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Showtime for Canton moviegoers

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Canton could be home to a new 18-screen, 3,800-seat theater complex by late next year.

Township planning commissioners Monday approved a special land use and site plan request for the project, which would be located south of Ford Road and east of Lotz in the area of Home Depot, Logan's Roadhouse and Don Pablo's Restaurant.

The complex would be Canton's second theater and quadruple the number of screens available to local movie-goers. The Canton 6 is about two miles west on Ford Road.

Emagine Entertainment Inc., a Troy-based firm, presented the proposal for a state-of-the-art, high-tech theater almost identical to another Emagine Theater scheduled to open in Novi in October. The theaters feature stadium seats, digital sound, digital projection, wall-to-wall screens, a large concession area and private meeting rooms.

The theater would include two auditoriums with 500 seats. The smallest auditorium would contain 85 seats, according to Paul Glantz, Emagine president.

"It will be a beautiful state of the art facility," he said. "We have a very keen sense of customer service and recognizing what our patrons value. Cleanliness is our number one concept."

Glantz and Paul J. Slemer, Emagine chairman and CEO, also own the Cinema Hollywood Theater in Birch Run.

PLEASE SEE THEATER, A7

Memo

Candidate forums

Canton residents will have a quartet of opportunities next week to meet and listen to people looking for their vote in November.

The Observer Newspapers and League of Women Voters of Western Wayne County will sponsor candidate forums on Monday and Wednesday nights. The Canton Chamber of Commerce will hold a forum on Thursday night and Republican gubernatorial candidate Dick Posthumus is the featured speaker at the chamber's Wednesday luncheon.

Phil LaJoy

On Monday, candidates for the 20th and 21st state House District and the 7th state Senate District are scheduled to appear at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth District Library in the first of two Observer/League forums. The 90-minute session will feature House hopefuls Mark Blackwell and John Stewart (20th); Phil LaJoy and Mark Slavens (21st); and Senate candidates George Mans and Bruce Patterson.

Mark Slavens

The Wednesday forum, also 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Library, will feature 35th District Court judicial candidates Mike Gerou and Karen Woodside.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce Candidate Forum is set for 7 p.m. Thursday at the Canton Public Library. It features the candidates listed above and also 11th District Wayne County Commission candidates John Sullivan and Deborah Whyman.

All the forums are free and open to the public.

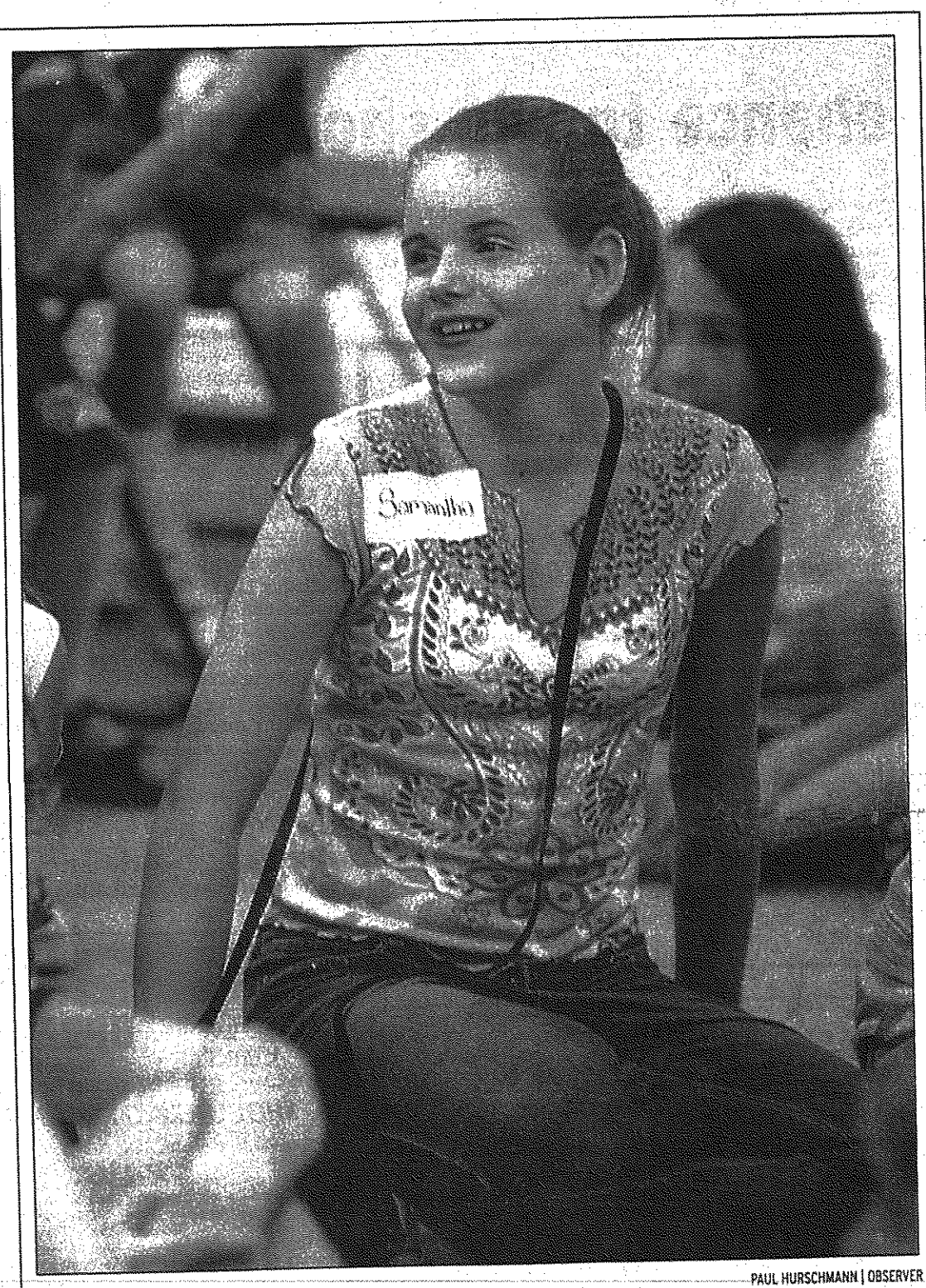
The reservation deadline to hear Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus speak is 4 p.m. Friday. The luncheon is scheduled for noon at Summit on the Park. Tickets are $15 in advance and $20 at the door.

Anyone who wants to hear the speaker only can attend at no charge. Call the chamber, (734) 453-4040, for reservations or information.

Ride 'em...safely

Bentley Elementary School and State Farm Insurance will host a Bike Rodeo 5-7:30 p.m. today at the school, 1100 S. Sheldon Road.

The event is open to children in grades K-5 who bring a bicycle and wear a helmet. It will feature bike inspections, safety courses, identification cards, a 9-1-1 simulator and, of course, a lot of fun.



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Awaiting the word

Samantha Daugherty of Canton, 11, listens to director Jennifer Tobin during auditions for the Whistle Stop Players last week at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. For a full story and more pictures turn to HomeTown Life, Page C6.

School board gives green light on turf

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

With a packed house of Canton, Salem and Plymouth high school football players, coaches, athletic directors and boosters lending their support, the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education told the administration Tuesday night to proceed with a $1.3 million project to replace the grass field at the varsity football stadium with synthetic turf and construct a new eight-lane track.

Administrators want the synthetic turf because the field turns into mud after a hard rain, sometimes forcing rescheduling and cancellation of events. And the outlook doesn't look bright, considering

'It's just like a swamp after it rains. It's no fun at all.'
Mike Callegari,
Canton High senior

PLEASE SEE TURF, A5

Work moving ahead on town hall remake

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER
STAFF WRITER

The massive makeover of Canton's administration building is, for the most part, on schedule and within budget, township Supervisor Tom Yack said Tuesday.

"We're about 30 days behind and the estimated cost is now about $15.5 million," Yack said. "At one point we were looking at $17-$17.5 million."

Initial estimates when the project was proposed nearly two years ago were about $14.5 million.

The Canton Township Board of Trustees Tuesday unanimously approved the site plan for the expansion and renovation, which will more than double the current building's size and literally put a new face on township government when completed in 2004. Preliminary work is underway.

The planning commission recommended approval on Sept. 9 with minor concerns over the landscape plan. Those issues will be addressed at the appropriate time, staff said Tuesday.

The 80,418 square-foot addition will wrap around the east and south faces of the complex, meaning that passersby on Canton Center Road and Civic Center Boulevard will see what looks like "a brand new build-

PLEASE SEE TOWN HALL, A6

Sullivan: 3rd term offers chance to realize goals

John Sullivan

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER
STAFF WRITER

John Sullivan believes he's made an impact in four years on the Wayne County Commission as a watchdog over county government and in efforts to expand constituent services.

Sullivan is seeking re-election on Nov. 5 to a third two-year term with the idea of seeing at least one of those goals as a brick-and-mortar reality.

"It looks like we're finally going to get a satellite office for western Wayne County," Sullivan said last week. "It's going to be in a central location, no more than a 15-20 minute drive for anyone living in this area."

The satellite office would be in an existing county facility on Michigan Avenue in Westland. The Kay Beard Building currently houses the

PLEASE SEE SULLIVAN, A6

ELECTION 2002

Whyman: 11th District residents need fighter

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER
STAFF WRITER

It was a strength when she served in the Michigan House of Representatives and is much needed in county government, according to Deborah Whyman.

"The people of western Wayne County deserve better county services. I'm not afraid to take a stand on their behalf, I'm tenacious and I'll fight until the job is done," the Canton resident said last week of her decision last spring to run for the Wayne County Commission.

Whyman easily defeated opponents Fred Bolden and Kris Schimmelpfenning in the Aug. 6 Republican primary.

She is challenging incum-

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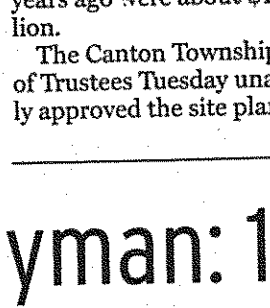

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Canton Township's Harvest Celebration set for Saturday

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

It may not be the Sweet Corn Capital anymore, but Canton is celebrating its rural roots Saturday with a Canton Harvest Celebration in Heritage Park.

Jennifer Eubanks, recreation specialist with the township's Leisure Services Division, said she hopes it will be the first of what will become an annual event.

The festival will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature a petting farm, hayrides around the park, face painting and football fun for kids, a kids harvest craft tent and a photography contest tent.

Highlighting the event will be a country music concert with The Forbes Brothers from 1-3 p.m.

Eubanks said while there were plenty of spring and summer activities in the park, fall and winter were sort of left out.

"There was a need for one in the fall," she said. "We hope for it to grow in the future."

Some concessions will be available and Eubanks said families are encouraged to bring picnic lunches.

"There used to be something like a corn festival at this time," she said. "In the future we're going to try to bring more of that back into the festival."

Pre-registration is necessary for kids wanting to take part in the craft tent activities and a small fee will be collected on the day of event.

To register or for more information, call Leisure Services at (734) 394-5460.

Among other activities at the craft tent, kids will make corn husk dolls and Indian corn bouquets.

The photography contest tent will feature entries from the "Nature of Canton" photo contest. Entrants were asked to submit photos showing any of the people, parks or natural beauty features of the township.

Two more fall activities are coming up in the park next month, with Pumpkins on the Pond set for Friday evening, Oct. 18, followed by the sixth annual OctoberFest on Saturday, Oct. 19.

Children ages 14 and younger are invited to carve their own pumpkins, use a candle or other light source and bring them to Heritage Park between 5-6 p.m. Oct. 18. They'll be put on display around the large pond in the park.

Between 6-8 p.m. they're invited to wear their favorite Halloween costume, walk around the pond to view the pumpkin art works and stop by the amphitheater for hot chocolate and musical entertainment. The next day, Saturday, Oct. 19, the OctoberFest will be held from noon to 4 p.m.

Highlights and activities include a Kids Art Workshop, inflatable attractions and the "Barnyard John" animal show. Most activities are under tents and will be held rain or shine.

Stops along the "Trick or Treat Trail" include the Witches' Kitchen, Pumpkin Patch, Cinderella's Castle, Magic Show and Soccer Challenge.

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FALL FUN AT HERITAGE PARK

Here's the schedule of activities for Canton's first harvest festival on Saturday, Sept. 28, in Heritage Park:

- Family hayrides - 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Petting farm - 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Photography contest tent - 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. (judging at 3:30 p.m.)
- Football fun for kids - 12:30-2 p.m.
- Face painters - noon - 3 p.m.
- Kid's harvest craft tent (preregistration needed and a small supply fee will be collected)
- Ages 4-7 11 a.m. - noon
- Ages 7-10 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- Ages 9-12 2-3 p.m.
- Country Music Concert with The Forbes Brothers 1-3 p.m.

For more information on any of the events, call Leisure Services at (734) 394-5460.

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The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and 12 area merchants are teaming up to send 12 lucky winners on home furnishings shopping sprees.

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Winning is easy. Each participating merchant will have official Fabulous Furniture displays at their stores and entry forms available beginning Oct. 3.

You may enter one time at each store. You'll want to visit each store (several merchants have multiple locations) and increase your chances of winning.

You must be at least 18 years old to enter. All entries have an equal chance of being drawn.

The deadline to enter is 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24.

Look for the entry form in your Thursday and Sunday Observer and in participating stores beginning Thursday, Oct. 3.

Don't miss the Thursday, Oct. 3, edition on Dining Rooms and Kitchens followed by the Thursday, Oct. 10, edition which features Living Rooms and Great Rooms.

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Often, strengthening the muscles and tendons surrounding the injured area is a key factor in recovery. Choosing the right type and duration of exercise, however, should be left to an experienced warrior, or just overworked, chances are, you've got an ache or pain that should be addressed. To arrange a consultation and exam at the HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY, located in Plymouth, at 650 South Main Street, ask your doctor for a referral, evenings available. To learn more, please call 455-8370.
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Band is dressed for success

BY DIANE HANSON
CORRESPONDENT

It was a spectacular day for sporting the new and bringing home the old. And the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band didn't waste any time doing both on Saturday at the 29th Annual Michigan Invitational Marching Band Tournament held at Eastern Michigan University's Rynearson Stadium in Ypsilanti.

"I think it was a pretty good show," said a pleased Salem senior Jeremy French, drum major for the show, "Elasticity."

"Especially with all the new things, everything went great," French added.

Sporting new tailored uniforms, the 167 marchers captured the Flight I first-place trophy, all Flight I captions for Best Music, Best Marching and Best General Effect along with the 2002 Governor's Award Trophy for the highest overall score – 75.05 – of all 23 competing bands at the invitational. The event was sponsored by the Flushing Band and Orchestra Boosters and the Flushing Raider Marching Band.

This marked the 27th year the prestigious traveling trophy has been awarded and the 18th time it has traveled home to the P-CEP Marching Band's trophy case – now located in the new band room at the new Plymouth High School.

Besides P-CEP's new uniforms (progressively darker gray from the top of the plumes to the cuff of the pants) – and the new contrasting bright red color guard costumes – there was more music, drill and choreography for the marchers to master.

"We added about seven charts –30 seconds – this week alone," said Michael Tarr, assistant band director. "That's quite a bit; a lot of footwork and a lot of music. We treat our show as a work in progress. Where some groups will have everything ready right away, we take a piecemeal approach. We refine what we have and add on; refine that and add on more."

If the number of trophies the award-winning band has brought home over the years is any indication; that learning approach seems to work well.

"I think the band is really locking in this year – more so than before," said Salem senior trumpet player Mike Berryman. "It is a really young band and we're really pushing our first-year marchers to understand what it is like to be Plymouth. The freshmen are starting to get it and starting to work as a band instead of just individual sections."

Band Director Clayton Wachholz couldn't agree more.

"We have more than 50 freshmen in the band, so every performance they do is a major growth in their life as a marching performer," he said. "The good news is that they are progressing well. The more show we put out on the field, the more responsibilities there are for all the students, but the overall show is really coming together."

The show is an audience-pleaser too.

"People will find laughter and tension in the show," added Wachholz. "I think if you have extremes like that, you have a show that is certainly memorable for anyone who sees it."

Those are the kinds of shows characteristic of the Plymouth-Canton musical marchers.

"I think it is very innovative and I would say it is transcending for the activity," said Tarr who has been with P-CEP for 10 years. "We tend to break away from common concepts to obscure ones that you don't usually see –treating marching band as more of an art form than just entertainment. I think we would be considered the paradigm for that in the activity."

Wachholz and Tarr are looking forward to cleaning and perfecting the band's performance during the week of practice before the Bands of America Regional Championships in Toledo on Sept. 28.

"We like where we are with the show design; now we just need to get in there and clean it," said Wachholz.

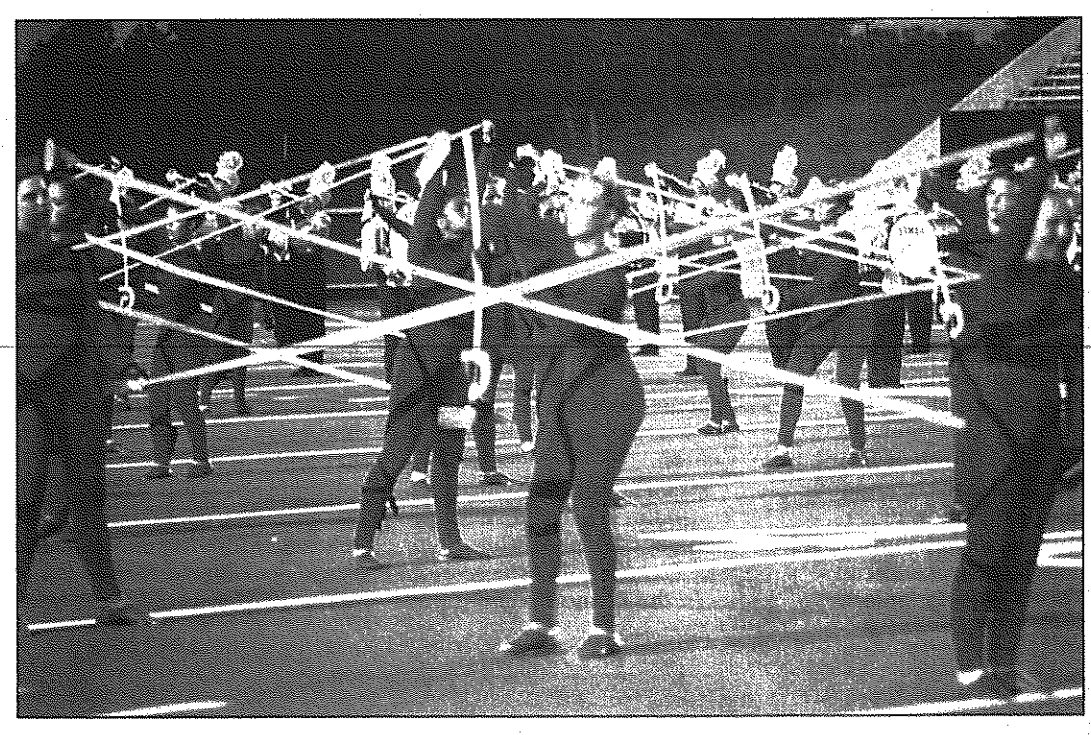
That means hours more of practice – every day after school, a football game on Friday and all day on Saturday along with the competition.

"It's all worth it," said Salem sophomore Jennie Jansen, who plays flute. Even with the intense practice, she finds she can get homework done and still have free time. "You just have to organize your schedule really well," she said.

And Jansen has seen the benefits her older brother John has experienced. After four years playing trumpet in the band, John, a 2002 Canton grad, is now a freshman at Western Michigan University majoring in aerospace engineering.

"Because he was in marching band he knows how to organize his schedule," she said, "and he actually thinks college is fairly easy now."

The new uniforms were provided by the school district, along with donations from many individual and corporate sponsors.



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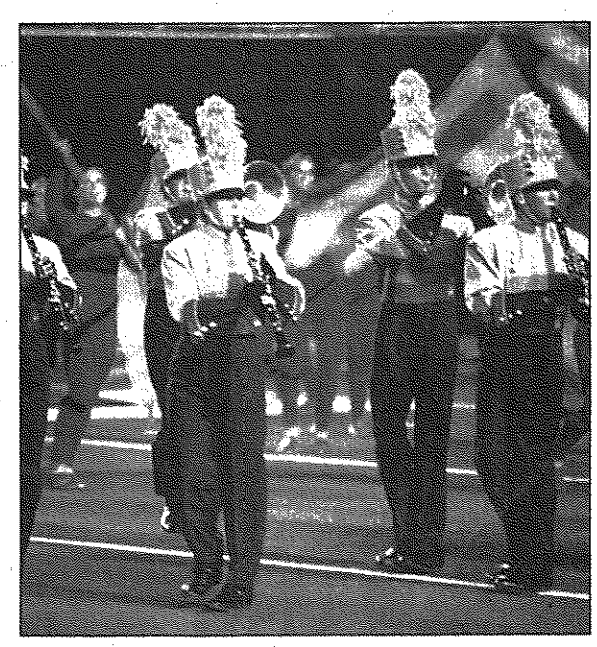
The color guard stretches things to the limit during Saturday's performance of "Elasticity" at the Michigan Invitational.



Saturday's competition marked the debut of the band's new uniform, paid for by generous donations from the community.

Anti-smoking effort targets 5th-graders

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Children as young as 10 are being targeted by tobacco companies to become future cigarette smokers.

In an effort to combat the makers of tobacco products and help children make good choices, the Hazards of Tobacco (H.O.T.) program, a six-session school-based tobacco prevention curriculum, is being taught to Plymouth-Canton fifth graders.

"Research shows the decision to smoke is made long before the legal age of 18. Typically, it's right around sixth and seventh grade," said Carie Francis, community outreach recruiter and trainer for the program, which is a collaborative effort of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute's Community Outreach Division and Wayne State University's Department of Family Medicine. "That's why tobacco companies look at getting children vested before they get to that decision point."

Francis said the former Joe Camel cartoon and the Marlboro Man are two examples of characters that were not only geared to adults, but also children. "The characters were advertised in magazines with readerships in that age level," she said. "A lot of times we see advertising in connection with sports. It's all very effective."

Unlike some other programs, the H.O.T. program isn't designed to just tell kids not to smoke.

"It gives children information and skills so they can make healthy choices," said Laura Grainger of Plymouth Township, who volunteers by taking the six-week program into the classroom. "It's not about running home and telling mom and dad that smoking is bad. It's about helping them make choices about their own health.

"The kids are very open to learning," she added. "They go home and interview current and past smokers, and learn the decisions that were made."

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Herta H. Ballmert

Services for Herta Ballmert, 83, of Plymouth will be held Oct. 26 at 11 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

Mrs. Ballmert was born Nov. 21, 1918 in Germany and died Aug. 31 in Plymouth. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Ballmert was preceded in death by her husband, Herman Ballmert.

Survivors include daughter, Brigitte (Ron) Hassert of Slidell, La.; daughter, Ingrid (Neil) Sendelbach of Plymouth; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association of Michigan Affiliate Inc., 30600 Telegraph Road, Suite 2255, Bingham Farms, MI 48025 or Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburg Road, Livonia, MI 48154-5010.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Margaret R. Hanson

Services for Margaret Hanson, 91, of Canton were held Sept. 24 at Old Apostolic Lutheran Church with William Scheffler officiating. Burial was at Cherry Hill Cemetery in Canton.

Mrs. Hanson, was born Jan. 21, 1911 in Highland Park and died Sept. 21 in Canton. She was a teacher of home economics in the Plymouth community at West Middle School. She came to Plymouth from Ypsilanti (Cherry Hill) in 1951. She was a member of Old Apostolic Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills. She graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a B.A. and Master's Degree. She was a member of the Michigan and National Education Associations. She loved working with young people and shared her cooking and sewing expertise with them unselfishly. She was highly thought of by her fellow teachers and administrators and was a valued mentor to more than one new teacher. She was generous with her ideas, had many friends, and a genuine love for her family, grandchildren, co-workers, and everyone.

Survivors include husband of 57 years, Fred O. Hanson of Canton; son, Leon (Sandy) Hanson of Plymouth; daughters, Lisa (Erik) Salonen of Windsor, Ont., Madeline (Eero) Salonen of Windsor, Ont., and Nancy Hanson of Royal Oak; grandchildren, Christie Banners, Karl and Tom Hanson, Erika McArthur, Stuart, Elizabeth, Ingalis, Stefan, and Francine Salonen; sisters, Elizabeth Demel of Plymouth, Madeline (Ronald) Patrick of Mancelona, and Eleanor Johnson of Milan; and brother, Paul Lobbestael of Gladwin.

Memorial contributions may be made to Old Apostolic Lutheran Church or to the American Heart Association.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Richard E. Schott

Services for Richard Schott, 67, of Plymouth were held Sept. 21 at St. Edith Catholic Church with the Rev. Tim Murray officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mt. Schott was born Dec. 10, 1934 in Detroit and died Sept. 17 in Angela Hospice. He was a resident of Plymouth for the past 14 years, previously living in Livonia and the Lansing area. He graduated from Kinde High School and obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University. He worked for many years at State Farm Insurance, rising to the position of Divisional Claims Superintendent. He retired in 1998. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict, attaining the rank of Sergeant. Among his many hobbies, he practiced photography and over the years he has earned many awards for his technique, including awards for hand colored black and white prints. Recently he received a first place in the beginning class from the Livonia Camera Club. His print was also voted "Photo of the Year" for the 2001-2002 season.

Mr. Schott also enjoyed fly fishing, and was a member of the Michigan Fly Fishing Club. He served as an usher at St. Edith Catholic Church, and also enjoyed cooking and sailing in his earlier years. He belonged to several insurance organizations, and was highly respected by all who knew and worked with him. He was a devoted husband for 41 years to Cheri, and raised three very successful, educated and devoted children. He valued his family ties, and wrote family histories for both sides of his family.

Survivors include wife, Sharon L. Schott of Plymouth; daughter, Cynthia (Kevin) Thomason of Kalamazoo; son, Edward (Vicky) Schott of Holland; son, Matthew (Patty) Schott of Kalamazoo; and five grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburg Road, Livonia, MI 48154-5010.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

James Dean Keeth

James "Jim" Dean Keeth, 68, of Garden City, died Sept. 23, 2002.

Survivors include his dear companion, Marilynn McHendrick of Garden City; mother, Verne Keeth of Clare; brothers, V. Keeth of Marietta, Ga., Donald A. (Robbie) Keeth of Plymouth, Michael J. (Diane) Keeth of Plymouth; sister, Leslyn A. (Donly "Bud" Jr.) Young of Lake; and many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home, Westland.

James Tome

Services for James Tome, 48, of Livonia, will be held Sept. 28 at 10 a.m. at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington with the Rev. Ellen Acton officiating. Burial is at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit.

Mr. Tome was born Oct. 14, 1953 in Detroit and died Sept. 24 in Pontiac. He was a resident of Livonia for 16 years, previously of Plymouth. He was employed in Transmission Design with Chrysler Corporation. He graduated from Pershing High School and attended Oakland University. He loved playing and watching hockey. He made and played guitars, was a wine collector and enjoyed making his own wine.

Survivors include wife, Cindy Murphy; father and mother-in-law, David (Joan) Murphy of Camden; brothers, Louis J. (Peggy) Tome of Waterford, Robert Tome of Rochester Hills, and Dennis (Patricia) Tome of Macomb; abundant aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins; and many family and friends in Farmington and Farmington Hills.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute, Novi Region; 41935 W. 12 Mile, Novi, MI. 48377-9939 or the American Heart Association, Dept. 77-3968, Chicago, Ill. 60678-3968.

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Police seek knife-wielding shoplifter in Kmart incident

Canton Police are searching for a couple of suspects in an apparent shoplifting-turned-armed-robbery at Super Kmart Sunday evening.

According to police reports a white male about 40 years old, 6-feet tall and 130 pounds entered the store shortly after 6 p.m. He was accompanied by a girl about 12 years old believed to be his daughter.

The man placed two DVD players in a shopping cart and left the store, leaving the girl inside with the shopping cart. The girl placed an electric fan in the cart, then rolled the cart out of the store.

When security guards tried to stop her, the male suspect hit one of them in the neck and slashed at him with a knife. The agent's shirt was cut but he was not injured.

The man and the girl then got into what is described as a white four-door Plymouth driven by a white female 35 to 40 years old. Two other female children were also in the car, which sped away on Ford Road.

The DVD players and the fan were recovered.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call Canton Police at (734) 394-5400.

COP CALLS

HOUSE FIRE

A basement fire caused about $35,000 to a home in the 45000 block of Morningside about 7:30 a.m. Sunday.

Responding to a 911 call, firefighters observed smoke coming from the house when they arrived. They entered the home and found a fire in the basement. The fire was quickly put out, but the entire house suffered smoke damage.

The residents were home at the time but got out of the building safely.

Fire investigators determined the fire was accidental and caused by a candle in the basement.

POLICE CHASE

A 28-year-old Dearborn Heights man was arrested Friday after leading Canton Police on a chase through a subdivision near Haggerty and Palmer roads.

A police officer observed a white 1991 Olds Tornado going south on Haggerty south of Cherry Hill about 10:45 p.m. with a damaged tail light.

He pulled the man over, but the man then sped away and a pursuit followed for several blocks.

The man finally stopped the car and ran away on foot. A K-9 unit was called and the man was located about a half mile away in a wooded area.

A search of the car revealed a small amount of crack cocaine. A passenger in the vehicle, a 31-year-old Plymouth Township man, was arrested on an unrelated charge.

ANIMAL CRUELTY

A 20-year-old Ypsilanti man is facing an animal cruelty charge after leaving two cats in a Canton storage unit for weeks.

Police were called to the USA storage center on Sept. 18 on a complaint of crying cats inside a storage unit.

The Wayne County Prosecutor's office authorized entry into the unit.

Varmint police were able to catch one of the cats, but the other ran from the unit into a nearby subdivision.

Officers found a pair of feeders in the unit, but both were empty.

A bag of cat food was also empty.

The unit had little ventilation. The recovered cat was taken to a humane society and found to be in satisfactory health.

Robber terrorizes teens after game

A Canton man, 21, has been charged in connection with an attempted armed robbery after a Franklin High football game Friday night.

At 11:30 p.m., witnesses said a man inside a white Cadillac repeatedly threatened to shoot them if they didn't turn over their money. The group of 11 or so teens were waiting for rides in the school parking lot following the game when the incident occurred.

The man, when questioned by police, said he was joking. Taking the threat seriously, though, some teens scattered and hid behind other cars.

The man has been charged with 11 counts of assault with intent to rob while arm, which is a felony that carries anywhere from a year to life in prison upon conviction. Bail was set at $250,000 cash.

One victim, who was only four feet away from the suspect's vehicle, told the robber he only had $5.

The robber told the male to produce more money and again threatened to shoot him. No witnesses reported seeing a gun.

After becoming frustrated, the robber said he was only joking and sped off. He turned onto eastbound Joy Road where police later stopped a matching vehicle near Inkster Road.

When questioned by police, the man denied being at Franklin High and said his mother was an attorney.

He then said he was there to "pick up their women" when students got mad and phoned police.

Police recovered $1,314 in cash inside the vehicle.

TURF

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the future calls for the field to be used by three varsity football teams, three junior varsity football teams and three ninth-grade football teams; nine boys soccer teams in the fall and the same number of girls teams in the spring; plus the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band.

The existing track is expected to be declared unusable for the upcoming season.

"It's tough because you try to chase someone down and you step in the mud up to your ankle, you get soaked to the bone and get cold ... it's horrible," said Dan Farkas of Canton, a senior on this year's Canton High School team.

"You can be running and the next thing you know your feet go out from under you and you fall on your butt," added Mike Callegari, a senior from Plymouth Township, who is a member of the Salem Rocks varsity squad. "It's just like a swamp after it rains. It's no fun at all."

All seven board members, without taking a vote, agreed the synthetic turf was a good way to spend remaining money from the 1999 bond issue, which was used to construct Dodson Elementary and Plymouth High School.

"I think it's money very well spent for our community. This isn't just a want for this district, this is a need for this district," said trustee Marcy Staley. "This community wants the best for our school district. We are very proud of our athletics and all our extracurricular activities."

Administrators indicate maintenance on the track will cost approximately $40,000 within 7-9 years to recoat the track. The synthetic turf football field will need to be groomed twice a year, which will cost about six man hours of work. The carpet will need to be replaced after approximately 10 years at a cost of $400,000.

Superintendent Jim Ryan said he would like to see the district generate revenue to help pay for future costs.

"I do believe between community use, maybe some semi-pro soccer use, and maybe revenues via some state tournament activities, we have a chance to generate some revenue that would go toward replacement in 8-10 years," said Ryan.

Ken Jacobs, executive director of support services, said he'll come up with a schedule of events to put the construction on a fast track. "We need to be able to go out for bids by Dec. 14," Jacobs said. "It's going to be a very energetic schedule."

Jacobs said bids need to be awarded by January in order for construction to begin in April, with the field ready for play next August.

The district spent hundreds of thousands of dollars to construct a second football stadium during the construction of Plymouth High School.

However, an agreement with residents of the North Pointe subdivision, whose properties abut school property, allows for only junior varsity football games and track meets to be conducted at the field.

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TOWN HALL

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ing," Yack said.

The current nondescript facade will be replaced by classic architecture and a glass entryway. From a practical standpoint, visitor parking will be moved to the front and the lower level will be more accessible and inviting, trustees said.

"It will be nice to have a front door you don't have to go looking for," said trustee Melissa McLaughlin.

The 78,824 square feet of existing space will be remade as well, and the entire building will get an updated heating, ventilation and air conditioning system.

The administration building and adjoining public safety department were built in 1976 with federal grant money. Livonia and several other southeast Michigan communities took advantage of the program, which was designed to spur development during a national recession.

"The trade-off was we had to have things done in about 90 days," Yack said Tuesday. "But when you look at it over the long-term, it provided us with a very serviceable building for more than two decades."

When the project is finished, the Leisure Services Department will move from the Summit to the administration building.

The treasurer's office and meeting room will remain in their current locations. The clerk's office will be relocated but will remain on the ground floor.

Many township departments have already moved as preparations are underway for demolition to parts of the current building. Public meetings shifted to Summit on the Park last June.

"People need to bear in mind there will be some inconvenience, some noise" during renovations, Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter said Tuesday.

The next step will be going out for construction bids. The bulk of the project should be finished in 18 months, with some additional relocation and other work taking an additional six months, Yack said.

In other action Tuesday, the board:

- Approved special land use requests for an expansion to Crescent Academy, a private school at Palmer and Lotz roads; and the Quality Care Auto Service Center on Canton Center Road, south of Hanford.
- Set 2002 township millage rates at 8.85 mills. There board approved an increase in the charter millage and a decrease in the fire special assessment portion, but the total rate matches the 2001 figure as the lowest in township history, Yack said.
- Approved the purchase of two rescue squads to low-bidder Grogan and Associates for $170,440. The vehicles will be purchased on the normal replacement scheduled, said Public Safety Director John Santomauro.

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SULLIVAN

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health department and other county services but has available office space, he said.

The satellite office would eventually offer a full slate of services from three county departments – clerk, register of deeds and treasurer.

Sullivan said after working on the proposal for two years, implementation by this fall or early 2003 is likely. There is money in the county budget to fund it, despite a projected $20 million deficit by Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara, he said.

Sullivan, a Democrat from Wayne, is running against Canton Republican Deborah Whyman for the 11th District seat. The district includes Canton, Sumpter and Van Buren Townships and the cities of Wayne and Belleville. (Two communities – Huron Township and Romulus – will be dropped on Jan. 1 as the result of redistricting.)

OTHER PROJECTS

Sullivan said the effort to open a satellite office may be the his visible work on behalf of constituents but certainly not the only thing he has accomplished since winning election in 1998.

In Canton, he said, he was a key player two years ago in thwarting a condominium developer from opening up Oakbrooke Court for additional development. Nearby residents opposed the street extension and Sullivan found it violated county ordinances.

He also helped broker a solution this summer when residents in the Riverwoods subdivision found their streets buckling. Officials from Canton Township and the county worked with the developer to fix streets in the newly-built neighborhood.

Sullivan said he has worked hard to overcome a perception that he hasn't been visible in Canton, which he said may have stemmed in part from his narrow victory over favorite daughter Melissa McLaughlin four years ago. "I think I have a good working relationship with Tom (Supervisor Tom Yack) and other township officials," he said.

He said he looks forward to working with a new administration in the county executive's office and will continue to push for cost-conscious government and more ethical contracting by county officials.

"The commission has taken a more active role (on contracting and auditing) and we should continue to do so," Sullivan said.

MORE ACCOUNTABILITY

He supports a procurement ordinance that will shed more light on county contracts before they are signed documents.

Sullivan said he had mixed feelings about the Pinnacle Project, a high-tech industrial park proposed for Romulus that has been put on the back burner in the wake of controversies surrounding Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

"I think it's unfortunate that you have a massive development where the officials elected to govern the county didn't get much of a say, but at the same time the county has already spent $50 million to develop the concept and it will provide thousands of jobs and a solid tax base," Sullivan said.

Sullivan admitted he was "somewhat surprised" with Whyman's victory in the Republic primary. The former state legislator hasn't been active in the party or made many public appearances since losing the 1998 state Senate primary.

"She didn't run much of a (primary) campaign either," Sullivan added.

Sullivan said he has budgeted about $30,000 for the campaign and will send out mailings, hold coffee hours and go door-to-door. A recent picnic would likely be his only fund-raiser, Sullivan said.

On the commission, Sullivan serves as chairman of the Public Services Committee and vice chairman of the Public Safety and Judiciary Committee. A licensed attorney, he has a BA Degree from the University of Michigan and a JD Degree from the University of Detroit.

Sullivan is married and has three children ranging in age from 2 to 14.

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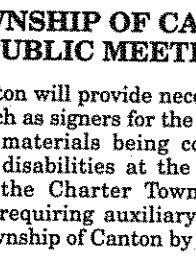

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WHYMAN

FROM PAGE A1

bent Democratic commissioner John Sullivan of Wayne in the Nov. 5 general election for the 11th District seat. The district includes Canton, Sumpter and Van Buren Townships and the cities of Wayne and Belleville. (Two communities – Huron Township and Romulus – will be dropped on Jan. 1 as the result of redistricting.)

Building a better prescription drug program for senior citizens is an example of the programs Whyman hopes to push if elected to the commission. It's been mentioned by nearly every resident during door-to-door campaign stops throughout the district, Whyman said.

"We're (county residents) are tied into a contract with just one pharmacy, Arbor Drugs," Whyman said. "If you model the program after what they do in Oakland and Macomb counties, you have a choice and lower rates."

POOR WATCHDOGS

The county's administration of Detroit Metropolitan Airport and criticism over deals put together by retiring Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara is the second issue mentioned by district residents, Whyman said. She believes the 15-member commission, including Sullivan, have been poor stewards of the taxpayers' interests.

"Everyone who's flow out of Metro can see that the government has lost control," she said. She believes the new executive, most likely current Sheriff Robert Ficano, will have a better handle on the airport but that the commission is ultimately responsible as a check and balance.

Whyman believes she developed a solid understanding of that during six years in the state House. She was elected in 1992 in an upset over a popular Democrat, James Kosteva of Canton. She was re-elected in 1994 and '96 and was term-limited in the lower chamber.

Whyman lost a 1998 bid for the state Senate, finishing behind Thaddeus McCotter in the Republican primary. She is completing work on a law degree at University of Detroit Mercy.

Whyman has a BS Degree in Management Information Systems and a master's degree in Administration from Central Michigan University. She worked in the private sector for 13 years before her election to the state House.

TRACK RECORD

While in the House, Whyman developed a reputation as a maverick, conservative Republican. She was instrumental in legislation that led to the merger of Wayne County Circuit Court and Detroit Recorders Court; and banned same-sex marriages in Michigan and the recognition of same-sex married couples from other states.

She was an early supporter of two lawsuits against the University of Michigan over the use of minority preferences in its admission policies.

"I miss being able to help people and I do miss the policy debate," Whyman said of her years in the House. "I think we need more people speaking up on the commission about what's going on and that's one of the reasons I decided to get involved," she said.

Although the 11th District has been trimmed somewhat by redistricting, it still represents a large and diverse geographic area, Whyman said. For example, she said, the road issue is different for Sumpter Township residents than it is for people living in Canton.

"Here, you're dealing with congestion. In Sumpter, you might be talking about low-lying dirt roads that turn to unpassable mud in the winter and spring."

While Whyman's primary win may have surprised others, it didn't phase her one bit. "Voters remember me and still have confidence that I can do the job," she said.

Whyman declined to provide an estimate for how much she'll spend on the campaign. She is sending out direct mail pieces and canvassing neighborhoods in person, she said.

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THEATER

FROM PAGE A1

The only possible glitch in the Canton plan is that a portion of the site is in Westland. While the theater itself would be in Canton, the parking area would straddle the Westland city limit line, with 632 parking spaces located in Canton and 654 in Westland.

And Westland officials aren't sure they like that idea.

"Westland would like the theaters moved on to Westland property and parking all in Canton," project architect Ralph Nunez half-jokingly told commissioners Monday night.

While a portion of the Westland property sits atop the old Nankin Township landfill, some of it is developable land.

"It might not be in Westland's best interest to have a parking lot on prime property," said Westland Planning Director Bruce Thompson. "We have to sit down with Canton's administration and ask what this means and how can we make this work that is in everybody's best interest."

Both Thompson and Canton Supervisor Tom Yack said they have never encountered a situation quite like this, where one project straddles the boundary between two communities.

"We usually try to avoid that if at all possible," Yack said Tuesday. "It's a very complicated project because the use is complex – half parking in Canton, half in Westland. That's two sets of approvals."

And the issue is complicated more by the fact that the portion of the land that sits over the landfill becomes an issue with the Department of Environmental Quality. The landfill has to be capped before any development can occur. According to Canton Planner Angela Wolosiewicz, the cleanup standards differ depending on whether the site is developed as a parking lot or occupied development.

Canton and Westland officials have already had meetings to discuss the situation and Yack said he is expecting to receive a proposal from Westland in the near future.

"Westland says Canton's getting the building and we're getting the parking lot," Yack said. "They're going to propose to us what they think is a reasonable share of the SEV on the property. That will have to be predicated on some real numbers in terms of the value of the land and what it would generate in taxes to Westland."

The planning commission's approval of the project was contingent upon working out an agreement with Westland.

Glantz said he's confident that the matter will be resolved.

"We'll help them (Westland) by mediating a portion of the landfill that they're responsible for. Our parking lot will effectively cap it for them and help fund the remediation of their problem."

And he pointed out that the location of the theater would serve Canton and Westland residents equally.

"We truly believe there will be a resolution to this arrangement," he said. "And we should be open a year from now so we can show holiday movies in 2003."

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Salvation Army is now recruiting holiday bell ringers

The Plymouth Salvation Army is gearing up for its 2002 Red Kettle campaign, and is already looking for volunteers.

The Army facility is located in Plymouth but the group offers services to the Canton community.

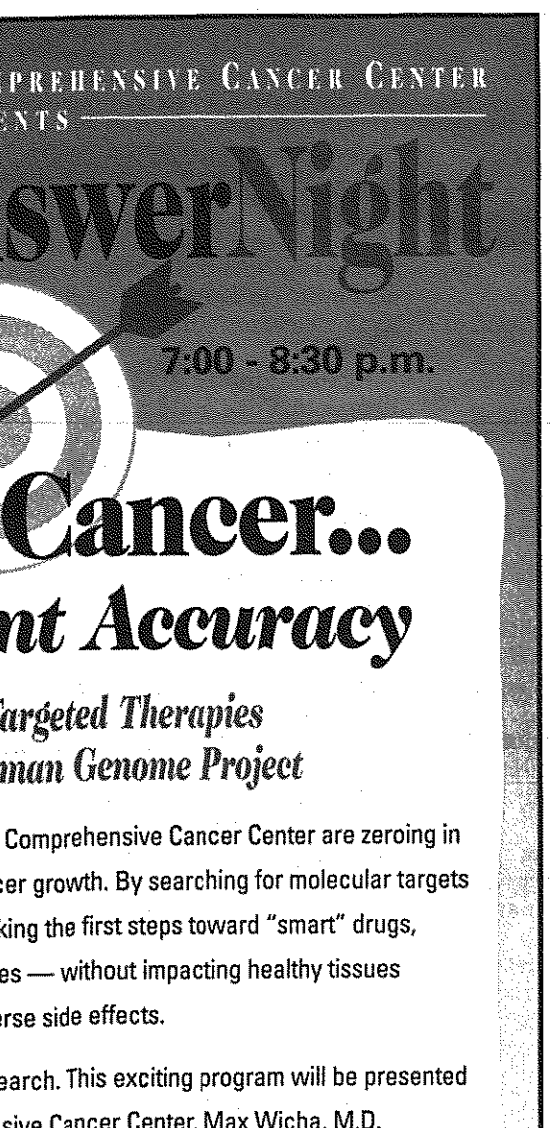
The Army will hold its annual Kettle Sign-up Breakfast from 7:30-9:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 4 at the army's headquarters, located at 9451 S. Main.

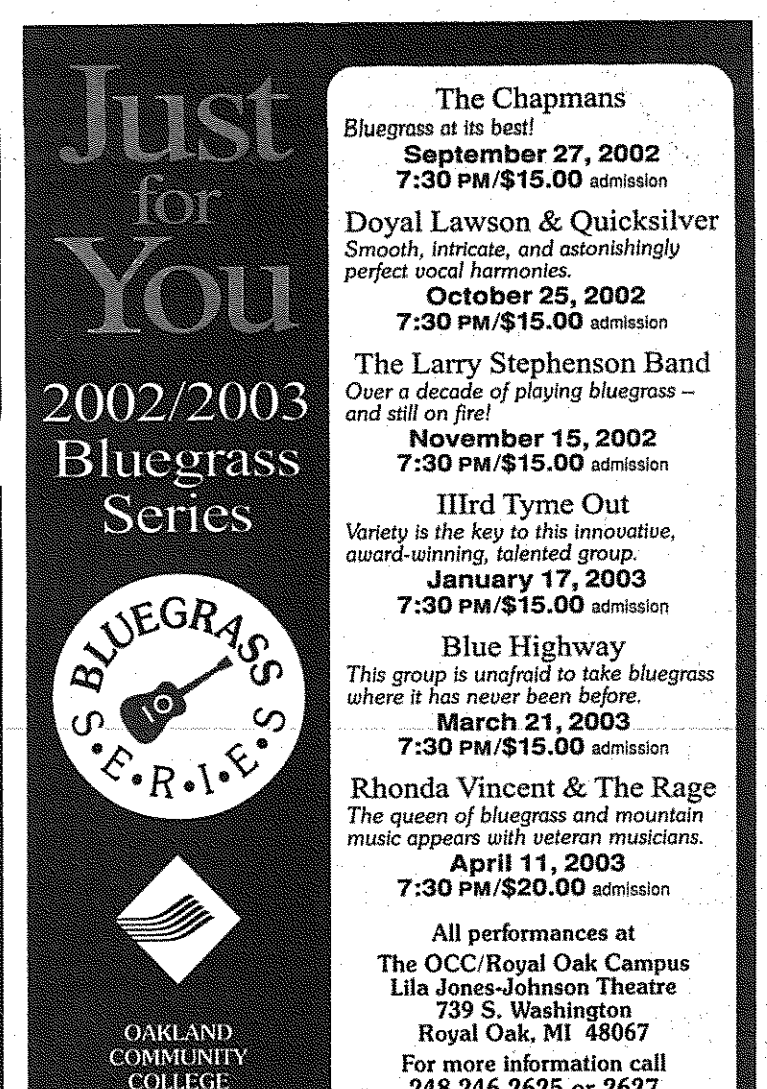
Potential ringers will be able to register for dates and areas of their choosing at the breakfast. The campaign has become a way for groups and businesses to support the community.

Red Kettle donations are used for social services, rehabilitation programs, youth programs and other projects sponsored by the Salvation Army.

"The Salvation Army would be unable to serve the community without its Christmas bell ringers," said Nikki Sprout, Kettle Campaign coordinator. "We are looking forward to another exciting season."

For more information, call Sprout, (734) 453-5464.





Opinion

OUR VIEWS

Anti-smoking effort is lauded

We understand that kids are going to try cigarettes, usually by middle school if not sooner. It has everything to do with growing up and not much to do with the product itself – which doesn't have any redeeming qualities that we can think of.

That doesn't mean adults should stop trying to discourage them. Which is why the Observer supports anti-smoking programs including one the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district has incorporated into its upper elementary curriculum this year.

The Hazards of Tobacco (H.O.T.) program is a collaborative project of the Barbara Ann Karamanos Cancer Institute and Wayne State University's Department of Family Medicine. The information is encapsulated into six classroom sessions, uses community volunteers and fits in with the Michigan Model for Comprehensive School Health Education, according to information supplied by the institute.

In Plymouth-Canton, it it has been implemented in the fifth grade, an age where kids are particularly vulnerable to peer pressure and experimentation. The program uses a variety of teaching techniques including hands-on activities, visual arts projects and team learning. It's designed to teach students:

- The long- and short-term health risks of tobacco use;
- Help them develop peer pressure resistance skills;
- Help them recognize deceptive advertising practices;
- Understand that they can live healthy, happy lives without tobacco.

It's sort of a D.A.R.E. approach, minus law enforcement, stripped down to the basics and aimed at one particular behavior. The unit provides necessary information but won't intrude heavily on classroom time for academic subjects, which should always be the district's top priority.

Recent statistics show educational efforts – along with higher taxes and a government crackdown on tobacco advertising aimed at minors – are beginning to have an effect on teenage smoking, which reached near-epidemic levels in the mid-1990s.

A study released last spring by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention showed smoking among high school students had dropped to its lowest level in a decade. Some 28.5 percent of high schoolers surveyed in 2001 said they had smoked a cigarette in the previous month, down from 36.4 percent in 1996. The percentage of high school students smoking is now approaching the lower figures reported in the 1980s.

We believe the H.O.T. program sends the right message and will at least get kids at a vulnerable age to think twice about smoking choices. We commend the school district for including it in its curriculum.

Do your part to help end domestic violence

October is Domestic Violence Awareness month.

There is irony that the designation is meant to shed light on a problem that continues in large part because it is a "hidden" crime.

No one likes to talk about domestic violence. Yet the crime – and make no mistake that it is a crime – is often covered up by the victims themselves and denied by family and friends.

Much like sexual assault, victims often are left feeling that they somehow played a role in the violence. Oftentimes, they feel powerless to leave an abusive partner and remain trapped in a cycle of violence.

That's why organizations like First Step in Wayne County are so important, and need all of our support. Domestic violence cuts across all socio-economic lines and occurs in every community.

First Step's mission – "to reduce the incidence of domestic and sexual violence and to provide services to individuals affected by these crimes" – can only be accomplished through public awareness and public action.

First Step's philosophy is that everyone has a right to live in a safe environment and that no one deserves to be victimized by assaultive behavior.

First Step relies on the time, talent and resources of volunteers and benefactors to carry on its fight. The First Step Web site invites residents to "help once or help many times." It needs people to provide services and support at emergency shelters, be a 24-hour help line worker, join an on-call assault response team and many other opportunities to help. Call (734)416-1111, ext. 202 for more information.

Thanks to the efforts of organizations like First Step and many others fighting the scourge of domestic violence, this dark cloud may one day be lifted for good, making awareness months a thing of the past.

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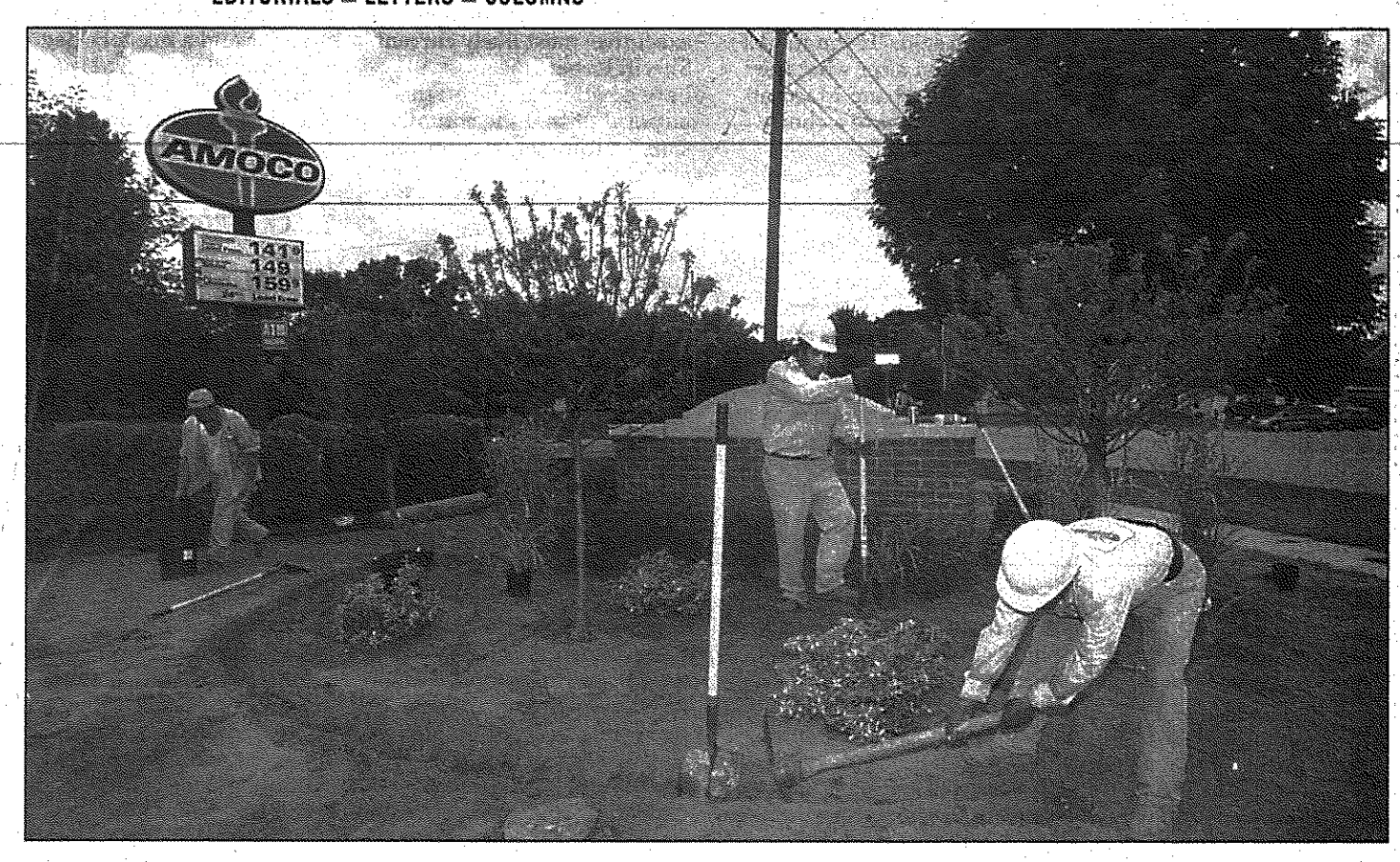

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Landscapers from Crimboli Landscaping work on the entry sign at the corner of Sheldon and Joy Road in Canton recently. Sprucing up entry points into the township is the initial project taken on by the Council for Community Excellence.

LETTERS

Sessions a success

On behalf of the Canton Downtown Development Authority's Board of Directors I am writing this letter to publicly thank the members of the Canton community who took time to participate in the recent visioning sessions with the DDA.

A broad cross-section of the community was represented, and a stream of exciting ideas, dreams, and opinions were presented.

It was very interesting to hear a variety of perspectives, ranging from residents, as well as business owners, who have been in the community for a number of years, to many newcomers who have been here only a short time.

The input from these sessions will help to frame a Comprehensive Master Plan for the DDA board members to use as they deliberate decisions for the future of the DDA District.

The DDA Comprehensive Master Plan and the accompanying Market Analysis study will be presented to the public sometime shortly after the first of the year 2003.

For many of the participants, the visioning sessions provided new information about the nature of Canton's DDA Board and the types of decisions they make.

I take this opportunity to remind everyone that the DDA Board meetings are open to the public and that residents, as well as business and property owners, are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The monthly meetings take place at 8 a.m. on the third Wednesday of every month in the first floor conference room at the Canton municipal complex.

Ralph Shufeldt, Chairman
Canton Downtown Development Authority

Abortion is evil

On the issue of abortion in politics and churches – if abortion is not a political issue, then what issues are suitable for politics?

In many ways similar to abortion, slavery was a political issue. It was also a moral issue, and in 1865 it became a constitutional issue, when the 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution abolished it. Slavery was the overriding cause of the Civil War and it nearly ripped our country in two.

Today we have difficulty understanding how any thinking and feeling person would have ever supported slavery.

There were those 150 years ago who would have argued that slavery should not be a political issue, that churches should stay out of it, that it was a matter of personal choice.

Strangely, some of the same factors that enabled slavery are enabling abortion.

Slaves (babes in the womb) were subject to the power and force of another group against their will. Slaves (babes in the womb) were not considered people.

Slavery (abortion) supported a profitable segment of our economy. Slavery (abortion) was necessary to support a lifestyle.

Slaves (babes in the womb) were deprived of the unalienable right of life.

Our Declaration of Independence states: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." When will our nation truly fulfill this promise?

The heart of our nation aches at the tragic loss of the nearly 4,000 innocent people Sept. 11, 2001.

Every single day of the year, our country loses more than 4,000 innocent children to abortions. Abortion is an issue for politics, it is an issue for churches, it is an issue every bit as profound as slavery.

It is not my place to stand in judgment of any person's heart – candidates for governor or anyone else – but as an American, a Catholic and a father, it is my responsibility to discern what is good and what is evil.

We need to open our eyes as a nation and call abortion what it is – evil.

Mark Plencner
Plymouth

Thanks for support

I would like to thank all of the businesses, parents, teachers and other individuals who worked so hard to make the 2002 PCEP Senior Party a huge success. Without the generous contributions of time, money, gifts, and very hard laborious work, this night could not have happened.

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Cynthia Anderson
2002 PCEP Publicity Chairperson

Act more upsetting

Why are so many people upset about seeing pictures of the torn-apart tiny innocents?

Shouldn't the "act" of what is being done daily be more upsetting? Yes, it is horrible and ugly to look at, let alone feel.

I salute the protesters for making obvious the reality of abortion!

Wake up, Fr. Ortman, and go back to the Seminary for some refresher courses on the stand of the Catholic Church concerning abortion.

Pro-choice equals pro-abortion; it's the same thing. Exercising our free will does not give us God's permission to kill babies.

As a Catholic, I'm ashamed of your muddled ideas and lame explanations. Is Granholm more important than your soul?

An examination of conscience should definitely be a priority for you. I will pray God forgives you for the scandal you have given to us and to the non-Catholic as well.

Gloria Krol
Plymouth

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QUOTABLE

"There used to be something like a corn festival at this time. In the future we're going to try to bring more of that back into the festival."

Jennifer Eubanks, township recreation specialist, on the Canton Harvest Celebration.

The story that's behind November's Proposal 4

Phil Power

On the surface, Proposal 4 – a 1,400-word constitutional amendment that will be on the statewide November ballot – makes no sense.

If passed, it would redirect 90 percent of the $325 million Michigan receives annually from the national tobacco settlement to hospitals, nursing homes, anti-smoking programs and prescription drug programs for seniors. The losers would include the 45,000 high school students each year who get $2,500 college scholarships from the Michigan Merit Award program and the Life Sciences Corridor, the state's main effort to jump-start the biotech industry.

If passed, the amendment — to be labeled Proposal 02-4 on the ballot — would utterly bypass the normal appropriations process by which public funds are expended in Michigan and lock into the Constitution a rigid formula that would allocate the money to the various beneficiaries. In response, Roger Martin, a spokesman for Citizens for a Healthy Michigan, the group pushing the proposal, argued on public TV last week that "you can't always trust politicians" to make good decisions. That's no doubt true, but it's a whole lot easier to undo bad appropriations decisions than it is to remove a mistake written into the Constitution itself.

If passed, the money allocated under Proposal 4 would go mostly to private outfits that operate free from legislative or media oversight. Spending tobacco settlement money on health programs might be OK, but I think letting nonpublic groups spend public money free from public scrutiny goes way too far.

If passed, Proposal 4 would even give around $3 million a year to something called the Healthy Michigan Foundation, which didn't even exist when the proposal was originally drafted!

Even with all these surface defects, the folks behind Proposal 4 paid a firm to get 476,000 signatures to put the measure on the ballot. At between $2-$3 for each signature, that comes to nearly $1.5 million. And I understand they've budgeted several millions more in TV advertising before the Nov. 5 election day. That's big money.

How come? Two reasons mainly, a compound of the good and the greedy.

For the good, consider the thought that tobacco settlement money properly ought to be spent getting people to quit smoking or persuading kids not to start or curing folks who get smoking-related illnesses. That's a perfectly reasonable position, and it's one the proponents of Proposal 4 will allege is their sole motivation.

As to the greedy, consider this history. Michigan hospitals have been complaining for years — justly, so far as I can tell — that they are getting screwed on below-cost Medicaid reimbursements. Earlier this year, the legislature passed a bill that would have hiked the Medicaid money Michigan gets from the feds so as to give state hospitals an extra $157 million. Legislative leaders thought they had made a good faith effort to bail out the hospitals, but the Michigan Hospital Association wanted more and enlisted a bunch of other medical organizations to help launch the petition drive to get Proposal 4 on the ballot.

I'm told that things came to a head in June on Mackinac Island, when Gov. Engler and Budget Director Don Gilmer met with Spencer Johnson, the head of the Michigan Hospital Association. As I understand it, Engler and Gilmer went back to Lansing under the impression that Johnson had agreed he was not going to file the signatures as long as hospitals were going to get their extra $157 million. But Johnson and others pressured the hospital association board to file, which eventually it did.

Feeling (mildly put) double crossed, Engler promptly vetoed the $157 million Medicaid bill. And the state wound up in (failed) litigation trying to stop Proposal 4 from ever getting on the ballot. And now you can confidently expect a blizzard of harmless-sounding TV ads advocating Proposal 4 as good public policy.

Opponents are led by former Attorney General Frank J. Kelley, who was an original filer of the suit against the tobacco companies and calls Proposal 4 an attempt to "steal from the state treasury," and state Sen. Joe Schwarz, himself a physician who says it "makes a travesty out of our state constitution."

As far as I'm concerned, Proposal 4 makes even less sense under examination than it makes on the surface.

Phil Power is the Chairman of the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2206 or at ppower@homecomm.net.

LETTERS

Safe cycling

In a "holier than thou" plea as an avid bicyclist and longtime automobile driver. Perhaps it is again time to pass this message across to the members of the bicycling community. It gets dark earlier these days. Drivers can's see you now!

If you are wearing dark clothes on dark-framed bikes and it's dark outside, just what makes you believe you are visable to the rest of us? Reflectors? If so ... be prepared to become a statistic and take a dirt nap!

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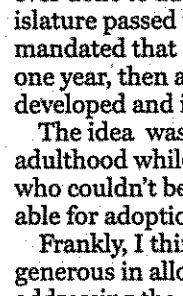

Sue Mason

Instead of hand wringing, state needs to fix FIA

John Engler is frustrated, disappointed and very irritated. Hmmm, sounds like John Engler during much of his tenure as governor. However, this time rather than threatening taxpayers or slashing the budget, he's given Doug Howard a piece of his mind.

It's good that he's being so open with Howard, the director of the state's Family Independence Agency, which can't seem to do much of anything right. But frankly, it's nothing more than the usual posturing that takes place when it comes to the FIA.

The agency's missteps have been well documented over the years and other than wringing of the hands and mea culpa or two, nothing is ever done to address the problem. Sure, the legislature passed the Binsfield legislation that mandated that a child could be in foster care one year, then a permanency plan had to be developed and implemented. Big whoop.

The idea was to not have children grow to adulthood while in foster care, to make children who couldn't be returned to their families available for adoption at younger ages.

Frankly, I think the legislature was far too generous in allowing a year to go by before addressing the issue of permanency. Protective Services might move quickly to remove from dangerous situations, but the FIA makes the tortoise in The Tortoise and the Hare look like Speedy Gonzalez.

I speak from experience. I have two lovely children my husband and I adopted through FIA. We got them both as toddlers – Bobby was 3-1/2; Carolee was less than a month shy of her fourth birthday. Both spent more than two years in what people who deal with FIA call the system.

Yes, you read that right. You can adopt state wards from the state. However, you do need patience. When dealing with the state, nothing goes smoothly or quickly.

Our first venture into state adoption ended in a mess that involved a state senator, the state ombudsman and the state director of adoptions. We were unsuccessful, but two things stick out in my mind about the experience.

The first – FIA was clueless about the child's race. The mother was white and the father ... all they knew was that he was from Highland Park. It was the foster mom who tipped them off.

That oversight prompted a cross cultural study to see what we knew about other cultures – black in general and black specifically. Done by a black and a white adoption workers, we were thunderstruck by one question: What was our nationality? I answered American, my husband did the same.

The response from the white social worker went something like "No, that's not it. We're talking about your nationality. Like I'm a Lithuanian-American." Huh?

These two women who decided that we could only adopt light-skinned biracial children – which the little girl was – didn't even understand the question they were asking us.

We know FIA workers are overworked. Our daughter's adoption worker made sure we knew that every time we talked to her. She had 54 cases. She talked as slow as she worked, and the adoption that should have taken a year max stretched into 18 months.

And we know children can get lost in the system. Every three months Carolee had a new foster care worker and every three months she went back to square one. They missed court hearings, overlooked the fact that the child had been abandoned by her mother and basically left he in foster care for two years before parental rights were terminated.

If it hadn't been for a diligent, proactive foster mom – the workers would call her a royal pain in the butt – she probably would have languished in the system even longer.

The state pressures private agencies to find permanent homes for the wards it farms out to them, but it does little for the ones that remain in FIA's care.

Granted there's the Michigan Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) book that's at public libraries. It lists some of the more than 3,000 children available for adoption from toddlers to teenagers to sibling groups, but the state could do better.

A few years ago, I had a conversation and shared lengthy e-mails with a freshman state rep from western Wayne County who wanted to do something about children languishing in the system. Nothing came of it, and the rep is now running for state senator.

FIA needs a major overhaul. Obviously, it won't be done by John Engler, and it remains to be seen if Jennifer Granholm or Dick Posthumus will do anything, since they're too busy beating each other up over Proposal A.

How many more times are we going to have to read about another FIA screwup before something is done?

Children shouldn't be put into a system that has no end and isn't capable of keeping track of them. FIA needs to focus on the needs of the children in its care.

As a friend says, two people can go at it behind a dumpster and create a child and be given more consideration than the people who will care foster that child or adopt him or her.

FIA needs to tell parents what needs to be done and set a deadline instead of giving them one chance after another, prolonging the child's placement in foster care.

In baseball it's three strikes, you're out; in football, it's four downs. If FIA dealt out that kind of tough love to deadbeat parents, it could use the time freed up to get children into permanent homes.

And maybe we wouldn't have to endure yet another report on yet another FIA screwup.

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Coalition warns motorists to be watchful for deer in fall

A new public education program announced today by the Michigan Deer Crash Coalition (MDCC) underscores the need for motorists to be extra watchful for deer when driving this fall.

Public service announcements sent to all Michigan radio stations are part of the MDCC's campaign to keep the car-deer crash problem in the forefront of motorists' minds. Michigan's large deer herd is moving into the fall mating season, when they are the most active, and when most crashes occur.

"Michigan's car-deer crash totals have leveled out over the last five years," said Coalition Chairman Richard J. Miller of AAA Michigan, "but the results of these crashes in deaths, injuries and millions of dollars in damage caused each year remain huge."

In 2001, there were 66,993 crashes, up 3 percent from the year before. Forty-four percent of the crashes occurred in the October-December period. Due to unreported crashes, he said, the actual figure is pegged at closer to 80,000.

Crashes also are prevalent in spring when deer seek out the first green grass near highways. Since 1991, state car-deer crashes have risen 39 percent. Michigan's annual total represents nearly half of all reported car-deer crashes in five Midwestern states: Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa.

CRASHES IN ALL COUNTIES

Eleven Michigan motorists were killed and 2,109 persons were injured in 2001, compared to eight deer-related crash deaths and a similar number of injuries in 2000.

"That means on average there are 184 crashes a day, one every eight minutes, all year long," Miller said. "The fact that there are car-deer crashes occurring in every Michigan county is why we are stressing to motorists to think 'deer,' whether they are driving in Detroit's suburbs or in northern Michigan's woods, and always fasten your safety belts and drive defensively. Safety belts are your first line of defense in any crash."

If a crash with a deer is unavoidable, the MDCC recommends motorists:

- Stay in your lane.
- Brake firmly.
- Hold onto the steering wheel.
- Come to a controlled stop.
- Get your vehicle off the roadway.

"Very few persons are injured by simply striking a deer. They are injured when they swerve to try to avoid a crash, go out of control and hit an obstacle or an oncoming car, or roll over. And they often hit the deer regardless," Miller said.

Several factors are combining to make the car-deer crash problem grow, he said. Urban growth spreading into deer habitat and a swelling deer population that is four times higher than in 1970 combine to force deer into smaller areas and into contact with people—too often in the form of car-deer collisions.

Car-deer crashes result in an estimated $130 million in auto repair expenses annually in Michigan alone. Nationally, one study found, the figure for reported car-deer crashes totals $1.1 billion.

Many drivers may think that most car-deer crashes occur in northern Michigan. However, more than half occur in southern Lower Michigan.

STAY ALERT

In 2001, the top 10 counties for car-deer crashes were all in southern Lower Michigan: Kent 2,327; Jackson, 2,051; Calhoun, 1,959; Montcalm, 1,643; Oakland, 1,633; Eaton, 1,479; Ingham, 1,433; Kalamazoo, 1,411; Washtenaw, 1,395; Mecosta, 1,379. Michigan's deer herd is estimated to be between 1.8 and 2 million.

That is why Gov. John Engler has declared October "Michigan Car-Deer Crash Safety Awareness Month."

Here are some tips to avoid injury should you encounter a deer in the road:

- Watch for deer at dawn and dusk. Deer are most active then, especially during the fall mating season. In the spring deer will move from cover to find food, and back to cover. They often feed along roads, where grass greens up first.
- If you see one deer, there may be more. Deer often travel single file so if you see one deer cross the road, chances are more are nearby waiting to cross. When startled by an oncoming vehicle, they can dart out from any direction without warning.
- Be alert all year long in areas inhabited by deer, and especially on two-lane roads.
- Watch for deer warning signs. They are placed near known deer crossing areas and are your first alert that deer may be in the area.

Remember, Michigan IS deer country. More than 1,000 copies of "Stay Clear of Deer All Year," an 11-minute videotape produced by the MDCC in 2001, have been distributed nationwide, including to every Michigan driver education school. Copies are available free by going to www.michiganresourcecenter.org or by calling (800) 626-4636 or (517) 882-9955.

Latinos de Livonia holds ball

The Latinos de Livonia will host their annual 2002 scholarship ball, Festival de las Americas to support Hispanic education. The dinner-dance will be held on Saturday, Nov. 9, at Laurel Manor Banquet Center, 39000 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.

Activities begin at 6 p.m. with hors d'oeurvres. Dinner, featuring a gourmet meal of excellence, will be served promptly at 7 p.m. Dancing will follow dinner with the sounds of Domingo Acosta and his Chicago orchestra, Los Latinos.

To purchase tickets or make reservations, contact: Manuel Reyes at (313)665-4020 or manuel.reyes@gm.com; Jose Rodriquez at (248)471-5616 or elmoreno@peoplepc.com.

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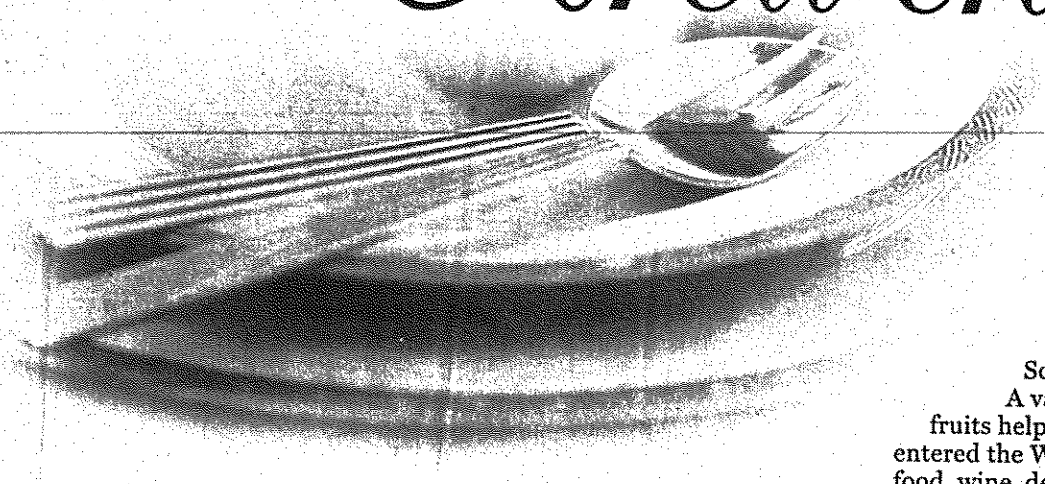


Nearly 1,000 guests sampling food and beverages from 60 metro area restaurants helped to raise $90,000 last Sunday for the scholarship fund at Schoolcraft College.

A variety of pates, assorted cheeses and fruits help whet the appetite of guests as they entered the Waterman Campus Center to two levels of food, wine, desserts and beverages at this year's Culinary Extravaganza.

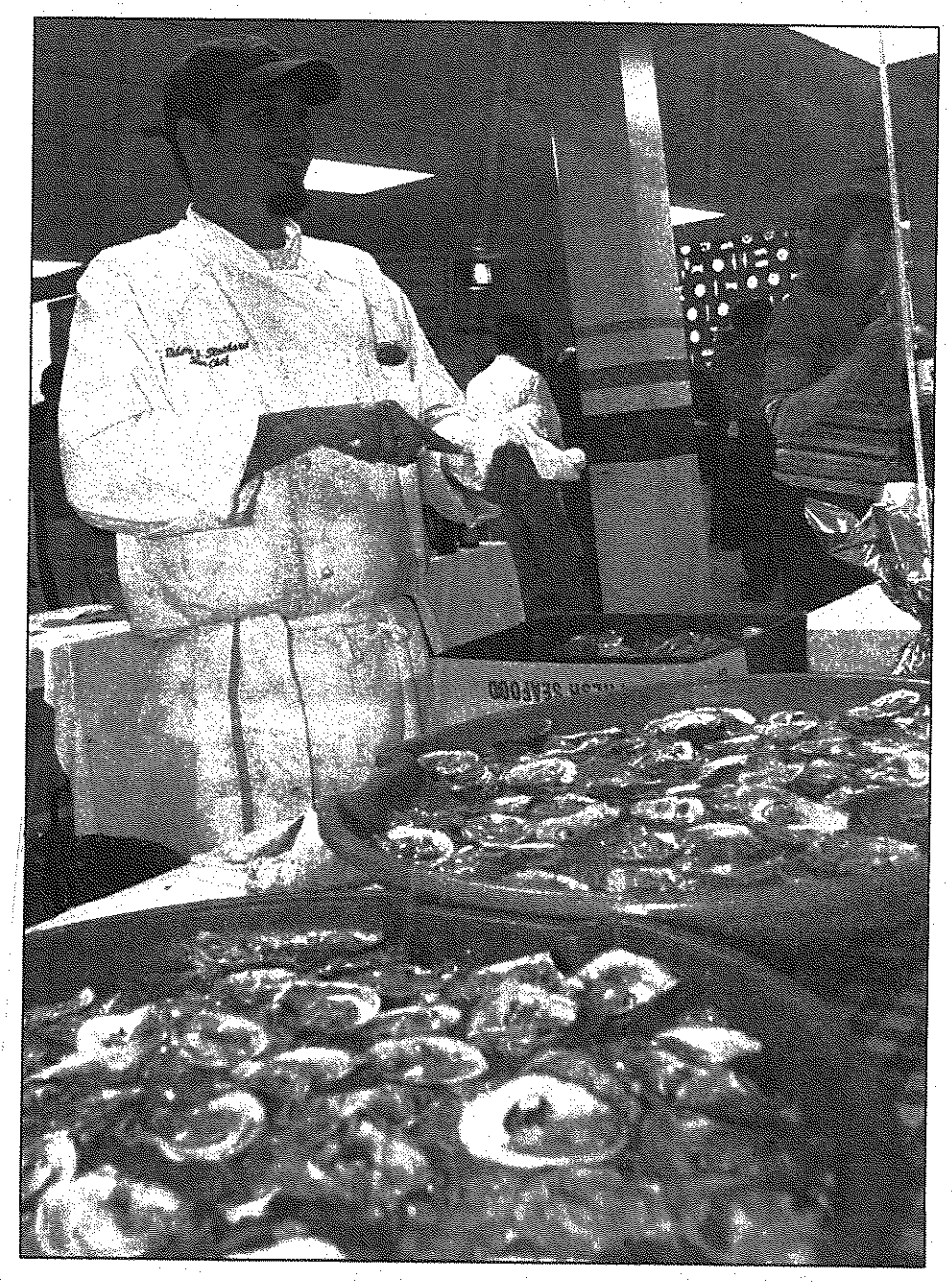
Toni Wisne Sabina, honorary co-chair of this year's event, and her husband, Steve Sabina, helped the fund-raising effort with some serious bidding during a live auction for a gourmet dinner for eight prepared by Schoolcraft chefs. They offered the winning bid of $2,500 for the five-course gourmet feast with wine coordinated by Kevin Gawronski, a certified master chef in Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts Program.

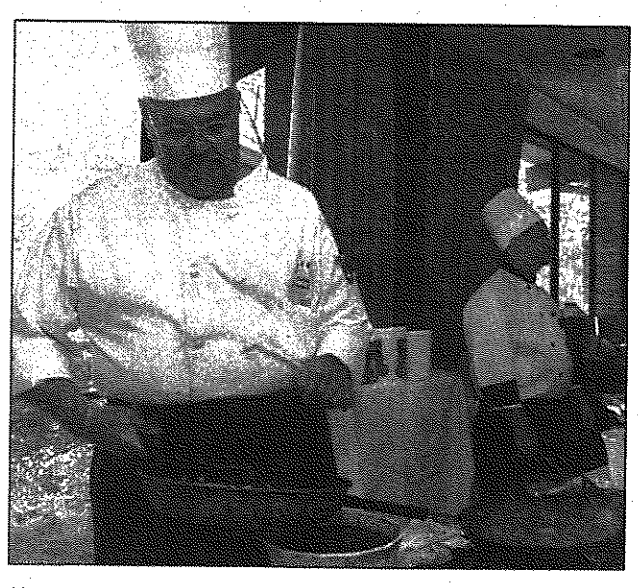
Toni Wisne Sabina is president of Epoch Events which owns some of the metro area's leading restaurants including Too Chez in Novi, Tribute in Farmington Hills and Forte in Birmingham.

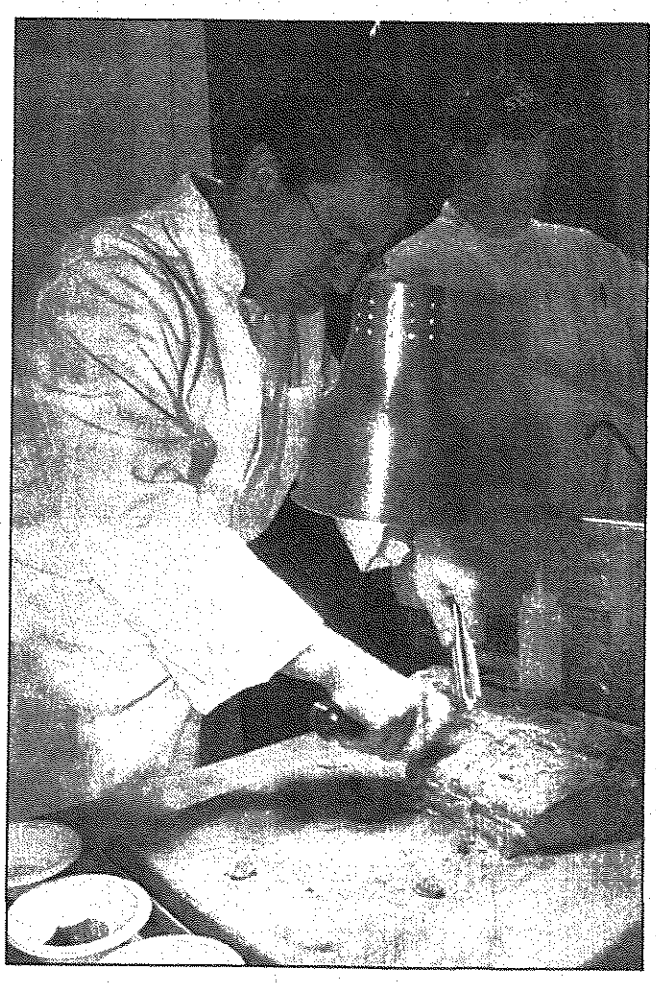
A wine tasting for up to 50 people presented by Beaulieu Vineyard of Napa Valley drew a winning bid of more than $1,000 while a northern Michigan weekend getaway complete with dinner at Tapawingo and Latitude netted nearly $1,000.

But it was the food and wine that guests came to sample on Sunday.

Crowds gathered to taste the salmon from Steve & Rocky's of Novi, an eggplant and ricotta cheese entrée from Villa Maria Ristorante in West Bloomfield and soups from Zoup! Other crowd pleasers included pan-seared scallops from Papa Joe's Gourmet Market of Birmingham, shrimp nachos from Sweet Lorraine's Cafe in Livonia and desserts from Aunt Olive's in Birmingham.







Above, Lee Carmona, Area Executive Chef in Michigan for Sodexho. Left, Robert Stockard of Tom's Oyster Bar hucks some oysters. Right, Robert Costanza and Mark Hincker, Executive Chef from Station 885 in Plymouth.

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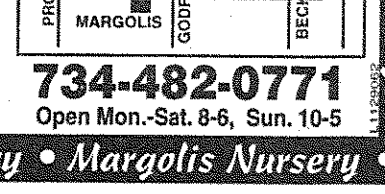

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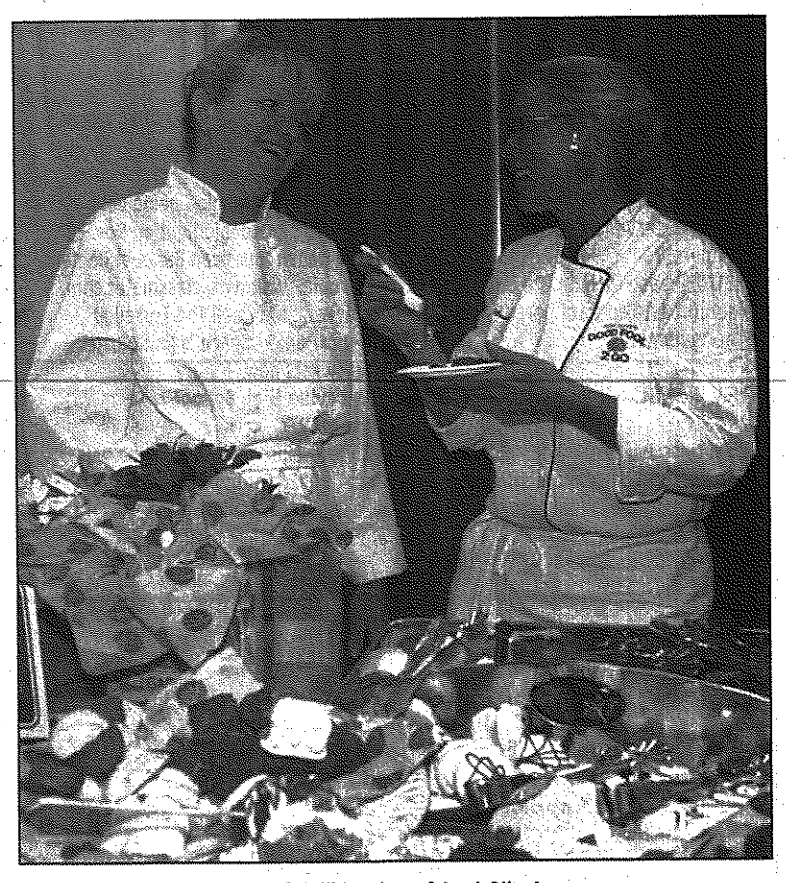

Chef Susan Navarro and Chef Kelli Lewton of Aunt Olive's.

Award-winning wines from Michigan, Ontario and California were supplied by Veritas Distributors of Detroit, Pelee Island Winery of Canada and L. Mawby Vineyards of Suttons Bay. Many eventgoers finished the day with espresso or cappuccino from Cadillac Coffee Company

Suzanne Thomas Hughes of Flagstar Bank and Tom Marek, vice president of corporate food service at Ford Motor Co., members of the Schoolcraft College Foundation Board, co-chaired this year's event.

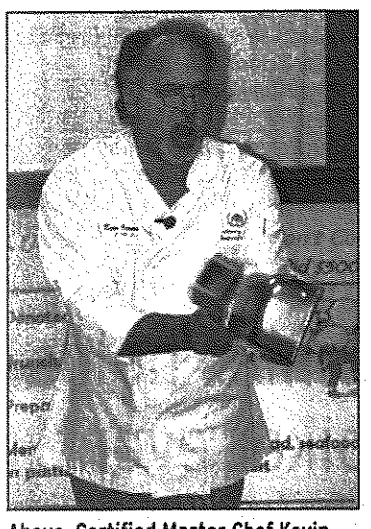
Marek, president-elect of the Schoolcraft College Foundation, is serving his first year as co-chair of the event. Although new to the culinary committee, Marek knows the food business. Before joining Ford Motor Co. nearly 10 years ago, he worked as a regional vice president for business services for Aramark for 29 years.

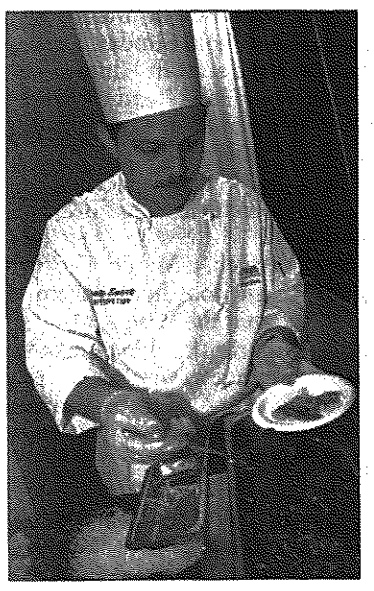
"We paid attention to details this year and everything went well. It was our most successful auction ever," said Thomas-Hughes, who was serving her fifth year on the planning committee and her fourth year as event co-chair.

Next year's event will be held in the college's new VisTaTech facility, a $27 million culinary arts and high tech center. The new 55,000-square-foot facility is expected to open in January, 2003.

VisTaTech will house a culinary arts department and teaching kitchen, classroom and demonstration space, information technology center for education training, product development and new public spaces for seminars, concerts and speakers.

The centers name comes from the words vision, talent and technology.


Above, Certified Master Chef Kevin Gawronski, professor at Schoolcraft College, as auctioneer. Below, Great Oaks Country Club Executive Chef Randy Emert.



Population up a little since 2000

Southeast Michigan's population and households grew moderately from the 2000 Census through July 1, 2002, according to Population and Households in Southeast Michigan, 2000-2003, a new report released by SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

The population of Southeast Michigan added 57,446 (a 1.2 percent increase), bringing the region's total to 4,890,938. Households grew slightly faster, adding 30,861 (a 1.7 percent increase), bringing the region's total number of households to 1,876,174. The number of people in each household continues to decline, from 2.58 persons in April 2000 to 2.56 persons in July 2002.

Livingston County continues to add population and households at a faster rate than the rest of the region; population grew by 6 percent and households grew 6.7 percent. Macomb County, on the other hand, continues to add the largest numbers of people (17,246) and households (9,520), followed by Oakland County (15,121 additional people; 9,126 additional households). Wayne County is the only county to lose population (just under 300), but gained nearly 600 households. The report further breaks down each county by community.

The continuing phenomenon of households growing at a faster rate than population is due, in part, to the changing composition of households. One-person households (younger or older people living alone) now represent 27 percent of all households (up from 25 percent in 1990), while married-couple households declined to 49 percent (from 51 percent in 1990). This has also driven down the average number of persons per household.

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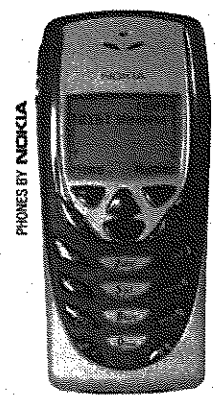

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March of Dimes holds biker event

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

The regional March of Dimes has added two new events to their charity calendar.

The first, a ride or "biker run," will be held Sunday, Sept. 29, from the start of Hines Drive along Ford Road up to Seven Mile and then out to Pontiac Trail in Salem Township, then back to Hines Drive and returning to Ford Road.

Kim Streich, a March of Dimes event coordinator from Canton, said they had sent invitations for the ride to biker clubs and motorcycle dealers to drum up support for the event.

"We even sent them to tattoo parlors," she said.

The Motor City Harley Chapter will help with the ride

The March of Dimes 55-mile run will start at noon at the U-M Dearborn campus and run up Hines Drive to Seven Mile, west on Seven Mile out to Pontiac Trail, south to Six Mile, back toward Wayne County to Napier Road.

Then they will ride south on Napier to Five Mile, Five to Hines then back to U-M Dearborn.

Donation/cost is $25 for driver and $25 for a passenger. A free picnic will be offered at U of M Dearborn after the ride.

Registration starts at 10 a.m. at parking lot C, 4901 Evergreen in Dearborn. For details on this run call (248) 359-1550.

The second new event is Star Chefs scheduled for November and will include an auction of a chef's talents for a day. Successful bidders can come the chef's restaurant for a special meal or, if feasible, the chef will come to the bidder's house. Event coordinator is Trista Johnson of Farmington Hills.

Other area March of Dimes events:

- WalkAmerica at four sites (Plymouth/Hines Park, Metro Beach, Troy and Detroit). About 12,000 walkers took part in southeastern Michigan last April.
- Jail and Bail, a celebrity event held in October.
- A golf outing just completed a few days ago at Indian Woods in Lake Orion.
- Alexander McComb Citizens of the Year awards later this month. McComb was the county's namesake.
- National Athletic Awards held in March.
- Charity Preview at the annual Detroit Auto Show, where the M of D is one of several children's charities who raised more than $6 million in 2002.

The southeastern portion of the state March of Dimes has headquarters in Southfield. The international charity was founded in 1938 by President Franklin Roosevelt to fight polio and currently: works to prevent birth defects, funds parent education, and supports genetic research.

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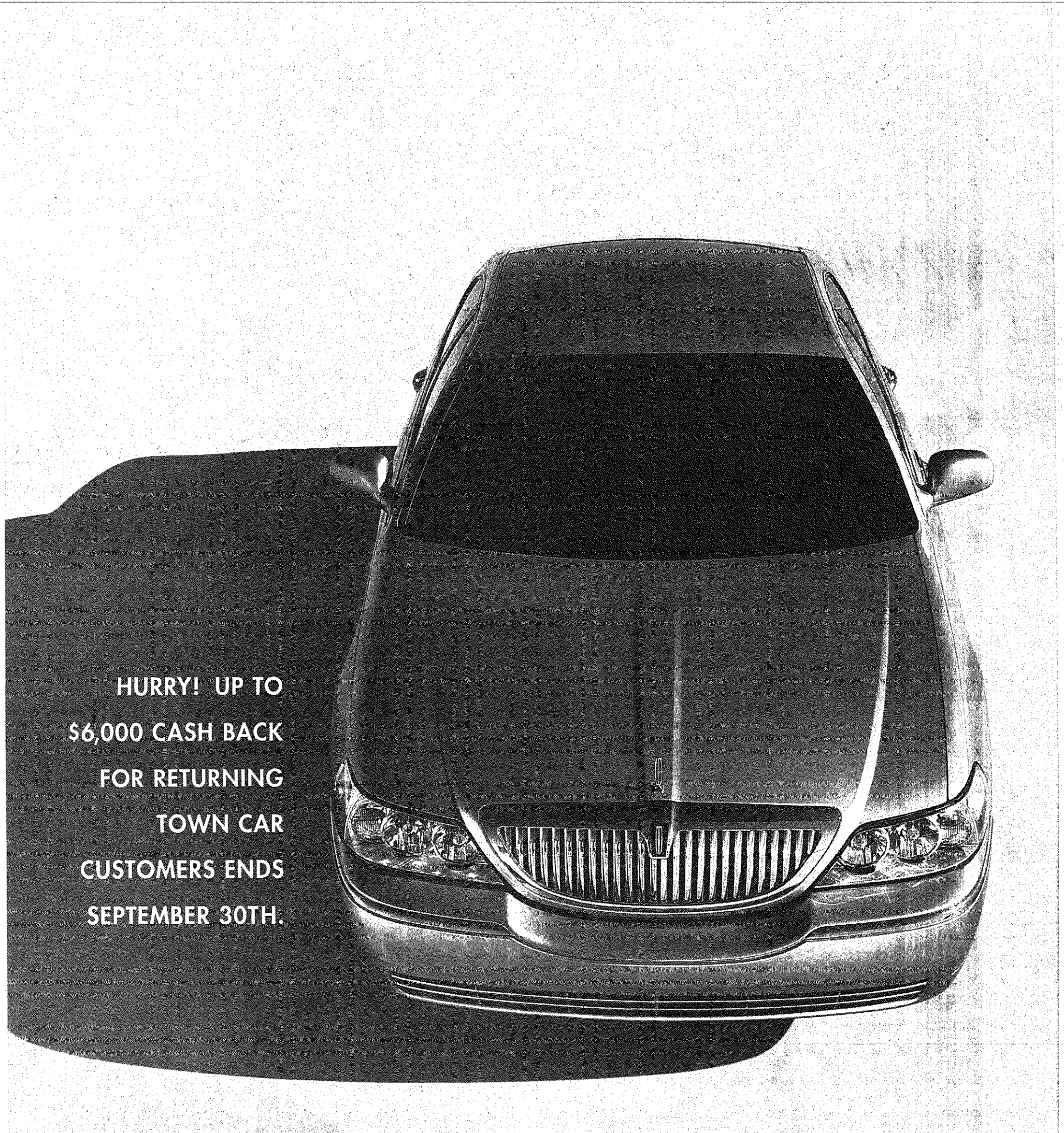

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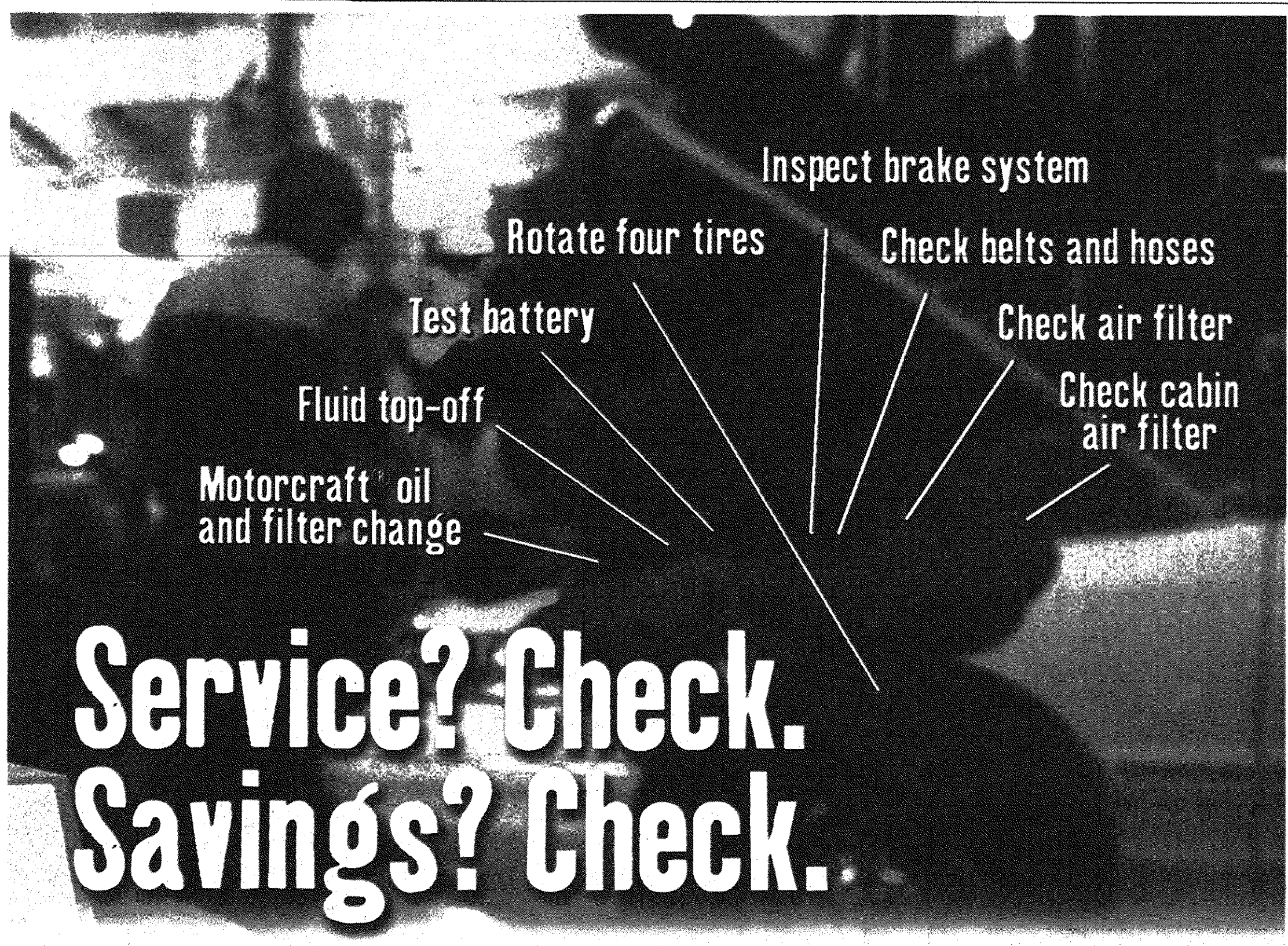

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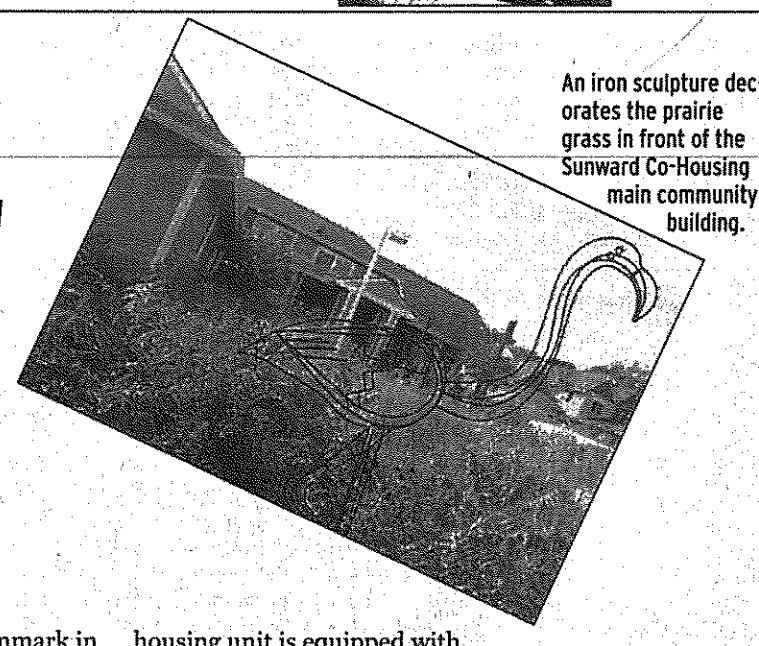

An iron sculpture decorates the prairie grass in front of the Sunward Co-Housing main community building.

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Not everybody wants the white house with the white picket fence.

But the yard work and maintenance that come with traditional home ownership isn't the only reason for ruling out that particular, and quintessential, American dream.

Some are seeking a sense of community they contend is missing in many of today's neighborhoods, as the distance widens between neighbors' front doors in new subdivisions and front porches give way to backyard decks.

Among the alternatives is co-housing where architecture – housing units are configured in close proximity with perimeter parking – and communal space work to encourage interaction.

"Interaction is inspired," said Amy Nesbitt, who lives in an Ann Arbor co-housing community called Sunward.

The first such development in Michigan, Sunward has 40 units and more than 95 residents.

The co-housing concept originated in Denmark in the '60s and took root in North America in the '80s, according Robert W. Marans, professor of architecture and urban planning at the University of Michigan.

To date, there are about four other co-housing developments in Michigan.

BENEFITS

Interestingly, Nesbitt wasn't seeking to live in a co-housing community when she decided to relocate to Ann Arbor. Friends were living in a three-bedroom townhouse there and an extra room was available.

"I was very skeptical," said the 32-year-old booking agent. "And I didn't come for the interaction."

Today, she plans to join friends in buying a unit in one of two co-housing developments planned next to Sunward.

"I always had the fantasy of doing a modern industrial condo or an old Victorian house," said Nesbitt. The benefits of co-housing were enough to change her mind.

"It takes a long time in a traditional housing situation to meet your neighbors. You really have to work at it in regular housing. In co-housing, it's more happenstance. It's very spontaneous."

Other benefits include the convenience of laundry facilities, a gym, a media center and a multi-purpose room in Sunward's common house.

Group meals are prepared for and by residents four times a week; participation is optional, and every housing unit is equipped with its own full kitchen. But many residents, including Nesbitt, appreciate not having to cook every night and the luxury of more free time.

"It's awesome for me," said Nesbitt. "I tool in from work and there's dinner."

Adjacent to the common house dining area is a sitting room with fireplace and two-room play area for children with tables for arts and crafts, beds for naps and storage for toys and books.

Even mailboxes are in the common house as a way to bring together neighbors in conversation and camaraderie.

"That's the key with co-housing – making it easy for people to connect," said Nick Meima, chief founder of Sunward and president of the Co-housing Development Company, which is currently building Sunward's two adjacent co-housing communities.

Already under construction is Great Oak, with 37 units ranging in price from $150,000 for a two-bedroom to $350,000 for a four-bedroom.

Construction on Honey Creek, which will have up to 46 units ranging from $97,000 for a one-bedroom to $350,000 for a four-bedroom, is scheduled to begin in 2003.

PLANNING

Sunward was developed jointly by Meima, seven core founders and the rest of the community's original residents. Resident participation in the planning and building process is often a stated goal of co-housing communities.

Overall development layout also plays a key role in

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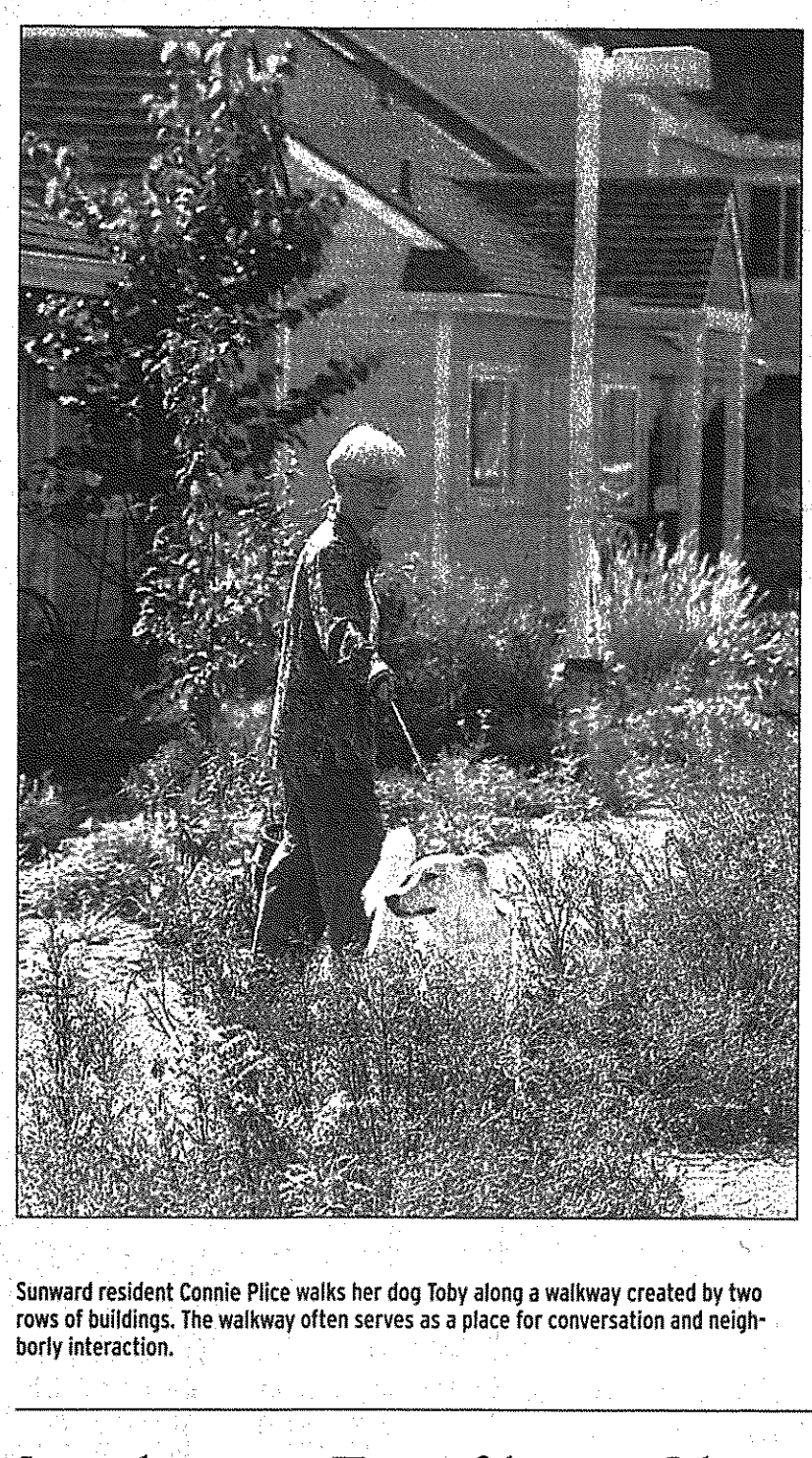
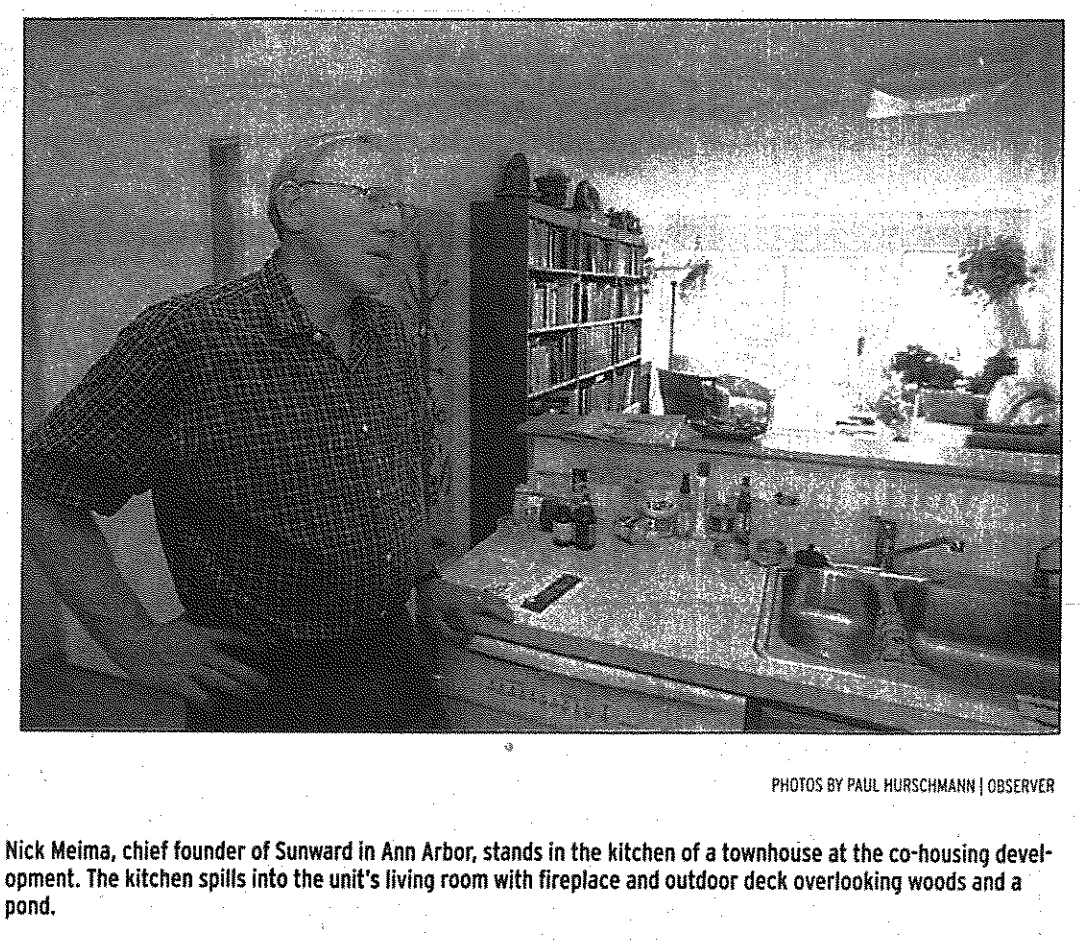


Sunward resident Connie Plice walks her dog Toby along a walkway created by two rows of buildings. The walkway often serves as a place for conversation and neighborly interaction.



Nick Meima, chief founder of Sunward in Ann Arbor, stands in the kitchen of a townhouse at the co-housing development. The kitchen spills into the unit's living room with fireplace and outdoor deck overlooking woods and a pond.

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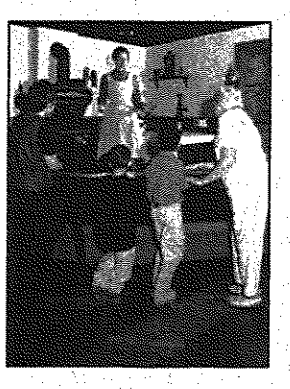
Home arts

Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn has welcomed autumn in a new way this year.

The new program Fall in America, continuing through Nov. 27, includes demonstrations of classic American crafts and home arts inside the museum.

Among these are candle making, printing, spinning, weaving and quilting.



Presentations are also available in the museum's 1890s kitchen exhibit on Victorian housework, foodways and way of life – such as sewing, quilting embroidery and crafts of the period.

Skilled costumed presenters demonstrate knitting dishrags, towels, napkins, tablecloths, penny rugs, quilt pillows and other items.

Make-and-take craft opportunities are offered as well.

In October, a Roadside Stand will be open.

Visitors will be able to buy pumpkins, gourds, corn shocks, preserves, honey, candies and straw to spruce up their homes in celebration of fall.

Agricultural tours will take place on weekends, showing the revolutionary changes in farm machinery in the late 1800s.

Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village is at 20900 Oakwood Blvd. and Village Road.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, closed Thanksgiving and Christmas days. Admission is $8.50 to $13.50, free for under age 5 and members.

Call (313) 271-1620 or visit www.hfmgv.org for more information.

New trade show

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) has announced that the first Builders and Remodelers Expo will take place March 29, 2003, at the Novi Expo Center in Novi.

This new industry-only trade show and conference will feature keynote speakers and educational seminars from The Lee Evans Group of Colorado.

Exhibitors will display products and services for building and remodeling homes.

For information on exhibit space, call (248) 862-1018.

BIA has more than 2,000 professional builder, remodeler, developer and associate members in related industries throughout southeastern Michigan.

It is the fourth largest association of the more than 800 state and local home builders associations that comprise the National Association of Home Builders.

Leelanau Furniture Show opens Oct. 4

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

The Leelanau Furniture Show has become almost as much a part of autumn in Michigan as the beautiful, changing leaves.

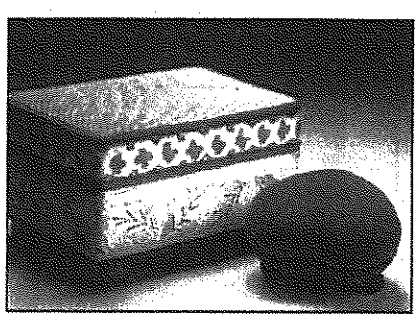
This year's show will take place Friday-Sunday, Oct. 4-13, at the Grand Traverse Cultural Heritage Center in Traverse City.

The event has grown since the first show in 1995.

At that time, 20 artists displayed furnishings they designed.

This year, more than 30 fine woodworkers and metal sculptors will exhibit a wide range of pieces, from rustic to modern, all artist designed and studio built.

The show has become nationally known.



"(Participants) try to do something more than traditional copies of what they had done," said Bill Perkins, one of the exhibitors.

The event returns to the expanded site of the Grand Traverse Cultural Center.

"I think the location and the time of the year (contribute to its popularity)," said Ann Hoopfer, director of the center. "(The artists) just have a reputation."

Other participants will include Larry Fox, Dave Elmgren, Bob Purvis, Paul Paradis, Paul Czamanske, Chip Gadek, Donna Popke, Joe Stearns and Joe Buteyn.

Their works will offer the charm of twig and bark, the sophistication of sleek metal and wood, bright colors and soft shades.

Perkins said the show came about after some area artists had pieces in a furniture show in Philadelphia.

"We said, 'This is a good idea. We should do that,' " he said.

The artists come from northwest Michigan and an area including Grand Rapids and Lansing, Perkins said.

"There's a lot of talent up here," he

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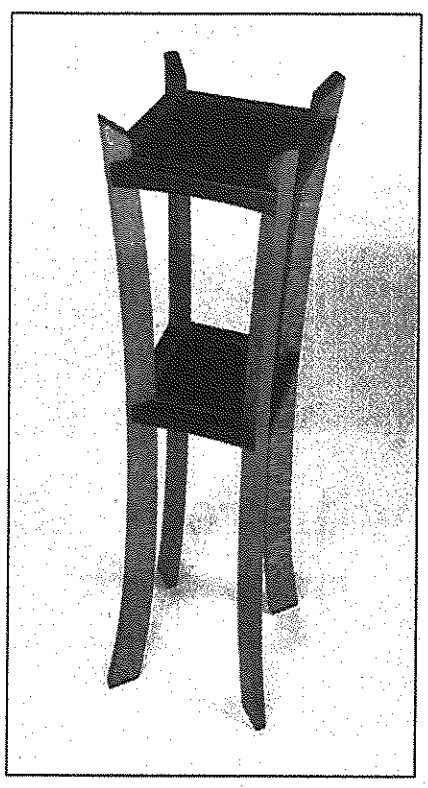
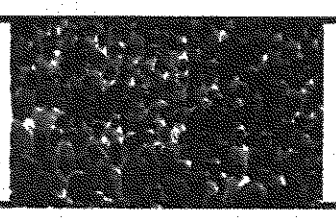


These pieces from last year's Leelanau Furniture Show suggest the wide variety of styles available at the event. Artisans will display their studio-designed furnishings Oct. 4-13 in Traverse City.

If you have one, they will come.



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CO-HOUSING

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achieving the aims of co-housing.

At Sunward, for instance, some townhouses form parallel rows and face one another, creating what Meima calls a "lane."

The setup might be best described as a miniature Main Street, and the idea is to reduce physical distance between neighbors.

"The more physical distance there is between people, the less likely it is that people will interact," said Meima.

Indeed, avoiding one's neighbors would be hard to do, especially if you're sitting on the front porch.

However, Sunward residents seem to view lost privacy and a greater sense of community as a fair trade, said Marans, who led a 1999 University of Michigan study of development.

"What they lost in privacy, they gained in this feeling of community," said Marans.

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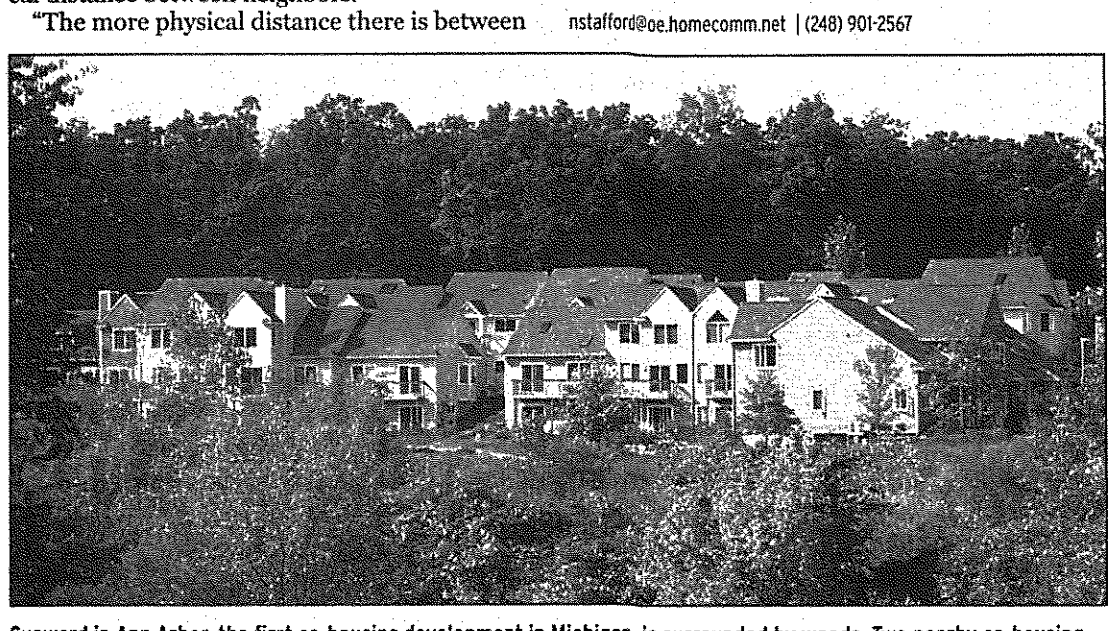
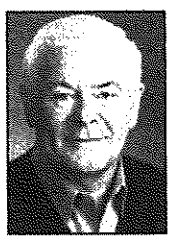


Sunward in Ann Arbor, the first co-housing development in Michigan, is surrounded by woods. Two nearby co-housing communities are planned near the site with one currently under construction.

Remind everyone of vent line dangers



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

The other day I was doing an interview on one of those new satellite radio stations that is heard across the world, and the host of the show asked me for the most important consumer tip that I could possibly give.

I was given three minutes to think about it while the station took a break, but I really didn't need all that time. The clothes dryer vent line always stands at the top of the circle when it comes time for this kind of situation.

The vent line story always bears repeating even around here, because I still talk with people who haven't a clue about the dangers of using plastic or tinfoil vent line.

The vent line story always bears repeating even around here, because I still talk with people who haven't a clue about the dangers of using plastic or tinfoil vent line.

Many years ago when the plastic industry started to capture some of the smartest minds in America, the old-fashioned solid aluminum vent line was pushed aside for replacement by plastic. This new product was easy to work with and could be installed by just about any homeowner.

It became so popular that even the clothes dryer manufacturers included pictures and information in the owner's manual. Every hardware store across America had an aisle dedicated to dryer vent line and the appliance service industry had it in service vans.

CONDEMNED

Now here it is, some 40 years after its introduction, and it is being condemned by the appliance industry as a whole.

The state of Michigan has a law banning its use on clothes dryers, and you don't see pictures of it in the owner's manual anymore. Some retail stores even have signs near the dryer vent line section that tell us plastic isn't recommended for use with clothes dryers.

Let me give you some facts that have prompted this action.

We know that there are a reported 15,000-plus house fires every year caused by clothes dryers. We know that the number not reported to fire departments could be twice as high.

Many people die or are hospitalized due to these fires and the loss of property exceeds many millions of dollars.

The insurance industry classifies the clothes dryer as the most dangerous appliance in the home, and rightfully so. Let me explain why.

DANGERS

Please understand that most fires don't occur because of a fault in the dryer but instead because of improper installation, and by that I mean usually the vent line.

The proper vent line should be solid aluminum, which you can buy at most hardware stores. It comes in 2-foot sections that couple together quite easily. Use a good grade of duct tape on the joints and make sure the complete vent line is secured and not moveable.

It stands to reason that the smooth inner surface of the vent line will allow the majority of loose lint to travel through the line and exit the house.

A vent line that has ribs built into it will certainly help to gather lint inside the vent line. When this happens, even a little bit, more lint will build up until it may become totally blocked.

At this point all of the clothes dryer's internal components will run extra hot. These can be a cause of fire, along with any lint that may actually make contact with the heat source, such as the electric element or the gas valve.

The length of the vent line is also crucial to a safe operating dryer. The total length shouldn't be longer than 16 feet with the use of only two elbows. Too long a vent run won't allow air to move fast enough to remove the lint from the vent line and again help cause a buildup inside.

Cleaning of the vent line every six months is critical no matter what kind is on the dryer.

The message I have to give with this column is the most important thing I have ever done in my lifetime. If you can just take a minute to try to understand why it is so important, your family will love you.

How many homeowners leave a dryer alone while it dries clothes?

Do you ever go to bed or head off to work while it works? Most of us do, and I know that the majority of house fires caused by clothes dryers didn't have anyone around to put it out.

One last thing, please, before you close the door: Tell someone else about this column. You could save a life. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWJ-950 and WXYT-1270. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (248) 455-7281.

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Garden books offer adventure, insight

Summer is winding down; time for us to set aside some time for reading and studying about our favorite hobby.

Timber Press has just released the final two garden books written by Beverly Nichols, the English journalist and gardener who writes with much wit and also gives good gardening advice.

Garden Spot

Marty Figley

His style of writing is "his" as he describes the plants and their importance to him; you can feel his passion. Some of the growing conditions are different from ours, but there is still a lot of good advice.

This prolific writer wrote about many subjects such as religion, politics and travel, and also authored novels, children's stories, books, mysteries and plays.

Look for *Garden Open Today* and *Garden Open Tomorrow* ($24.95 each). You might want to go to the Timber Press Web site www.beverlynichols.com.

ADVENTURE

The same publisher presents *A Cactus Odyssey*, James D. Mauseth, Roberto Kiesling, Carlos Ostolaza ($39.95).

Journey along with these well-informed authors in the wilds of Bolivia, Peru and Argentina as they travel in sometimes perilous conditions to find a particular plant. Their excitement when they make a "find" is translated throughout the book.

This is a true-life adventure story of three men who are enthusiastic about their pursuit. Although this isn't a strictly practical guide to cultivating cacti, they share growing tips based on an understanding of the plants' native habitats.

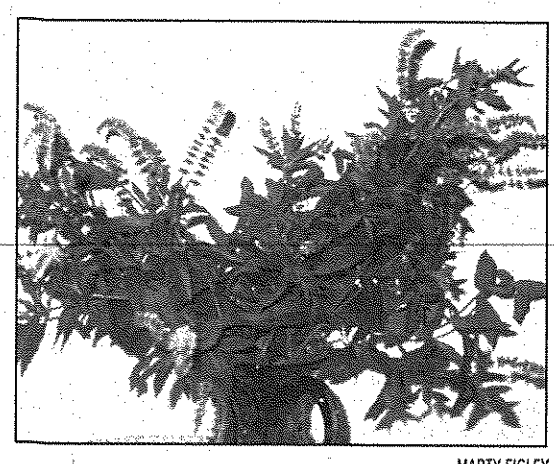
Mints: A Family of Herbs and Ornamentals, Barbara Perry Lawton (Timber Press, $27.95), is the first book to survey the entire mint family (*Lamiaceae* or *Labiatae*).

Lawton shares fascinating history and lore, the uses of mints in health and home, as well as gardening and cooking tips.

Here you will find a surprising number of plants that you might not know are mints: *Ajuga* (bugleweed), *Calamintha* (calamint), *Lavandula* (lavender), *Mentha* (mint), *Nepeta* (catmint), *Ocimum* (basil), *Origanum* (oregano), *Rosmarinus* (rosemary), *Salvia* (sage), *Satureja* (savory), *Teucrium* (germander) and *Thymus* (thyme). And there are more.

Color photos are grouped; nice line drawings help with identification.

Lemon Herbs, How to Grow and Use 18 Great Plants, Ellen Spector Platt (Stackpole Books, $19.95, soft), zeroes in on these lemon-scented beauties. She highlights each one and shares her personal experience with them.



MARTY FIGLEY

Spearmint is one of many herbs featured in this month's book review.

We learn which herbs have lemon scent or flavor, how to use them in various ways such as making tea, their effectiveness in cleaning, and how to make potpourris.

There's a chapter about growing them that includes planning the garden, and how to combine them with other plants, grow them in containers, and make topiaries and standards. Among the craft ideas are lemon garlands, lemon rind cups, and vinegars.

The final chapter centers on cooking with lemons and lemon herbs, preserving and cooking with them.

INSIGHT

Finding God in the Garden: Backyard Reflections on Life, Love, and Compost, Balfour Brickner (Little, Brown, $24.96, paper), is an insightful account written after the death of a beloved daughter. As he worked in his garden, Rabbi Balfour observed nature's abundant examples of order and renewal, miracles and beauty, and he found his faith returning like a garden in spring. He finds beauty and learns the connections between biblical teachings and botanical life.

This is a book to be read slowly and with an open mind, and to share with others.

GOODGARDEN TIPS

■ My Favorite Mums are now available at Frank's Nurseries and some English Gardens stores (call first). My Favorite Mums are in the aqua pots and perform expertly.

■ Before you do any digging for new plants, construction or any place in the garden where there is even a slight possibility of running into utility lines, call MISS DIG at (800) 482-7171. They will come and mark the places to avoid. There is no charge.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

GARDEN CALENDAR

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School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes. Advance registration is requested. Many classes are limited in size and some have pre-requisites. Call (248) 4-GARDEN for information.

The schedule includes these classes taking place at 29429 Six Mile, just west of Middlebelt in Livonia: the four-session Healthy Soil and Wise Fertilizing, beginning Wednesday, Oct. 2 ($124); and Bulbs: Tips on Choosing and Using, Tuesday, Oct. 8 ($39.50).

Rose show

The Fall Detroit Rose Society Rose Show will take place 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Novi Community Center Atrium, 45175 W. 10 Mile, just west of Novi Road (phone (248) 347-0400).

Admission is free. The public may attend.

For details on exhibiting roses and meeting American Rose Society members, call Roman Kwarcinski at (586) 268-5194.

Roses-West

The Roses-West Rose Society will present a program, Misting, Rooting and Budding Roses, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4, at the Novi Community Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile (phone (248) 347-0400). Speaker and horticultural judge Paul Scheel will be featured, along with a social hour with pastries and coffee.

Admission is free. The public may attend. For more information, call Pat at (248) 449-4626.

Old English roses

The Metropolitan Rose Society will meet 7:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4, at the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center, 3500 Marais, east of Crooks and north of 13 Mile.

Loretta LeVasseur will present a talk and slide show on Old English Roses. Admission is free. The public may attend.

For more information, call (248) 689-9529.

African violets

The Michigan State African Violet Society will have its annual Fall Display and Sale Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 5-6, at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 5 and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 6. Admission is free.

Standard African violets, as well as minis and trailers, will be for sale. Gesneriads and supplies will be available. Coffee will be served.

Herb study group

The Evening Herb Study Group of Matthaei Botanical Gardens will have its monthly meeting 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7.

Guest speaker Donna Betterman will present a program on homeopathic medicine. Betterman has a degree in homeopathic medicine, is certified in herbs and practices iridology.

Visitor and guest fee $5.

The group's meetings take place the first Monday of the month at the Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor. For more information, contact H. Leland by calling (734) 459-8454 or e-mail hleland@gcsservice.com.

Chrysanthemum show

The Greater Detroit Chrysanthemum Society will have a chrysanthemum show Friday-Sunday, Oct. 11-13, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington Road.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 11-12, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 13.

Hardy Plant Society

The next regular monthly meeting of the Hardy Plant Society will take place 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7, at Congregational Church of Birmingham, Woodward and Cranbrook Road.

The topic will be What's New from Proven Winners. The speaker will be John Gaydos, director of public relations, promotions and product development for Proven Winners. He has more than 30 years experience in the nursery/greenhouse industry.

Guest fee $3. For more information, call (248) 589-2286.

Winterizing roses

Congress has declared 2002 the Year of the Rose. Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, are celebrating with a series of free programs that will enable Michigan gardeners to succeed with roses.

Each presentation lasts about an hour. Reservations aren't needed. Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow Road, between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) roads in Sumpter Township, just south of Belleville. Call (734) 461-1230 or visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com.

Winterizing Roses, a garden demonstration by the Lindleys that shows techniques to ensure winter survival of all roses, will take place 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 29, or 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 30. (The program will be offered six times because it is so popular; repeated 1 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 6 and 13, and 11 a.m. Mondays, Oct. 7 and 14.)

Bamboo

Saguaro Nursery and Gardens, 470 W. Five Mile in Whitmore Lake, offers a series of free lectures by various garden experts 1-2 p.m. Sundays at the nursery. Reservations aren't necessary. Come prepared to walk. For more information, call (734) 449-4237.

Saguaro Nursery and Gardens owner Richard Tuttle will speak on Hardy Bamboo for Michigan Gardens Sept. 29.

HOME DESIGN CALENDAR

DAADS sale

The Detroit Area Art Deco Society will have its fourth annual sale 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, between 10 Mile and Mount Vernon.

Admission is $3. Dealers specialize in 20th century modern furniture and decorative objects.

The sale will feature antiques and collectibles accumulated by DAADS members, including Deco, Arts and Crafts, '50s, Chase, pottery, aluminum, art glass, vintage clothing, jewelry, handbags, linens, art lighting and small furniture. Proceeds benefit DAADS.

For more information, call (248) 582-DECO.

Book signing

Decorating consultant Jeanine Matlow will sign copies of her new book, *Decorating with Conversation Pieces*, and share unusual ideas for the home 7-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4, at Spare Parts, 33335 Grand River in Farmington.

Stop by to see great displays, gather new ideas and learn how to put everything together. Call (248) 476-3886.

Dragon Tales

Now through Sunday, Oct. 13, while supplies last, all Art Van Furniture stores will give away discount coupons for the Nov. 3 performance of *Dragon Tales Live!* at Cobo Arena. Guests may pick up a coupon offering $3 off $15 and $20 seats, redeemable at the box office or any Ticketmaster outlet.

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'You will always find someone more organized and you will always find someone less organized than yourself.'

Q: I am lacking organization skills in my life. I know that if I were better organized I would have more time and less stress. I need some suggestions.

A: We all travel the imaginary road to organization. Everything you do involves organization and time management. When you get up tomorrow you will have to decide what you will wear, where you will go and when you will leave.

Domestic Planner

Diana Koenig

Everyone is at a different location on this organization road. You will always find someone more organized and you will always find someone less organized than yourself.

There is no beginning or end to this road; it is a continual journey.

As you travel this road it is important to educate yourself in the area of organization. This will equip you to deal with your endless "To Do" list.

■ Establish routines for all household tasks such as laundry, yard work, housecleaning and grocery shopping.

■ Make a list of things you need to do. Compile a daily, weekly and monthly list. Using a written list will help you stay focused, and motivate you to continue as you check completed items off the list.

■ Discipline yourself to stay focused and complete each task.

■ Delegate tasks to other family members. Don't try to do everything yourself. Teach your family to pick up their own messes and to help you with additional chores.

■ Control the amount of time you spend on the Internet, on the telephone or in front of the television. Time spent in these areas will consume your time at a rapid pace.

■ Use a timer to control your time and stay on task.

■ Use a calendar to write down appointments, social activities and meetings. Do a daily calendar check to make sure you don't forget these important engagements.

■ Schedule a daily paper time to sort and file. This includes bills, children's papers, notes, newsletters and magazines.

■ Do things ahead of time. Lay out clothes and start lunches the night before. Buy gifts ahead of time. Make sure you have all the supplies you need before you begin a project.

■ Don't overbook yourself with volunteer work.

■ Keep a list of things you need to maintain on a routine basis. Your car needs things like oil changes, and belt and filter replacements. Your teeth need cleaning and your body needs a yearly checkup. Your pets need shots and visits to the veterinarian. Your furnace needs new filters.

■ Find a place for every item in your house and make sure that when an item isn't being used, it is returned to its home.

■ Open every drawer, cabinet and closet. Remove and donate items you never use.

■ Schedule regular time each week to devote to organization.

■ Above all, wear a smile and strive for a happy home.

If you haven't traveled very far on the organization road, you will need to change some habits and budget your time very carefully. Apply the tips above and your journey will be less stressful and more organized.

Today's refrigerator bulletin: "Organization skills are a life-time education!"

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New forms insulat concrete walls

Insulated concrete walls are a new and exciting building method. Insulated concrete forms (ICFs) make these walls possible and just may change the way foundations and living spaces are built. I had the opportunity to see ICFs used for the foundation of our most recent Habitat home.

Ask Dad

Harry Jachym

Most basements in our area are poured concrete. If you haven't seen one being built, wooden forms are erected, usually using a crane. The concrete is poured between the forms and the following day the forms are removed. The ICFs, on the other hand, stay in place, becoming part of the wall.

ICFs resemble huge, hollow LEGO blocks made from foamed plastic. Just like LEGOs, ICFs interlock as they stack into the shape of the foundation. Once in place, the voids in the ICFs are filled with reinforcing steel and concrete. The result is a strong, well-insulated concrete wall.

There are many advantages to using ICF walls. Probably most significant is the insulating value. Most ICF systems have R-values in the 20s with some manufacturers claiming as much as R-40.

They can be built by just about anyone with basic carpentry skills, common hand tools and some concrete experience.

ICFs aren't just for foundations. They are being used right up to the roof. The poured concrete creates a continuous air barrier for less air infiltration.

They also provide greater thermal mass buffering the interior from outdoor temperature extremes. This means great energy savings.

Along with the energy savings, which the ICF manufacturers are saying can be as much as 50 percent, these walls are substantial noi barriers. In addition, conc walls have proven track records for security and ability to withstand the wi damage.

Like just about all new building products, the acpt- ance of ICFs will take tim Many building officials sn't sure how new products into existing codes. Of cours the manufactures are quick publish data about how their products conform to the codes.

Further, contractors are notoriously resistant to change. They are used to working with existing materials and methods. They also have a great deal invested in tools, often making change expensive.

Probably the greates resistance to using ICFs for all construction is the cost factor. At present, the cost increase of an ICF house will cost around 4 per cent. Since this figure comes from ICF manufacturers, it is likely on the low side.

What is true, however, is that this is a one-time cost and the energy cost savings stay with the house. The costs of most building materials, especially wood, continue to climb, where the cost of concrete has remained relatively stable over the past 10 years.

Using ICFs for the foundation only actually saved us about $500 over conventional methods on the Habitat house.

For more information on insulated concrete forms I recommend these sites: www.forms.org and www.ICFWeb.com.

Harry Jachym, a licensed builder, teaches construction trades to high school students and is the general contractor for Habitat for Humanity, Western Wayne County. Since we all seem to ask our fathers for repair or remodeling advice, Jachym writes Ask Dad, a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident.

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Modernism show, gala slated

Great Lakes Modernism, a new show and sale benefiting the Detroit Area Art Deco Society, will showcase vintage 20th century decorative and fine arts.

The show will take place Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 19-20, at the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen at 10 Mile. Admission is $8, good for the duration of the event. Hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 19, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 20.

The DAADS, Jacques Caussin of Pontiac, and Dolphin Promotions Inc. have joined forces in launching the new show

An early buying preview and gala to benefit the DAADS is scheduled 7-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18.

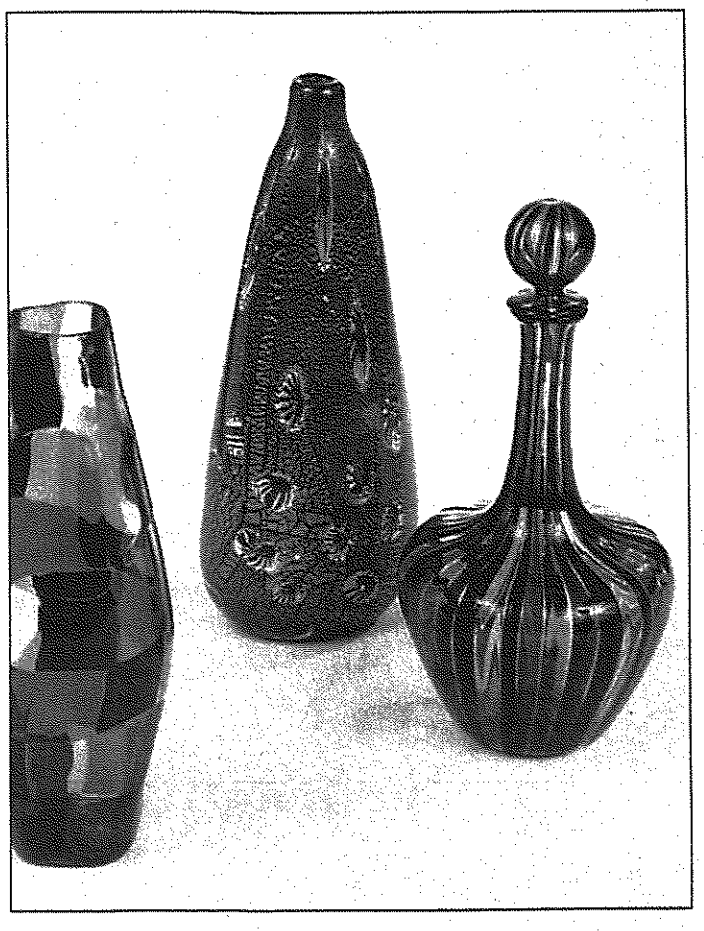
It will feature the Satin Dolls performing tunes from the '30s, '40s and '50s, and hors d'oeuvres, desserts and wine provided by Toast of Ferndale.

Preview tickets are $60 in advance, $70 at the door, and include readmission to the show all weekend. Tickets are available by calling (248) 582-DECO or at area stores and galleries, including Artspace II, and David Klein Gallery in Birmingham; Decades in Plymouth; Hersh's in West Bloomfield; Knightsbridge Antique Mall in Northville; Paintsmart in Walled Lake; Antiques on Main, and Deco Doug in Royal Oak; Lemberg Gallery in Ferndale; and Retro Image in Dearborn. For more ticket information, visit www.daads.org.

The show will feature 70 exhibitors from 11 states, Canada and Europe presenting antiques and decorative arts from Art Nouveau, Mission, Art Deco, Bauhaus, Streamline, Art Moderne, '50s, '60s and other periods.

A wide range of unusual 20th century design items will be represented, including furniture, lamps and lighting, art glass, porcelain, bronzes, jewelry, watches, paintings and prints, pottery, silver and books.

The DAADS will host a special display presentation, Cranbrook: Modern by Design, showing works by famous alumni such as Eames, Bertoia, Saarinen, Gregory and Grotell. All featured pieces will come from Cranbrook or private collections.



A new show and sale, Great Lakes Modernism, is coming to Southfield next month.

LEELENAU

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said. "It's nice to do this show specifically for furniture."

The Leelanau Furniture Show opens with a reception 6-9 p.m. Oct. 4, featuring entertainment and a sampling of regional specialty foods and wines. Admission is $5.

Admission to the rest of the show is free.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

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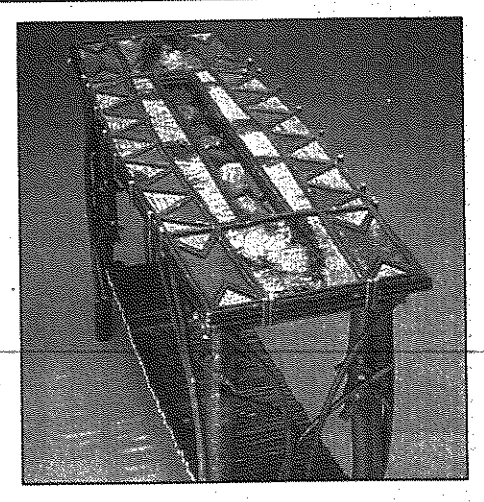

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Life Lines

Cathy Standish

The Code of Criminal Couture

Sometimes I wonder who sets the fashion for our country. There are days I cringe when walking into a mall, seeing styles I wore 30 years ago as a high school student. Styles are set and fashions are followed.

Fashions trends seem to work that way in every segment of society, old and young, law abiding and criminal.

In the criminal society the fashion is very easy on the budget. For in the criminal society the fashion doesn't involve the purchase or wearing of a shirt.

I began to notice this trend after the third season of watching "COPS" on TV. Criminals in all parts of our country being arrested, mugging for the camera in all of their shirtless, beer-bellied, tattooed glory. Often you would find the "perps" lying face down on the pavement, balancing a 250-pound officer on the back with nothing at all between their skin and the officer's uniform.

Cuffed, hauled to their feet, the truly stylish criminal strikes a pose — belly covered in gravel, tattoos blazing and mugging for the camera. But you have to look quickly; they're going to be shoved into the squad car for a trip to the pokey.

Fifteen minutes of shirtless fame: Priceless.

Won't Mom be proud?

I bet some Mom somewhere was really proud last week as her shirtless son and husband stormed the baseball field at Comiskey Park and pummeled the first base coach for the visiting Royals. Father and son dutifully followed the criminal dress code to a tee. Attired from the waist up only in body art, and in fashionable pants from the waist down, this debonair duo showed all of America what style is all about.

There must be a law.

I can read the fine print now in the book of Criminal Couture.

"While perpetrating criminal activities and/or acquiring ill-gotten gains, removal of the shirt is imperative. Failure to remove said shirt will result in dismissal from the underworld of crime."

Removal of pants is optional, if I remember my "COPS" right.

Going shirtless is, indeed, a trend, according to Officer Seipenko of the Plymouth Township Police Department.

"This seems to run only in the summer months in Michigan," he said the other day, perhaps a little relieved since there was a hint of fall in the air, "and the shirtless look is typically alcohol related." Alcohol! Imagine that!

Winter's closing in. Officer Seipenko and the good guys on "COPS" will have the benefit of winter to keep the criminal clothed. Those officers in warmer climates aren't so lucky. The shirtless look never goes out of fashion there.

But in Milan, New York and Paris, those hooligan trendsetters are hard at work, setting next year's fashion. Until then you can only wonder what those style-setting ruffians will (or won't) be wearing next.

And we thank our lucky stars that shirtless never goes out of style.

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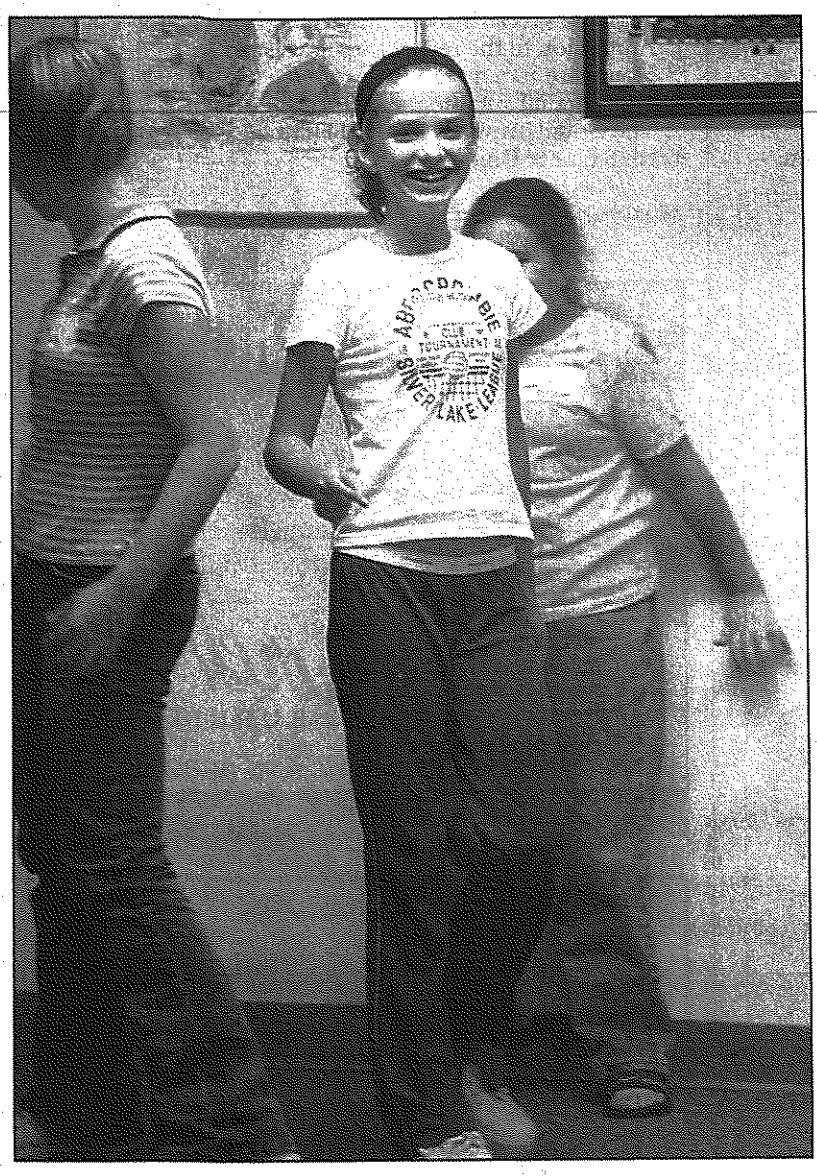
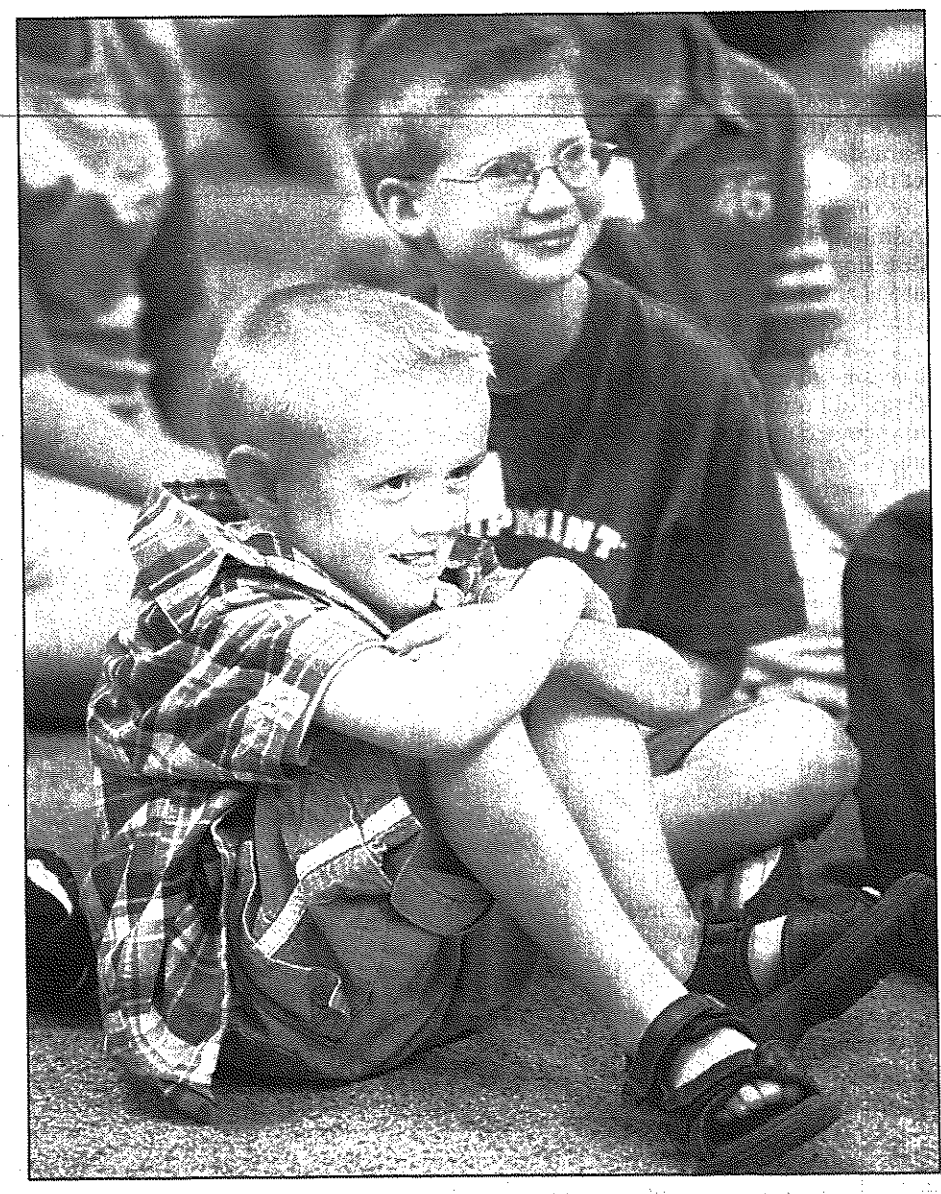


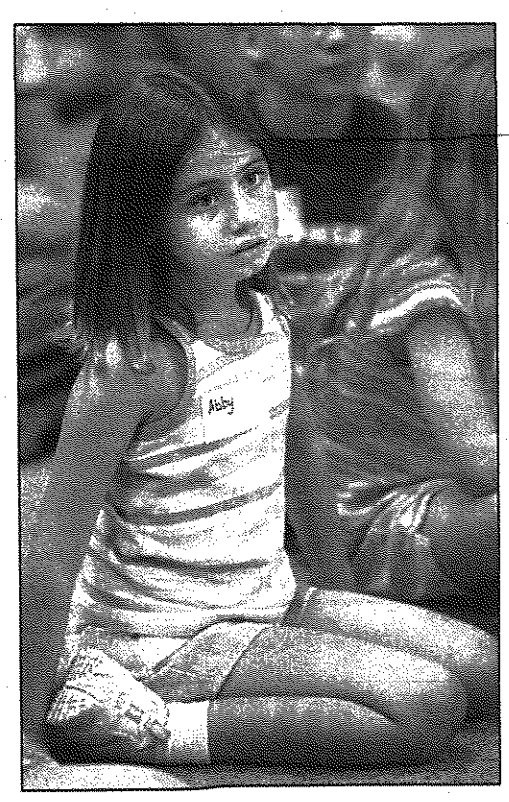
Mollie Williams of Canton, 12, runs lines with her group during auditions last week.



Jake Scott of Plymouth, 7, watches as other children audition.

Whistle Stop is 1st stage stop

Young actors take first steps toward stardom in PCAC troupe



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Abby Rice of Canton, 8, watches auditions with the Whistle Stop Players.

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

In Jennifer Tobin's mind, there's a simple explanation as to why nearly 100 kids showed up last week to audition for the Whistle Stop Players, an acting troupe for youngsters sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

"We *think* kids want to be attorneys, scientists, space explorers and chemists. But, then I saw how many kids came and I thought 'You know what? Girls still want to be a princess and guys still want to be a prince,'" Tobin said.

One of the girls in attendance announced she *didn't* want to be a princess.

"Then you can be the ugly old woman, which is the part *I* would pick," shouted back Tobin with a laugh. "It's fun just to go back to a fairy tale."

The Whistle Stop Players begins its ninth season at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, with an hour-long performance entitled Grimms' Gorgeous Girls; a re-creation of original plays that includes Sleeping Beauty, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Goldilocks and the Three Bears plus Twelve Dancing Princesses, vignettes weaved into one play. Students will perform at schools in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

Actually, the script isn't even written yet. "The kids will make it up because they are *so* creative," said Tobin.

"It can be an old-fashioned fairy tale, or put in modern times, or maybe a comic opera. It's all in here," she added, pointing to her head. "*You're* going to be the creators."

Tobin held two auditions last week, though that may be a misnomer because "everybody gets in, no sweat." She encouraged kids, ranging in age from 5-14, to get on stage and give their best shots at saying a line or two to break the ice, playing happy and sad, and posing like a prince or princess. For most, there were few inhibitions.

"I just love acting. When I grow up I want to be an actor, or a farmer's wife," said Andrea Fisher of Dearborn Heights, who signed up to play a king. "I just like to pretend I'm someone else, and don't have a brother."

Fisher auditioned at the PCAC because there wasn't an available program near her home. "Dearborn Heights doesn't have a program during the school year, so I got on the Internet and found this program," said Michelle Fisher, Andrea's mom. "I see a smile on her face, so it's a good sign."

Samantha Daugherty, 11, is a Discovery Middle School student who proudly said this was her third audition for the Whistle Stop Players.

"You get to have fun and act," she said. "I do skits with my friends for my family."

Her mother, Michelle, envisions a career in acting for her daughter. "We make home movies with the video camera and we put them on the big screen TV," said Michelle Daugherty. "She's going to be the next American Idol."

While the Whistle Stop Players *is* fun and games, Tobin and her crew

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Local man defends animal rights on the street

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

The boys ran away with guns in hand after shooting a dog with BB guns. Jack McNellis chased after them.

"I remember watching my dad and thinking what a hero he was when he stood up for that animal," Jim McNellis said.

The shooting happened decades ago when Jim was a young boy, but he remembers his father's bravery, he said. Jack McNellis, died years later.

When Jim McNellis was in his 20s, a situation occurred where he witnessed an animal being killed for meat.

"It was so brutal, the animal was in so much pain," he said.

Fast forward to present day:

Jim McNellis is 39 and loves fine dining, The Red Wings and good movies. He lives in Westland and works for the Canton Recreation Department. He's in graduate school for public administration and holds degrees in psychology, liberal arts and English. He lives with three dogs and three cats, all rescued.

And he's a vegan. He neither eats nor wears any animal bi-products — from leather to dairy. He doesn't eat fish or chicken and his girlfriend is a vegan too. He urges others to do the same.

"I couldn't justify something dying so I could eat," McNellis said. "I made a connection with animals."

His mission is video activism. Recently McNellis converted a white van into a high-tech, rolling, information vehicle. On both sides are large video screens that show graphic footage of the killing process in the meat, poultry, dairy and fur industries. He also shows footage of circus elephants and tigers being struck with steel rods and fists.

His goal is to teach others about the benefits of vegan diets, he said. The American Cancer Institute and American Heart Association both endorse them. He also works for the animals' sake, he said. His van can been seen in downtown Rochester, Birmingham, Royal Oak, Plymouth, Canton, Detroit and any other city with pedes-

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In addition to the videos, Jim McNellis displays different pictures on his van, such as this fox in a trap.

PCAC

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of student directors make the experience real, asking each actor to stand up, give their resume (usually name, age and school) and say a line or two so Tobin and her crew can get a feel on how to cast each actor. Tobin said she has high expectations of her young thespians.

"If I don't expect anything of you, you won't give me anything," she told them. "When I expect a lot, you give me more.

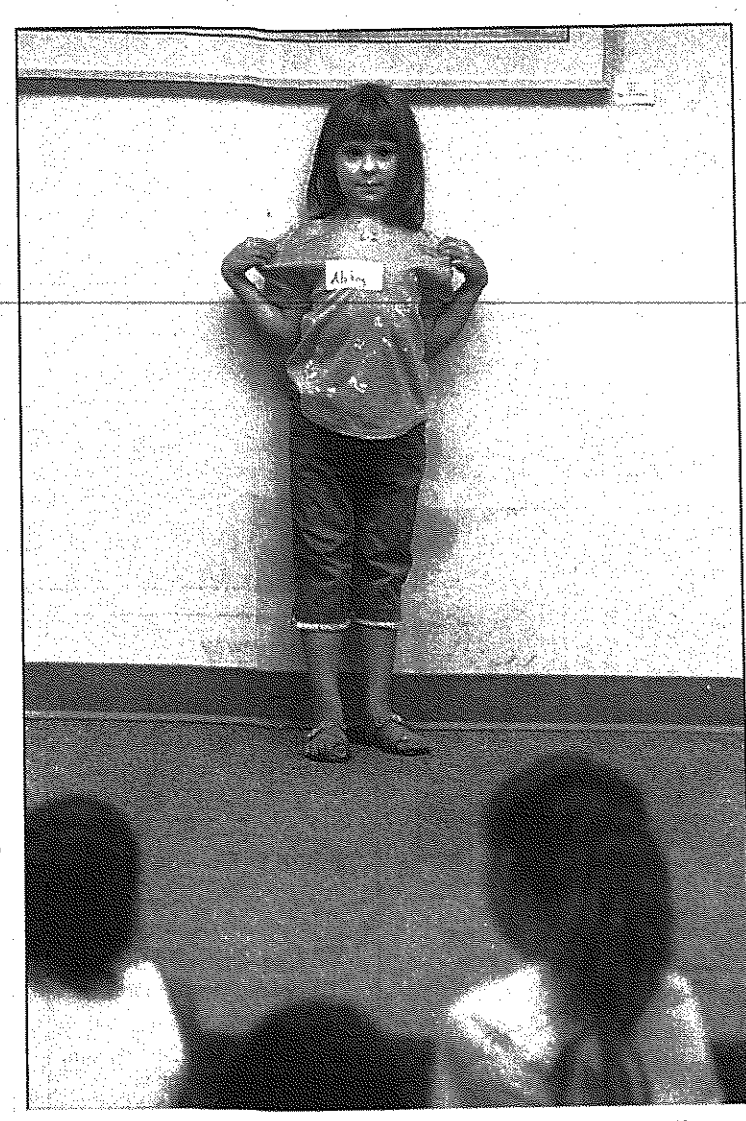
"You get better every time you do it. Experience is everything," added Tobin.

Tobin's staff of student directors includes Patti Nelson of Canton who, like some others, is a former Whistle Stop Player herself.

"I was in the first show we did when I was in third grade," said Nelson, 16, now a Canton High School theater student. She remembers being in A Winnie the Pooh Christmas Tail. "I was a rabbit. I had a costume made out of a sweatsuit and ears, and I got to sing and dance."

Nelson said going back to the PCAC is a way to give back to young actors.

"This is where I got my start," said Nelson, whose dream job is to be an actress in New York City. "I want these kids to have the same opportunities I did. It's a great experience."



Abby Harris of Canton, 5½, shows her anxiety as she introduces herself.

For Tobin, it's also about spreading the word about the arts.

"Arts about doing them, and then, you appreciate them," she said.

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trian traffic.

"People don't want to be preached to," he said. "They want honesty. The videos are completely honest."

THE FACE OF CHANGE

McNellis said he cares for humans as much as animals. It's what the whole animal rights movement is about, he said.

"With vegetarianism, people are initially concerned about their health," he said. He sites statistics from Dr. Robert Cohen, a physician who speaks against dairy consumption nationwide for health reasons.

Cohen will speak on the subject of dairy and health on Sept. 28 at at the Michigan Federation of Humane Societies Conference at Webber's Inn in Ann Arbor at 8:30 a.m. The event is open to the public at $30 with a vegan lunch. McNellis will be there with his van.

The biggest misconception is that his work is about loving animals or choosing animals over humans.

"It's about animal rights, human rights and the environment," he said.

And he cites recent USDA statistics that say Americans spend more than $12 million per year on dieting – enough money to end world hunger twice over.

CAPACITY TO SUFFER

While McNellis' compassion toward animals is deeply rooted, he knows that he must be able to win debates and answer questions with courtesy and evidence. Years of research helps him, he said.

Some argue with what McNellis calls the "might makes right" philosophy.

"The philosophy essentially says that one can dominate and oppress simply because they have power over those who are less fortunate. This is contrary to everything we're taught in school and from our parents. This same argument was used to justify slavery, ignore women's right to vote and deny African-Americans their civil rights."

IT'S GETTING BETTER

Just a few weeks ago, the Windsor, Ontario government voted to ban all circuses with animals from its city. McNellis played a role on behalf of the elephants and expects progressive, family- oriented cities to do the same in Michigan.

Burger King, Ruby Tuesdays, Bennigans and Red Robin all offer fantastic veggie burgers, he said.

"I believe that within a hundred years, humans will look back at our current treatment of animals with the same outrage and horror they look at human exploitation."

Artist Leonardo Di Vinci said the same thing.

McNellis welcomes comments and questions from the public and can be reached via e-mail at aveganman@yahoo.com

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Town Hall series opens with TV comedy star Vicki Lawrence

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

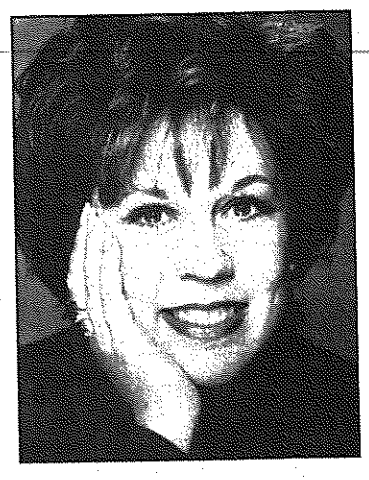
What started as a fund-raiser for foreign exchange students 39 years ago has evolved into an organization with 425 members that continues to raise money for non-profits through its popular luncheon-lecture series.

Kudos to the Livonia Town Hall Lecture series, which opens its 39th season Wednesday, Oct.9, with much-loved comedienne Vicki Lawrence, who began her career on the now legendary *Carol Burnett Show*.

"Big names do draw," said series president Dee Dee Dittmar, who, along with a six-member selection committee, often works through several New York talent agencies.

Although the Lawrence appearance is a sell-out, the 2002-2003 season is just beginning, said Dittmar. Future headliners include:

- Nov. 20 – Steven K. Hamp, president of Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village. During his 20-plus years at the venerable institution, Hamp has been involved in every aspect of programming, collections and business.
- Jan. 15 – Devin Scillian, anchorman on Channel 4, WDIV-TV (NBC). Scillian is the author of A is for America. He recorded a companion CD, for which he wrote all the songs. Scillian first publication was a children's book, Fibblestax; a second, One Nation, will soon be released by Sleeping Bear Press.
- March 19 – Andrew Laurie Stangel is one of America's most celebrated art historians. He will take his audience on a guided tour through one or more of the world's great art collections, including the Louvre in Paris, the National Gallery and the British Museum in London, the Vatican Museums in Rome, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, and the National Gallery of Art in Washington D.C.



Vicki Lawrence

FAVORITES

Dittmar, who missed just three lectures during the series entire history, said she used to keep her daughter home from school to baby-sit younger siblings so she could attend the lectures.

"I considered it my time," she said.

Throughout the years, she has had favorite lecture guests – like actor David Niven, who was a guest in her home after his appearance.

"We asked him if he wanted to go out for dinner and he said, 'No, I'd rather watch the baseball game.' He was exactly the kind of person in real life as he portrayed on the screen."

Dittmar also recalled a particular anecdote about Dr. Joyce Brothers, the psychologist with the famous blonde page boy who appeared on many syndicated television shows.

It seems Brothers' polyester dress refused to be tamed of its static cling, and as she walked out on state her dress clung to her legs and showed her slip.

Brothers was nonplused and continued her lecture.

Other favorites included consumer advocate Esther Shapiro – "You couldn't believe someone who talks about consumer rights could be so funny" – and the hawkish fashion commentator Mr. Blackwell – "Funny, charming and complimentary."

Dittmar, the series longest running president, doesn't plan on missing any more lectures.

"I really enjoy listening to these speakers, finding people who offer such different aspects of living. It's really fun to say, 'Oh yes, I've seen him.'"

All luncheon-lecture series begin 10:30 a.m. at the St. Mary Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia.

For additional information, including costs and reservations, contact Dee Dee Dittmar at (248) 474-7213 or Emily Stankus at (734) 420-0383 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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NEW PATIENTS WELCOME

Latter-Day Saints sponsors genealogy project

The Family History Center at the Church of Jesus Christ of latter-day Saints is sponsoring a Molecular Genealogy Research Project to gather information for a worldwide family tree on Oct. 11, 2002. The event will be held 6-9 p.m. at the Family History Center, 37425 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills.

Molecular genealogy uses DNA samples from volunteers to create pedigrees based on genetic markers. Participants will be asked to complete a four-generation biological pedigree chart, and experienced phlebotomists will draw approximately 8cc of blood for DNA marking. The process will take less than 10 minutes. Participants must be at least 18 years old.

Using genetic information and documented pedigrees (family trees) from volunteers, the Brigham Young University Molecular Genealogy Research Group (MGRG) will determine the genetic composition of major populations throughout the world. To produce an informative database the study will use information from more than 100,000 people and at least 500 populations from all over the world.

Genes passed from generation to generation are unique to specific populations, class or tribes. Information from this study can be used to resolve "blocked" genealogy where information in incomplete or missing due to lack of records. This information can also be used for peoples that do not have traditional name-based genealogies. There are many implications for genealogical and medical program in the future that will result from this study.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has the largest collection of genealogical information in the world. Their Web site, www.FamilySearch.org, contains approximately 35.6 million lineage-linked names and an international Genealogical Index containing 600 million individuals.

For more information on the MGRG please visit their Web site at http://molecular-genealogy.byu.edu.

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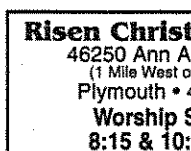

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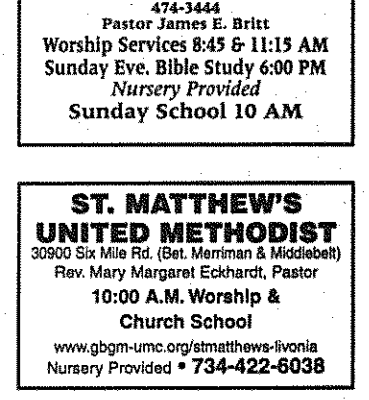


There is great gain in godliness with contentment; for we brought nothing into this world, and we cannot take anything out of this world; R.S.V. 1 Timothy 6:6-7

Nazarene Church to host legends in gospel music

Singer and songwriter Dottie Rambo, a Grammy Award winner and member of the Gospel Music Hall of Fame, will share her talents during "The Legends of Gospel Music" concert 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at the First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty Road, Northville (just north of 8 Mile Road).

From Morganfield, Ky., to behind the Iron Curtain to the greatest concert halls and churches, Rambo has stood on stages throughout the world and proclaimed the gospel of Jesus Christ in song. She has over 2,500 songs to her credit.

"My grandfather was a Baptist minister and I got my gift of music from him. The first time I knew I had this special gift was at the age of eight. I was sitting by a little brook I used to visit when I was young. I just started singing something out loud that I never heard before.

"The melody and words came to me so fast it scared me. I ran home to tell my mother and find comfort from her. Mama began to quiz me seriously about what had happened at the brook and then she began to cry. She explained that my grandfather's gift of music had been passed on to me, and she also realized that I would go through both good and bad experiences because of it.

"She told me something that I have held onto all my life. She said, 'Dottie, honey, you will pay a dear price for the anointing that the Lord has placed upon your life. Guard it well."

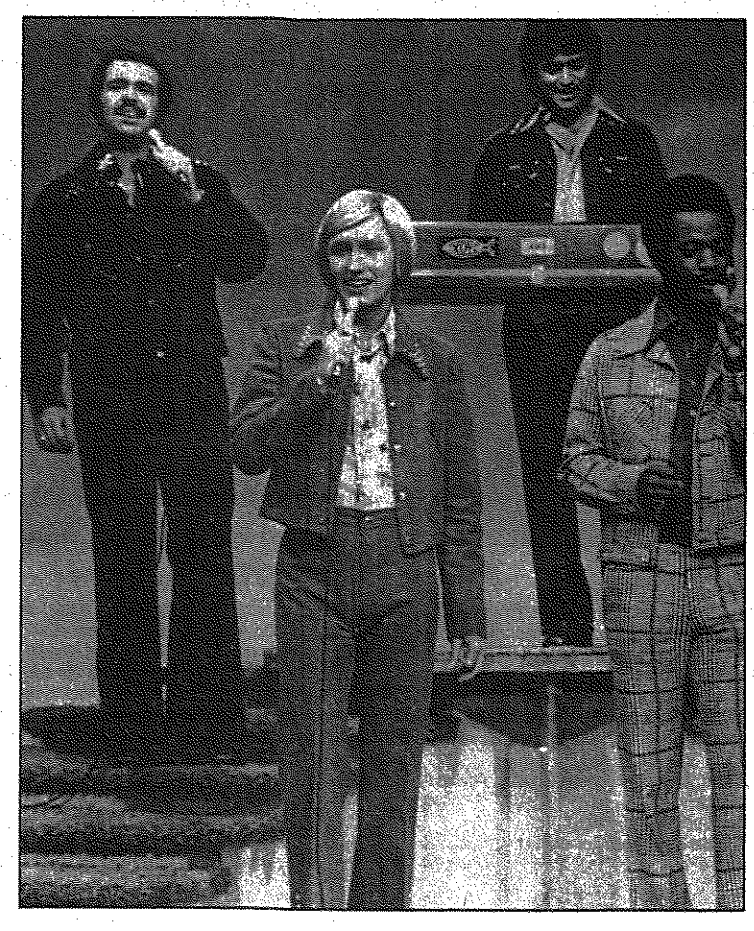
With more than 70 albums to her credit – including five solo recordings and others with artists such as Elvis Presley, Whitney Houston, Sandi Patti, Johnny Cash and Vicki Winans – she was awarded "Songwriter of the Century" by the Christian Country Music Association.

In addition to the Grammy, Rambo has received multiple Doves and most recently a Lifetime Achievement Award from the ASCAP Foundation.

She was inducted twice into the Gospel Music Association's Hall of Fame.

Also appearing with Rambo are members of the Imperials, a popular group from the 1970s, the New Speer Revival, and The Martin Family, recording artists since the 1950s.

For more information, contact Jim Martin at (313) 382-5200 or fax: (313) 389-5254.



The Imperials from the 1970s: Jim Murray and Joe Moscheo in the back, Terry Blackwood and Sherman Andrus in front.

Dottie Rambo

RELIGION CALENDAR

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar fax it to (734) 591-7279 or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150. The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

EVENTS

Special sermon
The Church of Christ hosts guest speaker Dr. Gary Blake for a special sermon at 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 29. Blake, married for 43 years with five children and five granddaughters, will talk about "What Do You Do When You Don't Know What to Do?" Dr. Blake is a licensed professional counselor with a private practice in Kansas City, Mo.

A new beginning
St. John Family Center in Plymouth will host "Beginning Experience," a weekend away for people who are divorced, separated or widowed. Experience hope and healing for those who wish to let go of the painful past and build a more peace-filled, joyful future. Endorsed by the Archdiocese of Detroit. Call Jan (586) 992-0306 or Maureeen (313) 937-8320.

Coffee time
Trinity Presbyterian Church in Plymouth hosts "Coffee for the Soul," from 7:30-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18. It's an evening of drama and music, both humorous and thought-provoking. Enjoy specialty coffees, cappuccinos and lavish desserts. Tickets are on sale at Trinity for $2. Child care available. Trinity is located at 10101 W. Ann Arbor Road at Gotfredson in Plymouth Township. Call (734) 459-9550 for details.

Blood drive
The Red Cross will operate a blood drive at St. Edith Parish, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia, 1-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, in the church hall. Walk-ins welcome. Call (734) 464-2027.

Blood drive
The Red Cross will operate a blood drive at Lola Park Lutheran Church, corner of Kinloch and Graham (next to Western Country Club) in Redford 2-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24. Call (313) 532-8655 or (734) 981-7587. Walk-ins welcome.

Life Chain
Join members of Memeorial Church of Christ to walk in the annual Life Chain of Metro Detroit to protect the unborn and their mothers. Meet at 1:45 p.m. at the church, 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Designated walk is on Middlebelt Road from Jamison (two blocks south of Five Mile) to Seven Mile. Call (734) 464-6722.

Rock on!
Cross Walk Community Church, 38600 Palmer Road, Westland, will host "Crimson," a modern Christian band ready to rock your soul to salvation, 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 29. Pizza served after the concert. A $2 donation requested. Call (734) 721-5545.

Classics concert
Ward Presbyterian Church presents Carole M. Halmekangas, director of music ministry, in her final doctoral recital for the University of Michigan, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27, at 40000 Six Mile Road (at Haggerty), Northville. Ms. Halmekangas will play the "Music of the French Masters," assisted by a brass ensemble. Reception follows. Call (248) 473-5500.

Dinner/dance
In honor of National Alcohol & Drug Addiction Recovery Month, Mom's Miracle Home, Inc. requests the honor of your presence at an Italian dinner and dance 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at St. Priscila Catholic Church, 19120 Purlingbrook Road, Livonia. Cost is $25. Call Denise at (313) 213-HOPE.

Revival
Community Free Will Baptist Church, 33031 Cherry Hill Road (1/2 block west of Venoy Road), Westland, will hold a revival Sept. 29-Oct. 2. Rev. Paul Ange of North Carolina will conduct the meetings. The services begin at 6:30 p.m. Sunday and at 7 p.m. during the week. Call Pastor Jimmy Lawson at (734) 721-9040.

Ladies seminar
Morning Star Ministries, 28563 Pardo, Garden City, presents "A Fresh Start in a New Era" 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19. Cost is $15, including continental breakfast, lunch, pampering area, Biblical message, special music and a goody bag. Call (734) 367-3029.

Clothing sale
Northwest Suburban Mothers of Multiples will hold its annual fall/winter clothing sale 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at Our Lady of Loretto Catholic Church, corner of Beech Daly and Six Mile, Redford. Over 30 tables of children's items. Bake sale. Admission $1 for adults. Call Amy Wolfe at (313) 331-8317.

Dinner/auction
St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile Road, Redford, will host a Heavenly Harvest Auction/Spaghetti Dinner beginning 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28. Tickets are $6 for adults. Children 10 and under are free. Call (313) 534-7730.

Harvest festival
The Women of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 13542 Mercedes, Redford, invite the public to their first Harvest Festival and Turkey Luncheon beginning at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1, in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is $7. Call (313) 538-2660.

Harvest dinner
Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, invites the public to a Harvest Dinner 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26. Enjoy a special presentation by the Howell Nature Center and some of its "special" residents. Food and fellowship. Call (734) 421-7620.

Parenting seminar
Clarenceville Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia, will offer a six-week video series by Dr. Kevin Leman, *Making Children Mind Without Losing Yours*, 6-7:15 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6, 13, 20 and Nov. 3, 10, 17. Suggested donation of $5 for workbooks. Call (248) 474-3444.

Seminar
St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia, will sponsor an informational seminar, "Why Orthodox Christianity?", noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28. Lunch and childcare provided. Register by Sept. 20. Call (734) 422-0010.

Marian Rally
Join the Felician Sisters for a "Marian Rally," a public prayer service and pilgrimage honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Felician Sisters Provincial House, 36800 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. The Eucharistic Liturgy will be celebrated at noon with the pilgrimage beginning at 1:30 p.m. Call (734) 591-1730.

Music ministry
Enjoy the "New Wind Ministries" of Bill and Carolyn Pentecost 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, and 9-11:45 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 29, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Continental breakfast 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call (734) 464-0990.

Crop Walk
Do those stretches and get ready for the Michigan Church World Service CROP WALK 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Members from all area churches invited. For information on other area CROP WALKS, call the CWS hotline at (800) 297-1516, ext. 111 or visit www.church-worldservice.org.

Strong man
Come see Anthony Clark, "The World's Strongest Man," and his amazing feats of strength and testimony 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25, at United Assembly of God, 46500 North Territorial, Plymouth. Call Pastor Jason Rising at (734) 453-4530.

Orchard Lake Schools
A fashion show of Polish ethnic costumes is one of the highlights of the 33rd annual Ladies Day Gala put on by the Orchard Lake St. Mary's Ladies Auxilary 4-10 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9, at Burton Manor in Livonia. The benefit for SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary, St. Mary's College and St. Mary's Preparatory includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, raffles, dinner, and a drawing of six grand prizes. Tickets are $100-$150. Call (248) 683-0411.

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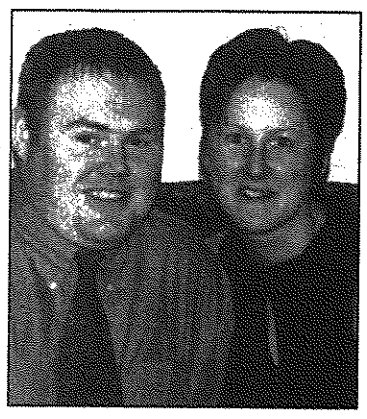
Wright

James and Daisy Wright, formerly of Livonia celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary on Aug. 24. More than 55 family members and friends celebrated with them at a dinner reception held at Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth.

The couple were married Aug. 24, 1927, in Walkerville, Ontario. James retired from A & P Company as a produce sales manager after 47 years of service and Daisy is a homemaker. They have resided in Daytona Beach, Florida, the past 29 years. James and Daisy have two children, the late Robert (Bette) of Birmingham and Stanley (Patricia) of Livonia; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Coulter-Overbey

Antonia Coulter of Amherstburg, Ontario, announces the forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Kimberly Ann Coulter, to Brian Paul Overbey of Livonia.

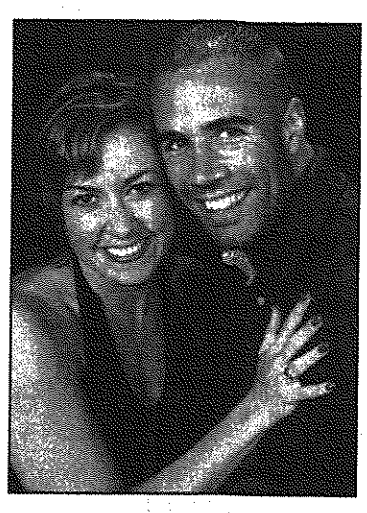


The bride-elect is a graduate of St. Clair College, Windsor, Ontario. She is employed at Dupont Automotive of Troy.

Her fiancé is the son of Patricia Overbey (and the late Bruce Overbey), of Livonia. He is a graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed at Dupont Automotive of Troy.

The couple are planning an October wedding at Greenfield Village in Dearborn.

DeLuca-Block



Jennifer Kathryn Block and James Robert DeLuca were married Aug. 31 at the Marriott at Centerpoint in Pontiac. The Rev. Rhonda Sparks performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Block of West Bloomfield. She is a 1988 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and is currently employed as a human resources director with Wyndham Hotels and Resorts.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James DeLuca of West Mifflin, Pa. He is a 1989 graduate of West Mifflin High School and a 1993 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh. He is employed in the criminal justice field.

Attending the bride were Matron of Honor, Barbara Vess, and bridesmaids, Jennifer Valentine, Jennifer Boughey, Amy DeLuca, Melissa Kusibab and Patricia Salisbury.

The Best Man was Scott DeLuca, and groomsmen were Jeff Esper, Tracy Schumann, Robert Engel, Thomas Collins and Bryan Delisio. The couple spent their honeymoon on a cruise to Bermuda. They will make Perrysburg, Ohio, their new home.

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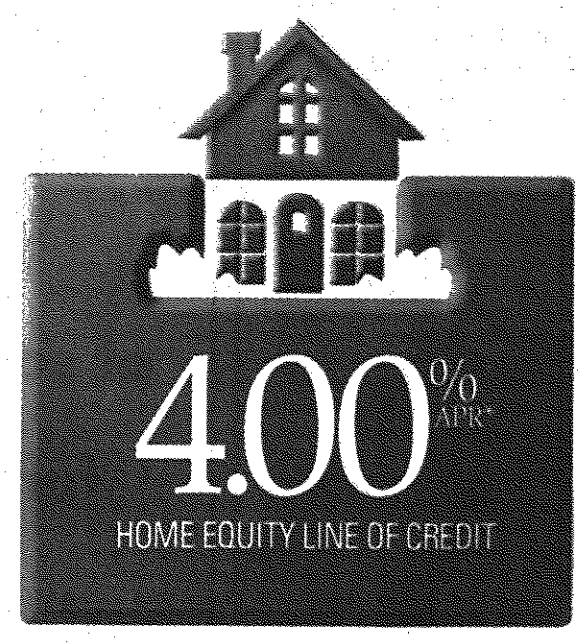

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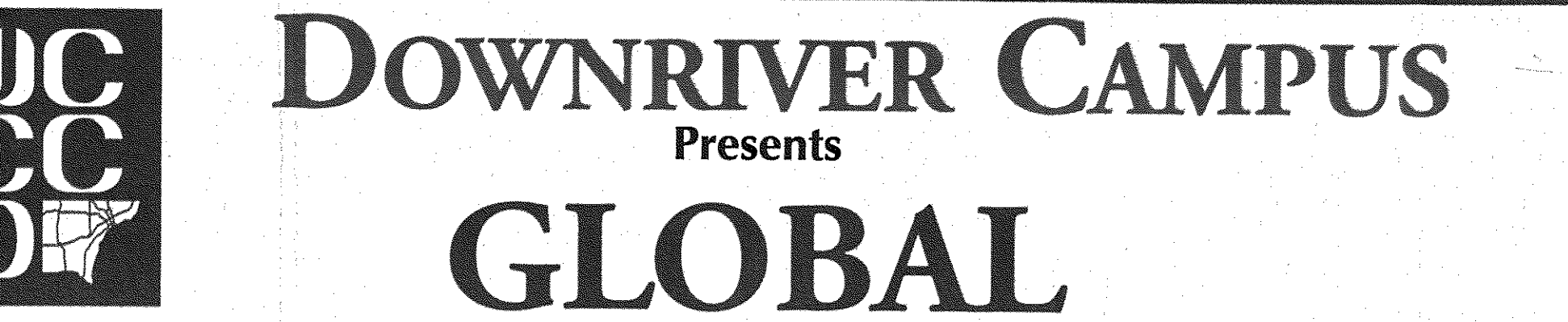

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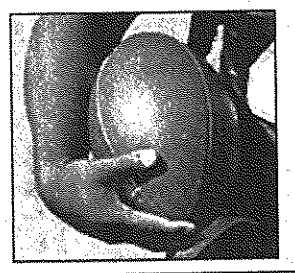

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Dailies

Tops in soccer

Matt Gallagher, a freshman midfielder for Indiana Tech's men's soccer team and a Plymouth Christian Academy graduate, was named Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference player of the week.

Gallagher scored two goals and assisted on another to lead the Warriors to a 4-1 triumph over Bluffton College. He followed that by collecting two assists in Tech's win over Taylor Upland.

His two-goal, three-assist performance helped the Warriors improve to 2-1 overall. His goals were the first of his collegiate career.

Volleyball's best

Madonna University swept the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference's volleyball honors for last week, with Shelley Stanton collecting the player of the week award and Natalie Sayre earning setter of the week accolades.

Stanton, a senior outside hitter, helped the Lady Crusaders post a 5-0 record for the week, including four-straight wins at the Palm Beach Atlantic tournament. She had 92 kills, 49 digs, seven solo blocks and four block assists for Madonna.

Sayre was equally effective, finishing with 131 set assists (an average of 8.7 per game), 46 digs, 12 kills and eight service aces as the Crusaders swept through the five matches without losing a single game.

Going strong

Allison Mills, a sophomore midfielder for Albion College's women's soccer team and a Canton HS grad, continues to play a pivotal role in the Britons' strong start. Albion is 6-1 overall and 1-0 in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, beating league rival Olivet College 2-0 and St. Mary's (Ind.) College 4-2 last week to extend its winning streak to four-straight.

Mills accounted for one of the goals in the victory over Olivet, giving her a team-best six for the season. She leads the Brits with 13 points in seven matches.

Hockey tryouts

Canton HS hockey tryouts are scheduled for 3-4 p.m. Oct. 28-30 at the Arctic Edge Ice Arena. Salem HS will have its hockey tryouts from 7-8 p.m. Oct. 28, 5-6 p.m. Oct. 29 and 6-7 p.m. Oct. 30 at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

A sports physical must be on file with the school's athletic department prior to the tryout dates. Teams for the 2002-03 season will be selected Oct. 30.

Cost for tryouts is $30 for all three sessions. On Monday, Nov. 4, there will be a mandatory Parent's Meeting for Salem and Canton team members at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Coaches wanted

Canton HS is looking for junior varsity and freshmen-level softball coaches. Experience is necessary.

Resumes and references should be sent to: Sue Heinzman, athletic director, Canton HS, 8415 Canton Center Road, Canton, MI, 48187.

For more information, call Ms. Heinzman at (734) 416-2925.

Canton near-perfect in shutting out Western

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

The weather delay only delayed the inevitable, as far as Canton was concerned.

The Chiefs were primed and ready to go after Walled Lake Western on Friday. The Warriors were the team that ended Canton's season last year, upsetting them in the state football playoffs after the Chiefs had beaten them soundly during the regular season.

"We were pretty ticked off," said Canton coach Tim Baechler of Friday's cancellation. "We really wanted to play."

FOOTBALL

The Chiefs didn't lose any of that determination when they finally arrived at Western Saturday night. Four first-half touchdowns staked them to a 27-0 lead and they never let up, ripping the Warriors 35-0.

The win gave Canton a 3-1 record (Western's 1-3) as it heads into yet another game against one of the Western Lakes Activities Association's best teams. The Chiefs play at unbeaten Livonia Stevenson Friday.

The lopsidedness of Saturday's victory was certainly unexpected. "I kinda thought the same thing," said Baechler. "We just played really, really well. That's the best football I've seen in my 11 years of coaching. We were near perfect."

And in all phases of the game — offense, defense, special teams. Canton opened the game with a 12-play drive that culminated with a 21-yard Dave Nicoloff-to-Devin Thomas scoring pass. It was the second key pass play of the drive; earlier, facing fourth-down-and-7, Nicoloff connected with Travis McKinney on a screen play that gained 9 yards.

The Chiefs' defense then did its part, forcing a three-

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Savitskie sparks Salem

Kevin Savitskie assisted on one goal and then scored three-straight in the first half to lead Salem to a 7-0 triumph over Westland John Glenn in a Western Lakes Activities Association soccer match Monday at Salem.

SOCCER

The Rocks improved to 8-4 overall; they are 2-0 in the WLAA's Lakes Division.

Matt Wielechowski got Salem's first goal, with Savitskie's assist. Two of Savitskie's three goals were assisted by Brian Popeney, with Steve Shull also getting an assist.

In the second half, Chris Conlisk scored from Andy Brown; Steve Gizicki scored from Popeney; and Popeney got a goal from Ryan Fazio. Popeney finished with a goal and three assists.

Jeremy Boothroyd was in goal to gain the shutout, his third of the season.

Unfortunately, the Rocks' Shull suffered a high ankle sprain during the match. He'll be lost for about a week, Salem coach Ed McCarthy estimated.

Canton 2, W.L. Western 1: The Pat Zemanski-Ryan Busse tandem was in good form Monday at Walled Lake Western.

Zemanski scored a goal with four minutes left in the first half to give Canton a 1-0 lead at halftime; Busse assisted. Then with

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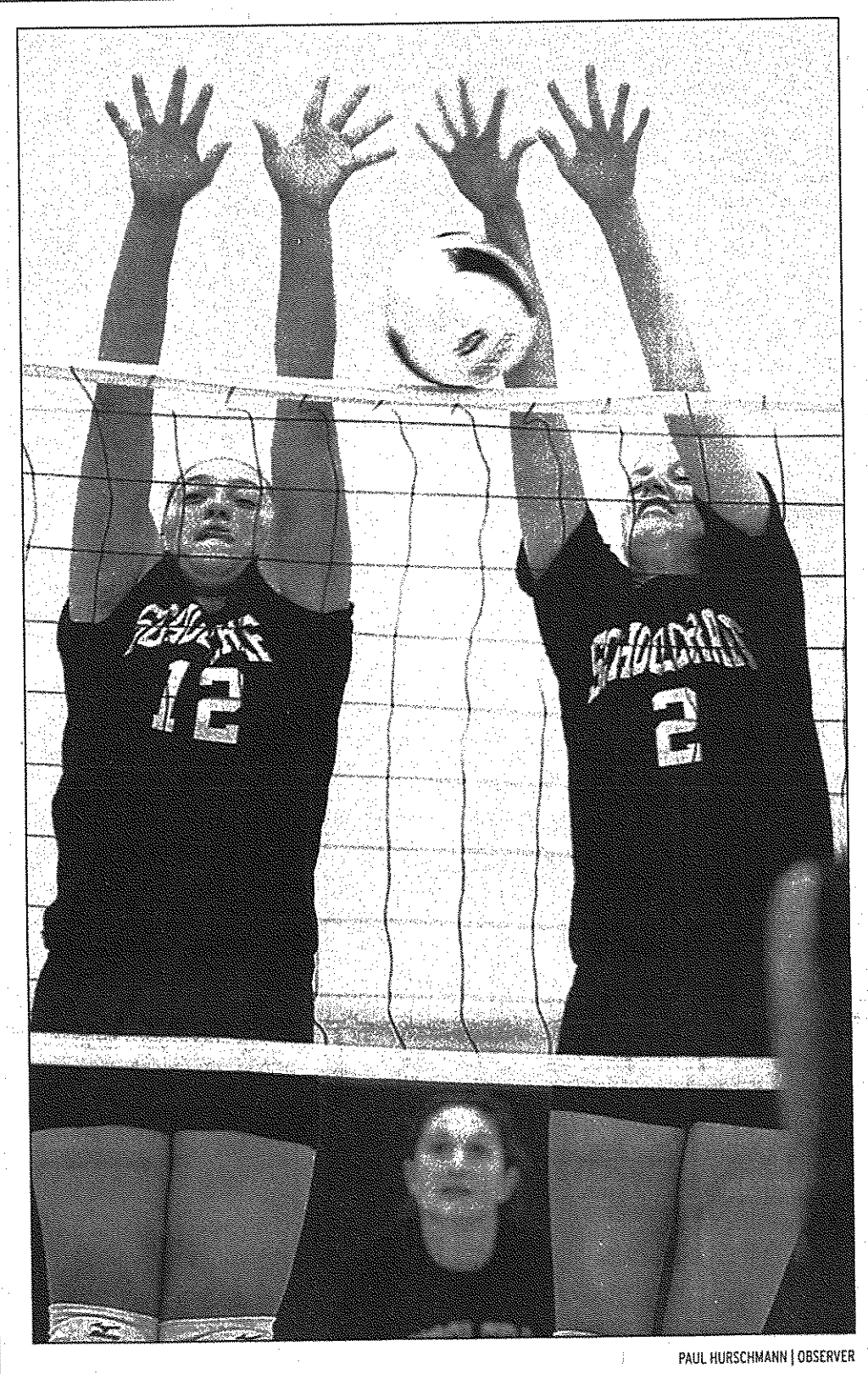

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Schoolcraft's Katrina Napier (No. 12) and Kerstin Marshall (No. 2) deflect a shot at the net against Henry Ford Community College.

Ocelots handle Hawks

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

What more could Tom Teeters ask for than a team he can continually tinker with?

Which is what he is doing, even as Schoolcraft College's volleyball team approaches the midpoint of its season. On Tuesday the Lady Ocelots hosted Henry Ford CC in what was expected to be a challenging match. It wasn't; SC handled the Hawks easily, rolling to a 30-14, 30-23, 30-23 victory in this Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference match.

The Ocelots improved to 7-0 in the conference; they are 21-9 overall.

What Teeters liked best about the match was that it allowed him to change his lineup, alter his setup, finagle his formation. In other words, tinker.

"We're still searching for ways to optimize the talent we have," he said after the win. "We knew we could go to a 5-1 setup at the end of the third game and take a look at it. This gives us a direction.

"We've got to come up with something that allows us to utilize our talent better."

For much of Tuesday's match, Teeters used a two-setter format with Ioana Vescan and Desiree Betts. Vescan finished with 25 set assists, Betts with 16. Each of them also had three service aces.

SC's superior size resulted in a solid attack, led by Holly Soldenski with 15 kills (a .542 kill percentage) and Carly Szajnecki with 10 kills (.467). Stephanie Koslowski had seven kills, Katrina

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Agape jolts state-ranked Lancers

One might think Canton Agape Christian has had its share of big-time basketball victories — and it has, particularly over the past two seasons. But few can match Tuesday's 38-35 triumph over Auburn Hills Oakland Christian in a game played at Discovery Middle School.

"This is one of the biggest games we ever won," said Agape coach Chuck Henry. "We had never beaten them before."

Oakland Christian was ranked ninth in Class D coming into the game, but the Wolverines never allowed the Lancers to take the lead after opening a 9-6 lead after one quarter. Agape expanded it to 18-13 by halftime and to 30-22 after three quarters.

"They made a run at the end and cut (the lead) to one," said Henry. But with :30 left to play, Lisa Ther knocked down a jumper to increase Agape's lead to three, and that's how it ended.

The Wolverines improved to 8-1 with the win. Oakland Christian fell to 5-2.

Amy Henry was, once again, the offensive catalyst for Agape, scoring 20 points. Ther added 16 as the twosome accounted for all but three of the Wolverines' points. A.J. Creps grabbed 13 rebounds.

It was much the same for the Lancers. Cali Crawford poured in 16 points and Becky Quinn added 10, the two of them totaling 26 of their team's 35 points.

PCA 35, A.P. Inter-City Baptist 20: Plymouth Christian Academy put the defensive skids on Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, and the result was a lopsided win for the Eagles Tuesday at PCA.

The win boosted the Eagles' record to 2-4 overall, 1-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Inter-City slipped to 5-3 overall, 0-2 in the MIAC.

"They had a really tough night shooting the ball," said PCA coach Annie Malcolm. "We played a zone most of the game and they couldn't handle it. And we did a great job rebounding. They were not getting any second shots."

The Eagles' defense was so effective that it allowed the Chargers just one field goal in the first three quarters. For the

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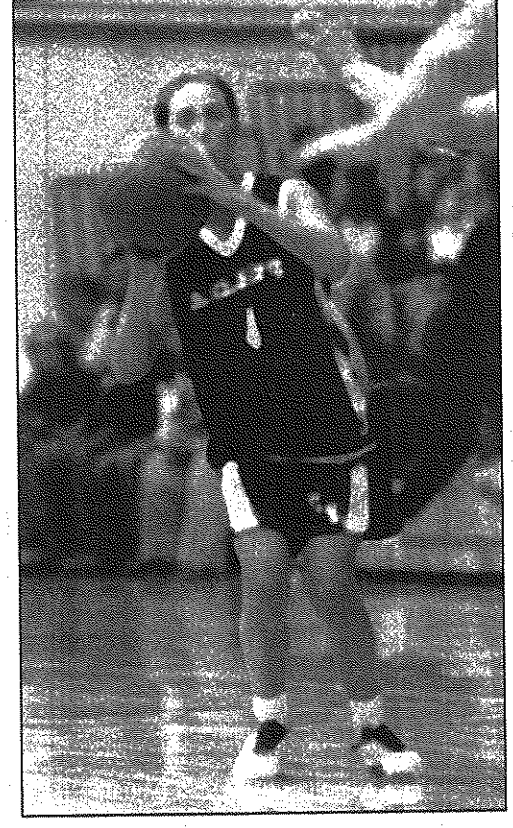

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Amy Henry led Agape with 20 points in the Wolverines' upset victory over Oakland Christian Tuesday.

Power play carries Erie past Plymouth

The Plymouth Whalers knew that with so many new faces in the lineup, it might be a while before they got into sync. Opening the season at home Saturday against the defending Ontario Hockey League champion Erie Otters didn't make the adjustment any easier.

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And experience certainly was a factor. The Otters, who also have a lot of key players to replace, scored a pair of power-play goals in the first period and goalie Adam Munro made them stand up as Erie blanked Plymouth, 2-0.

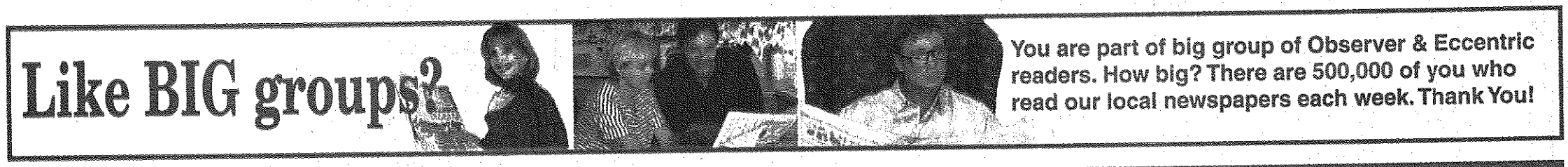
Michael Blunden opened the scoring for the Otters, scoring a power-play goal at 10:28 of the first. Brad Bonello and Mike Rice assisted.

Rice made it 2-0 with the second power-play score with just 1:07 left in the first period; Bonello and Chris Campoli assisted.

Munro was perfect in goal, stopping 28 Whaler shots. Paul Drew had 20 saves for Plymouth.

The difference was easy to see: Erie was 2-for-7 on the power play; the Whalers were 0-for-9.

Plymouth has two home games this weekend, hosting Barrie on Friday and Guelph on Saturday. Both games begin at 7:30 p.m. at Compuware Ice Arena.



Stevenson simply too much for Salem

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Unbeaten Livonia Stevenson racked up 38 first-half points and shut down Salem's veer attack to earn a 45-7 football victory Saturday afternoon over the host Rocks at Centennial Educational Park.

Stevenson is now 4-0 overall and 3-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. The loss drops Salem to 1-3 and 1-2.

The Spartans held Salem to 88 total yards, 80 on the ground in 28 attempts. The Rocks completed just one pass in eight attempts.

The game was postponed from Friday night due to threatening weather.

"The whole setting was kind of surreal coming back to play late in the afternoon," Stevenson coach Tim Gabel said. "We were not crisp offensively. Big plays and turnovers got the ball rolling for us.

"Our defense carried the play. They were outstanding because they gave us short fields. We didn't have that many yards (244) for the amount of points we scored."

FOOTBALL

The Spartans went without leading ball carrier Matt McCowan, who sat out the game with a high ankle sprain suffered in a 24-19 win the week before against Walled Lake Western. He is expected back in the lineup for Friday's clash at home with Canton.

A Dan Dinardi 37-yard punt return set up Jeff Lajda's 26-yard field goal with 8:13 left in the first quarter to give Stevenson a 3-0 lead.

Salem then fumbled on its own 14 and the Spartans took advantage as Kevin Domingo scored on a 4-yard touchdown run with 6:05 left in the first quarter.

Senior linebacker John Rehberg then picked off a Salem pass and raced 30 yards for a TD later in the quarter to give Stevenson a 17-point lead.

In the second quarter, Jim Spiker recovered a fumble at the Salem 37 and seven plays later, Bill Williams scored on a 2-yard TD run with 11:57 in the half.

Junior Dave King, who led the Spartans with 87 yards in 10 carries, then scored on a 67-yard touchdown run with 10:09 remaining until intermission.

Domingo added his second TD of the half with 1:05 remaining on a 2-yard run set up by quarterback Brian Alpert's 57-yard pass to Rehberg.

"We got some breaks early and it snow-balled," Gabel said. "We got outstanding play from Hady Rahman at end, along with our linebackers Jeff Hollandsworth and Rehberg. Spiker also played well defensively and Lajda did a good job coming in to play at corner (back)."

In the third quarter and under a running clock (35-point mercy rule), Stevenson scored its final TD when Spiker picked up a Rock fumble and ran 17 yards for a score.

Lajda's fifth straight extra point made it 45-0 with 7:24 left in the third.

Salem averted the shutout with 9:19 to go in the game when Mike Kerul scored on a 2-yard run followed by Alex Enright's extra point.

Stevenson had 177 yards rushing in 36 attempts. Alpert was two of four passing for 67 yards.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 27

W.L. Central at Salem, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
W.L. Western at Franklin, 7:30 p.m.
Canton at Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Northville, 7:30 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Luth. East, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Clarenceville at Holy Trinity, 1 p.m.
Redford CC at Country Day, 7 p.m.

PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Sept. 26

Canton at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Salem, 7 p.m.
Agape at Hamtramck, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at St. Clement, 7 p.m.
Churchill at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Northville at John Glenn, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 27

Ply. Christian at Roeper, 7:30 p.m.
Divine Child at Ladywood, 7 p.m.

PREP BOYS SOCCER

Thursday, Sept. 26

Greenhills at Agape, 4:30 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 27

Agape at Ply. Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Redford CC at U-D Jesuit, 4 p.m.
Baptist Park at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.
Churchill at A.A. Pioneer, 5:30 p.m.
Thurston at John Glenn, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Troy at Canton, 12:30 p.m.

PREP BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, Sept. 26

WLAA city meets at Cass Benton, 3:45 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Grosse Ile Invitational, 9:30 a.m.
Sterling Heights Invitational, 10 a.m.
Haslett Invitational, 9:30 a.m.
Centerline Invitational, 9:30 a.m.
Alpena Invitational, 10 a.m.

PREP GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, Sept. 26

WLAA city meets at Cass Benton, 4:20 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Grosse Ile Invitational, 9:30 a.m.
Sterling Heights Stevenson Invitational, TBA
Falcon Inv. at Cass Benton, 10 a.m.
Centerline Invitational, 10 a.m.
Alpena Invitational, 10 a.m.

PREP GIRLS SWIMMING

Thursday, Sept. 26

Canton at Northville, 7 p.m.
Churchill at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
Franklin at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 27

Western Wayne Inv. at Wayne, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Salem Rock Invitational, noon.
Western Wayne Inv. at Wayne, 1 p.m.

PREP BOYS GOLF

Thursday, Sept. 26

Salem vs. W.L. Central at Edgewood, 3 p.m.
W. Wayne Inv. at Huron Meadows, 9 a.m.
Redford CC vs. Divine Child at Dearborn Country Club, 4 p.m.
Ply. Christian vs. Greenhills at Leslie Park, 4 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 27

John Glenn vs. Wayne (Fellows Ck.), 2:45 p.m.
Churchill at W.L. Western, 3 p.m.
Franklin vs. Canton (Hilltop), 3 p.m.
Stevenson vs. Northville at Tanglewood, 3 p.m.

PREP GIRLS TENNIS

Friday, Sept. 27

Northville at Salem, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Redford Union, 4 p.m.
Canton at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Franklin at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
W.L. Western at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Wayne, 4 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Friday, Sept. 27

Madonna at Bethel (Ind.), 4 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Triton (Ill.) at Schoolcraft, noon.
Madonna at Spring Arbor, 2:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Friday, Sept. 27

Madonna at Saginaw Valley, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Madonna at Spring Arbor, noon.
Schoolcraft at Genesse (N.Y.), TBA.

Sunday, Sept. 29

Schoolcraft vs. Erie (Pa.) at Genesse (N.Y.), TBA.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Sept. 26

Wayne Co. at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Tri-State (Ind.) at Madonna, noon.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Sept. 27

Whalers vs. Barrie (Compuware), 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Whalers vs. Guelph (Compuware), 7:30 p.m.

TBA – time to be announced.

BASKETBALL

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game, they were a mere 5-for-37 shooting (13.5 percent).

PCA led 11-2 after one quarter and 20-10 at the half. The Eagles then blanked Inter-City in the third quarter to open up a 24-10 lead heading into the fourth.

Kim Guilfoyle, a senior forward, had a superb all-around game for PCA, hitting 6-of-11 shots to score 12 points; she also grabbed 13 rebounds. Melanie Brady added 10 points and Amanda Saagman had five points and nine boards.

Diana Brinkman topped Inter-City with eight points.

Salem 34, Stevenson 22: Plymouth Salem (4-3, 2-0) spread the scoring around Tuesday in its Western Lakes Activities Association-Lakes Division triumph against visiting Livonia Stevenson (1-6, 1-1).

Tracy Taylor led all scorers with eight points in a losing effort for the Spartans.

Stephanie Philips logged six points for Salem, while Alyssa Guerin, Ellen Canale and Kathy Hammerschmidt each added five.

"Our kids really did a nice job working through the game," Salem head coach Fred Thomann said. "We made enough (baskets) to be successful."

Canton's Goldsmith is a state qualifier

Allison Goldsmith will make a return trip to the Division I state swim meet.

That was assured when Goldsmith bettered the state qualifying standard in the 100-yard butterfly at the West Bloomfield Invitational last Saturday, an event she qualified for state in last year. Her Canton HS team wasn't quite as capable, finishing fifth out of six teams.

Monroe won the meet with 233 points, followed by North Farmington (185), Novi (153), West Bloomfield (151), Canton (104) and Livonia Churchill (38).

Goldsmith placed third in the fastest heat of the 100 fly in 1:01.47.

SWIMMING

Other strong performances for the Chiefs came from Susan Patrick, Alex Derian-Toth, Goldsmith and Emma King in the 200 medley relay (2:01.60); from Derian-Toth in the 100 breaststroke (1:14.27); from Lindsey Freysinger in the 500 freestyle (5:59.57); from Natalie McBain in the 100 fly (1:11.65); and from King in the 100 free (57.78).

Canton swims at Northville in what figures to be a key Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division showdown at 7 p.m. tonight. On Saturday, the Chiefs will be at the Rock Invitational, hosted by Salem HS.

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Dual meet records: Salem, 3-1 overall, 1-0 WLAA-Lakes Division; Wayne, 3-1 overall, 0-1 WLAA-Lakes Division.

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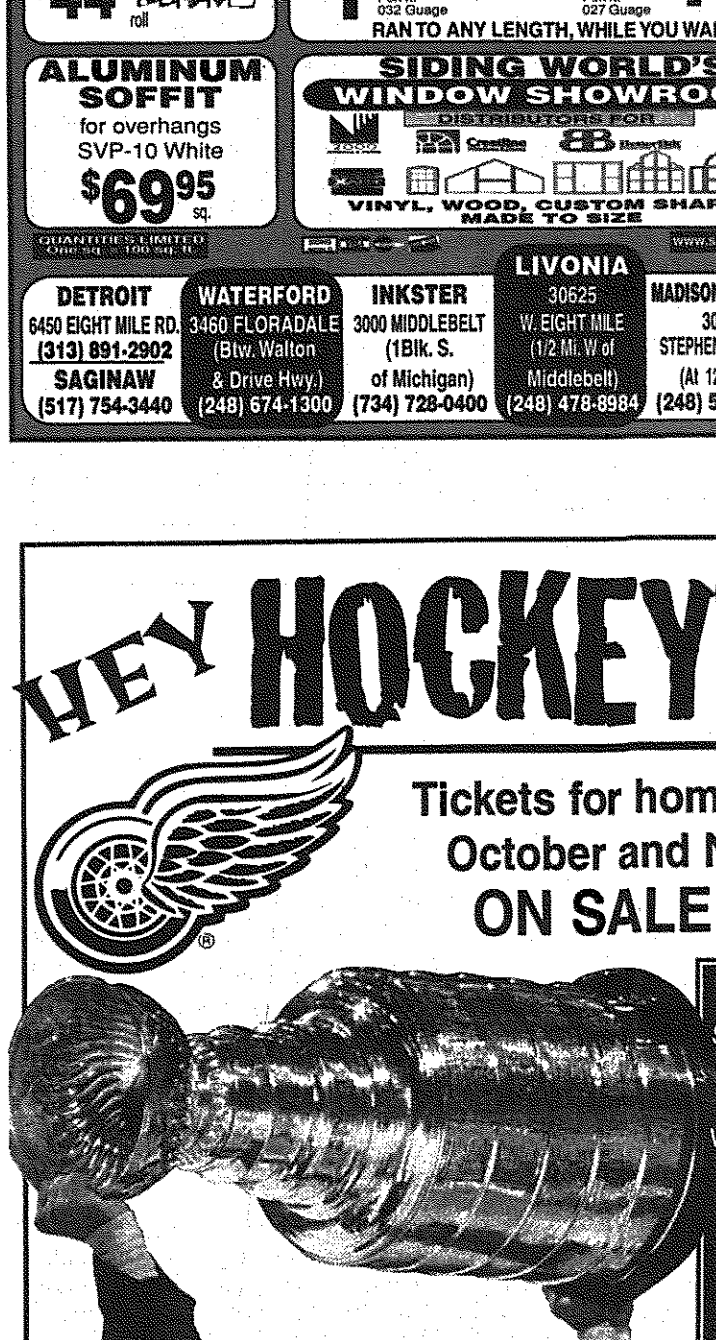
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State playoff berths are coming into focus

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

It's not too early for several area teams to start thinking about the post-season.

Six wins and you're in.

Grid Picks

Brad Emons

Inching closer to that goal are four area unbeatens with 4-0 records — Redford Catholic Central, Westland John Glenn, Livonia Stevenson and Livonia Clarenceville.

Others with legitimate shots heading into Week No. 5 with 3-1 records include Canton, Redford Thurston and Lutheran High Westland.

CC, Glenn, Stevenson and Clarenceville all face formidable opponents this week, as do Thurston and Lutheran Westland.

As a sidenote, Redford Union is not scheduled to play this week. The Panthers, who were supposed to play Dearborn Heights Annapolis (before the program was cancelled, have an open date.

As far as the prediction race goes, all three prognosticators finished 8-3 on the week.

Yours truly still enjoys a commanding lead with an overall record of 41-5 followed by C.J. Risak, 36-10; and Paul Beaudry, 33-13.

Here is a look at this weekend's action:

FRIDAY'S GAMES
(all at 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

Allen Park (3-1, 3-1) at Garden City (2-2, 2-2), 7 p.m.: The Jaguars have won three straight after an opening-season Mega-Red loss to Dearborn Fordson. Last week, Allen Park beat Taylor Truman as Bryan Brighton rushed for 172 yards and two TDs. Garden City, a 23-7 loser to unbeaten Dearborn Fordson last week, beat Truman the week before, 62-7. **PICKS: Allen Park** – Beaudry, Emons, Risak.

Inkster (3-1, 3-1) at Red. Thurston (3-1, 2-0), 7 p.m.: The Eagles, leading the Mega-Blue, scored a nice win last week over previously unbeaten Shepherd as Chase Waterstradt ran for 100 yards in the driving rain. Inkster is coming off a 44-8 loss to Highland Park, a team Thurston beat in the second week. **PICKS: Thurston** – Beaudry, Emons, Risak.

Wayne (0-4, 0-3) at Liv. Churchill (2-2, 1-2): The Zebras, new to the Western Lakes, are seeking their first win, while Churchill hopes to avert a three-game losing streak. It could be another low-scoring affair. **PICKS: Churchill** – Beaudry, Emons, Risak.

W.L. Western (1-3, 1-2) at Liv. Franklin (1-3, 1-2): What has happened to once-mighty Western? The Warriors, trying to incorporate a spread offense, may be still smarting from a shocking 35-point loss at home to Canton. Franklin, meanwhile, registered its first win of the year last week against Wayne in a defensive struggle, 7-0, going 87 yards in 13 plays in the fourth quarter. **PICKS: Western** – Beaudry, Emons, Risak.

Canton (3-1, 2-1) at Liv. Stevenson (4-0, 3-0): This is the game of the night in the WLAA. Both teams appear to be on a roll. The Spartans hope leading ball carrier Matt McCowan is healthy and ready to return. Canton got its Wing-T rolling last week by stunning Walled Lake Western in a 35-point massacre, a payback from last year. **PICKS: Canton** – Beaudry, Risak; **Stevenson** – Emons.

Westland Glenn (4-0, 3-0) at Northville (2-2, 1-2): The Mustangs, who may use three different quarterbacks under new coach Clint Alexander, opened a few eyes last week by derailing Walled Lake Central, 10-3, to stop a two-game losing streak. Glenn, a 34-7 winner last week over Livonia Churchill, must keep the Mustangs' spread offense in check. **PICKS: Glenn** – Beaudry, Emons, Risak.

Walled Lake Central (2-2, 2-1) at Salem (1-3, 1-2): This should be easy. Let's see – Salem beat Northville two weeks ago, and Northville beat Central last week. So Salem should be an easy pick, right? Guess again. **PICKS: Central** – Beaudry, Emons, Risak.

Lutheran Westland (3-1, 2-1) at H.W. Lutheran East (2-1, 2-1): The Warriors, led by the area's leading rusher in Joel Wolfram, could be the Metro Conference's surprise. They're coming off a 20-14 homecoming overtime win over previously unbeaten Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook. Meanwhile, Harper Woods Lutheran East is not a pushover like it has been in the past. The Eagles are fresh from a 41-0 demolishing of Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest as Matt Johnson rushed 95 yards in 11 carries and Erik Cowan made 13 tackles. **PICKS: Lutheran Westland** – Risak; **Lutheran East** – Beaudry, Emons.

SATURDAY'S GAMES
(all at 1 p.m. unless noted)

Liv. Clarenceville (4-0) at H.W. Holy Trinity Catholic (4-0) at Eastpointe Memorial Field: This non-league matchup pits two state-ranked teams – Clarenceville (No. 5 in Division 5) and Trinity (No. 1 in Division 8). Trinity, formerly Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher and Hamtramck St. Florian, finished 10-2 a year ago in reaching the Division 8 semifinals. Quarterback Marc Zera threw for 2,000 yards last year at University of Detroit Jesuit before transferring to Bloomfield Hills Lahser and then to Trinity. Last week in a 39-0 win over winless New Haven, he passed for three TDs and ran for another. Clarenceville has outscored its last two foes, Lutheran Northwest and Hamtramck, 48-0 and 41-6. This should be a dandy. **PICKS: Clarenceville** – Risak; **Holy Trinity** – Beaudry, Emons.

Wyan. Mt. Carmel/Ecorse (1-3, 0-1) vs. Red. St. Agatha/Borgess (0-3, 0-1) at RU's Kraft Field: This is a battle of cooperative programs struggling to get their first wins in the D-Division of the Catholic League. Agatha/Borgess lost Friday to Detroit Holy Redeemer, while Mt. Carmel/Ecorse fell to Dearborn St. Alphonsus-Detroit Urban Lutheran, 14-0. Flip a coin? **PICKS: Agatha/Borgess** – Beaudry, Emons, Risak.

Redford CC (4-0) at Country Day (3-0), 7 p.m.: CC, the state's top-ranked team, can't afford a letdown after last week's big win over Birmingham Brother Rice, 21-14. The brawny Shamrocks will try and wear down the speedy Yellowjackets, who hope to take advantage of the artificial surface. Quarterback Ernie Jackson is elusive for sure for Country Day. **PICKS: CC** – Beaudry, Emons, Risak.

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Big plays lead CC to victory over Rice

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
STAFF WRITER

Redford Catholic Central's football team broke a century-long losing streak Saturday night against archrival Birmingham Brother Rice.

Granted, the century hasn't lasted too long, but the Shamrocks used big plays on offense and a playmaking defense to defeat the Warriors for the first time since 1999, 21-14, in front of almost 5,000 fans at Birmingham Groves High School.

CC, the state's top ranked team in Division 1, improved to 4-0 on the season while Rice – which had been tops in Division 2 – fell to 3-1.

In the latest incarnation of one of the most storied gridiron rivalries in the state, CC gained a measure of revenge against a team that had won three-straight games in the series. The typically reserved Shamrocks coach Tom Mach said winning this game meant more than other regular season games.

"We have a great deal of respect for their program, and any time you can beat a team like Brother Rice, it's a great win for your program," Mach said after the Catholic League Central Division opener. "I'm just so proud of our players and the way they executed our game plan tonight."

CC has typically built its championship teams from the defense, and it was the defense that dominated this game, particularly in the first half.

The Warriors came into the game with one of the most explosive offenses anywhere, averaging 35 points in their first three wins.

However, the interception-happy Shamrock defense limited Rice (0-1 Central) to seven points in the game's first 28 minutes.

"Our defensive coordinator Rick Coratti did a great job of mixing up our defensive calls and taking them out of their rhythm," Mach said. "They've got a great quarterback on their team, and they've scored a lot of points this season. But I'm very proud of the way we executed the things we had to do defensively."

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Tom Mach
Shamrocks coach

Rice coach Al Fracassa said he was happy with his team's effort, but knew its four turnovers were too much to overcome against the defending Division 1 state champions.

"We got down 14-0, but we didn't quit and came back against them," Fracassa said. "We played hard, and had opportunities to score, but we just couldn't finish a couple down here."

CC's defense intercepted Rice QB Doug Pickens three times and forced four turnovers in the game. On the offensive side, junior running back Derrick Brooks was the difference maker.

Brooks played one of his best games of his young career, rushing for 199 yards on 23 carries and one highlight-film touchdown that gave the Shamrocks a 14-point lead early in the fourth quarter.

"Derrick is a class young man and a great back," Mach said. "Rice has a very good defense, and Derek did a great job of breaking tackles and getting big runs. He's a very humble and hungry kid."

Two of Brooks' runs took up 108 yards in the game, the first leading to a touchdown, the second the game-winning score.

On the second long run, a 52-yard scamper, he shook off three tacklers near the line of scrimmage, made two sideways cuts and outran the defense to give CC a 21-7 lead with 10:55 left in the game.

His 56-yard run in the first quarter led to the first scoring of the game.

On one play, he took the Shamrocks from their own 14-yard line to the Brother Rice 30. Seven plays later, CC signal caller Dave Thomas lofted a scoring strike to junior wideout Alex Wojcik to give the Shamrocks a 7-0 lead.

"Brooks is a slippery back," Fracassa added. "We had a tough time containing him."

Rice junior Jeff Sander intercepted a pass while laying on his back on CC's next drive, giving the Warriors a golden opportunity to tie the game.

But CC's Randell Means answered with an interception in the end zone to kill Rice's best scoring chance of the first half. Means played the pass perfectly, getting in front of the receiver to make a leaping pick.

The Shamrocks scored a key touchdown in the waning moments of the first half, driving 57 yards in just 34 second to go up 14-0 at halftime. Thomas completed three straight passes on the drive before finding junior tight end Kyle Smith down the right sidelines for a 29-yard touchdown pass.

The Warriors got on the scoreboard with 16 seconds left in the third quarter when Pickens hit senior Anthony Jackson from five yards out, cutting CC's lead in half.

After Brooks' spectacular 52-yard TD run, Rice responded with a 76-yard drive that stalled on the Shamrock 16-yard line.

Pickens caught a double-reverse pass from senior receiver Brian Mahler, and was tackled hard out of bounds, knocking over the Rice bench.

CC was flagged for two late hit penalties in the ensuing tussle on the field, but the Warriors were unable to take advantage.

Rice's Jason Horton plowed through the CC defense for a 2-yard touchdown with four minutes left in the game to make it a 21-14 score, but the Shamrocks went to their always-reliable running game to run out the clock.

Brooks and sophomore running back Eric Vojtkofsky ripped off consecutive runs of 16 and 15 yards on the final drive to wrap up the victory.

Pickens completed 13 of 33 passes for 131 yards, two scores and three interceptions. Thomas was 7-for-13 for 83 yards, two scores and two interceptions on the CC side.

Vojtkofsky picked up 45 yards on 10 carries for the Shamrocks.

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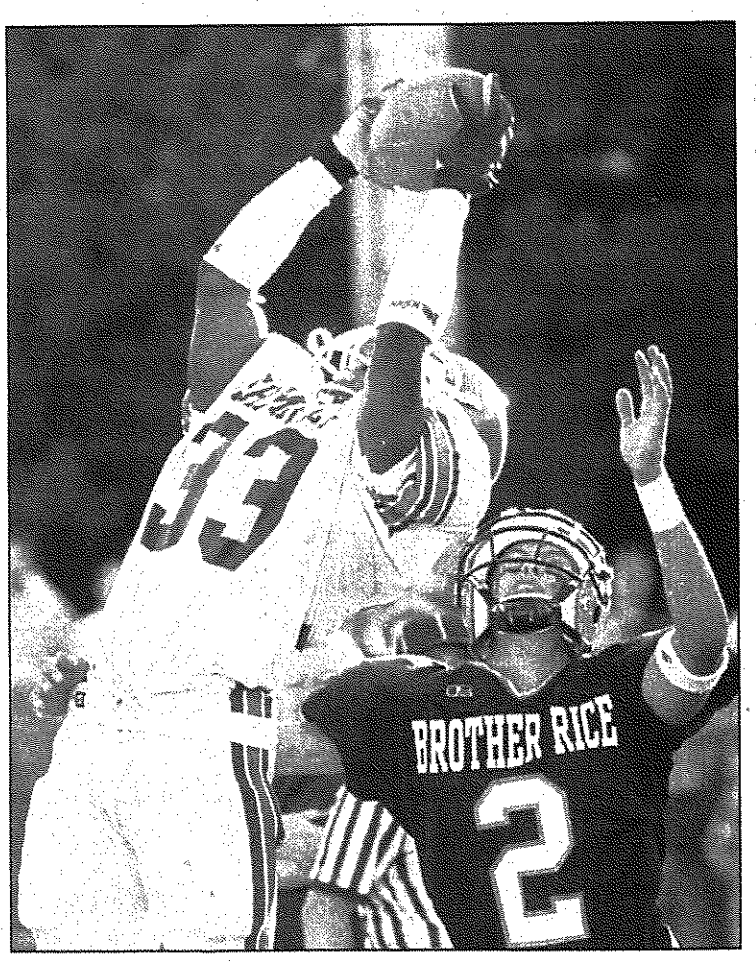

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Redford Catholic Central's Randell Means (left) picks off a pass intended for Brother Rice receiver Jeff Stachowiak.

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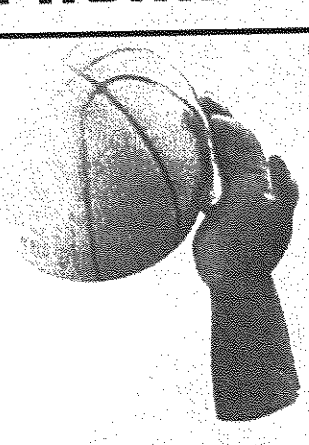

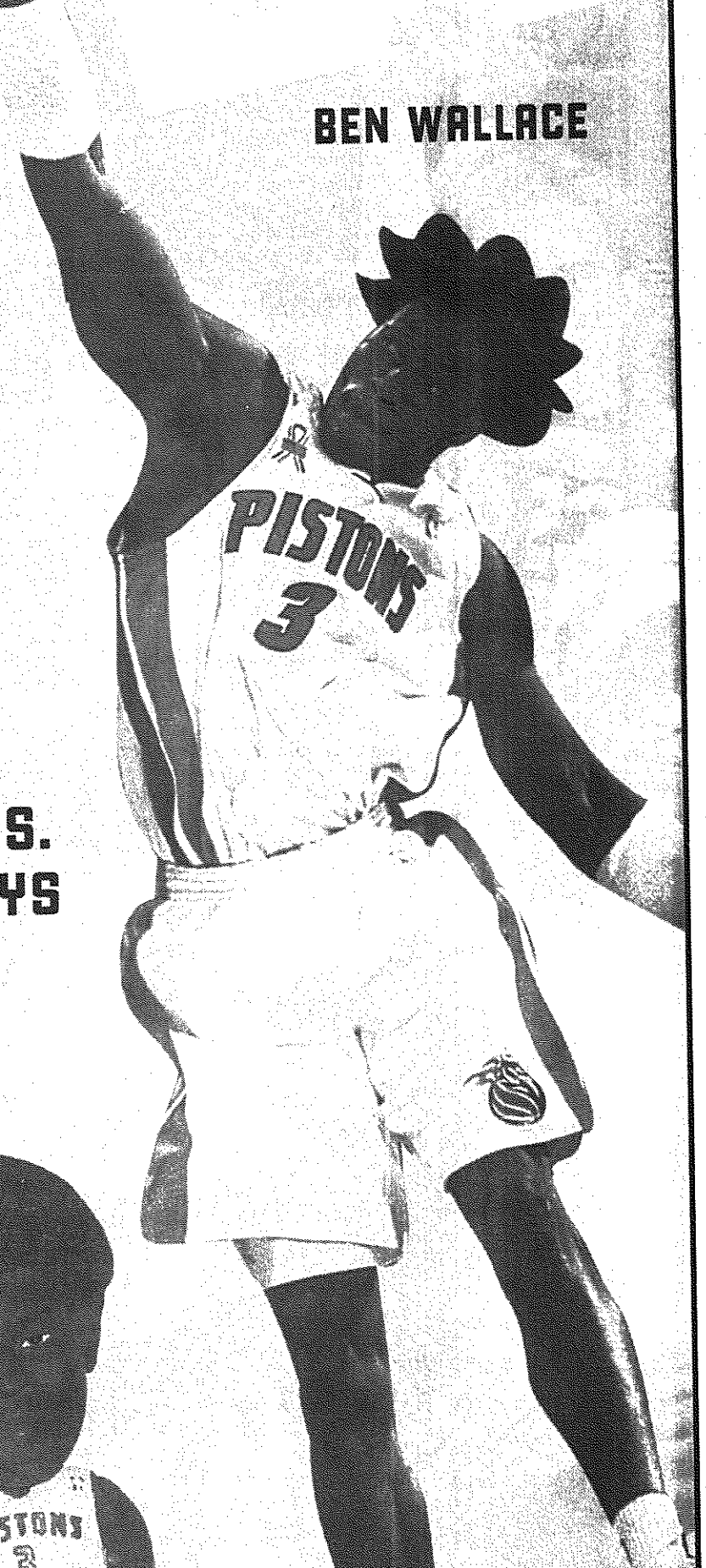

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Canton claims a 3rd at Invitational

This was something Canton's girls cross country team could relish.

The Chiefs traveled to the Monroe Jefferson Invitational last Saturday and finished third overall, turning in one of their best performances of the season.

Igniting the Chiefs were Jessica Levely, who placed third overall in 20:40, and Sarah McCormack, who was fourth in 20:41.

Canton also got superb runs from Sarah Stobbe, 13th in 21:22; Carrie Oleskewicz, who was 18th in 21:43; and Kristen Ward, who placed 27th in 22:23.

The Chiefs run in the Western Lakes Activities Association's City Jamboree meet at 4:20 p.m. Thursday at Cass Benton. On Saturday, they travel to the Grosse Ile Invitational.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

SALEM GETS STRONG SPLIT

Salem divided its cross country team last Saturday, sending its top seven runners to the Jackson Invitational at Sharp Park and its next seven to the Redford Catholic Central Invitational at Cass Benton.

At Jackson, the Rocks finished fifth out of 17 teams; at CC, they were seventh out of 11 teams.

"We are moving in a positive direction again, which makes me happy," said Salem coach Dave Gerlach. "We are continuing to take steps toward our long term goals by improving as a team and as individual athletes at these invitationals.

"We are working on the development of a tight pack with a leader or two. We got that today from our top five at Jackson and Catholic Central."

Particularly pleasing to Gerlach was the performance of Lauren Kane at Jackson. She finished 21st overall in 20:33. Amanda Kassem was next best for the Rocks in 42nd (21:22), followed by Liisa Keski-Hynnila, 43rd (21:25); Stephanie Hajduk, 46th (21:31); and Laura Friedman, 47th (21:32).

Saline was first in the meet with 53 points, with Ann Arbor Pioneer second (99), Traverse City Central third (150), Ann Arbor Huron fourth (180) and Salem fifth (195).

At CC, the Rocks were paced by Meghan Galvin, who was 32nd (22:27). Lauren Medley was 34th (22:29), with Monica Przebienda 35th (22:35), Kim Towne 37th (22:36) and Katie Dondzila 38th (22:44).

Salem is at the WLAA City Jamboree at 4:20 p.m. today, then travels to the Sterling Heights Stevenson Invitational Saturday.

Salem's split is somewhat successful

Divide and conquer? Not this time.

Salem split its boys cross country into two Saturday, sending half of them Saturday to the Redford Catholic Central Invitational at Cass Benton and the other half to the Jackson Invitational at Sharp Park.

The result: At Jackson, the Rocks finished 10th out of 18 teams despite a strong performance from No. 1 runner Justin Hajduk, who placed second overall in 15:48. At CC, Salem was sixth out of 14 Division I teams.

"We split the squads pretty evenly," said Salem coach Geoff Baker. "Chris Vraniak ran in his first race of the season and he finished fourth at CC, so we are pleased with him. His progress is on schedule."

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Vraniak, expected to be one of Salem's top runners this season, has been sidelined with a leg injury. He took fourth overall at CC in 17:08.

Baker was not as happy with his team's performance at Jackson. Best runner after Hajduk was Adam Warner, 37th overall in 17:29. He was followed by Randy Bearden, 53rd (17:48); Jim Leddy, 54th (17:49); and Jason Lewis, 81st (18:30).

At CC, Vraniak was followed by Erik Ness, 35th (18:24); Jimmy Walsh, 36th (18:27); Scott Fysh, 40th (18:40); and Mike Horgan, 44th (18:47).

Salem runs at the Western Lakes Activities Association's Team Jamboree at 3:45 p.m. today at Cass Benton. On Saturday, the Rocks run at the Sterling Heights Stevenson Invitational.

PLYMOUTH RUNNERS IMPROVE

Several members of the Plymouth HS boys and girls teams posted improved times at the CC Invitational last Saturday at Cass Benton.

The girls were unable to compete as a team when Kat Harrison, struggling with a knee injury, was pulled out of the meet after two miles by her coach, Lee Shaw. Tiffany Burns was the Wildcats top finisher, placing 20th overall (23:37). Next for Plymouth was Nichole McLaughlin, 29th (24:08); Amy Ostrowski, 45th (26:27); and Morgan Benson, 47th (27:23).

The Plymouth boys were led by Jeff Movsesian, who had a personal-best run that was :20 faster than his previous best. He was 41st in 20:58. Nate Kostegian was 44th (21:38) and John Zaccone was 58th (24:24).

Plymouth will run at the WLAA City Jamboree at 3:45 p.m. today.

FOOTBALL

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plays-and-out sequence on Western. Brandon Wilcox did his part on special teams, returning the ensuing punt 20 yards to give Canton field position in Western's end of the field.

Thomas and Nicoloff connected again on a pass play, this one covering 20 yards as Thomas reached the Warriors' 3. Reggie Joyner scored on a 2-yard run and Canton was ahead, 14-0.

Another three-and-out, with a second-straight good punt return of 18 yards by Wilcox that put the ball at the Western 45, led to a 38-yard scoring run by McKinney. The extra-point kick was blocked, but Canton's lead was 20-0. McKinney scored again before halftime, this time on a 21-yard run, making it 27-0.

The Chiefs' defense continued to sparkle, with just one play that came close to irritating Baechler: a 50-yard pass completion early in the second half on a ball that was tipped by a Canton defender. "We should have picked it," said Baechler. Western finished with just 113 yards and five first downs for the game.

The game's final score was a 25-yard pass from Nicoloff to Joyner. The Chiefs got a two-point conversion from Thomas to make it 35-0, implementing the running clock.

"That felt pretty darn good, to get that mercy clock going," said Baechler.

Nicoloff finished with 4-of-5 passing for 85 yards and two TDs. The Chiefs rushed for 211 yards on 41 carries, with McKinney gaining 99 yards on 10 tries (with two TDs) and Joyner adding 86 yards on 15 attempts. Thomas had two catches for 51 yards.

"Going to Western and then Stevenson, we knew it was going to be tough," said Baechler. "It was nice to play that well, instead of one nail-biter to another."

As for Stevenson, the Canton coach said, "They're well-coached and they've got a lot of athletes. I like what they do offensively — they bring it. We'll have to bring it too."

Thus far this season, the Chiefs have done just that.

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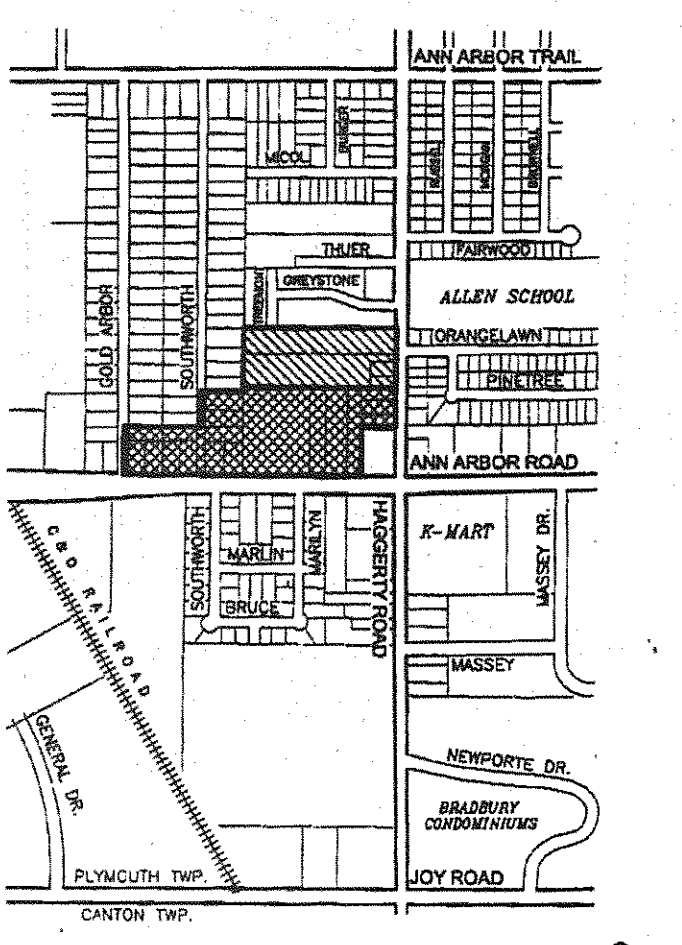
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNHSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION

DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, October 9, 2002
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: St. Kenneth Church
14951 Haggerty Road
Plymouth, Michigan 48170

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, October 9, 2002. The purpose of the public hearing is two-fold.

1. The Planning Commission is being asked to consider approving a Use Subject to Special Conditions to develop 9+/- acres of land for Township Administrative Offices and a Fire Station. The subject property consists of Tax ID Numbers R78-064-99-0006-000, R78-064-99-0007-000, R78-064-99-0008-000, and R78-064-99-0009-000.
2. The second item is to have a full and open discussion of the proposed full development of the entire Massey properties and review with the Public, the major elements to be included in the proposed modification to the Consent Judgment. The subject property consists of Tax ID Numbers R78-064-99-0010-000, R78-064-99-0011-000, R78-064-99-0012-000, R78-064-99-0015-000, R78-064-99-0016-000, R78-064-99-0017-000, R78-064-99-0018-000, R78-060-02-0027-000, R78-060-02-0028-000, R78-060-02-0029-000, R78-060-02-0030-000, R78-060-02-0031-000, R78-060-02-0032-000, R78-060-02-0033-000, R78-060-02-0034-000, R78-060-02-0075-000, R78-060-02-0076-000, and R78-060-02-0077-000.



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The meeting will be held in the main sanctuary at Saint Kenneth Church at 14951 Haggerty Road to accommodate the potential number of people that could possibly attend the meeting.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposal may be examined at the Plymouth Township Community Development Department in the Department of Public Services Building at 46555 Port Street during regular business hours, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., until the date of the Public Hearing. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting. The proposal review and address for written comments is: Plymouth Charter Township, Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. Telephone Number 734-453-8131, ext. 37.

JOE BRIDGMAN, Secretary
Planning Commission

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
LEGAL NOTICE

CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR
THE NOVEMBER 5, 2002, GENERAL ELECTION

PLEASE NOTE that Monday, October 7, 2002, is the last date to register for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2002. Registration for Township electors will be taken at the office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building 3, or at any Secretary of State Office. The phone number of the Township Clerk is 354-3224. The office of the Clerk is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during those hours, a call to the Clerk's office can set up a convenient time for the resident.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

Publish: September 26 & 29, 2002 L1128692

Charter Township of Canton
Board Proceedings- September 17, 2002

A regular study meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, September 17, 2002 at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm and led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call Members Present: Shefferly, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Bennett, Yack, LaJoy
Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Conklin Also Present: Nancy Wiggle, Resident; Tom Parson, Sally Elminger, of Carlisle- Wortman and Associates.

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett, seconded by Kirchgatter to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

STUDY SESSION TOPIC

Item 1. Discussion of Concept Plan for the Ford and Ridge Park

Director Conklin summarized the development process of the Ford /Ridge Park Master Plan.

A steering committee was established which included the following people: Russ Heatwole, Jeff Goblet, Tom Borg; Ann Conklin; Nancy Wiggle; Anna Ross; and representation from the Youth Sports Groups.

Three visioning group sessions have been held. The dates the visioning group meetings were held was: May 10, June 1 and June 13 . The purpose of these visioning group opportunities was to include the public at large in the development of a master plan for the park area. Each visioning session divided into four sub-groups, which with the help of a facilitator and recorder began to define the content of the 134 acres.

The master plan developed a few years ago for Canton indicated there are needs in the community for additional baseball/ softball fields, soccer fields, tennis courts, walking trails and passive recreation areas. The focus / visioning groups also identified similar needs. The visioning sessions identified the following list of needs: walking / nature trails; bike /fitness/ jogging trails; fishing pond; natural areas that respect the environment; wildlife observatory / sanctuary; playgrounds; picnic areas; baseball/ softball fields; soccer fields, dog park; in-line skating area; and a passive meadow habitat for wandering.

Carlisle-Wortman and Associates then continued the process by taking all 12 sub group plans and identifying common attributes and features. The Concept presented to the board at this study session reflects the results of the community sub -group visioning exercises.

The Ford/Ridge Road Master Plan concept includes:

North Picnic Area: This area includes a picnic area including parking, pavilion, restroom and play equipment.

North Ballfield Area: A proposed active recreation area including 2 ballfields, football field, parking, picnic pavilion, restroom, basketball court and play equipment.

North Soccer Field Area: Active recreation area, soccer fields, parking, restroom and picnic pavilion.

East Entrance to Park: It will be located across from the entry to Singh Development. (Ridge Road)

Play scape area: Active Play scape, spray park, parking, picnic pavilion and restrooms. This area includes parking for a Nature Center.

Nature Center Area: This proposes a nature center building/ observatory with picnic pavilion, pond area and fishing deck.

Trail System: Six to eight foot wide accessible recreational and nature trails are designed in the entire park area.

West Active Area: This area includes soccer fields, dog park, parking, picnic pavilions, restrooms and play equipment.

South Ballfield Area: This area shows two ballfields, fountain/ ice skating area, parking, picnic pavilions, restrooms and play equipment.

South Entrance: This entrance is located on Ford Road at a South Western location in the park.

Director Conklin indicated that the steering committee will review additional changes. It is hoped that a final plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval in December of 2002. Additionally, there will be one final community meeting to present the final concept plan. This meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2002. The Planning Commission will also receive a final presentation.

Motion to adjourn the study session at: 8:26 pm.

A complete copy of the minutes is available in the Clerk's office.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION
FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2002
GENERAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that **October 7, 2002,** is the last day registrations can be accepted in order to be eligible to vote in the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2002. Registrations will be accepted at the Township Clerk's Office, 1150 South Canton Center Road, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Registration can be made at any Secretary of State Office or State Designated Agency. Persons with special needs who are unable to register in the above mentioned manner are urged to contact the Clerk's Office at 734-394-5120. Mail-in registration will be accepted postmarked by **October 7, 2002.**

TERRY G. BENNETT,
Clerk

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
MEETING NOTICE
(734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the Board of zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2002 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI to consider the following items:

Z 02-16 370 Roe Non-Use Variance Requested
Front Yard Setback
Zoned: RM-2, Multiple-Family Residential
Applicant: James and Lisa Sebok

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

CAROL STONE, ADA Coordinator
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LEGAL NOTICE
STORAGE USA

Notice is hereby given that on (OCTOBER 15, 2002), Tate & Co. Auctioneers, Executive Administrator for Storage USA, will be offering for sale under the judicial lein process, by public auction, the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. Storage USA reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location:

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Department of Finance & Budget until 5:00 p.m., Thursday October 24th , 2002 for the following:

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO PROVIDE FURNITURE INVENTORY FOR THE CANTON TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY EXPANSION PROJECT

The specifications are available at the counter of the Finance & Budget Department located on the third floor of the Canton Township Administration Building or you may contact Christine Haas at (734) 394-5236. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal 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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Madonna tops Cornerstone

Madonna University's trip Tuesday night to Grand Rapids proved to be well worth the drive.

The Lady Crusaders put on an impressive performance in their Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference showdown with host Cornerstone, rolling to a 30-17, 30-17, 30-15 victory over the Golden Eagles.

Shelley Stanton led the way with 17 kills and 17 digs as MU improved to 19-2 overall and 5-0 in the WHAC.

Setter Natalie Sayre had 40 assists, while Laura Lesko contributed four ace serves.

Cornerstone (22-3, 4-1) got 12 kills from Shannon Burmaster. Stacey Carpenter had eight digs, while setter Laura Ennis contributed 19 assists.

VOLLEYBALL

Over the weekend, MU traveled to West Palm Beach, Fla. for the Palm Beach Atlantic University Sailfish Classic and did not disappoint, going 4-0 in the two-day tournament.

Madonna defeated Northwood (Fla.), 30-17, 30-25, 30-15; host Palm Beach Atlantic, 30-19, 30-19, 30-28; WHAC foe Aquinas, 30-18, 30-14, 30-10; and Northwood in the final, 30-19, 30-16, 30-19.

The performance helped snare Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Player of the Week honors for Stanton along with Setter of the Week accolades for Sayre.

In the tournament, Stanton recorded a team-high 74 kills to go with 39 digs.

Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin) contributed 34 kills, 37 digs and six service aces; Laura Lesko collected 28 kills, seven blocks and 10 aces; Natalja Tinina finished with 29 kills.

Amanda Suder (Plymouth/Salem HS) had 43 digs; Alison Nykamp had 33 digs; Ashley Frost had 65 set assists; and Sayre totaled 104 set assists, 34 digs and five aces.

SOCCER

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eight minutes to play in the match, Busse took a pass from Zemanski and put it into the net for a 2-0 Canton lead.

Western averted the shutout by scoring with two minutes to play.

The win gave the Chiefs a 5-4-3 overall record, 1-1 in the WLAA's Western Division.

Troy 5, CC 0: Redford Catholic Central got an up-close look at one of the state's top teams in a loss at Troy Tuesday night.

The Colts, ranked fourth in the state in Division 1, dominated the Shamrocks on the field, and the decisiveness showed up on the scoreboard. Troy scored twice in the first half, and despite an improved effort from CC in the second, still tallied three goals to finish off the win.

CC coach Joe Nora said it should be good for his team to see how the best play their games, and hopes his squad can reach that level by the time the state playoffs begin in four weeks.

> **'Troy is the most talented and aggressive team we've played.'**
> Joe Nora
> CC coach

"Troy is the most talented and aggressive team we've played," Nora said, high praise considering CC plays in the same league as top-ranked Warren DeLaSalle. "They have speed at every position."

The Shamrocks are now 3-6-1 overall on the season, and take on U-D Jesuit in a 4 p.m. match Friday.

Canton 1, Saline 1: A tough non-league contest ended in a draw Saturday at Canton.

Pat Zemanski broke a scoreless tie, getting an unassisted goal 15 minutes into the second half. The Chiefs clung to that advantage until just eight minutes remained, when Saline knotted it.

Kris Holowicki had three saves for the Chiefs.

VOLLEYBALL

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Napier collected six (.556) and Noelle Swartz (Canton/Westland John Glenn HS) had five (.444).

Kozlowski also had three aces and six digs, Swartz had seven digs and four blocks, and Meghan Mitchell led SC with nine digs.

The shifting figures to continue for a while, anyway. Last week, SC traveled to Scotsdale, Ariz., for the Glendale CC Tournament. The Ocelots played eight matches (with 25-point games) in two days, winning three.

"We evaluated different lineups," said Teeters. "We used five different ones in six games."

Some questions have been answered. Like who rotates out and who stays in. At present, Swartz and Szajnecki are all-around performers. Teeters is also convinced he must have Katie Drews (from Livonia Stevenson) in the front row. "She's too strong," he said.

Added his assistant coach, Dale Hartzell, "We're trying to move people around. Those are our weaknesses, setting and blocking.

"We may have it all. The question is, what combination gives it all to you."

In Arizona, SC opened the tournament with a 25-23, 25-14 loss to Arizona Western Friday. Also on Friday, the Ocelots lost 12-25, 25-19, 15-12 to Emery-Riddle; beat Yavapai (Ariz.) 25-27, 25-19, 16-14; lost to Salt Lake (Utah) 25-22, 25-13; lost to Bellevue (Wash.) 25-23, 26-24, 15-12; beat Mesa (Ariz.) 28-26, 22-25, 15-13; lost to Phoenix 14-25, 25-16, 17-15; and defeated South Mountain College (Ariz.) 25-22, 25-17.

The rollercoaster ride through the tournament, against some of the NJCAA's toughest teams, confirmed one thing: As Teeters put it, "We'll still be messing around with the lineup."

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Lady Ocelots edged by Cincinnati State

As weekends go, this one could be considered a lost one for Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team.

The Lady Ocelots lost a key NJCAA regional match against Cincinnati State Thursday, 2-1 at SC. They followed that by playing a scoreless draw against the Michigan State club team Sunday. Those results left SC with a 6-2-1 record.

Sarah Plymale (from Salem HS) gave the Ocelots a 1-0 lead at halftime against Cincinnati State, with assists from Liz McGonigle and Liz DiPonio (Livonia Stevenson). But Cincinnati, outshooting SC 18-12 for the match, scored twice in the second half to gain the victory.

Despite the loss, Ocelots' coach Bill Tolstedt praised the work of keeper Pam Dybowski.

COLLEGE SOCCER

"We will need to win the next match with Cinci State to secure a spot again in the regional championship game," noted Tolstedt.

In the draw with MSU Sunday at SC, the Ocelots outshot the Spartans but could not score against them. Dybowski would not allow a goal, either, earning the shutout for SC.

"This team continues to demonstrate its versatility and adaptability," said Tolstedt. "Despite having lost four starting players for the season, the team has stepped up to the challenge. We have been able to make adjustments on the field that have allowed us to remain very competitive."

SC travels to New York this weekend for matches against Erie CC and Genesee CC.

Madonna 2, Findlay (OH) 1 (women's): Sarah Pack (Canton/Westland John Glenn) got the game-winning goal with just 96 seconds left in regulation Saturday, boosting Madonna University past host Findlay.

The non-conference victory improved the Lady Crusaders' record to 5-1-2.

Kelly Delaney gave Madonna a 1-0 lead early in the match with an unassisted goal, but the Oilers knotted it at 1-all before halftime. Pack's game-winner came on an assist from Emily Jackson.

Sarah Hartsell (Livonia Churchill) had 14 saves for Madonna.

SC 3, Cuyahoga (OH) CC 1 (men's): Schoolcraft College's men's team held off NJCAA regional rival Cuyahoga Saturday at SC.

The Ocelots got goals from Jon Hernadez, Will Friend and Antonio Ventura. Nick Wainscott accounted for the only Cuyahoga goal.

SC hosts Triton College at noon Saturday.

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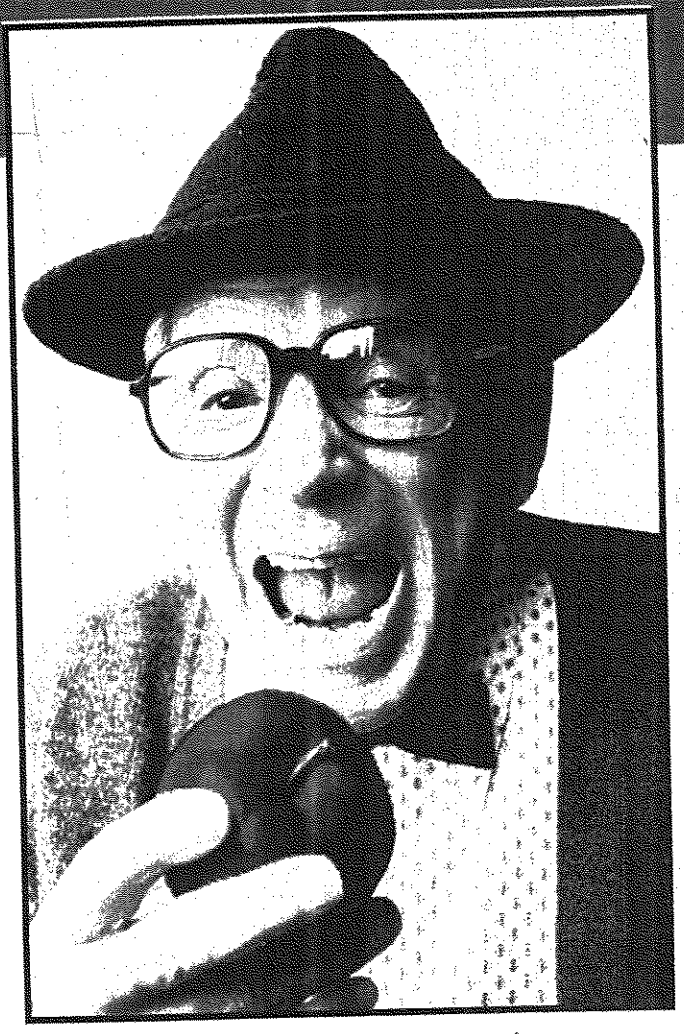

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Robert M. Meisner

Necessity easement not a given

Can you tell me what is meant by the term "easement by necessity" as a legal matter and how do we establish it?

A party claiming an easement bears the burden of proving it by a preponderance of the evidence.

In establishing whether you are entitled to an easement by necessity, presumably over someone else's property, such as a road, you must prove that the area in question was the only available means of access to your property.

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I've heard the concept of adverse possession, but I'm wondering if it applies to a road that has been dedicated to the public but is rarely used by the public.

If, in fact, the road you have in question was accepted for dedication by the applicable public authority, it can't be acquired by adverse possession.

If, in fact, the property abutting the roadway is also part of the dedication, a person cannot claim that property as well by adverse possession because a public dedication exists.

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Don't laugh, but didja' hear...

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

Boring? Who said real estate is boring?

Every deal is different. There's excitement. There's humor. There's the unusual, the bizarre, the embarrassing. There's even danger at times.

If you don't believe it, listen to sales professionals recount zany experiences in the field. Welcome to another edition of real estate follies, where anything can happen.

Tim Winter, associate broker with Red Carpet Keim Carter Reed in Clarkston recounts helping a referred client move back to Michigan from Georgia.

"We found her a house. It was being rented at the time of closing and the renter had 30 days to move out," Winter said. "After 30 days, he decided he didn't want to move out. We had to help get him evicted. The sheriff moved everything out.

"One night after work I went over. The house was dark. I tried the door and it opened. I turned on the light and a guy was sitting on the carpet, pointing a gun at me. I said, 'I'm sorry, I'm going,' closed the door and left. I went back the following day. He was gone."

Winter said he learned something from the experience.

"Maybe the most important thing you should do is let people in the office know when you're doing things – showing houses or meeting people," he said. "If something would have happened, no one would have known."

Del Moore's Kodak Moment was more on the humorous side.

"I was showing the most expensive house I had ever shown and there was no driveway in, just wooden rails on either side," said the associate broker with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Birmingham.

"It had just rained and this was in the days when you really dressed up. I was in heels and a dress, slipped and went into mud up to my knee.

"He was so upset. I was laughing. All I could do was take off my other shoe, walk to the grass and see if there was a hose outside where I could wash myself off.

"He bought the house," Moore recalled. "I guess if I had got terribly upset or mad, I may have lost the client or sale. In real estate, if you don't keep your sense of humor, you may as well forget it."

A reptile figured in a magic memory for Nancy J. Howell, associate broker with Century 21 Sakmar in Rochester.

"I was showing a house to a pregnant woman – she was nine months along – a vacant house in Oakland Township and we went into the basement," Howell said. "I was in one area, she was in another.

"I thought I was seeing things, but what I saw was a snake...about six-feet long draped over a pipe. I was just staring at it. It had died and his skin was shedding. I didn't want her (pregnant client) to see it so she wouldn't be upset. I took her by the arm and led her to another area.

"Later, I called the listing agent and she said it couldn't have been a snake. It was. I wasn't dreaming," Howell said.

The lesson learned – "Probably go and check around first. But you can't always do that," she said.

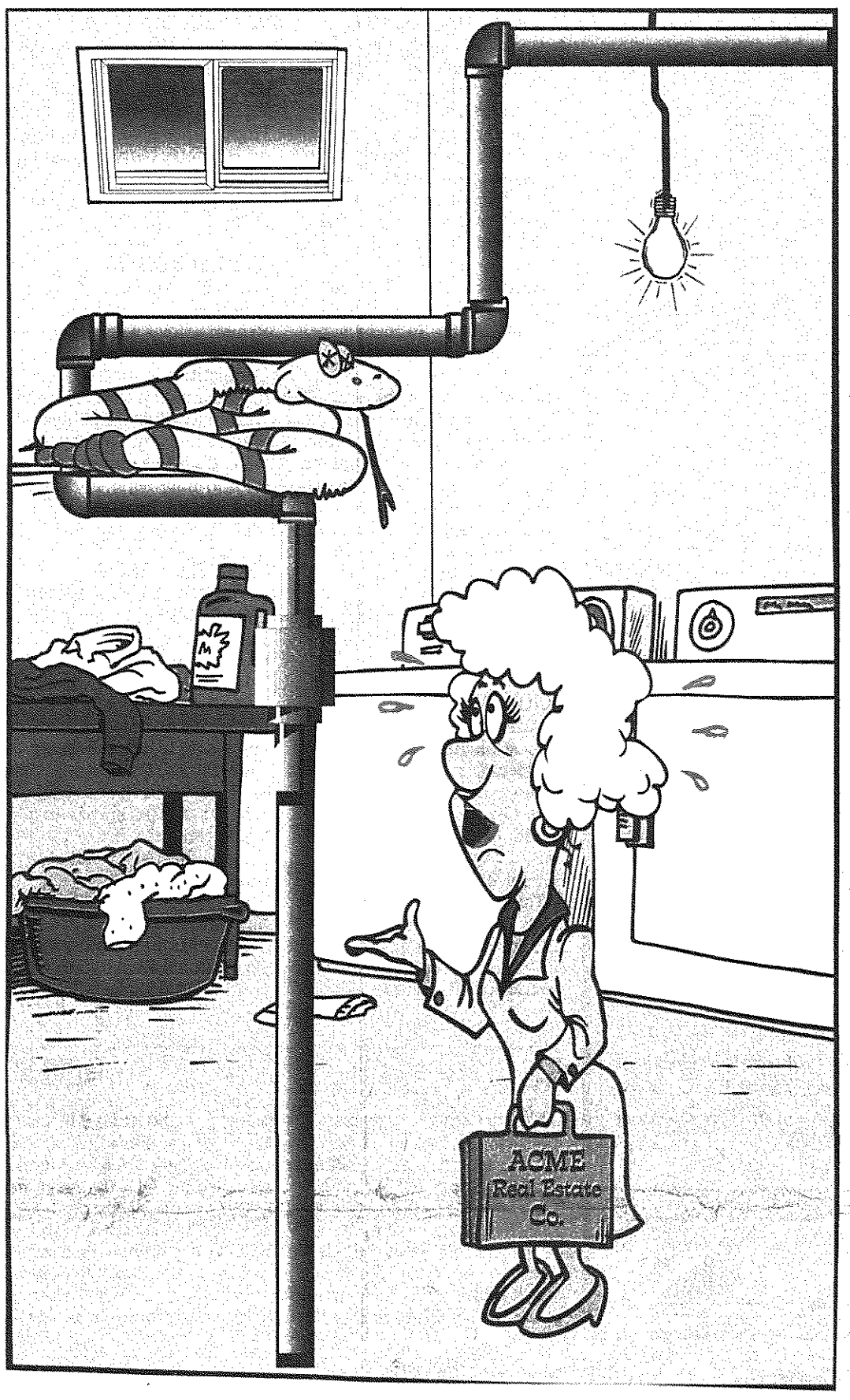
An animal also was at the center of a bizarre situation involving Brian Waskiewicz, associate broker with RE/MAX Classic in Canton.

"I was showing houses in the $300,000 price range in Van Buren Township," he said. "At the door I heard a dog barking. It sounded like a huge dog, but I figured a big house, expensive house, the dog would be penned up.

"We went in and the house stinks terrible," Waskiewicz said. "There's crap all over. The dog is running loose. It's a Hooch like in the movie – what was its name, Beethoven – and it was slobbering in the kitchen. My buyers are hiding behind me."

Waskiewicz said he took some food and water into the back yard and the dog followed, apparently grateful for some human attention.

"We didn't even show the house. I called the listing agent. We never went back," he said.



A son was supposed to take care of the dog during the parents' absence. Instead, he took off, himself, for an extended period, leaving the pet loose inside with food and water.

"Don't leave a teenager in charge of a house when you're selling it," Waskiewicz said, adding that it happens more often than people might think.

Meriem Kadi, a Realtor with Remerica Family in Westland, once beat a hasty exit from a showing after her imagination and that of a client got the better of them.

"I was showing my best friend condos in a rural area," Kadi said. "It was dark. We fumbled with the lockbox, one of those situations where you can't find the lights. And we thought there was a body in the bed.

"My friend said, 'This is too spooky. Let's get out of here.' We didn't even finish the walk-through," Kadi added, chagrined at the memory.

Of course, when Kadi later followed-up, there was no body or nobody. "Probably just a clump of clothes," she said.

The experience wasn't without its lesson, though. "Don't let your imagination fool you. Have more faith," Kadi said.

Fern McCormick, a Realtor with Quality GMAC in Livonia, played a leading role in a little comedy very early in her career about 30 years ago.

"An associate and I went to hold an open house. The lady (seller) was not the best housekeeper. Sugar and bread were all over the kitchen counter. Underwear was on the dresser, on the bed.

"We put the bread away, wiped the counter, stuffed all the underwear under the bed," McCormick said.

"When we were ready to go, what to do? We pulled the underwear out and put it back on the dresser and bed, spilled some sugar on the counter and put the bread back out. The seller never knew, but we had a clean open house."

McCormick, however, quickly learned from the experience that forthrightness was the better policy.

"Be frank with an owner what you expect, how the house should be at all times – company perfect," she said. "Our homeowners today are very conscientious about cleanliness, neatness and presenting a home well."

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Mortgage Bits

Tim 'Timbo' Phillips

Two loans sometimes work better

We loan officers can usually select individual mortgages to properly fulfill our clients' needs – but not always.

In many cases, I find that using mortgage combinations yields a better result than would the use of a single loan product.

One of my favorite mortgage combinations involves the addition of a Home Equity Line-of-Credit, or HELOC, onto a conventional mortgage.

This special loan combination can be used for refinances and for purchases and is especially useful for borrowers who are paying for Private Mortgage Insurance.

As an example, consider the young couple who bought their home with a very small down payment a year ago. These borrowers are likely trying to improve both their interest rate and to reduce or eliminate their mortgage insurance payments.

Because it's unlikely that their home has appreciated much in just one year, they may not be able to accomplish both objectives with a single loan. They could probably reduce their interest rate, but will not likely shake their PMI.

The combination solution calls for them to take out two separate new loans to replace their old one.

The first would be a conventional loan written at 80 percent of their home's current value, and the second would be a HELOC large enough to pay off the balance of the first mortgage, plus the new loan's costs.

By structuring the refinance in this manner, the borrowers will avoid PMI and can pay as little as just the interest on the HELOC.

Also, since PMI expenses offer no tax benefits, borrowers better their situation with a combination loan because the HELOC interest is tax-deductible.

As a technique, they can voluntarily keep their payments at the pre-refinance level, and apply the overage towards the principal on the new HELOC to pay it down quickly.

Not all borrowers qualify for combination loans. Others may not want to mail off two payments, one for the mortgage and one for the HELOC, each month.

However, for the fiscally savvy, the tax benefits and the improved cash flow for the new combination mortgage more than offset the additional effort.

Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer serving all of Michigan. You may reach him at (734) 797-5522, or via e-mail at PhillipsHQ@comcast.net

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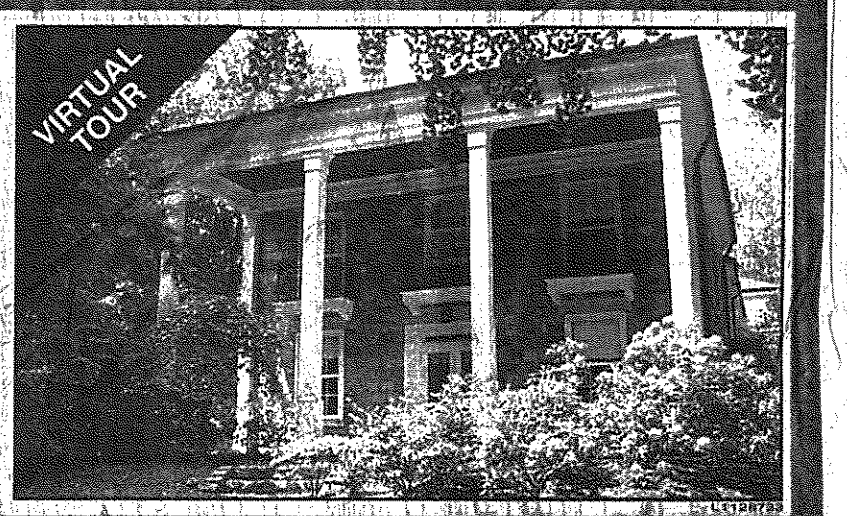

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HOMEARAMA

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents HOME-ARAMA Macomb, 13 new houses for public view, now through Oct 6, at Cornerstone Village Subdivision, off Card Road just south of 22 Mile Road, Macomb Township.

Hours are 2-9 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays. Cost is $7, with children under 12 free. Discount coupons are available at Standard Federal Bank branch offices.

For information, call (248) 862-1019.

EFFECTIVE PLANNING

Michigan State University Extension sponsors a series of classes on effective community planning 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, now through Oct. 30, at the Wayne RESA Building, 5454 Venoy, Wayne.

Topics include retaining tax base and community character, environmental issues with storm water management, developing brownfields, and eliminating nuisances.

Cost is $35 per class.

For information, contact Kristine L. Hahn at (313) 833-3417.

SIOR MEETING

The Michigan Chapter of the Society of Industrial and Office Realtors hosts a seminar, "Technology Trends and the Digital Real Estate Transaction," 11 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1, at the Westin Hotel, 1500 Town Center, Southfield.

Cost, which includes lunch, is $35. To register, call (248) (248) 258-7130.

BUILDER'S LICENSE

Oakland Builders Institute and West Bloomfield Community Education provide a 16-hour class to prepare for the state builder's licensing exam 6-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Oct. 1-10, at West Bloomfield High School, 4925 Orchard Lake Road .

Cost is $180, plus $20 for textbook and sample questions. To register, call (248) 865-4488.

CHAINSAW SAFETY

The Michigan Recreation and Park Association conducts a chainsaw safety and maintenance workshop 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, at the Waterford Oaks Activity Center in that community.

Cost, which includes lunch, is $30 for members and $40 for non-members. To register, call (517) 485-9888.

REAL ESTATE LICENSE

Schoolcraft College offers one-day continuing education classes required for annual real estate license renewals 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6, Thursday, Oct. 10, and Tuesday, Oct. 29, on campus, 18600 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

Cost, which includes lunch, is $48. To register, call (734) 462-4448.

BUILD HOME CLASS

Walled Lake Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute give a 16-hour seminar, "How to Build Your Own Home," 6-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Oct. 8-17, at Walled Lake Middle School, 46720 W. Pontiac Trail.

Topics include estimating costs, building codes/permits and construction basics.

Cost is $205 plus $25 for two textbooks. To register, call (248) 956-5000.

CONDO CLASS

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer and columnist for the O&E, and Oakland Community College present a class, "Introduction to Condominium Operation: Essentials for Success," 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 8-29, at the Bingham III Office Park, Suite 467, 30200 Telegraph Road, Bingham Farms.

Cost is $95. To register, call (248) 522-3618 or (248) 644-4433.

BUY HOME CLASS

Flagstar Bank and RE/MAX offer a free class for home buyers 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, at Westminster Title, 39500 High pointe Blvd., Suite 140, off Haggerty between Eight and Nine Mile, Novi.

To register, call Vicky Heaney at (248) 348-3000 ext. 253.

CORENET MEETING

CoreNet Michigan, a group of commerical/international Realtors, hosts a program, "Next Michigan: Making Michigan Competitive in the 21st Century," noon Thursday, Oct. 10, at the University Club of Michigan State University, Lansing.

Cost is $35 for members, $50 for non-members. For information, call Casey Clugston at (248) 399-0700 Ext. 428.

REMODELING SHOW

The BIA sponsors its 10th annual Fall Remodeling Show, Friday-Sunday, Oct. 11-13, at the Novi Expo Center, Novi Road at I-96.

Hours are noon to 9 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Cost is $6, $5 for senior citizens. Children 12 and under are free. On-site parking is an additional charge.

For information, call (248) 862-1019.

SELL HOME CLASS

Alma Mathley, affiliated with Professional Real Estate Title, conducts a free class, "For Sale by Owner," 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15, at Hunter Community Center, 509 Fisher Court, off Main Street north of 14 Mile, Clawson.

To register, call (248) 231-1041.

ARCHILECTURE

Hernan Diaz Alonso speaks as part of a free lecture series sponsored by Lawrence Technological University, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, architecture building auditorium on campus, 21000 W. 10 Mile, Southfield.

For information, call Michelle Juras at (248) 204-2880.

BUY HOME CLASS II

Juliette Bauman, a Realtor with RE/MAX Classic in Livonia, and Colonial Mortgage present a free class for home buyers 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road, Livonia.

To register, call Bauman at (734) 779-9977.

SELL HOME CLASS II

Birmingham Community Education presents a class on how to go about selling a home 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, at Berkshire Middle School in Birmingham.

Cost is $12. To register, call (248) 203-3800 or visit the Web at www.communityed.net

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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.

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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.

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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.

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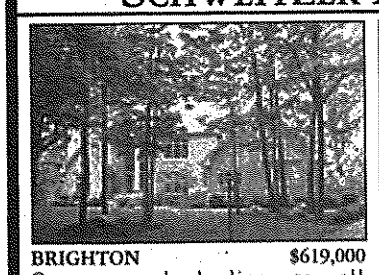

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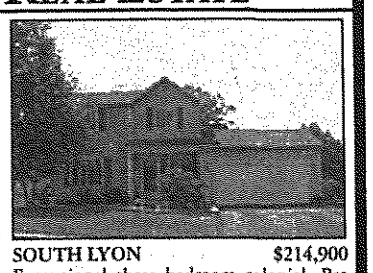

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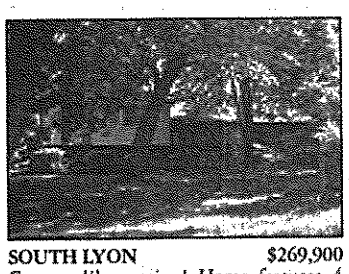

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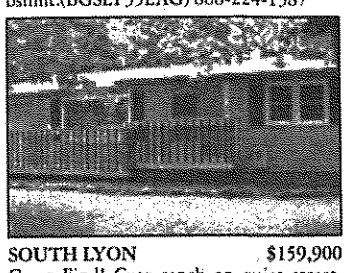

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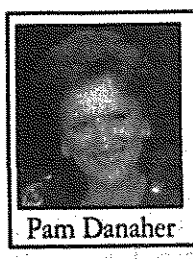

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Jeff Rauth joins the commercial real estate firm of CB Richard Ellis in Southfield as an associate broker.

He will focus on the I-75 and M-59 corridors of Oakland and Macomb county.

Rauth brings almost three years of experience in the field with Binswanger. He also served as president of Rauth Industries, a sporting goods manufacturer.

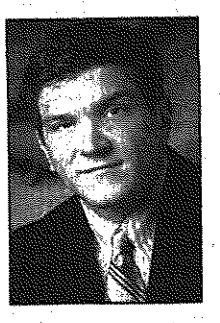
Rauth lives in Bloomfield Hills.

Nancy Austin, a sales ssociate with Coldwell Banker Preferred in Plymouth, has been selected to join the company's International President's Circle.

Membership is limited to the top 11 percent of the more than 80,000 Coldwell Banker sales associates worldwide.

Austin, 18 years in the business serving the western Wayne and South Oakland markets, holds the professional designations of Graduate Realtor Institute, Senior Real Estate Specialist and Accredited Buyer Representative.

She lives in Canton.



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Grubb & Ellis, a commercial real estate firm in Southfield, recently was involved at both ends of two transactions.

The firm brokered the sale of eight acres of land to the South Lyon schools for a new bus garage. **Kevin Brady** and **David Giltner** represented both the seller and buyer.

The firm also brokered the sale of a facility of 21,000 square feet with 10,000 square feet of office space on 4.8 acres in Walled Lake to a paint finishing company.

Geoffrey S. Hill and **Jon G. Savoy** represented both parties.

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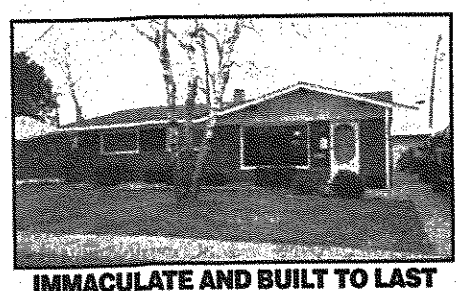

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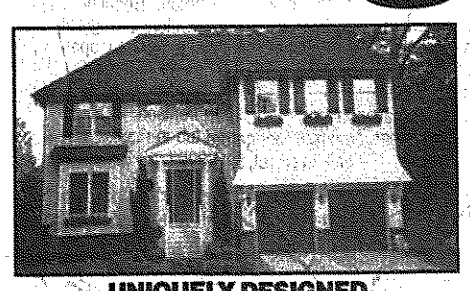

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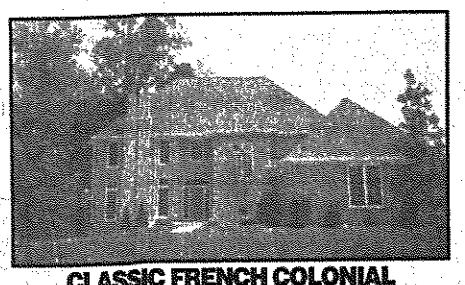

CLASSIC FRENCH COLONIAL
On wooded corner lot. Occupied only four months, landscaping completed. Open contemporary interior with popular hearth room/kitchen. Elegant living room with third fireplace. Deluxe molding and trim. $465,000 (82HAV) 734-455-6000

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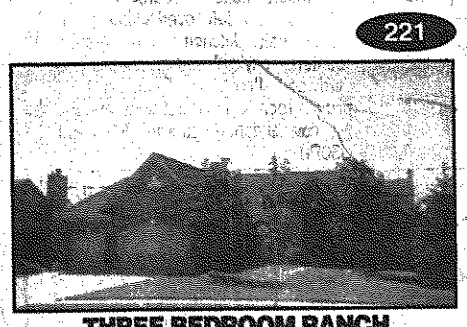

THREE BEDROOM RANCH
With three car attached garage. Partially finished basement with half bath. Great room is open to kitchen and dining room. Great location with easy access to expressway & close to shopping mall. Short distance to Metro Airport for those who travel. Easy to show. 3% deposit. $357,900 (25/GLA)

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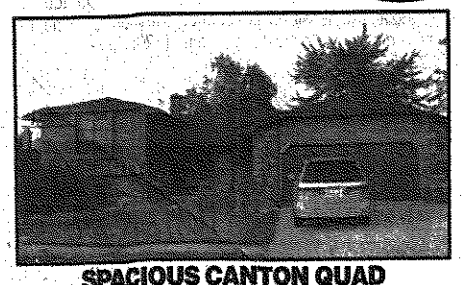

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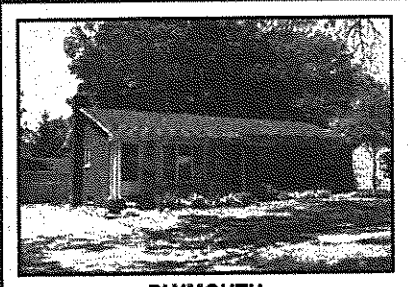
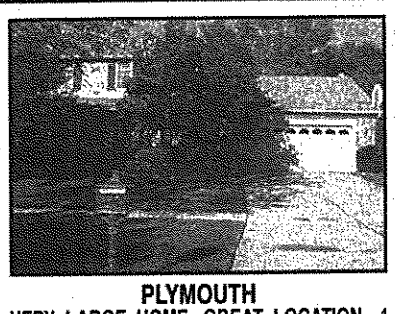


PLYMOUTH
BRICK RANCH. Brick ranch, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, basement, 2 car garage. Hardwood floors. Vinyl windows, newer roof, deck, fenced. Being sold "as is". Make offers! (P08FOX) $174,900



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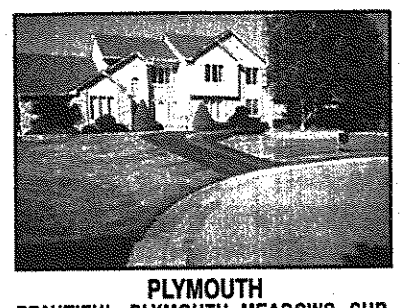
VERY LARGE HOME, GREAT LOCATION. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, library, laundry, gorgeous 4 season 14x14 sunroom, new roof, wood windows, patio, prewired for hot tub. (PO1CA) $298,900



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Firewise landscaping helps protect isolated, woodland homes

(AP) – The nation's extensive, ground-cracking drought should prompt families with homes on woodland lots to consider doing some landscaping this fall.

Otherwise, they could be throwing a real fire sale.

More than 63,000 forest fires have been reported since January, charring more than 6.3 million acres. That's nearly double the 10-year average, according to the National Interagency Fire Center at Boise, Idaho.

Parts of Michigan were hot and dry much of the summer, but no major forest blazes have been reported.

A major complication for firefighters is the soaring number of people seeking the privacy and quiet of rural living. Many families are abandoning the city for simpler lifestyles.

Others are opting for isolated vacation homes.

"It's a cliche that everybody wants to have their own little piece of heaven out in the woods," says Mark Stuble, a fire information officer with the Interagency Fire Center.

"We understand that. But it's becoming more and more difficult for the fire crews. We only have a certain amount of control," Stuble said.

The biggest problem comes when buildings are screened by trees and undergrowth – the reason why many chose the properties in the first place.

"Having a continuous blanket (of vegetation) from the forest up to the house makes it almost impossible for volunteer firefighters or for the Forest Service to save a home," says Joe Lehnen, a forester. "The houses themselves become fuel."

That's where the term "firewise landscaping" comes in.

Start by breaking the chain of fuel between buildings and vegetation. Inventory the yard to determine what can catch fire and what can carry flames to the house.

Then go out and do something about it.

Establish landscaping zones around the house. Nothing flammable should be touching or near buildings. That includes firewood, mulch and trees with overhanging branches.

Maintain a well-kept lawn and avoid evergreens that catch fire easily and burn quickly.

Rock gardens, stone walkways and raised flower or garden beds create visual interest yet also make good fire breaks.

Remove yard debris and minimize vegetation out to at least 30 feet from the house. Clean and thin up to 100 feet.

Provide enough room for fire trucks and firefighting apparatus if there is an emergency.

Develop a dependable water supply – a pond, a swimming pool or most common in rural areas a well with high-volume pump.

If there's one fixed rule in wildland firefighting, it's that no plant is fireproof. But some are more resistant to flames than others.

Look for plants with high leaf moisture and low leaf oil or resin content. Choose plants that are drought resistant, with minimal litter and foliage and a low overall height.

Select trees and shrubs that are easy to maintain and prune. That increases their fire resistance.

Do some serious homework. Determine the area's fire history. Study prevailing winds and seasonable weather, including precipitation amounts. Note the property's elevation and slope and native vegetation.

Base landscaping choices on environmental concerns rather than aesthetics, says Bonnie Appleton, a professor of horticulture at Virginia Tech University.

Choose the right plant for the right location.

"No shotgun arboretums," Appleton says. "Plan. People should choose things appropriate for their surroundings."

The Internet offers some help in the form of information. A few sites:

Flammability rating of selected plants and trees, Virginia Firewise Landscaping – http://www.ext.vt.edu

Woodland landscaping suggestions, National Wildland/Urban Interface Fire Program – http://www.firewise.org

National fire news, National Interagency Fire Coordination Center – http://www.nifc.gov

Long-term mortgage rates establish new record lows

(AP) – Rates on 30-year mortgages last week dropped to a new low threshold during a three-decade measuring period.

In a nationwide survey, Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reported that the average interest rate on a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage fell to 6.05 percent, the lowest level in 32 years of record keeping.

The previous week, 30-year rates averaged 6.18 percent.

It's the fourth new low reached on 30-year mortgage rates this year.

Three weeks ago, rates on 30-year mortgages hit a low of 6.15 percent, surpassing the previous low of 6.22 percent set in mid-August. That low had bested the prior low of 6.34 percent reached in late July.

Mortgage rates have been falling amid a spotty economic recovery and a turbulent stock market that has sent investors to the bond market, helping to push long-term rates down.

"Adding to the decline (in long-term rates) was a flight to quality in the bond market from nervous investors worried about falling stock prices and the possibility of war in the Middle East," said Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

Low mortgage rates are feeding a boom in mortgage refinancing. Savings or extra cash coming out of refinancing deals is helping to support consumer spending, including home buying, amid uncertain economic times and eroding consumer confidence.

"The massive refinance wave that we have seen during the last eight weeks is unprecedented and now surpasses the refinance wave that we experienced last October and November," said Phil Colling, economist with the Mortgage Bankers Association of America.

Rates for 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, fell to 5.47 percent last week, the lowest level since Freddie Mac began tracking these rates in August of 1991.

The previous week, 15-year mortgages averaged 5.59 percent.

For one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, rates dipped to 4.28 percent, the lowest level since Feb. 25, 1994. The previous week, rates for one-year ARMS averaged 4.32 percent.

Mortgage rates quoted here don't include add-on fees known as points. Each loan type carried an average 0.7 point fee this week.

A year ago, 30-year mortgages averaged 6.80 percent, 15-year mortgages were 6.30 percent and one-year ARMS stood at 5.58 percent.

Professional inspection provides overview

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Thinking of buying a home?

Avoid getting a money pit by having the home professionally inspected from foundation to roof. This process will expose needed repairs.

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Avoid an inspector who offers to perform the work himself or who recommends someone who can. This practice could lead to a conflict of interests.

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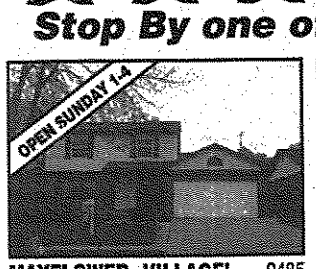
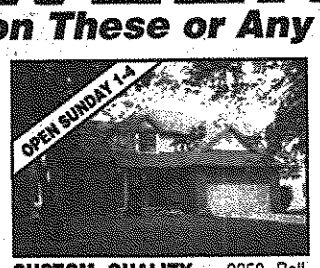


MAYFLOWER VILLAGE! – 9485 Baywood, Plymouth. Move right into this charming 4 bedroom, 1½ bath Colonial with formal living & dining room, large kitchen overlooks family room with cozy fireplace, enjoy the deck/patio, 2 car attached garage, nice and neutral & new carpet! Hurry! $219,900 (485BA)

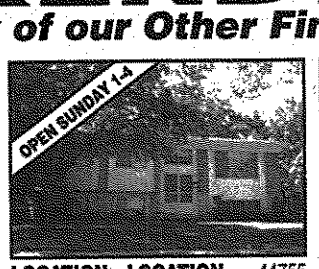
CANTON COLONIAL – 41670 Ravenwood, Canton. Traditional floor plan offers 1,400 square feet. Updated kitchen with oak Merillat cabinetry overlooks family room with fireplace. Three bedrooms, 1½ baths, finished basement, 2 car garage with pull-down storage and a brick patio. $199,900 (670RA)

BEAUTIFUL TREED LOT – 670 Sheldon, Plymouth. Updated 3 bedroom Ranch with remodeled kitchen, newer roof, newer windows, jetted tub in main bath, freshly painted. Great finished basement with wet bar. Sprinkler system. Two car attached garage. $208,000 (670SH)

LOOKING FOR A CUSTOM-BUILT? – 15053 Plymouth Crossing, Plymouth. Huge 4 bedroom, 2⅝ bath Colonial. Large master bath with whirlpool tub & separate shower. Quality 2x6 construction & a lot of other features are loaded into over 3,000 square feet of living space. $349,900 (053PL)



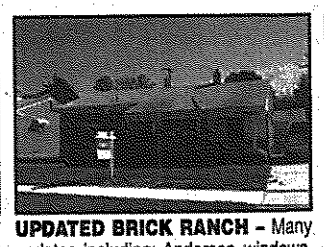
CUSTOM QUALITY – 9250 Ball, Plymouth. Located in Plymouth Township, 4 bedroom, 3½ bath Colonial, family room/fireplace. Built in 1992 - oak kitchen/Corian counters throughout, full finished basement, second floor laundry, walk to town, area of well-maintained diversified homes, deep lot, 2 car garage, central air. $325,000 (250BA)



LOCATION, LOCATION – 44755 Erik Pass, Plymouth. Plymouth Township spacious 3 bedroom on a treed & fenced lot, short stroll to school, newer central air, bright kitchen & doorwall to deck, spacious family room with brick fireplace. Extra large 2 car garage with opener. One year home warranty. $183,900 (755ER)

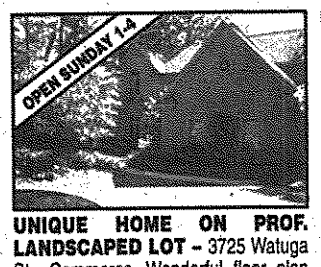
BRING THE KIDS & THE DOG – 1327 Mar Ann, Westland. Cute 3 bedroom brick Ranch with full finished basement and fenced yard. Kitchen is cute and has a roomy dining area. Extra deep yard and extra large garage. $125,900 (372MA)

A LOT OF EXTRAS – 34317 Florence, Westland. Beautiful 3 bedroom Ranch has 2 full baths, too many updates to list, additional living space in finished basement, 2 car garage and is located near all the conveniences. $148,000 (317FL)



UPDATED BRICK RANCH – Many updates including: Andersen windows, hardwood floors, newer garage door & opener, Merillat kitchen cabinets, finished basement with bath, large deck, newer furnace. Fenced-in yard with 2 car garage. $169,900 (460RA)

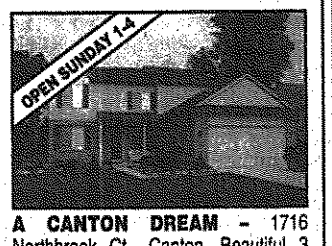
PRIVATE RETREAT – Enjoy the peace and tranquility of this lovely Cape Cod situated on 2 beautifully treed acres, surrounded by million-dollar homes. $339,900 (32INT)



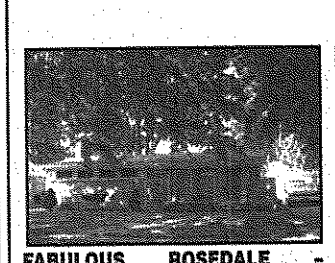
UNIQUE HOME ON PROF. LANDSCAPED LOT – 3725 Watuga St., Commerce. Wonderful floor plan with soaring ceilings, floor to ceiling windows, extensive use of ceramic tile, curved floating staircase, huge master with fireplace, gourmet kitchen has island & maple cabinets. Custom finished walk-out. All this on Woodbridge Lake. $685,000 (725WA)

NORTH CANTON COLONIAL – 43501 Oakbrook, Canton. Spacious, nearly 2,000 square feet, 4 bedrooms & 2½ baths. Formal dining room, kitchen, nook & foyer with ceramic tile. Family room with fireplace. First floor laundry. Enjoy some newer carpet & windows. A great family home! $234,900 (501OA)

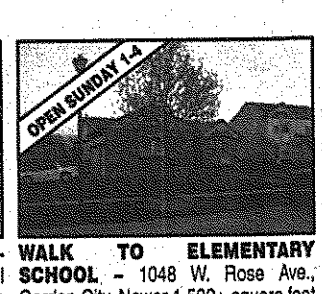
IMPRESSIVE AMBIANCE – 43135 Whisper Ct., Northville. Count on real comforts in this completely updated, cordial, brick Ranch. Pergo flooring throughout, new windows, furnace, hot water heater, bathrooms, carpet, kitchen & lighting fixtures. Has main level laundry. Finished basement. $299,900 (135WH)



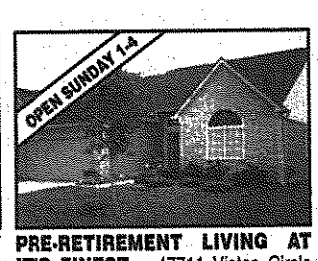
A CANTON DREAM – 1716 Northbrook Ct., Canton. Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial in great sub. Home backs to wooded area, open floor plan, move-in condition, large first floor laundry, partially finished basement, natural fireplace in great room, 6 foot garden tub in master with walk-in closet. $264,900 (716NO)



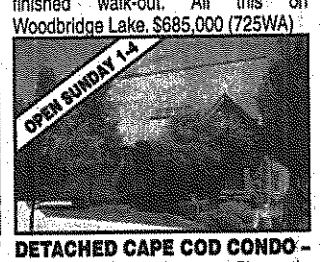
FABULOUS ROSEDALE – Immediate occupancy on this wonderful all-brick Ranch in super sub! Three huge bedrooms, 1½ baths, vaulted ceilings, hardwood floors throughout, updates galore - windows, hi-efficiency furnace, air conditioning, baths, on and on! $172,900 (255FR)



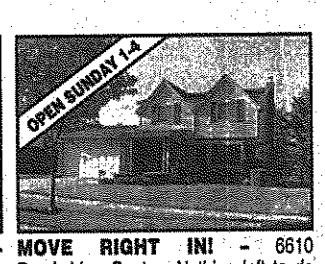
WALK TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – 1048 W. Rose Ave., Garden City. Newer 1,500+ square foot Ranch with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, great room with fireplace, cathedral ceilings, sky light, beautiful oak kitchen with bay window, newer carpet/flooring, central air & full basement on a large corner lot with 3 car garage. $209,900 (048RO)



PRE-RETIREMENT LIVING AT IT'S FINEST – 47711 Vistas Circle S., Canton. Relax on the deck, views of golf course & pond. Maintenance-free Condo Ranch, 2 bedrooms, 2 full baths, private basement & 2 car attached garage! Oak kitchen with breakfast nook, island & all appliances. First floor laundry, master with bath. $319,900 (711VI)

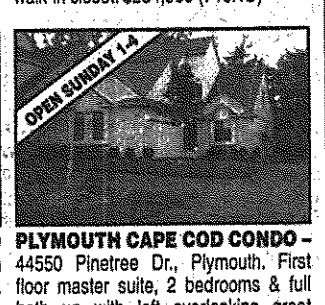


DETACHED CAPE COD CONDO – 48050 St. Andrews, Plymouth. Plymouth Township brings you this beautiful Condo with very open & airy floor plan. Ceramic in foyer & kitchen, white cabinets & built-ins. Great room has cathedral ceilings, fireplace, formal dining & French doors to cedar deck. Pets are allowed. $379,900 (050ST)



MOVE RIGHT IN! – 6610 Brookshire, Canton. Nothing left to do with this beautifully updated 3 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial. New kitchen, new hardwood floors, new carpet, replacement windows, central air, new siding and the list goes on! $244,900 (610BR)

WHAT A DOLL HOUSE! – 35320 Hazelwood, Westland. Cute 2 bedroom Ranch with first floor laundry. Completely updated & freshly painted, 1½ car garage with 220 for the mechanic. Priced right. $97,500 (320HA)



PLYMOUTH CAPE COD CONDO – 44550 Pinetree Dr., Plymouth. First floor master suite, 2 bedrooms & full bath up with loft overlooking great room, oak kitchen with granite counters, daylight-window basement, hardwood floors in foyer, kitchen, powder room & hall, first floor laundry, 2½ car attached garage. $354,900 (550PI)

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42543 Addison $210,000
43838 Applewood $165,000
47232 Ashley $348,000
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46407 Briargate $259,000
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6449 Carlton $250,000
48220 Central Pk $248,000
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345 Charterhouse $156,000
43786 Cherry Grove $218,000
380 Cherry Grove $254,000
43806 Cherry Grove $220,000
43766 Cherry Hill $237,000
43772 Cherry Hill $218,000
2338 Cleveland $302,000
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45140 Indian Crk $218,000
7261 Kingsbridge $238,000
43703 Laurelwd $184,000
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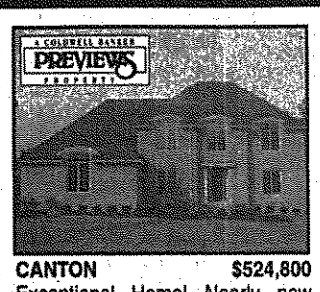
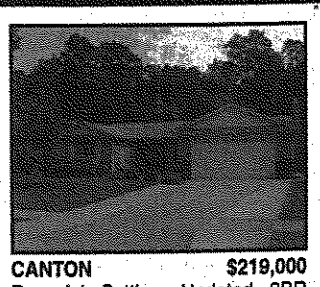
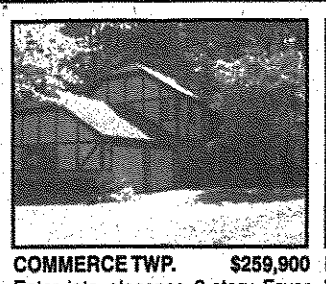


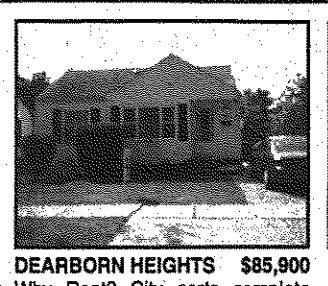
CANTON $524,800
Exceptional Home! Nearly new 4br, 5 baths, walkout, backs to woods, 3 car garage, fab. kitchen w/granite isle & huge nook. 2-story fam.room w/bay, 3 sky lights. Fab. master. (BGN25HAV) 888-220-3751



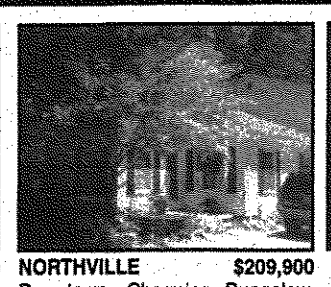
CANTON $219,000
Peaceful Setting. Updated 3BR ranch backing to woods. Clean & neutral. Updated include: vinyl wndws, tear off roof 01, furnace 02, siding, gutters & kit w/oak cabinets. Move in condition.(BGP-80Som) 888-223-6691



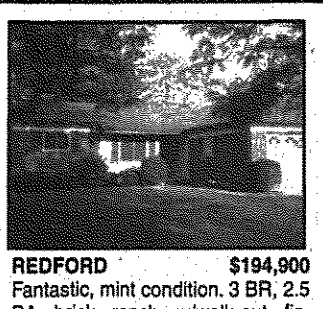
COMMERCE TWP. $259,900
Enter into elegance 2-story Foyer w/hdwd floors & circular stairway sets the stage for this 4BR Tudor. Surrounded by golf courses, lakes and also incl. a hot tub & gazebo. BGL85EDG 877-206-6853



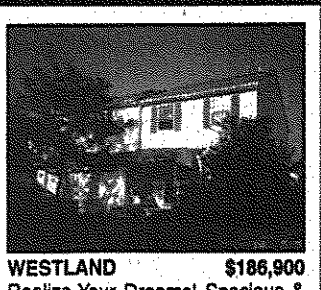
DEARBORN HEIGHTS $85,900
Why Rent? City certs complete *All appliances *Updated home *Newer vinyl siding adn wdos *HWH 2002 *Carpet 2002 *Large lot 70x128 *Two car garage *Newer drive *Home warranty. BGL41YAL 877-206-6853



NORTHVILLE $209,900
Downtown. Charming Bungalow. 2BR/2BA.FR w/wood burning stove & MBR w/full BA both added in '85. Kit w/new Pergo flrs. Brick paver patio. Beautiful landscaping. Newer roof, HWH, AC & furn. 1 yr warr (BGP-36Wes) 888-223-6691



REDFORD $194,900
Fantastic, mint condition. 3 BR, 2.5 BA brick ranch w/walk-out fin. bsmt. Gorgeous liv rm w/FP & doorwall to deck overlooking beautiful lot. Updated kit w/oak cab/counters & much more. Must See. BGL59LEN 877-206-6853



WESTLAND $186,900
Realize Your Dreams! Spacious & open 4br, 2.5 baths w/3 sky lights, vaulted ceilings, private master suite & huge party size deck. Attached garage & much more. Hurry! (BGN11STO) 888-220-3751

PLYMOUTH $1,100,000
Masterfully Completed. Prairie-style home situated on 4.3 acres. 4 BED 3.1 BATH home is perfect for gracious living. Formal LR, DR, kit w/eating area.16 ft ceilings, pool, Greenhouse. BGP-20Ter 888-223-6691

CANTON $209,900
Canton Colonial. 3BR home located near schools, shopping & easy access to freeways. Numerous updates incl: wndws, kit cabinets, garage door & more. Open kit, formal dining, central air. (BGP-51Pre) 888-223-6691

DEARBORN HEIGHTS $314,900
Well Maintained 4br Colonial! In N.Dbn.Hts. Close to shopping & schools. Many updates. Some hardwood flooring, C/A, sprinklers, fin. basement, family rm w/fireplace, quick occ. (BGN53LIL) 888-220-3751

DETROIT $89,900
Great home, new tear-off roof *glass blk windows *newer furnace *copper plumbing *elec. * Spacious 3 BR Ranch. 1 yr. Home War. Seller to pay 3,000 towards buyers closing cost. BGL74BRA 877-206-6853

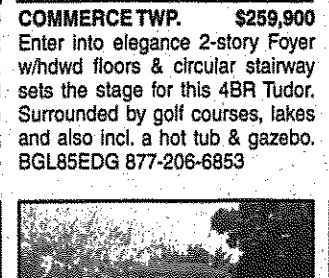
PLYMOUTH $224,900
Beautifull Downtown Plymouth home. Completely updated kitchen. Spacious cathedraled family rm & dining rm. Freshly painted in neutral tones. Refreshed hdwd flrs. Full 2 car gar. (BGP-10Vlr) 888-223-6691

REDFORD $107,500
Nice 3 BR brick bungalow w/12x13 FR. Updates include: kit. 2001 *new roof *water heater *porch 1999. Air conditioning and hardwood floors. 1 year home warranty. BGL53VIR 877-206-6853

WESTLAND $157,900
Great Home and Location! W/Livonia schools. 3br, 1.5 baths, finished basement w/dry bar and frig, hardwood floors thruout, 2 car garage. (BGN37AUG) 888-220-3751

CANTON $246,900
Luxury living in Canton & New Construction. 3 floor plans to choose from. 3/2 bd bsmt, 2 car garage, all the amenities and close to everything. Soaring ceilings, look out beautiful windows. (BGP-68Gla) 888-223-6691

CANTON $204,900
WOW! Location, Location! Backs to private Sub Park. Perfection plus-- 4bdrms, huge fam rm w/nature brick fireplace, updated kitchen, flooring, most windows, 2.5 car garage-fenced. Must see! (BGN41BRO) 888-220-3751



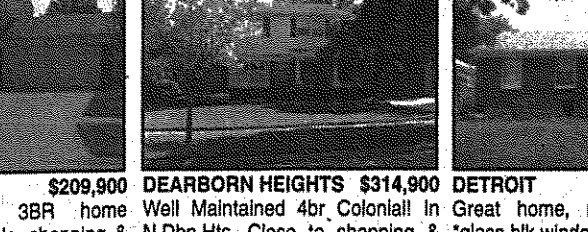
DEARBORN HEIGHTS $183,750
Well Maintained 3br, 1.5 bath Brick Ranch! W/family room, finished basement & attached garage. Some plaster walls w/cove ceilings. Updated furnace, CA, & kitchen. Great areal (BGN30BAL) 888-220-3751

LIVONIA $399,900
Beautiful 4 br. w/Library & Sun Room! All the extras; ceramic, moldings, hardwood floors, fabulous professionally done lower level. Former model. Cul-De-Sac location w/two decks. (BGN25ELL) 888-220-3751

PLYMOUTH $126,900
Well Maintained. 2 bedroom condo in a well maintained Condo Complex/Adult Community (55+). Neat and clean plus newer kitchen, windows and carpeting. Includes Applncs and window treatments. BGL13NEW 877-206-6853

WAYNE $179,900
Sprawling 3 bdrm brick ranch w/att 2 car garage. Finished basement. Kitchen opens to family rm w/fireplace. Extra lot available. Quality home for $179,900. BGL25ANN 877-206-6853

YPSILANTI $194,900
Ypsilanti Colonial! Located in popular streamwood sub, premium fieldstone elevation, upgraded pad & carpet t/o, upgraded flooring, 2 skylights, vaulted ceilings & limestone fireplace. (BGN73HOG) 888-220-3751



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56 yrs young female, 5'6", 126 lbs, enjoys walks in the rain, attending church, movies and more. Looking for a Christian, committed man for companionship or possibly more. BOX 20563

HOW ABOUT IT?
Divorced female, **49**, non-smoker, 5'4", height/weight proportionate, brown hair and eyes. Likes dining out, concerts, movies, traveling and cruises. Seeks single male, non-smoker, educated, financially secure, active, who enjoys doing things, going places, likes to communicate and generally have a good time. BOX 20574

CAN WE MEET!
Single female, 5'7", silver hair, blue eyes, enjoys grand-children. Seeking a single gentleman, **50**'s to 60's, who's fun to be with, enjoys life, good values and who enjoys coffee shops, talking, fine dining. BOX 20604

NO HEAD GAMES PLEASE
55 yr old, 5'7", divorced white female with blue eyes, brown hair, and a medium build. Seeks tall, white male, 55 to 60, honest, caring and respectful who enjoys dining out, dancing, country music and movies. BOX 16632

ARE U THE ONE?
Divorced white female, **50**, average looking brunette. Enjoys movies, dining out, animals, parks, and reading a good back. Searching for a white male who's intelligent with a sense of humor. BOX 20514

AWAITING UR CALL
Divorced white mother of three, **40**, self-employed, likes bowling, comedy clubs, movies, long walks and more. Searching for a single male with similar delights. BOX 20517

NEVER 2 LATE 4 LOVE
Down to earth, mid **50**'s red head, slim build, 5'3", not into games or telling lies, unique, caring. Looking for a relationship with a man who likes to travel, enjoys dining out, dancing, music, who wants to meet a special lady and have a one on one relationship. South Oakland. BOX 14507

LOOKING 4 MR. RIGHT
41 yr old professional female, 5'4", medium build, brown eyes, auburn hair, honest, caring, affectionate. Enjoys laughing, picnics, movies, weekend getaways, walks in the park. Seeks 40 to 47 yr old white or Italian male, at least 6', honest, good social skills, outgoing. BOX 20450

WE MIGHT CLICK
Single, unattached; 50-ish, on the heavy side, blue eyes, attractive, professional. Likes playing cards, festivals, bowling, dancing. Seeks professional gentleman for dating and relationship. BOX 20462

LET'S MEET!
Divorced white female, **48**, lives down river, has three grown children, grandchildren, down to earth. Enjoys movies, dining out, camping, family life. Looking for a guy with similar interests. BOX 20467

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NEW BEGINNINGS
28 yr old, divorced mother of two, 5'3", 160 lbs, dark brown curly hair and dark eyes, somewhat shy, works in medical field. Enjoys dancing, music, quiet dinners, outdoors, long walks, cuddling. Looking for a white male, 28 to 33, who has his life together, enjoys children, for friendship first. BOX 20469

VERY PROMISING
27 yr old female, light smoker, outgoing, 125 lbs, blonde hair, blue eyes, has tongue ring and two tatoos, no children, loves outdoors, swimming. Looking for a guy who loves to party for a long lasting relationship. BOX 20490

ARE WE COMPATIBLE?
Single white female, **57**, blonde hair, hazel eyes, 5'2", 120 lbs, happy, friendly. Likes hockey, fishing, camping, horseback riding, candlelight dinners. Seeks caring male with same interests, 55 to 65. BOX 15457

MAKE THIS PHONE CALL
Single white female, **43** years old, 5'7", 115 lbs, brown hair, pretty green eyes. Enjoys music, dancing, dining out, bonfires, quiet evenings at home. Would love to share them all with that one special gentleman who gives me a call. BOX 16626

THINKING OF YOU
45 year old single white female, 5'6", blonde hair, green eyes. Hopes to find that one special gentleman to share interesting moments, having fun and laughter with that right person who will pick up the phone and give me a call. DownRiver area. BOX 16676

POSSIBLE CONNECTION
An attractive brunette, **49**, 5'4", 115 lbs, single white professional female, with great smile and good heart, enjoys family and friends, boating, Red Wings and you, if height weight proportionate, humorous, caring, financially stable and emotionally available. Wayne County. BOX 25014

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

PORTUGUESE LOOK
Attractive, professional, fit, single white female, **39**, 5'6", golden/brown hair, green eyes, likes the outdoors, swimming, jogging, hiking, reading, writing, music, concerts and much more. Seeks attractive, intelligent, religious male, 36 to 45, of Mediterranean heritage, non-smoker. BOX 14245

TREAT ME RIGHT
Absolutely beautiful, single white female, **40**, 5'7", slim, smart, hard working business owner. Seeks exclusive long term relationship with a very successful white male, 51 and over, who knows how to enjoy the finer things in life and will treat me well. BOX 15084

YOU WON'T BE SORRY
Single white female, **49**, strawberry blonde hair, blue eyes. Seeks male for laughter, trust, romance and companionship. No heavy drinkers, drug users or gamblers. BOX 15094

SO MUCH TO OFFER
Single female who enjoys traveling, biking, long walks, cards, and more. Searching for a single male with similar delights. BOX 16694

ATTRACTIVE ITALIAN
Petite, divorced, white female, seeks honest and secure, single, white male, 49-55, who likes to laugh and have fun, for friendship, possible long term relationship. Dearborn area. Wayne County BOX 35950

LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH
Single, black sophisticated, mature female, medium height, slender build, enjoys dining out, flea markets, movies and more. Seeks male with similar interests, race not important. Wayne County BOX 36126

SMART FUNNY HUGGABLE
40 yr old divorced white female 5'7", with 2 children, likes movies, walks, zoos, intelligent conversation, Seeking an educated, down to earth, non-smoking white male 40-49, who is family oriented, enjoys laughing, hugging and open communication, Western Wayne county BOX 36128

PRETTY & SMART
Single female, **23**, 5'6", 130 lbs, brown hair, eyes, caramel complected and has a great sense of humor. BOX 14796

END OF THE RAINBOW
Attractive country girl at heart, 5'6", blonde hair, green eyes, **32** years. Enjoys anything outdoors, boating, camping, roller blading, hockey, NASCAR, tractor pulls. Seeks monogamous relationship with male not afraid to be affectionate, lots of fun to be around, 35-45, facial hair a plus. BOX 15762

TAKE ME OUT TONIGHT
Spontaneous, romantic blonde, 5'7", willing to try almost anything. Looking for a one woman man, 5'10" and up, 44 to 54, who's looking for a good woman. BOX 15846

THE TIME IS NOW
Single white female, **44** years, 5'5", long brown hair, average looking, wanting to get back into the dating game, enjoying life again. Enjoyment is found in not what I am doing, but who I am doing it with! Ready to laugh, cuddle, spoil someone!! BOX 16651

WHY HESITATE?
Single white female, **52**, dark hair and eyes, 5', fit, social drinker, non-smoker. Likes auto racing, golf, bowling, casinos, funny movies and sports. Seeks male, 46 to 55, employed, sense of humor, for dating and relationship. BOX 16885

I'M YOUR LADY
Attractive white divorced 45, 5'2", 138 lbs., female, brown/blue, enjoys walking, swimming, movies, music and dining out. Seeks white male, 40-50, slim to medium build, 5'6", non-smoker, occasional drinker, affectionate and sincere, for a meaningful relationship in Garden City. BOX 26999

ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE
Outgoing, petite, and live in Plymouth. Looking for an attractive, non-smoking, single white male, 48 to 58, who is trustworthy, emotionally/financially secure, with no dependents. Someone with a jest for life. Wayne County BOX 27026

GERMAN BORN LADY
5'5", fit, blonde, classy, intelligent, positive female with many interests. Likes swimming, working out, gardening, photography, reading, decorating and more. Looking for an open minded, non- smoking, outgoing, attractive, intelligent male, 67 to 75, who lives on the west side of Wayne or Oakland Counties. BOX 11952

MOTOWN GAL
...Looking for a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 48 to 60, non-smoker, for long-term, monogamous relationship. I am **51** yr old divorced female. I love Motown music and classic cars. I believe in romance and enjoy simple pleasures. Down River area. BOX 14471.

WE MIGHT CLICK
Full figured lady, strawberry blonde hair, blue eyes, attractive, non-smoker. Likes theater, movies, travel, books. Seeks white male, 45 to 68, non-smoker, tall, active, honest, sense of humor. For friendship, possible long term relationship. BOX 15109

SEIZE THE DAY
50 year old single white female, 5'1", 130 lbs, slim, down to earth. Enjoys travel, casinos, country, ocean. Smoker, social drinker, retired. Seeks same in male, about 5'8", 60-65 years, with same interests in life. BOX 16225

BE A MAN FOR ME
Divorced white Christian female, **51**, 5'2", blonde, blue eyes, 140 lbs. Enjoys country music, motorcycles, flea markets, hayrides, fishing, picking berries to seashells. Seeks rugged handsome white gentleman, for fun/friendship...just be comfortable being a man. BOX 16620

YOUR MOVE NOW
44 year old female, Down River citizen, 6' tall, big and beautiful. Seeks sincere male for committed relationship, sharing music, animals, the outdoor activities of the season. BOX 16804

ALL FOR YOU
Single white female, **46**, blue eyes, enjoys walking, would like to learn golf, seeks honest and sensitive male who enjoys family and social activities. An all around nice guy who will be there for me as I intend to be there for him. BOX 16963

TESTING THE WATERS
Single mom of 2, 5'3", brown hair and eyes, seeks 28 to 35-yr old male who enjoys children, quiet nights, walks in the park, athletics and fun. For dating on a serious basis. BOX 16988

VARIED INTERESTS
White female, non-smoker, **49**, seeks someone to enjoy life with. Please be 40 to 99. Let's watch movies, go out to dinner and the theater together. BOX 17001

ARE YOU PERFECT?
Me neither! Divorced? Me too! Can you be described as stupid, superficial, short, skinny or scary? Me neither! Seeks male, 35 to 45, who enjoys children, to enjoy laughter, long talks, walks, late movies. BOX 20429

AWAITING YOUR CALL
White female, 5'10", overweight, non-smoker, light drinker, no drugs, Episcopalian, sincere, honest, casual, easy going. Enjoys swimming, bowling, fishing, walking, dining out, pets, shopping. Seeks male for dating and relationship. BOX 20483

SEEKS PERFECT MATE
Attractive, **50**+ widow, fun loving, physically fit. Seeks male desiring travel, working out, bicycling, golf, mountain hiking, skiing, swimming, dancing, dining out, family, cooking, quiet evenings, closeness, sharing, intimacy, love. Requesting too much? Tell me. BOX 24980

LET'S GET TOGETHER
You found her! Adorable, petite, prefers gentleman 48-60, full of life, great sense of humor, likes to have new experiences. Call, you won't regret it. Oakland County. BOX 25008

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR
Giving, loving, compassionate, curvy, lots of fun, great conversationalist, **55**, looking for sincere, successful Caucasian gentleman, 45-late 70's, to be my soul mate. Float your boat, make your day, answer my ad today. BOX 25322

QUALITY, QUALITY
Seeking a sincere, honest, no games played, non-smoking, social drinking, single white male by a divorced white female, **54**, who likes to do almost everything. Looking for friendship, companionship or something long term. West side. Wayne County. BOX 25333

ACTIVE SENIORS ONLY
Well traveled, educated, loving, white, professional female. Seeking a sophisticated, Christian man, 62 to 72, who can also be down-to-earth. Interests are classical music, art appreciation, world events and travel. Comfortable one-on-one and in social situations. Oakland County. BOX 35911

GEMINI GIRL
Single white female, **47**, slender, blonde hair, hazel eyes, enjoys golf, swimming, boating, people. Looking for a single white male, 42-53, who's genuine, down to earth, stable, for dating, possible long term relationship. Wayne County. BOX 35938

A LADY OF CLASS
Vivacious, upbeat, very attractive, blonde female, a professional, 5'7", 115 lbs, upper 50's, seeking soul mate counter part, 60's, a professional, for dating, possible long term relationship. Call me and see what life has in store for us. BOX 35996

FIRST TIME AD
Educated, well traveled, loving professional single female, 5'2", medium build, non-smoker. Enjoys conversation, music, travel, quiet times, and theater. Seeking refined gentleman, 60-70, for friendship first. Oakland county. BOX 35999

SEEKING ITALIAN
Petite, white female, **63**, 5'1", 128 lbs, brown hair and eyes, non-smoker, attractive, talkative, good sense of humor. Seeks gentleman 60 to 66, non-smoker, sharing the things in life we both enjoy, especially travelling. BOX 36003

JUST LOVABLE
Single white male, **44**, loves hugging, cuddling, kissing and lots of affection. Seeking female with the same interest, age, race, size open. BOX 14939

END MY SEARCH
Live near I-94 in Telegraph, **63** yrs old, 5'9", 170 lbs, youthful, light hearted, gentle. Enjoys camping, walking, flea markets, movies, quiet nights at home. Looking for permanent relationship with a slim to semi-slim lady. BOX 10478

NEW BEGINNINGS
Successful entrepreneur, 59, 5'10", 180 lbs, handsome, divorced, incurable romantic, with style and sense of humor. You: 48 to 60, still beautiful, slim, non-smoker, with class and joire de vivre. Can you meet my standards? If so, call me, you won't be disappointed! BOX 20480

HANDSOME IRON WORKER
5'11" male with mustache, 180 lbs seeks female, **40** to 55, slender to average build who is interested in travel, dinners, movies, quiet times at home, casinos, boating and more. Call if interested. BOX 12370

HI THERE!
50 yr old Down River area male would like to meet a female who enjoys music, dancing, concerts, the theatre, car rides and more. Give me a call! BOX 12450

LET'S MEET 4 DINNER!
24 yr old, 6', 190 lb, single male who enjoys movies, dining out, and more. Seeking a petite female for dating and possible relationship. BOX 14963

SOMEONE TO LOVE
White male, blue eyes, auburn hair, enjoys camping, working in the garden, games, travel and quiet times at home with someone to love. Social drinker, hooked on pepsi and trying to quit smoking. Seeking someone under **60**. BOX 13694

AS GOOD AS IT GETS
Very kind, respectful, considerate, single white male, **41**, 6'5", 246 lbs, with brown hair and green eyes. I enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, anything outdoors, dancing and the movies. Seeking an honest, loyal and loving female who enjoys doing similar things. Wayne, Munroe County only. BOX 15466

FULL FIGURED LADY'S
Divorced, white male, **43**, 5'9", 165 lbs, blondish brown hair, green eyes, down to earth. Seeking a single or divorced, white female, 38 to 45, who is down to earth and enjoys the simple things in life. For a possible relationship. Wayne county BOX 27006

JUST READ
I'm white widowed, attractive, light hearted, well built, enjoy all the good things in life. Looking for an attractive, well built lady, under **59**, for possible permanent relationship, Dearborn. Wayne County. BOX 35956

BEING UP FRONT
Really hot stuff, single white male, **40**s, enjoys fun times, laughter, romantic evenings. Seeks a reasonably attractive and energetic, lipstick wearing romantic sweetheart. BOX 15863

PLEASE CALL TODAY
Fine, personable, single white male, **40**'s, is helpful and entertaining, good listener. Looking for someone serious, settled and sincere, single white female, 36 to 52. BOX 20424

START AS FRIENDS
White father of one, **39**, recently divorced, 5'11", 165 lbs, brown hair and eyes. Loves outdoors, beaches, travel, camping, animals. Looking for someone who's around my age, similar interests, sincere, honest, career minded. BOX 20451

WHAT'S INSIDE COUNTS
Single white male, **27**, 6', 300 lbs, hazel eyes, brown hair, easy going, fun, caring, easy to be around. Interested in finding a fun, caring woman, 24 to 27. BOX 20470

MR. LONELY
Heart of gold, **51**, 5'6", 155 lbs, white male, no children, financially secure and easy going. Enjoys outdoor activities, dining out, movies, romantic evenings. Seeking female, 30 to 50, same interests, for serious relationship. Wayne County. BOX 33727

HONEST
Tall, divorced white male, 6'4", good physical condition, **56**, non-smoker, self-employed, honest, sincere, sense of humor. I would like to meet a slender lady, 45 to 53, who is easygoing, with good values, for companionship, and possible long-term relationship. BOX 35984

HOPE TO HEAR FROM U
Single male, **31**, 6'2", brown hair and eyes, fun person to be with has a warped sense of humor enjoys dining out, movies and walks. Seeks female with a similar disposition female. BOX 15346

TIRED OF BEING ALONE
Widowed and lonesome male, 5'9", 168 lbs, social drinker, smoker, healthy, gentle and giving. Enjoys camping, fishing, travel, walking, games and quiet times at home. Seeks well put together female, under **60**, with a nice personality. BOX 12547

QUALITY GUY
Divorced white male, **55**, 5'10", medium build, successful businessman. Enjoys candlelight dinners, flowers, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, travel, getaway weekends. Seeks family oriented people person with good sense of humor. BOX 14102

LOOKING FOR A MATCH
Good natured, pleasant looking, well mannered, single white male, **45**, well traveled, sociable, sincere. Seeks good natured, interesting lady companion, 38 to 53. BOX 14814

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE
Professional white male, **48**, college educated, multiple degrees, non-smoker, light drinker, no dependents, 5'11", 198 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes. Enjoys outdoors, travel, weekend getaways, movies, theater, dining out, reading. Seeks professional lady, college educated, no dependents, non-smoker. BOX 16321

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I'LL TREAT YOU RIGHT
White male, looking for a slender, attractive woman who has a sense of humor, likes to have fun and party, slight attitude. You deserve to be treated well and I would be happy to do that! BOX 16493

100 % PURE LOVE
Single female, 6'2", 250 lbs, short brown hair, smoker, enjoys outdoors, fishing, biking, hiking, and more. Looking for a one on one relationship with a passionate, short female, 35 to 50. BOX 16698

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Non-smoker, light drinker, divorced, excellent health and physical condition, ex-marine, professional. Seeks younger shapely woman, weight proportionate, with warm, affectionate personality, for serious relationship. BOX 16705

PLEASANTLY PLUMP?
Go ahead and call! open minded, single white male **39**, easy to talk too, romantic and adventurous, Seeks single white female 24-42, for meaningful relationship. Wayne county BOX 25010

I BELIEVE I CAN FLY!
Come fly with me! Handsome, successful professional, **56**, 18 on the dance floor, 6', physically fit, energetic, charismatic, positive, spiritual, full of life and a great sense of humor. Variety of interests! Compassionate, romantic, good listener, emotionally and financially secure. BOX 10578

R U UNDER 59
Single male, 5'8", 175 lbs, auburn hair and blue eyes, non-smoker, financially stable, enjoys camping, long walks, games, quiet times at home and more. Looking for a female with similar interests, for possible relationship. BOX 10700

ARE YOU OUT THERE?
Single black male, west side of Detroit, own my home. Seeks down to earth lady, attractive, 30 to **45**, for friendship, relationship. I enjoy music, sports, romance, sharing and communicating. BOX 10924

FIND YOUR FUTURE
Single white male, 5'11", 185 lbs, non-smoker, fit and good looking, **42**, enjoys travel, boating, jet skiing, hockey, dining out, movies and more, seeks female for friendship and... BOX 14490

UNDERSTANDABILITY?
23 year old male, 6'1", 190 lbs, easy going. Enjoys camping, long walks, dancing, movies with someone special. Phone, leave your number and he will get back to you. BOX 16135

JOIN WITH ME TODAY
Male, **40**, 5'9", 140 lbs, Mexican/Hungarian descent, spontaneous, single parent. Seeks petite female, 24-40, to share his interests in animals, children, walks, cuddling, to begin a long term relationship. BOX 16208

SEEKS SPECIAL SOME1!
Single male, **24**, 5'8", 240 lbs, with hazel eyes and dark blonde hair is looking for a career minded, ambitious, well proportioned, single female. BOX 16476

GUARDIAN...
...for very slender, dynamite, attractive woman, slight attitude who deserves to be treated like an angel. **36** yr old, single white male, 5'11", 165 lbs, very fit, refined, attractive, great dancer and listener. No harm will come to your or your heart while I'm around! BOX 16509

NEW ADS EACH WEEK!

CIRCLE THIS AD
Handsome, clean cut, non-smoker, **35**, white male, 6'2", 195 lbs, brown hair, never married, financially independent, home owner, professionally employed, organized, dependable, loyal, sincere, monogamous gentleman. Enjoys outdoors activities, seeks special lady, affectionate, attractive, fit, no dependents. BOX 16609

JUST BE YOURSELF
48 yr old, divorced male, 5'10", 160 lbs, brown hair and eyes. Loves golf, long walks, hockey, old cars, NASCAR. Seeks female, 36 to 45, medium height, petite, loving and caring. BOX 16623

ALL THE WAY
29 year old single white male, 5'10", 195 lbs, brown hair, brown eyes, goatee. Loves anything outdoors, golf, softball, movies, concerts, music. Hopes to find lady to share possible long term relationship leading to marriage. BOX 16672

SHINING ARMOR
27 year old white male, non-smoker, social drinker, hazel eyes, brown hair. Enjoys music, hockey, softball, camping, fishing...just one big man seeking special lady, 24-30, for friendship, maybe long term relationship. BOX 16773

LIVES FOR ADVENTURE
Active, **42** yr old Hispanic male, 5'10", self employed, non-smoker, social drinker, loves life and adventure. Seeks attractive, medium build, intelligent, secure lady tomboy who is not afraid to live and explore. Grab your kayak and let's go! BOX 16775

GREAT EXPECTATIONS
Ready to share friendship, good times, up north at Skidmore Lake is this 5'8", 200 lbs, male, brown hair, brown eyes, non-smoker. Activities would include canoeing, hiking, fishing, Michigan, cooking, gardening, sitting around fireplace with movies and popcorn. BOX 16803

LET'S START OVER
65 yr old, single white male, non-smoker, non-drinker, 5'9", weight proportionate, brown hair, hazel eyes, very active. Seeks white woman, 55 to 65, for long term relationship. Must be non-smoker, non-drinker, active and ready for new adventures, humor and fun. BOX 20459

YOU FOUND ME
40 yr old male, blonde hair, blue eyes, 6'2", 190 lbs, fit. Enjoys jogging, fine dining, camping, travel, outdoors, dancing, music. Seeks female who's looking to have a good time, possible long term relationship if compatible. BOX 20492

TURN ON HEART LIGHT
Are you really available? Female **50**, white professional, 5', 105 lbs, romantic, attractive. Seeks down to earth employed male, 47-55, honest, trustworthy, well grounded in Christian values. No indicted sports nuts or couch potatoes need reply, only a good friend, true partner wanted. BOX 25937

PROFESSIONAL MOM
Single white Christian professional female, **46**, 124 lbs., attractive, with a heart of gold, great cook. Enjoys quiet times and movies, walks. Seeks well groomed white male, 42-50, non-smoker, with Christian values. Wayne County. BOX 26052

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

BUBBLY & CLASSY
Intelligent, fit, 5'6", brown eyed blonde, passionate about life and laughing, enjoys golf, biking, theater, boating and great conversations, interested in meeting tall, 50 to 58, financially/emotionally stable true gentleman with similar interests. Oakland county BOX 27010

SONGS FROM THE HEART
Divorced white female, **47**, 5'7", blonde/blue, vivacious, passionate, Christian church musician. Seeks white Christian male, non-smoker, 5'10" or taller, who is intelligent, articulate, romantic, and honest with a passion for life. Oakland County. BOX 27014

COUNTRY GIRL
Divorced white lady, non-smoker, non-drinker likes horseback riding, has own horses. Enjoy camping, walking, boating, flea markets, old cars, movies. Seeks gentleman 57 to 65 with similar interest. Monroe County. BOX 27030

LOVELY BUT LONELY
Tall, slender, attractive, romantic, fun lady seeks honest, loyal, romantic, flexible gentleman, that's **55** plus, over 5'10", and fun to be with. Let's start as friends first. Oakland County BOX 27034

GEM SEEKS TREASURER
Divorced, white professional female, 5'5". 125 lbs. brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, former model, looks **40**'s and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 59 to 65, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

men seeking women

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WE MIGHT CLICK
Very young looking, 48 yr old, father of one, 5'9", 150 lbs, light brown hair, blue eyes, employed, home owner, smart, good looking, sense of humor. Enjoys music, playing guitar, movies, outdoors, working out, dining out, dancing. Seeks female for dating and relationship. BOX 16926

TIRED OF BEING ALONE
Single male, **61**, 5'9", 170 lbs, light hearted, loves to laugh and gentle. Enjoys camping, walking, good movies, flea markets and quiet nights at home. Looking for a permanent relationship with the right lady, under 59, slim and attractive. BOX 20561

LET'S HAVE FUN...
Nice looking, considerate, single white male, in my **40**'s. Seeks a single lady, in her 40's or 50's, for dancing, dining and social events. BOX 20569

THINK ABOUT IT...
32 yr old, white male, 5'9", 200 lbs, red hair, hazel eyes, enjoys fishing, fixing cars and more. Looking for a single female, 30 to 45, race open, height and weight proportionate. BOX 20587

HAPPINESS CAN HAPPEN
Single white male, **43**, 5'11", 170 lbs, athletic build, secure, home-owner, non-smoker. Enjoys dancing, candlelight dinners, music, camping. Seeking a special lady to develop a monogamous relationship. BOX 20591

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

DOWN TO EARTH...
Single male who enjoys walking, sunsets, computers and more is looking for a special, down to earth female, 30 to 38. BOX 20516

NICE LADY NEEDED
Single white male, **50** years, 5'4", 135 lbs, brown hair, mustache, no dependents, one cat, easy going, honest, sincere, good sense of humor. Enjoys golf, bowling, barbecues, dining, movies, music, dancing, street fairs, day trips, weekend travel, quality time at home. Will return all calls. BOX 16606

FALL FUN
Athletic, muscular single white male, **44**, 6'2", 215 lbs, brown blue, clean cut, degree, never married, no dependents, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, working out, new activities. Seeks friendly single female, age location open. Wayne County BOX 27018

DRIVE-BY
Mobile meeting...if you don't like what you see, keep on going! Handsome single white male, **40**s, looking for love. Seeks similar minded female, 40s to 50s. BOX 12015

TALL, DARK, HANDSOME
White male, **49**, enjoys good books, conversation, good food, mountain biking, travel. In search of an attractive, intelligent white female, 35 to 50. BOX 20522

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FRIENDS, 50 AND UP
Female, **50**'s, seeks single adults, 50 and up, who enjoy RV travel, camping, bridge, cribbage, outdoor activities, picnics, boating, bike riding, spectator sports, golf or fishing. BOX 20449

seniors

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WE MIGHT CLICK
56 yr old female, 5'6", 126 lbs. Enjoys walks in the rain, chocolate chip cookies, church, movies, the park. Seeks Christian male for companionship and possibly more. BOX 20523

LET'S TALK
Senior white lady, seeking senior gentleman for friendship, companionship and relationship. BOX 20441

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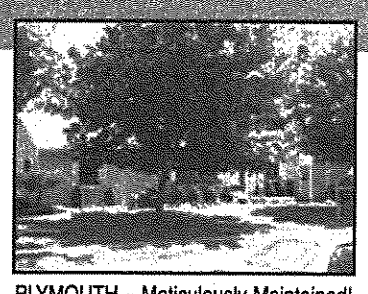
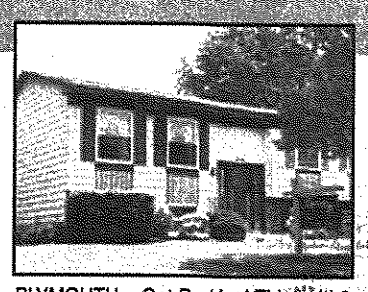
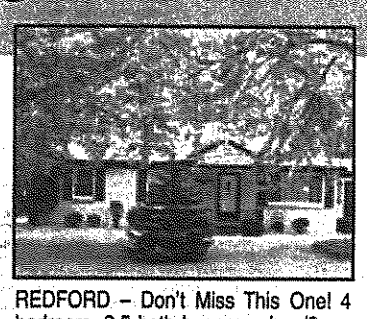


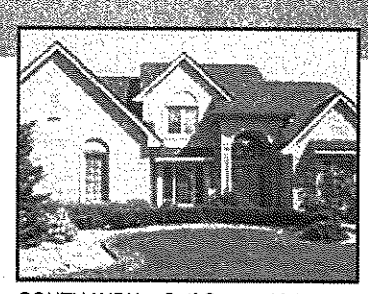
PLYMOUTH – Meticulously Maintained! 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch home w/professionally finished basement, double wide & extra wide lot! Ext furniture & appliances stay. Beautifulu landscape & brick paver driveway & patio. $247,000 (00ADA) 734-455-5600



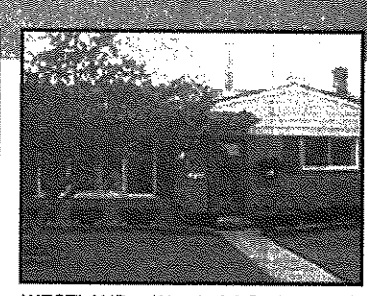
PLYMOUTH – Get Packing! This is It! 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath move-in condition home. Freshly painted & thoroughly updated. Newer roof, windows, bath, kitchen, c/a & furnace, lovely parquet floors, 2 tier deck/hot tub. $187,000 (20JOY) 734-455-5600



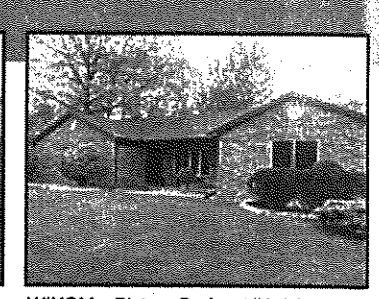
REDFORD – Don't Miss This One! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath huge ranch w/2 car attached garage w/attic. Wet plaster w/coved ceilings, gigantic country kitchen, rec room w/fireplace, 1/2 acre lot, newer windows & c/a. $197,900 (68RYL) 734-455-5600



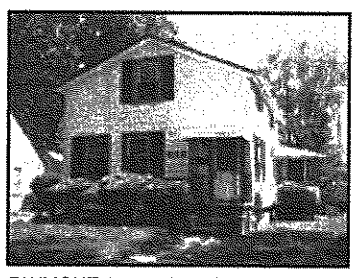
SOUTH LYON – Golf Course Living. 1st floor master ste + 3 spacious bedrooms. Open floor plan, oak kitchen, hardwood floor & first floor laundry. Beautifully finished LL & profess landscaped. Enjoy the evening shade on your deck, 3 car garage. $479,900 (80SPY) 248-349-5600



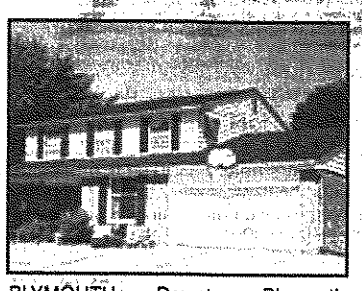
WESTLAND – Wonderful Curb Appeal. A must see 3 bedroom home w/open floor plan. Freshly painted with C/A. Remodeled bath & kitchen. Newer landscaping roof & hot water heater. Home Warranty offered. $158,900 (38EAS) 248-349-5600



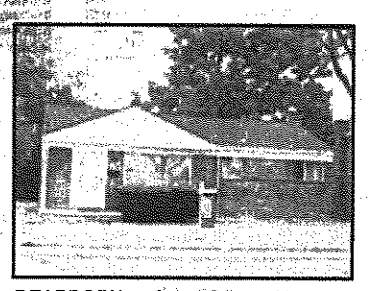
WIXOM – Picture Perfect all brick ranch. Located on a corner lot. Cherry island kitchen, hardwood flooring, newer appliances - all stay. Three huge bedrooms. Family room w/gas fireplace. $204,900 (35SHE) 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH – Walk Downtown! 3 bedroom, 2 bath colonial w/1920's charisma. Curved archways to LR & DR w/hardwood flllr, sunroom w/3 walls of windows, updated bath w/claw tub, kitchen w/maple cabinets, 3 car garage. $189,800 (28ADA) 734-455-5600

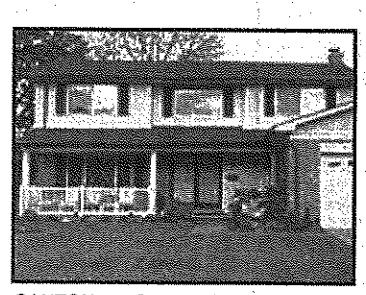


PLYMOUTH – Downtown Plymouth Ranch! 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch. Close to parks & on a quiet street. Hardwood floors in LR & bedrooms, newer windows, furnace & c/a, updated electrical, hot water heater, partially finished basement, 1.5 car garage. $187,800 (79KEL) 734-455-5600

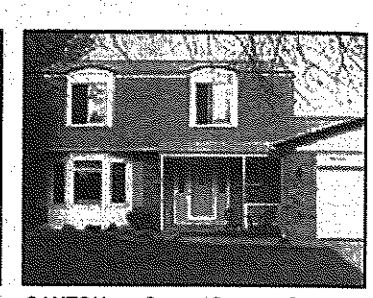


DEARBORN – Great Starter Home! 3 bedroom, 1 bath brick ranch. Close to Oakwood Hospital & x-ways. Coved ceilings, refurbished hdwd floors in LR & BRs, freshly painted, neutral decor, newer kitchen counters & floors, basement. $107,000 (20SOU) 734-455-5600

ROMULUS – Golf Course Location. Move right in to this 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial w/cathedral ceilings & many upgrades. Custom kitchen, step-up master bedroom, fashion bath w/whirlpool. Quality t/o, still time to pick carpet. $219,900 (87CRY) 248-349-5600

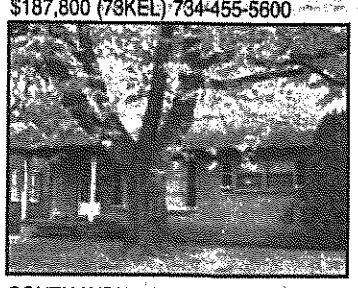


CANTON – Outstanding Colonial. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Lots of updates: C/A, roof, lav, 2 decks, siding & windows. Big eat-in kitchen open to FR w/fireplace & Berber carpet. Lots of TLC given to this home. $249,900 (62CAR) 248-349-5600



CANTON – Super Canton Colonial. Bright & clean 3 bedroom home w/newer carpet t/o. Freshly painted. Very private fenced yard that backs to commons. First floor laundry, oak floor in kitchen. Patio, all appliances stay. $229,900 (10SAN) 248-349-5600

FARMINGTON HILLS – Charming! 3 bedroom, 2 bath bungalow is extremely well maintained. Family room addition remodeled in 2001 w/gorgeous French doors leading to deck, newer garage roof & windows. $142,900 (10ALB) 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON – Move In Ready! 3 bedroom, 3 bath colonial. Completely renovated in 2001. Maintenance free exterior, master on main floor or 2nd floor, enormous kitchen w/snack bar, 1st floor laundry & deep lot. $224,900 (04LIB) 734-455-5600

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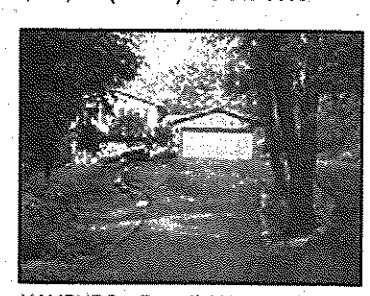
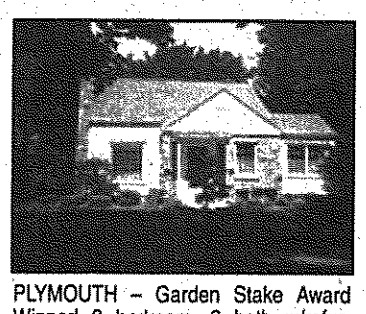
NOVI – Country Place End Unit w/2 bedroom, 2.1 bath 2-story townhouse w/Novi schools & Northville mailing. LR w/natural fireplace, garage w/opener & private patio. Updates, basement & neutral t/o. All appliances stay. $158,000 (29GLE) 248-349-5600



HAMBURG – Beautiful Home & Setting. 1994 built 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath tri-level. GR added '99, 2-way frplc from GR to dining area. Open floor plan - for entertaining. FR used as fabulous MBR w/1/2 bath. Medium oak kit cabs w/center island & snack bar. Outstanding Indscpg. $264,900 (79MIC) 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH – Garden Stake Award Winner! 3 bedroom, 2 bath w/refurbished hdwd floors, nat fieldstone fireplace, kit renovated w/maple cabinets, newer floors, counters & appliances, formal DR, updated cer bath, private treed yard. $279,000 (76BUR) 734-455-5600

SUPERIOR – Attractive Colonial! 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. You must see to appreciate this home in quiet Oakbrook Sub. Close to schools & parks, finished basement, 2 car garage, many updates & fresh paint. $169,900 (04MAN) 734-455-5600

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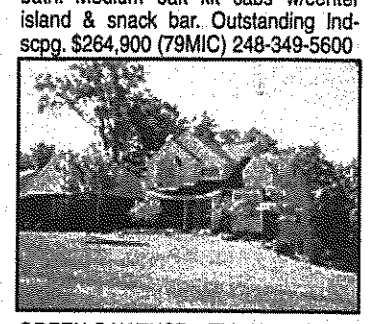
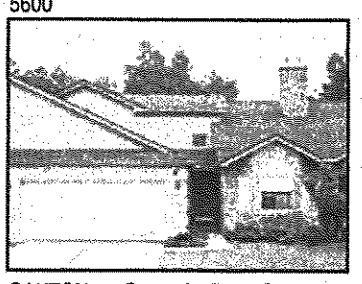
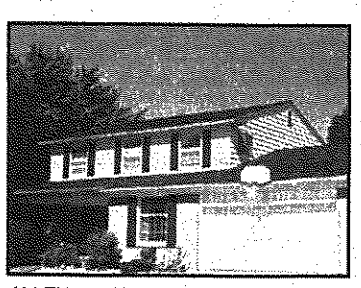
NORTHVILLE – Stunning Plantation Style Cape Cod. 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home w/granite countertops, hdwd flooring, cust screened porch, extensive stone walkways, landscaping & extensive decking, 1st floor MS. Many built-ins, major upgrades & amenities. $747,000 (67FOX) 248-349-5600



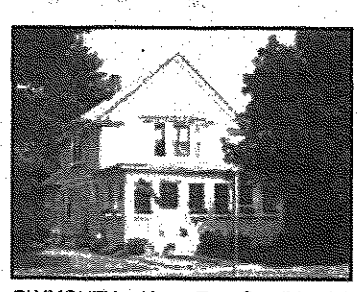
GREEN OAK TNSP. – This Home Has It All.1993 built 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath, 2 story contemporary, FF MS, FFL & GR w/soaring ceiling w/stone frplc. Beautiful finished w/o LL. Spacious kitchen w/built-ins, 3 car garage. 2 level deck overlooking woods. $299,500 (68LEE) 248-349-5600



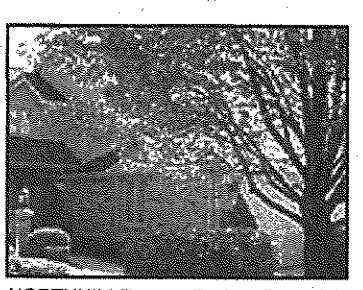
CANTON – Canton's Best Condo! 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Just Like New! Study & 1st floor laundry, kitchen updated, DR w/doorwall leading to deck overlooking woods, c/a, cathedral ceiling, oak cabs, ceramic baths & 2 car garage, basement. $249,000 (40CHE) 734-455-5600



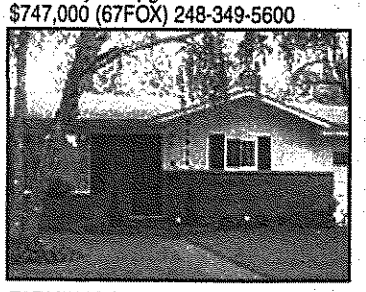
ALLEN PARK – Rare Find! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial located on a cul-de-sac. Allen Park schools, formal living room, dining room, family room w/fireplace open to kitchen, library & oversized master suite w/bath & hardwood floors, basement. $269,900 (00NOR) 734-455-5600



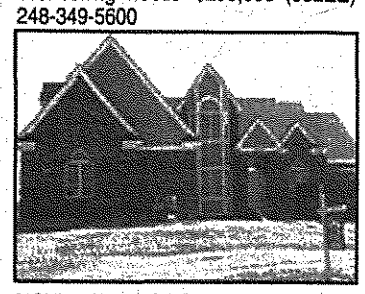
PLYMOUTH – Home Tour Candidate! 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1910 built & recently renovated & restored w/original charm & character! Living room w/new cozy fireplace & 3-season finished porch for added square footage. This is a MUST SEE! $259,400 (81STA) 734-455-5600



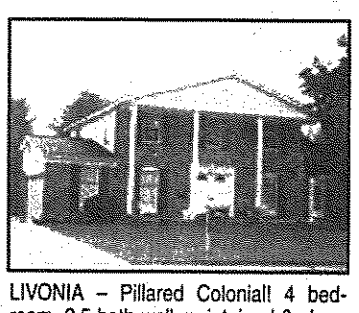
NORTHVILLE – Perfect-Peaceful-Private. Sharp 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath waterfront condo. Marble foyer, granite counters, 2 fireplaces & many built-ins. Finished W/O LL w/office & wet bar, DR/French door to deck. Spiral stairs to LL and deck & much more. $420,500 (64BLU) 248-349-5600



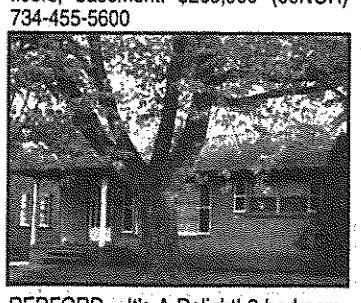
FARMINGTON – Beautifully Updated. 3 bedroom brick ranch offers 2+ baths, library, huge master bedroom, finished basement and a 2 car attached garage. Great sub with sidewalks and community pool. Schools & shopping close. Warranty included. $169,000 (14BRA) 248-349-45600



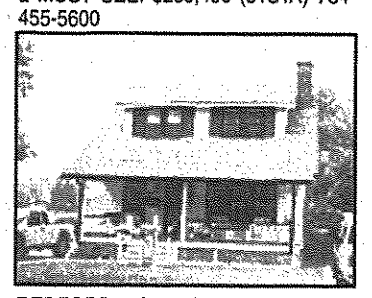
NOVI – Wonderful Cape Cod. This custom built home sets on approx. 1 acre lot. Master BR on 1st floor, 3 BR's up, den, custom kit, full daylight basement, att 3.5 car gar, den, 3.5 baths too! Located within walking distance to park. Northville schls & mailing. Pick colors. $539,900 (92HIL) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA – Pillared Colonial! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath well maintained & clean w/many updates w/6 yrs. roof, furnace, c/a, hot water heater, driveway, most windows, baths, kitchen, brick patio off family room, 1st floor laundry, 2 car garage. $289,900 (22COM) 734-455-5600

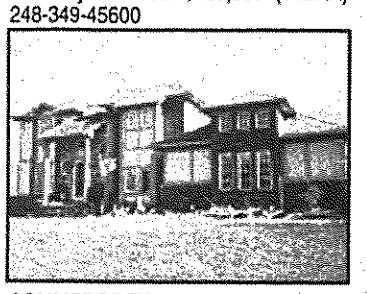


REDFORD – It's A Delight! 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch. Freshly painted & tiled kitchen (2002), updated neutral living room (paint & carpet 2000), finished basement w/possible 4th bedroom, newer hot water heater, 1 car garage. $119,900 (41OLY) 734-455-5600

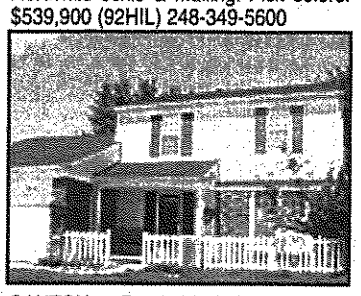


REDFORD – Open Sunday 1-4. 3 bedroom, 1 bath home w/charisma plus updates! Living room w/coved ceiling, natural fireplace, newer carpet, original Ashwood woodwork, kitchen w/newer cabinets, counters, floors, formal dining room, latticed deck. $149,800 (01WAK) 734-455-5600

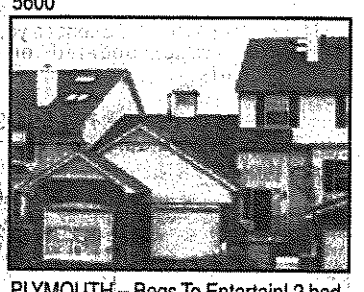
FARMINGTON – Beautiful Chatham Hills Colonial. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home w/2 car garage. Large library, DR, LR, FR w/fireplace. Lower level waiting for your choice of paint & flooring. Nice pool w/low maintenance backyard. $279,900 (20HEA) 248-349-5600



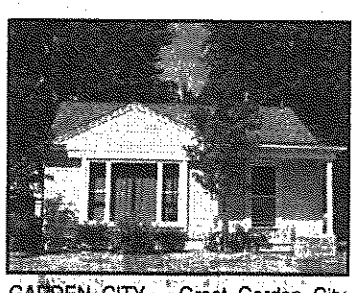
COMMERCE TWP. – Approx. 2.5 acres. 3 large BR's, 3.5 BA w/fin bsmt, library, DR, 3 car garage, skylight entry. Master w/his/hers closet, vanity & jetted tub. Wet bar in butler pantry. Tons of storage. Great lot. $298,000 (11FOU) 248-349-5600



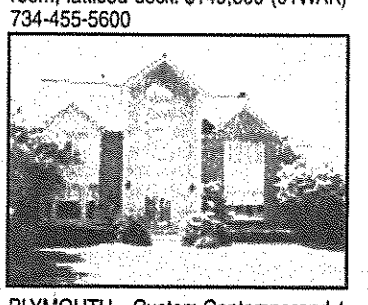
CANTON – Brookside Village. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial w/2 doorwalls leading to large deck. Family room w/fireplace, formal living & dining rooms. Partially finished basement. $199,900 (68BUR) 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH – Begs To Entertain! 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath condo w/large living room, kitchen & dining room fit for the entertaining type! Lower level family room w/outside entrance to garage. $162,900 (65DRA) 734-455-5600

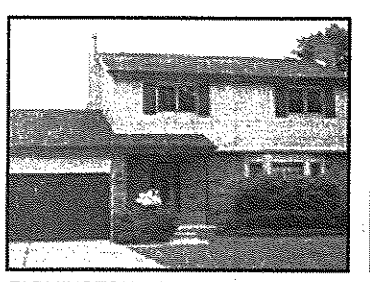


GARDEN CITY – Great Garden City Ranch! 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Don't Miss This One! Finished basement w/2nd kitchen & knotty pine, updated kitchen, roof, windows & siding, coved ceilings, freshly painted w/hardwood floors. $144,900 (24ROS) 734-455-5600

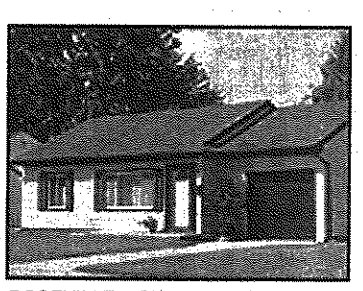


PLYMOUTH – Custom Contemporary! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath contemporary open floor plan. Spiral staicase in 3 story foyer atrium w/skylights. Over $10,000 in recent upgrades! Great room opens to sunroom, finished lower level walk-out! $685,800 (77WES) 734-455-5600

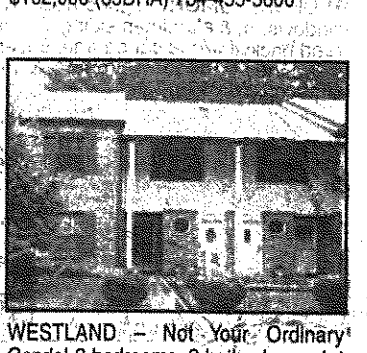
COMMERCE – 1999 Built Contemporary in Cranberry Estates. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths w/amenities galore & a treed lot w/privacy. 2-story LR & DR. Full basement prepped for bath, hardwood flooring, maple island, kitchen, huge master w/WIC closet, jetted tub. $399,900 (63CRA) 248-349-5600



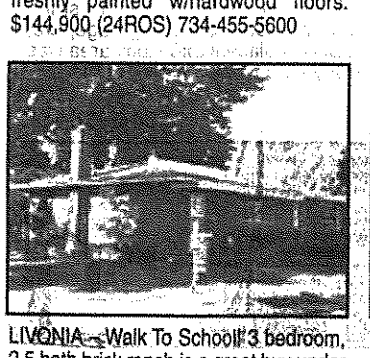
FARMINGTON – Newer Farm Colonial. Custom built 1989 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home w/bsmt, frplc, FFL, att garage w/workshop. Solid wood entry door w/leaded glass, cer foyer, oak kit & DR w/bay window. Doorwall patio, pool and deck. Profess. landscaped. Appliances incl. $238,900 (92LAK) 248-349-5600



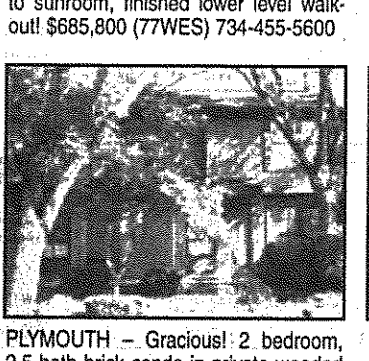
ROSEVILLE – Charming Ranch. 3 bedroom, 2 bath w/many recent updates that include furnace. C/A (6/02). One car attached garage, fenced yard & large vinyl shed. $113,500 (81ACA) 248-349-5600



WESTLAND – Not Your Ordinary Condo! 2 bedrooms, 2 baths. Large 1st floor condo includes: all appliances, doorwall opens to patio & beautiful commons area. 1 car garage, neutral decor, pool & clubhouse, close to shopping. $135,000 (01HUN) 734-455-5600



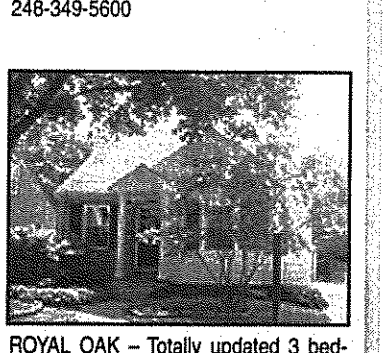
LIVONIA – Walk To School! 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick ranch is a great buy under $180,000. Livonia schools, full finished basement w/lav, 2.5 baths upstairs, 2.4 car garage, large corner lot, newer windows, furnace & roof. $175,000 (15ROY) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH – Gracious! 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick condo in private wooded setting. Spacious living/entertaining areas, walk to downtown Plymouth, close to pool & clubhouse. $176,900 (63WOO) 734-455-5600

FARMINGTON HILLS – City Living/Country Feel. Woodcreek Farm ranch is the perfect home. Outstanding floor plan, neu decor, 3 bdrms, 2 baths, for LR & DR. FR w/frplc, bsmt, FFL, 3 car att gar, treed lot nearly 1 acre. $289,000 (45SPR) 248-349-5600

WESTLAND – Super Updated Colonial. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home with newer kitchen, windows, door & baths. Finished basement with glass block windows. $164,900 (61WIL) 248-349-5600



ROYAL OAK – Totally updated 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home w/large laundry room w/loads of cabinets & storage, newer driveway & all newer landscaping. Too many amenities. $187,900 (23ALT) 248-349-5600

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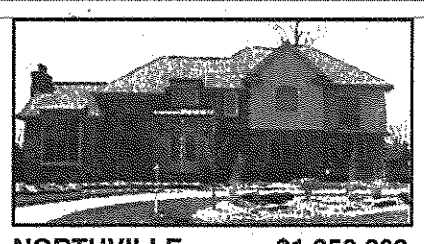

NORTHVILLE $1,250,000
MAGNIFICENT CUSTOM HOME IN FOX HOLLOW! 4 BR, 3.5 bths, cherry hdwd flrs & granite counters. 12 x 12 entertainment/ bar area off GR. Main flr BR w/private bth, perfect for guest/in-laws & 2 staircases.(01FOX2)

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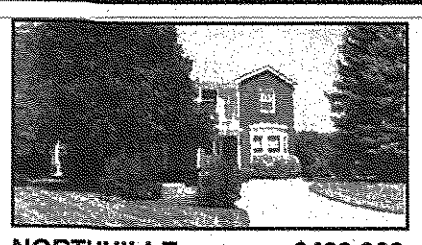

NORTHVILLE $429,900
TURN KEY CONDITION! IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY! Lg home on lg lot with circular dirveway. 4 BR, 2.5 baths, brand new furnace & hwh. Built-in microwave & over. Near downtown Northville!(00NOR2)

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SOUTH LYON $449,900
COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE! Cape Cod w/ 5 acres & pole barn. Spacious 3 BR, 3.5 baths, oak kitchen, above-ground pool, deck, patio, 4-season room w/gas FP & more!(61K-HI2)

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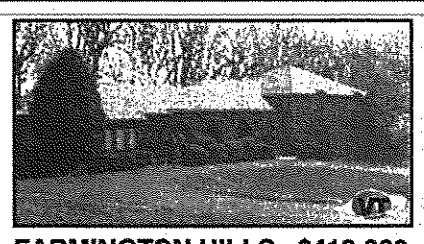

FARMINGTON HILLS $413,000
DESIRABLE WOODCREEK HILLS Full brk quad offers nearly 3500 sq ft. 5 BR, 3.5 BA, 2 levels of walkout, new rf, lg home office, formal DR, cath ceiling, 2 stry foyer, and more!(H28000)

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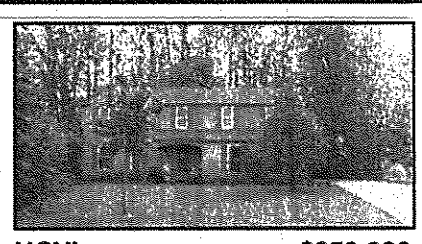

NOVI $359,900
PICTURE PERFECT! 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath col on .75 acre wooded cul-de-sac. New roof, windows, electrical, paint & carpet t/o. All new appl included. A must see!(23G45615)

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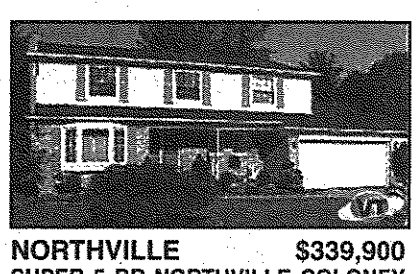

NORTHVILLE $339,900
SUPER 5 BR NORTHVILLE COLONEY HOME! Updts incl; win, roof, furn, AC/siding. Prof fin bsmt, 2-phone lines, beautiful yard, brick paver patio, close to shopping/x-way. Highly rated Nthville schls!(41POR2)

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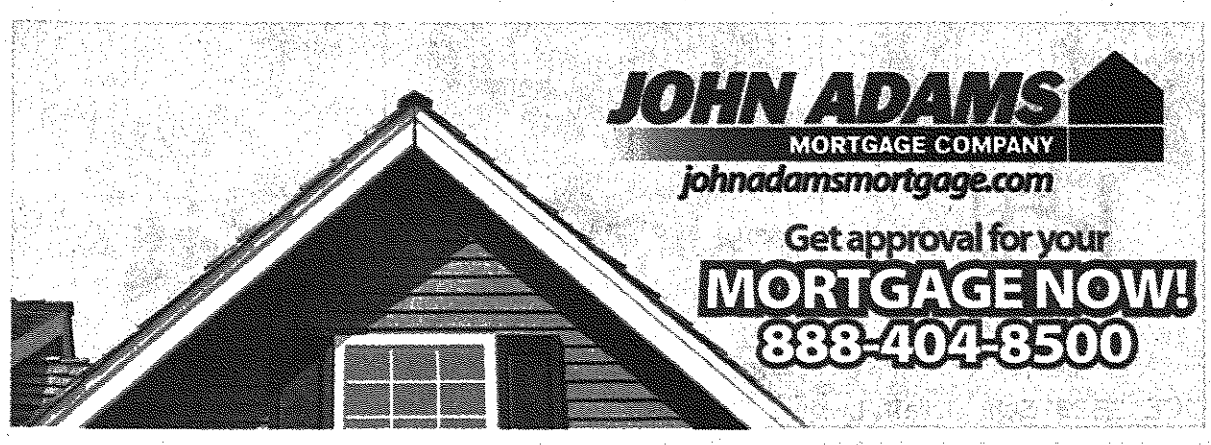

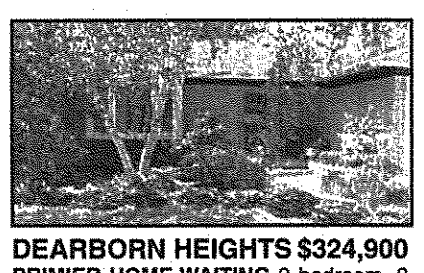

DEARBORN HEIGHTS $324,900
PRIMIER HOME WAITING 3 bedroom, 3 bath, 1700+ Ranch custom updates everywhere. 1st floor laundry, sunroom, etc. Finished basement & 2 car attached for only $324,900.(C403)

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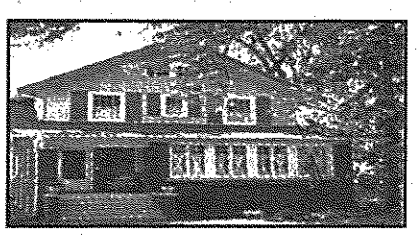

PLYMOUTH $318,888
OLD WORLD CHARM! Inviting tree lined street introduces a wonderful 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath classic col. Charming DR. Sunrm/lib. Kit w/appl, hrdwd flring t/o. 2 car gar. Walk to town!(23A272)

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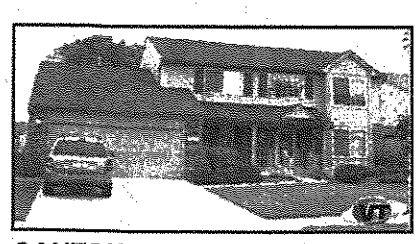

CANTON $279,900
THIS HOME HAS IT ALL! 3 BR, 2.5 BA colonial features hrdwd flrs in 2 stry foyer leading to powder rm & modern day kit w/ GE Profile appl. Entertain on the 400+ sf deck. So much more!(P41524)

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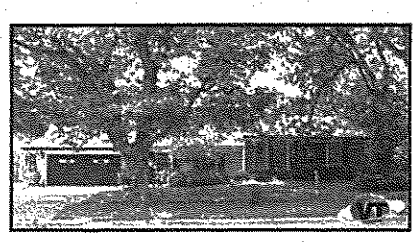

LIVONIA $269,900
GREAT FAMILY HOME IN IDYLE HILLS ESTATE! 5 BR, 3 baths, updtd kit, LR, DR & FR. 2 BR, 1 bath & FR on ground level. W/O to patio w/screened gazebo, BBQ. Excellent possibility for in-law suite.(47ELL2)

248-348-6430

LIVONIA $268,500
BACK TO NATURE! This 2000 sf brk colonial has it all - location, quality, value, & charm. Yd backs to wooded nature area. 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 2 car attd gar, fin bsmnt, FR w/ FP, more(B17462)

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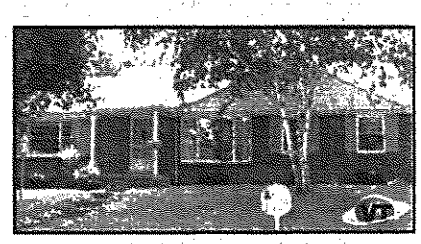

LIVONIA $229,900
COVENTRY GARDENS! Private court setting on a huge lot. Park in-site distance. Large FR w/fieldstone hearth. Awesome fin bsmnt w/full bath. Great kit w/oak cabs, and much more!(O33469)

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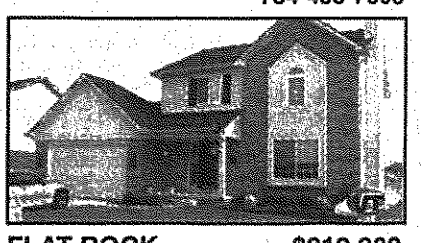

FLAT ROCK $219,900
BROWNSTOWN!!! POPULAR FOREST HEIGHTS Built in 2000, BR w/gas FP, 12x10 den on main flr, 2.5 baths, full basement, brick first floor, 2 car attached garage.(P25124)

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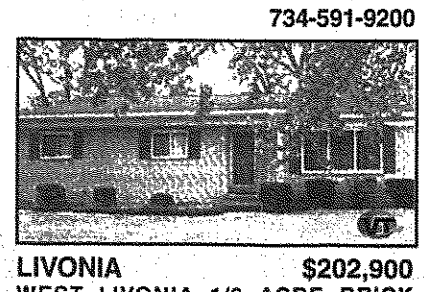

LIVONIA $202,900
WEST LIVONIA 1/2 ACRE BRICK CHARMER! Entertain guests on your prof brk paver patio, under shade of mature trees on apprx 1/2 acre lot. Open flr plan, coved clngs, fin bsmt w/wt bar, & so much more!(S11203)

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LIVONIA $189,900
THIS IS WHAT EVERY BUYER WANTS! Location! Pool! 1/2 acre lot, master w/full bath, large bedrooms, updates galore. Hurry!(W27995)

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WESTLAND $184,900
OUTSTANDING HOME HAS MANY UPDATES huge 3 bedroom, multi baths, large lot, oak cabinets, walk-in closet, paved patio, outstanding landscaping, ceiling fans plus a walk out finished basement.(N285)

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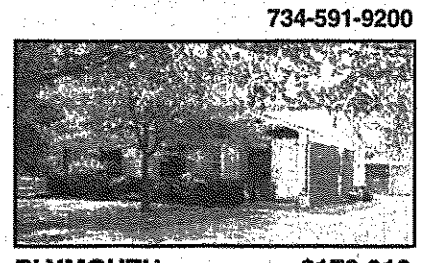

PLYMOUTH $179,913
WHAT A VALUE! 4 bdrm, 2 bath ranch. Lg fam rm w/nat frplc leads to a covered deck. Many updates. Cul-de-sac location. Easy access to I-275.(23B8811)

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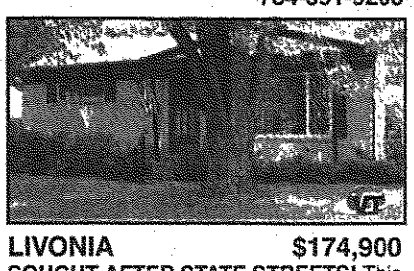

LIVONIA $174,900
SOUGHT AFTER STATE STREETS! This Livonia brk ranch is awaiting its new owner. Come take a look & be pleasantly surprised. 3 BR, dining area, FR, bsmnt, 2 car garage. Great price!(W31724)

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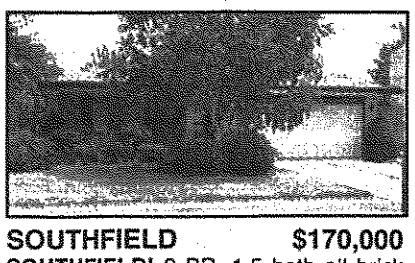

SOUTHFIELD $170,000
SOUTHFIELD! 3 BR, 1.5 bath all brick Ranch in location. Family room with fireplace, CA and nice landscaping.(46ABE2)

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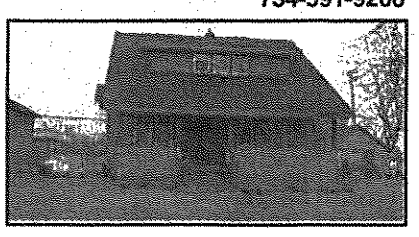

WESTLAND $165,000
COUNTRY IN THE CITY! Professionally decorated interior. Updates galore. New kitchen, baths, hardwood floors, steel doors, oak trim & crown moldings. Built-in appliances all stay.(L163)

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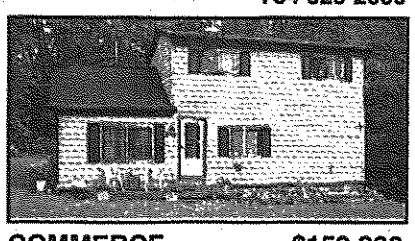

COMMERCE $159,900
ENJOY PEACE AND QUIET ON CARROLL LAKE! Spacious 3 BR, 1.5 bath home with bsmt on oversized lot! Carroll Lake privileges, Walled Lake schools. Great expansion potential. Home warranty & quick occ.(42GRA2)

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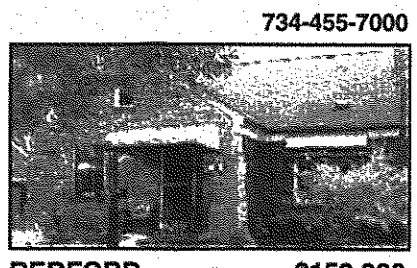

REDFORD $153,900
3 BR, BRICK BUNGALOW, PRICED TO SELL! Come ready to roll up your sleeves & discover the charm of this solid brick home. New roof & gutters in 2000. Lg fenced yard w/deck(94BEE2)

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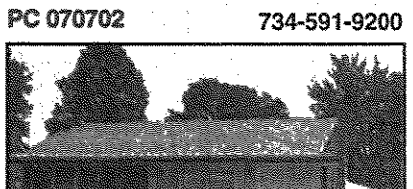

GARDEN CITY $149,900
BETTER THAN THE REST is this 3BR 2 bath Brick Ranch w/full finished basement, 2 car garage, central air, remod kit & newer carpeting.(S682)

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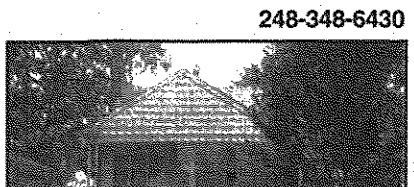

REDFORD $147,900
RAINBOWS END 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Bungalow has the following updates, windows, super kitchen, all baths, C/A, sharp finished basement, 2.5 car gar, deck & newer doors.(F156)

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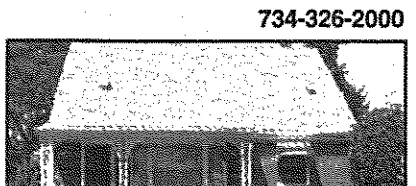

DEARBORN $139,900
DEARBORN BUNGALOW! Brick, 980 SF, 3 BR, many updates including windows, roof, electric & AC. Professionally landscaped, garage, bsmt, fenced yard & immediate occupancy.(00MAD2)

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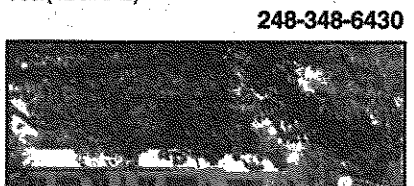

BELLEVILLE $134,900
3 BEDROOM BRICK RANCH ON A CULD-A-SAC Great house! Major updates already done. Fresh paint, newer carpet. 2 car garage.(V106)

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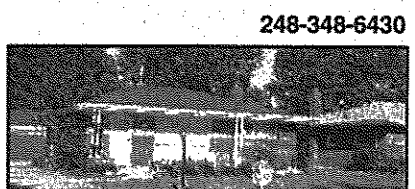

REDFORD $134,900
SOUTH REDFORD BEAUTY! Move in condition - 3 BR, 1.5 BA, fin bsmt, brk ranch, 2 car garage, landscaped & fenced yd, new rf, furnace w/ac, updated elec & plumb.(G12861)

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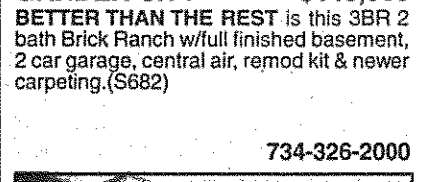

REDFORD $134,500
ALL WORK IS DONE! JUST MOVE IN Oak kit w/blt-in ovens & cooktop(01), bath(00), elec(01), plumb(01), rf(95), furn(91), wind rms & carpet(02). Too much to list! A must see!(B17229)

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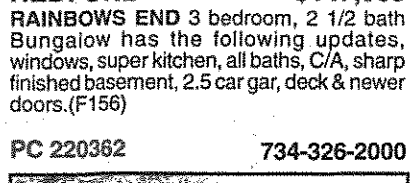

REDFORD $131,700
WARM & COZY! 3 bdrm w/a huge master. Updates include newer furnace, c/a, windows, upgraded electric, plumbing & glass block windows in bsmt. This one won't last!(23D15574)

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REDFORD $129,900
3 BR, 1.5 BATH RANCH! Central air, fin'd bsmt, lots of storage and many upgrades. Fenced yard & home warranty. Immediate occupancy!(30HEM2)

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REDFORD $129,900
GREAT VALUE ON THIS full brick bungalow in South Redford! Full bsmnt, some newer wndws, 2.5 car garage, c/a, upstairs BR w/adjacent 9x6 study area was finished 2 yrs ago. Much more(N11416)

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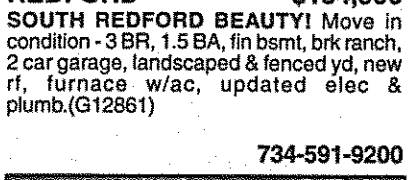

REDFORD $124,900
CHARMING BUNGALOW IN QUIET REDFORD UNION neighborhood. Newer windows, rf, & aluminum siding. Fenced in treed backyd w/one car garage. Basement is finished. Uodated kitchen, & newer carpeting.(W20539)

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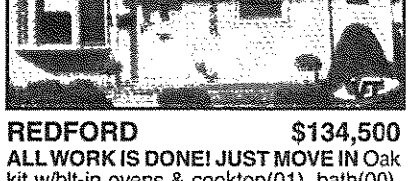

REDFORD $119,000
CUTE CORNER HOME ON A DOUBLE LOT 3 bedroom Bungalow w/all having a private entry to deck off bedrooms. Nice foyer w/stained glass. Hardwood floors, dining room w/bay window, freshly painted.(B148)

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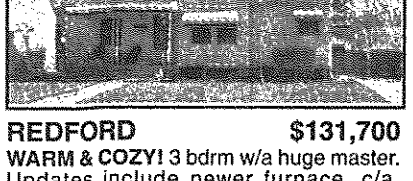

RIVERVIEW $114,900
3 BEDROOM BRICK RANCH! With a little TLC this can become a great home. Kit has new cntrs/cbnts. New vanity in bath, windows & some new carpet. A good deal for the first time buyer.(23K17147)

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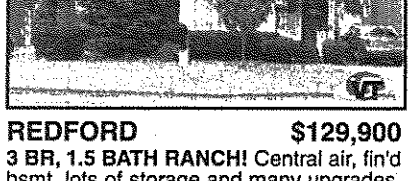

WESTLAND $89,900
BEAUTIFUL UPPER LEVEL CONDO W/ POND VIEW from patio. Close to shopping center and restaurants. New carpet, Livonia Schools. Enjoy the clubhouse, pool amd tennis court. All appliances included.(W749)

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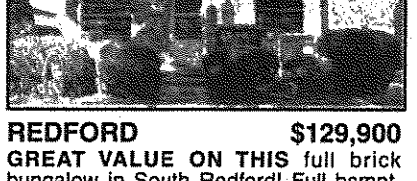

INKSTER $87,900
NOW OR NEVER A 3 bedroom aluminum Bung with everything, full basement, 2 1/2 car garage, hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen and bath.(O291)

PC 220462 734-326-2000

WESTLAND $76,900
WESTLAND-GREAT VALUE! Bring your imagination and talents to this home. Situated on a huge lot, 3 BR, DR and quiet location!(09SHE2)

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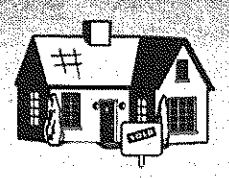

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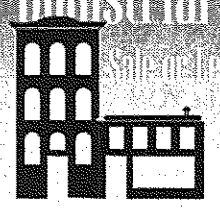

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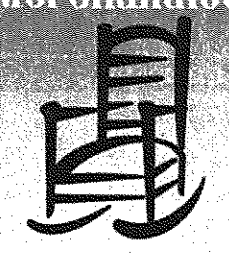

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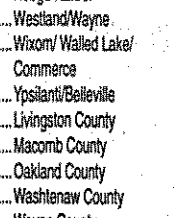

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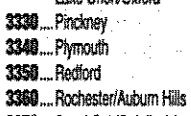

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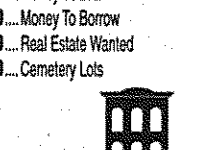

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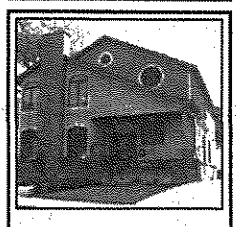

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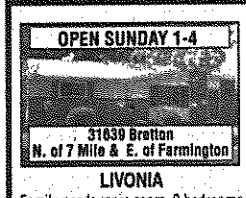

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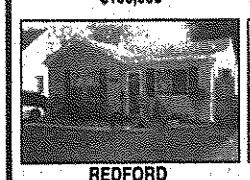

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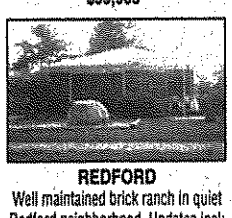
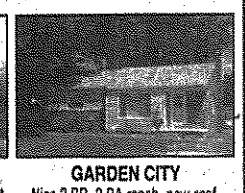
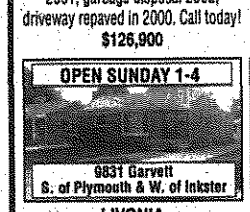
Priced for quick sale. Large 4 BR, 1.5 BA tri-level has newer roof, furnace, HWH, great 12x14 breezeway attaches the 2 1/2 car gar, fenced yard, large lot, Livonia schools-all for
$152,900



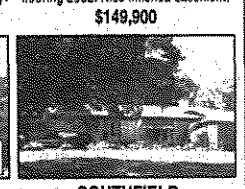
REDFORD
Well maintained brick ranch in quiet Redford neighborhood. Updates incl: 2.5 car garage built in 2001, roof in 2001, garbage disposal 2002, driveway repaved in 2000. Call today!
$126,900



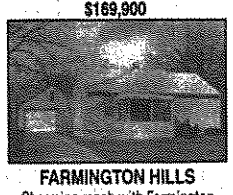
GARDEN CITY
Nice 3 BR, 2 BA ranch, new roof, siding & gutters in 2000. Privacy fence. Updated electrical & copper plumbing, hdwd flrsT/O + kitchen flooring 2002. Nice finished basement.
$149,900



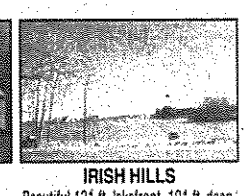
LIVONIA
Spacious and well maintained brick ranch! 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths with a huge family room and finished basement with a 4th bedroom. Move right in and enjoy the quiet neighborhood.
$169,900



SOUTHFIELD
Southfield broadfront ranch 1900 sq. ft. 4 bedroom, 1.5 baths & 2 car att. garage, newer roof, windows and C/A. Open floor plan w/lots of windows and large lot.
$189,900



FARMINGTON HILLS
Charming ranch with Farmington schools, 3 bedroom, updated kitchen, newer roof, double lot, 1.5 garage and more.
$114,900



IRISH HILLS
Beautiful 131 ft. lakefront, 191 ft. deep, 45 min. from Livonia. Private 662 acre lake, underground utilities, paved roads. Property is clean and ready to build on. Land contract terms available.
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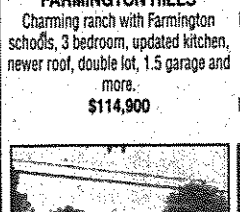
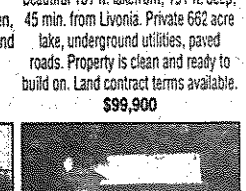
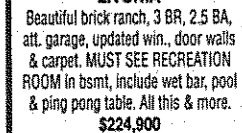


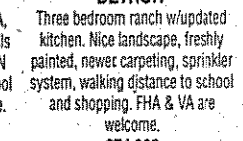
LIVONIA
Beautiful brick ranch, 3 BR, 2.5 BA, att. garage, updated win., door walls & carpet. MUST SEE RECREATION ROOM in bsmt, include wet bar, pool & ping pong table. All this & more.
$224,900



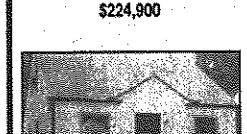
DETROIT
Three bedroom ranch w/updated kitchen. Nice landscape, freshly painted, newer carpeting, sprinkler system, walking distance to school and shopping. FHA & VA are welcome.
$74,900



DETROIT
Charming bungalow, 3 Br, new roof & gutters in 2002, some newer windows, fin. basement, detached garage. One year home warranty.
$82,900



DETROIT
Large 4 bedroom brick home located in prestigious area of Detroit. Hardwood floors, coved ceilings, large lot. Purchaser to comply with city certs.
$84,000



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This secluded condo has a homey look, 2 BR, 1 bath, garage & parking next to unit. Watch & listen to the birds in the wooded area outside your home.
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PLYMOUTH
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Howell 3230

ATTRACTIVE - Newer 3 bedroom, 1.5 story home. Open floor plan with vaulted ceiling, open staircase and formal dining room. Bright kitchen with oak cabinets and doorwall to deck. Walkout basement with two large windows and doorwall to extensively landscaped yard. Other extras include: central air, lower level is plumbed for 3rd bath, 1st floor laundry & 2 car garage. Howell Schools. $199,900.
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Lathrup Village 3238

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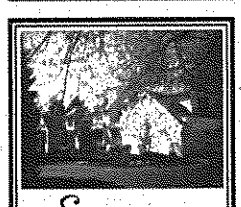

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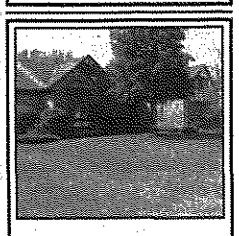

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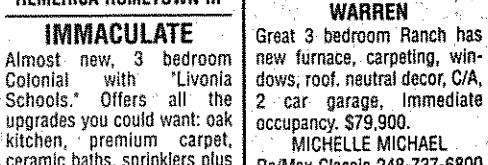

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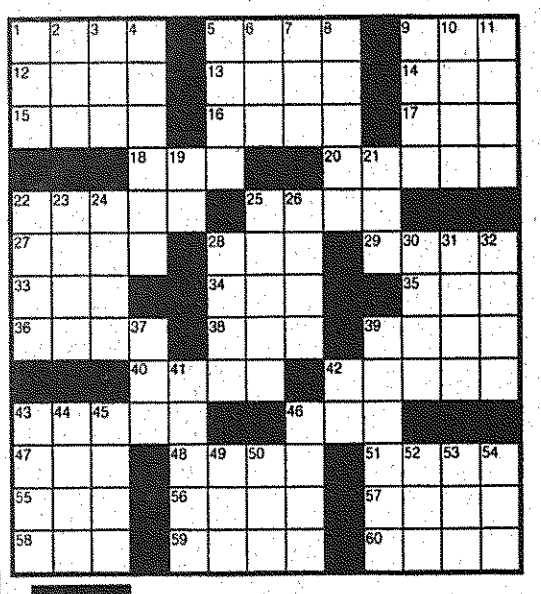

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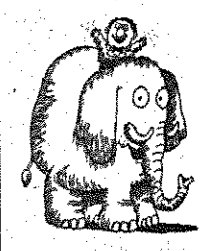

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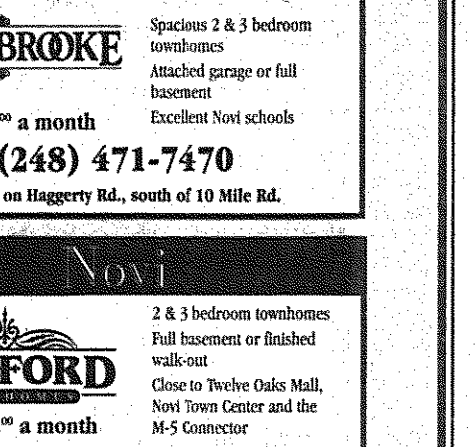

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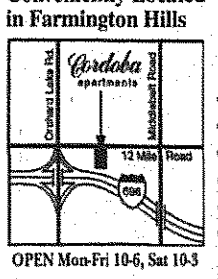

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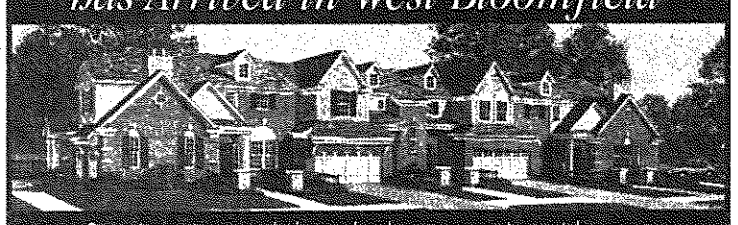

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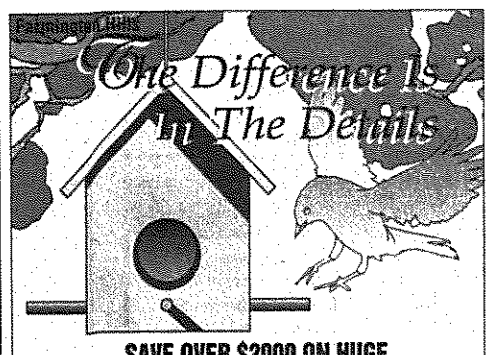

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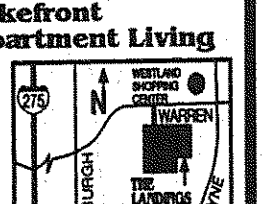

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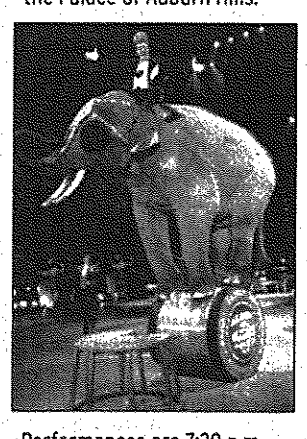
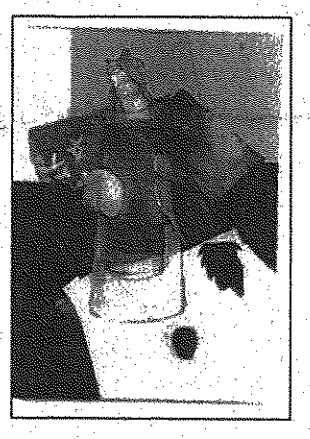


Performances are 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday Oct. 2-5 and 1 and 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6. Daytime shows at 11 a.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 4-5 and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4. Tickets are $12.50, $17.50 and $20 with a limited number of $30 VIP and $45 front row seats. (248) 645-6666.

On exhibit

Kate Roesch shows recent paintings, including *Sweetheart II*, an oil on canvass, Tuesday, Oct. 1 to Saturday, Nov. 2 at the



Washington Street Gallery, 215 East Washington Street, Ann Arbor. The opening reception is 7-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4. (734) 761-2287.

Poetry

National Writers Live at the YMCA features Yale Younger Poets Award Winner Nicholas Samaras, Vietnam Vet poet Dale Riotterbusch, Cincinnati's Tyrone Williams and Detroit Poet Laureate Naomi Long Madget at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at The Scarab Club, 217 East Farnsworth at John R, located east of the Detroit Institute of Arts. Free admission and parking. (313) 831-1250.

Furry companions

The Detroit Zoo teams with the Michigan Humane Society this weekend to present the 10th annual Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo. The event – which brings dogs, puppies, cats, kittens and rabbits to the zoo for adoption, runs from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 28 and 29, at the zoo, located at Woodward and the I-696 service drive in Royal Oak. The average adoption fee is $85-$175 per dog and $40-$100 per cat. (248) 398-0504.

Comedy club

Troy Davis isn't crude or rude, but spins every day experiences into humor. He kicks off the fall schedule at Joey's Comedy Club in Paisano's Restaurant, 5070 Schaefer, Dearborn. He performs Wednesday, Oct. 3-Sunday Oct 6. Shows are at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, 8:15 and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $8-12. (313) 584-8885.

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What: Adult storytelling concert with Jim May, Barbara McBride-Smith and Antonio Rocha; family storytelling concert; storytelling workshops
When: Adult concert, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27; family concert, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28; workshops, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28
Where: Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia
Admission: $12 for adults, $8 for senior citizens and students on Friday, Sept. 28; $2 per person for Saturday, Sept. 29 concert; $40 for workshops. Admission to all events is $45 per person.
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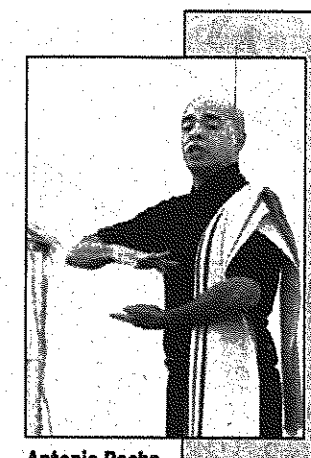


Antonio Rocha

Throughout Europe, they were called *gleemen*. In Africa, the term was *griot*. They did the same job — they visited communities to entertain and educate primarily by telling stories.

The tradition lives on.

The Detroit Story League will bring three acclaimed professional storytellers to the Livonia Civic Center Library Friday-Saturday, Sept. 27-28 as part of its annual storytelling festival. There will be workshops as well as performances both days.

Ann Bonnelli, one of the co-organizers of the festival, said the Detroit Story League was formed in 1912 by Mary Conover, the first children's librarian in the city. Since its creation, members of the league have traveled to schools, homes and even shopping centers through their motto of "Service Through Storytelling."

"They get together on a regular basis to meet and perfect the art of storytelling," Bonnelli said.

Originally, it was almost a social organization run by volunteers. Now, professionals like librarians and teachers fill those ranks.

There is some help from outside too. The National Storytelling Network (formerly the Association for the Preservation and Perpetuation of Storytelling) sends storytellers out around the country to meet with local groups, host workshops and work on helping them refine their storytelling powers.

Barbara McBride-Smith will entertain at Storytelling 2002 in Livonia.

The form, she said, is old as the hills.

"It's part of the oral tradition, oral histories," Bonnelli said. "It is a facet of learning and entertainment that tells stories by painting word pictures. Before radio and television, this was the entertainment people had. Some were stories about things that happened, others were personal anecdotes."

Barbara McBride-Smith is a librarian from Tulsa, Oak. She said that putting a definitive tag on what storytelling is easier said than done.

"We've been trying to define storytelling for the last 10 years," she said. "Nobody can come up with a definition everyone can agree on."

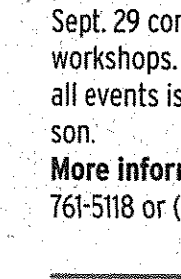
She said it is an art form, a type of performance art that can teach as well as entertain. It's not to be confused with story time, as schoolchildren might know it.

"There's nothing between the storyteller and the audience," McBride-Smith said. "There's no book, no script, the words come from the heart and mind of the storyteller. It's like theater but the fourth wall doesn't exist."

PLEASE SEE **STORYTELLING, J7**

Local artist creates mural in memory of courageous woman

Dennis Jones puts a lot of thought into his art. It's been that way for at least the last 10 years. That's when I first saw a show of his dark and mysterious abstract paintings at Swidler Gallery in Royal Oak.



Artistic Expressions

Linda Ann Chomin

Back then Jones incorporated bones in the work to create controversy and provoke thought. Today, he's still adding elements to stir the viewer. A mural paying tribute to Sandra Sagear, a courageous woman who struggled with polio throughout her life, draws the viewer in with leg braces and crutches cast from ones used by Sagear as a child.

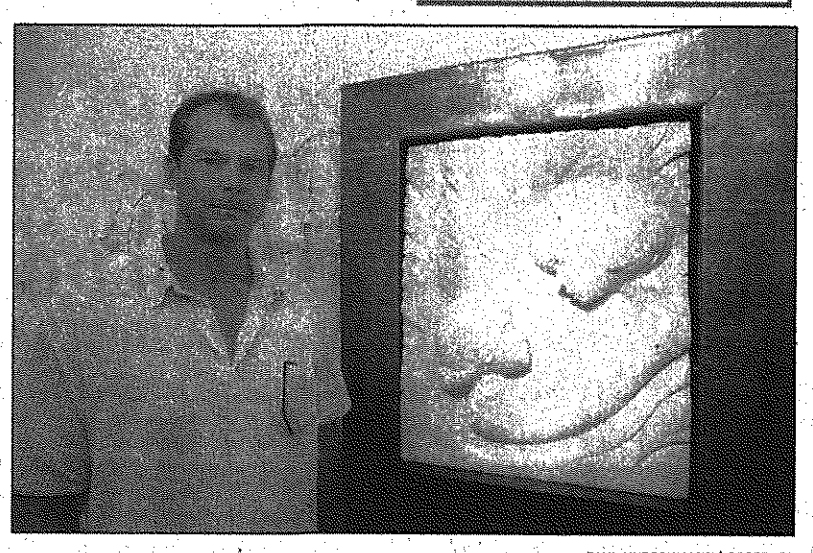
PLEASE SEE **CHOMIN, J9**

DENNIS JONES

■ Dedication ceremony for Sandra Sagear Memorial Wall 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 30, at Plymouth High School, 8400 Beck, Canton. For more information, visit the Web site at www.storytellerdesign.com/sandrasagear.html

■ Opening reception for *The Artists Among Us* 5-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4, at the Exhibit Gallery in the Library Wing at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft at Levan, Livonia. The show continues to Oct. 16. Call (734) 432-5710

■ Closing reception for one-man show *Child's Play* 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Cass Cafe, Detroit. Call (313) 831-1400



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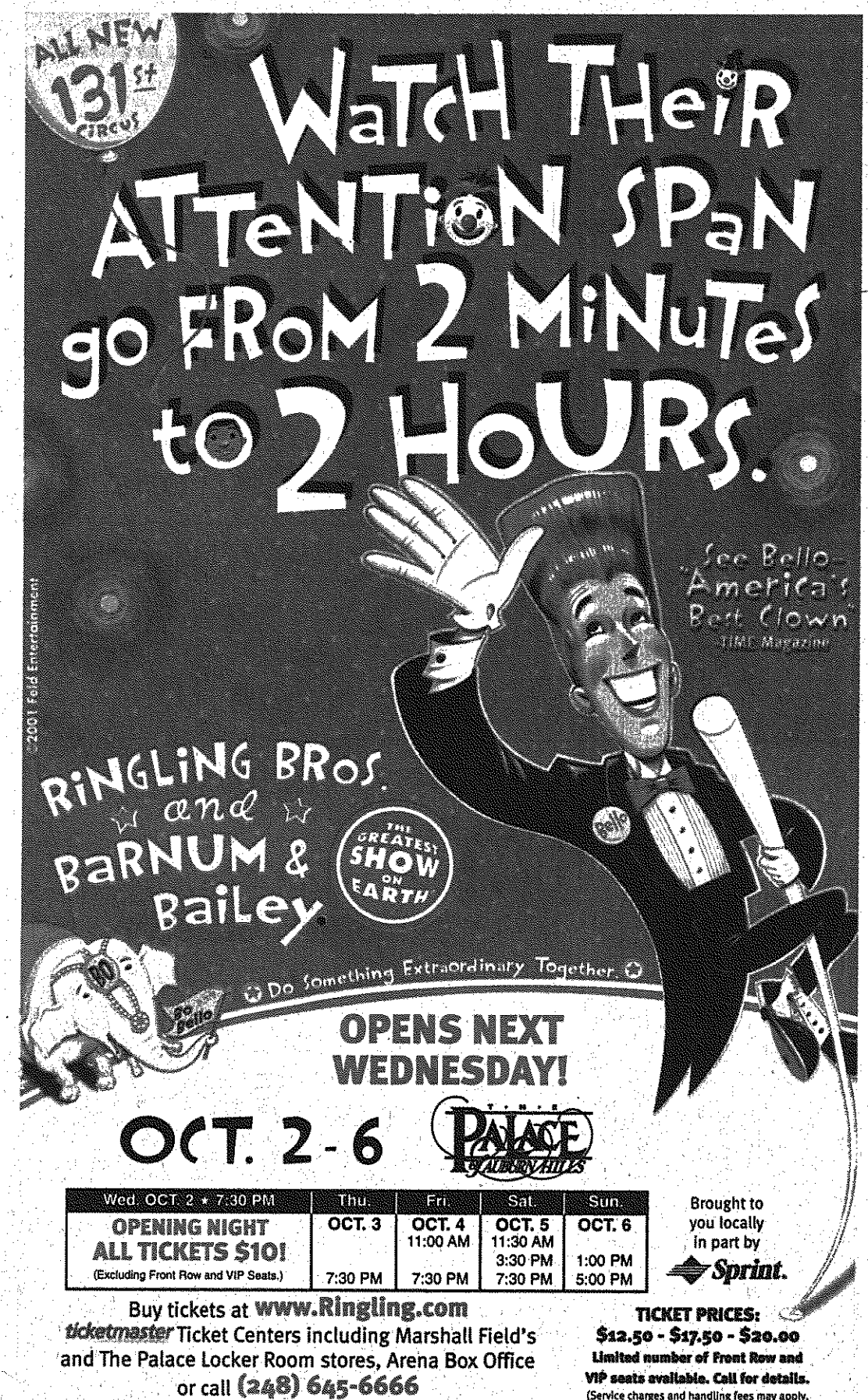
Dennis Jones spent 100 hours carving the alabaster centerpiece for the Sandra Sagear Memorial Wall at the new Plymouth High School.



Play cries for dignity of the mentally ill

BY LINDA CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Laura Gumina called me out of the blue a few weeks ago to tell me she'd written a play about living with the stigma of mental illness. I'd wondered what happened to the Farmington Hills actress I'd interviewed often for community theater productions.

Gumina explained since the last time I saw her playing one of the lead roles in Trinity House Theatre's production of *Grace & Glorie* in Livonia a couple of years ago, she'd put on 60-70 pounds due to the "meds" she was taking to prevent another suicide attempt.

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Laura Gumina
Playwright

I learned Gumina could function as long she took 8-10 "meds" every morning. When she did it was possible to work with emotionally impaired and learning disabled in Southfield schools as a creative dramatics specialist. When she didn't Gumina ended up in the hospital.

But now life was looking up. She and Southfield resident Sue Kennedy were trying to bring *Cry Dignity* to the stage. The drama is a work in progress but then, so is Gumina. She was 19 and a sophomore at Northwestern University in Illinois when the first bout of mental illness hit. Gumina finally earned a degree in elementary education from Wayne State University at the age of 37. She would try to kill herself and drop out. Throughout the years, she's been hospitalized a total of 16 times.

"I couldn't go to classes. My self-esteem was low. I was paranoid. I felt walking my dog people were looking at me. It was a disability," said Gumina who's now 52.

Bi-polar, manic depressive. What we call it isn't important. Gumina found the strength and courage to tell me and others about the daily struggles of living with mental illness by writing *Cry Dignity*.

The play received good reviews recently when it was presented at a conference in the Renaissance Center for the International Association of Psychosocial Rehabilitative Services, but it hasn't been easy.

Like Gumina, cast members have spent most of their lives dealing with mental demons so along the way to presenting a production actors have come and gone.

But Gumina isn't giving up. Auditions will be held 5:30 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Oct. 7-8, at Mercy Network West, 1885 West Pontiac Trail, between Welsh and Decker, Walled Lake. For more information, call (248) 668-3440.

"For many it was overcoming the fear of coming to rehearsal or saying it wrong. Most don't have theater experience. It's been frustrating artistically but they're people who've struggled all their lives like me," said Gumina, a graduate of Berkley High School.

"I guess that's why it was so easy to write. A lot of it came off my fingers so fast. I love the English language and I've worked in theater so long. My life literally started in my mid to late 40s. I wasn't in mainstream culture. I was in hospitals but when I was in a play I could play in a role. When I put on that hat, I could function."

The cast of *Cry Dignity* rehearses for the play dealing with the stigma of mental illness.

Barry, a teenager faced with mental illness in the play couldn't. He ended up killing himself.

"Barry wants his father to understand he's mentally ill and never does," said Gumina. "I give a lot of examples in the play of mental illness – one woman who drank Clorox bleach heard voices. Command hallucinations can make you hurt yourself. All characters come from real life, either from people I've met or learned about while doing research for the play.

"It's really true you develop a character and they take on a life of their own. They come out of that value system you've given them."

Sue Kennedy never doubted that Gumina was the one to write the play when she decided to apply for a Community Block Grant. Kennedy is a clinical manager at Mercy Network West in Walled Lake, a case management provider for the mentally ill through Community Mental Health.

"I knew Laura had this talent when I saw her perform in *The Queen of Bingo* at Trinity House Theatre. She took the ball and ran with it. She never waited for the grant," said Kennedy. "I think that's because she realized the play is important because stigma is such a huge problem for people with mental illness.

"They have negative feelings about themselves and absorb society's misconceptions but they're more like us than not like us.

"We didn't receive the grant and have had problems finding funding. There's been difficulty with memorizing and actors not able to continue but we're hoping eventually to produce it somewhere in the area. For the auditions we prefer actors with mental illness but we're not excluding others. It's a positive thing to have both. It's a wonderful way to reduce stigma."

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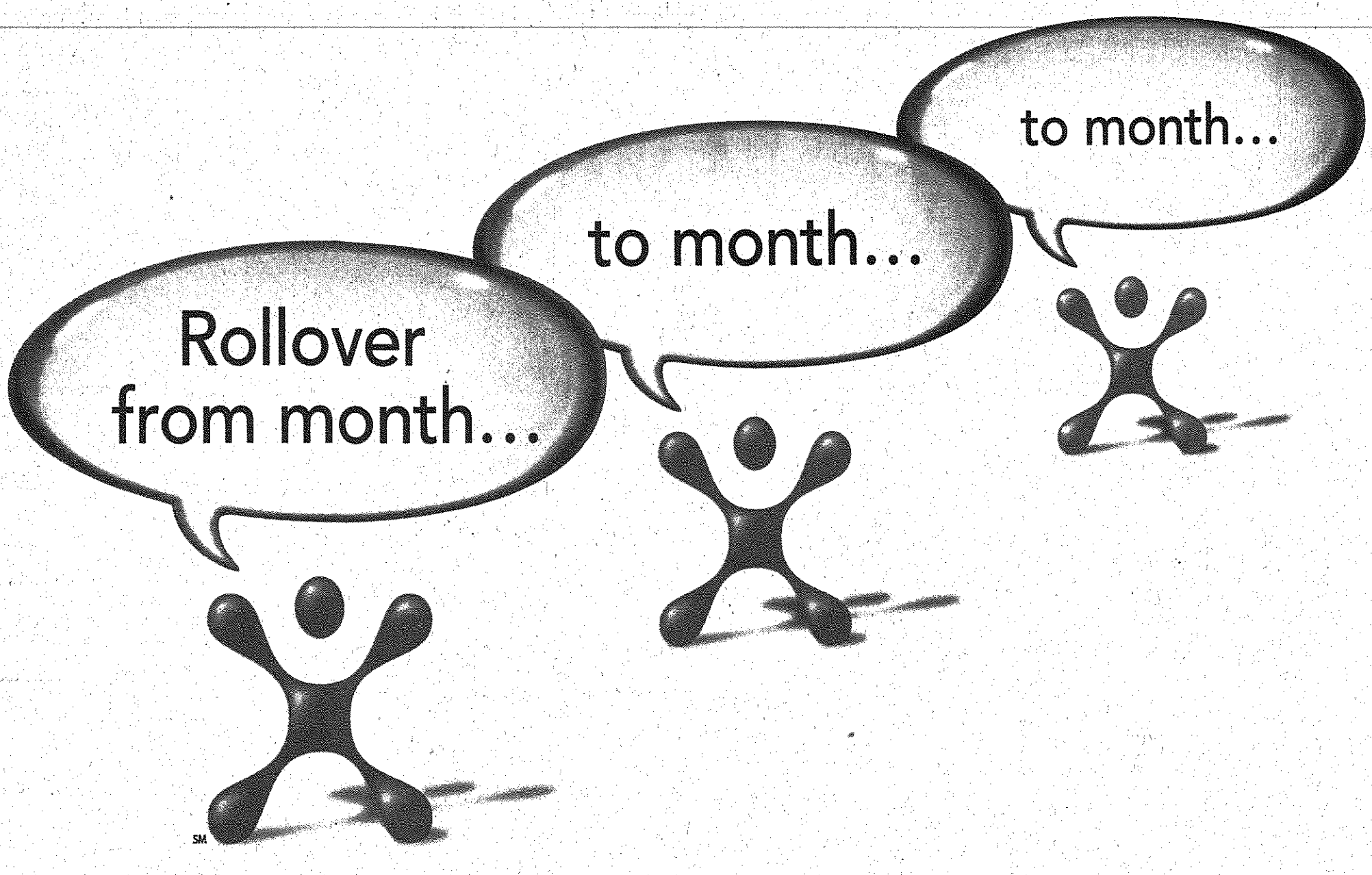

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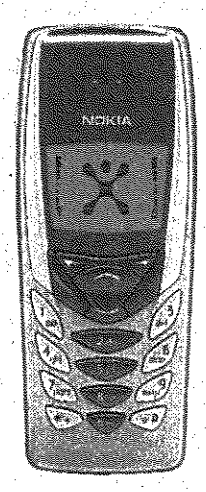

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The Solid Gold Cadillac opens Friday, Oct. 4 and runs to Oct. 26, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, and Thursday, Oct. 17 and 24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6, 13 and 20, at the theater inside Barnes and Noble on Orchard Lake Road, between 14 Mile and Maple, West Bloomfield. $13, $6.50 senior citizens on Oct. 6 only. (248) 219-0800

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10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 28-29, the K9 Stray Rescue League will provide more than 50 dogs for adoption at the event presented by the Detroit Zoo and the Michigan Humane Society. The zoo will be filled with hundreds of dogs, cats, kittens and puppies from participating rescue organizations from southeast Michigan, at the Detroit Zoo, I-696 service drive (10 Mile) and Woodward, Royal Oak. (248) 627-9224 or (248) 814-7303 or visit the Web site at www.dogsaver.org/k9srl

Mexican Independence Day Celebration
Noon to midnight Sunday, Sept. 29, features music, food and festivities, entertainment by Fire Fabulon (a fire-manipulating troupe), Benny Cruz & La Buena Vida, the Islanders, and Mexican Mariachis, complimentary buffet and taqueria grill plus South American wine tasting ($5 cover charge), at AGAVE, 4625 Woodward in the heart of Detroit's Cultural Center. (313) 833-1120

Plymouth Community Arts Council
Presents soprano Kim Delansky and tenor David Fischer singing romantic songs in honor Richard Rodgers 100th birthday 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27, at the arts council, 774 North Sheldon at Junction. $25. (734) 416-4278

Storytellers Guild Event
Young at Heart Book and Author Luncheon with guests David Small and Sarah Stewart Thursday, Oct. 3, at The Community House, 380 South Bates, Birmingham. $35. (248) 594-6405

Theater at the Southfield Library
Mark Twain: A Man of Mark features local actor/playwright/historical researcher Mark McPherson 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1, and *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8, in the Marcotte Room of the Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen. Programs are free and registration not required. For more information, call the Fiction Desk at (248) 948-0470

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The series (designed for single professionals ages 25-45) opens with a buffet dinner at 6 p.m. followed by a concert featuring internationally renowned pianist Alexander Toradze, dessert reception immediately afterwards Friday, Sept. 27, at the Detroit Opera House. For more information on the series, send an e-mail to cdyer@dso.orb for information or to purchase a subscription series (50-concerts for $255 or 10-concerts for $450 includes dinner, concert shuttle buses and afterglow), call (313) 576-5120

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Cry Dignity
Auditions for the Laura Gumina play about dealing with the stigma of mental illness take place 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Oct. 7-8, at Mercy Network West, 1885 West Pontiac Trail, between Welsh and Decker, Walled Lake. A stipend will be paid for each performance, male and females needed ranging in age from high school through late adulthood, also one 12-year old girl. For more information, call (248) 668-3440.

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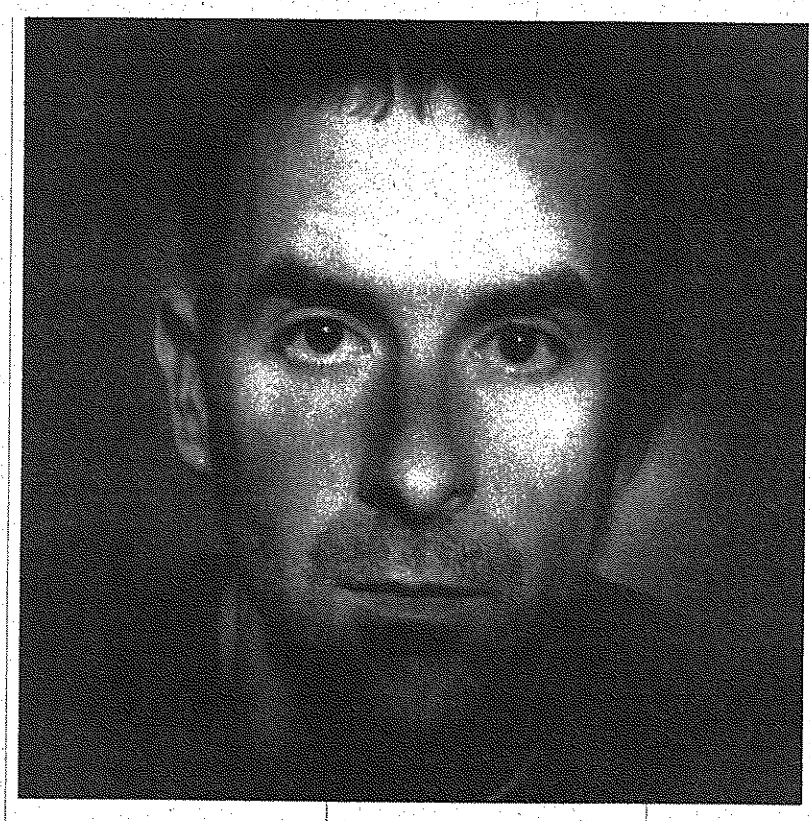
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27, at Trinity House Theatre, **38840 West Six Mile, Livonia. Tickets are $10, $7 for theater members. (734) 464-6302**

Bill Stains
7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4 at Oak Arbor New Church, 495 Oak Arbor Circle West, Rochester. Admission is $10 for adults and high school, $5 for children. (248) 652-3420



Songwriter Robert Deeble performs 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 West Six Mile, Livonia. Tickets are $10, $7 for theater members. Call (734) 464-6302. Deeble, who has toured the U.S. and New Zealand, has two recordings to his credit, *Days Like These* and *Earthside Down*.

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The Bang!: 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28. $5-$7.

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Fox Theatre
Location: Downtown Detroit
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Counting Crows: With Graham Colton, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13. $25, $29.50 and $32.50.

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The Michigan Theatre
Location: 603 Liberty, Ann Arbor
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Location: Off I-75 (exit 81) at Lapeer Road (M-24) in Auburn Hills
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Cher: With Cyndi Lauper: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13. $79.75, $59.75, $34.75.

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Location: 318 West Fourth, between Lafayette and Washington streets in Royal Oak
Tickets: (248) 645-6666
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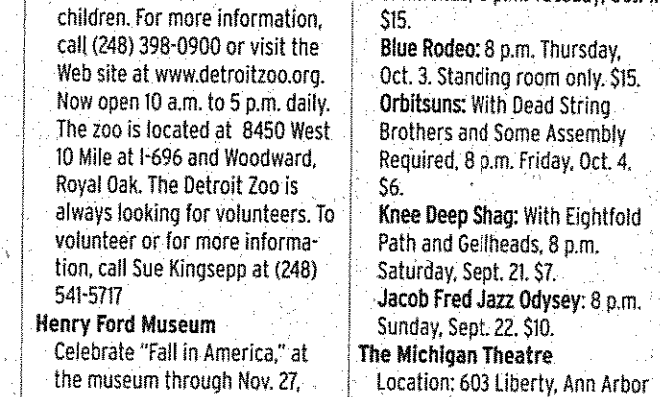

Lucy Russell plays Grace Elliott in *The Lady and The Duke* Friday-Sunday, Sept. 27-29, at the Detroit Film Theatre in the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward. Directed by Eric Rohmer, the 2001 film is based on the memoirs of Elliott, a young Scottish woman forced to remain in Paris during the French Revolution. Tickets are $6, $5 seniors, full-time students and DIA members. Call (313) 833-3237.

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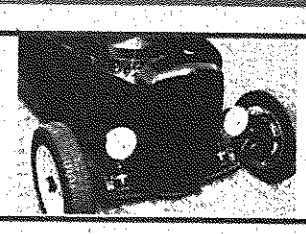

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A matter of race

Jewish Ensemble Theatre production explores diversity issues

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Craig Wallace (left) confronts Stephanie Stephan with a series of accusations as they rehearse the intense drama *Tommy J and Sally* opening at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre in October.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Rehearsal for the Jewish Ensemble Theatre's season opener is about to begin when Bob Devin Jones asks "when was the last time you've had a dinner discussion about race?"

The question is meant to cause uneasiness just as the play he's directing. Written by Tony Award-winning playwright Mark Medoff, *Tommy J and Sally* deals with issues of race, religion and diversity in America. Like Jones, the intense drama pulls no punches as it follows Tommy J on a journey for answers.

Jones believes so strongly in the message he's traveled across the country three times to direct the two-person drama making its Midwest premiere at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre Oct. 2 to Sunday, Nov. 3, in the Aaron DeRoy Auditorium at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield.

Director Bob Devin Jones listens intently to the dialogue exchanged between the actors playing the obsessed fan and pop music singer in *Tommy J and Sally*.

Commissioned by the Kennedy Center for its New Vision/New Voices Festival, the play focuses on Tommy J, a young African American who lived with a Jewish family for a year. Now in his early 30s, Tommy J is enraged that more than a decade earlier the daughter believed he burglarized the family's home.

"There's scant plays that talk about cross races not written by African Americans," said Jones. "It's a contemporary play that will lead the audience to hopefully see beyond stereotypes of one another.

"Tommy J believes she's Madeline Rosenberg, the girl whose family he lived with the last year of high school. It's loosely based on something that happened to Mark. 13-years later she becomes a famous pop star. He believes she sent out a message of reconciliation in one of her songs and breaks into her apartment. The grace is they're changed by this encounter."

One minute he's joking around the next Craig Wallace turns Tommy J's anger on Sally Hemmings, taunting her with rapid fire accusations about bobbing her nose to hide her Jewish identity. Like Jones, Wallace thinks the issues in the play need to be spotlighted. He played one of the two lead roles twice before in professional productions including the world premiere by Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company and Theater J in Washington, D.C. Wallace has worked professionally in theater since earning a master of fine arts degree at Pennsylvania State University a decade ago.

"Mark has written such a unique character that shows his need to be loved and respected," said Wallace. "He's blaming so many people and I think in the end he learns to take responsibility for his actions. There's so many different facets of the character it's exhilarating to attempt.

"Mark's propensity for language is incredible. It's like Shakespearean dialogue and can be difficult to attack. My favorite part is the beginning from an intensity standpoint. Tommy J's not menacing and it's my last opportunity to relax. Once he breaks into her apartment he's on a freight train."

Unfortunately, Sally is tied to the tracks. This crazed fan, or so she thinks, has broken into her home intent on harming her. Race isn't the issue for Stephanie Stephan's character.

"Initially she's like a lot of performers – strong, confident, She's put in this situation where we see just how insecure she is," said Stephan. "As a woman, it's putting yourself into a situation where I think he's going to kill me. God willing I'll never have to experience that. It reaffirms that women are a lot more vulnerable than most of the time they portray themselves to be. She puts up a facade."

Barriers are what Evelyn Orbach's trying to break down at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre. Last season the artistic director started a Stop Hate Campaign to draw people together in peace. It continues this season with thought provoking plays such as *Tommy J and Sally* by the author of *Children of a Lesser God* and *When You Comin' Back, Red Ryder?*

While she's just as excited about the rest of the season which includes a new Guest Artist Series that begins Oct. 14 with a discussion by Elmore Leonard, Monika Essen and Jeff Bass on the mystery of creativity, and a Nov. 3 Bar Mitzvah fundraiser celebrating the theater's 13th season, Orbach stresses the importance of presenting plays such as *Tommy J and Sally*.

"I had been looking for a play that dealt with Jews and Blacks, White and Blacks, the prejudices we have," said Orbach. "I've always felt theater is relevant, a platform where you can explore issues. It's a voice. We at JET feel strong about opening doors, continuing the Stop Hate Campaign, partnering with organizations like the NAACP to seek peaceful resolutions, for us all to join hands instead of a lot of people going on our own path.

"*Tommy J and Sally* is a very edgy play, an exciting play exploring interracial kinds of issues. I think it's a positive play although on the way you might not think so. It's one of the most honest plays I've seen on the subject. It gives real hope at the end."

Orbach said she "doesn't want to give away the play. It's definitely for adults, high school seniors and junior. We allude to things not for kids. It's provocative. It explores racism and anti-semitism."

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JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

What: Opens its season with *Tommy J and Sally*, Mark Medoff's play about racism, religion and personal identity in America
When: Wednesday, Oct. 2 to Sunday, Nov. 3
Where: Aaron DeRoy Theatre in the Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple at Drake, West Bloomfield
Tickets: $18-$30. Call (248) 788-2900
Season schedule

- *Visiting Mr. Green* by Jeff Baron Dec. 4 to Jan. 5
- *Denial* by Peter Sagal Feb. 26 to March 30
- *The Chosen* adapted by Aaron Posner and Chaim Potok from Potok's book

Guest Artist Series

- Conversation on the mystery of creativity with Elmore Leonard, Monika Essen and Jeff Bass 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14. Tickets for the benefit are $50
- *Shylock*, a one-man show starring Gareth Armstrong Nov. 6-24
- Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit presents *HeartBEAT* April 5-6

Bar Mitzvah Celebration

- A world premiere production *Jeffrey Eric Tischler's Bar Mitzvah* in honor of the theater's 13th season 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 3. Tickets begin at $100 and include dinner and dancing.

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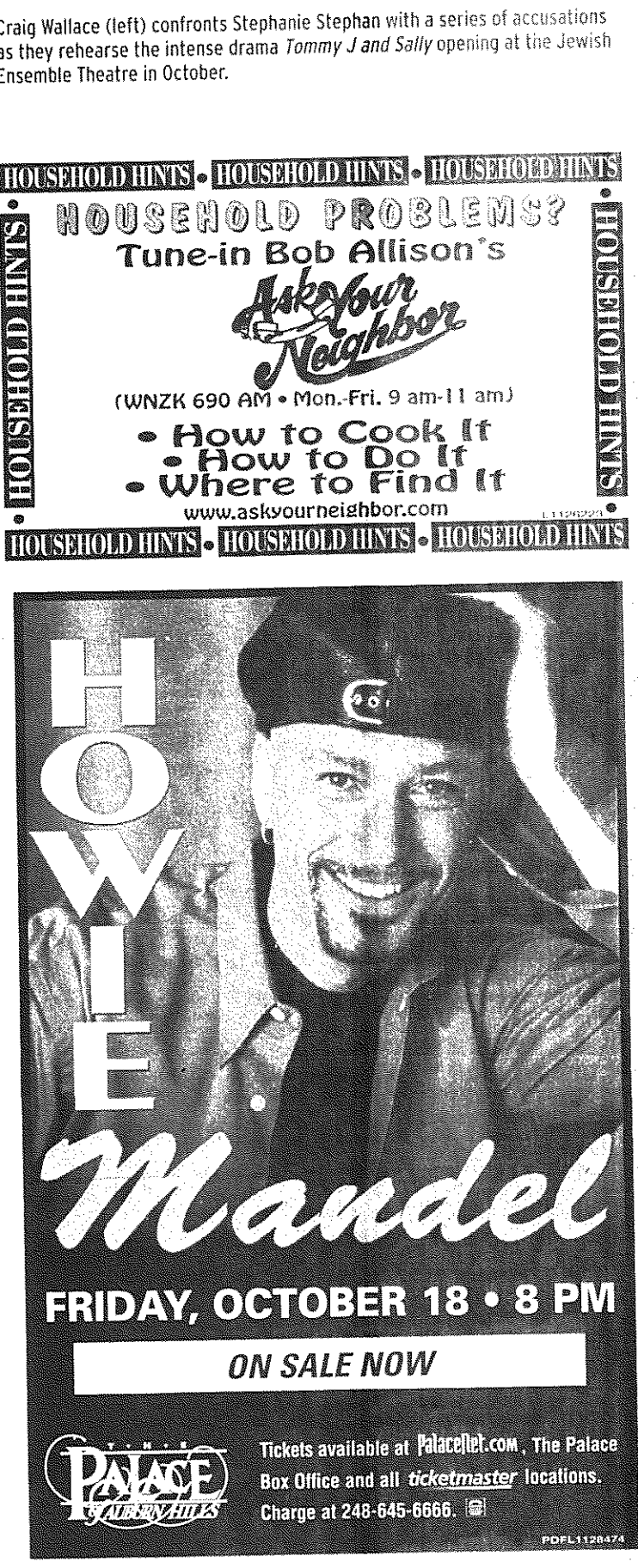

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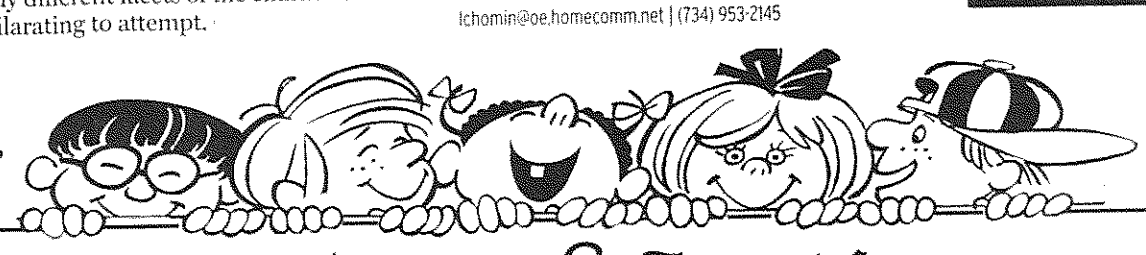

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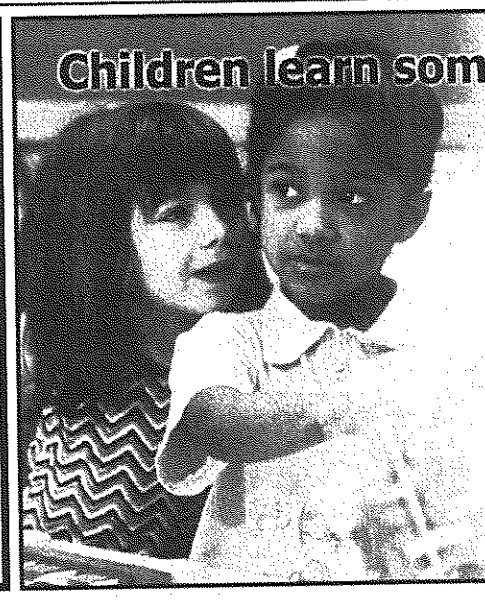

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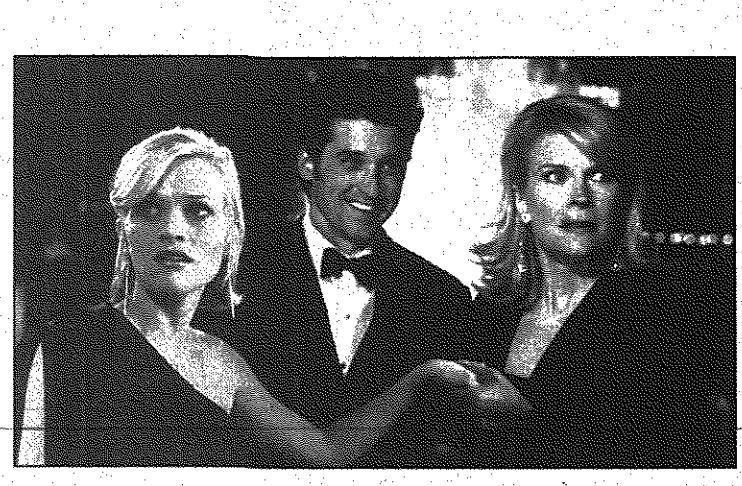
SECRETARY

Lee Holloway has a few strikes against her when she applies for a secretarial position at the law office of E. Edward Grey. First, she was released only recently from a mental institution; second, after one day back with her dysfunctional suburban family she has succumbed to her secret obsession - self-mutilation. Somehow, she gets the job anyway. Then again, Mr. Grey is far from a normal boss. They embark on a relationship together, crossing lines of conduct that would give most human resource directors shivers. Stars Maggie Gyllenhall, James Spader, Lesley Ann Warren, Jeremy Davies, Patrick Bauchau, Stephen McHattie. Directed by Steven Shainberg. (Lions Gate Films) Rated R. Running time: 104 minutes

SWEET HOME ALABAMA

New York fashion designer Melanie Carmichael suddenly finds herself engaged to the city's most eligible bachelor. But Melanie's past holds many secrets, including Jake, the redneck husband she married in high school, who refuses to divorcer her. Bound and determined to end their contentious relationship once and for all, Melanie sneaks back home to Alabama to confront her past, only to discover that you can take the girl out of the South, but you can never take the South out of the girl. Featured players include Fred Ward, Mary Kay Place, Josh Lucas, and Reese Witherspoon. (Touchstone Pictures) Rated PG-13



When Melanie Carmichael, played by Reese Witherspoon, (left) becomes engaged to Andrew (Patrick Dempsey), New York's most eligible bachelor and the son of the mayor (Candice Bergen) she must go back home to Alabama to finally divorce her redneck husband in the film, *Sweet Home Alabama*, opening locally on Friday.

THE TUXEDO

A New York City man (Jackie Chan) is hired to be a chauffeur for a mysterious man. After learning that the man is a secret agent for the United States, the cabbie inherits his mission when he is hospitalized. He begins wearing a high-tech tuxedo developed by the government for its spies and becomes an unstoppable force. Featured players include Jennifer Love (*Heartbreakers*) Hewitt, Ritchie (*15 Minutes*) Coster, Jason (*Black Hawk Down*) Isaacs and Debi (*The Insider*) Mazar. Kevin Donovan made his directorial debut with the film. (Dreamworks SKG) Rated PG-13

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, OCT. 4

SNIPES

Erik is an ambitious teenager who spends more time posting flyers for his favorite rapper, Prolifik, than sitting in the classroom. When he and his best friend stumble across a dead body one night, they trigger a series of tragic events. It turns out Prolifik, as well as the master tapes for his new record, have been kidnapped by a gang of thugs who want Bobby Starr, the ruthless president of Prolifik's label, to dish out a meaty ransom. If he doesn't, they promise to make sure Bobby's uncle and chief investor, the dangerous Johnny Marandino, knows just how carelessly Bobby has been spending his money. Through a misunderstanding, Erik becomes the target of Bobby Starr, as well as the kidnappers. Fearful for his own life, as well as his father's, Erik must find a way to get his hands on the master tapes, before Bobby Starr gets his hands on him. Stars Nelly, Sam Jones III, Dean Winters, Zoe Saldana, Mpho Koaho, Rashaan Nall, JD Williams, Victor Togunde, Carlo Alban, Joel Garland, Farnk Vincent. Directed by Rich Murray. (Bazan Ent.) Rated R.

8 WOMEN

At the end of the 1950, in a large bourgeois residence in the middle of the countryside, the master of the house is assassinated. Eight women close to the victim are present and one of them is clearly guilty of the crime. Representing the eight women in the ensemble are Catherine Deneuve as the Gaby, who loves her daughters more or less and her husband very little; Isabelle Huppert as Augusting, Gaby's sister and an old maid; Emmauelle Beart as the pretty chambermaid; Fanny Ardant as Pierrette, Gaby's sister-in-law and ex-nude dancer; Virginie Ledoyen a Suon, Gaby's eldest daughter, pretty and full of charm' Danielle Darrieux as Mamie the grandmother; Firmine Richard as the nanny; Ludivine Sagnier as Gaby's youngest daughter who adores detective novels. Francois Ozon directed the comedy. (Focus Features) Rated R

JUST A KISS

The story centers on Dag, a successful commercial director, who has finally committed to his live-in-love Halley. Or so he thought. Just when he thinks his philandering days are over he is tempted to stray by his best friend's girlfriend during an innocent out-of-town rendezvous. The decision to cheat or not cheat, kiss or not kiss, can send the proverbial snowball rolling downhill on course for collisions that cannot even by imagined, but all comically captured in a combination of innovative animation and live action. As Dag will find out, every decision (even the small ones) has consequences. Fisher Stevens directed the comedy, marking his feature directorial debut. (Paramount Classics) Rated R

MOONLIGHT MILE

When Joe Nast's plans for marriage change due to an unexpected loss, he wants to be the man he believes everyone wants him to be - dutifully bereaved husband-to-be, and perfect would-be-son-in-law to Ben and JoJo. But when another woman unexpectedly enters his life, he's quickly torn between fulfilling his new role and following his heart. Featured players include Dustin (*Wag The Dog*) Hoffman, Susan (*Anywhere But Here*) Sarandon, Holly (*O Brother, Where Art Thou?*) Hunter and Jake (*Donnie Darko*) Gyllanhaal as Joe. (Touchstone Pictures) Rated PG-13

SPIRITED AWAY

Chihiro, a 10-year-old girl in the midst of a move to the suburbs with her parents, wanders into a mysterious town. It's the "other world" of gods and monsters, ruled over by a witch. There, humans are changed into animals and disappear. Chihiro, who has a listless disposition, must start working at a huge bath house to survive. Can she return to her own world? Hayao (*Princess Mononoke*) Miyazaki helms the animated adventure. (Walt Disney Studios) Rated PG

JONAH: A VEGGIE TALES MOVIE

This is the first theatrical feature film of the popular direct-to-video animated kids' series about talking Christian vegetables. This is the story of Jonah and the Whale, as told with talking vegetables. Voice Cast: Phil Vischer, Kristin Biegen, Mike Nawrocki, Lisa Vischer. Directed by Mike Nawrocki. (Artisan Entertainment and FHE Pictures) Rated G. Running time: 90 minutes.

RED DRAGON

This is the story of former FBI agent Will Graham, nearly killed by Hannibal Lecter, who finds himself asking the imprisoned killer for help in solving a new serial killer. Stars Anthony Hopkins, Edward Norton, Ralph Fiennes, Anthony Heald, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Harvey Keitel, Mary Louise Parker, Emily Watson. Directed by Brett Ratner. (Universal Pictures) Rating R.

HEAVEN

In Turin, four innocent people are victims of a bomb attack. An English teacher named Philippa is taken into custody - she does not resist her arrest. Philippa is, nevertheless, utterly destroyed by what has occurred, because the bomb was intended for someone else altogether, namely a drug dealer responsible for the death of her husband as well as the deaths of many of her students. However, for reasons not immediately apparent, the police insist that Philippa's motives for the attack were entirely political. Filippo, a young police officer who translates Philippa's statement into Italian while she is being questioned, is the only one who believes this Englishwoman's story. Filippo is, moreover, convinced that he and Philippa were made for each other. Stars Cate Blanchett, Giovanni Ribisi. Directed by Tom Tykwer. (Miramax) Rated R

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, OCT. 11

BROWN SUGAR

Sidney and Dre can attribute their friendship and the launch of their careers to one single childhood instant: Witnessing the birth of hip-hop on a New York street corner. Now some 15 years later, she is a revered music critic and he is a successful, though unfulfilled, music executive. Both come to realize that their true life passions can only be fulfilled by remembering what they learned that day on the corner. Featured players include Taye (*The Best Man*) Diggs as Dre, Sanaa (*Love & Basketball*) Lathan as Sidney, Queen Latifah as Sidney's best friend and Mos Def as Dre's latest musical discovery. Rick (*The Wood*) Famuyiwa directed the romantic comedy. (Fox Searchlight) Rated PG-13

KNOCKAROUND GUYS

The story follows four sons of well-known Brooklyn mobsters who attempts to take on greater responsibility within the family business by retrieving a bag of cash from a small Montana town. Featured among the ensemble are John (*Rounders*) Malkovich, Dennis (*Meet the Deedles*) Hopper, Barry (*Saving Private Ryan*) Pepper, Seth (*Idle Hands*) Green, Vin (*Saving Private Ryan*) Diesel and Andrew (*Bringing Out the Dead*) Davoli. Of the drama directed by first time helmers Brian Koppelman and David Levien: "As they unite to find the money, they come face-to-face with the bloodshed and betrayal that is their birthright." (New Line) Rated R

TUCK EVERLASTING

Alexis Bledel (TV's *Gilmore Girls*) plays a free-spirited 15-year-old in a stuffy Victorian household who stumbles on the Tucks, a strange family hiding out on the grounds. They, the teen learns, have discovered a spring that makes them immortal. When the teen disappears, a man (Ben Kingsley) assigned to find her tries to use the spring for his personal gain. The teen must decide whether to become immortal and stay with a Tuck she's fallen in love with. Featured players include Sissy Spacek and Amy Irving. Jay Russell directed the drama. (Buena Vista) Rated PG

WHO'S YOUR DADDY?

Chris Hughes gets to live every teenager's dream when he learns that his biological parents have left him one of the biggest adult magazine empires in the world. Money, a mansion, playmates. Chris has it all. But not everything is, as it seems. Waiting in the wings to usurp the empire is Chris' Uncle Duncan Mack. Between dealing with his new-found super stardom and avaricious uncle, Chris has his hands full. Featured players include newcomer Brandon Davis, Charlie Talbert, Ali Landry, and Patsy Kensit. Andy Fickman directed the comedy. (Premiere Group) Rated R

THE TRANSPORTER

The story centers on a delivery man who is supposed to transport packages without asking any questions, but gets in trouble when he asks what he's been transporting. Dangerous complications ensue when the former U.S. Special forces soldier-turned expatriate mercenary is hired to kidnap the feisty daughter of a lethal Chinese cook who's smuggling his fellow countrymen into France. Jason (*Snatch*) Statham stars as the delivery man with too many questions. Also stars, Matt Schulze, Shu Qi, and Francois Berland. Corey (*Legend of the Red Dragon*) Yuen helms the action. (Twentieth Century Fox) Rated PG-13

BELOW

Overflowing with terrifying deep-water intrigue, this WWII submarine thriller sets a crew at risk of combat, just as they discover that some other evil-a giant monster-lurks in the deep sea below. Stars Bruce Greenwood, Olivia Williams, Scott Foley, Zach Galifianakis, Holt McCallany. Directed by David Twohy. (Miramax) Rating TBD

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Meet the rare and legendary Celebi, the newest Pokemon on the block. Known as the "Voice of the Forest," it's cute and radically powerful. With the squint of an eye and a flutter of its wings, Celebi can summon its extraordinary powers and leap through time. While on an expedition in the woods, young traveler Sam has a fateful run-in with the ailing Celebi. In order to escape an evil Pokemon hunter, Celebi uses its powers to travel to the future, unintentionally bringing Sam along for the ride. It is there that Sam and Celebi meet Pokemon master-in-training Ash, Pikachu and the mighty and majestic Pokemon Suicune. Created by Satoshi Tajiri. Adaptation directed by Jim Malone. Adaptation Screenplay by Michael Haigney. (Miramax) Rating TBD

THE RULES OF ATTRACTION

Set in an affluent New England liberal arts college in the 1980's, an emerging sexual triangle emerges between Sean Bateman, who deals drugs on the side, Paul Owen, who's bisexual, and Paul's ex-girlfriend, Lauren. Stars Kip Pardue, Eric Stoltz, Kate Bosworth, Clifton Collins Jr., Ian Somerhalder. Directed by Roger Avary. (Lions Gate) Rating R. Running time: 104 minutes

WHITE OLEANDER

Ingrid Magnussen, a feminist poet, poisons her ex-boyfriend in a fit of jealousy, and is sentenced to life in prison, forcing her essentially orphaned daughter, Astrid, to deal with living in Los Angeles foster homes, which put her through a wringer of hard circumstances dealing with five very different women. Stars Michelle Pfeiffer, Alison Lohman, Patrick Fugit, Robin Wright Penn, Noah Wyle, Renee Zellweger, Amy Aquino, Debra Cristofferson, Charles Constant, Marc Donato (Davey), Svetlana Efremova, Cole Hauser, Leila Kenzle, Cathy Ladman, Matt Malloy, Taryn Manning, Melissa Marsala, Rudolf Martin, Allison Munn, Stephen Root , Samantha Shelton, Liz Stauber , Kimo Wills. Directed by Peter Kosminsky. (Warner Bros.) Rated PG-13.

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, OCT. 18

NAQOYQATSI

A feature-length art piece melding the music of Philip Glass with images of humanity and nature from around the world. The theme this time around is technology's destructive invasion on nature, and the history and origins of man's tendencies towards war. Directed by Godfrey Reggio. (Miramax) Rated PG

ABANDON

Catherine Burke is under pressure. She faces exams, completion of her thesis, and a competitive interview process, all of which is compounded when a police detective, Wade Handler, begins investigating the two year-old disappearance of her boyfriend, Embry Langan, a young man whose memory haunts and obsesses her. As the investigation continues, Catherine is forced to choose between past passions and new possibilities, even as Handler is discovering surprising new facts about Embry and his possible connection to another disappearance from campus. Stars Katie Holmes, Benjamin Bratt, Charlie Hunnam, Zooey Deschanel, Gabrielle Union, Gabriel Mann, Mark Feuerstein, Melanie Lynskey, Will McCormack and Fred Ward. Directed by Stephen Gaghan. (Paramount Pictures) Rating PG-13.

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, OCT. 25

GHOST SHIP

A salvage crew that discovers a long-lost 1953 passenger ship floating lifeless in a remote region of the Bering Sea soon notices, as they try to tow it back to land, that "strange things" happen. Stars Gabriel Byrne, Alex Dimitriades, Ron Eldard, Desmond Harrington, Julianna Margulies, Karl Urban, Isaiah Washington. Directed by Steve Beck. (Warner Bros.) Rated R.

THE GREY ZONE

Based on actual events, a staggeringly powerful story of the Auschwitz's twelfth Sonderkommando, one of the thirteen consecutive 'Special Squads' of Jewish prisoners placed by the Nazis in the excruciating moral dilemma of helping to exterminate fellow Jews in exchange for a few months of life. Stars David Arquette, Steve Buscemi, Harvey Keitel, Mira Sorvino, Natasha Lyonne, Daniel Benzali, Allan Corduner. Directed by Tim Blake Nelson. (Lions Gate) Rating R. Running Time: 108 minutes.

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Book Beat attracts nationally-known children's book authors

BY ALICE RHEIN
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This week will be a busy one for the Book Beat in Oak Park. Having celebrated its 20th anniversary earlier this month, the independent bookstore owner by Colleen Kammer and Cary Loren is sponsoring several children's book authors and illustrators in what Kammer refers to as her "link in the chain."

"I love bringing readers together with the authors and artists. When children have a book signed to them, it creates a strong connection, and it's a self-esteem thing knowing that a special person signed it," said Kammer.

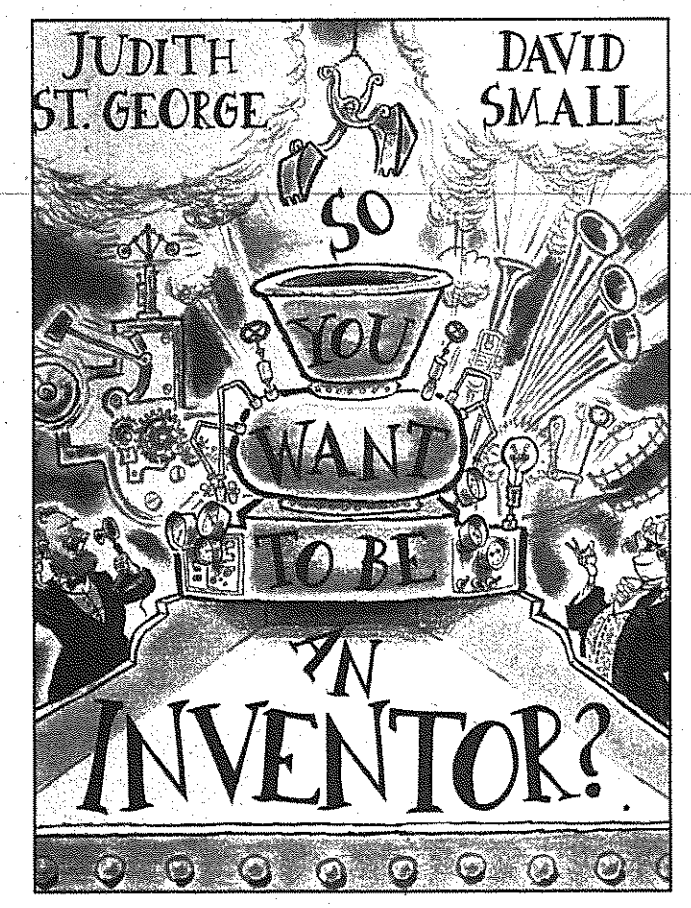
Two-time Newbery Award winner Lois Lowry says that at 65, she's ready to slow down on her speaking engagements, but when it comes to places like the Book Beat she said, "They are passionate about the same things that I am and it's a pleasure to be with them."

"I skipped second grade, and have always envied the second grade experience," said Lowry.

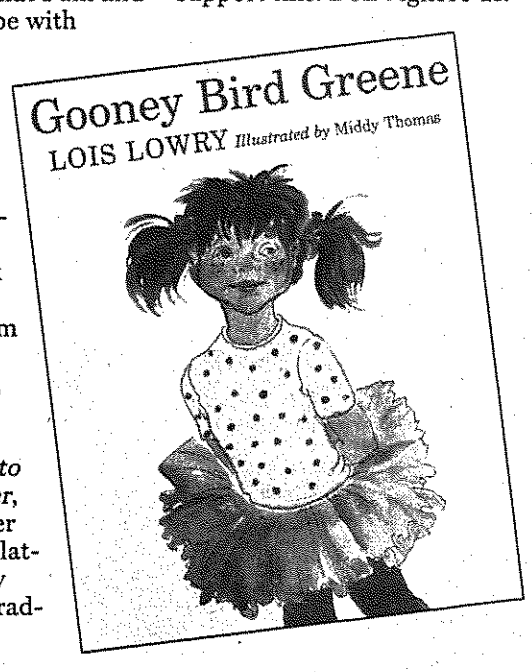
On Friday, Sept. 27, Kammer is bringing California author Pam Munoz Ryan to speak and autograph books at the Detroit Main Library from 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Scholastic Books just published Ryan's book *When Marian Sang*, the true story of Marian Anderson, the African-American singer who in 1939, drew an integrated crowd of more than 75,000 people to the Lincoln Memorial.

"Since it's on a Friday, classes can attend," said Kammer, who often has to encourage publishers to allow authors to visit this area. "It's always New York and the West Coast, but we're not a flyover. I'm connecting with the community and trying to say, 'We support this. Don't ignore us.'"



Lowry, whose most recent book *Gooney Bird Greene*, introduces young readers to the elements of storytelling, will speak at the Berkley High Theater from 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28. Lowry's books, which include *Summer to Die* and *The Giver*, are geared to older children, but her latest is about a very precocious 2nd grader.



Caldecott Award winning illustrator David Small certainly hasn't ignored the area. Growing up in Northwest Detroit, Small was deeply influenced by the Diego Rivera murals at the Detroit Institute of Arts. And in his latest book, *So You Want to be an Inventor?* written by Judith St. George, Small was able to revisit another childhood passion --the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village.

"I remember those field trips and looking at that huge Allegany Railroad train. It was a thrill to have a chance to put it in the book," says Small, who used the black iron behemoth to illustrate the "real McCoy," a lubricant invented by Elijah McCoy that could be used while a train engine was running.

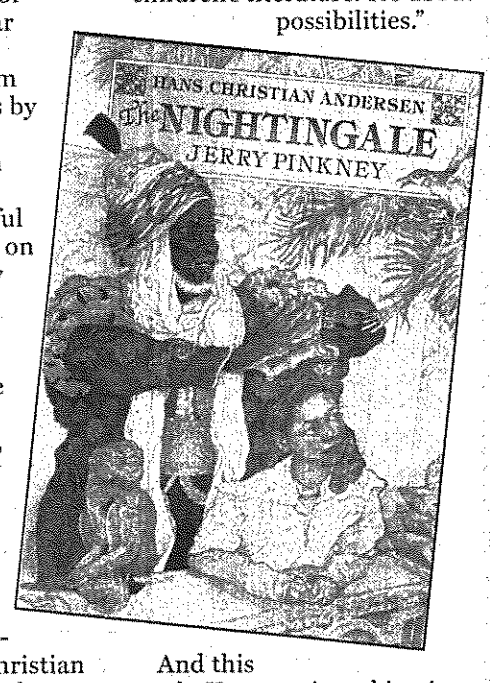
Small has also illustrated three of wife Sarah Stewart's books, and she will accompany him at an in-store book signing at the Book Beat from 6:30-8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 3. The duo will also be featured at a luncheon that day at the Birmingham Community House.

Small's latest book features humorous two-page spreads that cover the well-known inventions of Ben Franklin and Thomas Edison to the more obscure work of Georges de Mestral (inventor of Velcro) and movie star Hedy Lamarr, who helped invent a system for guiding torpedoes by radio signals.

With training as an editorial cartoonist, Small is very successful at delivering a punch on each page. "That's my aim," said Small, who now resides on Michigan's west side, "I never want to leave kids out of the joke, and at the same time, I want to have adults be entertained."

Caldecott Award winning illustrator Jerry Pinkney entertains his readers with a newly illustrated version of Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale *The Nightingale*. While the original tale is set in China, Pinkney moved to setting to Morocco where his watercolors feature rich costumes and spectacular African architecture. Pinkney will speak and autograph books at the Oak Park Library 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28.

"I'm a passionate fan," said Kammer, acknowledging her lifelong love of children's books. "I'm more interested in children's literature. It's about possibilities."



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- Illustrator David Small and author Sarah Stewart will sign books 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, at the Book Beat, 26010 Greenfield, Oak Park . They will also speak at the Birmingham Community House at a Young at Heart luncheon on the same day. Tickets are $35. For information about the luncheon call (248) 594-6405.

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STORYTELLING

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Storytelling, she said, is direct communication between the teller and the audience. The storyteller doesn't know exactly what will happen beforehand, everything depends on the audience. Unlike theater, the story line of an oral tale very likely will change from performance to performance.

McBride-Smith's work covers a range of different genres, but she said she is best known for her interpretations of classical Greek mythology. She's had a love of the material that stretches back to her own days in school.

"I love it, it really hits home with me," she said. "It's full of adventure and debauchery, blood and guts and love and war."

In an art form that's entirely performer-driven, naturally she takes license with the material. McBride-Smith said all of the characters — gods and mortals alike — are people she grew up around in Waco, Texas.

"When characters speak," she said, "they'll sound like a Texan. Pandora looks at the lock on the box like you would the tag on a pillow, no one is going to tell her that she can't open it up."

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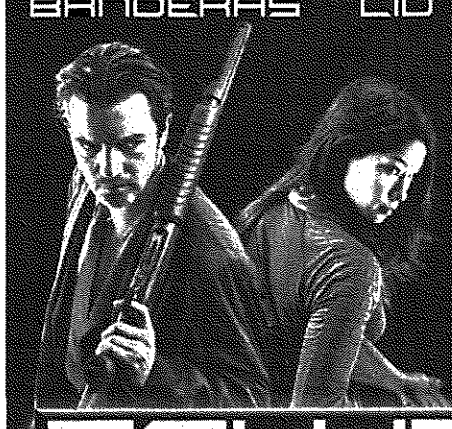
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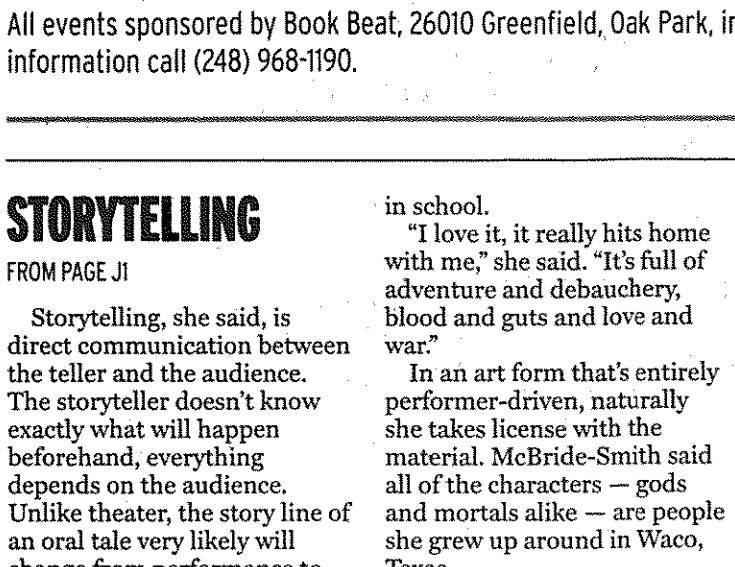
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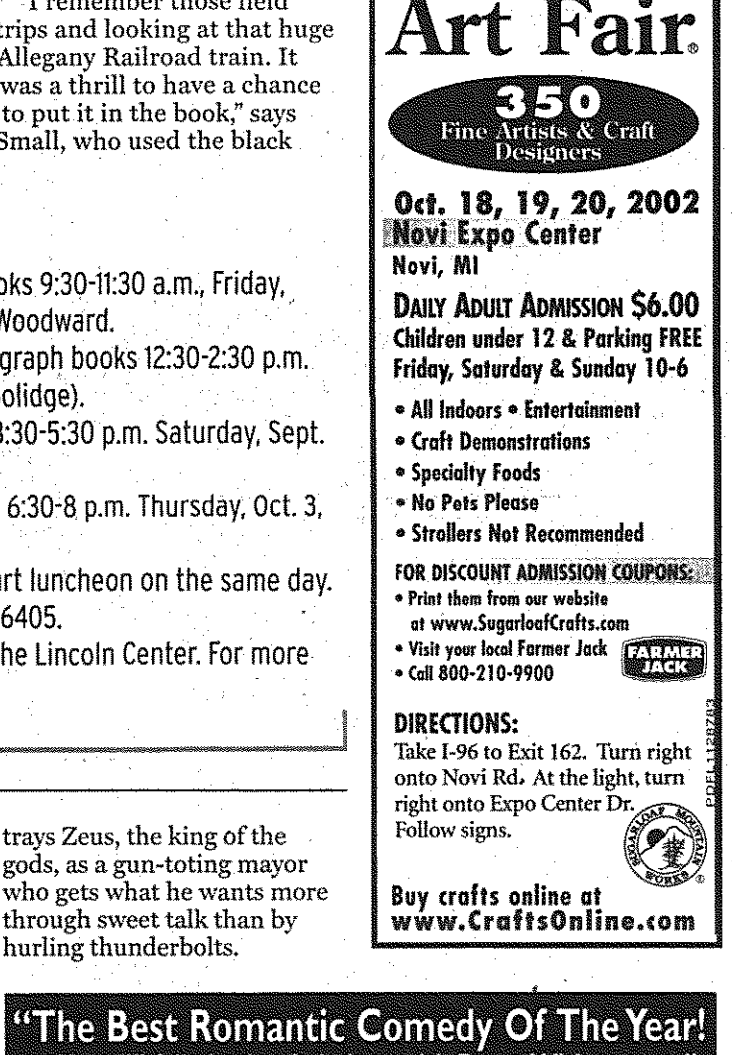
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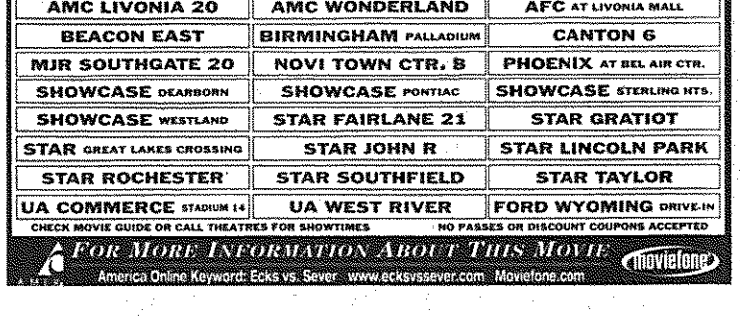
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LIFE'S BETTER SHARED
56 yrs young female, 5'6", 126 lbs, enjoys walks in the rain, attending church, movies and more. Looking for a Christian, committed man for companionship or possibly more. BOX 20563

HOW ABOUT IT?
Divorced female, 49, non-smoker, 5'4", height/weight proportionate, brown hair and eyes. Likes dining out, concerts, movies, traveling and cruises. Seeks single male, non-smoker, educated, financially secure, active, who enjoys doing things, going places, likes to communicate and generally have a good time. BOX 20574

CAN WE MEET!
Single female, 5'7", silver hair, blue eyes, enjoys grand-children. Seeking a single gentleman, 50's to 60's, who's fun to be with, enjoys life, good values and who enjoys coffee shops, talking, fine dining. BOX 20604

NO HEAD GAMES PLEASE
55 yr old, 5'7", divorced white female with blue eyes, brown hair, and a medium build. Seeks tall, white male, 55 to 60, honest, caring and respectful who enjoys dining out, dancing, country music and movies. BOX 16632

ARE U THE ONE?
Divorced white female, 50, average looking brunette. Enjoys movies, dining out, animals, parks, and reading a good back. Searching for a white male who's intelligent with a sense of humor. BOX 20514

AWAITING UR CALL
Divorced white mother of three, 40, self-employed, likes bowling, comedy clubs, movies, long walks and more. Searching for a single male with similar delights. BOX 20517

NEVER 2 LATE 4 LOVE
Down to earth, mid 50's red head, slim build, 5'3", not into games or telling lies, unique, caring. Looking for a relationship with a man who likes to travel, enjoys dining out, dancing, music, who wants to meet a special lady and have a one on one relationship. South Oakland. BOX 14507

LOOKING 4 MR. RIGHT
41 yr old professional female, 5'4", medium build, brown eyes, auburn hair, honest, caring, affectionate. Enjoys laughing, picnics, movies, weekend getaways, walks in the park. Seeks 40 to 47 yr old white or Italian male, at least 6', honest, good social skills, outgoing. BOX 20450

WE MIGHT CLICK
Single, unattached, 50-ish, on the heavy side, blue eyes, attractive, professional. Likes playing cards, festivals, bowling, dancing. Seeks professional gentleman for dating and relationship. BOX 20462

LET'S MEET!
Divorced white female, 48, lives down river, has three grown children, grandchildren, down to earth. Enjoys movies, dining out, camping, family life. Looking for a guy with similar interests. BOX 20467

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NEW BEGINNINGS
28 yr old, divorced mother of two, 5'3", 160 lbs, dark brown curly hair and dark eyes, somewhat shy, works in medical field. Enjoys dancing, music, quiet dinners, outdoors, long walks, cuddling. Looking for a white male, 28 to 33, who has his life together, enjoys children, for friendship first. BOX 20469

VERY PROMISING
27 yr old female, light smoker, outgoing, 125 lbs, blonde hair, blue eyes, has tongue ring and two tatoos, no children, loves outdoors, swimming. Looking for a guy who loves to party for a long lasting relationship. BOX 20490

ARE WE COMPATIBLE?
Single white female, 57, blonde hair, hazel eyes, 5'2", 120 lbs, happy, friendly. Likes hockey, fishing, camping, horseback riding, candlelight dinners. Seeks caring male with same interests, 55 to 65. BOX 15457

MAKE THIS PHONE CALL
Single white female, 43 years old, 5'7", 115 lbs, brown hair, pretty green eyes. Enjoys music, dancing, dining out, bonfires, quiet evenings at home. Would love to share them all with that one special gentleman who gives me a call. BOX 16626

THINKING OF YOU
45 year old single white female, 5'6", blonde hair, green eyes. Hopes to find that one special gentleman to share interesting moments, having fun and laughter with that right person who will pick up the phone and give me a call. DownRiver area. BOX 16676

POSSIBLE CONNECTION
An attractive brunette, 49, 5'4", 115 lbs, single white professional female, with great smile and good heart, enjoys family and friends; boating, Red Wings and you, if height weight proportionate, humorous, caring, financially stable and emotionally available. Wayne County. BOX 25014

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

PORTUGUESE LOOK
Attractive, professional, fit, single white female, 39, 5'6", golden/brown hair, green eyes, likes the outdoors, swimming, jogging, hiking, reading, writing, music, concerts and much more. Seeks attractive, intelligent, religious male, 36 to 45, of Mediterranean heritage, non-smoker. BOX 14245

TREAT ME RIGHT
Absolutely beautiful, single white female, 40, 5'7", slim, smart, hard working business owner. Seeks exclusive long term relationship with a very successful white male, 51 and over, who knows how to enjoy the finer things in life and will treat me well. BOX 15084

YOU WON'T BE SORRY
Single white female, 49, strawberry blonde hair, blue eyes. Seeks male for laughter, trust, romance and companionship. No heavy drinkers, drug users or gamblers. BOX 15094

SO MUCH TO OFFER
Single female who enjoys traveling, biking, long walks, cards, and more. Searching for a single male with similar delights. BOX 16694

ATTRACTIVE ITALIAN
Petite, divorced, white female, seeks honest and secure, single, white male, 49-55, who likes to laugh and have fun, for friendship, possible long term relationship. Dearborn area, Wayne County BOX 35950

LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH
Single, black sophisticated, mature female, medium height, slender build, enjoys dining out, flea markets, movies and more. Seeks male with similar interests, race not important. Wayne County BOX 36126

SMART FUNNY HUGGABLE
40 yr old divorced white female 5'7", with 2 children, likes movies, walks, zoos, intelligent conversation, Seeking an educated, down to earth, non-smoking white male 40-49, who is family oriented, enjoys laughing, hugging and open communication. Western Wayne county BOX 36128

PRETTY & SMART
Single female, 23, 5'6', 130 lbs, brown hair, eyes, caramel complected and has a great sense of humor. BOX 14796

END OF THE RAINBOW
Attractive country girl at heart, 5'6", blonde hair, green eyes, 32 years. Enjoys anything outdoors, boating, camping, roller blading, hockey, NASCAR, tractor pulls. Seeks monogamous relationship with male not afraid to be affectionate, lots of fun to be around, 35-45, facial hair a plus. BOX 15762

TAKE ME OUT TONIGHT
Spontaneous, romantic blonde, 5'7", willing to try almost anything. Looking for a one woman man, 5'10" and up, 44 to 54, who's looking for a good woman. BOX 15846

THE TIME IS NOW
Single white female, 44 years. 5'5", long brown hair, average looking, wanting to get back into the dating game, enjoying life again. Enjoyment is found in not what I am doing, but who I am doing it with! Ready to laugh, cuddle, spoil someone!! BOX 16651

WHY HESITATE?
Single white female, 52, dark hair and eyes, 5', fit, social drinker, non-smoker. Likes auto racing, golf, bowling, casinos, funny movies and sports. Seeks male, 46 to 55, employed, sense of humor, for dating and relationship. BOX 16885

I'M YOUR LADY
Attractive white divorced 45, 5'2", 138 lbs., female, brown/blue, enjoys walking, swimming, movies, music and dining out. Seeks white male, 40-50, slim to medium build, 5'6", non-smoker, occasional drinker, affectionate and sincere, for a meaningful relationship in Garden City. BOX 26999

ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE
Outgoing, petite, and live in Plymouth. Looking for an attractive, non-smoking, single white male, 48 to 58, who is trustworthy, emotionally/financially secure, with no dependents. Someone with a jest for life. Wayne County BOX 27026

GERMAN BORN LADY
5'5", fit, blonde, classy, intelligent, positive female with many interests. Likes swimming, working out, gardening, photography, reading, decorating and more. Looking for an open minded, non- smoking, outgoing, attractive, intelligent male, 67 to 75, who lives on the west side of Wayne or Oakland Counties. BOX 11952

MOTOWN GAL
...Looking for a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 48 to 60, non-smoker, for long-term, monogamous relationship. I am 51 yr old divorced female. I love Motown music and classic cars. I believe in romance and enjoy simple pleasures. Down River area. BOX 14471

WE MIGHT CLICK
Full figured lady, strawberry blonde hair, blue eyes, attractive, non-smoker. Likes theater, movies, travel, books. Seeks white male, 45 to 68, non-smoker, tall, active, honest, sense of humor. For friendship, possible long term relationship. BOX 15109

SEIZE THE DAY
50 year old single white female, 5'1", 130 lbs, slim, down to earth. Enjoys travel, casinos, country, ocean. Smoker, social drinker, retired. Seeks same in male, about 5'8", 60-65 years, with same interests in life. BOX 16225

BE A MAN FOR ME
Divorced white Christian female, 51, 5'2", blonde, blue eyes, 140 lbs. Enjoys country music, motorcycles, flea markets, hayrides, fishing, picking berries to seashells. Seeks rugged handsome white gentleman, for fun/friendship...just be comfortable being a man. BOX 16620

YOUR MOVE NOW
44 year old female, Down River citizen, 6' tall, big and beautiful. Seeks sincere male for committed relationship, sharing music, animals, the outdoor activities of the season. BOX 16804

ALL FOR YOU
Single white female, 46, blue eyes, enjoys walking, would like to learn golf, seeks honest and sensitive male who enjoys family and social activities. An all around nice guy who will be there for me as I intend to be there for him. BOX 16963

TESTING THE WATERS
Single mom of 2, 5'3", brown hair and eyes, seeks 28 to 35-yr old male who enjoys children, quiet nights, walks in the park, athletics and fun. For dating on a serious basis. BOX 16988

VARIED INTERESTS
White female, non-smoker, 49, seeks someone to enjoy life with. Please be 40 to 99. Let's watch movies, go out to dinner and the theater together. BOX 17001

ARE YOU PERFECT?
Me neither! Divorced? Me too! Can you be described as stupid, superficial, short, skinny or scary? Me neither! Seeks male, 35 to 45, who enjoys children, to enjoy laughter, long talks, walks, late movies. BOX 20429

AWAITING YOUR CALL
White female, 5'10", overweight, non-smoker, light drinker, no drugs, Episcopalian, sincere, honest, casual, easy going. Enjoys swimming, bowling, fishing, walking, dining out, pets, shopping. Seeks male for dating and relationship. BOX 20483

SEEKS PERFECT MATE
Attractive, 50+ widow, fun loving, physically fit. Seeks male desiring travel, working out, bicycling, golf, mountain hiking, skiing, swimming, dancing, dining out, family, cooking, quiet evenings, closeness, sharing, intimacy, love. Requesting too much? Tell me. BOX 24980

LET'S GET TOGETHER
You found her! Adorable, petite, prefers gentleman 48-60, full of life, great sense of humor, likes to have new experiences. Call, you won't regret it. Oakland County. BOX 25008

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR
Giving, loving, compassionate, curvy, lots of fun, great conversationalist, 55, looking for sincere, successful Caucasian gentleman, 45-late 70's, to be my soul mate. Float your boat, make your day, answer my ad today. BOX 25322

QUALITY, QUALITY
Seeking a sincere, honest, no games played, non-smoking, social drinking, single white male by a divorced white female, 54, who likes to do almost everything. Looking for friendship, companionship or something long term. West side. Wayne County. BOX 25333

ACTIVE SENIORS ONLY
Well traveled, educated, loving, white, professional female. Seeking a sophisticated, Christian man, 62 to 72, who can also be down-to-earth. Interests are classical music, art appreciation, world events and travel. Comfortable one-on-one and in social situations. Oakland County. BOX 35911

GEMINI GIRL
Single white female, 47, slender, blonde hair, hazel eyes, enjoys golf, swimming, boating, people. Looking for a single white male, 42-53, who's genuine, down to earth, stable, for dating, possible long term relationship. Wayne County. BOX 35938

A LADY OF CLASS
Vivacious, upbeat, very attractive, blonde female, a professional, 5'7", 115 lbs, upper 50's, seeking soul mate counter part, 60's, a professional, for dating, possible long term relationship. Call me and see what life has in store for us. BOX 35996

FIRST TIME AD
Educated, well traveled, loving professional single female, 5'2", medium build, non-smoker. Enjoys conversation, music, travel, quiet times, and theater. Seeking refined gentleman, 60-70, for friendship first. Oakland county. BOX 35999

SEEKING ITALIAN
Petite, white female, 63, 5'1", 128 lbs, brown hair and eyes, non-smoker, attractive, talkative, good sense of humor. Seeks gentleman 60 to 66, non-smoker, sharing the things in life we both enjoy, especially travelling. BOX 36003

JUST LOVABLE
Single white male, 44, loves hugging, cuddling, kissing and lots of affection. Seeking female with the same interest, age, race, size open. BOX 14939

END MY SEARCH
Live near I-94 in Telegraph, 63 yrs old, 5'9", 170 lbs, youthful, light hearted, gentle. Enjoys camping, walking, flea markets, movies, quiet nights at home. Looking for permanent relationship with a slim to semi-slim lady. BOX 10478

NEW BEGINNINGS
Successful entrepreneur, 59, 5'10", 180 lbs, handsome, divorced, incurable romantic, with style and sense of humor. You: 48 to 60, still beautiful, slim, non-smoker, with class and joire de vivre. Can you meet my standards? If so, call me, you won't be disappointed! BOX 20480

HANDSOME IRON WORKER
5'11" male with mustache, 180 lbs seeks female, 40 to 55, slender to average build who is interested in travel, dinners, movies, quiet times at home, casinos, boating and more. Call if interested. BOX 12370

HI THERE!
50 yr old Down River area male would like to meet a female who enjoys music, dancing, concerts, the theatre, car rides and more. Give me a call! BOX 12450

LET'S MEET 4 DINNER!
24 yr old, 6', 190 lb, single male who enjoys movies, dining out, and more. Seeking a petite female for dating and possible relationship. BOX 14963

SOMEONE TO LOVE
White male, blue eyes, auburn hair, enjoys camping, working in the garden, games, travel and quiet times at home with someone to love. Social drinker, hooked on pepsi and trying to quit smoking. Seeking someone under 60. BOX 13694

AS GOOD AS IT GETS
Very kind, respectful, considerate, single white male, 41, 6'5", 246 lbs, with brown hair and green eyes. I enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, anything outdoors, dancing and the movies. Seeking an honest, loyal and loving female who enjoys doing similar things. Wayne, Munroe County only. BOX 15466

FULL FIGURED LADY'S
Divorced, white male, 43, 5'9", 165 lbs, blondish brown hair, green eyes, down to earth. Seeking a single or divorced, white female, 38 to 45, who is down to earth and enjoys the simple things in life. For a possible relationship. Wayne county BOX 27006

JUST READ
I'm white widowed, attractive, light hearted, well built, enjoy all the good things in life. Looking for an attractive, well built lady, under 59, for possible permanent relationship, Dearborn. Wayne County. BOX 35956

BEING UP FRONT
Really hot stuff, single white male, 40s, enjoys fun times, laughter, romantic evenings. Seeks a reasonably attractive and energetic, lipstick wearing romantic sweetheart. BOX 15863

PLEASE CALL TODAY
Fine, personable, single white male, 40's, is helpful and entertaining, good listener. Looking for someone serious, settled and sincere, single white female, 36 to 52. BOX 20424

START AS FRIENDS
White father of one, 39, recently divorced, 5'11", 165 lbs, brown hair and eyes. Loves outdoors, beaches, travel, camping, animals. Looking for someone who's around my age, similar interests, sincere, honest, career minded. BOX 20451

WHAT'S INSIDE COUNTS
Single white male, 27, 6', 300 lbs, hazel eyes, brown hair, easy going, fun, caring, easy to be around. Interested in finding a fun, caring woman, 24 to 27. BOX 20470

MR. LONELY
Heart of gold, 51, 5'6", 155 lbs, white male, no children, financially secure and easy going. Enjoys outdoor activities, dining out, movies, romantic evenings. Seeking female, 30 to 50, same interests, for serious relationship. Wayne County. BOX 33727

HONEST
Tall, divorced white male, 6'4", good physical condition, 56, non-smoker, self-employed, honest, sincere, sense of humor. I would like to meet a slender lady, 45 to 53, who is easygoing, with good values, for companionship, and possible long-term relationship. BOX 35984

HOPE TO HEAR FROM U
Single male, 31, 6'2", brown hair and eyes, fun person to be with has a warped sense of humor enjoys dining out, movies and walks. Seeks female with a similar disposition female. BOX 15346

TIRED OF BEING ALONE
Widowed and lonesome male, 5'9", 168 lbs, social drinker, smoker, healthy, gentle and giving. Enjoys camping, fishing, travel, walking, games and quiet times at home. Seeks well put together female, under 60, with a nice personality. BOX 12547

QUALITY GUY
Divorced white male, 55, 5'10", medium build, successful businessman. Enjoys candlelight dinners, flowers, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, travel, getaway weekends. Seeks family oriented people person with good sense of humor. BOX 14102

LOOKING FOR A MATCH
Good natured, pleasant looking, well mannered, single white male, 45, well traveled, sociable, sincere. Seeks good natured, interesting lady companion, 38 to 53. BOX 14814

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE
Professional white male, 48, college educated, multiple degrees, non-smoker, light drinker, no dependents, 5'11", 198 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes. Enjoys outdoors, travel, weekend getaways, movies, theater, dining out, reading. Seeks professional lady, college educated, no dependents, non-smoker. BOX 16321

I'LL TREAT YOU RIGHT
White male, looking for a slender, attractive woman who has a sense of humor, likes to have fun and party, slight attitude. You deserve to be treated well and I would be happy to do that! BOX 16493

100 % PURE LOVE
Single female, 6'2", 250 lbs, short brown hair, smoker, enjoys outdoors, fishing, biking, hiking, and more. Looking for a one on one relationship with a passionate, short female, 35 to 50. BOX 16698

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Non-smoker, light drinker, divorced, excellent health and physical condition, ex-marine, professional. Seeks younger shapely woman, weight proportionate, with warm, affectionate personality, for serious relationship. BOX 16705

PLEASANTLY PLUMP?
Go ahead and call! open minded, single white male 39, easy to talk too, romantic and adventurous, Seeks single white female 24-42, for meaningful relationship. Wayne county BOX 25010

I BELIEVE I CAN FLY!
Come fly with me! Handsome, successful professional, 56, 18 on the dance floor, 6', physically fit, energetic, charismatic, positive, spiritual, full of life and a great sense of humor. Variety of interests! Compassionate, romantic, good listener, emotionally and financially secure. BOX 10578

R U UNDER 59
Single male, 5'8", 175 lbs, auburn hair and blue eyes, non-smoker, financially stable, enjoys camping, long walks, games, quiet times at home, and more. Looking for a female with similar interests, for possible relationship. BOX 10700

ARE YOU OUT THERE?
Single black male, west side of Detroit, own my home. Seeks down to earth lady, attractive, 30 to 45, for friendship, relationship. I enjoy music, sports, romance, sharing and communicating. BOX 10924

FIND YOUR FUTURE
Single white male, 5'11", 185 lbs, non-smoker, fit and good looking, 42, enjoys travel, boating, jet skiing, hockey, dining out, movies and more, seeks female for friendship and... BOX 14490

UNDERSTANDABILITY?
23 year old male, 6'1", 190 lbs, easy going. Enjoys camping, long walks, dancing, movies with someone special. Phone, leave your number and he will get back to you. BOX 16135

JOIN WITH ME TODAY
Male, 40, 5'9", 140 lbs, Mexican/Hungarian descent, spontaneous, single parent. Seeks petite female, 24-40, to share his interests in animals, children, walks, cuddling, to begin a long term relationship. BOX 16208

SEEKS SPECIAL SOME1!
Single male, 24, 5'8", 240 lbs, with hazel eyes and dark blonde hair is looking for a career minded, ambitious, well proportioned, single female. BOX 16476

GUARDIAN...
...for very slender, dynamite, attractive woman, slight attitude who deserves to be treated like an angel, 36 yr old, single white male, 5'11", 165 lbs, very fit, refined, attractive, great dancer and listener. No harm will come to your or your heart while I'm around! BOX 16509

NEW ADS EACH WEEK!

CIRCLE THIS AD
Handsome, clean cut, non-smoker, 35, white male, 6'2", 195 lbs, brown hair, never married, financially independent, home owner, professionally employed, organized, dependable, loyal, sincere, monogamous gentleman. Enjoys outdoors activities, seeks special lady, affectionate, attractive, fit, no dependents. BOX 16609

JUST BE YOURSELF
48 yr old, divorced male, 5'10", 160 lbs, brown hair and eyes. Loves golf, long walks, hockey, old cars, NASCAR. Seeks female, 36 to 45, medium height, petite, loving and caring. BOX 16623

ALL THE WAY
29 year old single white male, 5'10", 195 lbs, brown hair, brown eyes, goatee. Loves anything outdoors, golf, softball, movies, concerts, music. Hopes to find lady to share possible long term relationship leading to marriage. BOX 16672

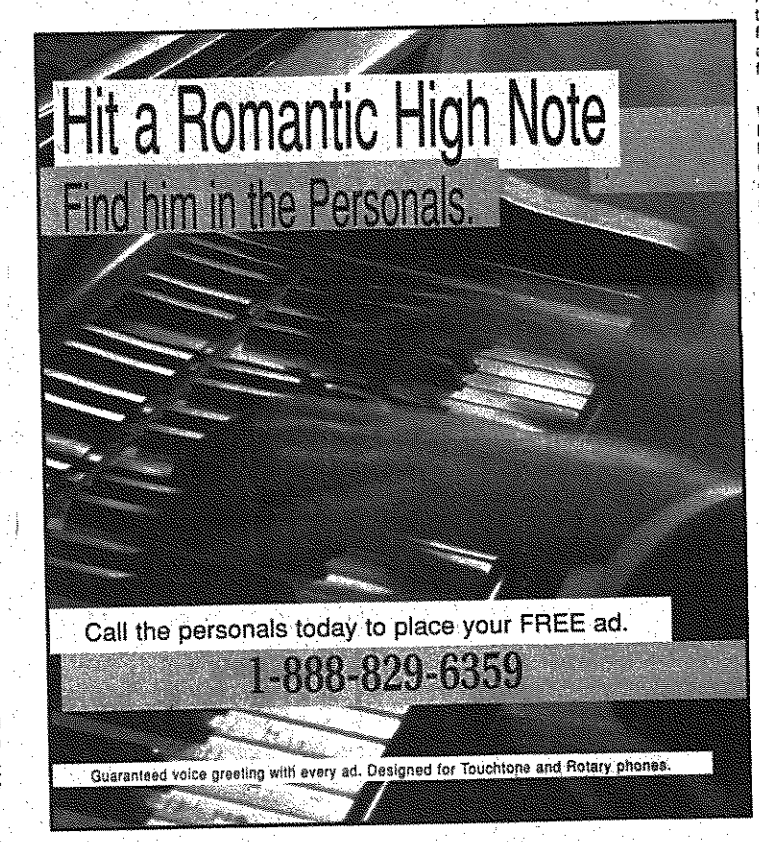
SHINING ARMOR
27 year old white male, non-smoker, social drinker, hazel eyes, brown hair. Enjoys music, hockey, softball, camping, fishing...just one big man seeking special lady, 24-30, for friendship, maybe long term relationship. BOX 16773

LIVES FOR ADVENTURE
Active, 42 yr old Hispanic male, 5'10", self employed, non-smoker, social drinker, loves life and adventure. Seeks attractive, medium build, intelligent, secure lady tomboy who is not afraid to live and explore. Grab your kayak and let's go! BOX 16775

GREAT EXPECTATIONS
Ready to share friendship, good times, up north at Skidmore Lake is this 5'8", 200 lbs, male, brown hair, brown eyes, non-smoker. Activities would include canoeing, hiking, fishing, Michigan, cooking, gardening, sitting around fireplace with movies and popcorn. BOX 16803

LET'S START OVER
65 yr old, single white male, non-smoker, non-drinker, 5'9", weight proportionate, brown hair, hazel eyes, very active. Seeks white woman, 55 to 65, for long term relationship. Must be non-smoker, non-drinker, active and ready for new adventures, humor and fun. BOX 20459

YOU FOUND ME
40 yr old male, blonde hair, blue eyes, 6'2", 190 lbs, fit. Enjoys jogging, fine dining, camping, travel, outdoors, dancing, music. Seeks female who's looking to have a good time, possible long term relationship if compatible. BOX 20492



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TURN ON HEART LIGHT
Are you really available? Female 50, white professional, 5', 105 lbs, romantic, attractive. Seeks down to earth employed male, 47-55, honest, trustworthy, well grounded in Christian values. No indicted sports nuts or couch potatoes need reply, only a good friend, true partner wanted. BOX 25937

PROFESSIONAL MOM
Single white Christian professional female, 46, 124 lbs., attractive, with a heart of gold, great cook. Enjoys quiet times and movies, walks. Seeks well groomed white male, 42-50, non-smoker, with Christian values. Wayne County. BOX 26052

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

BUBBLY & CLASSY
Intelligent, fit, 5'6", brown eyed blonde, passionate about life and laughing, enjoys golf, biking, theater, boating and great conversations, interested in meeting tall, 50 to 58, financially/emotionally stable true gentleman with similar interests. Oakland county BOX 27010

SONGS FROM THE HEART
Divorced white female, 47, 5'7", blonde/blue, vivacious, passionate, Christian church musician. Seeks white Christian male, non-smoker, 5'10" or taller, who is intelligent, articulate, romantic, and honest with a passion for life. Oakland County. BOX 27014

COUNTRY GIRL
Divorced white lady, non-smoker, non-drinker likes horseback riding, has own horses. Enjoy camping, walking, boating, flea markets, old cars, movies. Seeks gentleman 57 to 65 with similar interest. Monroe County. BOX 27030

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But the main focus is a relief of Sagear as an adult looking at herself as a child. Flowing lines of energy radiate from the portrait Jones carved into a 430-pound piece of white alabaster. Surrounding the two are four painted panels featuring a crowd with nondescript faces. They signify the people touched by Sagear, and she by them. A black panel behind the painting makes the figures look like they're floating.

Even though Jones spent more than 1,000 hours designing and creating the 19-foot wide by 10-foot tall memorial wall that greets students and staff entering the new Plymouth High School, it was definitely a labor of love. Carving a brief biographical sketch about Sagear ingrained in him the strength it took her just to survive. He thought about Sagear from the first moment he sketched the mural out on paper then onto the stone. His arms never tired during the long hours he ate into the alabaster with air chisels and high speed grinders before bringing out the color and veining of the stone with tongue oil.

BUSY ARTIST

The many tasks involved in completing the mural called on Jones' skills as an artist and architect. Jones earned a master of fine arts degree from Wayne State University in 1990 and three years later went on to learn the art of stone carving from Jay Lefkowitz at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. Jones currently is exhibiting his two- and three-dimensional work in a one person show at the Cass Cafe in Detroit and preparing to accept Best of Show for *The Artists Among Us*, the Wayne County Council for the Arts, History & Humanities exhibit opening at Madonna University in Livonia Friday, Oct. 4. But before then Jones will drop off the works he donated to the Midwest AIDS Prevention Project auction Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House.

A licensed practicing architect Jones has worked on residential projects in Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and West Bloomfield so the challenge of bending the lead frame encasing the mural was not as difficult as it could have been. The frame still took two people three days to wrap the lead around the wood by hand.

"The thing that most affects me is trying to picture her as a small child, all the struggles she had to get her through her daily life, the strength and spirit she had. Imagine the strength she must have had to try to express that spirit she had," said Jones of Plymouth.

"The steps under the sculpture refer to her time at the old Plymouth high school (now Central Middle School) where she scooted up the stairs on her butt and also indicates the adversity she overcame. The words courage and perseverance refer to the way she approached her life."

Sagear's courage and perseverance is what inspired Debbie Madonna to lead the effort to create a memorial to her school friend. She still has $2,500 to raise to pay off the nearly $30,000 mural but donations keep coming in one by one as people here Sagear's story.

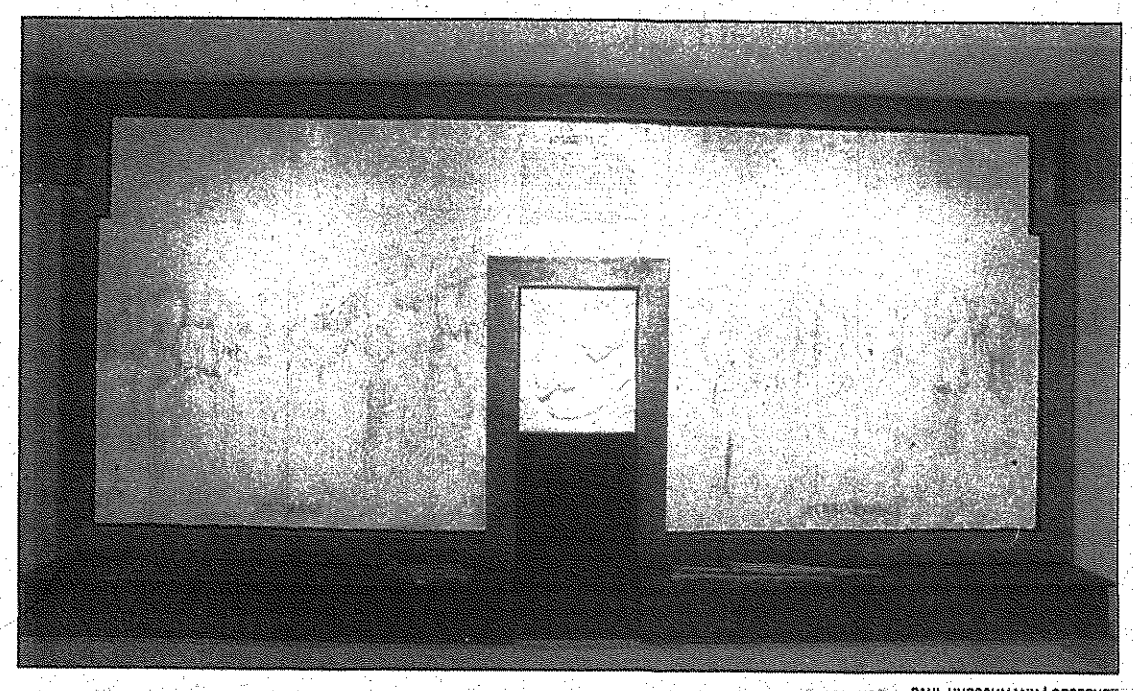
ABOUT SAGEAR

Born in 1950, Sagear contracted polio at the age of 17 months and endured many operations but that didn't prevent her from serving as the March of Dimes Poster Girl when she was four years old and spokesperson for the Plymouth Community Fund (now the United Way) at 16. After graduating from the old Plymouth High School in 1969 she went on to work as an office manager and became a computer whiz. She died from complications of pneumonia in 1992 at the age of 42.

"This is a person I learned from," said Madonna who annually organizes the Music in the Park series for the Plymouth Community Arts Council. "She was very single-minded in wanting to be part of the group. She didn't want any help. She wanted to help others. After contracting polio she spent 1 and 1/2 years in the hospital where her brothers and sisters couldn't even visit her.

"I want people to be appreciative of people like this and help people who need help and think about how are we going to look back at how we treat people. When students and staff walk into the new high school I want the mural to be a piece of art that they like but I want them to realize what it takes for people to overcome obstacles. It's that spirit."

Have an interesting idea for a story? Call Observer & Eccentric arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net



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The processes of painting, carving, casting and metal working all went into creating the mural in honor of Sandra Sagear.

See crafters, lambs and more at annual Sheep & Wool festival

Yvonne and Peter Uhlianuk will open their renovated 1920s dairy farm, Mt. Bruce Station, to the public for the 12th annual Sheep and Wool Festival.

Leave the hustle and bustle of suburban life behind this weekend and spend a day on the farm.

Yvonne and Peter Uhlianuk will open their renovated 1920s dairy farm, Mt. Bruce Station, to the public for the 12th annual Sheep and Wool Festival.

The Romeo couple raise sheep, teach farm classes and promote their country lifestyle year-round with Spring Fiber Day in May, Natural Wool Dyeing Day in August and a Christmas weekend in December.

The Sheep & Wool Festival, which runs from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 28 and 29, brings crafters, farmers, and musicians together. Visitors can watch artists demonstrate their skills or create their own art in hands-on workshops.

New this year are informal and informative talks about beekeeping, chicken coops and chicken-raising, diversified small farming, historical button collectibles, lore and legends of Mt. Bruce Station and farmland preservation.

Beginning shepherds can learn about sheep personalities and "sheep talk;" sheep biology, judging, time savers and practical solutions to everyday problems. One workshop will focus on the "Jacobs" heritage sheep.

The Highland Piper, Alan Cayn, will open this year's festival. He'll lead a singalong and other traditional "frontier style" activities, such as apple cider-pressing, working with oxen and stocking a root cellar, in the farm's log cabin.

Craft workshops will include spinning, felting, loom weaving, wool dyeing, rug hooking, painted gourds, soap making, creating natural bird feeders, coppersmithing a sheep wind chime, jelly making and more.

Shepherds will demonstrate herding with Border Collies at 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. Visitors can watch sheep shearing, see newborn lambs, take a garden walk, cuddle an Angora rabbit, ride a hay wagon, paint a pumpkin and navigate their way through a straw maze in the main barn.

Food — including farm-raised lamb and Peter's popular caramel apples — will be served from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. each day.

Festival admission is $5. No charge for children under 5.

Mt. Bruce Station is located at 6440 Bordman, six miles north of downtown Romeo. Take Van Dyke (M-53) to Bordman, (north of 36 Mile) and go west two miles. From Rochester Road, head north of Leonard to Bordman, go east.

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Ciao serves Italian cuisine with California flair

BY TAMARA WARREN

Adding European flavor to Dearborn's quaint downtown district is Ciao Ciao is an artfully approached, Italian nook that is more a reflection of the modern European eatery than a traditional Italian American restaurant.

Fresh vegetables offset the sauces, which are decidedly lighter than typical spaghetti and meatballs style dish. Olive oil is generously savored in most of the dishes mixed with fresh basil, capers and garlic spices.

Ciao is Dearborn restaurateur Kasey Chamoumi's conception. Chamoumi also owns Kasey's Salad Bar and Grill, the International Cafe and Kasey's Catering. Chamoumi, who was born in Milan, has put together an authentic display of Italian culture.

"First I want them to enjoy the ambiance. I want them to forget they are sitting in Michigan and Dearborn," Chamoumi says.

"The scenic and sites of Italy encourages Ciao. Chef Teodoro Barout hails from Bologna and Italian designer Antonio Papadopulos done work at Vatican," Chamoumi says.

He uses works from Disney Europe. He was using the "new World, exposed aluminum, and old World, wood burning stoves and frescos."

"Hand-ore gives the place a sunny feel, perhaps reminiscent of a Tuscan garden.

"It should suit the menu. It's not traditional Italian," Chamoumi says.

Pastas are inventive. Bocconcini Bochinara combines rigatoni with mussels and scallops in parmesan cream sauce with fresh herbs and asiago cheese. The Linguine de Vodka is a popular choice. (Vodka is popular in the beverage form as well.)

Ciao manager Abdul Elkadri with Calamari Alla Griglia, citrus marinated and char grilled, served with tomato concasse and drizzled with an herbed balsamic vinaigrette.

Vegetarians have options with Pappardelle di Verdure Alla "Ciao" – herb pasta with artichokes, sun-dried tomato, spinach and roasted peppers topped with gorgonzola tomato cream and asiago cheese.

The nine selections of fish include a fusion dish – they're so popular these days – sashimi tuna steak and Chilean sea bass.

Meats include chicken tenderloins, veal medallions, rack of lamb and angus beef. The veal chops are served with roasted peppers, spinach, gorgonzola cheese and a mushroom glaze.

Lighter fare and reasonably priced pizzas make fresh and haute cuisine accessible with sun dried tomato and goat cheese as toppings. The mango salad has become a popular option, Chamoumi says.

Desserts are homemade by an in-house pastry chef with bread pudding and traditional Italian tiramisu topping the list of favorites.

Soft drinks and espresso are on the menu along with a full bar. The wine list favors Italian wines, but there are several Napa Valley wines and a few French and German selections.

With fresh ingredients and well-prepared cuisine, the prices are reasonable with lunch averaging $12 per person and dinner $20 per person.

"There is a lack of upscale Italian restaurants with a Californian flair," Chamoumi says. Yet with mussels measured in kilos, Europe seems closer than the West Coast.

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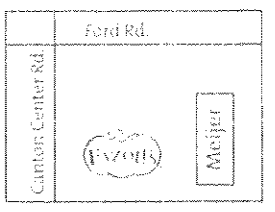

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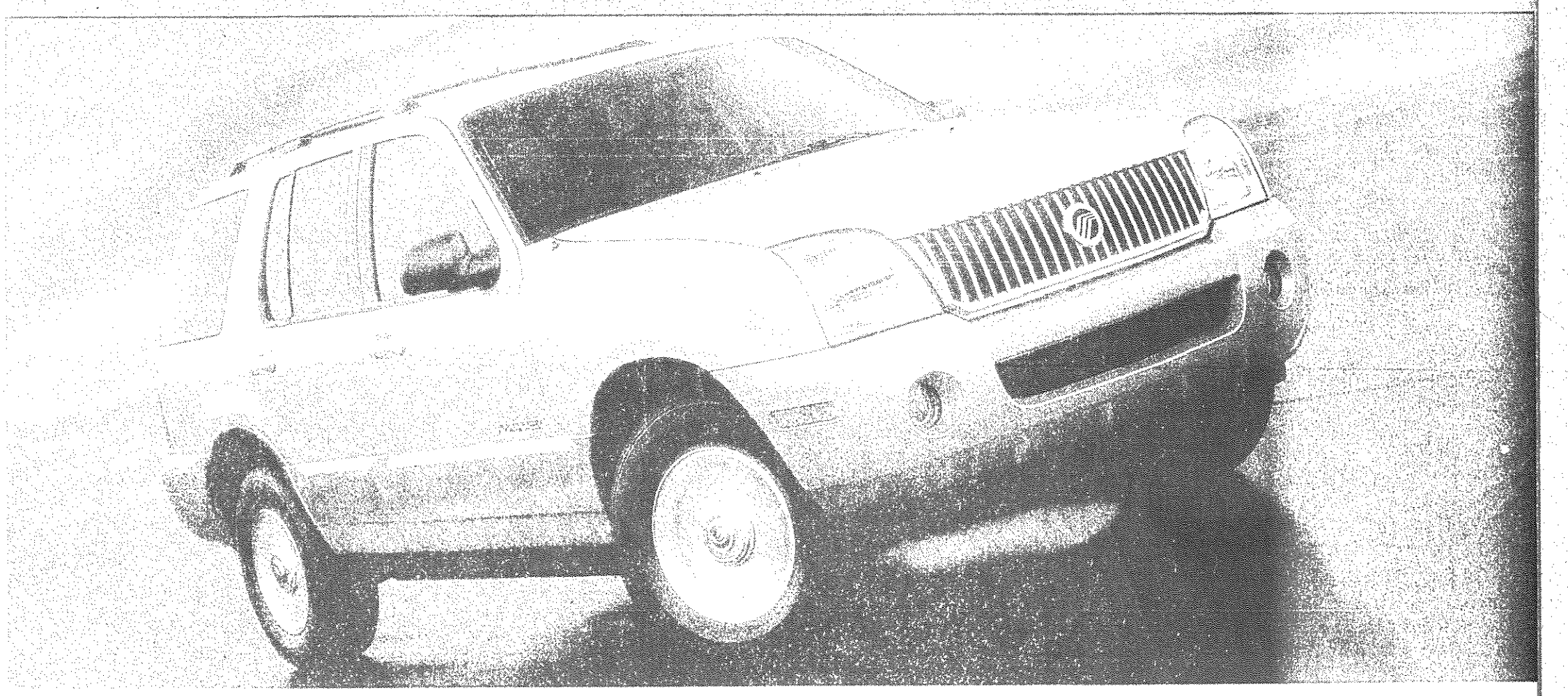

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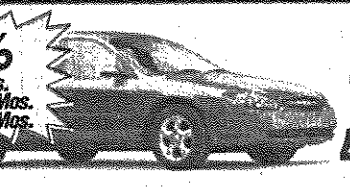

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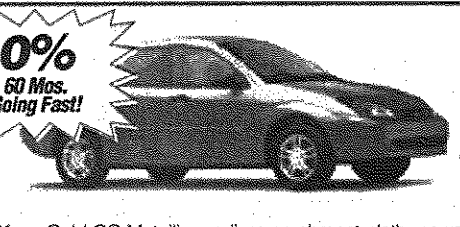

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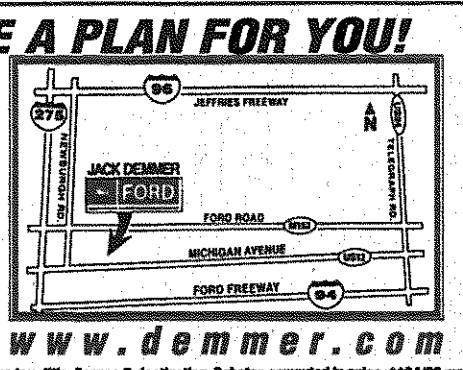

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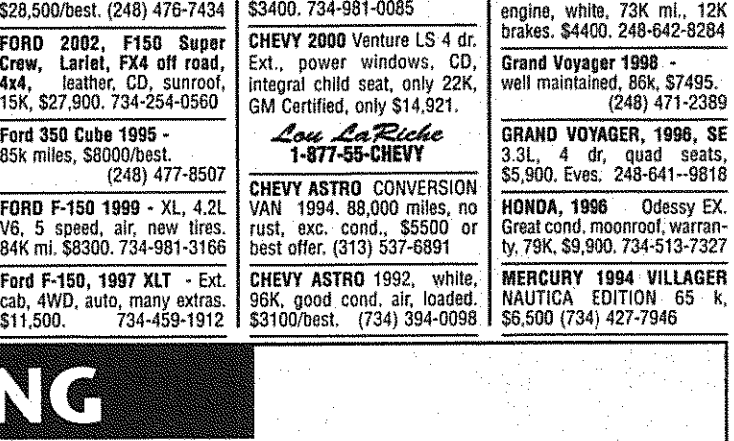

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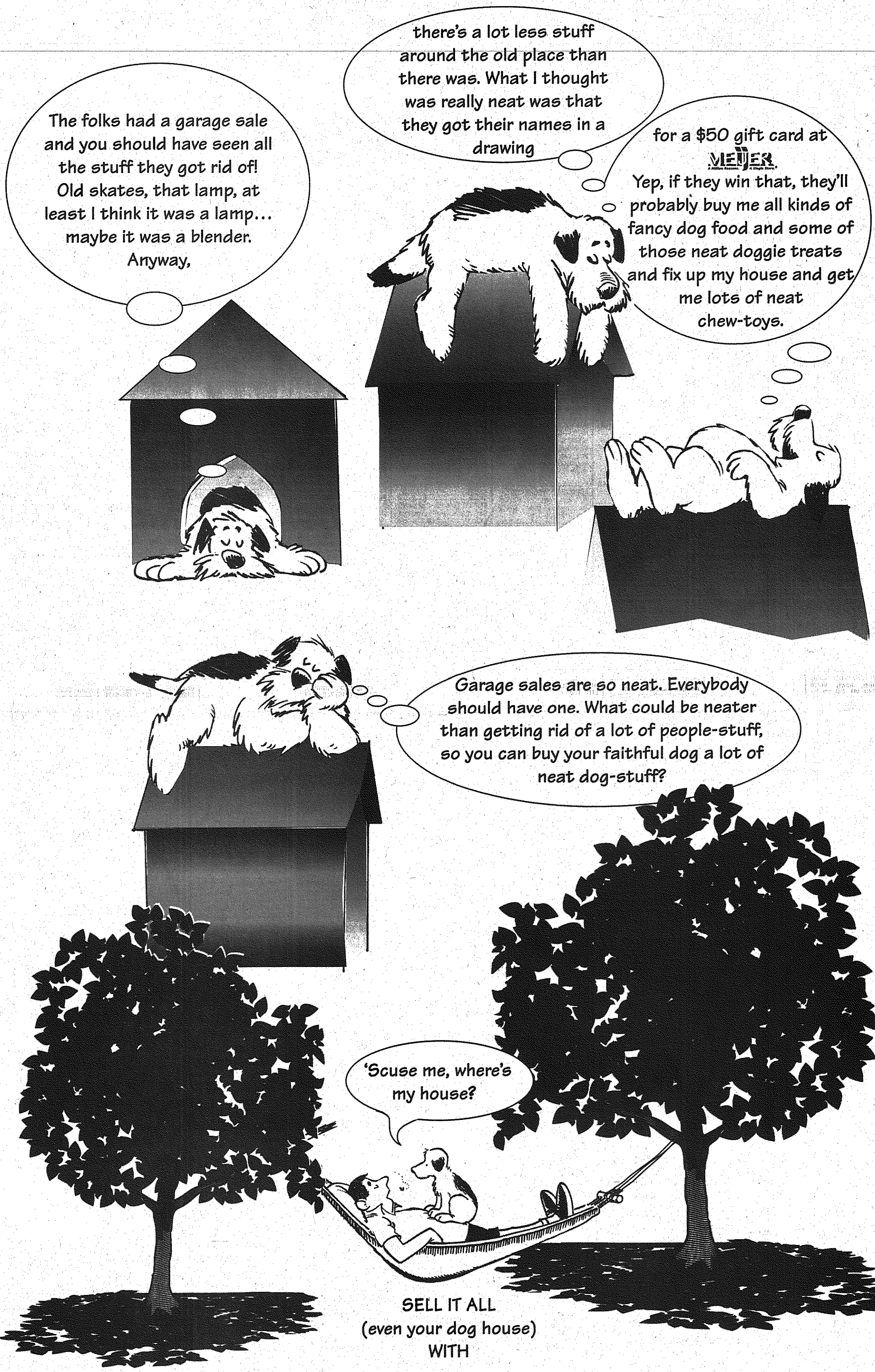

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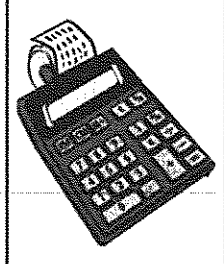

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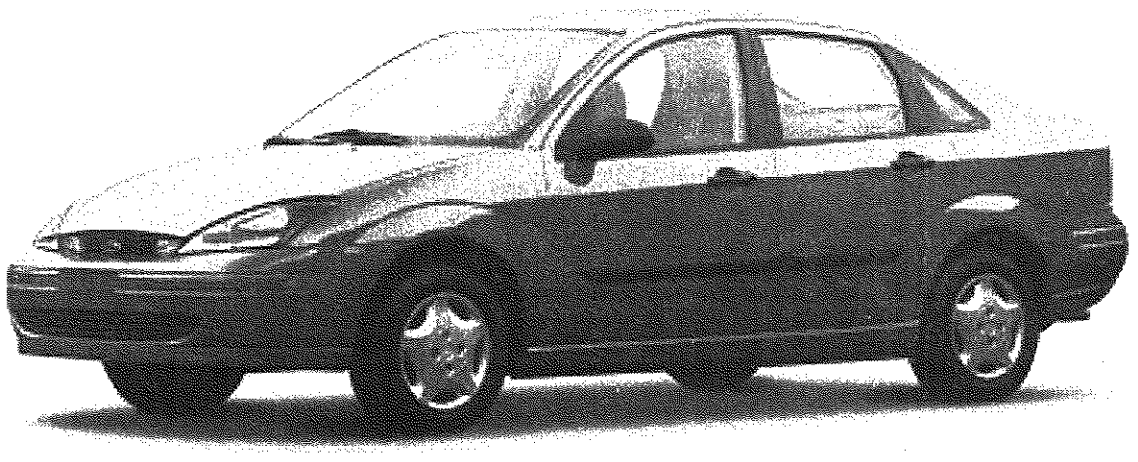

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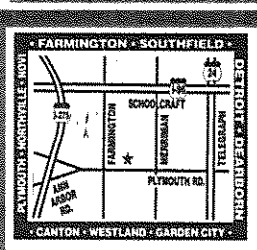

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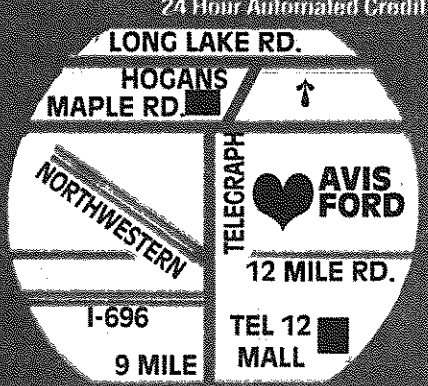

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