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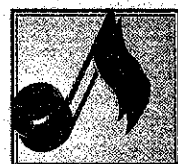
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## Band competition moved to S. Lyon



The Great Lakes Invitational Marching Band Competition, slated for this Saturday Oct. 20, at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park stadium, will be held at South Lyon High School in South Lyon.

The change has been made because of the artificial turf in South Lyon's stadium. The event will begin with opening ceremonies at 1:45 p.m.

The Plymouth-Canton Marching Band is scheduled to perform in exhibition at 9:45 p.m.

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### LOCAL NEWS



STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

**At the mosque:** Canton resident and proud grandfather, Mohamed Youssef, cuts up pieces of watermelon for his granddaughter, 15-month-old Noor Kamel. For more on Saturday's open house at the Canton Mosque, please turn to Page A3 in today's Observer.

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**Remembering:** Family and friends of Meredith Whalen looked back on her life during a memorial service Saturday at the First United Methodist Church. Seated from left, Meredith's brother, Steve Whalen, mom, Pat Whalen (holding photo of Meredith) Meredith's sisters, Kristen Whalen and Kathy Purcell. Standing behind are Meredith's cousins who each gave a eulogy. From left, John Bodmann, Bethany Simonson, Timothy Whalen and Paul Whalen.

## Family, friends gather to remember a life cut short

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To those who loved her, Meredith Whalen of Canton was a sister, a daughter, a cousin and a friend. To those who didn't know her, she was one of the many who died too young during the horror of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11.

Photographs collected over the 23 years of her life - from childhood dance recitals and riding lessons, and haunting pictures of



AFTERMATH

"When towers crumble, what else can one do but pray? This is unlike any other loss any of us have ever known," said the Rev. Dean A. Klump at Whalen's

her posing in front of the World Trade Center towers where she worked - projected onto the screen at the front of the church.

memorial service Saturday at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth. "It is national....It is individual."

Whalen worked as a financial analyst for Fred Alger Management Co., on the 93rd floor of World Trade Center tower one, and was at her desk on the morning of Sept. 11.

Friends and family have not only had to grieve, but have had to do so with constant reminders in

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## Police looking into Booher allegations

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Several police departments are reportedly investigating a former Plymouth-Canton school board trustee for possible illegal activity relating to school superintendent Kathleen Booher.

In a statement to the Observer last week addressing her desires to leave the district, Booher described several instances where misrepresentation of her has caused confusion about her

intentions in the district.

According to the statement, there has been "e-mail over the Internet to individuals in this district misrepresenting him or herself as me. The intent of this e-mail was clearly to portray me communicating in an inappropriate fashion to employees. Only a week ago, an individual made phone calls to an employee in my previous school district misrepresenting his identity in order to seek employment information about me. These incidents are being investigated by the appropriate law enforcement agencies."

Police in Plymouth, Dearborn and Berkley are reportedly investigating a telephone call from the former school board member to the Berkley school district, where Booher was superintendent before coming to Plymouth-Canton in February 2000. The caller reportedly identified himself as Mike Hoben, the deceased former school superintendent, and asked employment questions regarding Booher. According to police, misrepresenting yourself to gain employment information is a misdemeanor.

Police and school officials, speaking anonymously, have confirmed the story.

Hoben's name was also reportedly used to send e-mail concerning school administration documents, signed with the letter "K" apparently to represent Kathleen Booher. However, sending e-mail under a false name is not illegal, and no charges are pending in that investigation.

An attorney representing the school

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## District officials praise improved MEAP scores

### VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Van Buren Schools officials released the results last week for the MEAP tests taken last winter by fourth-, fifth-, seventh-, and eighth-graders.

In most cases, scores were about the same or slightly better than they were the previous year.

Ray Gross, the district's director of instruction, said there were many areas of improvement. One of the biggest improvements, he said, was the 47-percent increased proficiency in science scores by fifth-graders at Haggerty Elementary.

"The Haggerty kids did a great job in science. The improvement is a reflection on how hard they are working, as well as the fact that the priority there

is science," he said.

In fact, fifth-graders districtwide excelled on the test, with their writing, science and social studies scores above Wayne County and state averages, according to Gross.

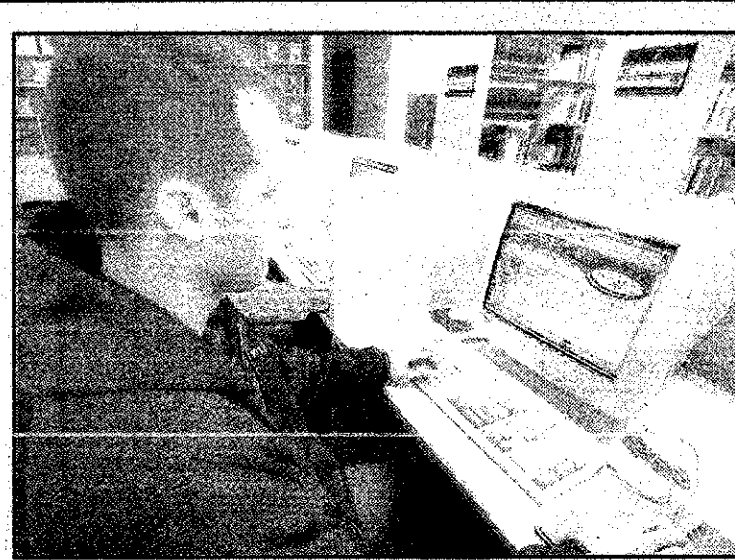
Gross pointed to the reading and writing portions of the test as being the strength of the district.

**'Overall, we've done very nicely. Reading and writing are definitely our strengths.'**

-Ray Gross,  
district director of instruction

The district's least successful area was social studies. Only 26-percent of the district's fifth-graders met or exceeded state guidelines for social studies, compared to the state average of about 19-percent. A little over 18-percent of Van Buren eighth-graders

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

**First look:** Canton resident Dan Burt visits the new HomeTownLife.com Web page at the Canton Public Library Wednesday.

## Observer offers new Services on Web site

Readers of the Canton Observer can now access one Internet site, HomeTownLife.com, for news, information and classified ads from the Observer & Eccentric and business listings from the recently published Canton, Plymouth, Northville, Novi, Plymouth telephone directory.

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# Understanding Islam

## Canton Mosque open house draws nearly 1,000 guests

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
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By the hundreds, visitors entered the Canton Mosque. They came to the mosque's open house Saturday for information, understanding and fellowship.

"It's long overdue. We need to understand each other," said Livonia resident Elizabeth Downs. "I think it always takes a tragedy to get us to wake up and to do what we should have been doing all along."

The mosque hosted the open house to promote understanding of local Muslims and the Islamic religion and customs at a time when Muslims are greatly misunderstood, according to Yusuf Hai, spokesperson for the Muslim Community of Western Suburbs.

"We had between 700 and 1,000 people come," Hai said. "It was really successful and we were very happy with the turnout. It made me happy there were so many people that wanted to learn about us, and let us get to know them."

Visitors had many reasons for attending.

"I'm interested in religion and I want to learn more about Islam from the standpoint of what it is all about and how does it work," said Jim Karel, Downs' husband. "People don't really believe that what happened on September 11 and since then are related to Islam. Those things had nothing to do with any religion."

Downs said she recently entered seminary education, and understanding Islam is part of her education. "This is just

part of the process. We really have much more in common than we have differences," she said.

The open house included tours of the mosque, a variety of refreshments from across the Muslim world, an Islamic art display, and workshops on basic Islamic beliefs, the role of women in Islam, and Islam in modern society and western culture.

"We have had to decide as a religious people and as a culture which traditions are essential to Islam and which we continue just because we've done them for hundreds or years," said Kashif Siddiqui of Northville. "Coming to the west forced us to examine how we have been practicing our religion. Whether a Muslim man is wearing a turban, or a shirt and tie is immaterial. It's just a matter of culture."

For women, it's not quite as easy to blend into western culture because they are required to practice *hijab*, covering themselves from head to toe in public.

"I have actually found *hijab* to be liberating," said Heather Jackson, of Ann Arbor, who converted as an adult to Islam. "It allows us as men and women to interact in public without that sexual element."

Still, practicing Islam is not easy in western society, said Siddiqui. A religion which does not separate secular from sacred life, Islam requires prayer at five prescribed times a day, as well as ablution, or ritual cleansing, before prayer.

"It's getting easier as more employers and society are becoming aware. They're becoming more understanding to Muslim culture," he said.

"This is not a religion for everybody," Jackson said. "Even the *Qur'an* says that. It's not easy and there is no Utopia."

Other religious practices may not be so easily understood. Jackson spent more than half of her



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**Table of diversity:** An impromptu discussion of world religions brought together Father Richard Peretto of Resurrection Parish in Canton, right, Mohammad Siddiqi, center, and Mahmood A. Hai. Seated across the table is Alan Hamsher, left, Wayne Titus and Mohammed Khaleed.



**Lunch break:** Canton resident Shelly Baloga, is served traditional food from Shafiq Akhter (background) and Nausheen Haroon.

time in a Women of Islam workshop fielding questions about the Muslim practice of polygamy.

"In Islam, a man is permitted to have up to four wives," she said.

"But you can't do that here. It's against the law," said a woman in the front row.

"We do practice it here," Jackson said. "It may not be recognized as a civil marriage by the state, but we recognize it. There are ways, through civil attorneys, to assure the family is taken care of." She compared the legal arrangements to any American of domestic partners who are either prohibited to marry or who don't wish to marry.

"As an American woman, I don't practice that. And I don't walk behind my husband. A lot of people ask me, 'Aren't you required in Islam to walk 10 paces behind your husband?' When we get to a door, he knows that I expect him to open it and I expect to walk through it first," she said.

In light of events on and since Sept. 11, a list of frequently asked questions and answers about the Muslim community's perspectives on Usama bin Laden and terrorism was also distributed.

"The unfortunate fact that there are select few who have been brainwashed and led to extremism by Usama bin Laden should not be used to judge the 1.2 billion Muslims of the world," the printed list stated. "This would be like judging the Chris-

tian world based on the beliefs of Hitler, David Koresh or the means of antiabortion extremists, or judging the Jewish people upon the actions of Baruch Goldstein ... Pure Islam is about peace, tolerance, and justice. All of these are American ideals."

The mosque will host more events in the upcoming months, Hai said.

"It was a very happy occasion, which I think everybody really needed. It was uplifting for our community as well as for the people who attended," said Hai.

### Hit the Web

For more information on Islam, here are some helpful Web sites:

- islamicity.com
- islamic-exploration.net
- islam.com
- beconvicted.com
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full holiday, along with sponsoring cultural events and diversity training throughout the year.

"Canton is not free from racism," said The Rev. Eric Moore, pastor of Canton Community Church. He told the board a friend of his recently was snubbed by an employee in a Canton store. She waited for a half-hour without being waited on before finally leaving the store.

"I don't know the heart or mind of that individual (who would not wait on her), but my friend had to deal with the pain of that and wonder, what's wrong with me?" he said.

He added racism, while not necessarily overt, is built into American culture, particularly in education.

"When white people use the term racism, it's usually only in extreme actions," such as cross burning or physical violence, he said. "A minority person understands it in a lot of its subtle

terms."

While offering the holiday to township employees is not the answer to all of Canton's race issues, it's a start, said Moore.

"If we make any progress, it's because we've walked through 1,000 doors," he said. "But we've got to do it one door at a time."

Commissioner Joyce Williams said it's not a black and white issue.

"I, too, agree we should celebrate Martin Luther King's birthday," she said. "We celebrate those kinds of people because of what they did for all people."

**Symbolism and substance**

Township Supervisor Tom Yack had in the past called the holiday symbolic, and stated the township would lose \$40,000 in productivity if it offered the paid holiday.

Commissioner Tom Hartnett agreed the holiday is symbolic, but said it's symbolism with sub-

stance.

He added when terrorists attacked the United States, they hit symbols of our country, and ever since we've clung to such symbols as the American flag.

Further, he said Canton has the opportunity to live up to its mission statement and be proactive in diversity issues.

Few board members had comments, but Trustee Melissa McLaughlin asked if the commission had heard complaints about being mistreated by township employees from community members.

Williams said she was stopped by a Canton police officer for expired license plate nearly a month before her tags expired, and was followed home by an officer the following day. She believed she was stopped and followed simply because she is African American.

McLaughlin said the same thing has happened to her husband, who is a "skinny Irish

guy," and added the Canton Police Department has an excellent reputation for its treatment of all people, including minorities.

"We can get our guys all shiny and polished but that's not going to change the guy that works at 7-Eleven or at Kohl's," she said. Further, she argued against celebrating diversity and separateness, stating even the word is rooted in division. She suggested celebrating unity.

"We won't make progress until we get away from the defensive posture," Hartnett said. "If you have an attitude that because he haven't had a really bad incident everything's OK, that is the problem....As Americans we have to accept our history. As Americans we have to accept our legacy of human enslavement. We haven't walked down that road of atonement yet. There are people out there who feel the melting pot is fiction."

The township board will hear further discussion and vote on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday issue at an upcoming regular meeting.

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<b>Fifth grade</b>			
Science	42.7 percent	no change	41.6 percent
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writing	73.5 percent	-6.5 percent	61.1 percent
<b>Eighth grade</b>			
Science	11.9 percent	8.6 percent	19.7 percent
social studies	18.7 percent	1.8 percent	30 percent
writing	55.8 percent	4.3 percent	67 percent

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made the cut, compared to the state average of 30-percent.

"There are some areas of concern. Overall, social studies needs to be worked on. But social studies needs to be worked on statewide. Maybe the low scores statewide say something about the test itself," Gross said.

In an effort to improve MEAP scores, the district is in the process of aligning its curriculum with state recommendations.

"We are currently working on several projects on curriculum alignment, including one with the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency. We're trying to make an effort to line up with the state a little," Gross said.

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the media.  
 "It doesn't really matter to us how she died. We just want her back," said college friend Danielle Pluff, of Redford. "But as the coverage kept on, and as the war goes on, it's like a nail in you every time you turn on the television."

Her family also struggled to make sense of Meredith's death. They remembered her head for money - she beat everyone at Monopoly even as a child - and as having a contagious smile and kind heart.

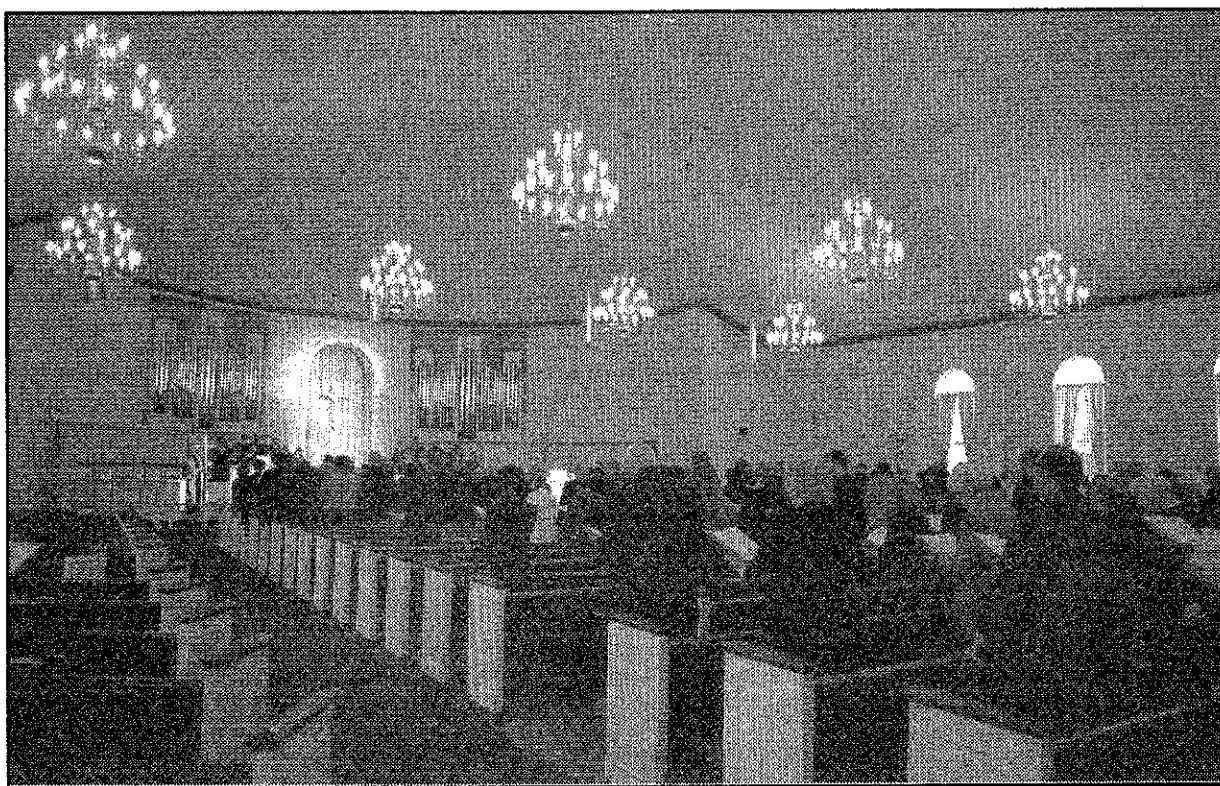
"What can you say to make sense of madness? Maybe someone can tell you what all this means, but I can't," said her cousin, Paul Whalen.

"Meredith loved life and life loved her," said younger sister, Kristen Whalen. Meredith was only beginning to realize her potential, she said. "She will be deeply missed but always remembered for living life to the fullest and having a great time along the way."

At just 23 years old, Meredith Whalen had a little more than a year earlier graduated with honors from the University of Michigan business school and was already making waves in the financial world.

She was well on her way to making a name for herself, catching the attention of CEOs for such major clients as e-Bay.

"She was kicking a-- and she was taking names, but still she



STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

**Mood:** Inside the church, the lighting remained subdued for the service.

was a good kid," Paul Whalen said, admitting he thought his cousin would not survive New York, and working with some of the most brightest and ruthless financial minds in the world. But she surprised him, and thrived in the city. "But she never lost sight of what was good."

Paul Whalen admitted, partic-

ularly after having to tell his five young children about Meredith's death, he had become cynical about people before realizing his cousin would not have wanted her loved ones to fear or lose hope.

"Let's not do that. Don't let the uncertainty turn you around. Don't let the bad men win. Let's love each other instead," he said.

Kristen Whalen wept as she reminded those that loved her sister of their duty to her memory.

"I will continue to press on. I must, always remembering that life is fleeting but fantastic," she said. "To honor her is to never forget."

# Hold-up reported

A Ford Road business was the target of an armed robbery early Tuesday.

According to police reports, a suspect described as wearing a black jacket and Halloween mask took an unspecified amount of cash from Tim Horton's restaurant on Ford just east of Haggerty. An employee said the suspect approached the restaurant's drive through window at approximately 3:25 a.m. and stuck a large hand gun into

the open window.

The suspect then demanded money and threatened to shoot an employee if she didn't cooperate. The employee complied and then saw the suspect flee on foot in an unknown direction.

No injuries were reported in the incident. No other description of the suspect is available. Anyone with information about the incident should contact the Canton Police Department at (734) 394-5400.

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# Auction cancelled Allegations from page A1

A Giant Sports Auction planned for Oct. 19 at Canton's Summit on the Park has been canceled.

The event, which was scheduled for 7 p.m., was to benefit the families of firefighters lost in the September terrorist attack in New York City. Canton Fire Captain Jim Davison said the auction was canceled because of a lack of interest.

The Canton Firefighters Charity Foundation was organizing the event. Each year, the charity organization lends a helping hand to Canton residents and

others facing difficult circumstances. Since 1995 the foundation has raised more than \$100,000 to help victims of fire and organizations such as MDA.

Despite the auction's cancellation, Davison said the foundation is continuing to raise funds for New York City victims. Residents or others wishing to make a donation can do so by sending a check to: Canton Firefighters Charity Foundation, Canton Fire Station One, 1100 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

district told the Observer there could be more information concerning the case in the next few days.

Booher told school board trustees during an executive session after the Oct. 9 regular meeting that she is looking for another job. She cited several instances over the past few months, including those described above, as causing her to lose her effectiveness by undermining her efforts and those of the board of education.

On Wednesday, Booher interviewed with the Michigan Association of School Boards, which is conducting the superintendent search for the Livingston County Intermediate School District. She is one of six people who interviewed this week.

Carl Hartman, director of the MASB superintendent search department, said he expects to have the field narrowed down by the end of the week, at which time several candidates will

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probably be asked to conduct a second interview.

Hartman said the current superintendent is paid \$110,000 a year, though the ISD board is expecting to negotiate a higher salary for a replacement. Booher currently earns an annual salary of \$129,000.

Booher indicated to the Observer that if she doesn't get the Livingston County position, she will continue to seek other employment.

## CLARIFICATION

A story on Page A7 in Thursday's Observer should have said a fatal crash on Ann Arbor Road

near Napier occurred Wednesday, Oct. 3. The victim, Daniel Gibbons of Canton, died Thursday, Oct. 4.

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- CORKY ROMANO (PG-13) 1:00, 3:00, 5:05, 7:20, 9:20
- TRAINING DAY (R) 11:55, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:35
- SERENDIPITY (PG-13) (SUN 11-25) 1:20, 3:15, 5:20, 7:35, 9:45
- JOY RIDE (R) 1:10, 3:25, 5:30, 7:45, 9:50
- DON'T SAY A WORD (R) 11:50, 2:10, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
- HEARTS IN ATLANTIS (PG-13) 12:25, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:25

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- The week of October 21-27 is National School Bus Safety Week?
- Reference librarians in the nation's public and academic libraries answer more than seven million questions weekly?
- The painted turtle became Michigan's State Reptile in 1995?
- Sweetest Day is Saturday, Oct. 20?
- Trees are best moved when dormant in spring or fall, so roots can resettle before they have to supply water to the leaves?
- United Nations Day is celebrated on Oct. 24?
- Only 3 percent of Americans work out of their homes?

**Web watch**  
Check out these new Web sites:

- www.investorwords.com
- www.baseballhalloffame.org
- www.flight100.org

www.ghostwheel.com/dictionary  
www.alloy.com

**Q & A**  
**Q:** What is Yorktown Day?  
**A:** On Oct. 19, 1781, more than 7,000 English and Hessian troops, led by British General Lord Cornwallis, surrendered to General George Washington at Yorktown, Va. This effectively ended the war between Britain and her American colonies. There were no more major battles, but the provisional treaty of peace was not signed until Nov. 30, 1782 and the final Treaty of Paris was signed on Sept. 3, 1783.

**Source: The Teacher's Calendar**

**New Videos**

- Enemy At The Gates
- Flash
- The Legend Of Bagger Vance (video and DVD)

**CDs**

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- Night Lights - Nat King Cole
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**New Adult NonFiction**

- Surviving Ophelia: mothers share their wisdom in navigating the tumultuous teenage years - Cheryl Dellasega
- Hughes: the private diaries, memos and letters - Richard

**Hack**

- Diamond Jim Brady: prince of a gilded age - H. Paul Jeffers
- Plant Partners - Anna Pavord
- Kennedy White House: family life and pictures, 1961-1963 - Anthony Carl Sferrazza

**New Children's Books**

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- Cassie Loves Beethoven - Alan Arkin
- The Day Eddie Met The Author - Louise Borden
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**Hot Topic of the Week**

Sugarloaf's Fall Novi Art Fair is Oct. 19-21, at the Novi Expo Center. This show, now in its seventh year features 325 nationally recognized craft designers and fine artists. They will be displaying and selling their original creations, with craft demonstrations and hourly gift certificate drawings. For more information, please check their web site at [www.sugarloafercrafts.com](http://www.sugarloafercrafts.com).

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

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 29, 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:

**UPTOWN CHERRY HILL VILLAGE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - FINAL PLAN - CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NOS. 072 99 0003 000, 072 99 0004 000, 072 99 0015 000, 072 99 0016 000, 072 99 0017 000, 073 99 0018 000 072 99 0022 000, AND PART OF PARCEL NO. 067 99 0011 000.**

Property is located on the north side of Cherry Hill Road east of Ridge Road. (Second Public Hearing.)

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, October 25, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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# Web site from page A1

said Phil Power, Chairman of HomeTown Communications Network, Inc., the company that owns the Canton Observer.

Available to readers at [observerandeccentric.com](http://observerandeccentric.com), which is part of the general Internet portal, HomeTownLife.com, the new service offers:

■ News content from the Canton Observer. Eventually news and information adapted from all 44 Michigan community newspapers in the HomeTown group will be available on the HomeTownLife.com site.

■ Classified ads from the Observer & Eccentric, Mirror Newspapers and Green Sheet. Taken together, the site offers the largest collection of local classified advertising in Michigan, according to Power. The ads will appear as a searchable database on the HomeTownLife.com site or at [observerandeccentric.com](http://observerandeccentric.com).

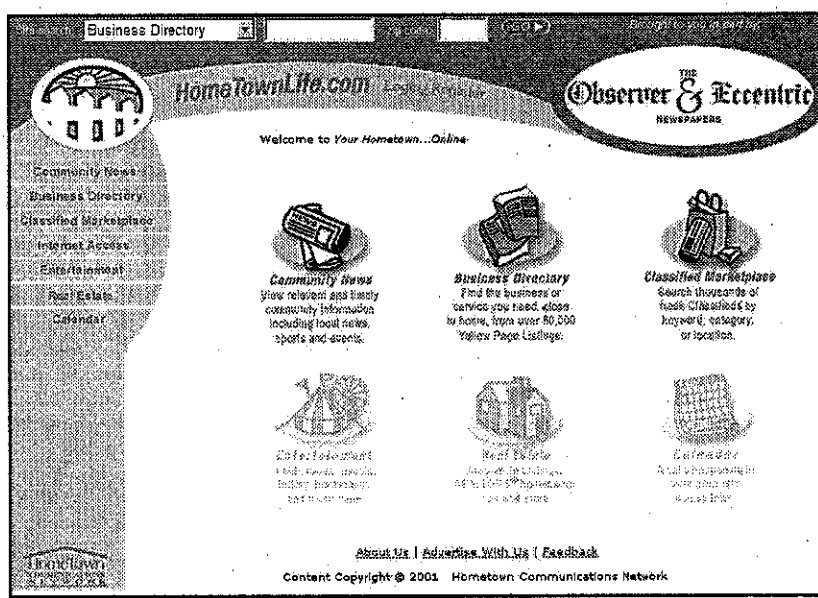
■ Business listings from the new edition of Canton, Plymouth, Northville and Novi's Own Directory, published by HomeTown Directories, a sister company to the Observer &

Eccentric. The directory is being delivered to 52,000 local residences and businesses over the next three weeks. Eventually, business listings from all 21 Michigan directories published by HomeTown Directories will be available in a searchable database on the HomeTownLife.com site.

■ Also available through the HomeTownLife.com site is a dial-up Internet Service Provider (ISP), called HTDconnect. Competitively priced, the ISP is available by telephone modem at local numbers throughout Michigan.

"We're the only company I know of that offers - on the Internet - a combination of local newspaper content, hometown classified advertising, local telephone directories and an ISP," said HomeTown President and CEO Richard Aginian.

"We're very pleased to have figured out a way to fit them all together through HomeTownLife.com. We look forward to rolling out all our Michigan newspapers and telephone directories onto our



HomeTownLife.com site over the coming year."

Power pointed out that the new service offers local newspaper readers and Web users a quick and convenient way to get all the news, information, classified and yellow pages ads they need to lead the good life in their own hometowns.

"You get an instant summary of Canton news through the Internet, which you can follow up in detail by reading the Canton Observer."

"You can shop the classified ads, either in the Observer by going to [observerandeccentric.com](http://observerandeccentric.com), or by searching the complete listing of

all the hometown classified ads on the HomeTownLife.com site.

"And you can go to the site to use the searchable database to find local businesses that advertise in our family of Michigan telephone directories," Power said.

News content on the site is updated at 6 a.m. on Sundays and Thursdays, the publication date for the Observer. Classified ads are updated at 6 a.m. on both days.

Newspapers in the HomeTown family that will be accessible on the HomeTownLife.com site include the Observer & Eccentric, HomeTown Newspapers serving communities in Western Oakland County, The Mirror newspapers serving Southeastern Oakland County, the Livingston County Daily Press & Argus and Lansing Community Newspapers. Taken together, these 44 newspapers have a combined circulation in Michigan of 550,000.

HomeTown Directories publishes 21 "yellow pages" telephone directories serving communities in Southeastern Michi-

gan. Total annual aggregate distribution is more than one million.

"Our telephone directories are more local in scope and, therefore, more convenient to use than the competing utility directories," said Aginian.

Both the HomeTownLife.com site and HTDconnect, the ISP product, are available through a newly formed sister company, HomeTown Digital, Inc. HomeTown Digital also offers a suite of cost-effective Internet-based marketing and advertising products, according to Sales Manager Sam Gerardi. These range from buttons and banners on the HomeTownLife.com site to e-business cards and e-brochures, as well as customized Web pages.

"Our site currently attracts 3.5 million hits per month, which yields a total of 330,000 page views per month," said Gerardi. "These are already big numbers in the local Internet portal world, and we expect a substantial increase as the HomeTownLife.com site rolls out over the coming year."

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## Serving readers better with launch of HomeTownLife.com

Fundamental changes in the basis of the world economy are very, very rare.

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Phil Power

raised productivity to new highs. Right now, we're in the midst of the latest revolution: the development and rapid spread of the Internet.

I first heard about the Internet as the capstone of the computer/information revolution about 15 years ago from people at the University of Michigan who were managing its early development, mostly as a tool for scientists. This newspaper began limited experiments with the new technology in the 1990s, but we decided to go slow because we had no clear idea how the field would develop.

Most newspaper publishers initially thought the Internet was a great way to reduce expenses because you could use it to distribute your newspaper's content without having to buy newsprint and ink. I've always been skeptical. Why would a business that wants to make a profit by selling newspapers select a way to distribute content that people expect to get for free?

Instead, I kept chewing on the idea that the Internet would turn out to be a terrifically versatile technology to supplement our newspapers and link together our local information products into a full-blown integrated community information service. Now, after years of work, we're ready to make that vision real.

Beginning this week, we're launching a local information system that will eventually link news and classified advertising from our group of hometown newspapers in Michigan, business listings and advertising from our yellow pages telephone directories, our Internet access service and our Internet portal site, HomeTownLife.com.

The service is now available to readers of our newspapers in Northville, Novi, Plymouth and Canton Township. During the course of the coming year, we'll roll it out to communities served

by all of our 44 newspapers in western Wayne, Oakland and Livingston counties and in the Lansing area. I suggest you watch your own local paper to learn when the service becomes available in your area.

You'll be able to get to the site either through the general portal called HomeTownLife.com or through the World Wide Web address of your local paper. Once on the site, you'll be able to

**We're launching a local information system that will eventually link news and classified advertising from all our companies.**

access current news adapted from our newspapers and scan the searchable database for classified advertising from the newspapers and business listings from our telephone directories. News and classified advertising will be updated at 6 a.m. on the date of publication.

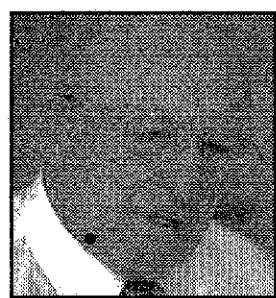
People will also be able to sign up for our competitively priced Internet dial-up Internet access service, HTDconnect, available at local telephone numbers throughout Michigan. And businesses may be interested in a suite of cost-effective, Internet-based marketing and advertising products available through our newly formed subsidiary company, HomeTown Digital Inc.

The philosophy that has guided our company from the start is simple. Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, to nurture the communities we serve and to contribute to the business success of our advertisers.

We've carried out these values by publishing hometown newspapers that are widely recognized as among the very best in the country. More recently, we began publishing telephone directories that are more local and, thus, more convenient to use than the big utility directories. And now we're adding Internet technology to link together and enhance our network of local news and information sources, all aimed at helping our readers live the good life in their own hometowns.

In all the years I've been in this business, I've never been as excited as I am now. I urge you to have a look at what we're doing at HomeTownLife.com. I look forward to hearing from you about how we're doing.

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



Edward McNamara

## Airport power grab doesn't serve Michiganders well

Detroit Metro Airport is undergoing a huge transformation. Shortly, we will open a new \$1.2 billion terminal increasing safety and comfort of travelers, a sixth runway to reduce flight delays, a new south access road making us one of the few airports with direct access off two major interstate freeways. All this is after 12 years of work by the Wayne County Administration, Northwest Airlines, the Department of Transportation, and congressional leaders.

Unfortunately, these stunning improvements at Metro Airport and the years of vision, planning and hard work that make them a reality have been forgotten in what has become an embarrassing game of political football.

A State Senate Committee led by Sen. Glenn Steil (R-Grand Rapids) has introduced a bill that would take the airport management away from Wayne County - which has been managing Metro for 70 years - and turn it over to the state. This maneuver is being pursued for political gain at the expense of the flying public.

We are living in a time that should be about partnership, not divisive political advantages. Our priority right now should be safety and security for all travelers, not Republicans from the west side of the state trying to take over the airport.

The simple truth? State government politics has no place at the Detroit Metro Airport.

The need for Metro Airport expansion began in the 1980s after Republic and Northwest Orient Airlines merged to become Northwest Airlines. Northwest established a "hub" at Detroit Metro.

The impact on the southeast Michigan economy was incredible. Northwest added more nonstop flights to and from Detroit, creating thousands of new jobs and opportunities and stimulating growth in hotels, restaurants, ground transportation firms and related businesses.

International air traffic took off. Daily nonstop flights were added to overseas destinations, providing travel to Europe, Africa, the Middle East and Asia. This international traffic created jobs. Today, almost 700 foreign-owned companies operate in the this area. More than 80 percent are headquartered in countries served by airline service from Detroit Metro.

We knew very early in our administration that Metro Airport's design would not handle the volume of air traffic a "hub" brings. For more than 10 years we worked with the airlines, federal government, Congress and the White House to secure funding needed to build a new terminal. The Metro terminals designed to handle 10 million

passengers annually saw airplane traffic increase each year to 35 million travelers last year!

We invested millions of dollars and made hundreds of improvements to keep pace with growth, but, the strain showed.

Making Detroit Metro one of the greatest airports in the world was a top administration priority. Today, our plans and promises are ready to fulfill that goal.

But, it won't happen if there is a state takeover. For two years we have spent too much time and money fighting an unnecessary political battle in Lansing. It has been distracting to executing expansion plans and running the day-to-day operations of one of the busiest airports in the nation.

We have made some mistakes along the way. But, we have learned and strengthened management and operating procedures. None of the mistakes justifies the drastic upheaval proposed by the Senate.

How would a state takeover affect the public? Delays and red tape. Major expansion elements would be held up and the opening postponed. An unprecedented level of bureaucracy would stifle progress, impede simple projects, and delay implementation. We may see vendors and businesses back out of contracts because of the politics of the situation and the bureaucracy it creates. Air travel costs could increase to compensate for state oversight committee cost overruns, delays in project estimate approval, and could risk cost changes in the marketplace.

Recently we established a Stakeholders Committee to review contracts, budgets, policies and other issues at Metro Airport. This group reflects partnership, leadership, and smart business practices. This broad-based group will include representatives of the airlines, airport concessions, labor unions, Michigan Bureau of Aeronautics, and the Chamber of Commerce. The committee can audit any activity at the airport, and recommend changes to airport policies, procedures and goals.

If the Senate's goal is to prevent future mistakes, this new Stakeholder Committee should more than adequately address their concerns. But, if the motives are more political than practical, their power grab for control of the airport will bring Detroit Metro's long awaited expansion to a grinding halt, and create an instability that this region cannot afford right now.

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# House votes to retain airport parking tax

BY MIKE MALOTT  
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A 30 percent tax on parking within five miles of Metro Airport was supposed to be a temporary measure, enacted back in 1987 to help Wayne County through some financial tough times.

According to Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, it's time that tax was repealed.

But his fellow representatives disagreed last week, saying a repeal would cut Wayne County's budget \$16 million this year. Among the programs paid for through the tax - health services in Wayne for the indigent and working poor and criminal justice programs.

But even as Patterson moved last week to make the cut less severe, trimming the tax by half and retargeting the revenues to

airport security and the city of Romulus, representatives still killed the bill in a 50-50 vote, five short of the number needed for passage.

A number of Republicans, particularly those from Wayne County and nearby, joined Democrats in opposing the measure, and several more withheld their votes.

"Ironically, although this change will wreak havoc with Wayne County and the services it currently provides, there is no guarantee that citizens who use these parking services will see lower rates due to this change. Who, then, really benefits from this bill?" said Democratic representatives in a joint statement, including Reps. Ruth Ann Jamnick, D-Ypsilanti, Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, Patricia Lockwood, D-Fenton, Chris Kolb, D-Ann Arbor, Mike Murphy, D-Lansing, Jim Plakas, D-Garden

City, and Gretchen Whitmer, D-East Lansing.

Opponents also complained about the process for passing the bill, saying Patterson had promised to include officials from the city of Romulus in the discussion over what was to happen to the tax, but saying Romulus had not been consulted on the bill.

Patterson's revision of the bill would have cut the tax to 15 percent, dedicated \$2 million of the amount to the City of Romulus and put the rest to security at the airport.

Initially, the tax had been enacted to help Wayne County through some tough financial times. The tax was intended to pay off a debt assistance package, which has now been covered.

Nonetheless, lawmakers were not ready to get rid of it. In the House of Representa-

tives: Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, voted yes. Reps. Glenn Anderson, D-

Westland, Jim Plakas, D-Garden City, Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills, John Stewart, R-Plymouth, and Laura Toy, R-

Livonia, voted no. Rep. Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, did not vote.

## Bill would create tax amnesty period

Residents who have fallen behind in payment of state taxes would be able to catch up without fear of penalties or prosecution under a bill up for consideration by the state House of Representatives this fall.

The amnesty period, with dates to be determined by the state treasurer, would apply to those who failed to pay, failed to

file, and those who filed claims for excessive refunds. It would apply to income taxes, the Single Business Tax, and sales and use taxes.

Delinquent taxpayers would have to ask in writing for penalties to be waived and would still have to pay interest, but could pay off back taxes in install-

ments as long as the first payment equaled \$10,000 or 50 percent of the amount owed, whichever is greater.

House Bill 5063, sponsored by Rep. Marc Shulman, R-West Bloomfield, won approval of the House Appropriations Committee Sept. 13 in a 23-0 vote. Three members did not vote.



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ROBERT M. MEISNER

I am intrigued by Southern communities such as Charleston where they attempt to preserve 18th- and 19th-century homes almost by design. In a recent visit to Charleston, S.C., it became clear that there is much refurbishing of the homes which, in most instances, are in the 18th and 19th century.

As usual, location is an important consideration. For example, a home on the waterfront with four bedrooms, three baths and 3,000 square feet lists for \$1.1 million. Most "mansions" are well into seven figures. It's not uncommon for homes in the downtown Charleston proper to be well in excess of \$1.5 million.

Charleston limits what can be done in all kinds of construction. While there is some new construction, it is typically in conformity with the historic nature of the community.

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Table with 2 columns: LOCATION and CHANGE. Lists various regions like MOUNTAIN, W.E. SO. CENTRAL, etc. with their corresponding price changes.



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3 who stand for fair housing

BY DOUG FUNKE STAFF WRITER dfunke@oe.homecomm.net

Some people talk the talk. Other talk the talk and walk the walk.

Those include the three recipients of this year's Fair Housing Leadership Awards presented by the Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit.

The honorees, selected for personal contributions to the fair housing cause, span the spectrum of the industry.

The Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS) in Detroit, Cheryl Johnson, executive director.

Denise E. Muckenhirn, president of Bloomfield Centre Appraisal in Waterford.

Teresa Y. Baxter, Realtor, Century 21 All Stars, Lincoln Park.

"What's common about them and probably all past award recipients is they've done more than just generally support fair housing," said Cliff Schrupp, FHC executive director. "They've done some very specific things."

But there's still more to do, he added. "People aware of discriminatory practices of others can stand up and make the information available... so we can expose illegal practices when they occur," Schrupp said.

Here's a brief look at this year's leadership award winners.

Denise Muckenhirn

Muckenhirn joined a lawsuit against a local bank six years ago after she was notified her company would be dropped from its list of approved appraisers.

She came to believe that her delisting resulted because the bank was unhappy with her appraisals in predominantly African-American communities.

Both she and the bank eventually agreed to dismissal of her lawsuit, the FHC reported, but Muckenhirn doesn't regret taking a stand.

"I learned quite a bit," she said. "I'm

'It's not hard to treat everyone equally. You know when you're treated differently.'

Denise Muckenhirn president Bloomfield Centre Appraisal Waterford

a little more open, sensitive to fair-lending treatment. I know how business reacts to fair lending. It's not always good."

Muckenhirn, 42, became an appraiser in 1986 and started her own company in 1993.

"I was in nursing previously," she said. "I had a baby and decided to do this part time. My mother-in-law's girlfriend, Carol Clare, trained me. I'm a people person. I'm around all kinds of people, areas."

"It's not hard to treat everyone equally," Muckenhirn said. "You know when you're treated differently. When I appraise a home, I appraise the structure and the area, not the person or the way they live."

COTS/ Cheryl Johnson

Johnson and COTS were cited by the FHC for working to overcome opposition to low-income housing in a Detroit neighborhood.

Johnson, 41, also was credited with continuing efforts to build COTS' record as a champion of fair housing services for people with disabilities.

"When we hear of neighborhood opposition, it drives us and we get excited," Johnson said. "We've got to bring understanding of the whole issue and understand that the homeless person is no different than you or I except they don't have a home."

Low-income housing also needs to be explained, she added.

Making things happen: The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit presented leadership awards to Denise E. Muckenhirn (left), Cheryl Johnson and Teresa Y. Baxter.

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TIM PHILLIPS

With interest rates about the lowest they have been in three decades, borrowers are out in droves seeking the best deal. It is easy to find a great deal right now, but there are two things borrowers can do to keep their sanity.

Like the stock market, it is almost impossible to "guess the bottom" with mortgage rates. Many investors

knock themselves out trying to buy a commodity at the very lowest price and to sell it at the very top. Few are successful on a regular basis. Hundreds, however, reflect with remorse on what they "should have" done had they not been greedy.

Translated to the mortgage world, borrowers would be well served to decide in advance the loan rate and terms that will help them accomplish their goals, then to act when the market conditions are correct to reach their desired result. Most people will be happy to have successfully reached their goal. Later, if they are so inclined and the market is still favorable, they can celebrate yet another victory with a repeat performance.

The second way to have a peaceful mind during your mortgage quest is to make the journey with ample knowledge. It is remarkable to see how much planning can go into an annual vacation... and how little thought goes into a major financial move. Educated borrowers act with certainty, confidence and peace. As with any endeavor, you can get smart on mortgages simply by being studious and by having at least one good mentor in the industry.

An important aspect of being an intelligent borrower is selecting the right product for your situation. Average borrowers (and loan officers) usually migrate towards fixed-rate loans or on the other end of the spectrum - adjustable-rate mortgages without even considering the plethora of hybrid products in between.

The extra effort you take to explore the whole range of products available to you may mean the difference between you donning a finely tailored garment instead of one that wears like a tent.

Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer in Plymouth. For a free mortgage pre-qualification or credit assessment, go to www.vlender.com/pl/philipshq or call (734) 797-5522 [24 hours]. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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**Coquillard, Dundon, Peterson and Argenta**, a Southfield architectural firm, and **Etkin Skanska**, a construction company in Farmington Hills, have been selected to upgrade three fire stations in Royal Oak.

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**Christmas** *from page C1*

get the junior high group here at the church involved and their goal is 180 boxes." Page said her children, Sarah and Benjamin, included yo-yos, necklaces, hair clips, pencils, crayons, hard candy, gum, combs and maze games. "The kids liked a lot of the games that required hand and eye coordination. Things a child could play with for hours." Kick-off of Operation Christmas Child at NorthRidge Church begins Oct. 28 and the last date of collection is Nov. 18. Church members as well as surrounding communities are encouraged to participate. Christina Dahlin of Livonia is also coordinating a shoebox drive for Operation Christmas Child at St. Edith's Church in Livonia. This is the third year she and her family have organized the event. St. Edith's, located at 15089 Newburgh Road, will collect

completed shoeboxes at the church, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17. "Last year I'd say more than half of the boxes we received were from people taking on Operation Christmas Child as a community service project," said Williams. "We received boxes from companies, other churches, girl and boy scout troops and service clubs. I think it's a project a people thought was easy enough for

them to take on at work and they got a lot of positive feedback from it. We hope people are in the same giving and generous spirit as they were in the past." For more information about packaging a shoebox call (734) 414-7777 Ext. 128 or visit [www.samaritanpurse.org](http://www.samaritanpurse.org). Please enclose \$5 in each box to help cover shipping and other costs. Checks should be made payable to Samaritan's Purse.

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 ■ Class of 1981  
 Reunion is planned for Nov. 24. Call (800) 677-7800, visit [www.taylorreunions.com](http://www.taylorreunions.com) or e-mail: [info@taylorreunions.com](mailto:info@taylorreunions.com) or [cultbertson@taylorreunions.com](mailto:cultbertson@taylorreunions.com) or write: Taylor Reunion Services, P.O. Box 597, Dallas, TX 75221-9929.

**SOUTHGATE**  
 ■ Class of 1981  
 A 20-year reunion is planned for 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9 at the Grecian Center (16300 Dix-Tolledo Road) in Southgate. Cost is \$45-50 per person by Oct. 15 (depends on overall response). Please RSVP to Bob Hicks (734) 667-2963 or e-mail [shelley-hicks@prodigy.net](mailto:shelley-hicks@prodigy.net)

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 ■ Class of 1961  
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**ST. BRIGID ELEMENTARY**  
 ■ Class of 1951  
 The elementary class of St. Brigid welcomes all grades to a reunion party to celebrate their 50th, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19 at the Knights of Columbus (19801 Farmington Road, Livonia). Casual dress. Call Ray (248) 685-8541.

**ST. FRANCIS DE SALES**  
 ■ Class of 1970-71

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in Novi. Contact Sam Carollo (313) 701-6520 or Anne McGraw-Mueller (313) 937-8324. Class of 1970 should call Colleen Haggerty Diamond (734) 522-6666. St. Matthew Parish in Detroit will be having a 75th anniversary reunion dinner dance on May 5, 2002. Contact Bob Spanisky (St. Matthew, 1956) by e-mail ([rspanisky@msn.com](mailto:rspanisky@msn.com)) or call (313) 882-6738.

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 Classmates are being sought for a 2001 reunion. Call Mary Lee (Kuteron) Suchan (313) 291-6359.

**ST. VINCENT**  
 ■ Class of 1956  
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TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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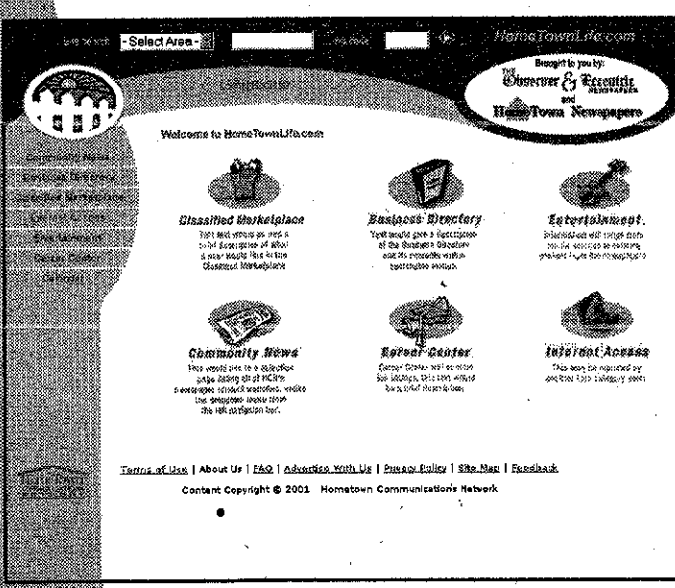
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**ENGAGEMENTS & WEDDINGS**

**Crowder-Noricks**

C.D. and Betty Crowder of Plymouth announce the marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Dawn, to Jeffrey W. Noricks of Redford.

The bride graduated from Plymouth-Canton High School and Olivet Nazarene University in Illinois with a bachelor's degree. She received her masters degree in social work from Wayne State University and is employed as a social worker by Heartland Healthcare in Allen Park.

The groom, son of Dennis and Joan Noricks of Canton, graduated from Plymouth-Salem High School and the University of Michigan - Dearborn with a major in math. He is employed by Second Wind PC's of Troy as a remarketing analyst.

The couple wed August, 4 at First Church of the Nazarene in Northville before the Rev. Craig Dillman and the Rev. Jeffrey Crowder, the bride's brother.

The bride carried her mother's wedding day Bible which was covered in fresh flowers.

Jennifer's bridal party included maid of honor Heather Kaye, and bridesmaids Amy Sullivan,



Julie Isgrigg and Becky Noricks. Junior bridesmaids included Hannah Crowder and Abigail Crowder.

The groomsmen included best man Greg Weidenbach, Kerry DePoy and Scott Isgrigg. Ring-bearers were Noah Crowder and Andrew DePoy.

The couple received guests in the Orchard Room of First Church of the Nazarene in Northville and honeymooned in the Pocono Mountains of Penn. They are making their home in Livonia.

**Kennedy-Humphreys**

Ron Kennedy and Laura Kennedy of Wayne announce the engagement of their daughter, Catherine Lee, to Luke Gene Humphreys of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 Franklin High School graduate.

Her fiancé, son of Rich and Donna Haught of Livonia, is a 1996 graduate of Redford Union High School.

A June 2002 wedding is planned.



Todd of Garden City. The groom was attended by best man Randy Arnold of Monroe.

The couple received guests at the Monroe Boat Club and took a trip to Naples and Fort Myers Florida, and to Key West.

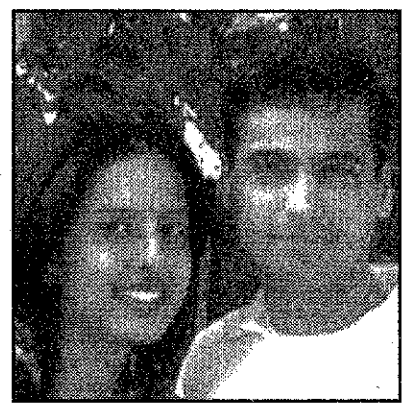
They will make their home in Monroe.

**Palakodeti-Desaraju**

Rao and Vijaya Palakodeti of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Suman, to Subrahmanyam Desaraju of Piscataway, New Jersey.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Michigan, where she majored in mechanical engineering. She works for General Electric Transportation Systems in Erie, Penn.

Her fiancé, son of Siva Rama Krishna and Rajyalakshmi Desaraju, is a graduate of the New Jersey Institute of Technology, where he majored in computer engineering. He works for



KPMG Consulting in New Jersey.

A November wedding is planned at the Ambassador Hotel in Southfield.

**Leahy-Huang**

Mimi Huang and Patrick Leahy were married Nov. 4, 2000 in Ann Arbor.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Huang of Ann Arbor. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan School of Asian Studies and Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. She is employed by E. Piphany, Inc. in Australia.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Leahy of Bloomfield Hills. He is a graduate of Cornell University School of Engineering and John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. He is manager, Global Wholesale Services, for Enron Broadband Services - Asia Pacific.

A reception was held at Barton



Hills, Country Club in Ann Arbor after which the couple honeymooned on the island of Bali in Indonesia.

The newlyweds are making their home in Sydney, Australia.



**Bergman-McManaway**

Leonard and Virginia Bergman of Garden City announce the marriage of their daughter, Kathy, to Clark McManaway of Monroe.

The bride is a 1977 graduate of Garden City West High School and works at Metropolitan Title in Monroe.

Her husband, son of Coella McManaway and the late Harry McManaway of Tennessee, attended Monroe High School.

The couple wed July 14 at Monroe Boat Club, on a 39-foot Sea Ray called The Babe Ruth. The Rev. Wayne Anderoos presided. The bride was attended by maid of honor, Allyson

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**Counting blessings:** The Buford family, father Richard (left to right) Jordan, 6; mother Kristen, Taylor, 9; and Karley, 4; say their prayers before the kids go to bed. Jordan's service dog, Tulio, tucked in next to his master, is included in everything.

dan gets home from school. He's a good dog with a personality like Jordans — gentle and loving."

The whole family was recently invited to meet Doris, the senior citizen who was to receive Jordan's service dog a year ago. She's healthy enough to have the Canine Assistants presentation and to partake in the training camp outside of Atlanta.

"The entire experience was a positive one," said Kristen. "We couldn't be happier with Tulio and the help and companionship he's giving unconditionally to Jordy. I can't say enough about Canine Assistants."

To learn more about Canine Assistants visit [www.canineassistants.org](http://www.canineassistants.org) or call (800) 771-7221.



Helping hand: Tulio pulls open the door for Jordan.

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## SINGLES MINGLE

### SINGLES CRUISE

New Hope Center for Grief Support is planning a seven day Caribbean cruise for widows and widowers aboard Princess Cruise Line's "Sea Princess." The cruise will be leaving Detroit Jan. 27, 2002 and cruising the southern Caribbean with stops at Barbados, St. Thomas, and other ports of call. Call (248) 348-0115.

### METRO SINGLES DANCE

Metro Singles Dance every Wednesday from 8-11:30 p.m. at Sandtraps on 5 (35780 Five Mile Road between Levan and Farmington roads) in Livonia. 21 and over, budget bar, proper attire, refreshments. Dee Jay Dick Gerathy. Hotline (313) 438-6258. \$6. Early admission \$4 before 8:30 p.m. Couples welcome.

### METROPOLITAN SINGLES

The Metropolitan Singles Professionals invite you to an Oct. 19 dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Double Tree Guest Suites in Novi. Novi Road at I-96. Admis-

sion \$8. Oct. 26, 14th Annual Halloween Party/Dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Double Tree Guest Suites in Novi. Semi-scary, costumes are optional/casual. Admission, \$10. Call (248) 851-9909 or visit [www.mspsc.com](http://www.mspsc.com)

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 ■ Group discussion, Nov. 29, Dec. 13 (new group for those divorced over 1 year. Meets from 7:30-9 p.m. across the hall from WRC).  
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 ■ Nov. 13, Getting through the holidays.

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 ■ Oct. 27, Rathskeller Dakota Inn dinner. Call Mary (734) 722-2612. Reservations and payment previously required.  
 ■ Nov. 17, 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Kenneth's with free turkey dinner in hall afterward.  
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Some 100 million credit union members around the world will celebrate International Credit Union Day on Thursday, October 16, 2001. As they do, they will celebrate the unique service their credit unions provide and the many ways their families and communities have benefited from the credit union difference.

Credit unions are for everyone, but the law places some limits on the people they may serve. A credit union's charter defines its "field of membership," which could be an employer, church, school, or community.

Here's how to find a credit union you can join:

1. Ask your boss. Your company may sponsor a credit union or may be a sponsor group that has access to a credit union. Many employers will directly deposit your paycheck to the credit union.

2. Poll your family. Does your spouse's employer sponsor a credit union? Most credit unions invite family members to join. Each credit union, however, may define "family" differently. At some, only your immediate family members are eligible. At other credit unions family may include extended family members, such as grandparents, cousins, uncles, and aunts.

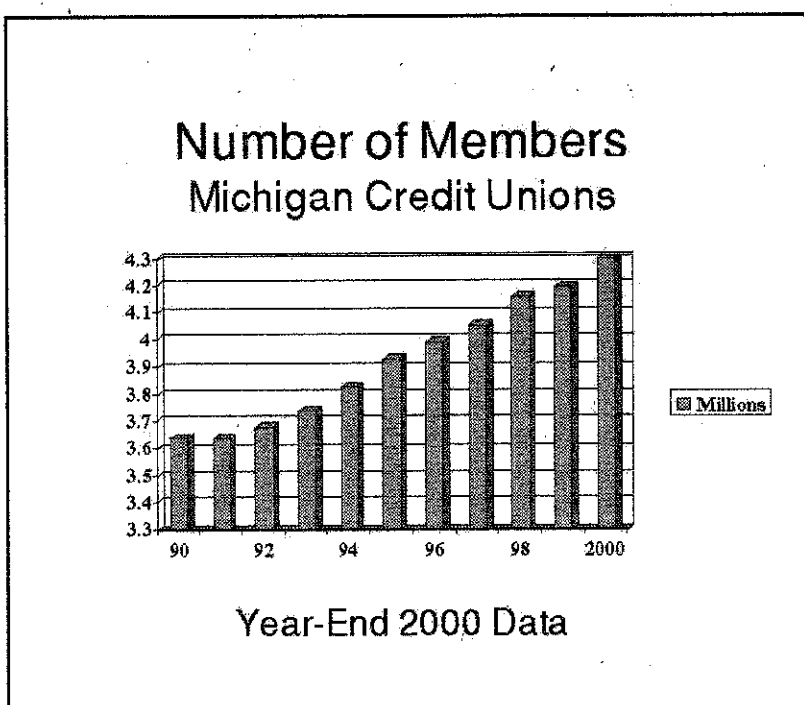
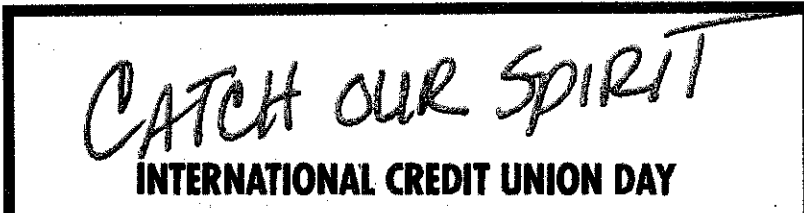
3. Quiz your neighbors. Some credit unions have a "community" field of membership, serving a region defined by geography rather than by employment or some other association. Ask

friends in the community if they know of a credit union you may join.

4. Read the Yellow Pages. Some credit unions rarely advertise, so you might not know about them unless you look them up. A yellow pages display ad may state a credit union's field of membership. If not, at least you'll know what number to call to ask about membership eligibility.

5. Call the Michigan Credit Union League. A representative will tell you about credit unions in your area that you are eligible to join. The toll-free number is (800) 474-Join.

6. Visit [www.mcul.org](http://www.mcul.org) or [www.creditunionsrock.com](http://www.creditunionsrock.com). Both sites feature a credit union locator that will assist you in finding a credit union.



## Credit Unions Continue Streak of Rating Highest in Consumer Satisfaction

Continuing an unbroken streak that began in the 1980s, credit unions have once again been rated first in consumer satisfaction, according to a recent Gallup poll commissioned by the "American Banker."

Some 75 percent of credit union members polled in the July 2001 survey who primarily bank at credit unions said they were "very satisfied" with member service.

By comparison, 58 percent of bank customers said they were "very satisfied," and 68 percent of thrift customers said the same.

"It's a great testament to the credit union movement for our members to continue to rate us highest in consumer satisfaction," said David Adams, president and chief executive officer for the Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL). The MCUL is a trade group that represents some 465 Michigan credit unions. "Credit unions will continue to support quality customer service for our membership because it follows the credit union philosophy of 'people helping people.'"

Credit unions also fared the

best, according to the survey, in noted performance improvement. Forty percent of credit union members responding to the survey said service at the credit union had improved in the last year. Only 3 percent said service had deteriorated. This compared to 16 percent of bank customers noting service improvements and 12 percent saying it had faltered. Among thrift customers, 22 percent said service had improved.

The "service" rankings proved the best credit unions had posted in the past decade — and the worst for banks.

The Gallup poll results complement those garnered from a poll commissioned by the MCUL in

## Seven Ways to invest \$50 or Less

Saving money - we all know that we're supposed to be doing it. And, once it's saved then we should be investing that money to make it grow. But how can we save (and then invest) when we can't seem to save more than a few bucks here and there?

It can be done. The tips below, advocated by a leading consumer magazine, which are proof positive that anyone is capable of saving and investing \$50.

1. Pay off your credit cards. This is a top priority for your \$50. If you pay off a debt balance carrying a 17.36 percent interest rate, that is as good as earning 17.36 percent on an investment. That's better than you'll do in most investments and it's a sure thing. Also, be sure to check the interest rate on your credit card. The average bank issued credit card has an interest rate of 18.21 percent, while a credit union issued credit card has a much lower average interest rate at 13.14 percent. Using these rates as an example, you could save \$252 dollars a year

on a \$5,000 balance by switching to a credit union issued credit card.

2. Invest where you work. Add that \$50, and as much more as you can to your employer's 401k or other retirement plan. Your contribution will help reduce next year's tax bill and your employer may match it.

3. Buy U.S. Savings bonds. Series EE bonds sell for half their face value, so your \$50 will get you a \$100 bond. Hold it less than five years, you are guaranteed a 4% interest rate; held longer, you get that guaranteed rate or a variable rate, whichever is higher. Savings bonds are among the safest investments going, even though their returns are not huge.

4. Invest in mutual funds. These are getting harder for small investors, but with some companies' mutual funds are still accessible. Look for 'no-load' funds that ask for an initial investment of \$1,000 or less, with subsequent investments as low as \$50. Or, seek out a fund that will waive its minimum investment requirement if you commit to making regular deposits.

5. Buy stock directly. If you already own stock and participate in a dividend reinvestment plan (where your dividends pay for new shares of stock), you might be able to send your \$50 as a contribution toward more stock purchases. A Standard & Poor's directory of companies offering dividend reinvestment plans is available in many libraries.

6. Join an investment club. These are like do-it-yourself mutual funds, in which members pick stocks and pool their funds to invest. The typical monthly investment is about \$25 per person.

7. Prepay your mortgage. Paying an additional \$50 per month on the principle of a 30-year, \$100,000 mortgage at 9 percent interest would save \$49,434 in interest and get the mortgage paid off six and a half years early! Pretty impressive. Do call your lender to check rules on prepayments and keep your canceled checks as proof of the extra payment.

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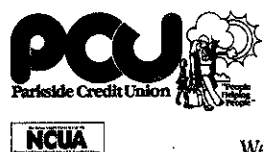
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### Tax Relief Could Spell Relief for Consumers Carrying Credit Card Debt

by Lori Z. Bahnmuller

Have any plans for your tax rebate? Intuit Inc., the Mountain View, Calif., company that created Quicken TurboTax software, said an online survey that drew more than 2,100 responses found that a lot of Americans have debt on their minds: Some 46 percent said they'll use their rebate checks to pay bills. Still, 18 percent said they'd save the money, 7 percent planned to buy stock and 6 percent said they'd add it to their retirement funds.

It's no wonder consumers are thinking about debt. According to the Federal Reserve Board, consumer credit debt hit an all-time record \$1.59 trillion in May. That figure, which includes credit card debt and car loans but excludes mortgages, comes out to about \$14,500 per household.

Many taxpayers have balked at the relatively small size of the rebate checks, up to \$300 for individual tax filers and \$600 for joint filers. Still when you're mired in revolving debt, you've got to start somewhere. Why not think of that rebate check as the foundation for a stronger, more stable financial future?

The key for today is to get out of debt. Begin by calculating your debt load, listing revolving credit from the highest interest rate to the lowest. This is your priority list. If you're overwhelmed, don't give up. There are non-profit organizations available to assist. Start by contacting the local Credit Counseling Centers Inc., [www.debthelpnow.org](http://www.debthelpnow.org). Don't be confused by the numerous fee-based debt management agencies swimming in the phonebook. You should be able to get started on the road to financial recovery without paying a fee.

The following 10 tips are by no means a map to your future personal financial success, but they're a good place to start.

**#1 - Understand that credit is not more money.** If your credit card has a \$5,000 limit, you don't have \$5,000. You only have the right to rent \$5,000 and you'll pay a very high price for that right.

**#2 - If you're going to use a credit card, make sure it doesn't have a high interest rate.** With a little shopping around you ought to be able to find a card at 12.9 percent or below. Credit unions have traditionally had better rates than other lenders. The phone is the fastest way to comparison shop.

**#3 - Stop using credit.** People find it easier to spend when they pull that plastic out of their wallet but in the long run, it's cheaper to pay cash. If you can't control your

credit card spending, cut your cards up and throw them away. If you crave the convenience try a debit card. It offers all the immediate access of a credit card along with immediate reduction of your checking account.

**#4 - Sit down and make a list of your debts.** Include how much you owe and what rate of interest you are being charged on each debt. Pay off the one with the most expensive interest rate first, not necessarily the largest amount owed. Update the list each month and total the amount owed to make sure that it is getting smaller each month.

**#5 - Establish a savings plan.** You should have both short-term and long-term savings goals. The short term is for things like insurance, auto repairs, holiday gifts and other regular, predictable costs. The long-term is for house down payments, kids' college and retirement. Keep the two funds separate and set a specific amount to go into each fund out of every paycheck.

**#6 - Save first.** Don't try to save out of whatever money is left over after other bills have been paid. There won't be any. You have probably already been living beyond your means but credit has disguised it. Making your savings payments first forces you to see what you really have to live on.

**#7 - Carry a little notebook around with you for one month and write down everything you spend.** Everything from the home mortgage payment to the 45¢ pack of gum. Small things can add up. Even a low-cost \$5 lunch each working day will cost \$1,250 over a year. You can't start trimming costs until you actually know what you're spending.

**#8 - Based on your savings goals and the spending patterns you've tracked, establish a spending plan.** Then follow it. The plan doesn't have to be brilliant, it just has to be followed. You don't have to be a rocket scientist to design a budget, you just need the will to follow it.

**#9 - Involve your family in your budget planning.** A successful budget isn't imposed from above, it emerges from consensus. If everyone in the family doesn't feel their interests have been considered, they won't be motivated to make the spending plan a success.

**#10 - Compare fees and services at various financial institutions.** For example, credit unions typically offer lower fees on everything from checking accounts to credit and debit cards. Credit unions also generally offer higher interest rates on savings accounts.

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**Checking Fees**  
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Select an account with a balance requirement you can meet. "Average" balances are easier to maintain than "minimum" balances. Dipping below the minimum at any time during the course of a month will trigger monthly fees and often per-transaction fees.

And finally, set up overdraft protection on your checking account, to give yourself an automatic credit advance if your balance drops below the required level.

**Credit Card Fees**  
To reduce credit card fees, make at least the minimum payment as quickly as possible after receiving your monthly statement. Grace periods are shrinking - and if you're carrying an outstanding balance, you have no grace period.

To help ensure each payment is processed on time, set up an auto-transfer so your checking account automatically pays your minimum credit card payment each month. But also make sure to send in a check to pay off as much of the balance as possible to avoid high interest charges.

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\* For regular checking, the average credit union charges \$4.28; banks average \$6.72.

\* For late credit payments, the average credit union charges \$7.88; banks average \$27.45.

"Credit unions are not-for-profit cooperatives," explains Stephen Brobeck, executive director of the Consumer Federation of America.

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### Catch Our Spirit on International Credit Union Day

October 18, 2001 will mark the 53rd year credit unions have set aside the third Thursday in October to celebrate International Credit Union Day. It's a time for credit union professionals, volunteers and the more than 100 million members worldwide to reflect upon the history and philosophy of the credit union movement and its contribution to the financial services industry.

The credit union idea is a simple one: People should be able to pool their money and make loans to each other. It's an idea that evolved from cooperative activities in 19th century Europe.

Since that time, the idea's guiding principles have remained the same: (1) Only people who are credit union members should borrow there; (2) loans are made for "prudent and productive" purposes; (3) a person's desire to repay (character) is considered more important than the ability (income) to repay. Members are, after all, borrowing their own money and that of their friends. These principles still govern most of the world's credit unions.

As the 20th century began, the

credit union idea surfaced in Canada. Canada's successful efforts profoundly influenced two Americans: Pierre Jay, the Massachusetts banking commissioner, and Edward A. Filene, a Boston merchant.

The two men helped organize public hearings on credit union legislation in Massachusetts, leading to passage of the first state credit union act in 1909.

Today, more than 100 million people - over 4 million in Michigan - belong to 37,759 credit unions around the world. Member service is the foundation of the credit union movement. Whether a credit union is providing a loan to help a member whose company closed its doors, or simply offering a better deal on a used car loan, the credit union is making a difference for its members and the community as a whole.

"This International Credit Union Day, we are excited to witness how many people have caught our spirit," said Robert Huston, chairman of the Michigan Credit Union League Board of Directors, which represents more than 90 percent of the state's credit unions.

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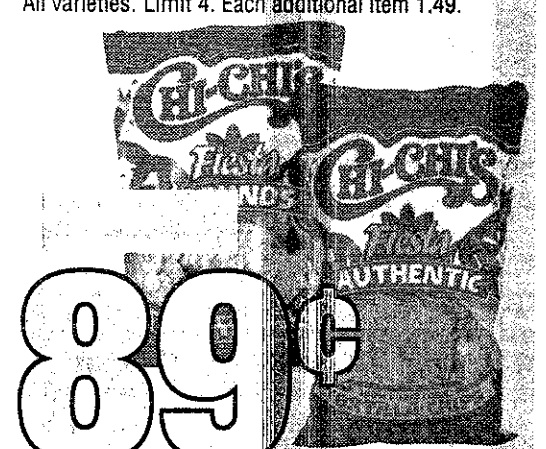
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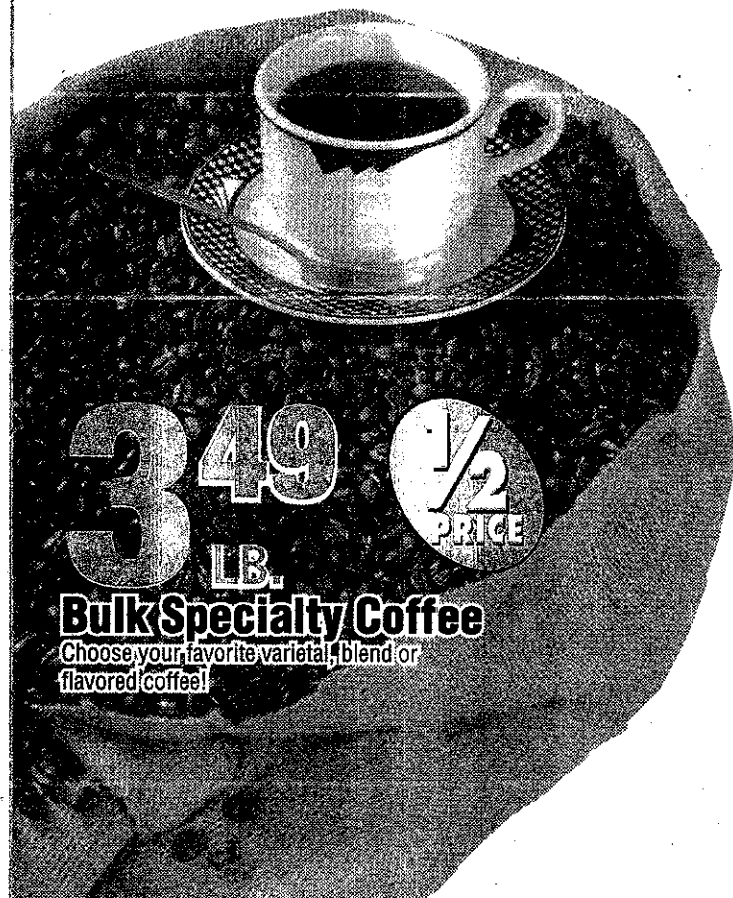
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**Redford St. Agatha (4-4) vs. Detroit Loyola (0-8) at Det. Urban Lutheran, 4 p.m.:** The Aggies are coming off a "bye" week, getting a forfeit win over Hamtramck St. Florian that evened their record. Loyola just keeps getting bounced around; last week, East Catholic did the honors, beating the Bulldogs, 26-8. The week off should have helped banged-up St. Agatha, which is bad news for Loyola. **PICKS: St. Agatha** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**FRIDAY'S GAMES**  
(All at 7 p.m. unless noted)  
**Wyandotte Mt. Carmel (1-7) at Redford Bishop Borgess (7-1), 4 p.m.:** These two teams do share some things. Both suffered through one-sided losses last week. Mt. Carmel blanked 22-0 by Taylor Zoe Christian and Borgess beaten 33-6 by Royal Oak Shrine. Something

tells me it won't hurt Borgess as much. **PICKS: Borgess** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Garden City (3-5) at Dearborn Edsel Ford (1-7):** The Cougars had been playing pretty tough against most of its opponents — uhhh, that is, until Monroe stuck them with a 26-0 thrashing last Friday. But Edsel Ford has struggled even more. Last week, Dearborn whipped the Thunderbirds 28-0. So who wants this game more? **PICKS: Garden City** — Beaudry, O'Meara, Emons; **Edsel Ford** — Risak.

**Woodhaven (4-4) vs. Redford Union (3-5) at Kraft Field:** The Warriors evened their record with a 7-6 win over Ypsilanti; RU won by the same margin against River Rouge when Chris Rigley first hit Paul Garrett with a 16-yard scoring pass, then booted the game-winning extra point. That may have been this

season's high point for the Panthers. **PICKS: Woodhaven** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Redford CC (5-3) at Dearborn Fordson (3-4):** The Shamrocks beat a couple of tough opponents in the last two weeks to put themselves on the verge of the playoffs, the latest a 34-17 triumph over Detroit Country Day Saturday. For Fordson, which lost by a touchdown to play-off-bound Belleville last week, all this game can bring is a .500 record and the satisfaction of spoiling CC's plans. **PICKS: CC** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**White Lake Lakeland (2-6) at N. Farmington (2-6):** The Raiders gave Northville a bit of a scare last Saturday before succumbing, while Lakeland didn't scare 4-4 Milford at all, losing 42-0. Three Milford runners combined for 376 rushing yards in their win over the Eagles. North has played better in the last few weeks, although it hasn't shown too much in the win column. This one will. **PICKS: North** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Westland John Glenn (6-2) at Wayne Memorial (5-3):** It's pretty much been

said, hasn't it? John Glenn is just playing for playoff positioning; that result against Harrison, which included the humiliating running clock in the second half, did nothing for the Rockets' collective ego. The Zebras hoped to be in this position at the start of the season; Glenn expected to be. Can the home field be an advantage for Wayne (the Zebras are 1-3 at home this year)? My guess is Chuck Gordon won't allow his Rockets to coast into the state playoffs. **PICKS: Glenn** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Livonia Stevenson (4-4) at Livonia Churchill (2-6), 7:30 p.m.:** It's been more than a decade since Churchill got the best of Stevenson. The Chargers' wins this year have come against two teams with a total of two wins between them. Stevenson had a chance to make the playoffs going into last Friday's WLAAC crossover against Walled Lake Western, but the Warriors squashed those hopes, 35-13. Now it's the Spartans turn to do the squashing. **PICKS: Stevenson** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Plymouth Salem (1-7) vs. Plymouth**

**Canton (7-1), 7:30 p.m.:** Two weeks ago, Salem gave Walled Lake Central a tremendous battle before losing by a field goal with nine seconds left. It seemed progress had been made. Then came last Friday's game against Livonia Franklin, and the progress regressed in a 3-0 loss. Got to score to win. Canton scored, putting four TDs on the board after Central took a 14-0 first-quarter lead. The Chiefs are among the best in the state; their ground game will wear down the Rocks. **PICKS: Canton** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Livonia Franklin (3-5) at Dearborn (7-1), 7:30 p.m.:** What a way to end your season, going against one of the area's best teams, a team that buried Edsel Ford, 28-0, last week. The Patriots beat Salem with Andy Siefert's 30-yard field goal and a lot of strong defense. They'll need the same kind of defensive effort against Dearborn, and a lot more offense. **PICKS: Dearborn** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Farmington Harrison (8-0) at Detroit Country Day (5-3), 7:30 p.m.:** What more can be said about this Drew Stanton-to-Agim Shabaj-or-Marcus Woods-or-a-half-dozen-other-guys powerhouse? A guy who seems to know his prep football (the new guru, Mr. Emons) called Harrison the greatest offensive team he's seen. Maps to the Silverdome are already on sale at Harrison (as if they need them). Indeed, the rumor is the Hawks will move in to the 'Dome once the Lions move out. Why not? They play there enough. **PICKS: Harrison** — Risak, Beaudry, O'Meara, Emons.

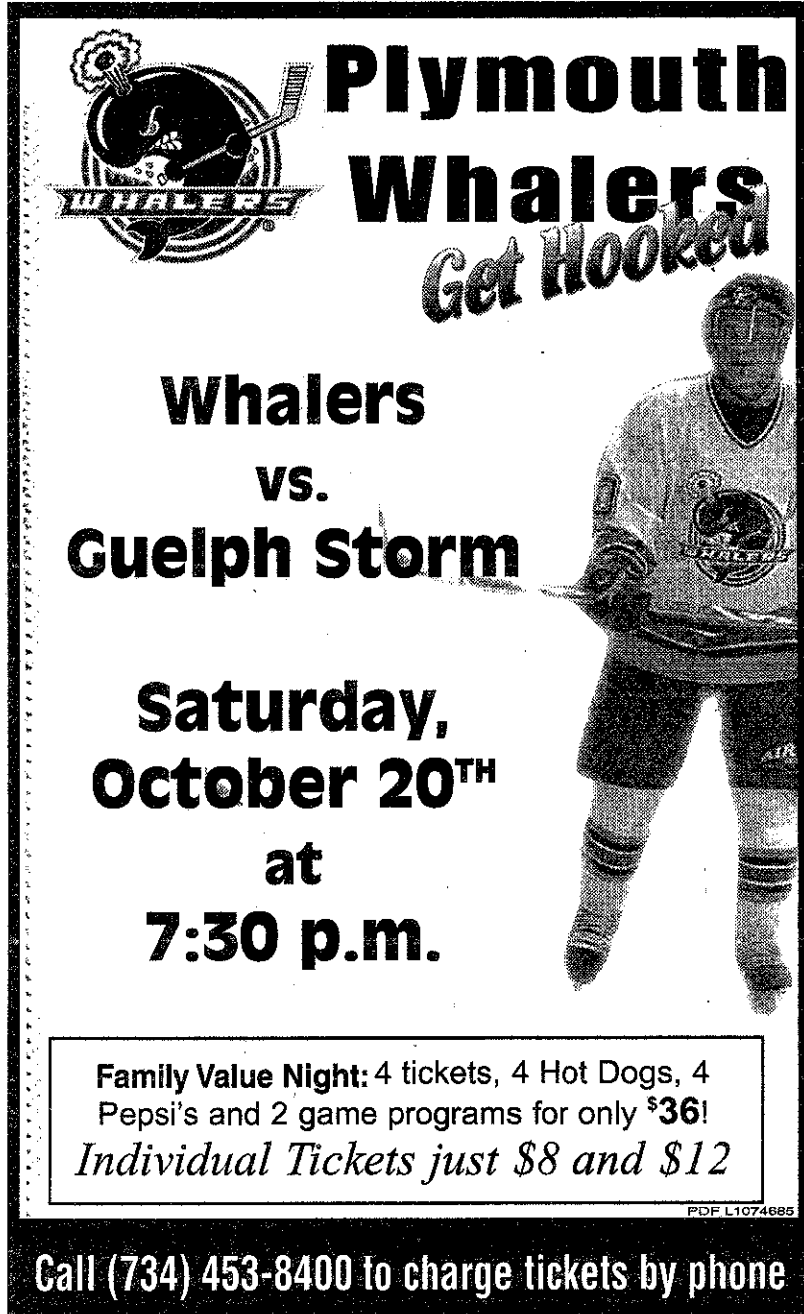
**Farmington (0-8) at Pinckney (5-3), 7:30 p.m.:** Not much has gone right for

Farmington this season. In fact, nothing has, as evidenced in last Friday's 6-3 loss in overtime to Churchill. Now the Falcons play at Pinckney, a team that can qualify for the playoffs with a win. It doesn't look too optimistic for Farmington. **PICKS: Pinckney** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**SATURDAY'S GAMES**  
**Redford Thurston (4-4) at D.H. Annapolis (1-7), noon:** Talk about upsets. Thurston recorded one of the biggest of the season when it knocked off previously-unbeaten Highland Park 19-6, on the strength of two Corey Reid touchdown passes. Now the Eagles can finish their season on a winning note and with a lot of pride, and — who knows? — some 5-4 teams make the playoffs every year. **PICKS: Thurston** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Livonia Clarenceville (8-0, 7-0) at B.H. Cranbrook (5-3, 5-2), 1 p.m.:** Talk about bad luck. The Cranes come into this game knowing a win could clinch them a spot in the playoffs, and who do they have to beat to earn it? Just one of the biggest powerhouses in the state, the Tim Shaw-led Trojans, who routed University-Liggett 47-0 last week behind Shaw's five TDs. Tough luck, Cranbrook. **PICKS: Clarenceville** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

**Lutheran Westland (3-5, 3-4) at Lutheran Northwest (2-6, 2-5), 1 p.m.:** Both teams lost last weekend, but Lutheran Westland was beaten by Harper Woods 23-16 while Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest was pummeled by Cranbrook 51-6. Northwest has the home-field advantage, Westland has a bit more talent. **PICKS: Westland** — Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.



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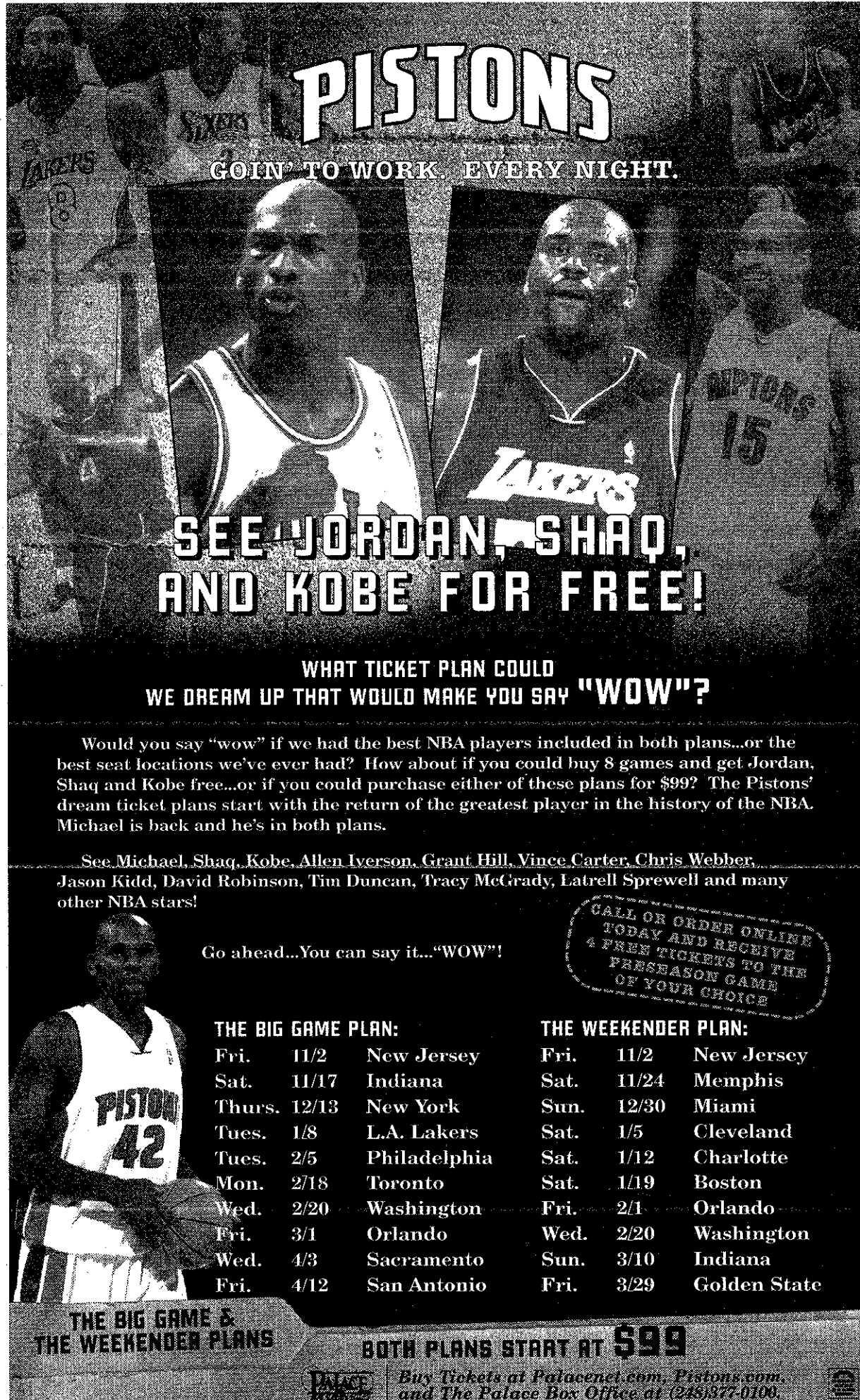
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Getting ready

Canton, Salem ready for WLAA's

As well as Plymouth Canton's boys cross country team did last Saturday at the Gabriel Richard Invitational at Hudson Mills...

X-COUNTRY

Steve Clark was 68th (17:50). Redford Catholic Central had a team at the Invitational as well, although not the Shamrocks' first team.

Salem, Canton in top 10

As expected, three of the state's top girls teams dominated the Gabriel Richard Invitational Saturday at Hudson Mills.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Girls ice hockey

Any girl interested in playing ice hockey, there's good news: Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem are in the process of forming a girls club ice hockey team.

Wings win title

The Garden City Mite A Gold Wings captured first place at the Taylor Sportsplex Earlybird Tournament last month.

The Gold Wings went undefeated in round-robin play against teams from Sylvania (Ohio), Monroe and Southgate. In the finals, they prevailed against Monroe, 7-2, to earn the title.

The Rocks' best finisher was Kim Wood in 34th (20:42). Next best for Salem was Halle Burton in 45th (21:13), with Kristin Mastic placing 49th (21:15).

Tryouts

Basketball tryouts for fifth-through-eighth graders at Our Lady of Good Counsel are set for Oct. 29-30.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 691-7279.

Whalers win 2 out of 3



The stuff inside this sandwich was lousy, but on the outside, it was pretty good.

The Plymouth Whalers sandwiched a 5-3 loss at Belleville Saturday with a 5-3 win over Toronto at home Friday and a 4-2 victory at Barrie Sunday.

LaRose's first goal of the season (from Stephen Weiss) with 14 seconds to play clinched the Whalers' win. Mike Smith and Cole Jarrett each had a goal and two assists for Plymouth.

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**PREP FOOTBALL**  
**Thursday, Oct. 18**  
St. Agatha vs. Det. Loyola at Det. Urban Lutheran, 4 p.m.  
**Friday, Oct. 19**  
Mt. Carmel at Borgess, 4 p.m.  
Redford CC at Fordson, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.  
Woodhaven at RU (Kraft), 7 p.m.  
Lakeland at N. Farm., 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at Wayne, 7 a.m.  
Stevenson at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.  
Salem vs. Canton (CEP), 7:30 p.m.  
Franklin at Dearborn, 7:30 p.m.  
Harrison at Country Day, 7:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Pinckney, 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Oct. 20**  
Thurston at Annapolis, noon.  
Clarenceville at Cranbrook, 1 p.m.  
Luth. W'sld at Luth. N'west, 1 p.m.  
Southgate at Salem, 2 p.m.  
**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
**Thursday, Oct. 18**  
Greater Life at Agape, 6 p.m.  
Luth. W'sld at Luth. N'west, 6:30 p.m.  
Divine Child at Mercy, 7 p.m.  
E. Catholic at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.  
Churchill at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.  
Northville at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at Salem, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Canton at Harrison, 7 p.m.  
Farmington at N. Farm., 7 p.m.  
Wayne at Willow Run, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Southgate, 7 p.m.  
Thurston at Melvindale, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Oct. 19**  
Huron Valley at Tay. Baptist, 6 p.m.  
Borgess at Ladywood, 7 p.m.  
Mercy at Lathrup, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, Oct. 20**  
Southgate at Salem, 2 p.m.  
**BOYS SOCCER**  
**Thursday, Oct. 18**  
Flint Valley at Huron Valley, 5 p.m.  
**Friday, Oct. 19**  
Warren Zoe at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.  
C'ville at Lathrup, 4:30 p.m.  
N. Farm. at Harrison, 5:30 p.m.  
**BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**  
**Friday, Oct. 19**  
Western Lakes Meet at Kensington Metropark, 4 p.m.  
**Saturday, Oct. 20**  
Metro Conference meet at Lutheran North, 10 a.m.  
Mega White Meet at Wayne Memorial, 10 a.m.  
**Sunday, Oct. 21**  
Catholic League Championship at Stoney Creek Park, noon.  
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**GIRLS SWIMMING**  
**Thursday, Oct. 18**  
Farmington at John Glenn, 6 p.m.  
Northville at Churchill, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at N. Farm., 7 p.m.  
Franklin vs. Harrison at Farmington H.S., 7 p.m.  
**GIRLS TENNIS**  
**Friday-Saturday, Oct. 19-20**  
Division I Championships at Midland Comm. Ctr., TBA.  
Division II Championships at Holland, TBA.  
**BOYS GOLF**  
**Friday-Saturday, Oct. 19-20**  
Division I Championships at Forest Akers-E. Lansing, TBA.  
**MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
**Saturday, Oct. 20**  
Madonna at Aquinas, 1 p.m.  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
**Friday, Oct. 19**  
Madonna vs. St. Francis (Ill.) at Farm. Founders Park, 3 p.m.  
**Saturday, Oct. 20**  
Young Harris at S'craft, noon.  
Madonna at Aquinas, TBA.  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**  
**Thursday, Oct. 18**  
Windsor at Madonna, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Oct. 19**  
S'craft at St. Petersburg (Fla.), TBA.  
Madonna at Alma Invitational, TBA.  
**Saturday, Oct. 20**  
S'craft at St. Petersburg (Fla.), TBA.  
Madonna at Alma Invitational, TBA.  
**ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE**  
**Friday, Oct. 19**  
Whalers at S.S. Marie, 7:30 p.m.  
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urday against Southgate Anderson. The freshman game starts at 11 a.m., the junior varsity plays at 12:30 p.m. and the varsity contest gets underway at 2 p.m.

**Canton 47, John Glenn 32:** Plymouth Canton found itself in a familiar position — facing a tightly-packed zone defense — Tuesday at Westland John Glenn. And the Chiefs found their solution pretty fast, too.

Courtney Jarman found an opening at the top of the key and took full advantage, scoring 16 points to lead the Chiefs to their fourth-straight victory.

Canton improved to 9-5 overall, 5-3 in the WLAA. Glenn is 1-11 overall, 1-7 in the conference.

"She got a good look from the top of the key," said Canton coach Bob Blohm of Jarman's performance. "She had a good night tonight."

The Chiefs led 10-6 after one quarter and 23-16 at the half. They increased their lead to 36-25 after three periods.

Jessica Johnson was next best for Canton with nine points. Briana Wolcott chipped in with eight.

Sara Tyre's 14 points topped the Rockets, 12 of those coming in the first half. Jennifer Thauette had seven.

**S'field Christian 52, PCA 47 (2 OTs):** It was a solid all-around

effort by Plymouth Christian Academy, but poor free-throw shooting proved to be its nemesis Tuesday at home against Southfield Christian.

"I'm really happy," said PCA coach Annie Malcolm, her team now 3-10 overall, 1-6 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. "They put in a great effort. They had a great third quarter and a pretty good fourth, too."

PCA trailed 24-16 at the half, but narrowed that gap to two with a 14-8 third quarter. PCA led late in the fourth quarter, but a basket by Southfield Christian with less than 15 seconds to play knotted the score and eventually led to overtime.

Two baskets by Shannon Murray accounted for PCA's scoring in the first extra session, but Southfield Christian answered with 4-of-5 shooting on free throws. PCA was 0-for-2 at the line in the first OT.

Southfield Christian then took command in the second extra period and PCA could not catch up. For the game, PCA was 8-of-22 at the line (36.4 percent); Southfield Christian was 18-of-31 (58.1 percent).

Amy Brandt led PCA with 13 points. Amanda Saagman added 11. Joy Janigan scored 16 for Southfield Christian, with Leann Long netting 11.

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# Madonna clinches title

It's the league champion Madonna University women's soccer team, if you please.

Madonna clinched the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference women's soccer title Tuesday with a rain-soaked 1-0 victory over Siena Heights in their showdown for the championship.

Michele Vettrano (from Livonia Stevenson) scored the only goal of the game at the 87:48 mark when her shot slipped through goalie Kara McKeon. Emily Jackson (Farmington Hills Harrison) and Christen Shull (Plymouth Salem) assisted on the goal.

Jennifer Barker (Livonia Stevenson) notched the shutout for Madonna (8-4, 6-0), which had a 24-5 margin in shots on goal. Barker only had to make three saves in the game.

Madonna outshot Siena Heights (16-2, 5-1) 19-0 in the first half of the match, played under horrid windy, rainy conditions that made footing treacherous.

The Lady Crusaders had a 6-0 edge in corner kicks in the first half but the Saints had a 7-3 margin in the second.

## Cougars tamed

Spring Arbor proved a very obliging guest to Madonna University's men's and women's soccer teams.

Madonna's men's team trimmed Spring Arbor, 6-3, Monday with Dan Kurtinaitis scoring two goals for the Crusaders in the WHAC match.

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Patrick Griffin (Plymouth/Redford Catholic Central), Nick Szczechowski (Plymouth Salem), Mike Healy and Matt Koontz (Livonia Stevenson) scored one time apiece for Madonna (9-6, 5-0) and Matt Strabbing (Plymouth Canton) had three saves.

Szczechowski had two assists while Kurtinaitis, Healy, P. J. Stranahan, Jon Johnson (Canton) and Justin Fishaw (Canton) recorded one each.

Healy converted Stranahan's pass to tie the score, 1-1, at 16:36 and Szczechowski was cutting across the box when he took a pass and scored to give the Crusaders the lead for good.

Kurtinaitis scored off a corner kick at 30:17 as Madonna took a 4-1 lead at halftime. His second goal came off a rebound.

The Lady Crusaders beat the Lady Cougars, 4-1, on Saturday to set up their showdown for first place in the WHAC with the Siena Heights Saints on Tuesday.

Kelly Delaney, Emily Neienand, Sarah Pack (Canton/Westland John Glenn) and Danielle Strickland scored the Madonna's women's team's goals. Delaney, Vettrano, Jackson, Susannah

Bryant and Shull each had one assist while Pack had two.

Delaney scored the first of three goals the Lady Crusaders (7-4, 5-0) scored in a span of 2:20 late in the first half.

Delaney fired the ball in off a defender at 42:10 to make it 1-0. Neienand was the third Crusader to touch the ball in a two-pass feel from Delaney and Pack, scoring at 43:50.

At 44:30, Pack put in a header off a Vettrano pass to make it 3-0 at halftime. Shull crossed the ball to Strickland for a goal at 83:23.

Barker stopped two of the three shots Spring Arbor put on her in the game.

## SC men win

Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team got the right combination of offense and defense to put away Lakeland (Ohio) 3-1 Saturday at SC.

The win boosted the Ocelots' record to 12-2-1.

Different players were involved in all three SC goals. Dan Lipon (Livonia Stevenson) scored the first, with an assist from Mike Thomas (Stevenson).

Tony Ventura netted the second on a free kick, and Sampson Warth got the third on a diving header off a cross from Kyle Langseth.

The Ocelots play at Valparaiso (Ind.) University's junior varsity Saturday.

# SC stops Mott; Saints jolt Madonna

Andrea Kmet (from Westland/Livonia Franklin) and Fran Hamilton each connected for 12 kills to lead Schoolcraft College to a 30-20, 30-22, 30-16 victory over Flint Mott CC Tuesday at Mott.

The win pushed the Lady Ocelots' record to 12-1 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference, 27-8 overall.

Hamilton had 12 kills (with a .611 kill percentage) with three service aces and six digs. Kmet had 12 digs to go with her 12 kills.

Other contributors for the Ocelots were Carly Szajnecki with nine kills (.533); Noelle Swartz with seven kills (.385) and 11 digs; Kellie Kern with

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four kills, three aces, 20 set assists and nine digs; and Ioana Vescan with six aces and 24 set assists.

SC travels to the St. Petersburg (Fla.) Invitational Friday and Saturday.

## Saints upset Madonna

Been awhile since something like this happened, but it should teach Madonna University's volleyball team a lesson in readiness.

Certainly Siena Heights was ready Tuesday when it hosted the Lady Crusaders.

The Saints took Madonna the

full five sets and came away with the win, 30-28, 22-30, 19-30, 30-26, 15-11.

Siena Heights improves to 8-15 overall, 3-4 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Madonna is 22-7 overall, 8-1 in the WHAC.

Donna Birkenhier led the Crusaders with 18 kills (a .341 kill average). Tera Morrill (Westland/Livonia Franklin) had 15 kills (.333), two service aces and 13 digs; Jennifer Frost contributed 15 kills, three aces and 11 digs; Marylu Hemme (Plymouth/Livonia Ladywood) had nine kills (.462), three aces and 20 digs; and Jennie Wind totaled six kills (.600), 11 digs, three blocks and 60 set assists.

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Following are the best Observerland girls swim times and diving scores. Area high school coaches can update times and scores by fax to the Observer sports department at (734) 591-7279.

- 200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY**  
(Class A state cut: 1:56.79)  
Farmington Hills Mercy 1:51.79  
North Farmington 1:54.03  
Livonia Stevenson 1:54.20  
Plymouth Salem 2:02.31  
Westland John Glenn 2:03.20
- 200-YARD FREESTYLE**  
(Class A state cut: 2:01.19)  
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 1:56.52  
Kristin Loridas (Mercy) 1:58.78  
Lindi McErean (N. Farmington) 1:59.08  
Katie Benedict (Mercy) 1:59.50  
Katie Naglick (Mercy) 2:00.57  
Eloise Page (Mercy) 2:01.67  
Monica Glowski (Salem) 2:04.01  
Ashley Eilers (Stevenson) 2:04.61  
Molra Cronin (Mercy) 2:04.75  
Elizabeth Garlow (Mercy) 2:05.24
- 200-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY**  
(Class A state cut: 2:17.89)  
Lindi McErean (N. Farmington) 2:09.33  
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 2:10.34  
Elizabeth Garlow (Mercy) 2:15.16  
Kristin Loridas (Mercy) 2:16.75  
Erin Cook (Stevenson) 2:16.86  
Katie Naglick (Mercy) 2:18.89  
Caitlin Kelly (Mercy) 2:19.20  
Jackie Smith (Mercy) 2:20.45  
Annette Merchant (Stevenson) 2:20.58  
Katy Sondergaard (Stevenson) 2:20.84
- 50-YARD FREESTYLE**  
(Class A state cut: 25.39)  
Caitlin Kelly (Mercy) 24.64  
Katie Benedict (Mercy) 24.99  
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 25.27  
Elizabeth Garlow (Mercy) 25.43  
Monica Glowski (Salem) 25.46  
Lindi McErean (N. Farmington) 25.47  
Emily Howard (N. Farmington) 25.61  
Kristin Loridas (Mercy) 25.66  
Carrie Roble (Mercy) 26.08  
Andrea Giczewski (Stevenson) 26.16  
Laura Geverink (Stevenson) 26.16
- DIVING**  
Katie Edwards (Stevenson) 237.45  
Angela Anieros (Churchill) 230.75  
Allison Bentley (Ladywood) 228.00  
Ashley Aquinto (Salem) 207.50  
Natalie Giszewski (Stevenson) 203.65  
Kelly Stevens (Churchill) 195.90  
Nikki Dunn (Stevenson) 190.57

- Amelia Darling (Mercy) 189.85  
Lisa Thompson (Stevenson) 177.55  
Patty Ahern (Canton) 176.05
- 100-YARD BUTTERFLY**  
(Class A state cut: 1:02.29)  
Katie Naglick (Mercy) 59.65  
Monica Glowski (Salem) 1:00.80  
Valencia Smith (N. Farmington) 1:01.54  
Eloise Page (Mercy) 1:01.67  
Annette Merchant (Mercy) 1:02.20  
Kristin Loridas (Mercy) 1:02.22  
Katy Sondergaard (Stevenson) 1:02.23  
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 1:02.46  
Katie Benedict (Mercy) 1:02.60  
Jackie Smith (Mercy) 1:02.68
- 100-YARD FREESTYLE**  
(Class A state cut: 55.89)  
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 53.39  
Caitlin Kelly (Mercy) 54.70  
Katie Benedict (Mercy) 54.71  
Kristin Loridas (Mercy) 55.35  
Monica Glowski (Salem) 55.84  
Katie Naglick (Mercy) 56.10  
Emily Howard (N. Farmington) 56.23  
Elizabeth Garlow (Mercy) 56.44  
Eloise Page (Mercy) 56.45  
Andrea Giczewski (Stevenson) 57.52
- 500-YARD FREESTYLE**  
(Class A state cut: 5:25.39)  
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 5:09.81  
Kristin Loridas (Mercy) 5:17.65  
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(Class A state cut: 1:11.29)  
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Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 1:08.55  
Elizabeth Garlow (Mercy) 1:09.52  
Elena Milewski (Mercy) 1:10.74  
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Kristen Wolff (N. Farmington) 1:14.82  
Annette Merchant (Mercy) 1:14.86
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**BASKETBALL**

**Blazers fall to Regina**

A big 16-8 third quarter broke open a tight game and allowed Harper Woods Regina to defeat Livonia Ladywood, 63-46 Tuesday at Regina.

Regina held a tenuous 24-23 lead at halftime but took control with the eight-point third quarter bulge in the Catholic League Central Division game.

Rachel Cortis led the Saddlelites (10-5, 6-4) with 19 points and Sarah Thomson scored 17.

Ruthie Sventickas led Ladywood (8-7, 4-5) with 19 points.

The Blazers were outstanding at the free throw line, making 15-of-21. The Saddlelites were 6-for-9.

**Lutheran Westland 30, Harper Woods 22:** Despite numerous turnovers, Lutheran Westland beat Harper Woods in this Metro Conference encounter Tuesday.

The Warriors (6-6, 4-2) were led by Cris Hilden, who had seven points. Karen Abramczyk, Jenna Hess and Bethany Sieloff scored six each. Katie Schwecke grabbed 10 rebounds.

Ashley Marshall led the Pioneers (5-7, 2-5) with nine points.

**Huron Valley 48, Franklin Road 29:** Junior forward Lauren Merian pumped in a game-high 20 points Tuesday to lead Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (8-5, 5-2) to the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference triumph over host Novi Franklin Road Christian (1-8, 0-6).

Junior forward Audrey Metzger contributed 10 points for the victorious Hawks, Senior guard Jenny Kleinke had eight.

Sophomore Nicole Booker paced Franklin Road, which trailed 26-6 at halftime, with a team-high 12.

**Churchill 56, N. Farmington 47:** Livonia Churchill (6-8, 3-5) used a 19-6 second-quarter run Tuesday to beat host North Farmington (5-9, 2-6) in a Western Lakes Activities Association game.

Churchill junior guard Kelly Verellen hit five of eight three-point attempts, including a pair in the second quarter, to finish with a game-high 17 points. Senior forward Deanna DeRoo added 15 points, eight rebounds and six steals. Senior guard Sallie Kuratko chipped in with nine points.

Christy Stockton scored 10 to lead North.

"In the second quarter we adjusted to their trapping zone defense," Churchill first-year coach Rod Windle said. "We moved the ball and we got it going offensively."

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North was 17-of-20 from the free throw line, while Churchill was six of eight.

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**Brighton**  
8159 Challis, Suite C  
(Off I-96 in front of Target)  
810-225-4793
- Dearborn**  
24417 Ford Rd.  
(West of Telegraph)  
313-278-4491
- Farmington Hills**  
31011 Orchard Lake Rd.  
(S.W. corner of Orchard Lake Rd. & 14 Mile Rd.)  
248-538-9900
- New Location-**  
**Fenton**  
7245 Silver Pkwy.  
810-629-2733
- New Location-**  
**Highland Park**  
14126 Woodward  
(Model T Plaza)  
313-869-7392
- Lake Orion**  
2531 S. Lapeer Rd.  
(Orion Mall 2 miles N of the Palace)  
248-393-6800
- Novi**  
43025 12 Mile Rd.  
(Across from Sears, Twelve Oaks Mall)  
248-305-6600
- New Location-**  
**Pontiac/Waterford**  
454 Telegraph Rd.  
(Across from Summit Place Mall)  
248-335-9900
- Rochester Hills**  
3035 S. Rochester Rd.  
(At Auburn Rd.)  
248-853-0550
- Southfield**  
**-New Location-**  
20128 W. Eight Mile Rd.  
Baseline Plaza  
248-357-1558
- St. Clair Shores**  
26401 Harper Ave.  
(At 10 1/2 mile)  
810-777-4010
- Sterling Heights**  
45111 Park Ave.  
(M-59 & M-53, Ulrica Park Plaza)  
810-997-6500
- Taylor**  
23495 Eureka Rd.  
(Across from Southland Mall)  
734-287-1770
- Troy**  
1913 E. Big Beaver Rd.  
(Troj Sports Center)  
248-526-0040
- Westland**  
35105 Warren Rd.  
(S.W. corner of Warren & Wayne Rds.)  
734-722-7330

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734-623-8620
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313-441-0168
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810-247-7286
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248-735-3973
- Commerce**  
3301 Pontiac Trail  
248-669-9860
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3599 Grand River E.  
517-546-5611
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4475 24th Ave.  
810-385-1231

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248-698-0043
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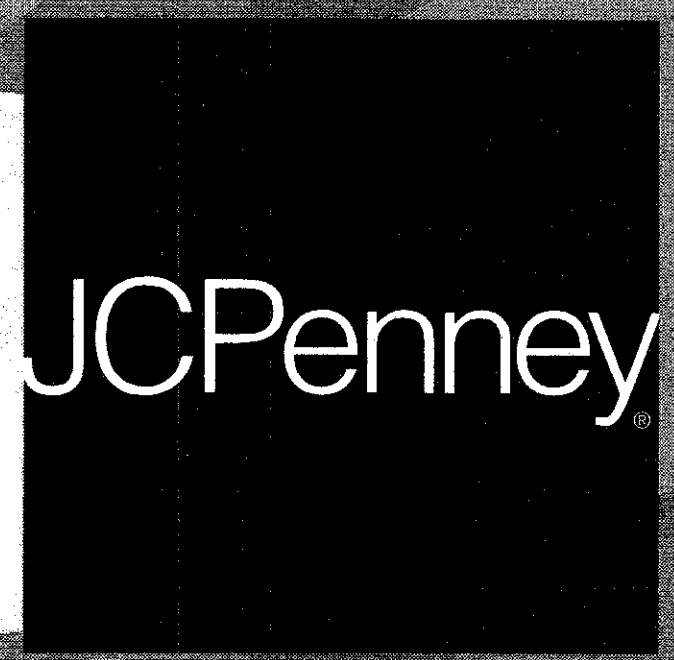
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Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that on Friday, October 19, 2001, at 9:00 a.m.

708 Rummage Sale/Flea Markets
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Oct 25, 9-2pm, Oct 26, 9-noon

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Massive 50's-80's wardrobe collection/accessories from Detroit/ New York model. Glassware, knock-knacks, some furniture including antique sewing machine & china cabinet.

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Oct. 20, 10 to 4; Oct. 21, 1 to 4.

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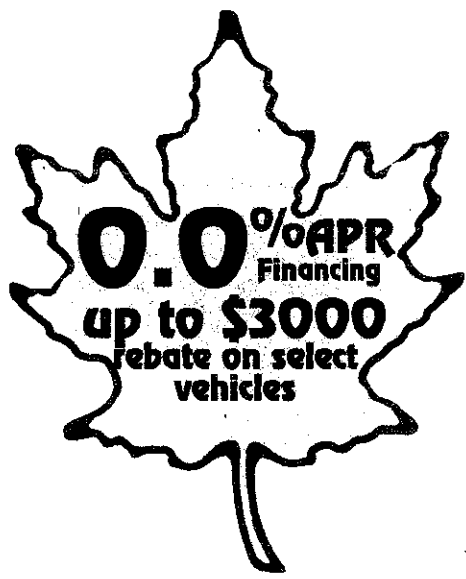
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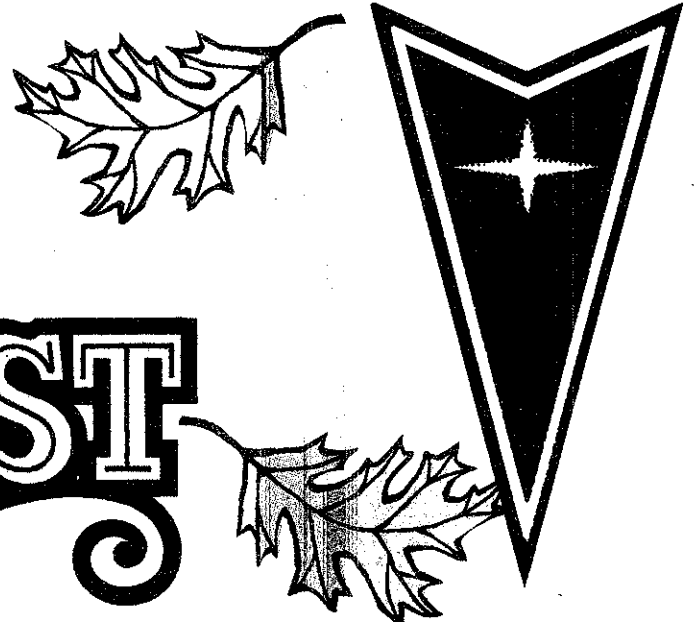






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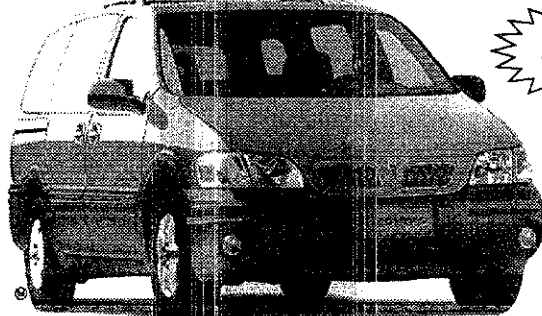
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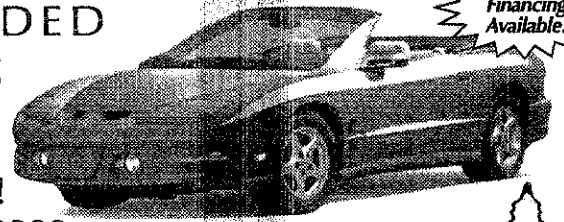
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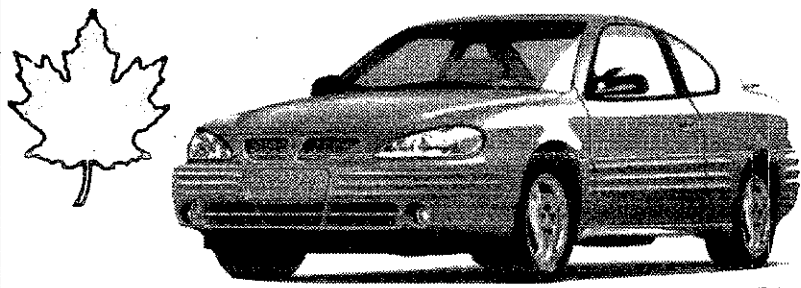


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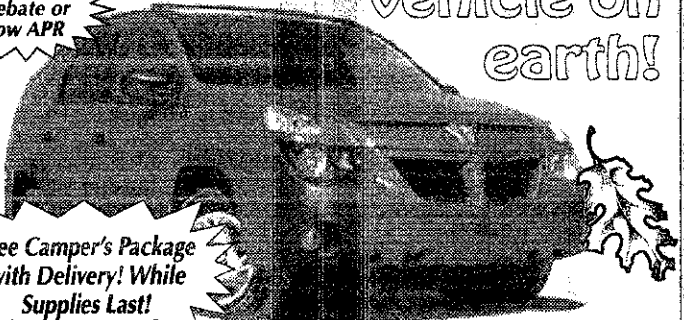
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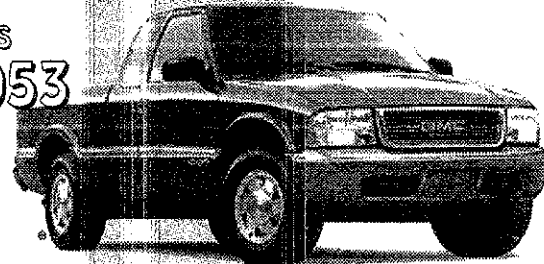
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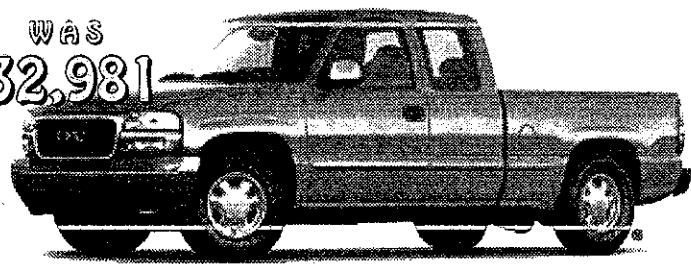
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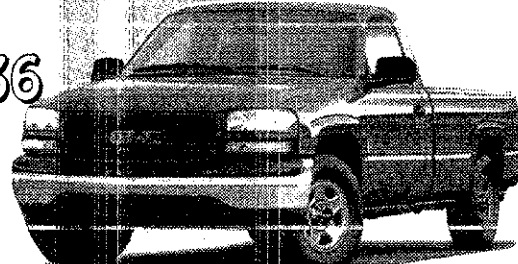
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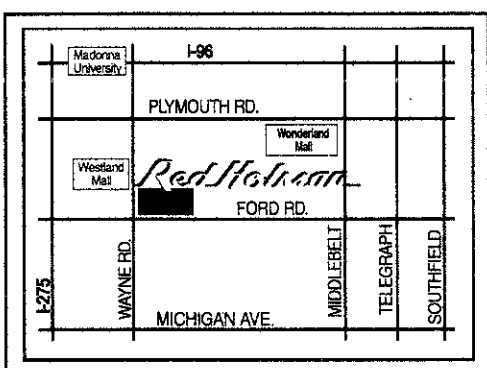


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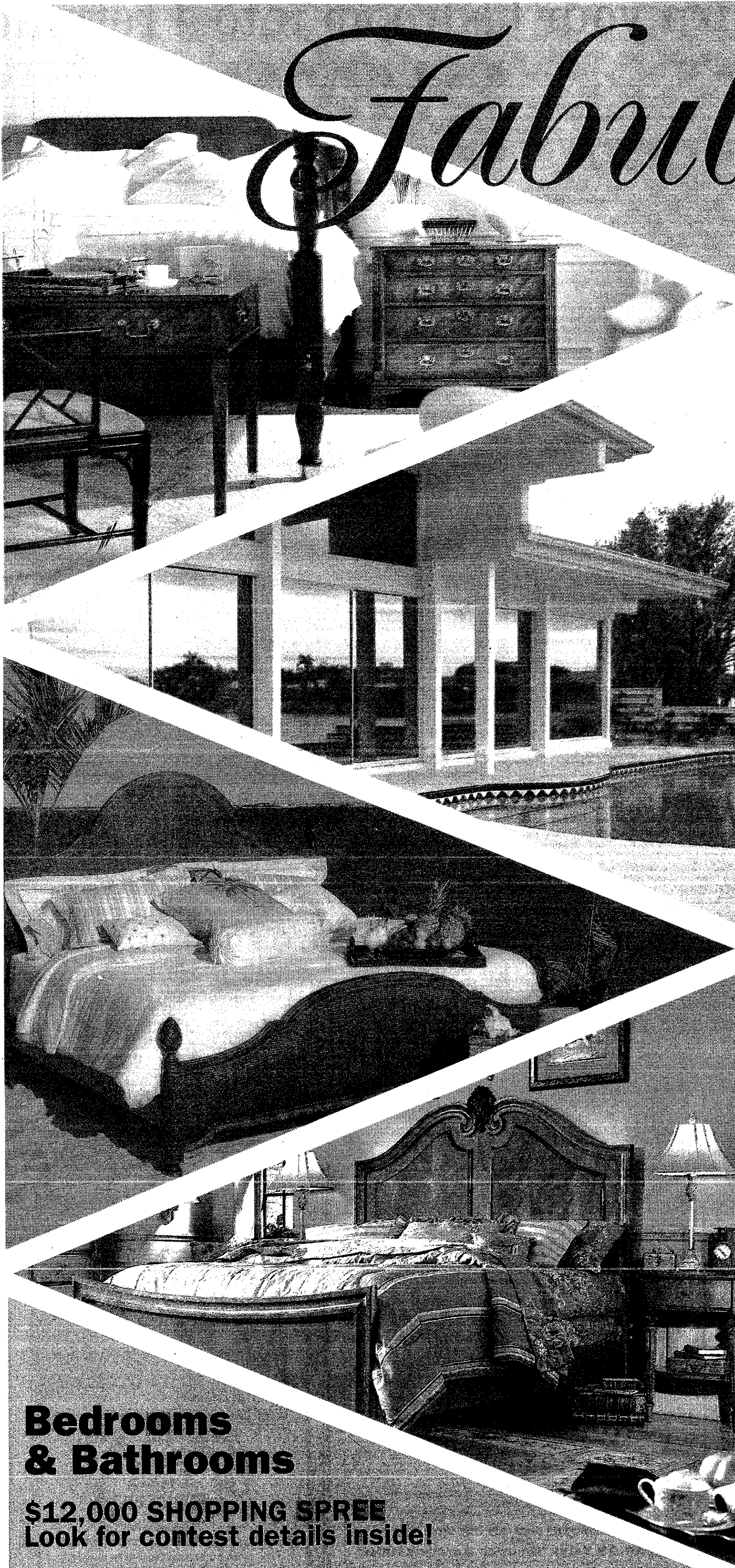
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## ABOUT THE COVER

Top: The Island Tropics bed from Tommy Bahama Furniture is just one of many pieces that captures the essence of paradise. Tommy Bahama Furniture is available at Classic Interiors Furniture in Livonia.

Second: The Vintage Traditions panel bed is by Stanley Furniture and available at Walker Buzenberg in downtown Plymouth. Vintage Traditions beds offer curved center decorative elements that enhance the beauty of the swirled mahogany veneer overlays. The eclectic mix of design styles encompass both the 18th and 19th century stylings with an emphasis on shapes, exceptional veneers and blend of design elements.

Third: Eclipse Window Tinting of Redford Township specializes in solar control window films, to protect furniture and flooring from the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays. Solar Gard, Armorgard and Decogard brands are designed to enhance the look of your home. They are available at Eclipse Window Tinting.

Fourth: These items are part of the Baker Historic Charleston Collection. Featured are the late 18th century mahogany carved post bed with tester frame, dressing chest circa 1760 inspired from the original which resides in the Nathaniel Russell House, George III Cockpen chair dating from the mid-1700s and writing table in mahogany with brass campaign hardware. Baker Furniture and the Historic Charleston Foundation of Charleston, S.C. have researched the origins of each piece in the collection. The collection is available at Baker Furniture in downtown Birmingham.

# Fabulous FURNITURE

## Turn your bedroom into a retreat

BY JENNIFER PLACINTO  
STAFF WRITER

Younger married couples, tired from the 9 to 5 grind, are looking for a place to get away at the end of the day and they're finding it in their bedrooms.

Bedroom retreats are growing in popularity among couples in their mid-20s to late-30s with or without children, said Kevin Konat, owner of Classic Interiors in Livonia.

Bedroom retreats seem to suit many others as well, said Pina Newman, design assistant at Ethan Allen Furniture in Auburn Hills.

She said everyone from young to old, singles, parents with young children and empty nesters are looking to fill their bedrooms with cozy chairs, functional tables and ottomans.

Relaxation is key to these retreats used for getting away from the stresses of the day, the children and even the phone, Konat said.

"I think it's just a relaxing room," Newman said. "It is a room where nothing else is distracting you. In other rooms, there are other things that need to be done," she said, referring to dirty dishes and picking up things around the house.

"When both (partners) work, they don't spend a lot of time at home," Konat said. "They generally eat out a lot."

The bedroom is the place where they have time to kick back before going to sleep and thus it's the only spot in the home where they are most likely to spend at least eight hours of their day, Konat said.

The bedroom retreat can serve as a relaxing area for watching TV, listening to music, or even getting a little work done without interruption.

"Everybody today either wants an entertainment center or a computer unit (in their bedrooms)," Konat said. "It's a real getaway area."

In her experience, Newman said, some couples are putting televisions and stereos in their rooms, but that's not the norm.

Most people plan their rooms by the furniture they already have and the theme, color or personality they wish the room to have, she said.

So why combine several functions in one room? "I think master bedrooms are becoming larger in homes and they need to fill that space," Newman said.

And many customers of Classic Interiors are doing so by starting with larger beds.

"King size beds are selling more so than queen anymore," Konat said. "Mattresses are getting plusher and customers really don't mind spending a lot of money . . . to dress it up."

Additional bedding and pillows are what many customers are opting for as well as taller headboards for effect. But the height of canopy beds isn't attracting as many customers.

"A lot of people aren't really buying canopy beds anymore," Konat said, since many bedrooms don't have the ceiling height required for a king size canopy.

Selecting furniture for the bedroom is a bit easier than other rooms, Newman said, because you know what you need. Customers are still looking for matching bedroom sets, but there's more room for compromise since it's a private location.

"It's a room that's generally not seen by their friends and family," Konat said.

And unlike shopping for kitchen or living room furniture, where women tend to narrow down

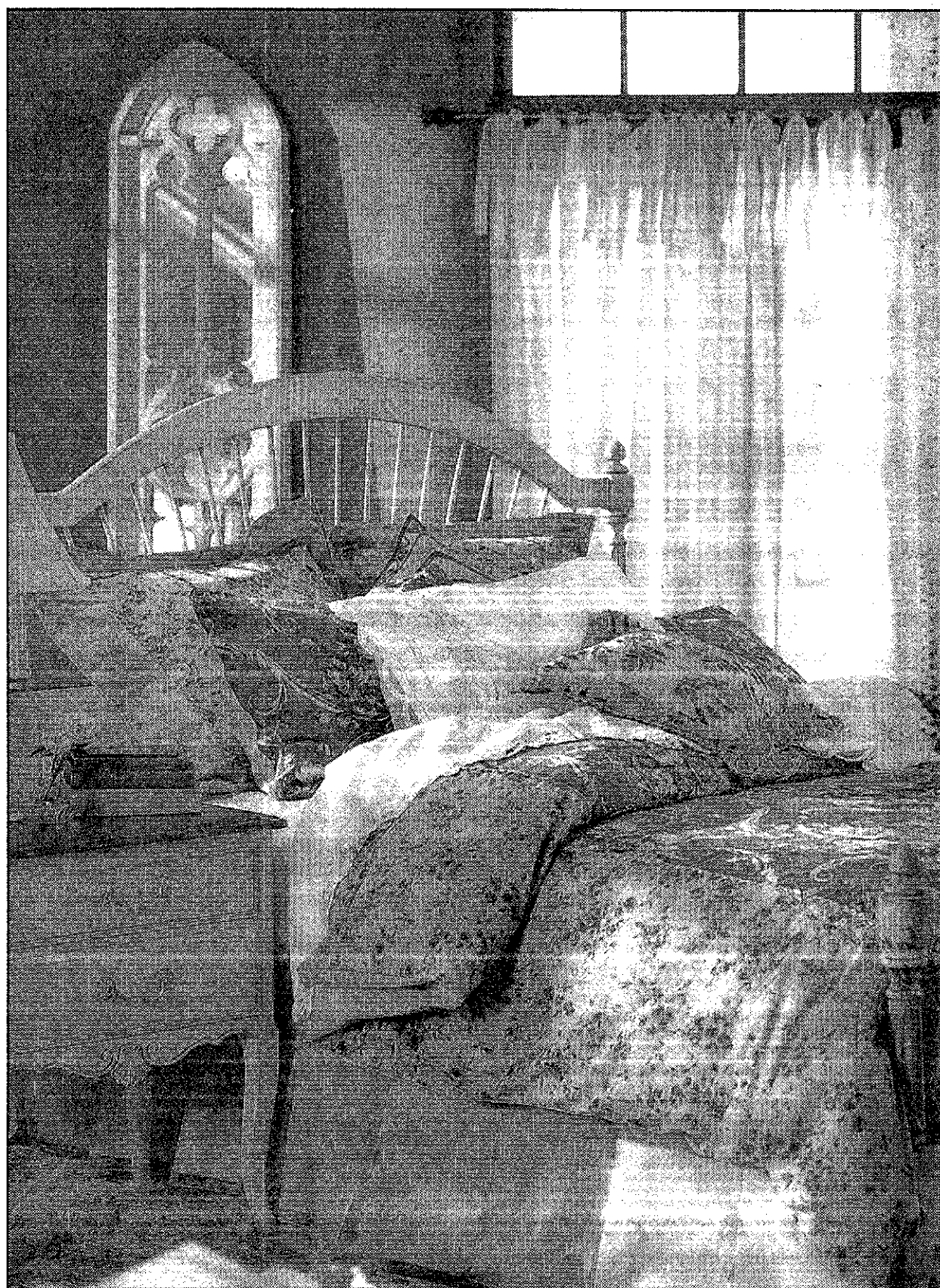


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**Bluesy:** The Regatta Collection provides a casual look, featuring a Country Colors arched panel bed, a duvet cover and two shams and a colorful pillow collection.

selections and then bring their husbands to make the final decision, Konat said, couples often shop together when picking out bedroom sets.

"They each have their individual tastes," Konat said. "The wife generally is looking for a certain type of drawer size for her clothes and the hus-

band, an armoire for a TV and his clothes."

One thing the bedroom retreat doesn't make room for is exercise. Couples tend to find other rooms in the house for working out, usually in their finished basements, Konat said.

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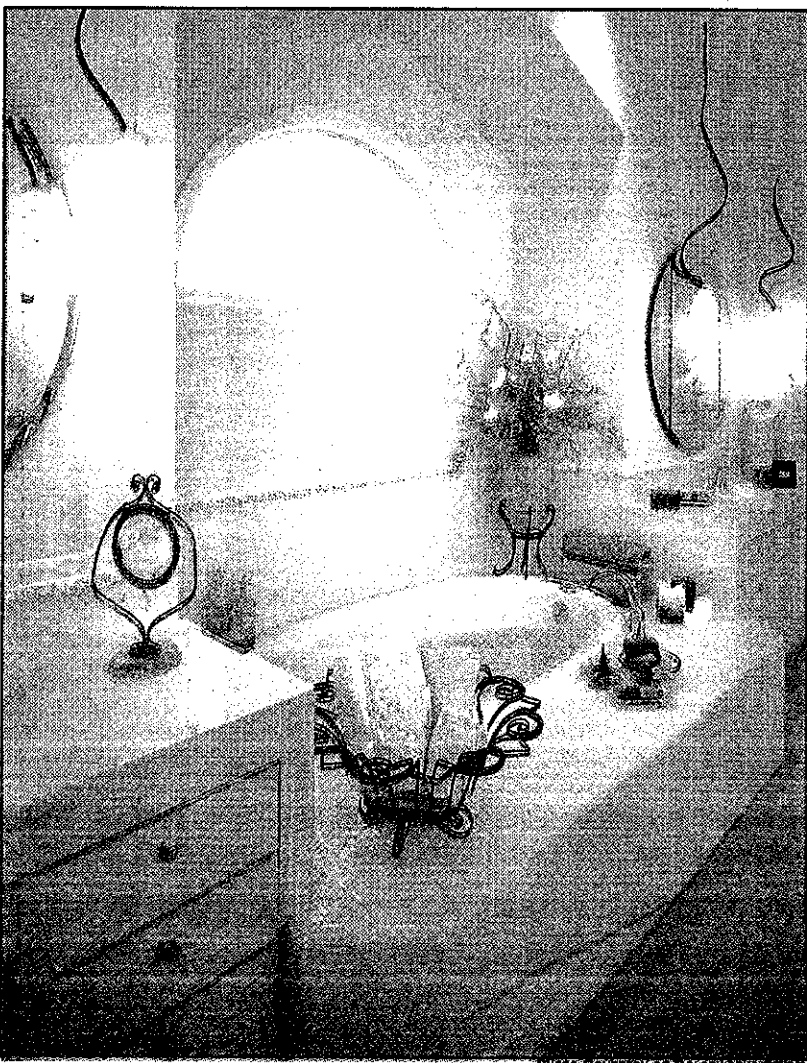
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A splash hit: This master bath features a tile backsplash with hand-carved tile trim.

## Bathroom jumps ahead in luxury, design

BY JOAN BORAM  
SPECIAL WRITER

Nearly 4,000 years ago in the palace of Knossos in Crete, an ingenious system of baths, sinks, water closets and cisterns, all linked with terra cotta pipes, bore separate water lines for waste, washing, and drinking.

The royal bathtub looked almost exactly like a modern tub.

Several thousand years later, when Queen Victoria ascended the throne in 1837, there was no bathroom in Buckingham Palace. In 2001, the rallying cry seems to be: "To each his/her own spa!"

Every bathroom, of course, is

equipped with the same basic fixtures: a tub, a sink, a water closet, and, usually, a shower. If we're lucky, there's at least minimal storage space.

### Options are many

Then the fun begins. Within limitations of space, money and our imagination, the sky's the

limit. We can luxuriate a room with high-tech chrome and plexiglass, or we can "go Hollywood," with wall-to-ceiling mirrors, deep white shag carpeting, and lavish use of scented lotions and potions, soaps and oils.

Christie Stevens, owner of Classic Kitchen & Bath in

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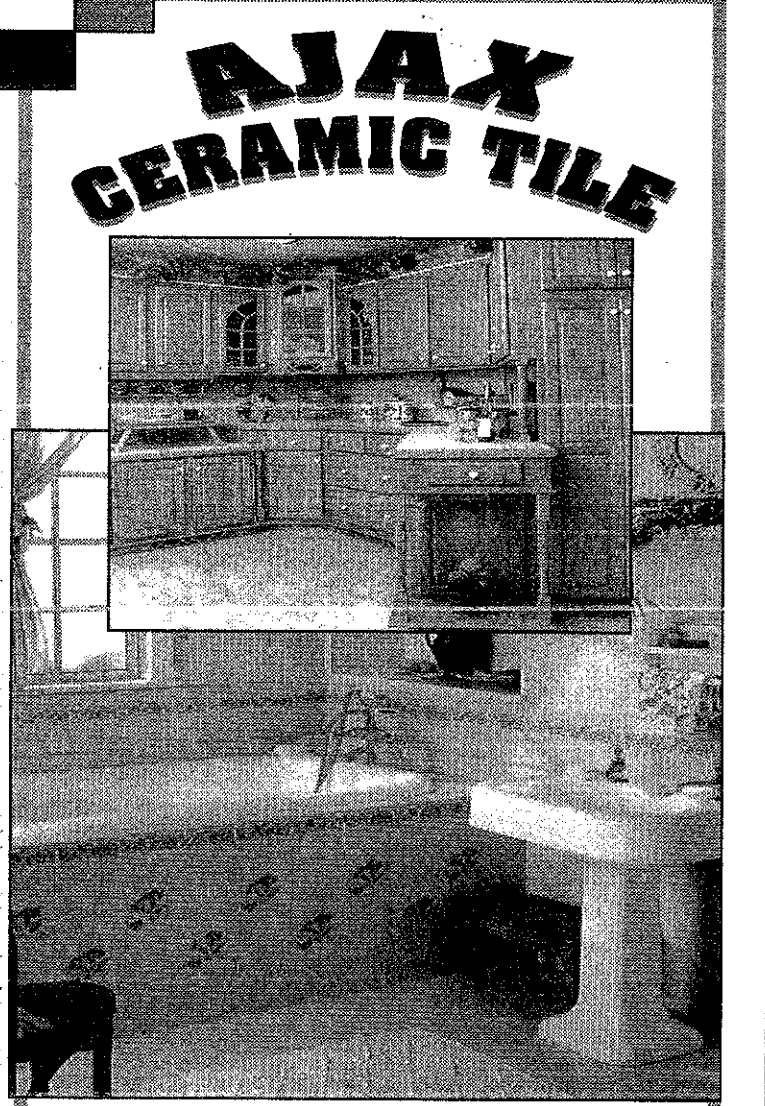
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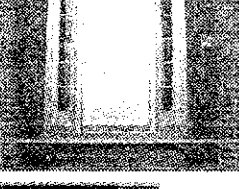
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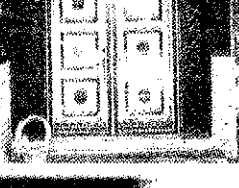
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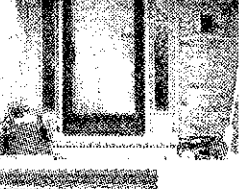
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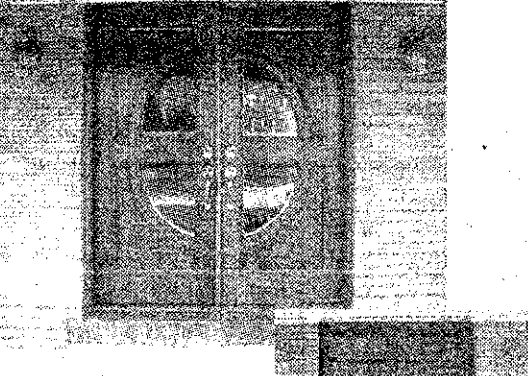
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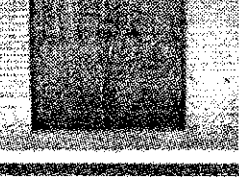
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## Bathrooms from page J3

Rochester Hills, recently converted a bedroom into a luxurious bath and walk-in closet for a couple whose last child had just gone off to college.

"The son's bedroom was next to the master bedroom. We just broke a double doorway through and installed French doors leading into the new master bath, which was four times larger than the existing bath had been. The clients specified a large two-person whirlpool, a glass-enclosed shower that measured 3-by-4 feet, and two pedestal sinks, four feet apart.

"Over the sinks we installed a

■ **"If a room isn't well-organized, it's not a successful room."**

Linda Hudson,  
interior designer

huge mirror - 4 feet tall and 8 feet wide, making the room look even larger. The water closet was in an enclosure with a wood door. We replaced the outside brick wall with glass block, giving the area an exposure to natural light."

Adjacent to the bath was a huge walk-in closet, with built-in laminate shelving for every-

thing from sweaters to shoes.

Another client had a whirlpool installed on the top floor of her house so she could meditate while contemplating trees and the stars. "The house was on top of a hill, surrounded by trees," says Stevens. "We installed windows that went to the ceiling, starting 3 feet off the floor, giving her a clear view. The client told me, 'If you've never done (meditation), you'll never understand.'"

Stevens says that everyone who remodels asks for a whirlpool. However, he tries to convince them to forget it if they don't have a tub that's at least 36-by-66 inches. If a tub won't hold 35 to 50 gallons of water, "forget it," Stevens said.

A smaller, 30-by-60 inch tub won't allow a person to stretch out and get the benefit of the whirlpool on his knees and neck, Stevens said.

He also advises against stairs leading to the tub, explaining that they're hazardous. The best alternative to steps is a 6- to 8-inch wide platform around the tub for accent items, such as plants and scented candles. Some people like to have decorative fiberglass columns for a classic look.

### Canister lights are hot

Remember the single lighting element over the sink, the one that gave you dark circles under your eyes even after a good night's sleep? It's out. Canister lighting is in - it's nice, bright and airy, and doesn't create shadows, on you or the room. Stevens recommends a rheostat that will enable you to adjust the light to your mood.

According to Stevens, white is still the most popular color for fixtures, and cabinetry is lighter

in tone. Maple with a light stain has replaced darker oak.

Certain spartan types dash in and out of the shower as though the shark from the movie "Jaws" was at the other side of the drain. Sybarites among us look longingly at stall showers with multiple jets providing a refreshing massage, and a heated foot-bath where we can sit and relax as we soothe our weary feet.

You needn't have a huge bathroom to enjoy luxurious surroundings. Often, a bathroom in an older home has a design flaw that can be corrected to make more space.

But even if you can't squeeze in a waterfall or a whirlpool built for two, you can use rich materials to create a serene oasis that will give you joy.

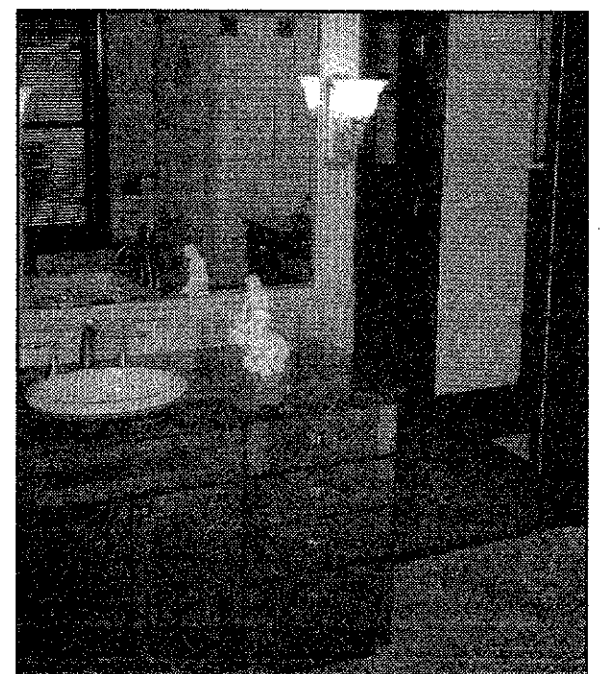
"Materials that were once high end are now available at reasonable prices," says Gretchen Trudeau, bath designer at Expo Design Center in Troy. "There's a huge selection of tiles and stone. You can use glass or decorative tiles, often hand-painted, to run a row around the bathroom, or create a panel design near the tub or shower."

Trudeau said you can even use it for wainscoting. "There are beautiful options for countertops: tile, stone, marble, granite, or Corian," Trudeau said. "They're more affordable for the bathroom than the kitchen, because the area is smaller."

"Cabinet details, such as fluted ends, beadwork or rich stains, that were once available only on custom work, are now available at retail."

"Sinks have gone beyond purely utilitarian. They used to be so generic, but now you can find them in Victorian (a fluted base on the sink; carved sculpted design, more ornate than other designs); Colonial (crisp, clean, square lines with nice molding detail), or Contemporary (vessel sinks on top of counter can be in spun glass, natural stone, ceramic) - as simple or as fancy as you want to be."

Trudeau and Stevens agree that clients are getting away from pedestal sinks in favor of



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Expanded: A large mirror was installed in this bathroom to make the room look even larger. The master bathroom now is nearly four times the size of the old bathroom.

vanities, which offer more storage for personal items such as hair dryers. Fifty percent of the vanities Stevens installs are cultured marble. The remaining are mainly of stone.

You needn't use a small-patterned wallpaper in a small bathroom. If you fall for a paper with tropical flowers in gaudy colors, use it. Oversize can actually add a feeling of space. Mirrors will open up a room, too. Look for mirrors at garage sales and flea markets, and cover a wall with a variety of shapes and sizes. The effect isn't as stark as a single mirrored panel, and it's more visually intriguing. Running floor tile on a diagonal pattern will also make a room look larger.

Linda Hudson specializes in cabinetry design, working with Cabinets Plus in West Bloomfield.

"The advantage of custom design is that there's nothing you can't do or have," says the Farmington Hills-based interior designer. "If you want columns on the ends of cabinets, or if you want drawers of a particular height, or built-ins for towels, no problem. Sometimes a couple will want different level coun-

ters, to accommodate their respective heights.

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In a two-career family, the traffic pattern in the bathroom is as important as that in the kitchen. There's a lot going on when both are getting ready at the same time, and careful planning will keep them from bumping into one another.

"If a room isn't well-organized, it's not a successful room," says Hudson. "It's important for a designer to know what's going into the end product. I look at the end result and backtrack."

"There's an enormous selection of tiles and stones - much more than there were only five years ago. You can be spectacular without going over budget. Choosing the right product is the key."

Don't ignore personal touches. Buy a glass roundel at an art fair, and hang it in the bathroom window. It will lend a stained-glass effect, even on a cloudy day. Search out an antique soap dish, or a unique drinking glass. Put a flea market birdhouse on top of the medicine cabinet.

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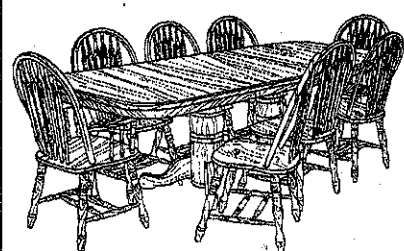
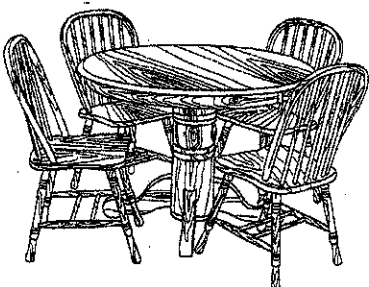
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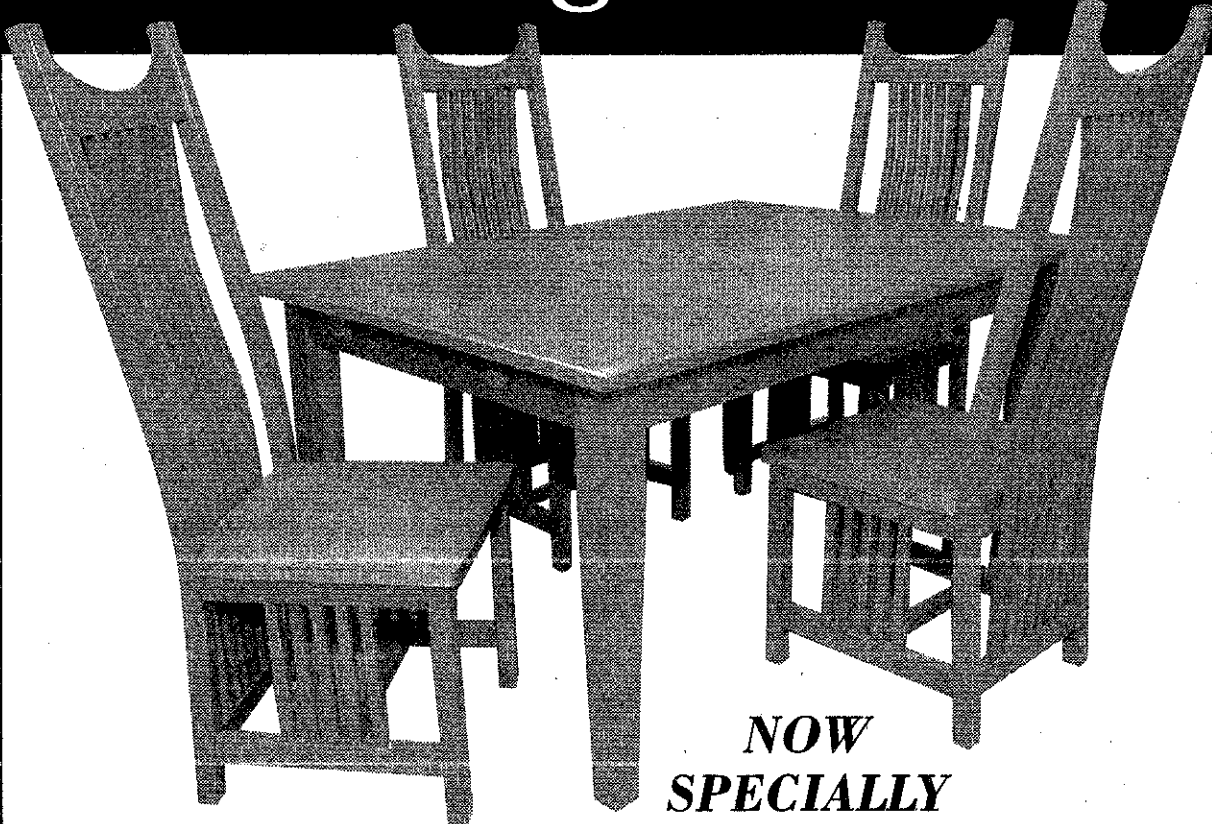
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## Lighting textures soften to match any room's style

Lighting for the home is becoming fashionable again.

"The industry has evolved," says Edward Berne of Michigan Chandelier Co., which has showrooms in Rochester, Troy and Novi. "There was a time 10 to 12 years ago when lighting was in a rut. In the last few years - really five to eight - it has turned almost into more of an apparel-type market ... where on a year-to-year basis there can be some hot spots. There are a lot of new looks every year."

Nancy Kish of Michigan Chandelier said lighting manufacturers are working more closely with furniture manufacturers to keep up with current trends. She said in the past customers would be disappointed when they came in looking lamps to complement their new furniture.

"There are so many things out there," she said. "Lighting is such an individual thing. People don't go with trends but with their personality. Designers tell them no to be afraid to be different."

Today's looks follow four major developments as stated by experts of the American Lighting Association.

**Softer metals.** The new century has brought with it a diverse selection of softer metallic finishes. Brushed nickel, stainless steel, pewter, even brushed copper, have done their best to dethrone brass as the top finish choice. The softer tones of these gray metals makes it easier for a lamp to blend with a multi-toned interior, according to Dan Blitzer, the American Lighting Association's technical lighting consultant.

**Painted finishes.** The availability of multi-toned colored finishes offers consumers lamps with more depth and texture - a trend that has come about from the joining of style and technology. Manufacturers now have the ability to apply elegantly layers of color to create the finish. The resulting look fits well with traditional styles and allows the fixtures to blend with many colors in the room.

**More authenticity.** Developing hand-in-hand with painted finishes, are weathered finishes and patinas, which offer a unique, timeless look.

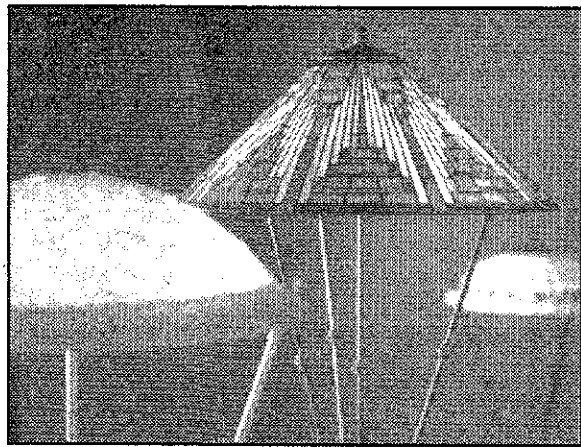
"This is the next antique brass," says Berne. "It's a soft, traditional look."

**Better detail.** "Today's fixtures are more refined," says Blitzer. "There's more attention to detail."

Nearly every aspect of the lamp, from the base to the pull chain, has earned more decorative detail, giving the lamps greater sophistication.

The EXPO Design Center, a division of Home Depot, offers these suggestions on lighting for different rooms:

■ **Home office:** Task light - desk lamps and under-cabinet lights - are commonly used in the home offices, in conjunction with an overhead



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**Shine on:** A hanging pendant by Dale Tiffany shines beautifully with its 20-inch geometrically inverted design.

light. However, wall sconces or recessed lighting can be better options to consider for this room, which is typically tight on space. They offer softer, indirect light, which won't overwhelm the room and they also recover valuable space otherwise surrendered to lamps.

■ **Bedroom:** The bedroom is usually equipped with a central fixture hung from the ceiling to provide comfortable room-wide illumination. There is an abundance of choices when it comes to finding the right pendant light fixture to serve this function in the bedroom. For reading in the bedroom, task lighting will be in order.

■ **Bathroom:** One of the most functional rooms in the house, the bathroom typically features lighting placed over a mirror. However, when it comes to the bathrooms that are both practical and posh, the lighting design scheme is much more sophisticated than this.

Today's bathroom lighting is likely to include ceiling-mounted track lights for overall lighting, halogen spotlights hidden behind valances over mirrors for more flattering task lighting and wall sconces over tubs to add a decorative, soothing glow to this area. Another important feature is bathroom lighting is the installation of separate dimmer switches for each lighting source to ensure lighting can be adjusted to the desired level.

When it comes to decorating a home, lighting certainly can't be left out. A well-chosen lamp may make all the difference. And finding the right one shouldn't be too difficult.

"Lighting has changed dramatically," says Berne. "And, of course it does a dramatic thing for your house. It is how it's done that can make a world of difference."

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## Paint and wallpaper can accent, beautify with colors

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

While most house guests don't see your bedrooms and bathrooms, the most important people — family members and close friends — can be treated to some extraordinary decorating styles in these rooms that we go to for comfort and relaxation.

Choosing the right wallpaper and paint are the biggest jobs for most homeowners.

Others take a few steps away from the norm. There are no lim-

its for the truly imaginative decorators, like customers of Joe and Jennifer Rutherford, owners of Upon a Wall in Plymouth.

They've been creating hand painted wall murals of landscapes, jungle scenes and a wide variety of other wall drawings for three years. Most of their work is in children's rooms and is done in a realistic or whimsical style.

Underwater murals and forest scenes with animals, birds and trees that reach from the wall into the ceiling are the most

common choices.

"In a child's room we try to put something over the crib," he said. "We take into account where the furniture is."

A lot can be done with the shape of the room and by using corners, like painting a tree that includes two walls and incorporates overhead drawings.

Family pets and other personal additions, that have special meaning to the family, are often added to the mural, too, Joe Rutherford said.

"It's an original piece of art that's created on your wall," he added.

The couple recently designed a three dimensional, whimsical village for a child's room that included a painted stone frame around an actual clock. The family also wanted an 8-foot-tall bronze giraffe incorporated into the room.

The Rutherfords decided to add a small zoo to the village. They added painted and silk leaves on the ceiling and wall around the giraffe and stuck some foliage in his mouth to make it look like he was eating.

"It's always neat to see the way the kids react when they come in and see the room for the first time," Joe Rutherford said.

■ "A lot more people are starting to get back into wallpapering."

Lydia Bruski,

assistant manager at Sherwin-Williams

"You know that someone won't walk into the room and say, 'I have that wallpaper at my home.'"

An Ann Arbor family recently had the couple paint a meadow scene in a powder room. Fish and other underwater aquatics are most often requested for bathrooms, Joe Rutherford explained.

The cost for the wall murals ranges from \$300 to \$6,000, but are priced between \$1,200 to \$1,800.

For more information about Upon a Wall call the Rutherfords at (734) 354-9350, or visit their Web site at [www.uponawall.com](http://www.uponawall.com).

For other decorating techniques, Lydia Bruski, assistant manager at Sherwin-Williams in Plymouth, said the hardest task is choosing the paint color.

"We recommend pulling a color out of a comforter or a towel color you like," Bruski said, adding that the most common mistake is choosing a hue that ends up too dark or too light

once it's on the wall.

"We recommend looking at color strips in all kinds of light," she said, adding that she recommends people view the sample in the room in which it will be used.

Another important step, Bruski said, is to prepare wall surfaces, making sure they're clean, dry and dull. Sand the wall lightly if the application is on a shiny area.

"Another problem is cutting in around edges," Bruski said. "There are edging pads that roll around edges for a clean, smooth finish."

Some of the most popular wallpaper books for children's rooms are "Can you Imagine" and "For Boys Only." Clouds on ceilings are a popular choice for children's rooms, too, she added.

"There's also a border that goes around the top of the room and looks like a tree is hanging down with vines that look like they're coming from the trees," Bruski said.

One woman, she said, cut the vine out of the wallpaper and hung it around the window creating a dramatic affect.

"A lot more people are starting to get back into wallpapering," Bruski added.

Hearts, stars and flowers rule in girls' rooms.

"Fairy designs are actually very popular and there's a lot of whimsical designs," Bruski said.

Using different paint techniques, like applying color glazes over a solid color; sponging; ragging and brushing are used a lot more today than ever before, too. There are wallpapers that replicate these styles for those who aren't confident enough to do it themselves. If you're just starting out, keep in mind, Bruski said, that the low traffic counts in bathrooms make them the best place to practice, Bruski said.

Seascapes, lighthouses and beaches remain popular motifs in bathrooms.

Bruski tells customers that mildew-resistant and highly washable paint is best for these rooms. Floral wallpapers and sponge or faux paint designs are popular in adult bedrooms, she said.

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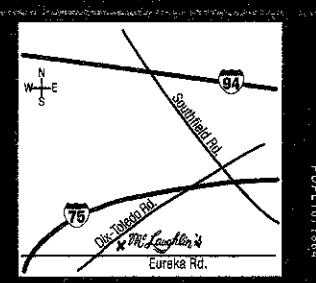
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BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

The selections offered for bathroom flooring today have changed from those of 40 to 50 years ago.

In the 1950s, "Your options were one size tile that came in 50 colors," said Christina Darin of EXPO Design Center in Troy.

And what options are available today? "Many," Darin replies.

"People are going with man-made products, porcelains and ceramic tile, because of their easy care."

"The main consideration is color ... It always boils down to color and texture," said salesperson Judith Conlon of Dalley Carpet, with stores in Canton and Livonia.

Ceramic tile, natural stone, Formica laminate, vinyl and cork are popular choices for flooring in the bathroom.

"Some people even use carpet," Conlon said. The carpet features mildew-resistant backing, she

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salesperson at Dalley Carpet*

said. Man-made products are glazed and sealed, so they can be cleaned with a damp mop. The grout line should be sealed, as otherwise moisture will get into it over time, Darin said.

Natural stone requires more gentle cleaning products than ceramic tile, Darin said. The entire stone should be sealed.

The size of the tile is still an option, and the choice can make the difference in how a room feels.

"Using large tiles ... in smaller spaces gives the illusion that the space is larger," Darin said.

Grout comes in different color choices, sanded and non-sanded. Choosing a grout color that closely matches that of the tile

makes a more uniform look: selecting a shade or tint slightly different from the tile color will add more depth and interest.

Selecting a grout that is a contrast to the tile will create a grid effect, emphasizing each tile, with the grout acting as a frame.

A dark shade in an area of heavy use tends to show less dirt.

Cork flooring doesn't dent. Some Formica laminate has the look of wood or stone.

When deciding the type of flooring, consider how much maintenance is required and how durable the material is, sales representatives advised.

People with busy lifestyles might want a material that needs less care, for example,

## Color from page J6

Sizing the wall is always important if you're applying wallpaper, according to Marilyn Waldorf, manager of Border and Wallpaper Outlet in Canton. It's also one of those steps that a lot of home decorators like to skip.

The mixture is applied on the wall with a brush and looks like a thick paint.

It dries overnight and acts as a barrier between the wallpaper and the wall, which lessens the chances of damage to the surface.

"It's also easier to put up the wallpaper, because it adheres better," she added.

Don't assume you know how to hang the wallpaper even if you've done it before, Waldorf said.

"Follow directions for the paper you're using," she said. "Every paper is different."

One way to be creative, she

added, is to use cut-out wallpaper designs called Wallies. They're pre-pasted and easily adhere to walls and other surfaces, like furniture and doors, for a varied decorating style.

"They'll stick to any surface without sizing," Waldorf said. "They're used in a lot of crafts, too."

Borders, or thin strips of wallpaper, can be hung anywhere from the ceiling line to the child's eye level and everywhere between.

"Bordering is really popular," Waldorf said. "They're very simple and easy to change. They're especially good in kids' rooms, because as the child grows and their tastes change, it's simple to put up and take down at your whim."

Tom Sterling, assistant marketing manager of Sherwin-Williams in Bloomfield Hills,

tells his customers to use latex paint in bedrooms and bathrooms, because it's easy to clean.

He recommends using a satin finish, which is between flat and semi-gloss, in bedrooms. Semi-gloss is good for bathrooms, he added.

And if you're painting over a dark color use a primer first. For textured walls use a thick napped paint roller and for smooth walls use a short nap roller.

He stressed the importance of washing the wall and freeing the surface from dirt and oils - even if they're not visible.

"Take your time, do it right and you want to use the best product that you can," Sterling said. "A good quality product is going to be more forgiving in showing brush strokes and it will last longer."

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# Fabulous FURNITURE 2001

## Dress your windows up nicely

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

More and more homeowners are using their windows to display their artistic flare. Rather than following a particular style, they're trying to create their own.

"When I started, all you saw were the beige traversing draperies, and now it seems that anything goes," said Shelley Raymond, creative director of Baker Street Draperies in downtown Farmington. She has worked with window treatments for 24 years.

"We've all become much more independent, and we don't have to go with a norm style anymore," she said.

Homeowners should also keep in mind how the window treatment will affect their lifestyles, said Monica Hardin, vice presi-

dent of marketing and advertising at American Blind and Wallpaper Factory in Plymouth and Sterling Heights.

### What do you want?

In bedrooms, for instance, people want to think about how much darkening effect they want to create, Hardin said.

"If someone works nights and sleeps during the days, (that person) probably wants to get a liner on the blinds."

Homeowners who have drafty rooms want to consider blinds or other treatments that will cover the windows and act as insulation from cold winters.

"The honeycomb cellular shades are good insulators and really block a lot of the wind."

More homeowners than ever before are choosing wood blinds. One caution that Hardin rais-

es, however, is that wood blinds might warp in bathrooms because of the high humidity.

"In those cases, they should use the durawoods that look like wood, but aren't."

Blinds are also available in a rainbow of colors "not like the olden days when they only came in yucky colors."

Hardin also thinks it's a good idea to stay away from frilly window treatments in bathrooms because the high humidity causes the dust to cling to the fabric more. She often tells undecided customers that they might want to consider a simple topper over a blind that's easy to clean, provides privacy and still looks pretty.

Mini blinds with a sheer material over them, called Silhouettes, have also become popular, she said, as an elegant way to

dress windows. They're most often used in master bedrooms, living rooms and dining rooms.

### Sheer to elaborate

The choices in window treatments are endless when considering the variety of top treatments and side panels that are available. They range from sheers and other simple, tailored, stream-lined looks to super elaborate coverings that feature heavy weight velvets, trims, fringes and tassels.

Roman shades offer something between the two extremes. The shade lies flat over the window, and, when it folds up, it gets an accordion shape and becomes the valance at the top of the window.

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rods, rings, pulls and styled finials. These come in a variety of materials from crystal to iron that oftentimes become art work in themselves.

Windows are dressed with naked and upholstered cornice boards and swags in a number of unusual styles, too, Raymond said.

"People are also recognizing that their windows are such an important architectural focal point, and they're seeing them as an opportunity to add softness and color into rooms," Raymond said. "I think people are willing to spend more on window treatments now than they were in the past." Customers many times use their window treatments to make the biggest decorating statement in a room and they use their furniture as coordinating pieces, she added.

"We're doing a lot with textured, solid and plaid silks," Raymond said. "It seems to be that silks are taking the place of prints, because the contemporary fabrics are limited and dated. Silk is a rich fabric that works well."

Sheers aren't what they used to be, either. Today, they come in any style from intricately woven patterns to others with large open spaces that let the light shine through.

Mike Bieth, owner of Eclipse Window Tinting in Redford, has tinted windows for two decades and more recently his business has added more and more homeowners who want to keep out the damaging effects of sun rays.

The tint he applies to windows filters out the ultra-violet rays that fade woodwork, furniture, flooring and draperies.

"The window films are virtually invisible," Bieth said. "The biggest myth with window films, is that they assume it has to be dark, like a limousine."

However, the dark window films usually aren't the first choice among homeowners. In a home the mirrored film is effective during the day, but at night, people look inside better than the people inside can see out if there's a light on.

"And a lot of people don't put them in their homes, because it gives it a commercial look," Bieth said.

Bieth believes more homeowners want them because homes now have a larger number of windows.

"Our films can keep out between 40-80 percent of the solar heat."

The most common film that

his employees apply blocks out 50 percent of the heat and glare.

"Most of our customers are looking for the least detectable filter and the most protection," Bieth said, adding that window filters have been popular for years in southern states and has only recently moved northward.

Specialty films with different patterns have become popular, too. The frosted and mini-blind films are most used on bathroom windows and door side lights, Bieth said.

Customers, however, have come up with far reaching ideas for the tint film. Some want the mirrored look on the back of fish tanks to hide electrical cords and to block the sun's rays from getting into the tank and causing algae. Others want them on stereo cabinet doors.



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No matter what the theme, or which furniture you select, it is the way you accessorize your room that will put your personal stamp on it.

Starting with the bed, which is traditionally the focal point of the room, you can choose a very tailored bed skirt, a fitted coverlet and tailored pillow shams or store your pillows and use a



Pat Roubie

large bolster as your only appointment. On the other extreme you could select a gathered bed skirt in a sheer metallic fabric, contrast it with a sumptuous, thick velvet comforter trimmed with bouillon fringe, top with a variety of pillows in lots of shapes and sizes and fabrics to give the bed an air of opulence fit for royalty.

### Lighting

Lighting plays a very important role in decorating a bedroom. Lighting creates the drama.

A small lamp on top of a tall piece is a surprise, and when teamed up with a stack of books and a fern, can create a grouping with lots of interest. Obvious spots for lamps in a bedroom would be a dresser, (though a pair of buffet lamps is a different take on that) and on a night table next to the bed. Not so obvious spots would be to place "up" lighting on the floor in a corner, behind a plant or behind the headboard, or even under the bed. Another small lamp, on the

vanity, softens the sometimes harsh bathroom lighting and can double for a night light.

### Rugs

Area rugs in the bedroom not only are kind on your toes on cold winter mornings, they define and separate different areas in the bedroom, such as a sitting area. Area rugs also create textural interest in a room, and soften the look, or add a punch of color.

### Art

Artwork can be collected over time or purchased to complete the theme of the room. Artwork can be playful, romantic, or abstract. You may choose your bedroom to display your collection of family pictures. Whatever you choose it should give you pleasure!

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It is said we spend one-third of our lives in bed. A good night's sleep is part of a healthy lifestyle. So it's important to be conscious of the available choices in mattresses, as well as in the linens and other pieces that cover them.

"Comfort and support, that's the main thing," said Dan Putz, sales associate at McLaughlin's Furniture, with stores in Novi and Southgate.

"You definitely have to come in and lay down and see how well it supports you."

Be sure to stretch out on the mattress, and see that it supports you evenly all along your spine, he said.

If you wake up fatigued, and aren't getting proper rest, it could be a sign that your mattress is old and needs to be replaced, Putz said.

Mattress size matters. Research shows that a healthy sleeper turns between 40 and 60 times a night, according to the American Innerspring Manufacturers, a non-profit group that provides free information on restful sleep and sleep surfaces.

Standard-mattress sizes are twin, 39 by 75 inches; double, 54 by 75 inches; queen, 60 by 80 inches; and king, 76 by 80 inches.

Mattress construction consists of the:

- **Foundation, or box spring** - The box spring supports the mattress. The whatsthebest-mattress Web site recommends that the mattress and box spring be bought as a set. A mattress on an old box spring will last 1/3 as long as one on a new box spring, the Web site said.

- **Mattress core** - This supports the sleeper. It is made up of coils. It is important to know the **number** of coils in a mattress, the **gauge** of the coils (number of coils to make an inch) and the **connections** between the coils.

A mattress can have from 300 to 700 coils. The number of coils should correspond to how much support the mattress gives. In general, more coils means more



**'Bed perfect':** This bed presents a glamorous look in a soothing neutral palette.

support.

The heavier the gauge, the more support the mattress will give. A mattress with a low coil count and heavy gauge wire will become lumpy quickly because it doesn't have enough coils, according to the Web site.

Interconnecting wires keep the coils in their proper place in the mattress. A mattress with too few interconnecting wires can lose its shape more quickly than one with an adequate amount.

- **Upholstery on top of the mattress** - The choice of upholstery should be made by what feels the best when you try the mattress.

If you want to feel as though you are sleeping on a feather bed, select a "pillow top." If you prefer to feel as though you are sleeping on a board, look for thin upholstery.

What you put on top of the upholstery can make a difference.

Cristions Fine Linen & Down, with locations in Michigan Design Center in Troy and in downtown Birmingham, presents "bed perfect" seminars for the public that show suggestions for the well-made - and maybe best dressed - bed.

"Just keep it simple," said Kathy Thornton, Cristions' owner. "People don't have a lot of time to make the bed."

A comforter cover (or duvet cover), sham and coverlet (or bedspread) are among components of the well-made bed. You can give the bed a rounded look by using such elements as a down comforter and an assortment of pillows.

"You can really use your existing pillows and add a couple pieces here and there," Thornton said.

A bed at Cristions' MDC showroom featured a variety of pillows standing against the headboard.

The pillows included Euro shams. A sham is a decorative cover for a pillow; it isn't designed to be slept on. A Euro sham contains the European style, 26-by-26-inch pillow.

"These are functional pillows," Thornton said. "You can lean against them. They give you that support."

Matelasse and piques are ideal coverlet fabrics, according to Cristions. A matelasse has a raised surface with a "quilted" look. A pique is flatter and less puffy in appearance.

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## Designers bring styles together

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
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Ever ask close relatives what they think of furniture pieces you may purchase? Did you try to describe the piece or the room to them?

Sometimes it is difficult to describe what look you are trying to achieve with a room and how to best mix or match designs and styles to make it all fit in various transitions.

"There needs to be something that ties the different rooms together," said Pat Roubie, district trainer for Ethan Allen. Ethan Allen has stores in Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Livonia and Novi. "Colors are probably the easiest way to do this."

Just a splash of red can be used in one room, then that color can play a larger role in the next room, Roubie said. "For example, the homeowner could display red throw pillows, red flowers and there could be red in a painting. Then in the next room, the sofa could be red or it could be present in an area rug."

A kitchen painted red is a "beautiful look," Roubie said.

But homeowners need to be careful when approaching design themes. "When you are transitioning from the living room to the dining room, you want to try to stay within the same style," Roubie said. "It's a very delicate balance and you really need help from a designer."

"It's a mistake they make sometimes, when they try to do it on their own. It can work or it can be a disaster."

Joe McCambridge, manager of product design for Baker Furniture in Birmingham and Milling Road, a division of casual furniture for Baker, said combining Italian, French and English styles is easier than combining American furniture.

"They all derived from each other," McCambridge said. "The Italian borrowed from the French and so did the English with some slight changes, but they all work well together."

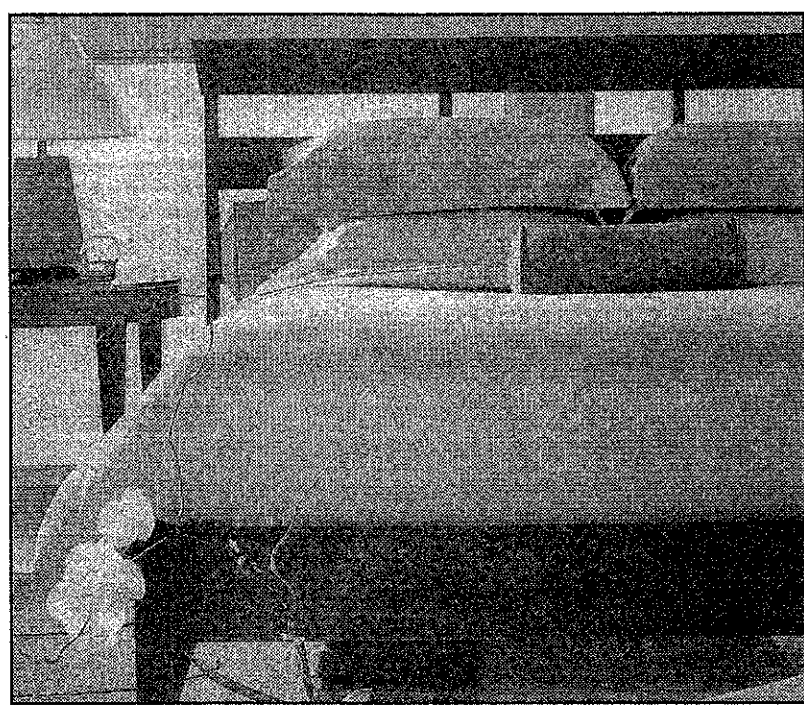


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**Sweet dreams:** This queen size bed is dressed up nicely with sheets, duvet and pillowcases from the Minerals Collection.

American style is different because of the use of mahogany and the scale is a little bit more robust." American furniture tends to have more red in it, too, he adds.

A design consultant can help a customer avoid "making costly mistakes" in choosing the wrong styles or colors. "A design consultant can help them make the most of their space," said Roubie. "Sometimes they want to update their look. Consultants can help them decide on a sofa or accessories."

"People sometimes aren't aware of how furnishings can suit their lifestyles." A family may need something more durable with small children or a piece that won't show wear and tear easily.

Neutral colors usually are the best to obtain easy transitions from room to room and can be long-lasting "to get your money's worth," McCambridge said.

Sofas and leather furniture colored in neutrals also help create a casual environment that's easy to build on. "Rugs also can

change an environment or mood. It's a nice way to change the environment and not take it to the curb," McCambridge said.

"Most people want the deep brown tones in furniture. You're seeing less red and less black. There's an ease of mixability. Most people like to blend instead of taking it all out and replacing it. You can switch out a chair without disturbing the whole house."

Designers also can give an independent opinion, said Roubie. Family members may not give an honest answer because they don't want to offend, or they give an easy answer. "Designers can help accessorize what pieces go together. They are good at coordinating fabrics. You want to mix patterns and texture and you want them to coordinate nicely."

Designers can help you plan budgets and spend accordingly, in one year to the next.

Above all, they give you a coherent game plan. "If you fail to plan, you plan to fail," Roubie said.



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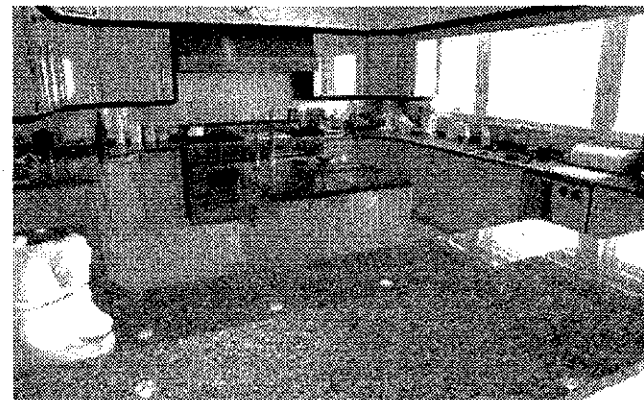
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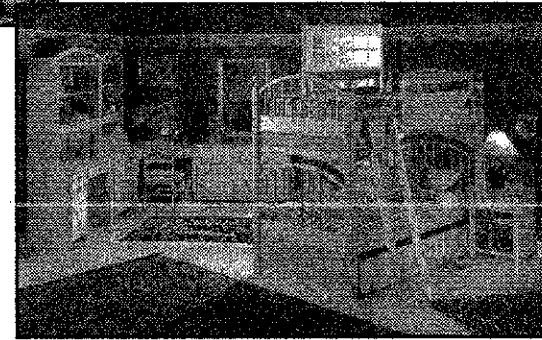
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## Armoires add elegance to bedrooms and bathrooms

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Armoires. They can be used anywhere and everywhere.

Most homeowners use them in the living room or great room as an entertainment center. They provide a wonderful focal point and create much needed architecture in those large rooms.

But you can use armoires in the bedroom, or even the bathroom, for clothing storage or towels.

Armoires have grown in popularity for the past 30 years, and customers usually buy them for several reasons, including to create a visual centerpiece.

"It really can set the tone for the room because it's usually the largest piece in the room," said Pat Roubie, district trainer for Ethan Allen in Novi. Ethan Allen has stores in Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Livonia and Novi.

"In the bedroom, it also can be used for storage of clothing," Roubie said. "They include garment rods, which are removable. They have open cubby holes for open storage of clothing or the rod can be removed to create stacking storage for linens and towels."

"Most of the armoires are equipped to have a television in them," said Kevin Konat, owner of Classic Interiors in Livonia.

Removable backs in the armoire make it easy to set up a television set inside. Videos and CDs also can be stored in it. Remotes can be stored in an armoire drawer.

Joe McCambridge, manager of product design for Baker Furniture of Birmingham and Milling Road, a division of casual furniture for Baker, said these units are used less for clothing storage, but more as a piece to store

**"If they don't have room for a home office, a lot of couples are getting armoires for their computer."**

Kevin Konat  
-owner of Classic Interiors

a television set, and generally smaller in size than armoires for the living room or great room.

"You can have electronics fit into the upper deck (of armoires)," McCambridge said. "Most people want something that is adaptable for TVs and VCRs. They also prefer the pocket doors to keep the doors out of the way."

Armoires developed in France in the 18th century when the king taxed residents for closet and bathroom space, and homeowners sought ways to create storage without the closet space, McCambridge said. Linen presses, originally from Charleston, S.C., are similar pieces, but more English in style, McCambridge said. People like the traditional look of those pieces, McCambridge said.

Roubie often sees homeowners using armoires in casual-contemporary styles, country of classic elegance in a French Provence look. Homeowners also go with the traditional, 18th Century or neoclassical look.

"It can be used as a collective piece, to add to a room or to complete it to give more of that collective look," Roubie said.

Maple is used often. "It's very adaptable," Roubie said. "It is used for a clean look or it can be made to look antique or distressed." For a formal look, cherry and mahogany is used.

"Cherry and maple are the most versatile," said McCam-

bridge. "They also are the most neutral." Mahogany also is popular, McCambridge said.

Konat said customers often go with something completely different from their bedroom set. "They really use it as an accent piece to the room," Konat said.

"Computer armoires also are placed in the bedroom for adults to use the computer," said Konat. "If they don't have room for a home office, a lot of couples are getting armoires for their computer."

"They have all kinds of pull-outs for printers, keyboard and units. They are nicely self-contained."

In the bathroom, the armoire can store towels, especially if the homeowner wants a country look. "You can leave the armoire open with a basket of soaps inside to give it a more relaxed look," Roubie said.

White-washed tones and cream colors can create a comfortable "seaside" look, Roubie

said.

McCambridge said an *etagere*, which is a seven-shelf open unit, is similar, but smaller, than the traditional armoire that can be used in the bathroom. He described one recently created for a customer. "It has a stylized door with overhanging cornices, and it looks almost like a clock case," McCambridge said. "An armoire is a tough piece to put into the bathrooms since many of them are so small, even though bathrooms are larger in the new homes."

"You can get the vertical drama without spending as much money."

Homeowners should figure out whether the armoire needs to be disassembled to transport through a tight foyer or on stairways.

While they may be big pieces, armoires certainly attract a person's eye. "It's hard to get architectural drama in a new home," McCambridge said. "It's nice to have that vertical look and drama with overhanging cornices."

"A lot of people are drawn to that look - the overhanging cornices, the fluting and curved scroll."

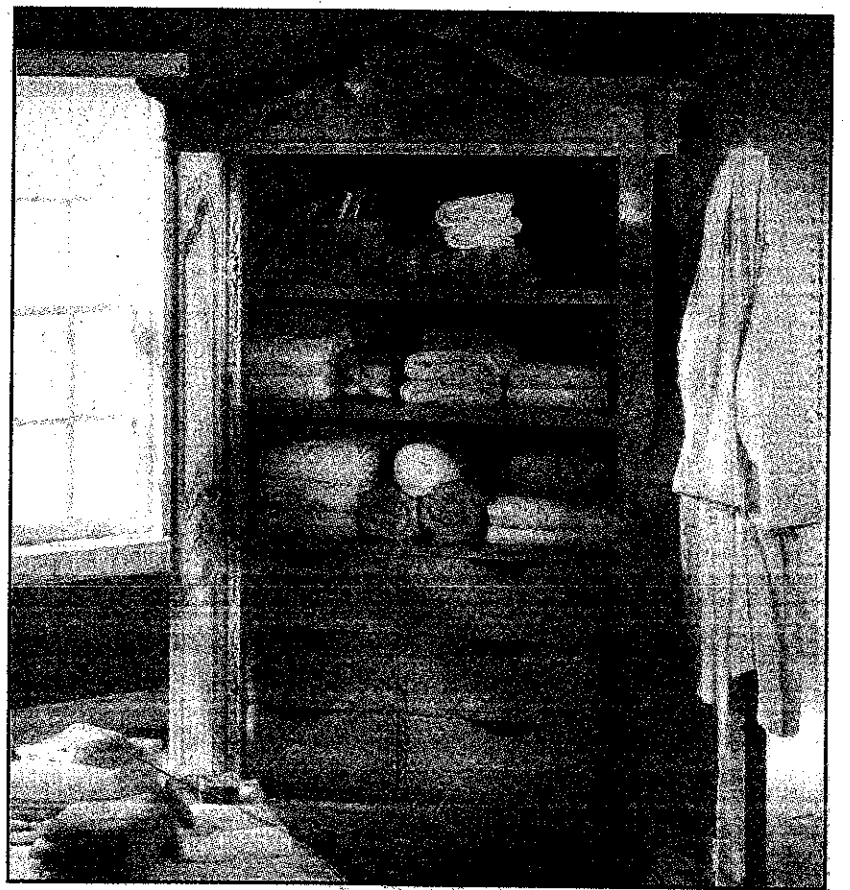


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