

BY JACK GLADDEN

Tuesday night.

in, he had it.

STAFF WRITER



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Surrounded by family, friends and

campaign workers, a tired and nerv-

ous Phil LaJoy watched the numbers

"I really want this," he said of his

campaign to become the state repre-

And when the last numbers rolled

Republican LaJoy, 57, a Canton

come up on the computer screen

sentative from the 21st District.



ELECTION RESULTS The vote totals (unofficial) below show how voters in Canton cast their ballots. The check mark shows the overall winner in the election. Governor

Dick Posthumus, R... ✓ Jennifer Granholm, D...11,850 Douglas Campbell, G.... Joseph Pilchak, U.S. T... Secretary of State

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Prop. 02-1, Election Law Yes. Prop. 02-2, Sewer Bond Prop. 02-3, Binding Arbitration 14.061 Prop. 02-4, Reallocation of

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Prop. K, Arts tax ..12,698 U.S. House 11th District √Thaddeus McCotter, R≥13,679 Kevin Kelley, D.... William Boyd, G. Dan Malone, U.S. T State Senate

7th District ✔Bruce Patterson, R......15,469 George Mans, D..... State House 20th District ✓ John Stewart, R Mark Blackwell, D. James Dean, L.

12.376 ✓ Philip J. LaJoy, R. ..8,369 Mark Slavens, D ... Ken Century, L. **Wayne County Executive** Richard S. Frederick, R......8.872 ✔Robert A. Ficano, D.....14,968

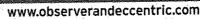
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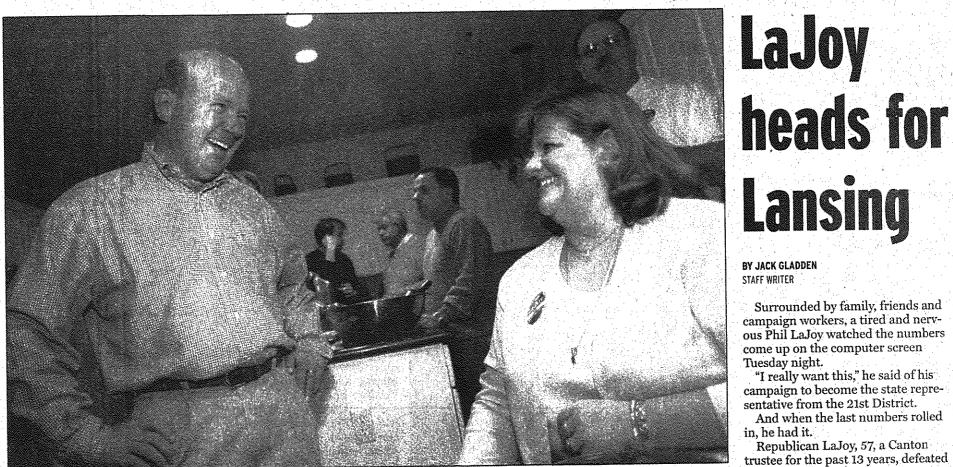
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An upbeat Phil LaJoy chats with Sally Bailey, a campaign precinct captain, as results come in Tuesday. LaJoy will leave his township trustee seat in January to represent most of Canton Township (along with Belleville and Van Buren Township) in the state House of Representatives.

trustee for the past 13 years, defeated

PLEASE SEE LAJOY, A7

In township: Low turnout, few glitches mark returns

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

Canton Clerk Terry Bennett stood in the almost-deserted lobby of the township administration building shortly after 8 p.m. Tuesday.

A few election workers milled around, waiting for the voting materials to begin arriving from the precincts.

"I don't want to know anything until it's over," Bennett told a reporter, referring to the gubernatorial race in which her husband, State Sen. Loren Bennett, was Dick Posthumus' running mate for lieutenant governor.

"I can't do anything about it, and I just want to get this Canton election taken care of first. Then I'll find out."

About that time an election worker approached.

"I just heard ..." he started to

"I don't want to know," Bennett said.

"I, uh, just heard," the worker said pausing, "that it's, uh, too close to call.

Then the first ballots began arriving, and it was on to election-night business as usual.

And if there's one word to describe how this year's election went in Canton, Bennett said, it was "smooth."

"Everything went fine," she said. "It went very smoothly." She credited the poll workers

and the clerk's staff for the almost glitch-free election.

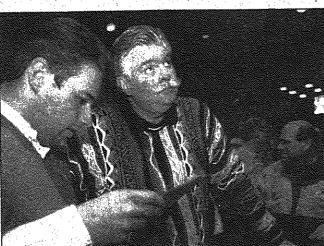
stepped up to the plate to work

"I want to send a huge thankyou to the 270 volunteers who

the election. They were phenomenal. For people who had never done this before, they did a terrific job." Glitches, Bennett said, were

minor. "It was just the normal stuff. A light that didn't work in a voting booth, someone needed a new

PLEASE SEE ELECTION, A3



PAUL HURSCHMANN I OBSERVER

Bruce Patterson (R-Canton Township) watches results on the television as campaign manager Alec Byrne of Lamberville, consults with him on returns.

Patterson moves up to Senate

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

State Rep. Bruce Patterson (R-Canton Township) will soon find the decisions he makes in Lansing

will be of greater significance. Patterson, who is completing his fourth year in the 21st District as part of the 161-member state House, will become one of 38 members of the state Senate in January. Patterson defeated colleague George Mans (D-Trenton) by a wide margin in the race for the newly created 7th District Senate seat Tuesday.

In a district that encompasses 16 communities from Northville in the north to Grosse Ile in the south, Patterson received 56 percent of the vote, defeating Mans 52,446-40,689.

"As a state Senator, you're one of only 38 people. That's three times the responsibility because there's only one-third the number of people," said Patterson. "You have to be true to yourself and principles, and uphold your oath of office.

"Michigan has some real challenges, especially fiscal challenges. We're going to have to work collaboratively. It will be my desire and

intent to work on compromises that fulfill the public policy needs of this state."

Mans, who was once mayor of Trenton and who serves the Downriver area in the House, couldn't make inroads in the northern half of the new Senate district to defeat Patterson.

When you look at it, we were able to hold our own region, but we were unable to make sufficient inroads in Plymouth, Canton or Northville to win the race," said

PLEASE SEE PATTERSON, A7

Dry summer bloats water bills

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

When Canton resident Craig Chismar got his latest water bill a couple of weeks ago, it was a shock - an \$800 shock.

Chismar, who lives in Central Park subdivision, says he's been in the house for about a year-and-a-half and it's the highest bill he's received.

"Even last summer they were never more than \$300," he said. "The last bill before this

John Spencer, Canton Township account-ant, acknowledges that the \$800 bill is

However, he said, "It may be a little high, but it's not unusual. We have them as high as \$1,200. It depends on how much water

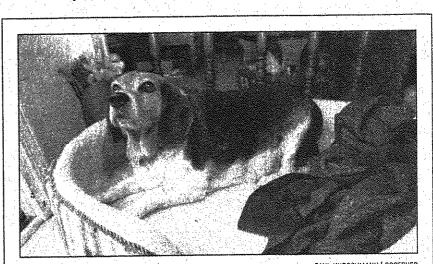
they use to irrigate."

And Chismar said he does have a sprinkling system at his home. He's just irritated at what he considers to be excessive rates being charged by the Detroit Department of Water and Sewerage.

"I see stories about all the waste going on in the Detroit water department," he said. "I saw a story on a local TV station about how many people don't pay their water bills in Detroit. I guess the suburbs are going to be held to balancing the books.

Referring to a lawsuit filed by the city of Warren against Detroit asking reimbursement for excessive water bills, he said he would like to see someone from Canton start a similar battle.

PLEASE SEE WATER, A4



PAUL HURSCHMANN I OBSERVER

Dog's life

Murphy views life from his favorite spot — his king-size bed — in the Gavala family's Canton kitchen. The owners of the extra-large beagle have weighty issues on their minds these days. For more on Murphy, please turn to today's Observer Life section on page C6.

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Stewart re-elected easily in 20th

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Two years ago, after being elected to the 20th House District, John Stewart (R-Plymouth Township) transported three bus loads of constituents to Lansing to take part in his initial inauguration. It was a celebration not seen before in Lansing, save for the governor's swearing-in ceremonies.

Stewart, who overwhelming won re-election Tuesday over Democratic challenger Mark Blackwell (19,910-11,581), said the buses are warming up for his constituents to share in his second inauguration on Jan. 8.

"I am deeply humbled, that was overwhelming to me," said Stewart of his 68-percent voter majority in Plymouth Township and 69 percent in Northville Township. "The buses will roll again. I'm ready to roll onward and forward. That's my theme."

In the newly drawn 20th House boundaries, Stewart lost to Blackwell in the latter's hometown of Wayne (2,674-1.712). He also lost in a narrow section of Canton, along I-275, by slightly more than 200 votes.

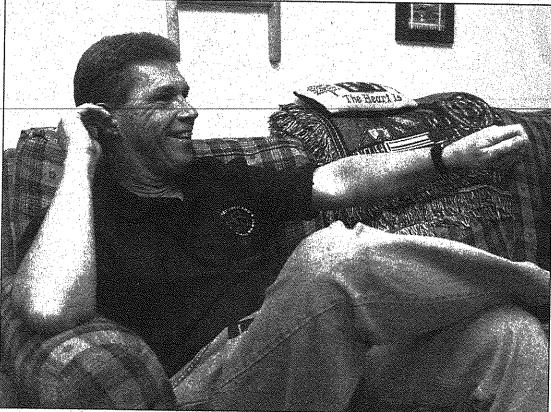
However, the race wasn't even close as Plymouth Township (7,900-3,468), Plymouth (2,188-1,115), Northville Township (6,183-2,557), and Northville (787-399) all supported Stewart by wide margins.

Blackwell, who congratulated Stewart for running a clean campaign, is also reminding the second-term legislator not to forget the City of Wayne, traditionally a union town, when voting in Lansing,

"I hope he remembers the working families when it comes to issues like unemployment benefits and minimum wage," said Blackwell. "We need to protect our seniors, revenue sharing and the environment."

There's no guessing game as to what the top priority will be for Stewart, and the rest of state government, in the next legislative session.

"The budget, the appropriation system, the cuts that (Gov.) Jennifer Granholm will have to be handing down," said Stewart. "The economy has gone in the tank, and we're going to have to look at where



PHOTOS BRYAN MITCHELL | OBSERVE

John Stewart relaxes at home watching local and national election results on TV.



John Stewart greets a voter Tuesday at an area precinct.

we're going to be lean, without being mean.

"Granholm has said there will be a new style of bi-partisanship, and I'll be back on the appropriations committee," he said. "She knows I won't stab her in the back, that I'm ready to work with her. But, there has to be cuts and priorities that I agree with.

"We have to recover," Stewart

added. "I'm very concerned about our economy."

Stewart, who is also hoping to become the chair of the House judiciary committee, admitted he'll be more prepared for his second term in office.

"I think my naivete is 100 percent less," he said. "Knowing the ropes and what to expect ... who are the lobbyists

being fairly independent and extremely honest, doing what's objectively best for the people," Stewart added. "Principle over partisanship."

Stewart, whose politics many times mirror that of former Gov. William Milliken, said he's already asked Granholm to let him host the moderate Republican and his wife, Helen, at Granholm's inauguration Jan. 1 on the steps of the state Capitol.

Milliken had the ability to bring together delicate, bi-partisan consensus," said Stewart. "He hasn't been to an inaugural since his last in 1978.

As for the Republican Party, Stewart admits there needs to be changes if it plans to regain the state's top elected position in four years.

"Politically, the Michigan Republican Party has to look at its roots," he said. "We missed an opportunity to elect a governor. We've got to learn to put the brakes on negative campaigning, and combine that with progressive ideas for the Republican Party."

"I think I have a reputation of thruscato@oe.homecomm.net | (734) 459-2700 | years," Harrison said at his

to be Plymouth's Youngest ...

Barricaded man gives up after 3-hour stand-off with police

A 30-year-old Canton man is undergoing mental evaluation after barricading himself in his Geddes Road home for nearly three hours Monday.

Canton Police responded to a 9-1-1 call about 3 p.m. after the man threw an air-conditioning unit at his mother. Officers tried to talk to him, but he was uncooperative.

After a short time, the man turned on his natural gas stove and threatened to blow the house up. He later threw a large mirror out of a window and also threatened an officer with a baseball bat.

The man later disconnected the phone in the house and refused to talk to police. The Wayne County Special Operations Team was activated and team members negotiated with him for a short time. He finally surrendered without further incident about 5:45 p.m.

VEHICLE DAMAGED

A local resident told police she parked a 1995 GMC Safari behind a business in the 45400 block of Ford Road about 3 p.m. Nov. 2.

When she returned about 8:30 a.m. Nov. 4, the driver's side window was smashed, there was a large dent and scratches on the driver's side door and pink/purple paint on the door.

Damage to the window was estimated at \$150.

POLICE BRIEFS

EQUIPMENT STOLEN

An employee of a business in the 42000 block of Michigan Avenue reported to police that someone stole the ignition box and VIN plate from a construction vehicle that was parked on the site.

The incident occurred between 6 p.m. Nov. 1 and 1:30 p.m. Nov. 4.

The box was valued at \$300 and the VIN plate at \$10.

DUMPSTER DAMAGE

A maintenance employee for a mall in the 43300 block of Joy Road told police someone damaged a trash Dumpster and sprayed graffiti on a wall between 2 p.m. Nov. 1 and 6:30 a.m. Nov. 4.

Police noticed that the Dumpster had been set on fire, causing about \$500 damage.

STEREO STOLEN

A resident reported that the stereo unit was stolen from her car while it was parked in the St. Joseph Health parking lot on Canton Center between 7-9 p.m. Nov. 3.

She said the driver's side window was smashed and the unit stolen from the dash.

The unit was valued at \$400 and damage to the window was also estimated at \$400.

Colonial Kiwanis Club installs new officers

Lee Harrison, principal of Isbister Elementary School, was installed as president of the Hospital is one of the major Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth during the group's Oct. 18 meeting at Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth.

Also installed were presidentelect Rob Noel, vice president Dave Siegrist, secretary Mike Toth and treasurer Tim Yoe.

"We are looking forward to a great year of serving our community as we have in past

installation.

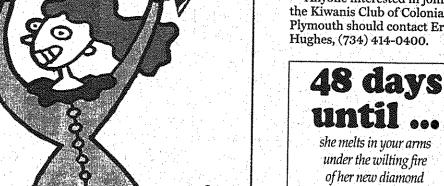
While Mott Children's recipients of this group's fundraising efforts, the club in recent months has also given a helping hand to an elderly woman on a fixed income by replacing the deteriorating roof of her home.

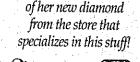
Club members also worked earlier this year to remodel the out-dated kitchen at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Both of those projects were sponsored by Dave Latawiec. owner of Distinctive Kitchen & Bath. Latawiec was also honored as the club's Kiwanian of the Year during the Oct. 18 meeting.

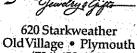
The primary mission of Kiwanis International is improving the well-being of children of all ages as well as general community service.

Anyone interested in joining the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth should contact Ernie





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Gerou wins seat on local bench Sullivan defeats Whyman,

Plymouth lawyer to fill new 35th District judgeship

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Mike Gerou never really thought about losing in the race for the new 35th District Court judgeship, giving notice on his office lease and making preparations to become the district's newest judge.

It all paid off Tuesday, when Gerou outdistanced former Northville Township Supervisor Karen Woodside in the general election, carrying four of the five municipalities that make up the court's jurisdiction.

Woodside carried her own back yard - Northville Township - but Gerou beat her in the cities of Plymouth and Northville and posted his widest margin of victory in Canton Township, where Woodside had done surprisingly well in the primary.

"I never once thought about not winning," said Gerou, the Plymouth attorney making his second bid for the bench. "I didn't want to be over-confident, and I didn't have the attitude that I couldn't be beat. I just didn't leave room for the alternative."

Woodside did not return calls seeking comment.

Gerou credited his team,

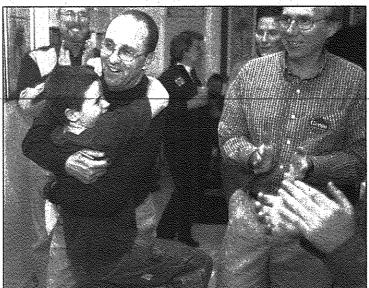
which consisted of a large group made up of family and friends who he said worked tirelessly to help get him elected. He also credited Woodside with running a good campaign.

"It was a tight race, Karen's a tough competitor, and she ran a good campaign," Gerou said. "I have an incredible network of family and friends. We worked extremely hard and I'm very thankful for how it turned out."

It turned out well for Gerou everywhere but in Northville Township. Gerou's biggest margin came in Canton, where he beat Woodside by nearly 1,600 votes. She countered that by capturing Northville Township by 997 votes. Their closest battle came in the City of Northville, where Gerou won by a scant 101 votes.

Gerou and Woodside both ran the last time there was a new seat on the court, in 1994. In that race, attorney Steve Boak finished ahead of Ron Lowe in the primary, but Lowe overcame the lead and won the general election.

This year, Gerou won the primary in a fairly easy win over Woodside. He said he never worried about history repeating itself, and the primary runnerup winning the general election



BRYAN MITCHELL | OBSERVER

Mike Gerou gets a big hug from his son Miles, 10, and cheers from his support ers after winning the new judgeship at the 35th District Court.

the way it happened in 1994. Gerou brushed aside comments from some quarters that he's been running for this posi-

tion ever since. "If the worst thing someone can say about you is that you had a goal, put a plan together and achieved that goal, you're doing pretty well," Gerou said. "Most major achievements require preparation, require a plan to get there. It's not like you fall out of bed and become a judge. I've had a long-standing goal, and I worked to achieve it."

Gerou now turns his attention to taking his new posi-

Gerou said he plans to spend lot of time between now and then "getting up to speed," including meetings and interviews with the various participants in the court process attorneys, prosecutors, court staffers and the judges, Chief Judge John MacDonald and Lowe.

tion, which is effective Jan. 1.

"I just want to get up to speed as quickly as possible," Gerou said. "I want to glean as much wisdom as I can from people on what can be done to make that happen."

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earns another term

BY TEDD SCHNEIDER

Wayne County Commissioner John Sullivan said Wednesday that the next two years will be interesting for a number of rea-

Commissioners will be working with a new county executive for the first time 15 years. And one of his one of his pet projects - a satellite office for western Wayne - is close to becoming reality, Sullivan said.

The Wayne Democrat won re-election handily Tuesday over challenger Deborah Whyman, a former Republican state representative from Canton. He will represent the 11th Commission District for a third term.

Sullivan posted a 52.5 to 47.5 percent margin. The district includes Canton, Sumpter and Van Buren Townships and the cities of Belleville and Wayne. (Two communities - Huron Township and Romulus - will be dropped Jan. 1 as the result of redistricting.)
Republican Whyman carrier

her hometown - but not by a large enough margin to overcome Sullivan's support in the other communities.

"Actually, I didn't feel the victory was all that comfortable," Sullivan said Wednesday. "I had hoped I could carry Canton like I did two years ago."
"But I realized I was facing

someone with fairly high name recognition who had served as a state rep."

Whyman declined to return phone calls for comment

Wednesday.

Sullivan said he looks forward to working with incoming Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. The two know each other professionally and Sullivan said he sees no reason why the 15-member commission and the new executive can't form a good working relationship.

"We're going to disagree on things, sure. That's the way it was with (retiring Executive) Ed McNamara but that doesn't stop you from making progress," he said.

Sullivan campaigned on the satellite office idea and he believes the program makes

The county-owned building on Michigan Avenue in Westland already houses the health department and other county services but has available space. The satellite office would eventually offer a full slate of services from three departments - clerk, register of

deeds and treasurer - he said. Sullivan said he was disappointed - but not surprised over last-minute campaign mailers allegedly sent out by Whyman.

"In one, she misled people into thinking I was the county commissioner who had an office outside his district," Sullivan said.

The other was a four-page "newsletter" dubbed Western Wayne Count Civic Spotlight which suggested Sullivan was overly sympathetic to gay-rights issues and used an altered photograph to make the point.

ELECTION

FROM PAGE A1

stamp pad. There were a couple of units we had tested and run ballots through that worked just fine, then at the polling place they wouldn't accept the

She said staff members were able to talk the people at the polling station through a process that got the machines running.

Because of the expansion of the administration building, some vote counting areas had to be moved around from their previous

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locations. Absentee ballots were counted in a corridor in the public safety department that was closed off to all but election workers. Detectives and other police officials and employees were not allowed in that area while the ballots were being counted and had to find other routes to get to their offices.

Turnout for this election was lower than Bennett had predicted. Of the township's 49,164 registered voters, 25,318 cast ballots, or just under 50 percent. Bennett said she wasn't sure why the lower-than-expected turnout, although cold and rainy weather in the afternoon and the clerk's office, had praise for

evening might have had some

"But it was pretty steady all day from opening right through closing?

Of 6,215 absentee ballots sent out this year, 5,850 were returned.

The long lines experienced by some voters in the 2000 presidential election were pretty much eliminated this year, Bennett said. She said that was due in part to the addition of seven voting precincts this year and the redrawing of some oth-

Ann Conklin, Canton director of leisure services, who helped work the election with

Bennett and her staff.

"I've worked various elections for the past 20 years in various counties where I have worked. She (Bennett) is by far the most organized person I've worked with. She works really hard, and it shows. She has really high standards."

All Canton votes were counted, tallied and posted on the township Web site before 11

And then, with Canton taken care of, she was ready to hear the results in the governor's race.

Whalers fans ready for teddy toss

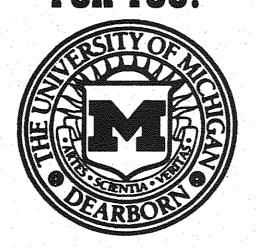
Plymouth Whalers fans will have a chance to score one for the Plymouth Community United Way at Saturday's hockey game against the Sarnia Sting. Fans attending the game are

being asked to bring a teddy bear, and, when the Whalers score their first goal, fans can toss them onto the ice during the celebration.

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incredible savings from banks (repos), Factory auctions and other sources," Rick Huetter, Used Car Sales Manager of North Brother's Ford said. "Our creditors have asked us to sacrifice this inventory immediately - regardless of loss of profit. If that means selling these vehicles for near or below wholesale, then that is what we will do."

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Almost every type and price range will be available, from luxury, to 4x4's, to basic transportation. "With pre-owned vehicles near an all time high, chances are we will have what you are looking for in stock and ready to drive home," Huetter said.

Auto Liquidators of North America has flown in extra financial staff from three states to assure North Brother's Ford Used Car's customers prompt, courteous service and the best financial terms possible. Huetter said, "we will have over \$5 million in financing available for this event. So chances are we can arrange financing for just about anyone who is employed, regardless of past history."

All trade-ins will be accepted with a minimum \$2000 guaranteed value and customers are encouraged to bring their titles or payment book to expedite immediate delivery of these vehicles.

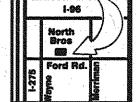
"The opportunity bargain hunters have been waiting for is here. Thursday & Friday in Westland. Every bank repo and other used vehicle is just \$29 and then start making payments. Customers won't find a faster easier way to save big money on a great used vehicle," Huetter said.

After the mega-sale ends at 6:00 p.m. Friday, November 8th, North Brother's Ford will send many of these vehicles to auction. Any questions can be directed to 1-734-524-1263. North Brother's Ford Used Cars is located at 33300 Ford Rd., between Wayne Rd. & Venoy in Westland, Michigan. The hours of this sale will be Thursday 9 am-9 pm & Friday 9 am-6 pm. "We hope to see everyone there and ready to walk away with the deal of a lifetime," said Huetter.

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McCotter rolls in 11th congressional race

STAFF WRITER

Thaddeus McCotter strapped on his electric guitar with the red, white and blue strap to play a few songs with "The Persuaders" at Local Color in Novi before results were in Tuesday night.

At the group's break, he was asked if the next song might somehow indicate whether he was winning or losing Michigan's 11th District Congressional race. "Dazed and Confused' is a bad omen," he quipped.

The Livonia Republican never had to pluck Led Zeppelin's ominous strains, marching clearly to an easy win over Democrat Kevin Kelley after a hard-fought campaign.

In fact, the next song he played with the band - after the glare of the TV cameras and interviewers were gone, after the hugs and kisses from his wife, Rita, and after the adoring

applause and handshakes from hundreds of supporters - was "Takin' Care of Business."

And he did just that, earning almost 60 percent of the vote to Kelley's 40 percent. The ratio of the vote was 55 percent to 41 percent in Wayne County, but a whopping 63 percent to 34 percent in Oakland County.

McCotter admitted it was a tough race. "It's grueling whether you're running for Schoolcraft trustee or Congress," said the current state senator.

The issue that put him over the top in the district? "Clearly people wanted the Bush tax relief act to be permanent," McCotter said.

PRAISE FOR KELLEY

McCotter praised his opponent. "Kevin's a good guy. I didn't want to run against him because, it's Kevin, you know? How can I vell at him in a debate? I'm very proud of the effort he gave."

McCotter later added: "Maybe I'll see him at the



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The glare of the spotlight during his dad's 11th Congressional race victory got to be too much for Timothy McCotter, 7, who asked his mom, "Can we go?" Meanwhile, Thaddeus holds daughter Emilia, 5, while answering interviewers.

Tipperary some time." Kelley, Redford Township's supervisor, was more upbeat than many of his disappointed supporters at the Mayflower Lanes in Redford. He expressed pride in his campaign as well. "It wasn't for lack of hard

work" Kelley said of the loss. "I'm very proud.... We thought we took an honest, truthful message to the voters of the dis-

Kelley, who married wife Connie in May, said he's ready for a real honeymoon after six happy to have our lives back," he said.

He had kind words for McCotter: "I wish him well. I think he's a very intelligent man.

Earlier in the evening, McCotter wasn't ready to declare victory: "I'm Irish Catholic, I never feel secure about anything." Later, though, he took the microphone and thanked his wife, Rita, and shared an emotional embrace and kiss.

After announcing the apparent victory, McCotter noted the room's elation was tinged with the reality of America's economic uncertainty and security threats. "Thank you very much for allowing me to play a part in that continuing experiment of democracy as your representative in Congress.

McCotter, who plans to commute to Washington three days a week while his wife and kids remain in Livonia, said he will push to ensure the permanent tax cut and for prescription drug coverage for senior citi-

months of campaigning. "We're zens. He also shared a congratulatory hug with his mother, Joan McCotter, Livonia City

Clerk. McCotter campaign supporter Joe Laura, a Livonia councilman, credited the

Congressman-elect for being a

very good campaigner: "He

works very, very, very hard." Kelley backed away from rumors that he's in line to become Wayne County's next sheriff, following Sheriff Robert Ficano's win in the county executive's race. He enjoys his job as Redford's supervisor, he said, and is uncertain about his

political future. "I'm just going to take a few days off, put it all in perspective," he said.

Perspective was easier for the victorious McCotter, who like Kelley is a Catholic Central graduate. He also sees success for the Shamrocks' gridiron team: "I predict a state championship.

Staff writer Matt Jachman contributed to this story.

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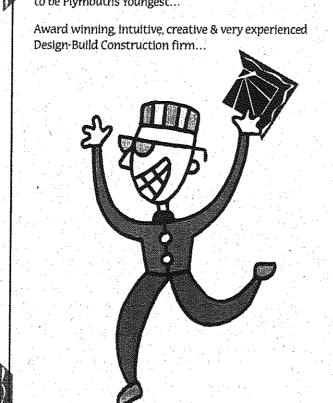
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"Hopefully some of our elected officials will see how we can get some input on the board of the water department in the

city of Detroit," he said." One reason the bills are so high during the summer lawn watering season, according to Spencer, is that the sewage rate is based on the amount of water used. Canton currently charges customers \$2 per thousand gallons of water used and \$3.06 for sewer.

Chismar said of his \$800 bill, the water charge was something over \$300 while the

sewer charge was over \$400. But Spencer said the township is not allowed to permit separate meters for household

water and irrigation water. "On average we buy 3 billion gallons of water from the city of Detroit. And we send that much back for sewage."

Since the bills are sent out quarterly, those received in October represent the months of July, August and September - the peak lawn watering months.

"Especially in new developments," Spencer said, "people" have probably got \$10,000 to \$15,000 in landscaping. It's the cost of keeping that watered that makes the bills so high."

He said if people anticipate that they are going to be receiving a large water bill, they can make payments on their account.

"They can make a \$50 or \$100 payment every month if they like so they don't get hit with it all at once."

He said at some point Canton will probably go to monthly billing for water, but if that happens, it will be a few years

down the line.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack, who said his own most-recent water bill was over \$500, said if residents have questions about their water usage, they should call the township's water depart-

"They can verify if the usage noted on the bill is reflected at the meter. They can check the meter to see if it's actually recording the water usage cor-

Chismar said since his house is relatively new, he doesn't think there's a problem with his water meter. And he doesn't blame township officials for the situation.

"It's no one's fault. It's just that if we in the suburbs are paying our bills, we should have some say on the Detroit water board."

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Granholm gets strong suburban support

BY CHRIS C. DAVIS AND TEDD SCHNEIDER STAFF WRITERS

Jennifer Granholm apparently spent enough time campaigning inwestern Wayne County - including some Republican strongholds -to make a difference.

The Northville resident and state attorney general rumbled her way to victory in the governor's race Tuesday, bringing an end to her 22month quest for the office of Michigan's chief executive.

In doing so, Granholm became the first female governor in the state's history and the first Democrat since Jim Blanchard was defeated by John Engler in 1990. Granholm handily defeated her Republican opponent, current lieutenant governor Dick Posthumus.

Granholm arrived in the Detroit Renaissance Center Marriott Hotel ballroom at around 11:15 p.m., facing a cheering throng of supporters. Those in attendance held aloft cards bearing the slogan "One Michigan," which was a theme the governorelect stuck with during her 15minute victory speech.

"Tonight, I am honored and humbled to stand before you as the next governor of the state of Michigan," Granholm began. "While it was my name and John Cherry's name on the ballot, the victory belongs to you. This victory belongs to our Michigan. This victory belongs to one Michigan."

With 98 percent of precincts reporting Granholm held a 52-47 (percentage) advantage over her opponent Wednesday morning.

Part of that margin could be attributed to a strong showing in traditionally Democratic western Wayne communities and stronger than expected numbers in Republican-leaning communities such as Livonia, Plymouth Township and Canton Township.

She also lost by only 150 votes in Farmington and about 2,000 in Farmington Hills (out of 26,000 ballots cast).

Granholm came within 1,250 votes of Posthumus in Canton, even though state Sen. Loren Bennett, a longtime Canton resident, was Posthumus' running-mate.

In the City of Plymouth, she won by 50 votes.

Redford Township, Westland and Garden City were solidly in the governor-elect's camp.

Granholm said Tuesday's results gave credence to beliefs she had maintained since her gubernatorial bid began nearly two years ago.

"Tonight, the people have spoken, and your votes reaffirmed what I have believed since the very first day of this campaign," she said. "We are duty-bound to our families and to educate our children. We won a victory not for one candidate, not for one party, but for the future of our state."

Granholm took time to thank her campaign workers, and her family, including her husband, Dan Mulhern, with whom she exchanged a brief kiss at the podium.

"He has uplifted me and encouraged me and been my equal partner for 17 years," she said to the crowd.

He felt the difference in the

You've got to have the tools

campaign was his experience,

which was a big focus of his

to do the job when you get

there," he said. "The ads about

experience came about from

what people told me on the

In Oakland County, Cox

earned 50 percent of the vote, while Peters took 47 percent. In

Wayne County, Peters topped

It is uncertain whether Peters

Cox's campaign featured him

will ask for a recount, although Kohrman hinted he might.

putting 52,000 miles on his

well-worn '95 Escort, which

paign supporter and Livonia

planning commissioner Jim

out a victory. "It makes you

worth it," McCann said.

McCann, was enough to squeak

think that every last ounce was

Among those stopping in at

his headquarters Wednesday

afternoon were staffers, sup-

porters and even his parents,

Livonia, beaming with pride.

"He's accomplished what he

wanted," said the proud father.

In Michigan's other major

Hollowell to succeed term-lim-

The 44-year-old Land, a resi-

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GRACEFUL CONCESSION

Posthumus - in his concession speech just moments before in Lansing - also thanked his wife. Pam Posthumus smiled and nodded when her husband said: "This (campaign) certainly wasn't her choice."

The lieutenant governor, who trailed in polls from the very beginning of the campaign, bowed out gracefully, offering an olive branch to his opponent.

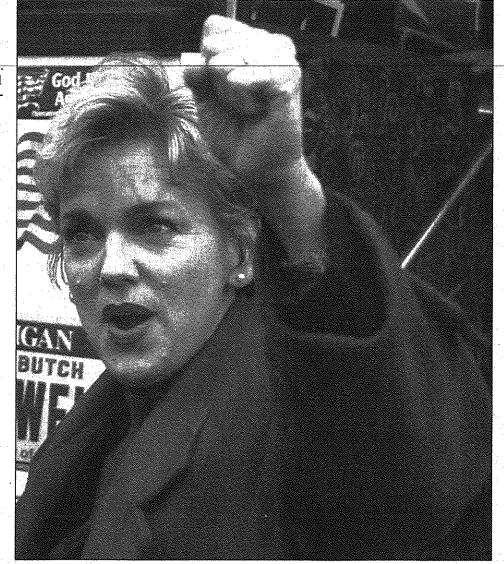
This leg of the journey ends tonight, and a new one begins tomorrow," Posthumus said. "I wish Jennifer Granholm the best. This state is more than one person. This state is all of us. No matter who is leading it, it's all of us here that make the difference."

Posthumus said the campaign's success was in raising issues. "What I take from the results is that the people of Michigan had a platform to discuss things like lower taxes and how we want to allocate our resources," he said.

The lieutenant governor said he was proud of his working to help reduce the state's unemployment rate and to help bring about school finance reform through Proposal A.

Bennett - who gave up a nearly two-year campaign for secretary of state to accept the GOP lieutenant governor nomination - declined to appear publicly at the Republican rally on Tuesday. A message left with his State Senate office Wednesday wasn't returned.

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Jennifer Granholm rallies her supporters as she arrives to vote Tuesday at the beginning of a long

Cox declares victory in AG race; Land cruises

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

The race for Michigan attorney general between Republican Mike Cox and Democrat Gary Peters was still being fought a day after the polls closed.

Throughout the early morning hours Wednesday, a razorthin lead separating the two candidates swung back and forth. The dramatic race appeared over when Cox declared victory from his Livonia headquarters around

Peters, however, refused to concede. Although Peters didn't return calls, a spokesman for the Michigan Democratic Party said the declaration was prema-

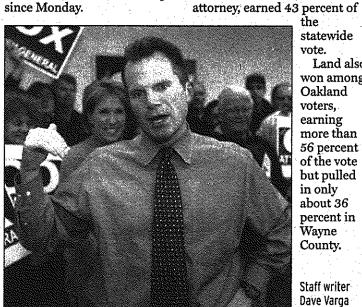
"We are in no way, shape, or form conceding this race at all. And any characterization that we are would be completely incorrect," said Ben Kohrman, the party's communication director.

But with nearly 100 percent of the precincts reporting as of 2 p.m. Wednesday, it appeared Cox, 40, would win by about 5,500 votes. He will be the first Republican to be attorney gen-

eral since 1954. "The people of Michigan have spoken. And I am ready to do the people's work," Cox said.

Cox, a Livonia resident, has worked with the Wayne County prosecutor's homicide unit since 1990, and has served as chief of the unit since 2001. The former U.S. Marine has also served two years as an assistant prosecutor for Oakland County.

As he declared victory Wednesday, Cox looked haggard after being up all night. In fact, he said he'd had 20 Diet Cokes and four hours of sleep since Monday.



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Mike Cox thanks his supporters at his campaign headquarters in Livonia Wednesday.

Voters turn down arts tax proposal

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

For the second time in two years, voters in Oakland and Wayne counties have shot down a millage proposal to fund Metro Detroit cultural institutions.

More than 53 percent of the voters in Oakland County voted "no" on Proposal K, dubbed the "arts, parks, and kids" proposal. The proposal did fare better in Wayne County, where 57 percent make tough choices with the

of the voters gave their approval. To succeed, Proposal K needed approval from at least 60 percent of the voters in Wayne County, and 50 percent in Oakland. Proponents of the proposal are blaming the poor economy for its defeat.

"There is no question we were running against the economy," said Steve Hamp, president of Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. "Voters had to poor state of the economy. We accept that fact."

If it had been approved, the half-mill tax increase would have generated about \$46 million annually.

Most of the money would have been split up by 17 major institutions, including the Detroit Institute of Arts, Cranbrook Educational Community, and Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. About a third

sent to local communities for cultural and recreational activities.

Hamp said he was happy with the campaign he and other cultural leaders led this time around. He said it was more organized than the one they led two years ago for the failed Proposal A.

'We've had a great campaign. It was a far better effort than we had two years ago. I think we really got our message across," he

Tobacco money proposal defeated

BY ALEX LUNDBERG STAFF WRITER

Michigan voters Tuesday faced four ballot proposals that would have had wide-ranging effects on state school financing, water quality, work rules and the way residents choose all of the above. One passed.

The most controversial issue was State Proposal 4, which would reallocate through a constitutional amendment nearly \$300 million from the settlement with tobacco companies to anti-smoking campaigns and private health organizations. The proposal was defeated by an almost 2-1 margin.

Michigan State Republican Press Secretary Jason Brewer

said that while the GOP paid little money to defeat the proposal, party members shouted from the rooftops that it was a bad idea.

"The party has been very vocal in its opposition to it," he

Not only did almost every member of the Republican caucus come out against it, but traditional opponents of the party lined up to say it was not right for Michigan. Democratic gubernatorial candidate Jennifer Granholm and former Attorney General Frank Kelley also opposed the proposal.

"It was a synergy of issues," Brewer said. "It was the merit scholarships, the apparent lack of accountability, there was a

lot of well-known bipartisan opposition as well as virtually every editorial board in the state was against it."

He said the campaign for the proposal was well-financed and well-represented — and still lost at the polls. He said he didn't see how it could ever come back.

Don Potter, president of the Southeast Hospital Michigan Health and Hospital Council, said this was a major issue for outgoing governor John Engler, who worked to defeat the proposal. But Potter said the campaign helped focus attention on the issue.

"A coalition has been formed that will be active in health issues and money in the future,"

Potter said. "Michigan has done the worst job with that money of any state in the country. It's been used as a cookie jar by the state. There's more of a knowledge of that now." In the other ballot battles:

State proposal 1, which would have eliminated straight-ticket voting, was rejected by voters. State proposal 2, approving

bonds to replace aging water system infrastructure, also was approved.

State proposal 3, which would have amended the state constitution to give state employees collective bargaining rights with binding arbitration, was turned down by voters.

Levin, Rocky end their campaign as friends

BY JONI HUBRED STAFF WRITER

Aware that he had little chance of defeating popular incumbent U.S. Senator Carl Levin, Republican Andrew Raczkowski appears to have lost none of his passion for politics - or his sense of humor.

A post-election ad heard on WWJ radio Wednesday drew interest from statewide and national media, the Farmington Hills native

After introducing himself, he intoned, "At the polls yesterday, we all went out and voted our conscience. I lost."

Expressing his thanks to supporters, he also urged citizens to leave behind divisive politics and support the candidates who were success-

The ad, according to a voice-over at the close, was paid for by the "last dollar" of Raczkowski's campaign fund.

"We threw that together," Raczkowski said in a phone interview Wednesday afternoon. "We wrote that script in about 45 minutes."

The ad didn't cost much either, which was fortunate since his campaign funds were dwarfed by that of Levin, a well-liked Senate veteran who holds positions on a number of

vital committees. The oft-rumpled and bespectacled Levin, 68, spent more than \$4.6 million to the less than \$900,000 raised by Raczkowski's campaign. Political analysts across the state never questioned whether Levin would win; the only unknown was the margin.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, Levin held 61 percent of the vote to Raczkowski's 38 percent. Farmington Hills resident Eric Borregard, a Green Party candidate, received 24,030 votes, or about 1 percent.

Levin's margin of victory was larger than it Levin was six years ago, when he garnered 58 percent of the vote against Republican challenger Ronna Romney.

Elected in an upset victory over incumbent Republican Robert Griffin in 1978.

In remarks Tuesday night at the Renaissance Center in downtown Detroit, Levin expressed gratitude to his supporters and said winning an election never gets any less exciting.

"Each time is more and more overwhelming," he said.

While Levin was unavailable for comment Wednesday, Raczkowski noted that he and Levin had an amicable conversation on Election Day. In published comments, Levin referred to Raczkowski as "a candidate for the

"I was very flattered," Raczkowski said, adding he and Levin have agreed to stay in touch. He hopes to learn from the Senator in ways that will help him give back to his own community.

Raczkowski, affectionately known by friends jhubred@oe.homecomm.net | (248) 477-5450

and foes alike as "Rocky," maintained a level of confidence as he traveled a total of 98,668 miles by car, putting forth a strong personal effort despite devastating family hardships. His father, Bogdan, died unexpectedly Jan. 7; an uncle passed away during the Senate campaign and an aunt is very ill. At a kick-off rally held in late in January,

Raczkowski said when he first discussed a run against Levin with his parents, everyone agreed the move would be akin to political suicide.

The next morning, however, his father called to tell him, in Polish, "I think you can do

Raczkowski has no doubt his father is

watching over him. "I'm a true believer in my faith," he said. "I

believe what we do here on earth is a preparation for a better life. You cry because you miss the person, but you're also strengthened and charged by the fact that you're never alone."

Term-limited as a state representative, Raczkowski had announced a bid for U.S. Congress and withdrew after redistricting kept Farmington and Farmington Hills represented by veteran Republican Joe Knollenberg. Rocky was the country's youngest U.S. Senate candi-

While he has hinted publicly that this will not be his last political election, the 33-yearold will go back to a private life as the owner of a printing business and service as a captain in the U.S. Army Reserve.

Democrat Mark Slavens, 47, an attorney and vice president of the Plymouth-Canton school board, 15.591 to 12.769. LaJov received 53 percent of the vote, while Slavens picked up 44 percent.

Libertarian candidate Ken Century received 640 votes.

"I couldn't be more pleased with the outcome," LaJoy said Wednesday morning. "I'm a little bit tired, but I'm really excited about what happened yesterday."

Both Slavens and LaJoy conducted extensive door-to-door campaigns.

"We did about 19,000 doors over the period of the campaign," LaJoy said. "That was all the workers combined. I probably did about 12,000

to 14,000 myself." The district includes most of Canton, the city of Belleville and all of Van Buren Township.

In Canton LaJov received 12.376 votes to Slavens' 8,369. Slavens took Van Buren with 3,738 votes to LaJoy's 2,677. And in Belleville Slavens got 662 votes, with 538 going to LaJoy.

"I'm disappointed," Slavens said after the votes were counted. "I felt we ran a real clean and honest campaign. I thought we put the issues out there that we felt were important.

"I'm extremely proud of the people who helped me with this campaign. I'm extremely proud of my wife, Dian, and my children, Damey, Patrick and Molly. They really helped me a lot."

At his campaign headquarters Tuesday night, the mood was sober. Slavens, wearing a red campaign T-shirt and sipping a Diet Coke, stood quietly against a wall while his wife and children pulled numbers off the computer. Other supporters milled in the background.

A couple of miles away, the mood at LaJoy's home was more upbeat.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack sat on the floor, manning a laptop computer and calling off the numbers to Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter, who wrote them down on a legal pad.

LaJoy himself nervously walked around, visiting with the numerous friends and supporters who filled the house.



Mark Slavens, surrounded by his family, wife Dian, son Patrick, 14, daughter Molly, 12, and fellow attorney Gene Kerwin of Farmington Hills, watch as results come in online at his Canton campaign office.

At one point, when about half the returns were in, attorney Bryan Amann put his arm around LaJoy's shoulders and said, "I'm sorry to report Phil, but it looks like you're going to win. It'll screw up your golf game and your social life, but'

When the numbers were in, Slavens called LaJoy and congratulated him.

"I told him good luck and said if he needed any assistance to help the district, I'd be happy to provide him with assistance," Slavens said. And LaJoy responded in kind.

"He was gracious and wished me well," LaJoy said. "He said he'd cooperate with me and would help me with issues. I congratulated him on a hard-fought race. I'm looking forward to working with him and the board of education on issues and doing things for our community."

Although the results were in by 11 p.m., LaJoy said he didn't get to bed until around 3 a.m.

"Then a little after 7 this morning," he said on Wednesday, "I woke up and said 'This is trash collection day. I've got to get all the garbage out of this house - all that food and bottles that we didn't clean up last night."

So his first act as state representative-elect was to take out the garbage?

"I guess so. I don't know how many bags there were, but there's a bunch of them out in the street."

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Mans. "We made some, but not nearly enough. We made our best effort, it just came up short.

"Bruce ran a good race, and he deserved to win. We have no negative thoughts, no sore feelings. It was a wonderful experience. We met a lot of good people, and we really enjoyed getting to know western Wayne County."

Patterson said the state's fiscal problems are complex, especially when working with a \$40 billion budget, of which just \$10 billion is controlled by the state legislature.

"It's necessary, in my opinion, to approach the budget in a more methodical fashion," Patterson said. "Education and the environment will be critical issues. Education shouldn't be subjected to across-the-board cuts. We should be looking at those areas that may still have some fat."

Patterson, who is House majority floor leader and previously was associate speaker, is no stranger to leadership roles. He said he hopes he can continue that trend in the Senate.

"Presumably, I will be able to chair a committee and have an opportunity to have an impact, which means you have respon-

"If I serve on the appropria-

tions committee, I will propose we look at zero-based budgeting, which I proposed before. I have a strong legal background, and it's entirely possible I will be asked to chair the judiciary committee. I could have an impact on Gov. Granholm's appointments to the bench, and that would be a weighty proposition."

Patterson, who enjoys making the tough decisions, even if they aren't popular, said he won't be shying away from those tough responsibilities.

"I'm going to be very enthusiastic in trying to find solutions. "Government is supposed to work with people. It's all about solving problems."

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CANTON CONNECTION

TEDDY IN TOWN

The Plymouth Historical Museum and the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are partnering to bring Teddy Roosevelt to PLymouth at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14 at the Canton Little Theater.

The event marks the 100th anniversary of the Teddy Bear.

Mark McPherson, of Grosse Isle, is president of the Grosse Isle Historical Society and local author and historian. In his professional life, he re-enacts historical characters, including Mark Twain and Teddy Roosevelt.

Admission to the program is \$5 per person; all students in the Plymouth-Canton Community School District get in free.

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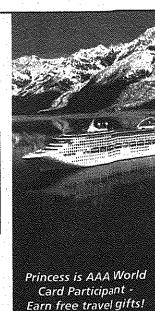
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OUR VIEWS

Township voters played both sides

Glance at the roster of township elected officials along with those who represent Canton residents in Lansing and Washington — and you see a rock-solid Republican community. But look at Tuesday's election results and the picture isn't so clear.

Although Republicans were victorious in most local races, the numbers show Canton voters might be gradually shedding their 15-year-old coat of GOP skin for a new

image. Big-time ticket-splitters. Based on Tuesday's totals, Canton residents appear to be heading into the voting booth with the idea that it's the person, not the party, that matters

We believe that's a good thing. And we note that in southeastern Michigan, it's the norm rather than an exception.

Consider:

- With hometown candidate Loren Bennett as his running mate, Republican gubernatorial candidate Dick Posthumus outpolled Democrat Jennifer Granholm in Canton by only 1,250 votes.
- By contrast, Republicans Terri Lynn Land (secretary of state) Thaddeus McCotter (Congress), Bruce Patterson (state Senate) and Phil LaJoy (state House) rolled up overwhelming victory margins among local voters.
- Republican Deborah Whyman carried her hometown in the Wayne County Commission race, but not by all that much. Incumbent Democrat John Sullivan, who won re-election, received more than 10,000 votes in Canton.
- Democrat Mark Blackwell carried the Canton portion of the 20th state House district by more than 2,000 votes over incumbent Republican John Stewart, who retained his seat.

The changes are subtle. Granholm didn't actually win in Canton. Neither is the partisan makeup of the township board likely to change anytime soon.

But it seems that Canton has some pretty independentminded voters after all.

Granholm triumphs, but it's a GOP night

It was a big night for the Republican Party nationally and statewide. A popular and aggressively campaigning President and a lack of focus by the national Democratic Party swept the Republicans to control of both houses of Congress, many state houses including Michigan and half of the nation's governorships.

Jennifer Granholm's victory is an impressive personal triumph, although without the margin of victory or the coattails Democrats expected.

We would like to believe that her victory is a resounding repudiation of the racially and regionally divisive campaign tactics of Dick Posthumus and the Republican Party. But the results suggest that it is more a triumph of style, as many other GOP candidates benefited from the party's ill-considered ad campaign.

We would like to think that the combination of Granholm's win and the implementation of the McCain-Feingold election reforms that began Wednesday will put an end to the uninformative, unproductive, nasty advertising that demeaned this election, but we don't hold

Now, however, is the time for the winners.

We offer congratulations to those victors in both parties and ask them to honor the commitments they've made and to work toward practical, meaningful solutions to the many problems we face.

Granholm's task is especially daunting. She will have to work with a Republican legislature at a time when the state government faces a nearly half billion dollar deficit. The national and state economy are still wobbly. The prospect of a long and draining foreign war still

We urge the new governor and the legislature to meet together in the middle to provide positive, imaginative, cost-effective programs. We do not condemn partisanship, but urge all partisans to understand that as the battle moves forward, the goal is to reach acceptable compromises.

We also congratulate our new congressman, Thaddeus McCotter. He brings political experience, a keen intelligence and a ready wit to his new position. We urge him to also keep an open mind and do what's best for his district, his state and the nation.

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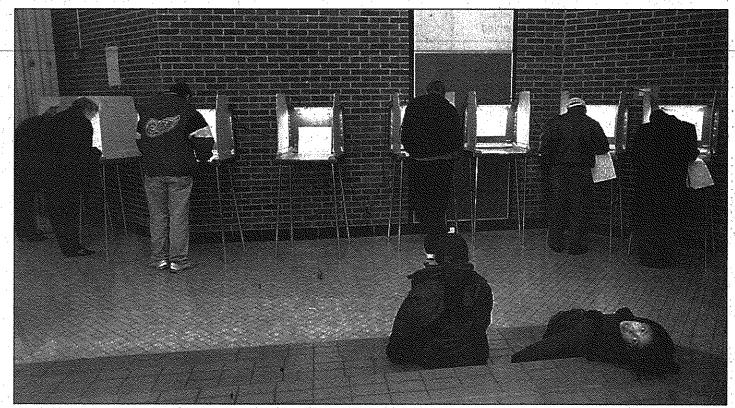
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Shilpi Prasad, 9, left, and her sister, Monica Prasad, 5, wait for their parents, Mukesh Kumar and Sharda Prasad, standing right, to finish voting at Canton High School Tuesday evening. The 48-percent turnout in Canton was lower than the township clerk's office expected.

LETTERS

Misplaced values

On the front page of the Thursday, Oct. 31, edition was an article entitled "Proposal endangers Merit grants".

Christine Angel made the statement that she was so set against Proposal 4, she registered to vote specifically to vote

How pathetic! Mrs. Angel's only reason to do her civic duty of voting was purely a selfish one. Her son stood to lose a scholarship funding if the proposal passed. She is a citizen who enjoys the freedom and blessings of this country without accepting the responsibility of citizenship which entails voting at all elections. Her only motivation to register to vote was greed-free money.

Sadly, we have far too many people of like mind and the greatness of this country will be lost because of these people who fail to accept their responsibility in doing what it takes to make democracy work.

Marie Hoffman

Canton

Bee a success

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Community Literacy Council, the students and volunteer tutors, I wish to extend our most enthusiastic thanks and appreciation for the generous donations given to the 2002 Spelling Bee fund-raiser.

The bee took place on the evening of Oct. 16, and was attended by a lively audience who applauded the earnest and impressively well-prepared competitors. This event is always great fun for all the participants, and this year's bee was no exception. Congratulations to the winning "Stellar Spellers" (Colleen Dosch, Madeleine Deedler and Larry Francis who teach at Canton High School) who were sponsored by Lou LaRiche Chevrolet, and to the runners-up, "EEF Spellers," (Joan Noricks, Julie Isgrigg and Debra Otting) who were sponsored by the Educational Excellence Foundation.

I would like to thank and recognize those who took time from their many activities to serve as the officials: master of ceremonies: state Rep. Bruce Patterson, judges: L. John Miller and Plymouth-Canton schools Superintendent James Ryan, pronouncers: Sharon Hill and Jim Kosteva, and timekeeper: Judge Ron Lowe.

Our organization has as its goal the promotion of literacy, whether the need is for a non-English speaking student wishing to learn English or an English-speaking student whose reading skills are undeveloped or under-developed. We receive referrals of students from many different sources, both public and private. We continuously strive to increase our base of tutor volunteers to serve these

At present, we are planning a training session next month for our volunteers, which will prepare them to work with the students. However, our waiting list of students grows daily, and it seems unlikely that the waiting list will ever be exhaust-

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The needs for literacy tutoring are great and our work is on going. With the support of the community we will continue to serve our students, hopeful that their lives and our communities can be positively impacted as a result. Thank

president, Community Literacy Council

One man's opinion

(Phil Power's) column in the Oct. 2 issue of the Observer, regarding the Kwame Kilpatrick memo demanding favors from Jennifer Granholm, if she wins the election, is another example of the liberal (i.e., Democrat) bias in the

In your column: 1) you trivialize the seriousness of the contents of the memo, 2) you readily let Kilpatrick off the hook because of what you call "youthful political inexperience," 3) you readily believe Granholm just because she said she didn't receive or read the memo, 4) you go so far as to state what Granholm would or would not do if she had read it, and 5) you state that Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus played the race card by making the memo public.

I believe Kilpatrick played the race card when he wrote or had someone write the memo for him. More importantly, I believe he expects favors from Granholm, if she wins the election, even with the memo being made public. You are being very naive to think otherwise.

Further, you deride Posthumus for "manufacturing wedge issues" to run against Detroit and black Americans. That is exactly what the Democrats do.

Have you condemned any Democrats in your column for doing this? Probably

Your position as chairman of the company that owns the newspaper provides you with the opportunity to state your obvious liberal opinion in the Observer. But that's all it is, one man's opinion.

John Dezelski Farmington Hills

Fight taxation

Last Dec. 21, just four days before Christmas, the State House of Representatives quietly passed, on a 95-2 vote, H.B. 4824 sponsored by Rep. Doug Hart of Rockford. What this legislation would do is allow

school districts to levy "sinking fund" taxes for the same purposes as school bonds. Whether we call them sinking funds or bond issues, the outcome is the same. The poor old taxpayers must repay the money.

Clear and simple, this is an "end run" on Proposal A would in effect leave us at a point where the 6 percent sales tax would remain in effect, but the schools

would no longer be required to face elections on bond issues.

This proposed legislation must come to the state Senate and voters must remain vigilant or our so-called representatives will slide it by us again.

Taxpayers must remember one thing: we don't have any friends in Lansing or in Washington.

Emily Namo Birmingham

Be a realist

I'm not a dove, I'm a realist, economist and a believer that most gangsters respond to pain in their pocketbooks before the pain of their followers.

Saddam, even under sanctions, profits from control of almost 10 percent of the world's accessed oil supply. Much of this fuel finds its way into the cars The Motor City has engineered and produces. The cost to topple Saddam's dictatorship is Carol G. Saunders estimated at over \$200 billion (if it doesn't become an urban war) and this cost doesn't figure in the cost in human life on both sides.

The world after Saddam falls will still depend on Iraqi oil, but the gross domestic product of the world will be diminished by \$200 billion plus the cost to rebuild a society in Iraq. If the Iraqi people support the new U.S. lead governance, the world will be a better place, if a little poorer.

I can't help but think there is another way to achieve a higher goal, while toppling Saddam's corrupt and dangerous regime.

Choke his pocketbook. Stop buying his oil. Isn't that what sanctions were designed for? Yes, but sanctions are like initiating a prohibition for oil-drinking nations like the U.S. and industrializing world. They clearly don't work. With rum, it took a few years to figure this out, too. The gangsters just get richer!

The way to choke supply is to diminish

Fellow Detroiters ... we are in the driver's seat on this issue. Our auto producers have been tinkering with lower oil consuming cars, but - I included - have been demanding SUVs, and as a consumer this is our right.

So here's a crazy thought ... Take the \$200 billion we'd spend on the war and build a hydrogen or fuel cell or cow-dung burning car - anything but oil. Reduce the addiction and reduce the profit in the oil business. This sounds utopian, but \$200 billion is a lot of money and should buy some utopia!

Bob Waun Birmingham

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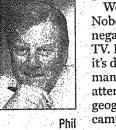
- Tony Minghine, Canton Township finance director, on bonds sold last month to pay for a \$92 million expansion of the wastewater treatment plant run by Western Township Utilities Authority

Just-ended election season contributes to somber mood

he votes are still being counted as this column is being written, so attentive readers will be spared a didactic discussion of who won, who lost and what it all means. But a few reflections on the campaign just passed might be in order.

Of course, with so many races and ballot proposals up for grabs, it was one of terrible clutter on the TV screens — not to mention the spasms of automated phone calls. The ordinary, earnest candidate with a decent message and speaking at a civilized volume level simply

got drowned out.



Power

We all know it by now. Nobody likes our fixation with negative political advertising on TV. But mostly it works, unless it's done in a truly tasteless manner, a la Dick Posthumus' attempts to inject racial and geographic divisions into the campaign for governor. Most everybody slammed the ads as politically ineffective and moral-

ly wrong.

Indeed, one of the big surprises of the campaign was the editorial revision in last Friday's Detroit News, a usually conservative newspaper that had previously endorsed Posthumus. Written by publisher Mark Silverman and running under the headline, "Why GOP's race-baiting strategy is self-defeating," the op-ed piece was eloquent and compelling. Future candidates might want to take note of one of the piece's conclusions: "If a candidate can't put his foot down to stop a misguided political campaign on his behalf, how can he be expected as governor to stop equally troubling policy initiatives?"

However they got there, the people who will be running Michigan for the next few years will have a tough row to hoe. It's not just the horrific budget situation facing our state — deficits exceeding \$1 billion for this fiscal year and the next are looming — but the people who will have to deal with them are largely new and relatively inexperienced!

Term limits mean that 30 of 38 state senators are new to the office, as are 53 of 110 members of the house. Neither Jennifer Granholm nor Posthumus has any experience as governor, nor do their candidates for other top jobs like lieutenant governor, secretary of state or attorney general. On top of that, some 7,500 highly experienced state employees will be leaving their jobs by the end of the year, the product of an ill-advised early retirement scheme produced by the Engler administration to try to stop the budget red ink.

Gov. Engler himself is no fan of term limits, which he thinks create a "disconnect" between candidates and office holders and the voters. What might be worse is the short-term culture induced by limited terms in office. House members are now out after three two-year terms and senators after eight years. That's not a lot of time

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to learn the ins and outs of legislating and the highly pressurized and political atmosphere this provokes in Lansing actually works against sensible policy-making.

I sat next to former Speaker of the House Bobby Crim at the U-M/MSU football game last Saturday. He was eloquent about how things got done in the days before term limits, when legislators actually had the time and the incentive to get to know each other and when political debate for show in the legislative chambers was followed by quiet attempts to find some middle, compromise ground for the common good. I fear those days are long gone.

Two other reflections are contributing to my

I'm concerned that Proposal 4, a shockingly greedy and cynical attempt to amend the state constitution so as to allocate some \$300 million in tobacco settlement public money each year to hospitals, nursing homes and the like may preview other attempts to circumvent ordinary budget-making procedures by means of constitutional amendment. When all the reports are in, I suspect the Proposal 4 campaign — funded mostly by the Michigan Hospital Association — will have spent more than \$5 million. Rich, single-interest groups may get the idea they can get done by constitutional amendment what they cannot through the political process.

And I'm very concerned about the economy. The auto companies are reporting sharp sales declines for October, while the unemployment rate is sliding up and businesses are reluctant to make long-term investments when war is threatening. This newspaper ran a small help wanted ad for a clerical position in our corporate office a couple of weeks ago; we were swamped with applicants.

If a "double dip" recession is on the horizon, the jobs of the next governor and legislature just got a whole lot tougher.

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) 953-2047 or at ppower@homecomm.net.



Matt Jachman

Nasty campaign rhetoric buries the issues, sullies us all

he election's finally over.

Jennifer Granholm is heading to the governor's mansion, Thaddeus McCotter is heading to Washington D.C., and Laura Toy is heading to the state Senate.

I'm heading to the shower.

This campaign season has been downright nasty, and even onlookers can't escape the spatters of mud and the stench of deceitful tactics.

The Observer has actually devoted a lot of ink to the issues and the people involved in local races, outlining candidates' views and priorities, covering forums and, given the opportunity, doing up-close-and-personal profiles that tried to get beyond cardboard political figures.

But the charges and counter-charges thrown about this year have dominated campaign coverage in recent weeks.

And, as anyone who's opened the mail or watched television during the past month knows, the mudslinging reported in these pages was only a sampling of the avalanche that buried voters — and the real issues.

Democrats aren't immune from digging some dirt, but the campaign on behalf of Republicans has been a steady flow of divisive rhetoric, inflammatory accusations based on out-of-context records, and innuendoes and creative falsehoods.

A few examples:

■ In a piece dripping with racial overtones, designed to appeal to the worst in us, Republicans faulted Congressional candidate Kevin Kelley for a rap concert in a Redford park that featured lyrics that offended some nearby residents.

Republicans took a similar tack in tearing down Eileen DeHart, a state Senate candidate, framing DeHart's record in an us-vs.-them mode.

Subtler than the "Hoodstock" piece, one flier, headlined "As different as night and day," discussed DeHart over a black background ("voted with the Detroit liberals") and Toy over a white one ("She's on our side").

OK, argue policy, but why pit city against suburbs? Even most Republican politicians agree that a healthy Detroit means a healthy southeastern Michigan.

Another anti-Kelley piece, blaming him for water and sewer rate increases, used this 1998 headline from the Redford Observer: "Couple feels drained by water bill."

Sadly, Campaign 2002 will probably be remembered for its negative tone rather than the issues – education, the economy, budget deficits, health care, war and peace – that will define the winners' time in office.

Yes, one Redford couple with a long-leaking toilet was disputing a \$2,000 bill, hardly an indictment of the entire rate structure.

Michigan House of Representatives candidate Dan Paletko was accused of singlehandedly leading Dearborn Heights into a financial crisis as City Council president.

But the Heights' problems, caused by a drop in state revenue sharing, weren't that different from Redford's, where Paletko's opponent, Miles Handy, is a trustee. Officials in both communities made the cuts necessary to balance the books.

One Republican flier even linked Paletko, an accountant, to Enron, the bankrupt energy trader embroiled in an accounting scandal, by using company's tilted "E" logo in place of the "e" in his name.

Give them points for creativity, but that was a complete misrepresentation.

Paletko, it should be pointed out, didn't do his considerable reputation any favors by coming out at the 11th hour with damaging information about Handy, giving Handy little time to respond or put the information in context.

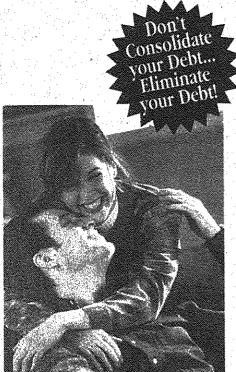
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But when political types spread the kind of information, or misinformation, that has been so rife this year, when candidates feel they have to answer it, and when voters wonder where the truth is, it ends up in news stories, for better or

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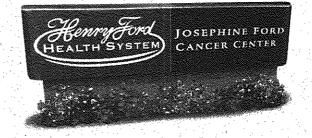
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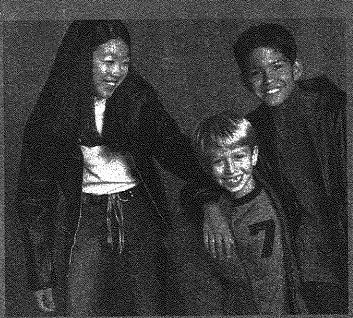
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pose. Filmed in Detroit, the movie also includes Kim Basinger, Mekhi Phifer and Brittany Murphy. It opens nationwide on Friday, Nov. 8.

In concert

The Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra, which consists of high school and col lege musicians who train with Detroit Symphony Orchestra members, will perform at 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 10, at Orchestra Hall in downtown Detroit. Selections will include music from Igor Stravinsky's Petrouchka and works by Berlioz and Wagner. Tickets are \$10, available at the Orchestra Hall box office or by calling (313) 576-5111.

💹 On exhibit

Nature's Cage, by Ted Ramsay, are among the works on display through Dec. 24 at Washington Street Gallery, 215 East Washington,



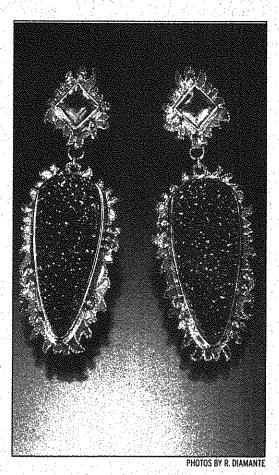
Ann Arbor, The exhibit includes works by Marcia Polenberg in addition to Ramsay. A meet-the-artists reception is 7-9 p.m., Friday, Nov. 8. (734) 761-2287.

Go fish

Nancy Washburne, author of Snorkeling Guide to Michigan's Inland Lakes, narrates a colorful video presentation on the little-known fish and other inhabitants of Michigan's inland lakes. The video covers a variety of species and turtles. See it at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Exhibit Museum of Natural History, on the University of Michigan campus, 1109 Geddes, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-0478.

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Above, Cynthia Mann of Hartland is one of 18-jewelry artists invited to display their work in the Birmingham Temple Art Show.

Left, Linda Buck shows candle holders (pictured) and menorahs disguised as cityscapes. She is one of more than 100 artists in the Birmingham Temple Juried Art Show.

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BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

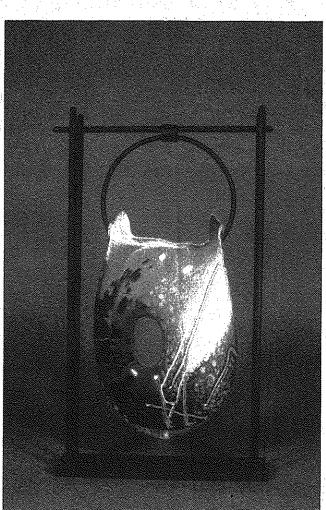
Linda Buck can't wait for the Birmingham Temple Art Show Friday-Sunday, Nov. 8-10, in Farmington Hills. The Berkley clay artist hopes to sell enough of her cityscape candle holders and menorahs, tiles and vessels to buy gifts for family and friends this holiday season. Buck's work is always popular with crowds at the Royal

Oak Clay & Glass Show in summer and the Detroit Artist's Market all year around. Prisma color pencils on a black ground give an urban feel to the miniature architecture which patrons display on coffee tables and shelves. The tiles of chipmunks and birds bring a smile to the face. An art teacher in Southfield Public Schools, Buck earned

her B.F.A. from the University of Michigan and master's degree from Wayne State University but has lived in New York City. She describes her work as "whimsical and playful but with a very serious side to it." This is her fourth year in the Birmingham Temple show.

"I always find something to buy for the holiday season," said Buck. "I'm partial to glass and jewelry. The show's so well-attended. I feel quite honored to be part of it. It's very

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Toledo glass blower Homer James Yarrito and his work are back by popular demand.

BIRMINGHAM TEMPLE JURIED ART SHOW

What: The 30th annual show features more than 100 artists from the midwest

When: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 9-10. Admission is free

Where: In the temple at 28611 West 12 Mile. between inkster and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills.

For more information: Call (248) 477-1410

Gala Opening:

Meet the artists at a wine, cheese and hors d'ouvres reception 7-10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8. Tickets are \$15

Livonia Symphony just gets better and better

obert Bennett refers to himself as "just a guy who likes music." That's the reason he's served on the Livonia Symphony Orchestra board for 27 years, eight of them as president. Now in its 30th season, the nonprofit orchestra has gone through a lot of changes, but musically it's only gotten better.

Bennett thinks audiences will feel the same about the LSO when it opens the season Saturday, Nov. 9, at Churchill High School in Livonia. The pops and classical program features the music of Richard Rodgers, George M. Cohan, and guest artist Aaron Berofsky performing Felix Mendelssohn's Concerto in E Minor for Violin & Orchestra. Berofsky earned his master's degree at The Juilliard School because of that.



Expressions

Linda Chomin

in New York City and now teaches at the University of Michigan. He has performed throughout North and Central America, Europe, and the Middle East.

"There's some really great music," said Bennett. "I like the first concert because of the variety. It's going to be a fun event

Then there's The Nutcracker with the Dearborn Ballet Theatre (Saturday, Dec. 7) that nearly always sells out, and Rachmaninoff with Arthur Greene Saturday, Jan. 18. The Rachmaninoff is one of my favorites. I just love it. I have two or three versions at home."

A chamber concert in the intimate setting of the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium is sure to warm hearts Sunday, Feb. 23. Then the LSO broadens its base with "Of Kings and Resurrection" Saturday, March 15, at Ward Presbyterian Evangelical Church in

Northville Township. "We wanted to involve the church

LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

What: Opens the season with guest violinist Aaron Berofsky performing Felix Mendelssohn's Concerto in E Minor for Violin & Orchestra

When: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9

Where: Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy, Livonia

Tickets: \$16, \$10 students. Call (734) 425-4855

PLEASE SEE ORCHESTRA, B6

Ballet Shoes or Wing Tips?





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Talking lizards challenge director and cast

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

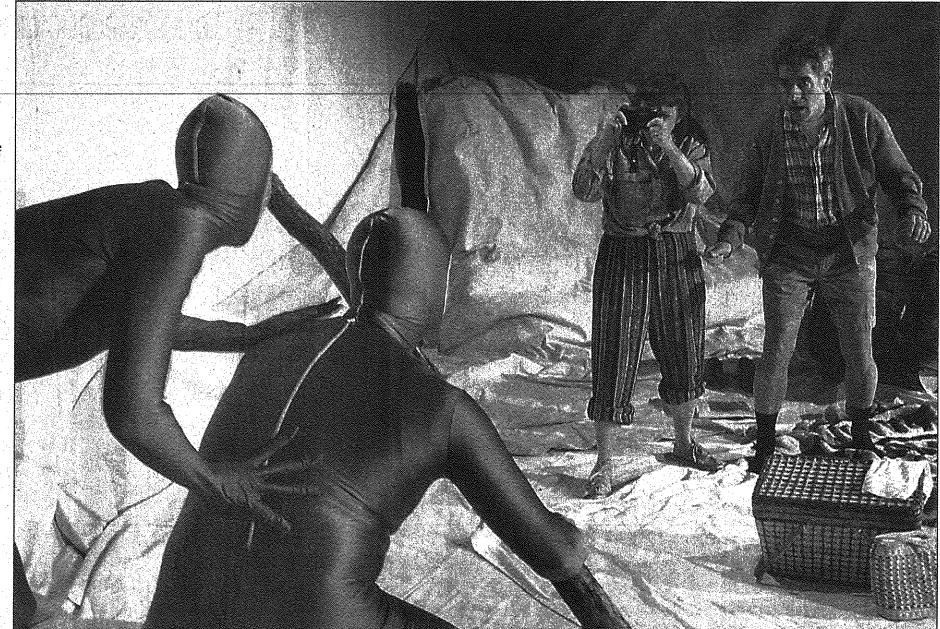
Joanna Hastings giggles when asked 'How do you make talking lizards believable?' As director of Edward Albee's Seascape, she's thought about that question a lot. The solution is simple – make them more human. That shouldn't be too difficult since the Pulitzerwinning comedy pairs two humans with two talking lizards in the process of evolving. Actors must simply combine characteristics of the twolegged species with a slithering creature all in time for the opening of the production Friday, Nov. 8, at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia.

"Great actors is how you make talking lizards believable," said Hastings of Ann Arbor. "They're so human in their relationships. We're having fun with the physicality, slithering around the stage. It's a challenge but I've never spent so much time laughing.

The comedy is a break from the plays Hastings directs for the Jewish Ensemble Theatre's program that brings topics like bullying and name calling into the schools. Seascape does have a message though. A serious subject lies deep beneath the comic elements of this story about a marriage in crisis. All seems well until the husband (played by Dave Cunningham of Northville) retires. He plans to spend his time relaxing. His wife (Linda Hammell of Lathrup Village) wants to travel from beach to beach.

"It's really the husband's story, how he opens his mind and opts for life," said Hastings. "I've wanted to do this play for a long time. I'm interested in plays on the edge of reality, the dynamics of relationships. It's very compelling because of the excellence of writing, very honest in spite of the weirdness of it."

"It runs deep," adds Elizabeth Lee who plays Sarah the Lizard. "There's a lot of humor, the silly things we do as humans. It finds humor in what it is to be human and have relationships, our downfalls and what makes



Linda Hammell and Dave Cunningham (right) can't believe their eyes when they spot two talking lizards on the beach as part of a rehearsal for Edward Albee's Seascape. The Trinity House Theatre production opens Friday, Nov. 8 in Livonia. Artist Pat DeBoer of Ferndale will have the lizard costumes painted by then for actors Michael Owen Davis and Elizabeth Lee.

that draw the two species

"When the two talking lizards invade their space their view of life is different," said Lee. "The sea creatures are evolving, learning what emotions are. The human is evolving, learning what it is to take risks.

Sarah the Lizard is living underwater and never even seen a seagull. She has a sense they don't belong there any-In the end it's the differences that brings us up on land to dis- SuperSucker. Lee met Hastings | Ichomin@oe.homecomm.net | (734) 953-2145

cover what birds are, what sky is. It's the imagination, what if a lizard evolved differently."

Lee's experience as an actress is helping her to make that plausible. The Hazel Park resident has performed with Trinity House Theatre for more than eight years in productions such as Grace & Glorie. She's done Shakespeare with Water Works Theatre Company in Royal Oak and most recently played a part

at Daniels' Purple Rose Theater. Always striving to improve their craft, the two took a workshop in directing and acting at the theater in Chelsea.

"This play's taught me to seize every moment," said Lee, "to make every moment count, to take risks and risk more often and be interested in the differences of other people. Welcome people's uniqueness."

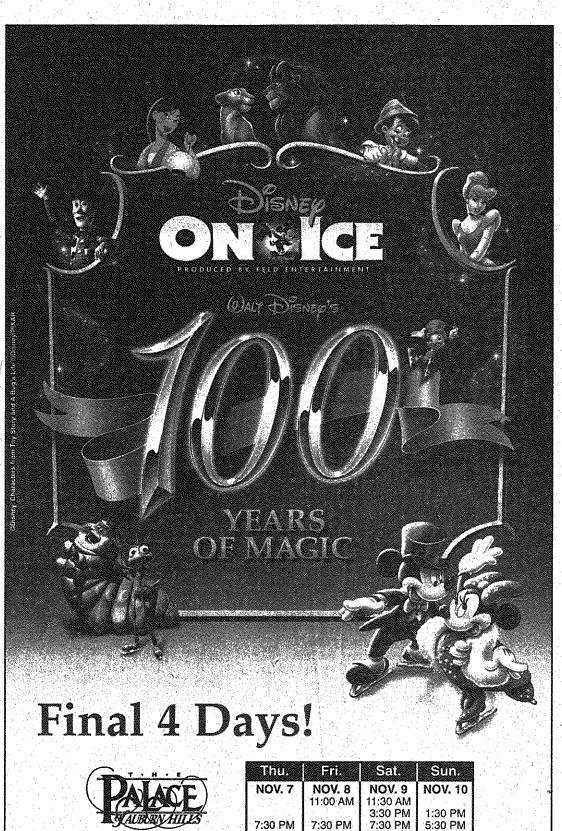
TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

What: Edward Albee's Pulitzer-winning comedy Seascape

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

Where: 38840 West Six Mile, between Haggerty and I-275, Livonia

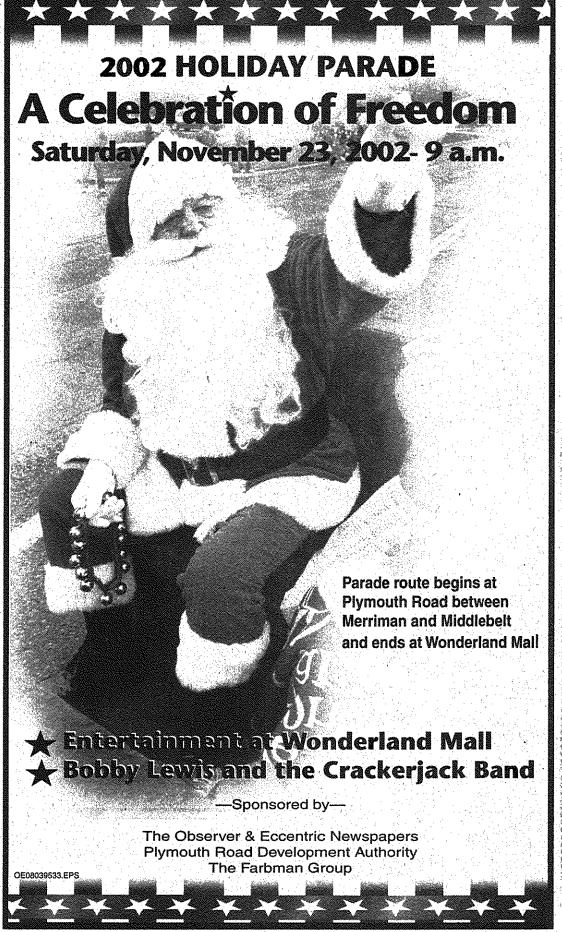
Tickets: \$12, \$9 theater members, Call (734) 464-6302



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Native Americans share their culture at Autumn Harvest fest

How do you prepare fry bread?

Why do Native Americans make cuchina dolls? And what's the difference between a wigwam and a

teepee?
You'll find the answers to
those and other questions
about Native American culture
during the 10th annual
Autumn Harvest Indian
Festival, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 9 and 11 a.m.-5
p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10 at the

Southfield Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen, a half mile south of

11 Mile, Southfield.
Visitors will experience
Native American traditions
through its colorful dances,
drumming, storytelling, crafts
and foods.

"It really draws the attention of families because this time of year, children are learning about Thanksgiving, Native Americans and pilgrims. A lot of Native Americans don't want to be represented just by Thanksgiving," said Alexis Bourkoulas, vice president and general manager of the Metro Parent Publishing Group, which produces the festival. "There's a wonderful culture behind it. The dancing is spiritual and mesmerizing."

Twenty five dancers — many of them from Michigan — will perform during the festival.

"They represent the three nations that are indigenous to Michigan — Ojibway, Potawatomi and Ottawa. We have Native American singers and drummers."

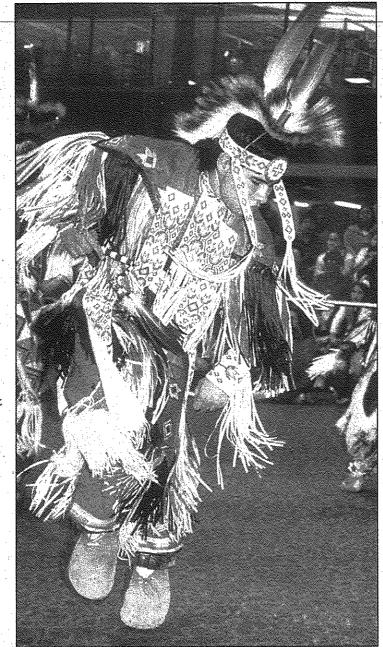
For several years the event organizers produced an authentic pow wow, which required adherence to specific spiritual traditions.

"The circle must be blessed. You must please all of the (Native American) nations represented and everyone had different customs," she said. "We did a full-blown pow wow until about four years ago. Now it's exhibition dancing. The dancing is the same. It's just the different ceremonial pieces we are not required to do. Only someone who attends pow wows would understand the differences."

William Memberto director of Urban and Indian Affairs, Detroit, will emcee the dancing, explaining the significance of such dances as the Grass Dance and Jingle Dance. The Swirling Wind Singers will drum for the performance.

"The inter-tribal dance is open for children to dance, too. The emcee teaches kids how to dance — it's fairly easy to learn — and they learn that the circle is sacred. It's symbolic of the circle of life."

All of the festival's 55 traders are Native Americans. They'll sell items — including musical



Travis Schuyler, 17, of Livonia, is a grass dancer descended from the Oneida Nation. He'll perform ceremonial dances at the Autumn Harvest Indian Festival Nov. 9-10 at the Southfield Payilion.



Chelsea Cleland of Waterford celebrates Ojibway Nation traditions with her children, Dehmin, 5, (left) and Kiniw, 2. They participated in the Autumn Harvest Indian Festival last year, at the Southfield Pavilion.

ry, pottery, blankets and garments that represent their

Vendors also will sell authentic Native American foods, such as Indian tacos, fry bread, buffalo burgers and corn soup.

Youngsters can duck inside a teepee and a wigwam and learn about the different dwellings.

"They can check it out, which is a cool experience," Bourkoulas said. "We'll have a Native American storyteller as well."

Youngsters can take home a packaged craft — a totem pole — and make a cuchina doll on

"The cuchina doll represents the spirits that carry the prayers of the Native American

people," Bourkoulas noted. She said families should plan to spend 2- to 2 1/2-hours at

the festival.

Admission is \$6.50 for ages 3 and up. Group tickets are available in advance for \$5 each for groups of 10 or more, by calling

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Wayne Cleland of Waterford, a descendent of the Ojibway Nation, performs a ceremonial dance.

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Stagecrafters present A Christmas Story Nov. 8-24, at the historic Baldwin Theatre in Royal Oak. For tickets, call (248) 541-6430. Pictured are Kevin Branshaw (left) of Novi; Jeanine Matlow, Farmington Hills; Mike Pogoda, Franklin, and Christopher Gullen and Nick Yocum, Royal Oak.

PROFESSIONAL THEATER

Jewish Ensemble Theatre Hosts Royal Shakespeare Company alumnus Gareth Armstrong in his one man award-winning performance of Shylock Nov. 6-24, in the Aaron DeRoy Theatre in the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple at Drake, West Bloomfield. \$20-\$30 with discounts for seniors and students. (248) 788-

2900 Meadow Brook Theatre

Agatha Christie's Witness for the Prosecution, continues to Nov. 10; 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 6 p.m. Saturday, and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, and 2 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday-Sunday, at the theater in Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. \$24-\$38. (248) 377-3300

COLLEGE THEATER

Oakland University

Les Blancs: 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 8,9,14,15 and 16. 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10 & 17 and 10 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 12. The Nov. 17 performance will be interpreted for the deaf and hard of hearing. To be held at the Varner Studio Theatre on campus, Rochester. \$10 general; \$5 students except for 10 a.m. matinee- all seats \$5. (248) 370-3013

Oakland Community College Presents Michigan Opera Theatre, Broadway music and

holiday rhythms 7:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 6, at O.C.C. Orchard Ridge Campus, Smith Theatre, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$15 (senior/student discounts available). (248) 942-3241

Orchard Ridge Theatre

Presents Dracula 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Nov. 6-9, in Smith Theatre on the Oakland Community College campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$7, \$5 seniors and students. (248) 522-3422

Schoolcraft College Theatre Presents Shakespeare's bloody drama Titus Andronicus, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 8-9, in the Liberal Arts Theater on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. \$10. (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5457

COMMUNITY THEATER

Avon Players

A Few Good Men. Aaron Sorkin's play about a politically explosive court case involving two Marines accused of murdering a fellow officer, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 8-9 and 15-16, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, at the theater, 1185 Washington Road, one mile east of the intersection of Tienken and Rochester roads, Rochester Hills, \$13, Student, senior, group rates, and season tickets are available. (248) 608-

First Presbyterian Church

Joseph Stein's, Fiddler on the Roof, 8 p.m. Nov, 8-9 and 2 p.m. Nov. 10, 1669 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. \$10, \$8 for seniors and students. (248) 644-2087, Ext. 151.

Novi Theatres

Thornton Wilder's, Our Town, 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 15-16, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17, at The Novi Civic Center Theatre, 45175 W. 10 Mile. All seats reserved and \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door, Call (248) 347-0400. Player's Guild of Dearborn

Annie, Nov. 8-9, 15-17, 22-24, 29. Dec. 1 and 6-8, at the guild playhouse, 21730 Madison, Dearborn.

Tickets are \$14. (313) 561-TKTS. **Pontiac Theatre IV**

Guys and Dolls, 8 p.m. Nov. 8-9. 15-16, at the Pontiac Northern High School auditorium, 1051 Arlene, Pontiac. \$8-\$7 for seniors and students, Call (248) 681-6215 for more information.

Trinity House Theatre Seascape: Edward Albee's Pulitzer-winning comedy, directed by Joanna Hastings. 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 8, 9, 15, 16, 22 & 23; 2 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 10, 17 & 24, at 38840 West Six Mile Road in Livonia, between Haggerty Road and I-275. Tickets \$12 general admis-

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

sion/\$9 for theater members.

Call (734) 464-6302.

Sara Smith Youth Theatre The Wizard of Oz 11 a.m. and 3

p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, follow the yellow brick road to The Community House, 380 South Bates, Birmingham, \$7 advance,



Mickey, Minnie and Goofy celebrate Walt Disney's 100-years of magic by skating into The Palace of Auburn Hills Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 7-10. The 20th Disney on Ice production features the largest cast of lovable stars including Buzz, Woody and exciting moments from Mulan, A Bug's Life and The Lion King. Tickets are \$45-\$15. Call (248) 377-0100. Special rinkside and VIP seating available.

Choir, 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 10,

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HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

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Meadow Brook Theatre

"A Christmas Carol" Nov. 29-Dec. 22 at Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills, Call (248) 377-3300 for times, dates and ticket prices. Children under 5 will not be allowed in the auditorium.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Autumn Harvest Indian Festival 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, at the Southfield Pavilion, located in the Southfield Civic Center on

Evergreen south of 11 Mile,

Southfield. Native American drumming, ceremonial dancers. crafts and cuisine. More than 50 vendors. Admission is \$6.50 for ages 3 and up. (248) 352-0990

Meadow Brook Hall Garbo & Gable Dinners. 7 p.m. Nov. 7 in the Christopher Wren Dining Room in Meadow Brook Hall, Oakland University.

Rochester. Guests may come in costume as their favorite 1930s glamour girl or dapper Dan, or in elegant 2002 elegant chic, for an evening celebrating the flavor and flair of Hollywood during the '30s. Guests will be transformed into film extras. As the film-making commences. Prohibition-style cocktails and a four-course gourmet dinner will be served. The evening will conclude with cigars and cognac on the terrace. The cost is \$100 per person, which includes entertainment, dinner, tax and gratuity. Space is limited, so please call for reservations: (248) 370-

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Palace of Auburn Hills Disney on Ice, Nov. 7-10, Tickets are \$25, \$18.50 and \$15 reserved. Special rinkside and VIP seating available. 2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills. (248) 377-0100.

BENEFITS

Ford Community & Performing Arts Center

Don Bosco Hall presents its 5th Annual Jazzy Evening Concert Benefit, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, at Ford Community and Performing Arts Center. Features Ramsey Lewis and Nancy Wilson. For sponsorship donations and information, call (313) 869-2200.

CLASSICAL

Ars Nova

Ars Nova, with the Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra and the Sacred Heart Chamber

Center

music concert featuring seldom performed works by Romanian classical composers. 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, at 18405 W. Nine Mile, Southfield. Tickets available at the door \$16 (\$12 for students/seniors) Seating is first come, first served. Call the

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Larry Arbour

Acoustic, folk rock 7:10 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Flying Fish Tavern, 17600 W. 13 Mile, east of Southfield Road, Beverly Hills.

FOLK/ACOUSTIC

(248) 647-7747 **Emerson Church**

Joe Nolan in concert, 7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 8 at 4230 Livernois Road, Troy. Tickets \$10. For more information, (248) 524-9339

POETRY

New poetry books

At the Jewish Book Fair, including Edith Covensky's recently published Zohar and Collage published in Hebrew and English. The author will discuss her work, and autograph copies at the book fair, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, Janice Charach Epstein Museum/Gallery, 6600 W. Maple Road, W. Bloomfield.

WORLD MUSIC

Pat McDunn

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

SOCIAL DANCING

Dance Elite Ballroom Studio Ballroom/Latin Dance Party 9 p.m. to midnight, DJ, open to the

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COMEDY

Joey's Comedy Club/Livonia

Every Tuesday night is open mic night, the club also offers a stand-up comedy class for those interested in performing and writing comedy, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. (734) 261-0555



Los Cuatro de Cordoba (pictured) plays folk songs from Argentina and South America at a benefit concert 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, at West Bloomfield High School Auditorium, 4925 Orchard Lake Road, between Walnut Lake and Lone Pine roads. Advance tickets are \$20, \$25 at the door, \$50 patrons. Proceeds go to APAER, a charitable organization to help children of the rural schools of Argentina. Los Cuatro de Cordoba is a folk music quartet from the city of Cordoba, the geographical and cultural crossroads of Argentina. The concert is sponsored by the Asociacion Argentina de Detroit. For more information, call (248) 855-4948 or send email to aargentina@Comcast.net.

Garden City: \$5 cover charge with dinner order, \$10 cover without dinner. (734) 762-7756 Pieces of a Dream

And Enchantment, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22 at Millennium Theater, 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive, Tickets: \$35-\$55. For information call (313) 341-6118 or (248) 557-7529.

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

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MUSEUMS AND TOURS

Detroit Zoo Kids will love The Arctic Ring of

Life, which features a 70 ft. seethrough acrylic tunnel where polar bears swim around visitors. \$8 adults, \$6 seniors and children. For more information, call (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org. Now open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The zoo is located at 8450 W. 10 Mile at I-696 and Woodward, Royal Oak. The Detroit Zoo is always looking for volunteers. To volunteer or for more information, call Sue Kingsepp at (248) 541-5717.

ANDREA BOCELLI **DECEMBER 1**

Oakland University student My-Ishia Cason-Brown and University of Michigan-Flint student Jason

Briggs star in Lorraine Hansberry's political drama Les Blancs Friday, Nov. 8 to Sunday, Nov. 17, in

Oakland University's Varner Studio Theatre in Rochester. The production is a collaborative effort of

a powerful and complex drama about African liberation from white colonialism. Curtain times are 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, and 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12. The Nov. 17 performance will be

Oakland's Department of Music, Theatre and Dance and the University of Michigan-Flint. Les Blancs is

interpreted for the deaf and hard of hearing. Tickets are \$10, \$5 students except for the 10 a.m. mati-

nee when all seats are \$5. Call (248) 370-3013.



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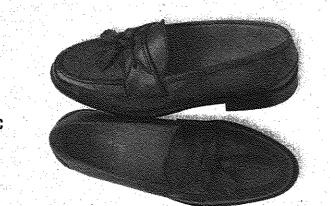
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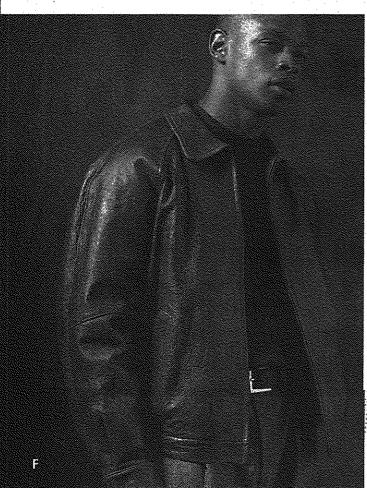
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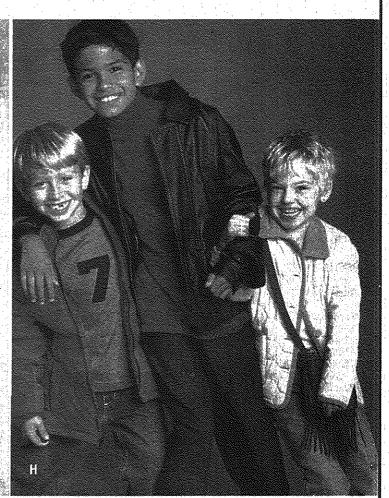
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The Italian comic opera is the light-hearted story of a rich bachelor who experiences the downside of having a young, headstrong and spendthrift bride. The production is the eleventh to be staged by Mario Corradi. Conductor Mark D. Flint returns to celebrate his 25th anniversary with Michigan Opera Theatre.

Italian bass Donato di Stefano plays the aging bachelor, Pasquale. Chinese soprano Ying Huang and American Jennifer Aylmer alternate as

Norina, Ernesto's love and Pasquale's ultimate downfall.

The last successful opera by Donizetti, Don Pasquale was first performed in Paris in 1843 to a libretto by Donizetti and Giacomo Ruffini. Critically acclaimed as his comedic masterpiece, Don Pasquale is alive with humor. After wedding a much younger, sweet ingenue, Pasquale discovers she is a brazen hussy making his life miserable at the end.

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Other selections celebrate the wide breadth of styles

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competitive." Fiber artist Celia Block compares it to a mini Ann Arbor Art Fair. The West Bloomfield resident will show hand-painted silk scarves, and pieced jackets and vests. Her current work THE TRANSPORTER (PG13) frequently mixes animal prints with bright colors. Block began painting silk 15 years ago. This is her fifth year in the

AN HONOR

"It's an invitational show," said Block. "I'm quite honored because it means people like your work and buy it. Customers will see me at 10 shows before this one but will wait till that show to make a donation because it's a fundraiser."

Birmingham Temple show.

Toby Kiritsis and her 10-person committee scour local art shows in search of salable objects for the Birmingham Temple invitational. The 30th annual event offers jewelry, clay, fiber, glass, drawing and painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture (indoor and outdoor), furniture and wood by more than 100 artists from

the Midwest. A Friday night opening reception gives guests the first opportunity to purchase everything from West Bloomfield glass artist Debby Isaacs' lampworked bead jewelry to Tammy Park Crenshaw's painted chairs and tables. Proceeds will go to support Sunday school programs. Kiritsis is proud to report "last year's show made

more money than ever before."

"Jewelry was the biggest seller last year," said Kiritsis, the Livonia resident who's chaired the show since 1988. "It's holiday time. Hanukkah is right after Thanksgiving this year. It's a great show for gift giving. It's really like a happening. We have a range of prices. There will be something you'll be able to afford."

Suzanne Dolan Manji downsizes her art to make it less expensive for giving as one-ofa-kind gifts. Her India ink and watercolor paintings start at \$12 for table top and wall pieces that can be grouped. together. The still life may be small in size but big on meaning: Bamboo is supposed to bring good luck; the hearts make a personalized wedding gift when customized with the couple's names; and the pears are more than just a piece of fruit although they'd be perfect for any kitchen.

LOTS OF FEEDBACK

Customers have their own reasons for purchasing Manji's work. They frequently return to tell her where they placed her art and how people comment

A former nurse, Manji at age 30 decided to fulfill her need to create by going to the Corcoran School of Art in Washington, D.C. By day, she works in mental health research at Wayne State University.

Her work is currently on display at Vita Brevis Gallery in Birmingham and Royal Oak.

"Why pears?" asked Manji of Birmingham. "They're such a beautiful shape. Every one is different. They might have a beautiful color but the shape

isn't so great. Women are pear shaped. On a deeper level, women are beautiful despite what shape they are. It's about women accepting themselves completely."

Plymouth artist Michele Riddle Bagnasco tries to provoke thought as well with her collage and assemblage featuring found objects such an old letter with vintage family photograph. Her work was selling fast at Arts, Beats & Eats Labor Day weekend. In fact, she won

best of mixed media. The processes Nina Mann uses to create jewelry are a show stopper as well. The Southfield artist does the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center's spring show and the fall Art in the Park presented by Common Ground at Shain Park in Birmingham. This is her first time in many vears at the Birmingham Temple show because she's so busy filling orders. Mann also does the wholesale show put on by the American Craft Council in Baltimore. Her work is in more than 50 galleries around

the country. "It's an oriental process called keum boo and consists of the application of 24K gold to sterling silver," said Mann. "It's labor intensive, very unique. A lot of people are drawn to the combination because you can wear it with gold or silver. The second is a Japanese process, shibuichi, used by ancient Japanese swordsmen for decorating the hilts of their swords. I melt copper and pure silver together to form an ingot then form it into a sheet which is then cut and fabricated. The result is beautiful colors."

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Ned Djordjevic, viola player, during a recent rehearsal at Churchill high. In background is Rita Kislyuk also on viola.

ORCHESTRA

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because it reaches more people," said Bennett. "We're doing Johannes Brahms' German Requiem and featuring the church's 80-voice choir."

Bennett hopes the change of venue and new concert master Solomia Soroka, a Ukrainian violinist, revive interest in the orchestra which had to cut its six concerts to five because of a reduction in grants from major corporations and attendance at its annual golf outing and dinner auction.

'It's become a better and better orchestra since we were

known as Oakway and played concerts in Southfield, Farmington Hills, Plymouth and Livonia," said Bennett. "We're larger than we used to be. Now all we need is someone to work at fund-raising as their job on the board. We're always looking for new members who are interested in working for an orchestra to see its success. You

Kathy Zuchniewicz credits much of the orchestra's improvement to conductor Volodymyr Shesiuk, who's starting his eighth season.

don't have to be a musician."

Volodymyr makes everyone work very hard," said Zuchniewicz, a Novi violinist

who also plays with the

Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra and subs with the Plymouth Symphony. "On the first concert Chabrier's Fete Polonaise is very difficult. He says the Polonaise is a solo for every instrument. You make a mistake and everyone will know.

"Volodymyr continues to challenge the orchestra. He doesn't give us a break. He continues to inspire the orchestra by giving us challenges. You can't sleep through rehearsal."

Have an interesting idea for a story? Call Observer & Eccentric arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to Ichomin@oe.homecomm.net.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, NOV. 8

8 MILE

An honest and provocative fictional examination of a critical month in a young man's life as he searches for identity and a sense of purpose. Against a backdrop of familial indifference and community decay, he learns to express his anger, fears and frustrations as he struggles to transcend his bleak circumstances. Stars Eminem, Kim Basinger, Brittany Murphy, Mekhi Phifer, Eugene Byrd, Taryn Manning, Omar Benson Miller. Directed by Curtis Hanson. (Universal Pictures) Rating TBD.

EQUILIBRIUM

In a futuristic world, a strict regime has eliminated war by suppressing emotions: Books, art, and music are strictly forbidden and feeling is a crime punishable by death. Cleric John Preston is a top-ranking government agent responsible for destroying those who resist these rules. When he misses a dose of Prozium, a mind-altering drug that hinders emotion, Preston, who has been trained to enforce the strict laws of the new regime, suddenly becomes the only person capable of overthrowing it. Stars Christian Bale, Taye Diggs, Sean Bean, Emily Watson. William Fitchner, Directed by Kurt Wimmer. (Miramax) Rated R.

This film tells the true story of Mexican painter and 20th century icon Frida Kahlo, focusing on her often rocky relationship with husband Diego Rivera, and their place in Mexican society. Included in the mix will be David Siqueiros, Rivera's rival in the Mexican art world, Tina Modotti, a famed Italian photographer, and Nelson Rockefeller, who famously contracted Rivera to paint the lobby mural of Rockefeller Center, only to renege because it included a portrait of Lenin. Others in their social circle included Russian leader and refugee Leon Trotsky, muralist Jean Charlot, painter Pablo O'Higgins, composer Silvestre Revueltas, and photographer Edward Weston. In addition to being a great artist, Frida Kahlo was also a bisexual

and a communist, struggling with an abusive husband, a life of wracking pain following a trolley accident, the amputation of a leg, and finally, drug and alcohol abuse that killed her at age 47. Stars Salma Hayek, Alfred Molina (Diego Rivera), Antonio Banderas (David Sigueiros), Ashley Judd, Edward Norton (cameo), Geoffrey Rush, and Roger Rees. Directed by Julie Taymor. (Miramax Films) Rating R. Running time 118 minutes.

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HALF PAST DEAD

Steven (Exit Wounds) Seagal stars as an imprisoned FBI undercover agent who must stop a criminal who is planning to infiltrate a high-tech prison in order to persuade an inmate on death row to tell him the whereabouts of millions of dollars in stolen gold. Featured players include Morris (Two Can Play at That Game) Chestnut, Nia Peeples (TV's Walker, Texas Ranger) and rap artists Ja Rule and Kurupt, Don Michael Paul directed the action, marking his feature directorial debut. (Sony Pictures) The film has not yet been rated.

HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF

The next installment in the HARRY POT-TER series finds young wizard Harry Potter and his friends Ron and Hermione facing new challenges during their second year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry as they try to discover a dark force that is terrorizing the school. Stars Daniel Radcliffe, Sean Biggerstaff, David Bradley, Kenneth Branagh, Alfrd Burke, John Cleese, Robbie Coltrane, Alfie Enoch, Tom Felton, Julian Glover (voice of Aragog the Spider), Rupert Grint, Richard Griffiths, Richard Harris, Shirley Henderson, Joshua Herdman, Jason Isaacs, Gemma Jones, Toby Jones, Matt Lewis, Miriam Margolyes, Rik Mayall, Hugh Mitchell, Sally Mortemore, Devon-Murray, Katharine Nicholson, Edward Randell, Chris Rankin, Alan Rickman, Fiona Shaw, Maggie Smith, Julie Walters, Emma Watson, Jamie Waylett, Mark Williams. Directed by Chris Columbus. (Warner Bros.) Rating TBD.

STANDING IN THE SHADOWS OF MOTOWN

Based on Allan Slutsky's award-winning book of the same name, this movie tells the story of the Funk Brothers by combining exclusive interviews, archival footage, re-enactments, reminiscences, and thrilling new performances by the reunited Funk Brothers. Joining this legendary hitmachine onstage are such incredible contemporary vocalists such as Ben Harper, Joan Osborne, Meshell Ndegeocello and Montell Jordan and R&B greats Chaka Khan, Gerald Levert and Bootsy Collins. This movie was filmed on location in Detroit. Directed by Paul Justman. (Artisan Ent.) Rating PG. Running time: 108 minutes.

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, NOV. 22

DIE ANOTHER DAY

Pierce Brosnan returns as agent 007, James Bond, who this time comes up against a North Korean General Zao. who get his hands on a device that lets him change his facial features. Bond travels to Iceland, where he must unmask the traitor and prevent a war of catastrophic consequence. Features players include Halle Berry, John Cleese and Judi Dench as Bond's boss. M. Lee Tamahori directed the twentieth installment of the James Bond series. (MGM/UA) This film is not yet rated.

FRIDAY AFTER NEXT

The third installment in the series takes place during the Christmas season back in the old neighborhood where it all began. Although cousins Craig (Ice Cube) and Day-Day (Mike Epps) have left behind the security of living with their parents, the rundown apartment they now share is filled with all the accoutrements and spirit of the holiday season. Everything is idyllic until a ghetto Santa Claus breaks in and steals their Christmas presents and the rent money hidden in their stereo speakers. Other featured players are K.D. Aubert, and John Witherspoon. Marcus Raboy directed the comedy, marking his feature directorial debut. (New Line) Rated R

FAR FROM HEAVEN

From the director of Safe comes a contemporary drama set in a suburban American community in the 1950s, where the ideally perfect glittering surfaces often hide a repressed world of great portions. The story, which crosses both sexual and racial lines, revolves around a privileged family whose lives are filled with daily family etiquette, social events at the club, and an overall desire to keep up with the Jones's. The family is turned upside down when both husband and wife are faced with choices that not only create a gossip mill for the entire community but also change their entire lives forever. Starring Julianne Moore, Dennis Quaid, Dennis Haysbert, and James Rebhorn. Directed by Todd Haynes. (FOCUS Features) Rated PG-13

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EXTREME OPS

A group of the world's top daredevil extreme skiers and snowboarders gather together for an amazing film shoot. But when the crew accidentally films a murderous war criminal who has been hiding in the mountains, they find themselves skiing for their lives as they try to escape him. Stars Devon Sawa, Bridgette Wilson-Sampras, Rupert Graves and Rufus Sewell. Directed by Christian Duquay. (Paramount) Rating PG-13.

TABLE HOPPING

Table Hopping lists wine dinners, holiday dinners, menu specials, and other restaurant news. To get in, send, fax or e-mail items to Sharon Dargay, Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, 48009, fax (248) 644-1314 or e-mail sdargay@oe.homecomm.net.

McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant

Executive chef Mark Kelly will be the quest of honor at an onsite cooking demonstration 2-4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8 at Williams-Sonoma in Troy's Somerset Collection, Kelly will prepare and serve a variety of dishes to welcome the holiday season including roasted pumpkin soup and paillard of salmon and whitefish. All are welcome to stop in, there is no

Located adjacent to the Somerset Collection South (Coolidge at Big Beaver Road), McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant features fresh fish daily. Open daily for lunch and dinner, the restaurant features a variety of dining arrangements from intimate "snugs" to banquet rooms for private parties. The full service cigar-friendly bar features hand-shaken and freshly squeezed juice drinks. Reservations recommended, call (248) 637-6400.

Neiman Marcus Zodiac

Open for dinner 5-8 p.m. Thursdays beginning, Nov. 14. On Friday, Nov. 8 the restaurant and Decanter Imports present "A Sonoma Wine Dinner" featuring Dry Creek Vineyards and Winemaker Jeff McBride. Reception begins 6:30 p.m., dinner 7 p.m. Cost \$125 per person, includes gratuity and valet. Menu features Napoleon of Lamb, fole gras & rabbit with house made pasta and roasted eggplant, peppers, and red onion. Zodiac is located within Neiman Marcus on . the third level of the Somerset Collection. Call (248) 643-3300, Ext. 2470 for information, reservations.

Star Chefs

Chef Lorraine Platman of Sweet Lorraine's Cafe & Bar, Chef Jeff Evans of Steve and Rocky's and Jim Barnett of Morels A Michigan Bistro are among the "star chefs" that will be cooking 6-9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11 at a benefit dinner for the March of Dimes. Tickets for the event at the **Detroit Marriott Pontiac at** Centerpoint, 3600 Centerpoint Parkway, are \$100 per person. Sample dishes prepared by some of metro Detroit's top chefs, and bid on food-related auction packages donated by participating chefs. Call (248) 359-1500 for reservations/information.

Hotel Holly

Annual 2002 Beaujolais release wine dinner 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22. Entree - Ragout of Alberta Wild Boar with Hickory Bacon, Proscuitto and Black Cherries served with Vegetable Bouqueterie and Risotto. Cost \$39 per person, call (248) 634-5208. Hotel Holly, 110 Battle Alley, is open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for lunch. Monday-Saturday, 5-10 p.m. for dinner. Sunday brunch served 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., dinner 4-8 p.m., Victorian Tea 3 p.m. Thursday, Call (248) 634-5208 for reservations.

Big Buck Brewery & Steakhouse Won top awards at the 2002 Osaka,

Japan "International Beer Summit,"

which featured 123 entries from 55

breweries around the world including the U.S., Germany, Peru, and most Asian countries. Eric Briggeman, Master Brewer, entered Big Buck's I.P.A., Belgian Trippel and Imperial Stout. The Imperial Stout won a first place gold medal and the Belgian Trippel was awarded a third place bronze medal. This is the second year that Big Buck has won medals at the Osaka tasting. This summer, Big Buck won two silver medals at the World Beer Championships in Chicago for their Hefe-Wezen and Belgian Trippel. Big Buck Brewery & Steakhouse is at 2550 Takata Dr., Exit 79 off 1-75, corner of University and Opdyke in Auburn Hills. They're open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. to midnight, Friday, noon to midnight, Saturday, and noon to 10 p.m. Sunday, Call (248) 276-2337 for reservations, information.

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Tickets are \$20-\$30 with discounts for seniors and students. Call (248) 788-2900.

The play Shylock, written by Armstrong and directed by Frank Barrie, has been per-

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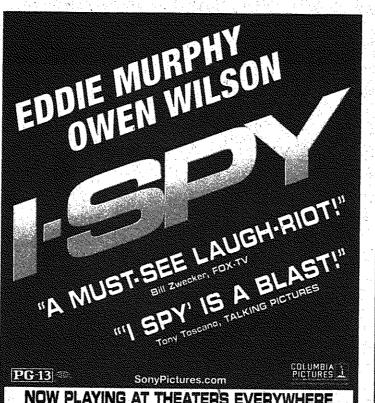
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tries around the world. It explores the depth of the character Shylock. The story is told primarily by Shylock's friend Tubal, the only other Jewish character in Shakespeare's The Merchant of Venice.

Armstrong represents Shakespearean and other characters from throughout time while interspersing scenes of the play with history of the hatred of Jews dating back 2,000 years. The combination makes for an often dramatic, sometimes funny, yet always powerful formed in more than 30 coun-performance.

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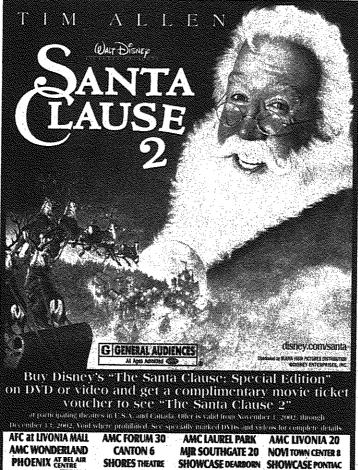
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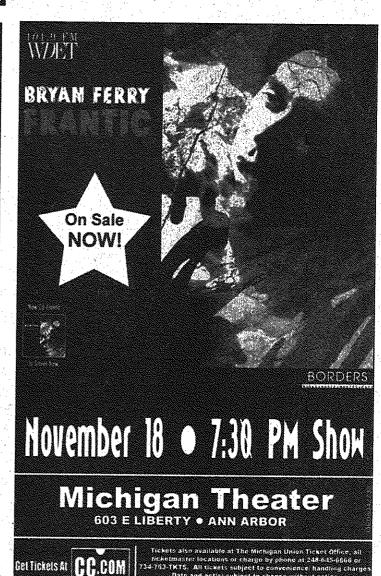
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Cost: Lunch average \$10. Dinner main courses \$20-\$32.

City Bites

If savory, slow-cooked barbecue tantalizes your taste buds, check out the newly-opened MotorCity Pit Stop at MotorCity Casino, 2901 Grand River, Detroit.

After traveling to several states in search of barbecue perfection, Certified Master Chef Michael Russell and his culinary team indicated that they have created a restaurant that provides the optimum barbecue experience.

Chef Michael said the secret of barbecuing is slow cooking for four to 12 hours, a more patience-testing process than grilling. In creating an enjoyable barbecue meal, he acknowledged that marinades and rubs are as important as woodfired barbecue pits with Tennessee hickory logs, like the ones at The Pit Stop.

Complementing meat items in the dine-in-only restaurant are barbecued baked beans, braised country greens, freshly mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, creamy coleslaw and old-fashioned potato salad. Fresh from the bakery there's cornbread or cheddar cheese/jalapeno pepper bread. Desserts include deep-dish pecan pie, warm apple cobbler and double rich chocolate cake.

--Eleanor Heald

The Pit Stop is open daily from Ila.m, to la.m.

Pike Street reopens with a new vitality

BY ELEANOR HEALD CORRESPONDENT

Regulars are coming back. "And when they do," added Pike Street restaurant's general manager Brian Macnamara, "they say WOW, you really did change this place. They love the new decor, the new menu and the music."

Indeed, the new owner of Pontiac's destination fine dining restaurant, 30-year-old Nash Zaitouna, improved the look of the building's exterior, all except the sign, but that's coming. The main dining room, inspired by designer John Janviriya of West Bloomfield, is now filled with comfortable, intimate booths, along with the always-popular U-shaped banquettes in the corners.

Richly-colored, imported Italian sofa chairs offer seating in the bright Terrace Room, where more wall art is

The Tavern Room, sporting a by an edible orchid. new ceiling mural by Jeff Von Buskirk of Novi, retains the elegant bar, the only vestige from the former Pike Street structure except the brick walls. Greg Nichols' grand piano is still there and he's back playing every Thursday. Friday and Saturday evening. His rendition of "Rhapsody in Blue" is legendary. In addition to Macnamara, Nichols is the only other former employee from Pike Street's past. Vocalist order rack of Colorado lamb Barbara Coleman is a new performer on Saturdays.

This is the first restaurant venture for Zaitouna, who also owns Churchill's eigar shop in Birmingham. "Pontiac is growing." he said. "I didn't change the name because Pike Street had an excellent reputation. It was well-known for excellent food and we plan to further that standing."

CHEF SETS THE TONE

Over the years, Pike Street garnered its reputation from its chefs. Brian Polcyn, now chef/owner of Five Lakes Grill in Milford, was among the first. Derrin Moore went from Pike Street to the Golden Mushroom and on to a posh country club in South Carolina. Randy Emert followed a similar path from the Pike Street kitchen to Paint Creek Cider Mill & Restaurant to the Golden Mushroom and is now executive chef at Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester.

New head toque at Pike Street is 38-year-old Michigan native and Birmingham resident Mickey Bates, who partnered in Chef Mickey Inc., a catering operation in Naples, Fla., during the winter months and at The Lodge in Saratoga, N.Y., in summer. Family circumstances brought Bates back to Michigan and several serendipitous circumstances connected him with Zaitouna

and Macnamara. "I'm Greek and Italian by heritage," chef Mickey said. "So you could say that I was raised on flavors." Or you might suspect it's in his genes since five cousins in his generation are chefs.

"I honed my French classical cooking methods in the kitchen at the Ritz-Carlton in

Naples, Fla.," chef Mickey added. "These skills allowed me to refine the flavors that were somewhat instinctual from my upbringing."

REFINED FOOD INSTINCTS

Only a few of the principal plates from the dinner menu are offered at lunch. At midday, however, the Sandwich Board is eclectic with each item accompanied by house cut fries or homemade kettle chips, pickle and sweet and sour cole slaw. Tasty stuff at

All stops are pulled at dinner. A cold appetizer simply called "Shrimp Cocktail" is out of the ordinary. Chilled colossal gulf shrimp are accompanied by classic cocktail sauce, cognac aioli and freshly-grated horseradish "painted" on the rim of the plate in the form of a braid. All attractively-presented cold appetizers and salads are further complemented

Soup du Jour is handcrafted to order using premium, fresh ingredients. The Caprese salad is a lot more than tomatoes. buffalo mozzarella and basil. Chef Mickey's concept expands to twin petals of both red and vellow tomatoes, baby frisee, basil chiffonade and a balsamic reduction.

An entree basically named The Lamb" has its story told on the plate where roasted-towith a Montrachet and pine nut crust is accompanied by mint custard, roasted shallot, Fino Sherry lamb jus and lemon coulis. It, like all meat and poultry dishes, is served with potato du jour and appropriate vegetable garnish.

A sole Asian kiss on an otherwise Mediterraneaninspired menu is "The Ahi Tuna." Chef Mickey said it satisfies his love of travel. Will he go to other ports in months to come? "Nash (Zaitouna) will most certainly have me include inspirations from the Middle East in the near future," chef Mickey said.

MORE TO COME

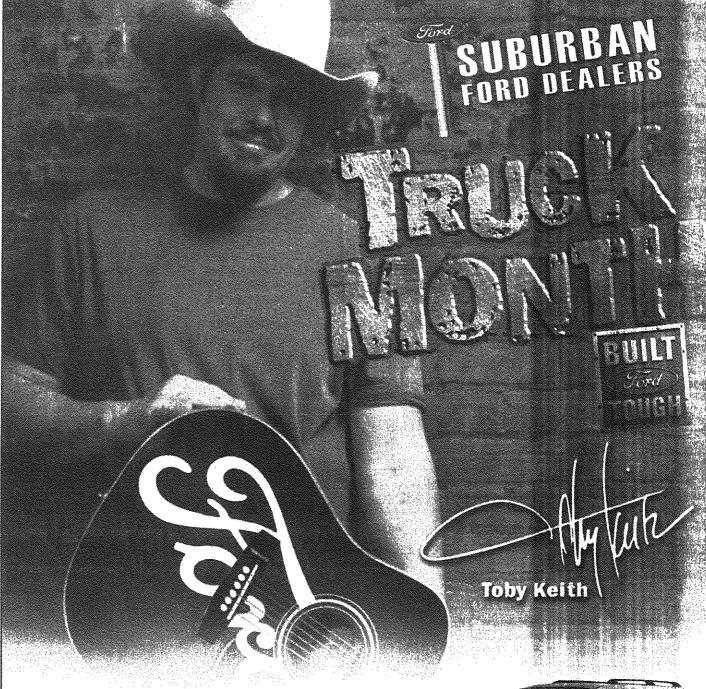
While nearly completed, Pike Street is still evolving. Imported pieces of wall art will be strategically placed as they arrive, All waitstaff are new and eager to please. Their service skills improve daily under the tutelage of Macnamara.

At purchase, Zaitouna and Macnamara inherited a wine inventory. The wine list will become more creative as Macnamara seeks out more Italian, Spanish and French wines from the Rhone Valley and adds them to the list.

Early next year, the second floor banquet facilities will be upgraded.

For now, Pike Street is back. Chef Mickey said his "food was all about love." Yet, that's the spirit that pervades throughout all of the new Pike Street.

Eleanor Heald is a Troy resident who writes about dining, food, wine and spirits for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave her a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864#.





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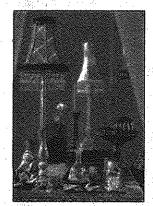
Decorating

Ethan Allen conducts monthly seminars on a variety of decorating topics at its Livonia store, 15700 Middlebelt, Call (734) 261-7780 for information.

Decorating for the Holiday. the seminar 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, will demonstrate how to decorate your home using inexpensive items from around the house and a grocery store.

Boutique accents

Marshall Field's recently introduced Fields Afar, a new department featuring unusu-



al home accessories and aifts, the kind found in bou-

tiques and specialty stores. Three distinct lines are featured in all local Fields Afar departments: Grand Casual, updated traditional. pieces inspired by such looks as French country; Romantic Bohemian, accents with a hip, offbeat sensibility, and America's Attic, an assortment of rustic decorative items. Fields Afar is next to Marketplace.

Shopping benefit

The merchants of Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi will host a benefit for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan and the Farmington Family YMCA at the Holiday Shopping Extravaganza, an exclusive, private shopping event 7-10 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10,

Here's a chance to shop without the crowds. You'll enjoy desserts and coffee, free valet parking, a goodie bag filled with products and coupons, complimentary gift wrap for up to two packages, and a chance to win door prizes (including the grand prize of a \$1,000 shopping spree). Advance tickets are \$25 and can be reserved by calling the Boys & Girls Clubs at (248) 473-1400, Ext. 31. All ticket proceeds go to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan and the Farmington Family YMCA.

Shampoos

A new line of shampoos from the Crazy Pet Company gives dog lovers a chance to bathe their pets in the scents of the season.

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To order the holiday package, or for more information, call Crazy Pet at (800) GEE PETS or visit www.crazypet.com.



COURTESY ART VAN FURNITURE

The headboard of this bed from Lane Furniture's Country Living Collection rotates, alternating fabric and wood surfaces.

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

The fashion industry has the New York catwalks, but the furniture industry has High Point, a semiannual show in North Carolina that draws more than 70,000 manufacturers, retailers and

Local furniture retailers attend the show to track trends and make plans for next spring's showroom offerings.

With casual living on the rise, one trend in particular, Cottage Revival, piqued the interest of Edward Wolf, president of Newton Furniture, which is based in Livonia and has stores in Novi, Bloomfield Hills and Utica. Wolf attends the show annually.

There was a big return to the cottage look," Wolf said of this year's show.

"In homes today we're not really seeing a formal dining room and a formal living room as much. They're still out there, but the styles are a little more casual and comfortable. People today don't use formal dining rooms

except for maybe Christmas and Thanksgiving, so furniture has to become more practical."

Today's families are simply more likely to use and gather in a casual dining room setting, Wolf said. Cottage Revival with its check fabrics, shutter door treatments and use of pine certainly evokes that feeling of casual living and ease.

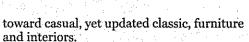
Wolf's choice in Cottage Revival for Newton Furniture next spring is a pine collection by Stanley Furniture with finish options in natural, black and white.

Tom DeCorte, vice president of merchandising for Art Van Furniture, also noticed a trend



bed from Stanley Furniture's new

Cottage Revival Collection.



"It's a relaxed look," he said. "But it's not the sloppy slipcover look."

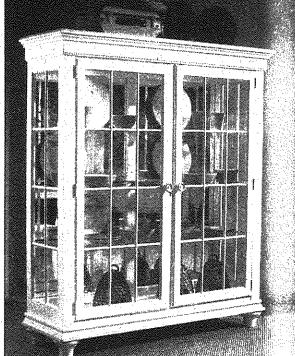
Tailored upholstery in fabrics like cotton twill and denim, cleaner lines and updated styling are all characteristics that define the new casual trend, he said.

"It also has a lot of color." One line scheduled for Art Van's showrooms in the spring, Country Living by Lane Furniture, features contemporary takes on

"It has a little bit of a Northern Michigan feeling, but it's not a rustic cottage look. It's

American country pieces.

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Stanley Furniture's new Cottage Revival Collection reflects an updated, relaxed lifestyle. This Cottage Revival piece, called China, features windowpane doors, curio ends, a mirrored back, and three adjustable glass shelves.

Cranbrook Holiday Tables set for style

BY MARY KLEMIC

STAFF WRITER

The tables are turned in a creative way at Holiday Tables, presented by the Cranbrook House & Gardens Auxiliary to benefit the preservation of Cranbrook House.

Exhibitors in the annual event design imaginative table settings that serve distinctive ideas for holiday entertaining. The decorated tables are displayed at Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine in Bloomfield Hills.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation, in partnership with Home and Garden Television, named Cranbrook House one of 12 American sites to be featured on HGTV next year in Restore America: A Salute to Preservation.

Holiday Tables 2002, the 27th annual event, will take place Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 21-24.

In addition to viewing elegant settings in a historic home, visitors may enjoy morning or afternoon tea Nov. 21. A Benefactors' Party is scheduled Thursday, Nov. 14. (See related story.)

America the Beautiful is the theme of Holiday Tables 2002, but the individual styles may go beyond geographic boundaries.

GREEN AND PURPLE

A tantalizing example this year is presented by Beverly

Bernard and Deanna Sarvis of Pied-A-Terre, a European floral design business in Birmingham.

Their display offers a sense of spring, in shades of green and purple. Delicate crystal lamps from Paris, circa 1900, and an iron obelisk for the garden are among other elements.

The table topper is chartreuse washed silk from Paris in a pattern by Alexander Gates, over white damask.

The place settings feature vintage china from France in a black toile rooster pattern, silverware dating to 1847 by Rogers and Co., Waterford crystal, and purple goblets. Silver napkin rings are engraved with Monsieur or Madam.

The silverware belonged to Bernard's great-great-grandmother; the crystal, to her mother, The goblets are from Crate & Barrel.

Sarvis and Bernard created

the floral accessories. These include the centerpiece - an arrangement of chartreuse parrot tulips, purple hydrangeas and green flax in an antique iron urn from London, England - and the small bouquets of white cottage roses and winterberries in mint julep mugs at each

setting. On a side table, a giant hurricane lamp holds a green-and-silver arrangement consisting of apples of varying sizes and antique

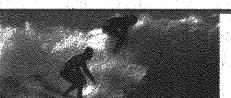
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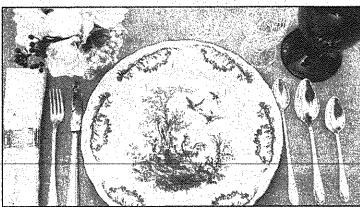
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Beverly Bernard (left) and Deanna Sarvis of Pied-Á-Terre present a sense of spring in their table setting, with their choice of colors and flowers.

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Each place setting features vintage china from France in a black toile rooster pattern, silverware dating to 1847, Waterford crystal, purple gobiets, silver napkin rings engraved with Monsieur or Madam, and small bouquets of white cottage roses and winterberries in mint julep mugs.

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Holiday Tables will also feature a raffle, tickets for which are sold in packs of 10, for \$40 per package.

The raffle items are 12-piece stemware from DuMouchelle's Art Gallery, a one-of-a-kind

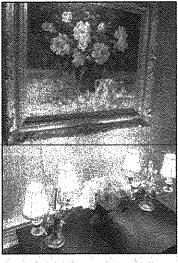
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The setting for Cranbrook Holiday Tables 2002 by Beverly Bernard and Deanna Sarvis features shades of green and purple, including the chartreuse washed silk topper, purple goblets, and the floral arrangement in the centerpiece.

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HOLIDAY TABLES AT CRANBROOK HOUSE

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When: Friday-Sunday, Nov. 22-24. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 22-23, noon to 4 p.m. Nov. 24.

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Remember these important tasks New fireplace units get warm reception

here did the time go? The best intentions to get the garden "put to bed" by now didn't happen.

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I suppose we might be plagued with more weeds in



Garden

spot Marty

around. But maybe this month will have a few warm, suitable days to finish the more important

Here are Figley some things to do that some-

times get neglected: To keep snow from bending or breaking the branches of young evergreens, tie the

branches together. First drive a sturdy stake slightly taller than the plant into the ground beside the plant. Starting at the bottom, loosely wind twine around the plant and stake until you reach the top. Remove it when the

seasons change. We are still not over the effects of our drought, so be sure to slowly deep water the evergreens, perennials, shrubs and large trees (these out to the drip line) before they go dormant.

If we don't have snow or wet weather for a while, another drink of water will avoid winter stress. Remember: Don't apply mulch on the garden until we have a hard freeze.

■ Tools are often neglected with all the hustle and bustle of fall work.

Clean each tool by removing any clods of dirt with water and a wire brush. Dry thoroughly and spray all exposed metal with a rust inhibitor or clean off the rust with naval

Sand the wooden handles lightly and give them a light coat of either boiled linseed or tung oil. You might want to paint them with a bright color



MARTY FIGLEY

A well-cared for garden is a healthy garden.

so they'll be easy to spot in the garden.

Keep a container of sand in the garage and plunge each tool into it right after you have used it. This will also help to keep them clean and rust free.

■ The compost pile is a haven for little critters, so after the first hard frost, turn it to deter them.

Save vegetable scraps in a covered container under the sink and when it's full, dig a hole in the heap and add the scraps. Cover well. The microbes will love you for it. Large veggies such as pumpkins and squash should be cut in small pieces first.

Later this month, check the dahlia tubers and other summer-blooming flowers that you have stored for the winter to be sure they are dry and healthy.

Continue to mow the lawn as long as it is growing. A mulching mower can be run right across the leaves to enrich the soil. Sure beats raking them!

Never allow leaves to lie for long on the lawn. They'll cut off light from the grass and encourage the growth of

fungi. Remove stakes and trellises from the garden to keep it tidy. Trellises that are left outdoors often sag from exposure. Wipe them off and store in a covered area.

Some plants – such as the hollyhock, peony and iris - are prone to disease and need to be trimmed back to they won't contaminate next year's growth.

Trim these plants even though others are left standing. Those with seed heads will entice the birds to your property.

While you're at it, if the ground isn't frozen, get rid of weeds that were missed

■ Don't forget to water your container growing chrysanthemums two to three times a week so they will add beauty to the landscape for several weeks. Hardy mums will overwinter in our climate, and now there are those that don't need deadheading. Look for those colorful plants in the aqua

While the holly is in bloom, clip the branches now before the birds get them all. Keep the holly in cold storage until you want to use it next month.

■ If Mother Nature gives us a heavy snow (who can tell what she will do?), especially one that will turn to ice, shake the boughs of the evergreens gently to dislodge the snow. If ice has already formed, leave the shrubs alone. A spray of water will also melt the ice if it forms.

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.

ave you ever thought about a fireplace in your home? A warm fire can be just the thing to cozy up to on a cold winter night.



Ask Dad

Harry Jachym

zero-clearance fireplaces are all but replacing site built masonry units. These manufactured fireplaces are about the only feasible way to retrofit a fire-

place in an

Today pre-

existing house. Manufactured units can be installed in close contact to combustible materials with little or no special framing. Most will burn both wood and gas.

A manufactured firebox will cost anywhere from about \$400 to \$800, climbing into the thousands after installation and finishing.

Even the most expensive unit, however, will cost far less than a masonry fireplace. Manufactured fireplaces don't require foundations; many don't penetrate the roof, making retrofitting easy and quick.

In my opinion, there is nothing like a real wood fire in a fireplace. The ritual of lighting the fire, adding logs and stoking the fire, along with the smell and crackle, just seem to add to the aura of the fireplace.

Of course, the wood needs to be hauled into the house, and

There were many fireless evenings in our home when we were chasing the youngsters around town to their many activities. We'd simply get home too late to start a fire and watch it burn down.

The instant on, instant off feature started us looking at gas logs. Gas is also much cleaner than wood, good for people with allergies and other respiratory problems.

Good gas logs mimic the look of a real fire. Many sets have materials to simulate embers as well as the crackle of a wood fire. Cheap gas logs, on the other hand, look like fake

In the past few years there have been many innovations in the manufactured/gas fireplace market.

Unvented fireplaces burn gas so completely a flue isn't needed. They exhaust directly into the room, mostly water vapor and carbon dioxide. Most of the vent-free units also have an oxygen sensor that will turn the unit off if oxygen levels become too low.

In my opinion, it's imperative to have some sort of makeup air unit installed in your home to keep condensation down and help eliminate backdraft problems in other gas appliances. The most advanced units on the market are direct

vent units. Often these are vented using a through wall flue. The air needed for combustion is supplied from outside to a sealed chamber, with the flame visible through glass.

These have higher heat output and burn cleaner than conventional fireboxes. Direct vent units are often more shallow than conventional fireplaces, increasing design options. Often direct vent units are connected to a wall-mounted thermostat controlling the flame

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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. Send any questions or comments to Jachym at askdad@comcast.net or in care of Mary Klemic, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.

GARDEN CALENDAR

School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes. Register in advance, as space is limited and some classes have prerequisites. Call (248) 4-GARDEN for more information or a complete schedule.

The schedule includes these classes, all of which take place in the Milo Shopping Plaza at 29429 Six Mile, iust west of Middlebelt in Livonia: Care of Tools (\$39.50), Thursday, Nov.

Working With Contractors (\$62), Tuesdays, Nov. 12-19; and Effective Hand-drawn Design (\$124), four Thursdays beginning Nov. 14.

Bromeliad society

The S.E.M. Bromeliad Society will present a round table discussion, Bromeliads in Terrariums, with a spotlight on the Racinae species 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, at the Rochester Hills Environmental Center on Avon Road, just west of Livernois. For more information, call (248) 375-1411 mornings.

Cactus and succulent society

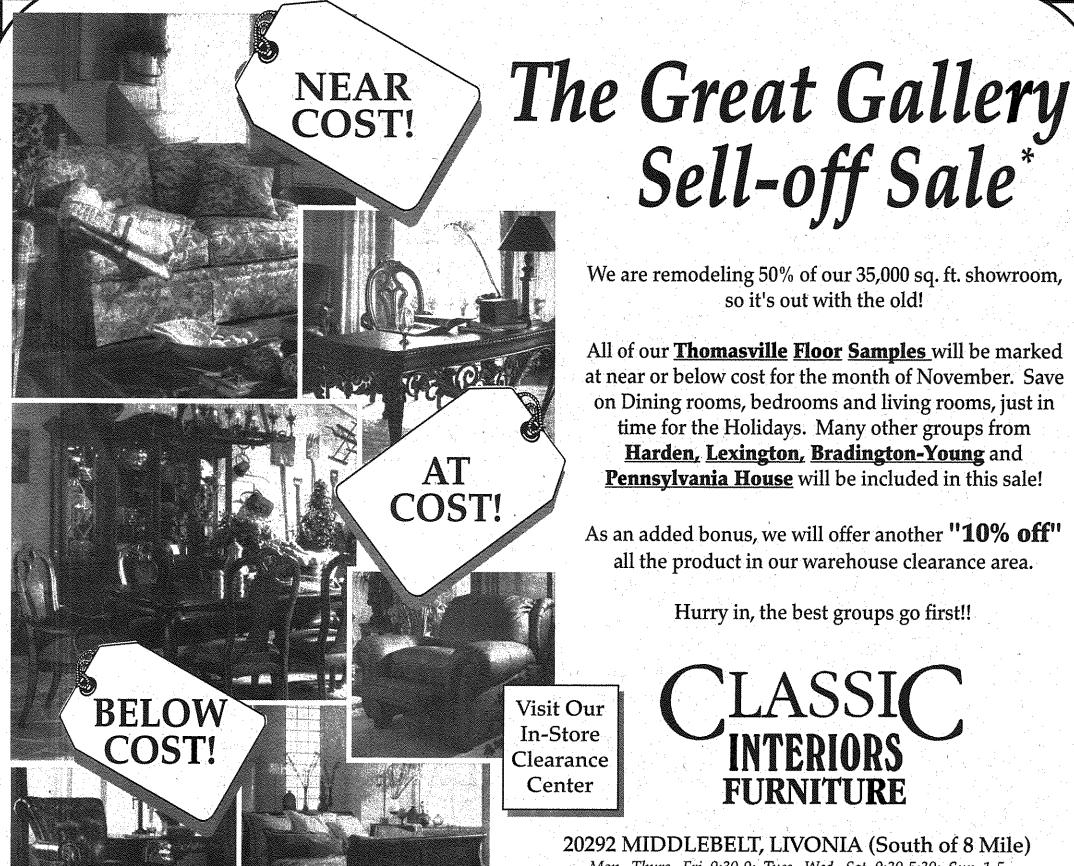
The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will have a program on Your Favorite Plant 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 814 N. Campbell in Royal Oak. Members and visitors are asked to bring their favorite plant to show and discuss. Admission is free. Call (248) 524-0227 for more informa-

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It's all happening at the zoo in autumn, too

utumn is again upon us. Fall means a quarter million Michiganians will go to pro and college football games almost every weekend. It means Comerica Park will fall silent of fans, games and that opera-singing hot dog vendor until spring. It means thousands of people will trek off to the countryside to eat greasy donuts and drink apple squeezin's from sticky Dixie

People love traditional autumn activities, because the weather has a special quality, avoiding the oppressive heat and humidity of summer, the bone-chilling, windy icebox of . winter, and the perpetual sogginess that makes spring so

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animals

Dr. Brad Davis

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There are certain things people around here won't do in the fall. For instance, the Major League Baseball playoffs, which Detroit has successfully avoided since 1987.

A great family activity enhanced by fall that people don't take advantage of would be a trip to the zoo.

I know, when I say zoo and

IN HOME!

autumn it doesn't seem to fit. Going to the zoo in the summer almost seems written in

Think about the negatives of a summer zoo visit, and you'll see why a fall visit makes sense.

TEMPERATURE

Oppressive heat and humidity define summer. Walking around the large area can be exhausting and sweaty. High temperatures can lead to short tempers. In the fall, the cool, crisp air makes the long walk more refreshing.

The cooler temperatures usually lead to more active animals, as well.

During a summer visit, you sometimes wonder if the tiger is real or stuffed, as he lays there in the shade for hours on end. In the fall, the animals tend to walk, run or even play more frequently, which greatly enhances the zoo experience.

The part of the zoo visit that tends to irritate me the most could be a part I'm supposed to enjoy - the people.

QUIET

While being out with the crowds should be fun, often the large groups of screaming kids get overwhelming, and adults who share advanced, and incorrect, knowledge of each species drive me crazy

A few weeks ago, outside an exhibit, I saw an older lady throwing French fries to the African cranes. I politely recommended she not do that since these treats would be bad for them. She loaded up and threw another handful and said, maybe, but "they love them so!" She added they were

actually good for them. · I advised her they weren't good for them. I played my trump card that I am a vet, which really is only a trump card in these circumstances.

She angrily said, "You may be a vet, but I'm from the South, so I know better! I have these in my yard back home, and they love French fries!" She stormed off, empty fry container in hand.

I don't believe she has African cranes in her yard, and don't really believe her Southern roots alone allow her to outrank me in animal knowledge, but her actions and words did put me off. (Which would explain why I'm still talking about it this long after it happened, but that's another story.) Just having less people at the zoo makes it a better experience, whether or not they are know-it-alls.

The zoo being more empty lets you experience things more fully. An emptier, quieter bird house, with more time in the aviary and butterfly room, can be an almost Zen act of peacefulness. Certainly, along with better views of the animals, you get what most people look for on days off - a mellow afternoon, walking

through the park, amongst the animals and changing leaves.

ADDITIONS

The Detroit Zoo additions have helped give us a worldclass facility to visit.

Along with the old guard like the Chimps of the Harambe exhibit, our zoo now has Amphibiville, where you can get close to amphibians, and the remarkable Arctic Circle of Life area, highlighted by an underwater walkway where you can watch the seals cavort happily in the water around you.

Just a short trip down the road to that state of confusion called Ohio, the Toledo Zoo also impresses. Their expansions and improvements have given them a facility to be proud of. A personal favorite would be the hippoquarium, where you can watch these critters both above and below the water line. They also have an Arctic area, with a highlight being a wonderful wolf exhibit.

I know going to the zoo isn't the traditional autumn activity around here, but the benefits of visiting at this time of year outweigh tradition.

Take some greasy donuts, cider and Dixie cups with you if you need them to feel right about it. Just remember to leave your French fries at home.

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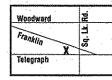
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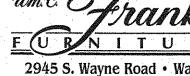
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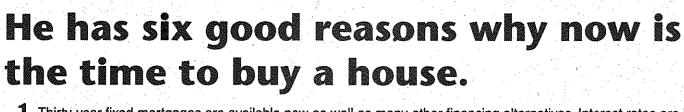
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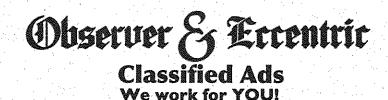
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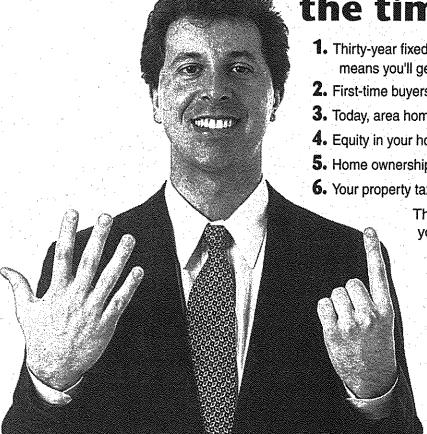


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Some dishwasher models are dangerous classics

ou can hear the callers on the air every weekend with their questions and the answers that are given in hopes of saving people money.

On a recent show a gentleman asked about his General Electric dishwasher, model number 540, that was leaking at the bottom of the door. He informed me that it was 17 years old and he would like to keep it running.

That little bit of conversation was enough to raise my antenna and I asked him if this dishwasher had a little switch on the right hand side of the console, which was an energy saver switch.

Sure enough, it had

I asked him if he had heard about the serious recall on this dishwasher because this switch could cause a fire in the dishwasher.

He hadn't heard a thing about it.

I told him to forget about the leaking and I wouldn't even talk about it until he called General Electric at (800) 626-2000.

I explained that GE had built 3.1 million dishwashers between 1983 and 1989 that also have the name Hotpoint on them, and these products were sold and installed in America's homes.

Those certain models with the little toggle switch on the console are very prone to catch fire, and this should be

repaired immediately. This column in this newspaper was the first to condemn GE for having a recall that

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wasn't a true recall, but instead a trade-in of old dishwashers in which GE would send the consumer a rebate. It wasn't a recall, and GE admitted that after lawsuits were filed against it in New York and California.

SETTLEMENT

Most recently the Consumer Product Safety Commission announced a \$1 million settlement with General Electric for what the agency said was the company's failure to report defects involving more than 3 million dishwashers made in the 1980s.

GE knew about the dishwashers catching fire only three years after it ceased production of these models.

This means that it waited from 1992 until 1998 before it reported this defect to the CPSC.

Hal Stratton, the chairman of the CPSC, said the agency was trying to hold companies accountable for not reporting potentially hazardous products quickly.

'When companies voluntarily cooperate with us to do that in an honest and forthright way, they'll find us to be very cooperative; if they violate the act by failing to cooperate with us, they will find us as their adversaries," Stratton

If you have a GE or Hotpoint dishwasher made between 1983 and 1989 I suggest you call General Electric at (800) 626-2000 immediately. The model numbers were GSD500D, GSD500G, GSD540, HDA467, HDA477



Joe

Gagnon

and HDA478.

To date only 628,000 of these dishwashers have been repaired by GE, which means there could be close to 2 million still sitting in American homes.

I will now give you a quote I picked up from the Professional Service Association News, a trade newspaper in the appliance industry.

"We doubt that any other company would have reported it at all," spokeswoman Kim Freeman said.

"We thought that we were very conscientious in reporting when we did. We do regret this dispute with the CPSC and we have agreed on the settlement not because we think we've acted incorrectly, but because it's in the best interest of our consumers and our company."

WAKING UP

A few years ago I wrote that the 21st century would see a waking up of consumers to many things that are wrong in the business world.

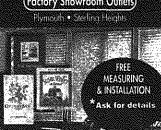
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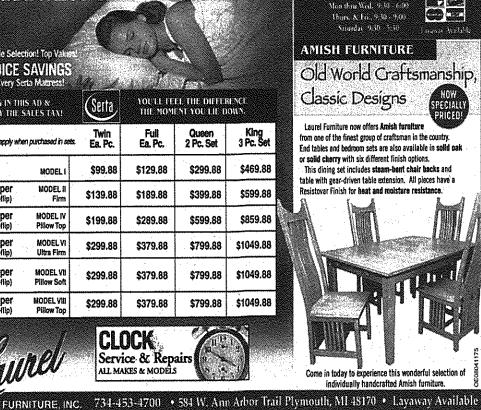
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as rather harsh sometimes, and I can't blame you because it is. When a manufacturer can build and sell a product that catches fire and burns a house to the ground and possibly kills

make headline news today

industry you may judge it

held liable. The next time you have a service technician come to your home to fix an appliance, ask him or her what they think of appliance manufacturers today. Don't be surprised by the answer.

a person, someone should be

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.

country look." The collection will be exclusive to Art Van in Michigan, which has stores in Livonia, Novi, Royal Oak, Southfield, Waterford and Westland among its locations.

Like Stanley Furniture's Cottage Revival pieces. Lane's Country Living collection features pine and offers finishes in a variety of colors, including black, white, red and mustard.

Vibrant color was another dominant trend at High Point, both Wolf and DeCorte said. "Color can really change a room quickly," said DeCorte. Colored accent pieces are.

particularly easy to add to existing furnishings and allow homeowners to transform living spaces dramatically without making large investments.

Besides being versatile, color affords greater creativity to homeowners in decorating their homes and retailers in showcasing their offerings.

For instance, a pine table might be paired with a black chair, a red bench and a Parson's chair in a print fabric, said DeCorte.

Today's homeowners seem to have embraced the "mix-andmatch" concept and appear ready to experiment and tap their creativity.

"I'm seeing a lot more of the mixing in terms of colors and fabrics," said Diane Creasy, who attended High Point and owns Tortue, a Keego Harbor retailer that specializes in furniture and accents inspired by Old World European styles.

"I think people are becoming braver about that. The consumer is more sophisticated now. They see more, they know more and are more courageous about selecting pieces and mixing.

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Shortcomings

Renee

There's more to Murphy than fat

urphy's only claim to fame is that he is, unofficially, the fattest beagle in Canton, probably in all of Wayne County. He weighs at least 75 pounds. He looks like a baby hippopotamus.

All through the summer, Murphy's owner and my neighbor, Diane Gavala, would walk Murphy past my house, and we'd always have

the same dialogue. "Boy, that dog is fat," I'd

say. "It's his metabolism," she'd answer, throwing up her arms in dismay.If Canton had an ordinance on the amount of tonnage allowed to pass over its sidewalks, Murphy would be banned.

However, the dog has its merits. Like an opera singer, girth has given Murphy's voice resonance. Last week, I stopped by Diane's house around 9 a.m. Murphy was still in bed - Diane's bed. She helped settle his hindquarters on the floor then tried to coax him down the stairs.

"Arrr-oooo," he bayed helplessly at the top of the stairs. "Arrr-0000." Talk about a foghorn.

Bribed downstairs by a cookie, Murphy quickly settled into his bed in the kitchen.

we are nis iourth own ers," said Diane, casting a loving glance at Murphy's inert form. "They said he was so bad. But he was so precious and so little. He was totally potty trained. However, he's not the

brightest animal." How do you know? I asked. By the towel test, said Diane. The faster an animal removes a towel thrown over its head, the more

intelligent it is. "Three hours later Murphy still hadn't moved," said Diane. "Then we put a paper bag on his head and

he fell asleep." Up until age 5, Murphy, now 8, weighed 30 pounds. Then he weighed 47 pounds. "Then all of a sud-

den he was 57 pounds," Diane lamented. "And now ... well, he's fat." It's not like Diane and husband Steve aren't trying

to return Murphy to his svelte puppyhood days. They feed him nondigestible dog food every day, a half cup in the morning and another half in the evening.

"It's by prescription. You just eat it and it comes right out," said Diane.

They've also had his thyroid checked. It works.

As the colder weather approaches, Murphy resists going for walks. Steve has to bribe him by dangling a treat in front of him all the way. Steve doesn't mind the

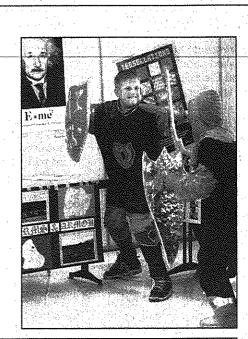
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Diane Gavala of Canton bribes Murphy, her 75-pound beagle, to go for a walk, using a cookie as bait.

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UDSCIVET Life



Kids turn Renaissance Festival into life lesson

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The goal was to learn about how to research and write an essay paper. But that fact may have been hidden by all the fun students had dressing up and giving their presentations to fellow students, teachers and parents about their newly discovered knowledge about the period known as the Renaissance era.

Students at Central and Discovery middle schools challenged themselves in presenting folklore about the history, people and places of the world as it was from 1400-1600.

"I did clothing. It was interesting how you could tell someone's wealth, or class status, from what they ore in mose days, Laura Courtney of Canton, a *"It was a lot of fun," said seventh-grader at Discovery. Michael Coletta, "but you "It was a lot more fun doing the fair than I thought it was going to be."

Discovery teacher Cathy Nichols, a co-founder of the Renaissance Fair, believes students get more creative every year.

The students just really outdid themselves this year," said Nichols. "I think the best thing was the sixthand eighth-graders wanted to come and see what they did this year. The community was much more involved ... more grandparents, aunts, uncles and neighbors came to visit, which was

very nice to see." To some students, the



Central Middle School seventh-graders Mike Bashawaty as "Edgar" (far left), David Bean as "Robin" and Courtney Hewitt as "Abigail," all from Plymouth, participate with Michigan Renaissance Festival performers Ample & Trite in a skit based on life in the Middle Ages. Top, Paul Begley and Nick Reuber, both 12, enact a sword duel during the annual Renaissance Festival among the seventh grade at Discovery Middle School in Canton Friday, Oct. 25.

Renaissance Fair can become the proverbial dou-

still had all of your other homéwork and this big project that was 60 percent of your grade."

The fair was so successful, Central Middle School social studies teacher Joy Large decided to take Discovery's lead and develop a Renaissance Festival of

her own. "It's a way to make the Renaissance period come alive," she said. "It's much more exciting doing it this

way." Seventh-grader Hardeep Cheema of Canton displayed his project in the hallway, explaining to those who stopped by about the

significance of Leonardo da Vinci.

that's how he got his last name," he said. "He was a sculptor, inventor, scientist and musician.

"He designed two flying machines, but they weren't really cool because they broke in the air when he was testing it," said Cheema. "His most favorite painting he ever drew was the Mona Lisa. They think it's the most coolest painting because of the smile.

Dressed in all black, with a black mask, Felicia Mattecci of Plymouth Township said she represented the plague of the mid-1300s.

"Instead of being the victim like everyone else, I'm being death itself," she said.

Sabrina Haddad, 11, left, and Karin Bieszke, 12, laugh together as they attempt to fit one of Sabrina's middle-ages head adornments onto Karin. They realized the problem was that the garment was for a man, and with a much larger head.

"Why die when you can be immortal?"

Language arts teacher Gail McMahon said it was enjoyable listening to students tell what they've learned.

PLEASE SEE RENAISSANCE, C7

Women of Phoenix Mill helped shape history

Equal pay one way factory bridged gap left by war

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

When Doris Avis was growing up, all she ever really wanted to be was a nurse.

When she finished high school, though, she didn't feel she was ready for that, so she started exploring other

Avis never made it to nursing school, but she did manage to become part of history.

Avis, then a single woman looking for a job, found one at the Phoenix Mill, Ford Motor Company's all-female factory located on Hines Drive. It was 1934, and Ford had established the Phoenix Mill some six years earlier as the first factory in the world that employed only women.

"Ît's fascinating, because Henry Ford didn't believe married women should work. or that men and women should work together," said Wayne County Commissioner Lyn Bankes, who is leading



Phoenix Mill was built in 1922 as the third of Henry Ford's village industries. It was donated to the Wayne County Road Commission in 1948 and used as the commission's sign shop for about 25 years. It has last been used as a maintenance yard for the Wayne County Bridges Division.

the drive to establish the Phoenix Mill Museum on the site of the old factory. "But he did pay the women just as much as he was paying the men."

It's a historical note that Jan Roberson of Novi found appealing when she heard Bankes speak at an American Association of University Women function earlier this year. When Bankes issued a plug for volunteers to help put

the museum project together, Roberson heeded the call.

HEEDING THE CALL

"I'm very interested in history," said Roberson, who grew up in the area. "It's a historical project about women. Women have been downtrodden over the years. Whatever I'm able to do to help, I'll do."

PLEASE SEE PHOENIX, C7

First major fund-raiser aimed at donations for women's museum

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Lyn Bankes is hoping to get her favorite project - the Phoenix Mill Museum - up and running in the next two years.

Toward that end, museum organizers are hosting the first major fund-raising effort aimed at getting the project off the ground.

The museum, located at Five Mile and Northville roads, will honor the auto industry and the contributions made by women who worked at Phoenix Mill, the Ford-owned parts factory

that employed only women. The museum site is currently occupied by the Wayne County Road Commission, but the county has agreed to turn the site over to the museum, just as soon as it can find a new home for the road commission.

County officials wanted to put a new site at M-14 and

Sheldon in Plymouth Township, but township officials balked.

"I think it's an awesome project," said Pam Dobrowolski, hired in July as the county's new director of special projects. "It recognizes the women who kept things going when the guys went to war."

The fund-raiser is set for 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, at Plymouth Manor. The \$25 ticket gets the buyer hearty hors d'oeuvres, wine and soft drinks, plus entertainment by the Sweet Adelines.

There will also be an original play, "The Coffee Break," based on interviews of women who worked at Phoenix Mill. The silent auction will feature 20 Underground Railroad prints on pillows, with stories attached.

Plymouth Manor is located at 345 Main in Plymouth. Call (313) 224-0946 for more information.

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extra effort. He and Diane love Murphy. They don't care if he's become a couch dog bisquit.

In this time of social and political uncertainty, Murphy brings a kind of calm to the Gavala household. He's predictable: Up at 6 a.m. to go to the potty, back to sleep until an 8 a.m. breakfast, naps to noon when he gets a cookie, back to sleep until 4 p.m. when he's fed dinner, back to sleep until 7 p.m. when Steve coaxes him (maybe) for a walk. Then it's a

Murphy refuses to change his ways even when his pint-sized cousin Louis, a Type A Boston terrier, spends the day on Tuesday and Thursday. If Murphy wanted to shut up Louis' constant yap, he could

rice cake snack before bedtime.

simply roll over him. But Murphy is secure about who he is, a fat beagle who just may have discovered the secret to a happy life.

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PHOENX

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The museum will honor the women who worked there. Avis started there in 1934 and worked until 1945. She started on the line, and became the factory's chief clerk, handling administrative duties such as payroll, stock reports, inventory, monthly reports and even the first-aid room.

She did it all in her head, eschewing "modern" technology of the day, such as adding machines and typewriters. She even wrote her reports out by hand.

"I loved it," recalled Avis, 87. "I liked the kind of work I was doing.

Avis said she wanted to work, but the only other work she could find was housework. With office jobs "few and far between," she came to the factory.

She made \$1,230 in 1935. and by the time she left 10 years later, she was making more than \$2,700 a year. At that, she earned more than her husband, whom she married in 1942.

Doris Williams Richard is the youngest of seven children, and she remembers her father being against the idea of her working in a factory.

"My dad really didn't want me to work at a plant," recalled Richard, now 81. "I was the baby, and I think he just didn't

want that for me." She did it anyway, hearing about the factory upon her 1940 graduation from Plymouth High School. She started working that fall, and spent some three years on the

She met her husband while working at Phoenix Mill, and he didn't like her working there, either.

"Maybe I shouldn't have," she says now. "Maybe I should have worked in a store or something. (But) I felt I wasn't going to have my father sup-

port me." The mill site is still there, nestled at Hines Drive and Northville Road, used now mostly as a storage facility for the Wayne County Road

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SITESOUGHT

The county has agreed to donati the site for the museum, bu first a new home must be found for the road commission. The county made one proposal - a new site at M-14 and Sheldon - that Plymouth Township officials fought.

A new sitchas not yet been found.

The \$2 milion project isn't off the groundyet, but organizers have commissioned Democratic fund-raiser Ron Thayer to coordinate that part of the deal. Some \$500,000 has already been raised.

When finished - Bankes estimates two years until completion - the nuseum will honor the autoindustry and women's contributions to it.

It's one of the jet projects of the county's new lirector of Special Projects.

"This is one of my special projects," said Pam Dobrowolski, hired earlie this summer. "I think it's an avesome project. It recognizes he women who kept things going while the guys went to war."

It's that historical perspective that gets downplayed by women who worked there at the time.

Richard, who left to join her Merchant Marine husband in the East in 1943, said she didn't feel part of history.

"The people before me are the ones who made history," she said. "Before me, it was kind of rough-and-tumble. I don't remember it being like that for me."

Avis never thought of it in historic terms.

"I just needed the job," she said. "I never thought about it. When you're that age, you don't think of things like that."

Instead, Avis and the women like her simply focused on doing their jobs, and living their lives. Avis never made it to nursing school, but lives without regrets.

"After I had a family, I stayed home," she said. "I didn't regret it at all. I've had a very good life."

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lan Douglas and Andrew Arlen, both 12 from Canton, enjoy the presentation by Michigan Renaissance Festival performers Ample & Trite.

REWAISSANCE

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"It's amazing what students remember when they start telling it. They remember much more clearly than when they just write it," she said.

McMahon, who said she was dressed as a "lady in waiting" from the Renaissance period, gave her own account of the women of the era.

"I can understand how Renaissance women did nothing but walk around gracefully," she said. "The costumes ...

they're heavy, they're hot and you can't do anything but worry about your veil coming off all the time."

Staff writer Paul Hurschmann contributed to this story.

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS



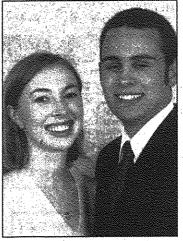
Sachura-DeVree

Freg and Jean Stachura of Caston announce the marriage of tieir daughter, Emily Stachura ment of their daughter, Lori to Tdd DeVree, son of Richard and Iaren DeVree of Hudsonville.

Emly is a 1997 graduate of Plymoith Canton High School and a 2001 graduate of Hillsdale College, She is employed at Ridge Pirk Academy in Grand Rapids.

Todd i a 1997 graduate of Hudsonvlle High School and a 2001 gracuate of Hillsdale College. He is a graduate student at Grand Valley State University.

The brice was attended by Sarah Bownan, maid of honor; Sarah Boyer, Mary Beth Collins, Amanda DeVree, Justine Finn, and Catie Stachura as bridesmaids; and Abigail and Victoria Westhouse as flower girls.



Schmidt-Brunskole

Paul and Janice Schmidt of Canton announce the engage-Jean Schmidt to Joshua Byron Brunskole, son of Richard and Donna Brunskole of Canton Township.

Schmidt is a 2002 graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in English and is currently interning at Novi Middle School. She will earn her teaching certificate in May 2003.

Brunskole is a 2002 graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in Computer Science. He is employed at Creative Solutions in Dexter as a tax software developer.

A July 11, 2003 wedding is planned at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton.



Roberts-Smith

Florence and Fred Smith of Kiawah Island, S.C., and the late Robert C. Roberts, announce the engagement of their daughter, Denise Marie Roberts to Damon Rockwell Smith, son of Jean and Dennis Smith of Plymouth.

Denise is a 1992 graduate of College of Charleston, S.C. and is currently employed by Prudential Carolina Real Estate.

Damon is a graduate of Grand Valley State University in Michigan and is currently self-employed as Damon R. Smith Photography.

A late November 2002 wedding is planned in Mt. Pleasant. S.C., with the reception taking place at the Alhambra Hall in Mt. Pleasant, S.C. A wedding trip is planned to Costa Rica in January and they plan to reside in South Carolina.

BIRTHS

Patrick McFarland

Kevin and Valarie McFarland of Commerce township announce the birth of their son, Patrick Donovan McFarland, on Sept. 21, 2002 at Huron Valley Hospital.

Grand parents are Harry and Eileen McFarland of Northville and the late Dale and Patricia Welling of Livonia.

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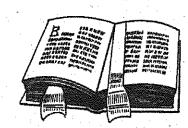
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The old saying that "people in glass houses shouldn't throw stones" is a picturesque way of saying that people shouldn't judge others for sins which they themselves are guilty of. This is the proverbial "pot calling the kettle black." It reminds us of Jesus' advice to take the log out of your own eye before trying to remove the speck from your brother's eye (Matthew 7:4). We often seem to have a blind spot for our own sins, though we usually are quite aware of these same sins in our neighbors. Again and again, Jesus tells us to "Judge not, that you be not judged" (Matthew 7:1). Perhaps one of the most memorable examples of



this in the Bible, is when a crowd brings to Jesus a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery. They put Jesus on the spot by saying that "in the law Moses commanded us to stone such. What do you say about her?" (John 8:5). Jesus' response is simple and beautifully compassionate: "Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her" (John 8:7). One by one, they went away, leaving no one to condemn her. Ultimate judgment is reserved for God alone, and while God was here on earth in the form

of Jesus. He reserved his harshest wisdom for those who were hypocritically judgmental. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and the measure you give with be the measure you get. R.S.V. Matthew 7:2



Light up a Life

Paul Gross from WDIV-Channel 4 and Sister Mary Giovanni, president and CEO of Angela Hospice, hope to make this year's Light up a Life benefit a success. Gross will serve as an auctioneer Friday at Laurel Manor in Livonia: Auctioneers include Joanne Purtan from WXYZ-Channel 7, Fanchon Stinger from Fox 2 Detroit, Sandy Kovach from Smooth JAZZ-V98.7, Rachel Nevada from WJR, and Jane Bower and Tracy-Gary from WWJ. Reservations to Light Up a Life are \$65 per person. For more information, contact Alice Barringer at Angela Hospice at (734) 953-6018.

Holy Land work is talk topic

Nora Kort of International Orthodox Christian Charities will speak on humanitarian response to crisis.

Kort, IOCC's head of office in Jerusalem, will bring a message of "Hope Amid Hostility" to the U.S. in a four-city lecture series from Nov. 10-17. Kort will speak at St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, 18200 Merriman, Livonia, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13.

Kort is an Arab Christian with nearly 20 years experience as a community development consultant. IOCC, founded in 1992, is the official humanitarian aid agency of Orthodox Christians.

"Our witness is doing good works in the Holy Land," Kort said. "This is my contribution towards peace in my part of the world."

IOCC's work in the Holy
Land began in 1997. Currently,
IOCC, supported by the Greek
and U.S. governments and private donors, is implementing a
\$2.6 million rural development
project in the West Bank. In
addition to long-term development, IOCC is responding to
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by supplying family food
parcels, hygiene items and
medical supplies.

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.

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Integrity speaker
The Rev. Edwene Gaines will present an Integrity Workshop 1-4:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 9, at Unity Church of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road. She will discuss the relationship of integrity to self, family, friends, work, money, health, environment, animals and God.

Call (734) 421-1760. Luncheon/card party

Our Lady of Grace Women's Guild Luncheon & Card Party will take place 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, at the parish hall, 23700 Joy Road (near Riverview), Dearborn Heights. Tickets are \$8. Call Lottie at (734) 424-9047 or Ann at (313) 535-1875.

Blood drive

Christ the King Lutheran Church of Livonia will hold a blood drive 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, at the church, 9300 Farmington Road (between Plymouth and Joy). The drive is open to the community, and walk ins are welcome, Call Ricky Brogdon at (313) 937-8710.

Diabetes education

RELIGION CALENDAR

Join Lee McDonagh, registered dietician and certified diabetes educator, at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at St. Colette Church, 17600 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Recipes, samples and handouts available. For reservations, call Joanne at (734) 464-4436.

Grief support

Christ the King Lutheran Church, 9300. Farmington Road (south of West Chicago, Livonia, will sponsor an eightweek grief support workshop 7-8:45 p.m. Tuesdays, through Dec. 17. Curriculum developed through New Hope Center for Grief Support in Northville. Registration appreciated but not necessary. Call (734) 421-0749. Addictions

Parkview Baptist Church, 9355 Stark

Road, Livonia, is hosting a "Reformers Unanimous" addictions program 7-9 p.m. Fridays, which began Nov. 1. The program is open to all adults who struggle with an addiction or "stubborn habit." For more information, call (734) 261-6180.

SS. Edmund Fitzgerald

Mariner's Church, 170 East Jefferson Ave., Detroit, will hold "A Service of Remembrance" 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 10, for the crew of the S. S. Edmund Fitzgerald, which sank Nov. 10, 1975. All Great Lakes-related personnel are invited to be part of the uniformed Honor Guard. Please call the church office at (313) 259-2206.

Parenting seminar

A six-week video series by Dr. Kevin

Leman, Making Children Mind Without Losing Yours, continues on Sundays 6-7:15 p.m. at Clarenceville Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia. Next dates: Nov. 10 and 17, Suggested donation of \$5 for workbooks. Call (248) 474-3444. Spiritual legacy

Trinity Church, 14800 Middlebelt, Livonia, will host Living and Leaving a Spiritual Legacy, a conference with Dr. Daniel Taylor 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9. Taylor, a professor of literature and writing at Bethel College in Minnesota, is co-founder of The Legacy Center. Call (734) 425-2800 for more information.







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Wooden-Burt

Linda Susan Burt of Northville and Mark Wooden of Tecumseh, Ontario, Canada, were married May 24, 2002.

Linda is the daughter of
Susan and David Gustafson of
Westland. She is a graduate of
Madonna University and is currently attending Walsh College
for her master of business
administration. She is
employed at Jay A. Fishman,
Ltd. in Detroit.

Mark is the son of Margaret Wooden and Daniel Wooden of Windsor, Canada. He is employed as property manager of The Market Square in Windsor.

Attending the bride were Patti Oncea and Paige Gustafson.

Attending the groom were Christopher Wooden and Thomas DiMaggio.

Linda and Mark were married in Our Lady of Victory
Church in Northville, with the
Rev. Steven Wertanan officiating. A reception was at St.
John's Golf and Conference
Center. The couple spent their
honeymoon in Cabo San Lucas,
Mexico and are making their
new home in Windsor, Canada.

Organization needs prom dresses, tuxedos

Cass Community Social Services of Detroit will host its 7th Annual Miss Cass Pageant 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Cass United Methodist Church, 3901 Cass Ave. at Seldon, Detroit.

Contestants are developmentally disabled clients of Cass Community's Activity Center for Adults and Seniors program. Each of the approximate 25 contestants will participate in a talent, evening gown and Q&A segment.

Cass Community Social Services is in need of behindthe-scenes volunteers and donations. The wish list includes:

Formal dresses – In need of approximately 25 gowns. Used bridesmaid, prom, party dresses in all styles and sizes are welcome. Cass is also in need of volunteer seamstresses to hem gowns and make any necessary alterations.

Tuxedo rentals - In need of approximately 20 tuxedos for the contestants' male escorts. Tuxedos are welcome from any individual or tuxedo rental shop.

Undergarments and panty hose – Items include slips, bras, camisoles and panty hose, in a variety of colors and sizes.

To make a donation or volunteer, contact Ed Hingelberg at (313) 883-2277, Ext. 213. Tickets to the pageant are \$5 and can be purchased by contacting Mary Burns at (313) 883-2277, Ext. 202.

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Gibson-Ayres

Mr. and Mrs. E. Lang D'Atri of Hartville, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. William Gibson of Canal Fulton, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Megan Gibson, to Todd Christopher Ayres.

Melissa is a 1999 graduate of Lake High School, Hartville, and will graduate from Michigan State University in December with a bachelor of science in family community service.

Todd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ayres of Livonia. He is a 1996 graduate of Stevenson High School and a 2001 graduate of MSU with a bachelor of science in building/construction management. He is employed by Aristeo Construction Co., Livonia and working on an extended Ford



Motor Co. assignment in Chicago. Todd and Missy were cheerleader partners at MSU and were named 2001 UCA Midwest Partner Stunt Champions. The couple are planning to wed September 2003 in Hartville, Ohio.

Ilmer-Rockwood

Sarah Jeanette Ilmer and Frederick Ian Rockwood Jr. will be married Saturday, Oct. 26, in Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Steven and Constance Ilmer of Farmington Hills. She is a graduate of Harrison High School and Michigan State University.

Her fiance is the son of Frederick Rockwood Sr. and Sandra Rockwood of Livonia. He is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Wayne State University.



Walkuski-Bateman

Carrie Bateman and Scott
Walkuski were married Oct. 12,
2002. The ceremony was in the
East Garden and reception in
the Raisin River Room at
Historic Weller's in Saline.

Carrie is the daughter of Ron and Diane Bateman of Redford. She is employed by Concord Ambulance Co.

Scott is the son of Marion and Mary Walkuski of Detroit. He is an engineer with Roush Industries.

Attending the bride were Kerry O'Conner and Angi Walkuski.

The groom's attendants were Ben Johnson and Eric Walkuski.

Carrie and Scott spent their honeymoon on a Caribbean Cruise and will be making their new home in Redford.

Brent-McCracken

Lynn Brent of Livonia and Chris Brent of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Deana Marie Brent, to James Edward

McCracken of New Baltimore.
Deana graduated with a
bachelor of arts in business
management from Wayne State
University in 2000, and is currently working on a master's
degree in business administration at Walsh College. She is
employed as a purchasing analyst with Federal-Mogul Corp.
in Southfield.

James is the son of Raymond and Ellen McCracken of New Baltimore. He graduated in 2000 from Wayne State University with a major in history and teaching certification. He is employed as a social studies teacher at Warren Woods Tower High School in Warren.



The couple are planning a
December wedding at
Immaculate Conception
Catholic Church in Anchorville.
They will be making their new
home in Sterling Heights.

Froreich-McGeary

Jennifer Lynn McGeary and Thomas Joseph Froreich were married Sept. 14, 2002, in St. Michael's Church in Livonia.

Jennifer is the daughter of Lynda and Frank McGeary of Westland Thoms is the son of

Nancy and Robert Froreich of Westland. They spent their honeymoon in Cancun and will

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Star lauded

Perhaps the question wasn't if Julie Tortora-Baechler should be inducted into the Siena Heights. Athletic Hall of Fame, but for which sport.

The 1986 Salem HS graduate joined the Saints' soccer team in its first year of existence and helped it compile a 12-5-1 record, reaching the NAIA Central Regional Final.

Tortora-Baechler's efforts earned her All-American status as a freshman; she led Siena Heights with 10 goals, 11 assists and a lot of leadership.

Tortora-Baechler graduated from Siena Heights in 1990, after also playing varsity basketball and tennis. The Saints' 1988 soccer team finished third in the

On Oct. 2, she joined Abby English, another member of that inaugural 1986 team, to be inducted into the Siena Heights Hall of Fame.

She was the first-ever Saint to reach the 100-point plateau and still ranks third

in career assists with 37. Although a Salem graduate, Tortora-Baechier's allegiances have shifted.

Her husband, Tim Baechler, is the Canton HS football coach.

Madonna rips Siena Heights

BY C.J. RISAK

STAFF WRITER

Rivalries can do this for you. Imagine the predicament Madonna University's men's soccer team was facing Wednesday, when it went up against its biggest rival - Siena Heights — in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournament Semifinal.

As the regular-season league champ, Madonna had already qualified for next week's NAIA Regional Tournament. All that was at stake for

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the Crusaders was the chance to host the regional; a WHAC Tournament title would do that.

On the other hand, Madonna had been plagued by injuries. Salvatore Piraine, the team's top scorer, was struggling with the same muscle pull that sidelined for much of last season. Defender Nick Szczechowski (from Salem HS) had missed six games with a bruised foot. Casey Cook (Plymouth/Catholic Central) had class and Dan Kurtinaitis, although available, did have a basketball game to play for Madonna that night.

Coach Pete Alexander was facing a dilemma: Go all out for this match or save some of his people for what lay

He chose, for the most part by necessity, the latter. Fortunately, rivalries can get teams ready without a push from the coach.

Madonna put three goals on the board in the first half and, when Siena Heights got an early score in the second, the Crusaders responded with three more to bury the Saints 6-1 at Livonia's Greenmead Park.

Madonna improves to 16-4 overall. Siena Heights is 6-10-4.

The Crusaders host sixth-seeded Spring Arbor, winner in overtime over Aquinas in Wednesday's other WHAC Semifinal, for the conference title at



Madonna's Justin Fishaw, a Canton HS grad, is tackled by a Siena Heights' player in front of the goal. Fishaw converted the penalty kick that was awarded for the Crusaders' first goal in this WHAC Tournament Semifinal.

noon Saturday at Greenmead.

"We've been playing good soccer the past couple of weeks," Alexander said, and we've taken that approach where we're kind of loose, we tell them to just try and have fun.

"They know when to focus. When it's time for business, they're ready."

They were against Siena Heights. Just 11:19 into the match, Justin Fishaw (Canton HS) got hauled down in the box and a penalty kick was awarded. He converted and Madonna had a lead it would never relinquish.

James Miller (Livonia Stevenson) made it 2-0 at 25:37, the first of his two goals in the match, with assists

from Shane Smith (Salem HS) and Zach Wilkes, and at 33:41 Wilkes finished a cross from Miller to make it 3-0. Gary Bell also assisted.

By halftime, survival was the main objective for Madonna. The Saints, however, made it interesting when Katsuhiro Mochizuki completed a quick counter started by Brian Gemalsky with 41:14 still remaining, trimming Madonna's lead to 3-1.

"I was worried about their coming in and getting an early goal," said Alexander.

As it turned out, his worries were

PLEASE SEE MADONNA, DB

Salem sinks **Brighton to** earn a trip to state final

STAFF WRITER

Before the state playoffs even started, destiny had spoken. And now it's delivered.

Salem's soccer team got rolling by the midpoint of the first half of its Division I semifinal against Brighton Wednesday and never let up, eventually sticking the Bulldogs with a 3-1 defeat at Jackson's Mehall Field.

The win puts Salem into the state championship match opposite Rochester, which beat Sterling Heights Stevenson 2-1 Wednesday. The final is at 1 p.m. Saturday at Novi's Meadows Stadium.

The Rocks will take a 20-4 record into the title match. Rochester is 20-2-3 overall. Brighton ends its season at 19-3-1.

You've got to give credit to Salem," said Brighton coach Deepak Shirvraman. "Their first goal was spectacular. A team like that deserves to go."

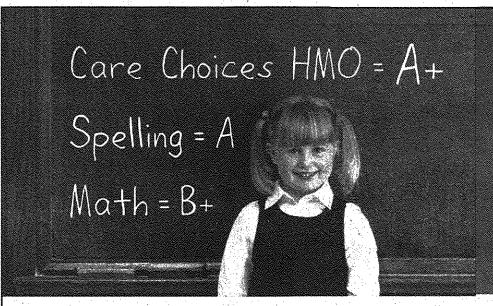
Salem coach Ed McCarthy would agree, but that wouldn't make those final minutes of the semifinal any less stressful.

"Thank God," he said after the final buzzer sounded. "These games are all hard to deal

A stronger belief in his own destiny would help McCarthy. It was he that said before the Western Lakes Activities Association championship game that every time a Salem team he coached won the conference, it advanced to the state final. This is the third time in his seven seasons as coach the Rocks have done just that.

In fact, three now seems to be McCarthy's and Salem's - numerical kismet. This will be the Rocks' third trip to the final under McCarthy; it's been three years since they made their last trip to the state title game; and they have clinched their last two tournament

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Canton, CC bring same look to district final Defense will tell the

BY PAUL BEAUDRY STAFF WRITER

It is relatively easy for Canton and Catholic Central's football teams to prepare each other.

All they have to do is look on the other side of the ball at practice this week.

Both teams are quick on offense, both love to run the football, both have solid line play on both sides of the ball and both are very, very talent-

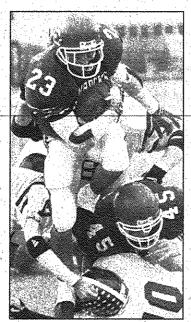
And when they meet on Saturday afternoon in their Division 1, Region 3 district final, the winner might not be decided by the better team. but the one that can take advantage of the big plays.

"Yeah, we're pretty even, but they run the Tight T (formation) better than we do," laughed CC coach Tom Mach. "They run that well, they fake well and it's difficult to tell who has the ball sometimes.

Both teams (both 9-1) have big-play backs - with Canton's Reggie Joyner, Devin Thomas, Corey Rutledge and quarterback Dave Nicoloff to counter CC's Randell Means, Eric Vojtkofsky and Derek Brooks along with quarterback Dave

But they keys to both teams' offensive fortunes lie not necessarily in those carrying, but in those trying to spring them

"Everyone at this level has a good quarterback, good receivers and good backs," said Canton coach Tim Baechler.



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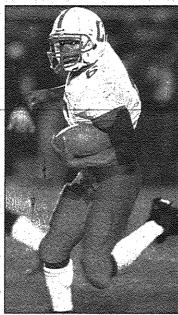
CC's ball-control offense relies heavily on the running of Derek Brooks ...

"But what I want to know with teams at this level is what about the front line. We can't look at one player, we're looking at the fronts. They have a very good front."

And Mach feels the same way about the Chiefs.

"We'll have to work at controlling the offense more than we have," said Mach. "Both of us try to control the football, and we'll have to possess the football as much as possible to keep them off the field. We didn't do that against Stevenson (in a 35-7 win). We did it with big plays; we weren't driving

Canton has played sterling



PAUL HURSCHMANN | OBSERVER

... while Canton's Reggie Joyner is the Chiefs' money back.

ball since its 46-21 thumping at the hands of Westland John Glenn in Week 2 - earning a big measure of revenge last week with a 49-27 pasting of the Rockets, a win that got both coaches attention.

"Against Glenn, we jumped out so fast that they got out of their control mode and forced them to throw more," said Baechler. "They still made the big plays, but a lot of our points came in flurries with a short field and big plays. If you can drive 30 yards instead of 70, chances are good that you're going to score and score quick."

"I know Glenn had guys hurt," said Mach, "but watching

them on film, they just seem to be getting better and better every week, scoring a lot of points. No one has stopped them other than Glenn the first

Conversely, the Shamrocks have only been stopped once an upset by Orchard Lake St. Mary's with CC at less than 100 percent. But the mystique of playing CC doesn't enter into the minds of the Chiefs - at least Baechler doesn't think so.

"We're not playing against

their tradition, we're playing against the 11 guys on the field, and if we do that, we have a shot," said Baechler, whose team is making its thirdstraight trip to the district final. "On the board (Monday), I had their formations written up so we could talk about what they do and all of that. Some of the kids were overwhelmed, but a couple of the starters came in and went 'yeah, it's a lot of stuff but it's the same things we've seen all year.'

"That made me feel good. They do a lot of things, but they run two-tight (ends) 70 percent of the time, so we seem to be similar."

And with both teams running the same offense, relying on speedy backs with a solid offensive line and the same defensive game plan of denying the run and stringing out the line, the district final should come down to which team can do the little things well.

"We have to stop them and make sure they don't possess the ball," said Mach. "But when we do get the ball, we have to do something with it."

"I've always played for first downs, and if you get enough of them, the touchdowns will take care of themselves," said Baechler. "We just have to play who we play, get the job done and move on."

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With all the talented football teams in this area, we're in the second weekend of football and

Observerland is left with one flippin' game? How in the

world did that happen? I'll tell you

how. Rushing defense. Plain old rushing defense. Some area teams played well others could have played

better.

For example, Canton shut down John Glenn's rushing game, holding the Rockets to just 25 yards rushing on 20 attempts. But Glenn couldn't stop the Chiefs on the ground at all, allowing more than 400 vards on the ground.

The result? Payback for the Chiefs with a 49-27 win over the Rockets, the only team to beat Canton during the regular

Catholic Central put the clamps on Livonia Stevenson in their Division 1 game on Saturday, holding the Spartans to just 80 yards on the ground and keeping Matt McCowan, a 1,000-yard-plus rusher, to just 32 yards. The Shamrocks, meanwhile, racked up 236 yards rushing and - whammo lived to play another day in defense of their state title.

Thurston had an oh-fer streak against Trenton in its past. And after allowing the Trojans to gain 423 yards on the ground - 270 alone from Brett Kahn - the streak continued and the Eagles were sent to the sideline.

The only possible exception was Clarenceville's loss to Highland Park. While both teams gained just about the same yardage, the Polar Bears came through when it counted, holding the Trojans to minus-3 yards on their final drive. The result? No Dome, stay home for the Trojans.

So we are left with two teams and one game - Canton at CC. Both Tim Baechler and Tom Mach would rather pass kidney stones than a football. But in this game of Survivor, it will come down to which team can stop the run.

And speaking of Survivor, the one standing tall is moi, with a 3-1 mark for the first week of the playoffs, while C.J. Risak and Brad Emons were both 2-2 overall. We all pooched the Clarenceville game, while Risak and Emons incorrectly picked Thurston to beat Trenton. As for this week? Read on.

Canton (9-1) vs. Catholic Central (9-1) at Redford's Kraft Field, 1 p.m. Saturday: Let's be honest: Over the years, this is where opposition's running game comes to die. It's happened to Stevenson twice in the last three years; it's happened to John Glenn; it's happened to Cody. And on the surface, there's no reason to think it shouldn't happen to Canton.

After all, CC is a team that has given up less than 80 yards rushing total in its last two games. And yet, this is a Canton team on a roll. A big roll. A big-time, take-that-27-point-loss-and-enjoy-thistake-this-22-point-win over John Glenn roll. CC's backfield is the quickest group that the Shamrocks have had in a while. And Canton is quicker than CC. Which rushing defense has the better day will also be the same team that leaves Kraft Field on top. And that team is: PICKS: CC - Beaudry, Emons; Canton - Risak.

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Salem boys stumble at state; Canton girls trail

For Salem HS, it was a disappointment.

For Canton HS, it was

redemption of sorts.

At last Saturday's Division 1 State Cross Country Finals at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, the Rocks placed 21st in the 28team field with 481 points. Rockford win the state title with 133; Redford Catholic Central was fourth with 188 and Livonia Stevenson was 18th with 450.

Salem coach Geoff Baker had hoped his team could finish among the top 10 in the state. He was also hoping Justin

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Hajduk, one of the state's premier runners, could finish first individually.

Neither came to pass. Hajduk suffered a sprained ankle in the first 800 yards of the race and had nothing left at the finish, placing 28th overall in 16:03.8. As a junior, Hajduk finished sixth in the state.

The Rocks next best finisher was Randy Bearden, 112th overall (81st in the team competition) in 16:50.2, followed by Chris Vraniak in 158th (17:08.85); Adam Warner,

163rd (17:11.3); and Erik Ness, 184th (17:28.35). Mike Horgan was 204th (17:48.25) and James Leddy finished 212th (18:03.50).

Canton didn't qualify as a team but the Chiefs got some strong performances from their three individual qualifiers. Stephen Cheek, a freshman, was 81st overall in 16:36.4; Jon Western was a second short of his personal best time, placing 97th in 16:44.85; and Aaron Lanning completed his remarkable comeback from a knee injury suffered in a car accident six weeks ago by placing 107th in 16:48.65.

"It was a great day overall for finished 99th. the Chiefs," said Canton coach Bill Boyd.

CC, the defending state champ, wasn't quite able to match its performance of a year ago. Still, the Shamrocks got strong runs from Brian Doot, 35th in 16:09.45; David Lucas, 38th in 16:12.4; Dan Horgan, 42nd in 16:14.9; Kevin Mason, 57th in 16:22.95; and Trevor Step, 62nd in 16:25.65.

In the Division 4 race, Plymouth Christian Academy's Mark Varney bettered his performance of a year ago by placing 65th in the field of 237 runners in 17:41. Last year, Varnev

"To run a 17:41 on a cold day and to come in 65th, he's pretty satisfied with that," said PCA coach Steve Bauslaugh.

CANTON GIRLS 25TH

Not bad, but could have been better. Canton's girls cross country team made its secondstraight appearance at the Division 1 State Finals Saturday at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, finishing 25th in the 28-team field with 598 points. Rockford won the title with 57; Livonia Stevenson was sixth

(271) and Livonia Churchill was 20th (483).

Canton's best finisher was Jessica Levely, 70th in 19:36.85. Sarah McCormack was 129th (20:13.9), Rebecca McCormack placed 148th (20:27.9), Sarah Stobbe finished 208th (21:42.7) and Carrie Oleszkowicz was 220th (22:08.3). The Chiefs other competitors were Mary Maloney, 226th in 22:22.55, and Kristin Ward, 230th in 22:31.35. Salem sent a pair of individual qualifiers, with Lauren Kane placing 78th in 19:42.1 and Laura Friedman finishing 157th in 20:36.55.

Agape rips Zoe Christian; Salem falls

BY CHAD MACK STAFF WRITER

The Canton Agape Christian Academy girls basketball team continued on its torrid pace of landslide victories by beating Warren Zoe Christian 64-27 at Discovery Middle School Tuesday, extending its record to 18-1. Zoe falls to 5-12.

"Our goal is to play our best basketball by the time the (state) playoffs begin," Agape coach Chuck Henry said. "Our last close game was Sept. 24 (a three-point win over Oakland Christian)."

Lisa Ther led the Wolverines in scoring, dropping in 25 points and pulling down 13 rebounds. Closely behind was Amy Henry, who logged 21 points, 11 steals and seven

assists. The Warriors were outclassed from the start. Agape blew the game open in the first quarter by outscoring Zoe 22-5; by halftime the Wolverines had built their lead to 36-11 and were able to coast the rest of

the way. "The last couple of games we've really come out strong, Henry said. "We've really lit it up, scoring 41 and 36 points in the first half."

Zoe was led by Christy

Hazlett with six points. Last Friday, the Wolverines tore up Macomb Christian 61-40. Henry led the way with 24 points and 10 assists, followed by Ther who added 21 points

GIRLS BASKETBALL

and 11 rebounds. "They both have been playing extremely well," Henry said. 'They have been playing

together for three years and they are really jelling toward the end of the season."

W.L. Central 31, Salem 24: The Rocks had a chance to win the Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division title with a win at Walled Lake Central Tuesday, but they came up short offensively.

The loss left Salem at 11-7 overall, 5-2 in the Lakes - with both losses coming against Central (12-6 overall, 6-1 in the division).

"We scored one basket in the second quarter," said Salem coach Fred Thomann, "But we had a great third quarter."

That the Rocks did, overcoming a sevenpoint first half that left them trailing the Vikings 15-7 at the break with a 10-3 thirdquarter surge. Stephanie Philips led the comeback, which narrowed Central's lead to 18-17, with six points in the quarter.

Carly Schwan's three-pointer to start the fourth quarter gave Salem a 20-18 lead, but the Vikinos countered with two baskets by Katale Radamaker and another from Katle Harkness. The Rocks managed just two free throws down the stretch, allowing Central to

Philips and Alyssa Guerin paced Salem with six points apiece. Radamaker's 11 points topped Central; Harkness and Michelle White netted eight points aniece.

The win means Central will host the WLAA Championship game against Canton next

Canton 61, Churchill 47: Livonia Churchill (7-12 overall, 3-5 in the WLAA's Western Division) found out that three good quarters wasn't enough against first-place Canton (16-2 overall, 7-0 in the division) in the WLAA Western Division game Tuesday at Churchill.

Katie Cezat scored 28 points and grabbed 13 rebounds for the victorious Chiefs, Kristen

Lake added eight points and 10 boards, and Christina Redd totaled four points and eight

"Our rebounding has been real consistent for us," said Canton coach Bob Blohm.

Churchill's dynamic duo of Karen Anger and Robyn Johnson led the way with 14 and 13 points, respectively. Johnson also had five

"We hung around," said Churchill coach Rod Windle, whose team trailed by six at intermission. "We just didn't give ourselves a chance at the end.

"We've got to get more people involved. They are the primary players for us."

Churchill was almost perfect from the freethrow line, making 7-for-8 for the game. Canton was 19-of-28

"They are tall and strong," Windle said. "They are undefeated (in the WLAA) for a rea-

PCA 41, Macomb Christian 33: Plymouth Christian Academy coach Annie Malcolm remarked after Tuesday's home-court victory over Warren Macomb Christian that her team "had an official streak going here - a good

Seems so. The Eagles did it with a superb first quarter, during which they made 8-of-15 floor shots in outscoring the Crusaders 21-4. Good thing, too, since their shot abandoned them after that, PCA hit just 7-of-47

from the floor after that. "Luckily we got off to that strong start." Malcolm said, "That's what won the game for

"It wasn't pretty down the stretch, but we did what we had to do to win it."

The Eagles improved to 6-11 overall, collecting their second straight win. Macomb Christian is 11-6.

Kim Guilfoyle's 12 points paced PCA, eight of those coming in the first quarter. She also had a career-high 18 rebounds. Erin Young added seven points off the bench, and Laura Guilfoyle had five points and eight rebounds. Katie LaPine's nine points led the Crusaders.

PCA led 29-17 at the half and 33-25 after three quarters. Macomb Christian never got closer than seven after that.

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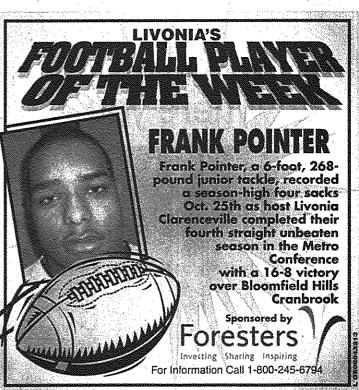
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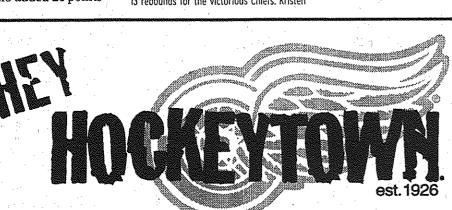
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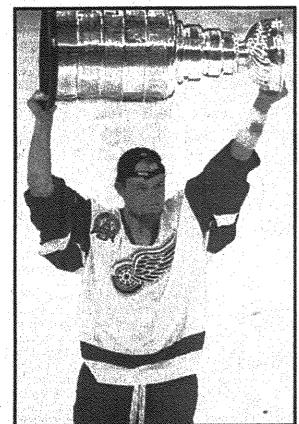
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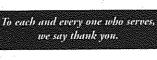
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Indiana Tech upsets Madonna in shootout

STAFF WRITER

This can't be. It just can't

No team can dominate a game the way Madonna University's women's team did Tuesday at Livonia's Greenmead Park in its Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic

Conference Semifinal against

Indiana Tech and not win. Perhaps dominate isn't strong enough a description. Outshoot a team by a 2-to-1 margin — that's dominating. Outshoot a team 36-3 — that's ridiculous.

Outshoot a team by that margin and lose — that's out-

But Madonna managed it.

The Lady Crusaders surrendered a goal on a free kick midway through the second half, then missed chance after chance until, after 90 minutes of regulation and 20 more of overtime, a penalty kick shootout was called for to decide the fate of these two

The Warriors made 4-of-5. Madonna made two.

Which means Tech, now 15-3-2, wins 2-1 and advances to Saturday's WHAC Final at Siena Heights. Madonna ends its season at 15-2-3.

"I had a feeling," said Crusaders' coach Mark Zathey. "I was fearful something like that would happen. I feel sorry for our players.

"We knocked on the door and knocked on the door. We had opportunities, we just didn't

There was no reason for Madonna to lose this match. Tech was never truly danger-

The Crusaders got the game's first goal on a perfectly executed corner kick by Emily Jackson. Sarah Pack (Canton/ Westland John Glenn) ran to the ball and headed it past Tech keeper Wendy Jacobs to give Madonna a 1-0 lead 17:13 into the match.

But despite their constant pressure, the Crusaders could not capitalize further. "The last time we played (during the regular season) it was 5-4 in overtime," said Warriors' coach Dave Allway. "These are two of the highest scoring teams in the country."

Tech seemed in no hurry to push forward to get the tying goal, instead sitting back in a defensive posture well into the second half. Then with 26 minutes remaining in regulation, a foul against the Crusaders was called just outside the penalty box. Jaime Rebman took it, Madonna keeper Sarah Hartsell (Livonia Churchill) stopped it, and Haley Vigstol knocked home the rebound, knotting it at 1-1 with 35:39

Which is the way it remained until the shootout. After one kicker in the best-of-five format, the Crusaders led 1-0, Tech's Katie Weber shooting wide left and Madonna's Becky Guibord rolling one that just got underneath Jacobs.

But the Warriors next two kickers, Kristen Hait and Kara Walker, both put their shots into the left corner, while Madonna's Susannah Bryant and Christen Shull shot wide left. When Rebman hit her kick into the right corner, Madonna trailed 3-1 with two kickers

remaining. Kelly Delaney converted, placing her kick into the right corner to keep the Crusaders alive. But Tech's Vigstol ended the drama with a game-win-

ning shot to the left corner. Asked what his strategy was coming into the match, Allway answered, "We didn't have any strategy. I told the girls to play

this however they wanted to. "I have a simple philosophy, and that's to bring in good kids and stay out of the way."

It worked. Madonna 8, Concordia 0: In a WHAC Tournament opener played Saturday at Greenmead, Madonna got two goals apiece from Guibord and Pack in rolling to an easy victory over

Concordia University. The Cardinals completed their season with a 4-13 record. Hartsell was in goal for the shutout, but she was never challenged. She did not record

a single save. Madonna had 33 shots at the Concordia goal. Five of the Crusaders' goals came in the first half, with Pack getting the first two. Guibord, Megan Thiry and Nicole

Allevato also scored. In the second half, Guibord scored again, as did Susan Hill and Shull. Allevato and Shull

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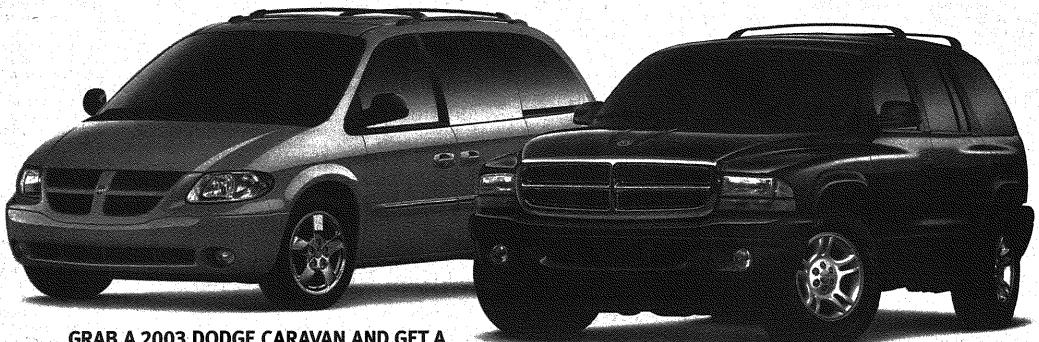
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Shootout win sends Ocelots to NJCAAs

STAFF WRITER

It was a mistake for Lewis and Clark (St. Louis, Mo.) CC not to do everything within its power to finish their NJCAA District Championship match at Schoolcraft College Sunday before overtime penalty kicks were required.

Taking the Ocelots to that stage could only serve as another test to their collective resolve. And as they have proven throughout the postseason, they can handle a challenge like that. They did again Sunday, beating Lewis and Clark 4-2 in the shootout.

The district title improves SC's record to 14-6 and qualifies them for the eight-team NJCAA Tournament Nov. 21-24 in Tyler, Tex.

The Ocelots needed a playoff victory over Delta CC just to

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qualify for the regional round of the playoffs, then managed to win the four-team regional - including a 3-0 triumph over Macomb CC, which had defeated SC twice during the regular

In Saturday's opening round of the district tournament, which SC hosted, Lewis and Clark defeated Bethany Lutheran (Mankato, Minn.) 2-O. That put them up against SC, which drew an openinground bye, on Sunday.

Ninety minutes of regulation and 20 more of sudden-death overtime solved nothing in the district championship, both sides remaining scoreless.

A best-of-five penalty kick shootout comes down to who has the better keeper and which team has the most players who

can withstand the pressure of a shootout.

Zoran Goljic got SC started right, hitting the opening try. Lewis and Clark also made its first shot.

Disaster loomed for the Ocelots when No. 2 kicker Tony Ventura missed his try, got a reprieve when the official ruled the Lewis and Clark keeper moved prematurely, then missed again.

But SC keeper Eric Sicilia (from Livonia Churchill) proved to be the difference, making saves on Lewis and Clark's next two shooters. Walter Watts hit his try and the Ocelots had a 2-1 lead through three rounds; Leonardo Moya's score allowed them to retain their two-goal advantage through four tries. Worteh Sampson opened the final round for SC and converted to clinch the victory.

SC coach Dominic Scieluna. forced out of the field of play after drawing a second red card in the qualifier against Delta, was still confident his team could win the district and make a second-straight trip to the NJCAA Tournament.

"I thought we could have just by the way we played the week before," Scicluna said. "I was concerned because we had so many injuries, but there's a bond among these guys with no weak link in the chain. Now they've carved out their own destiny."

The season, which has been filled with turmoil for SC. seems to be coming together at the right time. The suspension of defender Ryan Mallard after he was charged with assault for his actions during SC's match at Kellogg CC caused some problems. Others followed as the team struggled through a

mid-season slump that left it teetering on the brink of disas-

"I wasn't going to let them drown themselves," said Scicluna. "We were able to sort through it all. Everybody goes through it at one time or anoth-

The question now is, how far will the Ocelots new-found confidence take them? They will quite likely be the No. 8 seed at the NJCAAs, which means their first-round foe on Nov. 21 will be the top-seeded team. Also, Scicluna must sit out the first game at the tournament because of his red-card infraction.

The odds seem to be stacked against them. But then again, it's been that way for the past few weeks.

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Whalers' Wisniewski is Player of the Week

Well, it didn't take James Wisniewski long to get his game back.

OHL HOCKEY

The Plymouth Whalers' defenseman from Canton who was sidelined for four months with a knee injury returned to the lineup after missing the Whalers' first eight games. In the eight games since, he has scored six goals and added three assists for nine points.

Wisniewski's performance earned him Ontario Hockey League player of the week honors for last week.

On Saturday against the London Knights at Plymouth's Compuware Arena, Wisniewski collected a hat trick and added two assists as the Whalers pummeled the Knights, 9-3.

The win gave Plymouth a 9-5-1-1 record (20 points), second in the OHL's West Division to Sarnia (25 points). London was 6-8-1-1 through the weekend.

It actually took some time for the Whalers to get going against the Knights, who scored the game's first two goals. Chad LaRose's score with 1:50 left in the first period (from Karl Stewart and Ryan Ramsay) narrowed London's lead to 2-1.

After that, it was all Plymouth. The Whalers scored five unanswered goals in the second period, two of them on the power play and another shorthanded, with Wisniewski and Stewart each scoring twice and LaRose getting his second goal and assisting on two others. Cole Jarrett had three assists in the period, and Ramsay and Stewart each had an assist.

Jarrett added a goal and an assist in the third period, with Wisniewski and LaRose completing their hattricks as Plymouth collected three power-play goals. Wisniewski also had two assists in the period, with Stewart and Ramsay each getting one more assist apiece.

The Whalers have a busy weekend ahead. They host Erie Friday and divisionleader Sarnia Saturday (both at 7:30 p.m.), then play at Windsor Sunday.

Madonna spikers finish perfect in WHAC

On Tuesday, Madonna University's volleyball team assured itself of a familiar position. The Lady Crusaders' 30-16, 30-17, 30-15 triumph over Spring Arbor at Madonna allowed them to finish with a sixth-straight Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference championship.

But, as coach Jerry Abraham noted, this one was different. Madonna, which has won or shared the WHAC volleyball title in the six years of confer-

ence's existence, did something this season that none of its predecessors managed.

The Crusaders won all 12 WHAC matches without losing a single game.

Tuesday's victory gave the eighth-ranked team in the NAIA a 38-3 overall record and helped, at least a little bit, sooth the pain of last week's non-conference loss at Eckerd College (St. Petersburg, Fla.).

A spate of injuries and illnesses combined with a treacherous travel schedule to spell disaster for Madonna at Eckerd.

The Crusaders won their WHAC match at Tri-State on Oct. 29, bussed back to Livonia, then flew to Florida for their match against Eckerd the next day (Oct. 30).

Perhaps that 30-28, 22-30, 30-26, 30-28 loss and Tuesday's win will help the Crusaders refocus as the WHAC Tournament and the NAIA Regionals approach. It snapped their 31-match winning streak which featured just one match in which they even

Abraham believes it will. 'We're starting to get back to our style of play," he said. "This team's got a lot of talent, they can attack from a lot of different positions.

'We're playing well. We have a lot of weapons."

It showed in Tuesday's win over Spring Arbor (11-24 overall, 4-8 in the WHAC). Shelley Stanton had 18 kills (.615 kill percentage) and nine digs, Laura Lesko had 10 kills (.316) and eight blocks, Natalja Tinina totaled nine kills (.409) and four service aces, Tera

Morrill (Westland/Livonia Franklin) had five kills (.417), two aces, 14 digs and five blocks, Hayley Myers had nine kills (.643), Amanda Suder (Salem HS) had 13 digs, and Natalie Sayre had six kills (.455), 34 set assists, three aces and 10 digs.

The Crusaders play the University of Windsor in a nonconference match Friday.

As top seed in the WHAC Tournament, Madonna gets an opening-round bye, with the conference's Final Four to be at Madonna Nov. 15-16.



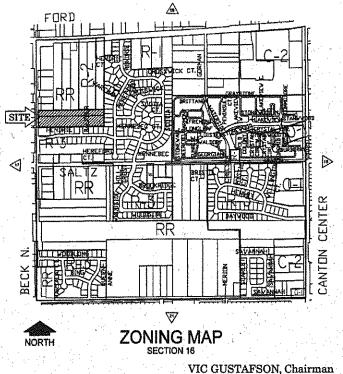
PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 2, 2002 in the Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

MAYI/ZDAN REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 062 99 0021 000 & 062 99 0022 000 FROM RR. RURAL RESIDENTIAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/5 ACRE), TO R-3, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (3 DWELLING UNITS/3 ACRE). Property is located on the east side of Beck Road between Ford and Saltz Road.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Wednesday, November 27, 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ACTION: Requested Approval of a Use Subject to

Special Conditions.

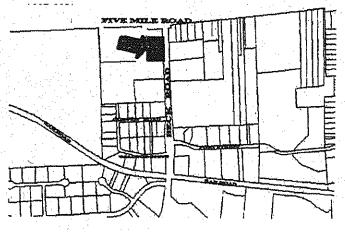
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, November 20, 2002

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received an application requesting the approval of "a use subject to special conditions" on parcel R-78-005-99-0002-005.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the request for a use subject to special conditions is pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance No. 83, Section 15.2. The Applicant, Standard Federal Bank is requesting to build a bank in an Industrial District (IND) on a parcel identified as Tax ID No. R-78-005-99-0002-005. The parcel is located on the east side of Beck Road just south of the intersection of Five Mile Road and Beck Road (Application No. 1752/1002). The application may be examined in the Community Development Department located in the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services Building, at 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI, during regular business hours from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or call 734-453-8131 ext. 37. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.



JOE BRIDGMAN, Secretary **Planning Commission**

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED ACTION: Requested approval of a Class "A"

nonconforming Use designation

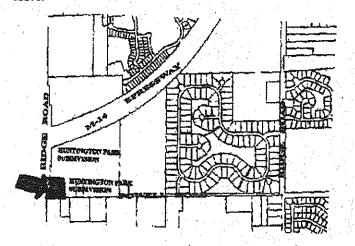
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, November 20, 2002 7:00 P.M.

TIME OF HEARING:

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEARING GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received an application requesting the approval of "a class "A" nonconforming use" designation on parcel R-78-043-99-0002-001.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the request for a class "A" nonconforming use designation is pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance No. 83, Section 23.27. The Applicant, American Tower Communication, is requesting a class "A" designation on a parcel identified as Tax ID No. R-78-043-99-0002-001. The Parcel is located on the north side of Powell Road at the intersection of Powell Road and Ridge Road (Application No. 1753/1002). The application may be examined in the Community Development Department located in the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services Building, at 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI, during regular business hours from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or call 734-453-8131 ext. 37. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI



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Crusaders seeking a season of improvement

C.J. RISAK **VFF WRITER**

Last season, Madonna niversity's men's basketball am began the season with a puple of wins. Promising start, ght?

Well, the team went into the ink after that, in no small part me to the conference the Crusaders play in. At any rate, ifter winning four of its first six, Madonna went 2-24 to finish 6-26. The Crusaders were 3-11 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, 1-14 in road games.

On Monday, they opened the current season with a 70-63 victory over St. Mary's College at Madonna.

Is this a reason for optimism? Can this be the team to challenge the .500 plateau in the very rough WHAC?

"They're going to work, they're going to hustle," said

Perhaps.

Bernie Holowicki, now in his eighth year as head coach (with a 47-167 career record).

"I can say this: This is the hardest working Madonna team lead they would not relinquish. I've had since I've been here." That's always a good sign, but will it be enough? Holowicki won't even concede that.

Against St. Mary's, the Crusaders built a double-digit lead late in the first half and led 34-25 at the half. But the Eagles, trailing 53-41 with 12:17 left in the game, put together a 14-1 run over the next 6:09 to take a 55-54 lead with 6:08 left.

Madonna has just one senior on the roster, which must be considered a weakness. But there are eight returnees, and that lone senior - Aaron Cox, a 6-foot-1 guard who averaged 8.5 points and 2.1 steals a game last season - stepped up when needed, knocking down two three-pointers in a 30-second span to give the Crusaders a

HOOP PREVIEW

Cox finished with 15 points

and three steals, but it was scoring balance that boosted Madonna past St. Mary's. Leading the Crusaders was Chris Behrns, a 6-5 junior forward from Grand Blanc who finished with 18 points and seven rebounds.

A pair of returnees helped considerably. Dan Kurtinaitis, a 6-3 point guard with junior eligibility who is also a standout with the Madonna men's soccer team, returned after missing last season with a broken ankle suffered following the first

Kurtinaitis scored 12 points, dished out four assists, had two steals and provided the stability Madonna will need at the point guard spot by making just one

turnover in nearly 34 minutes. Chad Nadolni, a 6-7 junior who averaged 5.5 points and 5.9 rebounds a game last season, led the defense against St. Mary's with eight rebounds, five

steals and four blocks. He also scored nine points.

And, perhaps just as notable, Madonna won despite getting a sub-par performance from last year's freshman standout, Noel Emenhiser. The 6-5 sophomore averaged a team-best 15 points a game as a freshman, grabbing 5.2 rebounds a game, but against St. Mary's he had nine points, four boards and six turnovers.

The Eagles, now 1-2, got 29 points and 17 rebounds from Marcus Brown.

The Crusaders showed more depth than in previous seasons, with other returnees like 6-foot junior guard Joe Greene, 6-3 sophomore guard Joe Kofahl, 6-5 junior forward Jim

Woodworth and 6-5 junior forward John Bennett (from Livonia Churchill). And newcomers like 6-foot sophomore guard Justin Reinig and 6-1 freshman guard Joe Calhoun should help.

Still, this team and program need plenty of help if its going to make an impact on the WHAC. One reason: Cornerstone University, which

reached the NAIA Division II semifinals last season and is No. 1 in the pre-season rankings. Then there's Siena Heights, ranked 11th in the pre-season

and a Sweet 16 qualifier last year, and Indiana Tech, listed 26th in the pre-season. Such competition won't make Madonna's road any easier. "We know how good the league is,"

ranked No. 1 in the country. "For us to win, they have to hustle every day. They know they've got to work."

Holowicki said. "Cornerstone is

Problems remain for the Crusaders. Although they were even with St. Mary's on the boards, rebounding could be a problem with just two players listed at 6-7 and four others at 6-5. A lack of experience could be troublesome, too.

"We're still not patient enough with the ball," Holowicki admitted. "We don't rebound that well and we need to pressure the ball better."

Madonna had 21 turnovers against St. Mary's, too many for the WHAC, but it forced 28 turnovers by the Eagles.

In the final analysis, perhaps the best way to describe the Crusaders is a work in progress. If they stay focused and carry Holowicki's "hardest-working team" description throughout their 32-game schedule, the foundation could be laid for future success.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

YOUTH SOCCER CHAMPIONS

Livonia Soccer Club United

an under-17 girls select team, recently completed an undefeated fall season (5-0-3) in the Great Lakes Soccer League.

Members of United, who outscored their opponents, 18-8, include: Amy Burley, Marina Chupac, Carmen Delano, Claire Doty, Kelly Lane, Katy Lanspeary, Sara Liebold, Erin Mireles and Gina Vulaj, all of Livonia; Ashley Matz, Westland; Ashley Carroll, Christina Davinich, Jennifer King and April Wisner, all of Plymouth; Chelsea Baldwin, Becka Brock and Nia Robles, all of Canton.

United is coached by Ernie

Leopold and Mike Mireles. Dave finances, truths and myths Lanspeary is the team manager.

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Student-athletes (grades 9-12), parents and guardians of the Western Lakes Activities Association are urged to attend a program called "The Realities of College Recruiting," 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, at the Northville High School Auditorium, located on Six Mile between Sheldon and Beck

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For more information, call Livonia Stevenson High athletic director Lori Hyman at (734) 744-2660, Ext. 48116.

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The city of Plymouth will have team registration for its new Adult Men's Basketball League teams through Nov. 1, or until the leagues are full. Play tentatively begins the week of Dec. 9.

The men's upper division (Class A/B) will play Wednesday nights; the Men's lower division (Class B and below) will play

Agenda – adopted as amended.

and filed.

Monday nights. Games will be played at 6:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at Central Middle School.

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REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS

3:00 P.M. MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2002

Operations & Maintenance Report for September 2002 - received

Lower Rouge Pump Station; Force Main Pump Spare Impeller -

YCUA Plant Expansion Project; Award of Construction Contract approval to award a \$92,278,000 construction contract to

Christman Company of Lansing, Michigan and further that the

WTUA cost share going forward be set at 71.57% of the project

Series 2002 Bonds; Bond Registrar & Transfer Agent - approved to

Lower Rouge Storage Building; Change Order No. 1 - approved.

Minutes of regular meeting of September 23, 2002 - approved. Minutes of special meeting of October 14, 2002 - approved. Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$976,638.54 - approved.

Director's Report for October 2002 - received and filed.

FY 2001/2002 Audit Engagement Letter - approved.

accept proposal from National City Bank.

Variable Frequency Drive Repair - approved.

Request For Proposals for T1 Line - approved.

Construction Management Observer - approved.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed.

Regular meeting called to order at 3:08 p.m. Present: Thomas Yack, Steve Mann, Mark Abbo

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Terry Bennett, Melissa McLaughlin

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P.M. the meeting will be held in the Arts II room at the Summit located at 46000 SUMMIT PARKWAY. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Redfern and Steven Johnson.

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Box 457 Bloomfield Hills Mi 48303 representing Douglas and Mary Crista Selden 40005 Koppernick Ave. Canton Mi 48187 for property at 40005 Koppernick, are requesting a variance to Fence Ordinance # 103 Section 8 D-1 (Height Variance) Parcel # 004-99-0012-006

Tom and Ellen Duca 6330 Gallery Dr. Canton MI 48187 are requesting a variance for property at the same address to Zoning Ordinance Article 26.01 Section 2.03 D3 scope of requirements and accessory structure requirements to build a storage building. Parcel # 035-01-0024-301

(Building)

Paul H. Bibeau of Larson, Harms & Bibeau P.C. 37889 Twelve Mile Rd. Suite 300 Farmington Hills, Mi 48331 is representing Teach Me More, Inc. for property at 42419 Ford Road Canton Mi 48187. They are requesting a variance to the Sign Ordinance 120 Section 9.1 Parcel # 054-99-0001-013 (Building)

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

WESTERN TOWNSHIP

UTILITIES AUTHORITY **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

SPECIAL MEETING SYNOPSIS

5:00 P.M., OCTOBER 31, 2002

2002 Series Bonds for YCUA Plant Expansion; Award Contract -

Resolution awarding the bid to Merrill Lynch & Company of New

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York, NY approved for the purchase of the 2002 Series Bonds.

Special meeting called to order at 5:08 p.m.

Agenda - adopted as presented.

Present: Thomas Yack, Ron Griffith, Mark Abbo

The special meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

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

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TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

Publish: November 7, 2002

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David Medley, ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road Canton, MI 48188 (734) 394-5260

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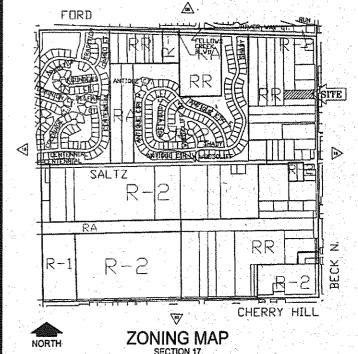
PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 2, 2002 in the Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

YEREBECK REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 065 99 0010 701 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL 1 DWELLING UNIT/5 ACRE), TO R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (2 DWELLING UNITS/2 ACRE). Property is located on the west side of Beck Road between Ford and Saltz

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Wednesday, November 27, 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA **NOVEMBER 14, 2002**

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Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2002 AT 7:30

Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Phyllis Acceptance of Agenda

2. Domenic Ponco 18062 Wildflower Northville Mi 48167 is (Planning)

Stephen Kale/Thomas Hibler of Business Law Center P.C. P.O. (Building)

(Approval of October 10th, 2002 Minutes) Publish November 7, 2002

SALEN SOCCER

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games by officially scoring

three goals in each. The first Salem goal was a combined effort by the pair that, offensively anyway, has been the driving force behind the Rocks' run to the title match. It started with Brian Popeney curling a pass down the left wing to Kevin Savitskie, and Savitskie serving it back to Popeney between the sideline and the near post.

Popeney beat the defender and powered a drive past Brighton keeper Jason Tillman, making it 1-0 with 5:53 left in the first half.

That got the Rocks going. At the start of the second half they came out flying, applying pressure constantly. Three excellent scoring chances in the first six minutes just missed, in part due to Tillman's presence in goal.

"Their goalkeeper, Tillman, was brilliant," was McCarthy's reply when asked how the Rocks missed so many open opportunities.

The fourth Salem chance, however, struck home. It started with the ball being dealt into the box by Popeney; a Bulldog defender fielded it and tried to clear, but slipped on the wet turf and mishit, the ball sliding back to Popeney.

"Of all the guys you don't want to drop it to, Popeney's No. 1," said McCarthy. "He's going to find the open man."

Which he did, slotting a pass through to Matt Wielechowski six yards in front of the Brighton net. Wielechowski banged it home, and Salem's lead was 2-0 with 33:43 left.

By now, the Bulldogs were back on their heels as the Rocks continued to attack. However, the next break went to Brighton.

Jonathon Palmer checked into the Bulldog lineup and took a throw-in deep in the Salem end, tossing the ball into the box in front of the Rocks' goal. Austin Cook put a shot on net - Brighton's first real scoring opportunity of the second half - that Salem keeper Tom Huls tipped but could not stop.

s goal at 25:27 halved the Rocks' lead and resuscitated both Brighton's hopes and McCarthy's worries.

"Normally, a two-goal lead for us is enough," McCarthy said. "But they didn't give up, as much as I wanted them to.

"I was very surprised how good an attack they were able to consistently create."

And yet, as many chances as Brighton had, Salem had more. The Rocks, with Savitskie and Popeney up top, continued to pressure the ball.

Then, with just under 13 minutes left, the third goal came on a try that seemed far less dangerous than any of their previous efforts. Mike Masters took a shot from 20 yards out and Tillman pursued it, but the ball deflected off a Bulldog defender's back. The change in direction caught Tillman out of position, and the ball was past him before he could react.

Upon seeing a shot get past Tillman, McCarthy turned and said, "Maybe that was just meant to be," at last accepting his destiny.

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groundless. Siena Heights continued to apply pressure, but that left gaps in its defense which the Crusaders were only too happy to take advantage of.

"We missed a lot of chances, but once we got that fourth goal it was over," Alexander

The fourth Madonna score came from Smith, on a counter started by Wilkes, who threaded a pass behind the Saints' defense to Smith for the finish and a 4-1 lead with 21:39 left. Just two minutes later, Evan Baker (Canton HS) got possession on the right wing, beat the Siena Heights' defender and scored to make it 5-1.

Miller's second goal with 1:22 to play capped the victory and allowed the Crusaders to start refocusing their attention once again - to Saturday's WHAC Final and beyond.

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"The turning point deflection," he said. "We had pushed up and got some good third goal took the wind out of our sails a little bit. It's only natural for the guys to take a step back after that." As for destiny, it

must be noted that although Salem is making its third trip to the final under McCarthy, they've never won with him as coach.

But... The Rocks did

win the state championship in 1995 with Ken Johnson as coach, and you know what? It was their third trip to the final under Johnson.

The offensive thrust for Salem's drive to Saturday's state final has been supplied by Brian Popeney (left) and Kevin Savitskie. You know what they say:

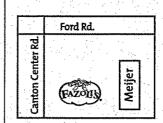
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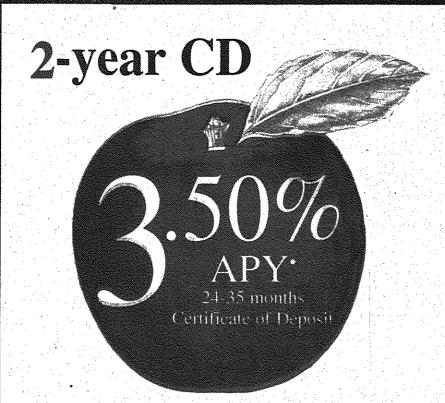
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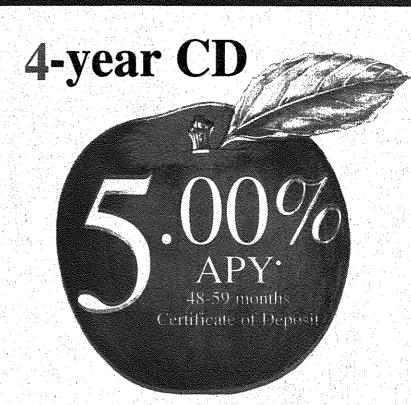




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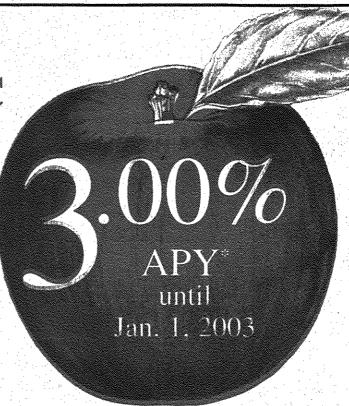
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Crusaders seeking a season of improvement

BY C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITER

Last season, Madonna University's men's basketball team began the season with a couple of wins. Promising start, right?

Well, the team went into the tank after that, in no small part due to the conference the Crusaders play in. At any rate, after winning four of its first six, Madonna went 2-24 to finish 6-26. The Crusaders were 3-11 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, 1-14 in road games.

On Monday, they opened the current season with a 70-63 victory over St. Mary's College at

Madonna. Is this a reason for optimism? Can this be the team to challenge the .500 plateau in the very rough WHAC?

Perhaps. "They're going to work, they're going to hustle," said Bernie Holowicki, now in his eighth year as head coach (with a 47-167 career record).

"I can say this: This is the I've had since I've been here."

That's always a good sign, but will it be enough? Holowicki won't even concede that.

Against St. Mary's, the Crusaders built a double-digit lead late in the first half and led 34-25 at the half. But the Eagles, trailing 53-41 with 12:17 left in the game, put together a 14-1 run over the next 6:09 to take a 55-54 lead with 6:08 left.

Madonna has just one senior on the roster, which must be considered a weakness. But there are eight returnees, and that lone senior — Aaron Cox, a 6-foot-1 guard who averaged 8.5 points and 2.1 steals a game last season — stepped up when needed, knocking down two three-pointers in a 30-second span to give the Crusaders a

HOOP PREVIEW

hardest working Madonna team lead they would not relinquish. Cox finished with 15 points and three steals, but it was scor-

ing balance that boosted Madonna past St. Mary's. Leading the Crusaders was Chris Behrns, a 6-5 junior forward from Grand Blane who finished with 18 points and seven rebounds.

A pair of returnees helped considerably. Dan Kurtinaitis, a 6-3 point guard with junior eligibility who is also a standout with the Madonna men's soccer team, returned after missing last season with a broken ankle suffered following the first

Kurtinaitis scored 12 points, dished out four assists, had two steals and provided the stability Madonna will need at the point guard spot by making just one

turnover in nearly 34 minutes.

Chad Nadolni, a 6-7 junior who averaged 5.5 points and 5.9 rebounds a game last season, led the defense against St. Mary's with eight rebounds, five steals and four blocks. He also scored nine points.

And, perhaps just as notable, Madonna won despite getting a sub-par performance from last year's freshman standout, Noel Emenhiser. The 6-5 sophomore averaged a team-best 15 points a game as a freshman, grabbing 5.2 rebounds a game, but against St. Mary's he had nine points, four boards and six

turnovers. The Eagles, now 1-2, got 29 points and 17 rebounds from Marcus Brown.

The Crusaders showed more depth than in previous seasons, with other returnees like 6-foot junior guard Joe Greene, 6-3 sophomore guard Joe Kofahl, 6-5 junior forward Jim

Woodworth and 6-5 junior forward John Bennett (from Livonia Churchill). And newcomers like 6-foot sophomore guard Justin Reinig and 6-1 freshman guard Joe Calhoun should help.

Still, this team and program need plenty of help if its going to make an impact on the WHAC. One reason: Cornerstone University, which

reached the NAIA Division II semifinals last season and is No. 1 in the pre-season rankings. Then there's Siena Heights, ranked 11th in the pre-season

year, and Indiana Tech, listed 26th in the pre-season. Such competition won't make Madonna's road any easier. "We know how good the league is," Holowicki said. "Cornerstone is

and a Sweet 16 qualifier last

ranked No. 1 in the country. "For us to win, they have to hustle every day. They know they've got to work."

Problems remain for the Crusaders. Although they were even with St. Mary's on the boards, rebounding could be a problem with just two players listed at 6-7 and four others at 6-5. A lack of experience could be troublesome, too.

We're still not patient enough with the ball," Holowicki admitted. "We don't rebound that well and we need to pressure the ball better."

Madonna had 21 turnovers against St. Mary's, too many for the WHAC, but it forced 28 turnovers by the Eagles.

In the final analysis, perhaps the best way to describe the Crusaders is a work in progress. If they stay focused and carry Holowicki's "hardest-working team" description throughout their 32-game schedule, the foundation could be laid for future success.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

YOUTH SOCCER CHAMPIONS

Livonia Soccer Club United

an under-17 girls select team, recently completed an undefeated fall season (5-0-3) in the Great Lakes Soccer League.

Members of United, who outscored their opponents, 18-8, include: Amy Burley, Marina Chupac, Carmen Delano, Claire Doty, Kelly Lane, Katy Lanspeary, Sara Liebold, Erin Mireles and Gina Vulaj, all of Livonia; Ashley Matz, Westland; Ashley Carroll, Christina Davinich, Jennifer King and April Wisner, all of Plymouth; Chelsea Baldwin, Becka Brock and Nia Robles, all of Canton.

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REALITIES OF RECRUITING

Student-athletes (grades 9-12), parents and guardians of the Western Lakes Activities Association are urged to attend a program called "The Realities of College Recruiting," 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, at the Northville High School Auditorium, located on Six Mile between Sheldon and Beck roads.

See your athletic administrator for free tickets to attend.

Led by Jack Renkens, former college and high school coach, the 90-minute program will assist student-athletes with responsibility, preparation, participation, opportunities,

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about the college recruiting

Renkens has spent 22 years as a teacher, coach and administrator at the high school, junior and senior college levels.

For more information, call Livonia Stevenson High athletic director Lori Hyman at (734) 744-2660, Ext. 48116.

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUES

The city of Plymouth will have team registration for its new Adult Men's Basketball League teams through Nov. 1, or until the leagues are full. Play tentatively begins the week of Dec. 9.

The men's upper division (Class A/B) will play Wednesday nights; the Men's lower division (Class B and below) will play

Monday nights. Games will be played at 6:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. at Central Middle School.

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WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 3:00 P.M. MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2002

Regular meeting called to order at 3:08 p.m. Present: Thomas Yack, Steve Mann, Mark Abbo

Agenda – adopted as amended. Minutes of regular meeting of September 23, 2002 - approved.

Minutes of special meeting of October 14, 2002 - approved. Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$976,638.54 - approved. Operations & Maintenance Report for September 2002 - received Director's Report for October 2002 - received and filed.

Lower Rouge Pump Station; Force Main Pump Spare Impeller -

FY 2001/2002 Audit Engagement Letter - approved. YCUA Plant Expansion Project; Award of Construction Contract approval to award a \$92,278,000 construction contract to Christman Company of Lansing, Michigan and further that the WTUA cost share going forward be set at 71.57% of the project

Series 2002 Bonds; Bond Registrar & Transfer Agent - approved to accept proposal from National City Bank. Variable Frequency Drive Repair - approved.

Request For Proposals for T1 Line - approved. Lower Rouge Storage Building; Change Order No. 1 - approved. Construction Management Observer - approved. YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed. The regular meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

> Chairman. THOMAS J. YACK

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA **NOVEMBER 14, 2002**

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2002 AT 7:30 P.M. the meeting will be held in the Arts II room at the Summit located at 46000 SUMMIT PARKWAY. The following Agenda will be discussed:

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Phyllis

Redfern and Steven Johnson. Acceptance of Agenda

1. Danny Veri at Livonia Builders 4952 Dewitt Canton Mi 48188 is requesting a variance to the Zoning Ordinance Section 26B for property AT 1236 Lilley N. Canton Mi 48187 RE-SCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 10, 2002 ZBA Parcel # 053-99-0015-002 (Planning)

2. Domenic Ponco 18062 Wildflower Northville Mi 48167 is requesting a variance to Zoning Ordinance Article 26.02 Schedule of Regulations for property on the corner of Beck and Saltz. RE-SCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 10, 2002 ZBA Parcel # 065-99-0020-701 A (Planning)

3. Stephen Kale/Thomas Hibler of Business Law Center P.C. P.O. Box 457 Bloomfield Hills Mi 48303 representing Douglas and Mary Crista Selden 40005 Koppernick Ave. Canton Mi 48187 for property at 40005 Koppernick, are requesting a variance to Fence Ordinance # 103 Section 8 D-1 (Height Variance) Parcel # 004-99-0012-006

(Building) Tom and Ellen Duca 6330 Gallery Dr. Canton MI 48187 are requesting a variance for property at the same address to Zoning Ordinance Article 26.01 Section 2.03 D3 scope of requirements and accessory structure requirements to build a storage building. Parcel # 035-01-0024-301

(Building)

Paul H. Bibeau of Larson, Harms & Bibeau P.C. 37889 Twelve Mile Rd. Suite 300 Farmington Hills, Mi 48331 is representing Teach Me More, Inc. for property at 42419 Ford Road Canton Mi 48187. They are requesting a variance to the Sign Ordinance 120 Section 9.1 Parcel # 054-99-0001-013 (Building)

(Approval of October 10th, 2002 Minutes) Publish November 7, 2002

WESTERN TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** SPECIAL MEETING SYNOPSIS 5:00 P.M., OCTOBER 31, 2002

Special meeting called to order at 5:08 p.m. Present: Thomas Yack, Ron Griffith, Mark Abbo Agenda - adopted as presented.

2002 Series Bonds for YCUA Plant Expansion; Award Contract -Resolution awarding the bid to Merrill Lynch & Company of New York, NY approved for the purchase of the 2002 Series Bonds. The special meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

> Chairman. THOMAS J. YACK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

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

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TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

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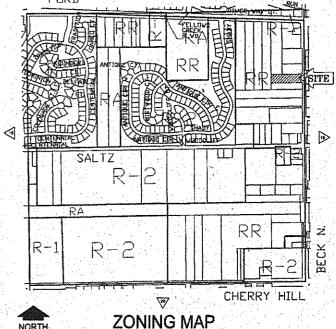
PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 2, 2002 in the Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

YEREBECK REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 065 99 0010 701 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/5 ACRE), TO R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (2 DWELLING UNITS/2 ACRE). Property is located on the west side of Beck Road between Ford and Saltz

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Wednesday, November 27, 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



SECTION 17

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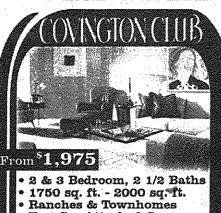


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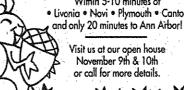
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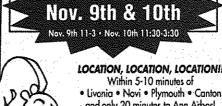
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