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Career move for Santomauro

Operations director post could pave way for Yack successor

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Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro will shift some of his attention – if not yet his office – to the administration side of the municipal complex.

Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack will announce to township employees today the change in the organization.

Santomauro, in addition to his public safety duties, will also take the title of Executive Director of Operations. As

operations director, he will take over strategic planning, procedure development, benchmarking (comparisons with other communities), and leadership and staff training.

"The idea is to make somebody responsible for these activities," Yack said.

While nobody is commenting publicly, the move would position Santomauro for a township supervisor run should Yack decide to step down at the end of the current term in 2004 or before.

Santomauro will assume the addi-

tional duties on a six-month trial basis, Yack said at the Tuesday study session at which he unveiled the plan to the board of trustees.

"A lot of these activities we've talked about for a long time and we just never put a focus on them," said Trustee Philip LaJoy. "We've always been proactive. That's just another step in that direction, of staying out front."

Yack made it clear at the study session Santomauro will not serve in a city-manager or deputy supervisor type position.

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John Santomauro

In the line of duty

Cops remember fallen colleagues in area service

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Thirteen years after the officers were killed, their families wept at a memorial service honoring them.

Officers from 15 local police departments gathered yesterday morning to pay tribute to four Inkster Police Department officers killed in the line of duty.

About 100 officers from Canton, Garden City, Livonia, Plymouth, and as far away as Roseville and Sterling Heights, joined survivors and onlookers attending the service at the Inkster Police Department.

"I think it's not just in memory of those officers, but all the officers who go out there and put their lives on the line, and even give their lives," said Canton Police Dept. Lt. Rob Cripe, who served on the four-man color guard at the ceremony.

The service and the procession to a Canton restaurant, The Bowery, was organized by Michigan Con-

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Tribute: Members of the Canton Police Color Guard start the memorial ceremonies.

Trustees splash park location

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Canton officials threw cold water Tuesday on a proposed partnership with Wayne County to build an outdoor aquatic park at Ford and Ridge Roads.

Supervisor Tom Yack could not get substantial board of trustees backing for the plan Tuesday, which was presented at a study session.

Under the proposal, Canton would donate the land and pay for half the construction costs. The county would pay for the other half using recreation millage funds.

"We got very short notice that we knew we had to submit something," Yack said.

The proposed 15-acre park, which Finance Director Tony Minghine described as "the Summit on steroids," would be located on township-owned property at Ford and Ridge roads.

Minghine said the township has discussed the park, and has spoken in favor of building such a center. The project is included in the township's capital improvements plan, and carries a price tag of \$8 million if Canton doesn't partner with the county.

If Wayne County is paying half the construction costs, the project would cost Canton about \$4.5 million.

Minghine reported the only benefit Canton would reap if Wayne County

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District taps official from Lansing area

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A new deputy superintendent hired Tuesday by the Plymouth-Canton school board said he had an ulterior motive for wanting to move from his Lansing-area district.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON SCHOOLS

He wants to make sure his 21-month-old grandson gets to know him. "My grandson is scared of me now," Jim Ryan said of Liam, who lives in

Plymouth with Ryan's son, Mike Ryan, 30. Because he only gets to visit once every three weeks, it makes it hard for the toddler to get to know him, he

added. Liam has a sister, Shannon, who is 1 month old.

"I pursued (moving to Plymouth-Canton) first for my desire to be closer to my family, but there's no doubt Plymouth-Canton is a fine school district,"

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Former teacher seeks seat on school board

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Fred Libbing spent 39 years working in the Plymouth-Canton school district, nine as an English teacher followed by 30 years as a high school counselor.

Despite his longevity, the Plymouth resident says he wants more. That's why he's running for the open seat on the Board of Education in the June 11 election.

"You don't just put in 39 years in a place and just leave," said Libbing. "To walk out and say good-bye ... I just couldn't do that. I've got to somehow stay connected with the school. I feel as though I still have some things to



Fred Libbing

offer."

Libbing said his main concern is the

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Commission agrees to density bonus

WESTCHESTER VILLAGE

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There's a first – and last – time for everything.

The Canton Township Planning Commission granted Monday its first and last density bonus to Singh Development's Westchester Village planned development district.

The location at Warren and Ridge roads will be the site of 114 upscale

homes. Without the density bonus, a total of 90 homes could be built on the one- and two-acre lots.

The Westchester proposal was 18 months in the making, said Bryan Amann, spokesperson for the developer.

"This proposal has been synthesized," he said. "It represents the best and clearest thinking in building and design."

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Woman reports murder attempt

Canton police are investigating a murder attempt that occurred early last Saturday morning.

The victim told police her estranged husband broke into her home at about 4 a.m. and assaulted her. She said he beat her in the head, and strangled her. She also said he tried to ruin her breast implants.

The woman told police her husband had previously stabbed and assaulted her, and had been arrested in Canton for domestic violence.

Police tracked the suspect down, and pulled over his pickup truck.

The suspect got out of his truck with his hands in the air, telling police, "I'm not going to run." Police said he had blood on his T-shirt.

The man told police he went to his wife's house uninvited early that morning to discuss the details of their divorce.

He said his wife attacked him and broke his glasses.

When asked about the

implants, the man told police he had paid for them, then his wife cheated on him.

Hit and run

A roadside confrontation turned ugly last Saturday, and ended in a hit-and-run that left a Canton man injured.

Canton police responded to the accident scene on Michigan Avenue near Hannan. The 30-year-old victim was in the median being treated by Wayne Fire and Rescue.

The man's wife told police she and her husband were in their van, and a red SUV followed them closely for some time. The driver continually flashed his bright lights at them.

The victim stopped the van, and confronted the 52-year-old man driving the SUV. The argument grew heated, but the Canton man headed back to the van.

The SUV suddenly lurched

toward the victim and struck him, and the driver sped away. The Canton man suffered injuries to his back and legs.

Wayne police located and apprehended the suspect.

Classroom robbery

A Plymouth Canton High School teacher reported to Canton police \$709 had been stolen from her classroom.

The teacher, along with one of her colleagues, had been collecting money from their students for a tie-dye T-shirt project.

The last day to collect \$6 from each of the students was last Friday.

The teacher left the money in a file cabinet in her locked classroom. When she returned early Monday morning, she said the classroom door was open and the file cabinet had been pried open.

Police have no suspects at this time.

COP CALLS

Destructive teens

A group of Canton teenagers was questioned after police received a malicious destruction of property and home invasion complaint.

The victim, a 45-year-old man, claimed someone had broken into his Brandywine home and had stolen several items including fireworks and a shotgun. There was also substantial damage to the home.

The victim told police his family is living at the home part time while it is being remodeled.

The victim told his children about the damage and theft. The man's teenage son told his father he had some friends over one afternoon the week prior, and told them where the house key was hidden.

A juvenile witness said one of the boys bragged at school he had acquired a new shotgun.

Police questioned the boys who were brought to the home. The suspects, ages 14, 15 and 16, are all from Canton.

Santomauro from page A1

"It's very focused on these areas," Santomauro said of his new title and responsibilities. "We don't have a manager, and people don't want a manager."

Yack said he and Santomauro will communicate frequently, usually after-hours rather than during the busy workday.

Trustee Melissa McLaughlin said benchmarking and training will be particularly useful to the township.

"It would be beneficial to us in terms of budgeting and staffing," McLaughlin said of establishing benchmarks. "It would separate things from being an annual process from being a long-term process."

However, she thought it may be unrealistic to establish procedures for future administrations who may adopt a different philosophy on everything from service to crisis management.

"Is it reasonable to expect that another administration would do things the same way?" she said, pointing out that the township's current philosophy didn't exist before the current administration.

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■ **'Is it possible that someone could come in and throw out the whole thing? I suppose. But that wouldn't be very smart.'**

—Tom Yack,
Canton supervisor

could come in and throw out the whole thing? I suppose," said Yack. "But that wouldn't be very smart."

At the end of the trial period, Yack said he'll evaluate Santomauro's impact on the organization, and report to the board. The board will then decide whether Santomauro is entitled additional compensation, and whether he should go back to his public safety duties exclusively or focus solely on operations.

Yack said if Santomauro moves away from public safety, the township would seek a replacement that can manage both fire and police operations as Santomauro currently does.

Ryan said.

His daughter, Amy, 28, also lives nearby in Farmington.

Ryan is currently superintendent of the 6,400-student Waverly Community Schools district, which is located west of Lansing.

"I'm looking forward to the challenge of working in a big-time quality school district," he said. Plymouth-Canton has roughly 16,500 students.

The school board voted unanimously to hire Ryan, 52 as deputy superintendent. He was chosen from a pool of 38 applicants. He begins July 1 and will earn an annual salary of \$110,100.

Plymouth-Canton Superintendent Kathleen Booher said she and the search committee were impressed by his people skills and his range of experience.

"It seemed that everyone who had a chance to meet him saw him as a confident, upbeat person with lots of organizational and problem-solving skills," Booher said.

As deputy superintendent, Ryan will act as a "chief operating officer" and coordinate internal school district operations. He will report directly to Booher and several central office executive directors will report directly to him.

Ryan, a Dearborn native, began his educational career as a teacher and coach with the Taylor schools, where he worked for 19 years, eventually becoming

assistant principal and principal.

He became superintendent with Reed City Public Schools in 1990, where he worked until 1994, when he became superintendent of Waverly schools.

He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Eastern Michigan University and a doctorate from Nova Southeast University in Chicago.

Ryan replaces Pat O'Donnell, who stepped down as deputy superintendent in December to take a job as superintendent with the Fenton school district. Marcee Martin has been interim deputy superintendent since then.

Another recent new administrative hire was Cindy Champnella, who will become the district's executive director of human resources in June. She is currently an assistant superintendent with the Ferndale school district.

She fills a vacancy left by Errol Goldman, who retired in December. Bill Taylor has been serving as interim director since then. She will begin working in Plymouth-Canton in June.

She said working with Booher was a strong motivator for making the move to Plymouth-Canton. She said she was impressed by Booher's reputation as superintendent in Berkley, where Booher worked until being hired by Plymouth-Canton in January, 2000.

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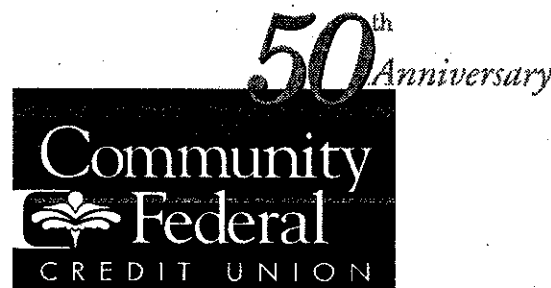
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Taking note: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Trustee Judy Mardigian and State Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, listen in during Monday's school funding forum at Redford Union High School.

Proposal A changes not likely: Patterson

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State Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, told a group trying to get the state to fund school districts equally that its best bet is to start a petition drive and get a voters' initiative on the ballot.

Patterson and other state politicians, including Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth, and Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, attended a meeting Monday at Redford Union High School held by members of the Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public School Funding. The group is chaired by Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Trustee Mark Slavens.

Slavens organized the meeting in an attempt to persuade the state lawmakers to initiate some legislation to help close the gap in school aid from the state. The group's main target is Proposal A, which was approved by state voters in 1994. Proposal A essentially locked in the per-pupil funding disparity the state provides school districts.

For the 2001-02 school year, the per-pupil funding from the state ranged from \$6,000 for districts in Traverse City and Hudsonville, to \$11,455 for Bloomfield Hills. Not only do MCFPSF members think this disparity is unfair, but they also point out it is leading to serious financial problems for many districts that are on the bottom end of the scale, including Plymouth-Canton.

However, Patterson told the group there is too much opposition in Lansing to change the system.

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—Rep. Bruce Patterson

votes in Lansing to get something like this through. Those are the cold, hard facts," he said. "But I'm going to tell you how to fix the problem. Take the bull by the horns and start a citizen initiative. Get the question on the ballot. It is the only way you will get this approved."

The meeting also drew officials from several school districts, including Plymouth-Canton, Livonia, South Redford, and Redford Union. Each of the districts is suffering in some way because of inequitable state funding.

The meeting was held at Redford Union because that district is already in the midst of a financial crisis. The district is facing a \$1.3 million budget deficit for the current fiscal year, and is closing two of its elementary schools and laying off teachers to cut costs.

Like Plymouth-Canton, Redford Union receives one of the lowest foundation grants in Wayne County. Redford Union receives \$6,215 per pupil, while Plymouth-Canton gets \$6,525. In contrast, Grosse Pointe Public Schools, another Wayne County district, receives \$9,394. Birmingham Public Schools in Oakland County receives \$11,378.

Slavens said Redford Union is an example of what could happen to Plymouth-Canton if the state doesn't start funding school districts more equally.

"It's not going to hit all the school districts at the same time," Slavens said. "It's going to be like a cancer that's going to spread gradually. Redford Union is just one of the first to be hit."

In fact, Plymouth-Canton officials are already projecting serious financial problems in the next few years if the state funding structure does not change. Expenditures are expected to exceed revenues as early as the 2002-03 budget year, and by 2004-05, the district may be facing a \$2.9 budget deficit. Part of the problem is the district is spending \$2.1 million to open a third high school.

Bennett, who represents the district in Lansing, said state lawmakers know the problem exists, but the state currently lacks the money to help cash-strapped districts.

"Proposal A was never intended to be the end of the process," he said. "It was just supposed to be the first step. What is the next step? That is the question we are all asking. The reality is nobody knows what the solution is."

Trustee Judy Mardigian, who attended the meeting, said state legislators need to find the solution, or it could mean the financial ruin of the district.

"We're running out of time, we're running out of solutions," she said. "The whole fundamental premise behind Proposition A is not working for us. It is time for the next step."

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Q and A

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Pouring it on for charity



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Wine tasting: Bagpiper Tom Kennedy provided musical entertainment at the Third Annual Wine and Food Tasting "A Toast to Canton," at Yazaki North America Headquarters Friday. The event is co-sponsored by the Canton Chamber of Commerce and Holiday Market to raise money for area charitable and civic groups. In the photo at right, Nicholas Compton, 1, snoozes in mom Ann's arms while she chats with Karen Perkins. No, Nicholas didn't have too much wine, nor did mom Ann, who was drinking only water.



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cerns of Police Survivors, or MICOPS, a group that supports family members and coworkers of fallen officers.

Michael Turanik, MICOPS president and Inkster auxiliary police captain, said the group was formed in 1987 as a response to a tragedy in which three Inkster officers were gunned down while responding to a bad check complaint at the Bungalow Motel on Michigan Avenue.

"It was one of the worst tragedies in law enforcement anywhere," he said.

The motel, only about a mile from where the service was held, still serves as a reminder of what could happen every time an officers dons a badge, said Turanik.

The officers were shot July 9, 1987. Officers Daniel Dubiel and Clay Hoover responded to the hotel suite where a Wayne mother and her two grown sons were staying.

Turanik said they called their

supervisor to determine whether or not to take the woman into custody.

Immediately after Sgt. Ira Parker arrived, the two sons stormed the officers from the adjoining room, and fatally shot them.

Seven years later, on June 17, 1994, Officer Kenneth Woodmore was killed while stopping a drug dealer on a bicycle. Turanik said the officer had stopped the cyclist along Michigan Avenue, and when the man turned toward the officer, he shot him.

Cripe said more often, it's the routine calls that wind up posing a danger to an officer.

"It used to be that an armed robbery or an assault call was the worst. Then it was the domestic violence calls," he said. "Now, the most dangerous stops for an officer to make are the routine traffic stops."

MICOPS Vice President Diane Philpot, widow of a Detroit police officer killed in 1995, said an officer is killed on the job every

57 hours. Michigan, she said, ranks ninth nationally in states where officers die on the job. The two southeast Michigan officers to die this year brought Michigan's total to 480 officers killed in the line of duty.

She asked of the crowd: "Where are the public outcries when it's one of ours that goes down?"

Turanik said it's not just the officers that support each other. He added the owner of The Bowery opened the restaurant's doors to the procession.

Turanik and his wife were having dinner at the restaurant recently, and he mentioned the service to the restaurateur, who immediately invited the officers and families to lunch.

"It's just nice to see that someone from the business community be so supportive of law enforcement," he said. "And it's not just from one community, it's from everyone."

Acquatic park from page A1

were not involved would be the ability to charge higher admission to non-Canton residents.

He added depending on how the numbers are crunched, it could take Canton between 30 and 107 years to pay off an \$8 million debt.

Minghine said, however, that the water park would likely be able to cover its own operating costs the very first year it's open.

Location questioned

Trustee Melissa McLaughlin said while she would back the move to pursue county funds, she absolutely couldn't favor the Ford and Ridge location.

Township planning commissioners have worked too hard to maintain that area's quality of life, and frequently go so far as to count trees and shrubs before a developer's shovel can go into the ground, she said.

The congestion, crowds and financial burden would be detrimental to Canton, which already has recreational facilities filled to capacity, she said. "I don't know if we need to attract any more people to Canton. You can't get into a restaurant. You can't turn left. We're not lonely out here anymore."

She said the natural setting and the \$500,000 homes nearby make the site inappropriate for a "boisterous play" park.

"I'm here to tell you I won't be at the meeting where we discuss this location," she said. "It's going to be ugly."

She suggested partnering with Northville Township, which has offered to provide land near the Scott Correctional Facility off Five Mile and Beck roads.

Another partner?

McLaughlin said she would be inclined to let Northville incur the extra costs of upgrading infrastructure and maintaining the park, while Canton cuts a check for \$2.5 million, and comes to the ribbon cutting.

Yack said he could not support giving another community that much money to build something that Canton residents would have leave their community to use.

Trustee Philip LaJoy said he would back the Canton park plan.

"It could provide dollars to our local businesses," he said. "It could be a real feather in our cap."

Trustee Robert Shefferly said

he couldn't back an aquatics park unless Canton were able to construct it without including Wayne County. Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter said she needed more information, and also couldn't back construction at the Ford and Ridge site.

Township Clerk Terry Bennett said she agreed the township should move forward, but she would need to see a lot more information before she could sign on the dotted line.

Yack suggested the board reject the idea.

"I feel like we need a lot better than four positive votes," he said, adding the neighboring residents will protest to a divided board, which could kill the plan.

He stated Tuesday administrators would contact Wayne County to withdraw Canton's proposal.

Wednesday morning, Yack said instead Canton would wait to rescind. He said such a measure would be premature, as the county has not yet chosen a community for the park, and the township didn't yet have the opportunity to research and discuss the proposal thoroughly.

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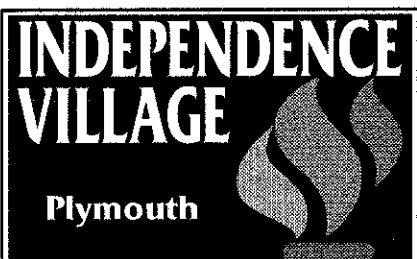
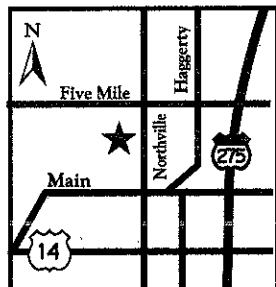
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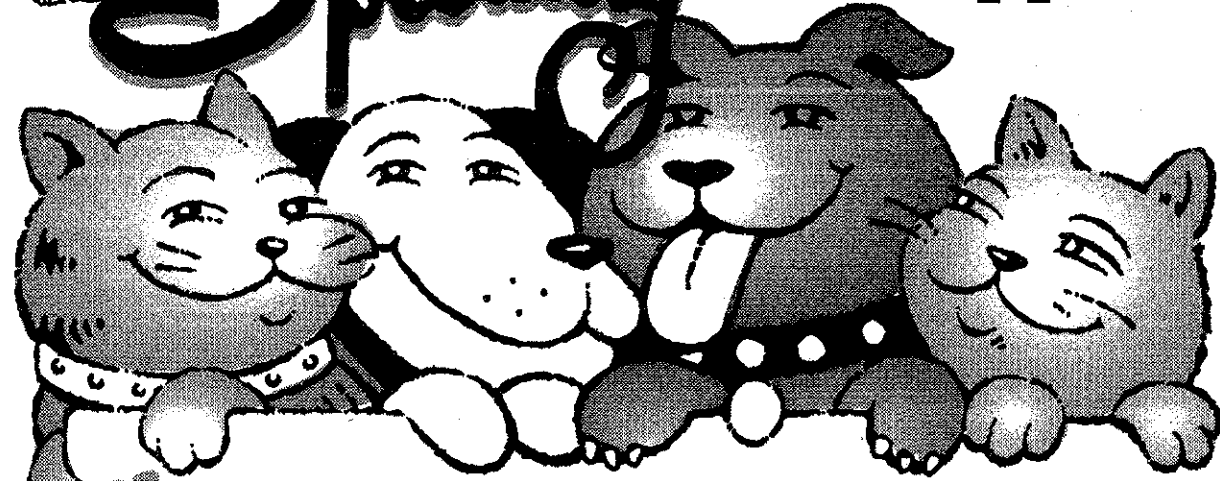
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OBITUARIES

ROBERT MICHAEL JARMUSEVICH

Services for Robert Michael Jarmusevich, 52, of Plymouth were held May 11 at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia with the Rev. Robert Bayer officiating.

Mr. Jarmusevich was born Aug. 28, 1948 in Detroit and died May 7 in Plymouth. He was a resident of Plymouth for 18 years, previously of Redford.

He was a longtime member of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, and was also a member of Teamsters Local 372. He served in Vietnam in the U.S. Army. Mr. Jarmusevich enjoyed coaching and playing hockey, and also enjoyed golf and fishing. He took great pride in owning his own business, Bob's Graphic Design. He was currently employed at Hometown Newspapers in Howell, Mich. He previously had worked at the Detroit Free Press as dispatcher in the circulation department. He was greatly loved by family and friends.

Mr. Jarmusevich was preceded in death by his mother, Betty Jean Jarmusevich.

Survivors include his wife, Susan Jarmusevich of Plymouth; father, Walter Jarmusevich of Conn.; son, John (Renee) Mitton of Westland; daughter, Jaclyn Jarmusevich of Livonia; son, Robert Michael Jarmusevich II of Plymouth; brother, Gregory (Diane) Jarmusevich of South Lyon; sister, Karen (John) Kowalski of Lansing; granddaughter, Caitlin Mitton; grandson, John Mitton; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lutheran High School, Westland-Building Fund, 33300 Cowan Road, Westland, MI 48185.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

LOU C. JALLOS

Services for Lou C. Jallos, 90, of Cape Canaveral, Fla. were held May 7 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. George Charnley officiating. Burial was at Roseland Park Cemetery in Berkley.

Mr. Jallos was born Oct. 3, 1910 in Canton, Ohio and died May 4 in Cape Canaveral, Fla. Mr. Jallos was a personal security guard for the Ford family (Henry Ford II). He worked for the Ford Motor Co. for 38 years. He served for 30 years as a Michigan boxing referee. He served in the U.S. Army during world War II in the Philippines. He was the International Lightweight Golden Glove Champion (boxing) in 1930. He then became a professional.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Melba.

Survivors include son, Jerry Jallos of Farmington Hills; son, Hank (Karen) Jallos of Plymouth; grandchildren, Yale, Maggie and Nick Jallos of Plymouth; and brother, Bill Jallos of Florida.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

MARY LOUISE MOORHEAD

Services for Mary Louise Moorhead, 58, of Northville (formerly of Plymouth and Westland) were held May 8 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Mark Raitz officiating.

Mrs. Moorhead was born Aug. 31, 1942 in Detroit and died May 4 in Northville. She was office manager for Fortson Orthodontics office in Livonia. She came to the Northville community in 1987 from Westland. She lived in Plymouth previous to that time. She was an avid gardener, she loved to travel and was considered "the life of the party". She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and sister.

Survivors include husband, Ron of Northville; children, Cheryl Overstreet of Garden City, and Bonnie Dragan of Novi; step-children, Angela (Maxim) Chumak of Galveston, Texas and Stephanie Moorhead of Walled Lake; grandchildren, Jason Memory of Garden City, Joel Dragan of Novi, and Bailey Wilson of Novi; brother, Alador (Gerrie) Giss of Livonia; sisters, Eldoreen (Richard) Donnell of Monroe, Joanne (Ron) Orr of Flat Rick, and Kathleen (Richard) Donaldson of Sunset Beach, NC; and great aunt, Verna Giss of Lincoln Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army.

Arrangements were made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

BARBARA B. GASIOR

Services for Barbara B. Gasior, 59, of Canton Township were held May 7 at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Canton with burial at Knollwood Memorial Park.

Mrs. Gasior was born April 16, 1942 in Detroit and died May 4 in Garden City.

Survivors include her son, James E. (Bonnie) Gasior; son,

Paul W. (Wendy) Gasior; and grandchildren, Kylie, Allison and Dalton.

Arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

OPAL ANNIE CASEMORE

Services for Opal Annie Casemore, 89, of Canton were held May 9 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home with the Rev. Calvin C. Ratz of Brightmoor Christian Church of Novi and the Rev. Paul Clough of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Northville officiating. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens-West in Westland.

Mrs. Casemore was born Aug. 11, 1911 in Georgia and died May 5 in Farmington Hills. She

was a homemaker. Mrs. Casemore was a member of Brightmoor Christian Church for 50-plus years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ferris.

Survivors include daughter, Judith Ann Casemore of Farmington Hills; brother, Malachi Cook of Florida; and many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home.

MARGARET WILSON WHITE

Services for Margaret Wilson White, 65, of Plymouth were held May 4 at Divine Savior Catholic Church with the Rev. Alexander J. Kuras officiating. Burial was at Riverside Ceme-

tery in Plymouth.

Mrs. White was born Dec. 15, 1935 in Detroit and died May 2 in Plymouth. She was a loving wife and mother. She and Eugene married in 1956, 46 years ago. She came to the Plymouth community in 1964 from Detroit. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church and Divine Savior Catholic Church for the past 10 years. She enjoyed summers at their cottage, especially when joined by family and friends.

Survivors include husband, Eugene of Plymouth; daughters, Lynne Lovett of Westland, Karen (Kenneth) Jakubaski of Farmington Hills, and Holly

(Lenny) Shember of Walled Lake; son, Tom (Kim) White of Milford; seven grandchildren; sister, Betty Goldman of Plymouth; niece, Beth (Duane) Lanphere of Plymouth; and nephew, John Goldman of Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice.

JOHN L. STEVENSON

Services for John L. Stevenson, 78, of Plymouth were held May 4 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Westland.

Mr. Stevenson was born Dec. 10, 1922 in Detroit and died May 1 in Plymouth. He was a ware-

houseman for the Plymouth/Canton School District for 35 years. He and Joyce had been married for 49 years. He came to the Plymouth Township in 1964 from Redford Township. He was a member of the Plymouth Elks. He bowled with the Elks Bowling League and was secretary-treasurer of the Elks Bowling Association. He served in the Merchant Marines during World War II. He loved sports, especially the University of Michigan teams. He enjoyed going to their cottage on Higgins Lake.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice or the Elks Major Project.

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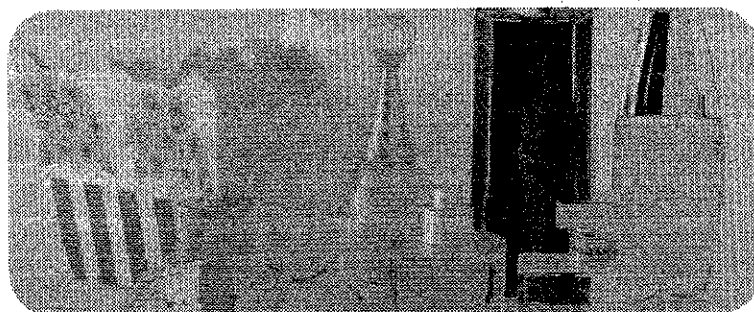
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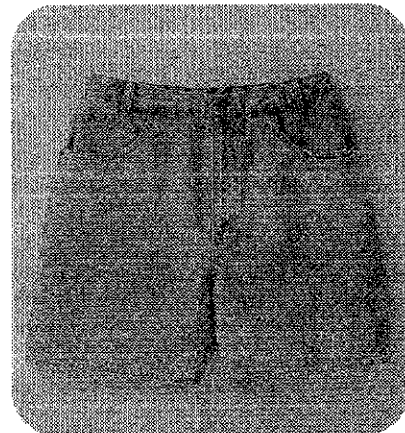


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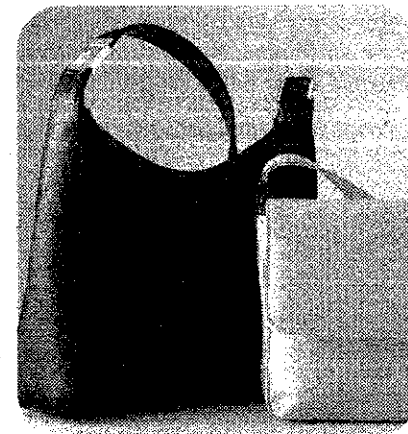
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Much of that time was spent with representatives from the Northwest Canton Homeowners Association.

The association's representative, Chuck Suppnick, said he's pleased with Singh and with Amann's sensitivity to neighboring homeowners' concerns.

Further, he said, he's certain the community will offer first-rate homes.

"We consider (Amann and Singh Development) friends of our community," Suppnick said. "They've demonstrated positive involvement in our community....But we are unable to support this development."

The proposed community's density remained the only point of contention between the developer and the neighbors.

"We want more trees and the minimum amount of houses built," Suppnick said. "We believe the township wants the same."

Suppnick said an example of the township's support is illustrated by the commission's abolition of density bonuses late last year. The commission had never granted one bonus, which could be awarded as a reward for design excellence.

■ Even with the density bonus the subdivision will feature the largest lots in Canton. The houses will average 3,200-square-feet and will cost upwards of \$500,000.

Suppnick said the association does not oppose the development entirely. Members are only opposed to the density.

Even with the density bonus the subdivision will feature the largest lots in Canton, said Amann. The houses will average 3,200-square-feet in size and will cost upwards of \$500,000.

Suppnick suggested that less density inherently increases design excellence.

Amann reminded Suppnick that it's the extra houses that are financing many of the features the association had asked Singh to include, such as the planting of 800 native trees and 200 native shrubs along Hanford and Warren roads.

"The density bonus is required for us to build the most sensitive development you've ever seen,"

Amann said.

Amann also asked the commission to consider an 88-acre adjoining parcel which Singh sold to Canton last year at just over half its market value.

"There could have been an additional 64 homes on that 88 acres," Amann said, encouraging the commission to consider the acreage, which will be used as park space, in the big density picture.

The commission voted to approve the bonus, with one dissenting vote from Ronald Lieberman.

"I can't support the bonus. We decided as a group we don't like the bonuses and we're not going to give them anymore," he said.

Proposing the PDD was risk Singh Development nearly decided against, said Amann after the meeting.

The developer considered building a traditional subdivision which would have required almost no input from the commission and could have eliminated the time and expense of the PDD.

"We thought about that, but it's safe to say, 'Been there, done that,'" Amann said of traditional subdivisions. "We felt that we could do something better."

CANTON CONNECTION

Lottery winner

An unidentified Canton man experienced Lottery luck when he matched all five numbers in the April 16 Michigan Rolldown drawing to win the \$17,547 jackpot.

The winner purchased his ticket at D'Angelo's Party Store on Ford Road in Garden City. The winning numbers were: 1,5,10,13 and 19.

New graduates

Thirty-one eighth-grade students from the Canton community completed the Youth Leadership Canton program last week.

The six-month program is designed to help the students develop their leadership and citizenship skills. Activities included a nature retreat, community service day and public safety day.

Superstar salute

The following Canton Observer carriers earned a place in the Superstar Carriers program by earning straight A's on their last report card:

- Josh Cudney, 12, from Pioneer Middle School. Being an Observer carrier is "an exciting job," says Josh
- Troy Thorne, 13, from East Middle School. Troy's favorite class is math "because I'm good at it."
- Ladywood High School student Crystal Miranda, 15, who's favorite class is chemistry.

"I like delivering the Observer because it's a great way to get experiences with taking on responsibility and having a job," she said.

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revenue shortfall Plymouth-Canton Schools is expecting in the coming years.

"I think the people who really took a good, hard look at Proposal A knew there was going to be a problem with it," said Libbing.

"And, after seven years, those problems are here. You can't give districts like Plymouth-Canton, which is having to bring on new buildings every couple of years, a couple hundred bucks increase in foundation grant and no other revenue enhancement sources."

Libbing said he'll be working with lawmakers to change the system. He also said it may be time to go back to the time when it was pay-to-play in sports to make up some of the difference.

"I coached at a time when kids had to pay, and we may have to return to that," he said. "The charge to the public schools is to provide education ... not buses, not lunch, not bands, not sports. It may have to be a total pay-as-you-go."

Libbing knows of one way to come up a quick influx of cash, as controversial as it may be.

"We could bring in a lot of money if we sold Central Middle School," said Libbing. "I graduated from the old Plymouth High School in 1957 and I'd hate to see it go. But, in reality, I don't think we can afford to have that sitting there. It could be sold for a ton of money. If it's kept, it needs to be upgraded. It's too valuable an asset to just sit there."

Also at the top of Libbing's list is communication throughout the district.

"Communication just isn't there at all levels. It's very poor and has been an ongoing source of frustration," Libbing noted. "As a result, we had a blowup over the diversity issue and the editorial. There needs to be a policy in place so it doesn't happen again. If the district had recognized Martin Luther King Day, they would have headed some of this off."

On other topics, Libbing notes "I think (Superintendent) Kathleen Booher is doing a great job; charter schools are here to stay, I'm not against them; and I like the location of the new Plymouth High School."



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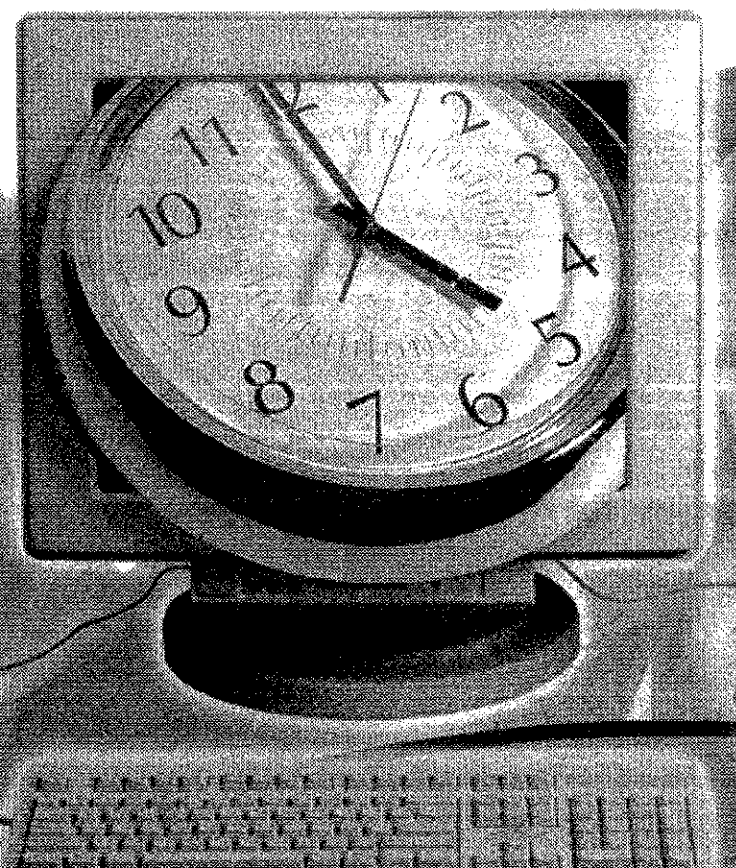
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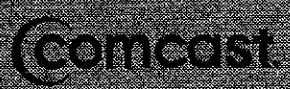
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Happy day: Bernard Rice (looking back, left) looks for family and friends during the presentation phase of Madonna University's graduation ceremony. Rice, of Garden City, majored in mathematics and received his bachelor's degree on Saturday.

Madonna holds graduation

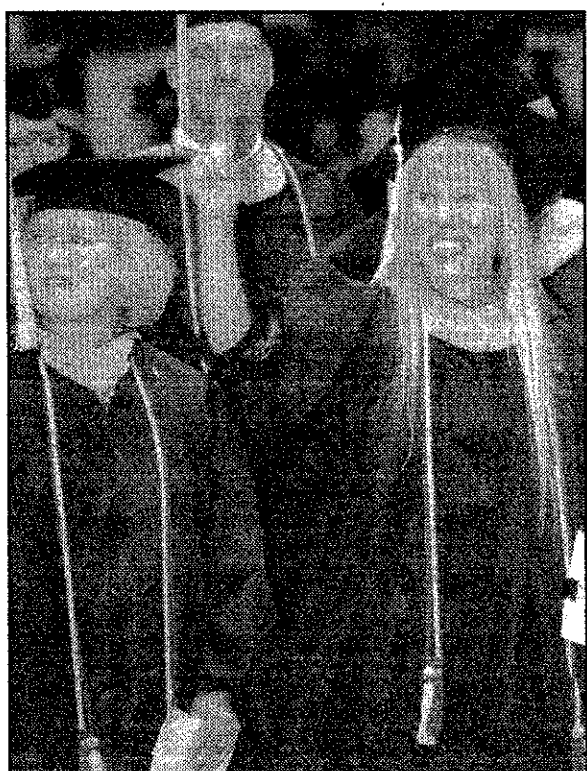
Madonna University of Livonia graduated more than 800 students Saturday in commencement services at Calihan Hall on the campus of the University of Detroit-Mercy.

Honorary degrees were bestowed upon Leah L. Chase, co-owner and chef of the New Orleans' restaurant Dooky Chase, and a long time supporter of the university, and Thomas B. Murphy, former chairman of Spring Arbor Distribution Co., a distribution center for Christian books.

Diane Gustin, a 1972 alumna of Madonna, received the distinguished alumna award.

Graduate Jennifer A. Morrissey of Livonia, who received a bachelor of science degree in nursing, having completed studies in December, and is currently working in the cardiac unit at Providence Hospital in Southfield, said of her Madonna experience, "Madonna's nursing program really prepared me for the rigorous responsibilities of my job. I gained extremely valuable hands-on experience during my clinicals."

Jennifer Comben of Redford,



I did it: Kaye Lynnette Bednark of Canton waves to her friends and family during Madonna University's graduation ceremony on Saturday. She was presented with her MSBA.

who received a bachelor of science in dietetics, attributed her academic success to Madonna Assistant Professor Karen Schmitz. "I had a great experi-

ence at Madonna and I am happy I chose to attend classes here," she said. "I am grateful for all Dr. Schmitz' help and encouragement."

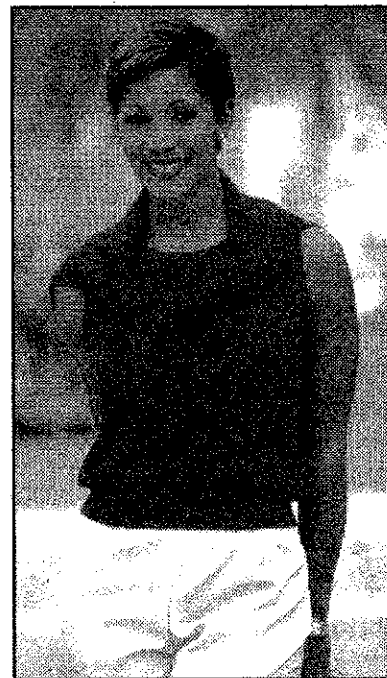
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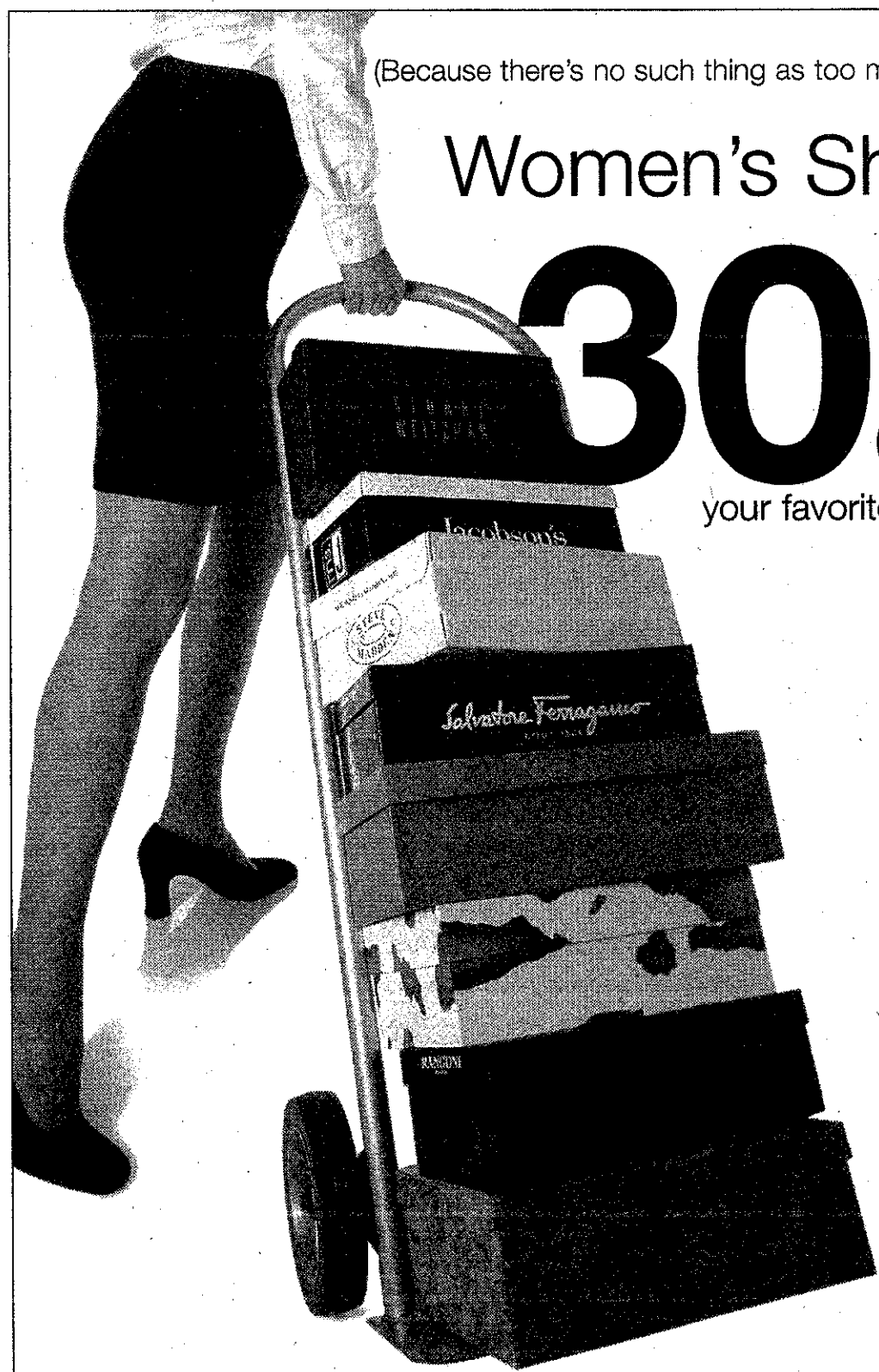
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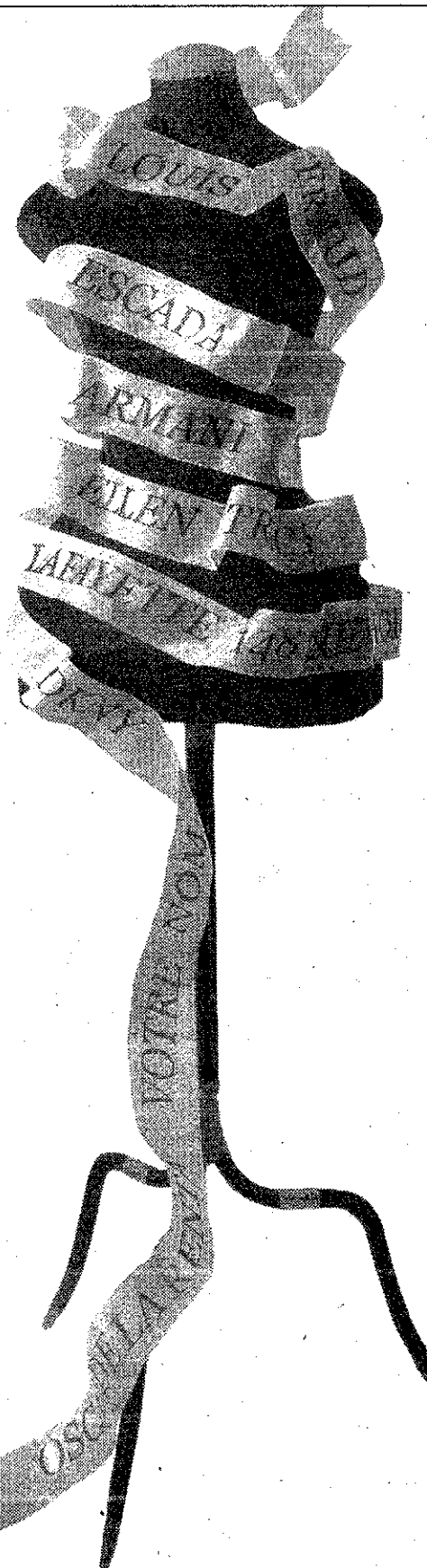
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BY ALICE ASHMORE
STAFF WRITER

Hockey fans looking to chase down their first BeaverTail will find a bargain at Sunday's Plymouth Whaler play-off game.

The BeaverTail, a new pastry sensation, is being offered at a special price during the OHL championship series, against the Ottawa 67's, for the J. Ross Robertson cup.

"Ottawa is the birthplace of the BeaverTail," said Don Vlcek of Plymouth, owner of the local BeaverTail franchise.

During the series, which was tied 1-1 heading into today's game at Ottawa, the Compuware Arena concession will accept Canadian currency at equal value with American dollars. The BeaverTail regularly costs \$3.

"This is to welcome the fans from Ottawa," Vlcek said. "People from Plymouth can pay with Canadian money and get a deal."

The franchise opened in late February in the Compuware

Taste of home Canadian pastry comes to Compuware



Big Bite: Don Vlcek takes a bite out of a BeaverTail, the Ottawa-born pastry that has become increasingly popular at Plymouth Whalers games this season.

Arena has been wildly popular with fans.

"Sales are up 400 percent. We had record sales at the last game," Vlcek said.

Gary Spencer, a Whalers season ticket holder, is a BeaverTail fan. "You're speaking to the right person, but I'm told to avoid them (by my wife)," Spencer said.

He described it as a "flat doughnut in the shape of a

beaver tail."

Spencer said the demand sometimes keeps him away. "There's always a damn queue (line) when I want one anyway," he said with a laugh.

"The name attracts attention — with children and adults," Vlcek said.

Promotional material describes Hooker's BeaverTails as: "Whole wheat peasant pastries of European-Canadian origin. ...Must be

sampled to be believed."

"It's a grandmother's recipe. It's 10 inches by four inches and shaped like a beaver's tail," Vlcek said.

The pastry, which contains a mere 240 calories with 8.8 grams of fat and is made with soya oil, is served warm, and topped with cinnamon sugar. "That's our best seller," he said. Other available toppings are chocolate, maple, raspberry, and apple.

BeaverTails can also be topped with garlic cheese and corned beef for a hearty meal, he said.

The BeaverTail is often compared to an elephant ear. "If you have ever had a BeaverTail — it is so much better. It's all in the texture," Vlcek said.

He said the pastry has achieved cult status in Ottawa.

"I travel to Ottawa once a week by train," Vlcek said. "I've had several people who didn't know what business I am in tell me, 'When you are in Ottawa you have got to have a BeaverTail.'"

It's gaining popularity by the game in Plymouth, as well.

"It's a welcomed late-season addition to concessions," said Chris Butzlaff, the Whalers' public address announcer. "They look really enticing. The temptation is there, but I don't think I dare try one."

Bennett champions legislation

HIT AND RUN

A measure to be introduced in the Michigan Senate Tuesday will increase the penalties for leaving the scene of an accident.

Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, created the legislation following the tragic death of a Brian Slebodnick, a 21-year-old Brownstown Township man and father of a newborn baby.

"This bill was created in memory of Brian," Bennett said in a prepared statement. "This measure was created at the urging of Brian's mother, Loretta Focht, father, Larry Slebodnick and Brownstown Police Sgt. Tom Arsenault and it will help ensure that other victims of hit-and-run accidents receive the justice due to them."

On April 13, 2000, Slebodnick was walking in Brownstown when he was hit by a vehicle which then fled the scene of the crime.

Currently, persons leaving the scene of a fatal accident who are driving on a suspended license or under the influence of alcohol face a 15-year felony, while persons charged for merely leaving the scene of a fatal accident face a five-year felony.

If passed, Bennett's legislation will make it a 15-year felony to leave the scene of a fatal accident, regardless of the status of the driver. The felony will also be punishable by up to a \$10,000 fine. The bill also makes leaving the scene of an accident causing serious impairment a felony punishable by up to five years imprisonment and a possible \$5,000 fine.

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Schoolcraft graduates 1,000 students

Saturday was a big day for Mervat Kashou of Livonia — she received her associate's degree from Schoolcraft College.

"It was almost too much for me," she said. "I didn't think I could finish, but I hung on and I did it."

Kashou joined more than 1,000 other students who participated in commencement ceremonies Friday and Saturday at Schoolcraft College.

At Friday's ceremony for public service graduates, former Michigan governor James Blanchard made the commencement address. On Saturday, the Rev. George Shaloub, pastor of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church in Livonia, was the speaker for the general student commencement.

Kashou, a native of Palestine, received her degree in office information systems. The Garden City High School graduate had finished a year of college when she left to be married and became the mother of three children.

She returned to college because she wanted to get a job in a professional office setting.

"I like being able to look forward to work," she said.

She chose Schoolcraft College because it is close to her home. Her oldest child was 7 when she began.

Between working in the col-

lege registrar's office and the Learning Assistance Center and being a wife and mother, it took Kashou five years to earn her degree.

"I took two classes every semester," she said. "My husband kept asking me when I was going to finish. I kept saying next year. Finally, I am graduating."

For Kashou, the commencement is extra special because Shaloub is the pastor of her church.

While attending Schoolcraft, Kashou and her husband received their U.S. citizenship.

"Schoolcraft is the best thing that ever happened to me," she said. "When I came to college, I didn't know anything. I learned a lot and met wonderful people."

She vows to get a full-time job at the college.

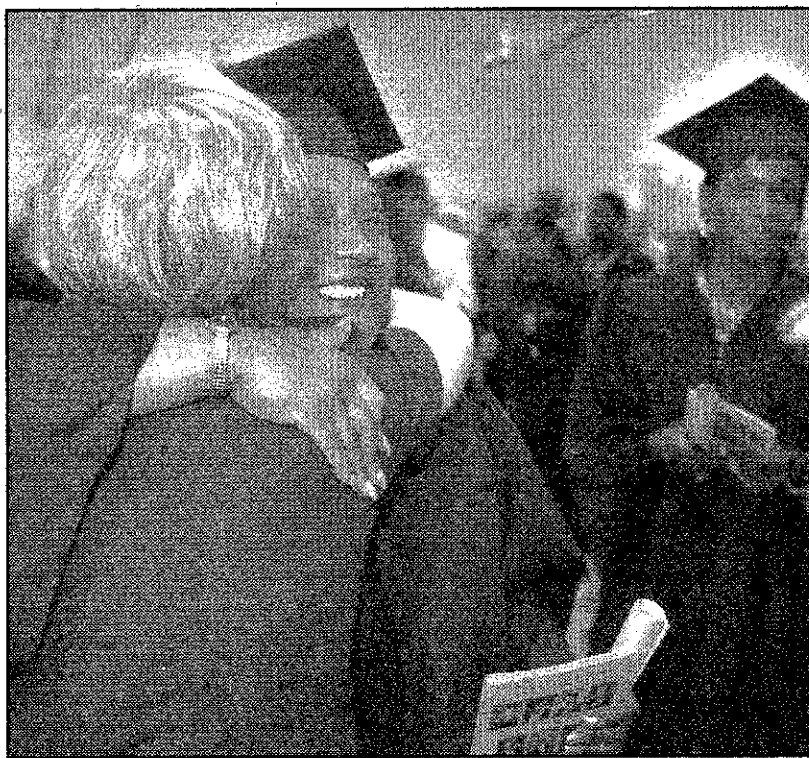
"I'm not moving out of here. The college is stuck with me," she said.

For Tom Savage, Schoolcraft College director of food service, Saturday's graduation was a family affair.

Savage's children Jessica and Thomas, are among the graduates this year.

"I kind of grew up here," said son Thomas. "I came to work with my dad, and I knew my way around campus. I knew the student side and the employee side."

The elder Savage said this was



Big hugs: Graduate Mary Bow hugs her Child Development teacher, Diane Flynn-Hahn, after the graduation ceremonies. Fellow graduate Patricia Mauldin stands in the background.

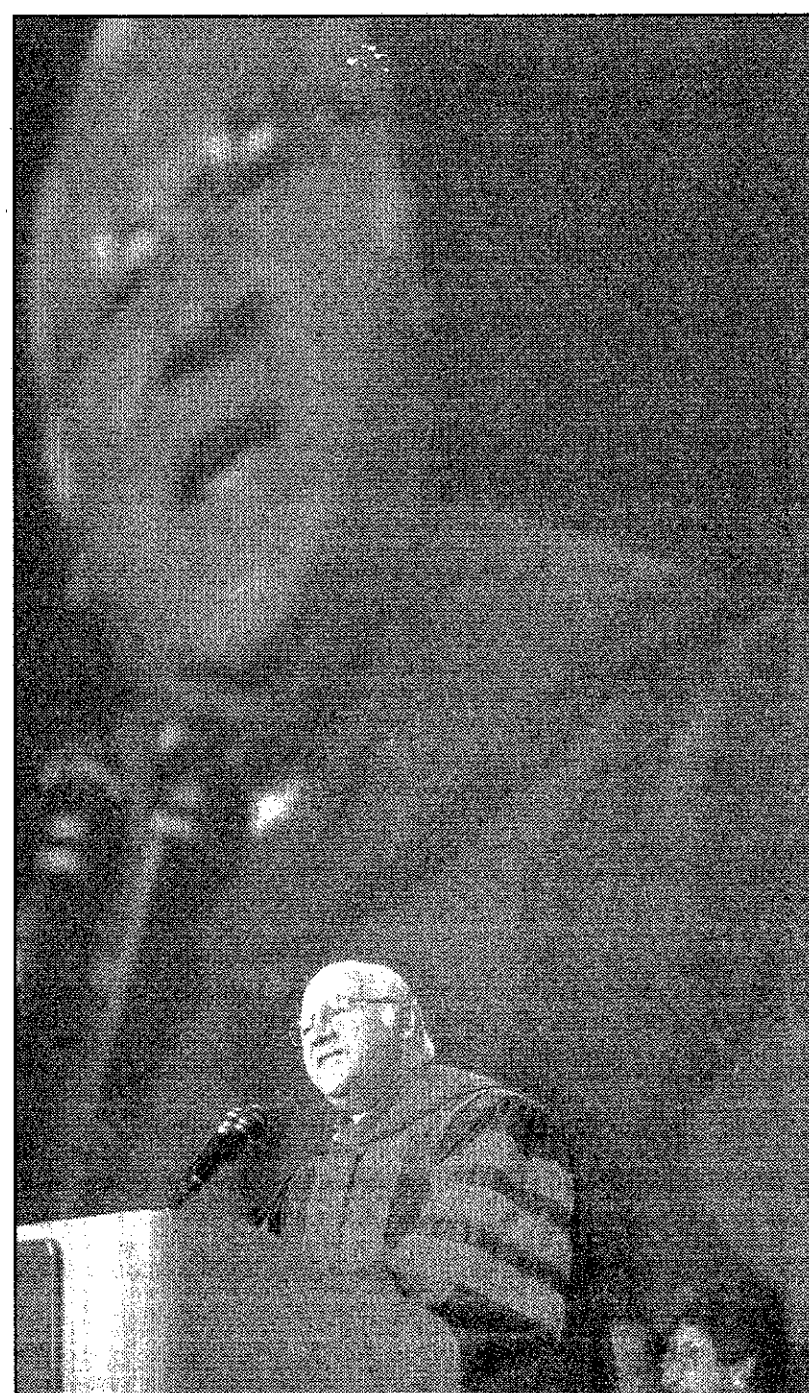
always his plan.

"Since I began working at Schoolcraft, I knew my children would study here," he said. "I have another one coming next year. It's nice to have your kids

on campus. They stop at the cafeteria to see me, but I make them buy their own lunch."

Jessica will be transferring to the University of Michigan where she plans to earn a master's degree. Brother Thomas, who took four years to go through Schoolcraft, will go to Western Michigan University in the fall, where he will study a pre-law curriculum. He hopes to attend U-M Law School.

"It's been interesting to be here with my family," said Jessica. "It helped and everyone on campus knew who I was. That was OK."



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Inspiring: The Rev. George Shaloub, Pastor of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church and past graduate of Schoolcraft gives an inspiring speech to the assembly.



Good-bye: Students say a prayer of thanks and best wishes to Schoolcraft President, Richard McDowell. The prayer was led by Sister Joan Kusak of the Campus Ministry.

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Volunteer opportunities spring up daily in Canton

Like the Bradford pear trees along the Sheldon Center connector that seem to go from dormant to flowering in a nanosecond each April, Canton comes to life each spring with events and opportunities for residents of all ages. In the last few weeks we've had the annual fishing derby in Heritage Park, prayer breakfast, Hall of Fame and Achiever Awards, and charity wine tasting.

Today, the Canton Fire Department will host its second annual awards and citations ceremony for firefighters and civilians.

Still to come, of course, are River Day (June 2), Liberty Fest (June 21-24), and, later this summer, the National Archery Association tournament (July 29 through Aug. 3).

The archery tournament, in particular, is an event that involves the entire community — even those with no great skills in handling a bow and arrow. Some 200 volunteers worked a cumulative 1,600 hours during last year's tournament. Volunteers take care of everything from staffing the registration tent to running scorecards into the scorekeepers to hosting foreign team members.

Debby Bradley, Canton's volunteer coordinator, has said as many as 300 volunteers will be needed this time around as attendance should increase to more than 600 archers. The Summer Olympics won't be coming on the heels of the Canton tournament, as it did last year.

So what's in it for the volunteers, who work long, sweaty hours with a water bottle or other keepsake as their only tangible reward? Bradley believes the

personal fulfillment is enough to keep most volunteers coming back year after year. "You know you're doing something to help someone else and you're not asking anything else in return. That can be a good feeling," she said.

For others, it's more than that.

Township resident Judi Fleischaker, who received an Athena Award from the Canton Chamber of Commerce last week, told the audience becoming involved in volunteer efforts throughout the community was the catalyst for profound changes in her life. Before reaching out, the Colorado transplant merely considered Canton a place to live. It has since become her home in every sense of the word, Fleischaker said.

Mike Gerou, who was named local Business Person of the Year, said similar things about his many volunteer causes.

That people from all walks of life and many different backgrounds willingly turn over a chunk of their hectic schedules to donate time to these projects shouldn't surprise us. After all, it's part of what makes Canton a special place to live and to do business. We applaud township officials for recognizing this early on and creating the volunteer coordinator's job.

But most of the credit goes to the hundreds of residents who have turned out over the years for everything from Project Health-O-Rama to the annual Make A Difference Day each fall.

To learn more about volunteer opportunities in the township call Bradley at (734) 395-5193 or e-mail her at db Bradley@canton-mi.org

Nurses on the critical list

In its 2001 annual Community Report, the Southeast Michigan Health and Hospital Coalition has chosen to focus on "the calling."

SMHHC isn't talking about the need for religious workers, rather the calling is for health care professionals — nurses, pharmacists, radiological technologists and similar positions.

While financial challenges — specifically federal belt-tightening for the Medicare and Medicaid programs — are affecting their ability to provide services, hospitals also are dealing with a staffing shortage and must now compete for employees.

It's not a problem endemic to hospitals. "Help wanted" signs are out all over. It's been an employees' market and to attract workers, companies from fast food restaurants to Fortune 500 corporations are offering incentives. Higher wages, tuition reimbursement and signing bonuses are to employment what cash-back incentives have become to the automobile industry ... a way of life.

Employers offer incentives in hopes of attracting qualified employees who will stay put. But, unlike their older counterparts, today's younger employees are job hoppers, changing employers every few years in pursuit of better pay and better benefits.

They also have seen what has happened to older workers who have made long-term commitments to their jobs. Plant closings, downsizing and layoffs have left many a 20-year-plus worker in the unemployment line.

And hospitals have seen employment become cyclical as workers sign on for the bonus, work for a few years and then head on to the next hospital and bonus.

In southeastern Michigan, there's been a 30 percent decline in nursing school applications and graduations have dropped off 6 percent since 1996. And the current supply of nursing graduates will be insufficient to fill the hospitals' needs.

SMHHC members say they are at more of a disadvantage. Health care careers are not a hot prospect, even through nursing is one of the better paying professions for women with an average wage of \$40,000 a year.

The reason may be found in a survey released April 19 by the Federation of Nurse and Health Professionals. The survey interviewed 700 current direct care nurses and 207 former direct care nurses.

What it showed is that the nursing shortage will be worse than the U.S. Department of Labor's projection that an additional 450,000 registered nurses will be needed through the year 2008.

According to the report, the No. 1 problem facing nurses is staffing. Sixty-eight percent say large patient loads are a fairly or very serious problem, and 66 percent say understaffing is especially a problem because patients are sicker.

One in five current nurses, 21 percent, say they expect to leave nursing within the next five years. Those ages 18-59 plan to leave not because they want to retire, but because they are fed up with working conditions.

More than half, 53 percent, of current nurses say the job has become too stressful and physically demanding and 20 percent say they would rather have a job with more regular hours.

Then there's the 68 percent who say morale is fair to poor and the situation is most severe among hospital nurses, with 74 percent reporting fair to poor morale.

Among those nurses who expect to leave nursing in the next five years, 42 percent say better pay would persuade them to stay, 36 percent say better staffing levels would help, 21 percent cite better schedules and 12 percent say they need more respect.

SMHHC has formed a regionwide task force to look at the issue of staffing. It's come up with short-term and long-term strategies for reviving interest in health careers.

But will it be enough?

While we would like to say yes, we doubt it. In this day and age, money talks, and hospitals seem stuck in a rut in that regard.

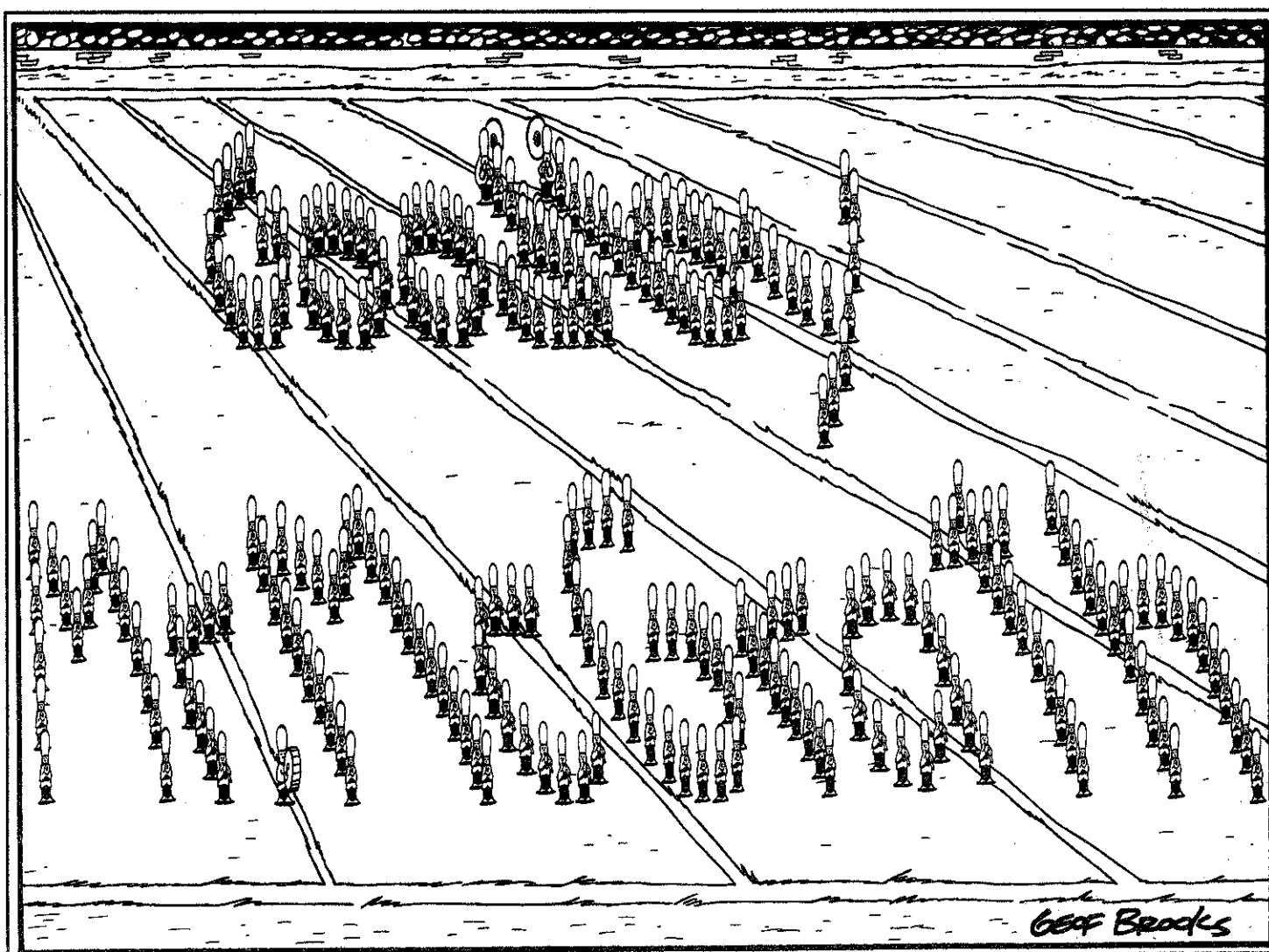
Discontent among nurses isn't something that just surfaced. It's been around for years. So has the conflict within the nursing ranks between two-year and four-year degrees.

Hospitals need to address the internal problems and find ways to retain employees. It's a proven fact that word-of-mouth is an effective tool in advertising and a contented worker tends to say more positive things about his employer than a discontented one.

They also need to become pro-active and get out and market health careers. They need to blow their own horn about the good aspects of health careers and be creative in attracting people.

Maybe it's time to revisit hospital nursing schools or programs like the military's ROTC that provide the education in exchange for a work commitment.

Companies big and small have discovered that to stay in business in today's economy requires competitiveness. It's time for hospitals to do the same. No one will come calling unless they know there's a big welcome mat at the door.



LETTERS

■ Candidate speaks

As a Van Buren school board member for the last several years, I entered into this school system with a positive outlook. These years were not an easy task, but no one told me it would be easy. I knew it would require a dedicated effort, dedicated time, and a strong look to the future. Keeping one thing in mind, many things have happened in the Van Buren school system. I want this to continue.

The Van Buren school system needs a new high school. We need to look at the local needs in the elementary area. This, too, may require an additional school. We need to look at and evaluate the need for a major expansion in our sports program. We just lost one of our great coaches, Rod Fisher. A new program would encourage these people to come to us, not leave!

We just look at ways to move our educational system into the 21st century, no matter what it takes. One thing we will need is the support of the voter. The school board must prove to the voter what it is doing to guide this educational system in the right direction. We must prepare an educational program to make every student prepared to raise our level of the MEAP evaluation process.

After a complete evaluation of my past performance, I am declaring my candidacy for the Van Buren school board, and I would like the opportunity to continue to serve this community and the children as a school board member. The upcoming school board election, June 11, is very important to the entire Van Buren district. A good turnout shows confidence in our school system.

I made a promise four years ago to be your voice as my theme was "Kids First." In this four years, you the voters passed a property tax. This tax 1) added a media center at Haggerty and Elwell, 2) built new schools at Edgemont and Rawsonville, 3) renovated a portion of the old Edgemont and added a new autistic educational learning center, as well as an early childhood development program at this location, 4) and many more educational benefits, such as the technology program. Over the past four years I have continued my belief in education. I have earned board certification and received the third level of recognition for the Michigan Association of School Boards — that being the "Award of Distinction" — working on to their next level as master board member. It would be hard for me to dedicate my efforts to education if I didn't practice what I preach. I also served on many committees at the state level and local RESA boards. I currently hold the treasurer's position for the Wayne County RESA executive board of education and I serve as secretary on the Van Buren Board of Education.

There is a great deal of work to be done, and it is important to me, once again, to be your voice on your board of education. I have been active in your community and the projects I have completed have been done with your support. You provided the funds to purchase the Fire Safety House, armor vest for the K-9 Corps, the success of the Belleville Chamber of Commerce, the Belleville National Strawberry Festival, and the support of this educational system.

Therefore, I ask you to vote on June 11. I am running unopposed, but I still need your support by voting. I will not spend money on campaign programs, signs, banners, or junk mail. I

want to assure you I will represent you the voter. You can help me just by talking to your friends, remind them - Don't forget to vote on June 11! I truly believe you are not born with an education, it must be earned, and that is one thing no one can take away from you.

Best regards, and on behalf of my family, thank you for your support. See you at the polls!

Ralph A. Nodwell
Canton

■ Big 'thank you'

I want to thank the Observer for sponsoring the Businessperson of the Year Award and for publicizing the Relay for Life event. I also want to thank you personally for your kind words regarding my award.

By the way, our alumni chapter is sponsoring a team for the first time this year as one of 47 separate teams. Collectively we hope to raise more than \$150,000 for the American Cancer Society.

Thanks.

Michael J. Gerou
Plymouth

■ Special ed rules

There have been many stories written, and opinions expressed regarding Michigan's proposed new special education rules. The public deserves to have an accurate understanding of these important issues. Let me correct and clarify a few of the most important points.

The proposed rule changes have been under discussion within the Department of Education and with the education community for several years. This discussion began with a task force commissioned to study special education in Michigan eight years ago.

Under the auspices of the task force, 168 different interest groups had input into discussion focused on improving the delivery of special education services. The task force report has served as a cornerstone for the subsequent eight years of discussion, debate, and study, which has resulted in the current proposal.

This proposal represents the first substantial modification of Michigan's special education rules in almost three decades. Since promulgation of the current rules, much has changed. Most importantly, while the current rules were designed for a time in which there were no federal protections, we now have strong federal protection and close regulation of services for children with disabilities. The revised rules align with and support federal regulations of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

The proposed rule changes will accomplish many positive things. First, many redundant or out-dated rules will be rescinded. This will eliminate confusion and assure that all children have all of the protection guaranteed by IDEA 1997, and its supporting regulations.

Second, decision-making responsibility will be moved closer to the community and family. We have learned that "one size fits all" standards, written in Lansing, do not always work best for families and school districts. State protections against abuse of this responsibility will be maintained, of course.

Thirdly, the proposed rules will focus programs on student need,

rather than impairment categories. I believe, along with many others, that it is children, not labels that are important. We must be focused on the needs of each individual child not on labeling, categorizing, sorting and counting.

Finally, I must comment on the issue of the Durant case. These rules are not about the Durant dispute or its resolution. These rules are about bringing better service to Michigan's children. The statutory mandate to provide special education to all children in Michigan remains as strong as ever.

I will, however, point out — once again — that the court found in the Durant II case that the state was indeed in compliance with the Headlee Amendment and its obligation for funding of special education and special education transportation. In fact, the state is meeting — and indeed exceeding — its constitutional obligation for all education funding, and will continue to do so.

The answer to our children's future lies in working together to reshape our special education system. We must build a system that has the flexibility to assure that each child receives the quality education best suited to meet his or her unique needs. The proposed special education rule changes moves us in the right direction.

■ Decency

A few years ago, parents were not so willing to accept the debauchery of spring-break drinking and sexual nos by their teenage sons and daughters. Today, some even encourage too-early-in-life tete-a-tetes and dalliances.

There are young men about who would like to take the girl next door home to mother, but used and damaged goods won't cut. It is a shame that so many young women miss the opportunity to be ideal and decent, to enter marriage fit to be a good wife and mother.

Neil Goodbred
Livonia

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Leave decision of expulsions where it belongs: the voters

The only people who ought to be voting to expel David Jaye from the state Senate are those who live in his district. And they'll have a chance to do the right thing in November 2002.

Advocates of this novel idea — that the power to remove Jaye, R-Washington Township, from office rests with those who put him there — haven't had much of a soapbox in recent weeks.

Instead, the rhetoric and sound bites have been dominated by Jaye's so-called colleagues, including state Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, who chairs a panel that began hearings on Jaye's possible expulsion this week. Or various conservatives who have gone on a witch hunt of their own, promising to dig up equally damaging information on those who are leading the charge against Jaye's continued tenure in Lansing.

One can't help but get the feeling that Jaye would be getting at least some mainstream support if he were either a) personable or b) a moderate. It's easy to keep your principles to yourself though, when the beneficiary has a reputation as a whacked-out right-winger.

Don't get me wrong. Jaye is no pillar of public service. By all accounts — and a well-documented trail of public embarrassments — Jaye would never qualify as role model material. On the other hand, his political philosophy, which includes staunch support of gun rights legislation, tighter anti-abortion laws and severe crack-downs on even misdemeanor criminal behavior (ironic, eh?) among dozens of ultra-conservative positions, is at best misguided and at worst dangerous.

No, there's just not much to call admirable in his record as a state representative and now senator.

But for the Senate to expel him would amount to a lowering of the bar for conduct considered detrimental to service in the Michigan Legislature. And it would seriously blur the issue for dealing with future miscreants who happen to find themselves in the Capitol. Such an expulsion is unprecedented in Michigan.

Even the abbreviated version of Jaye's record is disconcerting. It includes:

- Drunken driving convictions in 1993 and 2000;
- An alleged assault and a charge of driving on a restricted license last November in northern

Michigan. (The charge was later dropped on a technicality.)

■ His April 12 arrest and pending misdemeanor assault charge in Fort Myers, Fla., for an alleged altercation with his fiancé;

■ Various allegations of verbal abuse and other mistreatment of legislative staffers.

"We have an obligation to investigate," Senate Majority Leader Dan DeGrow, R-Port Huron, said last week in announcing the hearings. "Once you're in the Senate, the Senate decides what

So how many missteps of what type will our new standard have?

gets you expelled."

But under Michigan law, only a felony conviction bars a person from holding elected or appointed office. The thinking here is those are pretty good guidelines to follow in policing your own. So far, at least, Jaye's transgressions have yet to cross that line.

Aha, but there's a way around that, some panel members are saying (although in more diplomatic terms, of course). It's the cumulative weight of all these incidents that tips the scale in favor of Jaye's dismissal. Yeah, right. So how many missteps of what type will our new standard have? Let's see, two high misdemeanors and three civil infractions. How about a retail fraud I conviction and either two speeding or one reckless driving ticket. Well, you get the idea.

Jaye has been given ample opportunity to resign — the route taken by others in his shoes — and isn't biting so far, although he moderated his stance somewhat this week saying he would step down if convicted in the Florida case. His continued presence in the Senate won't lead to much positive lawmaking. It's hard to imagine any piece of Jaye-sponsored legislation going anywhere but the circular file over the next 18 months. (On second thought, maybe Democrats ought to be mounting a stealth campaign to get him re-elected.)

By censuring Jaye, or coming up with a punishment short of expulsion, the panel would be making a statement that it takes a deliberate, nonpolitical approach to such matters. Then, the decision on whether Jaye is fit to serve, could be left where it rightly belongs, in the hands of voters.

Somehow, in Lansing's current climate, I don't think that's the odds-on, favorite outcome.

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Mike Malott

Did opponent find a 'smoking gun' in special ed changes?

Mitzie Lee Cowl, a resident of Centerline and parent opposed to the state's proposed changes in rules regarding special education, says she's come up with "the smoking gun."

It's an October 1995 memo from Mark Murray, then director of the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, urging changes to the requirements for special education to provide "greater local flexibility" and to "limit the state's future liability under the Headlee constitutional (tax limitation) language."

That's significant because the state Department of Education and the Engler administration insist the rule changes on the table now for special education have nothing to do with the so-called Durant lawsuits.

Beginning in the 1980s, Fitzgerald school board member Donald Durant led 84 districts to victory in a suit that claimed the state had not allocated enough money for special education, lunch programs, drivers education and bilingual education. The gist of the case was that the state was failing to pay for programs at a level needed to meet its own requirements, in violation of the state constitution.

Who won the second Durant lawsuit is still disputed. And now, even though Donald Durant died in March, a third case pending in the courts is often referred to as Durant III.

Not surprisingly, state officials argue the significance of the 1995 Murray memo.

"They want to say it is a smoking gun," Department of Education spokesman T.J. Bucholz said, "but it is not. There is no smoking gun."

The memo dates back three jobs for Murray, now in the Treasury Department, Bucholz noted.

"There is not anyone who says these rules don't need to be changed," Bucholz said. "These rules have not been looked at in three decades."

Mike Williamson, state assistant superintendent, sees it a bit differently.

"There is always somebody that, no matter what, says, 'Don't change. Don't change.' There are probably some rules in this list that everyone could agree need to be updated."

To Williamson, the real issue is that Michigan's rules on special education are 28 years old and the federal government updated its rules 20 years ago.

The state is left with two sets of rules that are inconsistent, often contradictory and confusing.

Williamson argued the proposed changes will make it possible for programs to be crafted around the needs of each child, rather than lump kids into groups and categories of disability.

The memo, Williamson said, discusses special education law. Addressed to state House and Senate leaders, it urged legislation to change legal requirements.

That's very different from the currently proposed rules, Williamson contended. The law has been set in place, and these rules simply implement it.

They carry out the intent of that legislation. Nothing in these rule changes can alter the law, Williamson said, nor can they affect spending for special education.

One issue about the memo is not in dispute: its authenticity. Cowl won't say how she managed to get a hold of a copy, but no one in the state administration is disputing that it's a real memo put out by Murray in 1995. Bucholz agreed that it is authentic.

Cowl has posted it on the Internet. Readers who are interested in taking a look for themselves can find it at www.ameritech.net/users/cabreenie/index.htm. Cowl said that Web site has become a center for information for those opposed to the rule changes.

Click on "What's New," then go to "Memos and Reports that Show the Durant Influence."

I'll leave it to your judgment about whether it is a recently fired pistol.

To me, the memo indicates two things quite clearly. One, a high-ranking member of the Engler administration has indeed proposed "to make clear that the state's requirements for special education shall not exceed federal requirements" as a result of the Durant case.

Second, changes to the rules that generally match a description of what the Department of Education is trying to do now would both provide "greater local flexibility" — which the administration says is the goal — and "limit the state's future liability," a purpose the administration denies.

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Hines Park's rich history worth recording for future

History is all around us.

It's where we jog, bicycle, play baseball and picnic.

History is alive in Hines Park, a jewel that wends its way through western Wayne County from Dearborn to Northville, following the path of the Middle Rouge River, providing both a flood plain and a beautiful multi-use park.

At one time, it was also a place for thriving industries.

Wayne County Commissioner Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, has become so excited about Hines' many potentials that she has become the park's chief cheerleader. She's been escorting everyone from County Executive Ed McNamara to

school administrators to this newspaper editor, urging them to share her vision for the park as a combination tourist attraction and indoor-outdoor schoolroom.

On Friday, a fully booked bus will take a large group of county officials and area club members along the same route.

The commissioner's enthusiasm is infectious, and she has a good product to promote, though it takes a certain vision to see beyond the years of accumulated deterioration. This scenic park has been a place where history was made and where nature still thrives.

Hines Park was a meeting place for Native American tribes, a stop along the Underground Railroad that spirited slaves from harm's way and the site of several mills, eventually brought together by Henry Ford to become small factories in a bucolic setting.

Bankes has created a tour based on a book by Nancy Darga of the Wayne County Parks Department and Julie Stewart, a local historian, that they created on the Ford Village Industry Mills for the Auto National Heritage Area. But the mills are just part of a story that seems to touch on every area of important American history, all in our backyard.

She begins her tour at the Nankin Mills site at Hines Drive and Ann Arbor Trail. The county has created a history and natural science museum in the mill building. This was the first mill that

Henry Ford bought in 1918. Across from the mill is a clearing along the river where the Potawatomi, Ottawa and Ojibwa tribes would gather annually in the spring.

The county has set up a canoe livery near this site. Bankes has an idea for teaching students about the gathering of the tribes and then having them experience traveling in canoes as the Native Americans once did.

Also near this site is Perrinsville School (Farmington and Ann Arbor Trail). A modern school surrounds the original one-room school built by Henry Ford, after he caught a wayward young man throwing rocks at his mill windows and found the area didn't have a school.

As you drive along the park, which was developed by the county in the 1920s, you pass the other mills that Ford acquired — the Newburgh Mill, which is now a sheriff's office where the mounted patrol's horses get to graze by the recently refurbished Lake Newburgh; Wilcox Mill, which Bankes envisions as a possible site for a lakeside restaurant; Phoenix Mill, which Ford turned into an all-female factory to produce electrical parts and which Bankes promotes as a monument to women workers; the village of Waterford, now part of Northville Township, which was the site of Mead's Mill, where escaped slaves worked and many lived in the small village on the hill above the mill. There is also a fascinating old cemetery here.

In addition to the mills, Hines has other attractions, natural and man-made. Cass Benton Park was the state's first arboretum and has 325 varieties of trees. Unfortunately, they are not labeled nor is there an easy path through the trees, something that Bankes would like to see corrected. The comfort stations are another highlight of the parks, with their attractive brick design and tile roofs. Some are in need of repair and some are beyond repair. A couple are architectural gems that would provide not only rest rooms but attractive game rooms in the park.

Bankes is urging schools to get students involved in researching and writing the history of this interesting "backyard." She would like to use these student compositions as an attractive guide to Hines Park for visitors.

It's a great idea, a wonderful way to get students involved in their own rich history. We're looking forward to reading the results.

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Wayne County to get \$2.8 million block grant funding

Wayne County is receiving \$2,771,000 in additional funding for its Community Development Block Grant Program for the upcoming program year, Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara announced. This 75 percent increase brings the county's total block grant allocation for the 2001 program year to

\$6,449,000. Wayne County administers the block grant funding for 33 Wayne County communities through the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. The reason for the increase, McNamara said, is the addition of Hamtramck, Highland Park and Inkster to the county's block grant program from the state's program. Communities with populations over 50,000 people receive block grant allocations

directly from HUD. "Under HUD's formula, Hamtramck, Highland Park and Inkster will each receive more money and more discretion in choosing eligible projects by joining our program," McNamara said. "And the allocation for the communities already in our program also grows." Allocations are based on population and demographics. During the 2001-2002 program year, more distressed communities

like Ecorse, River Rouge, Inkster, Melvindale, Highland Park and Hamtramck will see funding increases of 75 percent. River Rouge, for instance will see its allocation increase from \$102,000 to \$178,000. A less distressed community like Allen Park will see its allocation increase from \$113,000 to \$152,000. According to Cheryl Hildreth, director of the county's Community Development Block Grant

program, all projects undertaken by the communities must benefit low to moderate income residents. "Projects are extremely varied," Hildreth said. "The city of Wayne uses part of its funding for its Neighborhood Preservation Program. Our program helps fund River Rouge's housing rehab efforts and in the Grosse Pointes, CDBG funding supports their Services for Older Citizens (SOC) Program." Since the inception of the

Wayne County Community Block Grant Program, over \$42 million has passed through the County to its smaller communities. Grant funds pay for ADA improvements, code enforcement, historic rehabilitation and housing assistance. Funds can also be used for public improvements, housing improvements, public services and housing assistance to low income individuals.

High court will review CCW case

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In essence, the justices told the court of appeals to go ahead and rule on the case, and to do it by June 1 so that the Michigan Supreme Court will have time to hear an appeal before the July effective date of the CCW law, Duggan explained.

Appellate judges earlier tossed out the case saying the Michigan United Conservation Clubs and the Michigan Coalition of Responsible Gun Owners had filed suit over the referendum petition drive too soon. They should have waited until after the secretary of state was done verifying the 260,000 signatures collected and turned in by the People Who Care About Kids Committee, the judges of the court of appeals concluded.

"Historically, that is the way it has been done," Duggan explained. "But the Supreme Court told the court of appeals to go ahead with a ruling because they are going to see the case anyway in June. This way, they'll have time to review it. Otherwise, they would have virtually no time to look at this whole mess."

In the same ruling Monday, justices denied a request by the MUCC and MCRGO to block verification of the petitions by the state. Duggan said he expects petition verification will be complete next week.

The case will eventually decide whether Michigan voters get vote on whether the state's new CCW law stays or goes.

State lawmakers passed the CCW law revision last December, requiring county gun boards to issue permits to carry concealed weapons to applicants if they meet all the criteria. On the final day of debate, the law was amended to include a \$1 million dollar appropriation for trigger locks and firearms education. The public may not vote on bills that appropriate money.

Contending that the allocation was just a ploy to keep the question from going to a vote of Michigan residents, Duggan and his committee gathered signatures statewide. Just over 150,000 were needed; the committee gathered 260,000 in the 90 days allowed.

If the courts allow residents to vote on the CCW revision, that vote would take place next year. If placed on the ballot as a referendum, the effective date of the CCW law would be suspended until a vote is taken.

MUCC attorney Peter Ellsworth could not be reached for comment.

Schoolcraft golf outing set for June 4

Golfers convene Monday, June 4, for the Fairway Fund-raiser, Schoolcraft College's annual golf outing to raise funds for student scholarships.

Golfers can tee off morning or afternoon on the links of the Washtenaw Country Club in Ypsilanti. All proceeds benefit Schoolcraft students through Foundation scholarships or classroom improvements. The deadline for signing up is May 21. For more information or to register, call 734-462-4670.

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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



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SATURDAY



Donny Osmond performs songs from his newest CD, "This is the Moment" a collection of Broadway hits, 8 p.m. at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. Tickets \$37-\$52, call (313) 983-6611, or (248) 433-1515.

SUNDAY



Giant beasts can be seen roaming a four acre Dino-Trail at the Detroit Zoo through Sept. 3. It's part of the Dinosauria III exhibit, which also includes a DinoSimulator. Zoo admission \$7.50 adults, \$5.50 seniors and students. Call (248) 398-0900 or visit www.detroitzoo.org for details

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Dreamwork's animated film, *Shrek*, doesn't open until May 18, but the Star Southfield Entertainment Centre is offering plenty of *Shrek*-related, Mother's Day activities on Saturday. Youngsters can keep busy while trying to win prizes for their mothers. The fun begins at 10 a.m. with a karaoke contest at the theater complex, on 12 Mile Road, between Telegraph and Northwestern Highway. Call (248) 372-2222 for information.

Verdi's Last Laugh



MOT performs the comedic opera, Falstaff

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So what makes a composer who's been known all his life for serious, melancholy work decide at 80 to make a comic opera?

For Giuseppe Verdi, Italy's master of opera who died 100 years ago this year, the impetus came at the coaxing of a longtime friend, Arrigo Boito.

Boito had an idea for a libretto based on Shakespeare's *Merry Wives of Windsor* and *Henry IV*, and he wasn't going to stop until he got Verdi to compose the music.

Of course, Boito was successful, and this week, the Michigan Opera Theatre will present Verdi's *Falstaff*, based on Shakespeare's less-than-noble knight.

For Verdi, the immediate acceptance of *Falstaff* by the public and critics when it premiered in 1893 proved that he could write in comedic style, despite an earlier comedic opera-turned-fiasco that nearly ended his career.

But by 80, Verdi was secure in himself — he had, after all, written *Aida*, *Rigoletto* and *La Traviata*. So perhaps he was at a stage in life when he knew he could throw caution to the wind.

"He was able to let go of his inhibitions and compose without fear," said Greg Fortner, assistant stage director for the MOT and a Novi resident. "He probably had a great time doing it."

Certainly Fortner, who's been with the MOT for a year, is having a great time helping pull this production together.

"Dr. D (DiChiera, the MOT's general director) picked out a wonderful cast. They all have beautiful voices and really pick up on the characters," said Fortner, who will work with stage director Mario Corradi during this production.

For the role of Falstaff, American bass baritone John Del Carlo and Italian baritone Mauro Buda will share the role.



Ready for love: Dressed in his wooing finery, Falstaff attempts to gain the admiration of one of the merry wives.

The cast also features baritone Gary Lehman making his Michigan Opera Theatre debut as Ford. The role of his wife, Alice, will be sung by Madelyn Monti. Soprano Nicole Heaston makes her MOT debut as Nanetta and Matthew Tuell will sing the role of Bardolfo. Mariana Karpatova portrays Mistress Quickly, Kate Aldrich is Meg Page, James Patterson is Pistola and tenor Patrick Marques is Dr. Caius.

Italian conductor Maurizio Barbacini, recently appointed principal conductor of the Philadelphia Opera Company, will lead the MOT orchestra.

The story behind this opera revolves around the egocentric Sir John Falstaff, who plots affairs with Mrs. Page and Mrs. Ford to get some money out of them. The wise wives are in on the plot, and with the help of Dame Quickly plan a little lesson for Falstaff.

Inevitably, there is chaos, and much laughter at the expense of Falstaff. Woven into the hilarity is a love story between Nanetta Page and Fenton, who manage to marry through a

Please See FALSTAFF B2

Kids can help Steve solve Blue's clues

BY KEELY WYGONIK
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Kids today are wired — TV, video, Internet — they're plugged in and connected. But live theater is something many haven't experienced, except on TV, of course.

The virtual world and real world collide when *Blue's Clues Live!* a theatrical extravaganza based on *Blue's Clues*, the popular Nickelodeon TV show for preschoolers, comes to the Fox Theatre, May 16-20.

Thomas Mizer, Steve to the kids, owns the puppy named Blue.

Introduction to theater

"Although it comes from a TV show we wanted it to be about exposing kids to theater," said Mizer who joined the tour in October 1999. "We're such a VCR culture. This gets kids out away from the TV to listen to laughter as a group."

Children are invited to the wonderful world of theater where it snows, and you can fly into outer space.

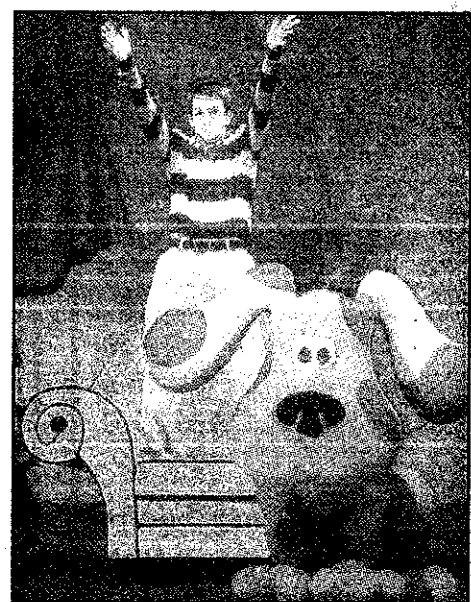
Blue and Steve lead the audience on a clue-based journey in search of "the most spectacular place of all."

They explore the Storybook Forest and meet The Three Little Pigs, Goldilocks, The Big Bad Wolf, and other classic fairy-tale characters.

Traveling in outer space, Blue and Steve encounter planets and other celestial wonders. Along the way, the audience helps Steve solve Blue's Clues to discover the most spectacular place in all the world.

"We build upon the TV show," said Mizer. "There's a Broadway dance number, and the show is beautifully

Please see BLUE, B2



Interactive show: With help from the audience, Steve (Thomas Mizer), finds clues from his puppy, Blue in "Blue's Clues Live!"

COMMUNITY THEATER

Livonia actor plays role in 'The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild'

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Dennis Day has never appeared in drag before. It's really something to see — fishnet stockings, a little skirt — imagine a chorus line dancer, and you'll get the picture.

It's just one of the characters he plays in *The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild*, a SRO Productions comedy that runs weekends through May 27.

Day portrays Carroll, the butcher, Mildred's best friend. They go to classic movies together, and when Mildred daydreams, she pictures herself, Day, and the other people in her life, as characters from the movies.

"When she dreams she becomes a movie character to escape her unhappy marriage," said Day. "There's one scene where she's Scarlett O'Hara from *Gone with the Wind*. Her husband is Rhett Butler, and I'm her mamie."

Mildred's world is falling apart. Her husband is cheating on her, she wants to be a movie star, but doesn't have the ambition to pursue it. The candy shop she runs isn't as successful as it could be. Her husband's meddling sister, the landlady, and foreman of a working crew sent to tear down the building she lives in, add to Mildred's problems.

In her dreams, her husband is Rhett Butler, and loves her. It's a way of working out problems where everyone lives happily ever after.



Having a wild time: Kathleen Booker (left to right), Mark Mutafian, and Dennis Day in a scene from "The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild."

It's also a very funny problem solving method that's sure to get hoots from the audience.

Barbie Amann, SRO Productions' executive producer, describes the play written by Paul Zindel as being "zany with a lot of slapstick comedy."

Mildred, portrayed by Kathleen Booker of Walled

Lake, is a creative, imaginative person. Whenever she has a problem she things how would one of her favorite movie characters solve it.

"Her life is falling apart," said Amann. "The comedy is over the top in characterization, costumes, special and technical effects. It's a lot of fun, a real light-hearted, feel good play."

Day says he's had a few knocks in his life, and that's one of the appeals of this play.

"Everybody's world is an imperfect world," he said. "This play mimics life, how people feel trapped in a world that's not a perfect world."

He also likes the setting of the play, inside a renovated 1854 church in the City of Southfield's historic park.

"The audience is so close to the stage that it becomes almost interactive," he said. "You become part of the play."

Also appearing in the show are Ellen Akins of West Bloomfield, Johan Boufford, Ron DeMaagd, and Mark Mutafian of Southfield, Karen Novak of Troy and Terie Spencer of Wixom.

What: SRO Productions presents *The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild*
When: Weekends, May 11-27. Curtain 8 p.m.
Friday-Saturday: 2 p.m. Sunday.
Where: In the renovated 1854 church at the City of Southfield's Burgh Historical Park on the northeast corner of Civic Center Dr. and Berg Road, one block east of Telegraph.
Tickets: \$10 adults, \$8 senior citizens and children, call (248) 827-0710 or (248) 827-0701.

SCREEN SCENE

Events offer a feast of sounds, sights and smells

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

It's that magical season again when the visual, performing and culinary arts become intertwined just for the fun of it. Festival season is upon us. That means you'll have an opportunity to fill your calendar with events that offer live music from some of the area's best performers and bands, often while expanding your tastes in art

and food.

Greektown Art Fair

One of my favorite events is the Greektown Art Fair, a feast of sounds, sights and smells that adds even more excitement to a popular hub of activity.

What can we expect out of the second annual Detroit Electronic Music Festival, scheduled for the final weekend of May at Hart Plaza? I look for spectacular attendance that surpasses the immense crowds at the inaugural event last year.

The DEMF has demonstrated its international appeal, and local interest should swell due

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to the fact that the Detroit-based originators of the music genre will be showcased.

Local warm weather attractions seem to blossom their second year. The Arts, Beats & Eats Festival in Pontiac and the Woodward Dream Cruise are a couple of examples. By the third year, there's usually a groundswell of people trying to

curb popular events because of the inevitable inconvenience hordes of visitors can cause to an area.

Smaller venues

Those with an aversion to crowds can always turn to smaller venues. On May 13, Ann Arbor's Kerrytown Concert House presents the

Troubadours, a Detroit-based classical guitar duo of Michael Blaszkiewicz and David Cocagne. If you are looking for a more raucous experience, the promising local rock group Lucid Jones has a May 11 date at Ferndale's Magic Bag, and another on May 18 at the Emerald Theatre in Mount Clemens.

Then again, if you're looking for convenience and intimacy without a cover charge, let me steer you to Detroit Public TV's Backstage Pass, which features in-studio performances by the Troubadours and Lucid Jones in an edition that premieres 7:30

p.m. Sunday, May 13.

The weekly arts series is also looking for you to participate in an online *Battle of the Bands* for an upcoming special edition. Log on to www.backstagepass.org and review the video vault of past performers. Then vote for your favorites.

As host of the program, I've had the opportunity to see more than 100 music performances that have been presented during the first five seasons of Backstage Pass. We hope you let us know which ones you liked best, so that we can keep them coming.

Blue from page B1

designed. The kids are comfortable with the characters."

In addition to Blue and Steve, the show will feature their friends Mailbox, Slippery Soap, Tickety Tock, Mr. Salt & Mrs. Pepper and some new characters too.

Serious about acting

Kidding aside, Miser 28, is a serious actor who enjoys working with children. He graduated from Northwestern University in 1983 with highest distinction earning a double major in theater and English literature. He appeared in the Midwest premiere production of *Lost in Yonkers*, and the original award-winning production, and Off-Broadway production, of *Schoolhouse Rock Live*.

He enjoys the interactive nature of *Blues Clues Live!* Kids

play an active role in moving the play from one scene to another as they answer Steve's questions and solve Blue's Clues. Kids in the audience get a notebook to help Steve keep track of clues.

"I talk to them and they talk back. Children let you know if you're doing well or poorly. They're honest. It keeps the show fresh and improvisational. If I'm not giving a 100 percent the kids won't shout an answer back, or clap."

Adults will also be entertained, and Miser believes they deserve to be more than chaperones along for the ride.

"I do a very bad Elvis and Frank Sinatra imitation," he said. "The kids just think I'm being silly."

BY ALICE RHEIN
STAFF WRITER

Lois Gerenraich, director of corporate and community relations for Southfield-based Orchards Children's Services, doesn't mince words when talking about what a grant from the Fanclub Arts Foundation will provide.

"We provide programs in Pontiac and Detroit that are an alternative to the streets," she said. "We reach hundreds of kids year-round and use art as a tool for communication and conflict resolution."

This Friday, May 11, Orchards will become one of nine recipients of grants from the Fanclub Arts Foundation, a decade-old Royal Oak-based fund-raising

group dedicated to delivering financial grants to both school and community-based artistic enrichment initiatives.

The Friday fund-raiser is the second-annual Treasures from the Cellar, a black-tie wine auction scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. at Neiman Marcus in the Somerset Collection.

According to John Bloom, executive director of Fanclub, the evening will include a four-course gourmet dinner with shelled lobster tail, sea scallops with basil mousse and potato truffle flan with lobster sauce prepared by Chef Dan Vernia of Zodiac, Neiman Marcus.

Bloom said the organization sponsors four events each year, including Swingtime (which

What: Treasures from the Cellar II, a Fanclub Foundation for the Arts event benefiting arts education

When: Beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 11

Where: Zodiac of Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection, Troy

Tickets: \$200, includes a silent auction, four-course gourmet dinner and live auction.

Information: (248) 584-4150.

drew nearly 1,700 attendees earlier this year), Starry Nights and Caliente.

But, he said, the wine auction is different. "It appeals to a whole different customer base. There are not a lot of wine auctions, and we felt we wanted to touch a different economic market," he said.

And since this area has a dedicated base of wine connoisseurs who take trips to vineyards in France and Italy, it seemed this would have a definite appeal.

Last year's auction at Pike Street in Pontiac attracted nearly 100 guests. Bloom hopes to double that this year.

The evening includes a silent and live auction of wine lots, as well as related items such as French wine posters, airline tickets and champagne dinners. The

wines come from some of the finest private collections and merchants in metro Detroit.

Dow Automotive is the Title Sponsor of the event, and its president, Larry Denton, will serve as auction chairman. Ariela Shani, general manager and vice president of Neiman Marcus, is serving as honorary chairwoman.

In addition to Orchards, the following organizations will also be receiving Fanclub Arts Foundation grants: Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center's Summer Art Camp, Wayne State University's Hilberry Theatre, Michigan Opera Theatre's Community Outreach Program, Pewabic Pottery's Educational Program, Walled Lake Central High School's National Art Honor Society, Youtheatre, Greenfield Village's Henry Ford Academy Art Program and Wayne State University's Maggie Allesee Department of Dance.

Bloom is pleased with the success of the Fanclub's efforts and hopes that events like Treasures from the Wine Cellar and Swingtime will continue to support its mission.

"We want to support arts education in the community," Bloom said. "We want to show that there is a better way to express yourself than through violence."

Falstaff from page B1

series of mistaken identities.

When Falstaff utters his famous line: *Tutto nel mondo e buria* — the whole world is but a jest, Verdi's final opera reaches

its comedic climax.

But it wasn't just the libretto that was fun for Verdi. His orchestration, which has the texture of chamber music, contains

swift movements and instruments that double as vocal lines. It is in *Falstaff* where he makes the most of musical puns.

"He makes fun of Wagner and he laughs at himself, too," said Fortner.

And when *Falstaff* ends with what Verdi called a comic fugue, it is one of opera's finest moments.

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REVIEWS

Plymouth Theatre Guild brings 'Vaudeville' to life

Plymouth Theatre Guild presents *Vaudeville: A Play With Music*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12 and 18-19, and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 13, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital. Tickets \$10, \$7 ages 18 and under, call (248) 349-7110.

BY PAMELA JOY MCGOWAN
SPECIAL WRITER

The Plymouth Theatre Guild is currently performing *Vaudeville: A Play With Music*. For those who remember when Vaudeville flourished, this play is a special trip back in time. For the younger set, it is a wonderful lesson in the history of entertainment.

The play takes place on a day

in the year 1919 in Kit Turner's Theatrical Boarding House in Philadelphia. Kit (Barbara Mathers) also owns the theater and is a former Vaudevillian. A variety of performers pass through her door, all of them longing to make it big, and willing to do anything to get to the "Palace."

When Maxie — of the Mack (Jim Christianson) and Maxie act — takes ill, the group must decide who will be the opening act. Much is at stake because they have found out that a well-known booking agent will be in the audience. After quite a debate, Kit's daughter, Kitty (Mandy Pascas) is convinced to follow in her father's footsteps and take the stage.

The boarding house is a melt-

■ **The cast and crew of 'Vaudeville: A Play With Music' have brought to life the joy and struggles of vaudeville in the days before it was lost to moving pictures.**

ing pot of nationalities and talents. The French Mademoiselle Yvette (Cynthia Lewandowski) chimes about the glory of Broadway, convincing everyone within earshot of her monologue that she will, indeed, have her own dressing room with a star on the door.

Tim O'Reilly (David Thompson) is the target of the hilarious Irish Medley, a collection of songs that O'Reilly supposed stole from someone else and put in his act.

Solid performances

The Jolson-like Jackson Washington (Brian Johnson), and the charming Englishman, Billy Wiggins (Jim McNiff) are the two very different song-and-dance men. Both actors give a very solid performance. Rounding out the international crowd is, of course, Benny Cohen (Philip Lukasik) who sings *I'm a Yiddish Cowboy* during one of his many appearances onstage.

Other notable performances

include Toby Booker playing Frankie Cobb, Dennis Hubel playing Paul Clayton, and Rebecca Touchstone as Jeannie Cook.

In the second act, Booker and Hubel have a humorous, rapid exchange of jokes, alternating between straight man and comic. I think most people will recognize the style of jokes, if not some of the jokes themselves, which have been taken from actual Vaudevillians, we are told.

Touchstone and McNiff trip the light fantastic to *Shine On Harvest Moon*, a popular favorite from that era. And, the fight scene is as exceptionally choreographed as the dance numbers.

The set appears to be authentic early-1900s with its furniture, wallpaper, and prominent, well-lit picture of Mr. Turner, to whom the Vaudevillians continuously salute. The play is able to keep its quick pace, as there is no need for set changes.

Directed by Barbara Bloom-Vocal Direction and Music by C.J. Nodus — the cast and crew of *Vaudeville: A Play With Music* have brought to life the joy and struggles of Vaudeville in the days before it was lost to the moving pictures we now know so well.

Pamela Joy McGowan is a Livonia resident and writes about theater for the Observer Newspapers.

High energy, clever 'eBay of Pigs' a laugh a minute

The Second City Detroit presents *eBay of Pigs* through July 22 at the theater, 2301 Woodward Ave. Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday with additional shows 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday. Tickets \$15 Thursday and Sunday, \$20 Friday-Saturday. Call (313) 965-2222 or Ticket master (248) 645-6666.

BY KEELY WYGONIK
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There are no "Pigs" in The Second City Detroit's 20th revue *eBay of Pigs*, unless you count Ted Nugent. Before you get all excited, Ted Nugent isn't in the show, but Jeff Fritz does a gruesomely funny characterization of the Motor City icon known for his love of hunting.

This show, like other recent productions, rolls at a fast clip, then gets a clever rewind at the end. You won't miss the intermission. It's over before you know it, 75 minutes passes in a flash.

Kirk Hanley of Farmington is

a riot. As the curtain opens he educates the audience by explaining that this show is being presented by "professional" actors, and what the audience's role is at the theater. During his presentation he points to hilarious stickman figures. Hanley's talk is part of a film being shown to students at Detroit Country Day School.

On a roll

Playing off of Motor City's infatuation with cars, Hanley falls into a relationship with his "Onstar" navigator who tries to steer him in her direction. "So is your girlfriend meeting you at the party and bringing a casse-rolle?" she asks. You don't see anyone, just hear the voice and Hanley pretends to be sitting behind the wheel of his car. "No, I'm not in a relationship now," he explains. "Oh," she replies sweetly, and then begins to try and control his every move. "What are you wearing?" she asks. Hanley tells her, and she tells him there's a Men's Wearhouse up the road that he might

want to stop at. Then there's a battle between Onstar and the attendant at a Wendy's drive-in over Hanley's order. He wants a sandwich, but his Onstar woman, who is concerned about his cholesterol level, wants him to have water and a side salad instead.

Hanley plays the trombone in one of the group's few musical skits. He's very cool as he sits and plays his chords, you wonder how he keeps a straight face during the song.

Keegan-Michael Key and Antoine McKay are soul brothers who rescue a damsel in distress from the audience who looks like she could use some real lovin'.

They serenade her with an outrageously funny song — "It's a diggity darn shame. He's been neglecting you. You come with us baby. I'll take you to the movies. We can see anything with Meg Ryan and Tom Hanks."

Maribeth Monroe helps bring the song to its hilarious conclusion, making an appearance as

the brother's mama as the lyrics and onstage antics roll out of control. "You scarin' the girl, boy," she says as she looks at the nervous woman onstage.

Family news

Imagine your family news broadcast live on cable TV. Hanley and Monroe co-host a crazy show about their family. Imagine a Christmas newsletter taken to extreme — Gracie Allen and George Burns they're not.

As in previous productions, the cast visits familiar metro stomping grounds to get their point across — a casino, Detroit Country Day classroom, and suburban basement.

The humor is edgy and cuts to the point. Ted Nugent invites Monroe, a Make a Wish Child, to come to his compound and shoot anything she wants. "Everything's tied down to make it easy."

"Help us find a cure for menopause," Hanley pleads in another skit. Remember, "menopause is a pause not a stop." Cast members hit the



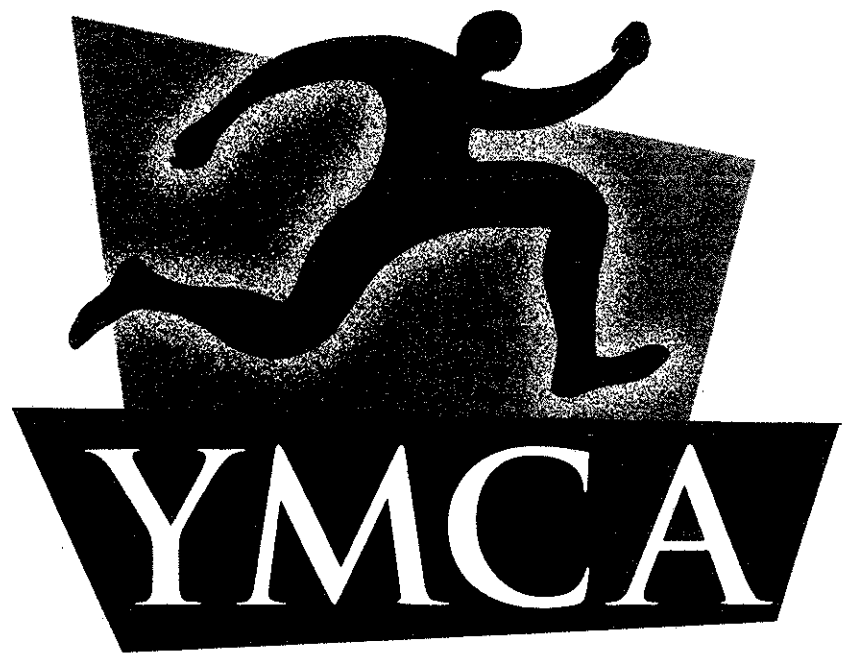
Acting up: The cast of *Second City Detroit* gets lots of laughs from the audience in "e-Bay of Pigs."

audience up for donations running through the aisle with canisters.

Then to the rewind, back to beginning and theater courtesy theme.

"That concludes our film about theater courtesy. Good-bye for now, and remember the magic word 'shut-up.'"

There's lots to like about this production, and you might just want to see again and again with friends. The cast clicks and works together well as an ensemble. From beginning to end, *eBay of Pigs* is a high energy, laugh a minute show with lots of clever skits and gags.



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DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: *T 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

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 through May 13; opens 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 13, shows 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* = through Saturday, May 26. \$16-\$68. (248) 645-6666

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: *Little Shop of Horrors* continues to May 20, 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, Dearborn. \$20. (313) 872-0279

PURPLE ROSE THEATRE: Presents Dennis E. North's *Orphan Train: An American Melodrama*, through June 16, Chelsea. Showtimes vary. Tickets \$22.50-\$32.50. Call (734) 433-ROSE

DINNER THEATER

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. Saturday, through May 20, Como's Restaurant, Ferndale. \$35, includes dinner and show, (248) 541-1763

COLLEGE THEATER

HILBERRY THEATRE: *The Rover*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, and Thursday-Saturday, May 17-19, and *Picnic* 8 p.m. Thursday, May 10, Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY: Adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's *Just So Stories* 10 a.m. May 22-25, May 29-31, June 1, June 4-8, 7 p.m. June 1-2, June 8-9, VArner Studio Theatre. Matinee tickets \$5, evening \$10, \$8 seniors, \$5 students.

COMMUNITY THEATER

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS: *Ten Nights in a Barroom* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12 and 18-19 (\$11), and 7:30 p.m. 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

STAGECRAFTERS: Children of Eden, a musical, May 11-June 3 at the Baldwin Theatre, downtown Royal Oak. \$14-\$16, (248) 541-6430.

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 13, Dearborn. \$14. (313) 561-TKTS

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD: *Vaudeville: A Play with Music* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 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



Shrek fun: *Dreamwork's new animated film, "Shrek," doesn't open until May 18, but families can participate in Mother's Day activities at a Shrek Fun Fair on Saturday at the Star Southfield Entertainment Centre, located on 12 Mile, between Telegraph and Northwestern in Southfield. Farmington High School students created a mystical, medieval entranceway in the theater complex lobby to welcome children and their families. Youngsters can sing in a karaoke contest at 10 a.m., and try winning a year membership to Fitness USA for their mothers. They'll also pot sunflowers and decorate a cookie for mom. A coloring contest and on-line essay contest complete the fun. Call (248)372-2222.*

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS: *Run for Your Wife* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 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

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE: Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew* continues to May 20, at the theater, Livonia. \$10. (734) 464-6302

PONTIAC THEATRE IV: Inherit the Wind, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 31 to June 2, Pontiac Northern High School, 1051 Arlene. \$7 adults, \$6 students/seniors. (248) 681-6215.

SPECIAL EVENTS

PAINTIN' IN THE STREET: The creative celebration of the city will allow spectators to view the artistic process up close each Saturday 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 June 29 to July 29. Opening reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 29 at the club on Farnsworth behind the Detroit Institute of Arts. "Painting in the Streets" sessions 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 12 in Hart Plaza and Saturday, May 19 at Greektown and Eastern Market. For more information, call project director Jillian Omand, (248) 399-0633

BENEFITS

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Musical Toast to announce the 27th season, 6 p.m. Sunday, May 20, Townsend Hotel, 100 Townsend Street, Birmingham. Gourmet dinner with live music, auction to benefit the symphony. Tickets \$125 per person. (248) 645-BBSO.

ART OF PABLO DAVIS: The Scarab Club will be displaying Detroit artist Pablo Davis' private collection 2-8 p.m. Saturday, May 12 with proceeds to benefit construction of The Intergenerational Center, which will house adult and childcare programs and provide space for community. The building is part of an effort to help reestablish a sense of community within southwest Detroit neighborhoods. Donation \$20. 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 842-4677.

CATCH A RISING STAR: Auction benefiting Wayne State University's artists in progress. Sponsored by Wayne State University's College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts, with support from famous alumni, local businesses and individuals. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, May 11 at the Detroit Athletic Club. \$100, includes dinner, (313) 577-5336.

IGNATIUS INVITATIONAL: Annual golf outing July 30, at Shepherd's Hollow Golf Course, Clarkston. \$1400 foursome, \$350 individual, benefits Jesuit education. (800) 445-1621

FOUNDERS JUNIOR COUNCIL: Presents an evening of fashion and fun, features the "Laundry" clothing line of leisure wear 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

LIFECYCLE OF A WOMAN: Fashion show featuring clothing and goods from Birmingham specialty boutiques 4-6 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the Birmingham Country Club. \$50-\$75, proceeds benefit the Junior League endowment fund. (248) 646-2613

Dare to dream: *Rebellious Dreamers* presents a benefit, *A Night of Magic and Music*, which features performances by singer-songwriter Joy Adler (pictured), master magician Andrew Bennett and the photography of Lynn Antisdell, 7 p.m. Monday, May 21, The Penn Theatre, 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth. A tax deductible contribution of \$20 is asked. Call (734) 480-8396.



CLASSICAL

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Itzhak Perlman performs with and conducts the DSO 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 9-10, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$19-\$52. (313) 576-5111

REDFORD CIVIC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Present a Cabaret Concert 3 p.m. Sunday, May 20 at Thurston High School, Redford. Free. (313) 538-1652

OPERA

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE: Present *Falstaff* May 12-20, at the Detroit Opera House. \$18-\$98. (313) 237-7464

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. All of the programs allow students to improve their orchestral skills. While the orchestra are divided between advanced (Civic) and emerging (Sinfonia) musicians, the two-week Summer Institute music camp is open to students of all levels from the ages of 12 to 25. This year the institute will include jazz. Students will be given basic instruction in improvisational techniques, jazz history, theory and performance. Trumpeter and conductor of the DSO's Civic Jazz Orchestra Marcus Belgrave will be involved in developing this aspect of the program.

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

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS: Auditions for Shakespeare's comedy *As You Like It* Sunday-Monday evenings May 13-14, at the playhouse, Troy. Call for audition times (248) 853-6314 or visit the Web site at www.ridgedaleplayers.com. For performances in July.

SRO PRODUCTIONS: Auditions for Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew*, 7 p.m., May 22 in the city of Southfield's historic church at The Burgh, at Civic Center Drive and Berg Road. Performances in July and August. (248) 827-0710.

TONY 'N TINA'S WEDDING: Female keyboardist/singer needed for understudy role in the interactive theater show in Detroit's Harmonie Theater. 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 (big band, swing, bop)

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

CHORAL

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 his summer. (734) 663-5377

BOYS CHOIR OF HARLEM: 7 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$100. (248) 433-1515

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

FINNISH AMERICAN SINGERS: Present "Let There Be Music" 3 p.m. Sunday, May 20, at the Finnish Cultural Center, Farmington Hills. \$7 and include a sandwich and desserts. (248) 478-6939/(248) 589-8829

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

MADRIGAL CHORALE OF SOUTHFIELD: 4 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Bloomfield Hills. \$15. (810) 465-5973

PRIME: The Langsford Men's Chorus and Prime vocal jazz team up for the first time for a spring concert 3 p.m. Sunday, May 20, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Livonia. Free, donations accepted. (248) 682-6562 or visit the Web site at www.PRIME-vocal-jazz.com

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

JAZZ/BLUES

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

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

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: 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

8 days a week

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

JEANNINE MILLER: 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

THE COUNT MEETS THE DUKE: Count Basie Orchestra and Duke Ellington Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 24, Music Hall Center for Performing Arts, Detroit. \$25-\$50, (313) 963-2366.

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

DON CONOSCENTI/JO SERRAPERRE: 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 16 at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$12.50. (734) 763-TKTS

BUDDY & JULIE MILLER: 8 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at The Ark, Ann Arbor. \$13.50. (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)

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

SHAMROCK SHORE: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, at Cowley's Old Village Inn, Farmington. (248) 474-5941 (Irish folk)

DANCE

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING: 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, at the Chapel Hill Clubhouse, Ann Arbor. \$5. (734) 442-1170

ORFEO ED EURIDICE: The University Musical Society along with Peter Sparling Dance Company present Christopher Gluck's classic opera Orfeo ed Euridice 8 p.m. Saturday, May 19 at the Michigan Theater, 603 East Liberty, Ann Arbor. No charge. (734) 764-2538. This production of Gluck's famous opera represents a multi-faceted collaboration with former Martha Graham dancer Peter Sparling choreographing the work, and students from University of Michigan School of Music performing the score under the direction of Stephen Jarvi. Student soloists are Pei Yi Wang, Katherine Alexander and Loren Allardyce. This is a preview performance and open to the public.

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

CENTER STAGE DANCE COMPANY: The King and I, the ballet 5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12. Marquis Theater, downtown Northville. \$6, (248) 380-1666.

COMEDY

ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE: Kathleen Madigan Thursday-Saturday, May 10-12, at the club in Ann Arbor, \$12 in advance, \$14 at the door. (734) 996-9080

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Wendy Liebman Friday-Sunday, May 11-13, at Palsano's in Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

SECOND CITY: "eBay of Pigs" continues through July 22, at the club, Detroit. \$15 Thursday and Sunday, \$20 Friday-Saturday. (313) 965-2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS: See Howdy Doodly before he goes into the Conservation Lab on May 13. (313) 833-7900 or www.dia.org
HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE: The exhibit "Kids Stuff: Great Toys From Our Childhood" continues to Sept. 16. Imax movies continue at the museum, Dearborn. (313) 271-1620

LIVE MUSIC

AEROSMITH: Just Push Play Tour, with Fuel, Friday, July 13, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$33-\$80.50. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666

AGENTS OF GOOD ROOTS: 8 p.m. Sunday, June 3, Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030
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 Furtado on the Area Stage, Paul Oakenfold, Carl Cox, The Orb, Rinoceros, The Innovators - Juan Atkins, Derrick May & Kevin Saunderson on the Focus Area, gates open at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. Tickets \$35-\$54.50. (248) 645-6666

ASIA: With The Fixx, The Outfield, The Motels, Totally 80s Live Tour, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$18.50-\$27.50. (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

BACKSTREET BOYS: With Shaggy, Krystal, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$29.50-\$49.50. (248) 645-6666

JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS: 10 p.m. Fridays, Center Street Pub, Detroit. (313) 965-3651

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

BLUES TRAVELER: 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 14, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. \$25. (248) 645-6666

BOBBY LEWIS AND THE CRACKERJACK BAND: Thursday-Saturday, May 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

BROOKS AND DUNN'S NEON CIRCUS AND WILD WEST SHOW: Featuring Montgomery Gentry, Toby Keith and Keith Urban, with Cleudus T. Judd, doors open at 3 p.m. Sunday, July 8, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$29.50-\$49.50. (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

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 14, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

CHAIN REACTION: opening for Centrifuge, Friday, May 18, Club Bart, Ferndale. (248) 548-8746

CHICAGO: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$25.25-\$40.25, with 25 cents per ticket donated to charity. (248) 645-6666

ERIC CLAPTON: With Doyle Bramhall & Smokestack, 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 6, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$39.50-\$75. (248) 645-6666

MIKE "AGENT X" CLARK: Beatdownsounds every Thursday, One X, Michigan Ave., Detroit. www.beatdownsounds.com (house)

CHRIS CODISH 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

NATALIE COLE: 8 p.m. Friday, June 15, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$25-\$65. (248) 645-6666

DELTA 88: With Chris Buhalis, 8 p.m. Friday, June 15, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 theater members. (734) 464-6302

DEPECHE MODE: 8 p.m. Saturday, June 23, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$28-\$52.50. (248) 645-6666

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

DIDO: With Travis, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 5, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$24.50-\$37.50. (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

THE DISHES: With Hamicks, Put-apons, Rael Rean, 9 p.m. Friday, May 18, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

DRQ HEAT RAVE 2001: With Nelly, Soul Decision, Vertical Horizon, ATC, Eden's Crush, special guest appearance by Stella, hosted by MTV's Joey McIntyre, DJ Scribble, satellite appearance by Uncle Kracker, time to be announced, Friday, May 25, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$22.31-\$42.31. (248) 645-6666

EC8OR: With Wolf Eyes, Bunnybrains, 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

FACTORY 81: With Slaves on Dope, Unloco, Nullset, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 17, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. \$10. (248) 645-6666

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

FIGHTER DESTROYER: 11 p.m. Thursday, May 24, Garden Bowl, Detroit. Free. (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

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

DARYL HALL AND JOHN OATES: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, DTE Energy Theatre, Independence Township. \$16.50-\$28.50. (248) 645-6666

DJ MATT HANCHON: Alternative from 1980s and 90s on "Love Factory" Fridays, and alternative dance Saturdays at The Groove Room, Royal Oak. Cover charge after 10 p.m. (248) 589-3344

JASON HERROD: 8 p.m. Friday, June 29, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 theater members. (734) 464-6302

AL HILL: 9 p.m. Friday, May 18, 336 Main, Plymouth. (734) 454-6500; 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, Thursday, May 17, Zydeco Louisiana Restaurant, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-3600; 9 p.m. Friday, May 11, Edison's, Birmingham. (248) 645-2150; With The Love Butlers, 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, The Big Fish, Dearborn. (313) 336-6350

DJ ERIC HINCHMAN & JOHN ARNOLD: Techno and house, Wednesdays, The Groove Room, Royal Oak. Cover charge after 10 p.m. (248) 589-3344

BRIAN HODGE: 7:30 p.m. Saturdays, Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 601-1100

ICARUS LINE: With Paris, Texas, 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 12, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. \$6. (248) 645-6666

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

JETS TO BRAZIL: With The Love Scene, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 19, Magic Stick, Detroit. All ages. \$10. (313) 833-9700

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

JUNK 'N JAM ROCK N' ROLL FLEA MARKET: With 60 Second Crush, Sweatysuedellips, Soot, Killbillys, Swingin' Love Hammers, 8 p.m. Friday, May 11, Magic Stick, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

KANSAS: With The Tubes, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 26, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$16.50-\$28.50. (248) 645-6666

THE KNOXVILLE GIRLS: With The Von Bondies, The Cowslingers, 9 p.m. Saturday, May 12, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$8. (313) 833-9700

DJ JAY LANGA AND IVAN PASKAL: "Stretch" Sundays at The Groove Room beginning this month, Royal Oak. Cover charge after 10 p.m. (248) 589-3344

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

LOVERBOY: With Blue Oyster Cult, 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 28, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$16.50-\$26.50. (248) 645-6666

LYNYRD SKYNYRD: With Deep Purple, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 28, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$20-\$32.50. (248) 645-6666

DJ MAC D: Funka and Hip Hop, Thursdays, The Groove Room, Royal Oak. Cover charge after 10 p.m. (248) 589-3344

MADISON GREENE: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 26, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10 or \$8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302

MADONNA: Saturday, Aug. 25, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Details to come.

DAVE MATTHEWS BAND: With Macy Gray, 6 p.m. Sunday-Monday, June 3-4, Comerica Park, Detroit. Tickets \$49.50 on sale, March 10. (248) 645-6666

STONE MAZAAR & THE WESTSIDERS: 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 11-12, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

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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

MOODS FOR MODERNS: 8 p.m. Sunday, May 27, Magic Stick, Detroit. \$7. (313) 833-9700

KEN MURPHY TRIO: 7 p.m. Thursday, May 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

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 15 Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

DONNY OSMOND: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 12, Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$37-\$52. (248) 433-1515.

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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

THE PAYBACKS: 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) 833-9700

DJ SHORTROUND: Spins house along with hosts El George and Kegger from Motor Detroit, for Sunday Night Rehab, 10 p.m. Sundays, Town Pump Tavern, Detroit. (313) 961-1929

SHOWOFF: With Lucky Boys Confusion, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 17, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. \$6. (248) 645-6666

SHOWSHANE: With Detachment Kit, 9 p.m. Thursday, May 24, Gold Dollar, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www.golddollar.com

RJ SPANGLER TRIO: Featuring Odessa Harris, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 17, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

ROD STEWART: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 25, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. \$27.75-\$82.75. (248) 645-6666

MOVIES

'Knight' Heath Ledger takes first starring role

BY JAY M. GROSSMAN
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Who ever thought jousting could be so fun?

Welcome to *A Knight's Tale*, our first rock n' roll romp through medieval Europe where the action scenes remind you more of *Top Gun* than *Excalibur*.

The movie, which opens Friday, rocks with hormone-surged tunes such as *We Will Rock You* by Queen and *You Shook Me All Night Long* by AC/DC. The in-your-face photography works well as our gallant knights play a game of chicken with spirited

steeds and long wooden lances.

Our main character, Heath Ledger, holds his ground in this first starring role as a young squire who fakes his nobility so he can joust and earn his knighthood. Even his faithful sidekicks add their own color to the movie.

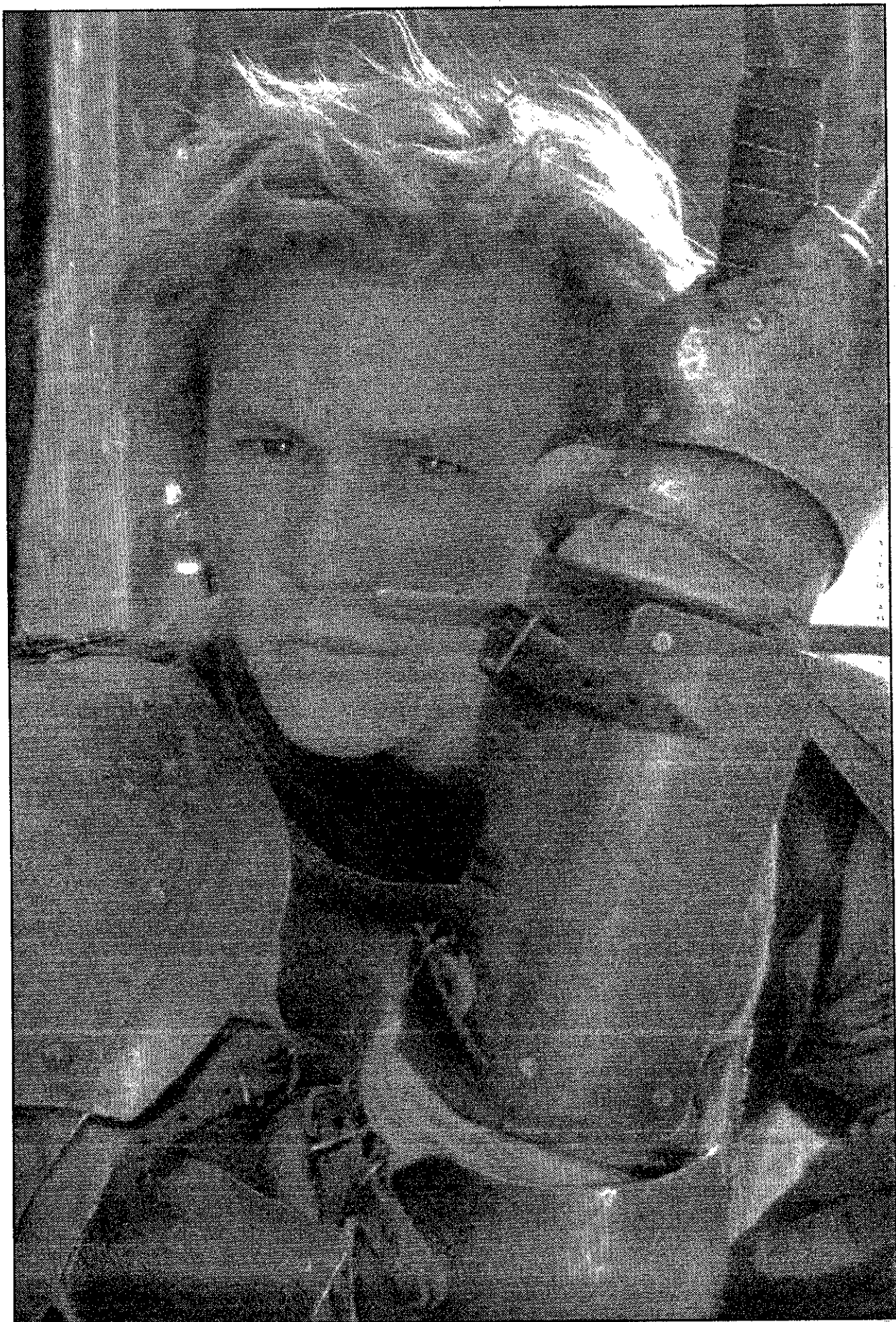
Alas, the only thing missing in *A Knight's Tale* is an actual plot. Add that into the mix and you'd really have a wonderful movie.

Written and directed by Brian Koppelman (*L.A. Confidential*, *Payback*), the story line is a tad too simple to hold your interest. I don't want to say it was made-for-TV, but most of the scenes felt like they should be followed by a commercial.

Viewers might remember Ledger as Mel Gibson's oldest son in *The Patriot*. A more compelling force in the movie is Paul Bettany, who plays a compulsive gambler and unemployed writer named Chaucer. His mischievous smile and reckless tongue will earn your attention.

The same cannot be said for our leading fair maiden, Shannyn Sossamon, nor the main villain, Rufus Sewell. Think wooden. Think mannequin. Two minutes after the movie, you won't remember either one of them.

Overall, *A Knight's Tale* will earn its share of the teenage summer movie crowd. I give it two wooden lances.



Star on the rise: Heath Ledger dons shining armor in "A Knight's Tale," which opens this weekend in metro area theaters.

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POKEMON 3 (G)
BLOW (R)
ALONG CAME A SPIDER (R)
SPY KIDS (PG)
THE BROTHERS (R)
ENEMY AT THE GATES (R)
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POKEMON 3 (R)
BLOW (R)
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KINGDOM COME (PG)
ALONG CAME A SPIDER (R)
BLOW (R)
POKEMON 3 (G)
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COMING ATTRACTIONS

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. Starring Takeshi Kitano, Omar Epps, Claude Maki and Masaya Kato.

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THE LUZHIN DEFENCE
Based on the novel by Vladimir Nabokov, this story centers on Alexander Luzhin, a worldly chess genius who falls in love with a glamorous aristocrat, and abruptly proposes to her after barely getting acquainted. Starring John Turturro, Emily Watson, Geraldine James and Stuart Wilson.

SHREK
The story centers on an ogre named Shrek, whose swamp is overrun by annoying fairytale creatures. In an attempt to save his home, Shrek sets out to confront Lord Farquaad, ruler of Duloc, who has banished all the fairytale misfits from Duloc in order to create his own perfect world. Vocal talent includes Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy, John Lithgow, Linda Hunt and Cameron Diaz.

STARTUP.COM
This documentary from Chris Hegedus and co-director Jehane Noujaim follows the operation of GovWorks.com, an internet company designed to facilitate dealings between individuals and local government and the personal journey undertaken by the two partners, former high school buddies.

PEARL HARBOR
An epic love story about two daring pilots, Rafe McCawley (Ben Affleck) and Danny Walker (Josh Hartnett), who grew up like brothers and became pilots in the U.S. Army Air Corps. Rafe has fallen in love with Evelyn Stewart (Kate Beckinsale), a courageous nurse serving in the U.S. Navy. But their love has only just begun to bloom when their personal destiny, and that of a world on the brink of war, intervenes. The setting Pearl Harbor, the date is December 7, 1941, a day that "will live in infamy." Also featuring Cuba Gooding Jr., Alec Baldwin, Jon Voight and Tom Sizemore.

Scheduled to open Friday, June 1

MOULIN ROUGE
Musical drama features Ewan McGregor as a young poet who defies his father by moving to Montmartre. It is here that he is drafted to write a nightclub spectacular. In this seedy world of sex and drugs, he begins a passionate love affair with the most famous courtesan (Nicole Kidman) in Paris. Directed by Baz Luhrmann.

Scheduled to open Friday, June 8

SWORDFISH
Gabriel Shear (Travolta), a charismatic and dangerous CIA operative fed up with American bureaucracy, uses a sexy associate, Ginger (Berry), to coerce a computer hacker (Jackman), just released from prison, to steal \$9 billion from a DEA slush fund. Stars John Travolta, Hugh Jackman, Halle Berry, Don Cheadle, Vinnie Jones and Sam Shephard.

Scheduled to open Friday, June 22

THE FAST AND THE FURIOUS
An action-adventure film about rival Los Angeles street teams who use street racing as a means of establishing power. Paul Walker stars as a rookie cop who goes undercover, posing as a racing team member, in order to investigate truck hijackings. Managing to ingratiate himself with the team's leaders at first, he finds himself in jeopardy when the other members begin to suspect an imposter within their ranks, setting the stage for an exciting climactic showdown. Stars Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Michelle Rodriguez and Jordana Brewster.

Scheduled to open Friday, June 29

A.I.: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
Sometime in the future of the 21st century, in a time when the Greenhouse Effect has melted the icecaps, submerging many of the coastal cities in water, mankind depends upon computers with artificial intelligence to maintain our way of life. Man has also found new friends in A.I., in the form of robots that are used for a variety of functions. This story is about a boy robot, and the emotional journey he makes toward becoming... something more. Stars Haley Joel Osment, William Hurt, Jude Law, Frances O'Connor, Sam Robards, Jake Thomas, Brendan Gleeson and Robin Williams (as the narrator).

Scheduled to open Friday, Aug. 17

AMERICAN OUTLAWS
In the spirit of *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* that centers on the legendary Western outlaw Jesse James and his rebel gang, wanted by the law but revered by the public. Stars Colin Farrell, Scott Caan, Ali Larter and Timothy Dalton.

STREET SCENE

The voice that guides GBV sounds off loud and clear

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
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Robert Pollard spent 14 years in the fourth grade — teaching. But when his band, Guided By Voices, moved out of the basement into the rock club in the early '90s, he traded in his blackboard and chalk for a microphone. Pop Rock 101 was soon in session.

Much has changed since his days near the schoolyard. This year, Guided By Voices released what's become its most personal, poignant record to date with *Isolation Drills*, onTVT Records. While he's the only original member of the band remaining, Pollard is now joined by guitarists Doug Gillard and Nate Farley, bassist Tim Tobias and new drummer, 28-year-old Jon McCann — formerly of the band American Flag. "He's a good drummer," said Pollard. "He's a little bit of a different drummer. Jim (MacPherson) was a cave-man. Jim hit really hard. They're both fantastic."

Pollard said the new album reflects his own experiences of separation with his wife and children, most of which was brought on by touring. "It's not just me," he said. "A few other

people in the band have gone through changes. It takes a toll on the homefront."

He wrote nearly all the lyrics for *Isolation Drills* while driving his car from San Diego to the East Coast on the band's last major tour. Like some modern day maniacal Jack Kerouac, Pollard actually penned the record driving at 90 miles an hour in the desert.

The album name was derived from a set of drills Pollard used years ago as a football coach. It seemed fitting with the subject matter. "The things we had done isolated us from what we had been accustomed to," he said.

On *Isolation Drills*, Pollard abandons his short, fragmented formula, once peppered with mythic references to robot boys and witches for something that falls closer to a full-on rock album. The songs are now richly coated in a wash of guitars and melting with pop melodies. "The inspiration basically came from my desire to make a big, serious rock record."

Perhaps the only remnants of the low-fi GBV grew up writing is the fleeting *Frostman*, recorded on a four-track, and maybe the minimalist, yearning of *Sister I Need Wine*. Pollard's pen-

chant for crafting catchy pop washes over in the first single, *Chasing Heather Crazy* and, especially, *Glad Girls*. "It's a solid record," he admits.

Recorded over a period of six weeks with producer Rob Schnapf (Foo Fighters, Beck), *Isolation Drills* strikes more of a balance between the polish sought by producer Ric Ocasek (The Cars) on GBV's 1999 release, *Do The Collapse* and the rough edges diehard fans grew to love.

Whether you love the music or not, just don't try to hand Pollard a lifetime achievement award — like the Dayton Music Hall of Fame did last month. He'll turn it down without a blink. "I'm not ready to stop. I got a lot left in me," he said. "I'm not ready. Maybe in 20 years."

A decade since he left the classroom, Pollard is preparing to get back on the road. While he misses having students, it's not likely he'll return to his first career. But Mr. Pollard could teach his fellow rock stars a lesson or two in pop longevity.

Guided By Voices with Creeper Lagoon, 8 p.m. Friday, May 11, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. Tickets \$14. Call (248) 645-6666.



Guided By Voices

Creeper Lagoon fights to stay above water



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

For Sharky Laguana, it's been one of those days — the kind that VH-1's *Behind the Music* relies on.

Calling from a hotel in Los Angeles, one of the founding members of California-based Creeper Lagoon sounds like he might explode at any given moment. He's just returned from what could conceivably be called the worst show of his life and finds himself contemplating everything from the rules of the music business to the bitter possibility of having to give it all up.

Despite his mood, Creeper Lagoon has just released *Take Back the Universe (And Give Me Yesterday)*, a venture that emerged after more than two years of recording and the expertise of four remarkable producers: Jerry Harrison (Live), Dave Fridmann (Flaming Lips), Greg Wells (Crash Test Dummies) and Mark Trombino (Jimmy Eat World).

While spring tour dates with Guided By Voices will take the band across the Midwest and to the West Coast, Creeper won't soon return to Orange County, Calif. That's where the band performed in front of a crowd of "jarheads and Blink-One-Eighty Biscuit fans," said Laguana. "I got hit in the head with (glass) bottles."

At this particular moment, he won't say for sure if his band will stay together long enough to make it to Detroit for its May 11 show at the Majestic Theatre. Of course, he's also checking the status of his newly-blackened eye. This isn't exactly how a Laguana idealized a rock 'n' roll lifestyle with his bandmates Ian Sefchick (vocals, guitars, keyboards), Dan Carr (bass, vocals) and Dave Kostiner (drums, percussion, vocals, keyboards).

"It's the first time it's ever happened," said Laguana, unable to get the incident off of his mind. "I'm not lying, 75 percent of the crowd had their shirts off, weighed over 180 and — even though it was a total concrete surface — they still continued to thrash around, knocking girls down."

In spite of the appalling behavior displayed by 5,000 raging fans, Creeper Lagoon played on. "Our kind of music is not beat-you-over-the-head-type music. This kind of stuff is more likely to grow on you. It takes a little bit more patience."

Patience is something Creeper Lagoon is quite familiar with — Sefchick and Laguana have been writing songs together since their days growing up together in Ohio. Laguana moved to San Francisco a decade ago to pursue music. Not long after, Sefchick joined him and they named themselves Creeper Lagoon, after the nickname Laguana had given the cheap, sleazy hotel where he worked.

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Take Back the Universe (And Give Me Yesterday) is the second full-length CD from the Creeper. They released a self-titled debut EP in 1997, the acclaimed 1998 album *I Become Small*, and the mystical EP *Watering Ghost Garden* just last year.

It took four producers, two years and five almost break-ups later to complete this latest project. "We've learned so much now I don't think we'll use a producer on the next record," Ken Andrews mixed the entire album, saving the band from dealing with too many different styles influenced by several producers.

It started out so simply — the band rented an Ostrich farm in north-central California. "When we rented the farm, it was supposed to be a Led Zeppelin magical time," he said. "But it wasn't magical in the sense that it was fun. I didn't know I could get that sick. Ian didn't know he could get that depressed."

Laguana had a severe allergic reaction and "coughed his lungs out" for about three months and Sefchick had trouble dealing with the isolation. New drum-

mer Dan Kostiner was the one who turned it all around.

Laguana was looking forward to getting back to what he jokingly called "the good old days," of touring with Guided By Voices. "They are the sweetest guys in the world," he said. "They were the best band to tour with, better than I ever imagined." This comes from a man whose toured with the likes of Beck, Built to Spill, Yo La Tengo and Pavement; It's an awfully bold statement.

Maybe the chemistry has something to do with the Ohio ties shared by Laguana, Sefchick and GBV's voice Robert Pollard. "There is a bond there," said Laguana. "I don't know how to explain it. When you grow up in the same part of the world, there's a sensibility. I can really feel it. We're just kind of no-nonsense guys. We're not walking around wearing leather pants."

Sense of style aside, the road has grown weary for Creeper Lagoon. "We've been doing this for a long time. We don't really think we're going to be big or anything. We're probably never going to make any money. Maybe it's time to get out."

Somehow its hard to picture him looking for a day job, or returning to that old hotel. Creeper Lagoon could use a little love from the Motor City.

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DINING

Cleopatra's extends her charms to Wayne

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The much-loved Cleopatra's in Westland has done us a big favor by opening a second location in Wayne. Anyone who has ever sampled the restaurant's delicious Lebanese cuisine and gracious hospitality knows the only thing better than one Cleopatra's is two.

The restaurants are not clones. The Westland location, the "blue" Cleopatra's, is small and intimate with a very loyal following. The larger "red" Cleopatra's in Wayne is also a nightclub, complete with a dance floor and Arabic entertainment on weekends 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. It also has a special "argeeleh" room for those fond of sharing the traditional Arabic waterpipe (mild tobacco mixed with fruit flavors).

However.... "It's the same good food and good service," said owner Nawf Abou-dib, a full-time teacher who helps her husband, Tony, at the restaurants on school breaks and weekends.

Good food

Cleopatra's good food includes the creamiest hummus in town, the freshest tabbouleh and luncheon specials — served on a large silver platter with hummus, salad and rice — that defy consumption at a single seating. And if you haven't tried the galabah — a spicy stew with either chicken or meat, green peppers, onions, mushrooms and garlic — well, you're missing a real tasty dish. Just don't forget the breath mints.

"We're not like other Arabic restaurants that cut the ingredients for gallabah up ahead of time. We cut and cook when the customer asks for it," said Tony's niece, Vera, who manages Cleopatra's in Westland.

Mike Carrigan, who works at State Farm Insurance in Livonia, often visits the Westland location. "I've been working in Livonia for just a little over a year, and I've been here 15 times. You can say that Carrigan goes for the baked chicken on Thursdays," he said.

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Where: 35159 E. Michigan Ave., Wayne, (734) 641-7390, (734) 641-9030
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Westland location: 7088 Wayne Road, Westland, (734) 427-2100. Hours: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; noon to 10 p.m. Saturday; closed Sunday.

Menu: Lebanese cuisine, including daily specials. Moderately priced. Alcohol served. Carryouts and catering available.
Atmosphere: Open, airy, lots of artwork by owner's son. Dance floor and bar area.
Entertainment: Arabic music, including singer, on Friday and Saturday nights after 10:30 p.m.

Lots of people go for the baked chicken, a Thursday entrée special. It's a succulent one-half chicken basted with olive oil, lemon and spices. Many people call ahead to reserve it, said Vera. They also call ahead for the lamb shanks, served on Friday. The shanks, cooked slowly in tomato sauce and fresh carrots, are fall-off-the-bone tender.

"I have four lamb shanks reserved for tonight," said Vera. "One time I had a customer come in who heard about the lamb shanks. He ordered four. When I told him I only had two, he left and came back the next week."

But as any customer knows, good food can lose its flavor fast if a restaurant lacks hospitality. That's never been true at Cleopatra's. "They tell me they feel like home here," said Vera. "It's so cozy here. And we give them our time. Even if we are busy, we talk to them."

Vera said she has one customer who feels so at home he serves himself his lemonade and brings his dirty dishes back to the kitchen.

I have been dining at Cleopatra's in Westland for years and

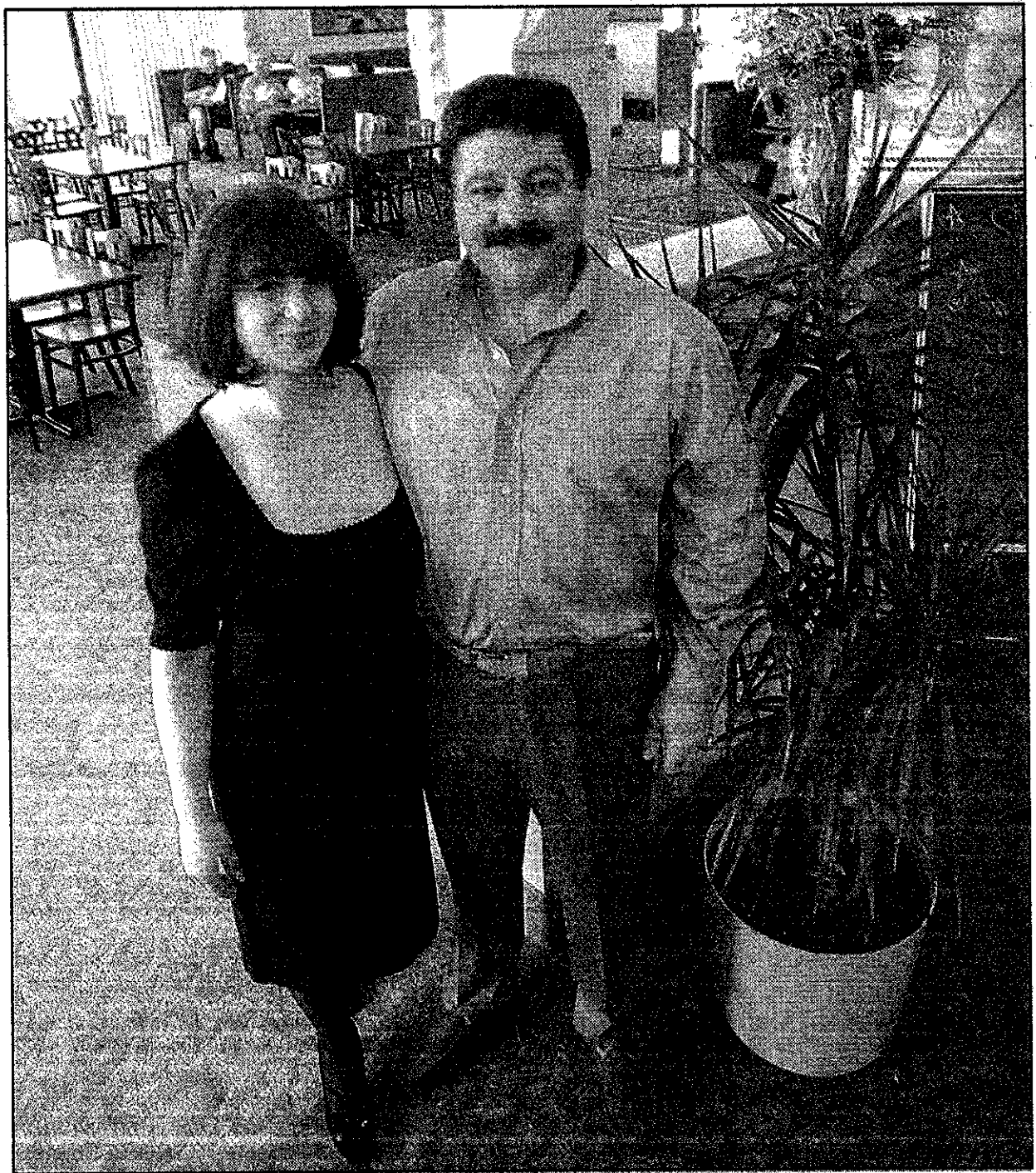
have introduced countless others to its charms, even those at first reluctant to try Lebanese fare. I've persuaded them to try all sorts of dishes, including the baked potato kibbeh (my husband's favorite), mujadra (lentils cooked with rice and topped with sautéed sliced onions) and burghul, a true comfort food of cooked cracked wheat, tomatoes and green pepper.

Larry Bogas and John Cibrario, both Westland attorneys, are super loyal Cleopatra's fans. Both attended the recent grand opening in Wayne.

"I know a little bit about Lebanese food, and I've found this to be ... well, it's the closest to my mother's cooking that I can find," said Bogas.

"All I can say about the food is it's phenomenal," said Cibrario, who confessed to eating at Cleopatra's three times a week.

Nawf Abou-Dib is confident Cleopatra's in Wayne will meet the same success as its Westland counterpart. It's already busy come late Friday and Saturday nights. She's hoping the city of Wayne will soon grant her a license for a professional belly



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Your hosts: Tony and Nawf Abou-Dib are ready to welcome both old and new customers to Cleopatra's in Wayne.

dancer.

"This is an art, pure and high-class. To attract an American crowd, it would be nice to have a

belly dancer," she said.

However, with or without a belly dancer, Cleopatra's is a pleaser. Nawf, Tony, and Vera

continue to treat everyone like guests. "I just enjoy introducing people to our food and our way of life," said Nawf.

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GET UP and MOW...and EDGE...and TRIM



Work by the yard: Sue Kluz of Canton loosens a nut on her lawn mower so she can remove the mower blade.

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Keep your lawn tools in high gear

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Sue Kluz knows it's time. The Canton gardener needs to clean up the yard and remove any excess growth from her garden beds if she wants them full of assorted herbs and flowers.

She'll need a few tools to get the job done, and is checking her equipment to make sure it's in tip-top shape.

"I know I'll need to check the oil in the lawn mower, the spark plug and the blade," Kluz said.

If the blade is dull, it will need to be replaced. Replacing a lawn mower blade is easy, said Harry Jachym, who writes the "Ask Dad" column for the Observer Newspapers.

"If you don't sharpen the blade, that's a good reason to change it altogether," said Jachym. (Be sure to read the owner's manual first before working on any lawn mower.)

Disconnect the spark plug wire before you begin working with the blade. Use a wrench to loosen the blade bolt and grasp the blade through a towel with your free hand.

Tips

Here are some tips for maintaining a clean machine:

"Spray vegetable oil under the mower and the grass will come right off," Kluz said. "It really makes cleaning it easier." Pam, cooking spray, works well, she said.

Neglecting to rinse the underside and blade can cause lawn mower problems later. Lawn clippings contain water and can cause your machine to rust, said Jachym.

Kluz's lawn arsenal includes a mower, an edger and a rechargeable trimmer.

Jachym examines Kluz's edger, which looks like it can handle many more digs along the concrete. "Don't bother sharpening the (edger's) blade," Jachym advises. "When the blade needs to be replaced, replace it."

Electrical starters on lawn units are a "good thing to think about" when purchasing a trimmer or edger, Kluz said. They make starting them a little easier.

What if your power trimmer or weedwacker runs out of cutting line? Just pop the top and restring it or

replace the reel. "I just buy the reel and pop it," Kluz said. "It's not hard to do." Jachym advises purchasing orange or yellow color line, so the line is visible when you use it.

You'll need to check the spark plug and small motor of weed trimmer units that use a gas-oil mixture. A varnish-like coat can form on these units if they're not properly maintained.

Spray inside with an engine cleaner to remove that varnish-like coat created by unused fuel that sits in the tank over the winter. Filters should be cleaned or replaced as well.

Jachym likes to replace the spark plugs on his equipment annually. "It's just a good idea," he said.

Those who are in a hurry to use their equipment can clean the spark plug with a spray that specifically is used for cleaning engines or clean it with sandpaper. Before operating, check the plug's gap, according to the manufacturer's specifications.

Operating the equipment

Jachym advises reading owner's manuals and follow the instructions religiously. "You should wear hearing protection, even if it's throwaway earplugs," Jachym said. "Any lawn equipment is pretty noisy."

If tools are rechargeable, charging them up once you are finished will save time later, Kluz said. "I'll plug them in when I'm done, so they'll be ready to use again," she said.

Kluz expects to purchase a shoulder harness soon to assist her with the trimmer. Kluz suffered from "golf elbows" last year after she carried her portable rechargeable trimmer a little too long one afternoon last summer.

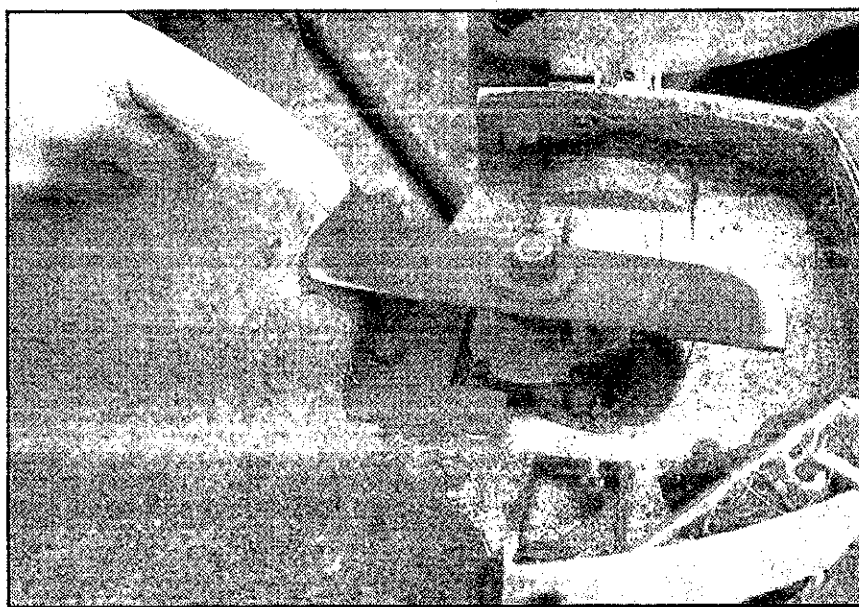
"I think that (harness) will help," Jachym said. "There's a real push on ergonomics now. I'm seeing it in the construction equipment. With the garden tools, I think you're starting to see that in there, too." For those with achy knees, knee pads also assist with any gardening clean-ups.

Jachym also recommends:

■ Checking concrete for cracks. Any growth of weeds or plant material in cracks should be killed, as these will contribute to the cracks and worsen them.

■ Using 3-in-1 oil or spray WD-40 to keep smaller tools such as garden shears clipping smoothly.

■ If you have a sprinkler system, you may need to reset the time if you've suffered any power outages, Jachym said.



On the edge: Kluz needs to check her blade on her edger before she begins the arduous task of removing that overgrown grass from her driveway and concrete patio areas.



Pop the top: If your power trimmer runs out of line, just remove the cap and reline the string, using orange or yellow line, so it is easily visible. Once the line is replaced, Kluz takes the trimmer on a short test run.



KEEPING IT SAFE

Whether you're clipping, cutting, mulching or mowing, chances are you're using motorized equipment or tools.

While powerful electric or gasoline motors that whirl metal blades or grind razor-sharp teeth make many household chores easier, they can also make them dangerous.

More than 70,000 people in the United States made hospital visits last year due to lawn mower mishaps; another 28,000 injuries occurred with other powered lawn/garden equipment. Additionally, 78,000 victims were treated in emergency rooms after power saw accidents.

The safety professionals at Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) recommended that you follow these safety precautions for your lawnmower.

■ Before operating your mower, make sure you have read the owner's manual thoroughly, noting all safety and operating instructions. Learn the controls well enough to act instantly in an emergency and to stop the machine quickly.

■ If you have a gasoline-fueled mower, store the gas in a UL Listed safety can. Fill the mower outside, away from possible ignition sources. Before starting the mower, be sure it is on level ground and disengage all clutches.

■ Always start the mower outdoors. Never operate the mower where carbon monoxide can collect, such as in a closed garage, storage shed or basement.

■ Electrically powered lawn mowers should not be used on wet grass. Use an extension cord designed for outdoor use and rated for the power needs of your mower. To reduce the risk of cutting the cord while you're mowing, start mowing in the area nearest the electrical outlet, then mow away from the outlet so the power cord will be behind you.

■ Make sure all safety guards are in place and keep the mower's blades sharp. If you do hit a foreign object or have a mower malfunction, remember to turn off the mower and disconnect the power cord before inspecting for damage.

■ Keep your hands and feet away from mower's blades. Never reach under the mower for any reason while the mower is in operation and make all adjustments with the motor off.

■ Safe footwear is important, especially with walk-behind mowers. Make sure your shoes provide good traction to reduce slipping and have sturdy soles to resist punctures. Never work barefoot or in sandals, canvas shoes, etc.

■ Never leave a lawn mower operational while unattended. Curious children, eager to help out, may get seriously injured.

Source: Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. For more safety tips for lawn and garden tools, look inside today's At Home Section.

MARTY FIGLEY

Late bloomers

Her Garden Spot column reviews why your plants may not be blooming yet.

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JOE GAGNON

Defective tubes

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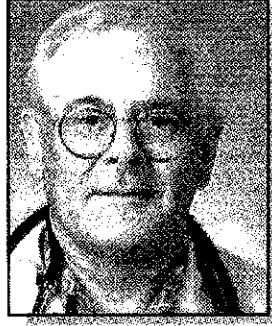
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'Smart lawns' give homeowners something to consider this spring

ANN ARBOR - The grass isn't always greener on the other side of the street, but it may be more environmentally sound.

As homeowners begin their spring gardening, they might want to consider a "smart lawn" this season.

Robert Grese, director of the University of Michigan's Nichols Arboretum, has turned his yard into a combination of woodland and prairie habitats. While his neighbors spend their free time mowing, weeding, watering and fertilizing, Grese spends his relaxing and enjoying the view.

His yard has more than 80 species of trees, shrubs, grasses, and wild flowers that bloom throughout spring and summer and attract unique birds, butterflies, and crickets.

"During the summer, I've occasionally found people sitting in my driveway just listening to the crickets and appreciating the scenery," Grese said.

Grese helped start the Ann Arbor-based chapter of the "Wild Ones" natural landscapers group. There are now eight chapters around the state of Michigan. Members include homeowners who have converted their lawns into prairies or woodlands as well as folks who want to make their yards more sustainable or simply enjoy natural areas and learn something about native plants.

Grese says the group's goal is

to "share environmentally sound gardening practices and promote biodiversity."

While lush, green lawns have become a standard of suburban beauty, Grese and other environmentalists feel their overuse and dependence on high fertilization and pesticide use can cause unnecessary harm to the environment. Standard lawns also lead to a greatly impoverished local flora and fauna when compared to a "smart lawn" that includes a greater variety of plants or is modeled after locally native prairies. As one of the brochures from the Wild Ones states, "if nothing moves in your landscape but a lawnmower, it's time to think about designing a natural yard."

Fertilizers can be one of the biggest offenders, especially if applied excessively or allowed to spill over onto nearby walks and roads where fertilizers wash directly into storm sewers and eventually into local streams and lakes.

Grese warns that many people over fertilize their lawns and don't know when enough is enough. Some environmental groups, like the Huron River Watershed Council, encourage homeowners to take soil samples to determine their actual fertilizing needs, rather than guessing. Through a carefully orchestrated campaign that included ads in local papers and direct mailings, the council

has stimulated a dramatic increase in the number of people requesting soil sample tests from local county extension offices.

Along with a standard suburban yard comes tremendous upkeep in terms of mowing and blowing. Recent studies have found that approximately 5 percent of air pollution comes from lawnmowers, weed whips, blowers and other yard tools with small engines.

Environmentalists are encouraging people to use manual mowers instead of those powered by gasoline. Grese adds that many companies are now making their manual mowers lighter and easier to use.

And, those green lawns can be a big drain on local water supplies. Many communities experience droughts and water bans during the hot summer months. Conventional lawns are water dependent and can easily dry out and die without the proper amount of water, but a smart lawn needs less water and draws on resources that are available in the soil.

Grese says a diverse prairie or woodland planting is a partial answer to environmental problems, like global warming or increases in storm water runoff. A locally native prairie or woodland can survive more extreme environments. The rough grasses of a prairie or the variety of ground covers

Safety first

Use saws, equipment carefully

The safety professionals at Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) recommended that you follow these safety precautions when using lawn or garden equipment and power saws:

■ Before using any appliance or tool, read and follow the manufacturer's use and care instructions that come with the product.

■ Always look for the familiar UL Listing Mark before purchasing a power tool, garden appliance or any other electrical product. The mark on a product means that representative samples of that product have been tested to stringent safety standards with regard to fire, electric shock and related safety hazards.

■ Before each use, inspect power tools and electric garden appliances for frayed power cords and cracked or broken casings. If the product is damaged, Don't use it or attempt to repair it yourself. Return the product or have a qualified repair shop examine it.

■ Always wear proper attire. Keep your clothing, hands and feet away from cutting blades at all times. Never wear jewelry when working with tools. Always wear safety glasses.

■ Pay attention to warning markings. Don't allow tools to get wet unless they are labeled "immersible." When using tools outside, make sure they are appropriate for outdoor use.

■ Never alter a product or remove safety features such as blade guards or electric plug grounding pins.

■ Use only properly rated outdoor extension cords with outdoor electrical tools.

■ Check the switch on a power tool or garden appliance to make sure it's "off" before you plug it in.

■ Unplug all portable electrically operated power tools when not in use. These tools contain electricity even when turned "off" but still plugged in.

■ Use and store power tools and garden appliances away

from water sources to avoid electric shock. Never use power tools and appliances in the rain.

■ Have a qualified technician install ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) receptacles in all outdoor outlets. After installation, test your GFCIs monthly.

■ Never carry an appliance by the cord, and never yank the cord when removing it from a receptacle. When disconnecting the cord, always grasp the plug - not the wire. Keep the cord away from heat, oil and sharp edges.

Power Saws

■ A blade guard is a necessity. Buy a saw with the guard you feel most comfortable using, and keep it on the saw at all times. Some types, such as sabre saws, cannot be designed with a guard; be especially careful to avoid contact with the blade. Before operating saws with guards, make sure they are in place and in proper working order.

■ Make sure the switch is in the "off" position before plugging in a power saw.

■ Always wait for the saw blade to stop before pulling away from a cut to avoid "kickback." Kickback can occur when the blade jams or binds in the wood and throws the saw toward the operator (portable power saws) or the wood toward the operator (stationary equipment).

■ While operating the saw, keep the cord away from the cutting area and position it so that it will not be caught on the work piece.

■ Make sure you use the right saw for your task. For example, don't use a circular saw for cutting tree limbs or logs. A chainsaw is the appropriate tool in

this case.

■ Saw blades that are chipped, bent, or in any way damaged should be discarded immediately.

■ Use clamps or a vise to hold work in place. It's safer than using your hands and frees both to operate the tool.

■ A properly sharpened saw blade provides better and safer performance. Sharp blades minimize stalling and kickback.

■ Keep children away from the work area at all times. Never allow them to operate power saws.

■ Use rubber or other non-slip matting around the work area to prevent trips and falls. Keep the floor area clear of debris.

■ Wear safety glasses, but don't wear jewelry while cutting. Watches, bracelets and long sleeves can get caught in the saw's moving parts.

■ If you need to use an extension cord with your saw make sure it is in good condition and make sure it's heavy enough to carry the current your product will draw.

■ Turn off motor, make sure saw blade has stopped and unplug product before cleaning around the saw.

Lawn mowers, power tools and garden appliances, like any household appliance, need to be maintained and used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Following these precautions and the manufacturer's instructions to enjoy longer, safer use of your spring cleaning equipment.

For more information on UL's spring safety campaign and tips on safe use of ladders, extension cords and GFCIs, visit UL's Web site at www.ul.com.

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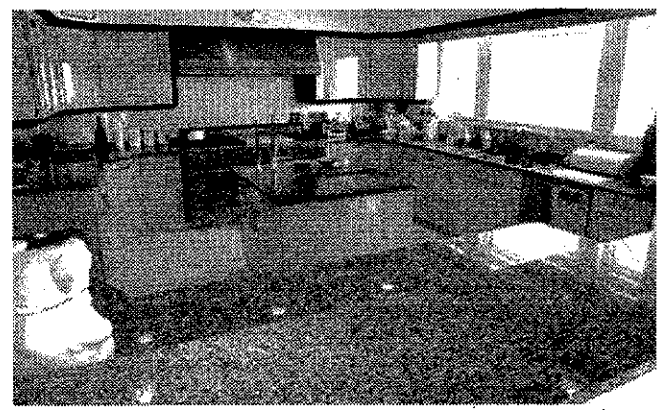
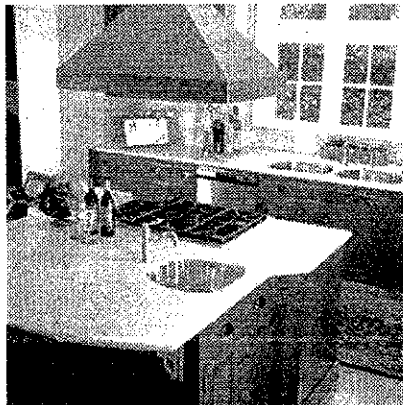
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GARDENING

Watch temperature, sunlight to ensure spring blooms

GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

We are all busy planning where we will put our newly bought plants so that they will be at their best when it's time for them to take center stage in the garden. But, some of them won't do as well as we had hoped — and we will wonder why.

Also, sometimes plants that have been in the same location for several years may not be doing well. Blooms are sparse or the plant seems to be in a decline.

The most common reasons for a plant not to bloom are: the age of the plant, winter temperature, light, water, nutrition and improper pruning.

Some ornamentals are slow growers and remain in a juvenile stage for several seasons.

Patience is the key. Continue caring for them and soon they will bloom.

Temperature can be too low or not low enough and affect plants. Very cold winter temperature may kill flowers on early-blooming plants, often the shrubs that we so enjoy when they bloom and say "It's spring!"

On the other hand, some cold is essential for normal flowering of many ornamentals such as bulbs.

The amount of light also affects flowering. The proper amount of sun and shade is important.

If an area of the garden was sunny when a plant was first put in the garden, with time, trees may have matured and barriers been erected (fences, houses, etc.) so that the area is too shady.

Now's the time to remedy that situation and transplant them. When you make purchases for this season, know what light conditions the plants need before you buy them.

There are probably areas in

your garden that are damp and others that are dry. Watering too much can stress a plant as much as dry conditions.

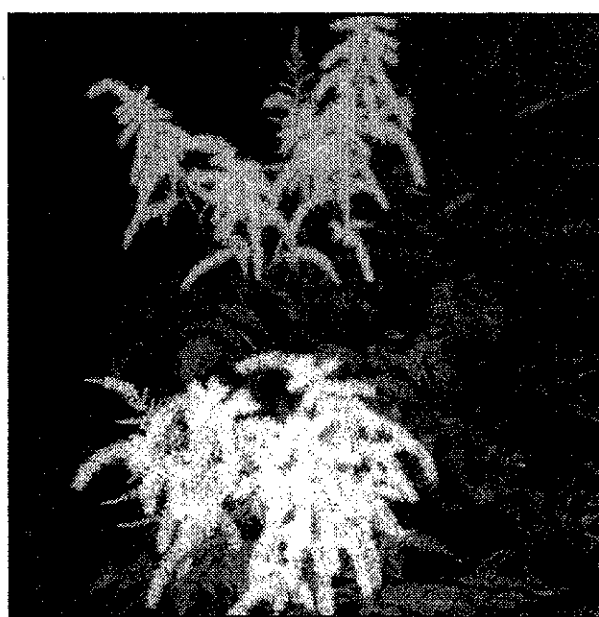
Choose plants that will need the condition you have. A good book or two can help eliminate guesswork. If you learn about the places where the plant originated, you will find a clue as to what conditions it will need in your garden.

Nitrogen is a wonderful fertilizer, but sometimes too much is used and it may stimulate plants to produce lots of shoots and leaves but few flowers. Have your soil tested before you apply any fertilizer so you won't over-feed.

Pruning also affects flowering. Spring-flowering trees and shrubs should be pruned immediately after they flower.

During the following months they set buds for next spring's flowers by the time they go dormant this fall, so pruning in fall or winter removes buds that would have made the next year's floral display.

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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.

Spring Plant Sale and Garden Festival 2001, celebrating the 30th birthday of the gardens, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, May 17.

The sale at 380 Lone Pine in Bloomfield Hills will feature Carl Foerster grass, Michigan

Cranbrook sale

Keeping all this in mind, plan to attend Cranbrook Gardens

Gardens viewed, then reviewed

Gardeners can tour spectacular gardens and then review them through the eyes of Allan Armitage, an internationally acclaimed gardener, author, instructor and professor of horticulture.

As part of The Michigan School of Gardening's "An Expert's Perspective" presentation series, gardeners will tour specially selected gardens in Beverly Hills and Bloomfield Hills. They will visit with Armitage who will present slides of the gardens and share his perspective on each garden, exploring the plants, points of interest and new ideas.

The gardens feature annuals and perennials, dwarf conifers, vegetable beds, rock gardens and ponds. They will be open for viewing Friday and Saturday, June 22 and 23, and Master Gardeners from the Michigan

State University Extension will be on hand to answer questions.

Afterward, participants can meet Armitage and purchase personalized copies of his books. The event is sponsored by The Michigan School of Gardening, Michigan State University Extension of Oakland County and Goldner Walsh Nursery, Inc.

Armitage has toured gardens in North and South America, New Zealand, Australia and Europe and brought both plants and gardening ideas home to his students and readers through seven books and over 250 articles on gardening.

"We are extremely excited about this very special event," said Mary Lore, co-founder and managing director of the Michigan School of Gardening. "It is such fun to tour beautiful gardens. And to be able to see the

gardens through the eyes of Dr. Allan Armitage — it is a wonderful and unique opportunity."

Armitage's presentation is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, June 24, at the Michigan State University Management Education Center in Troy. The Michigan School of Gardening will host the program and instructors and graduates of the Michigan School of Gardening will be available to answer questions before and after the presentation. The presentation will be followed by a book signing and reception at Goldner Walsh Nursery in Pontiac.

Tickets are priced at \$45 (\$55 after May 25) per person. Call 248-4-GARDEN (248-442-7336) to request a brochure and registration form. Space is limited. Advanced registration is required. The deadline for registration is June 6.

Harley owners help animals

Members of the Harley Owners Group and Motor City Harley-Davidson will team up with the Michigan Humane Society to help homeless animals find the road to a happy life at the HOGs for Cats and Dogs adoption event Saturday, May 12.

The event, featuring dozens of adoptable dogs, cats, puppies and kittens, will be held outdoors under tents 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Motor City Harley-Davidson, 34900 Grand River in Farmington Hills.

In addition to finding a new four-legged companion, enjoy music, free food and beverage

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ages, demonstrations by the Southfield Police K-9 Unit at noon and 2 p.m., and check out an assortment of Harley Davidson and Michigan Humane Society retail items.

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experts from the MHS's pet Education Center for helpful tips on getting off to a great start together.

The first 50 adopters will also receive a free nylon Harley-Davidson bandana, and leash and collar set.

Event attendees are encouraged to help fill up two food barrels with dog, cat and rabbit food donations, to help feed the animals at the MHS.

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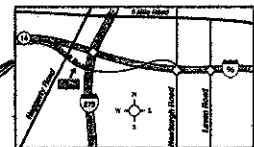
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HOME WORK

Homeowners still ask questions about hot water tanks

APPLIANCE DOCTOR



JOE GAGNON

I recently talked with a dentist who has an office in Livonia and lives in Bloomfield Hills. Recently, he hired a plumber to replace both hot water tanks in his home. Two hot water tanks are needed because the household uses a lot of hot water, as he has a young son with a serious illness and family members constantly put medical equipment in the dishwasher. The water's quality is critical to the young boy's health. The plumber removed defective dip tubes in both tanks and

showed them to the dentist, who was appalled at their broken-down condition. (The dip tube supplies cold water to the bottom of a hot water tank.) He was also horrified at the appearance of the water inside the hot water tank.

This caused him great alarm. He contacted more than 20 testing laboratories, and finally found one to test several bottled samples of water he removed from the tanks. Both of these tanks are five years old. He wants to know if these defective dip tubes have any potential health consequences.

He's not alone

At no time has this dentist been aware of the defective dip tube problem suspected to affect 24 million U.S. homeowners. I told him not to feel bad because he's not alone. It is estimated that just 4 million consumers

found out about the problem during the past two and a half years and the other 20 million are up a creek without a paddle.

A federal class action suit against the manufacturers was settled last June, and the final date for making a claim on the settlement was Dec. 20, 2000.

The dip tubes in question were manufactured between 1993 and 1996; the dip tubes lacked a specific chemical compound to stabilize the plastic. Those tubes were installed in water heaters manufactured by the American Water Heater Co., A.O. Smith, Bradford White, Lochinvar, Rheem Manufacturing and State Industries.

The defect causes the tube to deteriorate. Pieces of that plastic can clog faucet aerators, showerheads and pipes supplying water to dishwashers and washing machines. Homeowners who have this problem may notice a

slow water flow out of faucets or discover plastic pieces floating in their water supply.

Water looks 'gross'

This dentist, who is obviously schooled on the subject of bacteria, finds it hard to believe that such ugly-looking water from the inside of a hot water tank can be even close to healthy. I explained that I felt the same way two and a half years ago when the problem first surfaced and I worked with the state Attorney General's office in investigating the problem. The water was tested by the Michigan Department of Health.

Folks, I'm a big skeptic on two critical issues here. How did the manufacturers get away with such a quick shutoff date for fixing the problem, which they created as manufacturers? How did the federal court allow 4 million people to get the repairs done for

free and throw the cost of repairs onto the shoulders of 20 million other consumers? It just doesn't seem fair to me and to the people who have to pay.

I suspect that if the court told the manufacturers to fix every tank in question, the six companies would have shut their doors and hung up the sign, "gone out of business." I must say that would have been all right with me.

My other feeling of skepticism has to do with the water inside the tanks. If any test would have confirmed that the water inside these defective tanks caused serious medical problems, can you imagine the panic that would have followed such a published report?

I hope that the tests give the above homeowner's water a clean bill of health. I think about it often after I cut open a hot water tank and saw how gross it

looks in there.

We know that the inside is heated constantly, the dip tube on these tanks in question dissolves into a slime-looking substance, the anode rod deteriorates into the water and a scale-like matter builds up on the bottom as much as five inches thick. The water can be milky in appearance, and it sure doesn't look healthy.

This is just an "if" now, but what if it was discovered that the hot water tank in a home was responsible for any illnesses or health problems? Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on WJR-AM 760 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 telephone number is (313) 873-9789.

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we prevent perishable foods from spoiling? Will water back up into our basement during heavy rains?

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will be protected if the electricity goes out.

It can power the lights, furnace fan, well pump, sump pump, refrigerator, microwave oven, water heater, television - everything needed to maintain heat, food, water and communication in an emergency. In the average home, a 3,500- to 5,500-watt generator can power essential appliances and equipment.

For instance, the new Craftsman 4200 Watt OHVI Generator provides plenty of power to run most households in the event of an extended loss of utility service.

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A power transfer system also should be professionally installed in compliance with local codes to connect emergency

generator power through your home's electrical panel. The system eliminates the need for multiple extension cords and prevents a dangerous backfeed of electricity to utility linemen. It also enables the generator to power hard-wired equipment, such as the furnace blower motor and well pump, which do not have outlet plugs. For example, Sears offers a power transfer system for under \$300 that handles up to six essential household loads.

Portable generators also can provide electricity for power tools and lights in remote locations on farms, large properties and job sites. Families and outdoor enthusiasts also have used them for years at cabins and campsites.

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GARDENING CALENDAR

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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.

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.

PERFECT POTTING

Garden professionals from Mexico Direct, a unique pottery wholesaler in Northville, will be discussing how to choose and plant the perfect potted garden at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 17 at Art Van, 29905 Seven Mile Road in Livonia. Tips will be given on how to pick out the correct pottery for specific plants. Guests attending the seminar will receive a free gift and be registered to win a flowerpot that will be put together that evening. Reservations are suggested for this free seminar. Call (888) 619-2199.

NURSERY SCHOOL

ARRANGEMENTS

Several workshops, including a hand-tied rose bouquet workshop on Saturday, June 9, 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. Workshops also are scheduled on water plants for Saturday, July 21. Call (734) 397-0800.

GRASS ROOTS

Installing a water garden? Attend one or all of the free classes on water garden balancing on Sunday, May 13, and water garden construction scheduled for Saturday, May 19, 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.

BACK TO CLASS

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.

CLUB STUFF

FARMINGTON

The Farmington Garden Club will have their biannual rummage, garage and plant sale 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday and Friday, May 17 and 18, at the Warner Mansion Carriage House on Grand River west of Farmington Road.

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. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 23. Seven lovely gardens and yards of homes located in Livonia will be open for viewing. All proceeds from this event benefits the restoration and preservation of Greenmead Historical Village. Tickets are \$9 in advance, \$10 the day of the event and can be purchased from any of the three Livonia libraries, the Civic Center Library Gift Shop, Greenmead and the Department of Community Resources located on the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall. For information, call (734) 466-2540 or

(734) 425-4855.

CANTON

The Canton Garden Club, a member of the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan, presents its third garden walk, "Petals and Paths," 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 14, with a tour of six lovely gardens. Tickets are \$6 pre-sale and \$7 day of tour. They will be available after June 14, and may be purchased from Keller and Stein, Inc., 42158 Michigan Ave., Grayes's Greenhouse, 882 Lilley, Vanessa's Flowers, 545 W. Ann Arbor Rd. and Mary's Farm Market, 47453 Ford Road. No strollers please.

PLYMOUTH

Woman's National Farm and Garden Association and Trailwood Garden Club presents the Sixth Annual "Flowers are Forever" Garden Walk noon-8 p.m. Tuesday, June 26, in Plymouth. Several lovely gardens where complimentary refreshments will be served. Enjoy a floral art display by Nancy Walls Smith at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon. Tickets are \$6 pre-sale, \$7 the day of the tour. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or three for \$2. No strollers, please. Tickets available after June 1 at the Saxton's Garden Center, 587 W. Ann Arbor Trail; Backyard Birds, 627 S. Main, and Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon.

INTERIOR DESIGN

Find out what's hot in homes

Find out the hottest trends and tips to avoid the not-so-hot in home design from Amanda Dawson, associate editor of *House Beautiful*, who will be at two Gorman's Furniture stores Thursday, May 10 and Friday, May 11, for two sessions each day.

Gorman's Furniture hosts *House Beautiful* and Drexel Heritage specialists for an exclusive presentation, *Style for Today*, free to the public, to share decorating ideas on how to liven your home.

From Asian influences to inspiring color combinations, emerging trends and the freshest

styles, *Style for Today* will inspire the individual looking to integrate the latest home fashion into their home decorating plans. Among the topics are what's "out," the worst design sins, fast tips for decorating and how to invest wisely in home furnishings.

Visitors can meet Dawson afterward and discuss design ideas one-on-one. Sessions are scheduled for 1 and 7 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at Gorman's Lakeside, 14285 Hall Road, (across from Lakeside Mall), and Gorman's Novi, 27800 Novi Road (at 12 Mile Road).

Community garden created

Increase your plant varieties by attending a plant exchange 3-6 p.m. Tuesday, May 22, at the Linda S. Mlynarek Community Garden on the grounds of the Botsford Commons Community, 21450 Archwood Circle, off Folsom Road in Farmington Hills.

Please RSVP by calling the Development Department at Botsford General Hospital at (248) 442-5045. Refreshments will be served.

Participants are encouraged to donate a plant from their garden, which will become part of this community garden.

For convenience, plants may also be dropped off 7:30-9 a.m. on the day of the plant exchange. Advanced master gardeners will be available.

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ENGAGEMENTS

Szpakowski-Laidlaw

Tom Szpakowski of Plymouth and Joyce Drwiega of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Ann Szpakowski to Greg Laidlaw of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a 1995 graduate of University of Michigan and works as an engineer at Flint Ink in Ann Arbor.

Her fiancé, son of Ron and Jan Laidlaw of Livonia, is a 1995 Michigan State University graduate and works for Great Lakes Technology.

A September wedding is planned at St. Colette Church and Fox Hills Golf and Country Club.



Ledesma-Lenart

Javier and Jeanette Ledesma of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Melanie Kathleen, to Daniel Adam Lenart of Taylor.

The bride-to-be will graduate from Madonna University in May with a bachelor degree in English and minor in elementary education with the goal of becoming an elementary teacher.

Her fiancé, the son of Debra Youles and Mark Lenart of Livonia, finished his degree in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Michigan - Dearborn and is currently working for MSX International.

The couple will wed May 19 at



St. Bernadine of Siena Catholic Church.

Kouba-Rembinski

Laura Quinn and Craig Kouba announce the engagement of their daughter, Jill Martha Kouba, to Daryl John Rembinski of Detroit.

The bride-to-be is a pre-med student at University of Detroit Mercy.

Her fiancé, the son of Nancy Rembinski of Detroit, is a surgical technician at Detroit Children's Hospital. He received his degree from the United States Army.

The couple will wed in August at Our Lady of Loretto.



Weisman-Poger

Harold and Lana Weisman of West Bloomfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Jenifer Rebecca, to Herschel Joseph Poger of Farmington.

The bride-to-be graduated from Oak Park High School in 1988 and graduated from Academy of Court Reporting in 1995. Jenifer works as a court reporter for Lauren Bienenstock & Associates in Bingham Farms.

Her fiancé, the son of Leonard and Judy Poger of Westland, graduated from Churchill High School in 1988 and from Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts in 1998. He works as an account executive for the General Fas-



teners Company and part-time as a video producer.

The couple will wed Sept. 2 at Adat Shalom Synagogue.

Williams-Williams

LaDonya Williams and Lester Williams will be married June 9 at the Westland Convalescent Center (WCC) where they are both employed and first met, in January of 1999.

LaDonya is a unit secretary at WCC and has been employed there since 1993. Lester, who maintains the floors asked her out in May of 2000 and they were engaged in November of the same year.

Because LaDonya and Lester see the residents and staff of the convalescent center as an extension of their family, it seemed only natural that they host their ceremony there.

Many area businesses are donating their services such as



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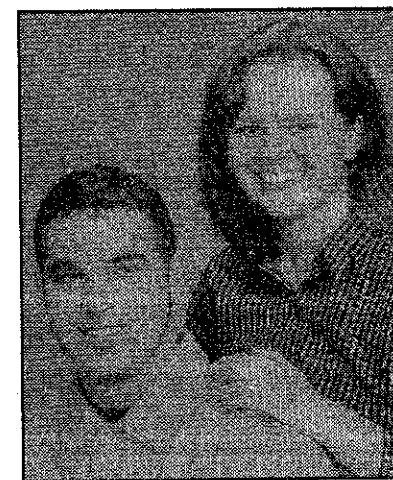
Rink-Grangood

Ron and Hilda Rink of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristi, to Vince Grangood of South Lyon.

The bride-to-be is a 1997 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and a 2000 graduate of Schoolcraft College. She is attending the University of Michigan-Dearborn and working part time.

Her fiancé, son of Curt and Candy Grangood of South Lyon, is a 1997 graduate of South Lyon High School and a graduate of ITT Tech. He is working at Sun-Steel Treating.

A June wedding is planned at St. Robert-Bellarmino Church in



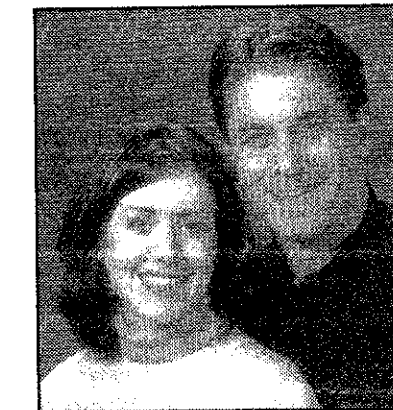
Redford. The reception will be at Roma Banquet Hall in Garden City.

Eisenhower-Postl

Gary and Fran Eisenhower of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Anne, to Larry Postl of Royal Oak.

The bride-to-be is a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University from the College of Business where she earned a degree in marketing. She is currently employed at the Society of Manufacturing Engineers and is working on a master's degree at the University of Michigan - Dearborn.

Her fiancé, the son of Dan and Alice Postl of Jackson, is a 1989 graduate of Ferris State University from the College of Business where he received a degree in business economics. He is



employed at the Society of Manufacturing Engineers and is pursuing a master's degree at Wayne State University.

A November wedding is planned at St. John's in Plymouth.

More engagements, please see C8

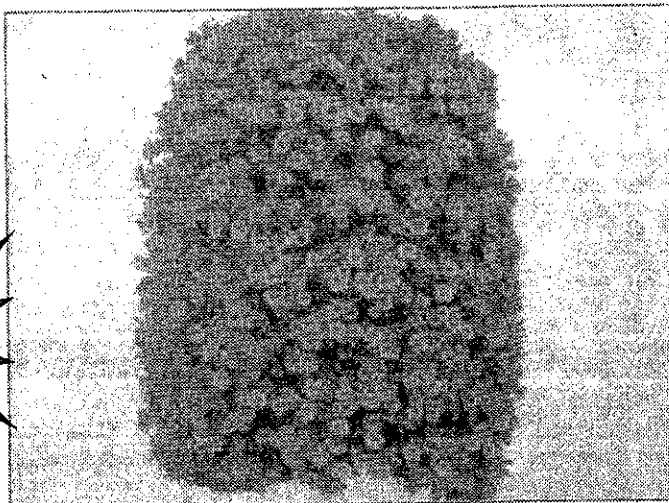
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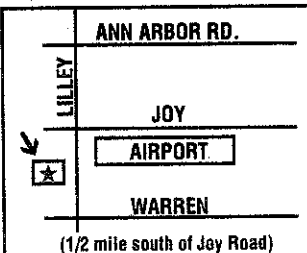
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Bronkhorst

Richard and Karen (Burke) Bronkhorst of Canton will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary in May. The couple wed May 22, 1976 in North Weymouth, Mass., and have lived in the Canton area for 15 years.

They have three children: Kristin, Kimberly and Kerri.

Richard Bronkhorst works for Northwest Airlines and Karen is a house wife. She is very involved with the Girl Scouts of America, an organization of which her daughter Kerri is a member.

To celebrate the occasion, the couple spent a week in Aruba.



ANNIVERSARY

NEW ARRIVALS

■ Amy Whiting and Omar Rodriguez of Westland announce the birth of their daughter Vanessa Michelle Rodriguez born March 2 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Vanessa joins sister Katelyn Rodriguez, 4. Grandparents are Karen Whiting of Livonia and Mirta and Edwin Rodriguez of Bloomington.

■ Jeff and Amy Churchill of Breckenridge, Mich., announce the birth of their son James Eldon, born April 30 in Midland. Grandparents are Eldon and Audrey Churchill of Livonia and Lowell and Vonnie Swift of Alaska.

■ Michael and Cynthia Featherngill of Redford announce the birth of their son Ryan Michael born April 30 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. Grandparents are Ray-

Please see NEW, C9



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SHORTCOMINGS



RENEE SKOGLUND

Stolen lilacs smell the best

It's that time again. Lilac season. For a few brief weeks in May I become giddily intoxicated with the sweet smell of lilacs. I also steal them. Yes, I am a lilac thief, guilty of drive-by pickings by day and by night.

Let's get the record straight. I don't march into someone's backyard, scissors in hand and prune their lilac bushes to my advantage. Private property is off limits ... unless the lilacs are drooping over the back fence or planted tantalizingly close to the curb. Then, it's snip, snip and I'm off.

I suspect the world is full of lilac thieves. Who can blame them? Deep purple, pale lavender, blue, pink or white, lilacs announce that spring is in full bloom and summer is near. Who doesn't thrill to a shower of lilac confetti when twisting a high-perched plume off a bush? And who, when coming across a vase of lilacs, doesn't inhale deeply and declare the world a better place?

I began stealing lilacs as a little girl growing up in Redford Township. I'd walk down Norborne Street or Kinloch toward Western Golf and Country Club and there they'd be, random clusters of lilac bushes. Sometimes my father was my accomplice. When my own children were small, we'd pick lilacs from the abandoned bushes in fields near Joy Road and Morton Taylor in Canton.

After my children outgrew the thrill of stealing lilacs, I recruited my neighbor's children, Jonathan and Kate, then pre-teens. I'd load them in my car, one in the front seat, one in the back, and off we'd go to Northville for some lush roadside pickings.

"Ready?" I'd ask as we slowly rounded a corner full of lilacs. "Got your scissors?"

Giggling, Jonathan and Kate would lean out the window, grab a wayward branch and snip off their haul. The car would be a mess, but who cared? Lilac season is short. Afterward, we'd stop by Guernsey's for ice cream before heading home.

Recently, I asked Kate, now 16, if she was too old to steal lilacs. "No," she said emphatically. "If I had a car, I'd go. I love lilacs. They're my favorite scent. And they're purple. That's why I love them."

Did we really *steal* lilacs, I ventured? "No. I think it was more like sharing someone else's flowers," Kate assured me. My legacy lives on.

I believe the higher powers that be will forgive me for stealing lilacs and corrupting others to do so. Certainly, two of our country's forefathers will. According to the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University, which contains one of the oldest and largest collections of lilacs in North America, Thomas Jefferson in 1767 recorded his method of planting lilacs in his garden book. And on March 3, 1785, George Washington noted that he had transplanted existing lilacs in his garden.

Hmmm. I bet I know what Tom and George did while waiting for their lilacs to bloom. They stole somebody else's. Like me, surely they believed a bush of wilted, unpicked lilacs is just so sad.

For centuries, lilacs have been celebrated in poems and practice. They have adorned graves and altars, bride's tables and bedsides. They have been carried in clenched fists and offered as gifts of love.

And they have been stolen.
Excerpt from *When Lilacs last in the Dooryard Bloom'd* by Walt Whitman

In the dooryard fronting an old farm-house near the white-wash'd palings,

Stands the lilac-bush tall-growing with heart-shaped leaves of rich green, With many a pointed blossom rising delicate, with the perfume strong I love,

With every leaf a miracle - and from this bush in the dooryard,
With delicate-color'd blossoms and heart-shaped leaves of rich green,
A sprig with its flower I break.

■ Renee Skoglund is a staff writer for the Observer and not normally a thief.

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
STAFF WRITER

Carol Anderson is in the business of dreams. She doesn't interpret them, she makes them come true.

Three years ago the Ann Arbor resident gathered a group of her friends and formed **Rebellious Dreamers**, a nonprofit organization meant to encourage and support women on a quest to recognize and to live their dreams. This month marks a first for the group, a fund-raising event at Plymouth's Penn Theatre which will showcase the talents of those already touched by the group.

Dreaming and doing

Have you ever uttered the phrase "I've always wanted to be ..."? Those are the key ingredients that led to the formation of RD.

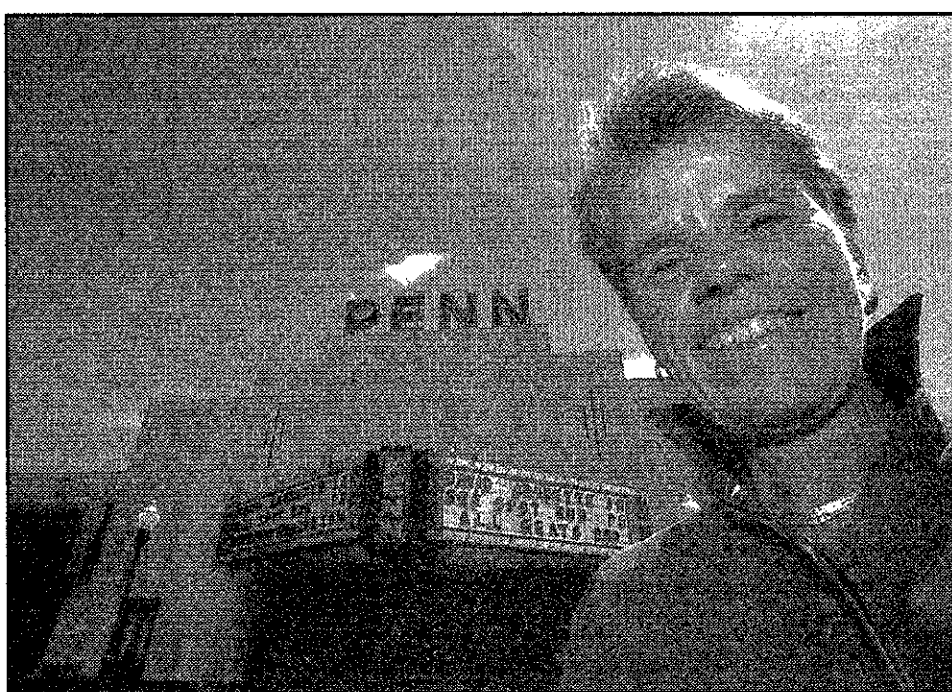
The idea came easily more than a decade ago. Anderson encountered women who were living their lives but keeping a certain side of themselves hidden, harboring what she calls a "dream deferred."

By the time she turned 50, she chose to leave her own legacy by reaching out to those women. Rather than offering help and money, she sought something more - to create an organization that would nurture, support and further dreams in women everywhere. Anderson soon discovered she would not be alone in her quest.

"In our society, women are conditioned to support everyone else's dreams," said Cathy Callan, RD member and Plymouth resident.

Rebellious Dreamers was born with great effort and collaboration. What began as a solid network of Anderson's own friends and associates transformed into a group of women as dedicated to one another as they are to this cause. By becoming a part of this organization, Callan said she's made lifelong friends.

The message is starting to spread. A group of women in Toronto has inquired about beginning its own RD chapter. There are members as far as Seattle and certainly no shortage of dreamers in need of support - both financial and emotional. Group members currently range in age from 33 to 55 years old and membership contin-



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HIRSCHMANN

Compassionate: *Rebellious Dreamers* founder Carol Anderson.

ues to grow in diversity.

"We really want to appeal to a broad cross-section," said Anderson. The intent is that individuals across the country and the world will adopt these principals and form chapters of their own.

Dreamers wide awake

Rebellious Dreamers are serious about this endeavor and have developed a criteria for potential "dream catcher" candidates, those in need of assistance.

■ She must be a woman over age 30 who has a dream deferred.

■ She must be clear on what she wants to achieve and know at least some of the steps for grasping that dream.

■ Dreamers cannot apply themselves to RD to begin the process. Someone else must apply on their behalf, a stipulation that adds important recognition and validity to the dreamer's quest, according to the organization.

Since its inception, the group has worked with about 15 dreamers, who were recipients of mentoring, networking, "dream sessions" and financial grants. The power behind *Rebellious Dreamers* stems from strong support. "On a good day, it's like having 15 mothers," said Anderson with a smile.

When a woman finds herself unsure

about what she wants, at a sort of personal crossroads, the organization may invite her to a dream session. About five members are present at the session and the group works together to seek out direction for the potential dream catcher. Sessions last two to four hours and allow the group to communicate honestly without judgment.

All members of *Rebellious Dreamers* take part in at least one session a year, keeping them connected to the primary purpose of their work. While the organization encourages involvement of men on a support level, services and membership are restricted to women.

Out loud

Joy Adler was the first grant recipient *Rebellious Dreamers* ever had. Adler met Anderson while attending college in Florida. "It's such an amazing organization," said Anderson, calling from her home near Albany, New York. When she received a brochure about RD, she knew this was the opportunity she needed, as a single mother, to make her dream happen. "I can't tell you how uplifting the experience was. I came from great poverty. I taught myself to sing because it was the only instrument I had that was free."

Adler couldn't afford to spend money recording a demo, though she knew

Rebellious Dreamer: Any woman who seeks to reclaim a dream for her life that has been deferred.

Dream Catchers: Recipients of *Rebellious Dreamers* programs and grants.

Dream Weavers: The mentors assigned to Dream Catchers.

Rebellious Dreamers Motto: Empowering women to live their dreams.

that was the step she had to make if she wanted to have a career in music. "These girls were with me every step of the way," she said. "They said 'What do you need to get to the next level? We're going to help you fly.'"

With assistance of three mentors and the contacts she made, Adler completed her first CD last July, named after the organization, and she will be featured at the benefit show.

"Things started falling into place," said Callan of the experience. "It's part of the process."

Adler is actively pursuing her dream of becoming a singer-songwriter and is seeking a record deal. "They helped me to go to a new level, I didn't even know I had because they believed in me."

Because of the support, she was able to go beyond recording the CD and she wrote the liner notes and even designed the outfit she wears on the cover. "I got to create literally on all levels," she said. And it hasn't stopped; she's still writing and has practically completed enough material for a second disc. She plans to mentor other dreamers and give back for all she's received.

"There are no limitations to the human spirit," said Adler.

Maybe childhood fairy tales do hold a shred of truth. These women are living proof that dreams can come true.

Rebellious Dreamers presents A Night of Magic and Music, with performances by singer-songwriter Joy Adler, master magician Andrew Bennett and the photography of Lynn Antisdell, 7 p.m. Monday, May 21, The Penn Theatre, 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth. Tickets are \$20. Call (734) 480-8396.

To learn more about *Rebellious Dreamers*, write: *Rebellious Dreamers*, P.O. Box 3189, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48106-3189 or e-mail Rebellious-Dreamers@pobox.com.

Tournaments USA promotes good sports

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"Every kid probably wants to play professional sports. That was my dream."

Garden City native and longtime athlete Kevin Wilkinson spends his time making that dream a little more of a reality for Wayne and Oakland County youths.

In March 2000, he established Tournaments USA along with Jeff Bradley. Wilkinson and Bradley were both athletes who grew up in Garden City — where the business is now based.

"I've played sports all of my life," said Wilkinson. "I was a three-sport athlete at Garden City East High School."

In 1969 he earned a full scholarship in baseball and attended Kansas State University. Now living in Dearborn, Wilkinson worked in sales and marketing but never veered too far away from his love of sports — whether that meant playing Class A softball or coaching his three athletic sons who each inherited his penchant for baseball, basketball and football.

Wilkinson and his longtime friend Bradley, spent the past 12 years organizing tournaments on the weekends and instilling the values of competitive sports among young athletes. It wasn't until last year that they realized this could become a career.

"I left my job and came to my hobby," said Wilkinson.

Their mission at Tournaments USA is to "operate, manage and promote competitive athletic events for youth and adults in the sports of baseball, basketball and golf." With an emphasis on quality, the organization is expanding from its Michigan base to include tournaments in other U.S. locations like Atlanta, Georgia. Participants range in age from 8-18 and are drawn from several neighboring communities.

"We wanted to create a competitive atmosphere for kids in sports," said Wilkinson. "We want to give them the opportunity to show their skills and play in well-organized, competitive tournaments. Everything we do has some sort of charity involved."

Bradley has a just as positive an outlook for the organization. "I am a big proponent of competition in everything," he said.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Team effort: Kevin Wilkinson, Vito Antonazzo, Jeff Bradley and Ryan McCartney founded Tournaments USA to foster competition and sports skills in area youth.

In addition to Tournaments USA, Wilkinson and Bradley have joined forces to establish their own non-profit organization, Youth Sports America, which will encompass different branches of Tournaments USA and offer scholarship opportunities for the athletes.

Livonia resident Bill Raibe has been involved in tournaments organized by Wilkinson and Bradley for years. Just talking to him, Raibe sounds like their biggest proponent. "I've coached 11 and 12 year olds all the way up to college players. I've known Kevin and his sons for a good 10 years. I can't say enough good things... No one could ever question his integrity."

Raibe has coached the Livonia Travel

team and been very active in community baseball. He understands the importance of such sports for today's youth.

"(Wilkinson) brings together kids from other states, the same caliber athletes, for tournaments. I think it exposes kids to other proficient athletes and teaches what hard work is. These types of organizations give kids the tools to be able to compete at the highest level, the experience to be the best athletes around."

Wilkinson knew the idea would grow and expand over time — he just couldn't guess in what way. Divisions of Tournaments USA include golf tournaments like The Michigan Cup Junior Golf Association; youth baseball tournaments like this month's Great Lakes

Memorial Classic in Canton and the Super Series Michigan State Championships in Novi; youth basketball tournaments such as YBOA State held in Garden City and Allen Park and Cooperstown Little Majors Baseball Leagues. Wilkinson and his co-horts at Tournaments USA strive to provide these opportunities to children and teens, while giving back to the community.

For Bradley, this work was an easy choice.

"I'm just thankful we get to do what we've wanted to do all our lives," he said.

For more information on Tournaments USA, call (734) 522-8872 or visit the Web at www.tournamentsusa.com.

ENGAGEMENTS & WEDDINGS

Markin-Skoczylas

James Markin of Wayne and Susan and James White of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Leigh to Paul Leonard Skoczylas of Dearborn.

The bride-to-be is an Eastern Michigan University graduate with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She works as a registered nurse on the Neuroscience unit at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

Her fiancé, son of Leonard and Beverly Skoczylas of Dearborn, will graduate in October from Cleary College with a degree in finance. He is currently employed at United Rentals as a sales coordinator.



A June wedding is planned at St. Alphonsus Church in Dearborn.

Griffin-Santos

George and Cynthia Griffin of Granbury, Texas announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Julia, to Joel Andrew Santos of Fort Hood, Texas.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of University of North Texas in Denton and works as a teacher at W.M. Green Elementary School in Fort Worth.

Her fiancé, son of Armando and Kathy Santos of Canton, is a 1994 graduate of Canton High School and serves in the U.S. Army as a multiple launch rocket system and fire direction specialist.

A June wedding is planned for the Griffith's home in Granbury, Texas.



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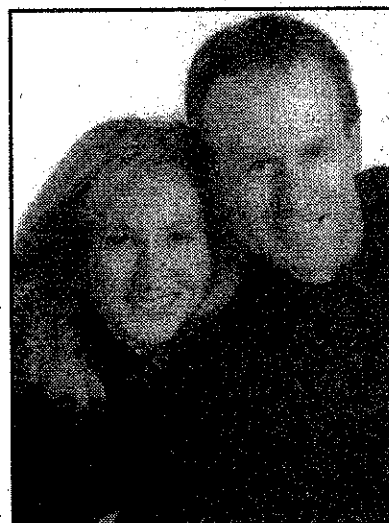
Teeley-Stanley

Peter Teeley of Washington D.C. and Eileen Keyes of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Teeley to Dr. John Stanley of Monroe.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and works as manager of public affairs for Focus:HOPE in Detroit.

Her fiancé, son of Dorothy Stanley of Taylor, is a 1980 graduate of Kennedy High School in Taylor and works as a radiologist at Mercy Memorial Hospital in Monroe.

A June wedding is planned at Martha-Mary Chapel in Greenfield Village.

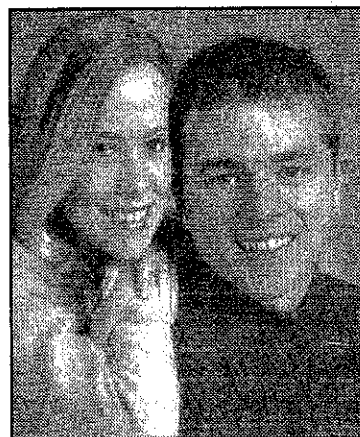


Wishart-Estepp

James and Lynda Wishart of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jamie Dianne, to Kyle Andrew Estepp of South Webster, Ohio.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and attends Eastern Michigan University's College of Education, where she is working toward her teaching certificate in elementary education.

Her fiancé, son of Dale and Barbara Estepp of South Webster, Ohio, will graduate with honors from Cedarville College in Cedarville, Ohio this June. He will earn a degree in Bible and pre-seminary studies.



A December wedding is planned at Berean Baptist Church in Livonia.

Mantz-Sweeney

J. Courtland and Christine Brabbs of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Erica Lynn Mantz to Donald David Sweeney of Royal Oak.

The bride-to-be earned her master's degree in school psychology at University of Detroit-Mercy in 1996 and works as a school psychologist for the Waterford School District.

Her fiancé, son of Darleen Sweeney of Northville, is a 1994 graduate of University of Michigan, where he earned his degree in economics. He works for Emerging Solutions.

An August wedding is planned



at First Presbyterian Church in Northville.

O'Rear-Hajek

Mr. and Mrs. Allen M. O'Rear of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin, to Thomas E. Hajek of Chicago.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Michigan State University's child development program. She will earn her master's degree in school psychology from Loyola University in Chicago this year. She works as a school psychologist with the Chicago Public School system.

Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hajek of Romeoville, Ill., is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Chicago, where he earned his architecture degree in design.



He works as department manager with Menard's.

A July wedding is planned at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth.

Kolb-Bricker

Kristin Lorraine Bricker and Kevin Michael Kolb were married on May 6 at Cana Lutheran Church in Berkley.

The bride is the daughter of Jerry and Linda Bricker of Northville. She is a graduate of Southfield Lathrup Senior High School, Alma College, and the University of Detroit Mercy's School of Law and Graduate Business School. She is an attorney with Angelo Plakas & Associates in Westland.

The groom is the son of Kenneth Kolb of Taylor and the late Maryann Kolb of Allen Park. He is a graduate of St. Frances Cabrini High School, Wayne State University and the Univer-



sity of Detroit Mercy's Graduate Business School. He is employed by Ford Motor Co. in planning and logistics finance.

The couple honeymooned in Greece.

Smith-Fedulchak

John and Barbara Smith of Wayne announce the marriage of their daughter, April Marie, to John William Fedulchak of Garden City.

The bride is a 1999 Wayne Memorial High School graduate and works for Home Depot in Livonia.

Her husband, son of Steven and Denise Fedulchak of Canton, is a 1998 graduate of John Glenn High School and works at JC Penney in Westland.

The couple wed Jan. 20 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Wayne before the Rev. Jack Baker.

The bride was attended by maid of honor Danielle DeCormier and bridesmaids Stephanie Fedulchak, Meghan Hockenberger, Carrie DeCormier, Stephanie Tierney and junior bridesmaid Chelsea Smith.

The groom was attended by



best man Dan Fedulchak and groomsmen Aaron James, Nicholas Smith, Ryan Franks, Rick Walakonis and ring-bearer Christopher Bachus.

April and John honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico and are making their home in Garden City.

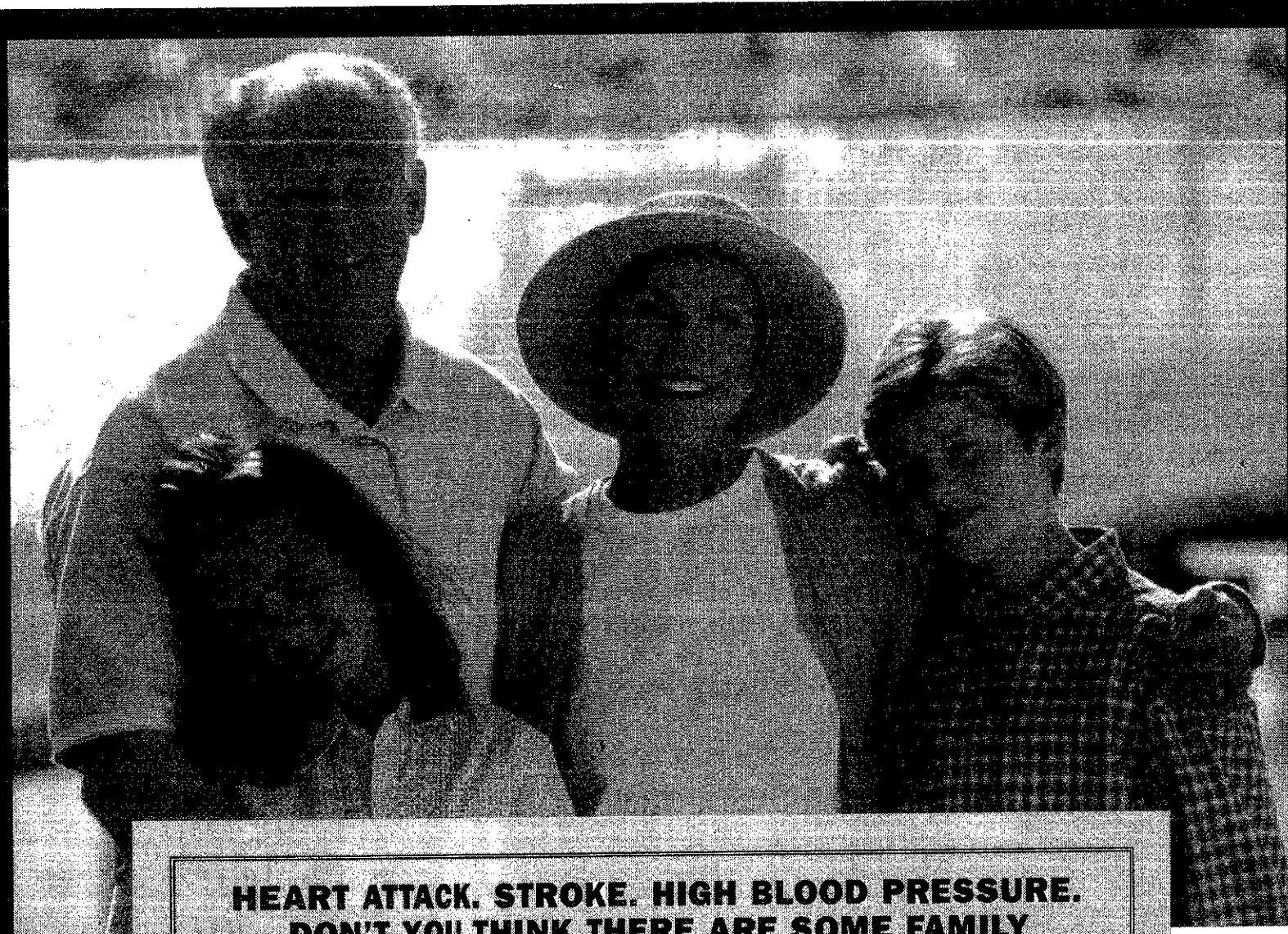
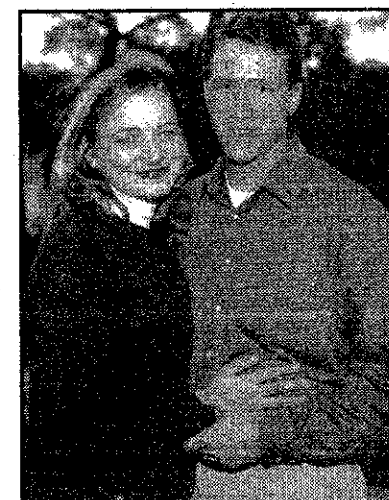
Carpenter-West

Robert and Carol Carpenter of Ishpeming announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy, to Daniel West, son of Danny and Julie West of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Ishpeming Westwood High School and Eastern Michigan University. She is a teacher at West Bloomfield High School.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and Wayne State University. He is a reporter for the *West Bloomfield Eccentric*.

A July wedding is planned at St. Suzanne Catholic Church in Detroit.



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RELIGION CALENDAR

ONGOING

MOM'S MORNING OUT

Thursday mornings - year round, the Mom's Morning Out group meets from 9-11 a.m. at Newburgh United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia). We have openings for all ages. We ask that you work once a month and help with our fund raiser (Mom to Mom sale annually). Call (734) 422-0149.

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. Harvey 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.

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. Like Harry you will learn how to unleash extraordinary powers that enable you to awaken and accomplish your dreams. 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.

UPCOMING

Mother's exert a great impact on their children's direction. We give thanks for mothers, especially Mary, the mother of Jesus. Hear Dr. Wallace Schulz's "Lutheran Hour" message "Mary: A Reminder of Spiritual Mothers" next Sunday, May 13 on radio dials WOMC (104.3) at 6:05 a.m. or WMUZ (560) at 10 a.m.

HONORING MOTHERS' DAY

Although the reasons for the day have shifted and changed over the years, motherhood gets one official day a year to be recognized. Rev. Bob Renjilian looks at motherhood, honoring it, and replacing transient sentimentality with sincerity. UUCF is a Welcoming Congregation. Services, Sunday school, and nursery at 9 and 11 a.m. 25301 Halsted Rd. (N. of Grand River). Call (248) 478-7272 or www.uufarmington.org

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

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MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. The next weekends are scheduled: May 18-20, June 22-24 and July 27-29 at the St. John's Family Life Center (44011 Five Mile Road) in Plymouth. There is a \$50 registration fee. Call Bill and Carol (248) 528-2512, Dan and Debbie (810) 286-5524 or visit www.rc.net/detroit/wwwme

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 be 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.

SPIRITUAL SOLUTION

Eighth Church of Christ, Scientist (23834 Grand River - one block east of Telegraph) in Detroit will present a free lecture at 7:30 p.m. May 31. Brian Clendenen will talk about "Finding Spiritual Solutions for Everyday Community Issues." A critical need in the social, civic and business arenas. The answers we seek are found in the practical application of Christian Science. Everyone welcome. Call (313) 531-1276 or (313) 531-1594.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

Northridge Church (49555 N. Territorial Road) in Plymouth will host a church leadership seminar titled "Barna 2001 Seminar by George Barna" from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. June 5. Topics will include re-churching the unchurched, growing true disciples, building effective lay lead-

ership teams and effectively evaluating your ministry. Cost is \$99 (ends May 22) and the late rate is \$105 (last two weeks and walk-ins). Call (800) 55-BARNA or visit www.barna.org

DAYCAMP

Ward Church (40000 Six Mile, Northville) will sponsor nine weeks of daycamp for children entering grades 1-6 from June 18-Aug. 17. Children may be registered for one or more weeks at a rate of \$100 per week. Activities include field trips, Friday Fun Lunches, recreation, stories and crafts. Daycamp hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (extended care is available). Call (248) 374-5903 to register.

RELIGION ON THE NET

OurFaiths.org, the not for profit Web site opened for all faith communities has a unique mission in cyberspace — a home for all religions under one banner. While each faith has their distinct area the OurFaiths team works together to build bridges of inter-faith understanding through chats and message boards where anyone can talk with others and post messages. Working at OurFaiths is a team of hosts from Islam, Judaism, Eastern, Earth-based, Catholic, Latter-day Saints and other Christian faiths. Visit www.our-faiths.org or e-mail Tblake@our-faiths.org

SALT MINE

Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) would like to invite all youth in grades seven through twelve to come on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. for Salt Mine, a time of good music, games, live band, great fellowship and Bible study. Call (734) 421-0472.

RCIA CLASSES

If you are interested in joining the Catholic faith or wish to learn more about our faith, please call Deacon John (734) 425-4421. Our RCIA classes will start at 7:30 p.m. at St. Theodore Parish in our Parish Center building located at 8200 N. Wayne Road in Westland.

WEIGH DOWN WORKSHOP

Weigh Down Workshop - Classes are Monday evenings 7-9 p.m. for 12 weeks at Geneva Presbyterian Church 5835 Sheldon Rd. Canton. Call Mary Kay (734) 459-9077.

TUTORING

Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) offers free tutoring for children in grades first through sixth every Wednesday from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Tutoring is offered for math, reading, spelling or whatever classes are needed. Pre-enrollment is required. Call (734) 421-0472.

WEIGH DOWN WORKSHOP

Have you promised yourself you'll lose weight after the holidays? Join us at Weigh Down Workshop and learn to enjoy all foods without overeating. Give yourself a New Years gift — the beginning of permanent weight loss with God as your guide. Classes run from 7-9 p.m. Call Diane Gaubatz (734) 397-1986 or the church office (734) 459-0013.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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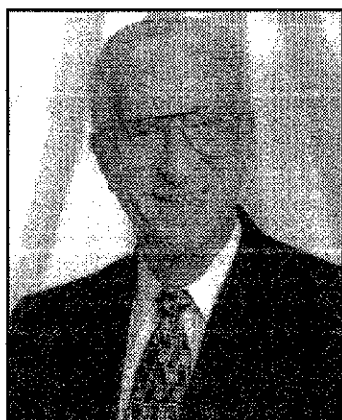
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New director



Jerry Smith, a resident of Livonia, was recently appointed director of Music for the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. In his new position he will be responsible for the development, coordination and supervision of all musical programs/activities of the church.

He formerly served as the music director of Ward Presbyterian Church of Northville and as the choral director at Bentley High School in Livonia.

Smith is a graduate of the University of Michigan School of Music in Ann Arbor, a member of the Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast Committee and has been organizing the musical component of the program for many years.

New from C6

mond and Linda Allen of Redford, Linda Featherngill of Redford and Russell Kula of Lapeer. Great-grandmothers are Wilma Staum of Redford, Bernice Laucks of Sault Ste. Marie, and Dorothea Allen of Alma. Ryan has one uncle, David Allen of Southgate.

■ Bill and Rebekah Harahan of Beverly Hills announce the birth of their son, William Johnson Harahan V, on Jan. 24. His grandparents are Jim and JoAnn Mongold of Rochester Hills, Mary Ann Harahan of Troy and William J. Harahan of Florida. His great grandparents are Joe and Geneva Ponsack of Livonia.

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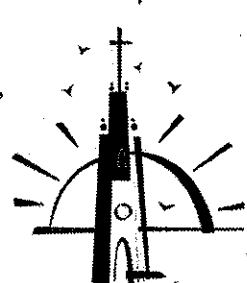
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■ Class of 1991
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BENTLEY

■ Class of 1951
A pre-banquet get together is planned for Friday, Oct. 26, at the Quality Inn - Plymouth (Ann Arbor Road). The reunion banquet is set for Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Hawthorne Valley Country Club (Merriman Road, Westland). Dinner reservations are necessary. A reunion cruise has also been planned from Nov. 4-9. The ship will depart from Miami and visit Key West, Florida; Playa Del Carmen, Mexico; have a day at sea; and stop is Cozumel, Mexico before returning to Miami. Call Alice (Rollins) Stewart (734) 451-2037 or Don LaMay (734) 421-6032 or e-mail bentleydon@aol.com

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■ Class of 1980
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■ Class of 1981

A 20-year reunion is planned for Sunday, Sept. 2 (Labor Day weekend) at the 5th Avenue Ballroom in Novi. Contact e-mails kashaw@aol.com and drtpoupin@aol.com

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CRESTWOOD HIGH

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■ Class of 1981

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COUSINO

■ Class of 1981
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DEARBORN H.S.

■ Class of 1961


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DEARBORN HEIGHTS

■ Class of 1976
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St. Hilary Rosary Altar (23749 Elmira, Redford) Society will host a Spring Card Party at 7 p.m. May 11 in the social hall. Buffet dessert table, coffee and tea. Many door/table prizes. Call (313) 533-5698 (Dorothy) or (313) 533-8239 (Betty). Donation, \$6. Men are welcome.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church (26431 W. Chicago) will hold a Spring Rummage Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 12. Call (313) 937-2880.

SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON

The Women of the Lola Valley United Methodist Church (Puritan and Delaware, Redford Township) will have their Spring Salad Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 15. Cost is \$6 and tickets may be purchased by calling (313) 255-6330 or at the door the day of the event.

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Third Annual Benefit Golf Outing and Auction will be held on Wednesday, May 16 at the championship 18-hole Eagle Crest Resort and Golf Club in Ypsilanti. The event features a 11 a.m. shotgun start with a reception afterwards, dinner, and auction. Putting contest, longest drive and closest to pin contests, 50/50 raffle. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m.; lunch at 11:00 a.m. Reception, dinner, and auction begin at 5:30 p.m. Individual golf tickets are \$150, a foursome is \$550. Includes golf, lunch, dinner, and auction. Dinner and auction only tickets are \$60. All proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity Detroit. Call (313) 521-6691.

FLUTTER INTO FASHION

Tau Chapter - Alpha Delta Kappa presents "Flutter into Fashion" May 16 at the Marriott at Laurel Park Place in Livonia. Tickets are \$35 and includes dinner and the fashion show. Proceeds will be used for Scholar-

ships for Livonia students, Mott's Children's Hospital and First Step. Call Sue Nix (248) 348-1634 or Sandy Naasko (734) 944-0258.

STEPPING OUT IN STYLE

Parisian will host the 7th Annual "Stepping Out in Style" fashion evening presented by Zonta Club of Farmington/Novi area to benefit First Step Project Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. The private evening of shopping is from 6-9 p.m. at Parisian in Laurel Park Place (Newburgh and Six Mile in Livonia). Several local restaurants and caterers will serve their specialties as you stroll through the store enjoying entertainment and special demonstrations. Tickets are \$25 (tax deductible donation) and includes a 15 percent discount on all purchases during the evening (with the exception of certain designer items such as Coach). All proceeds to Zonta will be presented to First Step.

To order tickets call (248) 477-7538 or (248) 349-6246. Tickets are \$30 at the door.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Orchard United Methodist Church (30450 Farmington Road, between 13 and 14 Mile roads) will host their annual Spring Rummage Sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, May 18 and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 19 (bag sale). Call (248) 626-3620.

GOLF OUTING

Hockey great Ted Lindsay will join Saint Joseph Mercy Health System Ann Arbor for their fourth annual St. Joe's Pro Am Gold Classic May 30 at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton. Proceeds will benefit St. Joe's Health Exploration Station located at Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center. The Health Exploration Station is the first interactive health education center for children in Michigan. Breakfast, registration, practice and an opportunity

to meet hockey great Ted Lindsay starts at 8 a.m. registration begins at 9 a.m. An LPGA Golf clinic for all skill levels runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A silent auction starts at 3:30 p.m. at Summit on the Park in Canton. Call (734) 712-4040.

GOLF CLASSIC

The sixth annual St. Mary Mercy Hospital Golf Classic will be held Friday, June 22 at Bay Pointe Golf Club, West Bloomfield. Shotgun start at 11 a.m. and golfers can enjoy a continental breakfast, golf clinics, 18-holes of golf with cart, driving range, cocktails, dinner and more. There will be a raffle for a trip to Saddlebrook Resort in Tampa, Florida. Proceeds for the \$200 per person event are designated for endoscopic equipment at St. Mary Mercy used in the diagnosis of diseases such as colon cancer. Corporate sponsorships are available. Call (734) 655-2121.

MEMORY WALK

Save the date - Aug. 25 at The Detroit Zoo the Alzheimer's Association will host "Memory Walk - 2001" in Royal Oak. Walk begins at 8:30 a.m. Call (248) 557-8277.

RACE FOR THE ARC

Sponsors are needed for the 3rd Annual "Race in the Park for the Arc" Saturday, Sept. 22 at Heritage Park (near the Summit on the Park) in Canton. Flat and fast 5 Mile run (common start/finish) beginning at 9 a.m. Race includes 5 Mile run, 5K walk, fun run (all ages welcome). Post Race Party and raffle prizes. The Race in the Park for the Arc, is a fundraising and public awareness event hosted by the Arc of NW Wayne County, an organization serving the communities of Redford, Canton, Plymouth, Garden City, Livonia, Novi and Northville. Call Chris Lerchen at the Arc-NW office at (313) 532-7915 or Kris Copeland at (734) 427-2136. Sponsorships are available.

SINGLES MINGLE

Listings for the Singles Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. Call (734) 953-2131.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College has a Divorce Support Group with meetings scheduled from May - Aug. at the McDowell Center from 7-9 p.m. in Room 225. The upcoming schedule is as follows: ■ May 22, Dealing with anger, guilt and depression facilitated by Cynthia Koppin. Learn to recognize, understand, and work through these emotions in relationship to the loss of a marriage.

PRAISE CHAPEL

Praise Chapel Church (36115 Plymouth Road, Livonia) offers "Singles on the Move" programs. Every Friday at 6 p.m. they host prayer for singles in the community. The first Friday of every month at 7 p.m. Java and Jesus Coffee shop talk and recreational table games. \$5. The second Friday at 7 p.m. Wally Ball, \$5. Third Friday at 7 p.m. Out on the Town Night. Fourth Friday at 7 p.m. Java and Jesus Coffee shop talk and recreational table games. \$5. Call (734) 420-9702.

SINGLE PLACE PROGRAMS

Single Place Presents a Divorce Recovery Workshop at 7:30 p.m. May 17-June 21 Speaker Pam Jacobs. \$40 charge at First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street).

■ Friday's meet at Tremor's (6 Mile between Newburgh and I-275). Join us for dancing, eats

and conversation. \$3 cover charge and beverage cost.

WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCE

Every Friday WestSide Singles hosts a dance at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Must be over 21 — dressy attire (no jeans). Open to the public. A deejay will be playing Top 40 music and current hits. Appetizers will be served (hot/cold). Early admission special \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. Call (734) 981-0909.

METRO SINGLES DANCE

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SAVVY SINGLES

Classy, professional men and women get dressed up and meet that someone special May 4 at Giovanni's Restaurant (31 N. Saginaw Street, downtown Pontiac). Dancing to top 40 music from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$5 cover charge.

SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES

Talk It Over meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost \$6. Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

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SPORTS

May 20, 2000

OBSERVER
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SC finishes 2nd

One stroke.

Three 18-hole rounds, four golfers per round — and Schoolcraft College's golf team missed finishing first in the 11-team field by a single stroke, totaling 938 to Grand Rapids CC's 937.

Lansing CC wasn't much behind, either, scoring 941 to place third. Next was Kalamazoo Valley CC (951), Oakland CC (956), Muskegon CC (961), Flint Mott CC (995), St. Clair CCC (997), Glen Oaks CC (1,005), Henry Ford CC (1,008) and Wayne County CCD (1,053).

The first round proved to be SC's downfall. The Ocelots shot 317 to Grand Rapids' 304. They gained seven strokes in the second round, shooting 310 to Grand Rapids' 317, and gained five more with a 311 (to 316) in Tuesday's third round, played at Mountain Ridge Golf Course at Crystal Mountain Resort.

Top overall scorer for SC was Nikos Markellos (from Redford Thurston), who tied for second overall with Grand Rapids' Chris Rosema with a 77-77-75/229. Oakland CC's Josh Bauer was medalist with a 74-76-75/225.

Other SC scorers were Tom McCall (Garden City), 76-79-78/233 (sixth overall); Richie Romero, 82-77-78/237 (tied for 13th); and Brian Harnos (Garden City), 82-81-80/243 (tied for 23rd); Mark Doughty (Plymouth Salem), 85-81-80/246 (tied for 30th); and Derek Lineberry (Plymouth Canton), 88-77-91/256 (tied for 43rd).

All-WHAC teams

The Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference has selected its all-conference baseball and softball teams and Madonna University has landed one player — its shortstop — on each team.

In baseball, the Fighting Crusaders' Lance Siegwald, a senior, was selected. Siegwald played in 29 of 47 games (Madonna was 19-28) and batted .313 with six runs batted in. More importantly, he committed just four errors.

Madonna's softball selection was senior Kristy McDonald (from Redford Thurston). McDonald led the Lady Crusaders with a .327 batting average and 23 RBI; she also had eight doubles and two triples, and committed 28 errors in the field for Madonna, which finished 19-35.

Four Madonna baseball players were all-WHAC honorable mention: Joe Pruchnik (Lutheran Westland), Bryan DeCaire (Livonia Clarenceville), Ryan Andrzejewski (Plymouth Salem) and Nick Dedeluk (Redford Thurston).

Madonna signs standout

Madonna University's women's soccer team, which reached the NAIA's Final Four in just the third year of the program, has signed Claudia Finn to a Letter of Intent.

A senior at Richmond HS, Finn competed in soccer, track and cross country. She was her team captain in soccer last year and was a state qualifier in cross country. Finn has also been an honor roll member.

Madonna was 19-3-2 overall last year and WHAC champions.

Demo day

This Saturday will be Demo Day at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia — no, not demolition day, with an opportunity to destroy all those old, frustrating clubs. Rather, it's demonstration day, with different golf suppliers on hand to display their different wares.

The session runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is free. From 1-4 p.m. LPGA standout Kathy Whitworth will also be on hand.

Skatin' stuff

Canton's Skatin' Station II is offering all sorts of stuff for the summer. Such as:

■ **Roller Skating classes:** Learn to skate, children or adults, from 7-8 p.m. Sunday. Cost is \$6 per week. Call (734) 459-6401.

■ **Summer Inline Roller Hockey Leagues:** All ages, seven-week session with one game a week. Cost is \$85. Registration is going on now. Call (734) 459-6401.

■ **Beach Bash:** An all-night stay-over for kids on June 9. \$20 admission includes pizza and donuts and juice in the morning. Pie-eating contest, water balloon toss, cash giveaways. Call (734) 459-6401.

It's repeat time for Canton!

Chiefs regain Observerland title;
CC places 2nd, Rocks finish 6th

BY BRAD EMONS
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Plymouth Canton boys track coach Bob Richardson felt uncomfortable going in as the favorite at the 31st Observerland Relays.

But Richardson's team appears to enjoy the limelight as the Chiefs repeated as champions Saturday at Redford Union's Kraft Field.

Canton beat its closest competitor, Redford Catholic Central, 82-70, for the team title. Farmington Hills Harrison edged Livonia Churchill for the third-place trophy, 52-47. Northville was fifth in the 19-school field with 44.

See complete meet results.

Canton took three firsts and added four seconds en route to the third Observerland triumph in school history.

"I'm so pleased because its a tribute to our seniors," said Richardson, who also guided Canton to area titles in 1986 and 2000. "Our seniors are our biggest class and they've been a strong group ever since their freshman year. CC is a tough team, no question, and we knew we had to perform well to win."

Senior Jerry Gaines, who returned to the lineup last week after a month-long bout of mononucleosis, was a welcome sight.

He was a part of Canton's

BOYS TRACK

first-place high jump relay and helped the Chiefs score points in four different events.

"Jerry practiced for about a week-and-a-half," Richardson said. "We just wanted him to run some short sprints, but tonight he runs his first 400 in a month, a 52.3 split, in our sprint medley team, which finished second, and that really helped."

Yale-bound Jordan Chapman of Canton figured in two firsts, the high jump and long jump relays, along with two seconds, the shuttle hurdle and pole vault relays (the latter a school record). He cleared a meet-best 6 feet, 4 inches in the high jump and was second best among all competitors with 13-6 in the pole vault.

"Jordan really had a good meet," Richardson said. "He's scored points in this meet every year and there's not a lot of guys who can say that. He is so talented and he's very analytical about his sport. He's a technician."

Canton also got a first place in the distance medley as Brian Page, John Szlinis, Aaron Schmidt and senior anchor Marty Kane edged Stevenson by one second with a time of 11:08.0.

Kane, who has fought off injuries the last two years, also

anchored Canton's third-place 3,200 relay and ran a 52-second split in the 1,600 relay (a fifth place).

"I was somewhat surprised we got a first in the distance medley because there were some good teams there," Richardson said. "That was Marty's best three-event day of his career."

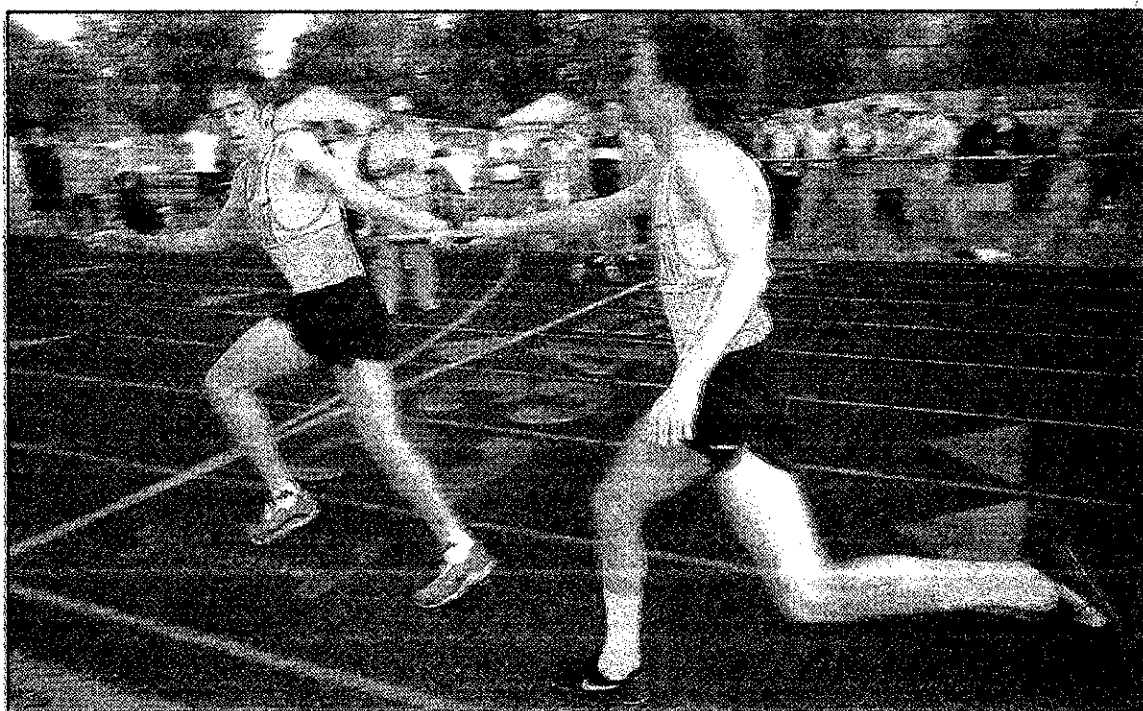
And not to be undone was Canton's unsung hero in the shot put, senior Eric Moten, a first-year performer who start-

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Winners: Salem's Donnie Warner (above) finished first in the 1,600, and Canton's Brian Page (below left) and Aaron Schmidt won the medley relay.



OHL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

After 2, it's all tied up

Poor opener
doesn't take
Whalers out

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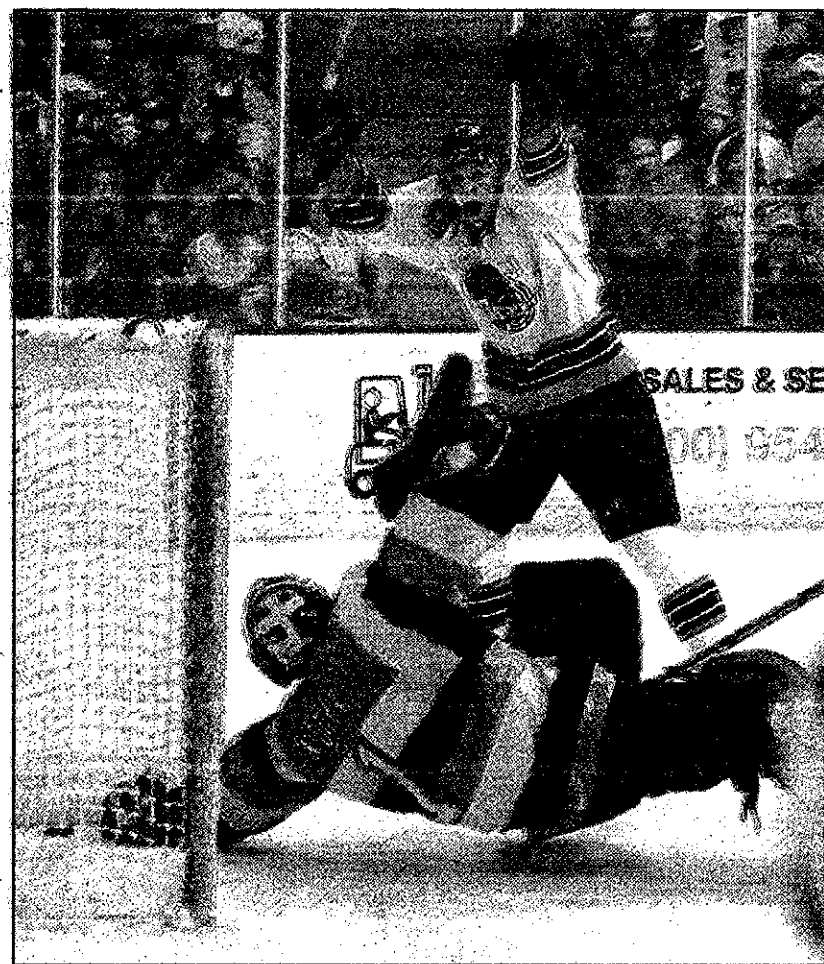
It was just where the Plymouth Whalers had envisioned being since last season's Game Seven disappointment against Barrie in the Ontario Hockey League championship series. A return trip to the OHL Finals — that's what the Whalers wanted. And when they beat the league's top team, the Erie Otters, in five games in the OHL semifinals, they got their wish.

That wish, however, got off to a nightmarish start.

Neither the home ice, nor a defense that had been ranked as the OHL's best, nor a proclivity towards protecting the lead, could save them in Saturday's Game One against the Ottawa 67's. A 2-0 lead disappeared by the second period, and three third-period goals saddled Plymouth with a 6-3 opening-game defeat.

The importance of Game Two escalated. A second-straight loss on home ice would all but ruin the Whalers' chances.

Diminishing their victory hopes further, leading scorer Stephen Weiss was sidelined by a concus-



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Reason to cheer: The Whalers Chad LaRose celebrates scoring a second-period goal in Game One that tied the score at 3-all.

sion absorbed in a check by the 67's Jeremy Van Hoof midway through the opening period.

Van Hoof received a five-minute boarding major penalty

and was tossed out of the game; Weiss went to the locker room, dazed and bloodied. After a couple of inconsequential shifts later

Please see GAME ONE, D8

Strong start, bad
finish for Whalers
as 67's romp, 6-3

What happened?

Everything was going according to plan in Game One of the Ontario Hockey League Finals, at least in the Plymouth Whalers' perspective. They had scored somewhat early (before the first period was half over) and they had a two-goal lead — that is the formula for victory for Plymouth (33-2-2 when leading during the regular season).

Not this time, however. The 67's struck for three goals in the second period and got three more in

GAME ONE

the third to post a 6-3 victory Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena, stealing the opening game and the home-ice advantage from the Whalers.

Plymouth's early lead came courtesy of first-period, power-play goals by Damian Surma (from Kris Vernarsky and Cole Jarrett) and from Jarrett (from Preston Mizzi and Chad LaRose). Both were scored when first Ottawa's Bryan Rodney and then Jeremy Van Hoof went to the penalty box, Van Hoof on a five-minute major and game misconduct for boarding Stephen Weiss.

Weiss suffered a concussion that forced him out of the rest of Saturday's game and Sunday's as well. He will return tonight for Game Three.

Ottawa eliminated Plymouth's lead early in the second period, getting goals from Vadim Sozinov (from Joe Talbot and Jon Zion) and Zenon Konopka (from Lance Galbraith and Zion). The 67's took

Please see GAME TWO, D8

Salem edges Canton, stays unbeaten

Only one golfer shot better than 50 when Plymouth Salem went up against Plymouth Canton Friday at Hilltop Golf Course, but that one score — a 48 by Salem's Ashley Burgess — was the difference.

The Rocks edged their cross-creek rival 203-205 to stay unbeaten in the in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Salem is 4-0 in the conference.

Other scores for Salem were a 50 by Danielle March, a 51 by Mollie Hedges and a 54 for Jenny Schwan.

Canton's Christina Slupek and Jen Travers each shot 50s. Meghan Depp added a 52 and Meghan

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Stewart had a 53.

Salem's match against Livonia Franklin, scheduled for Monday, was postponed due to a scheduling conflict by Franklin.

Stevenson 189, Canton 208: On Monday at Fox Creek in Livonia, the unbeaten Livonia Stevenson Spartans had three golfers shoot 46 or better in besting Plymouth Canton.

The loss left Canton at 1-6 overall, 1-6 in the WLAA. Stevenson improved to 7-0 in the conference.

Meghan Stewart's 47 was tops for the Chiefs. Jen Travers shot a 51, and Christina Slupek and Katie Herbech shot 55 apiece.

Stevenson got a 44 from Kristen Polanski, a 45 from Katie Carlson, a 46 from Megan McLeod and a 54 from Sarah Zientarski.

A.A. Huron 182, Ladywood 193: Livonia Ladywood's Rachel Thomas earned medalist honors with a 42 in

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ed the season throwing 37 feet. At Observerland, Canton earned a second as the football player improved from his previous best of 49-10 to 51-1¼.

"Our shot putters are amazing kids," Richardson said. "They're just getting better and better. I've tried to recruit Eric for four years and this is the first year he's thrown for us. I'm thankful he came out."

Meanwhile, Catholic Central and Harrison each won four events.

CC's 6,400-meter relay squad consisting of brothers Dan and John Krawiec, along with Ryan Lowry and Matt Daly, broke a 16-year record with a time of 18:05. The previous mark of 18:09 was set by CC in 1985.

"That was a tough record to break," CC coach Tony Magni said. "But those kids worked hard for it and they wanted it."

CC junior Tom Grant was one of the top individuals in the meet. He won the 110-meter hurdles comfortably in 15 seconds and teamed up with Chris Meagher, Alex Carravallah and Mike Siwicki for a victory in the shuttle hurdle relay team (1:03.1). Grant also had the best jump in the long jump (20-5) as CC took second.

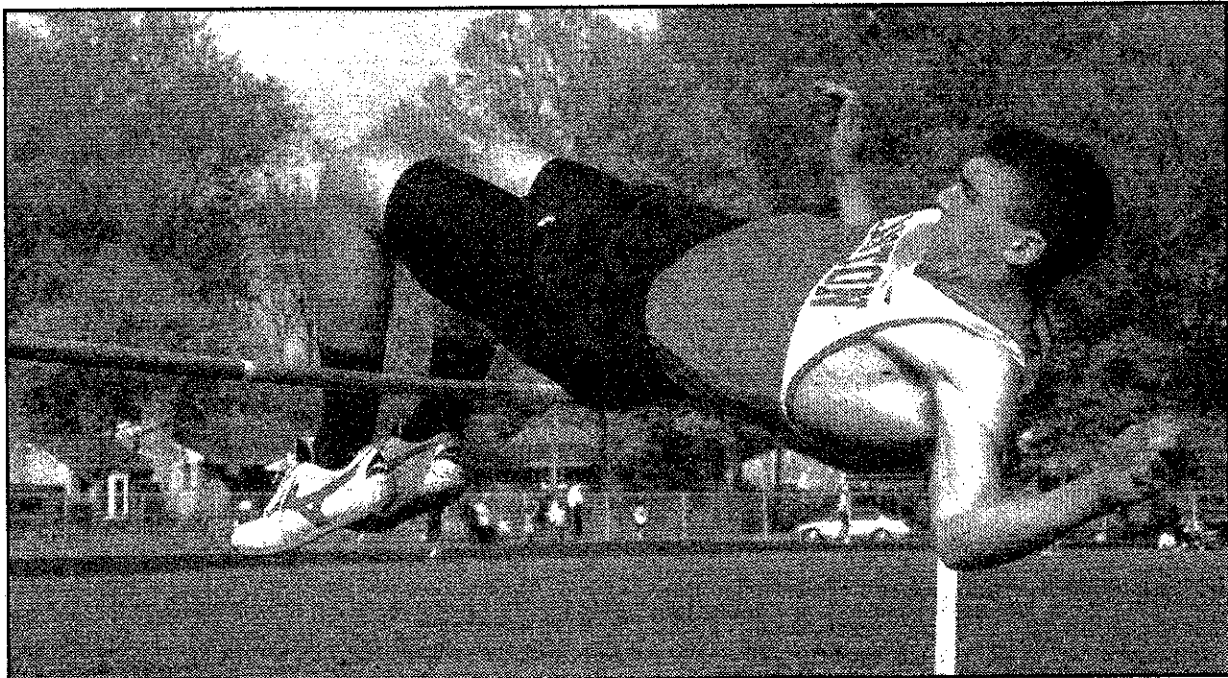
"Tom is just learning to hurdle, but he's very quick and agile," Magni said. "He gets over the hurdles quickly."

But as strong as CC was in the distance races, the Shamrocks tallied an uncharacteristic four points in the throwing events (shot put and discus). They only scored 1½ points in five of the sprint races and did not field a pole vault team.

"We knew going in we had to have points in the field events," Magni said. "The hardest thing to do is scored in the sprints unless you're very, very good."

"But overall I thought everybody ran as fast as they could in the relays."

Despite scoring just two points



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMAN

Top jumper: Canton's Jordan Chapman led his team to a first in the high jump relay, eventually clearing 6-feet, 4-inches — the best jump in the meet.

in the field events, Harrison ran fast, and then some, winning three of the meet's final four relays.

On the night, the Hawks captured the 400-, 800- and 1,600-meter relays, along with the sprint medley.

Junior Agim Shabaj was Harrison's workhorse, figuring in three firsts. He also finished hird in the open 100 as Redford Bishop Borgess sophomore Darryl Anglin nipped Livonia Clarenceville junior Tim Shaw at the tape in 11.0.

"Agim has great range and is one of the best sprinters in the state because he can go anywhere from the 100 to the 400," Harrison coach John Reed said. "He's tough. He wants to do well because he has great pride."

Harrison's 1,600 relay team of sophomores Furman Tate and Brian Coats, along with juniors Terrill Mayberry and Shabaj, were clocked in a school record 3:25.6.

"The last three or four years we've really focused on that event and that's been a point of pride," Reed said. "We had some great times for the regional, and I thought on the track we did all they could. We finished the meet on a high note."

"Two of our pole vaulters no heighted who have gone 10-6 and that cost us a lot of points. But Canton is so good because they have balance everywhere."

Churchill, fourth in the team standings, won the pole vault and discus relays.

The Chargers had a chance to overtake Harrison in the team standings, but suffered an unfortunate mishap when sophomore James Gale pulled out of the third leg of the 3,200 relay with throbbing hip flexor. Churchill had a sizeable lead at the time, but CC came away the victor as Dan Krawiec, John DiGiovanni, Ryan Lowry and Daly were clocked in 8:20.7.

"It was a shame because

James is intense and loves to run, we also felt we had a shot at the school record," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "With about 350 meters to go James felt something tugging and he came to a grinding halt after he had run a 54-second quarter."

Churchill did not score in the long jump and could muster only four points in the sprint relays.

"We're not as strong as we normally are in the long jump and it seemed sprinters were in a big supply this year," Austin said. "Other than that, I'm happy with the way we performed."

In the open 1,600, Plymouth Salem senior Donnie Warner, headed to DePaul University, fought off a strong challenge from Stevenson's Eric Mink to win in 4:28.0.

First-time Observerland participant Lutheran Westland also made its presence known by finished ninth, scoring all 24 points in the field events including a first in the shot put relay.

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) 49-7 3/4
Adam Abels (Garden City) 45-1
DeMarr Davis (Churchill) 45- 1/2
Bennie Oliphant (John Glenn) 44-10
Brandon Kaploe (N. Farmington) 44-9
Andrew Ribar (Churchill) 44-3 1/2
Scott Bowling (Redford CC) 44-2

DISCUS

Nate Meckes (Lutheran Westland) 165-4
Andrew Ribar (Churchill) 138-3
Mark Snyder (Salem) 137-0
Steve Burke (Stevenson) 135-0
Will Hundley (Canton) 132-8
Brian Jacket (Redford CC) 131-0
Nick Hendra (Churchill) 128-0
Brandon Kaploe (N. Farmington) 126-2
Bennie Oliphant (John Glenn) 125-9
Paul Stradtner (Garden City) 124-0

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 Burkee (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
Eric Scott (Churchill) 20-4
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 20-3 1/2
Tim Shaw (Clarenceville) 20-1
Ken Page (Canton) 20-1
Emmanuel Parker (John Glenn) 20- 1/2
Jarnell Johnson (Harrison) 19-11

POLE VAULT

Kevin Peterman (Churchill) 14-5
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 14-3
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
Adam Haller (Lutheran Westland) 12-0
Brian Page (Canton) 11-6
Chris Duncan (N. Farmington) 11-6
Trevor Moore (Farmington) 11-6

110-METER HURDLES

Tom Grant (Redford CC) 15.0
Mike Leach (N. Farmington) 15.5
Rob Showalter (Salem) 15.8
Curtis Crowl (Garden City) 15.8
Rob Greer (Lutheran Westland) 15.8
Jeremy Morse (Churchill) 15.9
Dan Kobus (Canton) 15.9
Kevin Peterman (Churchill) 16.0
Ron Hoppe (Redford Union) 16.0
Ron Friend (Franklin) 16.1
Brian Sinar (N. Farmington) 16.1

300-METER HURDLES

Mike Leach (N. Farmington) 41.3
Ron Friend (Franklin) 42.0
Rob Greer (Lutheran Westland) 42.1
Kevin Kusch (Stevenson) 42.4
Jordan Chapman (Canton) 42.4
Jeremy Morse (Churchill) 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
Kevin Davis (Harrison) 43.5

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

Randell Means (CC) 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
Randell Means (CC), 22.8
Mike Parker (Canton) 22.9
Eric Scott (Churchill) 22.9
Jerry Gaines (Canton) 23.1
Mike Clark (Lutheran Westland) 23.1
Deris Rolle (Redford Union) 23.1

400-METER DASH

John Moore (Franklin) 50.6
Jerry Gaines (Canton) 50.8
Terrill Mayberry (Harrison) 51.2
Dave Novara (Stevenson) 51.5
Brian Page (Canton) 52.8
Derek Hurst (John Glenn) 53.1
Rashod Williams (John Glenn) 53.2
Will Chapman (Churchill) 53.3
Michael Bowman (N. Farmington) 53.7
Brian Johns (N. Farmington) 53.7

800-METER RUN

Donnie Warner (Salem) 2:04.7
Ryan Gail (Churchill) 2:04.7
Furman Tate (Harrison) 2:04.7
Tim Henderson (Redford CC) 2:04.8
Marty Kane (Canton) 2:05.0
John DiGiovanni (Redford CC) 2:05.2
Brian Klotz (Franklin) 2:05.9
Aaron Schmidt (Canton) 2:06.0
Eric Mink (Stevenson) 2:06.2
Michael Bowman (N. Farmington) 2:06.9

1,600-METER RUN

Donnie Warner (Salem) 4:28.0
Eric Mink (Stevenson) 4:28.4
Matt Daly (Redford CC) 4:35.0
Brian Klotz (Franklin) 4:35.0
Kyle Jekot (Redford CC) 4:35.8
John Krawiec (Redford CC) 4:36.0
Ryan Gail (Churchill) 4:36.0
Brian Coats (Harrison) 4:36.5
Ron Abel (Wayne Memorial) 4:37.6
Dan Krawiec (Redford CC) 4:38.0

3,200-METER RUN

Matt Daly (Redford CC) 9:32.3
John Krawiec (Redford CC) 9:55.0
Dan Krawiec (Redford CC) 10:03.4
Doug Gibbons (Redford CC) 10:11.0
Steve Stewart (Franklin) 10:13.0
Donnie Warner (Salem) 10:21.0
Phil Johnson (Churchill) 10:23.5
Logan Schultz (Churchill) 10:24.3
Justin Hajduk (Salem) 10:24.7
Brandon McClellan (Canton) 10:35.4

400-METER RELAY

Farmington Harrison 44.2
Farmington 44.7
Lutheran Westland 45.0
Plymouth Canton 45.3
Livonia Stevenson 45.5
Wayne Memorial 45.5

800-METER RELAY

Farmington Harrison 1:30.3
Westland John Glenn 1:33.2
Plymouth Canton 1:33.5
Livonia Stevenson 1:34.1
Lutheran Westland 1:34.2

1,600-METER RELAY

Farmington Harrison 3:25.6
Livonia Franklin 3:28.1
Livonia Stevenson 3:29.6
Livonia Churchill 3:32.4
Plymouth Canton 3:34.1

3,200-METER RELAY

Redford Catholic Central 8:18.9
Plymouth Canton 8:27.3
Livonia Stevenson 8:29.6
North Farmington 8:37.3
Livonia Churchill 8:38.7

OBSERVERLAND RESULTS

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BOYS TRACK RELAYS

May 5 at RU's Kraft Field

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Plymouth Canton, 82 points; 2. Redford Catholic Central, 69½; 3. Farmington Hills Harrison, 52; 4. Livonia Churchill, 47; 5. Northville, 44; 6. Plymouth Salem, 33; 7. Livonia Stevenson, 29; 8. North Farmington, 26½; 9. Lutheran Westland, 24; 10. Farmington, 19; 11. Livonia Franklin, 18; 12. Garden City, 13; 13. Livonia Clarenceville, 12; 14. (tie) Westland John Glenn and Redford Bishop Borgess, 10 each; 16. Wayne Memorial, 6; 17. (tie) Redford Union, Redford Thurston, Redford St. Agatha, 0 each.

FINAL RELAY RESULTS

Shot put: 1. Lutheran Westland (Kevin Packard, Josh Meckes, Nate Meckes), 139 feet, 8¼ inches; 2. Canton, 131-7¼; 3. Churchill, 131-¾; 4. Redford CC, 127-5¼; 5. Salem, 126-1; 6. Garden City, 123-2¼.

Discus: 1. Churchill (Nick Hendra, DeMarr Davis, Andrew Ribar), 374-8; 2. Northville,

365-7; 3. Garden City, 363-6; 4. Lutheran Westland, 363-2; 5. N. Farmington, 338-3; 6. John Glenn, 329-11.

High jump: 1. Canton (Jerry Gaines, Brad Waldmann, Jordan Chapman), 17-8; 2. Farmington, 17-4; 3. Redford CC, 16-10; 4. N. Farmington, 16-8; 5. Harrison, 16-4; 6. Lutheran Westland, 16-2.

Long jump: 1. Canton (Dane Kobus, Ken Page, Jordan Chapman), 56-¾; 2. Redford CC, 54-10¼; 3. Lutheran Westland, 54-5½; 4. Clarenceville, 53-11; 5. Northville, 53-11; 6. Wayne, 52-10¼.

Pole vault: 1. Churchill (Frank Baker, Howard Whitefoot, Kevin Peterman), 36-6; 2. Canton, 36-6; 3. Garden City, 31-0; 4. (tie) Lutheran Westland and Salem, 28-0 each; 6. N. Farmington, 24-0.

6,400-meter relay: 1. Redford CC (Dan Krawiec, John Krawiec, Ryan Lowry, Matt Daly), 18:05.0 (meet record); 2. Churchill, 18:41.0; 3. Northville, 19:09.0; 4. Canton, 19:20.3; 5. Canton, 19:20.3; 6. Stevenson, 19:21.5.

110 Individual hurdles: 1. Tom Grant (CC), 15.0; 2. Mike Leach (NF), 15.5; 3. Kevin Peterman (LC), 16.1; 4. Rob Showalter (PS), 16.2; 5. Rob Cameron (N), 16.5; 6. Kevin Davis (FHH), 16.8.

Distance medley: 1. Canton (Brian Page, John Szlinis, Aaron Schmidt, Marty Kane), 11:08.0; 2. Stevenson, 11:09.0; 3. Redford CC, 11:21.3; 4. N. Farmington, 11:42.0; 5. Salem, 11:48.0; 6. Churchill, 11:55.5.

800: 1. Harrison (Terrill Mayberry, Marcus Woods, Charles Pickett, Agim Shabaj), 1:30.3; 2. John Glenn, 1:33.2; 3. Canton, 1:33.5; 4. Stevenson, 1:34.2; 5. Northville, 1:34.7; 6. Farmington, 1:34.9.

1,600 individual run: 1. Donnie Warner (PS), 4:28.0; 2. Eric Mink (LS), 4:28.4; 3. Brian Klotz (LF), 4:35.0; 4. Kyle Jekot (CC), 4:35.8; 5. Brian Coats (FHH), 4:36.5; 6. Ron Abel (WM), 4:37.6.

3,200: 1. Redford CC (Dan Krawiec, John DiGiovanni, Ryan Lowry, Matt Daly), 8:20.7; 2. Northville, 8:28.5; 3. Canton, 8:30.6; 4. Franklin, 8:55.2; 5. Farmington, 8:56.8; 6.

Stevenson, 9:00.6.

100 Individual dash: 1. Darryl Anglin (BB), 11.0; 2. Tim Shaw (C'ville), 11.0; 3. Agim Shabaj (FHH), 11.0; 4. Brandon Langston (N), 11.4; 5. Tyrone Dillard (WM), 11.6; 6. Randell Means (CC), 11.6.

Sprint medley: 1. Harrison (Terrill Mayberry, Marcus Woods, Charles Pickett, Agim Shabaj), 2:30.5; Canton, 2:30.8; 3. Northville, 2:34.9; 4. Salem, 2:37.3; 5. John Glenn, 2:40.0; 6. Stevenson, 2:40.2.

Shuttle hurdle: 1. Redford CC (Chris Meagher, Alex Carravallah, Mike Siwicki, Tom Grant), 1:03.1; 2. Canton, 1:04.5; 3. N. Farmington, 1:05.3; 4. Salem, 1:05.8; 5. Churchill, 1:08.6; 6. Harrison, 1:09.1.

400: 1. Harrison (Agim Shabaj, Jarnell Johnson, Charles Pickett, Chris Roberson), 44.2; 2. Farmington, 44.7; 3. Northville, 45.2; 4. Canton, 45.4; 5. Wayne, 45.5; 6. (tie) Redford CC and N. Farmington, 45.8 each.

1,600: 1. Harrison (Agim Shabaj, Furman Tate, Brian Coats, Terrill Mayberry), 3:25.6; 2. Franklin, 3:28.1; 3. Stevenson, 3:29.6; 4. Churchill, 3:32.7; 5. Canton, 3:34.1; 6. N. Farmington, 3:36.5.

Golf from page D1

a non-league match against Ann Arbor Huron Tuesday at Leslie Park, but all four of the River Rats' golfers shot 47 or better to get the victory.

Other scorers for the Blazers were Amanda Graves, 47, Leah Andersen, 48 and Lauren Dickerson, 56. For Huron, Anna

Aversman's 43 was best. Deanne Lister and Kirsten Reynolds each shot 46s and Alicia Zucker-man had a 47.

Ladywood is 4-3 overall.

Huron is 7-2.
Last Thursday in a Catholic League match against Dearborn Divine Child at the Dearborn

Country Club, Graves shot a 48 to lead Ladywood to a 200-204 triumph. Graves tied Divine Child's Mary Beth Trainer for medalist honors.

Other scorers for the Blazers were Rachel Andersen at 50 and Thomas and Leah Andersen at 51.

On May 2 against Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard at Huron Hills, Graves and Thomas shared medalist honors, each shooting a 39, as Ladywood disposed of the Fighting Irish 167-235.

Anne Kizer added a 44 for the Blazers, with Rachel Andersen shooting a 45 and Leah Andersen a 49.

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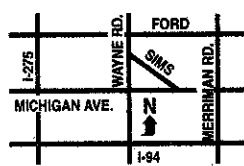
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Salem recaptures own Invitational title

For the second-consecutive season, Plymouth Salem managed to emerge from its own Salem Invitational softball tournament unscathed, and with the title as well.

The Rocks defeated Flat Rock 10-6, Farmington 5-4 (in nine innings) and Livonia Franklin 6-1 Saturday at Salem.

The win over Farmington had to be particularly sweet, considering a day earlier the Falcons had upended Salem 6-5 at Farmington. Jill Posler was the winning pitcher for the Rocks, giving up four runs on nine hits and one walk, with five strikeouts in nine innings. The losing pitcher for Farmington was Kelsey Guisbert, who surrendered five runs on 10 hits and five walks, striking out four.

The Rocks overcame a 4-1 deficit by

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scoring three times in the sixth. The game-winning run in the ninth was scored by Jen Allen on a base hit by Maggie Tudor. Tudor and Allen each had two hits and an RBI.

In the win over Flat Rock, Salem again found itself in a hole, this time after a six-run second inning left the Rocks trailing 6-1 after two innings. Two runs in the third narrowed the gap and a three-run fifth knotted the game at 6-all. Four more crossed the plate in the sixth to win it for Salem.

Kristen Miller was the winning pitcher, allowing six runs on eight hits and one walk, with two strikeouts. Dawn Allen contributed two doubles and three

RBI at the plate for the Rocks; Kelly Jaskot and Katie Kelly each added two hits, with Kelly knocking in a run, and Jen Allen had a two-run single.

Against Franklin, the Rocks broke a 1-1 tie with four runs in the fourth. Miller was the winning pitcher, giving up one unearned run on five hits and two walks, striking out three. Nikki Zabkiewicz was the losing pitcher; she surrendered six runs (five earned) on nine hits, striking out six.

Jaskot led the Salem offense with two hits and two RBI. Dawn Allen added two hits and an RBI, with Tudor and Mandy Bradley each contributing two hits.

Zabkiewicz had two of the Patriots' five hits and drove in the only run.

Salem 5, John Glenn 3: A pair of runs

in the bottom of the seventh Monday gave the host Rocks their WLAA victory.

Kristen Miller scattered seven hits, struck out four and walked one to earn the win for Salem (11-7, 3-3).

Jen Allen had an RBI double plus a single for Plymouth while Maggie Tudor's two-run double was the winning hit.

Erica Novack walked nine in defeat for John Glenn (3-3 WLAA). The Rocks' Amanda Ross had a two-run home run in the first. Sara Walter had a double.

Canton 8, Franklin 3: The Chiefs rebounded from their loss to cross-campus rival Plymouth Salem — thanks to a five-run fifth inning Monday.

The Patriots scored single runs in the first, third and fourth innings Monday but the visiting Chiefs exploded for all their runs in the fifth and sixth innings of the game at Emerson Middle School.

Katie Conlon, who worked the final 3 2/3, pitched hitless ball while striking out five and walking one to pick up the victory.

Taking the loss was Nikki Zabkiewicz, who allowed eight runs, only three of which were earned. She struck out seven walked one and gave up 10 hits.

Amy Sandrick had a double for Franklin (6-11, 0-6) while the other two hits were singles by Kendra Andrews and Jenie D'Annunzio.

Megan Coultas and Angie Neu had two singles each for the Chiefs.

Chiefs bounce back; Rocks get another shutout

It's been a frustrating year for Plymouth Canton's girls soccer team, and that frustration surfaced in a non-league match against fifth-ranked Troy Friday at Troy.

First the Colts scored twice early in the second half to take a two-goal lead. Then, just when it seemed Canton was clawing its way back, Anne Morrell — the state's co-player of the year last season — got a second yellow card and was ejected.

The Chiefs still managed to tie it at 2-all, but Troy scored the game-winner off a restart with six minutes left to claim a 3-2 triumph.

Morrell wasn't the only one to get red-carded, which caused her to miss Monday's match at Farmington. Erica Aherns, who assisted on both of the Chiefs' goals, also was red-carded after the match had ended; she, too, sat out Monday's game against

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the Falcons.

Stephanie Johnson and Kara Marsh scored Canton's goals against Troy.

Even with Morrell and Aherns on the sidelines, the Chiefs had more than enough to handle Farmington. Seven players scored goals as Canton built a 6-

0 lead by halftime.

The win gave them a 6-3-1 overall record.

Allison Mills netted two goals for the Chiefs. Danielle Shepard, Rachel Perry and Jessica Dean each contributed a goal and an assist, and Amanda Lentz, Nicole Schilk and Jenny Curren each had a goal. Johnson and Marsh added assists.

Briana Wolcott, Katie Maloni and Tarah Rhoades divided time

in goal.

Salem 3, N. Farmington 0: Plymouth Salem wore down visiting North Farmington Monday to win this Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division clash.

Megan Gourley got the game's first goal 20 minutes into the opening half. Katelyn Lee doubled the Rocks' advantage 15 minutes into the second half,

and Stephanie Baron added an insurance marker with seven minutes left.

Jill Dombrowski recorded her seventh shutout in 10 games in goal. Salem improved to 8-2 overall, 3-1 in the WLAA.

Poor weather caused a stoppage in play with 9:30 left, but it was resumed after a short intermission.

"Our defense played a solid, solid game," said Salem coach

Joe Nora. "They only gave up three shots, they really possessed the ball in the back and they dictated play."

PCA 2, S'field Christian 0: Goals by Andrea Lorian and Heather Vargo, both seniors, boosted Plymouth Christian Academy to victory last Thursday in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference match played at PCA.

TENNIS

NORTH FARMINGTON 8 PLYMOUTH SALEM 0

May 7 at Plymouth Salem

No. 1 singles: Jay Berman (NF) defeated Jon Machnacki, 6-1, 6-1; **No. 2:** Chris Copeland (NF) def. Andy Fenton, 2-6, 6-3, 6-0; **No. 3:** Andre Zelikov (NF) def. Evan Roller, 6-4, 6-2; **No. 4:** Scott Lachman (NF) def. John Schellwase, 6-1, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Steve Jaffe-Greg Boothroyd (NF) def. Kyle Jose-Dave Kwak, 6-1, 6-2; **No. 2:** Dan Carlson-Dan Levy (NF) def. Dave Wallen-Dave Daigneu, 6-1, 6-1; **No. 3:** Scott Stone-Matt Licavoli (NF) def. Sameer Dohadwala-Pat Shaw, 6-3, 6-2; **No. 4:** Alex Talwar-Andrew Dallas (NF) def. Jeff Sibbold-Pat Tokarski, 6-1, 6-3.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 5 PLYMOUTH SALEM 3

May 4 at Stevenson

No. 1 singles: Brady Crosby (LS) def. Jon Machnacki, 6-0, 6-3; **No. 2:** Justin Bookmeyer (LS) def. Andy Fenton, 1-6, 6-4, 6-3; **No. 3:** Evan Roller (PS) def. Dan Petty, 6-1, 6-3; **No. 4:** Robert Ficara (LS) def. Jason Rizzo, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Brendan Cornelissson-Brian Curd (LS) def. Dave Kwak-Pat Shaw, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2; **No. 2:** Dave Wallen-Dave Daigneu (PS) def. Mike Horback-Matt Demgen, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4; **No. 3:** Jeff Sibbold-Sameer Dohadwala (PS) def. Andy Byberg-Christoph Alutts, 7-6, 7-6; **No. 4:** Cory Shedd-Nick Reale (LS) def. Kevin Whipple-Pat Tokarski, 6-2, 6-0.

Stevenson's dual meet record: 7-1 overall, 7-1 WLAA.

ANN ARBOR PIONEER 7 REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 1

May 8 at Schoolcraft College

No. 1 singles: David Hiniker (P) defeated Mike Findling, 6-4, 6-4; **No. 2:** John Seyferth (P) def. Jason Bedouin, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 3:** Billy Walsh (CC) def. Mark Reading-Smith, 6-2, 1-6, 6-3; **No. 4:** Julian Darwal (AAP) def. Mike Wagner, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2.

No. 1 doubles: Luke Marker-Evan Levine (P) def. David Atallah-Mark Fleszar, 6-2, 2-6, 6-2; **No. 2:** Pat Fey-Dan Fleszar (P) def. Steve Root-Matt Row, 6-0, 6-2; **No. 3:** Matt Mauli-Mike Kelly-Sell (P) def. Eric Tomkowicz-Paul Swetaj (CC) def. Ben Glass-Colin McIntyre (P) def. Nick Gonzalez-Ian McHenry, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

CC dual-meet record: 8-2 overall.

REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 8 WARREN DELASALLE 0

May 7 at Warren DeLaSalle

No. 1 singles: Mike Findling (CC) defeated Allen Pettit, 6-0, 6-2; **No. 2:** Jason Bedouin (CC) def. Pat Mullan, 6-2, 6-2; **No. 3:** Billy Walsh (CC) def. Andrews, 6-1, 6-2; **No. 4:** Mike Wagner def. Andrew Lozen, 6-1, 6-3.

No. 1 doubles: David Atallah-Mark Fleszar (CC) def. Ryan Nosis-Carlo Mirasol, 6-0, 6-2; **No. 2:** Steve Doot-Matt Row (CC) def. Phil Morae-John Cusmano, 6-2, 6-1; **No. 3:** Eric Tomkowicz-Paul Swetaj (CC) def. Dan Jankowski-John Rauch, 6-1, 6-2; **No. 4:** Nick Gonzalez-Ian McHenry (CC) def. Andrew Sella-Ryan Breisacher, 6-1, 6-0.

CC league record: 5-1 Central Division.

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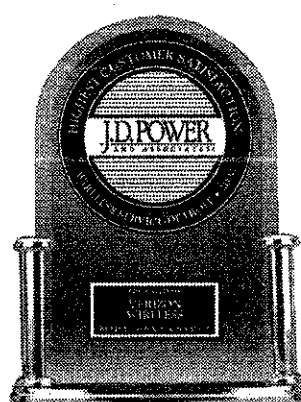
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Woes continue for both Salem and Canton

Westland John Glenn's baseball team is on a bit of a run.

The Rockets won three games — two Saturday and one Monday — to resume a winning trend temporarily halted by a pair of losses last week.

Coach Todd Duffield's squad (11-7) trimmed host Plymouth Salem, 10-1, to square its Western Lakes Activities Association record at 3-3.

Brandon Ajlouny spaced four hits over seven innings, walking six and striking out five, to leave the Rocks (9-7) also at 3-3 in league play.

Kevin O'Beirne pitched five-plus innings and allowed five runs in taking the loss.

John Glenn pounded out 10 hits overall and made just one error.

Kyle Rutkowski had three hits, two of them doubles, and drove in two runs for the Rockets while Ricky Verville had a pair of hits and an RBI.

Jeff Koslowski had two hits, including a solo home run, to drive in three runs and Mike Grant drove in a pair of runs with groundouts.

Mike Thackaberry had two hits, including a double, and scored Salem's

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lone run.

Franklin 9, Canton 6 (8 inn.): Mike Bugnell slammed a two-run home run to key a three-run eighth inning Monday that brought the visiting Patriots the win.

Mark Hanson's two-run single in the bottom of the seventh squared the score for the Chiefs.

But Joe Ruggiero slammed the door by getting the final two outs in relief of starter Shawn Middleton and pitching a scoreless eighth to earn the victory for Livonia Franklin (5-9, 1-5).

Matt Staley pitched the first half of the game for Plymouth Canton (8-8, 2-4) with Brian Rossow pitching the last half. The loss was the Chiefs' fifth-straight.

Franklin had 15 hits and made the game's lone error while Canton had nine hits.

Hanson went 2-for-4 for the Chiefs and Jay Sofen was 3-for-4.

Ruggiero was 3-for-5 with an RBI for

the Patriots while Bugnell went 3-for-5. Jason Robinson was 2-for-3 and Dan Horning 2-for-5 with three RBI.

PCA 9, A.P. Inter-City 0: Clay Welton shut host Allen Park Inter-City Baptist down on two hits and a walk, striking out 14 Tuesday in Plymouth Christian Academy's lopsided win.

The Eagles improved to 7-4 overall, 2-3 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Inter-City is 8-4 overall, 3-3 in the MIAC.

Brian Carnevale led the offensive effort for PCA, going 4-for-5 at the plate with a triple and four runs batted in. Lead-off man Jim Morrison contributed three singles and three runs scored, and Welton had three hits and an RBI.

Travis Bear took the pitching loss for the Chargers.

Agape 15-12, Macomb Christian 9-5: Canton Agape Christian pounded Macomb Christian's pitching for 29 hits Saturday in Warren to improve its record to 11-6.

Rob Hough was the winning pitcher in the opener, allowing six runs (two

earned) on four hits and seven walks, with 11 strikeouts, in five innings. Steve Czubak took the loss.

Mike Ossana led the offense with four hits; he also had three stolen bases. David Donaldson chipped in with three hits, two RBI, three runs scored and three steals; Hough had three hits including a double, two RBI, two runs scored and two steals; Mike Bommarito and Bobby Konrad each had two hits, two RBI and two steals; and Marcus Ossana and Paul Anleitner each had two hits.

In the second game, Josh Anthony had two hits (including a double), two steals and three runs scored; Mike Ossana had two hits, two steals and two runs scored; and Anleitner had two hits.

Donaldson was the winning pitcher, allowing five runs (four earned) on nine hits and two walks, with six strikeouts, in five innings. Anleitner pitched two scoreless innings of relief to get the save.

CC 5-7, Notre Dame 3-4: Redford Catholic Central came through with a sweep of Harper Woods Notre Dame on Saturday to stay in the Central Division

lead.

"We've had a pretty good week," said CC coach John Salter. "We won four of five last week and if we sweep De La Salle (on Wednesday) we should wrap up first place."

The Shamrocks came through with two runs in the top of the eighth inning in the first game to beat the Irish. In the second game, CC led start to finish.

Jake Viane provided the big blow in the first game, as his eighth-inning single scored Charlie Haeger and Phil Marrone — both of whom reached by singles, Viane and Dave Tovey wound up going 2-for-4, while Haeger had a third-inning double that drove in two runs.

Mike Wadowski got the win in relief, giving up two walks, and four strikeouts in 2 1/3 innings to improve to 3-0.

Kevin Entsminger (3-1) took the win in the second game, striking out 12, walking two and giving up four hits.

Haeger led the hitting attack for CC (15-4, 9-3 Central) by going 2-for-4 with a double and an RBI, Anthony Coratti had an RBI single, Ryan Rogowski had a double and two walks, and Entsminger walked, doubled and scored twice.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL

Thursday, May 10

Canton at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem, 4 p.m.
Agape at Detroit Urban, 4 p.m.
B.H. Roeper at PCA (2), 4 p.m.
Redford CC at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Bethesda at HVL, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 11

Macomb Christian at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Franklin at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.
Farmington at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Ypsilanti, 4 p.m.
Luth. N'west at C'ville, 4:30 p.m.
Luth. W'sid at Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

(all double-headers)
Redford CC at U-D Jesuit, 11 a.m.
Agape at Huron Valley, 11 a.m.

Churchill at Thurston, 11 a.m.

John Glenn at Wayne, 11 a.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Thursday, May 10

Churchill at Canton, 4 p.m.
Salem at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
PCA at A.P. Cabrini, 4:30 p.m.
Agape at Detroit Urban, 4 p.m.
Bethesda at HVL, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 11

Macomb Christian at PCA, 4 p.m.
W.L. Western at Franklin, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Ypsilanti at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Ladywood at Marian (2), 4 p.m.
Luth. N'west at C'ville, 4:30 p.m.
Luth. W'sid at Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

Bedford Tournament, 8 a.m.

Canton Classic, 9 a.m.

Marion Tournament, TBA.

(all double-headers)
Agape at Huron Valley, 10 a.m.
Romulus at Luth. W'sid, 11 a.m.

GIRLS SOCCER

Thursday, May 10

A.A. Huron at Canton, 7 p.m.
Ladywood at Mercy, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, May 11

John Glenn at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Kingswood at Luth. W'sid, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

Churchill at Ladywood, 1:30 p.m.

BOYS TRACK

Thursday, May 10

Fordson at Wayne, 3:30 p.m.
Canton at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 3:30 p.m.
Farmington at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

Jackson Northwest Relays, 9 a.m.
Troy Athens Relays, 9:30 a.m.
Annapolis Invitational, 10 a.m.
River Rat Relays, 10 a.m.
A.A. Pioneer Last Chance, 10 a.m.

GIRLS TRACK

Thursday, May 10

Churchill at Canton, 3:30 p.m.
Salem at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 3:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.

Southgate at Wayne, 3:30 p.m.

Luth. W'sid at Marian Mile, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

River Rat Invitational, 9 a.m.
Jackson Northwest Relays, 9 a.m.
Troy Athens Relays, 9:30 a.m.
Annapolis Invitational, 10 a.m.

BOYS TENNIS

Thursday, May 10

Canton at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Salem, 4 p.m.

Friday, May 11

Stevenson at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 12

Catholic League meet, TBA.

GIRLS GOLF

Thursday, May 10

A.A. Pioneer Invit., 8 a.m.
Wayne at Belleville, TBA.

Stevenson vs. W.L. Western

at Bogle Lake, 3 p.m.
Friday, May 11

Churchill vs. Salem

at Whispering Willows, 3 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Thursday, May 10

Whalers at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.

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Madonna falls in WHAC final

It's over. But no one can take exception with Madonna University's baseball team as far as effort is concerned.

A year ago, the long-shot Fighting Crusaders reached the NAIA Region VIII Tournament by winning the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournament. Seeded third in the four-team tournament this year, they managed to make a run at the tourney title again before bowing to Indiana Tech, 7-2 Tuesday in Battle Creek.

Tech, runner-up during the regular season, takes its 41-20 record into the regional, where it will join WHAC champion Aquinas College, which earned a spot in the regional by virtue of its title.

Madonna's season ends at 19-28.

Two Madonna errors in the third inning led to four runs for the Warriors, three of them unearned. Eric Williamson started and took the loss, lasting 7 2/3 innings for the Crusaders, giving up six runs (three earned) on nine hits and a walk, striking out six. Jason Knowling was the winner for Tech, working eight innings and surrendering two runs on 10 hits and a walk, with three strikeouts.

Greg Young had three hits and scored two runs for Madonna. Mark Cole also had three hits and Devin Cole collected two, while Lance Siegwald had a single and drove in both Crusader runs.

Scott Shelby had four hits and an RBI for the Warriors, while Matt Gerardot had a double and three RBI and Casey Held had two hits and two RBI.

Tech won the tournament without losing a game in the double-elimination format. The top-seeded Warriors beat Tri-State 15-5 and Spring Arbor 7-2 on Monday before topping Madonna Tuesday.

The Crusaders opened the tournament by losing 4-1 to

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Spring Arbor Monday. They battled back through the loser's bracket, stopping Tri-State 6-3 on Monday and avenging its earlier defeat by stopping Spring Arbor 11-4 Tuesday.

In its win over the Cougars Tuesday, Madonna got home runs from Joe Pruchnik, a solo shot in the sixth, and Chris Woodruff, a three-run blast to highlight a seven-run second. Roy Rabe (from Livonia Stevenson) added three hits and three RBI and Pruchnik had two hits.

Joel Halliday went all nine innings for the Crusaders, allowing four runs (three earned) on 10 hits and two walks, fanning nine to improve to 4-4. Justin Hahaj (6-5) took the loss for Spring Arbor, which finished at 28-16.

In the 6-3 victory over Tri-State (16-23-1), Madonna got strong pitching from Ryan Andrzejewski and two-run homers from Matt Rigley and Bryan DeCaire. Devin Cole paced the eight-hit attack with three singles and two RBI.

Andrzejewski (3-3 overall) gave up three earned runs on seven hits and a walk, striking out five. Ray Sterling took the loss for the Thunder.

Madonna lost its opener to Spring Arbor despite strong pitching from Dale Hayes (7 2/3 innings, one earned run on nine hits, two strikeouts) and Mike Hayes (1/3 of an inning, one hit, no runs).

Jason O'Neal stymied the Crusaders, giving up one run on eight hits and two walks.

Cole had three hits, with DeCaire and Pruchnik getting two apiece to lead Madonna.

MADONNA 9-0, AQUINAS 8-10: Madonna struck for two runs in the bottom of the sixth to tie it at 8-all in Friday's opener against Aquinas College, then got the game-winner in the bottom

of the seventh to beat the WHAC champs 9-8.

The results of the second game weren't so pleasant. The Saints used a one-hit pitching performance by Brandon Bailey (8-0) to beat the Crusaders 10-0 in a five-inning mercy.

Madonna's only hit in the nightcap was a single by Roy Rabe. Dale Hayes started and took the loss for the Crusaders, giving up four runs (three earned) on five hits and a walk in two innings.

Bailey walked two and struck out seven for Aquinas.

In the opener, Mario D'Herin slugged a two-run homer in the sixth to knot it at 8-all, then Devin Cole doubled to start the seventh for Madonna. After Chris Woodruff was intentionally walked, Joe Pruchnik came through with a game-winning single to win it.

Pruchnik had two hits and three RBI in the game. D'Herin and Cole each had two hits and two RBI, with Woodruff and Mark Cole contributing two hits and an RBI apiece.

Mike Hayes (Redford Union) was the winning pitcher with two innings of scoreless, hitless relief. Shaun Hamblen took the loss for Aquinas.

The split earned Madonna the No. 3 seed in the WHAC Tournament with an 11-13 record.

ST. XAVIER 9-3, MADONNA 0-4: The final two games Madonna will play at Madonna Park, located at the former Livonia Bentley HS, ended with the Crusaders splitting with non-league opponent St. Xavier.

The Cougars won the opener 9-0 as Madonna managed just three hits. Jeremy Stevens started and took the loss for the Crusaders, falling to 1-3 after giving up seven earned runs in six innings.

In the second game, Madonna struck for three runs in the bottom of the sixth and held off St. Xavier for a 4-3 victory. Bryan DeCaire and Lance Siegwald each had three hits for the Crusaders. DeCaire driving in a run, and Joe Pruchnik had two hits and an RBI.

Mark Cole, the third of five Madonna pitchers, got the win with one scoreless inning.

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Hillary Murray (Mercy) 30-11 3/4
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Rita Malec (Franklin) 5-0
Amy Driscoll (Canton) 4-11
Kelly Ward (Ladywood) 4-10
Deldre Jones (Mercy) 4-10
Sarah Nallet (Farmington) 4-10

Maggie Condeni (Harrison) 4-10
Whitney Johnson (Canton) 4-10
LONG JUMP
Alexis Noel (Ladywood) 17-0
LaTasha Chandler (John Glenn) 16-5 1/2
Elizabeth Easter (John Glenn) 16-5
Stephanie Dean (Churchill) 16-3
Jessica Shamberger (Salem) 16-2
Melanie Banks (Harrison) 15-10
Kate Bouschet (Farmington) 15-9
Karen Abramczyk (Lutheran Westland) 15-8
Katie Pfankuch (Stevenson) 15-3 3/4
Dominique Powells (Redford Union) 15-2

POLE VAULT

Kim Wise (Garden City) 11-0
Amy Driscoll (Canton) 9-6
Julietta Iarina (Harrison) 9-0
Andrea McMillan (Franklin) 9-0
Nicole Simonian (John Glenn) 8-9
Melanie Hein (Churchill) 8-9
Jennifer Jedlick (Salem) 8-6
Abbie Schrader (Stevenson) 8-0
100-METER HURDLES
LaTasha Chandler (John Glenn) 14-9
Whitney Johnson (Mercy) 16.1
Alexis Noel (Ladywood) 16.3
Kristel Stricker (Farmington) 16.7
Angela Fodor (Harrison) 16.8
Stacey Schmedding (Salem) 17.0
Latoya Burrell (Harrison) 17.2

Colleen Bosman (Stevenson) 17.3
Milyne Matheny (Canton) 17.4
Megan Casey (Stevenson) 17.7
300-METER HURDLES
Whitney Johnson (Mercy) 47.6
Colleen Bosman (Stevenson) 50.4
Kristel Stricker (Farmington) 50.4
Eriane Bundle (Salem) 50.5
Stacey Schmedding (Salem) 51.8
Mandy Hein (Churchill) 52.0
Latoya Burrell (Harrison) 52.1
Angela Fodor (Harrison) 52.5
Lakisha Locust (John Glenn) 52.6
Megan Casey (Stevenson) 52.7

100-METER DASH

Jessica Shamberger (Salem) 12.5
Alexandria Marshall (Mercy) 12.7
To'nia White (John Glenn) 12.7
Kathy Carey (Ladywood) 13.0
Crystal Wise (Harrison) 13.0
Meredith Fox (Canton) 13.1
Alyse White (Churchill) 13.1
Melissa Lokken (Churchill) 13.1
Angie Matthews (Luth. Westland) 13.1
Christina Redd (Canton) 13.1
Dominique Powells (Redford Union) 13.1

200-METER DASH

Alexandria Marshall (Mercy) 25.7

Michelle Bonior (Salem) 26.9
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
Alyse White (Churchill) 27.5
Kristi Sobran (Stevenson) 27.5
Melissa Lokken (Churchill) 27.6

400-METER DASH

Michelle Phillips (Churchill) 1:01.6
Alexandria Marshall (Mercy) 1:00.8
Meredith Fox (Canton) 1:01.7
Deldre Jones (Mercy) 1:02.6
Autumn Hicks (Salem) 1:02.6
Stephanie Dean (Churchill) 1:03.1
Rita Malec (Franklin) 1:03.1
Laura Glynn (Harrison) 1:03.1
Nanette Garrison (Stevenson) 1:04.0
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) 2:30.7
Clara Fletcher (Harrison) 2:31.1
Jordan Falcusan (Salem) 2:31.6

Susan Duncan (Churchill) 2:33.0
Anne Lieberman (N. Farmington) 2:34.0
Heather Whittington (Salem) 2:36.2
Tess Kuehne (Lutheran Westland) 2:36.8
Angie Matthews (Lutheran Westland) 2:37.1

1,600-METER RUN

Michelle Phillips (Churchill) 5:25.0
Heather Whittington (Salem) 5:29.0
Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson) 5:30.0
Susan Duncan (Churchill) 5:34.3
Nicole Moundros (N. Farmington) 5:35.4
Heather Vandette (Stevenson) 5:36.3
Kelly Kuo (N. Farmington) 5:38.2
Susan Barrows (N. Farmington) 5:38.4
Tess Kuehne (Lutheran Westland) 5:43.6
Rachel Wodyka (Churchill) 5:44.0

3,200-METER RUN

Susan Barrows (N. Farmington) 11:43.2
Heather Vandette (Stevenson) 11:53.4
Susan Duncan (Churchill) 11:57.7
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

Westland John Glenn 51.8
Plymouth Salem 52.1
Livonia Churchill 52.7
Livonia Stevenson 53.3
Farmington Harrison 53.5

800-METER RELAY

Westland John Glenn 1:48.8
Plymouth Salem 1:48.9
Farmington Harrison 1:50.5
Plymouth Canton 1:50.9
Livonia Stevenson 1:51.5
Farmington Hills Mercy 1:51.5

1,600-METER RELAY

Farmington Hills Mercy 4:15.7
Plymouth Salem 4:18.9
Livonia Stevenson 4:20.7
Livonia Churchill 4:22.0
Farmington Harrison 4:24.7

3,200-METER RELAY

Livonia Churchill 10:02.6
Livonia Stevenson 10:12.6
Farmington Harrison 10:14.0
Plymouth Canton 10:22.0
North Farmington 10:24.0

BASEBALL NEWS

INDIANS ROLL

The Michigan Indians, a 13-year-old baseball team, captured the 12-team USSSA Ohio State National Qualifier Sunday in Fremont, Ohio with a 12-6 victory over the Ohio Titans.

Brian Kirkendall (Plymouth), Kyle Gendron (Plymouth), Shawn Little (Canton) and Eddie Duggan (Livonia) collected two

hits apiece and combined for eight RBI.

Pitchers Steve Merlo (Livonia) and Adam Everson (Livonia) combined on the win.

The Indians reached the championship final with a 5-3 semifinal victory over the East Side Rebels of Cleveland as pitcher Kevin Gordon (Redford) went the distance, allowing six hits and no walks.

In the tourney opener, Merlo went the distance, allowing four hits and striking out eight as the

Indians defeated Medina, Ohio, 15-4. He also helped his own cause with three hits and three RBI.

In the next round, Gordon shut out the Oregon Gators, 11-0, as he tossed a no-hitter and struck out 10. Gordon also had a double, single and three RBI. Merlo added three hits, while Greg Marrone (Plymouth) and Duggan each had two hits.

In the third round, the Indians defeated host Fremont, 11-0, as pitcher Little got the victory.

May is USA/Canada Bonus Month!

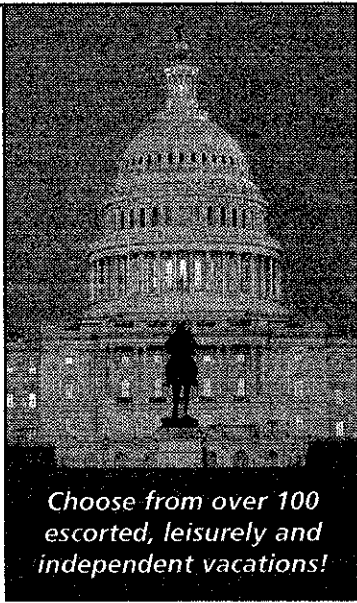
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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for *Pioneer Middle School, Miller Elementary School, Fiegel Elementary School, and Gallimore Elementary School Flooring Replacement Bid*. Specifications and bid forms are available through Laura Hagan of the PCCS Maintenance Department at (734) 416-2953. Sealed bids are due on or before 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 31, 2001 and should be: Attention Dan Phillips, Floor Replacement Bid, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
JUDY L. MARIIGAN, Secretary

Publish: May 10 & 17, 2001

L1046508

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
LEGAL NOTICE
SPECIAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2001

Notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held in the Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, on Tuesday, May 15, 2001, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., at which time the following Fire Services 1 Mill Renewal will be voted upon:

FIRE SERVICES 1 MILL RENEWAL

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within the Charter Township of Plymouth be renewed at 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2001 through 2020, inclusive, and the funds thereby derived be used for operating, maintaining and obtaining real and personal property for fire services for the Charter Township of Plymouth, thereby, raising in the first year an estimated \$1,673,143.00.

YES NO

All polling places in the Township of Plymouth are accessible to the elderly and the handicapped.

Polling places are as follows: (Please note that the Township precinct locations or precinct numbers may not coincide with your school district precinct location or precinct number).

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

Precinct 1	Farrand School	41400 Greenbriar
Precinct 2	Friendship Station	42375 Schoolcraft
Precinct 3	Allen School	11100 Haggerty Road
Precinct 4	Township Clerk's Office	42350 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 5	Bird School	220 N. Sheldon Road
Precinct 6	West Middle School	44401 Ann Arbor Trail
Precinct 7	United Assembly of God Church	46500 N. Territorial Rd.
Precinct 8	St. Kenneth's Catholic Church	14951 Haggerty Road
Precinct 9	Church of the Nazarene	45801 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 10	Fiegel School	39750 Joy Road
Precinct 11	First Baptist Church	45000 N. Territorial
Precinct 12	Pioneer Middle School	46081 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 13&16	Lutheran Church of the Risen Christ	46250 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 14	Iabister School	9300 Canton Center Rd.
Precinct 15	First United Methodist Church	45201 N. Territorial Rd.
Precinct 17	NorthRidge Church	49555 N. Territorial Rd.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC Clerk,
Charter Township of Plymouth

Publish: May 6th & 10th, 2001

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

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

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L1046150

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 24, 2001 for the following:

NEW MAMMOTH ROOFTOP UNIT

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

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: May 10, 2001

L1046151

SHURGARD OF CANTON
2101 Haggerty Road
Canton, Michigan 48187
(734) 981-0300

Notice is hereby given that the following unit(s) will be sold to the highest bidder by open auction on 06-16-01 at approximately 9:30 a.m. at Shurgard Storage located at 2101 Haggerty Rd., Canton, MI 48187. (734) 981-0300.

#4268 - Gagneur - sleeper couch, plastic tables, boxes.
#3045 - Parashiv - 2 kitchen chairs, 3 lamp shades, vacuum, boxes.
#5043 - Marcinkowski - boxes, lamps, storage shelves, cooler, Coleman stove, dining room chairs, trash cans, misc. household goods.
#6254 - Drazenovich - chain saw, dining table, 6 chairs, misc. household goods, 60 boxes, power washer, collector beer bottles, cooler.
#4013 - Murray - 3 mattress sets, dresser, boxes, vacuum, 2 couches, duffel bag, lamp, misc. household goods.

Publish: May 10 & 17, 2001

L1045840

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 31st, 2001 for the following:

DENTON ROAD GRADING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Specifications are available for pick up at Snell Environment Group, Inc. (A subsidiary of DLZ Michigan, Inc. 151 W. Congress, Suite 328, Detroit MI 48226. A non-refundable bond deposit of \$75.00 shall be required. A 5% bid bond will be required. Bid documents are available for review at the Canton Township Engineering Department located on the 2nd Floor of the Administration Building. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: May 10, 13, 17, 20, and 27, 2001

L1046153

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION
SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF
PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
WAYNE AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN
TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 11, 2001.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2001, IS MONDAY, MAY 14, 2001. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 14, 2001, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office or your county, city or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerk's offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the board of education.

ADDENDUM

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial Election of Schoolcraft Community College, Michigan, will be held in conjunction with the Regular School Election.

JUDY L. MARDIGIAN
Secretary, Board of Education

Publish: April 26 and May 10, 2001

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PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, 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 Zoning Ordinance:

CANTON TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT (2001-2)

Article 2, General Provisions, Section 2.07A Temporary Structures: General Requirements:

1) Township-Initiated Amendment to subsection 3, amending the requirements for temporary sales offices in the single family residential and multiple family residential zoning districts; and,
2) Consider request from Bryan Amann, 355 Canton Center Road N., Canton, MI 48187 representing Lifetime Fitness to create a new subsection 4 to allow temporary structures to be used as sales offices for non-retail commercial developments and to provide for the requirement criteria; and to renumber subsections 4 and 5 to 5 and 6 respectively.

Article 6, Site Development Standards Applicable to Specific Uses, Section 6.020 Site Development Standards for Motion Picture Theater by amending subsection 3, Access to allow one of two entrances to have a right-of-way of not less than 86 feet.

Article 27, General Procedures and Related Standards, Section 27.04B Planned Development, Definitions by amending subsection 12, Preliminary Planned Development by correcting the reference subsections noted for PDD submission.

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 10 and 27, 2001

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

INDUCTED

Longtime Redford Catholic Central assistant baseball coach Al Moran and Madonna University women's basketball coach Mary Lou Jansen will be inducted into the Catholic League Hall of Fame Monday, June 11 at the Warren Chateau.

Jansen, who coached Dearborn Divine Child to a pair of state Class B girls basketball championships (1993-94), and Moran, a former New York Met, are among six inductees.

Also scheduled to be inducted are officials Ron Mestdagh, Ken Rahn and Richard Zdeb, along with Brian Kelly (Warren DeLaSalle).

Birmingham Brother Rice athletic director Mike Popson will receive the Ed Lauer Person of the Year Award.

Athletes of the Year scheduled to be honored included Devon Brisky, Riverview Gabriel Richard (U-D Mercy); Victoria Butcko, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (St. Mary's, Ind.); Dan Deegan, Divine Child (Albion College); Lisa Goecke, Sacred Heart (DePaul University); T.J. Lieckfelt, DeLaSalle (Michigan State); Eric Marcy, Brother Rice (John Carroll University); Juan Pegues, Orchard Lake St. Mary's (Holy Cross); Greg Stempin, Harper Woods Notre Dame (Toledo University); Vince Thomas, DeLaSalle (Eastern Michigan); and Anne Marie Yoches, Divine Child (U-D Mercy).

Cost for the full Hall of Fame day is \$70. Tickets for the dinner only are \$35 (\$60 per couple).

Golf only at Maple Lane, located at 14 Mile and Hoover Roads, is \$45 (includes breakfast, lunch and cart).

For more information regarding the golf outing and the 74th anniversary party, call the league office at (313) 237-5960.

SOFTBALL PLAYERS WANTED

The City of Wayne Parks and Recreation Department is seeking girls ages 8-11 (Pee Wee League) and 12-14 (Junior League) for the summer season.

Registrations are being accepted through Friday, June 1 at the Wayne Community Center.

The cost is \$40 for Wayne residents and \$50 for non-resident players.

For more information, call (734) 721-7400.

SUMMER HOCKEY CLASS

Suburban Hockey School is preparing for its summer programs at arenas around the metro area, including Suburban Training Center in Farmington Hills.

There will be power-skating schools for mini-mites through bantams, a mini hockey clinic for mini-mites, a mite fun-damental hockey school, a squirt skill-builder program, a pee wee-bantam finishing school, a goalie school and adult programs.

Suburban Training Center also will have a girls program directed by Olympic gold medalist Lisa Brown-Miller.

The programs, which begin in July, will be led by Suburban-trained instructors, including those with professional and college coaching and playing experience.

To register or request more information call Suburban Hockey School at (248) 478-1600.

WSU HOCKEY SCHOOL

Wayne State hockey coach Bill Wilkinson is offering the Warrior Hockey School June 18-22 and Aug. 6-10 for ages 5-13.

Cost is \$225, with family and team discounts offered.

The June camp is held at the Great Lakes Sports City Complex in Fraser while the August camp is at the University-Liggett School in Grosse Pointe.

The camps are designed to help young players, both novice and experienced, improve their hockey skills with on-and-off-ice instruction. Students will be grouped by age and ability.

Wilkinson plus assistant coaches Danny Brooks and Cal McGowan will be instructing. For more information, call (313) 577-9174.

JUNIOR PGA TOURNEY

The Michigan PGA Section is accepting registration applications for the 2001 Michigan Junior PGA Championship, to be held July 11-12 at Bedford Valley Golf Club in Battle Creek.

Winners of the boys' and girls' divisions of the Michigan PGA Junior Championship qualify to join nearly 100 of the nation's top junior golfers in the national Westfield Junior PGA Championship on July 18-21 at Westfield Group Country Club in Westfield Center, Ohio.

The tourney is open to boys and girls, ages 17 and younger. Golfers wishing to enter the Michigan Junior PGA Champi-

onship can obtain entry forms at local PGA golf facilities or contact the Michigan PGA Section at (734) 522-2323. The state champions will receive air transportation, meals and lodging to compete in the national tourney.

WESTSIDE FOOTBALL CAMP

Catholic Central will hold its 21st Annual Westside Football Camp from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on June 18-21 at the high school.

Campers will receive instruction from CC coaches, along with area grade school coaches and college players and learn the fine points of offense and defense. Other aspects of the non-contact camp will touch on weight training, running for and flexibility, nutrition and diet, safety, drills and motivational talks and movies.

Campers will need football or tennis shoes, a lock for valuables, gym shorts, t-shirts and towel as well as their own lunch. Helmets are not needed and athletes must have their own insurance.

The cost of the camp is \$115. For information, please call (313) 531-7251.

RTHA SEEKS COACHES

Redford Township Hockey Association is accepting applications for coaches for the 2001-2002 season. Coaching positions for House teams are available. Minimum of Associate level coaching cards are mandatory for Bantam and Midget divisions.

Anyone interested in becoming involved with youth hockey, can contact Mark Scicluna at 313-533-0821 or redfordhockey@hotmail.com.

HOLOWICKI HOOP CAMP

Madonna University will be the site of the annual Bernie Holowicki All Star Basketball Camp in June and July.

The camp, run by MU men's head basketball coach Holowicki will feature contests and prizes, T-Shirts, instruction, drills, speakers, evaluation and more.

The boys camps will be: from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on June 11-15 and June 18-22 at Madonna (\$140) and June 29-July 3 at Madonna with times on Friday from 4:30-8:30 p.m., 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sunday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday (\$130).

The girls camp will be June 24-28 at Detroit World Christian

Academy from noon-4 p.m. on Sunday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Monday-Thursday.

For information, call Bill Derderian at (313) 937-0966, Holowicki at (734) 261-3346 or the school at (734) 432-5591.

AGGIES HOOP CLINIC

St. Agatha High School will hold its first Basketball Skills Development Clinic from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on June 18-22.

The clinic is open to all boys and girls entering the fifth through eighth grades. The cost of the clinic is \$100 and includes instruction from school coaches, T-shirts, prizes, evaluations and refreshments.

For information, call John Fernbert at (313) 531-9379.

SUMMER VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

The second annual Love & Clark summer volleyball league for high school girls in grades 9-12 will be at 5:15 and 6:15 p.m. Mondays, June 18 through July 30 at Clarenceville High school.

The cost is \$250 per team (eight player rosters). Space is limited to eight teams. The entry deadline is Wednesday, May 30.

For more information, call Alisha Love at (248) 872-8926 or (248) 350-1039.

SENIOR SOFTBALL

Applications are now being taken for senior men's softball.

Age groups are 55-64, 65-70 and 70-up. The seasons will begin in the spring and cover teams located in Livonia, Can-

ton, Dearborn, Garden City, Taylor and Southgate.

For more information call Gene Fanger at (734) 434-1482 or John Finch (734) 427-7210.

UMPS WANTED

The Canton Umpires Association is looking for people interested in being a baseball umpire with the CCJBSA league.

Weekly hours vary, training and major equipment is provided. Applicants must be at least 14-years-old with some knowledge of baseball.

For more information, call Greg Angel at (734) 981-3007 or Dave Givoe at (734) 981-3427, or by email at wdvgreg4@aol.com.

SPREE TEAMS WANTED

The Livonia Youth Soccer Club (LYSC) is encouraging local youth soccer teams to become charter entries in the Livonia Spree Invitational Tournament (June 22-24).

The tournament is open to boys and girls teams in age groups from under-9 through under-19. It offers recreational, select and premier divisions.

The tournament, scheduled in conjunction with the city's 51st anniversary, has been sanctioned by the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA).

All teams are guaranteed a minimum of three games in pool play with group winners and wild card teams moving on to play in a trophy round.

All players will receive com-

memorative participation pins and they, along with their families, will be eligible for discount tickets to the Livonia Spree.

For an information packet including team entry forms as well as additional rules and information, call the tournament hotline at 734-462-5889. You can also e-mail lystournament@ameritech.net or visit the Livonia Youth Soccer Club's website at www.livoniassoccer.org.

YMCA DAY CAMPS

The Wayne-Westland YMCA, located at 827 S. Wayne Road, is now registering children for its Summer 2001 Day Camp program.

Youths ages 5-7, 8-11 and 12-14 will experience five field trips per week, while learning about caring, honesty, respect and responsibility as they participate in games, sports, outdoor activities designed to build self-esteem and leadership skills.

The camp will be from June 25 through Aug. 30.

Space is limited to ensure optimum counselor/camper ratios. Registration is filling up fast.

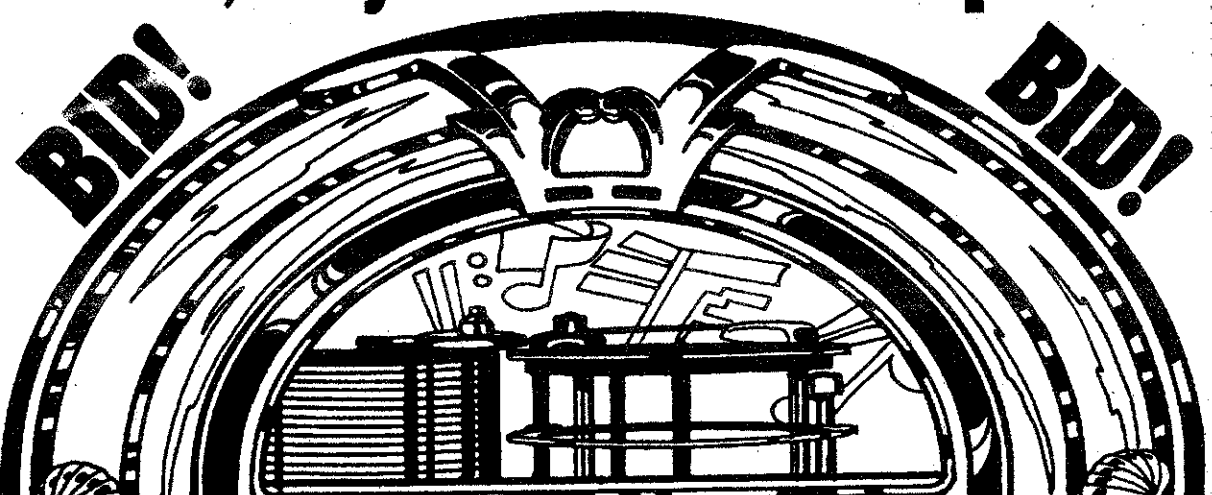
For more information or to obtain a brochure, call the YMCA at (734) 721-7044. Financial assistance is available. There is no residency requirement.

To submit items to the Sports Scene, write 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150, or send via fax to (734) 591-7279.

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in the game, Weiss was ruled out of action for the rest of Saturday's game and Sunday's as well.

Big loss. But the Whalers proved equal to the challenge, scoring the game's first four goals Sunday at Compuware Arena and then holding off Ottawa for a 4-2 win, evening the series at a game apiece.

Games Three and Four will be at Ottawa's Civic Centre, both at 7:30 p.m. tonight and Friday. Game Five will be at Compuware Arena at 3 p.m. Sunday.

"This was a must-win game for us at home," said Whalers' coach Pete DeBoer. "To come out with the series at 1-1, with some key guys out . . . We're pretty happy with that."

DeBoer added that Weiss' concussion was diagnosed as a Grade One, or the mildest form. He is expected to play tonight.

"I thought we played well with the lead," added Damian Surma, who has a goal and an assist in each of the first two games. "We usually do, but it got away from us last night."

"We just need to keep things simple and to keep playing well."

In other words, if the Whalers had scripted Sunday's game, it wouldn't have looked much different.

Surma gave them the early edge (again — in 15 playoff games, Plymouth has scored first 14 times) when, while killing a penalty, he darted into the 67's end to pick off a centering pass

by Brendan Bell. Surma's shot beat Ottawa goalie Seamus Kotyk, his short-handed, unassisted goal giving the Whalers a 1-0 lead with 9:07 left in the first period.

With Lance Galbraith in the box for hooking, Plymouth made it 2-0 with a power-play goal scored by Chad LaRose with 5:21 remaining in the opening period. James Wisniewski (from Canton), who had earlier in the power play had driven a shot from the point off the post, fired another that Kotyk stopped but could not smother. LaRose knocked in the rebound; Cole Jarrett also assisted.

The loss the previous night had quite apparently left the Whalers ornery. Just 1:35 into the second period, LaRose took a centering pass from Surma, deked Kotyk and scored to make it 3-0. Stacey Britstone also assisted.

Plymouth cashed in on another power-play opportunity 1:28 later, with Chad Wiseman poking in another rebound off another hard shot from the point by Wisniewski. Jarrett also assisted, making it 4-0.

And causing the removal of Kotyk. John Ceci replaced him in goal, but the damage had already been done.

The Whalers lost a bit of their focus in the last half of the second period, allowing Ottawa's Joe Talbot to score a short-handed goal with 9:47 left (from Gal-

braith and Van Hoof) and then, with 3:58 remaining, getting a second goal from Vadim Sozinov (from Talbot and Rodney Bauman).

But the third period was vintage Whalers. They simply did not give the 67's many good scoring opportunities, allowing just one shot on goal in the first 14 minutes of the third period and five in all.

"One of the keys to our success all year has been playing with the lead," said DeBoer. "Last night we didn't; today we did. We need (goalie) Rob (Zepp) to step up and make some key saves. Today he did."

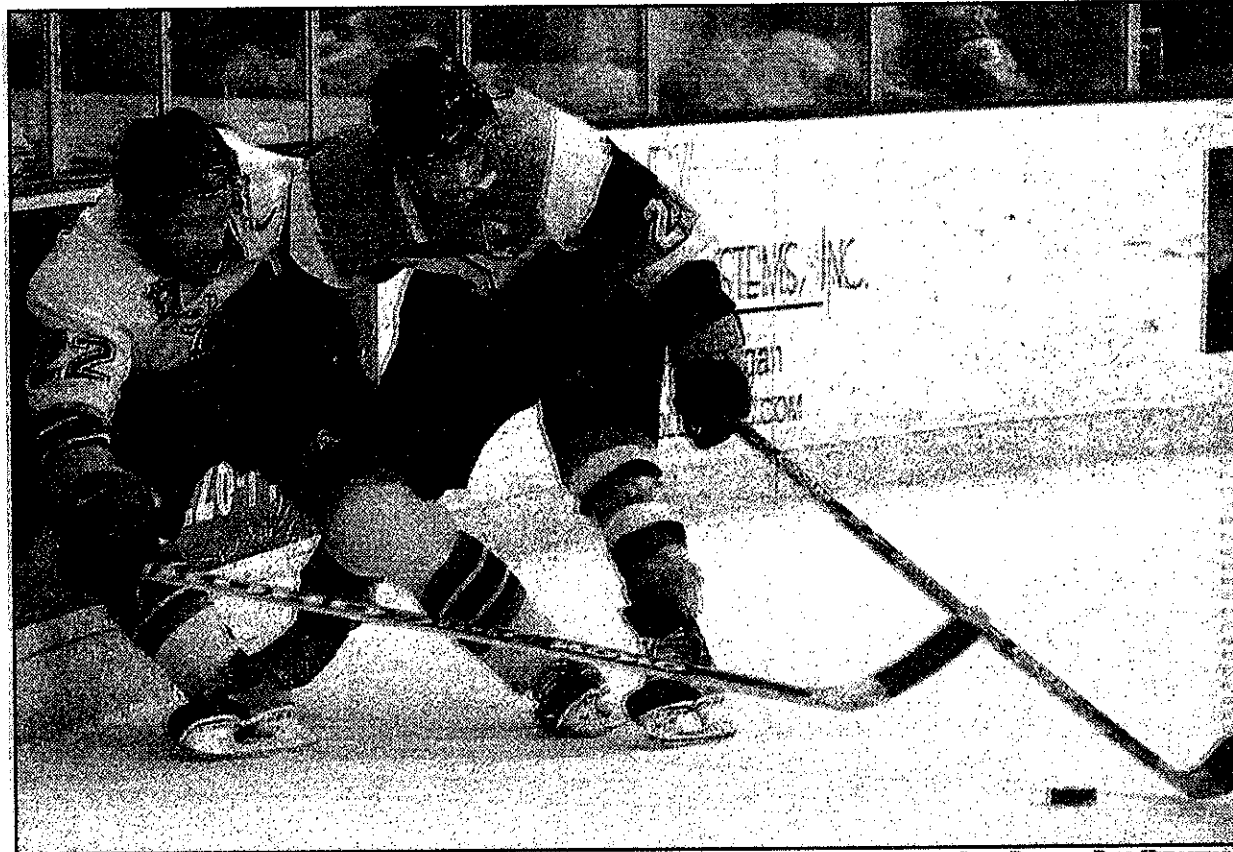
Ottawa coach Brian Kilrea had a simpler explanation for Sunday's outcome: "We didn't play well. They played better than we did. They had a lot more energy for the game."

"We didn't play well enough to win. We made too many turnovers in our own end. Too many mistakes."

Such a performance gives a team something to build on. Just ask the Whalers who experienced last season's loss on home ice in Game Seven of the OHL Finals.

"It sits with you all summer," said DeBoer. "We talked about that before this series, about not having any regrets this year."

Sunday's game carried them one step closer to realizing that desire.



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Keep away: Ottawa's Joe Talbot (right) checks the Whalers' Stacey Britstone into the boards, trying to separate him from the puck during Saturday's game. The 67's didn't so quite successfully, scoring six goals in the last two periods to win easily.

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the lead on Luke Sellars' power-play goal with 10:57 remaining in the second (assisted by Talbot and Galbraith).

LaRose re-tied it for the Whalers with 1:22 to go in the

second (assists from Surma and Vernarsky), but Ottawa iced it with third-period scores by Konopka (from Galbraith and Miguel Delisle), Sozinov (from Talbot) and, in an empty net, Galbraith (from Talbot).

Plymouth outshot Ottawa, 26-24, but 67's goalie Seamus Kotyk made 23 saves to 19 by the Whalers' Rob Zepp. Ottawa converted on 3-of-4 power-play chances; Plymouth was 2-of-6.

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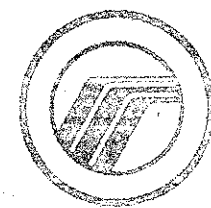
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ROBERT M. MEISNER

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It depends on the nature of the contract.

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In the case of a home improvement installment contract or charge agreement, consumers generally have until 5 p.m. on the following business day to cancel the contract.

If it's an installment sales contract, you may be given 72 hours to rescind the contract, and there may be other provisions in the Michigan Statutes which give you various rights. You are best advised to consult with your attorney.

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Planning for that perfect home



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It doesn't have to resemble mission impossible.

The secret to finding that perfect house — or at least the right one for you, the real estate pros say, involves four steps.

■ Determine how much home you can afford by getting preapproved for a mortgage by a financial institution.

■ Differentiate between which amenities you must have in a home and which are nice but dispensable.

■ Use a Realtor to streamline the search.

■ Actually make a purchase offer when you find something you like.

"My first move is to make sure they're qualified for what they're looking for and asking for, financially and credit-wise," said Vera Oglesby, a Realtor with Advest in Southfield.

"Most people know where they want to live," she added. "I don't run round and show houses without them knowing what they want ... what type of house, where they want it, when it was built."

"I will go into the computer, get into the multi-listing service, pull up houses to what they tell me," Oglesby said.

Personal research

"I'll tell them to drive by and see what they look like on the outside and whether they want to see the inside. If a house looks good on the outside, it would be the same on the inside if someone has taken care of it," Oglesby said.

"The most important thing buyers can do for themselves is be approved, know what their buying power is," echoed Marilyn Moir, an associate broker with RE/MAX Consultants in Clarkston. "Sometimes getting preapproved means you can buy more house."

A close second is finding an agent with whom a buyer will be comfortable, Moir added. "Does she or he have knowledge, expertise, experience? You need to interview them."

And check references.

Matt Kenkel, an associate broker with ERA Alliance in Farmington Hills, subscribes to the list approach to make sure everyone — husband, wife and buyer's real estate representative — are on the same page.

"My suggestion is for buyers to

make two lists — one, what they have to have, one what they'd like to have," Kenkel said. "You have to stick with the first list and maybe you'll get some things on the second."

No perfect houses

Perhaps the most important thing for buyers to consider is that perfection just doesn't exist, said Joe Buono, a Realtor with Century 21 Castelli in Garden City.

"I've been in six different houses, built five," he said. "After I moved in, I find something that should have been done differently."

"Be realistic, make compromises," Buono added. "If you use the word compromise you'll be doing them (would-be buyers) a favor."

Then there's the matter of squaring necessities with a budget.

"Many people have champagne tastes on a beer salary."

That's where mortgage preapproval comes into play — again. Prospects may learn that they can't have everything, so they begin to scale back expectations.

While most folks know what they want, some, surprisingly, don't, said Ruth Clevers, associate broker with Weir, Manuel, Snyder & Ranke in Birmingham.

An experienced Realtor, armed with information about where the clients want to live, plus a mortgage preapproval (again) on what they can afford, usually can focus on the basics with a face-to-face meeting, Clevers said.

Everyone should be together rather than on a phone, and a Realtor's office may be best place to meet to avoid distractions, Clevers said.

Listen to the pros

Buyers should pay more attention to what their Realtors advise rather than family members, people at work or friends, the experts say.

"They need to trust the business experiences of the Realtor who they likely met at an open house or was referred by someone they knew," Clevers said.

Kenkel explains another reason for using a Realtor.

"Only about 20 percent of houses multi-listed are advertised," he said. "If they didn't use a Realtor, they could miss out on a majority of the houses."

Loyalty also counts, Kenkel said.

"I tell them what my expectations are and what theirs should be," he said of an initial meeting. "What buyer representation is. That's where we do the two lists, and do the mortgage thing (preapproval), too."

Buono also stresses loyalty.

"Be real, real true to one salesperson," he said, "and let that person do the work for you."

The Internet can complement a Realtor's services, Kenkel added.

"I think it's a wonderful tool in the search process," he said. "We will on a daily basis upload and e-mail all new listings. That's why it's crucial they have an address."

And just like ready, set, go, buyers have to make an offer when they warm to a property.

You have to draw the bow and shoot the arrow to hit the target, the professionals say.

First-timers, especially, can be gun-shy, Kenkel said.

"They can over-analyze," Clevers said of procrastinators. "I've had a couple of customers lose out lately doing that."

A good agent will "take them to kind of a safe island," reassure buyers with doubts that they can swing the purchase financially and then go over all their needs the property meets, Moir said.

Buying with 'Bruised Credit'

MORTGAGE BITS



TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

We all know somebody who has been through rough times. Businesses fail, marriages fall apart, and people get laid off.

When life's challenges cause people to juggle bills and miss payments, they often end up with bruised credit.

Some potential homebuyers wrongfully assume that the are doomed to a lifetime of renting because of their credit record. This is usually false. Many borrowers have compensating factors that may allow them to still buy a home even in the wake of financial maelstrom.

Recent bankruptcies disqualify borrowers from getting mortgages. Lenders who loan in these "non-conforming" scenarios usually will grant mortgages if the borrowers have a minimum credit score, if they have at least one "good" scored credit references, and if they can put down 15 to 20 percent.

Sometimes a borrower should write a letter to the mortgage underwriter explaining what caused their financial problems. Some of my recent clients have cited the death of a sibling, the loss of a primary breadwinner, and long-term hospitalization. In each case, we were able to provide documentation validating the claim.

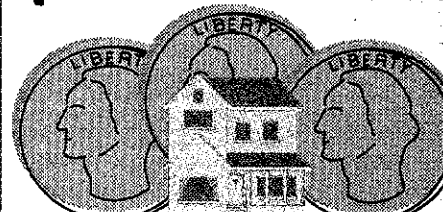
In most cases, lenders mostly want to know how you have handled your credit since your financial struggles. If you exhibit the same pattern of behavior that led to your earlier financial problems, you will likely have trouble getting a mortgage. However, if you have maintained excellent credit since your setback, you may have a good shot at a loan.

Skilled mortgage professionals usually can find financing for motivated borrowers. This financing almost always takes work, creativity and patience, but these borrowers usually are happy with the result: a home of their own.

If you have credit problems, you may contact the National Foundation for Consumer Credit online at www.nfcc.org, or by calling (800) 388-2227. If you have been denied credit for any reason, you may obtain a free copy of your credit report by calling any of the three major credit repositories: (800) 685-5000 (Equifax); (800) 888-4213 (Trans-Union); or (888) 397-3742 (Experian).

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.

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Monroe	116	144	-19.4%
Livingston	201	419	-52.2%
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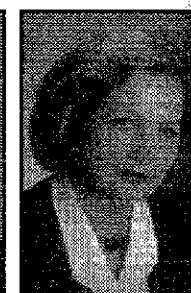
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Coldwell Banker Schweitzer presented top sales achievement recognition during its recent 38th annual awards celebration.

Rosalee Hill was honored as top sales associate in Birmingham for listings sold, buyer controlled sales and gross commission income.

Other top award winners were **Kenan Bakirci**, **Linda Urban**, **Del Moore**, **Diane Shires**, **Barbara Small**, **Linda Wittstock**, **Dorothy Harrington**, **JoAnn King**, **Pete Beighol**, **Bonnie Cameron**, **Jean Colby**, **Jo Lincoln**, **Bunny Hodas**, **Al Butts**, **Kim Hawes** and **Pam Truex**.

Lucia Vulaj was honored as top sales associate for listings sold and gross commission income in the West Bloomfield/Farmington Hills office.

John and Chris Delaney were honored as top sales associates for buyer controlled sales.

Other top award winners were **Lata Sahi** and **Bob Gray**.

Jeani Bechler was top sales associate in the Troy office for gross commission income, **Brenda Michaux** for listings sold and **Dannette Hansen** for buyer controlled sales.

Other top award winners were **Chuck Page**, **Brian Carolan**, **Lu Anne Timlin**, **Patricia Shields**, **Lisa Shih** and **Pat Carolan**.

Harold Buckindail was honored as top sales associate in the Woodward office for gross commission income and buyer controlled sales, **Lita Mancour** for listings sold.

Michele Safford was honored as top sales associate in the Northville office for listings sold and gross commission income, **Ruth Genso** for buyer controlled sales.

Other top award winners were **John Goodman**, **Nadine Fabi**, **Deborah Horner**, **Mary Lou McNamara**, **Jennifer Snider**, **Jeff Kwartler**, **Charles Smart**, **Arvind Kapadia**, **Ann Shahin**, **Ron Brodzik**, **Melody Arndt**, **Marianne Prokop** and **Jim Wolfe**.

Debbie Fransisco was honored as top sales associate in the Northville office for listings sold gross commission income and buyer controlled sales.

Other top award winner were **Donna Pachy**, **Gayl Henderson** and **Kim Champe**.

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■ Check your credit and correct any credit problems you may have before the lender gets your credit report.

■ Figure out if you can afford to carry a monthly mortgage and still pay your bills. A mortgage should take no more than one third of your net income.

■ Find out if you can get pre-approved. Getting pre-approved gives you an estimate of how much you can borrow and puts you in a better position to buy.

■ Take a list of questions to ask when you see the house.

■ When you find a home that interests you, research the neighborhood

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If the neighborhood fulfills

your needs, it is time to prepare your offer.

■ Find out about current market conditions. The more demand there is for housing, the more you can expect to pay. Research prices of comparable homes sold in the area recently.

■ Check interest rates. Interest rates tend to fluctuate. If interest rates are low, you may ask your lender to lock-in, or commit to that rate, that day.

■ Choose a loan. You may think you want a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage, but an adjustable-rate mortgage may be more appropriate for your circumstances.

■ Estimate your closing costs. Lenders are required to give good-faith estimates of closing costs within three days of a loan application.

■ Schedule a final walk-through

Make certain the seller has completed any repairs specified in the purchase contract and has satisfied any other contingencies involving the home's condition.

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MEYERS ON MORTGAGES

ECONOMY TO SLOW AND SPEEDUP IN FOURTH QUARTER

by GARY S. MEYERS

(Troy, MI) "The economy definitely slowed, especially in the first quarter of this year, but will gradually regain speed and be moving healthily in the fourth quarter," predicted Van E. Jolissaint, the corporate economist for DaimlerChrysler.

Jolissaint, pronounced as in "happy saint," spoke this week at the first meeting of Michigan's Premier Mortgage Lenders, held at Troy, Michigan's Troy Marriott. Premier Mortgage Lenders is a group of leading mortgage lenders who are fighting fraud in the home lending industry and are promoting consumer awareness and education in home mortgages.

Jolissaint, who is responsible for monitoring the economy for Daimler Chrysler, but also advises the company on its major stock and bond purchases provided several economic insights for mortgage lenders and investors alike.

On the general economic health of the nation. "Long term, the nation is in excellent health," said Jolissaint. "While a recession is possible, it most likely will not happen. What we are experiencing is a slow down in a process of strong growth, that has lasted about 10 years.

"Our current growth period is the longest in American history. In that context, any significant moderation of that prevailing trend is being perceived as a potential or minor "recession," when in fact it is not. A recession is two or more quarters of negative growth, less than zero, for the nation's economy. We haven't seen that. All we have seen is significantly slow growth. However, while a growth rate of 1.5 percent, or even 0.5 percent is certainly slow, it is still not a recession; it is a pause," said Jolissaint.

"Over all, the economy looks good long term. While first quarter growth may be 1 percent or less, the second quarter should be slightly better and the third quarter

should be better still, with the fourth quarter seeing an annualized growth rate of 2 percent or even 3 percent, which would be excellent," said Jolissaint. "This does not mean that international events or crises can't hurt the economy of the US, and the rest of the world. However, absent that, the economy should do just nicely."

On the stock market. "We are either at the bottom of the stock market or are very close to it," said Jolissaint. "We are very close to some excellent buying opportunities. Corporately and personally, we are relatively heavy in cash waiting for the right buying signals: I personally prefer to buy on the recovery side of the stock price slope (after the market has bottomed, rather than just before), it is just a matter of waiting, but the time is close."

"Clearly the high tech stocks are the worst hit. However, it was no secret that the high tech stocks were over priced," said Jolissaint. "High techs are where the vast price decline has occurred, especially in the NASDAQ. However, the traditional major industrial, production and consumer stocks had fared relatively well, with minor declines of 5 or 6 percent, if any. They are a sharp contrast to the high tech laded NASDAQ, which is down about 50 percent. The high tech stocks and the people who report on them have made the entire investment community seem a much scarier place than it really is."

On mortgage and other interest rates. "This is a good time for borrowers. Interest rates are low and will likely go another half point lower. This is why the housing market is remaining strong, despite reports of stock declines and corporate layoffs. The labor market is still very tight, with unemployment still under 5 percent, the best long term trend in

US history," said Jolissaint.

On inflation. "We have seen a noticeable pickup in inflation, however almost all of it is in the energy sector and largely manufactured by a cutback in production by OPEC. Also this was compounded by a colder than normal (late) winter and some regulatory problems that had the wrong types of fuel being refined.

These conditions are man-made, should be temporary, and do not reflect economic activity the way a hot economy should raise inflation. This difference explains why interest rates won't rise. However its presence will limit interest rate declines. After all, Alan Greenspan has bet his whole career on fighting inflation — but now he also has to promote growth," said Jolissaint.

It is the combination of false or temporary inflation, with the high tech stock decline that has created a "perfect wave" of economic shocks that make the economy seem far worse than, in fact, it really is.

"Overall, 2001 should be a good year, it just won't be like the hot years we have become used to for the last decade. And, that isn't bad at all."

This conference for lenders, realtors and business people was sponsored by Michigan's Premier Mortgage Lenders, First Federal of Michigan, GMAC Mortgage, Chase Manhattan Mortgage and Marriott Hotels. Lenders and business people interested in attending the next economic briefing should contact any of the local sponsoring companies or Tony Gaimari at 847-205-9222.

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15-Yr. fixed	6.50%	6.66%	0%	0%	\$871	\$34,844
1-Yr. ARM	7.13%	6.93%	0%	0%	\$673	\$26,948

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BUY HOME CLASS

Standard Federal Bank presents a free seminar on how to select and finance a home 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 12, at the New Life Community Church, 11111 Whittier, Detroit, and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 19, at the Book Tower, 1249 Washington Blvd., Suite 1303, Detroit. A lending officer will provide tips on the entire process including budgets, credit reports, neighborhood checklist and mortgage application process. Participants with low to moderate incomes will be eligible to apply to Standard Federal for smaller down payments and other less-restrictive terms. To register, call (800) 643-9600 Ext. 28812.

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CONDO CLASS

Robert M. Meisner, lawyer, adjunct professor and O&E columnist, conducts a course, "Condominium Operation: Introduction to the Essentials for Success," 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, May 15 to June 5, at the Bingham II Office Park, 30200 Telegraph. Cost is \$95. To register, call (248) 471-7729 or (248) 644-4433.

INSPECTORS MEET

The Michigan Chapter of the National Association of Home Inspectors hosts a program on standards for lead paint abatement and testing 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, at Leon's Restaurant, 29710 Wixom Road. Speaker: Harry Dryer Jr., Michigan Department of Community Health, lead hazard remediation program. Cost of the program is \$7, dinner optional at an extra cost. To register, call Mike Goewey, chapter president, at (734) 425-4970 or www.propertyfactsinspections.com

CASINO MANAGEMENT

The Institute of Real Estate Management Michigan Chapter 5 holds a breakfast meeting/program, "Managing the MGM Grand Casino," 8 a.m. Wednesday, May 16, at the casino, 1300 John Lodge at Howard, Detroit. A mini-tour of the facility follows. Presenter: Barry Borovsky, vice president of food/beverage and property administration, MGM. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers. To register, call Bea King at (248) 615-

CAREER SEMINAR

Real Estate One presents a free seminar on careers in residential real estate including training, licensing and evaluating a broker noon to 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, at its West Bloomfield office, 7499 Middlebelt at 14 Mile. To register, call Steve Leibhan at (248) 851-4100 Ext. 105.

SALES LICENSE

A course designed to introduce and emphasize the topics in Real Estate pertinent to the State Real Estate License Examination 6-10 p.m. Thursdays, May 17 through July 19. Topics include brokerage, financing, ownership, taxation, math concepts, appraisal and valuation. Meets the 40 hour requirement prior to testing. Cost: \$225 (senior citizens \$180). For more information, please call (734) 462-4448.

REMODELING CLASS

Oakland Builders Institute and Clarenceville Community Education offer a nine-hour basement remodeling seminar 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursday, May 22-29, at Clarenceville High School, 20155 Middlebelt, Livonia. Cost is \$75, plus a textbook fee of \$8. To register, call (248) 473-8933.

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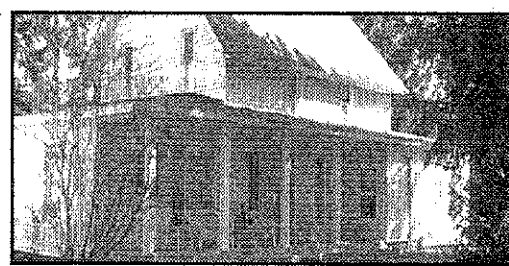
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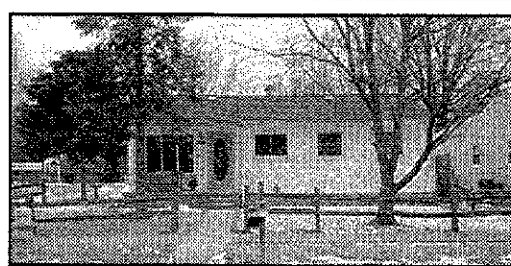
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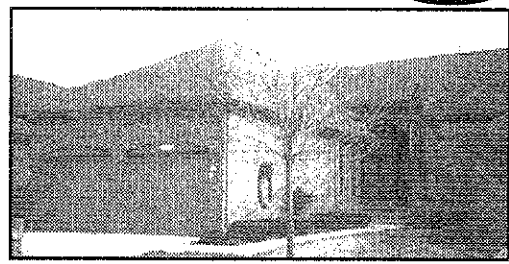
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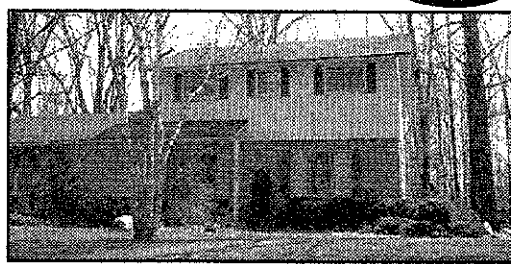
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All major housing indicators expected to rise, Realtors say

Boosted by a sustained decline in mortgage interest rates, all of the major housing indicators are expected to increase this year, according to the National Association of Realtors.

David Lereah, NAR's chief economist, expects the 30-year fixed mortgage interest rate to average 6.9 percent this year, down from 8.1 percent in 2000. "With interest rates near 30-year lows and historically low unemployment, we now expect both new and existing-home sales, along with housing construction, to increase during 2001," he said. "In other words, people with good jobs are looking at very good housing affordability conditions in most of

the country — they're getting into the market and are helping to stimulate economic growth," he added.

While there are weaknesses in other sectors of the economy, Lereah projects existing-home sales to rise 1.6 percent this year to a total of 5.19 million units, while new-home sales should rise 2.0 percent to a total of 921,000 units. "This means we now expect 2001 to be the second-best year on record for existing-home sales, and it'll set a record for new-home sales," he said. NAR expects housing starts to rise 1.8 percent to a total of 1.62 million units this year, matching a construction pace not seen since 1987.

NAR forecasts the national medi-

an existing-home price for 2001 to be \$144,600, an increase of 4.0 percent over last year, while typical new home price is expected to be \$173,900 this year, up 4.6 percent from 2000.

NAR expects U.S. economic growth, as measured by the Gross Domestic Product, to be 1.9 percent for 2001, rising from a 0.5 percent growth rate in the first quarter to 3.6 percent by the end of the year. Consumer price inflation for this year will be 3.1 percent.

The association forecasts the unemployment rate to average 4.4 percent this year, while inflation-adjusted disposable personal income should grow about 2.1 percent in 2001.

Architectural contractors honored

Architectural Contractors Trade Association recognized three area contractors for their hard work and outstanding construction projects. Recipients of the prestigious INTEX Achievement Award include: Pontiac Ceiling and Partition, Shock Brothers Floorcovering Inc., and Commercial Interior Systems.

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Representatives from ACT's national association, Association of the Wall & Ceiling Industries, attended the event.

Mortgage rates post tiny increases

Mortgage rates around the country edged up this week, but rates for 30-year and 15-year mortgages were still more than 1 percentage point lower than they were last year.

The average interest rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages rose to 7.14 percent, up from 7.12 percent last week, according to a nationwide survey released by Freddie Mac, the mortgage company.

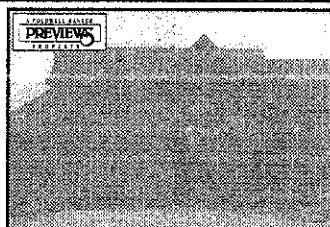
Fifteen-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, ticked up to 6.66 percent this week, up from 6.63 percent the previous week.

At the same time last year, rates for 30-year mortgages stood at 8.28 percent and rates on 15-year mortgages averaged 7.94 percent. Thirty-year mortgages hit a five-year high of 8.64 percent in mid-May of last year.

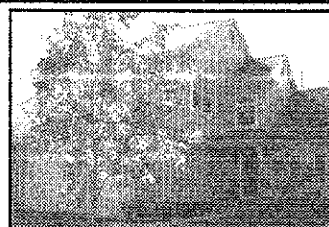
On one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 6 percent, compared with 5.97 percent the week before. Last year, one-year ARMs averaged 6.90 percent.

These rates do not include add-on fees known as points, which averaged around 1 percent of the loan amount for all three types of mortgages.

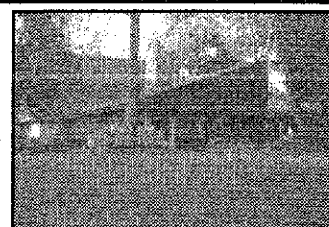
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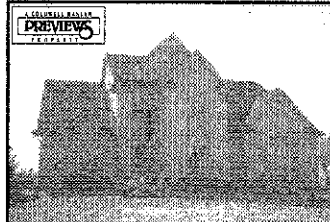
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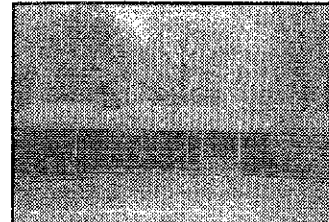
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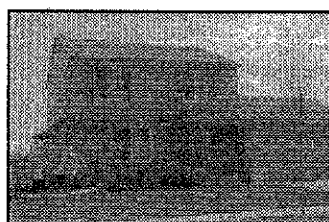
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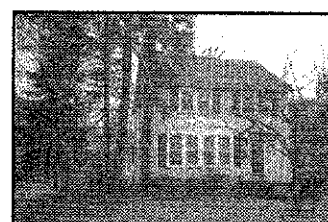
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Drivers needed for local, straight truck delivery, 1st year earnings range from \$38,000-\$42,500 + Blue Cross/Blue Shield, 401k & more. Repetitive lifting required. Discount on a new driving career today at: Wimsatt Building Materials 36340 Van Born Rd. Wayne, MI

DRIVERS COMPANY / OTR

Churchill has new business!! Starting up to \$35 CMP \$800 Weekly Guarantee* home weekly family medical AND MUCH MORE! CALL CANDY AT 1-800-333-5555, ext. 875 *some restrictions apply

DRIVERS - EXPERIENCED

DRIVERS start at .34/cpm, Top pay - .40/cpm. Regional 36/ hr. Lease Program, New York! MS Carriers 300-231-5209 EOE.

DRIVER/SHIPPING/RECEIVING CLERK

Full time. Small package pickup delivery. Local cutting tool distributor. Benefits included. Contact Jerry at 313-534-1320.

500 Help Wanted General

DRIVERS-NORTH AMERICAN

Van Lines has openings in Field, Local, Specialized Truckload and Flatbed fleets. Min. 6 mths. o/vr exp. Tractor purchase available. Call 1-800-348-2147, Dept. MIS.

DRIVERS - NORTH AMERICAN

Van Lines has tractor trailer 48 state hauling opportunities for temporary company drivers. May 15 thru Sept 15, 2,300 Miles per week, .32 per mile. (800) 234-3112

DRIVERS

to haul manufactured goods locally. Must have Class A CDL & 1 years exp. Full benefits - Teamsters. Apply at: National Concrete Products, 939 S. Mill, Plymouth 734-453-8448

DRIVER/TEAMS - Straight truck and tractor team drivers needed.

Excellent opportunity for husband and wife teams. Must be CDL qualified. Call Panther II Transportation for more information. (800)640-7055

DRIVER WANTED

Some lifting required. (313) 531-0378

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Exp. necessary. Must have own transportation. 734-421-1660

EARN: \$1,200-\$8,800 month

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EASY WORK! Great Pay! Earn \$500 plus a week assembling products at home. No experience necessary. Call toll free 1-800-267-3944 ext. 135.

EDUCATIONAL TOY COMPANY

Representatives! Grow children's potential in a fun, flexible business. Call Katie (734)981-6252 e-mail at kfbco@peoplepc.com

ELECTRICIAN

Immediate Opening for residential new construction electrician. Apply in person. Basic Electric, 5773 Canton Center, Suite #2, Canton MI 48187

ELECTRICIAN'S APPRENTICE

\$9/hr + benefits. Call (248) 569-6188

ENTERTAINMENT COMPANY

seeks week-end help throughout the Summer to operate extreme games (i.e. Bungee Runs, Laser Tag, etc.) for corporate picnics & private parties. Perfect for college students. Good pay & bonuses available. Please call 1-800-668-2660, Ext. 22.

ESTHETICIAN

Esthetician Technicians for the area's fastest growing laser and light treatment chain. Learn modern equipment and procedures. Great pay, benefits and incentive bonuses. Call TW, Beautiful New You: (248)665-2800 FAX resume: (248)665-2911

ESTIMATOR

Nagle Paving Company, a large commercial asphalt paving firm, seeks a hard working Job Estimator. Duties include: plan quantity takeoffs, bid assembly, interaction with customers & subs. Good pay & benefits, including car. Fax resume to: (248) 226-5215 Karen (248) 628-0400

EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY.

Vending Route. No Selling, 50K plus yr. 4-6 hr. weekly. Minimum investment required. 1-800-294-5177 24 hrs.

FABRICATORS

For new granite distributor. Solid surface exp. a plus, will train. 734-453-5283

500 Help Wanted General

FENTON MANUFACTURER

seeks light assembly help, flexible 20-30 hours/week. \$7 an hour. Call today 810-629-0459

FIELD SUPERINTENDENT

Commercial general contracting firm seeks field superintendent. Must have minimum 5 years construction supervision experience. Send resume to: Box #1128 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

FIREFIGHTERS

The City of Wayne is currently accepting applications for the purpose of establishing a Fire Fighter eligibility list. Current salary is \$35,591. High School diploma or equivalent is required. Minimum qualifications include State of Michigan Advanced Life Support/Paramedic license, and successful completion of Fire Fighter 1 and 2 fire academy courses. Conference of Western Wayne (CWW) written and physical agility testing. Proof of all the above must be submitted with application. Possession of current, valid Michigan driver's license and an excellent driving record with no more than three (3) points on current driving record. Applicants are required to submit a copy of their current driving record prior to completion of testing process. Applications are available in the Personnel Department, 3355 S. Wayne Rd., Wayne, MI 48184 or send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the above address to request application form. Completed applications must be received in the Personnel Department by 4:30pm on May 23, 2001. Resumes without completed applications will not be accepted. The City of Wayne does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. Equal Opportunity Employer

FRANKLIN HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

We are looking for enthusiastic & energetic individuals to fill summer positions as well as permanent positions: DINING ROOM POSITIONS •Hostess •Wait Staff •Bussers CLUBHOUSE •Houseman •Ladies Locker Room POOL SNACK BAR •Lifeguards •Snackbar Waitstaff & Cooks. Competitive wages & benefits. Apply in person: 31675 Inkster Rd. Corner of 13 Mile & Inkster. Call: 248-831-2200 or Fax: 248-932-0583.

FREELANCE REPORTER

HomeTown Newspapers has immediate opportunities for Freelance Reporters. Freelancers will submit stories to run in our Holly and Fenton Newspapers. Candidates must have experience writing stories for publication. If interested, please contact: Bob Jackson at (248)349-1700, (248)634-8219

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

located in Farmington Hills area looking for Drivers, Asphalt Rakers, Concrete Finishers & Rough & Finish Carpenters. Good pay & benefits. Call 248-476-5122

GENERAL FACTORY LABOR

Full-time positions for heavy industrial work at a custom laboratory counter-top manufacturer. Some heavy lifting may be required. Apply at: 8464 Ronda Dr. Canton, MI

GENERAL LABORER

Exterior grounds work & clean-up. Part or full-time. \$10/hr. Livonia area. 248-888-8400.

500 Help Wanted General

GENERAL LABOR/ASSEMBLY

Looking for serious workers for light assembly. We offer full time long-term employment. Start \$10/hr. with scheduled pay raises & benefits. Drug screen required. 20775 Chesley Drive, Farmington. 248-478-7788

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Full time with benefits, prep units, light maintenance & grounds. EOE Beverly Hills 248-646-9890 Southfield 248-352-8125 248-353-9050 313-341-0725

GENERAL LABOR, \$9/hr.

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GOT TALENT?

Yram Management looking for professional talent: R & B, rap, gospel, jazz, actors, actresses etc. Only serious need apply. Fee required. (248) 663-3494 Ask for Trina, web: yram.micronpweb.com email: mcalin47@aol.com

Graphic Designer

Creative team environment in Northville. Must know Mac Illustrator, PhotoShop, Quark. Please call: 248-347-3355.

GROCERY STOCK CLERK/RECEIVER

Full-time days. Apply at Townsquare Market 25625 at Beech Daly, Joy Rd. Dearborn Heights

GROUNDPERSON

needed for Tree Service Company. Must be reliable. Experience helpful. Call: (734) 427-3544 - leave message

GROUNDS PERSON

Full-time, for Canton apartment community. Great opportunity for right person. Please call (734) 397-1080.

GROWING SOUTHFIELD title company

is looking for closing and title professionals. Experience preferred, but will train the right person. Fax resume to: (248)353-2282

Hair Salon in Downtown Northville seeks Shampoo Asst.

Full time. Smiling faces need only apply in person: 350 N. Center St.

HAIR STYLIST

Busy Livonia salon. Customers waiting! Please call Nicole (248)478-8975

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Experienced in roller set / blow dry. 1 to 2 days per week. West Bloomfield area nursing home. (800)762-7391

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Wanted to rent station in Westland. Be own boss. Call Kimberly at 734-728-7374.

HAIR STYLIST/NAIL TECHS

Newly renovated salon in high-traffic area of Livonia looking for a couple of qualified Stylists/Nail Techs. Signing bonus. Call Suzanne. 734-320-4205

HAIR STYLIST NEEDED

Great working atmosphere in busy Brighton salon. Competitive pay. Sherrill (810) 225-4247

HAIR STYLISTS NAIL TECHNICIANS

wanted for advanced education based salon in Plymouth area. Must be enthusiastic & career oriented. 734-459-7350 Call for interview appointment

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HAIR STYLISTS & Shampoo Assistants for busy Southfield salon.

Salary \$8-\$10/hr. Call 248-423-7776

500 Help Wanted General

HAIR STYLIST

with clientele. 70% commission or booth rental. Part-time or full time. (734) 595-6161

HARDWARE SALES - Ideal for retirees.

Part-time, flexible schedule. Mathison Hardware, 31535 Ford Rd., Garden City.

HELP WANTED: 18 positions in journalism, advertising, management with Michigan's 300 newspapers.

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HOSTESS New Construction

Builder seeking Hostess for New Construction Homes in Novi/Wixom area. Part-time position. MUST be able to work weekends. No experience necessary - will train. EEO. FAX resume to: GCK @ (248) 865-2096

HOST PERSON

Builders New Model Homes 3-4 days per week. Noon to 6pm. Weekends Necessary Northville Hills Golf Club (734) 667-3400.

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HOUSEKEEPER

Part time. If you like working with seniors, are dependable, and have some experience with housekeeping, we invite you to apply at our Westland Village Presbyterian Village Westland 32001 Cherry Hill Westland, MI 48186 Phone: 734-728-5222 Fax: 734-728-1910

HOUSEKEEPING

Apply at: Days Inn 40500 Michigan Ave., Canton.

HOUSEKEEPING/CLEANING

Oakland County Property Management firm seeking individual(s) to clean and maintain Novi/Northville apartment community hallways, laundry rooms, and occasional vacant units. Call (248) 642-8686 EEO

HVAC INSTALLERS - Need 3-5 years exp. Full benefits & 401K

Please call: Mark at (734)281-7204 or (734)341-0664

HVAC & R Commercial/Industrial Service & Sales/Estimators

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\$15-\$32 + PER HR. Plenty of Work Available.

INSIDE HELP - For commercial laundry.

Part time. Good pay. Will train right person. Leave message. 734-729-4740.

INSURANCE AGENCY

CSR full time, exp. preferred. Redford area. 734-459-9600

500 Help Wanted General

ILLUSTRATOR/DESIGNER

Park West Gallery, one of the nation's largest art publishers, has an opening in its production area. This is a full time entry level position with flexible hours. A four year degree in illustration or design is desired, but not required. Requirements include a positive attitude with an inclination to learn quickly. Knowledge of 4 color and serigraph printing is helpful but not necessary. Send resume to: Park West Gallery Attn: NY 29469 Northwestern Southfield, MI 48034

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Full-time. Top pay, tools provided. Local work. Benefit package including health, dental and 401K. Exp. helpful but not necessary, will train. Apply in person or call: CHAMPION WINDOWS & PATIO ROOMS 31391 Industrial Rd., Livonia 734-427-6560

INSTALLERS NEEDED

For Industry leader in bathroom renovations is currently seeking responsible, independent workers with some carpentry and plumbing experience to install bath renovation products. This is a full-time position with benefits. Please fax your resume to 734-261-6190 (734) 261-6130 Attn: Jim Jilbert

INSTALLERS

wanted for busy Heating & Cooling Co. Good pay & benefits. Please come in & fill out application at: Mastercraft Heating & Cooling, 24831 W. Six Mile between Telegraph & Beach Daly. No phone calls please.

Insurance COMMERCIAL LINES CSR

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INSURANCE - CSR/Sales

Position. Experienced or will train. Livonia agency. Call: (734) 591-0290.

INSURANCE

Large bonding agency desires trainee for Bond Dept. Typing and communication skills necessary. Insurance experience preferred. Salary & benefits. Send resume to: P.O. Box 4960 Troy, MI 48069-4960

Insurance 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.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS NEEDS HELP!

Work from home. Mail order/E-commerce \$500-\$5,000/Mo. PT/FT. Free information. 608-849-1186 www.cymoneytalks.com

500 Help Wanted General

JANITORIAL

Days or Evenings. Competitive wages. Health insurance available. (734) 524-5674

JANITORIAL

Part-time hallway/laundry room cleaner for medium size Westland apt. community. Must have own equipment & supplies. (734) 722-4700.

JANITORS

Immediate full & part-time positions. All areas. Must have transportation. 313-831-9179 x 222

LABORERS - Exp. gutter installers \$10-\$18/hr. + overtime.

Benefits, bonus incentive. Average 50 hrs./wk. 734-374-2100. 13400 Huron, Taylor.

LABORERS - For roofing co.

No experience needed. Starting pay \$10 per hr. EOE. 248-478-9500.

Laborers Wanted

Delivery of building supplies. Train for your CDL license receive \$3.00/hr. raise for completing CDL. Must have good driving record, enjoy working outside a heavy lifting required. \$10.50/Hr. start + excellent benefits - full time, year-round. Find a career at: Wimsatt Building Materials 36340 Van Born Rd. Wayne, MI

LABORER

The Charter Township of Canton is accepting applications for the position of full-time Laborer. Applicant must provide copy of Commercial Drivers License (CDL) Group B Endorsement N, including air brakes (or copy of Learner's Permit) from the State of Michigan at the time of application. Must successfully pass road test, at applicant's own expense, within 90 days after employment. Must possess a current, valid Michigan Drivers License with a driving history that does not create liability concerns: i.e. convictions of reckless driving, careless driving, suspended license, or convictions involving drinking and impaired driving. Rate of pay: \$13.34/hr. plus excellent benefits. Applications are available at the Canton Township Personnel Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188 or make a request in writing, along with a self-addressed stamped business size envelope, to above address for application form. Please specify Laborer application. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.cantonmi.org. Job description will be posted at the Township Administration Building. Applicant MUST attach a copy of their CDL Group B Endorsement N with the completed written Canton Township application form and be received by the Personnel Division in its entirety by 4pm, May 11, 2001. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

LANDSCAPE, Brick Paver, Sprinkler System.

No exp. necessary. Must have valid driver's license. \$10-\$12/hr. to start. Westland. 734-513-6733

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Seeking experienced landscapers. Full time position, Troy, all year round, with competitive wages and benefits. Must pass drug screen and have a valid driver's license. Please call (248) 643-6663, ext. 104.

LANDSCAPES & Maintenance

positions available at F.J. LaFontaine & Sons. Must be 18 to apply. 248-477-9695.

500 Help Wanted General

LAWN CARE CO.

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LAWN CARE Company Westland base, seeks reliable, hard working individual for full-time work.

734-595-8525

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Should have experience in all aspects of grounds maintenance, equipment, and crew leadership. Excellent opportunity. Benefits available. Full time, year-round. Start today! Please call anytime. (734) 427-0030

LAWN SERVICE - Landscape & Sprinkler Foreman & Laborers

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LeafGuard

Earn \$35,000-\$50,000 installing LeafGuard gutters. Must have construction experience and be drug-free. For additional information call 734-947-9000

★LEASING AGENT★

Singh Management is seeking to fill PART-TIME and FULL-TIME positions for Westford Townhomes of Novi. Must be able to work some weekends. We offer competitive wages and commissions. Full-time employees are eligible for medical & dental insurance. EEO. FAX resume to: (248) 669-6540 or call (248) 669-1050

LEASING CONSULTANT

Part Time Weekends Apt. Community in Westland 734-422-5411

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needed for commercial and industrial construction. Experienced, competitive wages, medical, dental, 401K w/ match, holiday and vacation pay. Please fax resume (734)729-2055

MACHINISTS

CNC mill and lathe program required. All around grinder hand. 5 years exp. Apply at: 813 Manufacturers Drive, Westland 48186 (734)729-5700

MAINTENANCE PERSON

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 - Dependable person needed for general maintenance at Northville apt. complex. Good salary & benefits.

734-453-1597

MAINTENANCE NEEDED for Waynewood Apartments.

Must have experience in all aspects of maintenance, 401k & paid holidays offered. No faxed resumes please. Apply in person 8737 N. Wayne Rd., Westland 734-326-8270

500 Help Wanted General

MAINTENANCE

Dart Properties, a property management company featuring luxury multi-family apartment communities seeks maintenance technician. Basic home repair knowledge required; HVAC and apartment maintenance experience a plus. Immediate opening in Westland, full-time with benefits. Valid driver's license with acceptable record is required. Stop in today for an application. Heather Ridge Apartments 7500 Newburgh Rd. Westland South of Joy Road Equal Opportunity Employer.

MAINTENANCE

Summer help for large apt. community in Farmington Hills. Maintain pool and exterior community grounds. Some weekends required. 40 hr./wk. Start \$8.50/hr. Call 248-355-1367. Or 248-626-4386.

MAINTENANCE PERSON

Wayne area seeks full-time person w/experience in residential maintenance. Excellent pay & benefits. If interested, call Frank Cassar: 248-653-4700.

MAINTENANCE PERSON

Work 40 hrs. & be on-call. Boiler heat exp. needed. Full benefits. Call for application 734-464-8484.

MAINTENANCE PERSON

full-time, for West Bloomfield apt. community. Minimum 1 year experience. Great opportunity for right person. Please call (248) 682-2950


MAINTENANCE

Property Management company is seeking a off-site Maintenance Tech to assist Maintenance Supervisor with various OAKLAND COUNTY office building sites. MUST HAVE experience in COMMERCIAL OFFICE BUILDING maintenance. Full-time position eligible for medical & dental benefits. EEO. Send resume with Salary Requirement to: Maintenance (Attn: JEL), P.O. Box 255005, West Bloomfield, MI, 48325-2054 248-865-1600

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It's time to do the summer job thing



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FANTASTIC 3 BEDROOM BRICK BUNGALOW! Maint. Free Exterior. 1½ baths, 2½ car garage. Newer: vinyl windows w/marble sills, roof, hardwood floors, steel insulated doors. Loads of storage & closet space. Huge master bedroom. (98LAM) \$134,900 734-455-5600



ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS! Ceramic tile foyer & light oak updated kitchen, neutral carpet, bay window & crown moldings in living room, deck, family room, gas fireplace, doorwall, hot tub, 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, sun-room. Newer: windows & roof. (45NOR) \$299,000 734-455-5600



HEAD FOR THE HILLS. Just completed 3 bedroom brick ranch with walk-out lower level on just under 1 acre lot. Unsurpassed quality, 2½ baths, master suite, custom kitchen w/hardwood flooring, great room w/vaulted ceiling & fireplace w/ceramic. \$349,990 (46BRO) 248-349-5600



BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED. Updated 3 bedroom, 1½ bath colonial w/custom cherry kitchen, formal dining room w/cabinet & bay windows, natural fireplace in family room. Newer: roof, carpet. Neutral decor. Deck w/gazebo & hot tub. 1 year home warranty. (36MEA) \$179,900 248-349-5600



LAKE FRONTAGE on all sports Carroll Lake. 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, library, master bedroom suite with walk-in closet and first floor laundry. Cozy fieldstone fireplace for winter and a sandy beach for the summer. (71CRA) \$219,900 248-349-5600



LARGE MASTER BEDROOM! 5 bedrooms, lots of sq. footage & loads of storage. Huge garage, basement, newer furnace & air conditioning-industrial size. Newer vinyl windows, bow window in living room. (46AVO) \$173,500 734-455-5600



OUTSTANDING 3 BEDROOM TRI-LEVEL! New oak kitchen w/island & ceramic. Built-in oven, stove top, dishwasher & microwave. Drywall to 3 season room, English Garden. (31LAU) \$189,900 734-455-5600



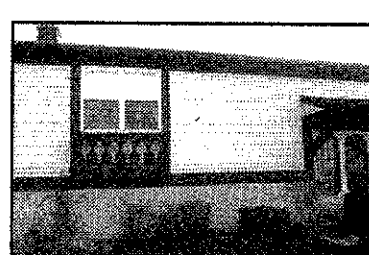
JUST LISTED! FIRST FLOOR MASTER! Cape Cod w/4 bedrooms, 2½ baths. Great room & library w/vaulted ceilings, natural fireplace w/marble surround, stairway w/oak trim, lovely landscaping, full basement, spacious kitchen w/oak cabinets, deck. (76RIV) \$257,500 734-455-5600



RANCH ON 1 ACRE. 1974 built 3 bedroom, 2 bath home ready for fussy buyer. A real country setting w/plenty of wildlife around. This spacious home has finished basement custom deck, attached 2 car garage & 3 season Florida room w/fireplace. (51RID) \$259,900 248-349-5600



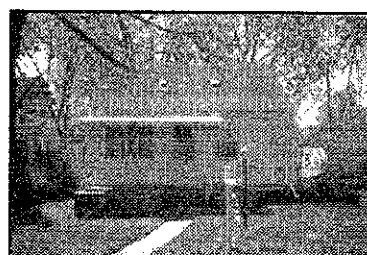
BEAUTIFUL RANCH. 3 bedroom brick home w/finished basement. This home has newer roof gutters, neutral carpeting, siding, c/a, large kitchen w/neutral counters & floors. Vinyl windows & doorwall. (51BIR) \$132,900 248-349-5600



CARRIAGE HOUSE CONDO w/vinyl replacement windows, white kitchen cabinets, master bedroom w/adjointing area for lounging or office space. Bathroom features double sinks, tub & shower stall w/access from master bedroom or hall. Laundry room in unit. (84GLE) \$137,900 248-349-5600



GREAT STARTER HOME! 2 bedrooms, 1½ baths, c/a, 2 car garage. Updates: kitchen, bath, driveway, CU plumbing, electrical, windows, roof, 9' ceilings, built-in china cabinet, finished basement rec room, lav & laundry room, landscaping, appliances. (49COL) \$124,900 734-455-5600



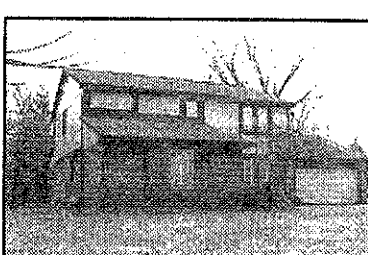
TWO BEDROOM STUNNER! Updated bath, large kitchen w/pantry, dining room, full basement, move-in condition. (07LEO) \$105,000 734-455-5600



ADORABLE! AFFORDABLE! Large lot size. Recent Updates: roof, furnace, windows, hardwood floors, carpet, dining room w/built-in leaded glass cabinets, Florida room, basement. (80GAR) \$124,825 734-455-5600



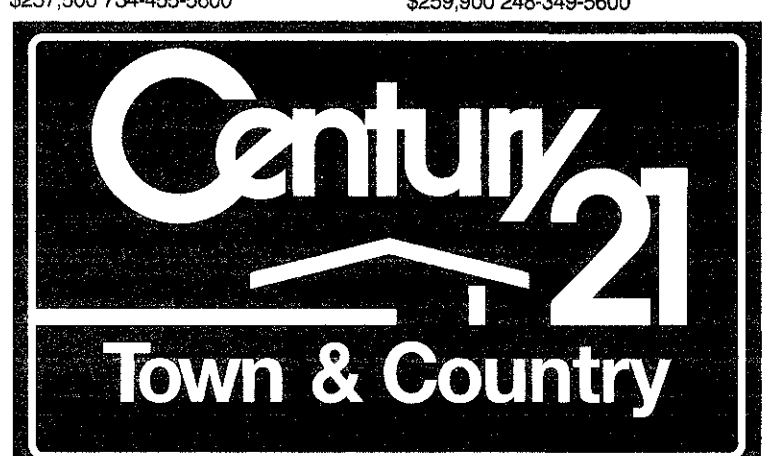
WONDERFUL MULTI-FAMILY! Two separate entrances for each unit. Newer carpet, wiring, driveway, porch. Great basement, walking distance to schools. (28MAP) \$129,900 734-455-5600



NOVI COLONIAL. 4 bedroom, 2½ bath home in Turtle Creek. Richly appointed w/many updates which include: a/c, roof, furnace, hot water heater, sump pump, interior & exterior paint, carpet & kitchen floor. Master suite w/large walk-in closet. (62HEA) \$319,000 248-349-5600



PREPARE TO BE WOWED! Custom built 4 bedroom, 3½ bath colonial with features galore. 9' tray and cathedral ceilings, oak floors, family room w/fieldstone fireplace & built-ins, spacious gourmet island kitchen & finished daylight basement w/garage & bar. (22HIC) \$379,000 248-349-5600



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JUST LIKE NEW! 3 bedroom, 2 bath Ranch. Vinyl windows, doorwall, ceiling fans, vaulted ceilings in great room, recessed lighting, light oak kitchen cabinets, Jacuzzi tub in master bath, skylights. (84MER) \$126,000 734-455-5600



OPEN FLOOR PLAN! California fieldstone natural fireplace w/raised hearth in living room, gas fireplace in family room, 4 bdms, 2 ba ranch w/newer vinyl windows & ceramic tile. Doorwall to deck, lower finished basement w/walkout. Merillat cabinets, HPP. (51SOM) \$199,999 734-455-5600



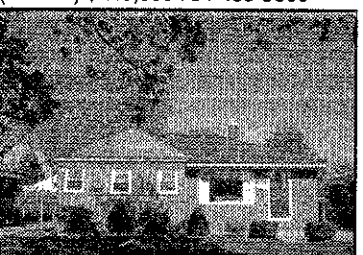
CHARMING END UNIT CONDO. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, large living room, c/a, nice lower level unit w/private entry w/ceramic tile & atrium windows. (93PIN) \$119,000 248-349-5600



CUTE 2 BEDROOM HOME w/nice country feel. Bring your decorating touch. Super Florida room, nice backyard with lots of shade. Don't forget your fishing poles, fun in the sun with your full lake privileges on all sports White Lake. (16HIL) \$129,000 248-349-5600



STUNNING-UNIQUE-ELEGANT. This beautiful brick colonial features 4 decks, one off master bedroom, vaulted great room ceiling, natural & gas fireplace, 3 car garage, 3/4 acre on wooded lot. A multitude of large windows & skylights. (05MET) \$399,900 248-349-5600



LIVONIA BRICK RANCH JUST LISTED! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, curb appeal w/many updates: entry doors, ceramic foyer, living room cove ceilings, wet plaster. Newer: vinyl windows, flooring, finished basement, exercise or 4th bedroom, 2½ car garage, brick patio. (70HAR) \$157,500 734-455-5600



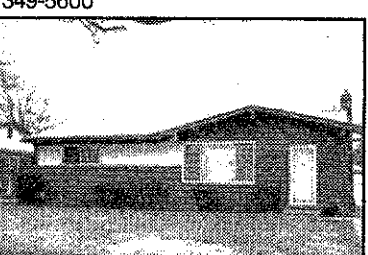
SHARP HOUSE ON LARGE LOT! 3 bedrooms, 1½ baths, 2½ car garage, plaster walls, cove ceilings, freshly painted, hardwood floors in living room. Many updates: vinyl siding, windows, roof, front porch, furnace. All appliances. (41MIL) \$159,000 734-455-5600



WHAT AN OPPORTUNITY! Sprawling Ranch sits atop a hill on 3+ acres. Open floor plan, lots of full length windows, 4 car attached garage, finished basement, fireplace in living room. (50SQU) \$249,900 734-455-5600



JUST MOVE IN & ENJOY. Livonia home offering many updates. 3 bedrooms, living room, family room, dining room w/doorwall to patio. Large updated eat-in kitchen w/Pergo floor. Newer: windows, roof, furnace, c/a, siding plus much more. 2 car garage. (31LYN) \$174,900 248-349-5600



LIVONIA BRICK BEAUTY. Large lot, garage, 3 years old. Newer tear off roof, kitchen, Hallmark windows & steel doors. Doorwall off kitchen. Basement partially finished w/4th bedroom. Plumbed for bath, new carpet & freshly painted throughout. New c/a '96. (50JOY) \$159,900 248-349-5600



STATELY COLONIAL. 4 bedroom, 3 bath 2000. Columbus in living room, master bedroom, family room, 2 story foyer & family room, 2nd floor laundry, heated garage. Cedar deck backs to woods. Hardwood in foyer, kitchen & breakfast. Daylight basement. (10ONA) \$464,000 248-349-5600



CANTON GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY! Pheasant Run large Cape Cod w/1st floor master bedroom, vaulted ceilings, walk-in closet, garden tub, large open kitchen, oak cabinets, great room w/2-way fireplace, full basement. (15KIL) \$264,900 734-455-5600



SOMETHING SPECIAL! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Beautifully landscaped. Newer: vinyl siding on home & garage, windows, doors, carpet, cement. Updated: kitchen & bath. Newer bath on lower level w/family room & library. (16MON) \$119,900 734-455-5600



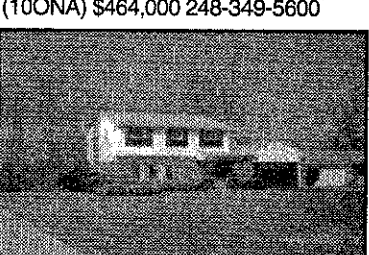
OUTSTANDING 4 BEDROOM! Cape Cod, open floor plan, wonderful neighborhood, Livonia schools, 1st floor master suite w/garden tub, enormous kitchen & cabinets, 1st floor laundry, loft overlooking family room, showpiece fireplace, privacy fence, sprinklers. (48TIM) \$259,900 734-455-5600



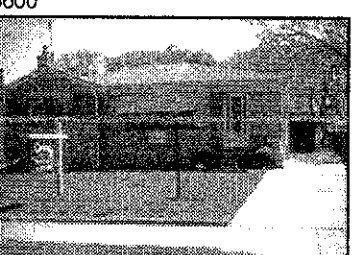
WONDERFUL OPEN FLOOR PLAN. 3 bedroom home with new family room addition w/fireplace. Spacious kitchen with ceramic tile. All newer windows, bath & basement. (27TUB) \$159,900 248-349-5600



MILLPOINTE OF WESLAND'S BEST BUY. Spacious home with all appliances. Neutral decor throughout, on one of the larger lots on a court setting. Open kitchen has oak cabinets, skylight over foyer, master has walk-in closet & bath, walk-out family room. (50MIL) \$165,000 248-349-5600



SUPER COLONIAL. 4 bedroom, 1½ bath home. Basement, 2 car garage & large rooms. Beautiful yard in back of sub near elementary school. Kitchen is fabulous. Lots of updates & well maintained. A-1 home. (01SUM) \$289,900 248-349-5600



GREAT LOCATION! 3 bedrooms, 1½ bath Brick Ranch. Newer: windows, roof, c/a, furnace, kitchen floor. Beautiful yard, open floor plan, full basement. Very Clean. Bring All Offers! (70KIN) \$142,900 734-455-5600



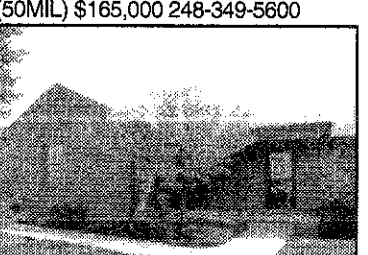
PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP! 4 bedrooms, 1½ baths, neutral decor, clean & updated. Master bedroom, access to large double vanity in main bath, Florida room, fenced & private yard, finished basement, great curb appeal, convenient to downtown Plymouth. (14NAN) \$228,500 734-455-5600



BRING US AN OFFER! Cute as a button bungalow! 3 bedrooms, 1 bath with many updates: roof, kitchen, newly finished basement w/glass block windows & extra deep fenced yard. Kitchen appliances included. (24WOO) \$114,900 734-455-5600



CHARMER. Wonderfully updated dollhouse w/large lot & finished basement w/2 bedrooms. First floor laundry, newer kitchen, bath & floor covering throughout. Mechanics dream garage. (16ROY) \$164,999 248-349-5600



PHASE II walk-out ranch. Clean w/neutral decor. All appliances stay. Extra closet storage in family room. Lower level partially finished, just waiting for your choice of use. Central air, single car garage. Clubhouse with many activities. 55+ community. (32EXI) \$145,000 248-349-5600



EXTRA ORDINARY custom built 3 bedroom, 3 bath home. Owner has spared no expense. Gourmet kitchen with all appliances. Large master suite, finished walk-out with full kitchen, billiard room, bar & wine cellar. (15WAD) \$599,000 248-349-5600

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NORTHVILLE **\$1,149,900**
ESTATE QUALITY HOME on 1.3 acres in Northville. Library w/maple built-ins. Sunroom overlooks woods. Suspended staircase. Barrel ceiling in GR, 4 BR, 4 baths & 2 lavs. (32MAI2)

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NORTHVILLE **\$1,100,000**
MAGNIFICENT HOME to be built in Fox Hollow! Every amenity expected, including an interior decorator. Lush master suite. Entertainment/bar area off GR. Dual staircases. (01FOX2)

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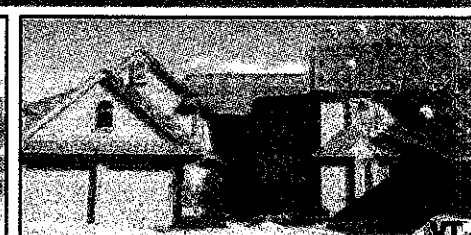
NORTHVILLE **\$795,000**
INCREDIBLE! Newer home with all the charm of a Victorian in downtown Northville. Huge yard with views of Mill Pond. In-law suite in lower level! (47RAY2)

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CANTON **\$469,900**
4 BR, 3.5 BATH CAPE IN PHEASANT RUN! L.L. is prof. fin. giving 5146 sq ft of living space w/full bath, state of art wet bar, and home theater w/custom leather seats, and 110' screen. Much more!!! (S2161)

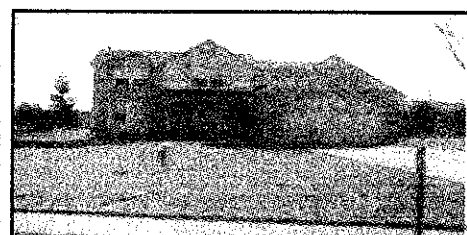
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PLYMOUTH **\$449,900**
PRESTIGIOUS EATON ESTATES! Better than new Condo with many updates. Private, gorgeous yard, lower level walkout has 2nd kitchen leading to brick paver patio. (84EAT2)

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NOVI **\$360,000**
BUILT IN 1998 Brick paver patio, neutral colors, really better than new because everything is done - carpeting, window treatments, landscaping - move right in. (V20876)

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NORTHVILLE **\$314,900**
GORGEOUS ALL NEUTRAL CONDO! Beautiful 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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FARMINGTON HILLS **\$272,000**
ROOM-TO-REAM both inside and out! Large, spacious, open, custom-built Ranch sitting on over an acre. Conveniently located, lots of windows! (31GLE2)

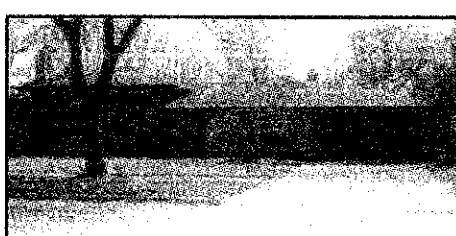
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WHITE LAKE **\$249,900**
CAPE COD CUL-DE-SAC! Only 7 years old this home has a full bsmt, front porch, 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths & a beautiful deck. Within walking distance of high school. (23D11314)

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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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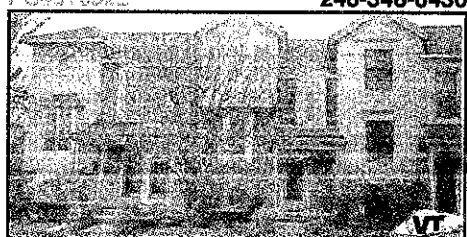
NORTHVILLE **\$238,998**
COUNTRY LIVING IN THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE This 4 bdrm, 2 bath ranch on a large lot has lots of upgrades including windows, doorwalls, deck, etc. etc. (23C47111)

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LIVONIA **\$234,900**
NOT IN A COOKIE CUTTER SUB! Deep lot, 10 year old home, circle drive, deck with hot tub. (W9760)

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WOODHAVEN **\$224,900**
BEAUTIFUL HOME IN GREAT LOCATION! Soaring ceiling in great room, light oak kitchen cabinets, master bath features whirlpool tub, neutral decor, near shopping, express way. (W23718)

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DEARBORN **\$219,000**
DEARBORN HILLS BEAUTY! 3 BR Bungalow, 1st flr mstr, LR w/FP DR, kit w/table space, den, beautiful hwd flrs. 2.5 car garage & brick paver patio! (15WAV2)

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COMMERCE **\$210,000**
CHARMING 3 BR, 2 BATH RANCH! Situated on large lot, spa tub in new bath, large kitchen w/oak cabinets, partially finished bsmt & 2-car garage. (79KEN2)

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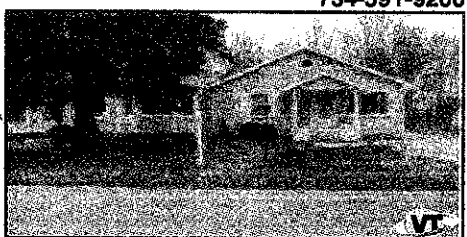
CANTON **\$199,999**
BROADFRONT RANCE Open floor plan. Newer windows, marble slits, furnace, steel entry doors, garage door. 3 season FLA RM, huge country kitchen, .92 acres. Many extras. (S474)

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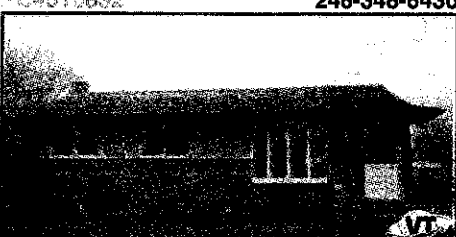
CANTON **\$199,900**
DON'T MISS THIS charming Canton quad-level. 4 BR, 2 baths, family room, library, basement, 2 car att. garage, most appliances, deck, inground pool. Over 2000 sq ft! (A43620)

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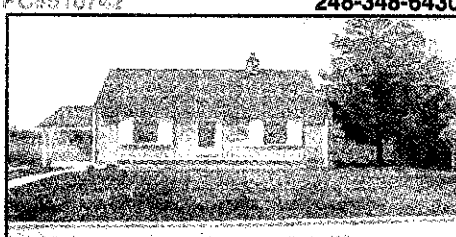
LIVONIA **\$199,900**
ABSOLUTELY PERFECT! Redone and updated t/o. 4 BR cape features Jack & Jill bath, humongous upstairs BRs, lg lot w/2 car detached garage. Ready to move in! (B29608)

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CANTON **\$174,900**
ATTRACTIVE RANCH! 3 BR, 2 baths, open fir plan w/Florida room off kit & great fin bsmt! Oversized 2-car garage w/workshop, many updates incl: roof, furnace and a/c. Must see! (11ALT2)

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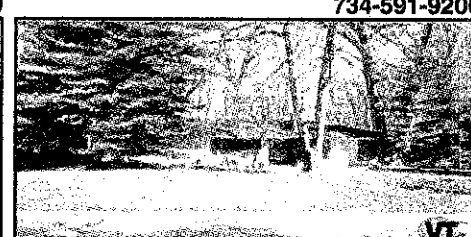
LIVONIA **\$159,900**
OUTSTANDING LIVONIA LOCATION! Double lot, fenced yard w/above ground pool, maintenance free exterior, newer furnace/ac humidifier/roof/vinyl windows/electrical. Bsmt plumb for bath. (S19143)

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GARDEN CITY **\$149,900**
YOU COULD BE THE THIRD OWNER 3 bdrm 1 1/2 bath Ranch with fam rm, finished bsmt w/wet bar. Upgraded C/A, plumbing, windows, roof, kitchen, more. (F297)

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SOUTHFIELD **\$149,900**
1800 SQ FT OF QUALITY LIVING AREA Brick ranch, 3 BR, 2.5 baths, att'd garage on 1/2 acre treed lot. Location, quality, value - Yes! Has in-law quarters w/bath - could be office or 4th BR (M21000)

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LIVONIA **\$149,900**
ALL DRESSED UP 3 bedroom w/finished basement, newer deck, privacy fence, 2.5 car garage, windows, furnace, air, more. Home backs to nice commons area. (D914)

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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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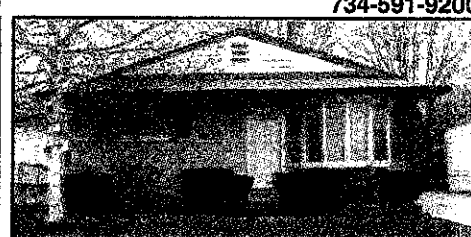
LIVONIA **\$142,900**
SPRAWLING UPDATED 1400 SQ FT RANCH on oversized fenced lot. Large kitchen w/bayed nook, family rm w/fp, att'd garage, move in condition w/updates t/o. (L18903)

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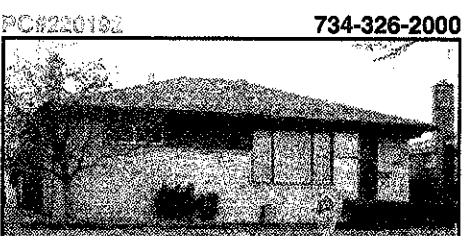
REDFORD **\$139,900**
3 BR BRICK RANCH with great location. New living room carpet and new back door. Roof approximately 5 years old. Don't wait! (54BRA2)

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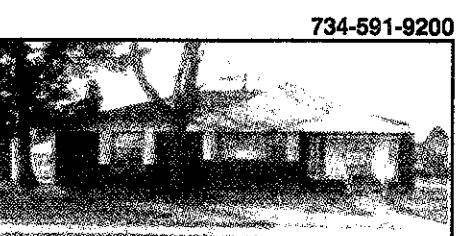
WESTLAND **\$137,777**
MUST SEE! 3 bdrm brick Ranch w/fin bsmt. Updates; windows & bay in LR, newer exterior doors, C/A-furnace, roof, white kit. all appliances stay. 2.5 car garage. (F334)

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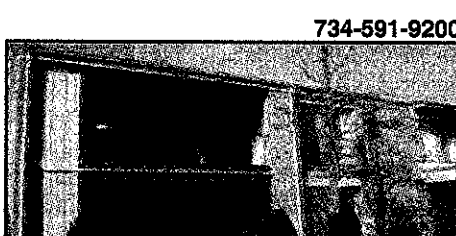
GARDEN CITY **\$136,900**
GOOD TASTE, GOOD BUY! Is this 3 bedroom brick & alum Ranch. Remodeled kitchen w/ snack bar and dishwasher. 2 car garage, C/A, and more. (L420)

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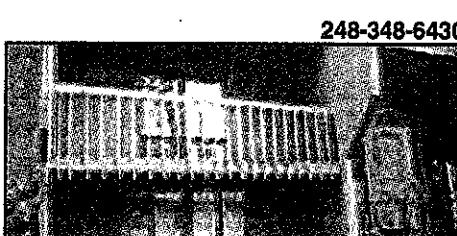
REDFORD **\$136,900**
PERFECT FOR FIRST TIME BUYERS! 3 BR ranch features new kitchen, new furnace, hwh, c/a, stove, fridge. 2.5 car garage, large lot, warranty. (B13961)

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LIVONIA **\$129,900**
GREAT LOCATION & GREAT PRICE on this 2 BR Condo! Private entrance, spacious porch, in-unit laundry & all appliances included. Immediate occupancy. (16UN12)

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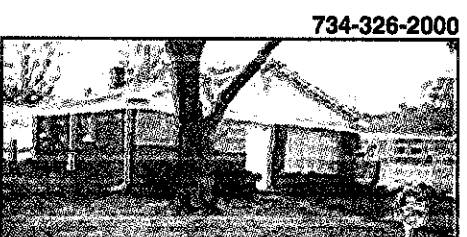
FARMINGTON HILLS **\$114,900**
FARMINGTON HILLS CONDO! Two bdrms, 2 baths, and updates are the main features of this ground unit. Security entrance with wooded site. All appliances included! (23T29870)

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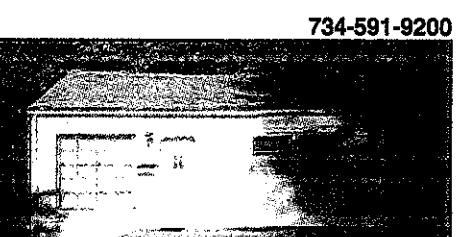
REDFORD **\$109,900**
TRY A REDFORD TRI 3 bdrms, 1 bath home has all newer windows and carpet. Beautiful 2 tier deck w/access from doorwalls in 2 upstairs bedrooms. Appliance stay. (C159)

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REDFORD **\$109,900**
UPDATED REDFORD RANCH! New roof, new plumbing, updated kitchen & bath and 3 bdrms, with a 1.5 car garage. Over 1,000 sq ft. (23B16516)

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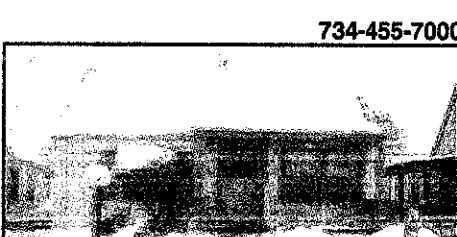
MELVINDALE **\$69,900**
COZY 2 BEDROOM RANCH! Spotless and ready for you! This house is ready to go. City inspect has been completed. Brand new driveway, tear off roof in '98. Stove, ref & washer included. (23R7151)

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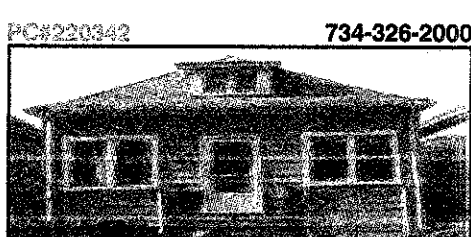
WESTLAND **\$59,900**
SHARP RANCH Updates include, roof, steel doors, fresh paint, 3 ceiling fans, windows, kitchen, new furnace. Nice covered porch. Move right in. (C338)

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INKSTER **\$48,000**
INVESTOR SPECIAL Below market for quick sale. 3 bedroom Ranch finished basement in quiet neighborhood. Sold as is, lock box for easy showing. (H323)

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ECORSE **\$44,900**
BEST BUY Updates include newer carpet, windows, oak moldings, bay window. Features enclosed front porch, breakfast rm, basement has full bath and extra room. (C23)

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NOVI
WONDERFUL NOVI COLONIAL built in 1997 overlooks wetlands w/wildlife galore! FR w/gas FP, some hardwood flooring, formal DR plus walk-out lower level! (69SAN2)
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LIVONIA
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)
\$209,900

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SOUTHLYON
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for Birmingham multi-family property management co. Payable/receivable experience required. Excellent starting rate and benefit package for qualified candidate with references. Contact David Horton at... (248) 648-2222 or fax resume to: (248) 648-0606

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- Full time position
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Must have knowledge of Accounts Payable, Excel and Word Processing.
Please fax resume to: Marie Beard 248-478-4472 or mail to: Marie Beard P.O. Box 346 Farmington Hills, MI 48332-0346

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - Full time, prior A/P experience & strong accounting skills needed. Excellent working environment. Excellent pay & benefits for interior design firm in Ferndale. Please fax resume & cover letter. Attn: Kathleen 248-399-1307.

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for fast paced ad agency in Southfield. Duties include on-line Paycom, Must have payables and customer billings. Must have computer skills and 2 years of experience. Excellent benefits. Send resume: Box #1120 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Established business in Livonia area seeks a person with at least 2 years experience in accounts payable & payroll. Degree preferred. Must have good people & communication skills. Will be responsible for monthly & annual payroll taxes and reports. Must have good working knowledge of personal and benefit issues. Should know Excel & Lotus. Position pays \$12/hr. plus excellent benefits. Please mail resume to: AF, 30100 Telegraph Rd., Suite 268, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE Customer Service

Key position for business in Plymouth. Responsibilities will include Customer Service with emphasis on analyzing customer accounts for discrepancies. Previous accounts Receivable or Accounting experience preferred, and customer service skills required. Submit your resume with salary history to: Attn: HR/PO Box 700713, Plymouth, MI 48170 OR Fax Attn: A/R, 734-416-3810 OR E-mail: hr_abs@hotmail.com. E.O.E.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Looking for a sharp, self-motivated individual to handle multi tasks for company located in Oak Park. Must have Microsoft knowledge & good telephone skills. Bookkeeping knowledge a plus. Fax resume to: 248-591-7200

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Full-time for Southfield property, various duties, fax resume to 248-352-3184 EOE

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Desire motivated, computer oriented Assistant. Salary and benefits. Call: 248-705-9913

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

General office duties for CPA office. Word, Excel, Part-time flexible. Fax resume to: 248-737-4759

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Full-time in a busy, service oriented company. Good organizational skills & a must! Send resume & salary requirement to: PO Box 530306 Livonia, MI 48153-0306.

500 Help Wanted General

OFFICE MANAGER / SECRETARY

Farmington Hills Property Management Co. seeks full-time person for fast paced multi-task office. Must possess excellent interpersonal, motivational & organizational skills. Health & dental, 401K, competitive salary. Interested candidates should Fax resume to AMD at 248-855-0170

OIL CHANGE TECHNICIANS

Penzill 10 Minute Oil Change. Experienced or will train. Full &/or part-time. Apply in person: 34680 W. 8 Mile, Farmington Hills. 1/4 mi. W. of Farmington Rd. Or call for appt. (248) 478-1313.

Painters & Crew Chiefs

North America's College Painters is currently hiring. \$8 to \$12/hr. No experience necessary. Full training provided. Positions available in the Metro Detroit area & throughout Michigan. To apply: www.nacp.net or call 1-800-405-6227

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full time for purchasing, inventory, shipping/receiving. Hi-C experience is a big plus. Some PC skills are required, experience preferred but will train the right person. Benefits include 401K, paid vacations & holidays. Apply in person at Parks Maintenance, 25137 Plymouth Rd, Redford, MI 48239 or fax to 313-532-6498

PARTS MANAGER for Concrete Ready Mix Co. Needs experience in parts inventory, organizing parts room, stocking & ordering parts. Must be able to use computer. Salary, benefits. Apply in person at Parks Maintenance, 25137 Plymouth Rd, Redford, MI 48239 or fax to (810)979-6108

PART TIME individual for Livonia HVAC wholesaler. Mon-Fri. Telephones, Misc clerical. PO Box 493 Sterling Hts. MI 48311 or Fax to (810)979-6108

POLICE OFFICER

Northville Township is accepting applications for the position of Police Officer. Qualifications are:

- Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Must be 21 years of age.
- Must possess a valid driver's license and have no criminal record.
- Applicant must possess a High School diploma and Associates degree from an accredited college or university.
- Must have successfully completed and passed proof of C.O.L.E.S. certification or certification.
- Applicants will be required to pass a written and oral exam, person background check, physical and psychological exam.
- Salary range \$35,795 to \$51,052.

Applications are available and returned completed to: Charter Township of Northville, Human Resource Department, 41660 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167 4:00pm, Thursday, May 31, 2001. Resumes without applications will not be accepted. EOE

POOL ATTENDANT

Great Summer job for college student. Call for details. EOE Auburn Hills 248-853-3335 Farmington Hills 248-851-0111 Rochester 248-602-0508 Dearborn 248-569-4070 248-352-8125 248-353-9050 248-879-2466

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Steel Tube Manufacturing Plant seeking Press & Machine Operators. Excellent pay, incentive & paid Bio Cross. Please fax resume to: Troy PLYMOUTH, MI 48170 FAX: 734-738-5604.

REAL ESTATE Broker desire assistant for full and part-time position. Various duties, flexible hours. Call Kristy at (248)348-3000, ext. 234, fax resume to (248)347-1169.

500 Help Wanted General

PRODUCTION SUPERVISOR

Manufacturing facility is seeking an individual with strong leadership skills that is willing to learn all the facets of the business. This position requires a minimum of 2 years of technical training, with knowledge of Hydraulics/Pneumatics, and basic PLC understanding a plus. Candidate must have strong hands-on leadership skills. This is a full time 2nd or 3rd shift position that offers a competitive wage, Medical/Dental/Life Insurance, 401K/ Profit Sharing, and more.

Send Resume to:
Attn: Production Supervisor
P.O. Box 701248
Plymouth, MI 48170
Or Fax to:
Attn: Production Supervisor
(734) 416-3610
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hr_abs@hotmail.com
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PROPERTY MANAGER

Multi-task person for busy student housing office on campus at U of M. 3 yrs apartment experience a must. Familiar with leasing, marketing, resident maintenance issues, contracts, leases, able to mediate, apartment change-over, budget issues. Computer literate, detail oriented & a self starter. Fax resume to Ann: 734-761-8222

PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHER / CLERK

Northville Township is accepting applications for full-time Dispatcher/Clerk. Essential functions include receiving complaints from the public concerning crimes, medical emergencies and fires. Dispatching police, fire & EMS. \$24,000/yr. plus excellent benefits. Qualifications include:

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- Computer skills

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RESIDENTIAL
Canton area. Minimum 3 years experience (810) 602-1033

SCREEN PRINTER needed.

Graphics or textile exp. required. Full benefits. Canton (734) 207-8400

SERVICE CONSULTANT needed for Farmington Hills dealership. Must be outgoing & have pleasant personality. Bonuses paid based on experience. Benefits & retirement available. Apply at 30250 Grand River, Farmington Hills or call Kent at 248-474-0550.

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Commercial fitness equipment co. seeking mechanically inclined service tech to service SE Michigan & N. Ohio. Experience preferred. Call Dan 800-525-2739 ext 13.

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For Northville machine manufacturer. Excellent benefits. Local pick-up/delivery, misc. building maintenance/machine cleaning. Handy welder/carpenter tools. References & dependability a must. Normac inc. (248) 349-2644 or Fax (248) 349-1440

SHIPPING & RECEIVING

Forklift driving experience/utility responsibilities. Full time/day. Apply at 13050 Inkster Rd., S. of I-66.

SIGN ERECTOR

Minimum 5 years exp. Immediate opening, good pay, flex hrs. & benefits 313-475-5806.

SKILLED BIKE ASSEMBLERS

Immediate start. Will train. Flexible hours. Apply in person, ask for Manager at Toys R Us, 27000 Telegraph, Southfield.

STUDENT PAINTERS

Summer work, full time. \$7-\$9/hr. Ask for Jim 1-888-839-3385

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RESEARCH ANALYST

The Research office at Oakland Community college seeks applicants for part-time Research Analyst to conduct formative/summative evaluations, perform trends analysis and needs-assessment studies, at our Pontiac location. MUST have experience in: designing research studies, creating survey questionnaires, descriptive and inferential statistics and possess strong writing skills. Research Analysts work in a team environment, which emphasizes quality and client satisfaction. Working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Excel, Access, Word) and SPSS is important.

A Bachelor's degree is required. Experience working in an educational environment is preferred.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Oakland Community College is seeking applicants for the position of Research Assistants. The main responsibility is supporting research activities within the office, at our Pontiac location. This includes creating and maintaining database and complex spreadsheets, data collection, and preparing statistical reports.

Applicants must be detail-oriented and comfortable working extensively with database and spreadsheet software. Send cover letter and list of 3 references to:

Oakland Community College
M-304
27055 Orchard Lake Road
Farmington Hills, MI 48338

RETAIL MANAGER POSITION

Farmington Hills area. Inquire Mario Beauty Supply, 2660 Burdette, Ferndale or call 248-546-1888, ext. 12 only.

RETIRES WELCOME - Full Service Maintenance Co. looking for full-time person to work on site at account located in Plymouth. Must be able to lift 40-60lbs. April thru November 1st. (248) 486-8300.

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needs in-store experienced Sales Professional for big ticket products. Call 810-493-5181 or Fax 248-352-6894

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If you have skills, we have jobs! Currently placing:

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ST. JOHN'S GOLF & Conference Center is seeking qualified individuals for the following positions:

- Banquet Servers -part-time
- Housemen -full/part-time
- Security -full/part-time

These positions may require some weekends. We offer a full benefit package for full-time positions including medical, dental, life insurance and 401K. Meals provided and great opportunity for advancement.

Please call (734)414-0600 for more information or apply in person at:
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Plymouth, MI 48170

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needed full-time for day camp in Oakland county. 248-661-3630

SUMMER JOBS

Teachers, Counselors & Lifeguards needed full-time for day camp in Oakland county. 248-661-3630

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For lawn apartments.
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TELEMARKETER / ASSISTANT

Livonia based Mortgage Co. has part-time position. Salary + commission. Call: (800) 434-3377, X. 356 or 333

TELEMARKETING MANAGER / APPOINTMENT SETTER

Fulltime with benefits calling businesses. 248-669-2648

TELEPHONE INTERVIEWER

to work in Farmington Hills law office. Excellent phone skills. 248-865-0860

TELEPHONE WORK

Part-time, 4 to 6 hours a day. Salary plus bonus. Pleasant phone personality. For interview appt call..... (734) 416-3333

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Canton Township is accepting applications for Therapeutic Recreation Aides (Day Camp) to work with special needs participants. Rate of pay: \$7-\$8 per hr. Applications available at the Canton Township Personnel Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.canton-mi.org. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

TRAVEL AGENT - well established Farmington agency seeks sr. corporate agent trained on Apple & Microsoft. Previous travel skills & considers themselves a crackjack agent. Great package for right person. Reply to Box #1092 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

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for City of Northville. \$36-\$44K. DOQ Supervise property tax rollings, A/P, A/R. Send resume and salary history to Finance Director, Northville City Hall, 215 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167 at 5-23-01

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Part-Time Summer Work
HomeTown Newspapers is looking for individuals interested in working at our production plant during the summer months. Excellent source of income, flexible hours, and no special skill needed. If interested, apply at: HomeTown Newspapers, 1551 Burkhardt Rd., Howell, MI 48843

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SUMMER HELP
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WAREHOUSE

Shipping & receiving and showroom display. Full time. Apply in person: NEWTON FURNITURE 15950 Middlebelt Rd. Livonia.

WAREHOUSE

Virginia Tile Co. has full time open position in Farmington Hills. Must have 2-3 years warehouse and receiving experience. Benefits, profit sharing and 401K.
Call HR Manager 248-476-7850 x 2264 or fax resume to: 248-476-4532.

WEEKEND SUPERVISOR

Needed for kids party facility in Southfield. Must be reliable, enthusiastic and over 18. 248-352-5437

WINDOW INSTALLATION

Experience necessary. Ask for Pete: (734) 953-0686

WINDOW INSTALLATION CREWS

Experienced, for Ann Arbor based company. Year round work. Top pay. Must have own truck, tools & insurance. Call: 1-800-230-1616

YARD PERSON - Full-time for trucking company. Mechanical ability helpful. Call 8am-5pm, Mon-Fri: (734) 455-4036

501 Computer/Info. Systems

CAD TECHNICIAN - Perform technical CAD support for road & bridge transportation projects. Understand and enforce MDOT standards. 2 yr post secondary schooling with an emphasis in Engineering or Computer Science. 3 yrs. exp. with Micro Station & Auto CAD. Working knowledge of civil & structural design applications. Understand & assist in the support of CAD related hardware, ie: plotters & digitizers. Please contact Lynn at 313-967-9399 or e-mail resume to: lynnmcus@yahoo.com

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MULTI MEDIA developer. Join our software development team! Skills desired include: Animation, GUI design, Programming & LAN/WEB knowledge. 2-3 yrs. exp. desired. Hours negotiable. 20-40 hrs. per week. Send resume to: Effective Training, Inc., P.O. Box 756, Wayne, MI 48184.

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ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT

Individual experienced in A/P and Payroll using MAS90 software a plus. Some Human Resources and benefits helpful. Microsoft Word and Excel. Energetic, attention to detail with a great attitude a must for our fun, hard-working, fast-paced growing company in Wixom. Some college preferred. Benefits after 60 days 401k available. Resumes to: Accounting Assistant P.O. Box 346 Farmington Hills, MI 48332-0346

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Birmingham Invest/Advisory Firm seeks motivated self-starter professional with 2+ yrs. industry experience. License preferred. Strong computer, organizational, verbal, written skills a must. Fax resumes Attn: Tim 248-540-3466 or email timothy.zimcosky@ipl.com

Administrative Assistant Medical
Competitive Salary and Benefits
Qualifications include: Computer literate, personable good phone skills, and organizational skills a must. Fax cover letter and Resume to: 877-699-8037
Attn: Consumer Division

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Experienced person for mid-sized local CPA firm. Data entry and typing skills necessary excellent benefits, nice location.
Send resume Attn: Daryl Rollins 30230 Orchard Lake Rd., Suite 200 Farmington Hills 48334 or Fax (248)855-3121

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Downtown Plymouth office is looking for an all around Administrative Assistant with excellent computer skills and a great telephone manner. Must be a real people person. \$8.00 to \$10.00 per hour, full or part time. Call Darlene Shermanski at (734) 451-5400

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
We are seeking a self-starting, highly organized individual looking for a long-term position. This individual should have an impeccable attendance record, be accurate with numbers, enjoy working through paper work and have computer experience with Excel and Word. Please send resume to: 877-699-8037
Park/Haggerty area. Contact Charlotte (248) 669-4080

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Automotive supplier requires capable individual who can handle multiple tasks which include generating customer releases and sending electronic data via computer. General office skills also required. Excellent pay & benefits. Please send fax resume to:
Quigley Industries, 38880 Grand River, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Fax (248) 426-8606

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PART-TIME
We are seeking an individual with strong organizational skills to work in a fast-paced office environment of a national sales and installation company.
Fax resume to: 734-261-6190 or call (734) 261-6130 and ask for Jim Gilbert

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For COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY working in West Bloomfield. Challenging and rewarding career opportunity. Ideal candidate will provide administrative support, be familiar with real estate development, and have excellent communication skills. Must be a team player. Requires organizational skills, excellent computer skills with knowledge of Microsoft Office. Type A personality. Minimum experience. Resumes with salary requirements may be faxed to: 248-539-9449 emailed to: Ad050601@aol.com or mailed to: PO Box 251961, West Bloomfield, MI 48325-1961.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
HO of multi-state operation seeks candidate as assistant to VP/Finance. Duties will also include company wide procurement, phone system management and branch office support. Requires minimum of 5 years like experience, attention to detail, multi tasking ability, excellent communication and computer skills.
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Needed for non-profit organization; part-time; must be multi-task oriented with knowledge of Microsoft Office. Send or fax resume: Krista Cierpial (Dev.) JC, 6800 W. Maple, West Bloomfield, MI 48322 248-661-3680.

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BOOKKEEPER - Full charge
needed for busy real estate development/property management co. in Farmington Hills. Heavy AP/AR, Excel/Lotus exp. required. Skyline software exp. a plus. Send resume to: Grand/Sakva Properties, Attn: Lynn Granata, 28470 13 Mile Rd., Suite 220, Farmington Hills, MI 48334 or Fax to 248-655-0915.

CLERICAL ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR
Needed full-time for Farmington Hills Nursery School. Benefits. Call after 10am: 248-476-3110

Clerical Opportunities
Full and part time positions open for the following:
Receptionist, general office, customer service, administrative assistants, executive level secretaries. Computer skills a plus!
Fax Resumes to Sharon 248-737-5886 or email ppncinc@aeritech.net

Clerical/Part-Time
Evenings & weekends. Must have good math skills and computer experience.
NEWTON FURNITURE
14950 Middlebelt Rd.
Livonia

CLERICAL POSITION
Responsible for sales group support for fast growing Wokom based co. 248-624-7230, x 10

CONTRACT SPECIALIST
with minimum 5 years experience for orthopedic distributor. Resumes to Box #1086
Observer & Eccentric Newspapers
36251 Schoolcraft Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150

COSTING CLERK
needed for large GM dealership. Dealership experience necessary. We offer excellent pay & benefits. Mail resume to: PO Box 700737, Plymouth, MI 48170.

COURIER/OFFICE CLERK
for Southfield law firm. Full time. Must have good driving record. Fax resume to: 248-657-9522.

CUSTOMER RELATIONS COORDINATOR
We are a widely recognized premier provider of corporate services, in the Detroit area, seeking a dynamic and energetic self-starter to expand customer service center personnel. Internal marketing, on-site customer relations and to assure smooth delivery of conference center services.
This detail-oriented position requires ability to prioritize multiple tasks and work independently; must be flexible to take directions from executive personnel and to interact with company personnel regarding directions; good interpersonal/organizational/communication follow up skills; and PC/email proficiency.
We offer competitive salaries, top benefits and a friendly, business casual work environment. Please send resume indicating position of interest to: Attn: J. Bastien, 19000 Hubbard Dr., Dearborn, MI 48126. Fax (313) 640-4089. EOE m/f/d/v.

CUSTOMER SERVICE REP
Full & part-time available for local insurance agency. Experience helpful but will train. Send resume to: P.O. Box 51393, Livonia, MI 48151

CUSTOMER SERVICE/PROJECT COORDINATOR
Quality driven international moving co. looking for a self-motivated, team work oriented individual for position in Ypsilanti/Ann Arbor area. Computer skills a must. Knowledge of Excel, Access & Word very helpful. Will train. EOE, benefits, profit sharing, 401K, bonus program & room for advancement.
Send resume to e-mail: jlgreen@horsemoving.com or Fax to 734-485-6748

LEGAL SECRETARY / ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE
Small, 2-attorney Bingham Farms law firm specializing in motorcycle and ORV litigation. Minimum 3 years experience in legal field. Organizational skills. WP 7-9, Windows. Competitive salary, benefits & bonuses. Please fax resume to: (248) 901-3401.

LEGAL SECRETARY
Bingham Farms law firm seeks motivated, organized, exp. Legal Secretary to work with our civil litigation partner, will consider part-time. Fax resume to: 248-737-5123

LEGAL SECRETARY - For corporate/real estate law firm & medical. Positions available immediately. If interested please call Lynn at 313-967-9398 or fax resumes to 313-967-9388 or email to: lynnmcus@yahoo.com.

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For large Farmington Hills law firm. Minimum 3 years experience. Excellent benefits. Send resume to: Office Administrator PO Box 3040 Farmington Hills, MI 48333 Or Fax to: (248) 851-2158

LEGAL SECRETARY
Minimum 1 year experience in plaintiff law for medical malpractice. Call 734-425-2400

LEGAL SECRETARY
The law firm of Bernstein & Bernstein has an immediate opening for a professional legal secretary in our Southfield location. The ideal candidate should have knowledge of legal documents, pleadings & court procedures. Candidate must have 2 or more years exp. in personal injury litigation & have the desire to work as a team member. Must be proficient in Microsoft Word. Position is full-time with salary & benefits.
Please fax cover letter & resume to: 248-352-6680. Attn: Sharon Lovelace.

LOOKING FOR A TEAM PLAYER!
Dynamic financial advisory firm in Southfield seeks team player for Office Manager. Career & detail oriented individual, and a positive thinker. Oversee 8 administrative team members, 3 offices. 3-Yrs. exp. Knowledge of Microsoft Office. Pay based on experience. Profit sharing. Fax resume to 248-208-8822 or email - HR@gsrr.com

OFFICE ASSISTANT Entry Level
Full-time. Fun office in Northville. \$8/hr. Health insurance after 90 days. Ask for Tarnie 248-465-1440 or Fax to 248-465-1441

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General contracting firm seeks qualified person for full-time office position. Must be positive, self-motivated and detail oriented. Construction office/accounting experience preferred but not required. Working knowledge of Microsoft Office a must. Farmington Hills/Redford office. Send resume to: Box #1098
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36251 Schoolcraft Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150

ACCOUNTING CLERK
Needed for busy Redford office. Responsibilities would include: A/R & A/P, clerical duties and answering multi-line phone. Computer skills a must. Fax resume to 313-255-9889 along with salary preferences.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING
Assistant for property management firm in Canton. Experienced needed. Precheck exp. helpful. Full time position. Fax resume: Debi (734) 254-1994.

GENERAL OFFICE
Empire Carpet Co. has immediate opening for full time general office person to handle busy phones and data entry. Must have good computer and computer skills. Attractive wage & benefit package.
Empire Carpet Services, LLC
38151 Amneth Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150
Call Paul or Jackie for interview: 734-644-3200
Fax Resume: 734-644-3377

HVAC Company
looking for motivated individual for full time clerical position. Office exp. required, some computer work, typing, filled telephone answering, dispatching. Benefits. Call Trudy (248)442-8500

INSIDE SALES/ CUSTOMER SERVICE
Retail service center looking for person with good management skills, strong organizational skills, including attention to detail. Self-motivated and able to function in a fast paced environment. Basic computer knowledge. Basic computer keyboard skills required. Ask for Sandi, (248) 352-0000.

INSURANCE AGENCY
Hills seeks experienced commercial lines CSR. P&C license and applied experience necessary. We offer excellent pay & benefits. Mail resume to: PO Box 700737, Plymouth, MI 48170.

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Executive Legal Secretary for Senior Partner
The most successful and high profile law firm in Michigan has a solid background in all phases of litigation.
All candidates must have extensive civil litigation experience and a solid background in all phases of litigation.
Strong organizational skills, good attendance, must be able to manage an impossible schedule, have the ability to work with the media and the ability to keep focused under pressure. Must be a non-smoker. Excellent salary, benefits & fringes. Please send resume to:
Attn: Nancy Wirth
Office Manager
19390 W. Ten Mile Road
Southfield, MI 48075
Phone: 248-355-5555
Fax: 248-355-5148

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OFFICE ASSISTANT/ LEGAL ASSISTANT
For busy West Bloomfield law office. Call Angle at: 248-851-6000

OFFICE HELP - Part-Time
Looking for dependable individual to assist with a wide variety of tasks including answering in-coming calls and general office work. Physical and/or screen required. MODINE AFTERMARKET 734-955-1816, Dan or Mary

OFFICE MANAGER
Accts. Payable/Accts. Receivable. Experienced in aggregate billing operation. Send resume to P.O. Box 300888, Waterford, MI 48330.

OFFICE MANAGER
Ann Arbor apt. complex seeking an enthusiastic, team player with the ability to coordinate multiple tasks & assist in a variety of duties. Ideal candidate will have experience in the leasing industry & possess excellent word processing skills. Please send resume & desired salary level to:
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Ann Arbor, MI 48103

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Responsible individual needed for permanent full time position in the Southfield area. Friendly outgoing personality, professional manner and appearance. Job duties include managing incoming and outgoing mail. Coordinate repairs to office machinery and furniture. Maintain inventory of office and break-room supplies. Filing and other record retrieval requests. Benefits package available. Valid driver's license and reliable auto necessary. Submit resume to: Lafarge Corporation
Office Services position
1410 E. Box 5112
Southfield, MI 48037
E.O.E. M/F/D/V

OFFICE STAFF
Farmington Hills Entry level full time and part time. Call Terry Fraser (248)553-3555 Ext. 227

PART-TIME JOB SHARE
2 positions available for general contractor in Bloomfield Hills. require good English, math and computer skills. Fax resume to 248-338-3139 or call Jean at 248-338-6999

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT
The Charter Township of Redford is accepting applications for the position of Personnel Department Assistant. An employee in this class provides a variety of services in support of the town's functions and responsibilities. The personnel director:
SALARY: Starting, \$14.38/hr. plus shift differential, plus paid health insurance, pension, vacation and more.

RECEPTIONIST
The Farmington Hills Hockey Assoc. has an immediate opening for a part time Receptionist. Applicants must possess strong people & organizational skills. PC & internet skills are also required. Submit resume to: Lucy Oakleaf, President, Farmington Hills Hockey Assoc. 35500 S. Mills Rd. Farmington Hills MI 48335.

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Full time for friendly Farmington Hills Real Estate Office. Call Larry, (248) 851-6700

SECRETARIAL
Full-time for a court reporting firm. Duties include: phones, typing, typing & errands, 13 Mile & Telegraph area. Call Erica for an appt. (248)844-8888

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for full time permanent position with national health-related organization. Detail minded, dependable, self-starter with Microsoft Office. Submit resume indicating the opening you've been watching for. Full or part-time. Call: (248) 357-3100.

SECRETARY
Part time office help needed for Livonia law office. Must have good computer & typing skills. Please fax resume to: 313-447-8544 or call Krista Dan 313-447-5555.

SECRETARY / RECEPTIONIST
needed for W. Bloomfield Accounting Firm. Pleasant communication skills & Word-processing exp. necessary. Send resume to: P.O. Box 252591 W. Bloomfield, MI 48322 or Fax to (248) 855-4992

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for front desk for busy Farmington office. Hours: 4-8pm. Fax resume to: 248-471-6682

RECEPTIONIST FULL-TIME
Professional Real Estate office in West Bloomfield (M-F). Includes benefits. Call Tony (248) 865-6900

RECEPTIONIST/ GENERAL OFFICE
Farmington Hills. Full-time. Candidate must have good communication skills and experience in Microsoft Word. Competitive salary. Full benefits.
Call: 248-478-0200 or Fax resume to: 248 478-4730

RECEPTIONIST/LIGHT CLERICAL
Part-time, Mon.-Fri. only. Southfield area. Will train. (248)356-6886.

RECEPTIONIST
Part-Time Mature person needed to answer phones, light typing, and filing. computer experience helpful. Drug screen & physical required. Apply in person at: 13112 Waco Ct., Livonia, MI 1-800-356-1590.

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY
Phones, Microsoft Windows helpful. P/T Position. Ann Arbor & Novi. Call 248-344-8696.

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY
For busy real estate office. Duties includes phones, mail, supplies, office equipment, filing & misc. other duties. We are seeking an experienced individual with a professional appearance & a positive attitude. We offer a competitive benefits package. Salary commensurate with experience. Please fax your resume along with salary requirements to: (248) 649-2373, or mail to: 3221 W. Big Beaver, Suite 106 Troy, MI 48064.

RECEPTIONIST
Small law office, pleasant surroundings; will train right candidate for receptionist/filing clerk position. \$8.00/hour. Fax resume to: 248-352-7808

RECEPTIONISTS
To work in various firms/companies in the Detroit area. Please contact Lynn at 313-967-9399 or fax resumes to 313-967-9388 or email lynnmcus@yahoo.com.

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The Nalco Group is looking for a Receptionist for their world headquarters located in Farmington Hills. Exc. comp package. Send resume to Dept. 375, 23200 Haggerty Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48335 or fax 248-347-7753.

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Needed in Ann Arbor, Canton, Farmington Hills (porter/waitstaff). Full & part time positions. 248-608-0690

COOK & Dishwasher, part-time. Days & Evenings, weekends. No experience needed. Great pay. Cozy Cafe 734-455-3310.

COOK & KITCHEN HELPER Needed for retirement home in Livonia. Experience not necessary, will train. 734-425-3050.

COOK NEEDED
Full-time days excellent wages for an experienced short order cook. Apply in person Cornors at Dearborn Heights, 313-278-1188

COOK - Part-Time
Needed, hours from 3-7pm. Apply within: American House, 35700 Hunter Ave. Westland. (734) 728-8670.

COOK - Part-time needed for busy area. No experience necessary, will train. Catering and food preparation. Please call 248-655-2421 EOE

COOK'S ASSISTANT
If you like working with seniors and have experience, please apply to our Westland Village. Days & hours will vary. Presbyterian Village Westland 32001 Cherry Hill Westland, MI 48166. Phone 734-782-8950 Fax 734-728-1910

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Pay based on experience. Apply at: Bob Evans Restaurant, 41190 Ford Rd., Canton.

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For Walworthwood of Canton senior community. Full time & part-time positions. Must be flexible and able to work weekends. Seniors, students & home-makers welcome. E.E.O. APPLY IN PERSON at Walworthwood of Canton, 2000 N. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI (E. side of Canton Ctr. Rds., S. of Ford Rd.).

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Dining Services Management Company seeks full-time Assistant Catering Manager for Detroit Seminary/Conference Center. Must be an innovative self-starter who is creative with strong organizational skills. Customer service oriented individuals need only to apply. Salaried position with great benefits! Please forward resume to Director of Human Resources, P.O. Box 700322, Plymouth, MI 48170.

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Available on Mackinaw Island, Michigan. Seasonal - May through October. Experienced Wait Staff and Cooks & year degree or equivalent culinary school training available. Call (906) 847-3208

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WAIT STAFF
Kind hearted people with Old-Fashioned values to join our team. E.E.O. Call: 248-549-8400, or apply in person @ Walworthwood of Royal Oak, 3450 W. 13 Mile Rd., Royal Oak, MI. 48073.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Rapidly expanding Novi Chamber of Commerce is now accepting resumes for Executive Director position. Quality applicant must possess a year degree or equivalent related experience, strong marketing, goal setting, organizational & sales skills. Emphasis placed on future growth membership base. Strong knowledge of government, cooperation with city council, residents, businesses. Submit resume & introduction letter by June 1 to: Search Committee, Novi Chamber of Commerce, 43700 Expo Center Dr., Novi, 48375 or fax to: (248) 439-4523

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COLDWELL BANKER REAL ESTATE

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ADVERTISING SALESPERSON
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No phone calls please. Send resumes & cover letter to:
HomeTown Newspapers
P.O. Box 230
323 E. Grand River Ave.
Howell, MI 48843
Attn: Human Resources/
Sales BGT
or FAX (517) 548-5545

AGGRESSIVE SELF-MOTIVATED Salesperson seeking high income sales of application engineered industrial products. Opportunity for large commission beyond base. Respond w/resume: Sales Representative, P.O. Box 733, Novi, MI 48376

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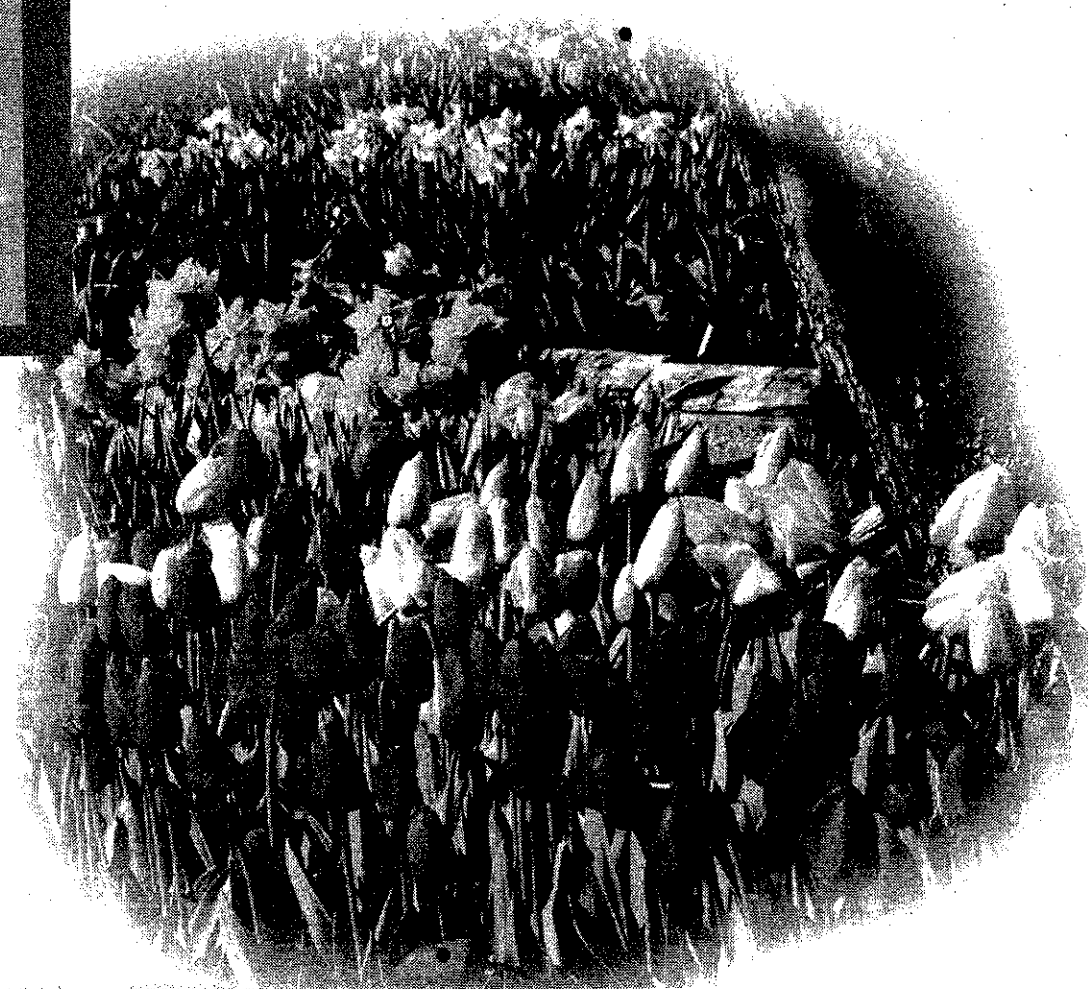
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
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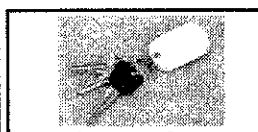
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PROBE 1994 SE - auto, 2L, great cond. newer tires, 62k, power windows/locks, am/fm stereo cassette, burgundy/gray, \$5500. (734) 422-7692

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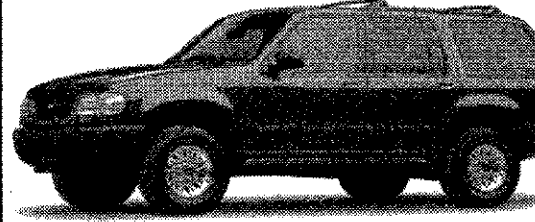
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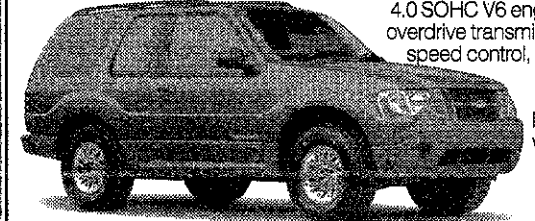
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