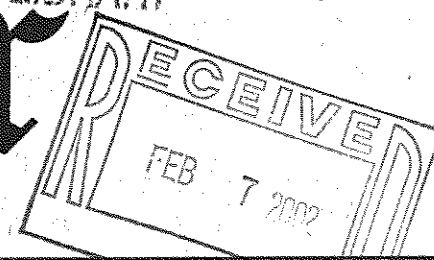


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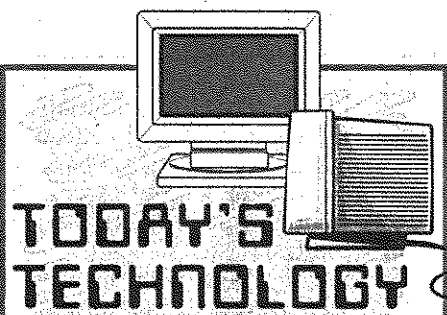
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TODAY'S TECHNOLOGY

Can't go a day without your PDA? Does it seem like a cell phone is surgically attached to your ear? Do you have TiVo? The Canton Observer is looking for tech-savvy residents to document how the microchip revolution has changed their ways. We'd like a volunteer to keep a week-long diary of high-tech habits for a story on the local impact of the Internet and other technology on daily life. If you're interested in participating, e-mail Tedd Schneider, Canton Observer community editor, at:

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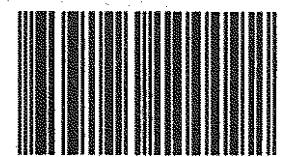
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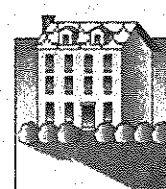


STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

High-steppin': The Canton Chiefettes perform at a recent Chiefs boys basketball game. The chiefs travel to Farmington Harrison Friday to take on the Hawks in a 7 p.m. game.

Fellows Creek condos get an OK

■ Canton residents will soon be able to live alongside the township-owned Fellows Creek golf course. The development will be similar to some of the attached condominiums adjacent to Pheasant Run.



BY JACK GLADDEN
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It was a long time coming, but Canton's Planning Commission on Monday recommended approval of site plans for a condominium community west of Lotz and south of Palmer near Fellows Creek Golf Course.

The Links of Fellows Creek will be developed as a Planned Development District on a 40-acre site abutting the course. The 264-unit project

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Teachers not satisfied with apology

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Two Plymouth-Canton Community Schools teachers believe a letter of apology sent to them by Superintendent Kathleen Booher was less than sincere.

Booher sent a letter to West Middle School teacher Mike Chiumento and Salem High School educator Tom Salbenblatt, apologizing because the pair was forced to tear down gay history

month displays at their respective schools more than two years ago.

An arbitrator ruled in December their First Amendment rights were violated when former interim superintendent Ken Walcott forced the teachers to take down gay displays in October 1999. Part of the ruling called for the district to issue written apologies to

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Chiumento and Salbenblatt, which the district believes was accomplished with a five-paragraph letter written Jan. 24 and signed by Booher.

"I wish to apologize on behalf of the district for its violation of the collective bargaining agreement as determined by Arbitrator (Paul) Glendon ... As you know, the decision to order the bulletin

boards down was made by a former administrator and in a context where perhaps not all available information was presented to the principle actors. The District values your perspectives on curriculum and welcomes context-appropriate information from you which comports with the District's policies," said Booher's statement, in part.

"To address some of the confusion that led to the grievance, the District

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Globe trotters

Bentley families travel world in first-ever festival

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER
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A beaming smile lighted up Elizabeth Eastman's face Friday evening as she took her brightly colored origami to the front desk in order to have her passport stamped.

"I love origami. I've tried to do it before but this is the first time it really came out like I wanted," the proud Bentley second-grader told a visitor. For that reason alone, Elizabeth probably considered the first-ever Festival of Cultures at Canton's Bentley Elementary School a success.

Hundreds of students and their families apparently thought likewise. They

■ Bentley's student population is so varied that parents have formed a Blended Diversity Committee.

spent nearly three hours wandering Bentley's hallways, classrooms and cafeteria, sampling traditions and tasting food from a dozen countries.

The 600-student school includes kids who count all either as native lands or emigration points for close relatives. In fact, Bentley's student population is so varied that parents have formed a

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PHOTO BY LISA FEDOR

Taking it in: Jasnena Mavi watches the performers on stage in the Bentley Elementary School cafeteria during Friday's Festival of Culture program.

Water rate increases trickle down to Canton

BY JACK GLADDEN
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Canton residents - like most others in the Detroit Metropolitan area - can expect to see an increase in their water bills in the near future.

The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department is raising the wholesale rates it charges suburban communities

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Round up those bears for Salvation Army

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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"When children are involved in a crisis, there's nothing better than to be able to hug a teddy bear."

Ross Myers, canteen supervisor for the Salvation Army in Plymouth, knows what it's like to see a small child suffering after a house fire, or other tragedy.

"After a fire, almost everything is damaged by either fire, water or smoke, and the kids lose all their toys," said Myers. "They just want something to love."

Myers and his staff carry a supply of teddy bears in the mobile canteens to hand out to children at disaster scenes. However, the Children's Disaster Relief Services teddy bear sup-

ply is dwindling, and Myers is looking for help in replenishing his collection.

The Salvation Army and the Plymouth Community United Way are sponsoring a Teddy Bear Round Up, assembling a number of drop-off points for donations of 10-12-inch teddy bears. Collection boxes are located at:

■ Plymouth Community United Way, 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth.

■ Community Federal Credit Union branches in Plymouth, Canton and Northville.

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The Plymouth Whalers will have collection boxes at their Computware Arena home games Friday and Saturday, as well as at the Feb. 16th game.

Other businesses which are participating by collecting teddy bears from their employees include Johnson Con-

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Canton resident, 78, dies following crash

William Knox Smith, 78, a resident of Holiday Estates Mobile Home Park, died early Wednesday of injuries received in a traffic accident Tuesday morning.

The accident occurred about 10:15 a.m. Tuesday on Geddes Road west of Canton Center. Police said Smith was leaving the mobile home park when his 1992 Taurus was struck broadside by a 1999 Ford Explorer.

He was taken by MedFlight to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti, where he died at 12:05 a.m. Wednesday. He suffered massive chest injuries, according to police reports.

According to Canton Police Sgt. Todd Mutchler, witnesses said as Smith was leaving the park he was attempting to make a left turn to go east on Geddes when he was struck by the Explorer, which was going west.

Witnesses said Smith didn't

even slow down at the stop sign before pulling on to Geddes, Mutchler said.

The driver of the Explorer, a 47-year-old Canton man, received minor injuries but was not taken to the hospital. Mutchler said no charges are expected to be filed since the Explorer driver did not appear to be at fault.

It was the second traffic fatality of the year in Canton.

Eric Ernest Dodsworth, 19, was killed early New Year's Day when the car he was driving was struck by a pickup truck driven by a 24-year-old Westland man. That accident occurred about 3:10 a.m. on Warren Road between Haggerty and Lilley.

Police presented that case to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office this week and were awaiting word on possible charges on Wednesday.

— Jack Gladden

Vandals shoot out windows at Hulsing in third incident

The maintenance manager of Hulsing Elementary School reported to police last week that eight windows on the north side of the building had been shot by what appeared to be BB guns.

He said the first incident happened in May 2001, when he found a window that had been damaged by what appeared to be a BB.

He said more damage was discovered on Monday morning, Jan. 28, and again on Thursday, Jan. 31. He said seven windows had been damaged in that week and they were also shot by paintballs.

Neighbors of the school said they had seen nothing suspicious.

Damage to the windows was estimated at \$3,500.

COP CALLS

Attempted car theft

An employee of Kohls told police that on Friday between 11:20 a.m. and 3:50 p.m. someone entered her car, which was parked and locked in the parking lot, and damaged the ignition in an apparent attempt to steal the car. Damage was estimated at \$600.

Theft from auto

A Canton resident said he had parked his car on the east side of a building in the 42000 block of Carriage Cove Friday and left it unlocked.

Someone entered the car and stole a compressor valued at

\$250 and a cordless drill valued at \$200.

Bad checks

A manager at Baker's Square Restaurant told police this week that between Dec. 13, 2001, and Jan. 1, someone wrote four bad checks at the restaurant. A 26-year-old Detroit woman is a suspect.

The manager said that on Christmas Eve, the suspect came in with a large group of people, had dinner and ordered 10 pies, all of which were paid for with a bad check.

According to police reports, the checks totaled \$344.40.

Cocaine bust

Police were called to a mobile home park on Michigan Avenue

Saturday afternoon on a report of a man sitting in a 1991 Pontiac Sunbird and blocking the roadway to the park.

A police officer checked to see if the man was OK, then asked him several times to step out of the vehicle. When he did the officer noticed a plastic bag on the passenger seat that contained what appeared to be crack cocaine.

The 47-year-old Canton man was arrested and taken to the Canton Police Department, where a field test determined that the substance was cocaine.

He'll be charged with possession of cocaine, operating a motor vehicle under the influence and driving with a suspended license.

— Jack Gladden

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has initiated a review of its policies especially regarding academic freedom and the citizen complaint procedure. We hope to increase the guidance available to persons choosing to post

displays and to administrators who review such displays," the statement continued.

Booher noted that throughout her superintendency, the district has reached out to diverse

groups that comprise Plymouth-Canton schools.

"We have listened to the needs of our employees, staff, and students, and we have moved forward to address those needs that

could be addressed given the educational goals and resources available ... Similarly, our events celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday, developed with the wisdom of an advisory committee of stakeholders, has been designed to help us foster in our students and in ourselves better understanding, tolerance and, even more so, acceptance of the diversity among us."

Salbenblatt said he was disappointed in the scope of the letter.

"The letter didn't deal with the wrong that was done, but instead was a justification of what was done," he said. "This was a good opportunity for Kathleen Booher to let us know she felt differently than Ken Walcott, and that the voice of gay and lesbian students and staff is welcome, instead of something less-than-appropriate for a school setting. She didn't do that."

Chiumiento doesn't feel the letter went far enough.

"The district complied with the direction of the arbitrator, though the arbitrator can't compel them to be sincere," he said. "However, I think there have been some positive changes."

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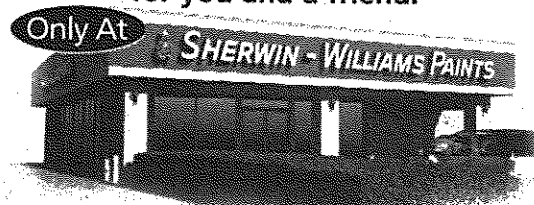
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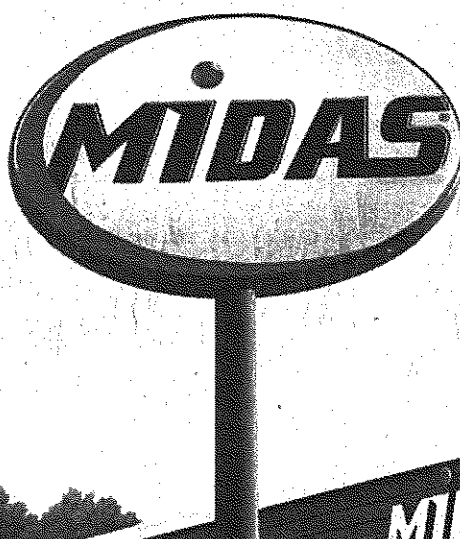
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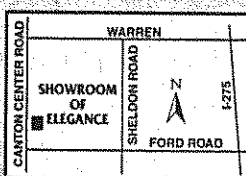
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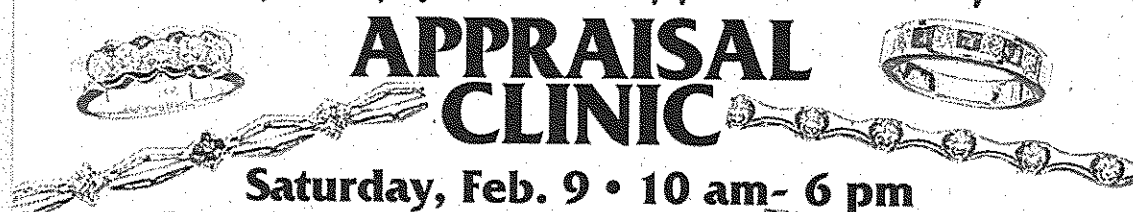
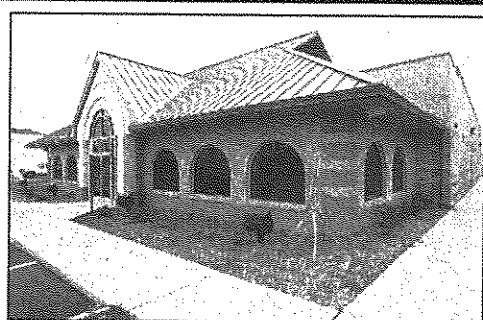
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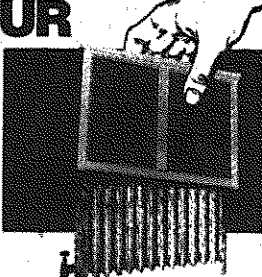
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Fitting finale: Bentley first-graders Sara Krahel, Daniel Marsden, Tracy Moore and Coethy McAdoo perform a "Song for America" as the first part of the Festival of Cultures comes to a close Friday at Bentley Elementary School in Canton.

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Blended Diversity Committee to address curriculum and social issues and work with school staff.

The committee was the driving force behind Friday's program, said Principal Jerry Meier. Committee members Mina Jaura and Deb Neubecker served as co-chairs.

"We did something similar — on a more minor scale during the school day — last year," Meier said. "But we wanted the opportunity to get entire families involved, not just the students."

Jauri said the event was planned partly as a result of the changing face of Canton. "Canton has changed a lot. We're very culturally blended and that shows up both in the community and at school," she said.

"We incorporate it (teaching about different cultures) academically in math, social studies and other subjects. We try to focus on a different culture every month."

Staging ground

The entire school building on Sheldon, south of Cherry Hill, served as a staging ground for the festival, which was split into three main components.

Shortly before 7 p.m., students and their families gathered in the cafeteria for an hour-long presentation featuring music and dancing from around the



Indian dance: Samidha Visai takes the stage during the opening portion of the Festival of Cultures Friday at Bentley Elementary.

world. Bentley students — from kindergarten to fifth grade, dressed in native garb — took the stage performing traditional numbers from India (several states), Spain, Mexico, Ecuador, Canada, Russia, Germany, Korea, Japan, China, Ireland, Italy and the United States.

From there, participants followed maps to various classrooms and the media center for activities on a particular subject (flags, currency or toys and games from around the world) or specific to a particular country (Tae Kwon Do).

Third-grader Alan Teague, in the toys and games room, happily discovered some wooden sumo wrestlers from Japan and musical instruments from Ecuador. "This isn't like the stuff I have at home," he said. "But it does make noise."

The last stop of the night was a return to the cafeteria, to sample food from different cultures.

"We hope that what we do here this evening will give you a true picture of what we do at school," Jauri told participants.

More than two dozen area businesses, including a number of local ethnic restaurants, were sponsors for the festival.



Chinese culture: Bentley student Iori Inoye came dressed in native garb.

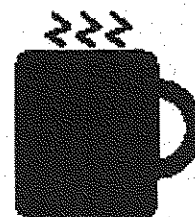
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The public is welcome to attend festivities that include a catered dinner, fun and entertainment. Admission is \$20 for adults, \$2 for children.

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You'll find Let's Go! on Page B4-5

They're going to the big game



Super winner: Canton resident Gary Martin (second from right) with mock tickets to the 2006 Super Bowl at Detroit's Ford Field, presented by Detroit Convention and Visitors Bureau President and CEO Larry Alexander (second from left). Martin won real tickets to Super Bowl XL through a Web contest sponsored by the bureau. "I'm excited to be a spectator at such a spectacular event and I especially look forward to it taking place at Ford Field," Martin said. A 29-year employee at the Ford Livonia Transmission plant, Martin said he will take his wife to the big game. The couple has two daughters, Megan and Kimberly, who attend Plymouth Salem High School.

CANTON CONNECTION

Citizen awards

Nomination forms are available now for Canton Hall of Fame and Community Achiever/Supporter awards at the Canton supervisor's office, Canton Chamber of Commerce or on the township's Web site: www.canton-mi.org.

The awards are given to individuals or groups who made an outstanding achievement or contribution to the community last year.

A reception for those selected will be held from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, April 14, at Summit on the Park.

Forms must be returned to the supervisor's office no later than Friday, March 1. For more information, call Debbie Zevalkink at (734) 394-5185.

Tonda raffle

Tonda Elementary School students are buying raffle tickets during lunch recess this week as part of an effort to assist the widows and children of New York firefighters who lost their lives in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Proceeds from the tickets, at \$1 each, will be donated to the Uniformed Firefighters Association of New York.

As for the kids, six lucky winners (one from each grade) will be accompanied by Canton fire-

fighters for lunch at Rose's Restaurant. They will ride to lunch in style in one of Canton's shiny, red fire engines.

The prize drawing is Monday.

Officials to serve

The Belleville City Council, Van Buren Township Board, Van Buren Public School Board and many of their employees will serve pancakes and help conduct a live auction to raise money for an "Angel of Hope" monument to be built in Belleville's Hillside Cemetery.

The event will be held at Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road in Belleville, from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 2. The auction will start at 9 a.m.

Contributions are also being sought from businesses and individuals in an effort to raise \$50,000 for the monument and to provide a perpetual care fund.

On stage

Canton resident Heather Chisolm is a featured performer in the children's production, *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* Feb. 15-17 at Concordia University in Mequon, Wis.

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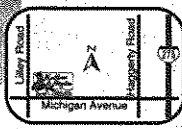
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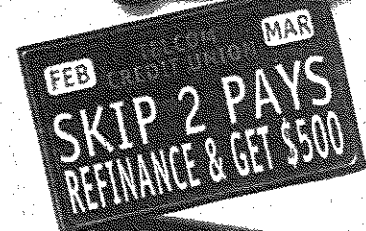
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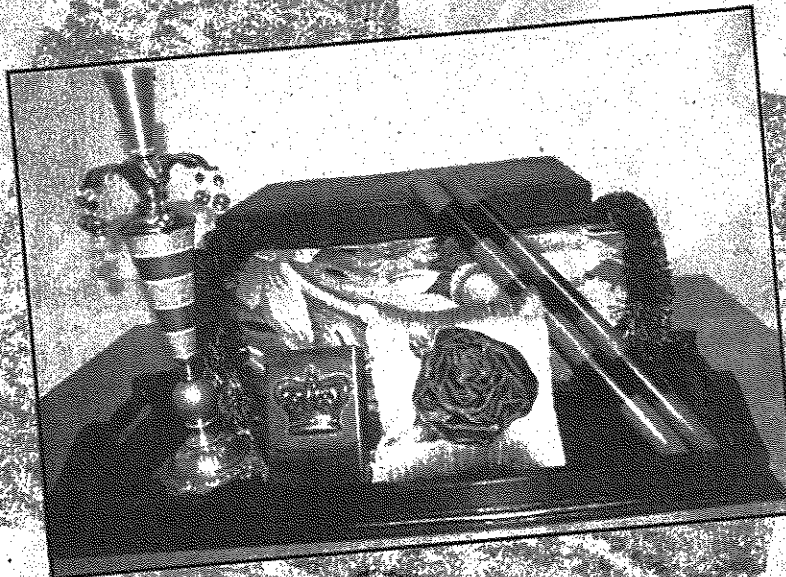
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will include 44 buildings consisting of six units each.

When the commission approved the PDD last year, Doug Smith of Robertson Brothers Co. said at the time that the plan was to develop the Links of Fellows Creek in a somewhat similar fashion to properties near Pheasant Run Golf Course.

"The vision we have had for this site is to take what we did at the Links and Links West and appeal to a buyer that might not be able to afford to buy a house there."

The Lotz/Palmer property has had about a dozen different owners over the years, Smith said. It has been eyed by various developers, but nothing came to fruition until Robertson Brothers came up with their proposal for the Links condominiums.

Because of the proximity of the golf course and wetlands on the property, it took a lot of work by the developer and the township planning department to come up with an acceptable proposal.

The plan now calls for about nine acres of "open space," incorporating landscaped common

areas along major road frontages, natural common areas within the interior of the condominium community and a landscaped entrance at Lotz Road.

The plan also calls for the installation of a traffic signal at Lotz and Palmer.

The developer will reroute the Wiles Drain which runs through the property to ensure "the natural habitat will be preserved and enhanced."

As part of the plan Robertson Brothers will also make improvements to part of the golf course, including the building of

three new holes of a "similar character and quality" as the existing ones.

The plan must now go to the township Board of Trustees for final approval.

In other action the board approved the rezoning of a 2-acre parcel of land on the southeast corner of Michigan Avenue and Lilley from General Industrial to Light Industrial.

The request was made by the Dick Scott company, which a company representative said has plans to open a Nissan dealership on the site.

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to help pay for \$4.3 billion in improvements to the system.

But because of the way Canton bills its water customers, the township won't be passing that increase along until next year.

"We're still working on last year's increase," said John Spencer, accountant in the township's finance and budget department.

Spencer said Canton has resisted increasing water rates in mid-summer when usage is highest and has made increases at a slower usage point in the

year.

At the moment Canton's residential water customers pay \$1.95 per thousand gallons of water and \$2.81 for sewer, a combined cost of \$4.76 per thousand.

Billing increase

The water billing department is proposing an increase of 5 cents per thousand gallons for water and 25 cents for sewer, bringing the new rates to \$2 for water and \$3.06 for sewer. That's a 6.3 percent increase.

According to Spencer, a typical residential customer uses on average about 30,000 gallons of water during a three-month billing period. Under the present rates, that bill would be \$142.80. With the proposed higher rates, the bill would go to \$151.80, or a \$9 increase.

Spencer said the proposal for higher rates would probably go to the board of trustees in March for a first reading and public hearing. If approved by the board, the rates would likely go into effect on May 1.

Bears

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trols, Visteon, and Finlan Insurance Agency.

There are a number of churches which are also participating in the Teddy Bear Round Up. They include Our Lady of Good Counsel, St. Kenneth's Catholic Church, First Methodist, First Presbyterian and St. John's Episcopal Church, all in Plymouth.

Churches in Canton collecting teddy bears for the Salvation Army include Resurrection Catholic Church and Geneva Presbyterian Church.

Clubs sponsor symphony competition

The Plymouth Rotary Foundation and the Plymouth Optimist Club have donated funds to sponsor scholarships for the Plymouth Symphony's *Alive with Musical Color Youth Artist Competition* to be held Sunday, March 3 at Evola Music, 7170 N. Haggerty Road, Canton.

Through the generosity of foundations the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs, the Plymouth Symphony recognizes young orchestral talent from the greater Plymouth-Canton and surrounding communities through this competition and offered music scholarships to area youth since 1978, according to Darlene Dreyer, the symphony's executive director.

The Plymouth Rotary Foundation is sponsoring the Senior Division Scholarships and the Plymouth Optimist Club the Junior Division Scholarships, she pointed out.

The competition is comprised of three divisions: Senior Instrumental (grades 10-12), Senior Piano (grades 10-12), and Junior Division (combined instrumental and piano grades 7-9). Applicants must be piano, band or orchestra students in the school districts of Livonia, Northville, Novi, Plymouth-Canton, Van Buren (Belleville) or Wayne-Westland or be students at Evola Music.

First prize winner in each senior division receives \$500, and the first prize winner in the junior division gets \$250. If applicable, honorable mentions will also be acknowledged.

Applications, available through the Plymouth Symphony, are due February 15. Past participants are encouraged to reapply; however, musicians are eligible to win only one first prize award in each division. Winners may have the opportunity to perform with the PSO. Applicants must be available to perform at the competition.

For an application and/or further information, please contact Dreyer at (734) 451-2112 or by e-mail at plymouthsymphony@aol.com. Applications are also available on the Plymouth Symphony Web site at www.plymouthsymphony.org.

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Humane Society still helping all pets to thrive

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER
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Marta Diffen and her colleagues at the Michigan Humane Society are proud. Pet adoptions are up nearly 10 percent this year.

"We all want to increase adoptions," said Diffen, the society's community relations coordinator.

Adoptions are down a little since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. People gave so much then, "hometown charities are starting to feel it a little bit," said Diffen, a Garden City resident.

The humane society, which also has shelters and veterinary clinics in Westland and Marquette near Newburgh, along with Rochester Hills and Detroit, will

celebrate its 125th anniversary in 2002. One event will be the annual telethon, set for noon to 5 p.m. March 3 on WKBD-TV UPN 50.

The staff and volunteers have worked diligently on increasing adoptions, Diffen said. A couple special events for off-site adoptions were held, including one this past fall at the Detroit Zoo where 729 animals were adopted

in two days.

"Our adoption events all this year have gone very, very well."

She attributes much of the success to hard-working staff and volunteers. Donna Miller of Birmingham volunteers two to three times a week at the Westland facility.

"I just love it," Miller said. "I love the animals." Walking

strays gives her exercise, too. Miller signed up when she retired from her travel agency job.

"We're happy to have her here," Diffen said.

Some people don't realize how much work it is to have a pet, Diffen said. "Pets are living beings. They have needs."

Pets should be accepted into

the family; they need love and attention, including play time.

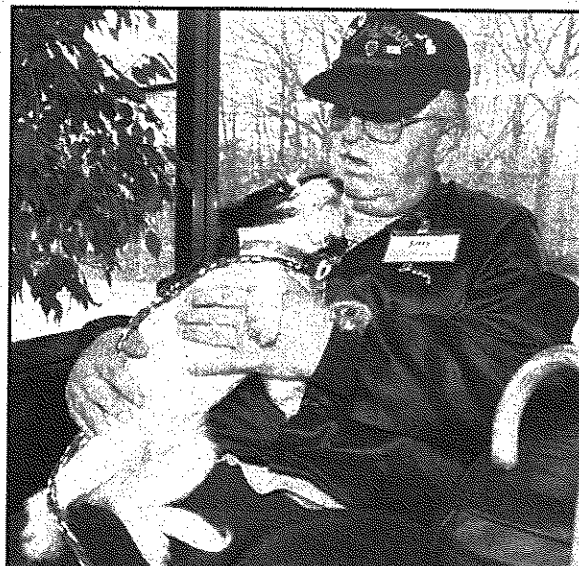
"A lot of people don't realize the time commitment," Diffen said, noting a rabbit bought for a 5-year-old child could easily live 12 years.

She and others don't discourage yule pet-giving, but recommend involving the recipient in the process. "Trying to pick a pet for someone else is very difficult."

It's good to buy all pet-related items, such as a collar and toys, and then have the recipient pick the pet, Diffen said. The recipient needs a pet to fit his or her lifestyle.


The humane society adopts mostly cats and dogs, along with some rabbits, ferrets, guinea pigs and others. The humane educator, Ron Blauet, visits some 400 schools a year with his message of loving animals. Blauet also does shelter/clinic presentations and tours.

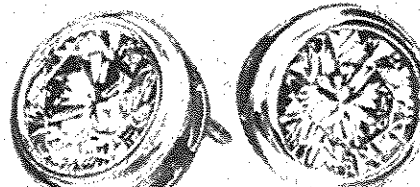

Anyone wishing to adopt an animal or learn more about pets can call the Westland shelter at (734) 721-7300.



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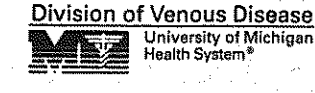
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Jerry Ferrick of Detroit comes to the Michigan Humane Society in Westland three to four times a week for the past 10 years, just to pay attention to the animals.


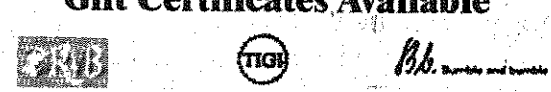
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OBITUARIES

PETER GLOVER

Services for Peter Glover, 85, of Canton Township were held Jan. 27 at Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Livonia. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West in Westland.

Mr. Glover was born July 3, 1916 in Glenella, Manitoba and died Jan. 24 in Detroit.

He was a heating and cooling technician/engineer who retired in 1975. His family was not surprised to recently find a hidden stack of diagrams of inventions and innovations he had quietly worked on without acknowledgment through the years — the most significant of which was a brake light for car windows that when lighted would reveal the words "thank you," his daughter, Grace said. He also designed and built his own home.

He was a musician throughout Canada and Michigan for 55 years.

He was a member of St. Innocent Church in Redford.

A missionary and a seeker, his mission was to spread love, peace and harmony by example, his daughter said.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Mary; son, Jacob; daughters, Grace, Donna, and Mary Elizabeth; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements made by Harry J. Will Funeral Home.

DORIS M. HARDIMON

Services for Doris Hardimon, 89, of Plymouth will be held Feb. 24 at St. John's Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Hardimon was born Aug. 10, 1912 in Antigo, Wis. and died Jan. 27 in Plymouth. She was a retired home-bound teacher for

the Livonia Public Schools. She came to the Plymouth community in 1951 from Sparta, Mich. She was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth and of the Alpha Delta Kappa in Livonia (teacher's sorority). She sang in the choir at church for 40 years, and was very active in the church. She was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She loved her grandchildren and their friends.

Mrs. Hardimon was preceded in death by her husband, James E. Hardimon.

Survivors include son, Jim (Marlene) Hardimon of Richmond, Va.; daughter, Jane (Fred) Libbing of Plymouth; and daughter, Judith (John) Wesseling of Morganton, Ga.; grandchildren, James (Lisa) Hardimon of California, Kenneth (Mary) Libbing of Plymouth, Michael (Michele) Libbing of Marshall, Marshall (Melissa) Matson of North Carolina, Amy Brackett, John T. Wesseling and Anne Marie Wesseling of Georgia; and great-grandchildren, Ivey, Silas, Spencer and Sydney.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Plymouth Historical Museum in memory of Doris Hardimon Education Association or St. John's Episcopal Church.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

ROBERT A. KAUFMAN

Services for Robert Kaufman, 77, of Canton were held Feb. 4 at

the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington with burial at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia.

Mr. Kaufman was born July 16, 1924 and died Jan. 31.

He began his career at Wayne School in Detroit, teaching Industrial Arts until 1969. From 1969-70 he was a counselor at Hutchins Junior High, also in Detroit, and finally was employed, again as a counselor, at Finney High School in Detroit from 1970-80. He enjoyed woodworking and photography.

Mr. Kaufman was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy in 1993.

Survivors include wife, Lois Jensen; son, William (Renee) Kaufman; and daughter, Mary Sue (Mark) Schade; grandchildren, Bryan, Bradley, Stephanie and Shannon.

Memorial contributions may be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 21311 Civic Center Dr., Southfield, MI. 48076-3911.

Arrangements made by Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home.

BERNICE M. KELLER

Services for Bernice Keller, 80, of Westland, were held Feb. 4 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Roy G. Forsyth officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs. Keller was born Dec. 22,

1921 in Marvendale, Pa. and died Jan. 31 in Westland. She worked at the Gerber Childtime Care Center for 15 years. She came to the Westland community in 1946 from Garden City. She attended the Methodist church. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star No. 587 in Garden City. She was a dedicated homemaker.

Survivors include husband, Harry J. Keller of Westland; daughter, Susan (Ken) Wallace of Livonia; sons, Nelson (Judith) Keller of Westland, Dale Keller of Detroit, Chris (Roxanne) Keller of South Lyon, Jay Keller of Westland; nine grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and brother, Melvin (June) Johnson of Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Make A Wish Foundation.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

MICHAEL J. KUCZEK

Services for Michael Kuczek, 21, of Redford Township were held Feb. 3 at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home Canton Chapel. Mr. Kuczek was born July 25, 1980 in Southfield and died Jan. 31 in Redford Township. He worked as a carpenter in the construction field.

Survivors include father, William J. (Mary VanGordon) Kuczek; mother, Barbara J. (Frank) Cortez; brother, Kevin W.; and grandmothers, Joyce

DeRouise and Jean Crowther.

Arrangements made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

CLYDE L. SPITLER

Clyde Spitler, 80, of Canton, died Feb. 3 in Westland.

Mr. Spitler was born Jan. 26, 1922 in Toledo, Ohio and was a senior purchasing agent for Kelsey Hayes. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Survivors include wife, Martha J. Spitler of Canton; sons, Bradley Spitler of Canton and Timothy (Virginia) Spitler of Fernley, Nev.; sister, Virginia Burke of Toledo; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland.

HENRY STANLEY PRY

A memorial service for Henry Pry, 87, of Plymouth was held Feb. 9 at the Newburgh United Methodist Church with the Rev. Thomas G. Badley officiating.

Mr. Pry was born Oct. 5, 1914 in Milwaukee, Wis. and died Feb. 3 at Angela Hospice. He had lived in the Plymouth area for 43 years. He was a retired sales representative.

Survivors include wife, Alberta of 59 years; daughter, Dianna Ross of Jackson; son, Thomas Pry of New Mexico; grandchildren, Adam, Benjamin, and Elizabeth Ross; and two great-grandchildren, Macy Ross and Nathan Ross.

Youth series tickets on sale

Tickets are now on sale for the 2002 Youth Variety Series co-sponsored by Canton Project Arts and Canton Leisure Services.

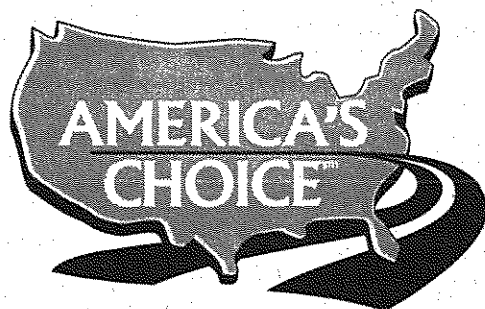
This year's series, which is geared for ages 12 and under, includes The Chris Clark Magic Show, Odd Bodkins Variety Show featuring life-size puppets and Chautauqua Express.

Tickets for each show are available for \$3 per person at Summit on the Park. Seating is limited, so advance ticket purchases are recommended. All shows will be held at the Summit Banquet and Conference Center.

The Chris Clark Magic Show opens this year's series from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 23. Clark has been performing magic for adults and children for 20 years.

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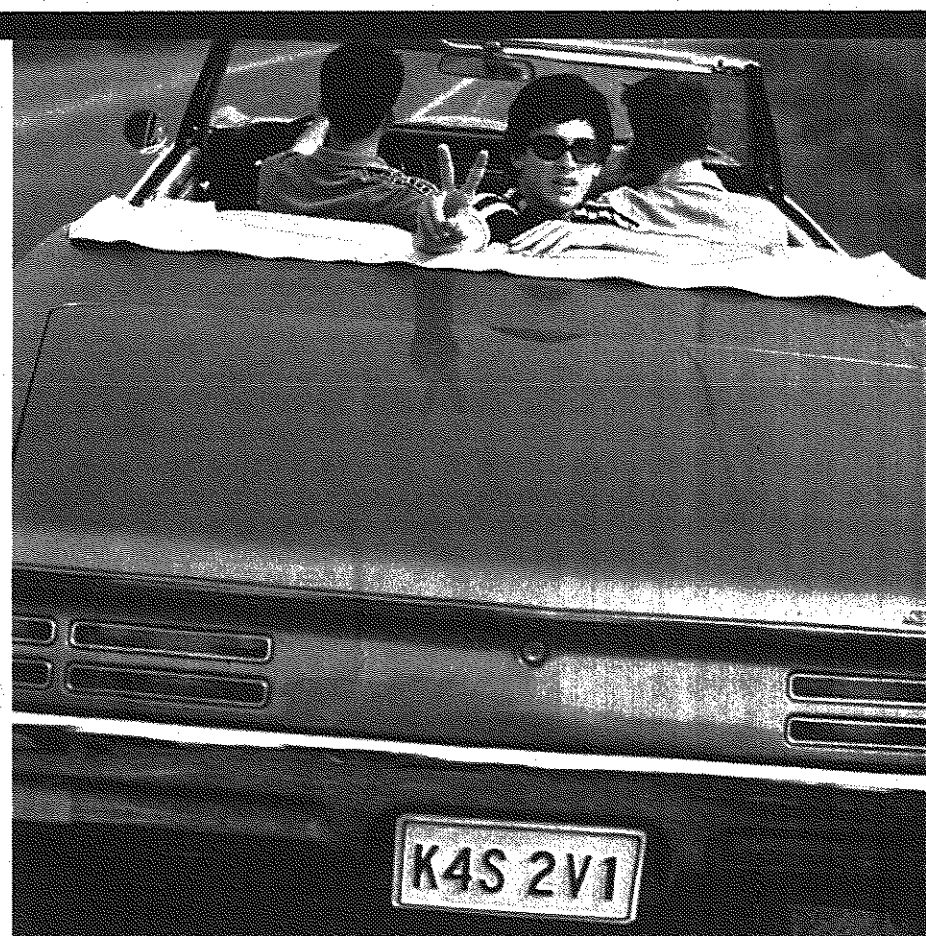
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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Seeking high commercial standard benefits Canton

Developers hear the line again and again from the Canton Planning Commission and the Canton Township Board of Trustees: Give us the same building you'd put up in Bloomfield Hills. In fact, some petitioners probably leave Canton's municipal complex shaking their heads, thinking local leaders are awfully full of themselves to compare the former "sweet corn capital" of Michigan to one of the wealthiest communities in America.

But that policy — which has been in place for at least the last decade — has

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served the township well. Residents have benefitted both from increased tax dollars and services brought in by commercial/industrial development; and from aesthetic improvements along Canton's main business thoroughfares — particularly Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

Considering their proximity to major freeway exits, some of the alternatives along Ford and Michigan are a scary thought.

Last week's planning commission meeting provided a working example of the current philosophy. Commissioners recommended site plan approval for construction of a Bob Evans restaurant on Michigan Avenue, but tabled requests

involving a proposed TGI Fridays at the Harvard Plaza (Ford and Sheldon) and a First Federal of Michigan Bank on Canton Center Road. Neither project went above the "minimum requirements" of the township zoning ordinance, board members said.

"We take a more conservative approach to development than some other communities," Vic Gustafson, commission chairman, said in an article on commercial development in Sunday's Observer. "We continually raise the bar of excellence based on new ideas and input, but the key thing is asking developers, whether commercial or residential, to work with us."

The truth is neither the planning commission nor township trustees have much legal clout when it comes to enforcing a higher standard on such projects. Michigan courts have ruled emphatically over the years on the rights of property owners to use their land as they see fit. But local officials know that developers eager to gain access to a desirable community will in most cases "go along to get along." The time and money of a protracted court fight is an incentive to win local approval as well.

The Observer believes township officials should continue to press for higher standards from developers, even in the face of tougher economic times. We understand that could contribute to slower progress in filling available properties in the Michigan Avenue corridor.

We feel the trade-off — a better business district in the long-run — is worth it.

Internet growth spawns oversight role for state

Picture this: It's a frigid January night (OK, not this January) and the furnace goes out. You call in a repair service. They tell you there's a problem with the supply lines in the neighborhood. The gas company's emergency phone line remains busy for days and when you finally do reach someone, they can't do a thing. The person on the other end of the phone line is rude to boot. Worse yet, you'll have to pay your monthly service charge in full, even though you had no service.

You'd file a complaint — if there were an impartial, third party that would take it. But that's not an option.

We admit it's an unlikely scenario, at least in part because utilities that do business in Michigan are regulated by the state, through the Michigan Public Service Commission.

But thousands of southeastern Michigan residents who have experienced similar problems with home Internet service during the last few months have encountered that situation. They were left with no viable options when their Internet access was cut off, or when they received an outrageous telephone bill for Internet connections to a supposedly "local" phone number.

While the Observer doesn't see increased government regulation on business as a panacea, the time is right for the Michigan Legislature to step in and establish an oversight role for Internet Service Providers. That includes, but shouldn't be limited to, approval of Gov. John Engler's so-called Broadband Initiative.

We can't make the argument that high-speed Internet access is as crucial as heat for your home. But remember, the Internet is still in its infancy. Nobody envisioned today's booming telecommunications industry more than a century ago, when Alexander Graham Bell said: "Watson, come here. I want you."

We can see the day (and maybe it's still years or even decades off) when a computer is your only option for banking, or some educational opportunities, or even reading your newspaper. If you doubt it, just ask yourself which delivery system for those services is cheaper — and therefore provides the most potential for profit. Then ask yourself when was the last time you talked to a real, live bank teller.

It's true that Internet Service Providers aren't public utilities. While some are giant, publicly-owned conglomerates like AOL-Time Warner, others — particularly those offering dial-up service — are small- or medium-sized, private companies (including the company that

owns this newspaper). But when it comes to increasingly desirable high-speed Internet connections, local residents are limited to their telephone and cable companies, which for the most part still function as municipal monopolies. Mergers among those providers eliminates any semblance of choice and further complicates things, as any Comcast customer in Westland, Plymouth or Canton can tell you.

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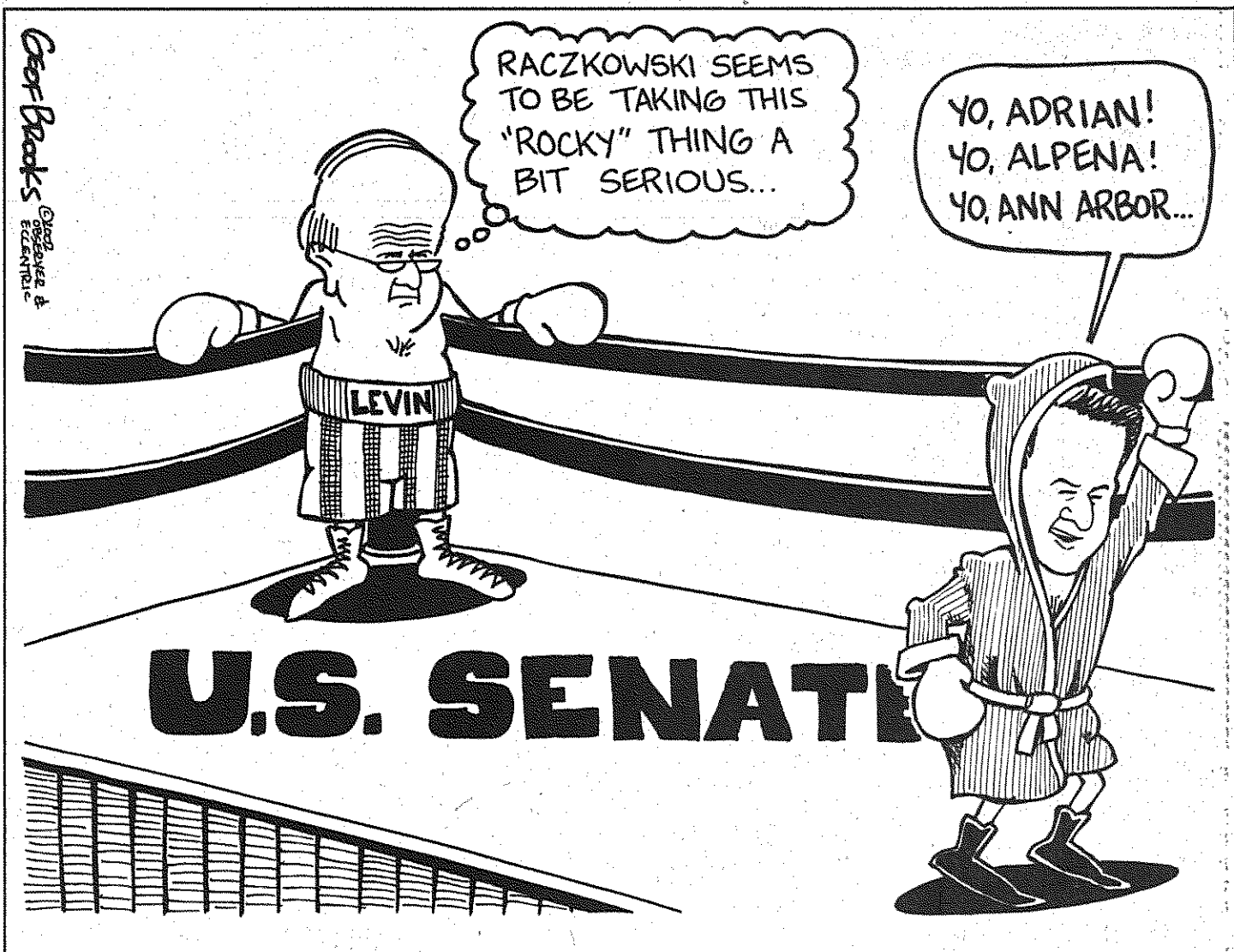
The providers themselves have some legitimate gripes about doing business in Michigan. Under the current setup, laying fiber optic cable is both costly and time-consuming since individual approval is needed from each municipality. Application fees charged by municipalities are all over the map, from \$500 in Dearborn Heights to \$10,000 in Livonia. Tacked on to those charges are complicated annual fees that can differ if cable is laid above ground, or under; on major roads, or local streets.

The Engler proposal, called the MI HiSpeed Internet Plan, would create a statewide right-of-way authority to issue permits and charge providers 5 cents per foot of broadband cable installed in a given community. Of that, 4 cents would be returned to the municipality and 1 cent would go to the authority, which would enable it to grant low-interest loans to rural and under-served areas that are now unlikely recipients of high-speed Internet service.

The governor's office estimates the uniform fee would generate about \$50 million a year in revenue as broadband networks crisscross the state.

The Observer urges the legislature to approve the Engler initiative in short order, before attention spans wane and election season hits high gear.

We also encourage legislators from both sides of the aisle to give serious consideration to a bill placing larger ISPs under the auspices of the PSC, giving consumers somewhere to turn when their computer screens go blank.



LETTERS

Ruling will hurt

I'm a male, high school sophomore, who plays football at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. I'm concerned about the U.S. District Court ruling on Dec. 17, 2001 requiring the Michigan High School Athletic Association to change its girls sports schedule. Starting in the 2003-04 season, girls high school sports will be played in the same season that other U.S. high school girls and women's college sports are played in, and that boys sports are played in. This ruling is to allow girls more scholarship and tournament opportunities. I believe that girls should be offered the same opportunities as boys. But there are many reasons why this change may hurt more than it will help.

■ We will lose coaches who coach both boys and girls teams in the same sport.

■ Schools don't have enough swimming, basketball, soccer, golf, and tennis facilities available for both teams to use during the same season, thus some athletes will have to be cut.

■ Scheduling practice and game times will become more difficult.

■ Overused fields shared for soccer and football will be unsafe if they become muddy and full of holes.

■ College scouts won't be able to look at potential scholarship winners in their less busy off-season, hurting scholarship opportunities.

■ Girl basketball players in particular, will actually have reduced scholarship chances because their schedule will be switched from the fall to the winter.

■ Girls who play volleyball and soccer will have to choose between those two sports (or be superhuman) because both will be played in the fall. Girls who play basketball won't be able to be on the swim team.

My aunt, Renee Enright, earned nine letters in four sports at Thurston High School in Redford in the '70s, at a time when girls were just beginning to get recognition in sports. She earned a volleyball scholarship even though she played it in the winter. She also earned the Most Athletic Girl award her senior year and was All State in softball and volleyball. I'm very proud of my Aunt Renee, she is a gifted athlete, but I really don't think she cared what season she played volleyball in. She loved to play sports and she was good, and that was all that mattered.

Alex Enright
Canton

Praise for volunteers

On behalf of Arbor Hospice and Home Care, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the National Honor Society students from Plymouth-Canton and Plymouth-Salem High School that helped us on Jan. 20 at the non-profit warming station during the Plymouth Ice Spectacular.

These students exhibited a will to work and maturity beyond their years. They were at pleasure to be with and were great ambassadors for the Plymouth and Canton communities.

The students who volunteered for community service for the Arbor Hospice and Home Care warming station were: Omar Khan, Alan Mlynec, Michelle Roelots, Kim Siedlaczek, Kyle Martz, Erin Jensen, Susan Merenda, Chris Gregg, Chloe, Kincl, Natalie McBain, Melissa Hurst, Andrea Dery, Ryan McKendry, Claire Dooley, Erica Stoney and Jessica Levely.

Thank you also, to Denise Gimple, National Honor Society Faculty Advisor.

Eileen Faas
Special Events Coordinator
Arbor Hospice and Home Care,
Northville

Agents are heroes too

We certainly have all been touched by recent events in the world and especially right here in our country when it comes to tragedy. And from the terrible things that have happened, we have had time to reflect and recognize the good in our society.

We have recognized and fallen back into a sense of well deserved admiration for the men and women in uniform. Be they firefighters, police officers or members of the armed forces.

However, I would like to recognize some of those who, due to the nature of their professions, cannot always receive the recognition that they deserve. I'm speaking about those men and women who serve us everyday as agents in the FBI.

I'm privileged to have known several such people while employed for our government. Much of their work requires long hours away from families and friends in efforts to follow leads, interview citizens or gather and process evidence. These agents also must view behaviors and crimes that we cannot fathom or stomach ourselves.

Much if not all of the efforts of these highly trained men and women will continue to go unnoticed so that the rights of others are protected. But, that should not in any way diminish our gratitude and respect for their work and dedication to their service to our Country.

Our society is made safer by these professionals. And to those men and women, you know who you are, even though you can't always share everything involved in your work: I thank you anyway.

Frank Finch
Canton

Question unanswered

Ms. Tassanyi's original Letter to the Editor (Observer, Jan. 3) asked a very specific question that is yet unanswered: "What were these two teachers' thinking?"

Mr. Chiumento (one of the two teachers) responds with what it sounds like he was "feeling." I believe Ms. Tassanyi's question was a little more rhetorical than literal. Keeping in mind the ages of these children (sixth and seventh graders and up), the question begs to be answered — what in the world were they thinking?

I would hope that teachers would have enough sense to eliminate any displays commemorating any type of sexuality (especially to sixth- and seventh-graders). I believe this is more the issue. I would hope that Mr. Chiumento could see the absurdity in this. He seems to rally around the whole freedom of speech thing but only when it's his freedom. That same freedom has been given to us all — not just "special interest" groups.

Equal rights does not equate to "special rights." He is the same teacher that led the attack on banning Boy Scouts from our schools, which (and many are thankful) didn't happen. Why is his freedom to make displays or speak out any different, or more special, than theirs? Seems to me Mr.

Chiumento likes to practice "viewpoint discrimination." He'll honor anyone's freedom of speech, as long as he agrees with it.

Mr. Chiumento states, "I was thinking about those students who must periodically endure ridicule or listen to disparaging comments about gays." Has he ever heard a child called a Jesus freak? What is he doing for those Christian students? How about fat, ugly, trailer-trash, four-eyes, metal mouth, the list goes on and on.

What is he doing for those students? We all "periodically" endured some sort of ridicule by which we had no control — but that's not the issue here. The real issue here is personal agendas!

Our schools are not here for Mr. Chiumento and Mr. Salbenblatt to have a forum for their personal agendas, nor for the agendas of the NEA. One doesn't have to look too far at Mr. Chiumento's involvement with the NEA to see where this all stems from. Keep the politics out of my child's classroom.

Mr. Chiumento, and all other teachers pushing any personal agendas through our schools, need to stop. Pick your fights with people your own size but leave the children out of it. Remember the capacity in which you were hired, not as a counselor, not as a gay advocate for gay students. You were hired as a teacher.

The only "education that needs to take place in our community," sir, is the education you were hired to give. If I desire education for any other subjects not offered in our schools, I'll seek it out for my child.

Robin Wilson
Plymouth

Stop vendetta

Our country was founded on the principle of a right to life, liberty and property (Phil Power's column, "Right to Life's bill aims to pressure politicians, Jan. 17). Without life you cannot have anything else so we need to protect life first and hold life as precious.

When will Planned Parenthood stop its vendetta of killing innocent babies? Also, since when has murder been a respected way to earn a living? Murder should never ever be allowed for any reason. It never has been a respectable way to earn a living. It stops a beating heart.

Sorry, I know nobody likes to be critiqued. I really like your opinion page recently. Good opinions.

Walter Kwiatkowski
Plymouth

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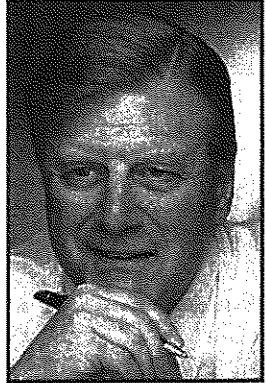
OTHER OPINIONS

Thursday, February 7, 2002

Engler, McNamara should work together on airports

Memo To: Governor John Engler
Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara
Re: Monument To Your Careers

You two are among Michigan's most effective politicians ever. By remarkable coincidence, both of you will be retiring from public office at the end of this year. But there's still time for you to work together to bequeath an enormous legacy to the citizens of our state: What could become the single largest economic development project in Michigan history.



Phil Power

Later this month, the new midfield terminal and runway at Wayne County Detroit Metropolitan Airport will go into service, making it one of the premiere passenger hubs in the world. Just 12 miles to the west, renovated Willow Run Airport already ranks third in the nation in freight traffic. Linked together, competently managed, effectively marketed and promoted, the two airports could create an "aerotropolis," a powerful economic development district arising from the competitive advantage that comes from air-based passenger and freight transportation.

For years, scholars have pointed to transportation hubs as the main drivers of economic growth: seaports in the 18th century, railroads in the 19th century, highways in the 20th century. Powerful evidence is emerging that giant airports will be the engines of economic growth in the 21st century. Los Angeles International Airport, for example, has already led to 400,000 new jobs and generates \$60 billion in annual business.

There's no reason this couldn't happen right here in Michigan. Professor John Kasarda, director of the Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise at the University of North Carolina and a world authority on airport-driven economic development, is enthused about the prospects of linking air passenger and freight hubs in Michigan: "Nowhere in the world have I seen anything like the potential Wayne County Metro and Willow Run have if they're put together right."

The big stumbling block, of course, is "put together right."

As you both realize, the key is to figure out a governance structure that works. Right now, both Willow Run and Wayne County Metropolitan airports are owned by Wayne County and managed through an impenetrable thicket of inscrutable politics between the Wayne County Board of Commissioners and Ed McNamara. But just wait. If things at the airport are bad now, just think of what they'll be like next year with a new Wayne County Chief

Executive and Board of Commissioners.

So now is the time to sit down and put together a governance structure for both airports that is not infested with the cronyism of local politics, that is transparent to public scrutiny and that supports an effective professional management that could exploit the terrific economic development potential of an aerotropolis right here in Michigan.

I'd hesitate suggesting how to do this to you guys, both savvy and experienced dealmakers. But certainly an airport board with governance authority over both Detroit Metropolitan and Willow Run could be created by an act of the legislature. The Wayne County Executive could appoint some members outright and pick some from a list of names submitted by the Wayne County Commission, while the Governor could appoint some others. Members shouldn't be solely from Wayne County; maybe there should be some representation from metro area counties like Oakland and Washtenaw.

Regardless of how the details work out, cutting this deal is in both your best interests.

Ed, as you come to your final months in office, your distinguished career is at risk of being soiled by continuing management and contracting problems at Detroit Metro. The Republicans are already pounding your protégé and Democratic gubernatorial candidate, Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, trying to tie her to "scandals" at the airport. Plainly, it's in your interest to make a fresh start with the way the airport is governed and managed.

And, Governor, you've got a bunch of state legislators who are just dying to snatch Metropolitan Airport away from southeastern Michigan. Can you imagine the fuss that would erupt when politicians from Detroit and Wayne County start screaming about outstate Republicans stealing first their courts, next their schools and finally their airport? Collaborating on a fix for the airport solves a big political problem for your party and helps burnish your legacy.

It won't be easy. Governor, you'd have to keep some of your own legislators from hijacking the process to smear Ed McNamara and slam Jennifer Granholm. And Ed, you'd have to keep the Board of Commissioners and other miscellaneous Wayne County politicians from screaming that another pet project has been stolen from them. But if you guys can't figure out how to do this, I don't think anybody can.

Time's running short, gentlemen. You've both got only a few more months of power left. Why not use them to put your stamp on something genuinely important to the future of our state?

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.



Joni Hubred

All candidates should have their minute in the sun

Journalists have a kind of twisted sense of humor. That's the only explanation I can offer for Friday's Michigan Press Association gubernatorial candidate forum, held at the Amway Grand Hotel in Grand Rapids.

Asking nine politicians to speak for only a minute or two on serious matters like Proposal A and the Freedom of Information Act is nothing short of absurd. But it did provide an interesting look at the FULL slate, not just Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus, Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, former Gov. Jim Blanchard and U.S. Rep. David Bonior — the names we all recognize.

Perhaps the most strident among these obscure candidates is **Ed Hamilton**, described as a "staunch and hawkish defender of the American capitalist way of life and its free enterprise economic system." Hamilton believes government in Michigan is getting too expensive and claims the state has the third largest bureaucracy in the country. The Democrat turned Republican said, "I want to preserve the Engler legacy and the capitalist way of life." He doesn't support strengthening the state's "sunshine laws," which guarantee public access to government, because he believes the press doesn't use what's already available.

The Green Party's candidate is **Douglas Campbell**, a professional engineer who has taught physics and math at the college level and is a licensed pilot. He's taking his first shot at public office because, he said, "I think people are ready for a professional problem solver, rather than a professional politician." Campbell supports Proposal A and feels government should revamp the way it taxes people, levying higher taxes on things that are bad for you. For instance, he would favor sales tax adjustments on vehicles based on how their mileage per gallon compares with the national standard. Campbell believes people are generally dissatisfied with government and said he offers a candidacy that runs on people power, rather than money.

It's tough to call **Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith** or **Sen. Joe Schwarz** "obscure," because both are well known and hold leadership positions in the Senate. But in this race, they are among those who aren't getting the lion's share of press.

Schwarz serves as President Pro Tempore in the state senate, where he represents the 24th district. A physician and U.S. Navy veteran, Schwarz headed up the successful campaign to get Michigan behind U.S. Sen. John McCain's candidacy for president. A self-described moderate "Bill Milliken" Republican, Schwarz is a strong advocate for the state's education system and will emphasize health policy, particularly as the nation faces

the threat of bioterrorism, as well as chemical and nuclear threats. While he voted for both the business and individual tax cuts, he said, "I would advocate putting them on hold for two years. You gotta get out of that 'supply side tub.' It is not un-Republican to do so, it just makes common sense."

Smith, who began her political life at age 10 in the first campaign to desegregate Ann Arbor, won her first election to school board after fighting for open meetings. She's Democratic vice chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee and is running on a fairly simple basic principle: "The color of your skin, the depth of your wallet and the place where you live shouldn't determine your quality of life." Public health management, she says, should be more than just disease control. Smith believes Proposal A has leveled the playing field, but wants more emphasis on the pre-school component to education, making sure every child is prepared for school.

And then there's **Angelo Scott Brown**. Perhaps the most unlikely political candidate, he is a security guard and evangelist who has started a number of churches and founded the Hebrew Israelite Jewish Christian Rainbow Victory Club and the "We Are All Brothers and Sisters" Organization. This is his third candidacy, and he plans to seek the Presidency in 2004. His political views can be a little confusing. For instance, while Brown advocates freezing taxes, he wants to look into creating some new ones. He believes the education system needs a total overhaul, starting with the school buildings and equipment, and wants contracts that will entice more qualified teachers. His campaign flyer mentions putting the state lottery back on the ballot and investigating alleged civil rights violations connected to it.

All of the candidates urged members of the press to be more vigilant, to ask tougher questions and to give everyone a chance to be heard. But perhaps Jennifer Granholm put it best — and in keeping with the tenor of the event, most succinctly — when she said, "Please describe what comes out of the mouth of the candidate, rather than how they look."

I'm not fooling myself into believing I've somehow enlightened the public here. The best I can hope for is the best these candidates could do — pique interest so that voters pursue additional information.

Elections are not for the faint of heart. Everyone who runs for public office has earned the right to be heard.

And for a great deal more than a minute. **Joni Hubred is editor of the Farmington Observer. She welcomes your comments by mail to 33411 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335; by FAX, 248-477-9722; or via e-mail to jhubred@oe.homecomm.net**



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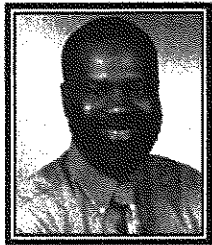
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Financial troubles for Blue Cross a 'looming crisis'

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The financial troubles confronting Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan are nothing less than a "looming health care crisis."

So says Barry Cargill of the Small Business Association of Michigan. Without reform, he contends, Blue Cross' problems could — for small businesses with fewer than 50 employees — "spell the end of employer sponsored health care coverage in Michigan."

Michigan's Financial and Insurance Services Commissioner Frank Fitzgerald agrees.

"The Small Business Association is not being alarmist when it says we are facing a crisis," Fitzgerald said. And he's said it before.

"If we ignore these symptoms today, we are creating the distinct possibility that BCBSM as we depend on it will not exist at decade's end," he stated last September. The problem is "a threat to affordable and accessible health care coverage in Michigan."

Crisis developing

State Rep. Paul DeWeese (R-

Williamston), who is also a doctor, said the crisis is already developing. Premium increases of 25 percent annually for the last four years have forced many small business owners to find alternative ways to pay for insurance for their workers. Some have asked employees to cover much of the cost increases themselves. Others now just give employees a stipend to purchase health insurance on their own. Still others have dropped insurance altogether.

Considering that half of Michigan's residents get their insurance through Blue Cross, this is a "pocketbook" issue for most of the state.

Nonetheless, it is an issue few have recognized because the audit that identified the problem — \$400 million in losses by Blue Cross over the past five years — was released in September and was quickly overshadowed by events in New York and Washington.

So it counted as a surprise, for legislators as well as the public, when Gov. John Engler highlighted the problem in his recent State of the State address.

Legislation to implement Engler's calls for reform is being drafted now, Fitzgerald

explained, and he expects a three-bill package will be ready for introduction in the next two to three weeks.

Engler's plan

Among Engler's proposals were:

■ Increase the insurance commissioner's ability to regulate the operation of Blue Cross. Fitzgerald said it "should be on par" with the commissioner's ability to regulate any other insurance company in Michigan.

■ Restructuring the Blue Cross board of directors. Fitzgerald anticipates cutting it from the current membership of 35 to "somewhere in the teens." He'd like to see the membership, now selected from a number of special interests, changed to increase public representation.

■ Engler also proposed creation of a trust fund intended to protect residents should Blue Cross privatize. More than 20 other states have turned their

programs over to for-profit businesses, and while Fitzgerald insisted Engler is not advocating that, it might still occur.

Blue Cross of Michigan is the largest remaining state-sponsored, not-for-profit health plan in the country, Fitzgerald explained. It was set up by the state legislature back in the '30s to serve as the "insurer of last resort."

It's status as a private, non-profit insurer lies at the heart of the issue. By state law, Blue Cross must charge all its customers a single "community rate." It is not allowed to adjust rates up for people who are older or less healthy, as private insurance firms can. Nor can it turn customers away.

'Cherry picking'

According to Cargill, private insurance companies have been able to beat Blue Cross' prices by "cherry picking" employers with younger, healthier, less risky

groups of employees. That leaves Blue Cross with the older, less healthy, costlier groups of employees to insure.

Cargill therefore believes reform will have to include rate reform throughout the industry. He advocates a plan called "rate banding," which allows insurers, Blue Cross as well as private companies, to adjust premiums according to risk, but also requires all insurers to take a certain percentage of good and bad risks. That would end the "cherry picking," he contended.

Fitzgerald isn't convinced. When you have a "beheemoth that dominates the market as Blue Cross does," it isn't reasonable to believe that a few private companies could have much of an impact. "At best, they are just nipping at your heels," he said.

Fitzgerald instead believes the reforms have to be internal to Blue Cross. They would include allowing Blue Cross to adjust rates for risk.

DeWeese agrees with the internal approach. But if higher risk customers can be charged more for premiums, it raises a question of whether Blue Cross can fulfill its role as "insurer of last resort."

"That is something we are going to have to talk about," both DeWeese and Fitzgerald said.

The goal is to reform Blue Cross without having to cut back on benefits, that is what conditions and treatments the insurance plan will cover, Fitzgerald said.

While Cargill and DeWeese said the goal is to get premiums under control, Fitzgerald is unsure where the costs are headed.

"There is still a \$350 million deficit there that is going to have to be addressed, whether it is through premiums or is just written off," he said. "Either way, it's going to have an impact."

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PAM MARCIL

Museum is committed to strengthening community ties

When Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA) Director Graham W.J. Beal came on board two years ago, he made a commitment to strengthen the museum's role as a community resource and build stronger ties with the African American community in particular. That commitment is shown during Black History Month at the DIA, and Beal is pleased with the results.

"Through art, one can get a unique perspective of history, and the DIA has first-rate art by important African American artists," said Beal. "Part of our mission is to make this art available to the public and to have programs that engage people in learning about and enjoying it."

One of the objectives of the DIA's strategic plan is to focus more attention on Black History Month. Staff responsible for programs took this charge very seriously, and collaborative efforts resulted in the strongest Black History Month programming in DIA history.

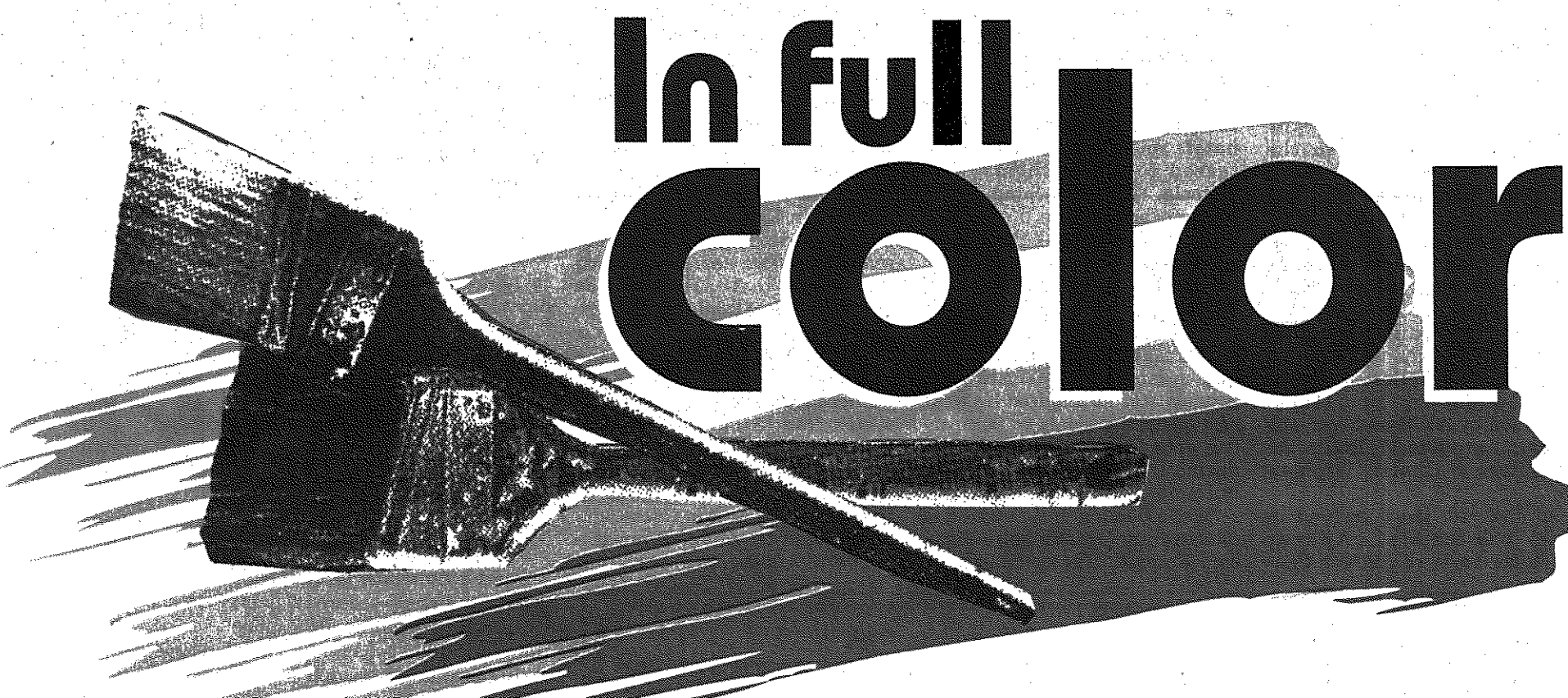
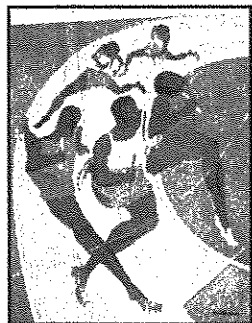
"It's a testament to our staff's knowledge and experience that they were able to attract the caliber of artists and performers that will be here during February," said Beal. "A conscious effort was made to keep the bond between art and history evident."

Music has always been an integral part of black history, and one of the oldest forms is the spiritual, and later, gospel music. Two renowned gospel groups will be at the DIA during Black History Month. The Fairfield Four, originally formed in the 1920s, performs rich a cappella harmonies in solemn spirituals and hand-clapping songs of praise. This Grammy award-winning group was recently featured in the hit movie *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* Later in the month, Detroit's own Whitfield Company brings their spirited gospel choir to the DIA.

Musical traditions evolved along

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Upcoming show: The DIA opens an exhibition of Jacob Lawrence's paintings Feb. 24. Pictured here is "Munich Olympic Games, 1971" from the Seattle Art Museum.



Birmingham women painters draw on vibrant palettes

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Color and camaraderie warm the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery as the Birmingham Society of Women Painters drift in one by one.

Outside an icy February morning sends chills through the heartiest of souls. Inside vibrant red strawberries and exclamations of approval brighten the otherwise quiet space. Shirley Gower and the gals have arrived to hang their winter show and many are seeing the work of fellow members for the first time.

Presented by the Livonia Arts Commission, the multi-media exhibit features 40 paintings, primarily acrylic and watercolor. Still life, abstraction, portraiture and landscape illustrate the diversity of members. Among them are a triptych of poppies by Carole Hadley of Oxford and a dynamic black and red abstract by Nancy Raitt of Farmington Hills.

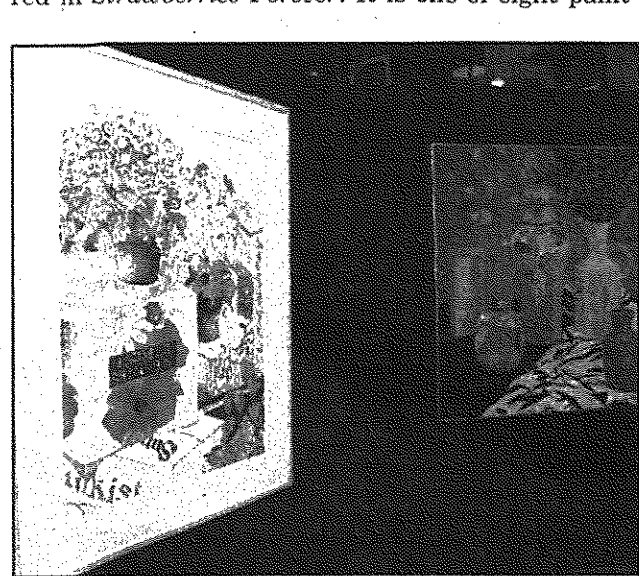
Unlike the Birmingham Society of Women Painters juried fall exhibit at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, this show was not judged, but one at which Gower still marvels. Gower's still life, *From the Wine Shop*, was painted at the BBAC during a class with Mary Stephenson.

"I'm always proud of work people bring out for a non-juried show," said Gower, a Rochester Hills resident who is past president and a member since 1984. "They always bring their best."

Like Gower who teaches watercolor at Paint Creek Center for the Arts in Rochester, many of the members instruct students in a variety of media. Several hold bachelor's and master's of fine arts degrees from universities. Barbara Keida earned both from Wayne State University. An admirer of Picasso's portraits, Keida painted an acrylic titled *Blue Woman* during an open studio at the BBAC on Friday mornings.

"I like large, expansive paintings," said Keida, a Bloomfield Hills artist. "I paint flat colors. I enjoy the dance of the line."

Fran Nicolson, on the other hand, enjoys defying the odds. Give her a still life with metals that must reflect the colorful surroundings and she's in her element. Nicolson painted in layers to achieve a vibrant red in *Strawberries Forever*. It is one of eight paintings she turned into note cards.



Diversified: A still life by Shirley Gower (left) and oil by Troy artist Lillian Moran are just two of the works in the exhibit.



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Now showing: Barbara Keida (left), Fran Nicolson and Beverly Booth show off work now on display in the Birmingham Society of Women Painters exhibit at the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery.

ings she turned into note cards.

"The silver pitcher was a challenge to get just the right color," said Nicolson who's taken classes at College for Creative Studies (formerly Center for Creative Studies), Cranbrook Art Academy, and the BBAC. A Birmingham resident, she started painting at age 30 and has continued for the last 40 years. The last two decades she's been a member of the Birmingham Society of Women Painters because of exhibiting opportunities. Nicolson currently is organizing a show of members' work for a Chicago gallery.

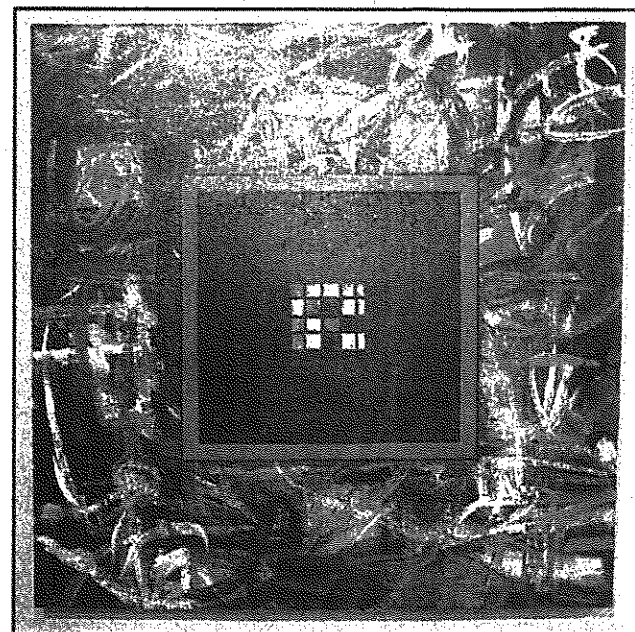
"It's a wonderful group, talented and active people," said Nicolson.

Beverly Booth couldn't agree more. She recently took over as president of the group composed of 50 active members. For more than 50 years, the Birmingham Society of Women Painters has maintained high standards. Each applicant must be sponsored by two members and their work juried before acceptance.

"What I like about the group is the camaraderie of the fellow painters," said Booth of Birmingham. "We

meet once a month in members' homes and have field trips planned for February to view the Stuart Frankel collection in Bloomfield Hills. In March we'll visit artist Jim Nawara's studio in Beverly Hills, and in April the Shuey Collection at the Cranbrook Art

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Modern art: Farmington Hills artist Nancy Raitt painted this abstract acrylic.

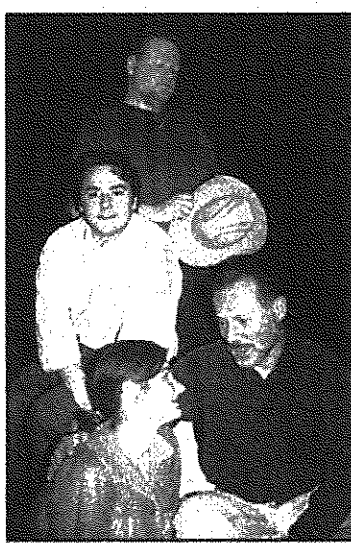
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THEATER

Tough times:

Hank Bennett, (top to bottom) Joe Wachowski, Ron Meteyer, and Erin Osgood play lead roles in the Farmington Players production of *The Rainmaker* in West Bloomfield.



Actors admire characters living in desperate times

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Cast members cluster around the stage inside the theater at Barnes & Noble in West Bloomfield. The Farmington Players production of *The Rainmaker* opens Friday, Feb. 8 and director Cynthia Tupper and the seven actors need to work out final details of N. Richard Nash's play about life and love in the drought-stricken Midwest during the late 1930s.

H.C. Curry and his sons worry

about the cattle dying in the fields and the fact Lizzie, H.C.'s daughter, may end up an old maid. Their lives undergo a metamorphosis when a rainmaker named Starbuck blows into town. For \$100 the con man promises to end the drought. Desperation leads H.C. and Lizzie to take a chance on the brash stranger.

"In 24-hours Starbuck changes everyone's life," said Tupper, a Farmington Hills resident. "It's uplifting. There's humor, drama, romance. It's about when life was simpler. At the end everyone is positively changed.

It's all about believing in yourself, believing in your dream - that you can make changes in your life."

Joe Wachowski admires Nash's ability to write characters like his into the play. The Canton resident plays the younger brother Jim, a humorous, unpredictable lad. An aspiring screenplay writer, Wachowski constantly strives to "give the story what it deserves, the best performance possible, to give Jim what the writer envisioned."

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THE RAINMAKER

What: Farmington Players present N. Richard Nash's play about life and love in the drought-stricken Midwest during the late 1930s

When: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 8-9, 15-16, 22-23 and March 1-2, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, 17 and 24

Where: At the theater inside Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, south of Maple, West Bloomfield

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Ugandan children step toward life without shame

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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It's not easy growing up an orphan of parents who've died from AIDS. That's why Frank Katoola is dedicated to the Ugandan children who just left his hotel room in Washington, D.C.

Katoola spends a lot of time on the road with the 18 orphans who are members of the Children of Uganda. He's directed the East African music and dance troupe since its founding by the Uganda Children's Charity Foundation in 1994. Orphaned by AIDS and war, the children, ages 6 to 17, live in the Daughters of Charity Orphanage.

On Jan. 18, they arrived in New York for a 17-city tour which comes to the Power Cen-

ter for the Performing Arts in Ann Arbor Friday-Saturday, Feb. 8-9 as part of the University Musical Society series.

"I was a volunteer when I saw the kids performing in one of the hotels in Kampala so I volunteered to direct them," said Katoola. "I was teaching in one of the schools there. I took five kids to this school through a scholarship program."

Katoola was 10 years old when he began playing an instrument so he knows it's never too early to learn about traditional Ugandan music and dance. In fact, Katoola was so inspired he went on to earn a diploma in performing arts for music, dance and drama at Makerere University in Kampala.

"We're doing a cross section of dances from Uganda and songs," said Katoola. "The opening piece

is a melody with Swahili and Uganda songs. I take folk dances then choreograph them using the same traditional rhythms. We have a 12-dance repertoire. This is a 1 1/2-hour program with six dances linked together with drum rhythms."

Katoola worked with 40 to 50 children in Uganda three to four months during the school semester before narrowing down the troupe to 18. He believes because of the Children of Uganda, they will have a future in a country where life expectancy is 44 years for men, 46 years for women. And it's not just AIDS which has killed the people. Uganda was notorious for human rights violations under dictator Idi Amin from 1971 to 1979 and then Milton Obote who was ousted by Amin. From the 1970s to 1980s, half a million

people were killed in the violence.

"My country was coming out of turmoil in 1987 when I was coming out of college in 1989 with a sense of duty to my country," said Katoola, founder of Tender Talents Theatre Company which focuses on issues of child abuse and the welfare of Ugandan children. "I believe our culture has a lot to offer young people and it has to be kept alive."

"With the Children of Uganda they find a way of understanding life and escaping from their fears, not only caring for themselves but the funds they raise go to help children back home. There's a sense of purpose and duty, a new understanding of themselves, a sense of responsibility and helping others."

There's no doubt in Katoola's mind the benefits derived from Children of Uganda. It's more than just ankle bells and colorful costumes filling a stage.

"It's fulfilling in a way because I get to see my work but to see someone's life is turning around, to see them again as a woman or man of 20 and you see they're facing life without shame or fear."



East African production: *The Children of Uganda perform Friday-Saturday, Feb. 8-9 at the Power Center for the Performing Arts in Ann Arbor.*

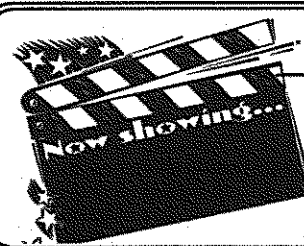
Children of Uganda

What: The 18-member troupe perform traditional East African music and dance

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with African American history, as witnessed by blues, jazz, and more recently, hip-hop and funk. Rudy Lauerman, who books most of the music for the DIA, wanted to cover a range of styles relevant to Black history. Besides the Fairfield Four, Lauerman booked Mama's Lickin' Stick Clarinet Ensemble, who plays rhythm and blues, bebop, and classic jazz. Detroit saxophonist Donald Walden, known for his unique style of improvisation and composition, performs with his quartet. Another Detroit group, the Black Bottom Collective, fuses hip-hop, poetry, funk and reggae. Their music is grounded in urban culture and is created in the spirit of progress and change.

Programs on African American history would not be complete without including the oral tradition of storytelling. When planning programs for Black History Month, assistant educator Mary Jarvis knew it was essential to feature this tradition.

"Oral history is embedded in African American culture, and storytelling is an important, enjoyable way to learn about history," said Mary Jarvis, who invited storyteller Alma Greer and a popular African drummer to present *African Folktales: Stories from the Motherland*. Other storytellers present programs every Sunday.

Two major eras in Black history, the Underground Railroad and the Great Migration come alive through performances by the Mosaic Youth Theatre. This internationally acclaimed youth theater presents two plays in one. *North to Midnight* tells the story of the Underground Railroad through one family's daring escape from slavery and journey to the town code-named "Midnight" - Detroit. *North to Sun-*rise presents a lesser-known

journey to the north: The Great Migration of the 1940s. Workers struggling with harsh economic and social conditions in the South left what they knew and loved.

The art of film is represented through a film series, collaboratively developed by DIA staff. Jarvis met with a committee to decide which films to select.

"We decided to focus on films we feel deserve more attention, and that might have been overlooked by the general public," said Jarvis.

The three films chosen reveal different aspects of African American history. *Daughters of the Dust* is a poetic, turn of the century tale of the Gullah, descendants of slaves who reside on islands near South Carolina and Georgia and maintain their West African heritage. Director Spike Lee's *Four Little Girls* is a shattering documentary about the fatal bombing of a black Birmingham, Alabama, church on Sept. 15, 1963, which not only killed innocent children but also galvanized the entire nation and accelerated the civil rights movement. The final film in the series is *Beloved*, an adaptation of Toni Morrison's Pulitzer Prize winning novel about a woman who made her way from slavery to a free life in Ohio in 1873.

Ongoing programs at the DIA, such as classes, workshops, tours, and lectures, are focused on African American art and culture. Fine Arts Friday offers an insider's view of works by African American artists in the American galleries. Visitors can learn about African proverbs and make their own Adinkra cloth in a drop-in workshop. An adult class explores three influential Detroit poets, and teachers can take a workshop to learn to make traditional African mud cloth paintings. Families can always enjoy the self-guided tour

of African American art, available at the information desks.

As Black History Month comes to a close, the DIA opens the special exhibition *Over the Line: The Art and Life of Jacob Lawrence* on Feb. 24. This comprehensive review of Lawrence's work is in itself a lesson in African American history. The exhibition is just the most recent in DIA special exhibitions that focused on Black History. Beal explains this is just part of the commitment the DIA has made to the African American community and to the community at large.

"We plan to continue to foster our relationships with local collectors, schools, and others in the community," said Beal. "The DIA belongs to all of us, and we are dedicated to making the museum accessible to everyone in metropolitan Detroit."

Pam Marcil is public relations manager at the Detroit Institute of Arts. *Observer & Eccentric!* arts and entertainment reporter Linda Ann Chomin returns next week.

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Museum.

Booth's love of art began early so it's no wonder she's trying to expose children to a range of media. Booth teaches children's classes for ages 4-9 at the BBAC where she's been a member for 30 years.

"I came from an artistic family. I asked for paints for Christmas for my 11th birthday and I've been painting ever since," said Booth who was an art major at Kent State University in Ohio. "I was exposed through my grandfather who was an architect so I was around all the material."

"My parents took me to the Cleveland Institute of Arts to see all the shows. At age 12, I took classes there in summer and got on a bus all by myself."

Nancy Nordlie shares Booth's commitment to art so she was excited when asked to become a member of the Birmingham Society of Women Painters in 1974.

Booth laid down blocks of blue and green to indicate bodies of water, line for movement the abstract acrylic, *Lake Superior*.

"I was flattered to be invited to become a member," said Nordlie,



Poppy passion :
This triptych by Carole Hadley is titled "Poppy passion."

a Birmingham resident who earned a bachelor's degree in art/design from the University of Michigan. "It's nice to be with people who speak the same language because I think art is a very hard thing to articulate."

Like Nordlie, Elizabeth Sylvester takes pride in being a member of the group. She created *Froggy's Gone a Courtin'* with colored ink.

"I've made close friendships," said Sylvester, a Bloomfield Hills resident who's also a member of the Farmington Artists Club and Palette & Brush.

"There is a high standard of work and it's not easy to get into. I don't want to sound like I'm bragging but we do have high standards."

Livonia Arts Commissioner Sara Dickens is delighted artists approve of the gallery. She's now booking monthly exhibits for 2003 because the reputation of the space has grown among artists.

"We're so pleased to have good quality art work like that of the Birmingham Society of Women Painters in the gallery," said Dickens. "It shows we have great art right here in Livonia."

"If anyone's interested in showing their work, we'd love to have them."

For more information about the Birmingham Society of Women Painters, call Shirley Gower at (248) 608-6446. For information about exhibiting in the Fine Arts Gallery, call Livonia's community resources department at (734) 466-2536.

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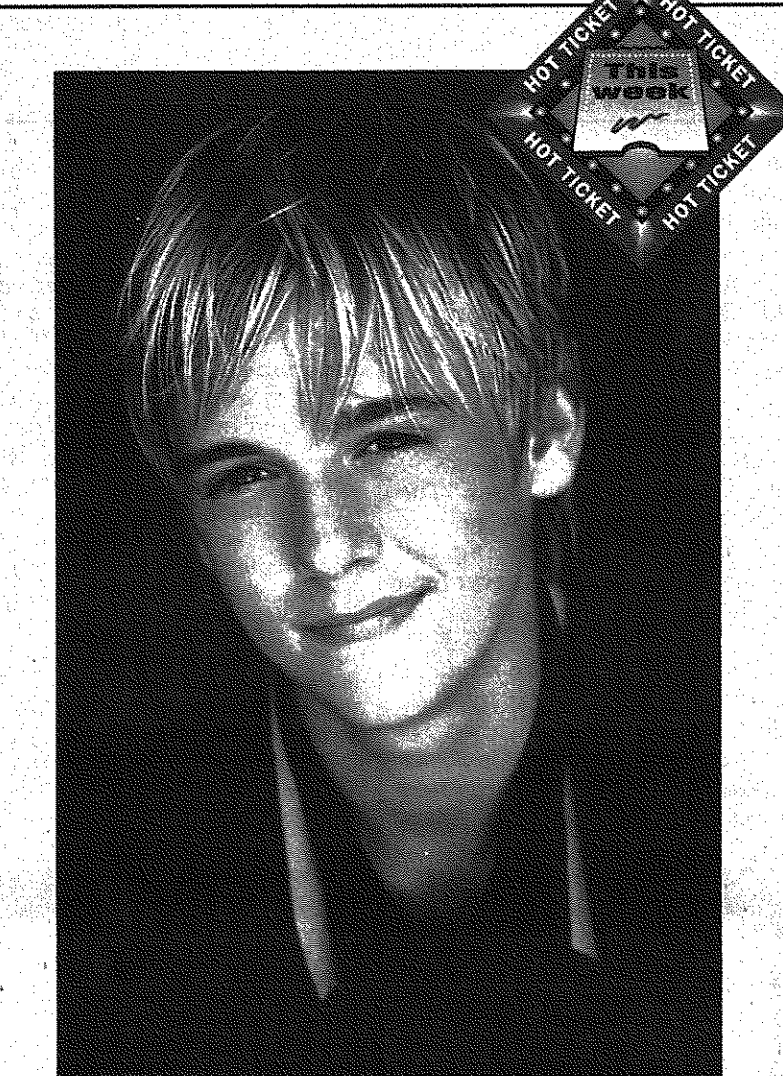
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Denim and Diamonds: A fund-raiser for the Plymouth Community Arts Council, annual dinner dance and auction Saturday, March 2, at St. John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth. \$75, \$65 for members. (734) 416-4278. All proceeds from the benefit support arts council programming.

Detroit Opera House: On Stage Jazz Performance by Marcus Belgrave and Friends and vocalist Ursula Walker with the Buddy Budson Band Friday, Feb. 22, 7:30-8:30 p.m. cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, performances 8:30-10:30 p.m., at the opera house, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$75. (313) 237-3425

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Mardi Gras: The Livonia Symphony Orchestra offers two ways of celebrating Mardi Gras with a sit-down dinner, silent auction and performances by brass and string quartets, and orchestra Friday, Feb. 8, festivities begin at 6 p.m., concert at 8 p.m., silent auction closes 9:30 p.m., at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. \$50 includes dinner/concert and silent auction; \$20, concert and silent auction. (734) 425-4855

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Detroit Symphony Orchestra: *Russian Dreams* program featuring baritone Sergei Leiferkus, Neeme Jarvi conducting, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 7-8, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$16-\$54, (313) 576-5111

Emerald Sinfonietta: In honor of Black History Month the program features spirituals with guest African-American soprano Christina Clark 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, at Birmingham Unitarian Church on Woodward, north of Lone Pine. \$20. \$15 seniors/students, includes reception after the concert. For reservations, call (313) 438-0780

Plymouth Symphony Orchestra: American Portraits & Places program features the Plymouth Canton Middle School Orchestra, narration by State Rep. John Stewart, and a preconcert talk by composer Michael Daugherty 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, concert at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, northwest corner of Beck Road and North Territorial, Plymouth Township. \$15, \$12.50 seniors/college, free for children in K-12. (734) 451-2112

Sphinx Finals Concert: Showcases the top young black and Latino string players in the country, also features the premiere of *Symphony of the Sphinx* by poet Nikki Giovanni and composer Coleridge Taylor Perkinson, special guest artist Brandor Marsalis 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$10. (313) 576-5111

Young Artist Series: Features Jewish musical talent including vocalists Casey Anbender and Caitlin Klaper, baritone Zach Mondrow and cellist Seth Rosenfeld 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, at Temple Beth El, 7400 Telegraph at 14 Mile, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 851-1100, ext. 315

VOCAL

Schoolcraft College: Coloratura soprano Elizabeth Parcells gives a free concert featuring selections from the gilded age of song at the turn of the 19th century noon Wednesday, Feb. 13 in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (734) 462-4403

BRASS

Today's Brass Quintet: 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, Detroit. No charge. (313) 822-3456

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

Birmingham Concert Band: Looking for new musicians, 65-member adult band, all instruments welcome especially low brass and percussion. Rehearse Wednesday evening in the Groves High School band room. (248) 474-4997, (248) 647-7586 or visit www.birminghamconcertband.com

Michigan Shakespeare Festival: Auditions for the July 18 to Aug. 4 festival will be held 7-10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22 and 2-8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, for a variety of roles for adults of all ages, for major roles a prepared monologue from any Shakespeare play is required and should not exceed two minutes, at the Jackson Symphony Hall, 215 West Michigan Ave., Jackson. To schedule an interview, call (866) 705-2636 or (517) 788-5032

Orchard Ridge Theater Company: Auditions for Agatha Christie's *The Mouse Trap* 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 11, in the Smith Theater at Oakland Community College, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. For performances April 11-13. (248) 522-3595

Performance Network: Seeks proposals from individuals and groups for 2002 Treetown Festival (May 29-Aug. 25), categories include theater, performance art, dance, new work and avant garde, each piece will be staged for one or two weekends with access to the Network's technical and marketing resources. Deadline for application is Feb. 14. (734) 663-0696 or send e-mail to pnetwork@bizserve.com for proposal packet. For application form visit the Web site at www.performancenetwork.org

POPS/SWING/ CABARET

Bird of Paradise Orchestra: 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, bop)

JAZZ/BLUES

Ron Brooks Trio: 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

Thornetta Davis: 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 8-9, at Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

Los Gatos: 9 p.m. Wednesday, Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

Paul Keller: And ensemble provide the music for a Pre-Mardi Gras Party 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall in Livonia. There will be room for dancing so call early to reserve tickets which are \$12. (248) 476-2674

Brett Lucas Band: 9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, at Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

Kris Lynn: 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, at Harlequin "Jazz" Cafe, Indian Village, Detroit. No cover. (313) 331-0922

Matt Michaels Trio: 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 13 Ed Gooch (trombone); Feb. 20 trumpeter Johnny Trudell; Feb. 27 vocalist Barbara Ware; Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road, two blocks east of Middlebelt Road. (734) 762-7756

Larry Nozero Jazz Quintet: Performs 8 p.m. to midnight Monday, at Mitch Housey's Food & Spirits, Livonia. (734) 425-5520 or visit www.larrynozero.com

Tony Pope's N'Orleans Six: 3-6 p.m. Saturday, opened Jan. 26, and continues every other weekend through June 1, at Tom's Oyster Bar, Southfield. \$6. (248) 476-2674

FOLK/ACOUSTIC

Larry Abour: 7 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, at Flying Fish Tavern, 17600 W. 13 Mile, east of Southfield Road. (248) 647-7747

Kitty Donohoe: Performs as part of the Northville Arts Commission's Winter Concert series 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, at Genitti's Little Theatre, Northville. \$7. (248) 449-9945, ext. 9950

Pierce Pettis: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. \$10, (734) 464-6302

Matt Watroba: 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, at the Orion Township Public Library, 825 Joslyn road,

north of Clarkston Road. (248) 693-3001

WORLD MUSIC

Loyko: One of four leading Russian gypsy groups perform 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Millennium Theater Center, 15600 Hudson Drive, Southfield. \$35, \$30, \$25 and \$20. (248) 967-2146, (248) 865-3354 or (248) 538-6700

Pat McDunn: 8-11 p.m. Friday, at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills. No cover. (248) 601-1100 (Irish)

CLASSIC/ MODERN DANCE

Detroit Dance Collective:

Collage, a concert of contemporary dances featuring choreography by Anh Nguyen and Kay Rediers, and works by artists directors Paula Kramer and Barbara Selinger and guest artist Linda Cleveland Simmons 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16-17, on the third floor of the Old Main Building on the Wayne State University campus, Cass and Warren, Detroit. \$12, \$8 seniors/students. (313) 965-3544

Imperial Russian Ballet: 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, program features a dance based on a true story of the life of a ballerina from the world famous Marinsky Theater in St. Petersburg, classical and folk dance, jazz and duets to modern dance and gymnastics, at the Millennium Theater Center, 15600 Hudson Drive, Southfield. \$20-\$45. (248) 967-2146, (248) 865-3354 or (248) 538-6700

Patterson Rhythm Pace Dance Company: Present contemporary dance 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, in the Varner Recital Hall on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. \$12, \$10 seniors, \$6 students. (248) 370-3013

SOCIAL DANCING

Moon-Dusters: Ballroom dancing to live bands, featuring swing, fox trot, waltz, cha-cha and Latin, 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile. \$5. (248) 967-1428

Rhythm N' Shoes: Weekly ballroom/Latin dance party with DJ, 8:30-10:30 p.m. Thursday, 2172 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills. \$7. (248) 334-0299

U-M Ballroom Dance Club: Ballroom dance lesson and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday, at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor. \$2. (734) 763-6984

Wolverine Silverspur Dancers: 7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Italian American Cultural Center, south of 12 Mile, east of Hoover, Warren. \$7. (586) 573-0668 or (313) 526-9432

COMEDY

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase: Jim Hamm Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 7-9; Maria Bamford Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 14-16, at the club, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

Joey's Comedy Club at Palsano's: Dan Ballard Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 7-10; Vinnie Favorito Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 14-17, at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

Mark Ridley's Comedy Club: Dan Grueter Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 7-9; Derrick Cameron Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 14-16, 269 East Fourth, Royal Oak. \$6 Thursday, \$12 Friday, \$14 Saturday. (248) 542-9900

Second City: New on Tuesdays, *Law & Disorder* and *Standing on Ceremony*; Jammin' Wednesdays features The Best of Second City; Mayor-Go-Round showtimes on Thursday-Sunday at Second City-Detroit. Ticket prices and show times vary. \$5-\$20. (313) 965-2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

Cranbrook Institute of Science: 39221 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. \$7 adults; \$4 children ages 4-17, students with ID and senior citizens ages 65 and older; free for children ages 3 and younger. 1-877-462-7262 or www.cranbrook.edu

Detroit Institute of Arts: Continues its Friday night pro-

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gramming, at the museum, 5200 Woodward. Free with admission \$4, \$1 children, free for Founders Society members. (313) 833-7900 or visit the Web site at www.dia.org

Detroit Science Center: 5020 John R, Detroit. (313) 577-8400
Henry Ford Museum: New hours are 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. When Greenfield Village reopens April 1 same hours apply. \$7.50-\$14. (313) 271-1620. For IMAX ticket prices and show times call (800) 747-IMAX (4629)
Meadow Brook Hall: Tours continue through June, 1:30 p.m., Monday-Sunday, and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, tea served 3-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19 (\$30, prepaid reservations required), at the hall in Rochester. Reservations required. General admission \$8, \$6 seniors/children, discounts for groups of 20 or more. (248) 370-3140 or www.meadow-brookhall.org

Wright Museum of African American History: In the Spirit of Martin: The Living Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. continues to July 28; Jacob Lawrence and the Story of John Brown comprised of a series of 22 serigraphs continues on exhibit through March 3. The images narrate the story of abolitionist John Brown and his quest to end slavery, in the Bank One Gallery at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Franklin Village Band: Adult musicians from southeastern Michigan are invited to join the Franklin Village Band. All instruments welcome, but there is a special need for flutes and clarinets. The band rehearses Monday evenings in the Franklin Community Church social hall on Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile roads. For more details, call Bill Prisk, (248) 474-8869 or Bob Zimmerman, (313) 535-4119
Livonia Arts Commission: Is looking for artists and crafters for its 26th annual Arts Festival Saturday-Sunday, June 8-9, in Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia. For an application, call the community resources department at (734) 466-2540. Exhibitors are also wanted for the display cases in the Livonia Civic Center Library. Artists or collectors should contact Donna Eno at (734) 261-5870.

Poetry Lounge: Join the Open Mic poetry series at Affirmations Lesbian and Gay Community Center, 195 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. Bring original and/or published poems to read or just come and listen. Poetry Lounge every third Wednesday through April in the Pittman-Puckett Art Gallery within the community center. (248) 398-7105

Scholarship Funds: The family of recently deceased artist Ricki Berlin have established a fund to honor her memory at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. Current and future artists seeking scholarships for classes at the Art Center are invited to submit requests to Deborah Callahan, education coordinator, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, MI, 48009
Singer Auditions: The Cantana Academy chorale periodically accepts experienced singers in all vocal ranges to join the chorale. Call (248) 358-9868 to schedule an audition. Singers should prepare a classical piece and be ready for sight reading. Auditions last approximately 15 minutes

VSA arts of Michigan: Looking for professional artists who are interested in sharing their creative processes in dance, drama, literature, music, poetry and the visual arts with students with disabilities. Artists must be interested in learning how to accommodate students with a variety of disabilities. Qualified artists will be trained to work with students at an Artist-in-Residence Training Institute to take place at the R.A. MacMullan Conference Center at Higgins Lake in Roscommon June 15-18. Following training VSA arts of Michigan will provide work for artists in artist-in-residence programs in K-12 schools throughout the state. Interested artists

should send resumes to Artist-in-Residence Initiative, VSA arts of Michigan, 51 West Hancock, Detroit, MI 48201. For more information, call (313) 832-3303 or send e-mail to vsami@ic.net.

ART CLASSES

Ann Arbor Art Center: Adult and youth courses including ceramics, jewelry making, figure sculpting and drawing, Renaissance painting, tilemaking, mosaics, glass blowing, pottery, puppetry, clay on the wheel and more. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004, Ext. 101.
Art Gallery/Studio: Carol Knotts teaches basic drawing, for six weeks beginning 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7. Maggie Cooney and Kay Rowe teach watercolor in March and April. In the Sheridan Shopping Center, Garden City. (734) 261-0379
Art of Living Studio: Drawing, scarf-dyeing and awakening your artistic vision classes, book conversation and poetry nights. 11 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. (248) 693-3632.

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: Includes a Class for Parents, Art Starts at Home, Capitals of Culture: Rome, Florence and New York, Drawing at the Museum, Urban Foraging Basket Workshop, Grades 1-3 Designing Cars, and Automotive Sculpting Workshop for grade 9 through adult. 1516 South Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866

Creative Arts Center: Classes for children, teens and adults in art, music, drama and dance. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849. Scholarships available for students with financial need.

Outside the Lines Studio: Decorative painting classes, learn faux finishes with glazes, animals prints, paper mosaics, glass painting, floorcloths, furniture painting and more. Berkley. (248) 399-9304

Plymouth Reed and Cane: Basket weaving classes, workshops and chair caning and seat replacement classes. Beginning Decorative Painting Class, fabric painting and other classes, 1200 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-2150.

Touch of Light: The Studio and Gallerie of Handblown Glass offers classes in glass blowing. No experience necessary. Classes meet Wednesday-Friday evenings and Saturday-Sunday afternoons. 23426 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. (248) 543-1868.
Visual Art Association of Livonia: Classes in various arts forms including oil, watercolor, pastel and drawing at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia. Mary Ann Adams, (734) 455-9517

DANCE

Argentine Tango Club of Detroit: Tango group classes are offered weekly at various locations. For information on workshops and classes, call (313) 724-3262.

Ballet Workshop: Suzanne Hawkins' Ballet Workshop offers ballet classes for teens and adults in beginning through advanced levels weekday mornings in Sterling Heights and Rochester. Also on Sunday mornings at 132 Varner Hall, Oakland University Rochester campus. (248) 652-3003.

Deborah Chase School of Dance: Accepting new students for a comprehensive program in dance, art and musical theater. 29820 Joy, Livonia. (734) 513-2004 or (734) 421-4212.

Detroit Ballet: Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap and jazz. Adult beginners welcome. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine Mile Road. (248) 474-3174.

Debbie Felton's Academy of Dance: Registering new students. 16312 Middlebelt, Livonia. (734) 524-0104.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: Student show juried by Kevin Brown, Kathy Dambach and Sylvia Nelson opens with a reception 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8. 1516 South Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866
Cass Cafe: Psychology and



American Portraits and Places: State Rep. John Stewart narrates Copland's "A Lincoln Portrait," one of the selections on the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, concert at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, northwest corner of Beck Road and North Territorial, Plymouth Township. Tickets are \$15, \$12.50 seniors/college, free for children in K-12. Call (734) 451-2112. The program includes something for everyone. The Plymouth Canton Middle School Orchestra will play alongside the orchestra for a selection from Dvorak's "New World Symphony." DSO composer-in-residence Michael Daugherty will be on hand to talk about his "Red Cape Tango." Following the performance, the audience will have the opportunity to the musicians as well as Civil War reenactors during a reception at the church.

Image, an exhibition by four College for Creative Studies graduating seniors Taurus Burns, Darcel Deneau, Matt Lewis and Anthony Orlando opens Feb. 16 with a reception 7-10 p.m., continues through April. 4620 Cass Avenue, Detroit. (313) 831-1400

Creative Arts Center: Housing, a one-woman painting show by Jennifer Rosenfeld continues to Feb. 19, reception for artist 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7. Exhibit resulted for Rosenfeld's artist-in-residence for one year in Israel. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849

Madonna University: An exhibit of Small Scale Works opens Friday, Feb. 15 and continues to Feb. 28, meet the artists at a reception 5-6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15 that includes a lecture by North Dakota metalwork and jewelry artist Dennis Nahabedian 4-5 p.m. Other artists exhibiting in the show include Mary Waite of Ann Arbor; Barbara Cervenka, art department, Siena Heights University, Adrian; John DeHoog, art department, Eastern Michigan University; Tara Stephenson, University of North Dakota, and K. Sarah Kaufman, Ann Arbor. In the Exhibit Gallery on the second floor of the Library Wing, Levan and I-96, Livonia. For information, call art department chairman Doug Semivan at (734) 432-5710

Southfield Centre for the Arts: Buffalo Soldiers, Tuskegee Airmen, Cowgirls and Celebrities Before Christ painting exhibit by Ivan Stewart Jr. opens with a reception and lecture 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, continues through February. 24350 Southfield Road, south of 10 Mile. (248) 424-9022

Tangent Gallery: Gail Mally-Mack retrospective, Sticks and Stones opens with a reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, continues to March 2. 715 East Milwaukee, Detroit. (313) 365-8864

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

A.C.T. Gallery: Location, Location, Location, multi-media show featuring Litsko Brennan, Lorilei Byatt, Joanne Lewis, Malik Lowry, Miri Stebivko and Marilyn Sambrano continues to Feb. 23. 35 East Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-4336

Bagley Housing Art Gallery: Facets & Figures by Detroit Artists: Invitational Exhibition of National Conference of Artists continues to Feb. 28. 2715 Bagley, Detroit. (313) 964-5942

Alfred Berkowitz Gallery: Jazz in Detroit Before Motown: A Photographic History continues through Feb. 8, in the gallery at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn. (313) 593-5058.

Barnes and Noble: Marji Silk's photographs on display through Feb. 28, at the Rochester Hills store, located on Rochester Road, north of Auburn. (248) 853-9855.

Cass Cafe: Through February - Scapes: An exhibition by Allen Berke. 4620 Cass, Detroit. (313)

831-1400.

Community Arts Gallery: Depopulated Landscapes, recent paintings by Jim Nawara, continues through March 1. Open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 5400 Guillen Mall, Wayne State University campus. (313) 577-2423

Exhibit A Gallery: Marco Garcia continues his one-man show Primordial, multimedia investigations of creation, evolution and human interaction through Feb. 15. 288 E. Maple Road, Birmingham. (248) 258-9284.

Farmington Hills City Gallery: The photographs of Monte Nagler continue on exhibit through Feb. 21. Costick Center, 28600 Eleven Mile. (248) 473-1856

Farmington Public Library: Watercolors by Barbara Eko Murphy through Feb. 28. 23500 Murphy, west of Farmington, south of Grand River.

Ford Gallery: New art faculty exhibition featuring the work of Colin Blakely, John DeHoog, Chris Hyndman, Brian Nelson and Maria Ruggerio continues to Feb. 23. Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. (734) 487-0465
Gallery 212: Colour Me Blue, an all media exhibition featuring local and internationally-known artists, continues to Feb. 10. 207 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8224.

G.R. N'Namdi Gallery: Works by the late Hughie Lee-Smith continue on exhibit to Feb. 22. 66 East Forest, Detroit. (313) 831-8700
Hill Gallery: Dirk Bakker, new photographs from Mexico, through Feb. 9. 407 West Brown, Birmingham. (248) 540-9288

Janice Charach Epstein Gallery: Children of the World Illustrates the Bible continues to Feb. 28, in the Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 432-5448

Lawrence St. Gallery: Michigan Association of Calligraphers exhibit continues to Feb. 22. 6 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6716

Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery: Birmingham Society of Women Painters exhibit mixed media through Feb. 27; basketry by Susan Godfrey in the library showcases on the second floor to Feb. 27. 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road. (734) 466-2490.

Meadow Brook Art Gallery: Harmony in Variation: Form and Meaning in Native American Art, a collection of Native American art amassed from Cranbrook Institute of Science, the Detroit Institute of Arts, Flint Institute of Arts, Beloit College's Logan Museum of Anthropology and private collections, runs to Feb. 17. 208 Wilson Hall, Rochester campus of Oakland University. (248) 370-3005.

Michigan Hot Glass Workshop: Furniture, a selection of furniture by 12 local artists, curated by Maxwell Davis, through Feb. 16. 1604 Clay Avenue, second floor, Detroit. (313) 871-1798

Oakland County Galleria: Dodge Brothers: Manufacturers behind Detroit's New Industry continues to March 8. 1200 North

Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415

Powab Pottery: Found Objects and mixed media group show, through Feb. 23. 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954

Picasso Cafe: Staci Miron exhibits son life, paintings completed when pregnant with the firstborn son Paul Giovanni, to Feb. 28. 39915 Grand River, Farmington.

Plymouth Community Arts Council: An exhibition of historic Civil War art continues to Feb. 15. Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 North Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 416-4278

Print Gallery: Collection of 62 fine art posters from the archives of the Vatican Library, continue to March 24. 29173 Northwestern, Southfield. (248) 356-5454

Roam Gallery: Andy Turner, bending the rules of sculptural integrity, through Feb. 9. 212 West 11 Mile, Royal Oak. (248) 245-ROAM.

Revolution gallery: Amy Vogel's solo exhibition, a girl, a monkey and a chicken, and Kirsten Mosher's paintings, both through March 10. 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

Robert Kidd Gallery: Group exhibition of paintings and sculpture, through Saturday, March 2, 107 Townsend St., Birmingham. Includes work by Larry Rivers, Sam Gilliam, David Bierck, Harry Bertoia, Julie Heffernan, Joseph Piccollo, Kikuo Saito, Zoltan Sepeshy, Moe Brooker, Terry Dill, Daniel Maffia, Gary Kulak, Fritz Mayhew, Robert Schefman, Lisa Clague. Open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1-4 p.m. the first Sunday of each month. (248) 642-3909

Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery: War and Peace exhibit by G. Jesse Gledhill continues to April 13. 33 East Adams, Detroit. (313) 963-7575.

Sybaris Gallery: Annual teapot exhibition featuring works from more than 20 artists, continuing through March 2, 202 East Third, Royal Oak. (248) 544-3388.

Voices Gallery: University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center's Voices Art Gallery features the work of Michael Samuelson, breast cancer survivor, advocate and author in Moments...Not Years continues. The show features photographs from Samuelson's recent trip to the mountain tops of Nepal. 1500 East Medical Center Drive. (734) 615-4012 or www.cancer.med.umich.edu

Washington Street Gallery: Leslie Sobel's exhibit of digital mixed media, The Evolution of Moment, through Feb. 23. 215 East Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287

Woods Gallery: Adnan Charara & Louis Redstone exhibit paintings through Feb. 14, in the Huntington Woods Library Gallery, 26145 Scotia, south of 11 Mile Road, west of Woodward Ave. (248) 543-9720

Xhedos Cafe: Photography by

Ken Marzorati continues to Feb. 17, Prone features black and white prints created from large (up to 16 by 20-inch) paper negatives. 240 West Nine Mile, Ferndale.

ART LECTURE

Plymouth Community Arts Council: Brown Bag Lecture features Ludmilla Von Taube from the Detroit Institute of Arts Speakers Bureau talking about "The Story of Painting: Caravaggio's Conversion of the Magdalen" noon Tuesday, Feb. 12. 774 North Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth. \$5 members, \$8 non-members, seniors free. (734) 416-4278 for reservations. Southfield Public Library: A member of the Detroit Institute of Arts Speakers Bureau will discuss the work and life of African-American artist Jacob Lawrence 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21. 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. Call (248) 948-0470 for information. The Art and Life of Jacob Lawrence will be exhibited Feb. 24 to May 19 at the DIA. For more than 60 years, Lawrence depicted African-American life in the 20th century with stark images and bold colors.

WORKSHOPS

Young Authors: The Young Authors Program of The Detroit Writers Guild will conduct workshops through May for children grades 3-12, noon to 3 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month at The Schoolhouse, 19363 Livernois, Detroit. The free workshops consist of poetry, essay and short-story writing. (313) 272-7083

LIVE MUSIC

CRAIG DAVID: 8 p.m. Feb. 10, The Royal Oak Theatre, Royal Oak. \$25. All ages. (248) 645-6666

Creed: The Weathered Tour, With Puddle of Mud, Monday, Feb. 11, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$36.50-\$42.50. (248) 645-6666

Gordon Lightfoot: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 27, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$37.50-\$42.50. (248) 645-6666 or (734) 763-TKTS

Great Big Sea: Saturday, March 16, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. \$25. (248) 645-6666

Jason Harrod: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 6, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10, \$8 for theatre members. (734) 464-6302

Judas Priest: With Anthrax, Iced Earth, tour is rescheduled to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, The Palace of Auburn Hills. \$18.50-\$29.50. Tickets for the original date(s) will be honored or may be refunded at the point of purchase. (248) 645-6666

Khaled & Hakim: 8 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 17, The Royal Oak Theatre, Royal Oak. \$40 and \$100. 21 and over. (248) 645-6666

Leon Russell: 8 p.m., Friday, Feb. 8, The Magic Bag, Ferndale. \$20. (248) 544-3030 for information, (248) 645-6666 for tickets

Luther Vandross: 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, Fox Theatre, Detroit. (248) 645-6666

Mike Roe: 8 p.m., Wednesday, March 13, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$15, \$13 for theatre members. (734) 464-6302

Oak Ridge Boys: 8 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 17, Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn. \$27-\$30. (313) 943-2354

Pat Metheny Group: 8 p.m., Thursday, March 7, Detroit Opera House. \$45-\$75. (248) 645-6666
Peter, Paul and Mary: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 11, Detroit Opera House, Detroit. \$42.50. (248) 645-6666

Randall Bramblett: 8 p.m., Friday, Feb. 15, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10, \$8 for theatre members. (734) 464-6302

Rani Arbo and Brooks Williams: 8 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 28, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$10, \$8 for members. (734) 464-6302

Soli: Joins Static X, Soulfly and onesidezero, 5 p.m., Feb. 16, State Theatre, Detroit. \$25. (248) 654-6666

Tangerine Dream: 9 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 10, The Second City, Detroit. \$30. (248) 645-6666

Twiztid: 9 p.m., Friday, March 15, The Royal Oak Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets \$16 advance, \$17 day of show. All ages. (248) 645-6666

EATING OUT

Sweet offerings

Cafe Cortina, 30715 West 10 Mile in Farmington Hills, (248) 474-3033, hours are 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Friday and 5-11 p.m. Saturday (open for private parties on Sunday), reservations are suggested and can be made at www.cafecortina.com on the Internet.

Valentine's desserts: *Torta Di Fantasia* Chocolate, chocolate torte with creme anglaise and fresh berries, and *Pera Al Forno Con Una Crema Di Castagne*, poached pear with chestnut creme in phyllo.

Mackinnon's 126 East Main in Northville, (248) 348-1991, hours are 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, reservations suggested.

Valentine's desserts: *Frozen Strawberry Souffle*, *Banana Wellington* and *The Sweetheart*, a heart-shaped, sweet pastry crust painted with chocolate, filled with lemon curd and decorated with chocolate and whipped cream.

Tribute, 31425 W. 12 Mile in Farmington Hills, (248) 848-9393, dinner served starting at 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, reservations are highly recommended.

Valentine's desserts: (From the evening's tasting menu) *Sheep's Milk Yogurt Pannacotta with Rose Water Gelee*, *Fresh Berries and Edible Flowers*, and *Warm Chocolate Cake with Passion Fruit Caramel*, *Coconut Sorbet* and *Caramelized Baby Banana*.

La Bistecca Italian Grille, 39405 Plymouth Road in Plymouth Township, (734) 254-0400, dinner hours are 5-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 5-11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, lunch is served 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, reservations are highly recommended, look for light piano/vocal entertainment and special Valentine's Day menu.

Valentine's desserts: *Tiramisu* and *Creme Brulee*.

by Staff Writer Nicole Stafford,

The sweet truth

Restaurants romance diners with desserts on Valentine's Day

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If there's a holiday that calls for going out to dinner, it's Valentine's Day.

But let's be honest. We're not talking about just going out to dinner here. Valentine's Day presses for much, much more.

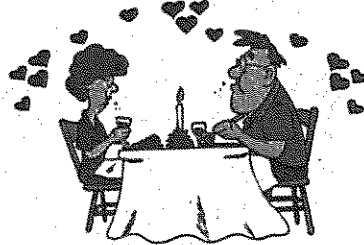
An extraordinary meal. Hey, candlelight might be nice. And big-time ambiance — the kind that transports lovey-dovey couples into a world of fantasy.

Valentine's Day is not about going out to eat, says Marvin Bernstein, owner of The French Gourmet in Ferndale, "it's about dining together."

And dining, particularly with the sweethearts, ought to be a sensory experience.

That's why most chefs and restaurateurs pull out all the stops for the holiday.

Chef Marcus Haight at The



Lark, for instance, incorporates not only the color and shape of a heart, but also the word — how about artichoke heart soup? — into his Valentine's Day offerings.

"I always do heart-shaped things without getting too corny," says Haight, adding, "Well you're feeding the eye first. The palate second."

Another necessity

There's another thing about Valentine's Day; dessert is a must for dining couples.

"It's definitely one night out of the year when people save room for dessert," says Michael Laiskonis, pastry chef at Tribute in Farmington Hills. "It's become such an institution giving candy, sweets and things like that on Valentine's Day."

But, says Laiskonis, there's more than tradition behind Feb. 14 indulgences. "I wouldn't discount the perception that choco-

late can sometimes be a very powerful aphrodisiac," he says. "I also think with Valentine's Day being in the dead of winter, we crave comfort food, and desserts tend to be comforting in that sense."

Sweet truths

Truth be told, says Laiskonis, the word 'comfort' is often code for hedonistic. "Especially with desserts where you have creamy textures and contrasts between hot and cold temperatures."

To put it bluntly, food, and dessert in particular, is a metaphor for, if not sex, then love.

Consider, say, the issue of timing. "Dessert is romantic because it's something you wait for," says Adrian Tonon, owner of Cafe Cortina in Farmington Hills.

"And, they say all good things come to those who wait."

Culturally speaking, a man and a woman sharing a dessert — like a chocolate malt in a 1950s diner — is the quintessential image of a romantic date.

Not to mention, dessert, like love, is sweet.

"With Valentine's Day," says Bernstein at The French Gourmet. "It has to do with the sweetness of the day because it has to do with love and lovers."

Theater

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"You never know what Jim's going to do," said Wachowski who works at Performance Staging in Plymouth and has acted with the Plymouth Theatre Guild and Farmington Players. "It's a fantastic play, extremely well written."

It's no surprise that Erin Osgood likes acting in *The Rainmaker* as much as Wachowski. The Bloomfield Township resident plays Lizzie, the independent, strong-willed woman surrounded by a house full of men.

"She speaks her mind," said Osgood. "My favorite scene she's alone with Starbuck and realizes she's a woman and there's nothing so bad about her. She learns you don't have to change."

Starbuck is not only the catalyst for changing Lizzie's life but Jim's and does it all with a swag. That's what Hank Bennett loves about his character.

"He's outspoken, a braggart, very full of himself," said Bennett, a Farmington Hills resident. "It's a lot of fun just to be brash."

Ron Meteyer enjoys playing H.C. because it's out of character for him as a father and teacher. Meteyer chairs the science department and coaches girls soccer at Northville High School and boys varsity soccer at North Farmington High School.

"I give lots of advice, get to tell everybody off and have the last word, and in real life you don't get to do that, especially the father," said Meteyer of Farmington Hills.

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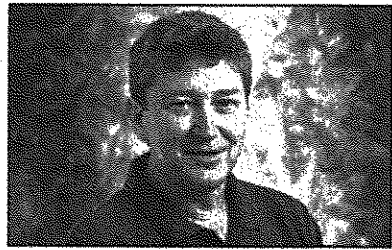
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HARRY JACHYM

Check for leaks before finishing your basement

With winter weather chasing do-it-yourselfers inside, I get many questions dealing with interior remodeling, basement finishing, and in particular, the perimeter walls seem to top these questions.

There are many variables to basement finishing: A simple coat of latex paint on the poured concrete or concrete block wall will suffice when the basements will be used for storage or occasional living space. If however your plans call for adding often-used living space, look to a more substantial method.

It's essential to verify that there are no water leaks in existing walls. Also check that the surface water run-off is controlled away from the house. Soil conditions will have a lot to do with how damp your basement is. In our area, which is sandy, the natural drainage keeps our basement quite dry, but if you're in heavy clay, dampness will be a natural problem.

It's best to stop the moisture before it reaches the wall. In damp soil conditions this could require digging around the foundation and applying diversion mats to the outside of the wall. These mats, placed next to the foundation wall, divert moisture quickly to the drain tile. This extensive project is usually best left to professionals.

The next best is to apply damp-proofing inside. I'd suggest a trowelable product such as PakMix Stop Leak (www.usmix.com), available where Sakrete products are sold, or a membrane such as 6-mil polyethylene applied to the inside. Keep in mind that these solutions still leave moisture in the wall.

A good wall system

Once the ground moisture is controlled (if necessary), it's time to build the finished perimeter wall. Probably the best wall system I've seen starts by installing rigid foam insulation (1-inch is good, 2-inches is better) to the concrete walls using foam compatible construction adhesive. Tape the seams (good old duct tape) and put a bead of caulk around the bottom. This insulation system helps keep the warm moist air in the basement from reaching the cool wall thus preventing condensation.

Build an uninsulated 2 by 4-inch stud wall with a pressure treated plate (board) on the bottom. Space this about 1-inch from the foundation insulation. Run any planned wiring and plumbing, then cover the stud wall with a gypsum panel (drywall) and finish. I strongly suggest using drywall on the studs even if your final plans call for wood paneling. The drywall helps the panels lay flat and is fire resistant.

This wall system should keep the basement temperature above the dew point reducing the likelihood of condensation while reducing the infiltration of ground moisture. Complete with ceiling and flooring materials of your choice and enjoy your new living space.

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Island provides a dining oasis

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The island kitchen, per se, is not a new concept. But its growing popularity stems from a shift in how homeowners view their dining needs. The formal dining room was once considered a necessity, for those rare occasions when one might have a formal dinner gathering. In hectic - and increasingly casual - modern lifestyles, the formal dining room is little more than a mail room or dumping ground for coats and bags. Why heat and cool space that functions as storage?

The solution to this waste dilemma, as many designers have found,

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Welcome to my garden



Colorful flowers, outstanding evergreens make small space an interesting place

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SPECIAL WRITER

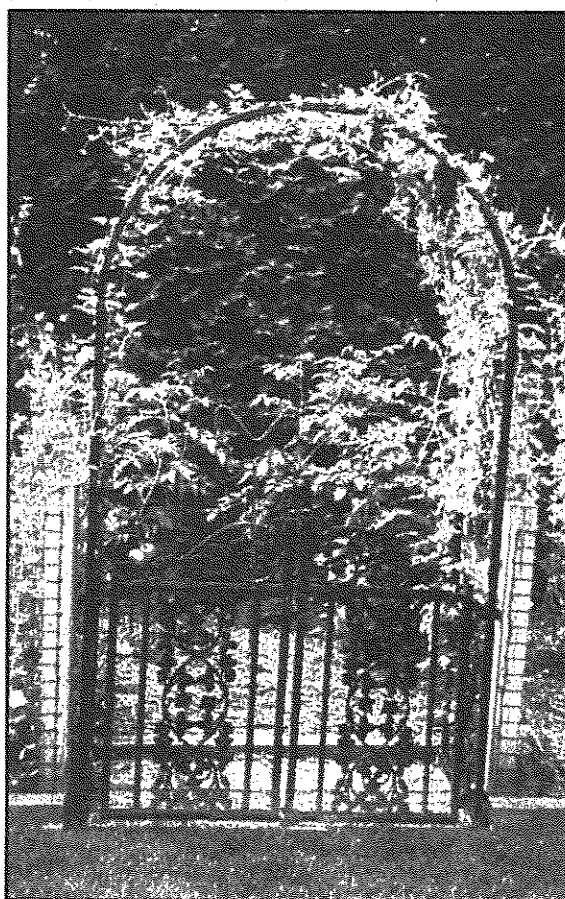
Diane Salim's garden in Birmingham is so lovely that visitors encouraged her to invite me to see it this summer; and what a wonderful job she has done with this small property where she and her husband have lived for 26 years.

Although we're in the throes of winter there are hints of spring. Just the other day I noticed some emerging buds on my shrubs. A good garden requires planning, and Diane Salim and her husband Uwe Diepholz are experts. Every bit of available space is chockful of many, many different flowers that enhance the setting. In fact, she says, "If there's an empty space, I haven't bought enough plants."

Stores are beginning to display seed packets, and gardening accessories and tools. It will soon be time to dig in. But while we're waiting, we can look at pictures and be inspired by other gardeners.

Annuals, perennials, vines, fountains, a water garden (with huge koi and goldfish) are used with abandon yet are controlled in Diane Salim's garden. The gray curving paver sidewalk that

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At the gate: Above, Diane Salim at the gate to the water garden with her Belgian sheep dog, Kona. At left, the entrance to the vegetable garden attests to the elegance of this landscape. In the top photo, a blue globe spruce and variegated miscanthus grow at one edge of the front garden, while a tall castor bean gets attention at the other.

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Homeowners are looking for luxurious accents

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The gridlocked parking lot at the Novi Home Expo show on Saturday reaffirmed that metro-Detroiters have a love affair with their homes. The popular item - anything luxurious.

Large crowds gathered around nearly all of the more than 300 vendors and there was more gridlock around spa suppliers. Tinted glassed encased spas, cedar wood spas, spas accented with pink neon lights, spas that massage, spas that fit four, eight or more, and spas with built-in stereos were featured.

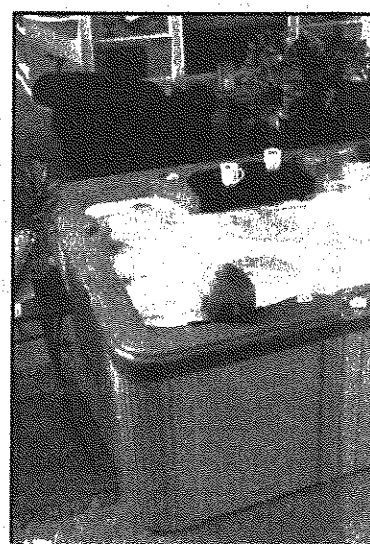
America in a recession? It seemed just the opposite. Home improvement suppliers said January 2002 was

their best January in years and February is expected to be better. In addition to spas, top selling items included new windows and children's murals.

"We sold three times the number of spas here this year compared to last," owner Tim Baele of Master Spas said. "And at the home shows we went to in Philadelphia and Minneapolis recently sales were up 40 percent."

The chill from Sept. 11 is keeping people at home. Instead of warming this winter with a trip to Florida, they're warming with spas that create a vacation atmosphere at home. Bale said sales are so good that Master Spas, of Rochester and Utica, will open two more stores this spring in Novi and Auburn Hills.

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Vacation at home: Spas were the hit at the Novi Home Expo show and owners of Masters Spas said sales are so good the company will open to more stores in April.

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leads to the front stoop and the abundance of colorful flowers made me think that there was something special going on. The stoop, and all the other hard-scapes were designed by Uwe, Diane says, "He is my hardscape man. He installed it all with the exception of the front walk."

The front landscaping is a beautiful blend of colors, both annuals and perennials. Outstanding evergreens, a blue globe spruce at one corner and at the

other a Hinoki cypress, are good choices. Annuals include white, purple and red million bells, phlox, little blue and white violets, miniature nicotiana, and a hibiscus that self seeds. Along the edge is white alyssum, pink vinca and blue ageratum. Perennials include white casa blanca lilies, iris, a tall purple castor bean, coneflowers, as well as several grasses, such as a striped variegated miscanthus.

The porch is a half-round made

of the same pavers as the walk; the edges are constructed of wide stones to hold a vast assortment of potted plants in white stone containers.

The back yard is ringed with flower beds that contain a wide assortment of plants that repeat from the front and side gardens. Some of them are hollyhocks, lilies, blue Russian sage, hot pink phlox, light pink obedient plant, butterfly bush and more. Diane's favorite color is white, so much is used. Many coleus which "I love" with their variegated foliage is used throughout all the beds on each side of the yard. These curving beds are lined with gray bricks, set on their sides.

One large, old, ornamental cherry tree is a show throughout the seasons. In the spring, the leaves are bright green and as the summer progresses, they slowly change to a deep purple. On one side of the yard a Peegee hydrangea, white goat's beard, a tall blue spruce and two large pine trees give the gardens a permanent feel.

Uwe built a storage shed, located in the corner of the back yard. It, too, is painted gray. Years ago, the couple planted a row of arborvitae along the back of the property. This 'hedge' is now at least 30 feet tall and is a perfect backdrop for the vegetable garden. A black wrought iron arch and double gates lead to this garden in which peas, tomatoes, cukes, lettuce, radishes and beets grow. They mulch this garden

with straw to eliminate weeding.

An array of containers sits on the small back stoop, one of which is a hypertuffa garden with alpine, such as a dwarf spruce, spirea, Irish moss, a blue spruce, barberry, and thyme. Diane says, "I trim these plants constantly and water it twice a week."

Tucked into a corner are hostas, spirea, tall ageratum, a rugosa rose (trimmed in the spring to keep it small), an annual penta and a red Japanese maple. Climbing up a post is a mandevilla vine with deep pink blooms.

The yard is completely fenced. It is covered with vines, including moonflower, morning glories and 15 different clematis.

Water garden

The piece de resistance is a simply beautiful water garden and pergola. The pergola is dressed with a shiny wrought iron table and two chairs, where the couple sit to enjoy the fish and the ambiance of the garden. The pergola, also constructed by Uwe, is covered with several vines: another mandevilla, a purple passion flower, sweet peas, and a pink Montana clematis. Ferns, hostas and other shade lovers grow around three sides. A lovely black wrought iron fence encloses it all. Tiger slate was used around the pond and at the gate, which adds another dimension to this garden.

The kidney-shaped pond holds

1,200 gallons of water and is approximately 12 feet by 6 feet in size and 24-inches deep at the deepest part, so the fish can overwinter outdoors as can many of the plants. This is another of Uwe's projects. The bright orange koi and golden fish are happy in their home. Shelves were built in the pond to hold containers of water plants, including cannas, a purple tropical lily, and lotus. Around the perimeter, reed grasses and variegated papyrus are growing. To deter blue herons from stealing the fish, Uwe strung about five lines of fishing line from the roof line of the home to the top of the pergola, and they are working.

He bought a kit to make paving stones (which they tinted gray) to connect the concrete area directly off the porch with the tiger slate in the pond garden making a nice contrast.

Their gardening season begins in April and the garden is tucked in for the winter in October. There is very little maintenance in this intensive garden other than watering in the early morning, deadheading each evening, and feeding the fish. Three inches of compost from the Birmingham recycling yard is applied each spring so there are very few weeds and no need for fertilizer. In fact, many flowers self-sow because of the rich soil. The pond plants are cut back to the lowest node and set on the bottom of the pond for winter. Tropicals are taken indoors. Many humming-

birds and butterflies visit and Diane says, "One day there were 50-60 butterflies in the spirea bush and soon were covering Uwe's red shirt!"

The evening scene is quite spectacular with night lighting in the front and back yards and under the pond.

Diane says, "I share with everybody; gardening is sharing. It's a labor of love."

It's winter, but every gardener knows this is the time to plan, and get ready for the growing season. Invite us to see your garden. We're busy cultivating new writers and gardens to feature in *At Home*. Send pictures of your garden, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope if you'd like your photos returned, and explanation of why your garden is simply spectacular to - Keely Kaleski Wygonik, Assistant Managing Editor of Features, *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. E-mail information, as a text file, or copy and paste into e-mail

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Cozy surroundings

Joe and Jennifer Rutherford, of Plymouth, agreed. Homeowners want cozy surroundings. The Rutherfords own Upon a Wall, a custom home-wall-mural business where they design wall

paintings. The married artists paint designs such as whimsical animal scenes for children's rooms and ocean Caribbean views for living rooms. It's all about beauty and luxury with a twist of comfort.

Another hot area at the show was Concrete Garden, a Waterford based company that creates concrete statues. Visitors admired statues, stones and figurines that honor pets. A big-seller was stepping stones engraved

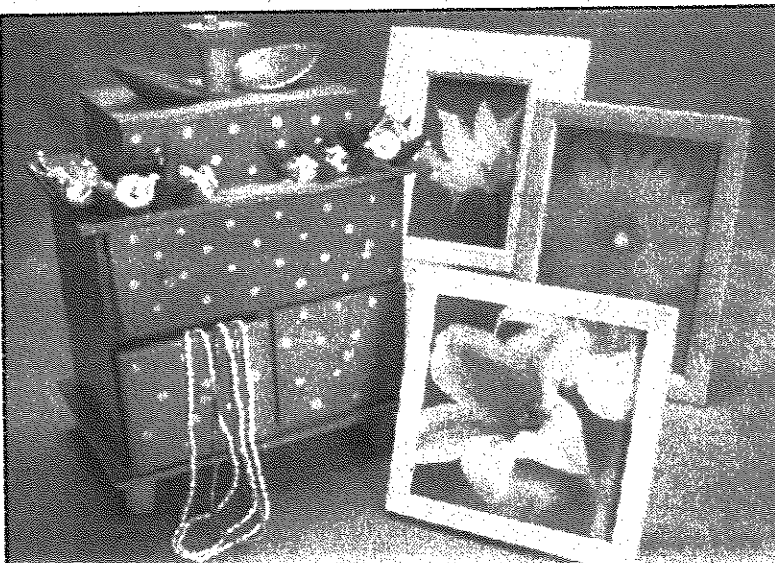
with sentimental words to remember deceased animals such as "A loving companion," and "My loyal friend."

"I'll feel good looking at it," Lenora Smith of Southfield said as she tried to chose a pet memorial stone to lay near a framed photo of her cat who died last year. "I live in an apartment, so I'll keep the stone indoors for now."

Kitchen improvement was another big topic. This year

expect to see accents with grapes especially wooden grape inlays on cupboards and chair backs. Ceramic tiles are also highlighted with grapes.

For those who missed this year's Home Expo show in Novi, there's another show this weekend at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Some of the same people who participated in the Novi show will attend including *The Appliance Doctor* Joe Gagnon, *The Garden Show's* Dean Krauskopf, and WXYT's *Ask the Handyman* Glenn Haeg. You can also enter the *Ugliest Bathroom Contest* sponsored by Mathison Supply, WJR Radio and The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.



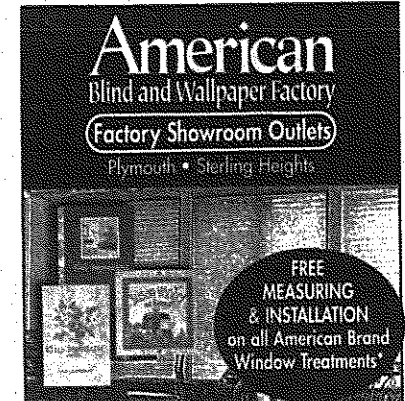
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Energy efficient appliances sought Island from page C1

I have written many articles and spoken many times about the shopping habits of Americans when it comes to major home appliances. It was only a year ago when you read about the projected cost of a new washing machine reaching \$800 plus. It's beginning to happen, and with the new technology will come even higher prices.

The \$289 washer will soon become a thing of the past, and those who will benefit from this happening are the service technicians who repair them. At least for a while, many homeowners will opt to have their appliances fixed rather than shopping for a current, expensive model.

Paying the lowest possible price has always been the norm for the majority of consumers, but there's a story from *Appliance Magazine* that shows a new trend. Consumers now rank energy efficiency as the most important factor in shopping for new home appliances, according to a study by Madison, Wis.-based Primen, an energy market-intelligence company.

In its study *Attitudes and Behaviors of Residential Consumers about Energy Efficiency*,

Primen asked 500 households about factors affecting home appliance purchases and knowledge of energy issues. Consumers in four U.S. geographic regions and California were asked to rank the impact of purchasing decisions on the following factors - fuel choice (natural gas/electricity), price, energy efficiency, brand name, product features, availability and appearance.

The key finding indicates energy efficiency has replaced price as the top appliance purchasing consideration in the U.S. A majority of U.S. households now plan to make an extra effort to buy energy-efficient appliances in the future according to the study.

Three-fourths of consumers said energy efficiency was a very important factor in purchasing appliances during the past year. About 84 percent said they anticipate that energy efficiency will be a very important consideration in making future purchasing decisions.

The survey also showed that consumer attitudes have been shaped by campaigns aimed at raising awareness of energy efficiency such as the U.S. Energy Star labeling program.

Nearly 56 percent of consumers report they have seen efficiency-related advertising. Roughly one-quarter of the respondents said they would be willing to pay more (15 to 25 per-

cent above the standard price) for higher efficiency appliances.

It is the opinion of this lonely voice that this new trend toward energy efficiency will equate to the original shopping habit of price being most important. I hope to see one day the trend move to the most important area that so many of us desire when buying an appliance and that is quality.

Ask any service technician what they think about the components and structure of modern appliances and the life span they command today and you are liable to get a response on how they should be made and how it used to be.

Here are some things to consider when shopping for home appliances:

- Call independent service companies that repair appliances and ask what they think is the best brand. Ask what brand has the least amount of repairs.
- Simple is best. The less gadgets you have, the less there is to break down.

Joe Gagnon can be heard Saturday and Sunday on 760 WJR. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals.

Got a question for the Appliance Doctor? Call him at (313) 873-9789, or write to him in care of Keely Kaleski Wygonik, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

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JOE GAGNON

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The subject is roses in this Year of the Rose

This is the Year of the Rose, a time when the whole country can celebrate this national flower. The American Rose Society was founded in 1892 and is now 110 years old!

Roses therefore have a long history, and as we enjoy them this year we may recall some interesting facts. Fossil records have tentatively identified roses

as 30 to 40 million years old, and carvings, writings, paintings and other traces of civilization show evidence of the presence of roses.

First there were wild roses (species roses) that naturally continue to flourish and bloom. As they mingled with each other, new roses developed.

The actual progression is murky, but we learn that species

and naturally occurring hybrids were found in the Mediterranean region some 2,000 to 3,000 years later. Either the Crusaders brought the plants back to France and England, or they were traded a m o n g monastery gardens.

At the end of the 16th century all the roses known in Europe bloomed heavily during the late spring and summer seasons only. Then recurrent-blooming roses appeared in the late 18th century.

After this, roses from China were introduced into Europe and people began to breed the flowers. From then on, new roses have been the result of intensive study and breeding programs.

The rose is mentioned in the Bible and many poems have been written about its beauty and fragrance. It is the symbol of the passing of youth and beauty. A famous historic story concerns England's War of the Roses in the 15th century between the houses of Lancaster and York,

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Peace story

One of the most endearing stories about a rose is about the lovely Peace.

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The budwood was carried by diplomatic courier just hours before Germany invaded France. It was awarded the All-America Rose Society's highest honor for 1946, and the American Rose Society sponsored its christening at the Pennsylvania Society's Rose Show on April 29, 1945.

Three days later, on May 2, Berlin fell. Peace was presented to 49 delegates of the United States on May 7, 1945, the same day as the Allies declared victory in Europe.

On Aug. 15, 1945, when the All-America award was to be presented, Japan surrendered. Five years later, Peace won the national gold medal from ARS and on Sept. 8, 1951, the peace treaty was signed with Japan.

This year try to learn more



MARTY FIGLEY

Coming up roses: The rose was made the official emblem of the United States in 1886.

about the rose, through seminars, reading and talking to rosarians.

Special program

One program you'll not want to miss, sponsored by Roses West of Novi, will take place 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, at the Novi Community Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile (phone (248) 347-0400).

Celebrating 2002: The Year of the Rose, a slide program, will be presented by Jim Hering of Marion, Ohio, immediate past-president of the American Rose Society of Shreveport, La.

A social hour with pastries and coffee will precede Hering's program, which is free and open to the public. Questions? Call Pat

at (248) 449-4626.

GOOD GARDEN TIP

Great Lakes Roses is offering a 2002 calendar devoted to roses. Each page is packed with how-to tips, garden events, shows and rose-related programs in our area; Web sites are also featured. An added bonus: Coupons worth more than \$100 in savings on roses and rose products are included.

Order a free copy of Great Lakes Roses' new rose flier (with more than 450 varieties) and/or the informative calendar, which is now available for \$18.87, plus \$2.50 for shipping and handling (add 6 percent sales tax to total cost for shipment to a Michigan address).

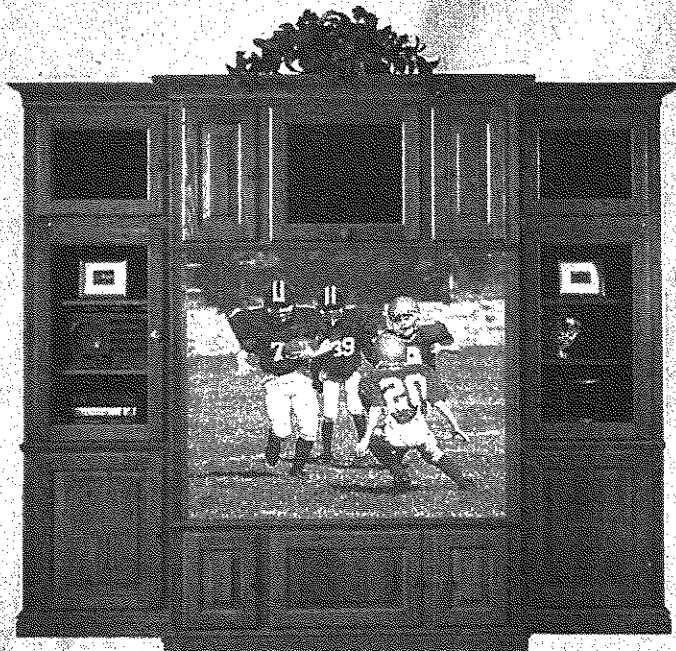
Write Great Lakes Roses, P.O. Box 65, Belleville, Mich. 48112-0065; phone (734) 461-1230; or e-mail info@GreatLakesRoses.com.

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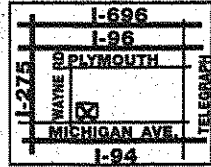
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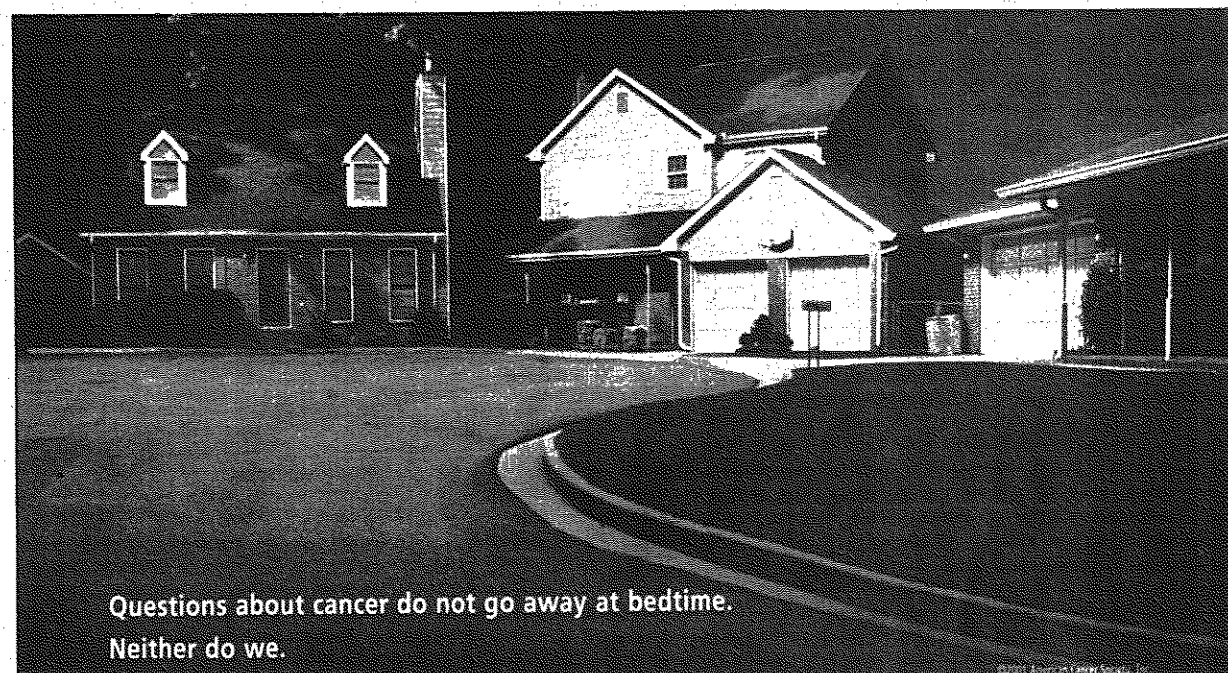
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MCCULLEY-SINGER

John and Debra McCulley of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca to John Singer, son of John and Penny Singer of Plymouth.

Rebecca is a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School, and Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor's degree. She is employed with the city of Ann Arbor.

John is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and Henry Ford Community College, with an associate degree. He is employed by Roush Industries as a designer.

An April 20, 2002 wedding is planned at First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth.



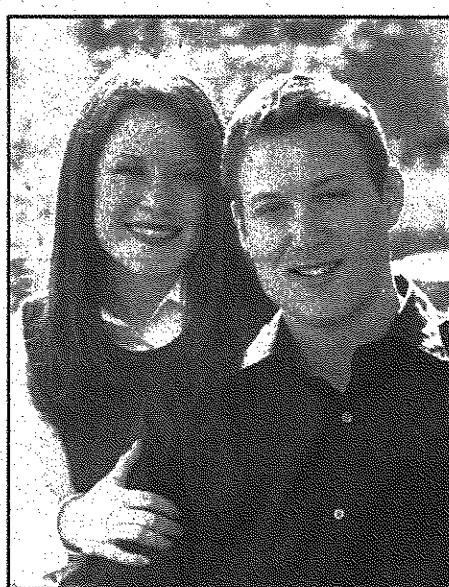
SHARP-ABRAMS

Robert and Eileen Sharp of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin, to Jason Abrams, son of Robert and Linda Abrams of Midland.

Erin is a 200 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelors degree in human resources management. She is currently working as a human resources generalist at Option One in Southfield.

Jason is a 2000 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelors degree in accounting. He is currently working as an auditor with KPMG, Detroit.

A May 17, 2002 wedding is planned at St. John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth.



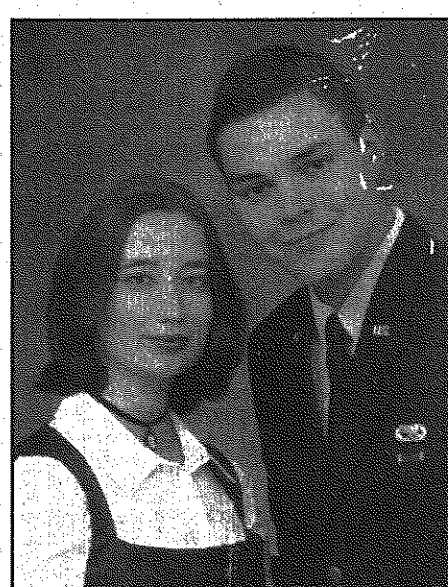
ESMACHER-JANKOWSKI

Carol and Dane Esmacher of Redford announce the engagement off their daughter, Danielle, to Brian Jankowski, son of David and Susan Jankowski of Redford.

Danielle is a 1999 graduate of Redford Union and is currently attending Schoolcraft College.

Brian is a 1999 graduate of Redford Union and is currently stationed at McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey.

A May 24, 2002, wedding is planned at Newburg Church in Greenmead Historical Village, Livonia.



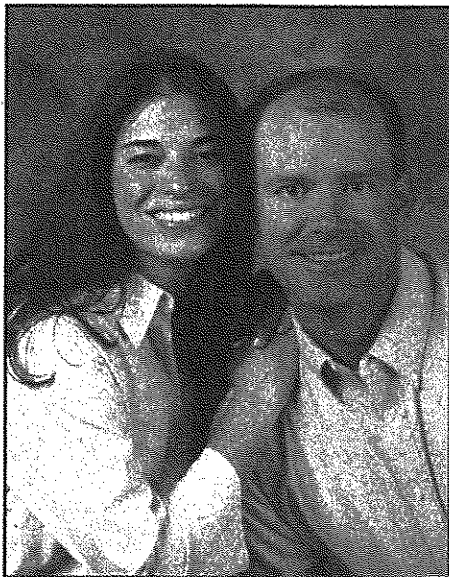
YAQUINTO-LARDIN

Don and Charlene Yaquinto of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Gina, to Brian Lardin, son of John and Judy Lardin of Westland.

Gina is a graduate of Ladywood High School and a recent graduate of Madonna University where she earned her bachelor of science degree in computer science. She is currently working as a Web developer at Madonna University.

Brian is a graduate of Catholic Central High School. He is currently attending the University of Phoenix. He is presently working as a purchasing manager at Sames Technologies.

An April 19, 2002, wedding is planned at St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia.



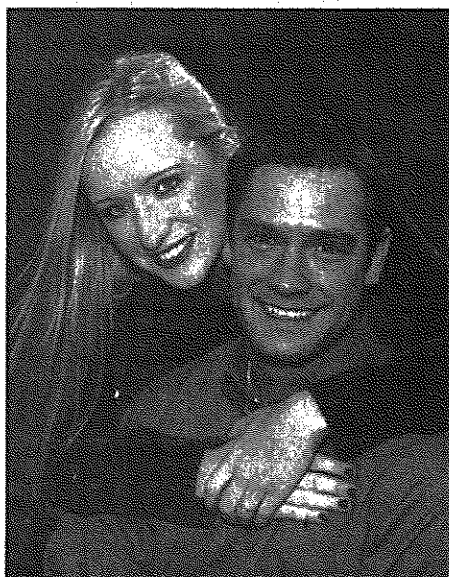
WAGNER-COPI

Thomas and Laurie Wagner of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah, to Douglas Copi, son of James and Sara Copi of Livonia.

Sarah is a 1996 graduate of Lutheran High School, Westland and a 2000 Graduate of Madonna University with a bachelors degree in biology. She is currently employed at NSF International in Ann Arbor as a program representative.

Douglas is a 1993 graduate of Stevenson High School and a 1999 graduate of Madonna University with a degree in computer science. He is currently employed at Compuware, Farmington Hills as a web designer.

A May 2002 wedding is planned in St. Michael Lutheran Church, Canton.



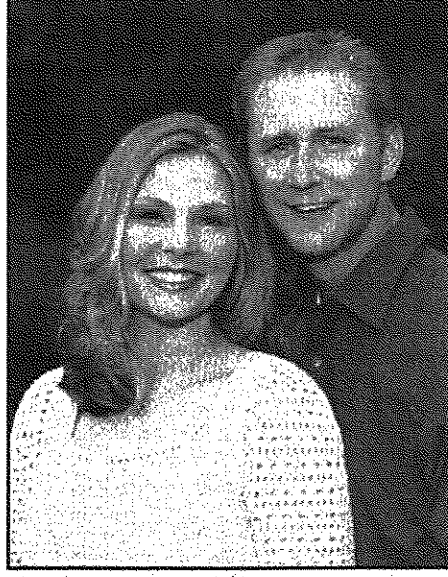
BADEN-GOODLESKY

John and Sandy Heenan of Little River, "S.C." announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracy Ann Baden to Sean Richard Goodlesky, son of Gloria McCune of Inkster and Ken Goodlesky of Redford.

Tracy is a 1988 graduate of Farmington Harrison High School; Eastern Michigan University where she received a bachelor's degree; and she received her masters at Marygrove College. She is currently employed as a first grade teacher in Farmington.

Sean is a 1990 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School; and attended Michigan State University. He is currently employed as the manager of the Outback Steakhouse in Canton.

An August 2, 2002 wedding is planned at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia.



Mercy High School hosts auction

Mercy High School will hold its 23rd annual auction on Saturday, Feb. 23. Hundreds of items such as weekend getaways, sports tickets, fine jewelry, restaurant certificates, gift baskets, electronics, golf, and radio and TV studio tours will be up for bid.

Steve Garagiola of WDIV will emcee the evening while Joseph

DuMouchelle of DuMouchelle Fine Estate Jewelers will serve as auctioneer to present items including a hot air balloon ride, 2002 Harley Davidson motorcycle, University of Detroit Mercy tuition, diamond necklace, Red Wings zamboni ride, autographed jerseys, and game tickets, condos in Massachusetts, Harbor Springs, and Florida,

and a train trip to Toronto to see *The Lion King*.

All proceeds raised from the Mercy Auction will benefit tuition assistance and technology advancement.

For auction reservations, donations, or other information, please contact Julie Earle at (248) 476-8020 Ext. 253.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAILEY ROSE KWASNIEWICZ

Chris and Suzanne Kwasniewicz of Novi announce the birth of their daughter Bailey Rose on Jan. 15, 2002 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. She weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Bailey's big brother and sister are Cole and Mackenzie. Her grandparents are Tom and Carol Hooks of Farmington Hills and Ronald and Rose Kwasniewicz of Livonia. Her great-grandparents are Irene Hooks of Livonia and Helen Kwasniewicz

of Farmington.

KALEIGH HELEN-CHRISTINE PYKO

Ken and Dawn Pyko of Plymouth, announce the birth of their daughter, Kaleigh Helen-Christine Pyko on Sept. 24 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

She has one brother, Ben, age 2.

Her grandparents are Don and Judy Pyko of Livonia; and Jerry and Jan Kowalski of Milford; and great-grandparent, Bernice Hirst of Plymouth.

New pastor appointed at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel

Dean Johnson was installed this month as the new pastor at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel, a 150-member congregation at 42150 Schoolcraft, Plymouth.

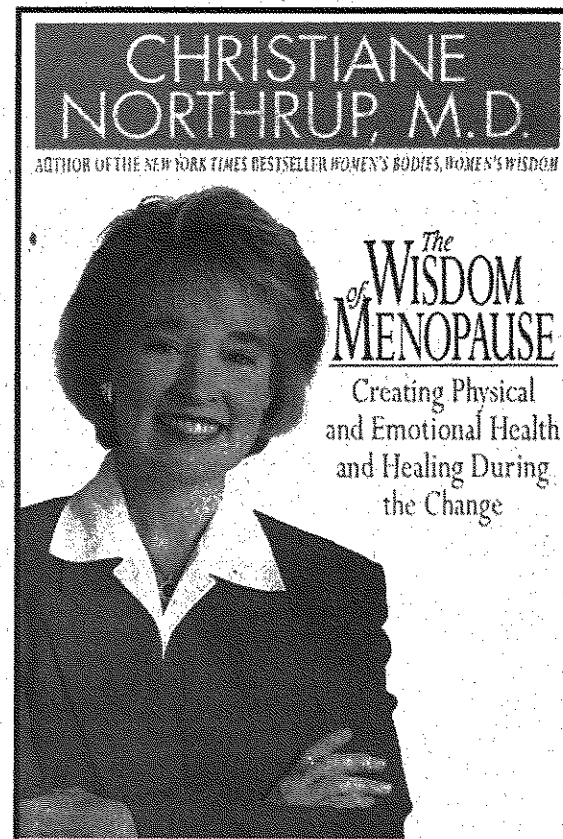
Johnson, 40, served as associate pastor of youth and outreach for eight years at Mt. Olive Missionary Church in

Peoria, Ill. He also served as youth director for six years at the South Side Mission, also located in Peoria.

A Lapeer native, Johnson graduated from Cedarville University in Ohio and the Grand Rapids Baptist Seminary. He is completing his

doctoral studies through Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, Ill.

He and his wife, Crystal, have three children, Quintanya, 5, Tyrin, 2, and Charissa, 1. They live in Plymouth Township.

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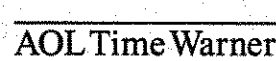
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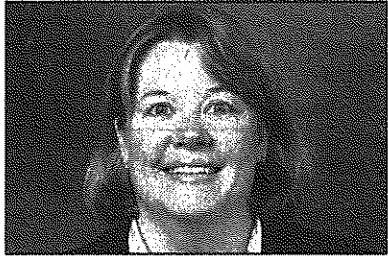
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LYNN WALDSMITH-PAWLIK

Right prince brings lifetime of happiness

There are an assortment of them on the shelves: The Barbie and Blues Clues varieties, Scooby Doo, Power Puff Girls, Bugs Bunny, Batman, Spiderman, and more. As we pour over all the offerings, my daughter spots a box of princess Valentines.

This prompts her to remark that Sleeping Beauty is her favorite Disney princess. This leaves me a bit curious so I have to ask.

"Sleeping Beauty? Why?"

"Because she has a pink dress," she replies. "I also like her name — Aurora."

"Aha, I see." Simple question, simple answer. Then she turns to me.

"Who's your favorite princess, Mom?"

I have to think about this for a minute, since I actually have a problem with most of the helpless storybook princesses who seem to wait around passively for their princes to rescue them. I've often given some traditional fairy tales a bit of a feminist spin when I relate them to my children. ("And then after the Prince woke Snow White up with a kiss she went to medical school and became a doctor before they got married, and then they lived happily ever after...")

I hope my daughter takes some of this in, but then I tell myself she's only 5. At this point in her life, she has a right to like pink dresses and to get swept up in gushy, romantic tales of true love.

Finally I give her my answer: "I would have to say Belle is my favorite princess."

"Why?"

"Because she's pretty and very smart. She reads all those books you know. And she's smart enough to know that Gaston is not the man for her. She falls in love with the Beast."

I hope my daughter takes some of this in, but then I tell myself she's only 5. At this point in her life, she has a right to like pink dresses and to get swept up in gushy, romantic tales of true love.

Shy guy

My first Prince Charming was a boy named Norman. He was an awkward, roundish, geeky-looking kid who always had a crew cut back when that type of haircut was considered very uncool.

Every day our fifth grade teacher at Hoover Elementary School in Livonia would chose two students to deliver the attendance report and other materials the principal's office. One day she chose Norman and myself. We walked down the long hallway together, separated by a gap of at least 10 feet. My heart was pounding, though we never uttered a single word to each other. It was for that very reason that I knew he liked me too. He could never look me in the eye. He would glance at me, then look away or stare down at his feet.

What I also remember about Norman was that he overcame his shyness for one brief magical moment on Valentine's Day. It was the only time he ever approached me, looked into my eyes, and actually spoke.

"Here," he said quietly, "this is for you." While I received lots of Valentines from both boys and girls delivered to my handmade classroom "mailbox," his was special.

Mostly because it was from him, but also because he handed it directly to me. I treasured it for a long time.

Schoolgirl crushes

There was a string of heartthrobs who followed, of course, some whose names I can't even remember. I realize now that I was a Sleeping Beauty of sorts for many years when it came to love. Schoolgirl crushes, pining after idols like David Cassidy, Bobby Sherman, and Mark Spitz. Then came the agony and ecstasy of dating, the pain of unrequited love, the seemingly hopeless search for Mr. Right. Yet

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A serving of love



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Helping those in need: Erin Wyer of Livonia enjoys participating in Homeless Week, sponsored by her church, Aldersgate United Methodist. On this particular night, Trinity Church of the Brethren in Redford Township took on the meal duties.

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Erin Wyer, 15, of Livonia is the kind of daughter who would make any parent proud.

"She's just a very good kid," says her father, Chip. "She's just one of those kids you don't have to worry about. She's always doing good things for people. And she's not afraid to speak her mind if she disagrees with something. The feedback we get from others makes us proud."

One of the good things this Franklin High School sophomore does is participate in Homeless Week at her church, Aldersgate United Methodist in Redford Township. Along with a hot meal, Wyer provides guests with a patient listening ear.

"It's an activity where you get as much as you give," she says. "The reason I love doing Homeless Week is you get to hear so many stories. It's just a great feeling you get when you're all through."

For Wyer, volunteering is part of living a balanced life. She reads scripture during church services, teaches first- and second-grade Sunday school, packs food at Focus Hope, works at the Cass Soup Kitchen and reads to the elderly in nursing homes. Last summer, she traveled with Aldersgate's youth group to Iowa, where she painted homes for

disabled people, did roofing, built dog sheds and completed a variety of interior repairs.

"It makes you realize what you have and what you should be happy for," she says about her volunteer activities.

Setting priorities

The key to managing a busy life is to prioritize, says Wyer. "My parents help me out. We have a big family calendar on the wall with all the family activities listed."

School work and school activities remain her first responsibilities. At Franklin, she is active in the music and drama clubs and serves in student government. This year, she is Franklin's representative to the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Conference in Michigan.

Wyer plans to get a degree in sports marketing from Eastern Michigan University. But her career plans don't stop there.

"As soon as I get my bachelor's degree, I want to go into the seminary. I see myself helping out with being a reverend. I don't see myself as having a church one day. I'm really strong in sports."

Fortunately, Wyer's life has been blessed with strong role models,

including the Rev. Diana Goudie of Aldersgate United Methodist Church and Molly Evans, sophomore class advisor at Franklin.

Wyer admires Goudie's tenacity. "She just does so much. She is so involved. One time our congregation had to raise money for an elevator as part of an accessibility project. She kept having faith in us. She kept on urging us. She had a prayer circle going."

Wyer and Evans are members of the same mutual admiration society.

"Mrs. Evans is a very strong person. She pushes us to do better," says Wyer. "She makes us realize not to just settle, but to try our best, go for it. She makes us aware that we need really good grades in life.... She also tells us to be careful what you say to others because people have feelings."

Evans returns the compliment. "Erin is incredible, dependable and just a caring person. She participated in Read Across America at McKinley Elementary School and had 20-25 first- and second-graders doing everything she wanted. They were so captivated by her. Erin is just a natural with people. She has the ability to connect."

Thanks, mom and dad

Wyer's parents, Jean and Chip, top her list of role models.

"Everything they do they're good at. Dad is my basketball coach. He's also my brother's baseball coach. He's involved in our church and helps out with the homeless. He also helps me with my math homework. He's such a creative and outgoing guy. He makes me laugh so much," says Wyer.

"My mother has a lot of courage. She is the coordinator of our church's Homeless Ministry. One time someone didn't show up to cook dinner when our church was doing a homeless project. She didn't panic. She just prayed and called some extra people."

Wyer looks forward to finishing high school and moving on to college. As in the past, those years are bound to be filled with community and church activities and lots of volunteering.

So...does Wyer ever just plop down on the couch and watch TV?

"Yes, to get away from it all, to take a break. But then I get right back up and do it again."

Send nominations for "Friday's Child" to Renee Skoglund, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail rskoglund@oe.homecomm.net.

Moon parties, honky-tonk and night-loving neighbors

There's something deliciously perverse about doing things out of sync with the rest of the world, like eating banana cream pie à la mode for breakfast or having a "toast, tea and movie" party with your night-loving neighbor at midnight.

SHORT COMINGS



RENEE SKOGLUND

Like most citizens of this planet, duty keeps me marching in a straight line most of the time. But isn't it nice to cha-cha once in awhile while everyone else is doing the hup-two-three?

Take this morning, for instance. I woke up just before 6 a.m. My husband, recently retired, wouldn't be up for hours. I padded down the stairs and headed for the kitchen, intent on making tea. Somewhere along the way, I became a deviant.

I kicked off my slippers, tucked my nightgown up around my undies and shoved my newest CD into the player. Within minutes I was swinging my hips, shaking my shoulders and kicking over any piece of furniture in the family room not higher than my waist.

"Ooh, tonight the bottle let me down," I crooned to a song by the same name. "And memories of you

There's something deliciously perverse about doing things out of sync with the rest of the world ...

linger around. It's never failed me before, but tonight the bottle let me down."

I opened the door to let in some cool air and let out a stream of Honky Tonk-Western-Rock 'n Roll music. I watched the notes float over my deck and into my neighbors' yards, seeking any bedroom window opened just a crack. The music was not loud — it's best to leave sleeping husbands lie — but it announced to the day that here lived a woman temporarily out of sync with the world.

By 8:30 a.m. I was at my desk in Observerland. Hup, two, three.

One night several years ago, my next-door neighbor, Karin Keim, spied my kitchen light on and gave me a call.

"You still up?" she asked.

"Of course. Want some tea and toast?" I answered. By 2 a.m., completely water-logged with tea, we decided to go through my spice cabinet. No, we didn't bake a cake; instead we created a story. There was Papa Thyme and Mama Sesame. There were the two daughters, Rosemary and Marjoram, and a crazy



Moonglow: Bev Len of Livonia gets into the spirit of moon party. The moon perched in Renee Skoglund's tree was made by Helen Furcean, a former Observer graphic artist.

cousin, Paprika. Uncle Bay Leaf, we assigned, would entertain at family gatherings with tales of his days at sea. And Cream of Tartar, that wild aunt who

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RELIGION CALENDAR

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UPCOMING

QUEST SPEAKER

The Rev. Dale Meyer, former speaker on The Lutheran Hour radio show and host of *On Main Street* television program, will speak at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, for a 25th anniversary celebration service on Sunday, Feb. 10. The service, held at 9:30 a.m., will replace the normal 8:30 and 11 a.m., Sunday worship schedule. (734) 522-6830.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers weekend experiences designed to help married couples improve communication and learn the value of intimacy, Feb. 15-17 and April 5-7 at the St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth. Registration fee is \$50. (248) 528-2512 or (810) 286-5524.

RELIGION CLASSES

Faith Covenant Church in Farmington Hills will host ALPHA, a series of classes that offer a practical introduction to the Christian faith. Classes run 6:30-9 p.m. Thursdays Feb. 21 through May 2. Some of the topics to be discussed will be: Who is Jesus? Why did He die? Does God heal today? Dinner and child care will be provided. Call (248) 661-9191.

LENTEN PROGRAMS

Clarenceville United Methodist Church is offering special Lenten programs for both adults and children. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 13, with a sacrificial breakfast and a short worship service at 10 a.m. and then an Ash Wednesday Service at 7 p.m. Each Sunday during Lent at 6 p.m. a special guest speaker or group will lead the Gathering Service. Children ages four through 12 will also meet at 6 p.m. Sundays for God's Great Gallery. The church is located at 20300 Middlebelt Road in Livonia. Call (248) 474-3444.

SPECIAL MASS

The annual mass for divorced and separated persons is scheduled for 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 24, at St. John Center's Main Chapel, located on Five Mile, east of Sheldon Road in Plymouth. Bethany, a support group for divorced and separated men and women, sponsors the mass. (248) 373-1286.

AUTHOR SPEAKS AT TYNDALE

William Tyndale College in Farmington Hills will host a simulcast of Enlarge My Territory 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9. The simulcast will feature Bruce Wilkinson, author of Prayer of Jabez and Rich Warren, author of Purpose Driven Church Ministry. The cost is \$25 per person. Call Jenni Knowles at (800) 483-Æ0707 ext. 529. The college is located at 35700 W. 12 Mile Road.

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

"Lift up your voices, the Lord is near," Sunday, Feb. 17, St. Damian Catholic Church, 30055 Joy Road, Westland. Call (734) 421-6130 for information.

MAC SISTERS TO PERFORM

Special evening 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, St. Damian Catholic Church, 30055 Joy Road, Westland. Features soloist Cecilia Mac-Smith who has sung with the Michigan Opera Theatre, Catherine McKeever, a professor of voice at the University of Windsor, and Mary Roy, a member of the choir at St. Damian's and also a cantor. Call the church (734) 421-6130 for information.

ANTIOCH PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Antioch Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will host a

preschool open house 6:30-8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18. The church is located at 33360 W. 13 Mile Road. Registration for the 2002/2003 school year is open for children three, four and five years old. Contact Sharon Dettler at (248) 626-7906 for more information.

ON-GOING

MEMBERS SOUGHT

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SUPPORT FOR WIDOWS

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port, a Christian-based bereavement outreach center, offers support for widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The group meets at 7 p.m., at St. Kenneth's Parish offices, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth. (248) 348-0115.

LENTEN SOUP LUNCHESES

The Plymouth Ministerial Association sponsors prayer and soup lunches every Wednesday through March 20. Prayer is scheduled for noon, followed by lunch at 13:30 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, 701

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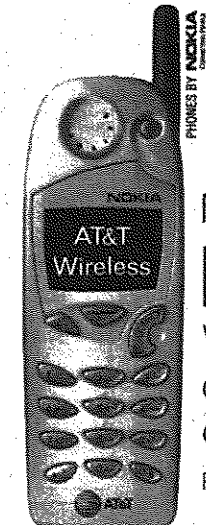
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Prince

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while all of those special someones who followed Norman blur together, they eventually led me to a gradual understanding of what real love is.

Sure, my husband is handsome, hardworking and kind. But I love him for so many more reasons. He rescues me from exhaustion by giving the kids a bath, making dinner, doing the grocery shopping, or even cleaning the bathrooms once in awhile. He sees me at my worst and doesn't care. He likes to surprise me with little things. And this year, he'll buy me another mushy Valentine's Day card.

No, there's nothing wrong with being a Sleeping Beauty when you're a young girl. I just hope my daughters are smarter than me and wake up a lot sooner than I did.

Infatuation is nice, but loving the right prince is the only way to live happily ever after.

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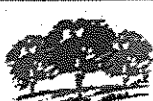
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Act Happy!

If you want to have a good day - and who doesn't - it helps to start with a positive affirmation, such as "Today is going to be a great day" or "It's great to be alive. Thank you, Lord, for this day!" Whether you actually feel this way or not, saying it will help put you in a positive frame of mind. The act of smiling seems to activate some sort of "happy switch" in our brains, just as frowning and moping around seem to turn off that switch. Jumping out of bed in the morning with a big smile on your face may not always be easy, but it will help you feel happy and energetic, whereas moping around and grumbling about how lousy you feel will understandably make you feel more depressed and lousy. We must act first, and then the appropriate feelings will come; not the other way around. If you want to be energetic, then start moving and acting energetically. If you sit around waiting for that feeling to come, you will probably be disappointed. So, start acting like you are cheerful and peppy, and you'll soon discover that you are.

To thee, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
R.S.V. - Psalm 25:1



Lack of sun can make some people so S.A.D.

Several years ago a popular TV sitcom, Northern Exposure, had an episode where people in a small community outside Anchorage discovered a device that could be wore around the forehead like a visor. It caused light to shine down into their eyes, and helped ward off fatigue, irritability, and the "winter blues." Similarly, many retirees head South for the winter for, among other reasons, sunlight.

During the winter some people suffer from Seasonal Affective Disorder, and the natural treatment is increased exposure to light. An "Affective Disorder" is a general term for mood disturbances which many people suffer from. As many as (20 percent) of the American population may suffer from a major depressive disorder at any given time.

Seasonal Affective Disorder or S.A.D. was first described in 1984 by Dr. Norman Rosenthal at the National Institute of Mental Health. Researchers there believe some 10 million Americans suffer from S.A.D. It is a major depressive disorder which has seasonal characteristics.



LEN MCCULLOCH

Symptoms

Symptoms can include - change of appetite or weight, trouble sleeping, lack of energy, lowered sex drive, memory inefficiency, attention and concentration problems, low self-esteem, lack of interest in or enjoyment of activities (sometimes called melancholia) and even suicidal thoughts. Typically, if an individual is exhibiting at least five of these symptoms and at least one symptom is either depressed mood, or loss of interest, a major depressive disorder is diagnosed. The condition must represent a change from previous functioning and cause significant distress or impair social, occupational, or other important areas of functioning.

Treatment of S.A.D. is similar to other major types of depressive disorders which utilize anti-depressant medication and/or psychotherapy. In addition, exposure to bright light has been found to be an effective way to treat this disorder.

There are different kinds of light therapy boxes or light-emitting devices that give the user a measured amount of balanced spectrum light, which is said to be the equivalent of standing outdoors on a clear spring day. Amazingly, this has been shown to help regulate the body clock. Light is registered by the eyes through the retina and then electrical impulses are transferred to

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the hypothalamus in the brain which normalizes body functions.

A synchronization of the sleep/wake cycle is the key to treatment. The most common therapy devices are florescent light boxes ranging from \$250 to \$525. Light visors have a battery pack and are worn on the head allowing for mobility. Some say an inexpensive way to go is to buy two 60 watt blue spectrum light bulbs and sit 18 inches away from them for about 15 minutes each day.

The intensity of light from these devices is calibrated at 10,000 lux (a way of measuring light emission) and is much brighter than normal indoor light (usually 300-500 lux) but not as bright as summer sunlight which can reach 100,000 lux. Length of exposure and frequency of treatment sessions can be individualized depending on the severity of symptoms. Seek treatment from professionals who treat S.A.D. with bright light therapy.

However, S.A.D. is often self-diagnosed. Care needs to be noted since over-exposure to light can induce mania (the opposite of depression) in a small percentage of people.

How it works

In addition to stimulating the hypothalamus of the brain through the retina of the eyes, current hypothesis regarding how the treatment works are similar to those which describe how anti-depressant medication works.

Mainly, modification of neuro-transmitters in the brain which are responsible for mood regulation take place. Levels of serotonin and melatonin have been identified as important and necessary for a sense of well-being and regulation of sleep patterns which then result in correction of day-time mood disorders, especially depression.

About three out of four sufferers of S.A.D. are women, but the disorder does affect men and children. The most typical age of onset is in the 20s. Interestingly, after women pass through menopause the numbers in men and women become equal. Some research also suggests that the susceptibility for S.A.D. appears to be inherited. Also, S.A.D. can be experienced as an isolated disorder, or may be experienced in conjunction with other types of medical or psychological disorders. Severity of symptoms can be influenced by many

factors such as living in a northern latitude, excessively cloudy weather, family history of S.A.D., working in a windowless office and general life stresses. Note, these are "influences" and the "causes" seem to be biochemical with change in sunlight exposure playing a major role. For a person with an established pattern of S.A.D. it has been found helpful to begin light therapy sessions at the time of the year just before symptoms usually become obvious and discontinuing the use in the spring when enough natural light can be received through one's environment.

Resources

First, consider consulting your primary care physician who may refer you to a mental health practitioner familiar with S.A.D. and light therapy. Also, consider contacting the National Organization for Seasonal Affective Disorder at www.nosad.org, the American Institute of Stress at www.stress.org, and the Light Web at infor@lighttherapyproducts.com.

Len McCulloch is a Diplomate of the American Psychotherapy Association and is Board Certified in Trauma. He is Director of Psychological Services at Broe Rehabilitation Services, Inc. in Farmington Hills, and can be reached at (248) 474-2763.

CLASS REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person, and a telephone number.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL

■ Class of 1961
For information about the Girls Catholic Central of Detroit 40th reunion, call Jan Seefeld (248) 398-7777 or Nancy Nowak Kush (313) 291-1165.

CHADSEY

■ Class of 1952
A "golden anniversary" reunion is in the early planning stages. Alumni are being asked to call and share their interest in attending a reunion. Call Florence A. Azzopardi (313) 937-1246.

CHERRY HILL HIGH SCHOOL

■ Class of 1981
20+1 year reunion is planned for Cherry Hill High School in Inkster. Saturday, Feb. 9, 2002.

Contact: Heidi (Galbraith) Erlanson for more details. Call (248) 735-8671 or e-mail heidi-mama@yahoo.com

DETROIT REDFORD

■ January 1952
Get ready to celebrate our 50th. We are close to setting a date of May 18, 2002 for the party. Call ASAP Gina Stocker Alexander, (313) 535-8575 or e-mail ginaalex2@aol.com or Marlene McGregor Ruppenthal (248) 855-9010.

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■ Class of 1991
Call (800) 677-7800, visit www.taylorreunions.com or e-mail: info@taylorreunions.com or culbertson@taylorreunions.com or write: Taylor Reunion Services, P.O. Box 597, Dallas, TX 75221-9929.

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■ Class of 1971
We're looking for interested alumni to help organize our 30th reunion. Call Linda Miller (952) 942-9559 or e-mail kmiller@sprynet.com or send name and number to Linda Miller, P.O. Box 44203, Eden

Prairie, MN 55344.

HOLY REDEEMER

■ Class of 1962
Classmates call Frank S. Barkovich regarding the class reunion in 2002. Call (734) 397-8777.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

■ Class of 1972
A 30 year reunion is planned for Aug. 9, 2002. The reunion committee is taking inquiries. Call Kathy (Guilbault) Harris (734) 462-1772 or Paul St. Henry (734) 591-6081.

MARIAN HIGH

■ Class of 1996
Contact Jennifer Latimer (248) 646-9060 or Tina Malloy (248) 433-1795.

MC FARLAND JUNIOR HIGH

■ Class of 1966
Classmates are being sought for a 35th reunion. Call Karen (810) 573-7145, Vickey (517) 548-5133 or e-mail miss27@aol.com

NORTH FARMINGTON

■ Class of 1991
A 10-year reunion is in the planning stages. We are looking for classmates. Call Reunions Made Easy (248) 592-9565.

OSBORN HIGH SCHOOL

■ Classes of 1960-63
Reunion is planned for June 1, 2002. Call (248) 746-3305.

PERSHING

■ Class of 1952
A 50th reunion is planned for June 22, 2002 in Farmington Hills. Call Ron Burin (248) 623-

2454, e-mail rburin@prodigy.net or Fred Neilson (352) 365-1483 or pershing52@aol.com

■ Class of 1962
Perishing High School - Detroit, Class of 1962 and 1961 summer school graduates are invited to a 7 p.m. June 15, 2002 reunion at the American Polish Century Club, 33204 Maple Lane, Sterling Heights. Call Frieda Luttschyn (810) 643-5619; Jo Corriere (586) 566-2644; Carol Kraus (734) 878-6943; and Chaine Corso (517) 546-8145.
■ Class of 1962
A reunion is being planned.

Class of 1961 summer school grads also welcome. Call Carol Kraus (734) 878-6943 or e-mail camigrz@ismi.net or Chaine Corso (517) 546-8145 or e-mail chicorso@ismi.net

PIONEER ANN ARBOR

■ Class of 1991
The committee is updating addresses/ phone numbers of class members. Call (800) 677-7800, visit www.taylorreunions.com or e-mail: info@taylorreunions.com (313) 291-6359.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 397-5435

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, February 21st, 2002 for the following:

HOUSING REHABILITATION # 1:

ONE (1) SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED HOME

Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept qualifications at the Summit on the Park Office, 46000 Summit Parkway, up to 4:00 p.m. Thursday, February 21st, 2002 for the following:

PHEASANT RUN GOLF COURSE NINE HOLE EXPANSION PROJECT WETLAND MITIGATION CONSULTING

Specifications are available for pick up between 8:30 am and 5:00 p.m. at Summit on the Park Office, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI 48188. Questions can be directed to Ann Conklin at (734) 394-5460. All qualifications must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the request name, company name, address and telephone number. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m. E.D.T. on Monday, February 25, 2002, at 201 South Main Street, at which time all proposals received shall be publicly opened and read aloud for:

Gathering Paint & Repairs

Specifications, bid documents and proposal forms may be obtained from office of the Purchasing Agent during regular office hours.

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

Address bids to:

LINDA LANGMESSER, CMC/AAE
PLYMOUTH CITY CLERK
201 SOUTH MAIN STREET
PLYMOUTH, MI 48170

In a sealed envelope bearing the inscription:

Gathering, Paint & Repairs
For opening: Monday, February 25, 2002

If you have any questions, please contact: Bernard Olsen
Inspector/Foreman
Municipal Services Department
(734) 453-7737

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, February 21st, 2002 for the following:

CANTON LEISURE SERVICES STAFF APPAREL

Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, February 21st, 2002 for the following:

NEW CHILLER FOR

CANTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA FEBRUARY 14, 2002

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2002 AT 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag
Roll Call: Blaylock, Cisek, Demopoulos, Johnson, Redfern
Acceptance of Agenda

- John Thomas of Sempliner, Thomas & Boak 330 N. Main St Plymouth Mi 48170 is representing Dick Scott Nissan for Location at S.E. Corner of Michigan & Lilley. 2 variance's are requested to the Zoning Ordinance. #1. Article 6.02 Section Q paragraph 4 regarding a 22 ft. Parking Setback from the public right of way for an Outdoor Display of Vehicles; and #2. Article 5.03 A.3 Modify the roadway buffer landscaping. Parcel # 137-99-0026-000 (Planning)
- Tony Matar (Big Boy Restaurant) 45250 Ford Road Canton Mi 48187 is requesting a variance to the Sign Ordinance # 120 Sections 9.4A and 9.4B ground sign requirements for number of signs allowed, maximum height and area allowed in regard to the Big Boy Statue. Parcel # 039-99-0021-001 (Building)

Approval of January 10, 2001 minutes)

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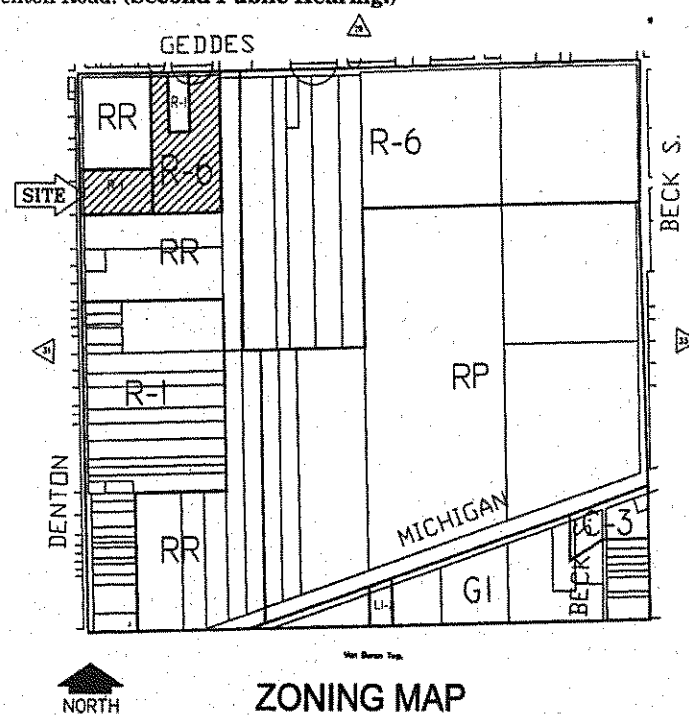
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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, March 4, 2002, 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:

RAVENSFIELD 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 NO. 126 99 0008 002 AND PART OF PARCEL NO. 126 99 0007 000. Property is located south of Geddes Road and east of Denton Road. (Second Public Hearing.)



ZONING MAP SECTION 32

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, February 28, 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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Jump in a tub of hot cocoa? Why not!

Chocolate is a favorite gift at Valentine's Day...and every day of the year. Why not treat your loved one or yourself to a solid chocolate day this Feb. 14?

At Tamara Institut de Beauté in Farmington Hills you can ease your tired body into a tub of warm hot cocoa. The Whipped Cocoa Bath uses cocoa powder and milk powder to soften your skin. And the best thing about

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For information on spa costs, please call (248) 855-0474.

SINGLES MINGLE

If you would like to submit an item for the Singles Mingle calendar fax it to our Farmington office (248) 477-9722 or Livonia office (734) 591-7279 or write: Singles Mingle, Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335. The deadline an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Friday.

SINGLES

SINGLE MINGLES

Single Mingle dances are held selected Fridays throughout the month. For dates and locations, call the Metropolitan Single Professionals at (248) 851-9909.

BOOK TALK

Borders Books in Farmington Hills hosts a book discussion group 7:30-8:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month. Call (248) 851-9909.

CARDS & DINNER

Join the Farmington Single Professionals for euchre, pinochle and dinner from 6:30-9:30 p.m. every Monday at Crowley's Old Village Inn in downtown Farmington.

AFTER WORK PARTIES

Metropolitan Single Professionals host "Fun and Fine Dining" 5:30-7:30 p.m. every Thursday at restaurants throughout the Detroit area. To find out locations, call (248) 851-9909.

SINGLES WALK

Singles from First Presbyterian Church in Northville walk through Heritage Park in Farmington Hills at 10 a.m. every Saturday.

SINGLETONS DINNER

The Dearborn-Livonia Singletons will host a dinner with social hour beginning at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, at Lakes of Taylor restaurant, 25505

Northline Road, in Taylor. Call (313) 563-9362.

QUICK DATE

Come and meet eight people for eight minutes at 7 p.m. tonight, Feb. 7, at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Novi. Call (877) 784-2532 to register.

DIVORCE SUPPORT

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College sponsors a Divorce Support Group from 7-9 p.m. at the McDowell Center (room 225). Call (734) 462-4443. Group meets the second (discussion) and fourth (speaker) Tuesday of the month. Upcoming schedule includes:

■ Group discussion, Feb. 12, Feb. 26, March 12, 26; April 9, April 23.

■ New group for those divorced over 1 year. Meets from 7:30-9 p.m. across the hall from WRC, Feb. 14, March 14, and April 11.

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never married, would only wink when asked her true profession. Of course, there was Nutmeg the cat and Parsley the little French poodle.

I still keep a list of the cast of characters in my cupboard. It reminds me of the joy of deviance.

Last summer I had a full-moon party. I invited eight eclectic friends and asked them to prepare a performance about the moon. Jean Long, a retired Shakespeare teacher, read two poems about the moon in her slightly British accent. Alyce Graye, who owns a greenhouse, demonstrated how the moon plants she brought closed their leaves when touched. I read a short story about rediscovered love under the moonlight, and Jean Wynn sang an aria about the moon in German.

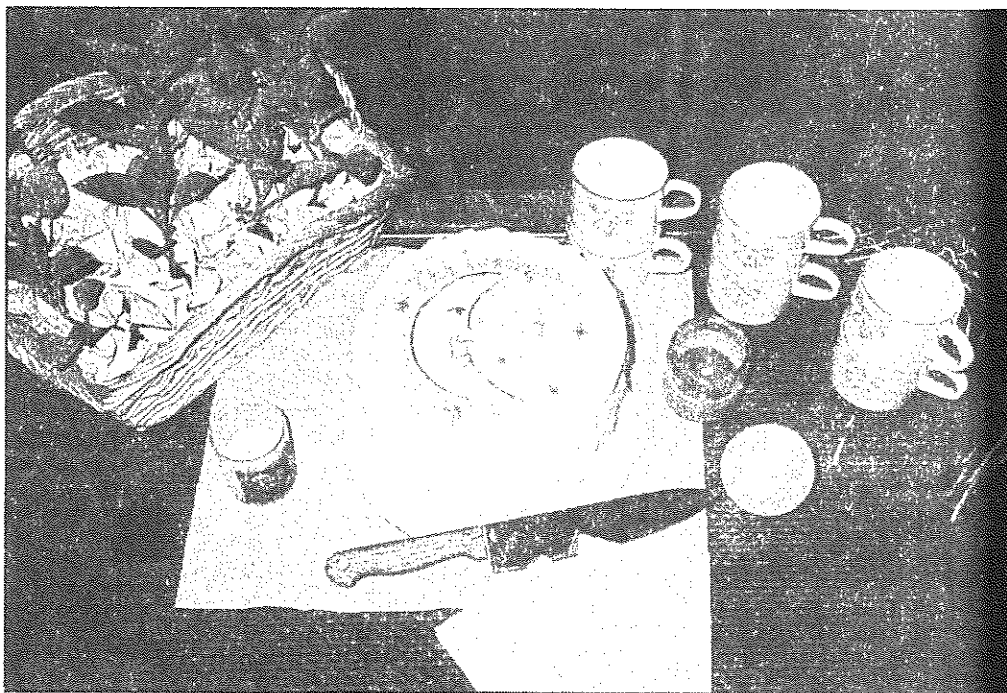
We feasted on a cake created by Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe in Westland that said "The Lunar

Ladies Moon Party." Later, Bev Len, a world traveler who recently visited a wolf preserve, led us in a group "howl" in my backyard. By midnight, most of my guests had made their way home. A few stayed to decorate a neighbor's lawn with toilet paper.

The urge to be deviant will strike again, I guarantee. Maybe I'll sit on my front porch at 3 a.m. drinking wine and sucking in and blowing out the words to Patsy Cline songs. Maybe I'll do a pre-dawn dance in my family room with my cat, Miles. Maybe I'll have another moon party.

I'll check to see if your kitchen light is still on and call you over.

Renee Skoglund is a staff reporter with the Observer & Eccentric. Contact her at (734) 953-2128 or by e-mail at rskoglund@e.homecomm.net.

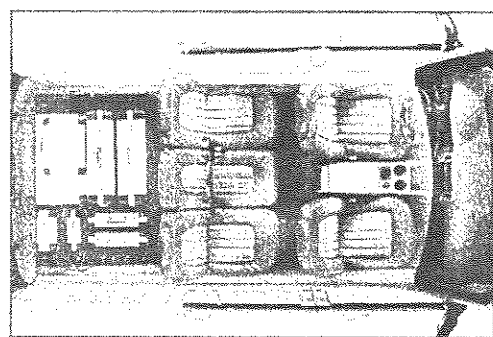
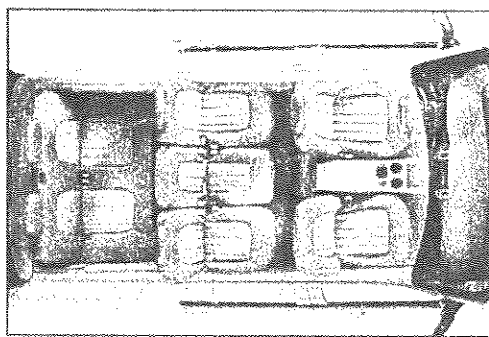


An edible moon: Guests at the moon party feasted on "The Lunar Ladies" cake, which was made of chocolate and cherries, not cheese.



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Gems sparkle

For the fourth-straight year, the Plymouth Figure Skating Club's "Gems on Ice" synchronized skating teams will be making a trip to the U.S. Synchronized Team Championships Feb. 26-March 3 in Lake Placid, N.Y.

The Gems qualified three teams for the nationals at last weekend's Midwestern Synchronized Team Championships, held at Plymouth's Compuware Arena. A total of 121 teams and 2,300 skaters competed for 36 available team berths at nationals.

The Gems' Juvenile team (12-and-under) finished first, while the Novice team (14-and-under) placed second and the Junior team (15-and-over) took third. All three qualified for nationals. The Gems' intermediate team finished seventh and the Youth A and Youth B teams were ninth.

Teddy Bear round-up

The Plymouth United Way, the Plymouth Salvation Army and the Plymouth Whalers are co-sponsoring the "Teddy Bear Round-up" at Whalers' games over the next two weekends.

Those interested in helping are asked to bring a new 10-to-12 inch teddy bear to the Whalers' games this Friday and Saturday and next Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena. The bears will be donated to the Children's Disaster Services.

Chiefs' boosters meet

The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will have its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday (Feb. 13) in Room 165 of Plymouth Canton HS. Parents of all present and future Canton football players (including those currently in the eighth grade) are welcome to attend.

For further information, call club president Marie Farkas at (734) 453-6327.

CCJBBSA registration

Registration for the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association will be from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday in Diamonds Restaurant in the Canton Softball Center, located on Michigan between Beck and Canton Center.

Boys and girls 4-18 years of age who are residents or who attend the Plymouth-Canton school district are eligible. All players are required to show a copy of their birth certificate and verification of residency. Registration is on a first-come basis.

Fees will vary from \$70-\$105 per player.

For further information, call Chris Angel for tee-ball and coach pitch at (734) 981-3007; Mark Caples for 9-12 year-old baseball at (734) 416-7233; Jay Obsniuk for 13-18 year-old baseball at (734) 981-3272; and Rich Rohn for 7-18 year-old softball at (734) 398-5933. Also, visit the CCJBBSA website at www.ccjbbsa.com.

Splitz gymnasts shine

Several members of the Splitz Gymnastics Club of Canton sparked at last weekend's Flytz Invitational in Akron, Ohio.

In Level 8, 10-year-old Christa Smutek of Livonia was first on uneven parallel bars (9.5), first in floor exercise (9.3), second on balance beam (9.225), sixth on vault and first in the all-around (37.225).

Also in Level 8, 12-year-old Rachael Ropeik of Ann Arbor placed first on bars (9.4) and beam (9.225), was second on floor (9.05) and seventh on vault. She, too, finished first in the all-around (36.40).

Megan Narus, 12, from Northville, was fourth on vault, fifth on bars, fourth on beam and fifth on floor, taking second in the all-around (35.625).

Kristie Savage, 13, from Dearborn, was third on bars (9.0), fifth on floor, sixth on beam and seventh on vault.

In Level 7, Katerina Kariotis, 11, of Canton, was second on vault (8.95), third on beam (9.225), eighth on floor and ninth on bars, taking seventh in the all-around (35.525), while Alyssa Breaugh, 11, from Novi, was fifth on vault, sixth on both floor and beam, eighth on bars and eighth in the all-around (35.325).

The Level 8 team finished fourth in the team competition with a score of 109.25.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

Salem sweeps Churchill

BY C.J. RISAK
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What Plymouth Salem has more of than Livonia Churchill: Go-to players.

The Rocks have three of them. The Chargers have a couple, but none of them provide what Kelly Jaskot does — a serve difficult enough to allow Salem to string together a bunch of points.

And it was Jaskot's serving that the Rocks rode to a key 15-13, 15-4 victory over Livonia Churchill in a Western Lakes Activities Association volleyball match Monday at Salem. The outcome kept Salem perfect in the WLAA at 8-0 (31-4-2 overall); the Chargers lost for the first time in the conference (now 6-1, 24-5 overall).

"Salem has better skills than we do," insisted longtime Churchill coach Mike Hughes. "When kids play defense and pass the ball the way they do, it's a sign of good coaching. And Tom (Teeters) is the best coach in the area."

"They did a great job tonight. They really did."

Certainly, these were two of the top three teams in the WLAA (the third being Walled Lake Central, which Salem beat Jan. 9). The Rocks are now in a commanding position to be the conference's regular-season champ.

But Teeters refused to admit that this win gives his team some advantage over Churchill, should the two meet again in either the WLAA Tournament or the state districts — or both.

"This is a separate victory," he said. "And we'll take 'em one at a time. There's no advantage whatsoever."

Perhaps. But it was Salem that showed it was better able to handle adversity on Monday. When Churchill got on a roll and took a lead, the Rocks withstood it and bounced back.

The first such test came with the first game tied at 4-all. Churchill's Sarah Phillips served three-straight aces and, after a Salem timeout, Leslie Ligieski added a kill to give the Chargers an 8-4 lead.

On their next serve, the Rocks got a pair of points on a MaryLou Liebau kill



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Menacing: Katie Good overcame a leg injury suffered two days earlier to lead Salem with 14 kills against Churchill.

and an ace from Maggie Jones. Following a Churchill sideout, Salem went ahead 9-8 with Jaskot serving on a couple of service aces and a Churchill mishit.

The outcome was still very much in doubt. The Chargers had leads of 12-9

and 13-11. But Salem would not cave in.

When Jaskot again stepped in to serve, momentum quickly shifted back to Salem. Her first two serves were unreturned; a Katie Good kill put the Rocks up 14-13 and forced a Churchill

timeout.

Which did not stem the tide. Jaskot, who had seven service aces in the match, got the clinching ace to give the Rocks the come-from-behind victory.

The second game featured a complete run of service through both teams' line-ups, with each team managing just a single point. But when Jaskot stepped in again for her second service of the game, the tide turned once again.

Two kills by Good, another by Mandy Bradley, an ace and three Churchill mishits put Salem up 8-1. The Chargers never got closer than seven after that, with Maggie Tudor serving the final three points (two Churchill mishits and an ace).

Good, who suffered a leg bruise during last Saturday's Schoolcraft Invitational, led Salem with 14 kills; she also had a .353 kill percentage and five digs. Jaskot added 11 digs and a .380 serve reception average to go with her seven aces, and Liebau had nine kills (.318) and five digs. Jordan Falcusan finished with 24 set assists.

Heather Munn paced the Chargers with eight kills. Beth Bushey had six kills and a team-best .333 kill percentage; Phillips had six kills and three service aces; and Sheila Gillies, still recovering from a leg injury, had five kills.

"That was a big win for this team," said Teeters. "We weren't even sure Katie (Good) would play."

"We won because Katie Good had a great game hitting, Kelly Jaskot's serving and receiving, and our team defense. If (Jaskot's) making her serves, it's hard for the other team to keep momentum."

Hughes wouldn't argue. The result did, however, provide the Chargers with some insight on what needed attention. "We have to play better defense," Hughes said. "We might be a bit better than they are offensively, but we have to play better defense."

"We might not be as good defensively as they are, but we have to play them closer than that."

They should get a chance. Maybe even a couple.

Rocks rank with the best in area

BY C.J. RISAK
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What Plymouth Salem gymnastics coach Melissa Hopson saw at Saturday's Plymouth Canton Invitational was promising.

But what she saw from the same weary team Tuesday was inspirational.

The Rocks, competing for the third time in four days, saved their best for last and came very close to upsetting a strong Farmington Unified team in a Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet, losing 146.1-145.0 at the Farmington Training Center.

"When we walked in, I wasn't sure what to expect," said Hopson, whose team defeated Westland John Glenn in another WLAA dual meet 141.0-121.3 Monday at John Glenn. "I thought they would be so tired, but they did great."

That they did. Indeed, the score posted by the Rocks ranks with the top scores posted in school history.

Bethany Bartlett paced Salem with top finishes in the balance beam (9.6) and floor exercise (9.6). She was second

in the uneven parallel bars (9.2) and tied for second in the vault (9.2), and her 37.6 was also the top score, as well as her season's best.

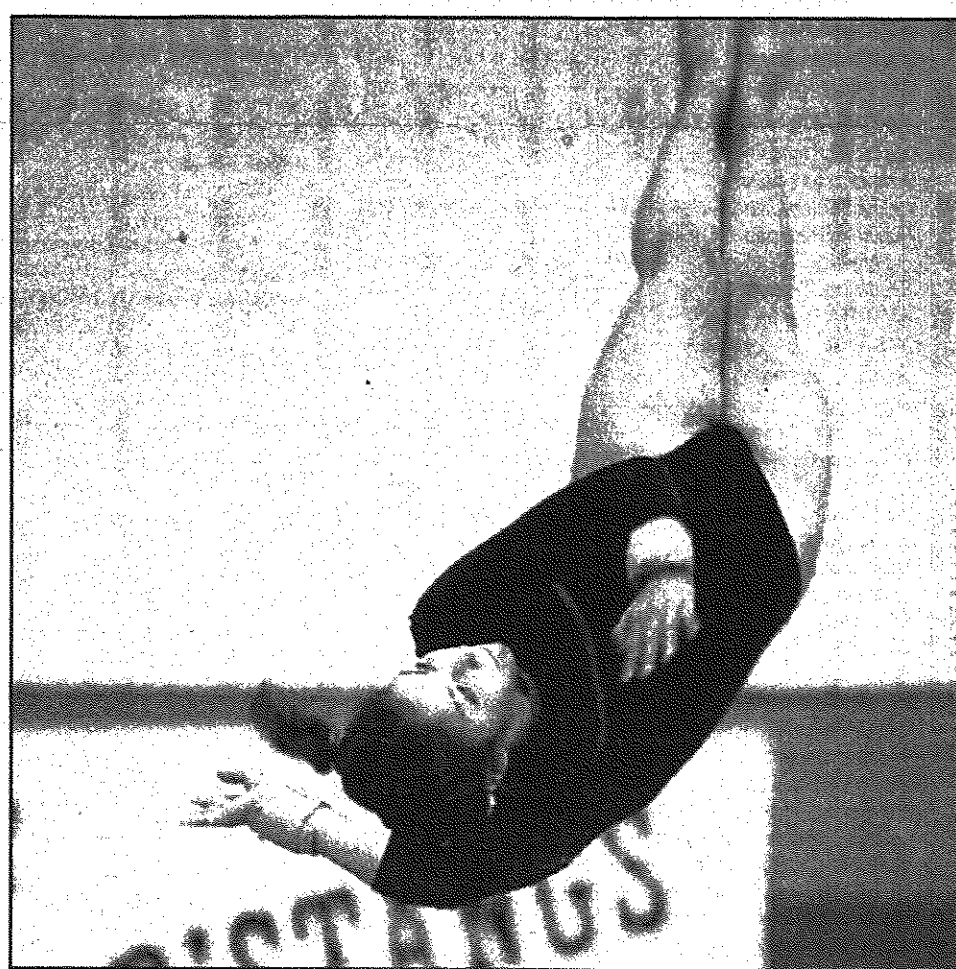
She wasn't the only Rock to rise to the occasion. Melissa Drake posted a 36.05 all-around, with a 9.2 in floor, a 9.1 in beam, a 9.05 in bars and an 8.7 in vault. Ashley Aquinto had a 35.7 all-around, with a 9.2 in floor, a 9.05 in beam, a 9.0 in bars and an 8.45 in vault; April Aquinto scored 35.5 in the all-around, with a 9.45 in floor, an 8.85 in beam, an 8.75 in bars and an 8.45 in vault; and Staci Schmedding totaled 33.3 in the all-around, with an 8.6 in vault, an 8.55 in beam, an 8.05 in bars and an 8.1 in floor.

Other solid scores turned in by the Rocks came from Valeri Quigley, an 8.35 in floor, and Brittin Pollack, an 8.65 in beam.

Tuesday's meet was a make-up for last Thursday's meet, which was snowed out.

At the Canton Invitational, Salem's

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STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Among the best: Salem's Ashley Aquinto tied for fourth in the Division II vault at the Canton Invitational.

Former coach is proving to be the Whalers biggest nemesis

It happened so fast. And it was so unexpected. Guys like me believe the worst. After all, we're paid to be suspicious. Cynical. Sarcastic, when all else fails.



C.J. RISAK

Kitchener Rangers.

Why?

One popular theory at the time: DeBoer was forced out by his successor, Mike Vellucci, who had coached the highly-successful Compuware Ambassadors before becoming the Whalers' team president.



Pete DeBoer

In fact, Kitchener is the only team in the league the Whalers haven't been able to vanquish.

It's true. In three meetings this season, Plymouth is 0-2-1 against the Rangers, including a 3-1 loss Saturday in Kitchener.

How's he do that?

Bitterness from being forced out, right? DeBoer gets his Rangers geeked up for these games, like it

Was he fired?

Why would he be? No OHL coach had been more successful over the past five seasons. And he had done nothing wrong.

Needed a change

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Whalers drop 2 of 3 on trip

As weekends go, this one should be forgotten.

The Plymouth Whalers struggled in their three-games-in-three-days trip into Ontario, losing 5-2 at Toronto St. Michael's Majors Friday, beating the Oshawa Generals 4-3 Saturday, then losing 3-1 at Kitchener Sunday.

The 1-2 weekend left the Whalers at 32-9-8-2

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overall, still first in the Ontario Hockey League and in the West Division. Kitchener, coached by former Whaler coach Pete DeBoer, is 24-19-9-0 and is third in the OHL's Midwest Division; Toronto is 27-14-6-1 and Oshawa is 19-24-5-4.

The loss to Kitchener was the second in three games against DeBoer's Rangers. Indeed, the Whalers have not beaten him this season, managing only a tie.

Plymouth did make it close Sunday, but never had the lead. Kitchener opened the scoring, getting a first-period goal from Derek Roy; the

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team score wasn't as impressive — a 141.80 — but Hopson was pleased with their fifth-place finish against nearly all the best teams in the state.

"I think we did great," she said. "To place fifth with all these good schools there was really, really good."

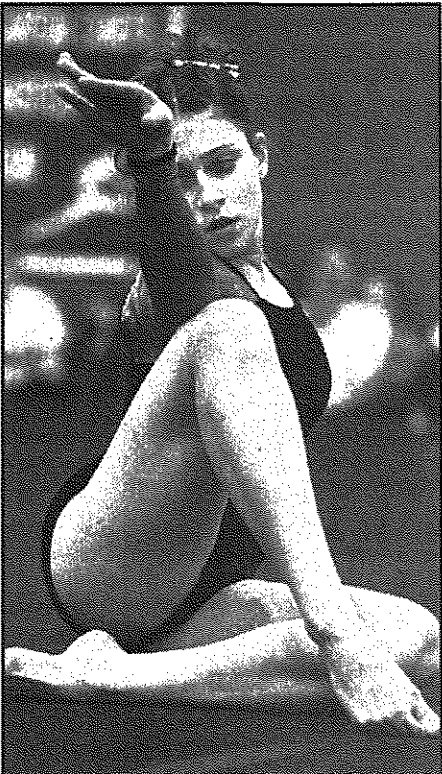
Rochester Adams, ranked No. 1 in the state, finished first with a 148.30 total. Portage was second (145.10), followed by defending state champ Northville-Novi (144.20), Farmington Unified (143.95) and Salem. Canton placed 13th (133.45) in the 17-team field.

The Rocks' best scores came, in Division II, from April Aquinto, who was fifth in the all-around (35.25), tied for fourth in the floor (9.2) and was sixth in beam (9.1); from Ashley Aquinto, who was sixth in the all-around (34.95) and tied for fourth in the beam (9.15); and Drake, who was seventh in the all-around (34.9), tying for sixth in the bars (8.8) and placing ninth in the floor (9.1).

In Division I, Bartlett finished 14th in the all-around (36.0) with a sixth in the floor (9.5) and a tie for ninth in the vault (9.15).

Canton's best finisher was Audra Ahern, 11th in the Division II all-around (33.5).

Salem's improvement has buoyed the hopes of everyone connected with the team. "Going into (Tuesday's meet), I just wanted to try and do our best," said Hopson, who didn't think her team — struggling with



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL
Competitor: Audra Ahern, Canton, floor.

minor injuries and illness problems — could match a tough Farmington Unified team. "They have so much depth."

"But looking at what happened, it's attainable. There's always room for improvement, but the girls have come a long way. I'm impressed with them. They've shown a lot of dedication and determination."

With a 10-day break upon them — their next meet isn't until next Thursday — the Rocks have time to heal and recover. And, Hopson hopes, develop further.

State's best rule at S'craft

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It was virtually another rerun. Three area teams reached the elimination round of the 29th annual Schoolcraft College Invitational High School Girls Volleyball Tournament, but two familiar foes battled for the championship Saturday with No. 3-ranked (Class A) East Kentwood getting the best of defending champion Temperance Bedford, 15-13, 15-8.

VOLLEYBALL

East Kentwood, a member of the Ottawa-Kent Conference (Red Division), improved to 47-10-2 overall. The Falcons also captured Schoolcraft titles in 2000 and 1998.

The Falcons, a talented squad led by Miami of Ohio signee Natalie Kapteyn, did not lose a match on the day.

In the finals, they were sparked by senior outside hitter Breanna Eveland (nine kills, six digs) and senior setter Carley

Horvath (eight kills, 15 assists). Junior Courtney Ardis came off the bench to serve two aces and had two digs.

In the elimination round, East Kentwood ousted Walled Lake Central (15-7, 15-5) and Birmingham Marian (15-1, 15-10).

"We played with a lot of guts and won some long rallies," said East Kentwood coach Roxane Steenhuyzen of the final match. "We have a class where our girls do a lot of conditioning and weight lifting. We take pride in being physically fit. We small, but we're athletic. We try to wear teams down."

Bedford (33-14), the defending state Class A champion, was upset by Farmington Hills Mercy in pool play, so the Kicking Mules had to go through three opponents to reach to the finals — Monroe (15-7, 15-11), along with Western Lakes teams Livonia Churchill (15-10, 15-7) and Plymouth Salem (15-10, 15-2).

"Even though we're down this year, people still know we're Bedford and they're coming after us," said coach Jodi Manore, who lost

five of six starters from a year ago. "The Mercy match was typical of what we've been doing all year. They got on a roll and we didn't react."

"I thought we played well for the most part, but we're still looking to put things together."

Rachel Pellhank, a 5-10 junior outside hitter, was Bedford's most consistent player on the day. The only two players with considerable experience from a year ago are Jenifer Sulewski and Erica Kaczorowski.

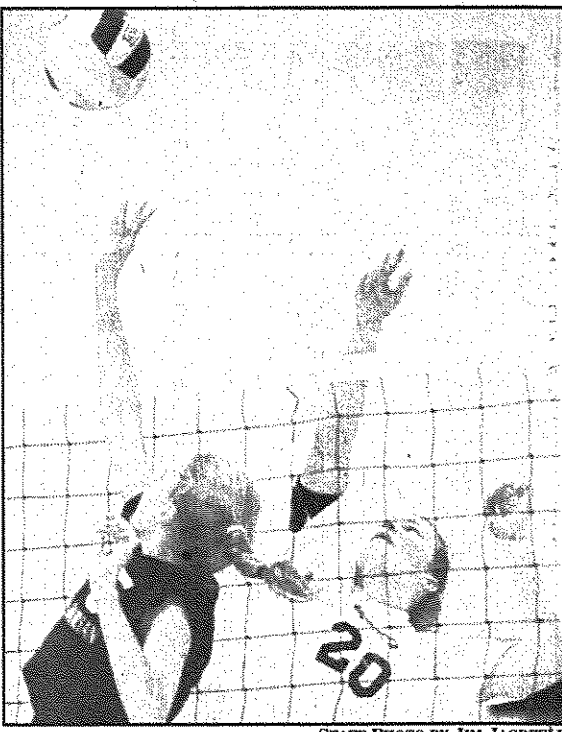
Salem upended Midland, coached by former Livonia Bentley and Schoolcraft College player Angela Porter-McMath, in the quarterfinals, 15-8, 4-15, 15-9.

Salem, 30-4-1 overall, lost Katie Good to a knee injury earlier in the day in pool play.

The Rocks played Bedford tough in the first game of the semifinal, but the Kicking Mules dominated the second game.

Top attackers for Salem on the day included Mary Lou Liebau (40 kills), Kelly Jaskot (26) and Mandy Bradley (16).

Jaskot, a senior, also finished with a team-high 52 digs and 10



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD
On target: Salem's Mandy Bradley (20) knocks down this kill shot against Birmingham Marian during the Schoolcraft Tournament.

aces. Setter Jordan Falcusan had 100 assists. Nicole Genrich had 43 digs, while Liebau added 37.

Churchill captured its pool with victories over Novi (15-5, 15-10), Livonia Ladywood (4-15, 15-5, 15-5) and Dearborn (15-8, 15-4) before falling to Bedford.

Sheila Gillies, back from a fractured ankle, led the Chargers with 26 kills. Beth Bushey added 21.

The Chargers also received outstanding defense and perfect passing (28 of 28) from Sarah Phillips.

29th annual SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE INVITATIONAL Feb. 2 at Schoolcraft	
Championship final: East Kentwood defeated Temperance Bedford, 15-13, 15-8.	
Semifinals: E. Kentwood def. Birmingham Marian, 15-1, 15-10; Bedford def. Plymouth Salem, 15-10, 15-2.	
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First round elimination: Bedford def. Monroe, 15-7, 15-11; Marian Def. Dearborn, 15-12, 15-11; Midland def. Dearborn Divine Child, 15-7, 11-15, 15-8; W.L. Central def. Holly, 15-3, 15-4.	
POOL PLAY MATCH RECORDS	
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(B) Court 2: 1. W.L. Central, 3-0; 2. Divine Child, 2-1; 3. Farmington, 1-2; 4. Grand Blanc, 0-3.	
(C) Court 3: 1. Midland, 3-0; 2. Holly, 2-1; 3. Livonia Clarenceville, 1-2; 4. Westland John Glenn, 0-3.	
(D) Court 4: 1. E. Kentwood, 3-0; 2. Monroe, 2-1; 3. Northville, 1-2; 4. Walled Lake Central, 0-3.	
(E) Court 5: 1. Churchill, 3-0; 2. Dearborn, 2-1; 3. Novi, 1-2; 4. Livonia Ladywood, 0-3.	
(F) Court 6: 1. Salem, 3-0; 2. Marian, 2-1; 3. Fenton, 1-2; 4. Garden City, 0-3.	

GYMNASTICS MEET RESULTS

FARMINGTON UNIFIED 146.1
PLYMOUTH SALEM 145.0
Tuesday at Farmington T.C.

Vault: 1. Clara Seymour (FU), 9.25; 2. (tie) Chelsea Keesling (FU), Bethany Bartlett (PS), 9.2; 4. Sarah Houchins (FU), 8.95; 5. Lindsay Smith (FU), 8.8.

Uneven parallel bars: 1. Seymour (FU), 9.25; 2. Bartlett (PS), 9.2; 3. Melissa Drake (PS), 9.05; 4. (tie) Houchins (FU), Ashley Aquinto (PS), 9.0.

Balance beam: 1. Bartlett (PS), 9.6; 2. Keesling (FU), 9.55; 3. (tie) Houchins (FU), Seymour (FU), 9.35; 5. Drake (PS), 9.1.

Floor exercise: 1. Bartlett (PS), 9.6; 2.

(tie) Houchins (FU), April Aquinto (PS), 9.45;

4. (tie) Keesling (FU), Seymour (FU), 9.25.

All-around: 1. Bartlett (PS), 37.6; 2. Seymour (FU), 37.1; 3. Keesling (FU), 36.9; 4. Houchins (FU), 36.75; 5. Drake (PS), 36.05.

PLYMOUTH SALEM 141.0
WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 121.3
Monday at John Glenn

Vault: 1. Bethany Bartlett (PS), 9.1; 2. Melissa Drake (PS), 8.85; 3. Ashley Aquinto (PS), 8.75; 4. April Aquinto (PS), 8.55; 5. Sarah Verhines (JG), 8.1.

Uneven parallel bars: 1. Bartlett (PS), 9.2; 2. Drake (PS), 9.05; 3. Ashley Aquinto (PS), 8.85; 4. April Aquinto (PS), 8.55; 5. Verhines

(JG), 8.1.

Balance beam: 1. April Aquinto (PS), 9.3; 2. Ashley Aquinto (PS), 8.7; 3. (tie) Verhines (JG), Bartlett (PS), Brittinn Pollack (PS), 8.55.

Floor exercise: 1. Ashley Aquinto (PS), 9.4; 2. Staci Schmedding (PS), 9.1; 3. Pollack (PS), 8.35; 4. Verhines (JG), 8.25; 5. (tie) Kara Dendinos (PS), Valeri Quigley (PS), 8.15.

All-around: 1. Ashley Aquinto (PS), 34.7; 2. Verhines (JG), 33.0; 3. Pollack (PS), 32.65; 4. Pam Bean (JG), 29.4; 5. Hilary VanDusen (JG), 29.15.

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Fast-starting Rocks rip N'ville; CC wins road pair

It has to be nice for a coach to feel his message is actually getting across.

That's how Fred Feiler felt after his Plymouth Salem hockey team dismantled Northville, 10-5, in a Western Lakes Activities Association game Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

"I talked to them before the game about getting off to a fast start," said Feiler, noting some sluggish beginnings to Salem's recent games. "They actually did what I told them."

Indeed they did. Aaron Cheesman gave the Rocks a lead they would not surrender, scoring just 1:08 into the game (Kevin Wilson assisted).

Before the first period was over, Mark Nagel had scored two

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goals and assisted on a third. Nagel would finish the game with four goals and three assists.

Wilson added two goals and two assists, John Schultz and Cheesman added a goal and two assists apiece, and Mike Crowley and David Gill each had a goal and an assist.

Ryan Hohl scored two goals and assisted on another for Northville.

Steve Welsh was in goal for Salem, making 23 saves. Dave Stewart and Nick Folas divided time in goal for Northville, facing a combined 30 shots.

The victory kept the Rocks, ranked ninth in the state,

unbeaten at 15-0-3 overall; they are 11-0-3 in the WLAA. Northville fell to 8-10-1 overall, 5-8 in the WLAA.

Redford CC 6, New Trier (Ill.) 1: Redford Catholic Central goalie Jim Blanchard had a stellar game Friday night against host New Trier (Ill.).

The Shamrock sophomore made 29-of-30 saves as CC beat New Trier, 6-1.

Eric Giosa led the team in scoring with a hat trick topped off in the third period.

Brandon Naurato scored the first and only goal in the first period to Ryan O'Dea and Billy Makela.

CC was outshot 10-5. Three goals were scored by the

Shamrocks in the second period including Brian Genrich from Jeff Prough and John Perkovich; Giosa from Pat Cauldron and Sean O'Malley; and Giosa unassisted to make the count 4-0.

New Trier scored its lone goal with 21 seconds left going into the third period.

After the break, Perkovich put CC even farther ahead with a goal from Genrich and Prough. Giosa's hat trick was the last goal of the game from Cauldron and O'Malley.

"New Trier was 45-3-1 going into this game," said CC co-coach Johnson, "and they had a full house Friday night. Our guys were up 3-0 halfway through the game and took advantage of their scoring opportunities. They

played hard."

Redford CC 2, Park Tudor (Ind.) 2 (OT): Redford Catholic Central (10-5-2) concluded its road trip Saturday against host Park Tudor (Ind.) with a 2-2 tie at Fishers Arena.

Park Tudor's Brian Moore scored the only goal in the first period with three minutes left. The second period went scoreless until CC's Cauldron tied things up 1-1 on assists from Giosa and O'Malley in the third.

CC took the lead on a power play goal by Naurato from Giosa

and Perkovich.

But Park Tudor tallied the equalizer just a minute later.

The game went into overtime but at the end of five minutes neither team was able to improve their scored and do away with the tie.

The Shamrocks had 36 shots on goal to Park Tudor's 17.

Jim Blanchard was in goal for CC.

"Being on the road like that gives the guys the experience of what it would be like to play junior or college hockey," said the CC co-coach.

John Glenn roll over Chiefs

Westland John Glenn remains very much alive in the Western Lakes Activities Association boys basketball race.

The Rockets put it all together Tuesday en route to a 66-45 win over visiting Plymouth Canton.

Glenn is 8-5 overall and 5-2 in the WLAA, one game behind first-place Plymouth Salem. Canton falls to 7-7 and 4-4.

Junior Darnell Wilson paced the Rockets with 22 points, hitting 8-of-12 free throws. Senior Dwight Bankhead scored all 12 of his points in the second quarter as Glenn build a 36-23 half-time lead.

Junior Darnell Smith chipped in with 10 of the Rockets, who made 12-of-16 free throws.

Canton got 10 points from Billy Gazzi (all in the first half). Brendan Murphy and Nick Houdek each added nine.

Salem 74, Franklin 42: Plymouth Salem (8-5 overall, 6-1 in the WLAA) took over sole possession of first place in the confer-

SWIMMING

ence with a lopsided victory Tuesday over visiting Livonia Franklin (3-10 overall, 2-5 in the WLAA).

The Rocks hit 10 triples on the night and every player who saw action scored, led by Stevland Davis with 15 points. David Hoskins added 13 for the Rocks, who led 39-23 at intermission.

"It was great team effort, the stats were good and everyone stepped up and contributed," Salem coach Bob Brodie said.

Derek Opett paced Franklin with 11 points. Chris Austin added 10.

Agape 60, Whitmore Lake 55: Sophomore Charlie Henry poured in 24 points, nine of those in overtime, to carry Canton Agape Christian past host Whitmore Lake Monday at Detroit World Outreach.

The Wolverines improved to 7-

4 overall. The Trojans are 4-9.

Henry nailed six three-pointers in the game and was 6-for-6 at the free-throw line. Alec Tarnowski added 20 points for Agape, and Paul Chrenko scored 12 and grabbed nine rebounds.

Jared Moore's 17 points was best for Whitmore Lake. Ryan Mowery had 14.

The Wolverines carried a 41-35 lead into the final quarter, but were outscored 13-7 to force overtime.

Oakland Christian 73, PCA 30: It was a disappointing trip to Auburn Hills Oakland Christian Tuesday for Plymouth Christian Academy, which never provided much of a challenge for the state-ranked Lancers.

Oakland Christian opened up an 18-2 lead by the end of the first quarter just kept pouring it on. Mike Peterson paced the Lancers with 16 points; Pete Whiting had 11 and Matt Green 10.

Aaron Ciborowski was best for

PCA with 14 points and 13 rebounds. No one else scored more than four.

The loss left the Eagles at 7-6 overall, 3-4 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Oakland Christian is 10-1 overall, 6-0 in the MIAC.

Agape 83, Urban Lutheran 63: Five players reached double figures in scoring for Canton Agape Christian Saturday in a lopsided win at Detroit Urban Lutheran (3-12 overall).

Charlie Henry's 15 points was best for the Wolverines, who led 16-11 after one quarter and 43-30 by halftime. Paul Chrenko added 14, Alec Tarnowski collected 13 points, Jordan Napier totaled 11 points and 10 rebounds, and Rob Hough scored 10. Josh Anthony had nine points and Jeremiah Belton netted eight.

Jamill Crooks topped Urban Lutheran with 20 points.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

GROUP GOLF

Hilltop Golf Course is now booking group golf outings for 2002. Group rates are available for groups of 16 or more golfers, weekdays or weekends. Book your outing by March 31 and receive an 18-hole round of golf for two with power cart and a dozen Titleist Tour Balata or HP2 Tour golf balls.

Weekday pricing (May through September) before 10 a.m. is \$35 per player, which includes 18 holes of golf with cart, contest markers and scoresheets. From 10 a.m.-noon, cost is \$30 per golfer. Other options are available.

For more information, call (734) 453-9800.

BASKETBALL TOURNEY

Tournaments USA will host boys and girls basketball tournaments in February and March. Registration fee for all tournaments is \$225 per team.

Tournament dates: President's Classic, Feb. 22-24, in Allen Park and Dearborn, for 12, 13 and 14 year-old boys and girls teams; Great Lakes Spring, March 1-3 in Allen Park and Dearborn, for 11, 12, 13 and 14 year-old boys and girls teams; Billy Joe Young Classic, March 8-10 in Garden City, for 12, 13 and 14 year-old boys and girls teams.

Deadline to register is two weeks prior to the tournament. To register or for more information, call Tournaments USA at (734) 522-8872.

FLAG FOOTBALL

Total Soccer in Wixom will run 7-vs.-7 Flag Football Leagues on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from March 5 through April 25. This fast-paced indoor league is for those 18 years and older. Flags are provided. Team rosters are a maximum of 14.

League fee is \$799 per team. There's a six-team minimum, 12-team maximum for Tuesdays

and a 16-team maximum for Thursdays. For more information, call Total Soccer at (248) 669-9817.

COACHES' OPENINGS

Plymouth HS, scheduled to open in the fall, has openings for several coaches' vacancies.

Included are:

Boys basketball, wrestling, swimming, gymnastics, volleyball, pom pon and cheerleading.

Anyone interested may submit their resumes to Terry Sawchuk, director of athletics, Plymouth HS, 46181 Joy, Canton, MI,

48187.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

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was the playoffs. Do or die.

Well, uh, no. "Obviously the kids on both teams know this isn't an ordinary game," DeBoer said. "For our guys, this is a chance to prove something against the second-ranked team in the (Canadian Hockey League)."

Convincing argument, but hardly any different than what other OHL coaches would offer. As for any bitterness toward his former employers and team, well, sorry.

That just isn't the case.

"It was really bittersweet," DeBoer said of playing against the team he coached for eight years. "You go through that much hockey, you develop a lot of respect for each other."

"I have a real soft spot for the kids on the Whalers. I feel very strongly for those kids. But, having said that, at the same time we're trying to do a job here. We have a chance to knock off the second-ranked team."

A new challenge

Just doesn't make sense. It didn't when DeBoer left. Think about it: Who would leave a powerhouse to go run a team that had missed the OHL playoffs in two of the past three seasons?

"It was tough to do," he said. "But it was definitely my own choice. My contract was year-to-year and we hadn't sat down and

talked about a new one yet.

"It was just a matter of moving on and accepting a new challenge. It was a new opportunity."

Still seems difficult to swallow. DeBoer had built this team into a powerhouse. Tune in the NHL on television and chances are you'll see a Whaler graduate: Bryan Berard with the New York Rangers, David Legwand with the Nashville Predators, Harold Druken with the Vancouver Canucks, Robert Esche with the Phoenix Coyotes, Justin Williams with the Philadelphia Flyers, etc.

The Whalers' place to play — Compuware Arena — is only a half-a-decade old. There's just no downside to the situation.

DeBoer agrees. "That was one of the great things about working in that environment and for (owner) Pete Karmanos," he said. "It allowed us to go out and find players. Our scouting staff did a great job — Justin Williams was a sixth-round draft choice."

Williams is now on a line with John LeClair and Keith Primeau on one of the best teams in the NHL. "It was a great place to work," DeBoer said. "The facility was first class."

What's his secret?

So that's it? No hidden agenda? No behind-the-scenes power struggle? No single, pivotal reason behind his leaving?

Not even something distasteful? "They really are, without reservation, very fond memories," DeBoer insisted.

If he felt he needed to prove himself further, he's doing it. The Rangers are in a solid playoff position, and with a 24-19-9-0 record (third in the OHL's Midwest Division), they're well above .500 — both team goals DeBoer and Spott set entering the season. Factor into the equation the way his team has handled the OHL's best squad and there's no doubt he's proven himself.

Again.

So what is it, a hex? Does he know something, a certain weakness to exploit that other coaches miss?

If there is, DeBoer isn't sharing it. Indeed, knowing there's a possibility his Rangers — thus far, third in the OHL's Midwest Division — could conceivably run up against the Whalers in the playoffs, he won't offer anything that could possibly be inflammatory.

"No, we haven't lost to them," he said. "I'm just glad we don't have to play them eight times, like Windsor does."

The way things currently stand, it's the Whalers who should be happy about that.

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Rangers made it 2-0 with a power-play goal from John Osborne with 4:55 left in the second period.

Stephen Weiss pulled the Whalers to within a goal with a short-handed score with 3:15 left in the game (assisted by Damian Surma and Jared Newman), but Kitchener answered with 1:22 left, Petr Hemsy getting the clincher.

Scott Dickie turned away 31 of 32 shots in goal for the Rangers. Jason Bacashihua had 34 saves for the Whalers.

At Oshawa Saturday, Plymouth got the game-winner from Greg Campbell with just 20 seconds left, breaking a 3-3 tie. George Nistas and Nate Kiser assisted as Campbell scored his 15th of the season.

The Whalers never trailed in the game, but could never build more than a one-goal lead, either. Kris Vernarsky gave them a 1-0 lead with a short-handed goal 5:39 into the opening period (Karl Stewart assisted), but Oshawa's Nathan Horton tied it 1:45 later. Plymouth regained the lead with a goal by Tim Sestito (Surma and Chad LaRose assisted) with 6:25 left in the first, but the Generals knotted it again with a power-play score by Tobias Whelan with 2:07 left in the period.

LaRose's 27th goal, on the power play (from James Wisniewski and David Liffiton) 2:35

into the second, gave the Whalers a 3-2 advantage. Oshawa's Jamie Johnson tied it again with 1:10 left in the period, setting the stage for Campbell's game-winner.

Bacashihua made 25 stops in goal for Plymouth. Kevin Druce was in the net for the Generals.

At Toronto Friday, the Whalers fell behind 2-0 after one period and never got on track. Playing without Weiss, their leading scorer, and Cole Jarrett, their top defender — both suspended for receiving game misconducts — Plymouth couldn't offset the Majors.

Ryan Rorabeck scored two goals for Toronto, Joe Guenther had a goal and two assists, and Frantisek Lukes had a goal and an assist. Darryl Bootland also scored a goal.

The Whalers got goals from Stewart (from Brad Yeo and Newman) in the second period and Steve Phillips (from Sean Thompson and Kyle Neufeld).

Paul Drew started in goal for Plymouth; Bacashihua replaced him late in the second period. Peter Budaj was in the net for Toronto.

The Whalers are facing another three-games-in-three-days stretch this weekend, hosting Oshawa Friday and Windsor Saturday (both at 7:30 p.m.) before traveling to Brampton Sunday (2 p.m.).

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON - BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JANUARY 22, 2002 Revised from the January 31, 2002 publication

Motion by Bennett, seconded by LaJoy to move from open session to closed session for the purpose of discussion of employee negotiations. Motion carried by all members present. Treasurer Kirchgatter called the closed session to order at 6:00 pm.

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

Members Absent: Yack

Staff Present: Director Durack, Ann Conklin

Others Present: Mr. Alan Wall

The Board adjourned from closed session to employee reception at 6:35 p.m. An employee reception was held at 6:30 p.m. honoring Canton Township employees with twenty, twenty-five, thirty and thirty-five years of service.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy at 7:00 pm to move from closed session to open session. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to appoint Ms. Kirchgatter as chairperson for this evenings Board meeting. Motion carried by all members present.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, January 22, 2002, at 1150 South Canton Road. Treasurer Kirchgatter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Members Absent: Yack

Staff Present: Director Conklin, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Capt. Alex Wilson

Motion by Bennett, seconded by LaJoy to approve the agenda deleting Items G2, adding Item G21 which is purchase of new tee markers for new nine holes at Pheasant Run Golf Course and moving Item G14 so it immediately follows Item G10. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 8, 2002. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve the study session meeting minutes of January 15, 2002. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present.

(For 02/22/02)			
General Fund	101 \$443,052.54	Federal Grants Fund	274 14,255.18
Fire Fund	206 38,353.64	Auto Theft Grant	289 1,833.56
Police Fund	207 56,353.71	Downtown Dev Authority	294 42,031.52
Summit Operating	208 70,167.36	Post Employ. Benefits	296 2,377.90
Golf Fund	211 33,981.55	Cap Proj-Summit Const	402 124,320.84
Cable TV Fund	230 29,900.54	Cap Proj-Road Paving	403 210,340.89
Twp (Comm) Imprvmt	246 94,719.21	Bldg Auth Construction	469 293,078.84
E-911 Utility	261 219,075.73	Water & Sewer Fund	592 708,422.78
Auto Forfeiture (WWATEE)	267 1,680.00	Total - All Funds	2,383,945.78

This is the sixth annual recognition of employees who have been employed with Canton for twenty, twenty-five, thirty or thirty-five years. These employees were recognized with a reception before the board meeting. Jake Dingeldey has served Canton for thirty-five (35) years, Mike Karll was recognized for twenty-five (25) years of dedicated service to Canton, Leonard Schemanske and Bruce Sutzter, each have twenty (20) years of dedicated service to Canton Township.

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton does hereby recognize Jake Dingeldey for 35 years of dedicated service to Canton, Mike Karll for 25 years of service, Leonard Schemanske and Bruce Sutzter for 20 years of dedicated service to the Canton community.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to appoint Elaine Kirchgatter, Bob Shefferly and Phil LaJoy to the Canton Township Elected Officials' Compensation Committee for a term from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize single purchases up to \$1000.00 from the following 2002 blanket purchase orders for Public Works Vendors. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Township Clerk, as the designated officer to execute the 2002 Annual Permit for Underground Utility Operations within the Michigan Department of Transportation right-of-way and also move to approve the Township Clerk to act as the designated officer to sign permits for operations within the Michigan Department of Transportation right-of-ways not covered by the annual permit. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to remove from the table and adoption of Ordinance No.117-6 Historic District (Penney Property). The ordinance will become effective upon publication in the Canton Observer on February 7, 2002. Motion carried by all members present.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PENNEY PROPERTY HISTORIC DISTRICT ORDINANCE NO 117-6

Section 1. Eligibility For Local Historic Designation - The Canton Township Board of Trustees, has on this day, January 22, 2002, determined that the property located at 44675 Joy Road, owned by Joe Van Esley of 12559 Howard Park Drive, Plymouth, Michigan, is eligible for local historic designation under the guidelines established by Historic District Ordinance 117 (ord. no. 117-6 eff. February 7, 2002).

Section 2. Purpose - The purpose of the ordinance is to provide for the preservation and rehabilitation of historic sites and districts which meet criteria set forth in the ordinance (ord. no. 117-6 eff. February 7, 2002).

Section 3. Certificate of Appropriateness - The property owner will be required to apply for a Certificate of Appropriateness before commencing any work on the historic site or district. When considering an application, the Commission will be guided by the Standards for Rehabilitation set forth by the United States Secretary of the Interior. (ord. no. 117-6 eff. February 7, 2002).

The Canton Township Board of Trustees is pleased to help promote community pride in Canton Township through the preservation of this Historic Site. Roll Call: Ayes: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Yack Dated: January 22, 2002 Adopted: January 22, 2002

Published/Effective: February 7, 2002 Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy for the annual 2002 Annual Block Party Road Closure Permit on behalf of the Charter Township of Canton to be sent and retained by the County of Wayne. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve special event status for the Plymouth Theater Guild's production of "The Wizard of Oz" and permission to install signs advertising the event. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment in the Fire Fund to re-appoint 2002 funds for the purchase of capital equipment scheduled in 2001 with a fund balance appropriation of \$202,807.00 and a capital outlay equipment expenditure of the same. Motion carried by all members present.

Increase Revenues:		
Fund Balance Appropriation	No. 207-000-699-0000	\$202,807.00

Increase Appropriations:		
Capital Outlay-Equipment	No. 207-301-977-0000	\$202,807.00

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment in the Fire Fund to reappoint 2002 funds for the purchase of capital equipment scheduled in 2001 with a fund balance appropriation of \$38,000.00 and a capital outlay equipment of the same. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize the blanket purchase order list for Leisure Services Department for 2002. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the request of the Petitioner to rezone the identified property to C-2 Community Commercial District. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin for approval of the site plan for Splitz Gymnastics. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve a variance to the Condominium Ordinance and Preliminary Approval of the Site Plan for Arlington Park Site Condominiums. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to grant approval of the Woodbridge Planned Development District. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request to extend the contract with Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc. to provide landscape and subdivision inspection services for FY2002 as outlined above utilizing available contracted service funds (101-371-818-000) in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request for the Senior Planner to travel to Chicago, IL to attend the National Planning Conference of the American Planning Association, April 13-17, 2002, not to exceed \$2,000 would be paid from the 2002 budget, Planning Services, Conference Seminars line item (101-853-951-0000). Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the expenditure of \$8,000 tuition for Fire Marshal Barrett, Capt. Arble, Lt. Berger and Lt. Draplin to attend the School of Fire Staff and Command at Eastern Michigan University. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the Western Wayne Narcotics Interlocal Agreement and authorize the Supervisor and Director of Public Safety to sign the Agreement. Motion carried by all members present. The attached resolution is being presented by the Western Wayne County Narcotic Unit for approval.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve the proposal submitted by George W. Auch Company dated January 10, 2002 to provide construction management services to the Township Administration Building expansion project and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the contract upon completion of negotiations with the George W. Auch Company. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the proposal submitted George W. Auch Company dated January 10, 2002 to provide construction management services for the Performing Arts Education Center and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the contract upon completion of negotiations with the George W. Auch Company. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to increase the contract amount for D.O.C. Contracting, Inc. for construction of the Canton Sport Complex Boulevard Entrance for the amount of \$130,340.04 from budget account number 246-750-970-0000. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve the purchase of four 2002 Ford Explorer 4 x 4 vehicles from Signature Ford, Lincoln, Mercury and Jeep in cooperation with the Macomb County Purchasing Program at a cost of \$22,846.00 each for a total of \$91,384.00. Funds for this purchase will be taken from the following accounts: \$23,692 from 101-305-977-0000, \$22,000 from 101-853-977-0000 and \$45,692 from 101-371-977-0000. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of a Ricoh Aficio 1035 copier with fax option at a cost of \$6,887.00 and a 12 month maintenance contract at a cost of \$1,350.00 for a total of \$8,237.00. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the elimination of two Maintenance Technician III positions and to create and fill two Maintenance Technician II and four Maintenance Technician IV positions. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy for approval to create and fill a Facility Specialist position for Summit on the Park pending Merit Commission approval. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy for approval to create and fill a Health/Wellness Specialist position in the Recreation Division of the Leisure Services Department. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to waive bidding procedures and award contract to Wolverine Fireworks Display, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the 2002 Canton Liberty Fest fireworks display. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to waive the bidding process and award the bid for 42 golf carts for Pheasant Run Golf Club to Club Car for \$136,290 and to charge the expense to the Pheasant Run Bond fund account number 469-900-971-2110. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve a sixty month lease agreement for eight pieces of strength equipment provided by Nautilus, Incorporated with First Choice Commercial Funding leasing the equipment to Summit on the Park in the amount of \$14,446.75 (5 annual payments will be made in the amount of \$2,889.35). Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award the bid for nine new and four granite plates for Pheasant Run Golf Course to Designer Golf Company for \$8,940.00 and to charge the expense to the bond account #469-900-971-2110.

Treasurer Kirchgatter indicated next Tuesday, January 29th is the fifth Tuesday of the month and there is no meeting scheduled. The next scheduled Board Study Session will be on February 5, 2002.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the regular/ study board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held on Tuesday, January 22, 2002. The full text of the approved minutes, including comments will be available following the next regular board meeting held on February 5, 2002. The full text draft copy is available in the Clerk's office for review.

Thomas J. Yack- Supervisor Terry G. Bennett- Clerk

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WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 3:00 P.M., MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2002

Regular meeting called to order at 3:15 p.m.

Present: Terry Bennett, Steve Mann, Richard Henningsen

Agenda – adopted as presented.

Minutes of regular meeting of December 17, 2002 – approved.

Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$1,999,604.29 – approved.

Operations & Maintenance Report for December 2001 – received and filed.

Director's Report for January 2002 – received and filed.

Audit, FY Ending September 30, 2001 – approved.

2001 Year In Review – received and filed.

Diesel Powered Back-Up Generation Maintenance Agreement – approved.

MRPI Repairs – Phase 2; Request For Proposals – approval to advertise.

Pump Maintenance and Repair; Request For Proposals – approval to advertise.

YCUA Plant Expansion – Ultraviolet Disinfection System Agreement – approved.

YCUA Plant Expansion – Construction Trust Agreement – approval to advertise.

Contract #7 – Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Inspection; Request To Advertise For Bids – approved.

Employee Benefits – Dental Care Plan change – approved.

2002 Goals – approved.

SSOM Work Plan Update – received and filed.

Annual Flow Meter Upgrade Plan Purchases – approved.

YCUA Wastewater Discharge Ordinance; Delegation Agreement Renewal – agreement approved. Further, agreement to be presented to the member townships and the City of Plymouth for adoption as soon as practicable.

YCUA Plant Expansion Update – received and filed.

Director of Operations Employment Contract – approved.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK
Chairman

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

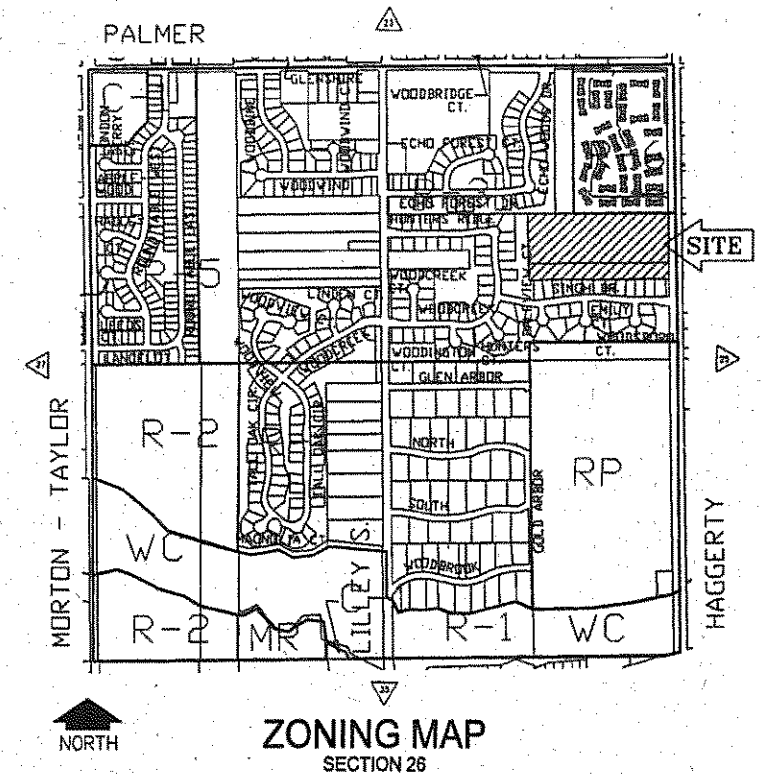
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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, March 4, 2002 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:

ROSE REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 101 99 0005 000 AND 101 99 0006 000 FROM R-3, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (up to 3 dwelling units/acre), TO R-6, SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL (up to 8 dwelling units/acre). Property is located on the west side of Haggerty Road between Palmer Road and Michigan Avenue.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, February 28, 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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Baseball registration

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association will continue its registration for the upcoming seasons at 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Canton Softball Center and 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26 at the Summit in Canton. Boys and girls ages 4-18 years who are residents of Plymouth or Canton, or attend a Plymouth-Canton Community School, are eligible to register.

All players will be required to show a birth certificate or passport to verify age and residency. Registration is on a first-come basis. Space may be limited due to the possibility of limited field availability.

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PLYMOUTH CANTON GYMNASICS INVITATIONAL Feb. 2 at Canton HS

Team results: 1. Rochester Adams, 148.30; 2. Portage, 145.10; 3. Northville/Novi, 144.20; 4. Farmington Unified, 143.95; 5. Plymouth Salem, 141.80; 6. Brighton, 141.30; 7. Troy Athens, 141.275; 8. Hartland, 140.5; 9. Traverse City, 140.225; 10. Holland, 140.025; 11. Rochester, 139.30; 12. Livonia Unified, 135.55; 13. Plymouth Canton, 133.45; 14. Walled Lake Western, 131.70; 15. Freeland, 129.15; 16. Fraser, 122.35; 17. Westland John Glenn, 119.65.

Event results Division I

Vault: 1. Jenn Dion (B), 9.6; 2. Gwen McConkie (TA), 9.5; 3. Shannon MacDonald (RA), 9.4; 4. Kelly Catino (TC), 9.35; 5. (tie) Cynthia Hughes (P), Heather Scheddler (TA), 9.3; 7. Kyla Krygler (TC), 9.25; 8. Kara Woroniec (B), 9.2; 9. (tie) Emilee Walch (P), Bethany Bartlett (PS), 9.15; 11. Jennifer Sturgis (N/N), 9.125; 12. (tie) Lindsey Carlson (N/N), Clara Seymour (FU), 9.1; 14. Kim Duff (B), 9.05; 15. (tie) Chelsea Keesling (FU), Kasia Desteiger (RA), 9.0.

Uneven parallel bars: 1. Shannon MacDonald (RA), 9.55; 2. Sara Wilchowski (N/N), 9.525; 3. Kyla Krygler (TC), 9.5; 4. Cynthia Hughes (P), 9.4; 5. Emilee Walch (P), 9.25; 6. Ravin Raleigh (TA), 9.225; 7. (tie) Jaime

Balardi (R), Jennifer Sturgis (N/N), 9.2; 9. (tie) Kara Woroniec (B), Lindsey Carlson (N/N), 9.15; 11. Kelly Catino (TC), 9.125; 12. Gwen McConkie (TA), 9.1; 13. Megan Oulmet (RA), 9.05; 14. Chelsea Keesling (FU), 8.9; 15. Andie Wilson (B), 8.85.

Balance beam: 1. Shannon MacDonald (RA), 9.6; 2. Sarah Houchins (FU), 9.5; 3. Chelsea Keesling (FU), 9.35; 4. Gwen McConkie (TA), 9.25; 5. (tie) Jennifer Sturgis (N/N), Katie Hicks (P), 9.2; 7. Sara Wilchowski (N/N), 9.15; 8. Megan Oulmet (RA), 9.1; 9. Cynthia Hughes (P), 9.05; 10. Kelly Catino (TC), 9.0; 11. Audrey Buelow (R), 8.95; 12. Kim Duff (B), 8.9; 13. Kyla Krygler (TC), 8.85; 14. (tie) Ravin Raleigh (TA), Megan Brzezinski (R), 8.8.

Floor exercise: 1. Sarah Houchins (FU), 9.8; 2. Jennifer Sturgis (N/N), 9.65; 3. (tie) Cynthia Hughes (P), Chelsea Keesling (FU), 9.6; 5. Shannon MacDonald (RA), 9.55; 6. Bethany Bartlett (PS), 9.5; 7. Megan Oulmet (RA), 9.45; 8. Lindsey Carlson (N/N), 9.35; 9. (tie) Emilee Walch (P), Andie Wilson (B), 9.3; 11. Jenn Dion (B), 9.25; 12. (tie) Audrey Buelow (R), Cheryl DeGrandchamp (RA), 9.2; 14. Kelly Catino (TC), 9.15; 15. Ravin Raleigh (TA), 9.1.

All-around: 1. Shannon MacDonald (RA),

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38.1; 2. Cynthia Hughes (P), 37.35; 3. Jennifer Sturgis (N/N), 37.175; 4. Gwen McConkie (TA), 36.9; 5. Chelsea Keesling (FU), 36.85; 6. Sarah Houchins (FU), 36.8; 7. Kelly Catino (TC), 36.625; 8. Kyla Krygler (TC), 36.45; 9. Sara Wilchowski (N/N), 36.375; 10. Megan Oulmet (RA), 36.35; 11. Emilee Walch (P), 36.3; 12. Jenn Dion (B), 36.05; 13. Ravin Raleigh (TA), 36.025; 14. Bethany Bartlett (PS), 36.00; 15. Kara Woroniec (B), 35.75.

Division II

Vault: 1. DeNay Kippley (Ho.), 9.3; 2. Kendra Harring (Ho.), 9.225; 3. (tie) Kristen Ulewicz (FU), Colleen Johnson (Ha.), 9.1; 5. (tie) Mary Moreau (LU), Kate Maxwell (Ha.), 9.05; 7. (tie) Shelia Orosey (RA), Lindsay Smith (FU), Sara Whiteley (P), Kasia Desteiger (RA), 9.0; 11. (tie) Melissa Drake (PS), Erin Strum (Ha.), 8.95; 13. (tie) Sarah Helmstetter (Ho.), Angela Moryc (Ha.), 8.9; 15. (tie) Megan Turner (Ha.), Rosie Blank (R), Kelly Crusen (Frind.), Chelsea Hoard (P), 8.8.

Uneven parallel bars: 1. Shelia Orosey (RA), 9.25; 2. DeNay Kippley (Ho.), 9.15; 3. Katie Michalik (RA), 9.05; 4. Amanda Luxton (RA), 8.95; 5. Megan Turner (Ha.), 8.9; 6. (tie) Melissa Drake (PS), Kristen Loweru (P), 8.8; 8. Leanne Wisner (P), 8.7; 9. Mary More-

au (LU), 8.65; 10. (tie) Jenny Rhode (Frind.), Meghan Giessi (R), 8.55; 12. April Aquinto (PS), 8.55; 13. (tie) Jennifer Mehl (N/N), Keshia McClain (Ho.), 8.5; 15. (tie) Natalie Olesko (FU), J.Q. Williams (PC), 8.45.

Balance beam: 1. Shelia Orosey (RA), 9.55; 2. Kendra Harring (Ho.), 9.25; 3. Danielle McLean (RA), 9.2; 4. (tie) Megan Turner (Ha.), Ashley Aquinto (PS), 9.15; 6. April Aquinto (PS), 9.1; 7. Laura Anderson (P), 9.05; 8. Jennifer Mehl (N/N), 8.95; 9. (tie) Angellek Figueroa (Ho.), Jenny Gwin (WLW), 8.9; 11. Chelsea Hoard (P), 8.8; 12. (tie) Mary Moreau (LU), Jessie Rapbury (TC), Staci Schmedding (PS), Natalie Olesko (FU), 8.75.

Floor exercise: 1. Shelia Orosey (RA), 9.5; 2. Colleen Johnson (Ha.), 9.4; 3. Megan Turner (Ha.), 9.35; 4. (tie) DeNay Kippley (Ho.),

April Aquinto (PS), Lindsay Smith (FU), Erin Strum (Ha.), 9.2; 8. Amanda Luxton (RA), 9.15; 9. Melissa Drake (PS), 9.1; 10. Katie Edwards (LU), 9.05; 11. (tie) Kendra Harring (Ho.), Amanda Crawford (N/N), 9.0; 13. Laura Anderson (P), 8.95; 14. (tie) Mary Moreau (LU), Andrea Ledbetter (N/N), 8.9.

All-around: 1. Shelia Orosey (RA), 37.3; 2. Megan Turner (Ha.), 36.2; 3. DeNay Kippley (Ho.), 36.05; 4. Mary Moreau (LU), 35.35; 5. April Aquinto (PS), 35.25; 6. Ashley Aquinto (PS), 34.95; 7. Melissa Drake (PS), 34.9; 8. Jessie Rapbury (TC), 33.95; 9. Angellek Figueroa (Ho.), 33.85; 10. Rosie Blank (R), 33.6; 11. Audra Ahern (PC), 33.5; 12. (tie) Jenny Rhode (Frind.), Camille Doan (WLW), 33.1; 14. Julie Dzielicki (TA), 33.05; 15. (tie) Katie Edwards (LU), Lisa Thompson (LU), 32.95.



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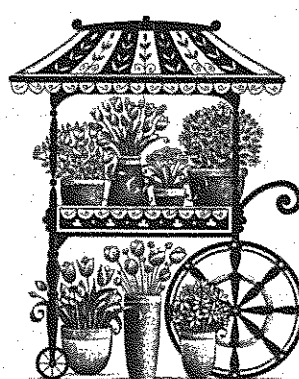
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SC tested, but wins

Things got a little sticky last week for the Schoolcraft College men's basketball team, but the unbeaten Ocelots managed to come away with their 21st and 22 wins of the season.

On Friday, Schoolcraft found itself down nine points in the first half before overhauling Kirtland Community College, 86-85.

Schoolcraft, now 22-0 and 8-0 in the Eastern Conference of the MCCA, hit a total of 13 three-pointers.

The Ocelots led 40-28 at halftime.

Point-guard Rulon Harris, bound for Detroit Mercy, led the way with 16 points, while forward Mike Williams contributed 15 points, 10 rebounds and four assists. Emir Medunjanin (North Farmington) added 10 points.

Kirtland (3-5, 12-10), coached by former Schoolcraft and Redford Bishop Borgess High coach Glen Donahue, got 16 points from Mario Collins and 11 from Monte Tucker.

On Jan. 30, Schoolcraft led by

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just six with five minutes to go before pulling away for a 105-85 win at Delta CC.

Guard Javon Clark (Detroit Cass Tech), 5 of 10 from three-point range, finished with a game-high 23 points for Schoolcraft, ranked third in the latest NJCAA Division I poll.

The 6-7 Williams (Detroit City) contributed 17 points and nine rebounds. Medunjanin added 16 points and six boards, while center Yaku Moton-Spruill (Westland John Glenn) had 15 points and a team-high 17 rebounds.

Carl Muhammad finished with 11 points, while Harris had 11 assists.

Schoolcraft outrebounded Delta, 41-25, and made 35 of 65 shots from the floor (53.8 percent). The Ocelots were 27 of 38 from the free throw line (71 percent).

Delta (3-6, 7-15) was 33 of 66 from the floor.

•ROCHESTER 68, MADONNA 64: In a non-conference game played Monday at Stoney Creek High School, the host Warriors (13-10) earned the victory over Madonna University (6-21) as Bennie Theriot tallied 17 points.

Jenero Dawood and Mike Robinson added 16 and 15, respectively, for Rochester, which led 32-27 at halftime. Robinson also grabbed nine rebounds. Mike Tobin (Schoolcraft College) had six points in 10 minutes of action.

MU's Noel Emenhiser led all scorers with 26 points to go along with eight rebounds. Aaron Cox contributed 13 points for the Crusaders, who have lost six straight.

•AQUINAS 89, MADONNA 68: Aquinas College (8-18, 2-8) broke a seven-game losing straight Saturday with the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference win over visiting Madonna University (6-20, 3-7) in Grand Rapids.

Guard Chuck Shuba led the victorious Saints with 17 points. Forward Kyle Weaver added 15, while Tim Wasilk added 12.

Four Crusaders scored in double figures led by Noel Emenhiser's 18 points. Tony Jancevski (Plymouth Salem) added 14, while Aaron Cox and Chad Nadolni had 11 and 10, respectively.

Aquinas made 12 triples to MU's four.

Cornerstone shocks Madonna

The top spot in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference women's basketball race still belongs to Madonna University — despite the efforts of Cornerstone University.

On Tuesday at Madonna, the Golden Eagles (15-11 overall, 7-4 in the WHAC) handed Madonna its second league loss, 61-59. They also handed the Crusaders (18-7 overall, 9-2 in the conference) their first, and only other, conference defeat, beating them 79-42 Jan. 12 in Grand Rapids.

That was the last time Madonna lost, winning six straight — until Tuesday, when Cornerstone caught the Crusaders looking flat once again. Fifteen first-half turnovers helped the Golden Eagles build a 28-22 lead by halftime. Converting just 9-of-27 first-half shots (33.3 percent) didn't help Madonna much, either; Cornerstone was 12-of-29 in the opening half (41.4 per-

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cent).

The second half started just as badly for Madonna as the Eagles put together a 10-1 scoring spurt, building a 38-23 lead with 15:31 left. The Crusaders finally got things going after that, outscoring Cornerstone 19-4 over the next 7:06 to tie it at 42-all. Kathy Paganis and Carissa Gizicki scored five points apiece in the rally.

The game was tied four more times in that final 8:25, including 57-all with :58 remaining. The Crusaders had two chances to tie Cornerstone again in that final minute, but missed both.

Gizicki sparked Madonna with 12 points, nine assists and two steals. Lindsay Simmon added 11 points, nine rebounds and two steals, and Paganis had 10 points. Nikki Blaszk contributed

ed eight points and 11 boards.

Cornerstone was paced by Cathi Velzen's 18 points. Mindy Rader added 17.

Last Saturday, Madonna overcame a three-point Aquinas College lead in the final minute to edge the Saints, 66-65 at Madonna. Gizicki's steal and subsequent basket with :11 to play supplied the Crusaders with the game-winning points.

Mahogany Fletcher (from Farmington Harrison), whose layup with :54 left narrowed Aquinas' lead to 65-64, had 18 points and three steals. Simmon scored 11 points, Courtney Rehbine totaled 10, Paganis netted nine and Gizicki finished with nine points, nine steals and four assists.

Heather Orr's 15 points paced Aquinas. Amanda Elliott had 14, with Chris Koselansky and Elli Giesa scoring 11 apiece.

BOYS BEST SWIM TIMES

200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY
(state cuts — A: 1:43.09; B: 1:49.59)
Redford Catholic Central 1:40.96
Plymouth Salem 1:41.89
Plymouth Canton 1:44.30
North Farmington 1:47.46
Livonia Churchill 1:48.62

200-YARD FREESTYLE
(state cuts — A: 1:49.39; B: 1:55.99)
Eric Lynn (Salem) 1:47.37
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 1:47.46
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 1:47.51
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 1:49.16
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 1:50.75
Ryan Ahern (Canton) 1:51.69
Joe Le (Canton) 1:52.26
Andy Grant (Churchill) 1:53.06
Nick Dixon (Salem) 1:53.42
Yuhel Uno (Canton) 1:53.95

200-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY
(state cuts — A: 2:03.99; B: 2:11.59)
Eric Lynn (Salem) 1:59.34
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 2:03.17
Rob Cyrek (Redford CC) 2:04.23
Mike Kruszewski (Redford CC) 2:07.04
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 2:07.06
Joe Le (Canton) 2:09.99
Jason Bank (N. Farmington) 2:10.40
Brian Clayson (N. Farmington) 2:10.55
M. Bachrouche (N. Farmington) 2:11.51
Brad Baron (Churchill) 2:12.17

50-YARD FREESTYLE
(state cuts — A: 22.69; B: 23.69)
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 22.15
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 22.64
Mike Johnson (Salem) 22.71
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 22.85
Joe Le (Canton) 22.93
Kevin Ryan (Redford CC) 23.03
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 23.25
Brad Nilson (Canton) 23.40
Mark Benivegna (Farm, Unified) 23.60
Rob Cyrek (Redford CC) 23.75

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Joe Rohde (Redford CC) 230.60
Tyler Flood (Redford CC) 215.20
Ken Stafford (Stevenson) 209.15
Ryan Campbell (Redford CC) 183.10
Ron Hoppe (Redford Union) 181.85
Brad Sokolowski (Salem) 176.20
Nick Riley (Redford CC) 168.45
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Steve Kilijanczyk (Canton) 155.70

100-YARD BUTTERFLY
(state cuts — A: 55.49; B: 58.99)
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 52.24
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 52.63
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 53.52
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 54.31
Yuhel Uno (Canton) 56.43
Rob Cyrek (Redford CC) 57.31
Brad Baron (Churchill) 57.62
Justin Gold (John Glenn) 57.83
M. Bachrouche (N. Farmington) 58.76
Andy Grant (Churchill) 59.00

100-YARD FREESTYLE
(state cuts — A: 49.49; B: 51.99)
Brett Meconis (Redford CC) 48.75
Matt Wisniewski (Canton) 48.86
Bryant Steele (Redford CC) 49.43
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 49.70
Joe Le (Canton) 50.12
Mike Johnson (Salem) 50.14
Rob Cyrek (Redford CC) 50.83
Brad Nilson (Canton) 51.06
Kevin Ryan (Redford CC) 51.38
Zach Fellrath (Redford CC) 51.75

500-YARD FREESTYLE
(state cuts — A: 4:58.99; B: 5:17.59)
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 4:58.39
Nick Dixon (Salem) 5:05.23
Paul Haapaniemi (Farm, Unified) 5:07.28
Tim Ryan (Redford CC) 5:14.48
Jason Bank (N. Farmington) 5:14.60
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Jeff Mataya (N. Farmington) 5:15.80
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Sermet Alver (N. Farmington) 5:18.30
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 5:18.43

200-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY
(state cuts — A: 1:31.99; B: 1:37.49)
Redford Catholic Central 1:22.97
Plymouth Canton 1:30.93
Plymouth Salem 1:32.02
Livonia Churchill 1:38.03
Farmington-Harrison 1:38.29

100-YARD BACKSTROKE
(state cuts — A: 56.59; B: 1:00.59)
Eric Lynn (Salem) 53.85
Zach Fellrath (Redford CC) 55.33
Brad Nilson (Canton) 56.29
Nick Markou (Redford CC) 57.79
Brian Clayson (N. Farmington) 58.77
Kyle Chamberlin (Farm, Unified) 1:00.00
Chris Webber (Wayne) 1:00.15
Mike Kruszewski (Redford CC) 1:00.53
John Aaroni (Canton) 1:01.59
Ryan Ahern (Canton) 1:02.22

100-YARD BREASTSTROKE
(state cuts — A: 1:02.99; B: 1:07.59)
Mike Kruszewski (Redford CC) 1:04.47
Matt Newman (N. Farmington) 1:05.72
Matt Showalter (Salem) 1:06.18
Andrew Carlin (Redford CC) 1:06.36
Rob Cyrek (Redford CC) 1:06.67
Dennis Speck (Canton) 1:06.80
Josh Raub (Wayne) 1:07.05
Brian Clayson (N. Farmington) 1:07.44
Jeff Andonian (Redford CC) 1:07.92
Andrew Drennen (Wayne) 1:08.41

400-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY
(state cuts — A: 3:23.39; B: 3:36.99)
Redford Catholic Central 3:16.57
Plymouth Salem 3:20.22
Plymouth Canton 3:21.85
North Farmington 3:29.87
Wayne Memorial 3:34.17

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
Thursday, Feb. 7
Huron Valley at Franklin Rd., 6 p.m.
Churchill at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
Agape vs. Ypsi Calvary
at Det. World Outreach, 8:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 8
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.
Ypsilanti at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Crestwood, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Gib. Carlson, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Woodhaven, 7 p.m.
C'ville at Luth. N'west, 7 p.m.
Hamtramck at Luth. W'sld, 7 p.m.
Baptist Pk. at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.
Redford CC at Brother Rice, 7:30 p.m.
Borgess at O.L. St. Mary's, 7:30 p.m.
St. Agatha at St. Alphonsus, 7:30 p.m.
Huron Valley at Bethesda, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 9
Farmington at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Salem at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Feb. 7
HVL at Franklin Road, 6 p.m.
Hamtramck at C'ville, 6:30 p.m.
Country Day at Luth. W'sld, 6:30 p.m.
Inter-City at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 9

Bedford Invitational, 8 a.m.
UMDearborn Invitational, 9 a.m.
Catholic League Playoffs, TBA.
N.B. Huron Tourney, TBA.
PREP HOCKEY
Thursday, Feb. 7
Red, Unified vs. Blirm. Unified
at Redford Ice Arena, 7:45 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 8
Churchill vs. W.L. Central
at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
Salem vs. Gib. Carlson
at Ply. Cultural Ctr., 6 p.m.
Canton vs. Franklin
at Arctic Edge, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 9
Franklin vs. Milford
at Grand Oaks Arena, 2:20 p.m.
Red, Unified at Lincoln Pk., 7 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Stevenson
at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING
Thursday, Feb. 7
Churchill at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m.
W.L. Western at Salem, 6:30 p.m.
Canton at W.L. Central, 6:30 p.m.
Northville at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.
Franklin at Farmington, 6:30 p.m.
Harrison at N. Farm., 6:30 p.m.
Wayne, Annapolis at RU, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 9
WLAA meet at W.L. Central, 9:30 a.m.
Metro Conference Tourney
at Lutheran Westland, 10 a.m.

Catholic League Tourney
at Dbn. Divine Child, 10 a.m.
BOYS SWIMMING
Thursday, Feb. 7
Northville at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Harrison, 7 p.m.
Farmington at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Woodhaven at Wayne, 7 p.m.
GIRLS GYMNASTICS
Saturday, Feb. 9
A.A. Pioneer Invitational, noon.
PREP SKIING
Thursday, Feb. 7
League meet at Mt. Brighton, 9 a.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Feb. 9
Henry Ford at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.
Madonna at Concordia, 3 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Feb. 9
Henry Ford at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.
Madonna at Concordia, 7 p.m.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Friday, Feb. 8
Whalers vs. Oshawa
at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 9
Whalers vs. Windsor
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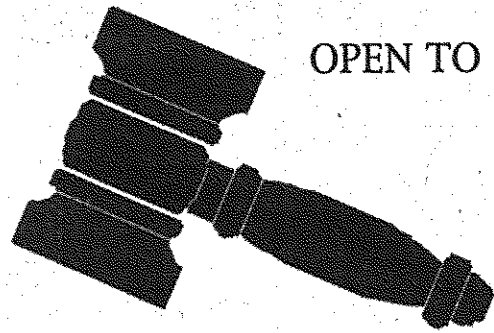
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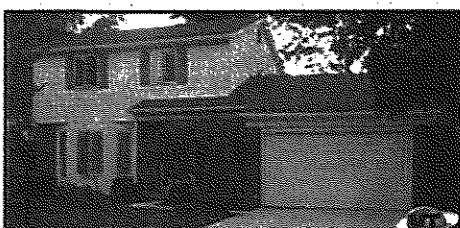
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WESTLAND \$223,900
ONCE A MODEL! 3 BR, 2.5 bath colonial, freshly painted, FR w/vaulted cing & recessed lights, 1st fl laundry, mstr BR has att'd wic & bath, att'd 2 car parking pad & 2 car gar.(C36629)

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LIVONIA \$189,900
SUPER CLEAN RANCH with FR & half bath off master BR. Newly painted and new carpet, open floor plan and great curb appeal!(42WES2)

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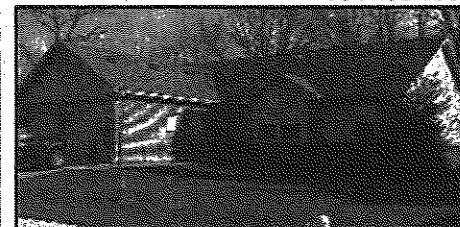
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GREAT LOCATION, CLOSE TO EVERYTHING! 3 BR, 1.5 bath colonial has been well cared for. New 20x19 FR w/FP & hearth, hrdwd in kit. & dining area combo, new wndws, sprink. syst, over 1700 sq ft!(J34815)

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REDFORD \$148,000
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MOVE RIGHT INTO THIS SHARP RANCH! Updates incl: windows, AC & furn '96, patio '98, roof '99, kit counter/interior painting '01. Fin bsmt & 2-car garage! Wonderful area!(82WHI2)

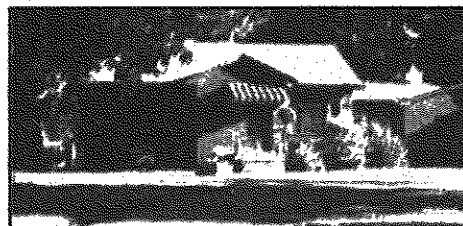
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GARDEN CITY \$139,900
TOP OF YOUR LIST this lovely 3 bedroom Ranch should be. Finished basement for entertaining. Many new updates and improvements. Great location and available to move right in.(S673)

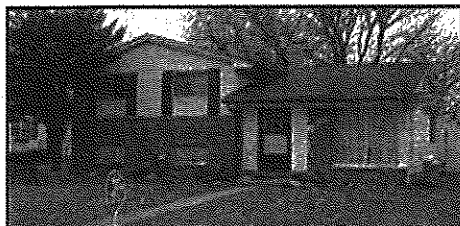
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GARDEN CITY \$138,900
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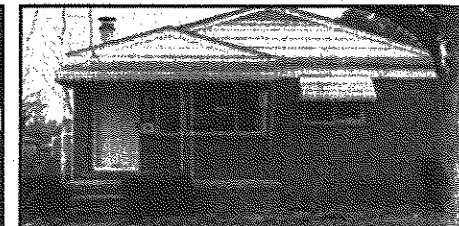
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524 Help Wanted- Domestic

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HOME HEALTH CARE needed for an infant and toddler in my Rochester Hills home. M-F 8-6pm. (248) 844-8288

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530 Entertainment

WANTED
Kickers of Livonia is now hiring a 2 piece Jazz Band for Tuesday Evenings. Apply within: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

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624 Misc. Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
Notice is HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned that on Tuesday, February 12, 2002 at 10:00AM at 36525 Plymouth Rd., Livonia, Wayne County, MI, Sale of a 2000 SEADOO, Bearing serial number UCC-CA00961900, and 2000 SHORELINER TRAILER, VIN # 2B1V2191021A0014, will be held by sealed bids. Sale will go to the highest bid with Parkside Credit Union having option of last bid. Inspection thereof may be made 02/03/02 through 02/11/02 between the hours of 10:00am and 4:00pm at the above location.
Dated: February 03, 2002
PARKSIDE CREDIT UNION
36525 Plymouth Rd., Livonia
Gail Silva, Collector
Published from 02/03/02 to 02/10/02

636 Lost & Found

LOST HIMALAYAN CAT. Light grey. Answers to "Keyson". \$100 reward for return. Please call 248-489-0220, ext. 11

LOST - Wedding & engagement ring. Jan. 30th at Farmington YMCA. Reward. (248) 478-7753

640 Transportation/Travel

DISNEY AREA: 7 day, 6 night hotel stay. Good for a year. Paid \$600, sell for \$199.
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FREE 1983 COUGAR 302 V8, automatic, very little rust, doesn't run. (248) 465-6347

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ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE SHOW Feb. 10th, 10am-3pm, Southgate Civic Center, Dix Rd. 1 block N. of Eureka. Admission \$1.50 Dealer info 734-261-2541

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DINING SET, 1930's walnut & veneer table w/ 6 chairs, hutch & china cabinet. \$800/best (734) 421-6266

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BARBIE DOLL SHOW Sun., Feb. 10th, 11-3pm. Plymouth VFW Hall, 1426 S. Mill St. Adm. \$5. 734-455-2110

702 Antiques/Collectibles

EASTLAKE ANTIQUES - Marble top dressers & tables, full & king bedroom sets. (586) 778-9311

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706 Auction Sales

ROYAL OAK TOY SHOW Saturday, Feb. 9th, 9-2pm Admission \$4 Vintage Toys, Die-cast, Press-steel & More, Preview 10AM. Vintage furniture, pottery, toys, tools, books, housewares & fine art. 316 E. 11 Mile Rd., Royal Oak, MI Info: 616-738-2366

706 Auction Sales

USED BOOK Sale for Christ Church, Cranbrook, corner Cranbrook Rd & Lone Pine. Sat. Feb. 9, 11-4pm. Sun. Feb. 10, 9-3.

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A HUGE WAREHOUSE SALE & AUCTION! See Everything Goes Ad Section 710 Today's Paper.

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★ ANOTHER ESTATE SALE BY ENCORE Fri. & Sat. Feb. 8 & 9, 10-4 Dearborn, 24339 New York, 6 bks S. of Michigan, 2 bks W. off of Telegraph. Lazyboy sofa. Recliners. 60's dining room table, 4 chairs, china cabinet. 4 place bedroom set. TV. Linens. Glassware. 18 cups & saucers. Motorized double bed & cart. Set of silver plate flatware. Jewelry. Yaesu Musen short wave radio/antenna. Household & basement misc. Our numbers at 9:30 on Fri.

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TAURUS LX - 1997, 24V, 6 cyl., 42.5K, ABS disk brakes, exc. cond. \$6,900 (734) 591-6192
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TAURUS SE 1999 black w/lt leather, 3L 24 valve, moonroof, 6 cd, spoiler, 51,000 miles, exc. cond. \$10,000 (248) 332-9689
TAURUS 1999 SE, 4 dr's, (3), auto, air, loaded, low miles, from \$8,999. DEMMER FORD (734)721-2600
TAURUS 2001 SE, 4 dr's, (5) auto, air, loaded, from \$7500 (248) 473-8603
TAURUS 1999 SE - exc cond, many extras, 3.0L 24V 6-cyl., 11,500 low miles, \$10,595. (313) 248-3339
TAURUS 1999 SE, good condition, 60K mi., red, \$7000. 734-425-6782
TAURUS SE 1998 - 43K, light blue, gray leather interior, ABS, exc. cond, \$8800. 313-565-9196 or 313-495-7260
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848 Ford
THUNDERBIRD 1996 LX - Black, 59,600 mi. 3.8L. Exc. cond. Spoiler, dual exhaust, auto start. \$6500. 248-477-8865
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PRISM 1995 4 door, auto, air, 79,000 miles, picture at savad.com \$3,400. (248) 344-7939
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852 Honda
ACCORD 1995 EX - 4 dr., auto, moonroof, spoiler, black exterior w/gray leather, loaded. Beautiful Like new cond. 120K hwy. mi. \$6000. 248-890-0555
ACCORD LX 1998 - auto, 4 dr., all power, 73K, \$9800/best. (248) 615-9888
ACCORD 1999 LX - 4 dr., alloys, sun roof, 50K. \$12,000. (734) 955-5996
ACCORD 1988 LX - 4 dr., 147K, 5 speed, very good cond., \$1900. (734) 748-0414
ACCORD 1995 LX - Exc. cond. 44,000 mi. \$8200 248-349-0524
ACCORD LXI - 1986, 4 dr., auto, 110K, power locks/windows. \$2300 (248) 375-1354
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CIVIC LX - 1992, 4 dr., white, power window/locks, new tires, 114K. \$3750 (734) 261-8368
CIVIC 2001 LX - 15K, Auto, full power, warranty. Non-smoker. \$12,950. 734-953-0503
CR-V EX 1998 - loaded, exc. cond., 77K miles, \$10,500/best. 248-360-4318 248-763-7316
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HONDA CRV 1997, AWD, Alloy wheels, ABS, power options, 57K mi., \$11,900. 734-207-9905

854 Lexus
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LEXUS 1990 LS 400 - blue leather, int. 99K miles, \$9,400. (248) 476-9678

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CONTINENTAL 1990 - Grey, loaded, Exc. cond., \$3000/best 313-531-5827
CONTINENTAL 1998 - 51K miles, white, gray interior, loaded, \$14,800. 248-360-1886
CONTINENTAL 1999 - 33K, silver/leather. Asking \$17,000. Call after 5 - (248) 375-1847
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CONTINENTAL 1996 - Moon roof, CD, leather, new struts, heated seats. \$5490/best 248-647-6529
LINCOLN 2001 LS - showroom cond., sport package, silver/gr, sunroof, loaded, 17K miles, \$28,500. 734-728-6165
LINCOLN 2000 LS-V8 - 7,000 miles, loaded, like new. \$26,500/best. (734) 667-3781
MARK VIII 1994 39K miles, ext. chrome, chrome wheels, 1 to a d d \$10,900. 734-765-3267
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MARK VIII - 1995 silver/gray interior, 67K, fully loaded. Non-smoker. \$6500. 248-589-2307
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TOWN CAR 1989, dark blue, exc. cond., no rust, 125K miles. \$2500/best. 734-425-3616
TOWN CAR Executive Series - 1997, exc. cond., 59K. \$18,500/best (248) 219-2276
TOWN CAR 2001, leather, loaded, \$21,999. DEMMER FORD (734)721-2600
TOWN CAR 1992 Signature Series - white, loaded, leather, exc. cond., 88K miles, \$5775 or best offer. 734-513-5017

858 Mazda
MAZDA 1996, 626 LX, low miles, loaded, CD, sunroof, \$7500. 248-644-6027
MIATA 2000 Black w/ltan leather, 10K miles, 5 speed, premium sound, cd, mint. \$16,800/best. Must sell. 248 470-5764

860 Mercury
COUGAR 1996 clean, loaded, 52,000 miles, leather brougham top, electric start. \$6,000 or best offer. (248) 347-4686
COUGAR 1996 sharp, black, 57K, leather, \$6,995 or best offer. (734) 326-2787
COUGAR XRT 1994 - 1 owner, 49K original mi. Non-smoking car. \$4500/best 734-454-0780
COUGAR XRT 1997 - V8, Loaded, 47K miles, new tires. Mint. \$6990/best 248-647-6529
GRAND MARQUIS 1999, 35K, green, cloth interior, \$3800/best. (248) 625-9284
GRAND MARQUIS 2001 LS 4 dr's (4) Quality Checked! loaded, from \$16,599. DEMMER FORD (734)721-2600
GRAND MARQUIS LX - 1993, loaded, sea foam metallic, very clean. \$3995 (734) 586-3650
GRAND MARQUIS 1996 - Red/ light gray leather, Exc. cond., 72K miles, interior, \$8,100. 734-397-0962 313-248-2680
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MYSTIQUE 1998 - loaded, V6, leather, 50K miles, mint cond., my power, \$7900. 734-495-1890
MYSTIQUE 2000 LS 4 dr., auto, air, loaded, 20K, \$9,999. DEMMER FORD (734)721-2600
MYSTIQUE 1995 LS V6, loaded, leather, moonroof, 4 door, \$7,300. (734) 737-9326
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SABLE 2001 LS 4 dr. "Quality Checked" loaded, \$13,999. DEMMER FORD (734)721-2600
SABLE, 1999 LS, like new, loaded, 17K, tape, leather. \$12,500/best (248) 644-5015.
SABLE 1999 LS - Loaded, silver/ blue, excellent condition, \$8900. Ask for Kim 734-525-2917
SABLE 1995 LS - 57,000 mi., loaded, 4 new tires, very good cond., \$6500. 248-477-6736
SABLE 1995 LTS, leather, moonroof, new tires, 72K, \$4200. (248) 737-9613
SABLE 1997 - silver interior/ exterior, very clean, 95K, loaded, \$4700. 731-506-1800
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BONNEVILLE 2000 SE, black, 25K, air, sunroof, leather, CD, \$18,950. 248-737-4123
FIERO 1984 - Show Room Cond., 16K miles, stored, almost new \$6500/best 248-967-1428
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SUNFIRE 1998 - 28K, 2 dr, moonroof, new tires, air, exc. cond. \$7,100. 734-397-9146
SUNFIRE 1998 - 64,000 miles, \$6200. 248-375-8831 or (734) 737-9547
SUNFIRE, 1998, rare find, 23K, moonroof, new tires, air, extras, \$8500. (734) 641-0929
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Is driveway prescriptive easement?

I have been using my neighbor's driveway to get access to my garage for close to 20 years. My neighbor now refuses to allow me to do so.

Do I have a right to continue using the driveway?

You may under the doctrine of prescriptive easement.

If you can establish that you had actual, visible, open, continuous and uninterrupted use of the driveway for more than the 15-year statutory period, you may have acquired a prescriptive easement giving you the right to continue to use the driveway to access your property.

You should consult with a knowledgeable real estate attorney regarding your position, assuming that you cannot settle it with your neighbor.

Even if you do settle it, make sure that the proper legal documentation is prepared to confirm that there are no further problems in the future should either one of you wish to sell your property.

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RENTAL RATES

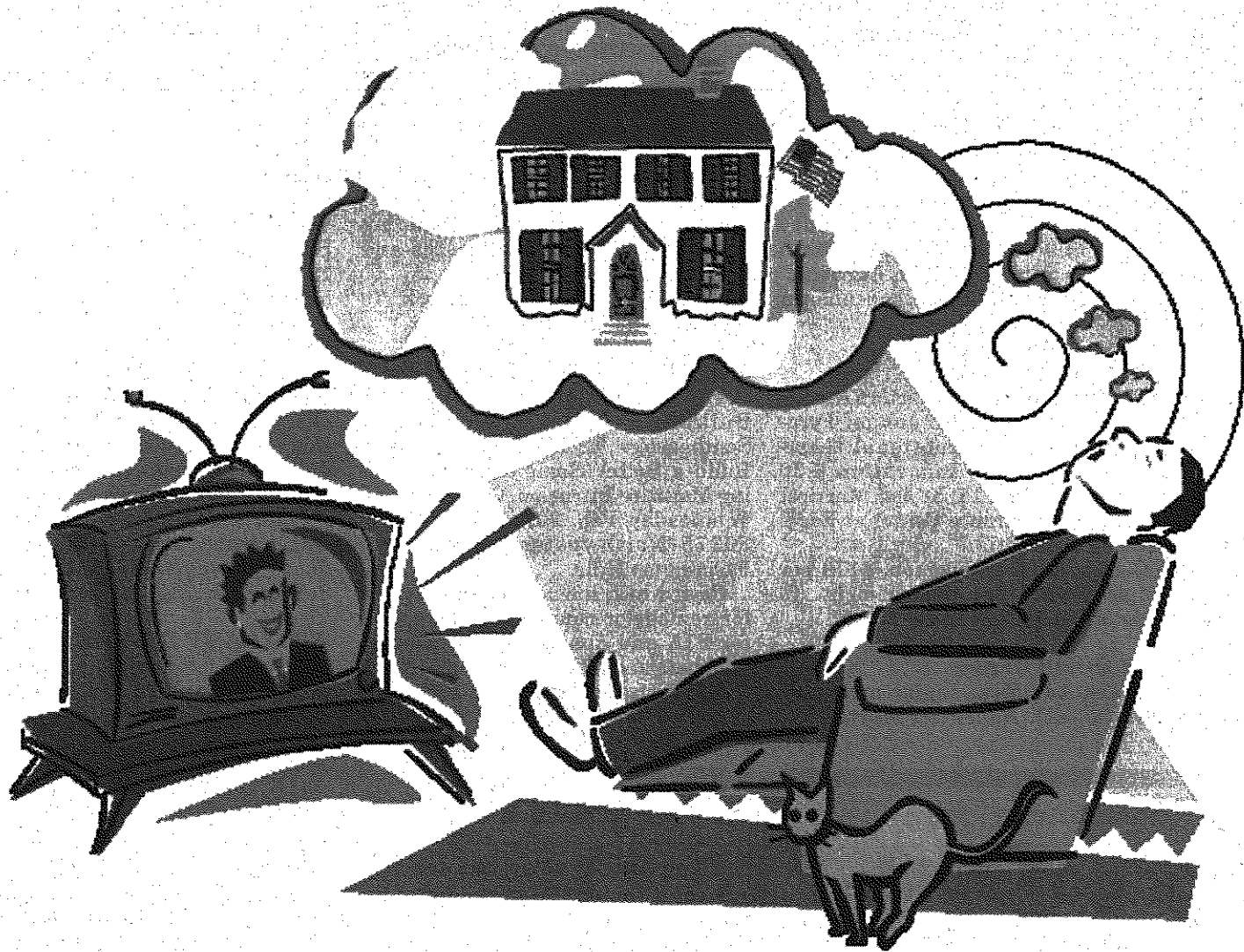
Here are rental rates for upper-end office buildings in selected central business districts at year-end 2001. Rate is dollars per square foot per year.

MANHATTAN	\$60.82
SILICON VALLEY	\$51.00
BOSTON	\$46.00
SAN FRANCISCO	\$42.00
WASHINGTON, D.C.	\$34.00
CHICAGO	\$31.80
MIAMI	\$31.44
MINNEAPOLIS	\$28.15
HOUSTON	\$27.53
DETROIT	\$26.75

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HOME SEEKER'S CHECK LIST

- ☒ SELLER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (REQUIRED BY LAW)
- ☒ LEAD DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (REQUIRED BY LAW)
- ☒ HOME SUMMARY FEATURE SHEET (ROOM DIMENSIONS, ETC.)
- ☒ SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVING NEIGHBORHOOD (WHERE EXACTLY ARE BUILDINGS, BUS STOPS)
- ☒ AGE OF MAJOR MECHANICAL/STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS (FURNACE, WATER HEATER, SHINGLES, WINDOWS, ETC.)
- ☒ APPLIANCES INCLUDED?
- ☒ PROPERTY TAXES (BASED ON SELLING PRICE, NOT CURRENT RECORDS)
- ☒ MUNICIPAL SERVICES PROVIDED (TRASH COLLECTION, LEAF PICK-UP, SNOW REMOVAL, LIBRARY)
- ☒ CONDITION OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES



No upsurge seen in home security concerns since 9/11 terrorist attack

BY NORMAN PRADY
SPECIAL WRITER

There's a comedian who tells of the sense of danger he has about living in New York City. "I have six locks and I leave three of them open. So if someone's trying to break in, half the time he's locking the door."

He doesn't say whether or nor his concerns have intensified since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

And how about here in the northern and western suburbs? Is more attention being given now to home security than before the attacks?

Jim Merchant Jr. thinks so. Merchant, sales associate with RE/MAX Riteway Realty, Southfield, said security concerns since 9/11 have "increased about 10 percent" among home buyers.

He tells of some customers "who'll ask on the phone before you meet them if the house has a security system or if you can help them get one."

"It's become one of the real estate questions buyers have," Merchant said. "Occasionally, it happened before. If they don't ask, we don't bring it up."

"If the listing shows that the house has a system, you'll hear, 'Oh, good.' I don't think it's what motivates the buyers, but they like it," he said.

Merchant's experience, however, might not be typical. Talk to Ruth Turner, sales associate with Century 21 Travis & Associates, Troy.

"Actually, you might expect" increased security since 9/11, Turner

PERSONAL SAFETY BEGINS WITH YOU

At Goba Alarm in Southfield, Jeff Turk said that his company's business has increased in recent months. But he thinks it results more from new marketing activities than terrorist attacks.

He also will tell you there's more to home safety than an installed security system.

Turk, sales manager, has an extensive list of helpful suggestions. They include:

- Turn down the answering machine when you go out so a burglar outside your door won't hear that the house is empty.
- Don't leave notes on the door.
- Don't leave tools or ladders lying around to help the bad guy get in.
- Don't hide keys outside. Burglars know where you put them.
- Prevent mail or newspapers accumulation.
- Give someone a phone number where you can be reached if you'll be away for an extended period.
- Pretend you're the bad guy and try to figure out how you could get into your house without a key. Where are the weak points?
- Never go into a house if you think an intruder is still there.
- Don't confront an intruder. The crime might become more serious.
- If a stranger comes to your door and wants to use your phone because "the car broke down," tell him to wait outside and you'll call the police for him.
- Never tell a stranger at the door or on the phone that you're home alone.

— Norman Prady

said, "but I don't think that's the case."

Like some other real estate companies, Turner said, her firm offers "free or discounted installation of security systems to buyers or sellers and I'm not aware of any increase" in acceptance.

Turner doesn't think there's been a "big surge" in security interest. "I don't think it's different from any other time as far as the homes I show or list. And I haven't seen a spate of new systems being installed," she added.

Similarly, Jon V. Swords, a broker

with Max Brook in Bloomfield Hills, said, "I haven't seen any changes."

With older buyers, his empty-nest customers, James F. Duggan thinks more attention is paid to security, "but we're talking about deadbolts, not alarm systems."

Duggan is broker/co-owner of American Classic Realty, Livonia.

For David Castelli, sales associate, Century 21 Castelli, Garden City, security "hasn't been a big thing. It just doesn't come up."

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HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of Oct. 15 - 19, 2001, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

Canton	Garden City	Livonia
43654 Abbey Cir \$289,000	28425 Alvin St \$110,000	14819 Berwick St \$158,000
43817 Applewood \$180,000	32620 Cambridge \$147,000	15468 Blue Skies \$227,000
43433 Barclay Way \$290,000	1818 Cardwell St \$94,000	11440 Brook Fld \$145,000
324 Cherry Hill Pte \$203,000	31705 Florence \$120,000	19925 Deering St \$76,000
43902 Cranford Ave \$230,000	29055 Ford Rd \$180,000	15644 Edgewood St \$286,000
43439 Gerl Dr \$181,000	28506 John Hawk \$167,000	33599 Eight Mile \$124,000
1510 Glengarry \$290,000	32475 Leona St \$126,000	33671 Eight Mile \$92,000
42226 Greenwood \$245,000	1535 Middlebelt \$65,000	33729 Eight Mile \$113,000
42008 Hanford Rd \$209,000	30021 Rosslyn Ave \$190,000	14942 Fairway St \$174,000
42235 Highgate Ct \$218,000	32341 Windsor \$135,000	37835 Five Mile \$162,000
42513 Lilley Pointe \$122,000	9628 Arcola St \$152,000	18600 Gillman St \$135,000
45970 Maben Rd \$225,000	11317 Arden St \$254,000	15178 Golfview \$275,000
41976 Old Bridge Rd \$156,000	18892 Aspen Dr \$489,000	9984 Hartel Ct \$163,000
659 Pheasant Woods \$333,000		18585 Hillcrest \$159,000
41552 Pineridge Ct \$185,000		14288 Hik St \$197,000
		15075 Hubbard \$56,000
		9036 Hugh St \$96,000
		14011 Ingram St \$170,000

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FHA: Not 'Just for Kids' Anymore

The old paradigm that FHA mortgages are just for first-time homebuyers is dead wrong.

More than ever before, homeowners of all ages are using FHA mortgages for their second and third purchases, and for refinances, too.

Many seniors who are downsizing opt for the FHA's 3 percent down payment feature because they can

buy their new residence with relatively little money, thus preserving the extra cash from the sale of their previous home for other requirements. They can often qualify using just their social security and retirement incomes.

Regardless of age, borrowers with imperfect credit histories are good candidates for FHA mortgages. Even borrowers with bankruptcies and paid collections may qualify for an FHA mortgage as long as their recent credit history is very good and they have a reasonable explanation for their bad credit. No guarantees, of course, but certainly a much better chance of an approval than with a conventional loan.

Need to refinance, but have "bruised credit" or other issues? The FHA can help you refinance, too. The FHA lets qualified homeowners "cash out" up to 85 percent of their home's value while still offering competitive interest rates. Credit-worthy borrowers can get non-FHA refinances of 90 percent or more, but they will normally pay a higher interest rate for that luxury.

With mortgage interest rates near a 20-year low, FHA loans make incredible sense for savvy homeowners who plan to sell their homes within the next decade.

Why? Unlike most conventional loans, FHA loans are assumable. If interest rates climb — as they certainly will — FHA borrowers may gain a future selling advantage.

Rather than purchasing a home with a new high-rate mortgage, future prospective buyers may simply qualify to assume the FHA-funded homes at their existing low interest rate.

The seller can get the balance of their home equity from the new buyers in cash.

If a conventional mortgage or refinance is not working out, or you simply want to explore your alternatives, ask your loan officer about the FHA. It's certainly not "just for kids" anymore.

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

PLAYGROUND SAFETY

A book available from the Community Associations Institute can help community association managers and board members ensure that their playgrounds and tot lots are as safe as possible.

Detailed information is provided on safety inspections and implementing an effective maintenance plan.

Playgrounds for Young Children is available for \$40 by calling (703) 548-8600, or ordering through www.caonline.org.

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9073 Lathers St	\$163,000	Redford	
18863 Lathers St	\$120,000	16856 Beech Daly	\$129,000
29601 McIntyre St	\$74,000	18312 Centralia	\$92,000
29601 McIntyre St	\$130,000	19917 Centralia	\$92,000
20350 Melvin St	\$120,000	18628 Dalby	\$110,000
14172 Merriman	\$150,000	17281 Delaware	\$136,000
29560 Minton St	\$153,000	24708 Donald	\$167,000
19791 Norwich	\$285,000	25321 Five Mile	\$180,000
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SELL HOME CLASS

Citizens Mortgage Funding presents a free, no-obligation class, For Sale by Owner, 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, at the Hunter Community Center, 509 Fisher Court, off Main two blocks north of 14 Mile, Clawson.

To register, call Angie Reppenhagen at (586) 345-5565.

PYRAMID AWARDS

The Washtenaw Contractors Association presents its fifth annual Pyramid Awards for exceptional teamwork, service and innovation 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, at the Marriott Hotel and Conference Center at Eagle Crest in Ypsilanti.

Cost is \$100 per person, \$175 per couple or \$700 for a table of eight. To register, call (734) 662-2570.

BUY HOME CLASS

Diane Adamick, senior mortgage advisor with Approved Mortgages,

sponsors a free seminar for first-time home buyers 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, at Summit on the Park, Canton Center Road south of Cherry Hill, Canton.

To register, call (734) 455-2219 Ext. 217.

BASEMENT REMODELING

Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute offer an eight-hour class on basement remodeling 6-10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Feb. 19 and 21, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Topics include planning, building codes, permits, cost estimates and construction basics.

Cost is \$105, including textbook. To register, call (734) 523-9277.

MOISTURE INTRUSION

The remodelers council of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan hosts a class, Build a Better Home - Understanding Moisture Intrusion, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20, at BIA offices, 30375 Northwestern, Suite 100, Farmington Hills.

Cost, which includes dinner, is \$25 for remodeler council members, \$30 for BIA and apartment association members and \$35 for nonmembers.

To register, call (248) 862-1008.

BUY HOME CLASS II

Rosemary Firestone, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in Novi, and her financial services team, conduct a free class for home buyers 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20, at Westminster Title, 39500 High Pointe Blvd. Suite 140 (west off Haggerty north of Eight Mile), Novi.

To register, call (734) 420-9600.

CAREER OPEN HOUSE

Real Estate One presents a free class on how to get into residential real estate sales noon to 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 20, at its West Bloomfield office, 32961 Middlebelt at 14 Mile. To register call Steve Leibhan (248) 851-4100, ext. 405

REALTOR ROUNDTABLE

The Women's Council of Realtors Western Wayne Oakland Chapter offers a variety of roundtable discussion topics 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21, at the association offices, 24125 Drake, Farmington.

Cost, which includes lunch, is \$13 with advance reservation, \$15 at the door. To register, contact Lucille Schirmer at (734) 737-2918.

WILD GAME DINNER

The BIA hosts a wild game dinner, table top displays and an update of upcoming activities 6-11 p.m. Thurs-

day, Feb. 21, at the Gourmet House, 25225 East Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

Cost is \$65. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

SELL HOME CLASS II

Matt Kenkel, associate broker with ERA Alliance in Farmington Hills, and Bloomfield Hills Community Education, sponsor a class, For Sale by Owner, 7-9:15 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, at Andover High School.

Cost, which includes a 20-page FSBO Marketing Guidebook, is \$30. To register, call (248) 433-0885.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The western Wayne affiliate of Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers to help with building homes, office duties and fund-raising. No experience needed. Training will be provided.

For details, call (734) 459-7744.

FIX-UP TIPS

Felix Osuji, a Realtor with Century 21 Today in Farmington Hills, offers a free report, 27 Quick & Easy Fix Ups to Sell Your Home Fast and for Top Dollar.

Call (248) 538-2806, or visit the Web at www.michiganrealty.org

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Security from page E1

Said Joan B. Char, "Security isn't among the criteria for choosing a house."

Char, broker, Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, Farmington Hills, said that if the buyers want a security system, "they'll put one in."

If the house has one, "it's a feature, but not something that would make

the deal," Char said.

Russ Clubine, sales associate, Red Carpet Keim Unlimited, Oxfords, said, "I haven't run into anything different this year than in past years. Maybe it's a good sign that people aren't worried."

A security step Char recommends to home buyers is that they change

all the locks "because you never know who had keys."

Castelli talks about "normal things" homeowners should do to help prevent "unwanted entry." Among his recommendations: Trimming landscaping in such a manner that no one can use it to conceal himself and installing thumb-turn deadbolts.

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ABSOLUTELY PRIME LOCATION

For this lovely 2-story is situated deep in a beautifully maintained tranquil, wooded sub. Convenient to this light & airy 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial are schools, shopping & X-ways. Neutral décor. \$239,900 (50/FOX) 734-455-6000

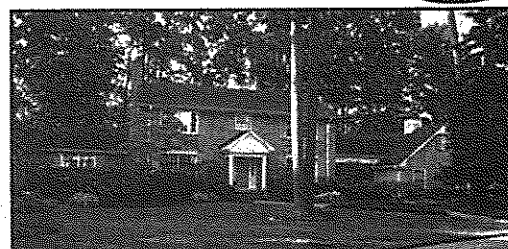
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CLASSIC HOME

Exceptionally built home on large lot. Traditional floor plan. Oak kitchen with island, built-ins & desk area. Family room with adjacent ceramic sun room. Lower level great room with fireplace, dry bar, storage area & full work shop. Priced below appraised value. \$585,000 (54HUN) 734-455-6000

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This elegantly appointed classic Plymouth property. 700+ square foot entry level master designed to exceed expectations. Gourmet kitchen with every convenience. Cherry family room equipped for entertaining. Four bedroom upper level, includes "princess suite". Lower level. European-style court yard with light & sound features. \$890,000 (71WOO) 734-455-6000

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NORTHVILLE TWP.

HARD TO FIND DETACHED CONDO. Beautifully appointed. This exceptional home features a 3 br, 2 1/2 baths, on main level plus a 2 br, 1 bath liv rm, guest suite in the lower level. Vaulted ceiling great rm w/wet bar and antique mantled fireplace, sound proofed Media rm, walk-in cedar closet. (P51COU) \$379,900



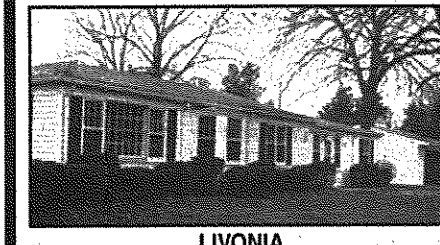
CANTON

CLASSIC, CANTON COLONIAL. Newly carpeted 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, and ready for your move in! Cathedral ceiling mstr ste, w/private bath and walk-in closet. Three more big bedrooms and 1 1/2 bath. Spacious family rm w/natural fireplace, formal din rm w/bay window, hardwood foyer and more. (P52FAF) \$249,900



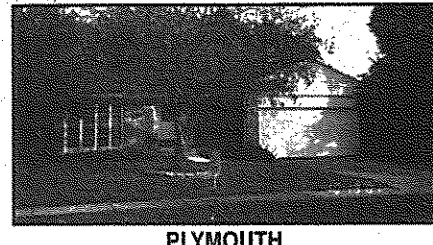
PLYMOUTH

LAKE POINTE VILLAGE COLONIAL. Not your typical Colonial! Fabulous master, addition, sitting room, book cases, walk-in closet, garden bath with whirlpool tub, 3 bedrooms with hardwood floors. Formal dining, living and family room with corner fireplace, kitchen with appliances. Sought-after features, see it today. (P51MAX) \$254,452.



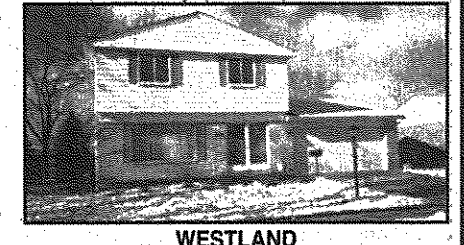
LIVONIA

A SECRET HIDEAWAY. West Livonia on 1/4 acre backing to Hines Park. 2,568 square foot Ranch, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths waiting for someone to update her. A bargain. (P91PLY) \$209,900.



PLYMOUTH

LOOKING FOR A "BEST BUY". Spacious 4 bedroom, 2 bath home! Light, bright decor. Living room with bow window, formal dining room, 25 foot family room with fieldstone fireplace. Great deck with seating, back yard with many mature trees. Immediate occupancy. Seller says "Bring offers". (P52FAF) \$234,900.



WESTLAND

NEAT, CLEAN, READY TO MOVE INTO. Roomy 3 bedroom Colonial, 1 1/2 updated baths, formal living room, family room with fireplace, extra-nice kitchen with built-ins, full basement, hardwood floors under carpet, attached 2 car garage. All this on large 60 x 240 lot. Immediate occupancy. (P66DOW) \$169,900.

NOVI
NOVI SCHOOLS. The best value in town! Just 1 mile from 12 Oaks Mall. A short walk to Walled Lake. Freshly painted and all new neutral carpeting with 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, spacious family room (18x15) cheerful kitchen with breakfast room, lots of basement storage. 1,433 sq. ft. (P16WAI) \$184,900

NOVI
BEAUTIFUL, SPACIOUS CONDO. In Maples of Novi, 3 bedroom Condo includes 3 baths, eat-in kitchen with sky light, great room with cathedral 9 foot ceilings. Master bedroom can be on first or second floor. Nice deck, full basement with loads of storage, attached garage. Golf course community with pool & club house. (P61IND) \$204,900.

REDFORD
OUTSTANDING RANCH. Brick Ranch 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath with partially finished basement, 2 car garage! Updates include new carpeting in living room & hall, never roof tear-off (incl. garage), newer windows (Wallside) except kitchen, glass block windows, electric, central air, a lot of storage. Nice starter home! (P92LEX) \$125,000.

NOVI
DETACHED CONDO IN MAPLES OF NOVI. Beautiful 4 bedroom, master suite with double vanity, 2 1/2 bath, walk-out basement. In a golf course community with club house and pool. Hardwood floors, doorwall to huge deck, 2 car attached garage. Many custom features. Priced to sell. (P99COL) \$225,000.

DEARBORN
STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE AWARD. Move right into this charming Ranch. New electric furnace, roof, driveway, central air, copper plumbing, sliding windows, gutted kitchen, carpet, finished basement with second bath and more. (P15PEN) \$129,900.

CANTON
COMPLETELY UPDATED COLONIAL. This 4 bedroom home features new oak kitchen, new windows, new furnace, tiered deck, tear-off roof, new gutters, family room with wet bar & oak floor, new carpet, first floor laundry & finished basement. (P13PAL) \$234,900.

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ENERGY CD-ROM

The Building Owners and Managers International has released a CD-ROM, "The Property Professional's Guide to Building Energy Performance."

Cost is \$15 for BOMA members, \$25 for nonmembers.

To purchase or obtain more information, call (800) 426-6292, or visit the Web at www.boma.org/pubs/energy_cd.htm

BIA UPDATES

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail.

Contact Rosalie Lamb at the association, (248) 737-4477 for details.

CONTAMINATION SITES

VISTAinfo, a publicly owned company based in San Diego, has a Web site that offers a free overview of environmental conditions - contaminated waste sites, hazardous waste locations and landfills - by ZIP code.

The Internet address is www.NearMyHome.com

More specific reports are available for a fee.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit continues a membership drive. Categories include individual membership (\$15), family (\$25) and organizational (\$50).

For information, call (313) 963-1274.

SALES WEB SITE

Curious as to what houses are selling for in your neighborhood?

Steve Wiese of Southeastern Appraisal Corp. in Farmington Hills has updated maps on a community-by-community basis with that information on the Internet. And it's free.

Just dial up www.homeval-uemap.com

What's your desire - gas or wood fireplace?

It costs money to keep the home fires burning.

"Today's fireplace is a quantum leap ahead of the standard stonework of years past," says Richard Roll, president of American Homeowners Association (AHA).

"Fireplaces must burn more efficiently from a design perspective and as a result of air pollution and energy efficiency rules," he said.

Whether installing a new fireplace for your existing home or

selecting a builder's option for your new home, the choice boils down to two options: wood-burning or gas-fueled.

At the lower end of the price scale are the popular gas fireplaces, typically under \$2,000 installed.

Gas has several advantages. First, gas units are easy to install because no chimney is required - the most you'll need is a direct vent to the outside air.

Gas fireplaces are adjustable, too, with controls for adjusting

heat output to suit your needs. And there are no ashes to clean up.

If you're looking for authenticity, manufacturers have developed designs that mimic wood-burning fireplaces or Ben Franklin stoves.

On the downside, operating costs are higher since natural gas prices have soared recently. The Department of Energy and American Gas Association rate the efficiency of gas fireplaces.

If you yearn for a traditional,

crackling wood fire, don't despair, you'll just have to pay more - to the tune of several thousand dollars installed.

To meet stiff anti-pollution standards, they must burn cleanly which means achieving operating temperatures up to 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit. All that heat is stored in the brick, stone or tile.

Crank the thermostat down and enjoy the radiant warmth for hours after the fire burns out.

The pellet stove is a compromise for the wood purist who can't quite picture gas as a fuel. Pellets store easily and provide enough energy to burn longer than raw wood.

Check into local fireplace stores for pellet stove prices and pellet fuel costs in your area.

For more information on any aspect of buying or owning a home, go to www.realhome.com or www.ahahome.com

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other news within the real estate, construction, architecture and mortgage communities.

Send a brief summary including town of residency and black and white photo to Real Estate Movers and Shakers, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150. Our fax number is (734) 591-7279.

Officers and directors have been installed for 2002 by the **Building Owners & Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit.**

Cynthia M. McDonell, Colonnade Properties, is president; **Marilyn D. Wilbarger**, Grubb & Ellis Management Services, vice president; **Paula E. Goldman-Spinner**, Schostak Brothers, treasurer; and **James L. Jonas**, REDICO Management, secretary.

Directors are **Paul J. Beitz**, Trammell Crow; **Michael Fetzner**, the Trane Co.; **Robert C. Keller**, CB Richard Ellis; **David A. Mott**, AAA Michigan; and **August Olivier**, General Motors.

Kim F. Sulek, Grubb & Ellis, is governor; **Darlene J. Trudell**, executive director; **Judith A. Seifried**, direct of administration; and **Linda S. LaPointe**, director of education.

Scott Cramer joins Income Property Organization, multi-family and commercial specialists in Bloomfield Hills, as a sales associate.

He will specialize in commercial investment sales, especially retail shopping centers and office complexes.

Cramer graduated from Western Michigan University with bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration. Previously, he worked for Compuware and Oracle.

Edward P. Walsh joins Milestone Realty Services in Royal Oak as senior investment advisor.

He will specialize in the acquisition, disposition and financing of real estate properties, primarily lodging-related transactions.

Walsh formerly was vice president of Hospitality Advisors in Ann Arbor.

Coldwell Banker

Schweitzer Real Estate's two Livonia offices have combined forces and moved to a new location - 36650 Five Mile, Suite, 101, (734) 591-0333.

Dave Owens will continue as associate broker/manager of the new office.

Grapple with these 2 simple repair projects

BY LARRY LEMASTERS
TODAY'S HOMEOWNER ONLINE

Walk across any wood deck, and you'll probably see a nailhead or two popped up above the surface.

Popped nails aren't just unsightly - the protruding head can cut bare feet and cause a nasty fall if it catches a shoe heel. Pounding the nailhead down solves the problem temporarily, but the nail usually works itself back up again before long.

To keep a popped nail down, first tap it below the surface with a hammer and nailset. Then drive a three-inch-long decking screw alongside the nail, making sure that the screwhead overlaps the nailhead.

Loose ladders

There's probably at least one wobbly wooden stepladder lurking in the garage, shed or basement of every home.

Often, these ladders simply are too old to be fixed. But you

can return a loose ladder to rock-solid status by tightening its metal braces.

Locate the hex nuts on the outside of the ladder rails. There should be one at each rung. Tighten the nuts with a wrench, then check to see if the ladder is more stable. If it's still a little wobbly, tighten the nuts again.

If any wobble remains after the braces have been fully tightened, the ladder is beyond repair and must be replaced.

Remodeling? Find a pro on the Web

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan has a new addition to its Web site, an online guide to selecting a professional master remodeler.

The BIA's home page is www.builders.org

To get directly to the guide, visit www.builders.org/remodel-guide.html

The guide answers many frequently asked questions including how to find a professional remodeler, qualifications for BIA Master Remodelers, cost issues, what to look for when reviewing a contract and other legal and financial considerations.

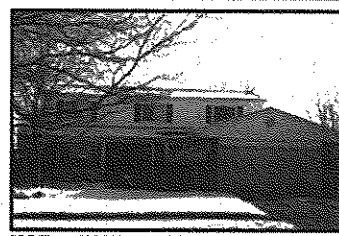
The site includes a member directory of Professional Master

Remodelers.

BIA has more than 2,000 builders, remodelers, developers and associate members in related industries throughout southeastern Michigan.

It is among the largest of more than 800 state and local associations that comprise the National Association of Home Builders.

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NOT JUST ANOTHER CANTON COLONIAL - Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial with first floor laundry & den. Updates: furnace, windows, pool, landscaping with front paver patio & 6' privacy fence & all new concrete. Family room w/fireplace, kitchen w/hook. Walk to elementary, neighborhood pool & clubhouse. \$259,900 (596AD)



WHY BURDEN YOURSELF WITH BUILDING - Almost-new Pulte Colonial offers a kitchen with cherry cabinets & breakfast nook. Family room with fireplace. Master features vaulted ceilings, full ceramic bath & walk-in closet. Two story entry with hardwood, 9' ceilings & first floor laundry. Large lot, 3 car garage, neighborhood pool & immediate occupancy. \$329,900 (136MA)



BE IN FOR SPRING - A Pulte favorite with designer kitchen featuring oak cabinets, bull nose countertops and hardwood flooring. Four large bedrooms, master with glamour bath, second floor laundry, traditional living room & dining room. Family room with gas fireplace. Pro-landscaped with sprinklers & maintenance-free deck. Don't miss it. \$289,900 (588PO)



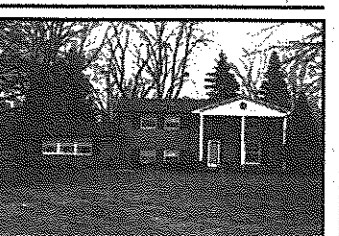
STATELY FARMINGTON HILLS TUDOR - From the wonderful curb appeal to the newly remodeled basement, this 4r bedroom, 3 1/2 bath Tudor continues to impress. Basement with wet bar, Berber carpet, full bath with Jacuzzi tub, ceramic foyer, private study, master suite with gas fireplace and spacious kitchen. \$359,900 (505WI)



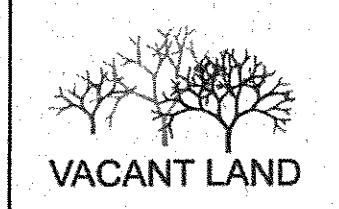
GREAT FAMILY HOME - Living room with vaulted ceilings and skylights, new carpet in living room and hall, and a new kitchen floor. All this and on a triple lot. \$222,900 (372WI)



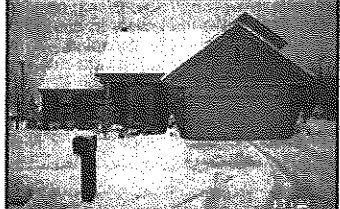
LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION! - Brick, Plymouth, broad-front ranch! Nice size kitchen with doorway to 3 season enclosed patio for your enjoyment! Buyer assumes paving bal., overhead lighting in all bedrooms, hip roof with new shingles complete w/ear off on house & garage - 1994. 1 1/2 baths on 1st floor! 2+ car garage. \$189,000 (890BA)



LIVONIA QUAD - Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home situated on an estate sized lot in quiet country-like neighborhood. Updates include kitchen with cherry cabinets, neutral decor and carpet, furnace and air conditioning, roof shingles. Also 2 car attached garage, fenced yard and shed with cement floor. \$254,900 (141PU)



VACANT LAND
LAKE LOTS - Attn: Builders & buyers, lots for sale in gated community - Beverly Estates on Otter/Sylvan Lake. This is a builder close-out sale. Buy one or buy all. Each lot offers water frontage. \$129,900-\$149,900 (000BE)



CHARMING CAPE COD - Beautiful Cape Cod on a premium lot! Tastefully decorated with cathedral ceilings. Many upgrades, including kitchen cabinets, ceramic tile in bathrooms, extra deep basement. Gorgeous sunroom with heat for year-round enjoyment! \$259,900 (423MI)



PRICED TO SELL - Value-priced 4 bedroom, 2 bath Cape Cod on desirable Greenbrook sub. Gorgeous great room with natural fireplace. Sunny kitchen, big bedrooms, full basement and an attached 2 car garage. Priced below market in sub. \$204,900 (958RE)



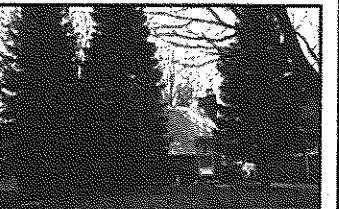
LIKE UP NORTH LIVING - Over 7 acres, 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 3 fireplaces, large kitchen with oak cupboards, pole barn all on a beautiful wooded lot. Spring fed pond - just sit back and enjoy! \$525,000 (769DU)



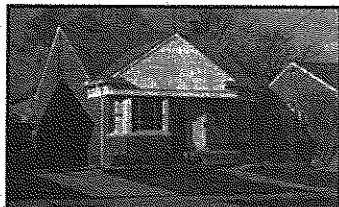
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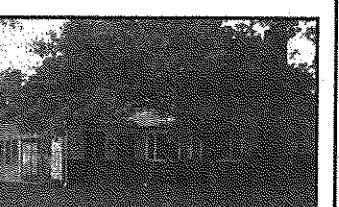
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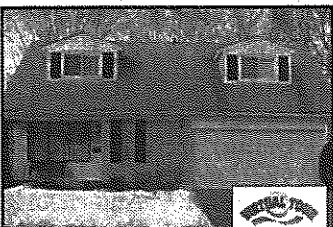
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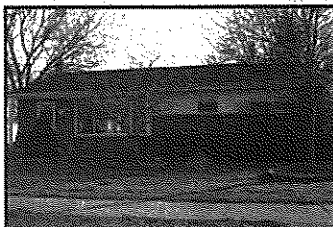
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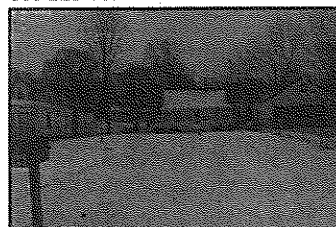
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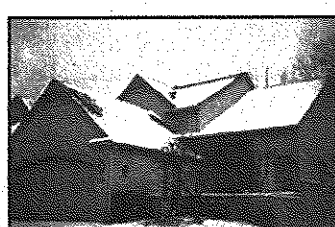
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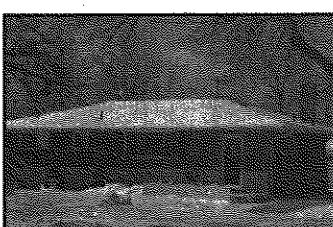
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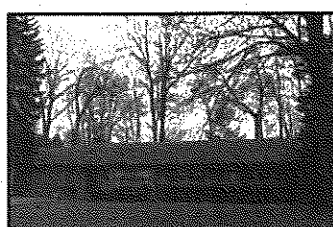
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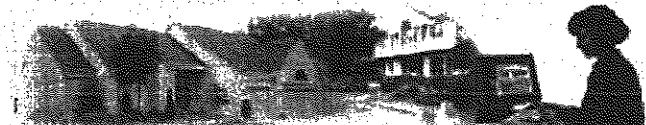
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PLUMBER
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PRODUCTION SUPERVISORS
Must be used to working in a fast paced environment, have 1-2 yrs of supervisory exp. & be a team player. Please send resumes to Kim via email: kim@8kilts.com or by calling 810-227-1344 or by calling 800-966-9816 ext 110. EOE.

PROGRAM COORDINATOR
(Therapeutic Recreation)
Canton Township is accepting applications for the position of part-time Program Coordinator to direct summer camp for the Therapeutic Recreation Camp ABLE. \$8.50-\$12/hr. Applications must be picked up at the Personnel Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.canton-mi.org. Job description will be posted at the Township Administration Building, The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Fax: 248-647-5170
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Farmington Hills based residential builder is seeking a highly motivated, dependable individual for a full-time position in their accounts payable department. This individual must have accounts payable background, knowledgeable with Microsoft Word and Excel, and a plus. Please fax your resume, along with your salary requirements to 248-324-2066

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/ OFFICE MANAGER
Seeking a detail oriented person for a fast paced property management office in Farmington Hills. Must have excellent interpersonal, motivational & organizational skills. Health & dental, 401K, competitive salary. Fax resume to: 734-697-4399

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P/T, 8-5, Mon-Fri. Answer multi-line phones, sort mail, greet guests, word processing & clerical for multi-tenant office bldg. Need professional appearance, exc. phone skills and etiquette. Great place to work! \$13/hr. Fax: 248-524-4914.

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RECEPTIONIST - for body shop, full time, experience a plus but willing to train. Complete benefit package, paid vacation. Reply to Box #1394 Observer & Eccentric

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Full time position available in Redford/Livonia office. Must have excellent telephone skills; computer, typing, & general office skills also required. Fax resume to: 313-387-0266.

INSURANCE - Assistant wanted - part time, insurance company seeking exp. office help, PC accounting skills necessary, competitive salary. Call: Williams at 734-427-7854. EOE

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502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

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Mature, reliable, professional career-oriented person to help with our business insurance office. We provide all training in a professional work place. Hrs: Mon-Tues 9-11, Wed-Fri 9-5. Permanent position with growth potential. 734-454-1701, EOE.

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Must be able to work the following hours: Mon. and Tues. 12:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Thurs. Wed., and Fri. 9:00 AM to 6PM. Full benefits available after nine days. Please apply in person at Gordon Chevrolet, Inc., 31850 Ford Rd., Garden City. Can fax resume to (734) 513-1100

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Livonia firm seeks ambitious self-starters for various clerical duties. (734) 591-3335

General Office/ Receptionist
Full time position available in Redford/Livonia office. Must have excellent telephone skills; computer, typing, & general office skills also required. Fax resume to: 313-387-0266.

INSURANCE - Assistant wanted - part time, insurance company seeking exp. office help, PC accounting skills necessary, competitive salary. Call: Williams at 734-427-7854. EOE

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For law firm specializing in P/L Med-Mal plaintiff. Must have 3-5 years experience. Substantial salary & fringe. 248-354-2500

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MARKETING ASSISTANT
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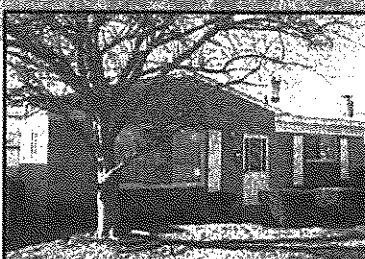
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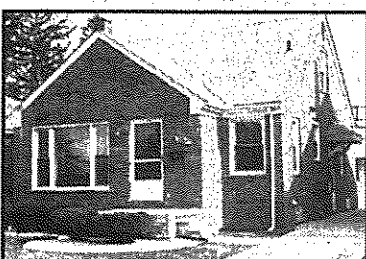
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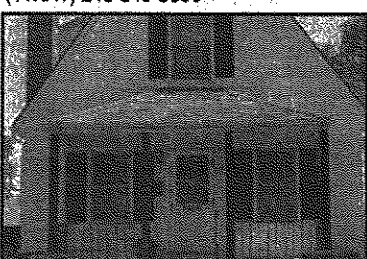
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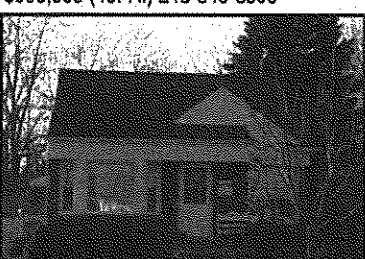
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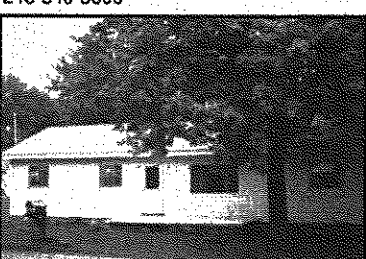
CANTON - Private wooded lot! Enjoy your privacy! Numerous updates: white kitchen, updated baths, vinyl windows, roof (within 1 year) & central air. Open floor plan & fireplace! Neutral decor. \$220,000 (32RAI) 734-455-5600



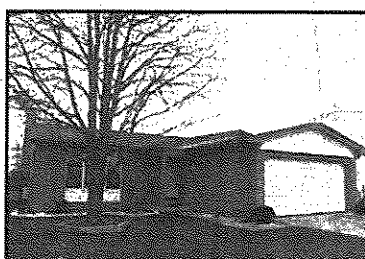
REDFORD - Darling Redford bungalow. Great starter home. You will love this charming bungalow w/hardwood floors, natural fireplace, country front porch & dining room. 3 car garage, heated workshop, fenced yard w/deck & patio. \$99,900 (12NOR) 248-349-5600



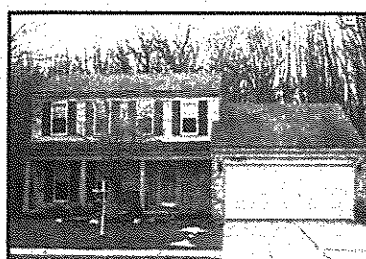
REDFORD - Perfection. 3 bedroom bungalow offers white kitchen, newer roof, windows, plumbing, electrical, finished basement w/fireplace, 2 car garage, deck & enclosed patio. \$149,900 (01CEN) 248-349-5600



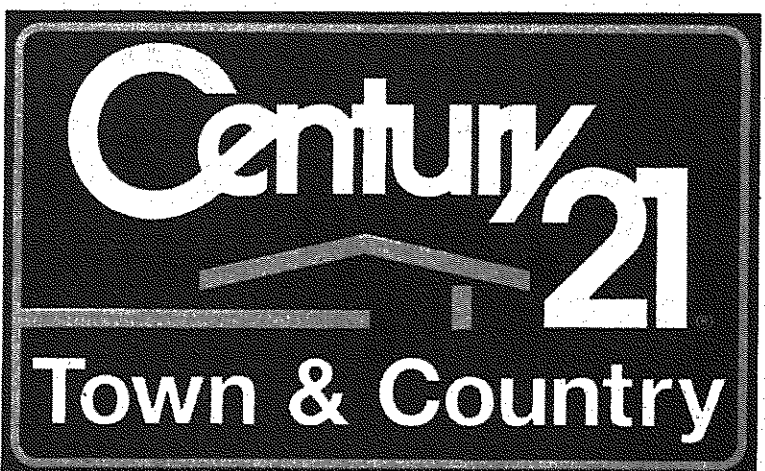
HARTLAND - Lake privileges & quiet. Perfect for 1st time buyers seeking all-sports spring-fed lakes. 4BR, 1BA ranch on large lot on private road. Large heated back porch. Roof tear-off in 1998. \$138,000 (32SHO) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Great curb appeal! Newer dimensional roof (99), vinyl siding, Hansen windows & meticulously maintained landscaping. Open floor plan, recently painted, neutral decor, updated kitchen & bath. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths \$185,900 (59BRI) 734-455-5600



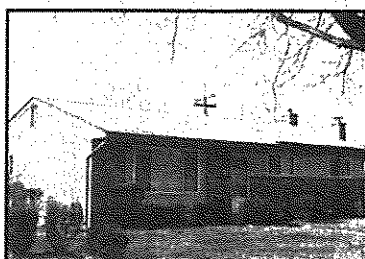
WESTLAND - Curb appeal plus! Premium lot backs to wooded nature preserve! Newer entry doors, formal dining room with bay window, updated kit. w/newer counters, sink & micro! 16x12 sun room with sliding door to wrap around deck. \$235,900 (71JER) 734-455-5600



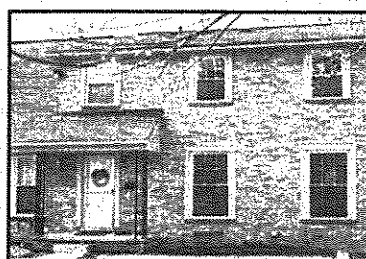
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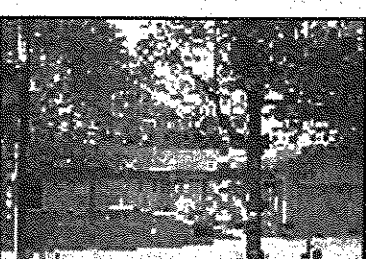
LIVONIA - Well maintained ranch! Livonia with Livonia schools! Offers 3 BR and living room w/hardwood floors under carpeting. Updated spacious kitchen. Newer windows & furnace. Central air & central vac. Partly finished basement, 2 car garage. \$164,500 (45CAR) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Super sharp! 3 bedroom condo in popular sub! Private entry & maintenance free! Neutral colors. Finished basement with workbench & ample storage space. Updates: kitchen, bath, roof, windows, carpet, floors & hot water heater. \$129,900 (06NEW)



WAYNE - Honey-mooner's delight. Great 1st home w/lots of charm. 3 BR, updated kitchen & bath. Newer floor, windows, furnace & air, fenced-in yard w/patio, full basement, garage, maintenance free aluminum trim & siding. Walking distance to downtown, park & shopping. Warranty included.



FARMINGTON HILLS - Upgraded ranch walkout on wooded cul-de-sac lot. If you are fussy, this is the home for you. Open plan. Fin. W/O has its very own spa area, overlooks wooded setting. Totally upgraded & detailed w/fine craftsmanship. \$339,900 (95QUA) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Huge ranch on country lot. This spacious 3BR, 1 1/2 BA brick ranch has LR w/fireplace, FR, plenty of updates. Master bedroom with 1/2 bath. 2 1/2 car garage & pool. All this & more setting pretty on a 1/2+ acre lot. \$199,900 (20WAR) 248-349-5600



INKSTER - Move right in to this squeaky clean 3 bedroom home. Newer windows T/O. Freshly painted, all newer neutral carpeting & kitchen flooring. Newer kitchen counter & sink. \$69,900 (43MAG) 248-349-5600



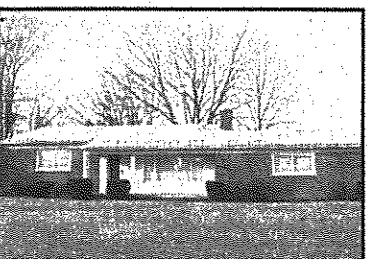
LIVONIA - What a deal! 3 BR, 2 BA brick bungalow. Coved ceilings & hardwood floors. Bowed window & built-in cabinets in dining area. Upgraded kitchen cabinets. Glass block windows in basement! Det. Garage. \$133,226 (15CAV) 734-455-5600



HOWELL - Better than new! Built in 2000 & backs to open park area! Hardwood foyer, bay window in living room & for DR. Kitchen w/oak cabinets, pantry & appliances. Breakfast nook w/deck to door wall. Family room w/vaulted ceiling. \$227,500 (19OAK) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Downtown Plymouth! Charming home is super clean & very up to date. Hardwood floors, 2 ceiling fans, 1 window air conditioner & 1st floor laundry. Beautiful kitchen & dining room, appliances stay. 1 year old heated 3 car garage. \$189,900 (70ROE) 734-455-5600



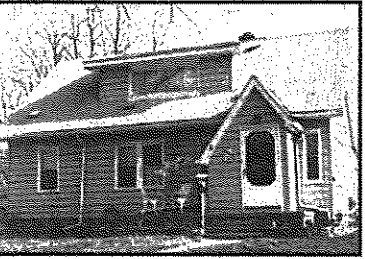
FARMINGTON HILLS - Perfection plus. Beautiful 3 bedroom brick ranch completely updated with newer kitchen, baths, ceramic floors, carpet, doors and more. Rear entry garage. Possible land contract. \$219,900 (19LOR) 248-349-5600



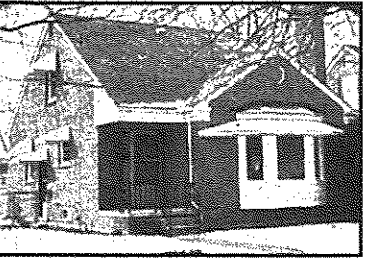
NOVI - Cut above. Amenities abound in 4 bedroom Colonial w/soaring ceilings, 2 staircases, granite counters, plantation shutters, brick patio/wrought iron, cul-de-sac location. Prof. landscaped w/Northville Schools. \$591,900 (97AUT) 248-349-5600



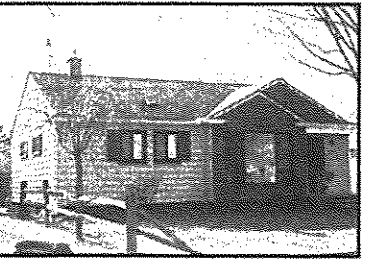
PLYMOUTH - Fantastic 1989 built Colonial that is totally neutral, inside & out & ready to move into. This 4BR, 2 1/2 BA home is located at the entrance of a cul-de-sac setting. Finished LL w/playroom & separate office/exercise room. \$364,900 (60LIT) 248-349-5600



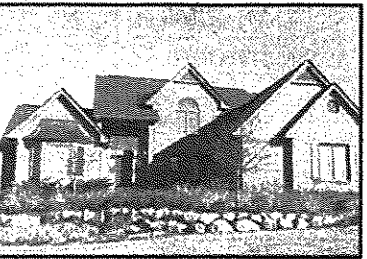
DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Beautiful, spacious w/double lot! Cozy 24x14, family room w/gas fireplace & doorwall. Master w/designer closet doors w/add'l. sitting area. Formal DR & charming updated kit. Nat'l woodwork & 1st flr. laundry. \$149,900 (53DET) 734-455-5600



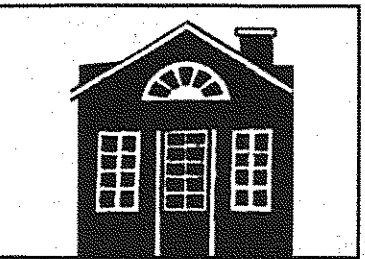
DEARBORN HTGS. - Charming brick bungalow! 3 BR, 1 1/2 BA. Beautiful refinished HW floors on main floor. Newer windows, furnace, C/A, baths updated & fresh paint (2001). 2 car att. gar., dining & living rooms w/cozy fireplace & bay window. \$154,900 (10OUT) 734-455-5600



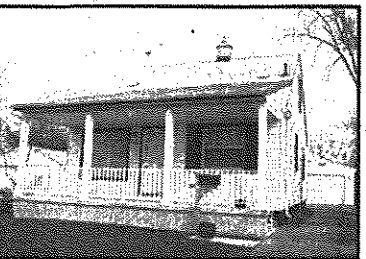
GARDEN CITY - Cute & clean ranch! Close to park & school! Updates inc. windows, kitchen floors & counter, furnace, central air & bath! Nice finished basement with bar, pool table, and glass block window. Freshly painted & move in condition! \$144,900 (25ROS) 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON - Tanglewood Golf Community. Cape Cod walk-out on 2nd fairway offers 1st floor master w/2 WICs, ceramic bath, GR w/2-way fireplace, oak kitchen w/walk-in pantry. Awesome finished walk-out basement w/full bar-game area. Great deck. 3 car garage. \$459,000 (60SPY) 248-349-5600



SOUTH LYON - Prestigious golf community. 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath masterpiece home is still in this process of being custom designed. There is still time for your design input. \$699,900 (13STA) 248-349-5600



REDFORD - Lovingly cared for by original owners. Redford bungalow is totally charming. Wet plaster & hardwood floors. All the important updates like: furnace, C/A, HWH, electrical, windows, kitchen & bath. Garage & basement. Nice country area by the park. \$113,900 (74LEO) 248-349-5600



WHITMORE LAKE - Look no further! 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA colonial on a gorgeous wooded lot, oversees a natural ravine! Stately master suite w/all the amenities. Large bonus room (unfinished), walk out partially finished. Low traffic road! \$259,900 (21FOR) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN HTS. - Spacious ranch! 2 (3) bedroom ranch, 2 baths. Newer kitchen with oak cabinets, island. Newer carpet, furnace, siding, gutters & copper plumbing. Seller will consider converting back to 3 bedroom. \$159,999 (09PAR) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN HTGS. - Beautifully updated! Close to Ford Woods Park. Spacious living room & formal dining room. Newly carpeted throughout. Newer vinyl windows & roof, ceramic bath - completely redone. Bright cherry kitchen with new floor. \$100,000 (30STE) 734-455-5600



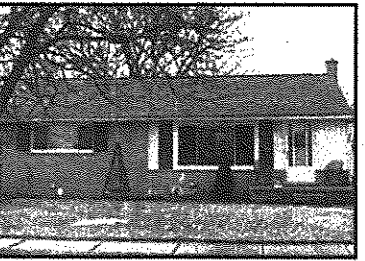
NOVI - Ready and waiting. Great family sub, Vista's of Novi. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath Colonial. Very open floor plan. Beautiful hardwood floors. Home warranty included. Occupancy negotiable. \$379,900 (93HEA) 248-349-5600



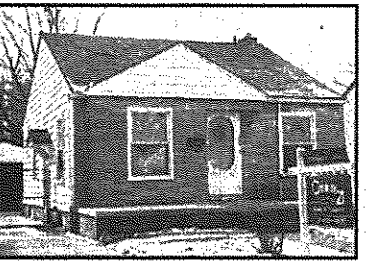
NORTHVILLE - Lakes of Northville. Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial w/basement. Backs to woods. Northville schools. Newer A/C, humidifier, sump, patio, landscaping. Total remodeled MBA. All newer interior wood doors, paint, sinks w/fixt, refin hrdwd floors. Clean & neutral. \$324,900 (28WAT) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Rosedale Gardens ranch. Super area within walking distance to schools & Edward Hines Park. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home w/natural fireplace in living room, finished basement & oversized garage. \$173,900 (48HEE) 248-349-5600



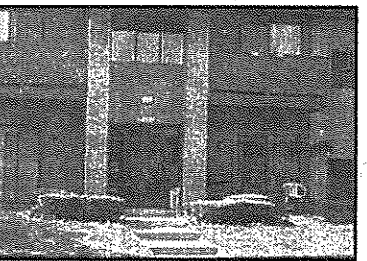
GARDEN CITY. Wonderful home! North Garden City. 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath ranch with newer windows, roof & hot water heater. Beautiful oak kitchen w/hardwood floors under. Roof stripped '01 & finished basement with wet bar. \$158,900 (45GOL) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN HTS. - Absolute dollhouse! Perfect starter home with many updates! Roof '97, windows '95, steel doors & storms, interior doors & bath. Newer built 2 car garage with ELE. finished basement. Private fenced yard. \$99,999 (17PEN) 734-455-5600



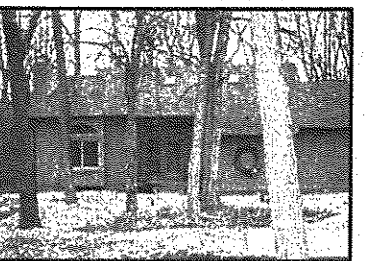
CANTON - 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial with open floor plan of family room, kitchen & dining room enhanced with fireplace. Formal living room. 1989 built with decor of recent paint & carpet, foyer tile floor and landscaped lot. \$239,528 (62VAS) 734-455-5600



WESTLAND - Back by popular demand. End unit, ground level. First floor everything. Master bedroom has WIC, doorwall to patio, first floor laundry, Livonia Schools, newer carpet & paint throughout. Close to shopping & churches, swimming pool. \$89,900 (04MAN) 248-349-5600



WAYNE - Almost totally rebuilt. Like new construction. Quality built. 3BR, 2 BA, WIC, 1st or 2nd floor MBR. FFL, front & back porch, newer furn., C/A, roof and the list goes on. Corner lot w/room for a large garage. \$119,900 (50WIL) 248-349-5600



WEST BLOOMFIELD - Contemporary - wooded acre. Mahogany beveled glass front door into open-flowing dream home. 2-story GR w/cathedral ceiling, fireplace, island kitchen. Great FF master & bath, jetted tub, wooded backyard. Fin. LL W/O w/frpl. \$325,000 (00COM) 248-349-5600

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