6540; Friday, May 4, Charlies Too, Wayne. (734) 721-3860

BOBBY LEWIS AND THE CRACKERJACK BAND: Thursday-Saturday, May 4-6, 10-12, 17-19, Major Tooley's, Northville.

BON JOVI: 7:30 p.m. Sunday-Monday, July 15-16, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$29-\$68. (248) 645-6666

THE BROTHERS GROOVE: 10 p.m. Mondays, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922; 10 p.m. Thursdays, Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU; With Kush, Whiskey Rebellion, Saturday, May 5, Lili's 21, Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555

BILL BRUFORD'S EARTHWORKS: 8 p.m. Friday, June 1, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$22. (248) 544-3030

B MOVIE RATS: With Trash Brats, 9 p.m. Thursday, May 10, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

BROADZILLA: 9 p.m. Saturday, June 2, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$7. (313) 833-9700

DAVID BYRNE: 8 p.m. Monday, May 21, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 18 and older. \$22. (313) 961-MELT

AL CARMICHAEL: 7 p.m. Monday, May 7, 14, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

CHAIN REACTION: opening for Centrifuge, Friday, May 18, Club Bart, Ferndale. (248) 548-8746.

THE CLARKS: 8 p.m. Thursday, May 3, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$8. (248) 544-3030

CHRIS GODISH TRIO: 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

COLDPLAY: With Granddaddy, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 7, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. \$21.75. (248) 645-6666

COUCH: With Black Rebel Motorcycle Club, PAIK, 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

DELTA 88: With Chris Buhalis, 8 p.m. Friday, June 15, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 theater members. (734) 464-6302

DETROIT BLUES SOCIETY HERITAGE SERIES: Featuring Alberta Adams, Bettye LaVette, RJ's Blues Crew, Bobby Murray, The Blue Suit Band and guests, 5-9 p.m. Saturday, May 12, Music Menu Cafe, Detroit. \$7 donation. (248) 262-6890

DICK DALE: With the Twistin' Tarantulas, 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$15. (248) 645-6666

THE DIRTBOMBS: With The Come Ons, DJ's Lemmy Caution and Alpha Soixante, 9 p.m. Friday, May 18, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$8. (313) 833-9700

DOCUMENT: With Crypt Kicker 5, Mock Heroics, 9 p.m. Saturday, May 5, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

EC8OR: With Wolf Eyes, Bunnybrains, 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. (313) 833-6873

FATBOY SLIM: With Darren Emerson, DJ Scanty Sandwich, 9 p.m. Thursday, May 3, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$23. (313) 961-MELT

FEW AND FAR BETWEEN: With The Stryder, Remainder, Junction 18, 7 p.m. Monday, May 21, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$7. All ages. (313) 833-9700

FINGER ELEVEN: With Boy Hits Car, 5:30 p.m. Friday, June 1, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$10. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

FRENCH KICKS: With The Walkmen, The Dirty Shame, 9 p.m. Saturday, June 2, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

GASOLINE: With MHz, Mistreaters, 9 p.m. Friday, May 4, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

G LOVE AND SPECIAL SAUCE: With Princes of Babylon, 9 p.m. Friday, May 4, The Majestic, Detroit. \$20. (313) 833-9700

THE GREAT CRUSADES: With Bogue, The Drugs, 9 p.m. Friday, May 11, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

GREEN DAY: 4 p.m. Monday, July 2, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre, Pontiac. All ages. \$25. (248) 645-6666

ROBERT GORDON: With Sleepy LaBeef, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 19, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

GORE GORE GIRLS: With Them Wranch, The Chicken Hawks, 9 p.m. Saturday, May 26, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$7. (313) 833-9700

GUIDED BY VOICES: With Creeper Lagoon, 8 p.m. Friday, May 11, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. \$14. (248) 645-6666

AL HILL: 9 p.m. Friday, May 4, 336 Main, Plymouth. (734) 454-6500; 10 p.m. Saturday, May 5, Cavern Club, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900; Al Hill Trio with Kevin Venney on drums and Pat Prouty on bass, 9 p.m. Thursday, May 3, The Habitat, inside Weber's Hotel, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-36360; 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, Thursday, May 17, Zydeco Louisiana Restaurant, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-3600

JANET JACKSON: With 112, 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 30, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$34.75-\$77.75 with 25 cents from each ticket donated to the Boys and Girls Club of America. (248) 645-6666

JIMMIE JACKSON & THE BLUES CONNECTION: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 4-5, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

JOURNEY: With Peter Frampton, John Waite, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, July 10-11, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20-\$42.50. (248) 645-6666

JULIANA THEORY: With Squad 5-0, 6 p.m. Sunday, May 6, The Shelter, Detroit. \$8. (313) 961-MELT

JCATHY KOSINS: 7 p.m. Thursday, May 3, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

KOTTONMOUTH KINGS: 8 p.m. Sunday, May 6, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$15. (313) 961-MELT

LAZY CRAZIES: With Nuke & The Toxic Offenders, DJ El Jefe, 9 p.m. Thursday, May 10, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$5. (313) 833-9700

ADRIAN LEGG: 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

LIL BOW WOW: 7 p.m. Friday, May 11, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$30. (248) 645-6666

STONEY MAZAAR & THE WESTSIDERS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

METAPHYSICAL JONES: 10 p.m. Thursdays, 313.JAC, upstairs from Jacoby's, Detroit. \$5. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067.

EDDIE MONEY: With Burning Candles, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 27, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$12.50-\$20.50. (248) 645-6666

JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$15.50-\$27.50. (248) 645-6666

MOGWAI: With Bardo Pond, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 29, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. \$12. (248) 645-6666

KEN MURPHY TRIO: 7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 9-10, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

MPX: With Good Charlotte, Ultimate Fakebook, 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 21, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. \$14.75. (248) 645-6666

MY STUPID MACHINE: Formerly Treblehead, will perform with Perpetual Hype Engine, Robb Roy, Throttlebody, 8 p.m. Friday, May 4, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. All ages. \$8. (248) 544-7938

STEVE NARDELLA: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 18-19, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

'N SYNC: 2001 Pop Odyssey Tour, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 30, Comerica Park, Detroit. \$49.50. (248) 645-6666

ORIGINAL HITS: 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, 15 Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

DONNY OSMOND: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 12, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$37-\$52. (313) 471-3099

OVERDOSE: 9 p.m. every Sunday, hosted by DJ Thomas Barnett, Sky Bar, upstairs from Sangria, Royal Oak. 21 and older. \$5 cover. (248) 543-1964 (techno)

OZZFEST: Featuring Black Sabbath - Ozzy Osborne, Tony Iommi, Geezer Butler, Bill Ward - along with Marilyn Manson, Slipknot, Papa Roach, Linkin Park, Crazy Town and more, hosted by Rev. B. Dangerous. 6 p.m. main stage opens, Monday, July 30, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$58-\$78. (248) 645-6666

PANTERA: "Extreme Steel Tour", with Slayer, Static-X, Skrape and Morbid Angel, 6 p.m. Saturday June 30, Cobo Arena, Detroit. \$40. (248) 645-6666

PARADIME: With Beats at Will Crew and DJ Mark E.P., guests Total Disreguard, Black Magic Crossing, DJ Pay Per Kutt, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, May 5, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. Come out for the live recording of the show, for the new album, Vices. 19 and older. \$6. (734) 996-8555

THE PYBACKS: With With Shepwench, Gore Gore Girls, 9 p.m. Friday, May 4, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$6. (248) 544-3030; With Stroker Ace, The Unfriendlies, Bomb Pops, 9 p.m. Friday, May 25, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$7. (313) 833-9700

ROBERT PENN: 10 p.m. Friday, May 11, Memphis Smoke, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300

ROD PIAZZA & THE MIGHTY FLYERS: 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 12, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030.

PLATINUM PLAYAS BALL 2: Ja Rule, Memphis Bleek, Eightball and MJG, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 24, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$65, \$47.50, \$37.50, \$32.50. (248) 645-6666

POISON'S GLAM METAL SLAM: With Warrent, Quiet Riot, Enuff Z'Nuff, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 4, DTE Energy Theatre, Independence Township. \$18-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666

IGGY POP: With Buckcherry, 7:30 p.m. showtime, Sunday, May 20, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. \$26.75. (248) 645-6666

PROJECT OBJECT: 8 p.m. Sunday, May 20, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

POWDERFINGER: With Ours, 7 p.m. Monday, June 4, The Shelter, Detroit. \$10. All ages. (248) 645-6666

PUNK-O-RAMA: Featuring Fenix TX, Guttermouth, U.S. Bombs, Deviates, 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 29, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$12. (313) 961-MELT

REVEREND HORTON HEAT: With the Go To Hells, Death on Wednesday, 9 p.m. Friday, June 8, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. \$15. (248) 645-6666

ROXY MUSIC REUNION: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 29, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$27.50 lawn/ \$52.50-\$72.50 pavilion. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666

LEON RUSSELL: 8 p.m. Friday, June 29, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$20. (248) 544-3030

SADE: Lover's Rock Tour, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$35.25-\$65.25 on sale 10 a.m. May 5. (248) 645-6666

THE SALTEENS: With DJ Aaron Warshaw, 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$5. (313

MOVIES

'Chopper' reveals a dark side of life

BY ANTHONY BREZNICAN
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Our hero is lovelorn. Rejected by his sweetheart, a scrawny, heroin-addicted prostitute, Mark "Chopper" Read paces furiously on her front porch, mulling his options and lamenting his broken heart. Inspiration strikes! The front door explodes inward and Chopper charges inside to chase his beloved into a bathroom, where he crushes the frail woman's face with several rapid-fire punches. Her mother tries to intervene in the spat. Chopper headbutts her with a sound like melon tearing open.

Our man wails sadly and sincerely to the unconscious prostitute: Look what you've done! You've made your mom upset! So goes one of the more disturbing scenes in *Chopper*, a comedic look at an Australian criminal renowned for his poverty of intellect as well as his brutality. The real Chopper rose to fame in his homeland after a high-profile murder trial and exaggerating his criminal exploits in a best-selling autobiography, despite, he proudly notes, being semiliterate. He confesses to fictionalizing much of his story, so it's forgivable that the movie does the

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same. Although *Chopper* is beautifully photographed, cleverly written and well-acted, the violence is so extreme that it could only be enjoyed by those with a sense of humor that is darker than midnight in a mine shaft. Actor Eric Bana, a stand-up comic new to U.S. audiences, plays the intimidating Chopper with furious, fatuous charisma.

The naive murderer is like a deranged, gun-toting version of Forrest Gump. Consider this scene, when Chopper, jailed after trying to kidnap a judge, ends a disagreement with a fellow prisoner by puncturing the man's neck with a shank: The victim, Keith George (David Field) falls to his knees, eyes wide and dark blood spurting between the fingers he has clenched to his throat.

Brow furrowed with regret, Chopper mentally berates himself for going too far. "You all right, Keith?" he asks nervously, trying to make peace with the offer of a cigarette. The gagging, mortally wounded man fails to accept the gift. "You don't much like me, do you, Keith?" Chopper concludes, sadly.

His self-absorption is so total that he's sure Keith rejects the cigarette as a symbolic rejection of him — it can't have anything to do with the fact that Keith is simply too busy dying on the blood-covered tile.

This scenario is repeated several times in *Chopper*, as he commits an unreasonable act of extreme violence and then sincerely apologizes to his baffled victim. At one point, he shoots a man in the belly and then offers to drive him to the hospital. Chopper is, after all, a polite maniac.

It's to Bana's credit that the audience identifies so strongly with Chopper, a kind of revolting thug most people would prefer to avoid. He plays the small-time crook as both disarmingly charming and dangerously unpredictable. The entire performance recalls Joe Pesci's "funny how?" speech from Martin Scorsese's gangster epic *Goodfellas*.

In that film, Pesci's character went from cracking jokes to cracking skulls. Provoked by an innocent remark, he seems ready to blow his top until revealing that he's only fooling. Moments later he shatters a bottle over the head of a restaurant worker over a perceived insult. Chopper is that scene stretched into a feature-length movie. The excitement and tension comes from never knowing when Chopper is really going to lose it. The humor arises from his guilty apologies over unforgivable savagery.

Chopper may freak over imagined slights but he is willing to overlook an attempt on his life, as long as the would-be killer doesn't mean it. He greets repeated stabbings from "friend" and cellmate Jimmy Loughnan (Simon Lyndon) with a curious look. "What's got into you?" he asks, innocently. Later, he refuses to implicate Jimmy in the attack. "It's like if your mum stabbed you," he explains.

Director Andrew Dominik maintains a frenetic energy until toward the end of the movie when the running gags start to grow a little old.

In the climax, Chopper shoots a man in the eye with a shotgun, regrets it, and asks the still-standing dead body, "Are you OK?" At this point, the audience sees the remark coming from so far away they could ask it in unison.

Chopper, a first Look Pictures release, is unrated. It has a running time of 94 minutes and is showing exclusively Friday-Sunday, May 4-6 at the Detroit Film Theatre, in the Detroit Institute of Art. Showtimes are 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., May 4; 4 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., May 5 and 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., May 6. Tickets: \$6 each. Call (313) 833-3237.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, May 4

EUREKA

A crazed killer, apparently without motive, hijacks a city bus in southwest Japan. In the ensuing carnage only three people survive: the driver, a schoolgirl and her older brother. After a long period away, the three are reunited again only to be accused of murder by the police. Stars Koji Yakusho, Aoi Miyazaki, Masaru Miyazaki, Yohichiro Saitoh, Sayuri Kokusho, Ken Mitsuishi and Go Riju.

THE MUMMY RETURNS

The remains of Imhotep and Anck-su-Numam are brought back to London for a museum. This story takes place 10 years later, and centers around the 9-year-old son of Fraser and Weisz' characters. Well, this time around the villain isn't Imhotep, but Anck-su-Numam and she's after the boy because she believes he's the key to the reincarnation of the Egyptian God, Isis. Stars Brendan Fraser, Rachel Weisz, Patricia Velazquez, Oded Fehr and John Hannah.

SIDEWALKS OF NEW YORK

Billed as a romantic comedy, the story centers on interwoven love stories set in New York. Featured among the ensemble are Edward Burns, Heather Graham, Stanley Tucci, Brittany Murphy, Rosario Dawson and David Krumholtz.

CENTER OF THE WORLD

Shot on digital video, the story tells of a young computer wizard whose immersion in the digital world has left him unaccustomed to normal social interaction. When he persuades a beautiful



Hang on: *Brendan Fraser and Rachel Weisz star in 'The Mummy Returns.'*

stripper to spend three days with him in Las Vegas, their arrangement becomes a journey into the dark secrets of their sexuality. Featured players include Peter Sarsgaard, Molly Parker and Carla Gugino.

WITH A FRIEND LIKE HARRY

A French psychological thriller begins on a quietly ominous note as family man Michel sets out for his summer home in the countryside with his wife Claire and their three screaming infant daughters. A blistering heat wave and the increasingly cranky children force the family to make a pitstop. In the rest area, Michel bumps into Harry, an old school classmate he doesn't remember. Harry gets friendlier, but the more advice and generosity he offers, the more menacing the effect. Stars Laurent Lucas, Sergi Lopez and Mathilde Seigner.

Scheduled to open Friday, May 11

ABOUT ADAM

Lucy Owen is a torch singer in a hip Dublin cafe whose had countless love affairs, none of which have ever come close to grand passion. Enter Adam, her seemingly perfect man. Lucy's world begins to change. But is there more about Adam than the Owens family knows? Stars Kate Hudson, Stuart Townsend and Francis O'Connor.

ATTRACTION

Los Angeles is the backdrop against which relationships develop, split apart and are resurrected. It is the canvas upon which are painted the dreams of a tight-knit group of friends. Dreams are laced with delusions. Stars Samantha Mathis, Gretchen Mol, Tom Everett Scott and Matthew Settle.

A KNIGHT'S TALE

Inspired by The Canterbury Tales, this action-adventure tells the story of William, a young squire with a gift for jousting, who hits the road with cohorts. Along the way, they stumble across an unknown writer, who agrees to forge documents that will pass William off as a knight so he can test his talent in the ring. Featured are Heath Ledger, Mark Addy and Rufus Sewell.

BROTHER

The story centers on a Yakuza gangster who travels to LA to find his younger half-brother, who has dropped out of school to become a small-time drug dealer. They form an alliance with a third man and incorporate Yakuza style leadership into the drug business in order to take over the L.A. underworld.

'Harry' is a worthy successor to the best Hitchcock flicks

BY DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Of all his films, Alfred Hitchcock preferred *Shadow of a Doubt*, starring Joseph Cotten as a psychopath who enters a small-town family's life as a savior before gradually revealing himself as a monster.

The French thriller *With a Friend Like Harry...* is a wickedly delightful modern successor to that 1943 classic and such other Hitchcock suspense tales as *Strangers on a Train*, *Psycho* and *Rear Window*.

As with Hitchcock at his best, Harry director Dominik Moll creates a dark sense of voyeurism, with the audience always a clue or two ahead of the characters yet totally in the dark over how events will unfold.

Harry's droll black comedy even is reminiscent, appropriately, of Hitchcock's *The Trouble With Harry*.

The movie ultimately leaves behind so many uncertainties about motive, consequence and the real vs. the imagined, that it might frustrate filmgoers who like tidy endings. But for those who enjoy mulling and debating a good puzzle, *Harry's* a fine exercise in ambiguity.

The story opens on Michel and

Claire (Laurent Lucas and Mathilde Seigner) rattling along in their wheezy car with their three young daughters causing havoc in the back seat. The overstressed, cash-strapped family is heading for the rundown money pit that Michel and Claire bought as a summer home.

They need a quiet getaway. But with the pressures of children, finances and the specter of a visit from Michel's overbearing parents, this clearly will not be a kick-back-and-relax vacation.

Enter Harry (Sergi Lopez), an old classmate who fondly remembers Michel. But when the two bump into each other in a rest-stop men's room, Michel can't recollect Harry at all.

A man of leisure because of a big inheritance, Harry and his beautiful but dopey girlfriend Plum (Sophie Guillemin) insinuate themselves into the family vacation, securing an invitation to Michel's summer home.

Harry dazes and alarms the family with an extravagant gift and by reciting verbatim a poem that Michel published in a school journal 20 years earlier.

Under the guise of casual benefactor, Harry begins a merciless rampage to remove obstacles to the creative-writing career he wants Michel to

resume. Suspicions and violence escalate to a startling act of both confrontation and complicity between Harry and Michel.

The great unanswered question is what drives Harry. Homosexual passion? Resentment over the everyday struggles that have stifled Michel's "art"? An unhappy childhood that's resulted in loathing of family ties?

Or is Harry a projection of Michel's mind, conjured to shake up a dreary home life?

The performances are excellent, with Lopez crafting a Hitchcock-worthy villain who's simultaneously likable and ominous.

Moll, who co-wrote the screenplay with Gilles Marchand, also sticks for the most part to the Hitchcock precept that what viewers don't see is scarier than what they do.

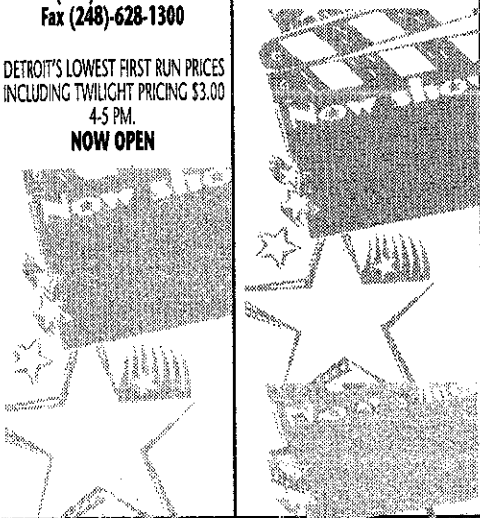
Even David Sinclair Whittaker's music harks back to the alternating lyricism and discord of Bernard Herrmann's Hitchcock scores.

In *Shadow of a Doubt*, Hitchcock loved the idea of introducing a character of absolute menace into a bland, benign family setting. In Harry, Moll has fashioned a captivating stepson to *Shadow's* well-mannered maniac.

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STREET SCENE

BRMC asks 'What ever happened to my rock & roll?'



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

Robert Turner sounds sleepy. It's 11:30 a.m. in Los Angeles, where he'll be holed up for much of the day at the Virgin Records offices doing press interviews to promote his band's upcoming tour — a tour which features the first Detroit show for Black Rebel Motorcycle Club.

It just so happens I'm the first call on his list.

Still tired, Turner musters up a bit of enthusiasm about the Gold Dollar appearance May 9 where he and bandmates Peter Hayes and Nick Jago will perform along with local openers Paik and co-headlining with Matador's Couch. You see, this is just they wanted — a small club tour keeping fans only an arms-length away from the stage. For BRMC, that's the essence of rock and roll.

If you've never heard of this band — named for Marlon Brando's motorcycle gang in the classic film *The Wild One* — get ready for an earful. The very first description I heard about BRMC's distinctly mysterious sound came from a friend in the form of "Whoa Mama." With one

listen to the new self-titled Virgin Records release, I knew why. Melding psychedelia with unrefined rock ala The Rolling Stones and The Stone Roses and blending in undertones of Brit pop, BRMC touches on the coveted and familiar. With its crunching guitars and fuzzy vocals the music stretches to places deeply personal and sometimes sinister.

The story begins in a posh San Francisco high school, a time when Turner and Hayes were more like castmembers of *The Outsiders* than *The Wild Ones*. "You find your niche, or end up outside of it," said Turner, 22. "We all hung out together. He played guitar."

Turner picked up a guitar around the same time and the two began "learning off each other." "We found our own sound together. We wrote songs for a couple of years and kept trying to push it forward."

About four years later, art school grad and drummer Nick Jago came into view. "We were living in the East Bay in San Francisco and he had recently moved from England." They were always running into one another, on the street, at guitar shops, in record stores. Saying a word or two eventually evolved into a conversation. And it just so happened, a drummer was just what they needed.

"It became profoundly obvious we couldn't do it just us two," said Turner with a quiet laugh.

Growing up on a musical diet of Joy Division, The Clash and Bob Dylan, Turner can't recall a time when music didn't matter. He also happens to be the son of The Call's Michael Been. But BRMC doesn't need any special treatment. They've already earned quite vocal support from Oasis' Noel Gallagher and The Smith's Johnny Marr. BRMC recently toured with The Dandy Warhols and played the Sundance Film Festival — all thanks to a relentless attitude about performing.

Half of the band's debut record was derived from an independently-produced 13-song demo recorded in 1999. Songs like the unforgettable *Red Eyes and Tears* have endured and become building blocks for the band that's won countless comparisons to the likes of the Jesus and Mary Chain.

"It's the song that everything else revolves around," said Turner of *Red Eyes and Tears*. "The record, when I listen to it, that definitely feels like the song at the center of it."

Despite the major record label support, the band still revels in playing a small club tour. "They don't really quite get why we



Rebellion: Peter Hayes, Nick Jago and Robert Turner are Black Rebel Motorcycle Club, the trio everyone's going to be talking about this summer. BRMC has released its self-titled Virgin Records debut for your listening pleasure.

would want to play (smaller rooms)," he said. "To me, it makes complete sense. There's something you don't get in big

clubs."

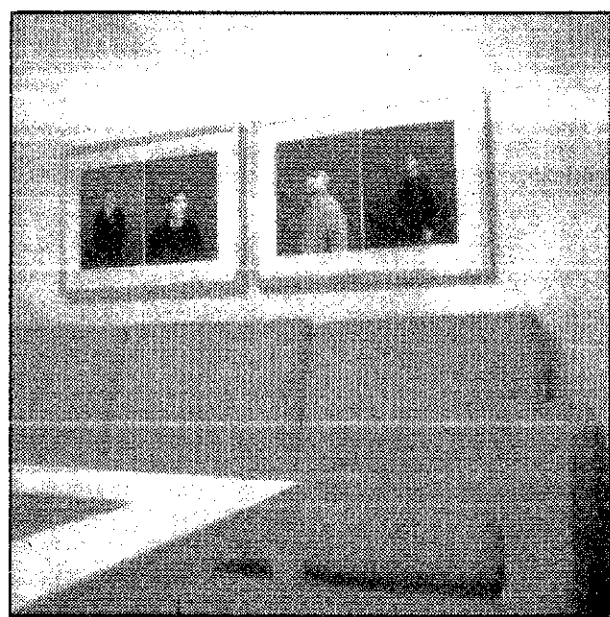
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Carrying on with Couch's Jürgen Soder

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Few musicians could get away with collectively calling themselves a rock band when they toss in instruments like the violin, choose a band name that conjures images of plush furniture, and tend to avoid lyrics altogether. But German-based instrumental indie rockers Couch don't question their allegiance to the genre of bombast and broken rules. Instead, keyboardist Stefanie Bohm, drummer Thomas Göttinger, bassist Michael Heilrath and guitarist Jürgen Soder walk the minimalist line between subtle jazz grooves and unrefined melody.



Couch

some time out from his packing on May 1 to talk about this, the band's first tour to the U.S.:

Observer & Eccentric: I'd like to start out by talking about your own musical background and when you started playing music, playing guitar.

Jürgen Soder: "I started playing guitar like in my teens, when I was 14 or 13 years old. I listened to heavy metal. I chose to start guitar. Every one of us listened to heavy metal in our teens. That's something that unites us."

"Other things came up, different music, pop music. In the late '80s some of us were into hardcore bands. Beginning in the '90s some of us started listening to jazz and New York noise, more experimental. In 1993, with Couch, we were less experimental."

O&E: When Couch started out, did you know right away you wanted to be an instrumental band?

JS: "The bass player, Michael and I were also playing in another band. This was more loose instrumental jazz noise. Then in 1990-93, we decided we wanted to have not-that-loose a project."

O&E: Though *Profane* is your fourth album, it is only the second released in the States. Do you still feel new to American audiences?

JS: "Yeah, I think so. I'm sure we will learn when we get there. It's a really big country. We've toured a lot in Germany and after *Fantasy* (was released) we also toured Europe, the U.K., France, Italy and Poland... It's also quite an advantage being an instrumental band, there are no real borders."

O&E: How do you approach writing and creating music? How long did it take to write and record *Profane*?

With the release of the band's fourth album, "Profane" (Matador Records, 2001), Couch takes it on tour — coming to a town near you for the first time. The follow-up to last year's "Fantasy", the first Couch record to make it across the ocean, "Profane" takes those bass-drum-guitar beginnings to a whole new level.

Soder took

JS: "It took a year and a half... three weeks in the studio and we did a lot of home recording. We're not at all like a jam band. Michael, the bass player, (comes up with) most of the ideas. Then we all get together in the rehearsal space."

O&E: You used some new instrumentation on this record — a double bass, horns. How did that come about?

JS: "We are rather slow in integrating new things. It always takes us quite long. Our bass player started to play double bass. We didn't want to limit ourselves. The horn player was also a friend of ours, and the violin player also. We started to integrate them. It was more like an organic approach."

O&E: Who or what inspires you when working on new material?

JS: "It's not like we listen to a lot of blues or electronic music, we listen to all kinds of music. We also all come from a rock background. That's the language we speak the best, I think. It's not like we want to imitate style. People really should do what they do best."

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Breakfast items, and carving station with roast Prime rib, rosemary and garlic spiked leg of lamb, pineapple, clove, baked ham, sautéed chicken breast, oven baked salmon, lots of side dishes and desserts.

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Breakfast buffet will also include crepes and light lunch items including pasta. Dinner buffet features baked Virginia ham, Prime rib and lamb stew, larger variety of pasta dishes. Both buffets include fruit, salad and desserts.

■ **Gandy Dancer**, 401 Depot (between State & Main Streets), Ann Arbor, (734) 769-0592. Brunch 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; \$16.95 adults, \$8.95 children ages 2-10. Variety of breakfast items,

carved beef, peel and eat shrimp, salads and desserts.

■ **Leather Bottle Inn**, 20300 Farmington Road, Livonia, (248) 474-2420; breakfast and dinner buffet, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; \$18.95 adults; \$8.95 children 3-10; children 3 and under complimentary.

Breakfast items served until 2 p.m. Menu includes Prime rib, roast chicken, pasta dishes, whitefish, salad bar, assorted desserts.

■ **Northville Manor** overlooking Bushwood Golf Course, Haggerty Road (between Five and Six Mile Roads), (734) 420-0144, brunch buffet 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; \$15.95 adults, \$7.95 children 10 and under; no charge for children 3 and under.

Menu includes assorted salads, cheese and cracker tray, breakfast items, Tortellini Marinara, Chicken Francais, carved Prime Rib, assorted desserts.

■ **On the Tee Restaurant**, 26634 Halsted, Farmington Hills, (248) 476-5193, brunch buffet 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; \$15.95 adults, \$6.95 children 4-10.

Menu includes ham, stuffed chicken breast, fried perch, potato pancakes, miniature omelets

and other breakfast items, assorted salads, cheese and fruit tray.

■ **Sweet Lorraine's**, two locations — 17100 N. Laurel Park Dr., Livonia, (734) 953-7480, and 29101 Greenfield, Southfield, (248) 559-5985. Brunch specials served 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; dinner 4-10 p.m. in Livonia, 4-9:30 p.m. in Southfield. Brunch items include three egg lobster scramble, cinnamon stuffed French toast, and strawberries and cream waffles. Dinner entrees include vegetarian, pasta, grilled fish, chicken, duck and other dishes. Cost \$7.95-\$10.95 for brunch; \$11.95-\$18.95 for dinner.

■ **Weber's Inn**, 3050 Jackson Road (Exit 172 off I-94) Ann Arbor, (734) 769-2500. Brunch, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; \$16.50 adults, \$8.95 children 12 and under; children under 3 complimentary.

Variety of hot and cold entrees including breakfast and lunch items.

■ **Woodlands Golf Course**, 39670 Ecorse Road, Wayne, (734) 729-4477, brunch buffet 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; adults \$17.95, children 5-12, \$6.95; children under 5, complimentary.

Menu includes pork tenderloin, turkey, Prime rib of beef, pasta, breakfast items, desserts.

Dinner

■ **Cafe Cortina**, 30715 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, (248) 474-3033, reservations 1-6 p.m. dinner menu, strolling musicians.

■ **Corsi's**, 27910 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia, (248) 777-4960, dinner buffet, seatings 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; \$13.95 adults, \$13 seniors; \$9.95 chil-

dren 5-12.

■ **Emmett's**, 15800 Middlebelt, Livonia, (734) 522-5600; Prime Rib Buffet 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; \$15.95 adults; \$6.95 children.

■ **Mitch Housey's**, 28500 Schoolcraft, Livonia, (734) 425-5520; seatings 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Special Mother's Day menu includes Prime Rib, fried shrimp, whitefish with lemongrass pepper. Other menu items also available.

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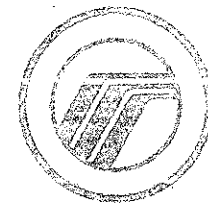
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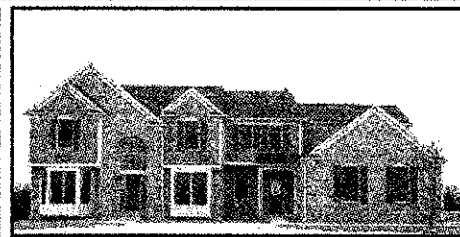
PLYMOUTH \$575,000
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LIVONIA \$428,900
IMMACULATE! 4 BR, 3.5 bath colonial. 2 master suites, 2 furnaces, 2 a/c's, 2nd fl laundry, under 1/2 acre, 3 car garage.(H20440)

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FRANKLIN \$399,999
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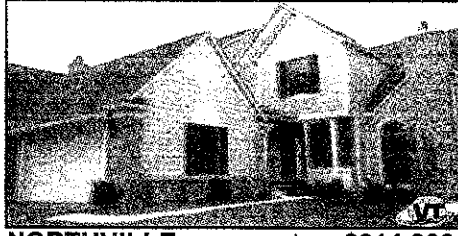
PLYMOUTH \$369,900
NEWER PLYMOUTH DETACHED CONDO! 2,349 SF, 4 BR, 2.5 baths, 1st floor master ste w/jacuzzi, library, GR w/gas FP, garden bsmt, 2-car garage & more!(10NOR2)

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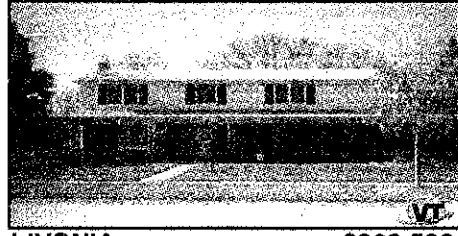
DEARBORN \$349,500
DESIRABLE DEARBORN HILLS CAPE COD! Welcome Home! This charming home is filled w/character. Plaster walls, coved ceilings in DR, updated roof & windows.(35SL2)

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NORTHVILLE \$314,900
SPECTACULAR LIGHT & BRIGHT CONDO! Lovely mstr ste w/2 walk-in closets & glamour bath w/skylight, guest room w/full bath, fin'd bsmt, lg cedar deck.(49LOC2)

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LIVONIA \$309,500
SPACIOUS 4 BR COLONIAL remodeled kitchen, huge family room w/fireplace, master suite w/screened in balcony & double jacuzzi tub. Newer windows, alarm, & warranty.(P16501)

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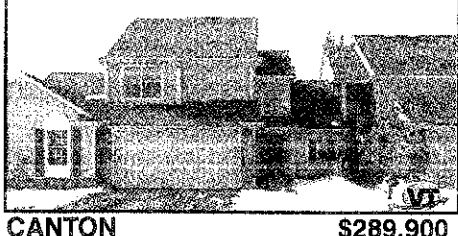
WAYNE \$301,900
GIGANTIC CAPE COD Modern floor plan w/separate guest quarters. 4 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, master bdrm has garden tub. Deck covers back of house. Part finished bsmt, 2 car garage.(T291)

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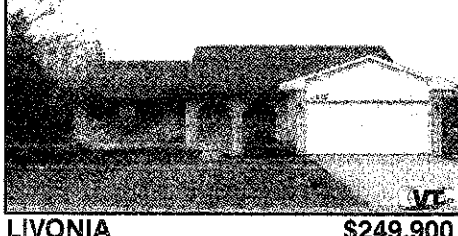
SOUTH LYON \$299,304
HISTORICAL MASTERPIECE! Magnificent in-town two story home, turned into a Better Homes & Gardens delight. Updates thru out. Lg bdrms, great rm, dining rm & deep corner lot.(23L304)

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CANTON \$289,900
BEAUTIFUL 3 BR CONDO! Spectacular view of Golf Course/11th hole & pond. 2-way FP & lg deck, cathedral ceilings, c/a, 2.5 bths, 1st fl mstr, 1st fl laun, some hwdw flrs.(50TH2)

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LIVONIA \$249,900
LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT! Sharp 3 BR, 2 bath Ranch w/full bsmt. Updates include: mstr bath, kitchen, carpet & paint. Garage & more. Must see!(12REO2)

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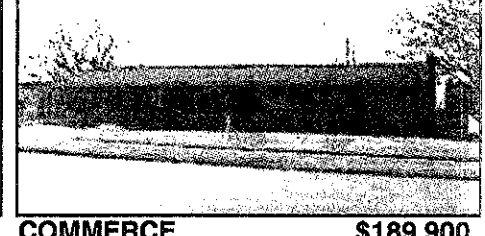
LIVONIA \$244,900
BURTON HOLLOW ESTATES Private ravine setting accents this spectacular updated 4 BR, 2 bath home. Open floor plan, liv. rm w/fp, sun rm, & 3 doorwalls. Updated t/o.(W16754)

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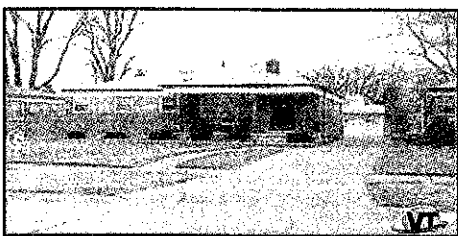
LIVONIA \$199,900
ABSOLUTELY PERFECT! Redone and updated t/o. 4 BR cape features Jack & Jill bath, humongous upstairs BRs, lg lot w/2 car detached garage. Ready to move in!(B29608)

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COMMERCE \$189,900
STUNNING Desirable Golf Manor, 3 bdrm Ranch remodeled in 2000. Hardwood floors, windows, roof, paint, kitchen. Family Rm w/fireplace.(P260)

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LIVONIA \$164,900
YOUR SEARCH IS OVER! ACT FAST! 3 BR ranch features spacious FR, newer carpet t/o, lg kitchen, fresh paint, lg covered porch, patio, 1.5 baths, outdoor speakers. Over 1200 sq ft.(S10021)

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WAYNE \$160,000
FANTASTIC INCOME OPPORTUNITY Ranch Duplex features 3 bdrms, 1st floor laundry, oak kitchen, A/C, separate utilities. Live in one side, rent the other.(V417)

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LIVONIA \$159,900
OUTSTANDING LIVONIA LOCATION! Double lot, fenced yard w/above ground pool, maintenance free exterior, newer furnace/a/c/humidifier/roof/vinyl windows/electrical. Bsmt plumb for bath.(S19143)

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WESTLAND \$149,900
TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR NEW HOME! 3 bdrms, 2 full baths, a gorgeous updated kit and a finished bsmt w/new carpet and updated bath make this a desirable home. Also updated roof & copper plumbing.(23N39209)

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REDFORD \$149,800
CHARMING BRICK RANCH! Family room w/Fp, 2-car attached garage, updated windows, c/a, dishwasher & more! Finished bsmt, fenced yard, hardwood floors.(46SOU2)

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WESTLAND \$146,000
LIVONIA SCHOOLS Nice 3 bedroom brick Ranch, C/A, newer windows, carpet, doors. 9X15 Florida Room, 2 car garage, fireplace. Good location.(A276)

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WESTLAND \$144,900
WITH A LITTLE TLC this 1313 sq ft brick ranch is a bargain, two baths, garage, two additional rooms in the basement, and Livonia schools.(M7537)

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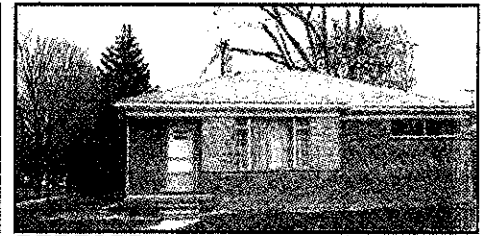
LIVONIA \$142,900
SPRAWLING UPDATED 1400 SQ FT RANCH on oversized fenced lot. Large kitchen w/bayed nook, family rm w/fp, att'd garage, move in condition w/updates t/o.(L18903)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$139,900
GREAT HOME W/FABULOUS FAMILY ROOM Home features sliding glass door that walks out to patio. New vinyl siding, lg backyard, Farmington Hills school district.(T22620)

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REDFORD \$139,900
3 BR BRICK RANCH with great location. New living room carpet and new back door. Roof approximately 5 years old. Don't wait!(54BRA2)

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REDFORD \$139,900
IMMACULATE BUNGALOW 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Master bdrm w/lav & sitting area. Formal dining rm. Remodeled kitchen w/oak, stove & fridge stay. Finished basement, garage.(S197)

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DETROIT \$135,900
3 BR, 2 BATH BRICK RANCH in peaceful neighborhood across from park. Features include a full fin. bsmt w/2nd kit. and 2nd full bath, newer windows, hwh, furn, 2.5 car garage.(W9105)

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GLADWIN \$133,900
SERENITY, WATERFRONT, GREAT FISHING! The deck of this 3 BR, 1.5 bath, 1,200 SF cedar home overlooks the union of 3 rivers, 2.5 car garage w/loft, unfn bsmt, nat FP in FR, lg lot nestled in trees.(60MOO2)

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CANTON \$129,900
SHARP 2 BR RANCH CONDO Cathedral ceilings and skylights in kitchen and bath, nice finished basement.(V1891)

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WESTLAND \$119,900
GREAT DECK Doorwall from master bedroom to this great deck. 3 bdrm brick Ranch has newer windows, furnace, part finished basement. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher stay.(O362)

PC#220412 734-326-2000



REDFORD \$119,900
AN AFFORDABLE REDFORD RANCH Updated kitchen - family room w/separate heat - 2.5 car garage - double lot - partially fin bsmt - close to elementary(K19991)

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GARDEN CITY \$119,900
DELIGHTFULLY DECORATED 3 bedroom roomy starter on large lot w/2 car garage, part covered deck, newer roof, windows, HWT, updated bath and central air. One is all it will take.(C295)

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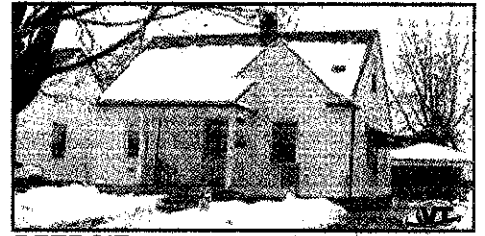
REDFORD \$112,900
3 BR RANCH w/full bsmt & tree lined backyard. Covered front porch & backyard patio, 2-car garage, c/a & wood burner in bsmt.(39GAY2)

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WESTLAND \$89,900
CUTE, COZY AND WAITING! You are going to love this end unit, 2 bdrm condo in Westland - from the newer oak kit, newer windows to the gas frplc in the LR/DR combo.(23B37535)

PC#230082 734-455-7000



DETROIT \$68,900
TAKE A STEP Toward better living in this 3 bedroom aluminum Bungalow in a great area. Full bsmt, newer windows and entry doors, ceramic bath w/vanity, 2 1/2 car garage.(A121)

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NOVI
METICULOUS CHASE FARMS MUST SEE! Light & bright, maple flooring in kitchen, foyer & FR, granite countertops, dual staircase, 3-car garage & park-like lot!(45ASH2)
\$499,000 PC#510782 248348-6430

NOVI
GORGEOUS FAMILY HOME just painted inside & out, lg foyer, library w/glass doors, spacious kit, FR w/cathedral ceiling, great mstr ste & bath w/jet tub & separate shower.(78BEN2)
\$414,900 PC#510652 248348-6430

GREAT LIVONIA HOME in Kimberly Oaks sub. 3 or 4 BR, lg family rm w/natural f/p, rear patio w/gas f/p, lg yard, att'd garage, and rec rm in bsmt.(B33001)
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LIVONIA
3 BR, 1.5 BATH Ranch Neutral colors throughout, newer carpet, roof, hwh(1 yr), entry and storm doors. Estate sale, won't last!(L33702)
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Hire a lawyer to force action

REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

After a recent storm, I noticed water on my carpet from my doorwall. When I pulled up my carpet, I found the subflooring rotten by water damage.

Apparently, the damage has been going on for years.

The board of directors refuses to notify the insurance carrier and told me that it is my responsibility because my deck boards run towards my door allowing water to drain towards my doorwall.

A contractor said there is no way the deck is the problem since J-channel is being caulked and the water is pouring in on vertical sides of the doorwall.

Who's responsible?

Even though the area in question is a common element, it may not necessarily be the association's responsibility.

Exterior walls, including windows and doors and basement foundations are a general common element and usually are the responsibility of the association. However, that isn't necessarily the case, depending on your condo documents.

Have a lawyer review your master deed, then write a letter to the association demanding that repairs be made if the association refuses to take care of the problem.

You may want to notify your own insurance company to determine whether there is any coverage from your own carrier and/or whether your carrier will assist in pursuing a claim against the association.

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HOME SEEKER'S CHECK LIST

- ☒ **SELLER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**
(REQUIRED BY LAW)
- ☒ **LEAD DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**
(REQUIRED BY LAW)
- ☒ **HOME SUMMARY FEATURE SHEET**
(ROOM DIMENSIONS, ETC.)
- ☒ **SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVING NEIGHBORHOOD** (WHERE EXACTLY ARE BUILDINGS, BUS STOPS)
- ☒ **AGE OF MAJOR MECHANICAL/STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS** (FURNACE, WATER HEATER, SHINGLES, WINDOWS, ETC.)
- ☒ **APPLIANCES INCLUDED?**
- ☒ **PROPERTY TAXES** (BASED ON SELLING PRICE, NOT CURRENT RECORDS)
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RANDALL MASTERS/STAFF ARTIST

What turns on buyers?

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER
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It used to be that kitchens and baths were hot buttons for home buyers. They're still important.

But people in search of a new address apparently have turned on to other things, also.

"What really comes to mind is houses with the master bedroom on the main level," said Tricia Garner, an associate broker with Coldwell Banker Preferred in Canton. "We don't have enough of those houses, even new builds."

"Ranches are always sought after for people who can't do steps, who don't want to do steps. Everything is on one level," she said.

"People are looking for recreation in their houses — a pool, patio — so they don't have to go far," Garner added.

"I think, right now, it's basements and garages, definitely two-car garages," said Beverly Bartus, associate broker and manager of Prudential Chamberlain Stiehl in Clarkston. "A home office is a very popular thing now for buyers."

"Definitely home offices," Garner said. "No doubt about that. My husband and I fight over ours."

"First-floor bedroom would be one, basements, a two-car garage or a larger garage, possibly three," said Doug Hessler, a Realtor with Century 21 Associates in Rochester.

Some like newer

"A lot of people are looking for something newer," said Pat Murphy, an associate broker with RE/MAX Classic in Livonia. "A lot of people like houses on big lots that back up to a wooded area. They want privacy if they can get it, but it's hard to find."

Steve Leibhan, associate broker and

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associate broke,

Coldwell Banker Preferred in Canton

manager of Real Estate One in West Bloomfield, also sees a trend to buyers wanting newer, updating not withstanding.

"Especially, transferees are getting advice to buy houses 5-to-10 years old," he said. "Just like cars, newer is nicer. Some people are saying don't show me anything after a certain date."

"People don't want to spend a quarter million dollars then start on a rehab project," Leibhan said.

But not everybody thinks along those lines.

Pam Stoler, an associate broker with Max Broock in Birmingham, was the only one of six Realtors contacted for this article who mentioned kitchen and baths as hot buttons one and two.

Most of her work is in the Birmingham/Bloomfield area where major renovations of older homes are highly popular.

"They're looking for the master to have a Jacuzzi tub and separate shower, the kitchen granite counters, big cabinets, stainless steel sinks. Hardwood floors are still big," Stoler said.

"New windows are still a big issue if they're older," Bartus said. "If it (house) is older, fine, as long as the furnace is updated, a newer roof."

First-timers limited

Move-up buyers insist more on getting what they really want than first-

timers, who often have to settle for less due to financial constraints, Bartus said.

"A first-time buyer is still excited, but price range is more important to them, terms of financing," she said.

But everyone has to start somewhere and it's usually not at the top. Historically, it's a gradual climb to the ultimate home.

"First-time buyers, at least they're not throwing money away (by renting)," Garner said. "They're gaining some equity here. They look at they'll be able to change in about three years and get what they really want."

"It's our job to show people about (tax) deductibility and take into consideration appreciation to see where they might be if they buy a house or not buy," Murphy said.

"For others," Bartus said, "more square footage is the main reason for a move up and sometimes it's location — it may be lakefront or acreage."

Equity sparks moves

Equity built through ownership and a better wage through experience in the workplace provide the means for a relocation to more of the must-haves.

There are other issues for home selection.

■ "Families really like the kitchen to open up to the family room," Stoler said. "Nobody likes to be isolated any more."

■ "Another feature is a walk-out basement," Leibhan said. "We didn't see that as much 10 years ago."

■ "Many people are concerned about schools whether they have children or for resale," Murphy said.

■ "The distance from work is important," Hessler said. "In many cases, people don't want to travel through all the traffic to get where they're going."

Interest rates baffle borrowers

MORTGAGE BITS



TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan recently surprised the country with another 1/2-percent decrease in short-term interest rates.

This most recent reduction brings the annual total to five and nearly matches the total number of increases he imposed during the previous 14 months. Yet, after his announcement, mortgage rates went up about 1/4-percent. Why?

Many borrowers expected to see an immediate and significant drop in home mortgage rates. Some are frustrated and some even angry.

My message to all of you is to be patient and to be thankful. Our country's economy and the free market are functioning as they have been designed. As much as I would love to see home mortgage interest rates drop even lower, I am thankful that they are not falling as a direct result of Greenspan's actions. Why? Because I want to keep our market system free from the influence or control of a single entity.

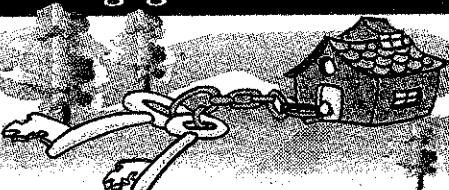
When the Fed drops short-term interest rates, it's a break for its member banks, but not necessarily for borrowers. It often takes time for rate changes to "trickle-down" to consumers. Lenders are often reluctant to make hasty rate reductions for long-term commitments — such as 30-year mortgages — based on short-term interest rates.

As with other commodities, the increased demand for mortgage products has created a "glut" for most banks' processing centers. Lenders keep rates slightly higher to moderate surging demand. When the refinance market begins to soften, we may see mortgage lenders lowering rates to encourage homeowners to borrow again.

Unfortunately, there is no evidence to suggest that the demand for mortgages will slow soon. Even additional Fed rate cuts may not quickly drive long-term mortgage rates down much more. It's great news that the rates are as low as they are. However, if you are waiting for "the bottom," you may have quite a wait ahead of you.

Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a mortgage loan officer in Plymouth. 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.

Mortgage Commitments



Here's a comparison of average 30-year fixed rates and adjustable rate mortgages for U.S. Figures include about 1 point.

| DATES | 30-YR | ARM |
|----------------|-------|-------|
| FEB. 16, 2001 | 7.01% | 6.4% |
| JAN. 19, 2001 | 7.02% | 6.64% |
| DEC. 15, 2000 | 7.42% | 7.05% |
| NOV. 17, 2000 | 7.73% | 7.25% |
| OCT. 20, 2000 | 7.83% | 7.25% |
| SEPT. 22, 2000 | 7.90% | 7.27% |
| AUG. 25, 2000 | 7.89% | 7.37% |
| JULY 14, 2000 | 8.09% | 7.22% |
| JUNE 16, 2000 | 8.23% | 7.21% |
| MAY 19, 2000 | 8.64% | 7.16% |

Source: U.S. HOUSING MARKETS

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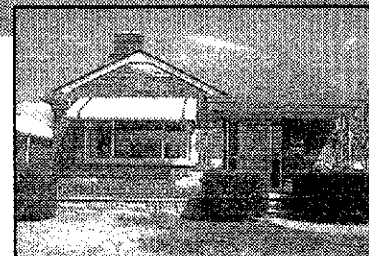
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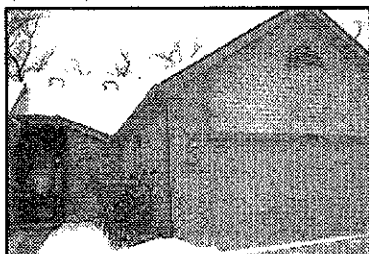
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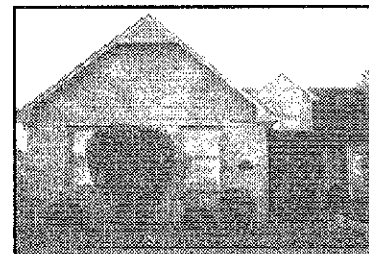
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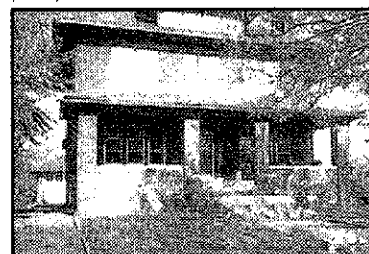
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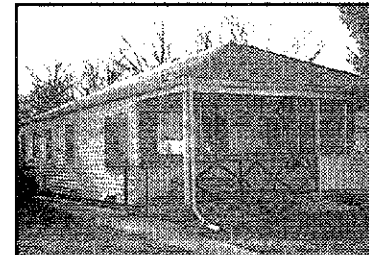
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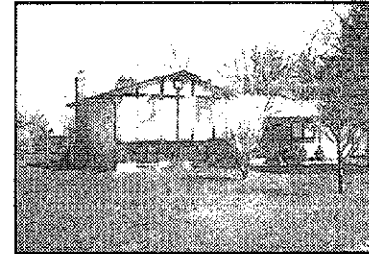
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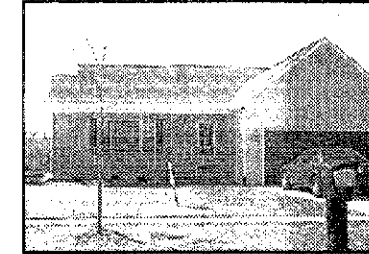
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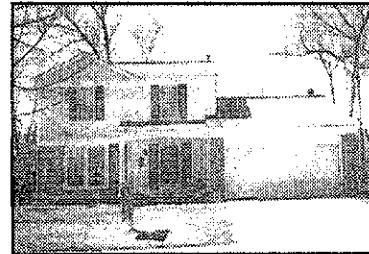
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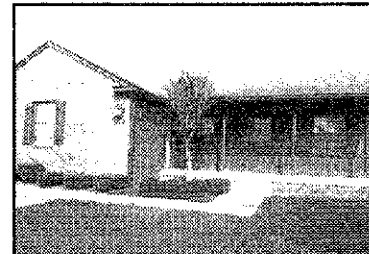
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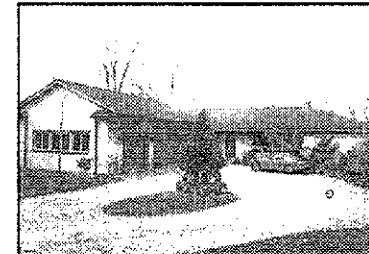
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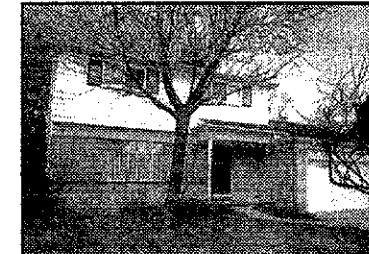
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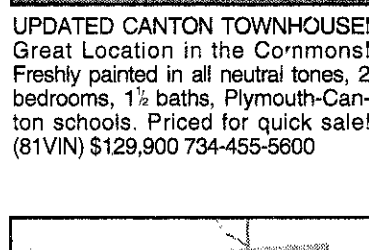
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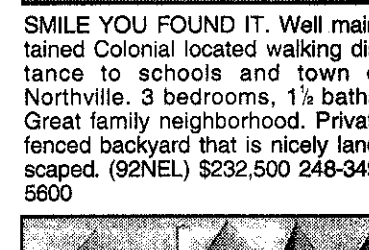
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EXQUISITE HOME on landscaped acreage. 4 bedrooms, 4½ baths w/fully finished walk-out & in-law quarters, full kitchen & dramatic dual wood staircase. Three bedrooms have access to balconies. All appointments are top quality. (72FOX) \$1,800,000 248-349-5600



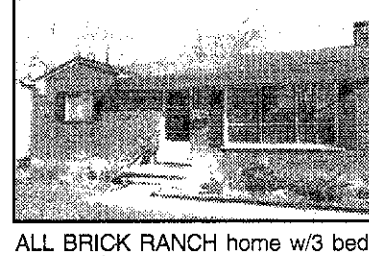
3 BEDROOM BRICK RANCH! Freshly painted. Eat-in kitchen w/Pergo floors, updated bath w/oak & ceramic, large rec room finished in basement. Great for Entertaining! Heated garage w/220. Fenced yard. (05DEE) \$136,500 734-455-5600



ABSOLUTELY STUNNING! Deer Creek Sub Cape Cod. 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths on oversized lot backing to woods. Library, elegant decor, custom window treatments, great room, French doors to 1st floor master w/Whirlpool tub, private deck. (04MOR) \$383,000 734-455-5600



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55+ COMMUNITY. Ranch condo on Crooked Lake w/beautiful decor, ceramic foyer, kitchen & 2 full baths. Florida room, finished basement with additional bedroom, 2nd bedroom used as formal dining room. \$135,000 (09LEX) 248-349-5600



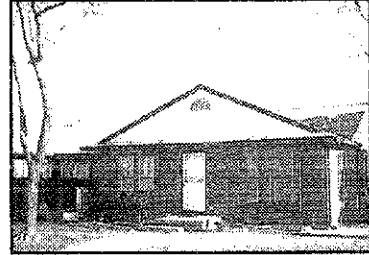
HONEY, WE'RE HOME. This lovely 3 bedroom, 2½ bath brick ranch features hardwood floors, newer roof, furnace, central air, updated electrical & kitchen, 2 car garage, nice neighborhood. All kitchen appliances. (50ARN) \$129,900 248-349-5600



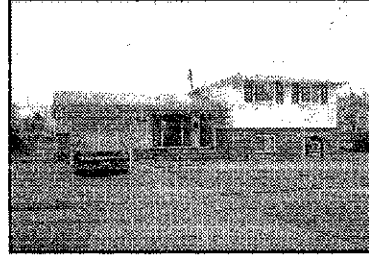
ESTATE SIZE LOT & HOME. Nicely updated throughout with 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, full basement, hardwood floors & first floor laundry. 2 tiered w/manicured deck & putting green. (40LEB) \$339,900 248-349-5600



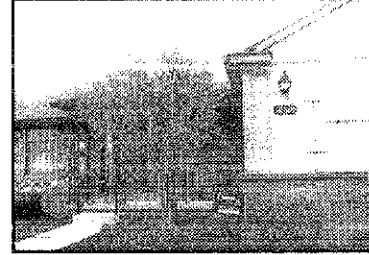
WELL-MAINTAINED LIVONIA RANCH! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths w/newer windows & roof. Refinished hardwood floors, full basement, 2½ car garage, central air. (38ELL) \$179,900 734-455-5600



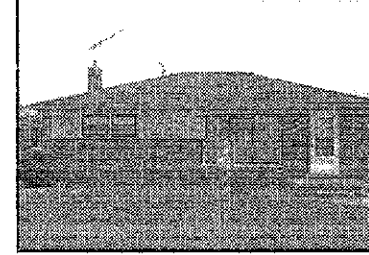
2 BEDROOM, 1½ BATH RANCH CONDO! Light Oak kitchen w/double ceramic sink, appliances, doorwall to private deck, newer windows throughout, updated main bath, master bedroom w/walk-in closet. Family rec room w/dry bar. (36NEW) \$129,900 734-455-5600



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| Canton | 46805 Aarons Way \$226,000 | 43633 Amber Ct \$260,000 | 43616 Antietam Dr \$178,000 | 42611 Berchester Rd \$148,000 | 41699 Bedford Dr \$95,000 | 1624 Bennington Ct \$147,000 | 6851 Bridgmont Dr \$286,000 | 6700 Brookshire Dr \$204,000 | 44080 Candlewood Dr \$215,000 | 47905 Deer Trl \$336,000 | 46215 Doubletree Rd \$259,000 | 41876 Echo Forest Ct \$313,000 | 45194 Forest Trail Dr \$199,000 | 45137 Fox Pointe Dr \$278,000 | 7062 Foxridge Dr \$249,000 | 45361 Gerald Ct \$287,000 | 47456 Glengarry Blvd \$365,000 | 47689 Glengarry Blvd \$350,000 | 45374 Glengarry Rd \$287,000 | 47231 Glenhurst Dr \$296,000 | 42088 Greenwood Dr \$207,000 | 44711 Hanford Rd \$168,000 | 43660 Harover Ct \$173,000 | 7856 Haverhill Ct N \$415,000 | 7280 Hillisboro \$212,000 | 4376 Hunters \$153,000 | 4433 Hunters Cir W \$154,000 | | |
| | 44425 James Ct \$214,000 | 43142 Lancelot Dr \$215,000 | 47304 Larchmont Dr \$287,000 | 9357 Mannington Dr \$215,000 | 600 Merrimac Rd \$170,000 | 45560 Morningside Rd \$310,000 | 46758 Overhill Ln \$360,000 | 47414 Parkgate Ct \$370,000 | 423 Robin Dr \$162,000 | 44417 Savery Dr \$88,000 | 44423 Savery Dr \$90,000 | 41183 Southwind Dr \$123,000 | 6582 Sturbridge Ln \$178,000 | 552 Terrace Ct \$353,000 | 50207 Thorford Ct W \$388,000 | 47445 Torrington Dr N \$400,000 | 47461 Torrington Dr N \$419,000 | 45222 Turnberry Dr \$245,000 | 42901 Versailles Rd \$174,000 | 48104 Wadebridge Dr \$367,000 | 40961 Westfield Cir \$239,000 | 1996 Woodbine Dr \$255,000 | | | | | | | |
| Garden City | 28813 Beechwood St \$112,000 | 5810 Belton St \$129,000 | 28533 Block St \$121,000 | 30838 Block St \$94,000 | 28538 Bridge St \$134,000 | 6717 Burnly St \$120,000 | 1745 Cardwell St \$78,000 | 28906 Dawson St \$88,000 | 32928 Donnelly St \$109,000 | 30541 Elmwood St \$153,000 | 6041 Gilman St \$115,000 | 181 Helen St \$120,000 | 29917 Hennepin St \$125,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Livonia | 11810 Alois St \$118,000 | 20149 Antago St \$84,000 | 12139 Arcola St \$113,000 | 27815 Barkley St \$168,000 | 15136 Berwick St \$136,000 | 29495 Bobrich St \$74,000 | 15012 Cavell St \$134,000 | 16532 Country Club Dr \$271,000 | 30989 Dalhousie Dr \$165,000 | 9026 Danzig St \$116,000 | 20212 Deering St \$145,000 | 33751 Elmira Ct \$240,000 | 14409 Fairway St \$140,000 | 18935 Filmore St \$187,000 | 30110 Five Mile Rd \$192,000 | 14997 Haller St \$119,000 | 30159 Hathaway St \$143,000 | 9005 Henry Ruff Rd \$147,000 | 15909 Hubbard St \$240,000 | 37010 Joy Rd \$295,000 | 37742 Lancaster St \$185,000 | 39022 Lapham Dr \$239,000 | 35552 Leon St \$191,000 | 15614 Loveland St \$145,000 | 29260 Lyndon St \$160,000 | 16001 Marsha St \$293,000 | 9027 Melvin St \$113,000 | | |
| | 31535 Merriw Park Dr \$185,000 | 38605 Morningstar St \$275,000 | 33061 Norfolk St \$178,000 | 32648 Oakley St \$180,000 | 29929 Orangewood St \$125,000 | 17620 Parklane St \$185,000 | 93301 Richland St \$170,000 | 9623 Roseland St \$148,000 | 31150 Roycroft St \$193,000 | 9925 Shady Side St \$91,000 | 15792 Southampton St \$171,000 | 15792 Southampton St \$210,000 | 34965 Standish St \$135,000 | 9819 Stark Rd \$203,000 | 14666 Stonehouse Ave \$174,000 | 14219 Sunset St \$165,000 | 29736 Transect St \$155,000 | 18147 University PkDr \$140,000 | 18749 Vandervan Ln \$135,000 | 18957 Vandervan Ln \$155,000 | 36111 Vargo St \$230,000 | 32023 W Chicago St \$245,000 | 32468 Washington St \$150,000 | 18236 Westchester Dr \$330,000 | 16811 Woodside St \$215,000 | | | | |
| Plymouth | 44905 Albert Dr \$225,000 | 11696 Amherst Ct \$325,000 | 11477 Aspen Dr \$191,000 | 8816 Brookline Ave \$130,000 | 9265 Corinne St \$159,000 | 11744 E Hills Dr \$410,000 | 11900 E Hills Dr \$375,000 | 44505 Gov. Bradford Rd \$198,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1061 Harding St \$225,000 | 47363 Hunters Park Dr \$480,000 | 43110 Joy Rd \$118,000 | 560 Kellogg St \$208,000 | 9433 Marlowe Ave \$145,000 | 40615 Newport Ct \$126,000 | 340 Parkview Dr \$168,000 | 360 Parkview Dr \$168,000 | 49405 Plymouth Way \$187,000 | 208 River Oaks Dr \$122,000 | 11688 Russell Ave \$160,000 | 9119 Woodgrove Dr \$365,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Redford | 17341 Centralia \$115,000 | 19371 Centralia \$106,000 | 15472 Chelsea \$74,000 | 18300 Dalby \$98,000 | 20422 Dalby \$118,000 | 20422 Dalby \$118,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Westland | 35224 Barton St \$122,000 | 35250 Donnelly St \$80,000 | 7316 Floral St \$88,000 | 31251 Geraldine St \$138,000 | 8206 Hugh St \$96,000 | 8148 Huntington St \$80,000 | 33425 Lancashire St \$120,000 | 5855 N Linville St \$118,000 | 8228 Ravine Dr \$196,000 | 34638 Stacy St \$117,000 | 34638 Stacy St \$103,000 | 27765 Trailbrooke Cir \$120,000 | 817 Van Sull St \$119,000 | 6135 Wilmer St \$97,000 | 32726 Winona St \$141,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Rates decline

Mortgage rates edged down this week, with rates on one-year adjustable rate mortgages dipping to their lowest level in 21 months.

The average interest rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages slipped to 7.12 percent, down from 7.14 percent last week, according to a nationwide survey released by Freddie Mac, the mortgage company.

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PLYMOUTH
WALK TO DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH! This Plymouth Townhouse offers open floor plan w/2 bedrooms, 2 full baths & 2 lavs. Newer HWH & brick paver porch. Walk-out finished basement w/1/2 bath & wet bar, 6 panel doors, crown moldings. Close to Edward Hines Park. (P44MIL) \$155,900

SOUTH LYON
WINDCREST CUSTOM COLONIAL This 3 bedroom colonial is 2,000 sq ft. 2 baths, 1st floor laundry, large master bedroom, master bath, wetted tub & extra large walk-in closet, large country kitchen w/hardwood floors, 2 car attached garage w/side entry. On 1/4 acre lot. Close to shopping. (P59WIN) \$282,000

SOUTH LYON
THIS RANCH IS FOR YOU! Has all the bells and whistles. Kitchen with granite counter tops and breakfast nook, great room with fireplace, granite around mantle and hearth, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, partially finished walk-out basement, brick paver patio. (P66RUS) \$355,900

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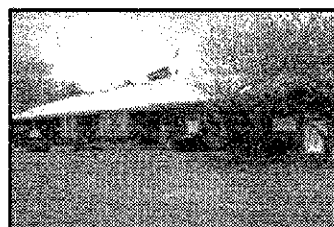
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QUIET WHITNEY KNOLL SUB. Brick ranch, corner lot, very little traffic. Lot 131x100, city certs completed. Central air, thermo vinyl windows, first floor laundry, 24x18 deck. Large bedrooms, family room, and a fireplace. Owner is a realtor. \$210,000 (685KN)



RARE FIND. Gorgeous customized colonial. Almost 3900 square feet on main level in premier sub. Finished walkout, exquisite sunroom, 3 fireplaces and 3 car garage. Custom features. \$639,900 (331CV)



SHOWS LIKE A MODEL. This 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial is so nice that you'll wonder why it's for sale. Family room with fireplace, first floor laundry, finished basement and much more. Must see to appreciate. \$227,900 (465VO)



BEAUTIFUL LOCATION. Move right in - lovely ranch with huge basement, garage, and 3 season's room. Lots of updates, well maintained home in nice neighborhood. Call for an appointment today. \$269,900 (468NO)



EXCEPTIONAL HOME. Exceptional 1,563 square foot home with 3 large bedrooms and many updates including a beautifully remodeled kitchen and bath. Spacious family room and gorgeous landscaping with private yard. Home warranty provided. \$159,900 (113BR)



GREAT FAMILY HOME. Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath red brick colonial. Vinyl windows and pretty living room with bow window. Updated baths. Rear deck overlooking a terrific yard. Quick occupancy. \$194,900 (969BE)



GEORGIAN COLONIAL. In popular Sunflower sub. Spacious home with 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, den and family room - family room has fireplace and cathedral ceiling, large kitchen with all appliances, living room, formal dining room with bay window - great yard with bi-level deck and more. \$279,900 (768EM)



LOCATION COUNTS! Desirable Canton subdivision on pretty interior, privacy fenced lot. Formal living and dining rooms, family room with fireplace too. Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Updated and ready for you! \$210,000 (447RA)



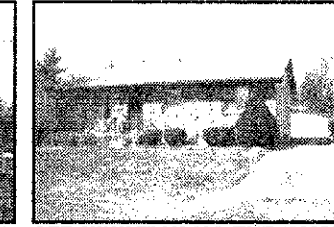
LAKE PRIVILEGES AVAILABLE. Enjoy this summer in this beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath classic colonial. Newer white, "top of the line" kitchen. Neutral, move-in condition plus Birmingham schools! \$390,000 (421VI)



OXFORD LAKE ACCESS. Great house built in 1992. Large master bedroom, 10x10 master bath. Fireplace in living room, large deck to enjoy yard. Lake privileges, tennis and basketball courts. \$205,999 (284OX)



BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME. This prestigious area features exclusive custom home on acreage, award winning Northville schools and close proximity to shopping and freeway. This private parcel includes a 4" well, electrical and partial septic. Offering land contract terms! \$174,900 (000SI)



GET AWAY FROM ALL THE NOISE! Located in a quiet neighborhood, this well maintained ranch offers an updated kitchen, newer furnace with central air, double door entry into the master bedroom and much more. Don't delay! \$135,500 (962CO)



LIVONIA SCHOOLS! This charming 4 bedroom brick ranch with 2 car detached garage has many updates including: newer carpeting, windows, and more. Located in popular subdivision walking distance to elementary school. \$165,000 (692CA)



CURB-APPEAL-IFIC! Envious setting, spacious family center, side entry garage, center island kitchen, inviting deck, French doors from both great room and foyer to den, and a walk-to-downtown location offered by this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath classic brick colonial. \$382,500 (969GR)



YOU'LL SAY "YES!" Airy and open with tasteful touches: cove ceilings, hardwood floors, recessed lighting, updated kitchen, cabinets, counter and floors. Updated bath, steel entry doors, finished basement and doorwall to deck. \$159,900 (011VE)



A MUST SEE! Beautiful custom crafted home on a beautiful 1/4 acre wooded lot with creek. Ten foot ceilings throughout. Custom kitchen with gorgeous cabinetry. Finished walkout brings total square feet to over 4,000. Many upgrades. \$474,900 (451VA)



THE SEARCH STOPS HERE! Get ready for BBQ's. Enjoy neighborhood pool with this Pulte 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial! Oak kitchen with isle and all appliances. First floor laundry, finished basement, private master suite with soaking tub. First floor den and formal dining room. Great lot with trees, 2-tier deck and professionally landscaped. \$319,900 (606HA)



COME HOME TO PERFECTION! Almost new 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Canton colonial! Neutrally decorated and ready to move in and enjoy! Hardwood flooring, oak kitchen, spacious master suite, family room w/fireplace, first floor laundry, full basement, 2 car attached garage. Close to all the amenities! \$269,900 (463ST)



TRANSFEREE PERFECT! Exceptionally clean newer Canton colonial. Three bedrooms and loft area - great for study, 2 1/2 baths. Two story family room w/fireplace. Traditional living room and dining room. Wonderful upgraded oak kitchen w/nook. First floor laundry. Spacious secondary bedrooms, ceramic baths and C/A. Neutral decor. \$239,900 (923AA)



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PRICED RIGHT!

Newer colonial with all extras already done: central air, ceiling fan, satellite dish, water softener plus sprinklers, sod & landscaping. Bright white with high ceilings & open floor plan, this beautiful home is a must see! \$269,900 734-455-6000

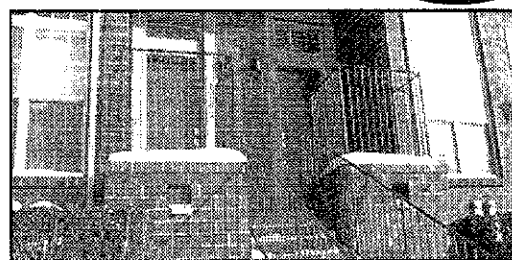
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CUTE, INSIDE & OUT!

South Redford ranch. Many updates: from plumbing, roof, windows & waterproofing to electrical and cement work. Included: satellite system. Features: huge porch, yard & patio plus wood floors & cedar closet. \$146,900 734-455-6000

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ESCAPE THE EVERYDAY!

Big city feel! You'll love this nearly new brownstone, over 1,500 square foot condo with library and attached garage. Open contemporary floorplan. \$159,900 734-455-6000

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EXTRA LARGE LOT!

Great three bedroom, two bath ranch. Offers Pergo floor in kitchen, great room, foyer & hallway. New carpet in all three bedrooms. Freshly painted inside. High ceiling in entry & great room with fireplace. Finished basement for entertaining. Two car garage. \$244,900 734-455-6000

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Etkin Skanska Construction in Farmington Hills announces two appointments.

Michael Leinweber was named business development manager. He has 15 years experience, most recently as a project manager with 400 Monroe Associates and Greektown Casino.

Kathryn M. Veen joins Etkin

Skanska as communications coordinator. Previously, she worked as regional marketing manager for Fanning/Howey Associates, an architectural, engineering and consulting firm.

Howard Novetsky, affiliated with Real Estate One in West Bloomfield, has received the company's highest honor, the President's Council of Excellence Award, for a fifth consecutive year. Novetsky has acquired the professional designation of Certified Residential Specialist.

K. Alan Thompson was selected Realtor of the Month at Prudential Chamberlain Stiehl in Birmingham.



NOV. Extremely nice Colonial. Great room has cathedral ceiling & natural fireplace. French Door to study off foyer w/open stairway to upper & lower levels. Large master suite w/WIC & bath w/skylight. Finished basement is open from 1st floor, adds living space. 3 car side entrance garage. Extra deep bay for small boat. Beautifully landscaped extra large lot w/patio, dock & brick/cobble sitting area. \$324,900 (L92Dv)



PLYMOUTH. Beautiful model in Rolling Oaks now offered for sale. Oak entry floors with neutral decor thru-out. Attractive use of crown moldings in living room, dining room & library with additional wainscoting trim in library. Gas in family room with raised hearth. Custom draperies \$439,900 (L08Hil)

LIVONIA. Wonderful Piece of Land, over an acre. Brick story & 1/2 home sits on one of the lots. Two Lrg. Bdrms., Liv. Rm. w/natural FP. Din. Rm., Fin. Bsm't., Lrg. 2 car garage w/workshop. Newer windows, new furnace & AC, copper plumbing, hardwood Flrs., unfinished upstairs & much more. \$194,900 (18Ply)

FARMINGTON HILLS. Quality in this Gracious Custom Colonial w/open flr plan. Ceramic foyer w/oak flrs. in kitchen which features under cabinet lighting, glass cabinet, dbl. oven, sub-0 refrigerator, GE grill range top + WI pantry. Lrg. Lib., Music Rm or LR...your call. Mstr. bath w/sauna. Neutral tones thru-out. Bsm't. plumbed & framed. \$448,900 (L19Dow)

CANTON. This meticulous home backs to acres of main commons w/walkways to both neighborhood pool & Tondia Elementary. Lovely oak entry leads into Lrg. Kit. overlooking Fam. Rm. w/wildstone FR. Lrg. Bdrms., great 1st Flr. Lib. This home is truly in mint condition. Spacious deck for entertaining w/picturesque pond & paved walkways. \$269,999 (L80Wea)

FARMINGTON HILLS. Picture yourself looking out on a variety of birds & wildlife. That's what you'll view from this beautifully decorated 4 bdrm., 3 1/2 bath colonial w/separate Liv. Rm., Lib., Fam. Rm., Plus oversized Kit + Sun Rm. on lrg. wooded site. \$424,900 (L64Kle)

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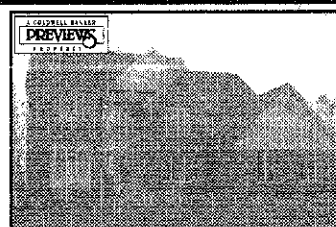


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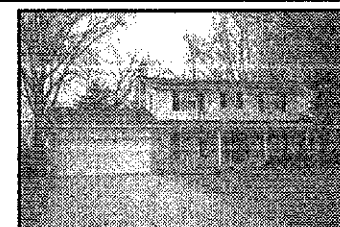
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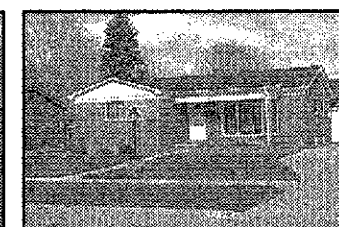
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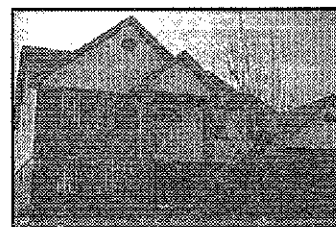
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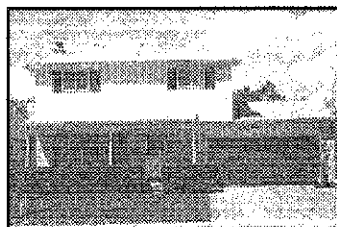
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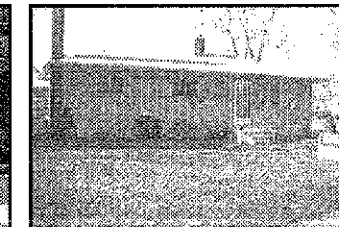
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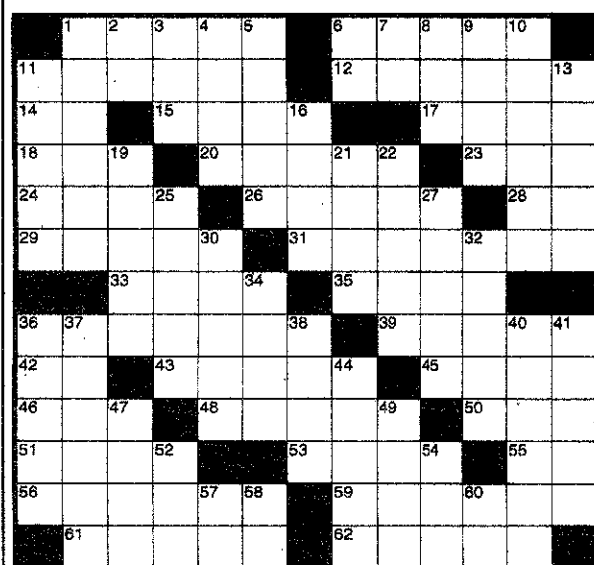
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CHILDTIME CHILDREN'S CENTER

• LEAD CAREGIVERS
• ASSISTANT CAREGIVERS
401K retirement plan, paid vacations & holidays & other benefits. Northville/Farmington areas. Call the following:

* Mariana at 248-478-1516
* Joy at 248-489-8555
* Fran at 734-729-3434
* Jackie at 734-981-3222
* Andrea at 734-425-7670

Certified kindergarten teacher also needed

* Pat at 734-455-5490
Summer Camp Lead also needed

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CHRIST OUR Savior Lutheran

church looking for help in our church nursery. \$2 to \$10/hr based on exp. Sun 8:15am-12:15pm Ask for Amy (734)513-8413

CLEANER NEEDED full-time for

Farmington Hills salon. \$8/hr. Ask for Pam or Janet. (248) 553-4480.

CLEANING OFFICES

Plymouth, Farmington, Novi, 3-hrs eves, Mon-Fri. Call 248-615-3554

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Part-time. Farmington Hills/Novi/Wixom area. Eves & weekends available. Starting \$9/hr. 248-676-1012

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\$7-\$15/hr., based on exp. Full-time, part/full time. Call domestichelp.com (248)421-0229

CLEANING PERSONNEL to

clean hallways in apt. complexes. Day work, car needed, paid holidays, & vacations. Health insurance available. Located in Livonia. Starting pay \$8.32/hr., full & part-time positions. Call Meesha, 8am-3pm. 734-427-4343.

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CNC MACHINIST POSITIONS

Mill 3, 4, 5 Axis, Lathe, EDM, jig grind, Laser, jig Mill. The area's most advanced prototype shop looking for area's highest skilled workers. Delta Research, 32971 Capitol Rd. Livonia, 734-261-6400. Fax: 734-261-0809

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Communications

POLICE SERVICE AIDE (PSA)

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH is accepting applications for the position of Police Service Aide (PSA) in the Plymouth Community Communication Center (PCCC). Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent and be at least 18 years of age with keyboarding experience. All candidates will be required to take a test. This position is in the POAM union.

Essential functions for this position include, but are not limited to, the following: answering telephones requesting information or services (including emergency 9-1-1 calls for service); inputting information to and operating the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system; requests for information from LEIN and other computer data bases received from department personnel; dispatching police, fire and rescue to respective requests; monitoring local and state radio frequencies; operating emergency notification systems for community warning and evacuation; and other various duties associated with prisoners and the lockup facility.

Applications and position specifications are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Township Clerk's Office, 42350 Ann Arbor Rd., (at the corner of Lilley Rd.). Applications must be received by 4:00 p.m. and will be accepted until Friday, May 18, 2001 at 4:00 p.m.

The township is an equal opportunity employer.

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Commercial Industrial Projects. Fax resume to: 248-358-5839

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Enthusiastic, & hardworking needed for accredited Infant/Toddler Program. Must be energetic, creative and flexible. Ability to supervise and train staff a must. Minimum 2 years experience and Associates Degree in Early Childhood.

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Flexible schedules available! A great place to work!

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Excellent pay!
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HVAC COMMERCIAL SUPERVISOR & INSTALLERS
benefit package, call
1-800-245-9080.

HVAC INSTALLERS - Need 3-5 years exp. Full benefits & 401k. Please call Mark at (734)281-7204 or (734)341-0664

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Are you looking for a stable company to apply your skills? A/JD is the right place for you! We offer 401K plus profit sharing, 100% company paid benefits, great pay and a positive environment. Apply in person: A.J. Danboise, 31015 Grand River Ave, Farmington Hills or fax resume to (248) 477-7579 or apply on line @ www.ajdanboise.com

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Steel Industries is currently looking for SAW OPERATORS AND PRESS CREW for all shifts.

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Insurance COMMERCIAL LINES CSR Large commercial agency. Livonia area. Experienced CSR. Excellent salary & benefits. Safeco experience helpful. Send resume Box #1083 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

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INSURANCE Large bonding agency desires trainees for Bond Dept. Typing and communication skills necessary. Insurance experience preferred. Salary & benefits. Send resume to: P.O. Box 4960 Troy, MI 48069-4960

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The Most Interesting Position
Combining underwriting, client service and inside sales. Be a part of a high-energy team. Great career opportunity. Send resume to: P.O. Box 1300, Birmingham, MI 48012-1300.

JEWELER
INDEPENDENT fine jewelry retailer seeks highly skilled, motivated jeweler. 24hrs/7d/week must be skilled in all phases of repair and stone-setting. The right person will earn \$50K plus health insurance, paid holidays, vacation and 401K. Send resume to: P.O. Box 1154 Novi, MI 48376-1154

LABORER NEEDED for construction co. Steady work. Most tools provided. Good wages. Matt: (734) 564-0647

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\$8-\$14 per hr. Will train. Farmington Hills. Call leave message: (248) 426-0656

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LAWN IRRIGATION CO. seeks EXP. SERVICE TECHS Action Landscape Canton. 734-455-3130.

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Benefits. Year-round employment. No experience necessary. Will train. (313) 534-3090

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Scott's Lawn Service
• Lawn Technicians
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WE OFFER:
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We are the newest Division of The Scotts Lawn Service Co. Located in Livonia

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LIC-PLUMBER / APPRENTICE needed for commercial and industrial construction. Experienced, competitive wages, medical, dental, 401K w/ match, holiday and vacation pay. Please fax resume (734)729-2055

LIGHTING - FIXTURE WASHERS - For national company. No exp. necessary. Full time positions available with benefits. Livonia 734-422-8460. EOE.

MACHINE OPERATOR needed, rollforming & brake press experience required, please call Bill between 8:30-10:30 am at S & C Inc. 313-278-9501

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Fandl Builders Supply
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CNC mill and lathe program required. All around grinder hand. 5 years exp. Apply at: 613 Manufacturers Drive Westland 48186 (734)729-5700

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
Novi area condo complex is looking for a Maintenance Supervisor to make repairs & other misc. services. Must have tools. Hourly rate plus benefits. Fax resume to: 734-524-1393

MAINTENANCE
Industrial Mechanic needed. Third shift. Skills required power transmission, hydraulics, electrical, welding, plumbing, general machine repair. Must have own tools. 40 hours plus overtime. Benefits. 401(k). Apply in person or send resume to: Pure Tech Plastics, Attn: Ian 31784 Enterprise Drive Livonia, MI 48150 fax 734-522-8770 EOE

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MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT
Apartment or construction experience. Professional appearance and attitude. Full time/benefits. Apply at: The Grand Court, 36550 Grand River, Farmington Hills. (248) 476-7478.

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Dearborn area Apt. Light maintenance, housekeeping & grounds. Excellent wages and benefits. Apply in person at 4900 Heather Dr., Dearborn, 48126 (off Mercury Dr., between Ford Rd. & Michigan Ave.); or fax resume to: 313-336-6393.

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needed full-time for busy W. Bloomfield Salon. Exp. preferred. HAIR DRESSER & NAIL TECH also needed.
Call Linda 248-851-5559

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Part-time Mon-Fri, 11:30-5:30. Call for appt., 248-615-3554 or Fax 248-615-4023.

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Part-time, 2 days a week. Call Hair Concepts 734-422-5730

RENTAL AGENT
Full-time for growing car & truck rental agency. Learn all aspects of business. Hourly wage, monthly bonus. Room for advancement. 401K available. Apply Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm at McDonald Rent-A-Car, 31208 W. 8 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334

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E-mail: sirs_hr@hotmail.com

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REPORTER STRINGERS
HomeTown Newspapers has immediate openings for Reporter Stringers in our Holly office. Candidates must have experience interviewing and gathering news to write stories. Bachelor's degree or 1-3 years of related work experience required. Contact: Bob Johnson (248) 634-8219 or (248) 349-1700

RESIDENTIAL CONCRETE
SISERS is currently seeking experienced concrete finishers. Please call (734) 644-6480.

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501 Computer/Info. Systems

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502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

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Seeking part-time professional for Consulting Firm. Computer/organizational skills required. Architectural/Engineering firm background preferred. Send resume to: Regional Manager, 28200 Orchard Lake Road, Ste. 101, Farmington Hills, MI 48334. Fax: 248-538-0618. Email: Adren2225@aol.com Call 616-207-4876

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Luxury Home Builder & Developer in Birmingham area seeking Administrative Assistant to Vice Presidents of Development Sales & Marketing. Must have strong computer skills in Microsoft Office and Excel. Knowledge of MLS system desirable. Candidate needs to be able to communicate effectively both written and orally and have excellent organizational skills. Candidate must possess the ability to work quickly through multiple priorities. Professional dress will be a prerequisite. If you are a team player who desires to be part of a company who cares about their employees and enjoy a generous benefit package, send resume to: W. Seklar, Fax: 248-204-4444

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All Stars *from page 4*

school newspaper, National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl, co-coordinator of a Red Cross blood drive.

Influential teacher: “Gene Grewe welcomed me into the Catholic Central family and taught me the true meaning of scholarship.”

To improve public education, Gehan would “implement a voucher system throughout the entire school system to stimulate competition and make teachers responsible for their performance in the classroom.”

He is the son of Martin and Penny Gehan and the brother of Sarah, 12.

Brian Doughty
North Farmington High School
Farmington Hills

College prospects: University of Michigan, majoring in biomedical engineering.

Academic honors: Student Council president, Class Board representative, Student Round Table vice president, National Honor Society, Superintendent’s Award of Excellence, Social Studies Merit Award, Biology Merit Award, Academic Letter, GRIP planning committee, Michigan Math League participant, National Math League participant, Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition finalist, University of Michigan Regents Merit Scholarship recipient.

Extracurricular activities: Intramural basketball championship team member, two varsity letters in tennis, St. Fabian Parish Council representative, attended three years of Christian work camps, American Legion boys’ state delegate, Dwight Rich Citizenship Award, finalist for Boys’ Nation.

Influential teacher: Biology teacher Virginia Lambert’s “relaxed, yet efficient, teaching style and ability to make (complex) subjects seem very comprehensible are her greatest attributes. A good portion of my success and interest in biology should be accredited to Mrs. Lambert. Without her, my intentions for a college major may very well be undecided.”

To improve public education, Doughty would “try to get students to take greater advantage of the opportunities offered to them. Too often I hear students saying they hate school, they’re bored, or they wish there was something to do in this school, this town, etc. I would try to get these students to open their eyes and get involved. Contrary to popular belief, high school does not need to be drudgery and can actually be enjoyable as long as students realize what’s out there.”

He is the son of Clark and Clau-

dia Doughty and brother of Christopher, 14.

Christopher Gansen
Stevenson High School
Livonia

College prospects: University of Michigan, majoring in computer science and angling for a career in computer programming or information technologies.

Academic honors: Commended student by National Merit Scholarship Corp., 4.238 cumulative GPA, Summa Cum Laude student for four years, top 1 percent of 486-person class, National Honor Society.

Extracurricular activities: Boy Scouts Troop 782 (Eagle Scout, junior assistant scout master, secretary of the Venture Crew), Spanish Club president, National Honor Society, Physics Club, Senior Class Council, tutors students after school, works part time for Recreational Equipment Inc. of Northville.

Influential teacher: “My 10th grade English teacher, Les Prieskorn, shared with the class a revolutionary idea: grades do not matter. His passion for teaching, coupled with his immense knowledge of American literature, really sparked my interest in English and school in general. Although he did not always look kindly on my essays, I believe that he helped me become a better writer, too.”

To improve public education, Gansen would “allow teachers more flexibility in setting their own curriculum. Teachers frequently cannot teach what they deem is necessary because the standard curriculum does not allow time for it. By allowing teachers to teach what they want to, they can expose students to a wider variety of materials and provide for more in-depth learning.”

He is the son of Robert and Carolyn Gansen and brother of Andrew, 12.

Shigong Zhang
Churchill High School
Westland

College prospects: University of Michigan, majoring in business/law.

Academic honors: AP honors in history, chemistry, biology, calculus, English and physics.

Extracurricular activities: Quiz Bowl, Student Council, Spanish Club, playing guitar and hockey.

Influential teacher: Michael Hughes “taught me more than any teacher ever could.”

To improve public education, Zhang would “provide more funding for updated textbooks and state-of-

the-art computers with Internet access.”

He is the son of Lizhi Li and George Zhang.

Michael Anderson
Thurston High School
Redford

College prospects: Taylor University, majoring in computer science, career undecided.

Academic honors: Outstanding freshman, outstanding calculus student.

Extracurricular activities: Principal flute player in band, drama, forensics, National Honor Society.

Influential teacher: Jason Brater “because he has made me really appreciate history. Plus, he’s had me for three classes, so he’s had plenty of time to warp my brain.”

To improve public education, Anderson would “make students more interested and more disciplined.”

He is the son of Kim and Jon Anderson and the brother of James, 14, and Sara, 9.

Sean McCann
Thurston High School
Redford

College prospects: University of Michigan, Case-Western Reserve University, Illinois Institute of Technology, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, or California Institute of Technology, majoring in aerospace engineering.

Academic honors: National Merit Scholarship finalist, Michigan Mega Conference All-Academic team (swimming), Who’s Who Among American High School Students, three academic letters.

Extracurricular activities: Varsity debate, Boy Scouts (Eagle Scout), band section leader, National Honor Society, Science Olympiad, varsity swimming captain.

Influential teacher: Matt Rich, chemistry teacher and swimming coach, “provided a challenge as a coach and incentive as a student as well as guidance outside the classroom.”

To improve public education, McCann would “create a more individualized education, offer more challenges to high achievers, increase vocational education at the high school level.”

He is the son of Michael and Diane McCann and the brother of Bridget, 19, and Michael, 36.

Audrey Brayman
Wayne Memorial High School
Westland

College prospects: Carthage College (Kenosha, Wisc.), majoring in math and Spanish, minoring in psychology. Undecided about career.

Academic honors: Honor Roll, Academic Letter Award, departmental awards for academic excellence in mathematics, Spanish, English, science, social science and computer studies.

Extracurricular activities: Marching band, Spanish Club, National Hispanic Honor Society, National Honor Society, Vision Percussion, Student Senate, Mythology Club.

Influential teacher: “My fourth- and fifth-grade teachers, Patricia Rupert and Richard Piecha, respectively, were influential because they started my interest in learning, especially in math and science. They also got me out of reading all the time and into actually interacting with others. Sharon Wenzel, my math teacher in ninth and 11th grades, influenced my love of mathematics by letting me do my elaborate diagrams in color on the chalkboard. And finally, Lynne Elsesser, my Spanish teacher for the past three years, helped me grow in all area and has prepared me for the ‘real world’ more than anyone else.”

To improve public education, Brayman would “make high school more like college schedule-wise, overall. Other improvements could be made by having curriculum more aptitude-based for the students. (And) have the teachers take classes when there are new developments in teaching, technology and other such things that are related to education.”

She is the daughter of Timothy and Elizabeth Brayman and sister of William, 15, Karen, 14, Alexander, 12, and Francesca, 8.

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majoring in art history and looking for a career as a museum curator.

Academic honors: Renaissance Award, 4.0 Wall of Fame, Academic Letter Award, Honor Roll.

Extracurricular activities: Teresa Soleau

Dance classes for 14 years at Susie's Dance Pointe, competitive dance for eight years, assist in teaching dance classes.

Influential teacher: Lynn LeBlanc "pushes us to strive for the very best and genuinely cares about us."

To improve public education, Soleau would "screen teachers more thoroughly. You really learn something from a class when a teacher loves to help others learn and is genuinely interested in the subject they are teaching."

She is the daughter of Marvin and Christine Soleau and the sister of Anthony, 19, and Maria, 15.

Hemanth Srinivas
Farmington High School
Farmington

College prospects: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Stanford University, Cornell University, California Institute of Technology, Carnegie-Mellon University, University of Michigan, University of Illinois Urbana - Champaign.

Academic honors: Academic Letter Award, Tennis Varsity Letter, National Merit Scholarship Competition Recog-

nition, school board recognition for National Merit Scholarship Competition, Brykalski-Coolman Award nominee, National Honor Society, Boys State nominee, dual medalist in regional competition for Science Olympiad.

Extracurricular activities: Cross country, varsity tennis, Quiz Bowl captain, debate, String Quartet, Symphony Orchestra, the school musical, Science Olympiad team leader.

Influential teacher: "Not only did (history teacher Steve Korpusik) teach me a great deal about history in the classroom, he taught me many more valuable lessons about life and other things outside the classroom."

To improve public education, he would "try to minimize the student/teacher ratio as much as possible so the maximum number of students can receive direct attention from the teacher. Also I would try to take advantage of the tremendous amount of technology within our grasp to better educate and prepare the kids for (the) future."

He is the son of Venkatesh and Nalini Srinivas.

Jennifer Szakal
St. Agatha High School
Redford

College prospects: University of Michigan - Dearborn, general engineer-

ing major.

Academic honors: Society of Women Engineers Award, Academic Letter, National Youth Leadership Award.

Extracurricular activities: Softball, volleyball captain, cheerleading captain, Student Council president.

Influential teacher: "John Dudley 'has taught me not to give up on anything.'"

To improve public education, Szakal would promote school vouchers and have more teacher evaluations.

She is the daughter of Timothy and Linda Szakal and the sister of Jason, 22 and Timothy, 25.

Sara Vangieson
Belleville High School
Belleville

College prospects: Eastern Michigan University, majoring in biology and working toward a career as a medical doctor.

Academic honors: Lawrence Technological University Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics.

Extracurricular activities: Varsity cross country and track, marching

band, National Honor Society.

Influential teacher: English teacher Daryl Niner "has taught me that it's OK to not excel at everything. True fulfillment comes when you work hardest in areas where you are least talented."

Vangieson would improve public education by placing less emphasis on MEAP scores so that teachers could "instruct creatively, rather than be forced to teach to a rigid curriculum."

She is the daughter of Nancy Vangieson-Rix and the sister of Sean Vangieson, 20.

David Wilkins
Franklin High School
Livonia

College prospects: Western Michigan University, University of Michigan - Dearborn, majoring in business management.

Academic honors: Honor Roll, Junior Scholar.

Extracurricular activities: French Club, Haunted High, International Night, varsity basketball concessions.

Influential teacher: Julie Smith is an "extraordinary teacher, role model and friend."

To improve public education, Wilkins would "have high school students teach groups of elementary kids to enhance leadership in high school students."

He is the son of Diana and Dave Wilkins and the brother of Bobby, 14.



Principals teamed up to rank the All-Stars

Five principals from Observer area high schools met April 5 in Livonia to select this year's Academic All-Stars.

"It's an excellent idea to honor these students," said Sister Joan Charnley, principal of Bishop Borgess High School.

"There are students who excel in a lot of different things, and recognizing them is always a positive," said Joan Sedik, principal of John Glenn High School.

"Whenever we can recognize the talent of our students, whatever they are, it's important," said Patricia Patton, principal of Canton High School.

"I'm extremely impressed with the high quality of the students in this pool," said Dan Willenbore, principal of Franklin High School.

The committee was chaired by Rod Hosman, principal of Churchill High School.

Committee members sorted through 47 applications representing high schools in Farmington, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Redford, Westland, Garden City, Plymouth and Canton.

Ranking the students is simple. Using grades from "core" classes in math, English, social studies, language and science, a core grade point average is established then multiplied by 250.

The best any student can do is a 4.0 GPA, which translates to a score of



Judges: This year's All-Stars were chosen by (from left) Bishop Borgess Principal Sister Joan Charnley, Franklin Principal Dan Willenbore, Churchill Principal Rod Hosman, John Glenn Principal Joan Sedik and Canton Principal Patricia Patton.

1,000.

Next the student's SAT score is divided by 1.6, or the ACT score is multiplied by 27.778. That's another 1,000

possible points.

The highest possible total score is 2,000. Personnel at each of the participating high schools did these calcula-

tions and reported the scores.

Our committee double checked the numbers to verify accuracy.

All of the winners had total scores in excess of 1,900.

"The Observer is happy to have the cooperation of the education community to recognize these young scholars. The time that they take away from their busy schedules is appreciated," said Hugh Gallagher, managing editor of the Observer Newspapers.

Gallagher also expressed satisfaction about the quality and range of students who submitted applications.

"These outstanding students deserve special recognition. The Observer regularly recognizes athletic achievement, and we feel that academic achievement deserves the same recognition," Gallagher said. "The Academic All-Stars is a way to recognize both the schools and their students."

This marks the 16th anniversary of the Observer's Academic All-Stars program.

It started in 1985 when Robert Schramke, the Redford Union High School principal at the time, approached a newspaper executive with the idea of honoring students for academic achievement.

Each All-Star will receive a certificate of recognition and the latest edition of Webster's New World Dictionary.

Additionally, they, along with the runners-up, are honored in this special section.

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with passing challenging classes."

She is the daughter of Larry and Maureen Lentz and the sister of Marie, 19, Dan, 16, Mary Kate, 14, Andy, 11, Maggie, 7, and Tommy, 5.

Melissa Love
Harrison High School
Farmington Hills

College

prospects: University of Michigan, University of Utah, Brigham Young University, majoring in engineering and angling for a career in cancer research.

Academic honors: Superintendent's Award of Excellence, Student Award of Excellence, ranked in the top 100 AP students in nation in the Wordmaster English Competition, House of Representatives State of Michigan Certificate of Recognition.

Extracurricular activities: SADD president, Science Bowl team captain, Science TEAMS Competition captain, marching band color guard captain, National Honor Society, Robotics Team, Concert Choir, Junior Board, Sophomore Board, Interact, junior varsity soccer, school musicals.

Influential teacher: Steve Dail "has faith in me and in my ability. He is always willing to go the extra mile to encourage his students to do their best."

To improve public education, Love would "try to nurture the natural curiosity and desire to learn that is present in students from a young age."

She is the daughter of Arnold and Barbara Love and sister of David, 12, and Jessica, 11.

Michelle Mamo
Redford Union High School
Redford

College

prospects: Saginaw Valley State University, studying business and psychology and angling for a career as an industrial/organizational psychologist.

Academic honors: Who's Who Among American High School Students, Michigan Mega Conference All Academic Award for Soccer, American Legion Girls State Alternate, High Honor Roll, Scholar Athlete Award, nominee for the Princeton Club of Michigan Book Award, Toyota Community Scholars scholarship nominee.

Extracurricular activities: National Honor Society president, Marching Band, SADD, International Thespian Society, school plays, school musical, varsity soccer for four years, Pep Band, youth group.

Influential teacher: Mamo admires fourth-grade teacher Deborah Beardsey's "passion for her job and devotion to her students. She not only

helps students to excel academically but teaches them about life. Her class was exciting, her methods were creative and unconventional, and learning was never a chore. Also, she exposed her students to some of the greatest literature ever written, which sparked my interest in reading as well as my quest to gain all the knowledge I could in order to be successful."

To improve public education, Mamo would "ensure that each school received the same amount of spending per pupil. I believe that it is not right that some schools have far less state money to work with. Also, I would establish new programs to involve parents in their children's education. One of the problems with our society is that the parents are not as informed or involved with their students' lives as they should be. Additionally, I would increase the difficulty of classes and raise the expectations that should be demanded of the students because I am a firm believer that students will rise to the challenge if they know that their community believes in them."

She is the daughter of Alex and Terri Mamo and the sister of Tony Mamo, 13.

Sarah Martin
Plymouth Christian Academy
South Lyon

College prospects: Purdue University, Massachusetts

Institute of Technology, majoring in chemical engineering.

Academic honors: National Honor Society, departmental awards.

Extracurricular activities: Class president, class vice president, worship team leader, mission trips to Budapest and Colorado.

Influential teacher: None

She is the daughter of Wally and Marilyn Martin.

Elizabeth Mueller
Ladywood High School
Westland

College prospects: Undecided, but will study engineering.

Academic honors: National Merit finalist, Who's Who Among American High School Students, All-American Scholar, Ohio Northern University Presidential Merit Scholarship, University of Michigan Regents Merit Scholarship, Principal's Honor Roll, 1999 and 2000 Academic All-Catholic Team, Madame Curie Medal Award from Society of Women Engineers for Excellence in Science and Math, Lawrence Technological University Award for Excellence in Science and Math with scholarship stipend, two third-place finish-

es and one seventh-place finish in regional Science Olympiad.

Extracurricular activities: National Honor Society treasurer, International Thespian Society, Modern Music Masters, Ladywood Thespians (three plays, three musicals), Science Olympiad team captain, choir section leader, Vacation Bible School leader, library volunteer class instructor.

Influential teacher: "The teacher that had the greatest influence on me was my seventh- and eighth-grade math teacher, Randy Munshaw. Before I took his pre-algebra class, I hated math. I thought it was extremely boring. After the class, I loved math, as I do now. He opened up a whole new world of opportunities to me, including the one I chose, to become an engineer."

Mueller believes public education could be improved by spending more on supplies and teacher salaries instead of administrator salaries.

She is the daughter of Claire and John Mueller and the sister of Joe, 20, Margaret, 12, and Matthew, 8.

Alice Muench
Agape Christian Academy
Livonia

College prospects: University of Michigan, with emphasis on French and international studies.

Academic honors: All Academic Excellence 2000, ACSI Student Leadership, Student/Athlete Award, Superior Award.

Extracurricular activities: National Honor Society president, co-captain varsity basketball and volleyball teams.

Influential teacher: Aaron Felty "because he went beyond the scope of just academics and challenged our personal lives and faith."

To improve public education, Muench would encourage more volunteer service in the community. "It's a great way to develop character."

She is the daughter of Walter and Denise Muench and sister of Paul, 27, Peter, 23, and Anna, 20.

Megan O'Neil
Stevenson High School
Livonia

College

prospects: University of Michigan - Dearborn, major undecided.

Academic honors: MEAP Scholarship, President's Education Award, Honor Roll, Summa Cum Laude, certificate of recognition from Michigan Competitive Scholarship Program, admitted to University of Michigan - Dearborn with academic distinction.

Extracurricular activities: Teaching

Bible study, piano lessons for nine years, shift supervisor at Coffee Beanery.

Influential teacher: "Susan Ott taught me to be independent and to make my own choices. She also taught me to be proud of my accomplishments and to strive to do the best that I can."

To improve public education, O'Neil would "abolish standardized tests so students could focus on their classes and not learn information for a single test and then forget it all. I would also spend more money on updated, new books for school libraries."

She is the daughter of Michael and Deborah O'Neil and sister of Casey, 21.

Stephen Richert
Lutheran High School
Wayne

College

prospects: University of Michigan, Michigan State University, majoring in engineering, "Or maybe I'll be a math teacher."

Academic honors: Michigan Math finalist, National Merit finalist, National Honor Society, four-year academic all-conference "and an 'O my' to the 12th."

Extracurricular activities: Soccer captain, basketball, track "and I make chairs!"

Influential teacher: Math teacher and track coach Michael Unger. "He pushes me, motivates me, and he squawks at me."

To improve public education, Richert would have "more teacher accountability and freedom of religious expression."

He is the son of Joel and Linda Richert and brother of Jim, 29, and Dan, 20.

Michelle Ross
Bishop Borgess High School
Detroit

College

prospects: Michigan State University, majoring in accounting and angling for a career in accounting.

Academic honors: Honor Roll and National Honor Society.

Extracurricular activities: Senior Class co-president, Student Council.

Influential teacher: Mrs. Wathens "forced me to push myself."

To improve public education, Ross would "train teachers to be able to handle children with learning disabilities better."

She is the daughter of Sheila and Charles Ross and sister of Michael Ross, 13.

Teresa Soleau
John Glenn High School
Westland

College prospects: Oberlin College,

Melissa Love



Sara Martin



Alice Muench



Michelle Mamo



Elizabeth Mueller



Megan O'Neil



Stephen Richert



Michelle Ross

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class, vice president of SADD, Student Council member, concert choir member, actor in school plays and musicals.

Influential teacher: Louise Ciacco: "Not only did she teach me French, she taught me about how the world works."

To improve public education, Fink would "provide more educational choices to allow students to focus on their own educational goals."

He is the son of Marcia and David Fink and the brother of Christopher, 16, and Stephen, 13.

Miranda Hargis Garden City High School Garden City

College prospects: Eastern Michigan University, Japanese interpretation major.

Academic honors: Presidential Scholarship to EMU, WXYZ Brightest and Best, valedictorian, Math Department award, Social Studies Department award.



Miranda Hargis

Extracurricular activities: National Honor Society vice president, Students Against Driving Drunk member, Japanese Club member, Victor's Club member, Garden City Singers member, job at retirement home.

Influential teacher: "Keith Penski because he loves learning and teaching, makes learning fun and cares about his students."

Hargis would improve public schools by having smaller classrooms, more one-on-one teaching and more hands-on learning.

She is the daughter of Rick and Toni Hargis and the sister of Matt, 23, Jeremy, 21 and Alaina, 14.

Matthew Johnson Belleville High School Belleville

College prospects: United States Air Force Academy, University of Miami, University of Arizona, majoring in aerospace, nuclear or mechanical engineering.

Academic honors: Who's Who Among American High School Students, salutatorian, four years all A's honor roll.

Extracurricular activities: Four years varsity soccer captain, four years varsity track, National Honor Society and Student Council float building.

Influential teacher: "Sandra Austin challenged me and taught me to reach for higher goals."

Johnson would improve public education by introducing a universal curriculum policy for all public schools.

He is the son of Deborah and Neil Johnson and the brother of Shawn, 22, Veronica, 20, and Andrew, 17.



Matthew Johnson

Jennifer Kennedy Clarenceville High School Livonia

College prospects: University of Michigan, majoring in business management.

Academic honors: Certificates of Honor in Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, government, history, and yearbook, perfect attendance, National Student Athlete Day

award, Who's Who Among American High School Students, All Conference Award in Academic Superiority.

Extracurricular activities: MHSAA All District First Team selection for softball, homecoming and snowcoming courts, art displayed at Grass Roots Gallery of Livonia Mall and at Oakland Community College art exhibit, National Honor Society, Student Congress, Varsity Club, peer mediation conflict manager, yearbook editor, varsity basketball captain, junior varsity volleyball captain, varsity softball, Youth in Government vice president, Multiple Sclerosis Walk volunteer, vacation Bible school teaching assistant.

Influential teacher: Kristen Hynek "because she is my coach, teacher and class sponsor who has been a great motivator and inspiration in my life."

To improve public education, Kennedy would "make classes smaller so students can receive more attention."

She is the daughter of Mark and Gail Kennedy and the twin sister of Jessica Kennedy.



Jennifer Kennedy

Louis Kisic Garden City High School Garden City

College prospects: Indiana University, majoring in computer engineering.

Academic honors: GPA of 4.375, classroom honors in English, math, science and reading, Metro Detroit Ford Dealer Athlete of the Week, Observer/Free Press Scholar Athlete of the Week.

Extracurricular activities: Soccer team captain, Varsity Club, German Club, KICK, part-time job at Beaver Creek, club soccer team.

Influential teacher: Calculus teacher Keith Penski "has provided me with the confidence to excel at the college level."

Kisic would improve public education by raising demands for high grades.

He is the son of Julia and Louie Kisic and the brother of Christian, 14, and Jenny, 19.



Louis Kisic

Angela Knofski Huron Valley Lutheran High Westland

College prospects: University of Michigan, majoring in architecture and angling for a career in architecture.

Academic honors: Spanish 1 Bronze, Spanish 2 Silver, Madame Curie Award.

Extracurricular activities: None.

Influential teacher: Guidance

counselor Tom Schwartz. "I never want to disappoint him, so I try my best."

To improve public education, Knofski would raise standards for students and teachers.

She is the daughter of Frederick and Cindy Knofski and sister of Joshua, 21, Andrew, 20, and Tabitha, 18.

Tabitha Knofski Huron Valley Lutheran High Westland

College prospects: University of Michigan, majoring in veterinary medicine and angling for a career in veterinary medicine.

Academic honors: Honor Roll, Band Award, Spanish 2 Award, Certificate of Merit.

Extracurricular activities: None.

Influential teacher: "Steven Grosinske helped me enjoy science."

To improve public education, Knofski would raise standards for students and teachers and get more tutors.

She is the daughter of Frederick and Cindy Knofski and sister of Joshua, 21, Andrew, 20, and Angela, 18.

Lisa Krass John Glenn High School Westland

College prospects: Ohio Northern University, majoring in pharmacy.

Academic honors: Academic letter award, 4.0 Rocket Wall of Fame Award, Renaissance Award, named All-American Scholar, MEAP scholarship, Michigan Competitive Scholarship, Presidential Scholarship to Ohio Northern University, Founder's Scholarship to Ferris State University, Dean's Scholarship to Purdue University, Purdue University Academic Success Award, Valedictorian Scholarship to Purdue.

Extracurricular activities: School plays and musicals (eight shows), Thespian Troupe 1659, Student Council, class government, National Honor Society.



Angela Knofski



Tabitha Knofski



Lisa Krass

Influential teacher: Drama teacher Sheri Grove "helped me break out of my shy personality, and I gained many friends because of it. She also made me see that what anyone else thinks about me is irrelevant. It's what I believe that counts. Because of her guidance I have developed my talents in acting and singing far beyond anything I could have imagined. Her faith in me allowed me to believe in myself."

Krass would improve public education by seeing that all students are exposed to music. "Studies have proven that music education has enhanced students' ability in math. Music can give many students the self-esteem that today's youth are lacking."

She is the daughter of Michael and Marie Krass and sister of Brian, 15.

Jason Krietsch Franklin High School Livonia

College prospects: Kettering University, majoring in mechanical engineering and angling for a career in the automotive industry.

Academic honors: U.S. National Mathematics Award, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Honor Roll all four years of high school.

Extracurricular activities: Quiz Bowl and Young American Bowling Alliance bowling.

Influential teacher: Mark Parrish "teaches the class that made me decide to go into engineering."

To improve public education, Krietsch would "allow the students to have more freedom in choosing their classes."

He is the son of Kathleen Krietsch and Steven Wallace.

Kathleen Lentz Mercy High School Farmington Hills

College prospects: University of Michigan, studying pre-med, angling for career as pediatric neurologist.

Academic honors: Archdiocesan Top Member of Class Award.

Extracurricular activities: Mer-cyaires, major role in musical, Forensics Team, International Thespian Society, National Honor Society president.

Influential teacher: "Tony Scalzi most challenged my mind while teaching me to have fun while learning."

To improve public education, Lentz would "create a program based on the acquisition of skills which prepare students for college, such as studying and time management. Students would have to demonstrate these skills along



Jason Krietsch



Lisa Krass

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Sports Thrive at Madonna University

The Madonna University athletic department has demonstrated consistent growth since its inception in 1982. Originally featuring only two teams, men's and women's basketball, the department has developed into a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Division II sports program that offers men's baseball, basketball and soccer and women's basketball, soccer, softball and volleyball. In addition, the athletics department sponsors an intramural program that allows students to participate in co-ed volleyball, indoor soccer, basketball and softball.

Madonna is recognized by the NAIA and is a member of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (WHAC). The campus features a regulation-size gym located in the Activites Center, which seats up to 600 people; an international-size soccer field, which hosts camps and tournaments; and a fast pitch softball field. The Activites Center is open to all students during posted open gym hours and locker room facilities are available. Athletic grants and scholarships are available to students who show promising talent and have demonstrated academic success.

Programs

Madonna University now offers a new bereavement specialization within its hospice master's program. The cognate consists of a series of three graduate level classes that will prepare students to work in the field of hospice bereavement or supplement education and training within other professions. For more information, contact Dr. Kelly Rhoades, chair, hospice education, (734) 432-5478 or rhoades@smtp.munet.edu

The criminal justice department and school of business have formed a partnership, developing two unique interdisciplinary master's degrees: a master of business administration (MBA) with a certificate in criminal justice leadership and a master of science in business administration (MSBA) with a specialty in leadership studies in criminal justice. These programs can be completed in as short as three years and prospective students are not required to take the GMAT. For information, contact Barry Sherman, chair, criminal justice, at (734) 432-5546 or the office of graduate studies, (734) 432-5667.

Madonna University Selected For Japan Project

Only eight U.S. colleges and universities have been chosen to participate in a year-long faculty-development seminar on Japan. Madonna University has been selected by the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) for this seminar program which assists colleges and universities in their efforts to become more global in their orientation and programs. This is the second time Madonna has been provided this opportunity.

A total of 24 faculty were chosen from competitively-selected institutions, comprised in teams of three members from varying disciplines. Faculty representing Madonna University are: Cecilia Donohue, Ph.D., assistant professor, English and communication arts; Anita Herman, Ph.D., associate professor and chair, gerontology; and Douglas Semivan, associate professor and chair, art.

In preparation for a three-week visit to Japan in July, these Madonna University faculty members will meet weekly to discuss core readings and participate in online discussions with the other seminar members from across the country. Upon their return, they will engage in curriculum development respective to their discipline for the

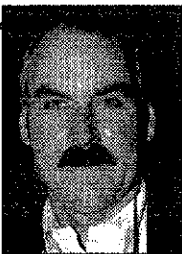
upcoming academic year, including the creation of a new humanities course focusing on Japanese culture.



Donohue



Herman



Semivan

"Japan is undergoing significant changes due to her rapidly aging population," said Herman. "As a result of this study and travel, I expect to develop a couple of units on Japan for the courses I teach to infuse more diversity into our gerontology curriculum."

While in Japan, these faculty members will be engaged in intensively scheduled activities at important historical and cultural centers such as Tokyo, Kyoto, Takayama, Hiroshima and Kurashiki. There they will attend programs and presentations and will meet with experts on various aspects of Japanese culture and society.

"The Japan Seminar project will add new, important and relevant dimensions to existing courses offered at Madonna University," said Donohue.

"Given the ever-increasing interaction between Japanese and American companies, especially in the Detroit area, the material brought into these classrooms will benefit our students as they enter or advance in the world of work."

Nursing Program Addresses Healthcare Demands

With an average of 96 percent of its nursing graduates passing the nursing board examinations on the first attempt over the past 13 years, Madonna University carries on its tradition of excellence in nursing education.

In preparing students for a profession in which caring, competence and quality are hallmarks, Madonna's nursing program

and in the future (*the U. S. Department of Labor indicates that employment for registered nurses will grow faster than the average for all other occupations in the U.S. through 2008*), Madonna University offers: a bachelor of science in nursing degree (BSN) for beginning nurses and a BSN completion degree for licensed practical nurses (LPNs) and registered nurses (RNs) from associate's degree and diploma programs. The University also offers a master of science in nursing (MSN) degree with majors in nursing administration, adult health: chronic health conditions, adult health nurse practitioner, a dual degree MSN/MSBA (business administration) and MS in hospice education.

Madonna University began a curriculum redesign more than six years ago, recognizing that nursing job growth will occur outside of hospitals and acute care facilities. With a focus to enhance preparation of graduating students for expanded nursing roles within the community, students in this new curriculum are given a longitudinal community-based experience in the same community for all four terms of the nursing program.

"The nursing profession is driven by need," said Mary Wawrzynski, Ph.D., dean, College of Nursing and Health. "We, at Madonna University, have maintained a commitment to educational quality, program improvement and accountability and have taken the appropriate steps to serve society more effectively."



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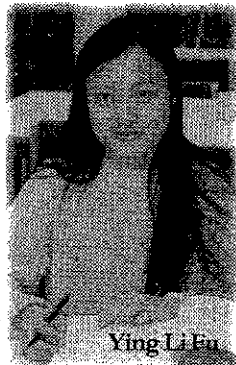
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Students Agree Madonna University Means Quality

Arriving in the States from China just one year ago, Ying Li Fu had her mind set on attending a private university. As she studied numerous college bulletins, she was pleased what she found out about Madonna University.

"There is a wide range of programs," Fu said. "I'm not sure exactly what my major will be, but of the areas I'm considering - accounting, business administration or computer science - Madonna offers them all."

Fu said that when comparing costs of a private university to a public university, she also looked at the benefits. "Because of the small classes at Madonna, the professors have more time to give me attention. Also, the admission and registration processes are much more efficient, therefore, it saves me a lot of time."



Ying Li Fu

quality program "There are no teaching assistants and the professors are leaders in their field," she stated.

Nursing major Stacey Randall agrees that Madonna has a reputation for excellence. Now in her senior year, she proudly boasts that nearly 100 percent of Madonna's nursing graduates pass the nursing board examinations on the first attempt. She also is most appreciative that she has received financial aid which has enabled her to earn her nursing degree.

"The instructors are sensitive and caring and more spiritual," Randall said when comparing Madonna to other institutions.



Stacey Randall

Committed to maintaining quality and value at an affordable price, Madonna University has set tuition for the 2001-2002 fiscal year (see box to the right).



Bernie Rice

Bernie Rice just completed his bachelor's degree in December and is extremely proud of earning his degree at Madonna.

As a transfer student from Schoolcraft College, Rice researched several universities before choosing Madonna. "I felt at ease here the minute I came in the door. There is a sense of unity and spirituality. Having attended Catholic schools while growing up, I appreciated the fact that there are religious courses included in the programs."

After 15 years in business, Jennifer Jewett decided on a total career change. "I wanted to go into teaching, and did a lot of shopping for the university where I would earn my teaching certification."

Jewett explained that her reasons for coming to Madonna were that many of her credits transferred and that the teacher education program was a



Jennifer Jewett

Tuition 2001-2002

per semester hour

\$252 for undergraduates

\$306 for nursing students

\$310 graduate courses

A semi-private room that includes a 20 meal plan is \$5,054.

An annual full-time undergraduate tuition based on 30 semester hours, including registration fees, is \$7,560 (2001-2002).

Tuition Facts:

- Madonna University's tuition is well below the national average of \$16,332 (2000-2001) for four-year private colleges (source: The College Board).
- Students are assessed only 80 percent of the full cost of their Madonna University education. The remaining support is received through corporate, foundation and competitive government grants, fund-raising activities, earnings on endowment and charitable gifts.
- More than sixty percent of Madonna University students receive additional financial assistance.

"We are committed through our Catholic Franciscan educational mission to provide access for students from many different economic, religious, social and cultural backgrounds. Our diverse student body deserves to be taught by quality faculty, to have a wide choice of program offerings and to have the latest technology," said Sr. M. Francilene Van de Vyver, president.

Registration Underway At Madonna University

Madonna University's registration for the fall 2001 term is in progress and continues through Friday, August 31 for new and returning students. Office hours will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and until 7 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, now through June 15 and August 6-31 (with the exception of May 28 when all offices will be closed). Summer registration hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, June 18 to August 3. Classes begin the week of September 4.

The convenience of fax-in registration for all students is available and will be accepted until August 24.

Students may enroll in day, evening and weekend classes including online and telecourses. Non-admitted students must obtain a permit-to-register from the admissions office. Transfer students are welcome. **There is no application fee.**

Madonna University provides quality and value at an affordable price. It is located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia and offers men and women associate's and bachelor's degrees in more than 50 career-oriented majors and master's degrees in diverse areas of business, clinical psychology, education, health services, hospice education, nursing and teaching English to speakers of other languages. For more information, call the Admissions Office at (734) 432-5339.

New Major Combines Psychology and Business

Beginning the fall term 2001, Madonna University will offer a new psychology major with a business concentration. The new major includes the basic core courses of the University's three other psychology majors along with "Theories of Personality," "Social Psychology," and the new course "Industrial/Organizational Psychology." Students will also be required to take the research and quantitative methods sequence of classes. For the business aspect of the major, students will enroll in "Principles of Marketing" and three additional courses in either human resource management or marketing. For more information about the new major, contact Edie Woods, chair of the psychology department, at 734/432-5735.

High Tech Meets High Touch

Madonna University's Technology Enhanced Learning Environment Centers Around Students

Although throughout the history of educational technology the onset of any new delivery system is met with apprehension, Madonna University has taken the necessary steps to create a learner-centered environment which enhances both teaching and learning. Of particular importance, the University will maintain a strong dimension of its mission, which includes respect for each person's talents and needs.

Providing support for the intellectual, spiritual and personal growth of all of its members - students, faculty and staff - remains at the heart of Madonna University. When developing its strategic plan, which is to be implemented over the next five years, great emphasis was placed on these values, particularly as they relate to teaching and learning technologies.

As a means to accomplish the goals outlined in the planning document, a newly constructed instructional technology wing project is nearing completion, owing its start to a \$1.6 million Title III grant awarded to Madonna University from the United States Department of Education. The wing, known as the WRITE Center, (Writing and Research Integrated Technology Environment), will provide multimedia opportunities

for faculty, staff and students. It will serve as a physical and virtual space where students and faculty members collaborate and work independently to enhance learning in and beyond the classroom.



Fosselman

Madonna University's Chief Information Officer John Fosselman is overseeing the project and has the responsibility of ensuring the effective use of the new technologies across the University. He refers to Madonna's technological advances as eCollege, which encompasses its extended and electronic capabilities.

"The planning goals provide support for our vision of the eCollege and involves academic departments and student support systems to make it happen," Fosselman said. "The University is moving in the right direction, providing a rich learning environment supported through technology. The students will be trained to use the tools of the new millennium."



Runners-up deserve recognition, too

Rachel Andersen Ladywood Northville

College prospects: University of Notre Dame, undecided on major.

Academic honors: National Merit Commendable Scholar, Scholar Athlete Award (grades 9-12).

Extracurricular activities: Executive Student Counsel treasurer, National Art Honor Society, cross-country team captain, varsity golf team.

Influential teacher: "Mr. Bartone has had the greatest influence on me because his interest in the subjects he teaches is contagious."

Andersen would improve public education by adding structure and requiring schools to be more demanding of students.

She is the daughter of Paul and Kathy Andersen and the sister of Sarah, 24, Michael, 22, Rebecca, 20, and Leah, 15.

Robert Bame Jr. Clarenceville High School Livonia

College prospects: University of Michigan, studying engineering and/or business.

Academic honors: None

Extracurricular activities: None

Influential teacher: Barbara Gutman "because she always challenged me and never let me have the easy way out."

To improve public education, Bame would "reduce class sizes and increase the amount of staff."

He is the son of Robert and Mary Ann Bame and brother of Monica, 21, and Ryan, 14.

Jennifer Bohn Lutheran High School Westland

College prospects: Concordia College, Valparaiso, Hillsdale, Georgetown, majoring in history, political science, or education and angling for a career as a college professor or in politics.

Academic honors: National Honor Society, departmental awards in English and science, Student of the Year in Biology, chemistry and advanced biology, Who's Who Among American High School Students and Valparaiso Junior Scholarship.

Extracurricular activities: Liv-

ingston County 4Cs and Wayne County 4Cs certificates of completion, ballroom dance lessons, horse riding lessons, volunteered for canned food drive, Christmas presents drive, Special Olympics, "Senior Prom" at nursing home and has a job at Hand 'n' Hand Child Care.

Influential teacher: History teacher Kent Weier "because he showed me what hard work was all about. He showed me its products and demonstrated and ignited immense patriotism and live in me."

To improve public education, Bohn would "make teachers and students be accountable for what they do and do not do in school. I also agree with the Republican platform of vouchers so that all students are put on equal footing and so that public schools are made to compete and thus are unable to just do enough to get by. They will have to compete to keep students and money, and teachers, to keep their jobs, will have to be at the top of their game. I'd also lessen the grip of the teachers unions so that they can work more hours and be prepared for their students' lessons."

She is the daughter of Keith and Carol Bohn and sister of Michael, 28, and Jeremy, 27.

Caleb Boswell Bishop Borgess High School Detroit

College prospects: University of Michigan, Central Michigan University, majoring in psychology.

Academic honors: Honor Roll four years running, President's Education Awards Program in recognition of outstanding academic achievement, Wayne County Academic Achievement Award, National Honor Society, All Catholic Scholastic Team.

Extracurricular activities: Varsity track and field, Student Council, Junior Class co-president, Senior Class co-president, homecoming court.

Influential teacher: Amy Nanni "because she had faith in me, even when I did not."

To improve public education, Boswell would "make sure there is a better relationship between students and teachers."

He is the son of Jacqueline Boswell and brother of Jacqueline, 2.

Joshua Bousquette Redford Union High School Redford

College prospects: Alma College to study English, German and chemistry for a possible career in film, science or writing.

Academic honors: Who's Who Among American High School Students, Redford Union All State/All City recommendation.

Extracurricular activities: Varsity soccer, varsity track, National Honor Society.

Influential teacher: "Robert Ouellette because he is an honest, wise and humble person who can teach volumes."

To improve public education, Bousquette would "provide equal funding to all districts from the state, then limit district millage."

He is the son of Paul and Sandy Bousquette and brother of Jonathan, 15.

Joyce Chung North Farmington High School Farmington Hills

College prospects: University of Michigan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Stanford University, Harvard University, majoring in pre-med.

Academic honors: Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award, Superintendent's Award, American Guild of Music first place test solo, Madame Curie Award, AP Scholar, Scholar Athlete Award, University of Michigan Regents Scholarship Award, high school merit awards in math, journalism, English, foreign language, science and social studies.

Extracurricular activities: Varsity soccer, varsity tennis, youth group moderator, newspaper staff reporter, yearbook staff, Girls State delegate, Class Board representative, church choir, National Honor Society, waitressing, Farmington soccer club.

Influential teacher: Biology teacher Virginia Lambert "challenged my study skills and intellect. She helped me to excel in a demanding, stimulating atmosphere."

To improve public education, Chung would "increase the student/teacher ratio and offer a wider selection of rigorous, applicable courses."

She is the daughter of Frank and Sonhee Chung.

Christopher Collins St. Agatha High School Redford

College prospects: Michigan State University, Kettering University, majoring in mechanical engineering angling for a career in automotive engineering.

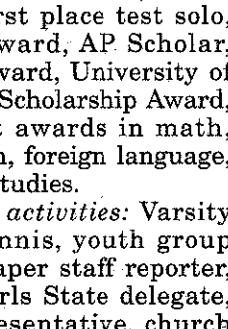
Academic honors: Michigan Science Teachers Award, Metropolitan Detroit Science Teachers Association Award, science aid, academic let-



Joshua Bousquette



Joyce Chung



Caleb Boswell



Christopher Collins

ter, all academic and academic excellence awards in science, computer science and consumer life skills. science fair judge, technology committee member, yearbook computer editor.

Extracurricular activities: National Honor Society president and vice president, helped organize Crop Walk, worked the Lenten fish fries for six years, worked at the St. Agatha Parish festival for six years.

Influential teacher: "John Dudley, because he has shown me you can be professional and still have fun."

To improve public education, Collins would "improve the awards that students receive because teenagers like to do well if they know there is an award or a special recognition for their action or actions."

He is the son of Keith Colling and Judy Johnston.

Amber Cross Agape Christian Academy Canton

College prospects: Bethel College in St. Paul, Minn., majoring in secondary education and angling for a career in teaching.

Academic honors: All Academic Excellence 2000, Society of Women Engineers Award, ACSI Superior, ASCI Leadership.

Extracurricular activities: Chapel leader, co-captain varsity basketball, captain softball, volleyball and church praise and worship team.

Influential teacher: Clark Sexton "because he pushes you to do your best and is a great example of integrity and faith."

To improve public education, Cross would "present more opportunities for service in the community and teach more than the curriculum, but also teach about life and what they are going to face."

She is the daughter of Thomas and Rebecca Cross and sister of Matt, 15, Tim, 12, Abby, 9, Ben, 6, Hannah, 4, Joanna, 3, and Joy, 1.

Brian Fink Harrison High School Farmington Hills

College prospects: Middlebury College (Vermont) majoring in French and angling for a career in teaching or business.

Academic honors: National Honor Society, academic letter, Honor Roll, Principal's Leadership Award.

Extracurricular activities: Co-president of senior class, president of junior

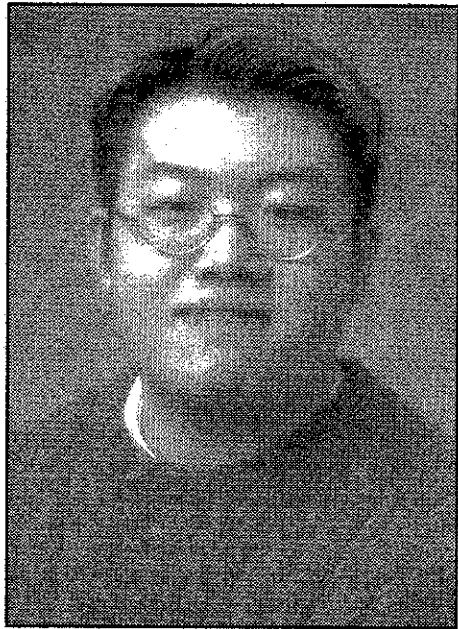


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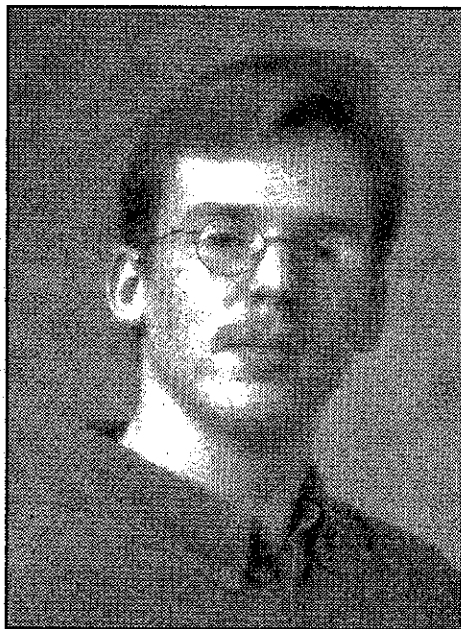


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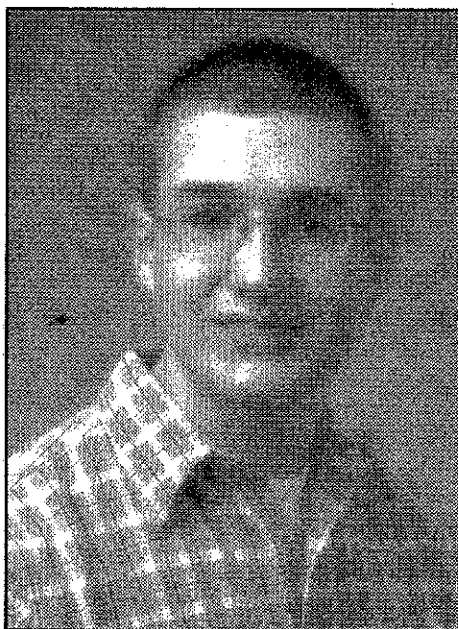
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Shigong Zhang
Churchill High School



Michael Anderson
Thurston High School



Sean McCann
Thurston High School



Audrey Brayman
Wayne Memorial High School

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Amanda Patton Farmington High School Farmington Hills

College prospects: University of Michigan or Washington University in St. Louis to study engineering.

Academic honors: National Merit Commended Student, finalist in Michigan Math Prize, AP Scholar, honorable mention in the Detroit Free Press writing contest.

Extracurricular activities: Farmington High Theatre (acting, set crew, program crew), National Honor Society, Madrigal Choir, church youth group.

Influential teacher: Paula Rohn.

To improve public education, Patton would "get students more involved in decisions affecting their schools."

She is the daughter of Douglas and Suzanne Patton and sister of Ryan, 13.

Anne Bresler Churchill High School Livonia

College prospects: Michigan State University Honors College with Alumni Distinguished Scholarship, majoring in history.

Academic honors: Honor Roll in seven semesters, Summa Cum Laude, National Merit finalist.

Extracurricular activities: CAPA theater and dance, Thespian Society president, Student Council, National Honor Society, homecoming float building, hall decorating, lector and children's liturgist at St. Maurice Church, Dance Ensemble West Senior Company, acted in and worked on several school plays.

Influential teacher: Michael Hugh-

es "showed me there was more to U.S. history than the same wars I learned in grades 2-8. He sparked my interest in history."

To improve public education, Bresler would "give more acknowledgment to academic and other non-athletic achievements. Losing sports teams get constant recognition while award-winning choirs, theater programs and students go unnoticed and under-appreciated."

She is the daughter of Bill and Sue Bresler and sister of Robert Bresler, 15.

Betsy Radtke Canton High School Plymouth

College prospects: Boston College, majoring in biochemistry and angling for a career in environmental research.

Academic honors: National Merit finalist, WXYZ Brightest and Best, U.S. National Mathematics award winner, Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Extracurricular activities: Varsity volleyball, varsity and club soccer, Senate, Student Council, National Honor Society, Big Sister Mentor, vacation Bible school.

Influential teacher: Harry Greanya "got me really interested in science, especially the fields of biology and chemistry, which is what I want to study at the university level."

To improve public education, Radtke would "create a more interactive and hands-on learning environment where students would have a more involved role in the classroom."

She is the daughter of Linda and Dick Radtke and sister of Theresia, 20.

Eric Konopka Wayne Memorial High School Wayne

College prospects: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, majoring in management science with an emphasis in information systems and angling for a career as a systems analyst, MIS director, or IT professional.

Academic honors: National Merit Finalist, Academic Letter Award, school departmental awards, seventh in state for Spanish, 1997.

Extracurricular activities: National Honor Society president, National Hispanic Honor Society president, Spanish Club, Upward Bound, Boy Scouts of America (Eagle Scout).

Influential teacher: "Many of my teachers have been wonderful, and it is hard to choose. But Lynne Elsesser sticks out in my mind. She has been my Spanish teacher for four years. She has never failed to challenge and interest me and to treat me like a real person."

To improve public education, Konopka would "reduce the purpose and function of school simply to education. Schools get blamed for everything when it should not be their responsibility."

He is the son of Ralph and Betty Konopka, step-son of Sue Konopka, and brother of Michael, 26, Jason, 25, Katie, 22, Adam, 20, and Kim, 19.

Kimberly Weaver Canton High School Canton

College prospects: Michigan State University, majoring in computer engineering or computer science and thinking about a career in artificial

intelligence.

Academic honors: National Merit finalist, High Honor Roll, Samsung American Legion Scholarship, AP Scholar with Distinction, MSU Professorial Assistantship, State Scholarship and Freshmen Engineering Scholarship.

Extracurricular activities: Robotics team president, co-captain of Science Olympiad, varsity swim team, age-group swimming, church choir, bell choir, National Honor Society, first oboe wind ensemble and orchestra.

Influential teacher: Jane King "got me interested in a wide variety of topics and encouraged me to excel in whatever I attempted."

To improve public education, Weaver would "make it easier for the top students to take more challenging classes whether AP or dual enrollment through a college."

She is the daughter of Kirk and Ginny Weaver and the sister of Chris Weaver, 22.

Jason Gehan Catholic Central High School Livonia

College prospects: Cornell or University of Michigan, majoring in electrical engineering.

Academic honors: National Merit Scholar, Gabriel Richard all seven semesters, numerous departmental awards, University of Michigan Regents Scholarship, MEAP Scholarship, University of Michigan Engineering Scholarship of Honor, Xerox Award for Excellence in the Humanities.

Extracurricular activities: Club soccer, track, Boy Scouts, editor of

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Patrick Parish in Brighton, taught me to look beyond academic success and see my worth independent of school and scholarly pursuit."

To improve public education, Wright would "positively integrate parents into all activities at school and enlist their help at home."

She is the daughter of Daniel and Rosalie Wright and the sister of Eamonn, 13.

Cynthia Rich Salem High School Canton

College prospects: Cedarville University, concentrating on English, counseling, piano performance and angling for a career in writing, editing, teaching or counseling.

Academic honors: National Merit finalist, Presidential Scholar candidate, STARS award.

Extracurricular activities: Year-book copy editor and academics section editor, National Honor Society, Writing Center tutor, piano, church choir and youth group, girls' Bible study leader, community service.

Influential teacher: English teacher Brian Read "encouraged me to continue with my writing, to explore the possibilities of my own creativity. Sometimes he criticized and sometimes he praised, but either way I knew that he expected my best, and I knew that he believed in my ability to provide it."

To improve public education, Rich would encourage adults and older students to volunteer their time as tutors to students struggling to master basic skills. "With a solid base of literacy, who knows what wonderful things will follow?"

She is the daughter of Richard and Michele Rich and the sister of Tom, 14, and Richie, 11.

Kevin Pilkievicz Catholic Central High School Canton

College prospects: Harvard, Johns Hopkins, University of Michigan, majoring in medicine and interested in a career in medical research.

Academic honors: Class valedictorian medal awarded by Archdiocese of Detroit, Rensselaer Medal, Purdue University awards in biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics and French, selected to attend National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C., first place in Detroit Science and Engineering Fair 1999, National Honor Society, National Merit semi-finalist, National French Contest winner, Gabriel Richard Club member, many school departmental awards.

Extracurricular activities: Drama (several lead roles), editor of school literary magazine, Student Council treasurer.

Influential teacher: "As my history teacher for two years, (Carl Weiss) helped me to see that there is more to history than names and dates. History is a living force, a collective consciousness that helps to define us as individuals and as a people."

To improve public education, "vouchers should be provided to intelligent students who cannot afford private education, and corporate charter schools that have a lower tuition should be set up. The families of children not in the public system should not have to pay taxes to support the public schools. This would not only help many promising children receive a better education, it would also force public schools to improve themselves in order to secure those precious tax dollars they need to operate. I assure you, nothing motivates public schools more than money. As a result of this then, public education would significantly improve."

He is the son of Richard and Penny Pilkievicz and brother of Jessica, 12.

Yibo Ling Salem High School Canton

College prospects: University of Michigan, University of California - Berkeley, Duke University, Stanford University, Yale, majoring in computer engineering and comparative literature.

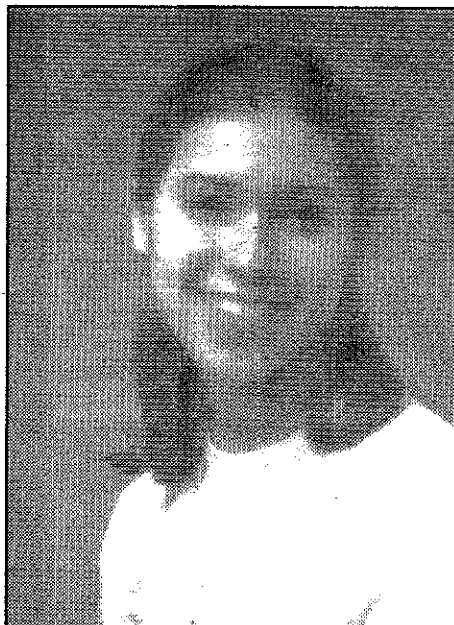
Academic honors: Presidential Scholar nominee, National Merit finalist, STAR student, Association of Chinese Americans, Mabel Peng Memorial Award, Detroit Engineers Association, High School Achievement Award.

Extracurricular activities: Quiz Bowl, Math Olympics, varsity tennis, assistant concert master in orchestra, Model United Nations, National Honor Society, founder and administrator of piano Web page.

Influential teacher: Fourth-grade teacher Rick Barbour "cared so much about his kids that he would come to my sports matches. He gave me a feeling of self worth, like I could really do something with my life."

To improve public education, Ling would "increase the number of advanced classes, increase flexibility to choose challenging courses early in high school."

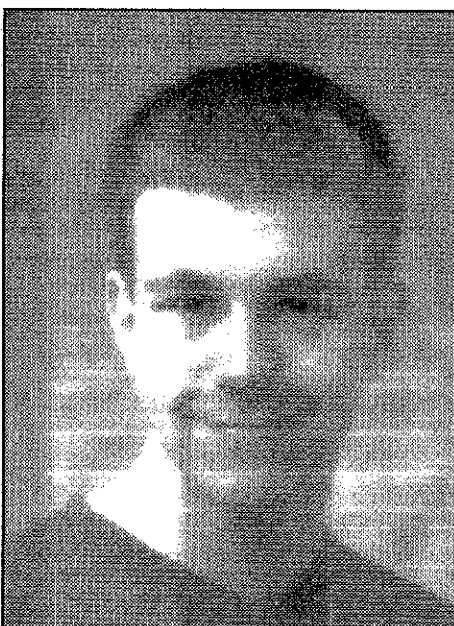
He is the son of Tim Ling and Helen Xu.



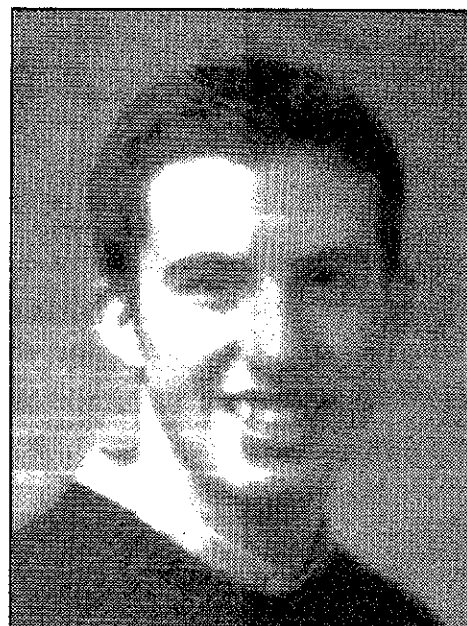
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Canton High School**



**Jason Gehan
Detroit Catholic Central High School**



**Eric Konopka
Wayne Memorial High School**



**Brian Doughty
North Farmington High School**



**Kimberly Weaver
Canton High School**



**Christopher Gansen
Stevenson High School**

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2001 All Stars set the standard

The faces you are about to see in the next pages might include those of future doctors, engineers, lawyers, teachers, computer dynamos and politicians.

They are the 2001 Observer Academic All-Stars — 16 of the brightest and most accomplished high school seniors in the metro area.

As in the past, this year's All-Stars were chosen on the basis of their grade point averages in academic subjects and SAT or ACT scores. Other factors are the ways in which these students distinguish themselves with their community and school involvement, numerous academic awards and the sacrifices they make daily when juggling the demands of school, work, family and friends.

Listed in order of point ranking, this year's All-Stars are: Margaret Wright of Mercy High School, Cynthia Rich of Salem High School, Kevin Pilkiewicz of Detroit Catholic Central High School, Yibo Ling of Salem High School, Amanda Patton of Farmington High School, Anne Bresler of Churchill High School, Betsy Radtke of Canton High School, Eric Konopka of Wayne Memorial High School, Kimberly Weaver of Canton High School, Jason Gehan of Detroit Catholic Central High School, Brian Doughty of North Farmington High School, Christopher Gansen of Stevenson

High School, Shigong Zhang of Churchill High School, Michael Anderson of Thurston High School, Sean McCann of Thurston High School and Audrey Brayman of Wayne Memorial High School.

**Margaret Wright
Mercy High School
Brighton**

College prospects: University of Michigan, Harvard University, or Brown University, undecided major, undecided career.

Academic honors: AP Scholar 2000, National Council of Teachers of English Writing Achievement Award 2000, National Merit finalist.

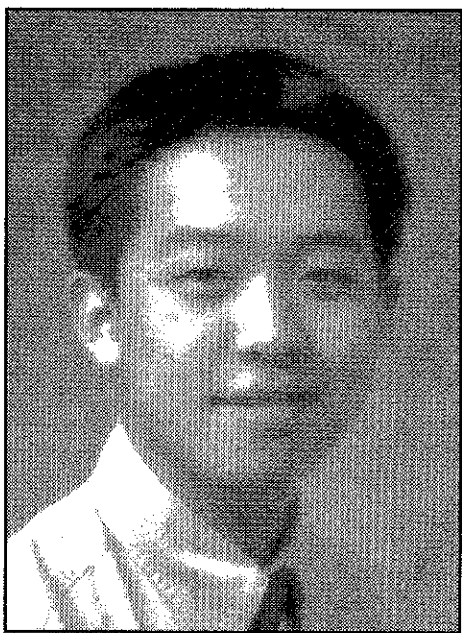
Extracurricular activities: Model United Nations, Human Relations Council representative, Habitat for Humanity volunteer, assistant to children with disabilities at Detroit Oakman School field days, Focus:HOPE food driver for low income seniors, bellringer for Salvation Army, greenhouse assistant for adults with disabilities at Misericordia Center in Chicago, tutor of Spanish-speaking immigrants applying for citizenship, receptionist at crisis center, acted in seven plays, Forensics Team member.

Influential teacher: "Martha Goode, my youth minister at St.

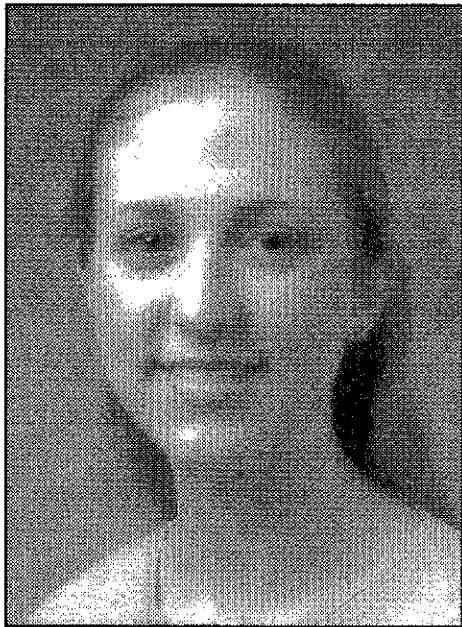
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Margaret Wright
Mercy High School



Yibo Ling
Salem High School



Cynthia Rich
Salem High School



Amanda Patton
Farmington High School

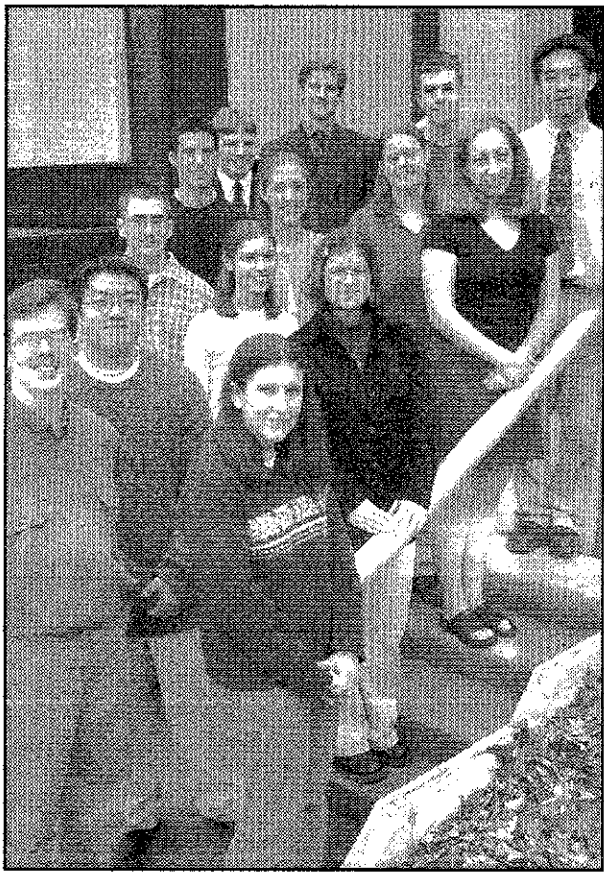


Kevin Pilkiewicz
Detroit Catholic Central High School



Anne Bresler
Churchill High School

On the cover



On the cover: Front row, from left, are Michael Anderson, Shigong Zhang and Amanda Patton. Second row, from left, are Sean McCann, Betsy Radtke and Audrey Brayman. Third row, from left, are Brian Doughty, Cynthia Rich, Kimberly Weaver and Anne Bresler. Back row, from left, are Christopher Gansen, Kevin Pilkiewicz, Eric Konopka and Yibo Ling. Not shown are Margaret Wright and Jason Gehan.

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